

Salty Talk covers Columbia River's history of commercial navigation

ILWACO, Wash. — Rob Rich, vice president of marine services with Shaver Transportation, will discuss the history of commercial navigation on the Columbia River at the next Salty Talk. The free event takes place 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 21, upstairs at the Salt Hotel & Pub, 147 Howerton Ave.

The Columbia is more than 1,200 miles long with a vast history of commercial navigation. Rich has 40 years of experience working vessels on the river, giving him a unique perspective and understanding on the history of navigation in this area.

He is the past president

of the Columbia River Towboat Association, president of Pacific Northwest Waterways Association, vice chair of Columbia River Steamship Operators Association and serves on the Oregon Maritime Museum board of directors.

Come early or stay late for those wanting to grab dinner or beverages. Seating is limited; no reservations.

Salty Talks are held in partnership with the Salt Pub & Hotel, Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum, and the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission, with support from Friends of Columbia River Gateway.



Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum

Rob Rich, vice president of marine services with Shaver Transportation, a tug and barge company.

Help restore wetlands at Miami River Preserve

The Nature Conservancy invites anyone interested in preserving Miami River Preserve to join a volunteer work party starting at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 30.

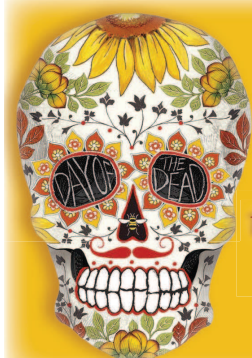
Adjacent to Tillamook Bay, these restored wetlands will benefit northern red-legged frog, chum salmon, peregrine falcons and other at-risk wildlife. Volunteers will plant

native species in a restored wetland area. The work requires volunteers to hike off trail and explore uneven ground. Kids are welcome to join but must be accompanied by an adult.

Bring hiking shoes, a daypack, lunch and snacks for the day, one or two full water bottles, and layers of clothing to be prepared for any weather (includ-

ing raingear, a hat and sunscreen). Also bring leather gloves and eye protection (sunglasses or safety glasses) if you have them; if you don't, we have gloves and safety glasses to borrow.

Registration is required at nature.org/oregonworkparties. More details, including the meeting place, will be given upon registration. Questions? Contact 503-802-8100 or orvolunteers@tnc.org.



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Quick fix? Repair Cafe can hook you up

ASTORIA — The next Repair Cafe — a monthly event for fixing bicycles, toys, clothing, scissors, knives, household appliances, garden tools or something that just needs to be glued (no gas engines) — takes place 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, at 1010 Duane St.

Repair Cafe is a community of volunteers who repair, sew, sharpen and give expert advice on pretty much anything that is broken, torn, dull or in need of repair.

When you arrive, we will weigh your repairable in hopes of keeping it out of the local landfill and send you to one of our volunteer repairers.

Repair Cafe events are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Join us for repairs or just to enjoy



Repair Cafe

Kelly Green fixes a burlap pumpkin for Halloween enthusiast Dina Allen, of Astoria.

watching our volunteers put things back together again.

If you have questions about an item, call 503-307-0834. Follow us on Facebook facebook.com/repairastoria.

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