

OBITUARIES

**Robert Lee Conn  
Knappa**

Aug. 2, 1951 — Jan. 16, 2015

Robert Lee Conn was born on August 2, 1951, in Hillsboro, Oregon, to Robert Charles Conn and Martha Ellen Norris. His family moved to Knappa in 1961, where he remained for the rest of his life.

He graduated from Knappa High School in 1969 and married his high school sweetheart, Gina Marie Maher, later that year, on October 18th at the Svensen Friends Church.

He was known as "Bob" to his co-workers at the Wauna Mill, where he worked for 45 years, mostly in the steam plant, and was looking forward to retiring this August.

He was commonly seen at the Knappa High sporting events supporting son, Derek, and daughter, Leah. Besides his family, his other love was the outdoors, especially fishing and hunting. His favorite places to fish were Alaska and the Snake River. He was known for his handcrafted fishing rods, weaving threads into beautiful, intricate patterns. He also love playing pinochle at the Senior Center in Svensen every Tuesday.

He is survived by wife, Gina Conn of Knappa; son, Derek Conn and wife, Beth, of Salem, OR;

daughter, Leah Campbell and husband, Chris, of Pilot Hill, CA; and 7 grandchildren, Katya, Caitlin, Jocelyn, and Aidan Conn and Rylyn, Jenna, and Asher Campbell. He is also survived by brothers Charles Conn, and Tommy Conn of Alaska; sisters, Sherri Struthers, and Annie Graybeal and husband, Jay, of Alaska; and brother-in-law, Henry Ibarra of Winlock, Washington.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Martha Conn, and sister, Barbara Ibarra.

He also had numerous nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins who loved him dearly. He will be missed by many family and friends.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, January 24th, 11:00 a.m. at the Crossroads Community Church in Svensen. A potluck/reception follows at the Svensen Grange.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Knappa athletic program.

Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary is in charge of arrangements. His guest book is available at www.caldwellsmortuary.com



Robert Lee Conn

**Memorial**

Sunday, Jan. 25

SMITH, Malcolm Smith LCDR USCG (ret.) — Celebration of Life, 2 to 5 p.m. Astoria Golf and Country Club, 33445 Sunset Beach Lane, Warrenton.

The Lower Columbia

River Chapter of the Military Officers of America and other local organizations Smith served with host the event.

There will be a no-host bar and hors d'oeuvres will be served. The sharing of

humorous memories and funny stories is encouraged.

Those planning to attend are requested to notify Ed Nelson RADM USCG (ret) at radmed1@msn.com or phone 503-325-2596.

**Births**

Jan. 3, 2015

SICKLER, Beverly and Brian, a girl, Julie Catherine Sickler, born at Columbia Memori-

al Hospital in Astoria. Grandparents are Linda Sickler of Hawthorne, Calif., and Susan Motowski of Tucson, Ariz.

**ACCUWEATHER® FORECAST FOR ASTORIA**

**Astoria 5-Day Forecast**

**Tonight**  
Partly cloudy  
37°

Shown is tomorrow's weather. Temperatures are tonight's lows and tomorrow's highs

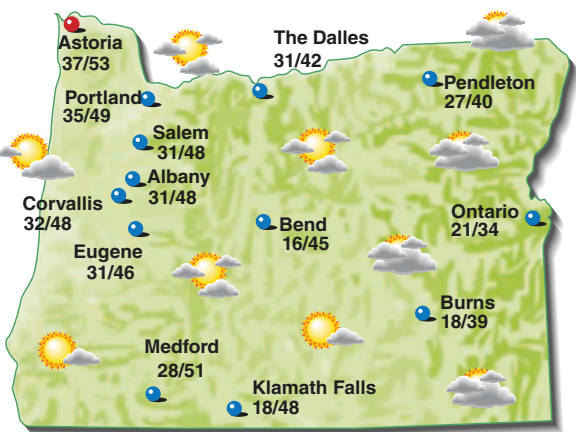
**Wednesday**  
Dense fog will lift in the a.m.; some sun  
53° 43°

**Thursday**  
Times of clouds and sun  
53° 43°

**Friday**  
Periods of rain  
55° 50°

**Saturday**  
On-and-off rain and drizzle  
56° 48°

**Oregon Weather**



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**Almanac**

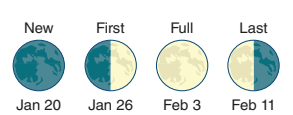
**Astoria through Monday.**

**Temperatures**  
High ..... 53°  
Low ..... 35°  
Normal high ..... 50°  
Normal low ..... 38°

**Precipitation**  
Yesterday ..... 0.09"  
Month to date ..... 8.16"  
Normal month to date ..... 6.56"  
Year to date ..... 8.16"  
Normal year to date ..... 6.56"

**Sun and Moon**

Sunset tonight ..... 5:02 p.m.  
Sunrise Wednesday ..... 7:50 a.m.  
Moonrise today ..... 7:34 a.m.  
Moonset today ..... 5:52 p.m.



