

Warrenton High School Assistant Principal Josh Jannusch speaks during dedication of the new CTE building. He will be principal in the 2020-21 school vear.

**Cindy Yingst** The Columbia Press

## **Backyard** birding event is Saturday

Consider a flight of fancy this weekend.

The Great Coastal Backyard Bird Count is Saturday, June 6.

Join birdwatchers along the Oregon Coast - first-timers to pros – during the event organized by North Coast Land Conservancy.

Participants attempt to identify and count as many birds as possible during 15-minute intervals. Report sightings on a tally sheet that

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director since it opened this school year.

"It's an honor to be able to step into the high school as principal," Jannusch said. " It's a great place to work for sure."

Heyen will focus on the larger campus – there are 770 students at the grade school and 260 at the high school - and the complexities of reopening under COVID-19 restrictions and fallout from an uncertain economy.

"My plan right now is to get through this year and save

some money" for the district, Heyen said. "As we move forward, Tom has got some big decisions, but he's got some vision."

There will be more changes a vear from now as the Warrenton-Hammond School District prepares to open its new middle school, which will need a principal as well.

"(Jannusch) would be a strong candidate for that and he's interested in that," Rogozinski said. "As we've seen, a lot can happen in one school vear."



A vellow warbler taken in a Warrenton backyard.

## Airport: Port struggles to find answer to sewer issue

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Kobes met late last week with Mayor Henry Balensifer. City Manager Linda Engbretson and City Engineer Collin Stelzig.

**Options include:** 

• Digging up and replacing the old system, an expensive and disruptive proposition.

• Realigning existing pipes to prevent runoff from getting into those headed toward the treatment plant.

• Putting in a pressure system, which uses pumps to prevent groundwater and rain from getting into the system. Overbay Houseworks and the UPS facility both are on pressure systems.

"The (port) commission needs to get behind this with some sense of urgency be-

cause we're going along depending upon the kindness of the city of Warrenton," Port Commissioner Robert Stevens said.

Isom agreed.

been pushing for something

for a long time," Isom said. The port needs to feel the urgency if it wants to expand and develop the adjacent industrial park.

Paying for a solution won't be easy; the port suffered an estimated \$394,770 in coronavirus-related losses.



#### can be found at nclctrust.org/ backvard-bird-count-2020, where more details are available. NCLC will share the results online after the event.

The Great Coastal Backvard Bird Count is part of Get Outdoors Day, an annual statewide event organized by the Coalition of Oregon Land Trusts. More details are at oregonlandtrusts.org.

## Produce pantry held Thursdays

A mobile produce pantry for low-income Clatsop County residents is available every Thursday through Sept. 24.

Anyone at or below eligible income levels (participants in the food stamp program or

SNAP, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Supplemental Security Income, or Low Income Energy Assistance Program) can pick up free fruits and vegetables.

Warrenton – 3 to 4:30 p.m. at 2010 S.E. Chokeberry Ave., just past the animal shelter.

Astoria - 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the 200 block of Marine Drive.

Seaside - Noon to 1:30 p.m. at Seaside Factory Outlet Mall, 1111 N. Roosevelt Drive.

The food is made available through Clatsop Community Action, the Oregon Food Bank Network, Feeding America and Food Bank Fresh. For more information, call 503-861-3663.

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