

# POINT of view

THE DAILY ASTORIAN // QUESTION OF THE WEEK

## 'What is a favorite Fourth of July memory?'



"Standing out on the roof of the Net Loft that Nebeker owns a few years ago, and watching the fireworks."

Liz Harris, Astoria



"It would have to be when my Aunt Kristin came up from Nevada and we got a room at the Shilo Inn and watched the fireworks in Seaside. It was a great night. It was fun."

Austin Ogier, Knappa



"Laying on the beach and watching the fireworks above our heads in Manzanita. That was our best memory."

Susie McDowell, Portland

## Il Trovatore



Dwight Caswell/For The Daily Astorian

Above: Angela Meade, second from left, sang Leonora in Verdi's "Il Trovatore" Sunday, the role she sang in her debut at the Astoria Music Festival in 2011. From left, tenor Cameron Schutzta (Manrico, the troubadour), Meade, conductor Keith Clark and Richard Zeller, baritone.

Right: MaryAnn McCormick, mezzo singing Azucena the gypsy, and tenor Cameron Schutzta (Manrico, the troubadour) perform Verdi's "Il Trovatore," Sunday at the Liberty Theater during the Astoria Music Festival.



## Planning Commission signs off on marijuana grow, soap business

By EDWARD STRATTON  
The Daily Astorian

The Astoria Planning Commission on Tuesday approved a conditional use permit for Astoria Indoor Garden Supply owner Oscar Nelson to grow marijuana and make soap inside his new location.

Nelson, also a partner in the dispensary chain Sweet Relief Natural Medicine, moved the store from downtown Astoria to 3,000 square feet he rents in construction contractor John Carriere's new building at 487-491 Marine Drive. His two-year conditional use permit for light manufacturing covers one-quarter of the space.

City Planner Nancy Ferber said the marijuana grown there would be for testing and not for distribution, releasing it from certain reviews by police and the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

"The cannabis that will be growing will be medicinal, so

myself and another person who has a medicinal license," Nelson said, adding his wife's soap and lotion business will likely go in another location.

Nelson said the space will be for research and development of equipment, and potentially for selling marijuana plant starts, if he can find a legal avenue. He is still awaiting approval from the state to grow marijuana in the space.

"I feel that this is going to have zero impact on the community," he said. "To the outside citizen, it's going to be business as usual. There's going to be no odor, no adverse traffic through there. It's just going to be, really, a space for me to play, to be quite frank."

Linda Stephens, who owns two houses above Carriere's building, said she doesn't want Nelson's grow operation in her backyard.

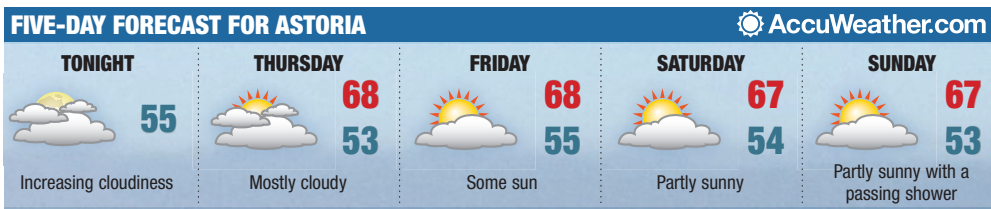
"I see it as a step for more activity than that property can maybe handle, parking-wise," she added.

In his rebuttal, Nelson said he would address any issues. Turning to Stephens, who he later gave a business card to, Nelson said he would address any issues.

Planning commissioners commiserated with Stephens over her concerns of a marijuana-growing operation so close to a residential zone, but said Nelson's application met the criteria for a general commercial zone.

Commissioner Sean Fitzpatrick said he owned a property adjacent to the garden store's previous location, under which Nelson grew marijuana, and didn't see any effects on the use of his property.

"There's just really no way we can say 'no,'" said Commissioner Jan Mitchell. "They complied with the requirements staff has given. You know, if it becomes a problem, then, I would have the right to comment on that ... and ask for a change. But it seems to be legal."



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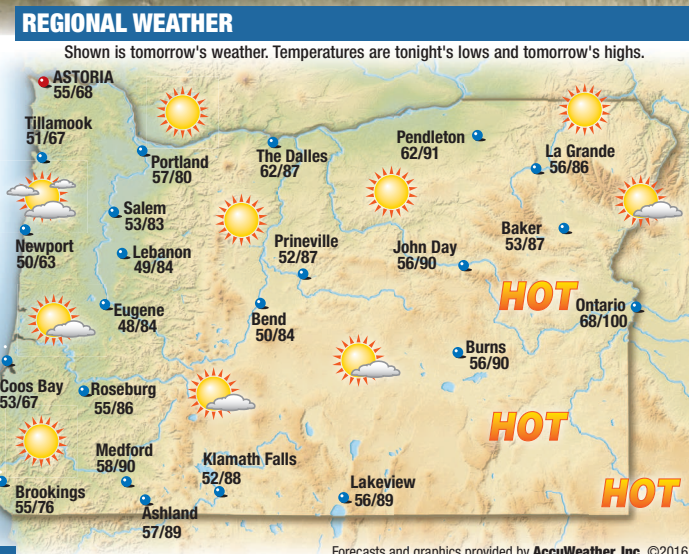
Astoria through Tuesday.

