

## IN BRIEF

## Astoria receives awards for downtown revitalization

An Astoria business and project were among Oregon Main Street's 2020 Excellence in Downtown Revitalization award winners announced Monday.

Blaylock's Whiskey Bar won the Best New Business of the Year award. Astoria Downtown Historic District Association's glass tile grant received the Best Historic Preservation Project award.

The downtown association works with a local artisan to restore and preserve the sidewalk prisms installed nearly 100 years ago to let sunlight into below-grade spaces.

During the pandemic, Blaylock's Whiskey Bar partnered with six local food carts and chefs to provide pre-mixed cocktail servings and food to-go.

## 911 operators graduate from telecommunications class

Two Astoria 911 dispatchers graduated Friday from the basic telecommunications class.

A graduation ceremony was held for Bobbie Andring and Jesse Kirkendall at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem.

The ceremony was closed to the public because of the coronavirus pandemic.

## Two offers pending on former Gearhart Elementary School

GEARHART — Two buyers seek ownership of the former Gearhart Elementary School property.

The potential sale comes after the school closed this year and the campus moved to the new Pacific Ridge Elementary School in Seaside, outside of the tsunami inundation zone.

The competing buyers are Jeff Bodner, a general contractor, and Celeste Bodner, founder and executive director of Foster Club, and Robert Morey and his wife, Timi.

## Offices close for Veterans Day

In observance of Veterans Day on Wednesday, all federal, state, county and city offices and services, including Astoria, Warrenton, Gearhart, Seaside and Cannon Beach city halls, are closed. All U.S. post offices are closed, and there is no mail delivery.

Astoria, Jewell, Knappa, Warrenton/Hammond, and Seaside (including Cannon Beach and Gearhart) school district schools, and Clatsop Community College, are closed. Lil' Sprouts is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Public libraries in Astoria, Seaside and Warrenton are closed.

The Port of Astoria offices and services are closed.

Garbage collection through Recology Western Oregon and Warrenton garbage collection are not affected by the holiday. Recology Western Oregon's transfer station is open.

The Sunset Pool in Seaside is closed. The Astoria Aquatic Center is closed.

The Clatsop County Heritage Museum, Oregon Film Museum and the Flavel Carriage House are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; the Flavel House is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Uppertown Firefighters' Museum is closed.

Fort Clatsop is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Columbia River Maritime Museum is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Seaside Museum is closed.

Sunset Empire Transportation ("The Bus") is running.

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## DEATHS

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DIETRICH-MILLER, Frances Maxine, 99, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

## ON THE RECORD

## Disorderly conduct

• James Kieweg, 29, was arrested Tuesday on Fifth Street and Marine Drive in Astoria for disorderly conduct in the second degree and resisting arrest.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

## MONDAY

**Youngs River Lewis & Clark Water District Board**, 6 p.m., 34583 U.S. Highway 101 Business.

**Seaside City Council**, 7 p.m., 989 Broadway.

## TUESDAY

**Clatsop County Planning Commission**, 10 a.m., (electronic meeting).

**Clatsop County Board of Commissioners**, noon, work session, (electronic meeting).

**Clatsop Care Health District Board**, 5 p.m., (electronic meeting).

**Warrenton City Commission**, 6 p.m., City Hall, 225 S. Main Ave.

**Lewis & Clark Fire Department Board**, 6 p.m., main fire station, 34571 U.S. Highway 101 Business.

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## TIP TOP

**LEFT:** Astoria Middle School principal Linda Brech signs the beam before it was placed in the structure of the new school building. **BELOW:** Workers from Skanska USA placed the last metal beam of the new three-story Astoria Middle School building on Wednesday. The signed beam carried an American flag and an evergreen tree to bring good luck to the project.

Photos by Hailey Hoffman/The Astorian



## Two people from Ilwaco killed in crash south of Warrenton

By NICOLE BALES  
The Astorian

Two people from Ilwaco, Washington, were killed Wednesday in a crash on U.S. Highway 101 south of Warrenton.

Patricia Ann Shine, 71, Randall Jack Shine, 63, and a dog traveling with them were killed in the crash involving three vehicles.

Oregon State Police said Rachael Forrest, 26, of Seaside, was heading northbound when she crossed into the southbound lane and struck a vehicle driven by Randall Shine.

Shine's vehicle spun into the northbound lane and was struck again by an Oregon Department of Transportation vehicle.



A crash south of Warrenton left two people from Ilwaco dead.

The two Oregon Department of Transportation employees in the vehicle were taken to the hospital. Forrest, who was unin-

jured, was arrested for driving under the influence of intoxicants and reckless driving. The Clatsop County District Attorney's Office may

file additional charges. The highway closed in both directions after the crash and reopened late Wednesday afternoon.

## Downtown district names new Astoria Sunday Market manager

By EDWARD STRATTON  
The Astorian

The Astoria Downtown Historic District Association has hired a new marketing and promotions manager who will also oversee the Astoria Sunday Market.

Shelby Meyers, who recently relocated from Eugene, will oversee all aspects of the market, while working with the downtown association's promotions committee on other events throughout the year.

Earlier this year, the downtown association announced it would absorb the Astoria Sunday Market, which draws thousands of people from Mother's Day in May to the second Sunday in October. Cyndi Mudge, who ran the market since 2008, stepped down after this season because of health reasons and to be closer to family in Washington state.

"I am so excited to dive into managing the Astoria Sunday Market and working with the ADHD team," Meyers said in a statement. "The Sunday Market is such an important and exciting event for Astoria, and I couldn't be more honored to help keep it thriving."

In Eugene, Meyers earned her bachelor's in landscape architecture from the University of Oregon and co-founded the Whiteaker Community Market, a farmers and craft market that fills a city street and park with food, art and music. She is enthusiastic about local food systems and evolutions strengthening the local food community through the market.

The downtown association plans to bring the market back to its full footprint next season with appropriate safety and social distancing measures for the coronavirus.



Shelby Meyers hired for marketing and promotions.

*'THE SUNDAY MARKET IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT AND EXCITING EVENT FOR ASTORIA.'*

Shelby Meyers | Astoria Sunday Market's new manager

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