

## StoryWalk set up on river trail

Looking for something fun the entire family can enjoy?

Warrenton Community Library has set up a StoryWalk on the Skipanon River Trail.

It's a great way to enjoy reading and the outdoors at the same time.

Laminated pages from a children's book are attached to wooden stakes, which are installed along the trail. Each page directs the reader to the next page in the story.

The story will be posted all month. Additional Sto-



ryWalks are planned in July and August.

To take the trail, start at the parking lot at the end of Southeast Third Street.

## Event to honor first responders

"Unity in Our Community," a processional event to honor first responders, is being planned for June 17.

The event is being organized by Spruce Up Warrenton and the Astoria-Warrenton Chamber of Commerce and is designed for public participation. Residents along the route are urged to decorate their homes, make signs of support, and wave and make noise as the Unity Tribute Train passes through the neighborhood.

Where, exactly, will the procession go? Details still are in the works, but are expected to include the high school, Ridge Road, housing developments, Hammond Marina, downtown Hammond and downtown Warrenton.

The tribute procession will be in the evening so the most residents can participate. More details will be available in next week's Columbia Press and on the Spruce Up Warrenton Facebook page.

## Fire Department calls

### FIRE AND SERVICE CALLS

•Water flow alarm, 10:02 a.m. June 1, 100 block South Highway 101.

### MEDICAL CALLS

•Diabetic issue, 1:36 p.m. May 27, 300 block South Main Avenue.

•Female with diabetic issue, 3:30 p.m. May 28, Camp Rilea.

•Female with possible seizure, 6:23 p.m. May 28, 600 block South Highway 101.

•Male lift assist, 12:46 p.m. May 29, 32400 block Turlay Lane.

•Assist Medix, 8:44 p.m. May

29, 90900 block Highway 101.

•Female with unknown medical problem, 12:06 a.m. May 30, Jetty Road.

•Female having seizure, 4:16 a.m. May 31, 100 block Southeast Fifth Street.

•Male having panic attack, 9:51 p.m. May 31, 400 block Ridge Road.

•Male having panic attack, 12:54 a.m. June 1, 400 block Ridge Road.

•Female bleeding, 9:17 a.m. June 1, 800 block Peacock Street.

## County expected to enter Phase II reopening

*The Columbia Press*

Clatsop County on Tuesday submitted its application to enter the next phase of the state's reopening plan.

Phase II is expected to begin Saturday, June 6.

"The county continues to meet all the Phase I prerequisite requirements and is prepared to fulfill COVID-19 related public health responsibilities into Phase II," Clatsop County Board of Commissioners Chair Kathleen Sullivan wrote in the application.

The county has maintained sufficient personal protection equipment -- a minimum 21-day stockpile -- for first responders, according to her letter. The county has six trained staff members for contract tracing and is training additional personnel.

Clatsop County had only one active coronavirus case as of Wednesday; all others have recovered.

Under Phase II, gatherings now limited to 25 would increase. Social, civic and faith-based groups can have larger gatherings if physical distancing is followed. Movie theaters, pools, museums and bowling alleys can open under reduced occupancy and recreational sports can resume. Some workers can return

to the office and visiting will be allowed in nursing facilities.

The total number of positive cases in Clatsop County since March 23 stood at 46 on Wednesday with no deaths.

Statewide, cases haven't skyrocketed, although the past week brought a new outbreak at the Bob's Red Mill plant in Clackamas County, where 13 workers had contracted the disease.

The total number of cases in Oregon stood at 4,399 on Wednesday with total deaths at 159.

County Public Health Department continues to offer drive-through nasal swab testing three days a week, although the number of people who've sought testing has decreased each week.

For an appointment, call 503-325-8500.

### NO FIREWORKS

The Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce cancelled the 2020 Fourth of July fireworks show in Astoria.

In addition to concerns about the Covid-19 virus, the cost would have been a problem.

The chamber had planned to make this year's production the

biggest ever held, doubling the event budget.

### LODGING REOPENS

Lodging and camping operators can open at 60-percent capacity beginning today, June 5.

On June 26, capacity will expand to 100 percent if Gov. Kate Brown's prerequisite criteria for reopening continues without massive outbreaks.

Smaller short-term rentals such as bed-and-breakfast inns can operate at 100 percent beginning today.

### PPE DISTRIBUTION

Members of the Oregon Army National Guard delivered hand sanitizer and 915,000 face coverings statewide to local farm managers and agricultural producers for distribution to their workers during harvest season.

One of the distribution sites was at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds.

There are more than 38,500 farms in Oregon.

"A lot of us joined the guard to serve our community," Sgt. Dugald Campbell said. "When we have opportunities to help our community and state, it is fulfilling and rewarding."

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## The week ahead

### MONDAY, JUNE 1

•**Astoria City Council**, 7 p.m. via Zoom. Visit the city's website for details.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 2

•**Port of Astoria Commission**, 5:30 p.m., via Zoom videoconference. Call 503-741-3300 for details.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

•**Gearhart City Council**, 7 p.m., via GoToMeeting. See website for details.