

COMMUNITY IN BRIEF

Homeownership and financial education workshops offered

The Community Action Team at the Northwest Oregon Regional Housing Center is offering two free classes in Astoria: a First Time Homebuyer Workshop on Sept. 7, and a Financial Education Workshop on Sept. 28. Both are being held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The First Time Homebuyer Workshop teaches shopping for a home, financial readiness, understanding mortgages, the closing process and how to protect your investment. The Financial Education Workshop teaches budgeting, saving, goal setting, credit management and improving overall financial health.

Preregistration is required. For information, and to register, call 503-325-8098 or email nmartin@cat-team.org

Paul receives AAUW scholarship

The American Association of University Woman Astoria Branch has awarded Olivia Paul a \$3,000 scholarship to pursue her studies in nursing at Clatsop Community College.

Paul graduated from Astoria High School as an honor student. Upon completion of the nursing program at CCC, she will pursue a bachelor’s degree in nursing at Oregon Health and Sciences University, and then a master’s degree in nursing.

Paul will be the first person in her family to achieve a college education. She wrote that her life’s dream is “to make something of myself through the power of my mind that benefits society and influences peoples’ lives in a positive manner.”

— The Astorian

RELIGION BRIEFS

Grace Episcopal

Sunday is Hunger Awareness Sunday at Grace Episcopal Church, 1545 Franklin Ave., with an ingathering at the 10 a.m. service for the Hunger Ministries at the church. Both monetary and nonperishable food items are requested. Canned tuna and corn are especially needed.

Following the service is a reception for the new art exhibit in the Parish Hall, featuring work by Brad Gibson, which hangs until Sept. 27, and can be viewed on Sundays and weekday mornings.

The monthly Community Dinner is served 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 and at 5 p.m. to clean up.

For information, call 503-325-4691 or go to graceastoria.org

COMMUNITY NOTES

FRIDAY
AAUW Walking Group — 9:30 a.m. Seaside Branch of American Association of University Women weekly low-impact group walk, followed by coffee and fellowship. For information, call 503-738-7751.

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

Senior Lunch — 11:30 a.m., Bob Chisholm Senior Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside. Suggested donation of \$3 for those older than 60; \$6.75 for those younger than 60. For information, call Suzanne Bjaranson at 503-861-4202.

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

Advanced Line Dancing — 1 to 2 p.m., Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. For information, call 503-325-3231.

Seaside Duplicate Bridge — 1 to 4:30 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside. Come with a partner or call ahead for one at 503-738-7817. Lessons also available.

Community Skate Night — 5 to 9 p.m., Astoria Armory, 1650 Exchange St. Admission \$3. Limited roller skate rentals available for \$3; roller blades available. For information, call 503-791-6064 or go to astoriaarmory.com

SATURDAY
Angora Hiking Club — 9 a.m., parking lot between Second and Third streets. Neahkahnie Mountain hike. Membership is not required to participate. For information, contact Joe Balden at joebalden70@gmail.com or go to angorahikingclub.org

Seaside Duplicate Bridge — 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mary Blake Playhouse, 1215 Broadway, Seaside. Come with a partner or call ahead for one at 503-791-9745.

Sit & Stitch — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Homespun Quilts & Yarn, 108 10th St. Bring knitting, crochet or other needlework projects to this community stitching time. All skill levels welcome.

Columbia Northwestern Model Railroad Club — 1 p.m., in Hammond. Group runs trains on HO-scale layout. For information, call Don Carter at 503-325-0757.

Spinning Circle — 1 to 3 p.m., Astoria Fiber Arts Studio, 1296 Duane St. Bring a spinning wheel. For information, call 503-325-5598 or go to astoriafiberarts.org

Karaoke — 7 to 8 p.m., Seaside Lodge and International Hostel, 930 N. Holladay Drive, Seaside. Free session, all ages, for those who love to sing karaoke. Refreshments served. For information, call 503-738-7911.

