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## CASCADIA RISING



An Idaho Army National Guard helicopter prepares to transport military personnel to Camp Rilea during a training exercise for Cascadia Rising on Tuesday at Astoria Middle School.

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# 'IT'S JUST GONNA BE A BAD DAY'

## Columbia Memorial prepares for Cascadia with field hospital drill

By ERICK BENGEL  
The Daily Astorian

**A**mid the catastrophic damage that a Cascadia earthquake and tsunami will inflict on Astoria, Columbia Memorial Hospital may be a shambles and unable to treat patients on site.

That's one of many hard realities brought home this week by Cascadia Rising, a four-day series of interagency disaster preparedness exercises taking place throughout Oregon and Washington.

On Tuesday, Columbia Memorial staff practiced setting up a field hospital in the out-field of Astoria Middle School, the agency's designated evacuation spot for a Cascadia Subduction Zone rupture.

When the "Big One" happens, a field hospital — complete with cots, canopies, a large military-grade tent and an emergency operations area — may be the city's only medical center for several days.

During the simulation, hospital staff were asked to picture the following scenario:

Columbia Memorial's main building has sustained structural damage along with the cancer center, which may be releasing radioactive material. The electrical system is relying on emergency power. Water pipes have ruptured, reducing the water supply by 50 percent. The hospital has had to relocate up the hill to the middle school.

With assistance from Medix, the Astoria Fire Department, military personnel and state medical agencies, Columbia Memorial's staff ran through the hospital's incident command



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Taylor Hines, paramedic intern, wheels a pretend patient on a stretcher and into an ambulance during a field hospital simulation for Cascadia Rising at Astoria Middle School on Tuesday.

system, which emergency responders use to manage disaster-style situations.

"We want it to be realistic, because that helps them visualize," said Eric Swanson, the emergency manager for Tillamook Regional Medical Center who evaluated the hospital's performance.

### Drill to learn

Katrina McPherson, vice president of operations for CMH Medical Group, served as commander and assigned roles to each of her team members: one person to take charge of medical care (inpatient, outpatient, casualties, mental health); another to oversee equip-

ment and infrastructure (power, water, sewer and others); a third person to establish security; and so on.

Volunteers portrayed patients experiencing injury, trauma, panic and grief, while the hospital crew and medical workers from Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Disaster Medical Team and U.S. Army and Air guards triaged the patients, assessing whether their wounds required immediate attention or could be seen to later.

Very quickly, the staff began to see the gaps in their readiness.

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# Letting Oregon LNG off the hook

## Port debates whether to pursue sublease

By EDWARD STRATTON  
The Daily Astorian

Port of Astoria Commissioners are still hung up on whether to let Oregon LNG out of its sublease of more than 90 acres on the Skipanon Peninsula.

Richard Glick, an attorney for LNG Development Co., sent the Port a letter in April asking the agency to terminate a sublease with the company, which runs 25 more years. The company announced in April it was abandoning a highly controversial liquefied natural gas terminal in Warrenton and pipeline across Clatsop County to Woodland, Washington.

Commissioners discussed the topic during a Tuesday workshop.

"Their position is there is no Oregon LNG," Jim Knight, the Port's executive director, said of the contact he's had with Glick.

"The corporation is defunct. There is nobody to go back to at Oregon LNG to renegotiate anything within this. The position from the attorney is that there's been no work done on the property."

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# Councilor warns of development threat on river

## Price wants to finish Riverfront Vision Plan

By DERRICK DePLEDGE  
The Daily Astorian

Astoria City Councilor Cindy Price has warned that the city is vulnerable to overdevelopment near the Columbia River downtown unless the Riverfront Vision Plan is completed.

The City Council has revised land-use guidelines and restricted development along three of four stretches of the river between the Port of Astoria and Alderbrook. But the final and possibly most critical section — the Urban Core between Second Street and 16th Street downtown — has not been drafted and there is no timetable to do the work.

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# Clinton seizes historic win with triumph in California

By KATHLEEN HENNESSEY and LISA LERER  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Powered by a solid triumph in California, Hillary Clinton declared victory in her yearlong battle for the heart of the Democratic Party, seizing her place in history and setting out on the difficult task of fusing a fractured party to confront Donald Trump.

Clinton cruised to easy victories in four of the six state contests Tuesday. With each win she further solidified Sen. Bernie Sanders' defeat and dashed his already slim chances of using the last night

of state contests to refuel his flagging bid.

The victories allowed Clinton to celebrate her long-sought "milestone" — the first woman poised to lead a major political party's presidential ticket. Standing before a flag-waving crowd in Brooklyn, the former secretary of state soaked up the cheers and beamed.

"Barriers can come down. Justice and equality can win," she said. "This campaign is about making sure there are no ceilings, no limits on any of us. This is our moment to come together."

Clinton had already secured the delegates needed for the nomination before Tuesday's

contests, according to an Associated Press tally. Still, Sanders had hoped to use a victory in California to persuade party insiders to switch their allegiances. Sanders picked up wins in Montana and North Dakota, but Clinton won substantially in California.

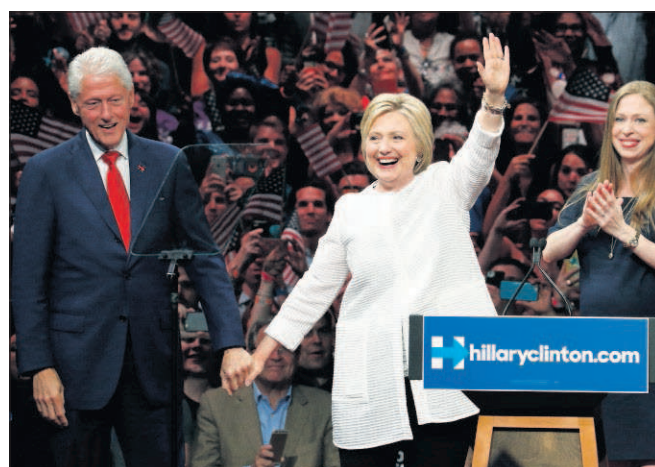
Sanders nonetheless vowed to continue to his campaign to the last contest in the District of Columbia next Tuesday.

"The struggle continues," he said.

### California win

Clinton's victory in California assured her a majority of pledged delegates — those

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Former President Bill Clinton, left, stands on stage with his wife, Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton, center, and their daughter, Chelsea Clinton, after Hillary Clinton spoke during a presidential primary election night rally, Tuesday in New York.

