

Events

Ghosts, mystics at Seaside conference

The 10th annual Oregon Ghost Conference is scheduled this weekend at the Seaside Civic & Convention Center, 415 First Ave.

Among the offerings: talks on local haunted houses, haunted prisons, and haunted shipwrecks, hypnotism, channeling, psychic readings, seances, noisy ghosts, and tarot.

Admission is \$15 with children 12 and younger free. Tickets are available at oregonghostconference.com

The three-day event is from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Additional late-night events, including movies and ghost tours are available for an extra charge.



Home, chef tour features icons

Assistance League of the Columbia Pacific will hold its 13th annual Home and Chef Tour from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 9.

Proceeds benefit Clatsop County children in need through the organization's philanthropic programs: Operation School Bell, Cinderella's Closet, duffel bags, scholarships, and outreach.

This year's theme is "Iconic Astoria" and will include a mix of homes and iconic locations in the city. Attend-

ees also enjoy a tasty treat at each location created by a local chef.

Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased from club members; online at assistanceleague.org/the-columbia-pacific; Holly McHone Jewelers, 1150 Commercial St., Astoria; or The Natural Nook, 738 Pacific Way, Gearhart.

Take a look at growth strategy

Columbia Pacific Economic Development District is sponsoring a workshop on the region's economic development strategy.

The workshop for Clatsop County leaders and residents is 10:30 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, March 29, in the Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St., Astoria.

According to the EDD, the economic development strategy is a plan that serves as a vehicle for individuals, organizations, local governments, colleges, and private industry to engage in a meaningful

conversation about what capacity-building efforts would best serve economic development in the region.

The workshop includes a planning exercise, updates on data and demographics, and an open conversation on what regional tactics may help overcome obstacles. To attend, send an email to sarahlu@nworegon.org.



Photo of 1906 Peter Iredale shipwreck from UW Special Collections.

Shipwrecks topic of new exhibit

Columbia River Maritime Museum began installation this week of a new exhibit on shipwrecks.

Formations, a Portland ex-

hibit design firm, is in charge of the design and construction; museum curators will set up artifacts from the collections upon completion.

During the work, the museum's Gallery No. 3 will be closed.

The exhibit's target opening is May 11, just in time to celebrate the museum's 60th anniversary.

Eclectic dance event set April 2

Express Yourself: A Dance Extravaganza will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 2, at the Liberty Theatre, 1203 Commercial St., Astoria.

Work Dance Company uses everything from high-tech visual effects, lighting, props, and dozens of costume changes to make its over-the-top production come to life. Jazz, hip hop, tap, lyrical, contemporary, belly dancing, ballet, and modern will be featured.

Featured guests include Maddox Dance Studio, Encore Dance Studio, Triple Moon Belly Dancing, Elite Dance Co., and Elixr Dance Co. Admission is \$15 general or \$25 VIP and available at libertyastoria.showare.com.

Help needed for daffodil cross

Volunteers are needed to help with a local annual tradition: creating the daffodil cross in the field in front of Clatsop Plains Pioneer Presbyterian Church, 33324 Patriot Way (the turnoff to Camp Rilea).

Planting/installation begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 2. The flowers stay up through Easter on Sunday, April 17.



Catch up on preventative care.

Early on in the pandemic, many people put off in-person doctor visits. It's time to catch up on any preventative health services you missed. These can include:

- Mammograms and pap smears
- Screenings for diseases and cancer
- Childhood vaccines and annual visits
- Flu and pneumonia shots
- Routine checkups to get advice on diet, exercise and safety

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