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651 Help Wanted

The City of Astoria is now accepting applications for a full-time position of Records Specialist in the Astoria Police Department. Pay range is \$16.54-20.11 with excellent benefits.

To apply and obtain further information, please go to the City's application website at <https://astoria.applicantpool.com/jobs/>.

If you need assistance, please contact HR at 503-298-2434 or hr@astoria.or.us.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Dec 28, 2018.

FOR QUICK CASH

Use a classified ad to sell items you no longer use.

Wanted: Self-motivated person able to work closely with others filing and helping at receptionist desk,

Monday-Friday.

Flexible work schedule, either part or full-time. Experience preferred but will train the right person.

Salary and benefits competitive.

Mail or bring resume to Lower Columbia Clinic, 595 18th St., Astoria, Oregon 97103

652 Work Wanted

• **JIM'S LAWN CARE**
Brush Clearing, Lawns
Shrubs, Hauling
Gutter & Storm-Cleanup
(503)325-2445 Free estimates

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NOTICE: Oregon Landscape Contractors Law (ORS 671) requires all businesses that advertise landscape contracting services be licensed with the Landscape Contractors Board. This 4-digit number assures the business has a bond, insurance and an associated individual contractor who has fulfilled the testing and experience requirements for licensure. For your protection call (503)378-5909 or use our web site: www.lcb.state.or.us to check license status before contracting with the business. Persons doing landscape maintenance do not require a LCB license.

Oregon state law requires anyone who contracts for construction work to be licensed with the Construction Contractors Board. An active license means the contractor is bonded and insured. **Verify the contractor's CCB license through the CCB Consumer Website www.hirelicensedcontractors.com**

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664 Services

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807 Fuel, Heating & Firewood

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WE DELIVER!

Please leave a light on or install motion detector lights to make your carrier's job easier. Thanks!

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Split Firewood

\$195/cord or \$120/half cord
Air seasoned Softwood
You load/haul
AFP at Pier 3 in Astoria

Tim 971-409-9147
or Chad 503-490-8333

811 TV & Electronics



Yamaha Clavinova CLP-545

\$1,200 OBO
\$2,000 value

Lightly used, great condition!
• 88 weighted keys
• Various settings and sounds
• Includes bench

Great gift for Christmas!
Already disassembled
& ready to be moved asap!
You haul.

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the Trump presidency — from the gossipy, typo-riddled “Fire and Fury,” to Bob Woodward’s jaw-dropping psychodrama, “Fear,” to books by David Frum, James Comey and others — “The Apprentice” was, for me, the most staggering.

It looks at everything we knew, as of last summer, about Russia’s ongoing assault on our democracy, including what the U.S. intelligence community witnessed, and the bizarre Russia-coddling of Trump campaign officials.

What’s known, at minimum, is that, while Russians were interfering in the U.S. election on various fronts to help elect Trump, members of the candidate’s team had an inordinately high number of contacts with major Russian players — then claimed not to recall those contacts and continuously shifted their stories. Meanwhile, the

beneficiaries of the attack — the Trump administration and Republican Congress — do nothing substantive to prevent the next one. Make of that what you will.

It’s hard to finish the “The Apprentice” and not conclude that Russia attacked us, and won.

Miller describes the Trump-Russia relationship as a three-act drama, with the 2016 presidential campaign as Act I, the Trump-Putin Helsinki summit as the conclusion of Act II, and the third ... well, it’s being written by the hour.


“How Democracies Die” (2018) by Steven Levitsky and Daniel Ziblatt — nonfiction

This is some indispensable, nightmarish reading.

Democracy worldwide has seen a disturbing regression — in Turkey, Hungary, Russia, the Philippines and elsewhere — coupled with a rise in nationalist movements.

Authors Steven Levitsky and Daniel Ziblatt see developments in the U.S. as continuous with that pattern and are sounding the alarm. Once the slide toward autocracy begins, it is hard to stop.

The important thing to grasp: Democracies have unraveled in recent years not by violent revolutions but by elected leaders who, once in office, change the rules, rig the system, violate norms, weaken guardrails and work to delegitimize institutions — from the courts to the press — that push back. Authoritarians use democracy to gain power, then dismantle democracy to remain in power.

What does the future hold for democracy in the U.S.? Look at what state governments have done in North Carolina, Michigan and Wisconsin, and imagine such blatantly undemocratic shenanigans occurring at the national level. That’s where we may be headed, or worse, if we’re not careful. 

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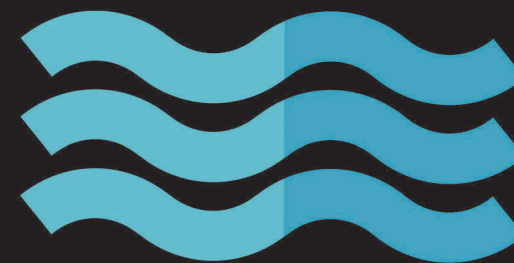
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