

Business and development tidbits

Arnie's, Tractor Supply get ready to open

TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY

The 19,000-square-foot Tractor Supply Co. store visible from Highway 101 near the Les Schwab dealer is nearly open.

"I'm excited although we're not even close" to being ready yet, Manager Jeremy Gordon said.

The exterior is complete and his 12 employees were getting shelves put up this week. They expect to receive inventory through the end of the month, he said.

Opening day is Saturday, July 25.

Tractor Supply Co. is at 1123 Alternate Highway 101. Hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

TSC carries clothes, toys, home and hearth items in addition to tools, fencing, power equipment, animal feed, plants and landscaping supplies.

ARNIE'S CAFÉ

Arnie's Café is not far behind Tractor Supply Co.

The beloved diner has a tentative opening date of Aug. 1 for the new building next to City Hall.

"We're excited. It's a long process," said Crystal Neahring-Green, who has owned Arnie's since 2014. "Construction always has hiccups along the way. Right now, it's almost overwhelming because there's so much we have to do in 31 days."

The current location near Warrenton High School is oddly configured and seating is restricted.

"I think it will be a good move for us and will be nice to have some flexibility there," she said.

Arnie's will add some new features, which Neahring-Green didn't want to give



Roof trusses and framing are going up at an indoor athletic facility at Broadway Park in Seaside.

away, but the décor will be Arnie's authentic.

Her 16 employees all will transfer to the new restaurant and the old building has been put up for sale.

WARRENTON MIDDLE SCHOOL
Erosion-control work has begun on the site of Warren-

ton's new middle school.

The start date for the earthwork initially was scheduled to begin in May, but was postponed to ensure work crews follow proper COVID-19 protocols, a consultant for the school district said.

The building is expected to



The Performing Arts Center in Astoria.

be complete by July 19, 2021, with staff occupancy a month later.

NEW PAC OWNER

Clatsop Community College announced the sale of its Performing Arts Center to local group Trinity LLC.

The new owner has offered a long-term lease of the facility to Partners for the PAC, the nonprofit agency representing the community organizations rehearsing and performing at the center: North Coast Chorale, North Oregon Coast Symphony, North

Coast Symphonic Band, North Coast Big Band, Astoria Music Festival, Cascadia Chamber Opera, and Coast Community Radio/Tillikum Foundation.

While events are on hold because of COVID-19, the partners are upgrading the facility and making plans to reopen when restrictions are lifted. The Performing Arts Center had been administered by the College since 1977, when the historic Trinity Lutheran Church was converted into a performance venue.

INDOOR ATHLETIC FACILITY

Construction continues on an indoor training facility at Seaside's Broadway Park.

It will include places where athletes can hone their skills, even in the off season.

There will be batting cages, a pitching skills-building area, a weight room, concession stands run by volunteers, restrooms for people with disabilities, and storage for Sunset Empire Parks and Recreation maintenance staff.

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