

# Oregon lawmakers ask Congress to reclassify pot

## Legislators hope Congress will remove pot from the list of Schedule 1 narcotics

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SALEM — Oregon lawmakers want to call on the U.S. Congress to remove marijuana from a national list of the most dangerous narcotics and work out a solution that would give state-legalized pot businesses access to banks.

The state House-Senate committee that has been working on marijuana issues has voted to pass a measure that will send that message to Congress. Senate Joint Memorial 12 calls on Congress to declassify marijuana as a Schedule I drug under the federal Controlled Substances Act and work on banking solutions for pot

businesses in states with legalized marijuana.

Drugs are listed under Schedule I if they have a high potential for abuse and no accepted medical value in the U.S. Heroin is another drug listed as Schedule I while methamphetamine has a lower classification under Schedule II.

According to the memorial, 23 states and Washington, D.C., have some form of legal marijuana.

"Really the memorial is our little love note to Congress to say, 'Please help us unscramble this issue by un-scheduling marijuana and dealing with the financial prohibitions in the federal banking system,'" said Senate Minority Leader Ted Ferrioli, R-John Day,

who asked for the memorial to be drafted.

Ferrioli said that "probably the most immediate benefit" of de-scheduling marijuana would be that universities could ramp up research on the plant.

As for the current lack of access to banks, Ferrioli said as long as marijuana businesses are still forced to operate on a cash basis without the financial tracking of financial institutions "you still haven't really improved public safety."

Ferrioli is part of a work group organized in conjunction with Gov. Kate Brown's administration to explore solutions to the lack of banking options for cannabis businesses.

The House-Senate committee heard more testimony on the issue Thursday from business,

credit union and bank representatives.

Noah Stokes, owner of CannaGuard Security, said his business provides security systems to marijuana businesses that help them comply with regulations. However, Stokes said, a bank closed his accounts for both CannaGuard Security and a separate home security business after bankers learned of Stokes' connection to the cannabis industry.

Banks are supposed to notify federal regulators of suspicious activity, including drug trafficking, and pot businesses operating in compliance with state laws have struggled to find any banks that will accept their deposits.

Although the U.S. Department of the Treasury issued guidance to banks in 2014 that they could do business with state-sanctioned

marijuana businesses, financial institutions that work with the cannabis industry could run into trouble if future presidential administrations reverse that policy.

Ferrioli said it does not make sense that banks remain at risk if they deal directly with marijuana businesses, when the same banks already receive money from pot enterprises that has been funneled through local and state governments in the form of taxes and other payments.

"I think the incongruity is delicious," Ferrioli said. "We can do as a government what we won't allow the citizens to do. I think that's a strong argument for us re-thinking the regulations for banks."

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## Pesticide safety class scheduled

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Oregon State University Extension and Clatsop Community College are collaborating to offer a Pesticide Applicators Safety & Recertification Class from 1 to 5 p.m. July 11 at Clatsop Community College.

This class is for both new students wanting to prepare for the written exam to obtain a pesticide applicators license, as well as current license holders seeking core credits for recertification.

This course has been approved by the Oregon Department of Agriculture to provide

four core credits for current license holders to use towards recertification. The cost is \$75, and includes the 275-page Oregon Pesticide Safety Education Manual.

To register, call 503-338-2408 or go to [www.clatsopcc.edu/schedule](http://www.clatsopcc.edu/schedule) and search for "pesticide" in the course title.

## Baeten returns to real estate

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Pete Anderson Realty Inc. welcomes back to its Astoria office Real Estate Broker Enola Baeten. After a short break from the real estate industry, she has returned to the business to provide her seasoned talents to home buyers and sellers.

Baeten's tenure in real estate sales spans a period of more than 10 years, all of which were in Clatsop County. Her experience and local knowledge supplies her clients the highest level of expertise possible. She can be reached at 503-440-5150 or [enolabaeten@hotmail.com](mailto:enolabaeten@hotmail.com)



Enola Baeten

## Deaths

June 17, 2015

OLSON, Geraldine Joyce (Beemer), 83, of Portland, formerly of Astoria, died at home. Gable Funeral Chapel

and Cremation Services of Portland is in charge of the arrangements.

June 28, 2015

HARPER, Nancy Jane,

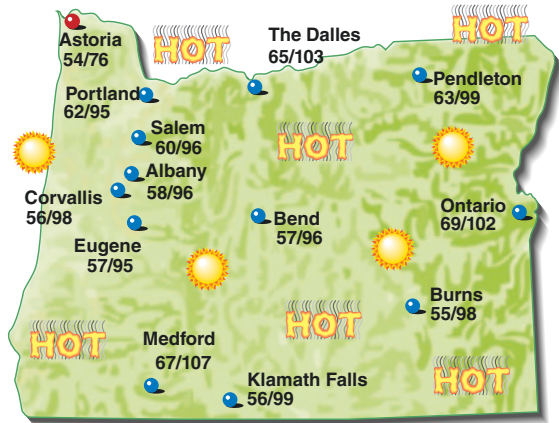
86, of Seaside, died in Seaside. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

## ACCUWEATHER® FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

### Astoria 5-Day Forecast

<b>Tonight</b> A moonlit sky 54°	Shown is tomorrow's weather. Temperatures are tonight's lows and tomorrow's highs
<b>Wednesday</b> Mostly sunny and pleasantly warm 76° 55°	<b>Thursday</b> Sunny much of the time, nice and warm 75° 56°
<b>Friday</b> Partly sunny 71° 54°	<b>Saturday</b> Mostly cloudy 73° 56°

### Oregon Weather



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### Almanac

Astoria through Monday.