**Under the Sky**

Tonight's Sky: Comet Lovejoy is to the far right of Pleiades.

**Regional Cities**

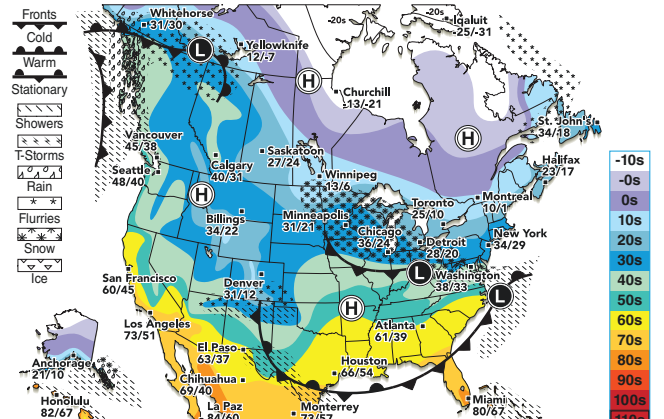
City	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Baker City	34	15	c	31	18	c
Bend	43	16	pc	45	27	pc
Brookings	58	40	pc	58	43	s
Eugene	49	31	pc	46	36	pc
Ilwaco	52	38	pc	52	44	pc
Klamath Falls	47	18	pc	48	21	s
Medford	50	28	pc	51	33	s
Newport	53	39	pc	54	44	pc
North Bend	56	37	pc	58	43	pc

City	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Olympia	48	32	pc	47	38	pc
Pendleton	45	27	c	40	27	c
Portland	50	35	pc	49	37	pc
Roseburg	49	34	pc	51	39	pc
Salem	51	31	pc	48	37	pc
Seaside	52	36	pc	52	42	pc
Spokane	35	23	c	33	24	c
Vancouver	50	32	pc	49	34	pc
Yakima	47	26	c	43	29	c

**National Cities**

City	Today			Wed.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	64	43	pc	61	39	s
Boston	36	20	pc	31	25	s
Chicago	37	31	sn	36	24	sf
Denver	40	22	pc	41	12	sn
Des Moines	47	32	pc	41	28	c
Detroit	33	21	sn	28	20	sn
El Paso	68	38	pc	63	37	c
Fairbanks	2	-4	pc	1	-10	c
Honolulu	82	67	s	82	67	s
Indianapolis	49	29	c	42	28	c
Kansas City	53	31	pc	46	25	pc
Las Vegas	63	47	pc	63	38	s
Los Angeles	69	52	pc	73	51	s
Memphis	60	37	s	58	40	s
Miami	76	65	c	80	67	c
Nashville	59	34	s	54	32	s
New Orleans	68	49	s	67	49	pc
New York	40	26	pc	34	29	sn
Oklahoma City	60	37	pc	54	37	c
Philadelphia	44	28	pc	36	27	sn
St. Louis	52	34	pc	50	31	pc
Salt Lake City	40	23	pc	35	18	s
San Francisco	59	46	pc	60	45	s
Seattle	49	33	pc	48	40	pc
Washington, DC	51	34	pc	38	33	sn

**Tomorrow's National Weather**



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.

**Weather (W):** s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, l-ice.

**Breakers Point dune grading draws criticism**

**Proposed project would move almost 74,000 cubic yards of sand onto beach**

By ERICK BENGEL  
EO Media Group

CANNON BEACH — More discussion on a proposal to grade the sand dunes at Breakers Point is planned during the Cannon Beach Planning Commission meeting Jan. 22.

The Breakers Point Homeowners Association is applying for a conditional use permit that would allow fore-dune grading west and south of its condominium development. The dunes are 46 feet high in some areas, blocking

least 25 feet of sand needs to be excavated, said Tom Horning, a geologist working with the homeowners association.

Without permitting delays, the project would happen in two phases, the first this March and April, the second in February and March 2016.

"This is a continuing job that's been done before. We've done this in cooperation with the city of Cannon Beach," Francis said.

Breakers Point has done seven dune grading projects,

city of Cannon Beach ... in order to ascertain the effects of the dune grading," said Jan Siebert-Wahrmund, a Cannon Beach resident. "Where are these (by now numerous) monitoring reports?"

She also asked why the planning commission was even considering the Breakers Point request "before these many promised and required reports were turned in."

