



Astoria Downtown Historic District Association
Billy Reed, left, was one of the volunteers honored at the Astoria Downtown Historic District Association's annual Volunteer Appreciation Night. He is pictured with ADHDA Board President Dulcye Taylor.

Volunteers honored with awards from downtown association

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Volunteers are the key to the Astoria Downtown Historic District Association's success, and 10 special awards were given to recognize outstanding service in 2017 at the annual Volunteer Appreciation Night, held recently at Buoy Beer. Over 4,600 volunteer hours were logged last year, representing an investment of over \$100,000 in time from community members.

This year the President's Award was presented to Jeff Daly and Marco Davis for being stalwart boosters of fun in downtown Astoria. The Pat Award, named for long-time supporter Pat Saunders, was given to David Reid for his many years of service as the chairman of the Business Development Committee, among many other events and activities.

Others acknowledged for their efforts downtown

include: Tim and Melba O'Bryant for leading the Christmas Club's annual decorating; Jonah Dart-Mclean for his work on downtown planters and the Pacific NorthWest Brew Cup event; Sandi Hilton for leading the Brew Cup volunteers; Phyllis Taylor for her work on the Second Saturday Art Walk; Christine Lolic and Raleigh for their work watering the downtown planters; Billy Reed for setting up a general meeting space at Baked Alaska; and the entire Brew Cup Committee for their ongoing commitment to the festival.

ADHDA is a nonprofit organization encouraging community involvement and investment in preserving the character of historic downtown Astoria while promoting its health and future. For information about volunteering for, or sponsoring ADHDA programs and activities, contact Sarah Lu Heath at sarah@astoriadowntown.com

RELIGION BRIEFS

Pacific Unitarian Universalist

The Pacific Unitarian Universalist Fellowship holds a service at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Performing Arts Center, 588 16th St. The speaker is Jorge Gutierrez from the Lower Columbia Hispanic Council.

Religious education for the children is available each week following the "Moment with the Children" near the beginning of the service.

The monthly potluck is at the Masonic Temple across the street after the service.

For information, call 503-325-5225, email pacuuff@gmail.com or go to pacuuff.org

Religious Society of Friends

ILWACO, Wash. — The Lower Columbia Quakers, also known as the Religious Society of Friends, meets at 3 p.m. Sunday in the Ilwaco Community Center, 158 First Ave. N. All are welcome to visit and participate. For information, go to lowercolumbiaquakers.org

Common Ground Interspiritual

A Celebration of Spirit, sponsored by Common Ground Interspiritual Fellowship, meets from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Sunday in the Wesley Room at the Astoria First United Methodist Church, 1076 Franklin Ave. Use the 11th Street building entrance. This morning gathering is not defined by any particular belief system, and is intended for the "spiritual but not religious," as well as those who draw from more than one faith tradition. For information, go to cgifellowship.org

St. Mary, Star of the Sea

The St. Mary, Star of the Sea Parish is hosting a solo acoustic mission concert, "Come Hold My Son" by Daniel Oberreuter, at 6 p.m. Sunday in the

church, 1465 Grand Ave. The concert takes the audience through the mysteries of the rosary in anticipation of the beginning of Lent on Wednesday. All are welcome. There is no cost, but a free will offering will be taken for the artist.

Grace Episcopal

Grace Episcopal Church, 1545 Franklin Ave., celebrates the Last Sunday after the Epiphany at both the 8 and 10 a.m. services on Sunday. The tradition of "putting away the Alleluias" occurs following the later service, highlighting the omission of "Alleluias" from church services for Lent. Parishioners are asked to bring palm crosses or branches from Palm Sunday last year to be burned to use as ashes on Wednesday, which is Ash Wednesday.

Following the 10 a.m. service there is a reception for the new art exhibit hanging in the Parish Hall. This exhibit features watercolors by local author Barbara Thacker, and hangs until March 8.

The monthly Second Sunday Soup Supper meal is at 4 p.m. Sunday in the Parish Hall, free of charge. Those willing to help should come at 3 p.m. to set up, or 5 p.m. to help clean up.

The annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper is from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Parish Hall, served by the acolytes of Grace Church. Donations will be accepted for the Acolyte Fund. The meal includes ham and all-you-can-eat pancakes. The palms will be burned at 7:30 p.m. for use on Ash Wednesday.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, and is observed with two services of the Imposition of Ashes, at noon and at 7 p.m.

"Fridays in Lent," a weekly music series between 12:10 and 1 p.m. for contemplative listening and/or walk-

ing the Stations of the Cross, begins Feb. 16 with Shelley Loring playing the flute. All are welcome.

For information and opportunities for Lent, call the church at 503-325-4691 or go to graceastoria.org

First Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church of Astoria, 1103 Grand Ave., meets Sunday at 10 a.m. In anticipation of the beginning of Lent, there is a special anointing and blessing during the service. Rev. Bill Van Nostran's sermon topic is "Restoring Wholeness." Denise Reed provides musical accompaniment on organ and piano. A potluck lunch is being served in the Fellowship Hall after the service.

Fellowship Hall is the site of the "Second Saturdays Market" from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Arts, crafts and specialty food are offered. Attendance is free.

The church is hosting Bowling Night at 6:30 p.m. Monday at Lower Columbia Bowl, 826 Marine Drive.

Guided Meditation is offered at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the Marcotte Room (behind the sanctuary), led by Sumedha Murdock.

For information, call 503-325-1702, email pastorbill@fpcastoria.org, or go to fpcastoria.org

First United Methodist

Astoria First United Methodist Church, 1076 Franklin Ave., holds a worship service at 11 a.m. Sunday. The sermon title for Transfiguration Sunday is "Glowing in the Dark." The children of the congregation enjoy working on art projects at their special table, while staying in the service.

A new series with a video and congregational discussion begins on "Special 4th Sunday," Feb. 25, at 11 a.m.

For information, call 503-325-5454.

COMMUNITY NOTES

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Center, 1111 Exchange St. For information, call 503-325-3231.

Scandinavian Workshop — 10 a.m., First Lutheran Church, 725 33rd St. Needlework, hardanger, knitting, crocheting, embroidery and quilting. All are welcome. For information, call 503-325-1364 or 503-325-7960.

Astoria High School Class of 1970 — 11 a.m., Koffee Klatch at Rod's Bar and Grill, 45 N.E. Skipanon Drive, Warrenton. For information, call ShawnAnn Hope at 503-791-1231.

Senior Lunch — 11:30 a.m., Bob Chisholm Senior Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside. Suggested donation \$3 for those older than 60; \$6.75 for those younger than 60. For information, call Michelle Lewis at 503-861-4200.

Columbia Senior Diners — 11:30 a.m., 1111 Exchange St. Cost is \$6. For information, or to have a meal delivered, call 503-325-9693.

Warrenton Senior Lunch Program — noon, Warrenton Community Center, 170 S.W. Third St. Suggested donation of \$5 for seniors and \$7 for those younger than 60. For information, or to volunteer, call 503-861-3502 Monday or Thursday.

Astoria Rotary Club — noon, second floor of the Astoria Elks Lodge, 453 11th St. Guests always welcome. For information, go to AstoriaRotary.org

Parkinson's Support Group — 1 p.m., Peace Lutheran Church library, 565 12th St. For information, call 503-440-1970 or 503-440-1985.

Peninsula Quilt Guild — 1 p.m., Peninsula Church Center, 5000 N. Pence, Seaview, Washington. Newcomers welcome. Bring nonperishable food donation. For information, call Janet King at 360-665-3005.

Knockers Pinochle Group — 1 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside. Cost is \$1 per regular session per person. Players with highest and second highest scores split the prize. Game is designed for players 55 and older, but all ages are welcome.

Mahjong for Experienced Players — 1 p.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. For information, call 503-325-3231.

Line Dancing for Seniors — 3 to 4:30 p.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. Not for beginners. For information, call 503-325-3231.

Seaside Lions Club — 5 p.m., West Lake Restaurant & Lounge, 1480 S. Roosevelt Drive, Seaside. For information, call 503-738-7693.

