

CMH gets funding for cancer survivor program

PORTLAND — The Knight Cancer Institute at Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) awarded \$462,656 to 17 projects statewide, including a project proposal from Columbia Memorial Hospital in Astoria, as part of the first round of funding offered through its Community Partnership Program.

The program's goal is to address community-identified needs to ultimately decrease the impact of cancer on Oregonians.

Projects chosen in this initial round will benefit 23 Oregon counties and a wide range of populations and cancer types in rural and urban communities. CMH will receive \$25,000 for a development project, "Healing at Home: A Rural Cancer Survi-

vorship Pilot Program; Clatsop, Columbia and Tillamook Counties."

It involves developing and implementing a pilot rural cancer survivorship clinic to address cancer survivorship care, focusing on physical rehabilitation, nutrition education, recommended screenings and other follow-up and preventative care. Planning and participant recruitment takes place this spring. The 12-week survivorship program begins this summer with select participants. Analysis and follow-up happens in the fall.

Other projects funded by the Knight Cancer Institute will focus on preventing tobacco use among youth; providing transportation to patients in cancer treatment;

increasing consumption of fruits and vegetables through a community supported agriculture prescription plan; implementing culturally appropriate strategies to increase colorectal cancer screening among medically underserved Oregonians; and developing skin cancer prevention programs for adolescents, among other needs.

The Knight Cancer Institute has committed to invest \$1 million dollars annually to support this program for the next decade. In addition, the Meyer Memorial Trust recently awarded the institute a two-year grant of \$500,000 to enhance the program. A second round of funding for the Community Partnership Program will open for applications later in 2015.

OBITUARIES

Bertha Thelma Bean

Astoria

July 31, 1916 — Feb. 11, 2015

Bertha Thelma Bean, age 98, of Astoria Ore., passed away Feb. 11, 2015, in Astoria. She was born July 31, 1916, in Oakland, Calif., to John Jay and Marie Whilimena Battage Riley.

Bertha has lived in Sacramento and Bangor, Calif. In 2000, she relocated to Astoria to be near her son and daughter-in-law. She met her husband to be, Albion Eugene Bean in Bangor, Calif., when he had just lost his home in a forest fire. Her husband Gene passed away in 1986.

Bertha had a varied adventure in life. She helped her husband make shakes for roof, assisted in the lumber planing mill and building their home. Her hobbies were crocheting, knitting, tending her flowers and baking. In her neighborhood she was known as the cookie lady. She also enjoyed her family.

She is survived by her son Albion R. Bean and wife JoAnn Bean of Astoria, and their children Chuck Bean of Astoria and John Bean of Dallas, Texas; Bertha's daughter Bertha Thelma Ermintinger and husband Raymond LeRoy Ermintinger of Bangor, Calif., and their children Wanda Arnold and husband Forest Arnold of Bangor, Calif., and Darla Spoor of Oroville Calif. Bertha has four-great grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

There will be a private memorial for Bertha in Bangor, Calif.

Please, no flowers. If you wish, please make donations to your favorite charity in Bertha Bean's name.

Visit www.hughes-ransom.com to leave memories and sign the guest book.



Bertha Bean

Therese Ellen Spencer Mersereau

Beaverton

Oct. 28, 1927 — Feb. 1, 2015

Therese "Terri" Mersereau died peacefully in her sleep at Maryville Nursing Home on Sunday, Feb. 1, 2015. She was 87 years of age, and had been struggling with her health for several years. Born Oct. 28, 1927, in Vancouver, British Columbia, to Annabelle McDonald Spencer and Christopher Lloyd Spencer, Terri attended Convent of the Sacred Heart School.

Blessed with a natural interest in music, Terri played both violin and piano, and in 1939 at the age of 11, won first place at the British Columbia Music Festival for pianist 12 and under. That year at the same festival, she won first place for violinist under 12. Several years later, while in her teens, she competed and won a trophy at the annual CBC (Canadian Broadcasting Company) Talent Festival.

Terri received a three-year scholarship to the Toronto Royal Conservatory of Music, with an emphasis on composition. She won a competition that led to an introduction and performance with Canadian composer and pianist Oscar Peterson, who had himself won the CBC Talent Festival. Terri's solid classical training was becoming profoundly influenced by Bill Evans and other jazz musician greats. She was accepted at Mills College and studied under Darius Milhaud. It was at Mills that she became acquainted with one of Milhaud's most famous students, Dave Brubeck.

Terri also met her first husband while at Mills. Robert Francis Arenz, who was a gifted classical pianist and linguist, fluent in English, French, German and Italian, who had attended Catlin Gable, Yale and had studied at the Sorbonne. Together they had five children: Eric, Elaine, Tre, Annabelle, and Heidi.

