

# POINT of view

THE DAILY ASTORIAN // QUESTION OF THE WEEK

## 'Do you think the city of Astoria should levy a 3 percent local tax, on top of the state tax, to recreational marijuana sales?'



that's fine."  
**Mel Hall**, Astoria

"I have no problem with it. If the city wants to get some of their money back for police work and whatever other expenses,



**Peter Nevins**, Astoria

"No. When the stores opened, the prices were great. Smashed the black market. Now taxes are driving people back to the black market."



**Larry Lockett**, Astoria

"If it is going to be legalized, we need to gain the maximum revenue possible. So yes, I would support a 3 percent tax."

### MEMORIALS

**Saturday, March 12**  
OLSON, Herbert Mathews "Butch" — Public graveside service at 2 p.m., Ocean View Cemetery in Warrenton. Celebration of life follows at 3:30 p.m., Astoria Elks Lodge

Ballroom at 453 11th St. Those attending are asked to wear a Hawaiian shirt.  
NEIKES, Robert Donald, M.D. "Dr. Bob" — Celebration of life at 2 p.m., Barbey Maritime Center, 1792 Marine Drive.

### ON THE RECORD

**DUII arrest**  
• At 8:40 p.m. Friday, Astoria Police arrested Matthew W. Stineman, 28, of Astoria, for driving under the influence of intoxicants, reckless driving and unlawful possession of a firearm at 46th Street and Lief Erikson Drive. Stineman had a 9mm handgun. His blood alcohol

was measured at 0.28 percent, according to police.

**Harassment**  
• At 12:13 a.m. Friday, Warrenton Police arrested Travis Evans Hays, 26, of Astoria, for harassment, menacing and second-degree criminal mischief after a domestic dispute on the 2000 block of Southeast Huckle-

berry Avenue.

**Criminal trespass**  
• At 7:44 a.m. Friday, Warrenton Police arrested Jennifer Louise Wilson, 35, a Gearhart transient, for first-degree criminal trespass at a residence on the 1900 block of Sixth Avenue. She was also arrested on a warrant out of Warrenton Municipal Court.

### PUBLIC MEETINGS

**WEDNESDAY**  
**Clatsop County Board of Commissioners**, 6 p.m., Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St.  
**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**  
**Clatsop Community College**,

4:30 p.m., executive session (closed to public), Columbia Hall Room 219, 1651 Lexington Ave., Astoria.  
**Seaside Convention Center Commission**, 5 p.m., 1225 Avenue A.  
**Gearhart Planning Commission**, 6 p.m., City Hall, 698 Pacific Way.

## ACCUWEATHER® FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

### Astoria 5-Day Forecast

**Tonight**  
Strong winds subsiding; watch for flooding  
49°

**Thursday**  
Mostly cloudy with a couple of showers  
54° 42°

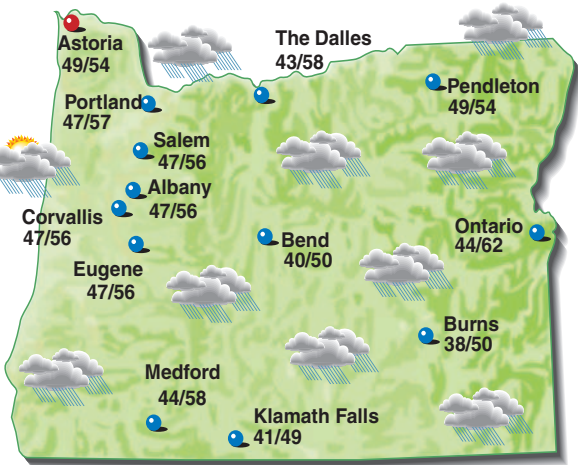
**Saturday**  
Periods of rain  
50° 42°

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

**Friday**  
Mostly cloudy with rain in the afternoon  
56° 44°

**Sunday**  
Breezy with occasional rain  
49° 41°

### Oregon Weather



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**Almanac**  
Astoria through Tuesday.  
Temperatures  
High ..... 51°  
Low ..... 37°  
Normal high ..... 53°  
Normal low ..... 38°  
Precipitation  
Yesterday ..... 0.35"  
Month to date ..... 4.06"  
Normal month to date ..... 2.03"  
Year to date ..... 26.34"  
Normal year to date ..... 19.67"

**Sun and Moon**  
Sunset tonight ..... 6:13 p.m.  
Sunrise Thursday ..... 6:37 a.m.  
Moonrise today ..... 7:03 a.m.  
Moonset today ..... 7:26 p.m.

