

Friday

* **Free First Day Hikes**, 10 a.m., Oregon State Parks, near cities in Clatsop County, free admission, all ages.

* **Fort Clatsop Holiday Happenings**, 10:30 a.m., Lewis & Clark National Historical Park, 92343 Fort Clatsop Road, Astoria, all ages.

* **New Year's Day Fun Run**, 10:30 a.m., Maritime Memorial Park, 10 Bay St., Astoria, \$15, all ages.

New Year's Day Polar Plunge Fundraiser, 10:30 a.m., Neah-kahnie Beach, north of Reed & Nehalem roads, Manzanita, all ages.

Karen Gale Artist Reception, 3 p.m., Hoffman Center, 594 Lane-da Ave., Manzanita.

* **Community Skate Night**, 5 p.m., The Armory, 1636 Exchange St., Astoria, \$3, all ages.

David Drury, jazz, 6 p.m., Bridgewater Bistro, 20 Basin St., Astoria, no cover.

Tom Trudell, jazz, 6 p.m., Shelburne Inn Restaurant, 4415 Pacific Way, Seaview, Wash., no cover.

Maggie & the Cats, 6:30 p.m., Sweet Basil's Café, 271 N. Hemlock St., Cannon Beach, no cover, 21 and older.

Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament, 7 p.m., American Legion 168, 1216 S. Hemlock St., Cannon Beach, 21 and older.

Trivia Night, 7 p.m., Baked Alaska, No. 1 12th St., Astoria, \$2 person per game.

Hondo's Open Mic, 7:30 p.m., Hondo's Brew & Cork, 2703 Marine Drive, Astoria, no cover.

Bradford Loomis, Americana, 9 p.m., The Adrift Hotel, 409 Sid Snyder Drive, Long Beach, Wash., no cover.

Twisted Karaoke, 9 p.m., Twisted Fish, 311 Broadway, Seaside, 21



and older.

Saturday

* **"Treasure the Beach" Beach Clean Up**, 9 a.m., Seaside Beach, meet at Seashore Inn on the Beach, 60 N. Promenade, Seaside, all ages.

* **Fort Clatsop Holiday Happenings**, 10:30 a.m., Lewis & Clark National Historical Park, 92343 Fort Clatsop Road, Astoria, all ages.

* **Year of Wellness Open House Forum & Presentation**, 1 p.m., Manzanita Branch Library, 571 Laneda Ave., Manzanita.

"Finest Hours" Presentation with Michael Tougias, 2 p.m., Co-lumbia River Maritime Museum, 1792 Marine Drive, Astoria.

* **Community Skate Night**, 5 p.m., The Armory, 1636 Exchange St., Astoria, \$3, all ages.

Tom Trudell, jazz, 6 p.m., Bridgewater Bistro, 20 Basin St., Astoria, no cover.

George Coleman, folk, 6 p.m., Shelburne Inn Restaurant, 4415 Pacific Way, Seaview, Wash., no cover.

Larry Yes, Nate Lumbard & Ivy and Joel Ricci, Americana, 7 p.m., Sou'Wester Lodge, 3728 J Place, Seaview, Wash.

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Bradford Loomis, Americana, 9 p.m., The Adrift Hotel, 409 Sid Snyder Drive, Long Beach, Wash., no cover.

Three For Silver, Top 40, 8 p.m., Fort George Brewery, 1483 Duane St., Astoria, no cover.

Twisted Karaoke, 9 p.m., Twisted Fish, 311 Broadway, Seaside, 21 and older.

Sunday

Jennifer Goodenberger, contemporary, 11:30 a.m., Bridgewater Bistro, 20 Basin St., Astoria, no cover.

Kitchen Music Jam Session, 1 p.m., Long Beach Grange, 5715 Sandridge Road, Long Beach, Wash.

Bradford Loomis, Americana, 7 p.m., The Adrift Hotel, 409 Sid Snyder Drive, Long Beach, Wash., no cover.

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* **Recommended for kids.**

Da Yang dinged for flushing without a permit

By EDWARD STRATTON
The Daily Astorian

The state Department of Environmental Quality fined Da Yang Seafoods \$85,319 for discharging wastewater from its Pier 2 processing plant into the Columbia River between June 2008 and May without a federal permit.

Jeff Bachman, an environmental law specialist with the department, said there were 42 occurrences in which Da Yang had discharged wastewater into

the river without a permit, seven of which were assessed for violations. Each of the seven violations cost \$7,800, combining to more than \$54,000 in fines. Another \$30,700 was added to account for money Da Yang saved by not complying with the department's requirements.

The Department of Environmental Quality issued the fine Nov. 30 and announced the penalty publicly in the middle of December.

Bachman said Da Yang contacted his office in April about getting a National

Pollutant Discharge Elimination System 900-J permit, required for fish processors to ensure discharges do not harm human health or the environment. The permit limits the amount of allowed discharge, and requires monitoring and reporting.

