

Public safety calls

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renew registration.

•Traffic stop, 9:57 p.m. Feb. 3, Ensign and Discovery lanes. Driver cited for driving while suspended.

FIRE AND SERVICE CALLS

•Illegal burn, 6:17 p.m. Jan. 28, 800 block Fifth Avenue.

MEDICAL CALLS

•Female with possible broken ankle, 8:31 a.m. Jan. 28, 90900 block Highway 101.

•Female with possible broken knee, 9:27 a.m. Jan. 28, 1100 block Northwest Warrenton Drive.

•Female with difficulty breathing, 1:26 p.m. Jan. 28, 100 block Northwest Date Avenue.

•Female who needs assistance back into home, 1:46 p.m. Jan. 28, 1100 block Northwest Warrenton Drive.

•Male with altered level of consciousness, 2:13 p.m. Jan. 28, 90900 block Highway 101.

•Male with diabetic issue, 9:16 a.m. Jan. 29, 200 block Southwest Alder Avenue.

•Male injured in fall, 9:34 a.m. Jan. 29, VA Clinic Camp Rilea.

•Male having drug overdose, 7:48 p.m. Jan. 30, 0-100 block East Harbor Drive.

•Male who needs lift assist, 9:46 p.m. Jan. 30, 100 block Southwest Cedar Avenue.

•Male with altered level of consciousness, 4:26 p.m. Jan. 31, 100 block Northwest Fourth Street.

•Female fall patient, 4:49 a.m. Feb. 1, 2000 block Southeast Azalea Drive.

•Female fall patient, 5:11 p.m. Feb. 1, 100 block Southwest Birch Avenue.

•Male with altered level of consciousness, 3:10 p.m. Feb. 2, 100 block South Main Avenue.

•Intoxicated female 1:52 p.m. Feb. 3, 90900 block Highway 101.



WGS students receive free vision and hearing screenings

About 500 Warrenton Grade School students received vision and hearing screenings last month.

The Lion's Club Sight and Hearing Foundation performed the vision tests for students in kindergarten through Fifth Grade using spot-vision screening cameras.

"It's an effective tool to quickly screen for disorders such as near-sightedness, far-sightedness, and astigmatism," said Jackie Welborn, the school's nurse.

Welborn kept parents in-

formed of the results and, when necessary, helped parents access more in-depth vision exams.

The same students also were screened for hearing issues by students in Tongue Point Job Corps' Medical Assistant program.

"These screenings help us to identify students who struggle to access their education due to vision or hearing deficits," Welborn said.

"Once we identify the students, we are able facilitate the process of receiving services."

Improving profits is seminar topic

A seminar designed to help business owners improve their profitability and increase value will be held 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, in Columbia Hall Room 219 at Clatsop Community College in Astoria.

Whether starting a business, at mid-stage and growing, or are thinking about retirement, gaining a solid grasp on an exit strategy is one of the most powerful ways to ensure maximum profitability.



The workshop will be led by Arnie Hendricks, chief financial officer of Financial Management Resources.

Topics covered include strategic planning, financial management and succession planning.

Register at: bizcenter.org/centers/clatsop-sbdc/our-classes. Cost is \$49, which can be paid at class by check or credit card. For questions, send an email to sbdc@clatsopcc.edu.

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Clatsop bank merges with L&C bank

Lewis & Clark Bank and Clatsop Community Bank jointly announced Friday the signing of a definitive agreement to merge Clatsop into Lewis & Clark in a stock and cash transaction.

The aggregate merger is valued at approximately \$15 million, based on Lewis & Clark's Jan. 30 closing stock price of \$34.25.

"The merger of Lewis & Clark and Clatsop represents a significant milestone for each institution and was driven by what we both see as opportunities for sustainable future growth," said David Roche, board chairman of Lewis & Clark.

Lewis & Clark is based in Oregon City and Clatsop Community Bank is based in Seaside. As of Dec. 31, Clatsop had \$95 million in assets and two branches, one in Seaside and one in Astoria.

"Lewis & Clark is the perfect partner for Clatsop Community Bank," said Joe Schulte, Clatsop's chief ex-

ecutive officer.

"This is a great opportunity for Clatsop Community Bank to immediately benefit from increased scale and participate in much larger, adjacent markets," Schulte said. "I want to thank our dedicated employees, loyal customers and supportive shareholders and look forward to the enhanced potential of the combined company going forward."

At closing, Clatsop shareholders will receive 0.3040 Lewis & Clark shares and \$2.89 in cash in exchange for each share of Clatsop stock. Based on Lewis & Clark's closing stock price, the merger consideration is valued at \$13.30 per Clatsop share.

As part of the merger, the Lewis & Clark board will invite three board members from the Clatsop board to join, creating a nine-member board of directors for Lewis & Clark Bank.

Schulte will join Lewis & Clark as market president.

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