First Full Last New  
Mar 15 Mar 23 Mar 31 Apr 7

### Regional Cities

City	Today	Thu.
Baker City	46 41 r	54 32 r
Bend	53 40 r	50 31 sh
Brookings	58 49 r	57 44 r
Eugene	60 47 r	56 39 sh
Ilwaco	53 48 r	52 45 sh
Klamath Falls	50 41 r	49 38 r
Medford	60 44 r	58 42 r
Newport	57 49 r	54 44 sh
North Bend	62 50 r	57 45 sh

### Under the Sky

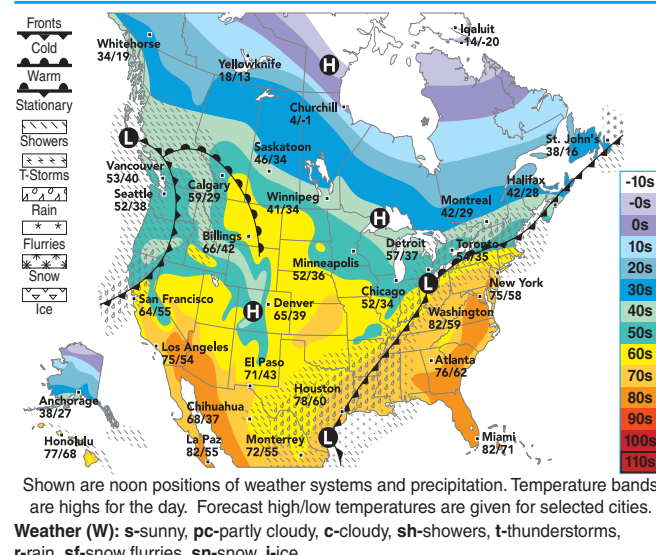
Tonight's Sky: Total solar eclipse along a path from Indonesia to across the Pacific Ocean.

City	Today	Thu.
Olympia	50 44 r	53 35 sh
Pendleton	53 49 c	54 38 sh
Portland	54 47 r	57 41 sh
Roseburg	63 47 r	62 41 c
Salem	57 47 r	56 38 sh
Seaside	54 49 r	52 45 sh
Spokane	48 42 c	49 31 sh
Vancouver	54 47 r	54 40 sh
Yakima	48 39 r	59 30 pc

### National Cities

City	Today	Thu.
Atlanta	76 58 pc	76 62 pc
Boston	68 51 pc	60 43 r
Chicago	66 43 c	52 34 c
Denver	58 30 s	65 39 s
Des Moines	59 39 c	62 41 pc
Detroit	66 53 c	57 37 r
El Paso	66 43 pc	71 43 s
Fairbanks	19 5 s	25 2 pc
Honolulu	77 66 c	77 68 pc
Indianapolis	65 54 r	62 40 r
Kansas City	65 43 c	69 43 pc
Las Vegas	73 53 pc	78 55 pc
Los Angeles	72 52 pc	75 54 pc
Memphis	74 65 t	72 59 r
Miami	80 72 pc	82 71 pc
Nashville	77 64 pc	73 60 c
New Orleans	80 69 c	77 67 r
New York	77 58 s	75 58 pc
Oklahoma City	67 49 t	68 47 c
Philadelphia	80 56 s	80 61 pc
St. Louis	69 53 r	60 45 r
Salt Lake City	55 39 c	66 46 pc
San Francisco	64 56 r	64 55 r
Seattle	51 45 r	52 38 sh
Washington, DC	82 58 s	82 59 pc

### Tomorrow's National Weather



## Cannon Beach may return marijuana decision to voters

By LYRA FONTAINE  
EO Media Group

CANNON BEACH — The Cannon Beach City Council will vote in April on whether to ask voters if they want to opt out of allowing marijuana shops.

The opt-out option could be on the November ballot.

If the City Council does not put the opt-out option on the ballot, the council can move forward with creating local time, place and manner restrictions on marijuana shops, such as location and hours of operation. If the November vote occurs and voters choose to not opt out, the time, place and manner restrictions must also be ready.

"I want to know if people in Cannon Beach actually want to have a dispensary," City Councilor Wendy Higgins said.

Councilor George Vet-

ter said marijuana will soon "be accepted and used like alcohol."

He said he is reluctant to spend time and money to "stop something that may not make any difference down the road."

Most councilors agreed on needing to have ordinances in place in case marijuana shops would be allowed.