During an inspection for the permit, Bachman said, investigators found there were floor drains discharging into the water beneath. The department found Da Yang was not registered for coverage under the permit at its Pier 2 location.

The Port of Astoria Com-

mission transferred a lease on the plant at the end of Pier 2 from Fremont Seafoods to Da Yang 11 years ago, after Fremont had fallen into debt. Da Yang has previously been fined \$27,000 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for failing to keep proper records of the dates it serviced its blast freezer, which uses chemicals that can damage the earth's ozone layer if released.

Da Yang has appealed the Department of Environmental Quality's fine and asked for a contested case hearing. The company admits to discharging wastewater but

denies it happened each of the specific months alleged. The company's lawyer, Aaron Courtney, argued that alleged violations before Nov. 30, 2012, are barred because of a statute of limitations, and that the company has made efforts to correct the alleged violations, promptly applying for a wastewater permit in May and installing two hydrosieves, technology commonly used by fish processors to filter wastewater.

Courtney argued the discharges are minor, "as there exists no evidence that the alleged discharges resulted in more than de minimis

(minor) adverse impact on human health or the environment."

Bachman said the primary pollutants in Da Yang's wastewater discharges include suspended solids, bacteria and other organic material. "To humans, it's not a particularly high threat," he said, adding the wastewater mostly makes water less hospitable for aquatic life.

The Department of Environmental Quality is drafting the permit Da Yang applied for in May. Bachman said the department is preparing to meet with the company for the hearing.

ACCUWEATHER® FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

Astoria 5-Day Forecast

Today

Breezy with plenty of sunshine

46° 30°

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are Today's highs and tomorrow night's lows

Saturday

Plenty of sunshine

44° 32°

Sunday

Partly sunny

42° 35°

Monday

Cloudy with a passing shower

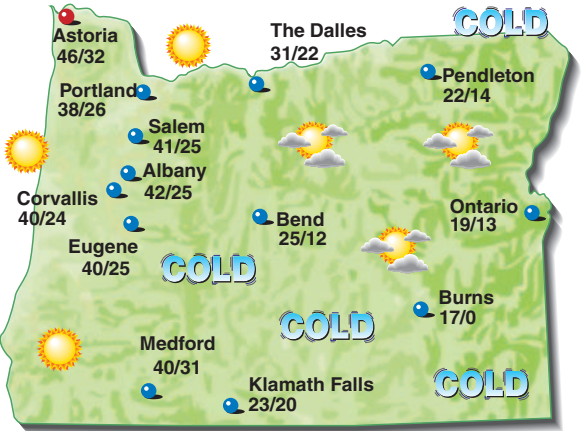
47° 38°

Tuesday

Cloudy with a bit of rain

47° 39°

Oregon Weather



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Almanac

Astoria through Wednesday.

Temperatures	
High	42°
Low	30°
Normal high	49°
Normal low	37°
Precipitation	
Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	20.53"
Normal month to date	9.89"
Year to date	73.78"
Normal year to date	67.26"

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	7:58 a.m.
Sunset tonight	7:58 a.m.
Moonrise today	none
Moonset today	11:50 a.m.



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Regional Cities

City	Hi	Lo	W	Sat.	Hi	Lo	W
Baker City	18	1	pc	18	9	pc	
Bend	25	7	pc	25	12	s	
Brookings	46	31	s	48	40	s	
Eugene	40	20	pc	37	25	pc	
Ilwaco	46	36	s	44	36	s	
Klamath Falls	23	0	s	25	20	s	
Medford	40	20	pc	40	31	pc	
Newport	44	29	s	42	31	s	
North Bend	50	31	s	50	38	s	

City	Hi	Lo	W	Sat.	Hi	Lo	W
Olympia	38	20	s	37	21	s	
Pendleton	22	13	c	24	14	c	
Portland	38	25	s	37	26	s	
Roseburg	42	25	pc	42	33	pc	
Salem	41	22	s	39	25	s	
Seaside	46	34	s	44	34	s	
Spokane	15	6	c	17	10	c	
Vancouver	37	24	s	35	25	s	
Yakima	26	11	c	25	13	c	

Under the Sky

Tonight's Sky: The Great Square of Pegasus will be high in the west.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

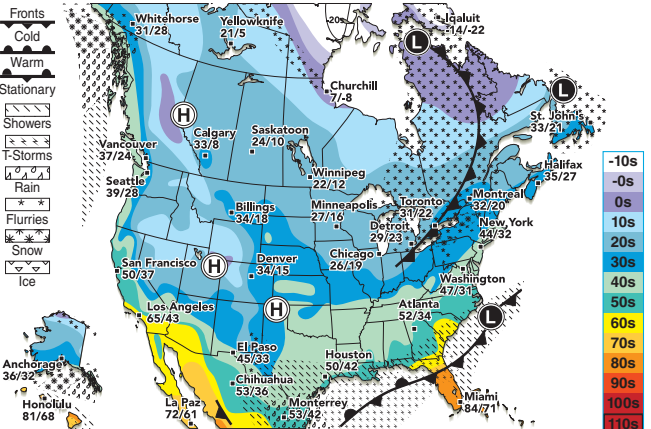
Today's Tides

Astoria / Port Docks	Time	High	Time	Low
	7:01 a.m.	8.2 ft.	12:18 a.m.	2.1 ft.
	7:26 p.m.	6.3 ft.	1:36 p.m.	2.7 ft.

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	W	Sat.	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	52	34	c	51	35	pc	
Boston	42	29	s	39	30	s	
Chicago	26	19	pc	30	18	s	
Denver	34	15	s	40	18	pc	
Des Moines	30	11	s	28	13	s	
Detroit	29	23	sf	33	26	pc	
El Paso	45	33	c	49	33	c	
Fairbanks	29	22	c	34	23	pc	
Honolulu	81	68	pc	81	68	s	
Indianapolis	29	22	s	31	22	s	
Kansas City	36	17	s	35	16	s	
Las Vegas	47	33	s	50	37	s	
Los Angeles	65	43	s	68	46	s	
Memphis	47	28	pc	50	29	s	
Miami	84	71	pc	82	70	c	
Nashville	46	25	pc	49	26	s	
New Orleans	52	45	r	55	45	c	
New York	44	32	pc	42	31	s	
Oklahoma City	42	24	pc	46	24	s	
Philadelphia	46	31	pc	41	31	s	
St. Louis	39	25	s	39	25	s	
Salt Lake City	23	10	s	30	19	pc	
San Francisco	50	37	s	52	43	pc	
Seattle	39	28	s	39	28	s	
Washington, DC	47	31	pc	44	30	s	

Today'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.

Rotary Club, community provide gifts for local families

By KATHERINE LACAZE
EO Media Group

SEASIDE — Nearly 550 children in the Seaside and Gearhart area received a special gift this holiday season because of the Rotary Club of Seaside's Wishing Tree program.

While the nonprofit organization spearheaded the program and purchased items to ensure each child gets something, a majority of the gifts came from the community, which "gave many children in our area a wonderful Christmas," said

Rotarian Sandy McDowall, the organizer of the Seaside program.

As in several years past, the Rotary Club hung paper bells on trees at institutions across town, such as all the local banks, Providence Seaside Hospital, the Sunset Empire Park & Recreation District and the Wine and Beer Haus at the Seaside Factory Outlet Center. Each bell contained the gender of a child, his or her age and suggestions for Christmas presents.

Community members picked up about 140 paper bells and returned them with gifts for

the designated children.

Additionally, Seaside's Les Schwab Tire Center did a toy collection in conjunction with Dutch Bros. Coffee and donated the items to the Wishing Tree program. Finally, the regional Toys For Tots detachment contributed more than 900 toys to the program this year. Toys For Tots, sponsored by the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, is coordinated by Lou Neubecker, a retired Marine from Seaside.

"With everyone's help, we were able to assist 194 families in our area alone," McDowall said.

State eyes repairs for Rainier sinkhole caused by floods

Associated Press

RAINIER — A sinkhole that opened during early December floods in Rainier remains open, with no repair date scheduled.

The Daily News reported that the state Department of Transportation is spending about \$10,000 a day to pump

water from the hole to keep it from flowing over nearby U.S. Highway 30. A more permanent repair is still in the works.

Department of Transportation spokesman Lou Torres says the sinkhole was caused when a corrugated metal culvert that carries Fox Creek through Rainier was over-

whelmed with water during the storms earlier this month.

Torres says it is unclear how much damage was done to the culvert. The state has assembled a project team that includes a geologist, hydrologist and engineers to determine how to fix the problem once they pinpoint the source of the trouble.

Public meetings

MONDAY

Youngs River Lewis & Clark Water District Board, 6 p.m., 34583 U.S. Highway 101 Business.

Astoria City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

TUESDAY

Seaside Community and Senior Commission, 10 a.m., the Bob Chisholm Center, 1225

Avenue A.

Seaside Library Board, 4:30 p.m., 1131 Broadway.

Miles Crossing Sanitary Sewer District Board, 6 p.m., 34583 U.S. Highway 101 Business.

Seaside Planning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.

Cannon Beach City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

Lotteries

OREGON

Thursday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 7-0-9-2

4 p.m.: 4-9-4-1

7 p.m.: 3-3-9-3

10 p.m.: 0-2-1-0

WASHINGTON

Thursday's Daily Game: 9-1-2

Thursday's Keno: 12-13-14-15-19-23-29-32-37-40-46-47-48-50-51-56-57-59-62-63

Thursday's Match 4: 03-07-14-19

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