**Temperatures**

High/low	63°/57°
Normal high/low	66°/51°
Record high	86° in 1951
Record low	40° in 1985

**Precipitation**

Tuesday	Trace
Month to date	2.00"
Normal month to date	2.44"
Year to date	39.22"
Normal year to date	36.05"



### SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight ..... 9:11 p.m.  
Sunrise Thursday ..... 5:28 a.m.  
Moonrise today ..... 2:05 a.m.  
Moonset today ..... 3:50 p.m.

New First Full Last

### UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Just above the northwest horizon as darkness falls are Pollux and Castor, the twins of Gemini.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

### TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks

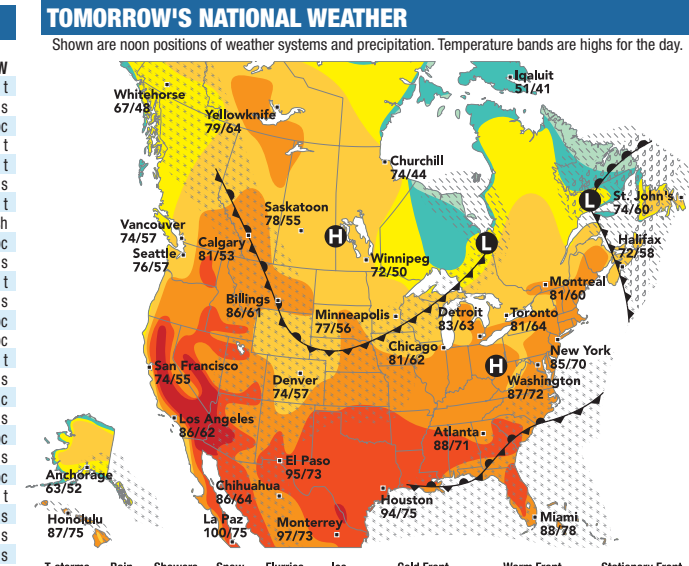
Time	High	Low
10:49 a.m.	6.6 ft.	4:44 a.m.
10:39 p.m.	9.2 ft.	4:24 p.m.
		1.8 ft.

### REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu.	City	Today	Thu.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W		Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Baker City	90 53 s 87 44 s	Olympia	78 50 pc 76 50 s		
Bend	87 50 s 84 45 s	Pendleton	96 62 s 91 57 s		
Brookings	69 54 s 70 55 s	Portland	82 57 s 80 56 s		
Eugene	86 48 s 84 50 s	Roseburg	85 55 s 86 54 s		
Ilwaco	64 55 pc 63 55 c	Salem	84 53 s 83 53 s		
Klamath Falls	89 52 s 88 51 s	Seaside	65 55 pc 65 53 c		
Medford	91 58 s 90 57 s	Spokane	91 64 s 88 59 s		
Newberg	82 51 s 81 50 s	Springfield	84 49 s 84 48 s		
Newport	63 50 pc 63 50 pc	Vancouver	80 55 s 79 53 s		
North Bend	65 53 pc 66 53 pc	Yakima	99 61 s 93 58 s		

### NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Atlanta	91 71 pc 88 71 t	
Boston	81 66 c 81 66 s	
Chicago	78 59 s 81 62 pc	
Denver	89 59 t 74 57 t	
Des Moines	79 65 t 83 61 t	
Detroit	80 56 s 83 63 s	
El Paso	92 72 t 95 73 t	
Fairbanks	77 56 pc 77 60 sh	
Honolulu	87 75 pc 87 75 sh	
Indianapolis	77 57 pc 81 64 s	
Kansas City	85 66 c 84 63 t	
Las Vegas	107 86 t 107 85 s	
Los Angeles	89 63 pc 86 62 pc	
Memphis	91 68 s 91 73 pc	
Miami	90 78 t 88 78 t	
Nashville	85 62 s 87 65 s	
New Orleans	86 76 t 90 77 c	
New York	85 68 pc 85 70 s	
Oklahoma City	93 70 pc 92 72 pc	
Philadelphia	85 66 pc 87 68 s	
St. Louis	85 66 pc 86 70 pc	
Salt Lake City	98 69 pc 92 69 t	
San Francisco	70 54 s 74 55 s	
Seattle	79 58 s 76 57 s	
Washington, DC	85 68 pc 87 72 s	



## OBITUARY Donald Jon Perkins Clatskanie April 12, 1948 — June 15, 2016

Donald J. Perkins of Clatskanie, Oregon, a 25-year veteran senior trooper of the Oregon State Police, passed peacefully on June 15 in Norfolk, Nebraska, surrounded by family.