SUNDAY
Seniors Breakfast — 9 a.m. to noon, Astoria Moose Lodge, 420 17th St. Cooked to order from menu, includes coffee. Cost is \$5 for seniors 62 and older, \$7.50 for those younger than 62. Breakfasts are open to the public. Proceeds after expenses help support local and other charities.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Support Group — 2 to 3:30 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway. Family to Family Support Group, for anyone with friend or loved one suffering from a serious brain (mental) illness. For

information, contact Myra Kero at 503-738-6165, or k7erowood@q.com, or go to nami.org

Line Dancing — 5:30 to 8 p.m., Seaside American Legion, 1315 Broadway. For information, call 503-738-5111. No cost; suggested \$5 tip to the instructor.

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

Senior Lunch — 11:30 a.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside. Suggested donation \$3 for those older than 60; \$6.75 for those younger than 60. For information, call Suzanne Bjaranson at 503-861-4202.

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 \$6 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

Knochlers 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.

TUESDAY
Stewardship Quilting Group — 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., First Lutheran Church, 725 33rd St. All are welcome. Donations of material always appreciated. For information, call Janet Kemp at 503-325-4268.

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.

Senior Lunch — 11:30 a.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside. Suggested donation of \$3 for those older than 60; \$6.75 for those younger than 60. For information, call Suzanne Bjaranson at 503-861-4202.

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

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.

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. All faiths, including “spiritual but not religious” welcome. For information, email info@cgifellowship.org or call 916-307-9790.

SENIOR NOTES

Alzheimer’s Association Oregon Chapter — Information, referral and counseling services for families and caregivers of people with Alzheimer’s, dementia and other related disorders. For information, call 800-272-3900 (24 hours a day).

Astoria Alzheimer’s & Other Dementia Family Support Group — 2 to 3:30 p.m. third Monday, Clatsop Care Center, 646 16th St., first floor conference room. Open to all family members of people with dementias. For information, call Rosetta Hurley at 503-325-0313, ext. 216, or email support@clatsop-care.org

Clatsop Behavioral Health After Hours Crisis Line — 503-325-5724.

Clatsop Community Action — 503-325-1400. Respite care services, low-income energy assistance, emergency food assistance, housing information, emergency personal care items.

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

Exploring New Concepts of Retirement Education (ENCORE) — 503-338-2408. Provides a wide assortment of educational experiences for individuals older than 50.

Elder Friendship Line — 800-971-0016. Available from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; crisis calls taken 24/7.

Food Pantries — 503-325-1400. Clatsop Community Action serves six food pantries in Clatsop County through the Oregon Food Bank Network. Call for area locations and hours.

Grief Support Group, Seaside — 2 to 4 p.m. first Thursday, Bob Chisholm Community Center, Meeting Room 1, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside. For information, call Lower Columbia Hospice at 503-338-6230.

Lifespan Respite — 503-325-

SELF-HELP GROUPS

Al-Anon (Astoria) — 7 p.m. Tuesday, Peace Lutheran Church, 565 12th St.; 12 p.m. Wednesday, First United Methodist Church, 1076 Franklin Ave. For information, call 503-325-1087.

Al-Anon (Clatskanie) — 7 p.m. Monday, Faith Lutheran Church, 1010 N.E. Fifth St., Clatskanie. For information, call 503-728-3351.

Al-Anon (Nehalem) — 7 p.m. Monday, Riverbend Room, North County Recreation District, 36155 Ninth St. For information, call 503-368-8255.

Al-Anon (Seaside) — 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, call 503-810-5196 for information.

Al-Anon (Tillamook) — 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, St. Albans Episcopal Church, 2102 Sixth St., call 503-842-5094 for information; 9 a.m. Thursday, 6505 Headquarter St., Tillamook; noon Friday, 5012 Third St., call 503-730-5863 for information.

Al-Anon Family Groups information — Oregon Area Al-Anon website, oregonal-anon.org

Alateen (Tillamook) — 4 p.m. Monday, 5012 Third St. For information, call 503-730-5863.