Pacific County (Wash.) Democrats — 6 p.m., North County Annex, 1216 Robert Bush Drive, South Bend, Washington. Yearly dues will be collected. If unable to attend in person, but want to participate, call 712-451-0846, PIN number 503680, and identify yourself. For information, go to pacificcountymocrats.com

TUESDAY

Tobacco Free Coalition of Clatsop County — 9 to 10:30 a.m., Clatsop County Health and Human Services, 820 Exchange St. Anyone interested in tobacco use prevention and education welcome. For information, call Steven Blakesley at 503-325-8500 or Alissa Dorman at 503-325-4321, ext. 5758.

Do Nothing Club — 10 a.m. to noon, 24002 U St., Ocean Park, Wash. Men's group. For information, call Jack McBride at 360-665-2721.

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Astoria Lions Club — noon, Astoria Elks Lodge, 453 11th St. Prospective members welcome. For information, contact Charlene Larsen at 503-325-0590.

Astoria-Warrenton Duplicate Bridge Club — 12:30 to 4 p.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. Anyone may play if they have a partner; to request a bridge partner, call 503-325-0029.

Warrenton Alzheimer's Support Group — 2 to 3:30 p.m., 2002 S.E. Chokeberry Ave., Warrenton. Support and information about Alzheimer's disease. For information, call Grace Bruseth 503-738-6412.

Authentic Spiritual Conversations — 7 to 8:30 p.m., Activity Center, first floor, CMH-OHSU Knight Cancer Collaborative, 1905 Exchange St. Open dialogue about spiritual issues. Group supports participants in sharing their own understanding and putting their spiritual values into practice. All faiths, including "spiritual but not religious" welcome. For information, email info@cgifellowship.org or call 916-307-9790.

WEDNESDAY
Warrenton Sunrise Rotary Club — 7 a.m., Dooger's Seafood & Grill, Youngs Bay Plaza, 103 S. U.S. Highway 101, Warrenton. For information, call 503-325-4030.

Chair Exercises for Seniors — 9 to 9:45 a.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. For information, call 503-325-3231.

Help Ending Abusive Relationship Tendencies — 10 to 11:30 a.m., The Harbor, 1361 Duane St. HEART covers subjects related to the effects of domestic violence on children, parents and other family members, dynamics of power and control, and how to recognize red flags. Open group for females and those who identify as female, and for anyone in an abusive relationship, or who knows someone who is. For information, call Juli Hol at 503-325-3426, ext. 103.

Wickiup Senior Lunches — 11:30 a.m., Wickiup Grange Hall, 92683 Svensen Market Road. Free for those older than 60 (\$3 suggested donation), \$6.75 for those younger than age 60. For information, call Michelle Lewis at 503-861-4200.

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Blood Pressure Checks — noon to 2 p.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. For information, call 503-325-3231.

Warrenton Kiwanis Club — 1 p.m., Dooger's Seafood and Grill, 103 U.S. Highway 101, Warrenton. For information, call Darlene Warren at 503-861-2672.

Sit & Stitch — 1 to 3 p.m., Homespun Quilts & Yarn, 108 10th St. Bring knitting, crochet or other needlework projects along to this community stitching time. All skill levels welcome.

Mahjong for Experienced Players — 1:15 p.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. For information, call 503-325-3231.

Beginner Line Dancing for Seniors — 1:30 to 3 p.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. For information, call 503-325-3231.

Warrenton Business Association — 5:30 p.m., commission chambers, Warrenton City Hall, 225

S. Main Ave. For information, call Kristin Talamantez at 503-861-9750.

Fat Quarter Quilters — 5:30 to 8 p.m., Homespun Quilts, 108 10th St. Not limited to quilts. For information, call 503-325-3300 or 800-298-3177 or go to homespunquilt.com

THURSDAY

Chair Exercises for Seniors — 9 to 9:45 a.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. For information, call 503-325-3231.

North Coast La Leche League — 10 a.m. to noon, Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside. Pregnant women, mothers, babies and toddlers welcome. Topics: preparing for childbirth and breastfeeding, adjusting to motherhood, parenting babies and toddlers, benefits and challenges of breastfeeding, nutrition and weaning. For breastfeeding support, call or text Megan Oien at 503-440-

4942 or Kestrel Gates at 503-453-3777, or send message on "La Leche League of Astoria" Facebook page.

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