Don was born April 12, 1948, in Astoria, the third son of Emil and Aili Perkins of Brownsmead. He attended Knappa schools, graduating from Knappa High School in June 1966.

After high school, Don followed in his father and brothers' footsteps as a longshoreman on the Astoria waterfront. In July 1966, he was critically injured when a tugboat hit the log raft he was working on. It was thought he would lose his leg, but, as Don showed throughout his life, he was made of tough Finnish stock. This was the first of many times he beat the odds.

Don married Sandy Seeborg on Oct. 28, 1967, to whom he remained wed for 32 years.

He soon discovered his life's passion in law enforcement, joining the Clatsop County Sheriff reserves. In 1974, Don became a trooper in the Oregon State Police. His duty stations included Oakridge, St. Helens and McMinnville, where he worked both traffic and fish and game.

In 1994, he moved to Clatskanie, where he stayed until his retirement in 1999, while serving the St. Helens OSP office again. During that time he served as a regional union representative for the Oregon State Police Officers Association.

In 2001, Don married Cheryl Gowler. In retirement with his beloved wife, he enjoyed travel, going to garage sales, poker and spending time with family and innumerable friends. In the

winter of 2003, Don foiled an abduction attempt on Cheryl in Guadalajara, Mexico, suffering life-threatening wounds in the process. But once again, he lived to tell the tale.

A lifelong sportsman, Don boasted numerous Boone and Crockett trophy deer, elk and antelope.

Don is survived by his wife of 15 years, Cheryl; son, Brian Perkins; and nieces, Debbie Franklin (Ed) and DeAnn Crenshaw (Don), whom he helped raise. He had six grandchildren, Nick, Alex, Heidi, Megan, Colton and Jacob, and was proud to boast three great-grandchildren, Parker, Finn and Graysen.

Don is also survived by siblings Richard Perkins (Eva) and Irene Kallio; his nephew and hunting partner, Ken Rudat (Patsy); ex-wife Sandy; and numerous nephews, nieces and friends. He was preceded in death by siblings Emil Jr. and Helen.

A celebration of life will be held later this summer, with an announcement preceding.

Donations in Don's memory can be made to: Oregon State Police Officers Association, P.O. Box 12726, Salem, OR 97309, www.ospoa.com/programs



Donald Perkins

## BIRTHS

**June 16, 2016**  
BENSON, Raine and Thomas, of Seaside, a girl, Annabelle Grace Benson, born at Providence Seaside Hospital. Older siblings are Elise and Terrance Madson. Grandparents are Christine Erickson-Alonzo and Jose Alonzo of Silverdale,

Washington, and David and Jenine Benson of Seaside. Great-grandmother is Elise Erickson of Silverdale.

**June 22, 2016**  
FERBER, Samantha, and LEAKE, Bret, of Nehalem, a girl, Nova Kai Leake, born at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Astoria.

## ON THE RECORD

**DUII arrest**  
• At 1:29 a.m. Friday, Clatsop County Sheriff's Office arrested Robert Michael Car-

ter, 57, of Rainier, for driving under the influence of intoxicants on U.S. Highway 101 and Seventh Street in Seaside.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

**WEDNESDAY**  
**Knappa School Board**, 4:30 p.m., 41535 Old U.S. Highway 30.

**THURSDAY**  
**Sunset Empire Transportation District Board**, 9 a.m., supple-

mental budget hearing, budget hearing and executive session, Astoria Transit Center Conference Room, 900 Marine Drive. **Clatsop County Recreational Lands Planning and Advisory Committee**, 1 to 3 p.m., fourth floor, 800 Exchange St.

## LOTTERIES

**OREGON**  
**Tuesday's Pick 4:**  
1 p.m.: 5-4-8-7  
4 p.m.: 3-5-1-6  
7 p.m.: 7-9-1-0  
10 p.m.: 5-4-7-8

**WASHINGTON**  
**Tuesday's Daily Game:**  
8-0-4  
**Tuesday's Keno:** 01-05-06-08-11-13-17-20-28-30-34-35-37-38-47-49-50-59-66-71  
**Tuesday's Match 4:** 02-10-14-20  
**Tuesday's Mega Millions:** 15-17-20-35-55, