

Symphonic band donates \$10,000 to performing arts center



In support of the Charlene Larsen Center for the Performing Arts building, the North Coast Symphonic Band donated \$10,000 to help complete repairs to the east-facing wall and floor, which had sustained large amounts of water damage over a long period of time. The work has now been completed by CBM Development and Construction of Astoria. 'Thank you to the North Coast Symphonic Band for such a generous gift,' said Bereniece Jones-Centeno, executive director of the performing arts center.

Transportation district seeks volunteers for advisory committee

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The Sunset Empire Transportation District Board of Commissioners is seeking volunteers from Clatsop County to serve on the seven-member Transportation Advisory Committee.

The committee advises the board on issues involving transportation plans, grants, policies and programs, with a special emphasis on access for senior and disabled riders. Information and qualifications are at bit.ly/3yULTBH

The term of office is two years, beginning July 1 and ending June 30, 2023. Committee meetings are held at

least twice a year.

Applications are available from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Astoria Transit Center, 900 Marine Drive, and the Seaside Transit Office, 39 N. Holladay Drive, or at bit.ly/3ie7U8S. Upon request, an application will be sent by mail.

Return or mail completed applications to Sunset Empire Transportation District, 900 Marine Drive, Astoria, OR, 97103 by 5 p.m. June 16. Appointments will be made at the June 24 board meeting.

For information, contact Mary Parker at 503-861-5370 or mary@ridethebus.org

Ushimaru initiated into honor society

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Hiromi Ushimaru, of Warrenton, was recently initiated into the all-discipline collegiate honor society of Phi Kappa Phi at San Jose State University in San Jose, California.

Membership is by invitation only, and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10% of seniors and 7.5% of juniors are eligible for membership.

For information about Phi Kappa Phi, go to phikappaphi.org

Students dissect sharks

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The Seaside Aquarium recently partnered with the Columbia River Maritime Museum to let students participate in the dissection of sharks that had washed up, been recovered and frozen.

On June 3, Warrenton eighth graders took measurements and samples of a 3-foot salmon shark's liver and muscle, which will be sent to the Hatfield Marine Science Center and used in further research.

On June 5, fifth graders from Eisenhower Elementary School in Vancouver, Washington, dissected a 7-foot broadnosed sevengill shark.

The dissections were led



Seaside Aquarium
Eisenhower Elementary School students dissect a broadnosed sevengill shark.

by Nate Sandel, the Maritime Museum's educational director.

SELF-HELP GROUPS

Al-Anon (Astoria) — For information, call 503-325-1087.

Al-Anon (Seaside) — For information, call 503-810-5196 for information.

Al-Anon (Nehalem) — For information, call 503-368-8255.

Al-Anon (Tillamook) — For information, call 503-842-5094 or 503-730-5863.

Al-Anon (Clatskanie) — For information, call 503-728-3351.

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

Alateen (Tillamook) — 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-oregon.org

RELIGION BRIEFS

Anchor Baptist Church

The congregation meets at the Astoria Christian Church, 1151 Harrison Ave. On Sundays, the service starts at 1 p.m.; Bible study is at 7 p.m. Thursdays. For information, email anchorbaptistastoria@gmail.com

Astoria Christian Church

For service information and updates, go to astoriachristian.org or bit.ly/AstoriaChristian, call 503-325-2591 or email AstoriaChristian@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 child care, 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 at office@unitedmethodistastoria.org or call 503-325-5454.

Grace Episcopal Church

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/GraceAstoria

Pacific Unitarian Universalist

A Pacific Unitarian Universalist Fellowship service is being held via Zoom at 11 a.m. Sunday. For Zoom information, go to pacuuf.org

Peace First Lutheran

For service information, go to astoriafirstlutheran.com under "Worship & Music/Videos & Resources" or bit.ly/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 pioneerchurch-pcusa.org

St. Brendan The Navigator Orthodox Church

St. Brendan The Navigator Orthodox Church, 820 Alameda Ave., is holding Readers Vespers at 5 p.m. Saturday.

On Sunday, a Typika service begins at 10 a.m. All are welcome. Social distancing is still required.

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

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