

POINT of view

'What is a favorite Valentine's Day memory?'



"I got star-gazing lilies. They're my favorite flowers."

Megan English, Astoria



"When a school group came in to serenade me. That was pretty cool. I wasn't expecting it."

Gail Sunderland, Astoria



"I actually don't like Valentine's Day, and have an I Hate Valentine's Day party every year. This is the first one in Astoria."

Ilikea Aguiar-Galloway, Astoria



"I married my husband on Valentine's Day."

Jane Tucker, Astoria



"Getting cards from all the classmates."

Christine Smith, Svensen

Potter, an architect who served on the Astoria City Council, dies

By DERRICK DePLEGGE
The Daily Astorian

Tom Potter, an architect who served on the Astoria City Council and was involved in the design of several notable buildings, died Monday. He was 77.

Potter represented Ward 4, which covers the east side of the city, for one term on the City Council from 1997 to 2000. The advocate for private property rights also served on the Planning Commission and the Historic Landmarks Commission.

"Everything he did like when he was on City Council and all of that, he did it for the community," said Catherine Stutznegger, one of Potter's three daughters. "He just enjoyed being here. He loved the area. He enjoyed the people. He had great friends."

Ann Potter, a bookkeeper who was Potter's wife of 47 years, died in 2013. Stutznegger said her father had a "broken heart. Just got tired; ready to go see Mom."

According to Norman Stutznegger, Potter's son-in-law, Potter was born in Wisconsin and graduated from Arizona State University after studying architecture. He came to Astoria in 1965.

As an architect, his son-in-law said, Potter worked on the Columbia River Maritime Museum, Astoria Middle School, Clatsop Community College and the Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce.



Courtesy of Norm Stutznegger

Tom Potter

Outspoken on private property rights, Potter was often a disruptive, contrary voice on the City Council who was skeptical of historic preservation mandates. He once moved a property line for a Social Security building he was designing in Uniontown 2 inches to avoid review by the Historic Landmarks Commission.

The modern Social Security building, which was painted bright orange, was constructed near a historic two-story home built in 1915. The city's historic preservation officer said at the time that while Potter's move was legal, it was not in keeping with the spirit or intent of the rules.

Former Mayor Willis Van Dusen angered preservationists when he appointed Potter

to the Historic Landmarks Commission a few years after the architect left the City Council. Van Dusen argued that Potter would bring balance to the commission.

Potter cut an eccentric figure and was known for favoring black clothes and driving a Model A Ford.

His son-in-law said Potter had pattern blindness, which is why he was partial to black. He said Potter would often volunteer to drive people in the restored Model A at events.

"He was a very, very, very generous, civic-minded man," Norman Stutznegger said.

Potter is survived by daughters Catherine Stutznegger, Pauline Riutta and Jeanine Potter, five grandchildren and a sister and brother.

Assault reported on Astoria Riverwalk

By The Daily Astorian

A 19-year-old Astoria woman was reportedly assaulted by an unknown man Tuesday night on the Astoria Riverwalk.

The woman contacted the Astoria Police at 11:12 p.m. Tuesday to report the assault. She had been walking on the Astoria Riverwalk near 31st Street when she was grabbed from behind, police said.

She described the suspect as a man about 5 feet 8 inches tall with a skinny build. The suspect had brown hair and was wearing a black coat and backpack.

At the time of the assault, she indicated he was walking a small "corgi mix" dog.

Astoria Police are continuing to investigate and

have developed some additional information related to the assault.

Police are looking for any information related to identification of the suspect or from people who were in the area around the time of the assault.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Nicole Riley at 503-325-4411 or nriley@astoria.or.us.

OBITUARIES

Richard Clement Paulsen Astoria



July 26, 1920 — Feb. 3, 2015

Richard Clement Paulsen was born in Raymond, Wash., to Peter and Hilda Paulsen. They moved to Astoria in 1921, where his father owned and operated the Owl Drug Store with Mr. Frank Berg.

He graduated from AHS in 1938 and went on to attend Oregon State College (now OSU). There he was affiliated with Beta Theta Pi fraternity, was in ROTC, and graduated from the school of pharmacy in 1942 with a BS degree.

He married his high school sweetheart, Myrtle L. Andersen, on July 19, 1942. They were married 70 years until her passing in 2012. They had four children together. He was a second lieutenant in the infantry during World War II. Returning home, he started working for his father at the Owl Drug Store in 1946.

He owned and operated the Owl Drug Store from 1953 to 1973, when he sold it; later working for Gil Kamara Real Estate. In 1964 he took his family to visit relatives in Norway, and they spent time traversing Europe. In 1965 he was awarded the George Award from the Astoria Chamber of Commerce for his role in organizing buses for the Save Our Salmon excursion to Salem.

He served on many local boards and com-

mittees, among them: as a city councilman, on the Selective Service Board, in the Rotary Club, a member of Astoria Golf & Country Club (where he served on the board of directors three times), a member of First Lutheran Church (where he was a councilman and established an endowment fund), a member of Clatsop County Historical Society, a member of Columbia River Maritime Museum, and a member of Oregon State Pharmaceutical Association.

He was past president of the YMCA and a member of the Sons of Norway Lodge. He was chairman of the first very successful Heart Fund drive, he donated to the Liberty Theatre's restoration and he donated to the Astoria Column restoration.

