RELIGION BRIEFS

Astoria Christian Church

For service information and updates, go to astoriachristian.org or bit.ly/ AstoriaChristian, call 503-325-2591 or email Astoria-Christian@gmail.com

Astoria First Baptist Church

First Baptist Church, 349 Seventh St., holds an in-person worship service at 10:45 a.m. Sunday. Social distancing is practiced, face coverings are required and hand sanitizers are available. The service is also broadcast at fb.me/astoriafirstbaptist

Sunday school starts at 9:30 a.m. There is no childcare, but children are encouraged to join the service. For information, call the church office at 503-325-1761.

Astoria First United Methodist Church

For livestream service information and updates, email the church office office@unitedmethodistastoria.org or call 503-325-5454.

Grace Episcopal Church

During Lent, Grace Episcopal Church, 1545 Franklin Ave., offers contemplative music by local musicians from noon to 1 p.m. on Fridays. Laurie Drage, the second of seven musicians, plays the piano on Friday.

The entire schedule, which runs through Good Friday on April 2, can be found on the church webgraceastoria.org. These offerings will also be livestreamed and can be found online at Facebook and YouTube.

For updates, food pantry hours and in-person and livestream service information, call the church at 503-325-4691, email graceastoria4691@gmail.com or go to graceastoria.org or fb.me/Grace Astoria

Peace First Lutheran

For service information, go to astoriafirstlutheran.com under "Worship & Music/Videos Resources" FLCAstoria. To receive a DVD of the services and bulletin, call the office and leave a message.

Pioneer Presbyterian Church

WARRENTON — For service information, call the church at 503-861-2421 or go to pioneerchurchpcusa.org

St. Mary, Star of the Sea Parish

For information about the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry hours, and service and livestreaming information at both the Astoria church and Hammond mission, call 503-325-3671, email office@ stmaryastoria.com or go to stmaryastoria.com or bit. ly/stmaryastoria



dogs available to adopt at the shelter.

Operation Christmas Child shoebox packers needed

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Across Northwest Oregon, Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoebox packers shop for gift deals year-round.

Although local drop-off locations for gifts are closed until Nov. 15, anyone can

be a part of this project by packing a shoebox gift online in just a few clicks at samaritanspurse.org/buildonline

Information about ways area participants can get involved can be found at samaritanspurse.org/occ or by calling 253-572-1155.

Meals on Wheels drivers needed

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SVENSEN — Volunteer drivers are needed to deliver meals to home-bound seniors on Wednesdays and Thursdays, in the late morning or early afternoon.

Meals are delivered for the Northwest

Wheels program in Svensen.

Those interested must have their own vehicle and insurance (mileage will be reimbursed), and will need to complete an application packet and pass a background check.

For information, or to sign up, contact Suzanne Biaranson at 503-861-4202 or

Red Cross needs blood donors

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Record-breaking cold weather and winter storms across the U.S. have had a significant impact on blood and platelet donations. The American Red Cross is urging healthy individuals, especially those with Type O blood,

Throughout the Pacific Northwest, more than 40 drives have been canceled, resulting in 1,000 units that have gone uncollected. To help ensure lifesaving patient care isn't impacted, individuals are urged to make appointments to donate by downloading the Red Cross blood donor app, going to Red-CrossBlood.org or calling 800-733-2767.

HONOR ROLL

The following students have qualified for the honor roll by earning a 3.5 grade point average or higher at school.

Eastern Oregon University La Grande

Astoria: Amanda Adams, Trenton Shaw.

Grove City College Grove City, Pennsylvania Astoria: Matt Grauff. **Linfield University McMinnville**

Astoria: Kes Sandstrom. Seaside: Bryre Babbitt.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Carter wins state Elks award

SEASIDE — Seaside High School senior Westin Car-

ter, sponsored by Seaside Elks Lodge No. 1748, was named the male Most Valuable Student by the Oregon State Elks Association.

As a state winner, Carter will receive \$3,000 from the association. He has already won \$1,800 for being the association's Northwest District winner, and \$1,000 from the Seaside Elks Lodge. His application has been forwarded to the Elks National Foundation for a further award.



Driving course now offered online

Due to COVID-19, the AARP Smart Driver course can now be taken online to help refresh driving skills, increase confidence on the road and learn the latest traffic laws and proven safe-driving strategies. Those completing the course may qualify for a multi-year discount on auto insurance.

To register, go to aarpdriversafety.org

Girl Scout cookies sold virtually this year

Because of the coronavirus pandemic, there will not be Girl Scout cookie booths this year. Instead, people can support local troops by ordering cookies online through the Girl Scout Cookie Finder, open now through March 14, at bit.ly/3aFo5rE

For information about Girl Scouts, go to girlscoutsosw.org

Cannon Beach chamber members recognized

CANNON BEACH — The Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce virtual awards ceremony was held Feb. 18 to celebrate and recognize the hard work and outstanding accomplishments of its members. A video of the event can be seen at bit.ly/3pOmELv

The winners for 2020 are: Tom Drumheller Excellence in Leadership, Rick Hudson; Volunteer Organization of the Year, Cannon Beach Food Pantry; Volunteer of the Year, Molly Edison; Outstanding Collaboration, Cannon Beach Florist; Excellence in Customer Service, Beachcomber Vacation Homes; Annual Supporter of the Year, RE/MAX Coastal Advantage; and Member of the Year, Sea Breeze Court.

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