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Officer Len Mossman and Mayor Henry Balensifer show off the plaque Mossman received for his 21 years of service to the city.

Mossman honored for his service to the community

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Retiring Senior Police Officer Len Mossman, a 21-year veteran of the Warrenton Police Department, was honored for his service at Tuesday night's City Commission meeting.

"There's a lot of officers put on the line," Mayor Henry Balensifer said in describing his service to the city.

Mossman spent 38 years in law enforcement and was hired by the city in 1998. He has served as a field training officer and major crime investigator.

Mossman was appointed to fill a vacant position on the Warrenton-Hammond School Board in 2018 and was elected to the seat in last month's special districts election. He'd previously served on the school board from 2009-14. He also has been active with youth programs at his church.

"Someday I'll get my pole barn built," Mossman told the crowded chambers when asked what he plans to do in retirement. "I'll spend a lot of time working around the yard. Oh, and fishing."

Queen: WHS grad represents festival

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She has been able to visit them several times growing up.

Morrill plans to major in graphic design and advertising at Oregon State University.

Isabel Talley of Astoria, who was Miss Denmark, was crowned runner up and will be the Lucia Bride at the 2019 Lucia Festival of Lights in November.

Each of the princesses is sponsored by a fraternal organization -- the Danish Society, Finnish Brotherhood, Sons of Norway and VASA Swedish Lodge. They spoke about their heritage in front of a panel of judges before Morrill was crowned queen.

Other princesses were Miss Norway Jordan Walter of Knappa and Miss Sweden Hannah Sundstrom Eaton of Beaverton.

Fourth of July activities include concert

The North Coast Symphonic Band celebrates American independence with a free concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 3, at the Liberty Theatre, 1203 Commercial St., Astoria.

The "Spirit of Adventure" concert features patriotic music and a special appearance by Portland's world music band, 3 Leg Torso. Guest vocalists are Andy and Rachel Becker, who will sing several inspiring Americana tunes.

Clatsop American Legion

Post 12 will present the colors. The group will be honored on its 100th anniversary.

Admission is free, but donations are welcome.

Concert details can be found online at northcoastsymphonicband.org or by calling 503-325-2431.

THURSDAY, JULY 4

•Car show – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Robinson Community Park, behind City Hall.

•Motorcycle tailgate party – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., north end of Robinson Community Park, sponsored by North Coast

ABATE.

•Free Community Barbecue – Noon to 3 p.m. at the Warrenton Fire Station, sponsored by Warrenton Volunteer Firefighters Association.

•Bicycle Decoration Station -- Noon to 3 p.m. in the gravel lot next to the fire station. Volunteers will be standing by to help kids decorate their bikes and assist them for a safe ride in the parade.

•Parade – 3 p.m. along Main Avenue from the post office to Ninth Street, ending at Warrenton Grade School.



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