Temperatures	High: 69°	Low: 55°
	Normal high: 66°	Normal low: 52°
Precipitation	Yesterday: 0.01"	Month to date: 0.72"
	Normal month to date: 2.49"	Year to date: 27.38"
	Normal year to date: 35.85"	

### Sun and Moon

Sunset tonight	9:11 p.m.
Sunrise Wednesday	5:27 a.m.
Moonrise today	7:47 p.m.
Moonset today	4:30 a.m.

Full Moon: July 1, Last Moon: July 8, New Moon: July 15, First Moon: July 23

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### Regional Cities

City	Today	Wed.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Baker City	91 49 s	93 49 s
Bend	91 57 s	96 62 s
Brookings	73 58 s	72 59 s
Eugene	93 57 s	95 59 s
Ilwaco	65 55 pc	68 56 s
Klamath Falls	96 56 s	99 60 s
Medford	102 67 s	107 71 s
Newport	63 51 s	63 52 s
North Bend	66 55 s	65 55 s

City	Today	Wed.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Olympia	87 54 pc	91 56 s
Pendleton	98 63 s	99 66 s
Portland	91 62 s	95 65 s
Roseburg	97 65 s	99 67 s
Salem	93 60 s	96 61 s
Seaside	67 53 pc	70 54 s
Spokane	95 66 s	95 66 s
Vancouver	90 61 s	93 64 s
Yakima	102 64 s	103 64 s

### Under the Sky

Tonight's Sky: Sky watchers will witness a conjunction of Venus and Jupiter, the closest they will be to each other until August 27, 2016.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

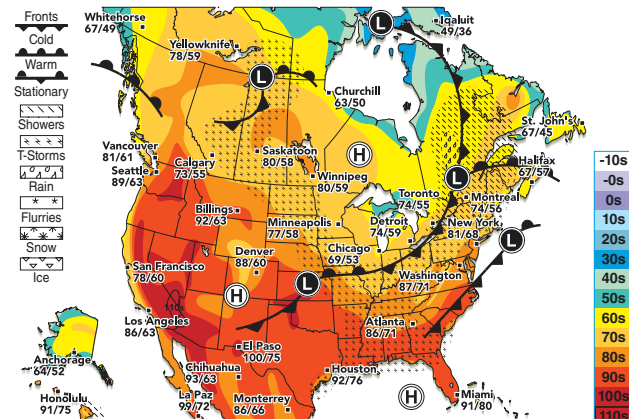
### Tomorrow's Tides

Astoria / Port Docks	Time	High	Time	Low
	12:49 a.m.	9.1 ft.	7:59 a.m.	-1.1 ft.
	2:25 p.m.	7.3 ft.	7:49 p.m.	2.5 ft.

### National Cities

City	Today	Wed.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Atlanta	86 68 t	86 71 t
Boston	76 62 s	72 64 t
Chicago	76 55 c	69 53 pc
Denver	93 63 pc	88 60 t
Des Moines	84 66 pc	78 61 t
Detroit	74 60 t	74 59 pc
El Paso	96 73 pc	100 75 t
Fairbanks	73 56 c	68 53 sh
Honolulu	91 75 s	91 75 s
Indianapolis	77 60 t	77 60 t
Kansas City	88 67 s	83 67 t
Las Vegas	109 88 t	110 86 t
Los Angeles	86 65 pc	86 63 pc
Memphis	92 73 pc	89 74 t
Miami	92 79 t	91 80 t
Nashville	85 67 t	81 68 t
New Orleans	91 76 t	92 78 t
New York	82 69 pc	81 68 t
Oklahoma City	98 75 s	96 74 s
Philadelphia	86 70 t	87 70 t
St. Louis	88 69 t	79 68 t
Salt Lake City	98 75 pc	98 71 pc
San Francisco	75 58 pc	78 60 pc
Seattle	86 61 s	89 63 s
Washington, DC	87 72 t	87 71 t

### 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, i-ice.

## On the record

### Criminal mischief

At 7:04 a.m. Wednesday, Oregon State Police arrested Roger William Brown, 46, Seaside, for first-degree criminal mischief, second-degree criminal trespass, disposing of trash in a waterway, second-degree theft and unlawful

entry into a motor vehicle at Meadow Land and Tweedle Lane in Seaside.

### Menacing

At 3:23 p.m. Friday, Clatsop County Sheriff's Office arrested Chelan Nicole Brasher, 20, Rochester, Wash., for menacing, reckless endanger-

ing and pointing a firearm at another person on Highway 30 near John Day County Park in Astoria. Brasher was reportedly driving erratically, tried to pass someone, hung out the window and pointed a pistol at them, according to the sheriff's office.

## Lotteries

### OREGON

#### Monday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 5-3-4-6

4 p.m.: 0-3-5-6

7 p.m.: 0-0-9-1

10 p.m.: 8-4-6-9

Monday's Megabucks:

02-05-28-30-40-41

Estimated jackpot: \$2.6 million.

### WASHINGTON

#### Monday's Daily Game:

5-6-6

Monday's Hit 5: 10-16-

19-20-36

#### Monday's Keno: 08-11-

15-18-25-28-30-35-37-48-53-

57-59-62-63-66-70-71-79-80

#### Monday's Lotto: 10-20-

32-33-34-49

#### Monday's Match 4: 02-

08-12-13

## Public meetings

### TUESDAY

Clatsop Care Health District Board, noon, special meeting, Clatsop Care Health District Office, 1777 Marine Drive

### WEDNESDAY

Gearhart City Council,

7 p.m., City Hall, 698 Pacific Way, Gearhart.

### THURSDAY

Clatsop Community College Board of Directors, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., board retreat, Cannery Pier Hotel Chinook Board Room,

10 Basin St., Astoria.

Northwest Oregon Housing Authority Board, 10 a.m., Gable Park Apartments, 2544 Gable Road, St. Helens.

Astoria Design Review Committee, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

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