



Daily Astorian file

Astoria City Planner Rosemary Johnson conducts an inspection of homes in the Mill Pond neighborhood. She retired last year after 35 years working for the city of Astoria.

Retired Astoria planner honored

The Daily Astorian

Rosemary Johnson, a retired Astoria planner, is being honored for her contributions to preserving Oregon's heritage.

Johnson will receive an Oregon Heritage Excellence Award from Oregon Heritage, which is part of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, on April 23 in North Bend. "The award recipients represent the diver-

sity of efforts to preserve Oregon's heritage," Kyle Jansson, coordinator for the Oregon Heritage Commission, said in a statement. "They also serve as models for others for how to make the most out of available resources."

Johnson, who retired as city planner last year but still works on special projects, will be recognized for her outstanding work in preserving and developing heritage resources in Astoria and Clatsop County.

Feds to consider endangered species listing for spotted owl

By JEFF BARNARD
Associated Press

GRANTS PASS — Federal biologists have agreed to consider changing Endangered Species Act protections for the northern spotted owl from threatened to endangered.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced Wednesday there is enough new scientific information in a conservation group's petition to warrant a hard look, which will take about two years. A notice was published Friday in the Federal Register.

After the northern spotted owl was listed as a threatened species in 1990, it became a symbol for Endangered Species Act protections that harm local economies. Conservation groups won court-ordered logging cutbacks to protect owl habitat that put many Northwest timber towns into an economic tailspin from which they have yet to fully recover. Political efforts to ramp up logging in the ensuing years have largely failed.

Paul Henson, supervisor for Fish and Wildlife in Oregon, says a lot has changed since the original listing. Back in 1990, the biggest threat to the owl was cutting down the old growth forests where the owls live. Now it is the barred owl, an aggressive cousin from the East Coast that



AP Photo/Don Ryan, File
A northern spotted owl sits on a tree in the Deschutes National Forest near Camp Sherman, in 2003.

migrated across the Great Plains and invaded spotted owl territory. Those two areas will be the focus of the review, he said.

"The bad news is that the spotted owl population has continued to decline," despite logging cutbacks of about 90 percent on federal lands in Washington, Oregon and Northern California, Henson said. "The good news is we know why it is declining," and have begun taking steps to deal with the barred owl.

Spotted owl numbers have continued to decline, and the species is estimated to number less than 4,000. The bird's status was last reviewed in 2011, when Fish and Wildlife felt it still warranted protection as a threatened

species. The agency typically reviews the status of protected species every five years. This review was brought on by a petition from the conservation group Environmental Protection Information Center in Arcata, California. The review is set to be finished by September, 2017.

In addition to protecting and promoting old growth forest habitat for the owl, the agency is conducting an experiment to see if killing barred owls in selected areas in the three states will allow spotted owls to move back into their old habitat. Some barred owls have been killed in Northern California on private timberland and the reservation of the Hoopa Valley Tribe. After surveys for spotted owls and barred owls are finished, killing barred owls is to begin this fall in Oregon and Washington. The experiment should be finished in three years.

An endangered listing would change little on the ground, Henson said. Habitat protections and prohibitions against killing owls would remain the same. No more money would be available for restoration. One difference is that Fish and Wildlife would lose the use of the 4(d) rule, which gives the agency some flexibility to relax protections on threatened species if protections are harmful to people. There are currently no 4(d) rule actions in place on the spotted owl.

