

As session winds down, legislators eye higher offices

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SALEM – With the end of their 2015 session near, some Oregon lawmakers are gearing up for campaigns for two open statewide offices in 2016.

Many lawmakers are prospects, but it appears that four-term Democratic Rep. Val Hoyle of Eugene is ready to run for secretary of state, and five-term Democratic Rep. Tobias Read of Beaverton for state treasurer. Democratic Sen. Richard Devlin of Tualatin, who’s been a

legislator for two decades, may be a candidate for either position.

A skit at a preadjournment party this past week lampooned the potential candidacies of Read and Devlin, who were portrayed by legislative staffers as checking out the furnishings in the current treasurer’s office.

Republican Rep. Bill Kenemer of Oregon City also could be an entrant for secretary of state. Unlike the others, Kenemer made a statewide bid for secretary of state in 1992, when he was a state senator. (He lost in the primary to Rep.

Randy Miller, who went on to lose to appointed Democratic incumbent Phil Keisling.)

The statewide offices are open because Jeanne Atkins, appointed secretary of state after Kate Brown became governor, will not seek election to a full term, and state Treasurer Ted Wheeler faces a term limit.

If those Democrats run, it will set off political musical chairs in the House. Hoyle is majority leader and Read speaker pro tem; Read lost to Hoyle for leader after the 2012 election put Democrats in the majority.

The leader has the responsibility to advance the party’s agenda, and more importantly, to recruit candidates and raise campaign money.

Likely contenders for leadership positions are a pair of Democrats from Portland, Jennifer Williamson and Jessica Vega Pederson, who are the current whip and deputy whip.

Unlike the House members, who have to give up their seats to run for statewide office, Devlin is in the middle of his fourth term. If he won, however, it would set off a scramble for the Senate co-chairmanship of the Legislature’s joint budget pan-

el, a position Devlin has held since 2011.

Likely candidates for that position, should it come to that, are Sen. Betsy Johnson of Scappoose, the No. 2 Senate Democrat on the panel, and Sens. Alan Bates of Medford and Rod Monroe of Portland, who are co-leaders of the human services and education subcommittees. This assumes, of course, that Democrats retain their majority in the Senate.

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Fitbit Wellness Program offered

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SEASIDE — The Fitbit Wellness Program is free for Oregon Health Plan participants age 15 and older.

Participants will receive a Fitbit wearable fitness tracker; a three-month pass to Sunset Pool in Seaside that includes use of the pool, gym and access to instructor-led classes; a 10-week nutrition class and access to a

licensed clinical social worker for motivation and resources.

The program begins Sept. 17 and is a partnership between Providence Seaside Hospital and Sunset Empire Recreation District. It was made possible through a grant from the Columbia Pacific Coordinated Care Organization and its Community Wellness Investment Fund.

Register by Aug. 28 by calling 800-562-8964.

Providence offers ear, nose and throat care

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SEASIDE — Providence is expanding health care services to better serve the communities of the North Coast by offering ear, nose, and throat specialty care.

Otolaryngologist Christopher Nyte will begin seeing patients in July at Providence Medical Group — Seaside.

Dr. Nyte received his medical degree at the A.T. Still University School of Osteopathic Medicine in Kirksville, Mo. He completed his residency at Northeast Regional Medical Center in the same city, followed by an aesthetic plastic surgery fellowship at Southcenter Cosmetic

Surgery, in Seattle, and at the Newman Cosmetic Surgery Center in Philadelphia.

“We are very fortunate to have Dr. Nyte join our excellent Providence patient care team on the North Coast,” says Deborah Glass, interim chief executive, Providence Seaside Hospital. “He has already established himself in the community as a well-respected physician and surgeon, and will continue filling a much needed specialty care for ear, nose and throat as well as plastic and cosmetic surgery.”

Nyte is board certified in otolaryngology and his other specialties include plastic and reconstructive surgery, facial, breast, and cosmetic surgery.



Dr. Christopher Nyte

ACCUWEATHER® FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

Astoria 5-Day Forecast

Tonight

Thickening clouds

52°

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

Tuesday

Mostly sunny

69° 54°

Wednesday

Clouds and sun

69° 53°

Thursday

Variable cloudiness

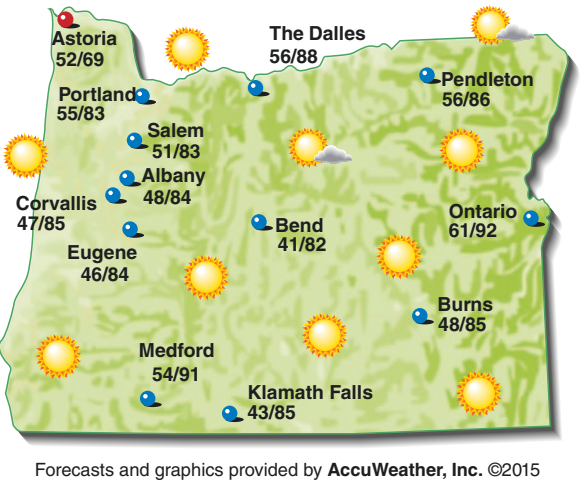
70° 57°

Friday

Partly sunny

71° 56°

Oregon Weather



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Almanac

Astoria through Sunday.