Alcoholics Anonymous — To find a meeting in Clatsop County, call 971-601-9220, in Tillamook County, call 503-739-4856, or go to aa-ore-

1400. Provides information, referral, training and paid respite for family caregivers.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline — 800-273-TALK (8255). A 24-hour, toll-free suicide prevention service for anyone in a suicidal crisis. TTY users should dial 800-799-4TTY (4889).

National Alliance on Mental Illness — 800-950-NAMI (6264) or locally, 503-717-1835. Separate support groups for people with mental illness and families of those with mental illness are available.

Northwest Oregon Housing Authority — 503-861-0119. Rent assistance based on income.

NorthWest Senior and Disability Services — 503-861-4202 or 800-442-8614. Medicaid services, food stamps, information and assistance, family caregiver support services, Medicare choice assistance, home delivered meals, senior meal sites and senior peer counseling.

Oregon Aging and Disability Resource Connection — 855-ORE-ADRC (673-2372), adrcforegon.org. Information and services for older adults, people with disabilities, their caregivers and families.

Oregon Care Partners — 800-930-6851, oregoncarepartners.com. Funded by the state of Oregon, provides no-cost in person and online training to family care givers and professionals.

Oregon Home Care Commission Registry and Referral System — 877-867-0077, or-hcc.org. Provides lists of home care workers available to hire.

Oregon Law Center — 877-296-4076. Provides free services in civil cases to low income people. Partners with Clatsop Community Action (CCA), Community Action Resource Enterprises Inc. (CARE), and the Bob Chisholm Community Center to provide in-person clinics in Astoria, Tillamook and Seaside each month.

gon.org

Men’s Sexual Purity Recovery Group — Tuesday nights. Part of the Pure Life Alliance (purelifefalliance.org) in Portland. For information, call the confidential voice mail at 503-750-0817 and leave a message.

Narcotics Anonymous — The Northwest Oregon Area of Narcotics Anonymous (NWONA) holds meetings in Clatsop County. For full schedule details, as well as upcoming special events, call the Helpline at 503-717-3702, or go to na.org

Overeaters Anonymous — 1 p.m. Sunday, Suzanne Elise Assisted Living Community library, 101 Forest Drive, Seaside. Call 503-738-0307 for information.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) (Astoria) — 5 p.m. weigh-in, 5:30 p.m. meeting Tuesday, First Lutheran Church, 725 33rd St. For information, call Trisha Hayrynen at 503-298-9058.

TOPS (Seaside) — 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. meeting Tuesday, North Coast Family Fellowship Church, 2245 N. Wahanna Road. All are welcome. For information, call 509-910-0354.

TOPS (Warrenton) — 9 to 9:45 a.m. weigh-in, 10 a.m. meeting Wednesday, First Baptist Church, 30 N.E. First St. For information, call Marilyn Barnard 503-861-2918 or Glenys Sherman at 503-338-8214.

VOLUNTEER NOTES

4-H — Looking for 4-H leaders. For information, call Sandra Carlson at the Oregon State University Extension at 503-325-8573.

American Red Cross — Needs registration volunteers (donor ambassadors) in Clatsop County to provide customer service and enhance the blood donor experience. For information, call Angela Basurto at 503-528-5430.

Angels for Sara Senior Dog Sanctuary — Needs volunteers to help care for elderly dogs who are unable to stay with their owners. Anyone interested in fundraising, yard maintenance, spending quality time with the dogs or fostering a senior dog, short or long term, contact Jacque Pressly at angelsforsara@gmail.com or call 503-325-2772.

Astoria Column — 1 Coxcomb Drive. Volunteers needed to welcome visitors, provide information and answer questions about the Astoria Column and the city of Astoria. For information, call the Friends of the Astoria Column Visitor Center at 503-325-2963.

Astoria Riverfront Trolley Association — 111 W. Marine Drive. Needs conductors/motormen to operate trolley and narrate points of interest. One or more three-hour shifts per month. For information, call the 503-325-6311.

Astoria Senior Center — 1111 Exchange St. To volunteer, call Larry Miller at 503-325-3231.