He is survived by three children: Dianne J. Baxter, Judy C.P. Clark, and Richard C.P. Paulsen; seven grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The memorial service will be Feb. 21 at 12 noon, held at the First Lutheran Church on 33rd and Grand in Astoria. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the First Lutheran Church Endowment Fund, or the Columbia River Maritime Museum, on behalf of Richard Paulsen.



Richard Paulsen

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Astoria 5-Day Forecast

Tonight
Cloudy
46°

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

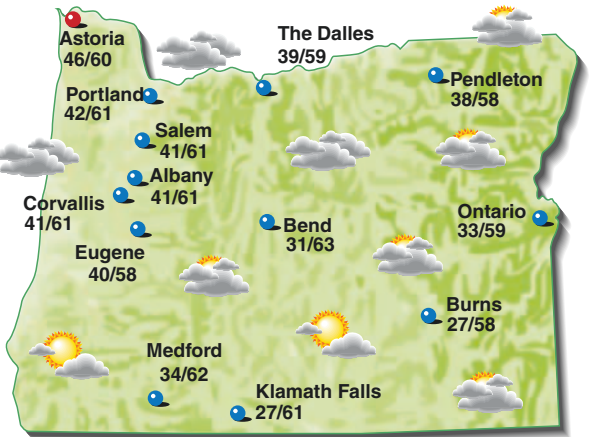
Thursday
Cloudy
60° / 43°

Friday
Clouds giving way to some sun
60° / 45°

Saturday
Clouds and occasional sunshine
57° / 40°

Sunday
Intervals of clouds and sun
56° / 38°

Oregon Weather



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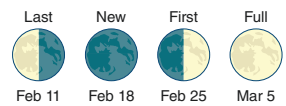
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Astoria through Tuesday.

Temperatures	Precipitation
High	Yesterday
Low	Month to date
Normal high	Normal month to date
Normal low	Year to date
	Normal year to date

Sun and Moon

Sunset tonight	5:35 p.m.
Sunrise Thursday	7:24 a.m.
Moonrise today	12:34 a.m.
Moonset today	10:54 a.m.



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Regional Cities

City	Today	Thu.
Baker City	53 29 c	56 28 c
Bend	58 31 c	63 34 c
Brookings	59 44 s	62 46 pc
Eugene	57 40 c	58 43 c
Ilwaco	57 48 c	58 46 sh
Klamath Falls	58 27 s	61 28 pc
Medford	62 34 s	62 37 pc
Newport	59 44 c	62 45 c
North Bend	59 42 pc	63 43 c

Under the Sky

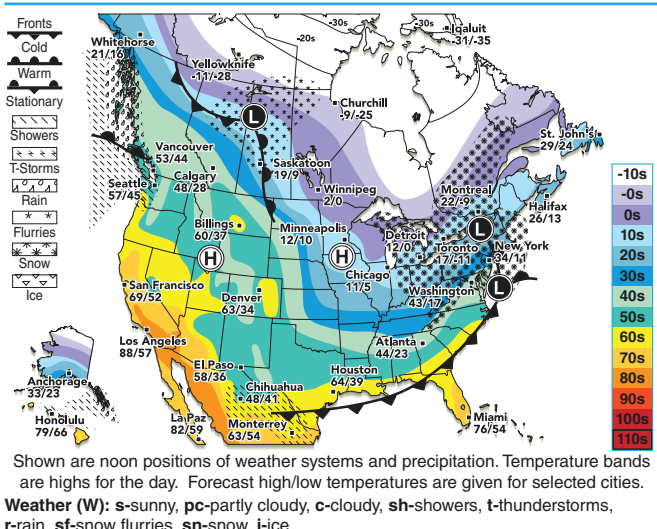
City	Today	Thu.
Olympia	58 42 c	57 43 sh
Pendleton	58 38 c	58 37 c
Portland	59 42 c	61 41 c
Roseburg	61 42 pc	62 44 c
Salem	59 41 c	61 42 c
Seaside	59 45 c	60 44 c
Spokane	51 40 c	52 37 c
Vancouver	58 40 c	61 39 c
Yakima	57 36 c	58 38 c

Tomorrow's Tides
Astoria / Port Docks
Time High Time Low
6:20 a.m. 8.5 ft. 12:00 a.m. 2.9 ft.
8:04 p.m. 6.1 ft. 1:39 p.m. 1.8 ft.

National Cities

City	Today	Thu.
Atlanta	61 38 s	44 23 pc
Boston	24 15 sf	28 10 sn
Chicago	35 7 sf	11 5 sf
Denver	51 28 pc	63 34 pc
Des Moines	30 8 pc	20 15 s
Detroit	35 11 sn	12 0 sf
El Paso	64 40 s	58 36 pc
Fairbanks	7 -5 c	8 -10 pc
Honolulu	80 65 pc	79 66 c
Indianapolis	41 14 c	19 8 pc
Kansas City	35 12 pc	28 20 s
Las Vegas	72 48 s	72 48 s
Los Angeles	58 57 s	88 57 s
Memphis	56 30 s	39 23 s
Miami	73 56 s	76 54 s
Nashville	54 24 s	32 17 pc
New Orleans	66 46 s	61 35 s
New York	31 21 pc	34 11 sn
Oklahoma City	56 29 pc	47 31 s
Philadelphia	39 28 s	40 15 sf
St. Louis	44 14 pc	26 18 s
Salt Lake City	53 34 s	60 34 pc
San Francisco	66 50 s	69 52 s
Seattle	58 48 c	57 45 sh
Washington, DC	45 31 pc	43 17 c

Tomorrow's National Weather



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