

POINT of view

‘What changes would you like to see happen in 2016?’



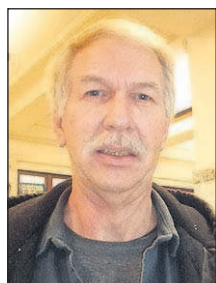
“I like Astoria just the way it is, but I wish more affordable housing for families was available. It’s hard. We’re all competing for one house. We also need more local retail jobs and stores.”

Jenny Coccoresse, Astoria



“Massive gun control and getting the automatic weapons away from everyone. Eliminate assault rifles — they’re just for killing people. That would be my No. 1.”

Hilarie Phelps, Astoria



“I’d like to see less threat of terrorism. That’s what is screwing things up now. Get rid of Obamacare, too.”

David Starr, Astoria

Oregon nears health insurance deadline

Associated Press

PORTLAND — Oregonians have a few more weeks to get their health insurance plans locked down for 2016.

Sign ups, renewals and changes to existing plans through Healthcare.gov can be made until Jan. 31, the last day of open

enrollment. Friday is the deadline for those seeking coverage to start on Feb. 1.

Roughly 133,770 Oregonians have selected plans through the federal exchange website as of Jan. 2, up nearly 20 percent from last year, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services said Tuesday. Oregon has been using the fed-

eral exchange website since last spring after ditching its problem-plagued Cover Oregon portal.

Individuals without health insurance face high penalties — 2.5 percent of household income or \$695 per adult plus \$347.50 per child, whichever is greater — when filing their 2016 taxes.

Oregon’s warmest year on record, data shows

Associated Press

PORTLAND — Data from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration shows that 2015 was Oregon’s warmest year on record.

The Oregonian reported that Oregon was one of four states to experience record average temperatures in 2015. Washington state, Montana and Florida also saw record years.

An Oregon State University article published on Thursday about the NOAA data says Oregon’s average temperature in 2015 was 50.4 degrees, which breaks the previous high set in 1934 by a half-degree.

According to NOAA data, 2015 was the second-warmest year on record for the 48 contiguous states, with average temperatures coming in at 54.4 degrees.

Powerball jackpot a lottery record

A look at the 10 highest US lottery jackpots

Associated Press

The Powerball jackpot for Wednesday night’s drawing will be an estimated \$1.5 billion — the largest lottery jackpot in the world.

Not that there aren’t large jackpots elsewhere. Spain’s massively popular Christmas lottery, known as “El Gordo,” is ranked as the world’s richest, though it does not a single jackpot among millions of prizes, instead of one large jackpot

like the Powerball. El Gordo last month showered 2.2 billion euros (\$2.4 billion) across the country.

As for the U.S., here’s a look at the 10 previous highest jackpots and the winners’ home states:

1. \$656.0 million, Mega Millions, March 30, 2012 (three tickets, from Kansas, Illinois and Maryland)
2. \$636 million, Mega Millions, Dec. 17, 2013, (two tickets, from California and Georgia)
3. \$590.5 million, Powerball, May 18, 2013 (one ticket, from Florida)
4. \$587.5 million, Powerball, Nov. 28, 2012 (two tickets, from Arizona and Missouri)

5. \$564.1 million, Powerball, Feb. 11, 2015 (three tickets, from North Carolina, Puerto Rico and Texas)

6. \$448.4 million, Powerball, Aug. 7, 2013, (three tickets, one from Minnesota and two from New Jersey)

7. \$425.3 million, Powerball, Feb. 19, 2014 (one ticket, from California)

8. \$414 million, Mega Millions, March 18, 2014, (two tickets, from Florida and Maryland)

9. \$399.4 million, Powerball, Sept. 18, 2013, (one ticket, from South Carolina)

10. \$390.0 million, Mega Millions, March 6, 2007 (two tickets, from Georgia and New Jersey)

Councilor Price to hold gathering

The Daily Astorian

Astoria City Councilor Cindy Price will hold a “salonical” on Saturday at the Astoria Public Library Flag Room.

Residents are invited to exchange ideas and information, ask questions and express concerns about the work of the city.

The event is being held from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

ACCUWEATHER® FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

Astoria 5-Day Forecast

Tonight
A shower or two early; mostly cloudy
41°

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

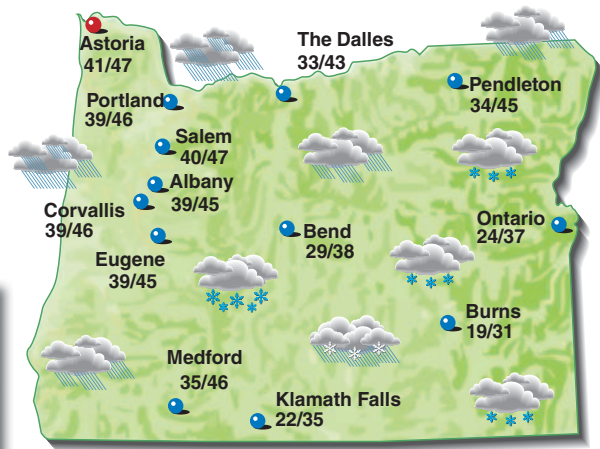
Thursday
Rain
47° 43°

Friday
Mostly cloudy with a shower in places
51° 45°

Saturday
Breezy with rain
54° 45°

Sunday
Rain
53° 45°

Oregon Weather



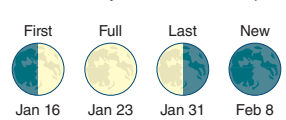
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Almanac

Astoria through Tuesday.
Temperatures
High 56°
Low 44°
Normal high 50°
Normal low 38°
Precipitation
Yesterday 1.27"
Month to date 0.92"
Normal month to date 4.17"
Year to date 0.92"
Normal year to date 4.17"

Sun and Moon

Sunset tonight 4:53 p.m.
Sunrise Thursday 7:55 a.m.
Moonrise today 10:00 a.m.
Moonset today 9:37 p.m.



