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Left: Dawson Little fights for two points against Astoria. He was high scorer for the Warriors last weekend. **Right:** Austin Little shoots and scores. Austin and teammate Devin Jackson each scored 13 points in the game.

Warriors outscore Astoria twice

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The Warrenton Warriors boys basketball team defeated the Astoria Fishermen Saturday night by 56-34.

The Fishermen had a commanding 17-11 lead in the first quarter, but couldn't maintain it. They fell behind 26-19 by halftime.

"We doubled down on defense," Warrenton Coach Nate McBride said on the difference between the two quarters. "We then played ball control on offense, forcing open shots."

Dawson Little led the Warrior offense with 19 points. He was followed by Austin Little and Devin Jackson, both scoring 13 points in the game. Hordie Boden Boden added 7.

Dylan Junes was Astoria's high scorer with 13, followed by Xander Marinovich with 11.

The boys also had a game at Yamhil-Carlton on Tuesday and are home today, playing against Colton.

GIRLS TEAM

The Warrenton girls also won last Saturday in their match-up with Woodburn High School at the Stayton High School Tournament.

"We were down by eight at half," Coach Jake Mullins said. "And we were down by four at the end of the third, but we came around on offense, had better ball control, taking over in the fourth quarter, winning by 3 in the end."

Kenzie Ramsey lead the Warriors with 19 points, 15 of them from three-pointers. Kasadie Dunaway and Annie Heyen each contributed 7 points.

The girls had a home game against Seaside on Wednesday and play Colton today.

AARP driving courses to begin

An AARP Smart Driver course is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, in the meeting room at Elk Meadow Homeowners Cooperative, 701 N.W. Warrenton Drive.

The six-hour course is a refresher on driver safety and is open to the public. Cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers.

To register, contact instructor Mel Jasmin at 503-861-2030.

Those who take the course often find they're better at managing and accommodating common age-related changes in vision, hearing and reaction time. Many insurance companies also offer discounts for those who have taken the class.

County's home hazmats center open

Clatsop County's new Household Hazardous Waste Facility, which has been under construction for a year, opens to the public for the first time this weekend.

The facility will accept material from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at 1789 Williamsport Road, adjacent to Recology's Astoria transfer station.

The collection center is specially designed to receive and handle toxic, flammable and otherwise hazardous products that can pose a risk in the

home and to the environment.

Major categories of waste the facility *will* take that can't be included in regular home trash service: cleaners, paints, pesticides, fertilizers, herbicides, auto and boat fluids, batteries, propane tanks, fluorescent lights and aerosol products.

No medications, syringes, asbestos or general garbage will be accepted.

Use of the facility is free. It is open one day per month, generally the second Saturday.

PUBLIC NOTICE MAYOR'S TOWN HALL MEETING JANUARY 23 - 6:00 p.m.

The Mayor of Warrenton will hold a Town Hall meeting on Thursday, January 23rd at 6:00 p.m. at the Warrenton Community Center. The purpose of the town hall is to discuss Land Use Law and Planning. A representative from the Department of Land Conservation & Development (DLCD) will also be present. The Town Hall is open to the public.

The meeting location is accessible to the disabled. An interpreter for the hearing impaired may be requested under the terms of ORS 192.630 by contacting Dawne Shaw, City Recorder, at 503-861-0823 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting so appropriate assistance can be provided.



Statement about OSHA citation

January 3, 2020

The Oregon Occupation Safety and Health Division (Oregon OSHA) has cited the City of Warrenton \$10,800 for alleged workplace safety and health violations in its Fire Department. OSHA received an anonymous complaint in early August 2019 and completed their inspection in early November. The Citation and Notification, dated December 23, 2019, outlines the alleged violations and applied penalties. The City of Warrenton is requesting a 90-day extension to the January 23, 2020 response date in order to ensure all appropriate operating guidelines are updated and adopted. The City plans to appeal the proposed penalty.

During the course of the inspection the City worked closely with the investigator and has taken swift action to address any deficiencies that were brought to the City's attention. City Manager Linda Engbretson stated, "Workplace safety and health standards are legal requirements to protect workers from hazards on the job and the City of Warrenton takes compliance seriously." She further noted that employees who do not follow required safety protocols or who do not meet response criteria will immediately be removed from the roster until such time that they meet all requirements. "We have gone over the citation with a fine-tooth comb and many of the issues have been addressed. We are confident the measures instituted will satisfy OSHA upon submission of our corrective action letter, and we look forward to working with OSHA moving forward."

Fire Chief Brian Alsbury is confident that all issues are being identified. Fire department Volunteer and Career staff has put in countless hours rectifying the issues outlined by OSHA and they all look forward to keeping Warrenton Fire Department's working atmosphere safe for all staff members and the community they serve.