Temperatures

High 73°

Low 53°

Normal high 65°

Normal low 51°

Precipitation

Yesterday 0.00"

Month to date 0.71"

Normal month to date 1.99"

Year to date 27.37"

Normal year to date 35.35"

Sun and Moon

Sunset tonight 9:11 p.m.

Sunrise Tuesday 5:24 a.m.

Moonrise today 11:46 a.m.

Moonsset today 12:14 a.m.

First Full Last New

June 24 July 1 July 8 July 15

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Regional Cities

	Today			Tues.		
City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Baker City	81	47	s	81	44	s
Bend	80	41	s	82	44	s
Brookings	66	50	pc	68	52	s
Eugene	80	46	s	84	51	s
Ilwaco	64	51	pc	69	53	s
Klamath Falls	80	43	s	85	46	s
Medford	88	54	s	91	56	s
Newport	59	48	pc	62	49	s
North Bend	63	48	pc	65	51	s

	Today			Tues.		
City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Olympia	76	47	pc	80	51	pc
Pendleton	86	56	s	86	55	s
Portland	80	55	s	83	59	s
Roseburg	82	53	s	87	56	s
Salem	80	51	s	83	56	s
Seaside	67	51	pc	71	53	s
Spokane	82	56	pc	81	56	s
Vancouver	79	53	s	82	57	s
Yakima	89	53	s	90	57	s

Under the Sky

Tonight's Sky: The Sun will begin moving southward later this week and the days will soon begin to grow shorter.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

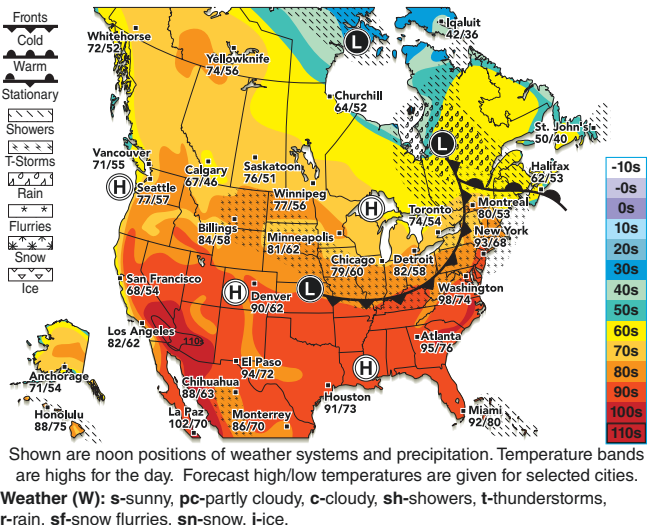
Tomorrow's Tides

Astoria / Port Docks	Time	High	Time	Low
	6:27 a.m.	6.5 ft.	12:48 a.m.	2.5 ft.
	7:34 p.m.	7.5 ft.	12:50 p.m.	1.0 ft.

National Cities

	Today			Tues.		
City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	93	77	s	95	76	s
Boston	74	64	s	81	63	t
Chicago	85	66	pc	79	60	s
Denver	90	63	t	90	62	pc
Des Moines	84	60	t	82	65	t
Detroit	84	70	pc	82	58	pc
El Paso	103	73	s	94	72	t
Fairbanks	84	61	pc	85	60	pc
Honolulu	89	75	pc	88	75	pc
Indianapolis	88	74	s	85	64	t
Kansas City	91	69	s	82	70	s
Las Vegas	108	79	s	109	79	s
Los Angeles	82	62	pc	82	62	pc
Memphis	96	77	s	97	77	s
Miami	91	80	pc	92	80	pc
Nashville	93	76	s	94	74	s
New Orleans	94	77	t	93	76	t
New York	88	74	s	93	68	t
Oklahoma City	91	72	s	94	70	s
Philadelphia	91	74	s	95	70	t
St. Louis	92	77	s	88	74	t
Salt Lake City	93	66	s	95	68	s
St. Paul	67	53	pc	68	54	pc
Seattle	76	52	pc	77	57	pc
Washington, DC	92	78	s	98	74	t

Tomorrow's National Weather



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Astoria School District Board, 4:15 p.m., budget hearing and regular meeting, Capt. Robert Gray School third-floor boardroom, 785 Alameda Ave.
Seaside City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 989 Broadway, Seaside.

TUESDAY
Sunset Empire Transpor-

tation District Board, 9 a.m., Astoria Transit Center Conference Room, 900 Marine Drive.
Astoria Library Board, 5:30 p.m., Astoria Public Library Flag Room, 450 10th St.
Warrenton City Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall, 225 S Main Ave., Warrenton.
Astoria Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

WEDNESDAY
Astoria Parks and Recreation Board, 6:45 a.m., Astoria Recreation Center, 1555 W. Marine Dr.
Clatsop County Housing Authority Board, 5 p.m., Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St.
Clatsop County Board of Commissioners, 6 p.m., Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St.

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