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Regional Cities

City	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Baker City	35	22	sn	34	26	sn
Bend	43	29	r	38	31	sn
Brookings	49	42	r	50	44	r
Eugene	50	39	r	45	42	r
Ilwaco	50	43	r	47	44	r
Klamath Falls	38	22	sn	35	26	sn
Medford	52	35	r	46	39	r
Newport	49	42	r	47	43	r
North Bend	53	43	r	53	45	r

City	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Olympia	48	37	sh	45	36	r
Pendleton	46	34	r	45	35	r
Portland	49	39	r	46	41	r
Roseburg	51	38	r	48	41	r
Salem	48	40	r	47	42	r
Seaside	50	44	r	48	45	r
Spokane	40	31	r	35	27	c
Vancouver	46	38	r	45	40	r
Yakima	41	26	c	38	29	r

Under the Sky

Tonight’s Sky: Galileo Galilei discovers Gany-mede, moon of Jupiter in 1610.

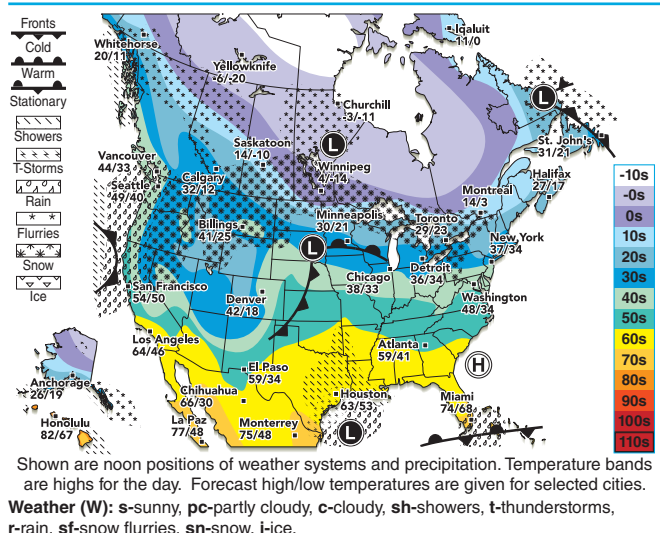
Tomorrow’s Tides

Time	High	Time	Low
4:28 a.m.	8.9 ft.	10:28 a.m.	2.1 ft.
4:11 p.m.	8.7 ft.	10:40 p.m.	0.2 ft.

National Cities

City	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	48	33	s	59	41	pc
Boston	31	19	s	33	26	pc
Chicago	22	20	sn	38	33	c
Denver	51	23	s	42	18	pc
Des Moines	37	28	pc	43	26	pc
Detroit	18	15	sf	36	34	c
El Paso	53	30	s	59	34	s
Fairbanks	6	1	c	4	-2	pc
Honolulu	83	67	s	82	67	pc
Indianapolis	24	22	pc	42	35	pc
Kansas City	47	32	s	52	32	s
Las Vegas	55	37	pc	58	39	pc
Los Angeles	65	44	pc	64	46	pc
Memphis	54	39	s	60	51	s
Miami	74	62	c	74	68	r
Nashville	44	34	s	59	42	s
New Orleans	63	48	s	68	52	r
New York	31	23	s	37	34	pc
Oklahoma City	57	31	s	60	34	pc
Philadelphia	31	23	s	43	33	pc
St. Louis	43	34	pc	55	45	pc
Salt Lake City	34	26	pc	36	25	sn
San Francisco	56	44	sh	54	50	sh
Seattle	48	40	sh	49	40	r
Washington, DC	33	24	s	48	34	pc

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.

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Lotteries

OREGON	WASHINGTON	Tuesday’s Match 4: 03-05-08-13
Tuesday’s Pick 4: 1 p.m.: 0-5-5-6 4 p.m.: 5-7-4-6 7 p.m.: 7-0-1-6 10 p.m.: 1-4-2-1	Tuesday’s Daily Game: 5-6-1 Tuesday’s Keno: 01-09-12-14-23-27-29-31-32-34-35-40-41-45-47-50-53-66-72-74	Tuesday’s Mega Millions: 15-27-29-31-48, Mega Ball: 15 Estimated jackpot: \$22 million.

Memorial

Saturday, Jan. 16
HELLER, Sandra — Memorial and celebration of life from 1 to 4 p.m., First Lutheran Church, 360 Wyeth St. in St. Helens.

Public meetings

- WEDNESDAY**
Clatsop Soil and Water Conservation District Board, 10 a.m., OSU Seafood Lab Center, 2001 Marine Drive, Conference Room 112.
Warrenton Business Association, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 225 S. Main Ave.
Clatsop County Board of Commissioners, 4 p.m., executive session, 6 p.m., regular meeting, Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St., Astoria.
- Astoria School Board**, 6:15 p.m., study session, 7:30 p.m., regular meeting, Capt. Robert Gray School third-floor boardroom, 785 Alameda Ave.
- Wickiup Water District Board**, 6:30 p.m., 92648 Svensen Market Road, Svensen.
- Warrenton-Hammond School Board**, 7 p.m., Warrenton High School library, 1700 S.E. Main Ave.
- THURSDAY**
Seaside Convention Center Commission, 5 p.m., Convention Center, 415 First Ave.
Warrenton Planning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 225 S. Main Ave.

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