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Flowers for mom, who loved to read

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Peggy Massey was an avid reader and would have loved to see Warrenton Community Library in its new downtown location.

Massey, who was born and raised in Warrenton, died of heart problems in May.

Friends and five generations of Massey's family gathered outside the library Monday evening, on what would have been her 76th birthday. Despite blustery weather, they planted chrysanthemums and spring bulbs in the planter boxes they donated in her honor.

"She just gave so much to everybody," said Dawn Rowden, whom Massey

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Cindy Yingst/The Columbia Press Arianna Buckner helps Kimberlynn Young, 3, plant bulbs in planter boxes their family donated to Warrenton Community Library.

Fort Pointe gets another green light

City looks again at ban of ministorage units

The Columbia Press

An appeal to stop development at Fort Pointe, a project that would put 480 homes south of the KOA, was denied by the City Commission on Tuesday.

Elizabeth Tagg, who owns property east of the project, wrote in her appeal that logging and drainage work in the area have caused flooding and "ATV mudders and poachers (need to be kept) from gaining new access into hundreds of acres of wetland that is elk calving and habitat."

Documents Tagg gave to the city to support of her claim show that much of the work done in the area was at her request, Community

Development Director Skip Urling told the City Commission.

"The more we looked at it, the more we were convinced there was nothing done by Fort Pointe property owners or its partners," he said. "She was the client for the work that was done."

No one spoke at the public hearing in support of Tagg's appeal.

"Our initial design has avoided all wetlands," said Dale Barrett, a surveyor with Otak working on behalf of the developers. "We believe it will be an environmentally friendly project. ... We are going to do our best engineering practices to confirm we won't have any more issues with water running off."

Fort Pointe will be built as a planned-unit development, which means the entire 277acre parcel has been proposed in its entirety, See 'Fort Pointe' on Page 5

Man faces trial for giving alcohol to teen who died

Mom and DA form partnership to stiffen penalties for the crime

By CINDY YINGST The Columbia Press

The man accused of providing alcohol to a Warrenton High student who was struck and killed later that night on Highway 101 will stand trial.

Richard Edward Reinsch, 48, of Warrenton pleaded not guilty in August to two counts of furnishing liquor to a minor. After several attempts at an early resolution conference, a judge last

week set the case for trial in May.

Trevor Secord was just 15 when authorities say he visited with Reinsch on Jan. 26 and the parolee gave him alcohol. About 11 p.m., while a passenger in his brother's vehicle, Trevor attempted to jump out of the vehicle on Highway 101 in Gearhart. His brother pulled to the side of the road and the teen jumped out and began running down the highway.

He was struck by a pickup and died at the scene.

"The last 10 months have been horrible," said his mother, Kristina Secord. "He was a huge part of my family."

A freshman, Trevor played baseball and football and



Trevor Secord



Reinsch

was a gentle soul who was kind to everyone, friends and family have said.

"A precious life was lost and it was taken from senselessness,' she said. "My son is dead because a man poisoned my kid and the only thing he can be charged with is furnishing" alcohol to a minor.

An adult who has sex with a minor faces statutory rape charges, but an adult who gives a teen enough alcohol

to kill him faces a mere misdemeanor, she said. It does not seem fair. If a 15-year-old isn't mature enough to give consent for sex, why would anyone think a 15-year-old will make good decisions about drinking, she asked.

"Kids cannot process alcohol," she said. "If it's not your kid, you don't have the right to give it to them. ... The most frustrating thing for me is that he feels no remorse. He does not care that it happened. He can't even say, 'I'm so sorry.' Nothing."

Reinsch did not respond to a request to comment for this article.

He is on probation for a 2015 first-degree burglary conviction, a Class A felony

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