

State honors social workers

An adoption worker who's been with Clatsop County for 18 years was one of two people honored by the state Department of Human Services Child Welfare Division during National Social Work Month.

Sarah Dielman was chosen for her compassion and trauma-informed ways of engaging with children and families in state care. She has worked her entire career in the DHS Astoria office.

The second winner, Skye Hopkins, is a permanency worker in Hillsboro who has eight years of child welfare experience. She was chosen for her ability to connect and engage with families, share wisdom and form partnerships to make services more accessible to families.

The women were named co-winners of the 2021 Tom Moan Memorial Award, which recognizes excellence in demonstrating the core values of social work and child welfare. Awardees are chosen through nominations from families, community partners and Child Welfare Division employees.

"We are exceptionally proud of both Sarah's and Skye's work serving and strengthening the children and families of Clatsop and

Animal lovers sought at shelter

Calling all animal lovers. Clatsop Animal Assistance seeks those looking for a rewarding experience that offers unconditional love and good exercise.

Volunteers are needed to walk dogs, socialize and cuddle cats, foster pets, and transport animals to vet appointments.

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Hopkins



Dielman

Washington counties, and throughout Oregon," Child Welfare Director Rebecca Jones Gaston said.

"Rolf Moan, Tom Moan's son and award committee chair, noted a common thread in all the nominee and awardee interviews: a belief that the circumstances these children and families faced were temporary and that they could play a role to help children and families reach their full potential, and I couldn't agree more," she said. "It is crucial to the system transformation we are building toward by recognizing this important work."

Oregon DHS helps 1.5 million residents each year through all stages of life using foundational social work practices.

Health warnings issued for sturgeon consumption

Oregon Health Authority issued warnings late last week about the amount of sturgeon people should eat from the lower Columbia and lower Willamette rivers.

Fish tissue data from Oregon Department of Environmental Quality show polychlorinated biphenyls, or PCBs, at levels of concern in sturgeon from the two river zones.

Men, and women who are beyond childbearing age, should eat no more than eight meals of sturgeon per month; children, those older than 65, and pregnant women should eat no more than seven.

The advisory boundary for the lower Columbia extends from the mouth of the river to the Bonneville Dam.

For those who might get sturgeon from the lower Willamette, the recommendation is no more than one meal per month.

OHA issues advisories when fish or shellfish tissue data show that the levels of contaminants — in this case, PCBs — are above Oregon's health-based screening values. OHA then calculates meal recommendations using the data to

help people better understand the number of fish meals they can safely eat.

Sturgeon are considered a migratory fish, but because of the rivers' dam systems, they spend more time in the rivers, allowing the high amount of fat in their meat to accumulate PCBs. In addition, sturgeon are long-lived and suck up food from the sediment where PCBs collect. The longer a fish

lives, the more PCBs they accumulate in their tissue.

Eating too many fish contaminated with PCBs can cause damage to organs, the nervous system and the brain, leading to potential learning and behavior problems. Mothers can pass the contaminants to their babies during pregnancy or in breast milk. Babies and small children are most vulnerable to the health effects of PCBs.

AGENDA

WARRENTON URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

March 22, 2022 – 6:00 P.M.

Warrenton City Commission Chambers – 225 South Main Avenue
Warrenton, OR 97146

This is a Preliminary Agenda. A final Agenda and full meeting packet will be available on the City's website at www.ci.warrenton.or.us after 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 18, 2022.

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BUSINESS

- Consideration of Independent Audit Services Contract

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CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WARRENTON
REGULAR MEETING

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The City Commission will hold a work session beginning at 5:30 p.m., prior to the regular meeting. The purpose of the work session is an update from Astoria-Warrenton Chamber of Commerce Executive Director David Reid. Work Sessions are open to the public however, no public comment will be taken.

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BUSINESS ITEMS

- Consideration of City Commission Board Assignments
- Consideration of NW 7th and N Main Ave Low-Pressure Sewer Project

DISCUSSION ITEMS


- Oregon Department of Forestry - Environmental Impact Statement
- Public Works Project Updates
- Engineering Response to Mr. Stan Johnson's Concerns Regarding Waterline Size for Development

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Under the authority of ORS 192.660(2)(a); to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.

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