While the children were still young, Terri continued to perform on stage in Seattle and Portland as a vocalist and pianist. She appeared at the 1962 World's Fair in Seattle. On Nov. 23, 1964, she recorded some of her most noteworthy compositions at a studio in Los Angeles with Bill Hood (sax, clarinet, flute), Ernie Hood (composer), Jack Shelton (trumpet), Bud Shank (flute), Gene Cipriano (flute, oboe, English horn), Vince De Rosa (French horn), Emil Richards (vibes, percussion), Al Hendrickson (guitar), Chuck Berghofer (bass), Shelly Manne (drums) and Bones Howe (engineer).

By the mid-60s, Terri was married to second husband, Roland Mersereau, the father of Susan, Peter and John Mersereau. Together with her five children, Terri and Rol lived in Lake Oswego, where her love of horses and dogs, snow skiing and waterskiing, and her skills as a gardener, were nurtured. She composed and arranged at home, and performed as her family schedule allowed. Terri invited Jamie Faunt (bass) and

Ron Steen (drums) to perform at a party at her home, and soon after, they joined her as part of the Terri Spencer Trio, delighting audiences at Lea's and the Benson Hotel.

Then in their teens, Ron and Jamie went on to become leaders in the Pacific Northwest jazz scene. Ron Steen recently said, "She was a remarkable jazz vocalist, the best singer I've ever heard. She was also an incredibly gifted composer and a great piano player. And she was as beautiful as a movie star ... I was a teenager when she gave me the opportunity to perform in some of the best venues in town. Meeting her changed my life."

Doug Baker, formerly of the Oregon Journal, named a March 1967 Baker's Dozen column, "World Grows Older, But Terri Just Grows Better." He wrote, "... I first heard Terri's piano and the next day I was rhapsodic ... clean, sharp, inventive and at times, highly original ... I drove to Seattle one late summer evening to hear her unforgettable performance with Dave Brubeck at the Green Lake Jazz Festival. I caught her one night in the old Multnomah Hotel's Stirrup Room and again at the Canyon Club in West Slope. Another evening I found her at a jazz joint in downtown Seattle called The Door ..."

Terri's music was deeply nurtured by her Catholic faith. She composed a Mass that was written and performed with Dean Aplegate at Holy Rosary Church in the 1980s, and composed many hymns over the years. Moving to the Oregon Coast with Rol in the early 1980s brought fresh inspiration and opportunities to express God's glory and grandeur at the keyboard in their beautiful home, built with Rol's son, John Mersereau.

She recently remarked, "I remember pondering on the significance of Our Lady, Mary, and her 'Yes.' I have been blessed by the gift of music, and recognizing the gift from God, have tried to develop the talent to the best of my ability in all of the directions I was led. Life has been good. I am enormously proud of my children from both marriages, and the generations that have followed. All is well."

Terri is predeceased by her husband Rol (January 1999) and by her beloved daughter Tre, a renowned ceramic artist (May 2003). In addition to her four children and three stepchildren, she is survived by 19 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Visitation is planned at Hughes-Ransom Mortuary, 220 North Holladay Drive, Seaside, from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 27, to be followed by a Vigil Service at 7 p.m.

Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Victory Church, 120 Oceanway Street, Seaside, at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 28, 2015.

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Therese Mersereau

Lotteries

OREGON

Monday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 8-4-8-2
4 p.m.: 0-0-9-8
7 p.m.: 2-4-9-1
10 p.m.: 7-7-6-2

Monday's Megabucks: 23-28-29-31-

33-34
Estimated jackpot: \$10.4 million

WASHINGTON

Monday's Daily Game: 3-2-7

Monday's Hit 5: 03-07-12-23-35

Estimated jackpot: \$220,000

Monday's Keno: 02-09-10-23-34-35-37-40-41-46-53-59-61-64-65-68-70-74-78-80

Monday's Lotto: 17-21-28-42-46-48

Estimated jackpot: \$4.6 million

Monday's Match 4: 01-07-16-18

Deaths

Feb. 15, 2015

BELLO, Christopher, 67, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

Feb. 16, 2015

DAVIS, Ernest L., 84, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

ACCUWEATHER® FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

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Tonight
Mainly clear
43°

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

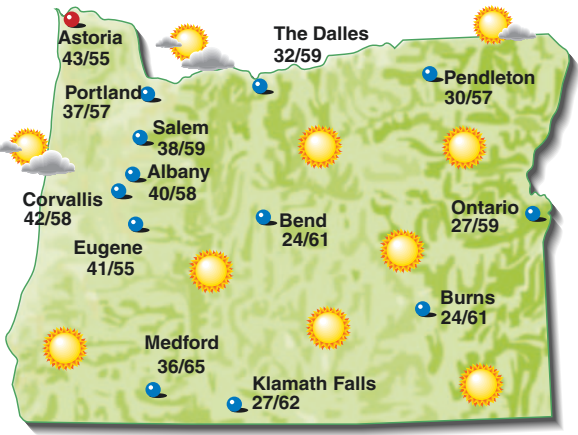
Wednesday
Partly sunny
55° 43°

Thursday
Mostly cloudy
55° 42°

Friday
Intervals of clouds and sunshine
53° 40°

Saturday
Mostly sunny
56° 37°

Oregon Weather



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Almanac

Astoria through Monday.