Astoria Veteran Van Drivers — Volunteer drivers needed for the Disabled American Veterans van for one or more trips per month. A CDL license is not required. The van leaves Astoria at 7 a.m. weekdays for the Portland Veterans Administration Hospital and returns in the afternoon. To volunteer, contact the Astoria DAV van coordinator at 480-272-4894 or seagullz1812@gmail.com. Drivers receive free breakfast and lunch vouchers for the hospital canteen on every trip.

Astoria Warming Center — 1076 Franklin Ave. Winter overnight emergency shelter for homeless persons needs volunteers for three-hour shifts from evening through the night to help with welcoming guests, serving dinner, cleaning the kitchen, monitoring the sleeping area overnight, and closing the shelter in the morning. Volunteers also needed for weekly litter patrols in the neighborhood. To volunteer, email astoriawarmingcenter@gmail.com

Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce — 111 W. Marine Drive. Volunteers needed at the chamber and for events. For information, call 503-325-6311.

Camp Kiwanilong — A large variety of volunteer opportunities are available. For information, call 503-861-2933 or go to campkiwanilong.org

Cannon Beach Academy — 3781 S. Hemlock St., Cannon Beach. Volunteers needed for breakfast or lunch preparation and cleanup, reading groups, math groups, lunch/recess duty and housekeeping. Shifts are 1.25 hours or longer. For information, call 503-298-5245.

Cannon Beach Library — 131 N. Hemlock, Cannon Beach. Volunteers needed for a variety of tasks and time commitments, including alphabetizing bookshelves, covering books, doing minor building maintenance, helping with a speakers’ series, and participating in annual book sales and other events. For information email info@cannonbeachlibrary.org or call 503-436-1391.

Caring Adults Developing Youth (CADY) Mentoring Program — 800 Exchange St., second floor. Needs mentors for youths ages 10 to 17 at risk of school failure. Time commitment: one year, about eight hours per month. For information, contact Laura Parker at 503-325-8601 or lparker@co.clatsop.or.us

Clatsop Animal Assistance Inc. — Needs volunteers who have a strong commitment to work on

behalf of the Clatsop County Animal Shelter’s dogs and cats. For information, email info@dogscats.org or call 503-861-0737.

Clatsop County Animal Shelter — Animal care volunteers age 16 and older needed for one 3-hour shift per week. Pick up an application at 1315 S.E. 19th St., Warrenton. For information, or to schedule orientation, call Leslie Atkinson at 503-325-1000.

Clatsop Community Action Regional Food Bank — Volunteers needed to help hand out fruits and vegetables at the weekly produce pantries for two hours on Thursdays, from April to October, in Seaside and Warrenton. Warehouse attendants are needed for food packing or processing, picking orders for agencies, light janitorial and housekeeping, or lawn and grounds maintenance. Three to four-hour shifts are available Monday through Friday. To volunteer, call 503-861-3663.

Clatsop Community College Outreach Literacy — Needs volunteer literacy tutors to work with adults, native and non-native speakers. Training available. For information, call 503-338-2557.

Clatsop County Public Works — 1101 Olney Ave. Adopt-A-Road volunteers needed to remove litter two times (minimum) per year

for two years. Safety equipment and supplies provided. Volunteers must receive safety orientation. For information, call 503-325-8631.

Clatsop Cruise Hosts — Looking for volunteers to meet and greet cruise ship passengers and crew, provide information and answer questions about the Clatsop County area. Ships arrive in the spring and fall, about 20 ships each year. Work all the ships or part of them. For information, go to clatsopcruisehosts.org

Coast Community Radio — Volunteers needed for a variety of opportunities and time commitments including weekday front desk, music library digital conversion, graphic and sign making, booths at farmers markets and special events, landscaping, and mailing parties. For information, email janet@coastradio.org or call 503-325-0010.

Columbia Memorial Hospital — Needs volunteers to provide assistance to patients, visitors and hospital staff. Training provided. For information, go to columbiamemorial.org. To schedule an interview, call 503-325-4321.

Columbia River Maritime Museum — 1792 Marine Drive. Volunteer opportunities for those with an interest in maritime history. For information, call the volunteer coordinator weekdays at 503-325-2323.