Fraser said the city, by not demanding these monitoring reports, "did not hold up on their end of the bargain."

Mike Manzulli, chairman

*'Where are these monitoring reports?'*

— Jan Siebert-Wahrmund  
Cannon Beach resident

views and spreading sand onto their properties, said Bruce Francis, the property manager. "You have to physically shovel it away," he said.

But opponents, including north-end resident Lisa Fraser, are asking, "Is it worth the views of a few to reshape the entire north end of Cannon Beach?"

After roughly 2 1/2 hours of public testimony in December, when the City Council chambers overflowed with those wishing to speak on the issue, the planning commission voted to continue the public hearing to its next meeting.

**Those in favor**

Breakers Point homeowners discussed their reasons for wanting the dunes graded.

"When I first moved here, I could see Haystack Rock from my window. Over the years, my view has dwindled to seeing some sky," said Fran Carey, who has lived at Breakers Point for more than 20 years. "The sand is so high, I am unable to have access to the beach, and (during) any storm I have blowing sand on my windows and my patio."

The dune grading project entails removing up to 73,400 cubic yards of windblown sand trapped by European beachgrass and depositing the majority of it in the intertidal zone; the rest would go into the Ecola Creek Estuary. Both methods carry the sand out to sea. In some places, the

removing 4,000 to 10,000 cubic yards per project, since 2000. This latest request calls for "a substantial increase over what you've approved in the past," City Planner Mark Barnes told the planning commission.

But "if you keep making a bigger pile, you are subjecting it to more wind movement," Francis said. "You're going to shift more sand onto adjacent properties and onto the Breakers Point complex."

"We love Cannon Beach," said Ed Stone, a Breakers Point homeowner since the early 1980s. "We don't want anything more than just to have our view back as best we can have (it)."

**Those opposed**

Most opponents did not dispute the main facts of the request, agreeing that the dunes had grown to a level that may inconvenience homeowners.

Instead, they pointed out that, while Breakers Point is required to submit semiannual reports regarding the three-year effects of each dune grading project, only two such reports exist in the public record.

"We've been told in years past, when dune grading projects were allowed, that there would be monitoring done thereafter on a regular basis and reports submitted to the

of the Ecola Creek Watershed Council, argued that the city's comprehensive plan does not permit the dumping of sand into the Ecola Creek Estuary solely to enhance property owners' views.

Furthermore, many communities that have recently experienced natural disasters — including the Indonesian tsunami of 2004, the Japanese tsunami of 2011, hurricanes Katrina (2005) and Sandy (2012), etc. — are "rebuilding dunes right now ... to protect the community" when they can afford to do so, he said. "I think we really need to think about this."

Some opponents said that nature ought to be allowed to take its course.

"I have no doubt that some of your views are gone. I think that's probably very true," resident Carol Bennett said. "I also think they built some condos in the '70s on an active sand dune — what were they thinking? (Breakers Point homeowners) bought condos on an active sand dune — what were they thinking might happen? Were they thinking the view was going to stay just the same? It's not possible."

"Those dunes are there for a reason. We may not understand it, even if we're — no offense — even if we're geologists," resident Tommy Huntington said. "Nature does this stuff for a reason, and to just destroy it for our view or something like that is irresponsible."

**Public meetings**

**TODAY**  
**Clatsop County Human Services Advisory Council,** 4 to 5:30 p.m., 800 Exchange St., Room 430.

**Port of Astoria Commission,** 4:30 p.m. executive ses-

sion (closed to public), 6 p.m. regular meeting, old Port offices, 422 Gateway Ave.

**Astoria Historic Landmarks Commission,** 5:15 p.m., Astoria City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

**Shoreline Sanitary District Board,** 7 p.m., Gearhart Hertig Station, 33496 West Lake Lane, Warrenton.

**Astoria City Council,** 7 p.m., Astoria City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

**Lotteries**

**OREGON**  
**Monday's Pick 4:**  
1 p.m.: 6-9-1-2  
4 p.m.: 3-4-0-6  
7 p.m.: 7-1-4-2  
10 p.m.: 0-8-3-0  
**Monday's Megabucks:** 07-12-19-22-40-48  
Estimated jackpot: \$7.3 million

**WASHINGTON**  
**Monday's Daily Game:** 3-5-6  
**Monday's Hit 5:** 02-07-23-29-34  
Estimated jackpot: \$170,000  
**Monday's Keno:** 08-10-11-13-14-17-21-29-35-39-43-44-47-52-56-58-67-73-76-79  
**Monday's Lotto:** 01-08-35-39-40-41  
Estimated jackpot: \$3.2 million  
**Monday's Match 4:** 14-17-18-19

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