ACCUWEATHER® FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

Astoria 5-Day Forecast

Tonight
Mostly cloudy with a couple of showers
39°

Tuesday
Cloudy with a couple of showers
54° 38°

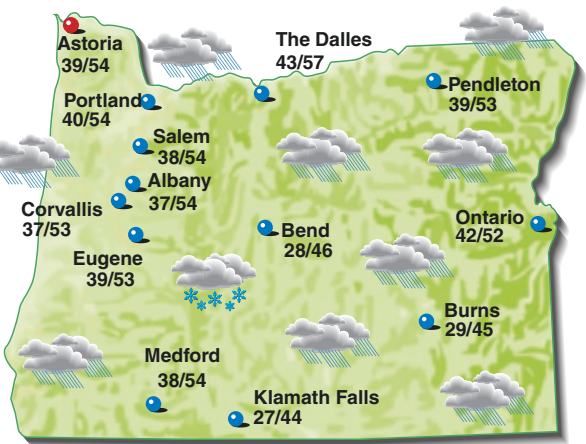
Thursday
Mostly sunny and nice
63° 43°

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

Wednesday
Periods of clouds and sunshine
57° 40°

Friday
Comfortable with clouds limiting sunshine
62° 45°

Oregon Weather



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Almanac
Astoria through Sunday.
Temperatures
High 56°
Low 41°
Normal high 56°
Normal low 41°
Precipitation
Yesterday 0.14"
Month to date 1.45"
Normal month to date 2.34"
Year to date 23.51"
Normal year to date 27.18"

Sun and Moon
Sunset tonight 7:59 p.m.
Sunrise Tuesday 6:31 a.m.
Moonrise today 3:33 a.m.
Moonset today 2:06 p.m.

New First Full Last
Apr 18 Apr 25 May 3 May 11

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Regional Cities

City	Today			Tues.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Baker City	68	35	pc	44	25	c
Bend	62	28	pc	46	19	sh
Brookings	55	40	sh	53	40	pc
Eugene	56	39	r	53	36	sh
Ilwaco	51	40	r	53	41	sh
Klamath Falls	64	27	pc	44	20	c
Medford	66	38	pc	54	35	c
Newport	50	39	r	51	37	sh
North Bend	54	41	sh	53	40	sh

City	Today			Tues.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Olympia	52	36	r	53	33	sh
Pendleton	63	39	pc	53	33	c
Portland	58	40	r	54	39	sh
Roseburg	60	40	sh	54	37	sh
Salem	55	38	r	54	37	sh
Seaside	52	39	r	54	40	sh
Spokane	61	37	pc	51	29	c
Vancouver	57	40	r	54	37	sh
Yakima	64	37	c	60	29	c

Under the Sky

Tonight's Sky: Before midnight, the Big Dipper is nearly overhead and Cassiopeia is low above the northern horizon.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

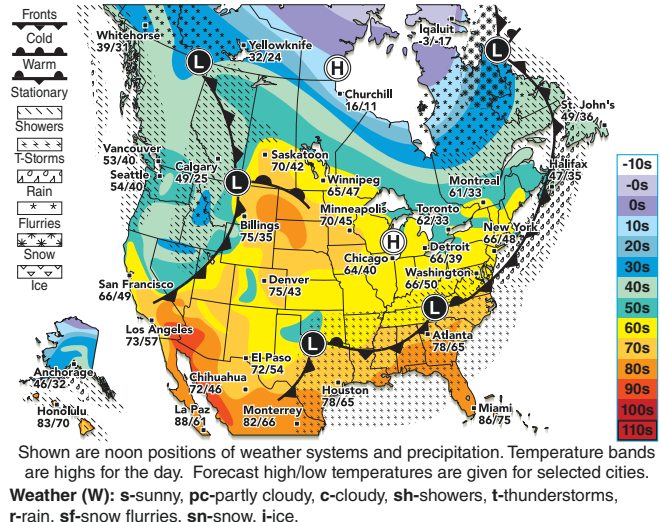
Tomorrow's Tides

Time	High	Time	Low
10:02 a.m.	7.9 ft.	4:12 a.m.	2.3 ft.
11:12 p.m.	8.0 ft.	4:47 p.m.	0.4 ft.

