



Warrenton Police Chief Matt Workman, far right, shows off his champion award. With him are outgoing president Jim Ferraris, left, Keizer Police Chief John Teague, and Martha Brooks of Fight Crime: Invest in Kids.

Workman is police chief association's new president

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Warrenton Police Chief Matt Workman was installed as president of the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police during the group's annual recognition dinner.

He also received, along with fellow Chief John Teague of the Keizer Police Department, the Champion for Children & Youth Award. The award recognizes extraordinary commitment and leadership in the effort to prevent crime by helping kids get the right start in life.

Workman has been a police

officer for 30 years. He began his career in 1991 with the police department in Hastings, Nebraska. He was named Vernonia's police chief in 2004 and Warrenton's chief in October 2008.

He holds a master's degree in organizational management from the University of Phoenix, where he teaches classes in criminal justice.

He is a longtime member of Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, where he has been an advocate for improved child care as a way to stop crime before it starts.

Four county beaches to be monitored for bacteria

Oregon Health Authority and the Department of Environmental Quality plan to monitor many of the state's most popular beaches for bacteria this summer, including four in Clatsop County.

The Oregon Beach Monitoring Program includes some of the most frequently visited beaches in Oregon as well as any beach where the program has found

bacteria in the past. Several groups also have asked for monitoring due to potential pollution concerns, program managers said.

County beaches on the list are Seaside Beach, Cannon Beach, Tolovana State Park Beach, and Short Sand State Park Beach in Arch Cape.

Sixteen other beaches from Tillamook County to the California border are included on the list this year.

Risk level drops; state announces vaccine lottery

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Clatsop County has moved back into the moderate-risk category for COVID-19.

The lowered designation, which began Thursday, is based on the rate of new infections.

Oregon Health Authority recorded 31 new cases in the two-week reporting period, May 9-22.

Gov. Kate Brown recently announced a new risk-level metric based on vaccination rates in each county. Those in which 65 percent of eligible people have received at least one vaccine dose will be allowed to enter the low-risk category, which carries the fewest business and social restrictions.

As of May 25, 19,413 residents had received at least one dose, or 59 percent of Clatsop's eligible residents. Another 1,900 doses are required to reach the goal.

Four vaccination clinics have been set up for the next two weeks.

To sign up, go to the county's website, co.clatsop.or.us and click on the vaccine sign-up link or call 503-325-8500. Anyone age 12 to 14 must have a consent form signed by a parent or guardian.

• *Ages 18 and up:* First and

second doses of Moderna Vaccine, 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 1, Old Seaside High School, 1901 N. Holladay Drive.

• *Ages 18 and up:* First and second doses of Moderna vaccine, 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, June 3, Clatsop County Fairgrounds, 92937 Walluski Loop, Astoria.

• *Ages 12 to 17* and their immediate family only: Second dose of Pfizer vaccine, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 5, Clatsop County Fairgrounds.

• *Ages 12 to 17* and their immediate family only: Second dose of Pfizer vaccine, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 12, Old Seaside High School.

Vaccine appointments

Online at co.clatsop.or.us or call 503-325-8500.

A week ago, the governor announced that Oregon would hold a lottery with big prizes for those who've been vaccinated.

Oregonians 18 and older will have the chance to win \$1 million or one of 36 \$10,000 prizes, with one winner in each county.

Those younger than 18 have a chance to win one of five \$100,000 Oregon College Savings Plan scholarships. All Oregonians who have received at least one dose by midnight June 27 will be automatically entered to win.

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