Temperatures	
High	61°
Low	45°
Normal high	52°
Normal low	37°

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	5.41"
Normal month to date	4.21"
Year to date	14.60"
Normal year to date	14.41"

Sun and Moon

Sunset tonight	5:43 p.m.
Sunrise Wednesday	7:14 a.m.
Moonrise today	6:06 a.m.
Moonset today	4:39 p.m.

Feb 18 Feb 25 Mar 5 Mar 13

Regional Cities

City	Today	Wed.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Baker City	51 19 s	57 25 s
Bend	53 24 s	61 28 s
Brookings	61 47 s	59 45 pc
Eugene	60 41 s	55 42 s
Ilwaco	60 46 s	55 45 pc
Klamath Falls	62 27 s	62 29 s
Medford	67 36 s	65 37 s
Newport	62 46 s	55 44 pc
North Bend	64 47 s	57 43 pc

City	Today	Wed.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Olympia	58 34 s	57 41 pc
Pendleton	51 30 s	57 35 s
Portland	60 37 s	57 42 pc
Roseburg	65 42 s	60 43 s
Salem	61 38 s	59 41 pc
Seaside	62 43 s	56 43 pc
Spokane	47 30 s	49 30 pc
Vancouver	60 35 s	57 40 pc
Yakima	55 29 s	58 31 pc

Under the Sky

Tonight's Sky: In the evening, the galaxy M31 in Andromeda is visible reasonably high in the west.

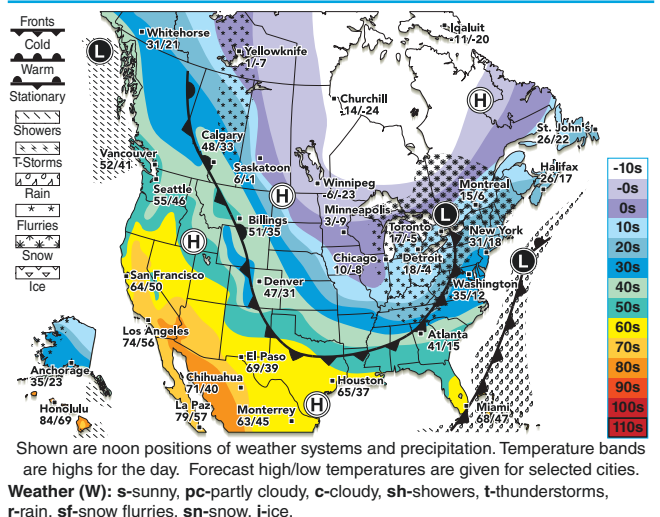
Tomorrow's Tides

Astoria / Port Docks	Time	High	Time	Low
	12:52 a.m.	8.6 ft.	6:38 a.m.	1.7 ft.
	12:30 p.m.	9.9 ft.	7:17 p.m.	-1.0 ft.

National Cities

City	Today	Wed.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Atlanta	43 26 c	41 15 pc
Boston	23 13 sn	29 17 sf
Chicago	18 2 c	10 -8 pc
Denver	38 17 c	47 31 s
Des Moines	22 1 pc	11 -2 s
Detroit	21 7 sf	18 -4 sf
El Paso	61 36 s	69 39 s
Fairbanks	32 4 pc	20 5 pc
Honolulu	83 68 s	84 69 s
Indianapolis	26 6 c	14 -3 sf
Kansas City	30 8 sf	18 3 s
Las Vegas	68 46 s	73 49 s
Los Angeles	71 55 pc	74 56 pc
Memphis	34 25 pc	35 10 pc
Miami	82 66 pc	68 47 c
Nashville	31 18 c	28 -2 sf
New Orleans	48 35 c	60 35 s
New York	27 17 sn	31 18 sf
Oklahoma City	54 24 pc	47 23 s
Philadelphia	30 16 sn	32 9 sf
St. Louis	31 10 sf	15 -2 pc
Salt Lake City	50 30 s	58 35 s
San Francisco	61 50 pc	64 50 pc
Seattle	58 38 s	55 46 pc
Washington, DC	32 16 pc	35 12 sf

Tomorrow's National Weather



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 - Port of Astoria Commission**, 5 p.m. executive session (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.
 - Seaside School District Board**, 6 p.m., Administration Building, 1801 S. Franklin 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.
- Gearhart City Council work session**, 7 p.m., City Hall, 698 Pacific Way.
- WEDNESDAY**
- Seaside Tourism Advisory Committee**, 3 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.
- THURSDAY**
- Seaside Transportation Advisory Commission**, 6 p.m., Seaside City Hall, 989 Broadway.

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