

Business & Development Tidbits

Timber company lauded by state

Lewis and Clark Timberlands was recognized by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the state Board of Forestry for being nature stewards.

During an online awards ceremony last month, Lewis and Clark Timberlands received the Industrial Forest Landowner Stewardship Award. Awards also were given to forest landowners in Estacada, Eugene, Molalla, and Medford.

Lewis and Clark Timberlands is managed by Nuveen Natural Capital.

The company has been an active steward for the benefit of fish and wildlife since their operations began in Clatsop County in 2009. The company has gone above and beyond

habitat protection measures required under the Forest Practices Act with multiple fish-passage and instream habitat restoration projects, according to ODF. The company also has removed forest roads near streams, enhanced riparian environments and created snags for wildlife shelter and food.

The company also provides no-fee recreational access to

157,950 acres of their land in Tillamook and Clatsop counties, allowing hunting, fishing and wildlife viewing. And they're working with a local mountain bike organization and other groups developing the new Klootchie trail system.

RELAX AND ENJOY THE VIEW

Warrenton has a new viewing platform for those who like to walk along the Skipanon River Trail.



A city work crew stands in the new viewing platform at the Skipanon River Trail Park, which is at the end of Third Street near downtown Warrenton.

City of Warrenton

The city dedicated a portion of the paved trail at the east end of Third Street as a park. The park already had a paved parking area, handicapped access, a kayak dock, a comfortable bench and a great view.

The new viewing platform was built by a crew from the city's Public Works Department as part of planned improvements at the park.

I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW

Students in Clatsop Community College's Historic Preservation and Restoration Program stepped in to help the Port of Astoria replace aging windows in a tenant's workshop.

The students were enrolled in a window restoration workshop offered by the college.

They teamed up with port staff on critical repairs to the exterior of the building occupied by Overbay Houseworks, on the north side of Southeast 12th Place at Astoria-Warren-

ton Regional Airport.

The hands-on workshop was led by instructor Lucien Swerdlhoff and is meant to give the students the opportunity to remove the original wood windows and begin restoring or replacing sashes, jambs, broken glass, and rotten wood. Many of the windows had been inoperable.

WEYERHAEUSER FINED

Columbia Riverkeeper and Weyerhaeuser reached an agreement this week settling Riverkeeper's Clean Water Act lawsuit against the timber giant at its Longview mill.

As part of the agreement, Weyerhaeuser will need to make numerous improvements to its timber mill facility to reduce the company's industrial pollution.

The settlement also requires Weyerhaeuser to pay \$600,000 to the Seeding Justice foundation, which will award grants to projects benefiting water quality in the Columbia River Basin.

The agreement must undergo a 45-day review period for the U.S. Department of Justice and then be approved by a federal district court judge before it can go into effect.

Public safety calls

WARRANTS

• Person sleeping in vehicle in parking lot, 1:57 p.m. May 3, Shilo Inn. Molly Elizabeth Marshall, 40, of Seaside was arrested on a warrant.

• Warrant service, 4:04 p.m. May 4, Skipanon River, east side of Warrenton dyke. Daniel C. Lunsford, 32, of Astoria was arrested on a warrant.

THEFTS AND BURGLARIES

• Stolen bicycle, 2:25 p.m. May 2, police station. A boy later returned the \$625 bike.

• Shoplifting, 6:15 p.m. May 3, Walmart. Shaina L. Wooton, 26, of Seaside was cited for third-degree theft, criminal mischief and criminal trespassing after she allegedly attempted to leave the store without paying for a \$6 power cable.

• Shoplifting, 8:14 p.m. May 3, Walmart. Timothy M. Goza, 52, no known address, was cited for third-degree theft and criminal trespassing after he allegedly returned to the store where he'd

already been trespassed and left without paying for a \$4 can of wine.

• Burglary, 2:29 p.m. May 5, 0-100 block Northeast First Street. A man reported the theft of a \$1,500 Stihl chainsaw.

• Shoplifting, 11:36 a.m. May 6, Fred Meyer. Items valued at \$385 were recovered from unknown subjects who left in a Toyota Camry.

• Shoplifting, 10:19 p.m. May 7, Walmart. Roni Sue Kelley, 61, of Warrenton was cited for third-degree theft after she allegedly attempted to leave the store without paying for \$15 in cat collars.

SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES AND DISTURBANCES

• Disturbance, 5:36 a.m. May 3, 500 block Jetty Street. Joshua Lloyd Salber, 29, of Hammond was arrested on suspicion of menacing and being a felon in possession of a restricted weapon. He was found with a 9 mm pistol and 71 rounds of am-

munition, according to a police report.

• Disturbance, 4:56 p.m. May 5, Big 5 Sporting Goods. Roy D. Gifford, 56, no address listed, was arrested on suspicion of disorderly conduct, second-degree theft and criminal mischief after he allegedly attempted to leave the store without paying for boots and socks valued at \$75. He was booked at Clatsop County Jail.

• Trespassing, 7:05 p.m. May 8, Walmart. Richard Joseph Simmons, 56, of Warrenton was cited for criminal trespassing, driving while suspended, and failing to install an ignition interlock device.

TRAFFIC

• Traffic stop, 7:07 p.m. April 28, Warrenton Mini Mart. Driver cited for driving while suspended.

• Speeding, 2:25 p.m. May 1, South Main Avenue at Southwest Second Street. Driver cited.

• Hit-and-run collision, 12:56 p.m. May 3, Fred Meyer.

• Hit-and-run collision, 2:08 p.m. May 3, Dollar Tree parking lot.

• Reckless driving, 4:02 p.m. May 4, Ocean View Cemetery. Jacob Daniel Perkins, 37, of Warrenton was cited for reckless driving, reckless endangerment, and misuse of 911.

• Two-vehicle collision with injuries, 7:20 a.m. May 5, Youngs Bay Bridge.

• Traffic stop, 9:37 p.m. May 7, Highway 101 at Ensign Lane. Driver cited for driving while suspended and having no insurance.

• Speeding, 12:05 a.m. May 8, Alternate Highway 101 at Southeast Jetty Avenue. Driver cited for going 68 in a 45 mph zone.

• Traffic stop, 3:49 p.m. May 8, Southwest Third Street at Southwest Main Court. Driver cited for driving while suspended and having no insurance.

FIRE AND SERVICE CALLS

• Possible illegal burn, 9:31 p.m. May 5, Tyee and Third streets.

Good News

about

Warrenton's Economy

GENERAL FUND

up \$308,000

WARRENTON MARINA

up \$118,000

HAMMOND MARINA

up \$94,000

COMMUNITY CENTER UP 64%

Center use was down 80% in 2021. But City accounting assured me of enough reserves to carry the center through 2022.

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Your Money
by the Numbers