Councilors Melissa Cadwallader and Mike Benefield agreed on restricting marijuana retail shops from being downtown, and Mayor Sam Steidel discussed creating time restrictions on shops.

Higgins said she would recommend adding restrictions for a marijuana shop near the preschool in Tolovana.

State law prohibits medical marijuana dispensaries and recreational marijuana retailers and wholesalers within 1,000 feet of a school.

The prohibition does not apply to day care facilities or institutions like the Christian Conference Center.

Citizens can also put the opt-out choice on the ballot by initiative.

Steidel said he is concerned about citizens being able to take it to the voters, since "the initiative process is very difficult" and citizens may struggle with legal issues like not having the right signatures.

"I don't think a (marijuana) business could succeed here," Benefield said. "This (opt-out option) gives one more chance to clarify if they really want it ... I think it's going to be on the ballot whether the city does it, or the citizen does it."

Sam Chapman, founding partner of New Economy Consulting, has said he is interested in opening a medical marijuana shop in Cannon Beach.

### DEATH

March 8, 2016

MAY, Grace F., 65, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

### LOTTERIES

**OREGON**  
**Tuesday's Pick 4:**  
1 p.m.: 0-9-9-3  
4 p.m.: 9-7-2-0  
7 p.m.: 8-7-4-6  
10 p.m.: 8-7-6-9

**WASHINGTON**  
**Tuesday's Daily Game:** 8-6-1  
**Tuesday's Keno:** 03-04-10-12-19-21-23-27-29-32-33-41-44-45-48-58-63-65-70-73  
**Tuesday's Match 4:** 05-08-19-22  
**Tuesday's Mega Millions:** 27-37-54-66-69, Mega Ball: 5  
Estimated jackpot: \$157 million

## Ocean Park Elementary closed due to 'sewage issue'

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OCEAN PARK, Wash. — Ocean Park Elementary School is closed Wednesday after a "sewage issue" forced admin-

istrators to send students home early Tuesday. Late Tuesday morning, a school employee said the school was loading students onto buses because the toilets were not working.

### CORRECTION

**Author incorrect** — Ken Nelson, an Astoria public works superintendent, prepared a memo on Astoria's colorful history with fluoride after

a Portland vote against fluoride in 2013. The name of the author was incorrect in a 1A story Tuesday about a proposed ballot question on fluoride.

## OBITUARIES

### Robert Lee Belding

Warrenton  
Feb. 23, 1939 — March 5, 2016



Robert Lee Belding died peacefully after a 20-year battle with Parkinson's disease. He is survived by his wife Karen, and three adult children Angela, Michael and Ryan.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Seaside, Oregon, on Monday, March 14. The rosary will begin at 10:30 a.m.,

with the Mass following at 11:00 am.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Our Lady of Victory Religious Education Fund.

Hughes-Ransom Mortuary in Seaside is in charge of the arrangements. Visit [www.hughes-ransom.com](http://www.hughes-ransom.com) to share memories and sign the guest book.



**Robert Belding**

### Randall Theodore Haines

Astoria  
March 31, 1986 — Feb. 29, 2016

Randall T. Haines, 29, of Astoria, died Feb. 29, 2016, as a result of an automobile accident. He was born March 31, 1986, in Astoria. Randall attended Lewis & Clark Elementary School and graduated from Astoria High School in 2004.

As a child, Randall developed an interest in music. He loved to play his acoustic guitar "Bean Blossom." He loved animals, and brought home a puppy when he was 10 years old. He named her Farley. He and his dad would often take drives on the beach and let Farley run.

Randall was a free-spirited young man who had many, many friends. He loved so many others, and his family takes comfort from knowing so many others loved him, too.

Randall is survived by his mother and stepfather, Cindy and Steve McGrorty of Astoria.



**Randall Haines**

ria; his father, Lester Haines of Warrenton; his older brother, Daniel Haines of Astoria; his aunt Debby Miner (Walter); his aunt Brenda Carrier of Astoria; and cousins Nick and Natalie Carrier and Monte and Marcy Miner.

A graveside service will be held at Ocean View Cemetery in Warrenton on Saturday, March 12, 2016, at 1 p.m. A celebration of Randall's life will be held, following the service, at the Shilo Inn in Warrenton.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider making a donation to the Clatsop County Animal Shelter, 1315 S.E. 19th St., Warrenton, OR

97146, or Clatsop Animal Assistance, P.O. Box 622, Warrenton, OR 97146, in Randall's memory. An online guest book may be signed at [www.OceanViewAstoria.com](http://www.OceanViewAstoria.com)

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