National Cities

City	Today			Tues.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	73	66	r	78	65	t
Boston	64	50	s	64	45	pc
Chicago	66	41	t	64	40	s
Denver	69	42	s	75	43	pc
Des Moines	69	42	pc	71	47	s
Detroit	71	40	t	66	39	s
El Paso	65	47	c	72	54	s
Fairbanks	41	19	sf	45	22	pc
Honolulu	82	70	pc	83	70	c
Indianapolis	70	48	t	67	44	pc
Kansas City	69	45	pc	66	47	c
Las Vegas	88	64	s	84	53	s
Los Angeles	74	56	pc	73	57	pc
Memphis	76	59	t	70	57	c
Miami	86	75	pc	86	75	t
Nashville	74	63	t	67	56	t
New Orleans	81	72	t	81	69	t
New York	68	53	pc	66	48	r
Oklahoma City	65	47	r	60	48	c
Philadelphia	73	55	pc	67	46	r
St. Louis	73	52	t	69	52	pc
Salt Lake City	73	55	s	67	33	sh
San Francisco	65	50	pc	66	49	pc
Seattle	54	40	r	54	40	sh
Washington, DC	78	59	s	66	50	r

Tomorrow's National Weather



Clatskanie settles suit alleging online bullying

LONGVIEW, Wash. (AP) — The Clatskanie School District has agreed to pay three teen girls \$75,000 each to settle a lawsuit alleging online bullying at their middle school.

The Daily News of Longview reports the girls sued in federal court, alleging several boys in the Clatskanie Middle/High School physically bullied and coerced them into taking and sending naked pictures of themselves. The lawsuit initially sought \$5 million in damages.

The suit and subsequent investigation by the school district led Principal Jeff Baughman to resign in November 2013.

One of the girls, Josi Harrison, said Thursday she was happy to see it resolved. Another, Hailey Walden, said in a statement the suit wasn't about money, "it was about bringing change and justice."

Superintendent Lloyd Hartley says he and the district took the allegations seriously and responded by making immediate changes.

Knappa plans water flushing

KNAPPA — The Knappa Water Association is flushing water mains from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today through April 17. Users may expect periods of low pressure and/or cloudy water. If these conditions persist, call the Knappa Water Association office at 503-458-6461.

Death

April 11, 2015
HELLBERG, Joanne S., 72, of Warrenton, died in Seaside. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

Public meetings

TUESDAY
Warrenton City Commission, 6 p.m., Warrenton City Hall, 225 S Main Ave.
Clatsop Community College Board of Directors, 6:30

p.m. regular meeting, Columbia Hall Room 219, 1651 Lexington Ave., Astoria.
Lewis & Clark Fire Department Board, 7 p.m., main fire station, 34571 Highway 101 Business.

Warrenton-Hammond School District Board of Directors, 7 p.m. regular meeting, Warrenton High School library, 1700 S.E. Main Ave.

Lotteries

OREGON
Sunday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 9-8-2-9
4 p.m.: 2-3-9-7
7 p.m.: 7-4-3-7
10 p.m.: 6-1-1-2
Saturday's Megabucks: 03-09-12-33-34-40
Next jackpot: \$1.1 million
Saturday's Powerball: 01-12-32-42-58, Powerball: 12, Power Play: 2
Next jackpot: \$80 million
Saturday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 6-2-0-7
4 p.m.: 1-4-6-6
7 p.m.: 4-0-5-5
10 p.m.: 2-5-5-7

Friday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 7-2-8-5
4 p.m.: 4-7-0-0
7 p.m.: 8-8-2-2
10 p.m.: 7-2-3-9
WASHINGTON
Sunday's Daily Game: 6-6-5
Sunday's Keno: 01-02-03-05-12-13-14-18-22-30-32-39-41-47-59-71-75-78-79-80
Sunday's Match 4: 05-07-12-22
Saturday's Daily Game: 5-6-5
Saturday's Hit 5: 09-25-26-30-31
Estimated jackpot: \$280,000
Saturday's Keno: 02-06-07-

09-11-14-15-31-40-44-46-49-51-55-57-59-62-65-73-80
Saturday's Lotto: 08-17-18-30-36-38
Estimated jackpot: \$1.2 million
Saturday's Match 4: 03-12-13-19
Friday's Daily Game: 9-1-4
Friday's Keno: 01-06-11-16-18-20-23-30-31-32-37-44-45-48-50-51-54-55-59-72
Friday's Match 4: 02-03-06-21
Friday's Mega Millions: 06-11-32-46-68, Mega Ball: 9
Estimated jackpot: \$39 million

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