



Pacific Seafood President Frank Dulcich speaks to the crowd at the company's grand reopening in August.

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tenced to 10 days in jail after he pleads no contest to providing alcohol to Warrenton High School student Trevor Secord, who ran into traffic on Highway 101 and was killed in 2017.

JULY

A man and woman from Colorado break into a car in Chinook and go on a shopping spree throughout Warrenton with the victim's credit cards. They are caught, in part, by state-of-the-art security cameras at the new Walmart.

Warrenton High School celebrated its 100th birthday with an all-class reunion.

A skimming device is found on a drive-through automated teller machine at Wauna Federal Credit Union's Warrenton branch.

AUGUST

Raymond Heath, who "borrowed" a motorized cart from Walmart, is charged with auto theft when he is found with the scooter a half-mile away.

A drunken driver crashes into the back of El Compadre Restaurant on Main Avenue.



A van and trailer get stuck in the Sunset Beach surf in August.

Pacific Seafood celebrates its grand reopening, five years after a fire destroyed its Warrenton processing plant.

Warrenton High School senior Catherine Tapales is crowned Regatta queen.

Warrenton begins holding a series of economic vitality roadmap sessions, getting dozens of people interested in making the town stronger and prettier.

Mark Cox of Santa Barbara, Calif., announces plans for a 100,000-square-foot data center in the North Coast Business Park.

As many as 40 truckloads of boulders a day arrive at Warrenton Fiber's docks and make their way through town to Ilwaco, for a project that's rebuilding North Jetty.

The Peter Iredale isn't the only wreck stuck in beach sand after a man drives his van and travel trailer into the surf.

The city's new veterans memorial statue is dedicated in the small park next to the post office.

SEPTEMBER

Oregon Department of Transportation makes some changes to the Highway 101 intersection with Ensign Lane in hopes of improving traffic flow.

Warrenton High School math teacher Dan Hansen and student Chris Quashnick-Holloway join Oregon State University scientists on a science cruise.

Sunset Empire Transportation District drivers and mechanics unionize.

OCTOBER

Warrenton Grade School Principal Tom Rogozinski, 50, runs in his 13th or 14th 200-mile endurance race in Moab, Utah.

The city holds its first disaster preparedness event with its new Community Emergency Response Team.

Fibre Federal Credit Union files plans for a 3,250-square-foot TLC branch in the North Coast Business Park.

A grudge between mayoral candidate John Washington and Commissioner Rick Newton boils over at a City Commission meeting.

The Army Corps of Engineers will transfer Hammond Marina to the city by quitclaim deed within the next six months, the corps tells the city.

Arnie's Café announces plans to move from its location near the high school to the former Warrenton Auto Parts building near City Hall.

Pacific Seafoods reveals

plans for Alaska-style bunkhouses for seasonal workers, which upsets some of the neighbors.

The WHS volleyball team is named No. 1 in the league going into the playoffs.

NOVEMBER

Henry Balensifer defeats opponent John Washington by a 3-to-1 margin in the Warrenton mayor's election. Both school and jail bonds are approved by voters.

Fire destroys a commercial fishing building at Warrenton Marina.

The Warrenton football team, in post-season play for the first time since 2012, loses in the first round.

Warrenton Warming Center finds itself homeless this winter and changes its plans

to focus on meals, clothes and other assistance.

DECEMBER

Warrenton schools Superintendent Mark Jeffery announces his retirement effective the end of the school year.

Police Officer Alfonzo Fontana retires after 26 years with the city.

A hazmat team is called to Warrenton Grade School after a student brings a hazardous substance to school made from household cleaning products.

Tractor Supply Co., a farm and garden store, is approved by city planners off Highway 101 near Les Schwab Tire Center.

Warrenton High School hosts the county's first all-girls wrestling tournament.


SENDING YOU WARM WISHES

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From our family to yours, wishing you a double dose of health and happiness topped with good fortune.

May the joys of the Holiday Season be with you now and throughout the New Year.


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