

## Boone will not run for re-election

### State House Democrat will retire in 2019

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State Rep. Deborah Boone, a Democrat who has represented

the North Coast in Salem for 14 years, will not run for re-election.

Boone announced Tuesday she will retire from House District 32 when her seventh two-year term ends in January 2019. Her decision comes after the death of her husband, Bill Boone, a contractor and firefighter, in November.

"The past two years have been very difficult for me as I became

a full-time caretaker for my husband who was fighting brain cancer," Boone said in a statement.

Boone, who lives in Hamlet, is known for her advocacy of emergency preparedness, the environment and economic development.

"The safety of our citizens, and vibrancy of our communities has been an uppermost concern and led to the introduction

of House Resolution 3, the Oregon Resilience Plan, and follow-up legislation to implement the plan," she said. "This legislation is vital to ensuring the safety of our people and the survival of our communities following disasters."

In November 2016, Boone won a seventh term in the state House, defeating Republican challenger Bruce Bobek, a physi-

cian at Columbia Memorial Hospital. House District 32 covers all of Clatsop, most of Tillamook and a western portion of Washington counties.

Boone was first elected the district's representative in 2004, replacing Elaine Hopson. She had previously served 16 years as a legislative assistant to seven



State Rep. Deborah Boone

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## Missing kayaker found dead

### Tualatin man was crabbing near Seaside

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SEASIDE — The body of a missing kayaker was found Tuesday night near the ocean in Seaside west of the Turnaround.

Matthew Manley, 42, of Tualatin, was last seen crabbing from his kayak Monday afternoon in the estuary near the mouth of the Necanicum River, authorities said.

The Coast Guard called off a search for Manley Tuesday afternoon after considering different survivability factors. A Coast Guard official said they took into consideration the fact Manley was reported not to be wearing a life jacket at the time.

On Monday, the Coast Guard had launched a 47-foot motor lifeboat from Station Cape Disappointment and an MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter from Air Station Astoria.

With water temperatures near 50 degrees, city officials say people recreating in and around open waters should use extreme caution.

Seaside police are still looking for the missing kayak. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact Seaside Detective Guy Knight.



City of Seaside

Matthew Manley went missing around 3 p.m. New Year's Day while kayaking.

## PICTURE PERFECT



Adrian Kobler

'Fiery Sunrise,' by Adrian Kobler, 64, of Gearhart, is the judges' pick for first place in the 2017 Coast Weekend Photo Contest. The photo was taken in the nature conservancy near Kobler's home as the sun broke through morning fog. Kobler also earned an honorable mention in the contest for his photo 'Looks Yummy,' and his photo 'The Squeaky Wheel ...' ranked in the Top 25. See more photos in Coast Weekend on Thursday.



Allen Zuern

'Bridge in the Clouds,' by Astoria resident Allen Zuern, wins second place. Zuern, 64, snapped this shrouded Columbia riverscape from his backyard one morning as fog settled beneath the Astoria Bridge.



Stephanie Buffington

Third place goes to Stephanie Buffington, 51, of Gearhart, who took this pet picture, titled 'Jinger at Gearhart Beach,' while she and her golden retriever were catching a sunset.

## Blue Heron Pointe back with changes in Seaside



R.J. Marx/The Daily Astorian

South entrance to Blue Heron Pointe on Avenue S. Residents fear traffic may create safety issues heading to the new school campus and U.S. Highway 101.

### Owners revise plans for affordable housing

By R.J. MARX  
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SEASIDE — Ten months ago, developers of the 15-acre plot of land on the corner of South Wahanna Road and Avenue S called Blue Heron Pointe walked away after the city issued a requirement for sidewalks for a proposed affordable housing project.

At the time, the owners decided the city's call to have a section of sidewalk built along Avenue S in the first phase of their 46-lot project would not be feasible.

A revised 59-lot plan seeks to address past concerns with the number of housing units and a design for pedestrian and bike lanes within

the subdivision.

But mapping, drainage and traffic remain at the top of the list of questions.

Seaside resident Ken Thysell said he feared accidents and delays, particularly driving west from Avenue S to U.S. Highway 101.

"You're going to have some accidents you don't have right now, or you're going to have huge backups on Broadway," Thysell said at a Planning Commission meeting Tuesday.

#### More lots, fewer units

The Planning Commission originally required a bike path and pedestrian sidewalk along Wahanna Road, City Planner Kevin Cupples said.

"In lieu of doing that, they're looking at putting a bike lane through the development rather

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