CCC students win campus literacy award

Nine Clatsop Community College students were named winners of the campus' Information Literacy Award.

The annual prize is awarded each spring to students who've submitted research projects to the college librarian, who evaluates them using information literacy criteria.

All nine illustrated a strong grasp of the evolving world of information, as well as the ability to incorporate authoritative information into their research. Students cited a range of research sources, including websites, journalists, books, magazines, scholarly journals, streaming movies, and personal interviews.

The 2022 winners are:

•Isabella Anthony, for her work on left-sided heart failure

•Drake Fischer, who wrote about the damage sea lions cause to property and salmon

•Teresa Higuera, who submitted a report on historic preservation problems

•Emma Johnson, for her research project "Stonehenge: A Novel Interpretation"

•Vance Lump, for thoughtful explication of upgrading of historic wood windows

•Katelyn Olsen, who examined Bipolar I Disorder

•Scott Stanford, for his Baldrige assessment of Costco

•William Stevison, who explained the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo

•Shea Stokes, for his paper on Architectural Terra Cotta

The award was divided equally among the nine winners, with two students sharing the nursing student award and seven students sharing the general award.

Each received a \$133 check from the Clatsop Community College Foundation.

The college library created the Information Literacy Award to recognize student research skills.

Head Start: City will ask voters to give building to group

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clause whereby the property would revert to the county if the city sold it or abandoned it.

In 1995, the Community Action Team (CAT) approached city leaders, who agreed to sponsor the nonprofit agency in seeking a federal Community Development Block Grant, money that must be used to benefit seniors, those with low incomes, the disabled or other special groups.

The group received a grant to build a Head Start facility on half an acre. Head Start is a preschool for low-income families. Today there are 40 children in the program ages 3 to 5.

The city wants to give the property to CAT.

"It would make a difference because, (there are problems when) maintenance needs to be done -- and we do a lot, right now we're getting ready to paint the interior of the building," said Joyce Ervin, CAT program director.

But the nonprofit's mission doesn't include major renovations to buildings it doesn't own.

The city receives \$225 per month from CAT, an amount that hasn't increased since 1995 and never will. Just last year, the city spent the equiv-

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alent of 15 years of rent fixing siding and leaking windows.

If CAT owned the building, it could write grants or work with organizations to raise money for repairs.

"It makes it an easier process," Ervin said.

The agency owns three of its six Head

Start buildings in Columbia, Tillamook and Clatsop County. The city of Seaside also owns the Head Start building there.

"It's always been a good partnership with the city of Warrenton," Ervin said. "When we needed a building, they stepped up with us to get a grant, and this is the next logical step."

The building and property are worth more than \$700,000, according to the county Assessor's Office, yet it cannot be sold and the city cannot increase the rent according to terms of the block grant.

Voters would have to approve the transfer because of the property's value, according to city statutes.

The county has agreed to release the city from the reversionary clause it placed on the property when it was gifted to the city years ago, and the city intends to impose a reversion-



The Head Start building is in the southwest corner of Robinson Community Park.

ary clause on CAT should voters approve the transfer.

"We're losing over \$200 per month every month we own that," Commissioner Rick Newton said at a recent city

commission meeting. "We're terrible land-lords for our ... (benefit), but very good for the other side. I think it should go away. That's my opinion."

Commissioner Mark Baldwin agreed.

"That was the worst lease in the history of forever," Baldwin said.

The city's attorney will draft a ballot measure and Warrenton voters will decide the issue in November.





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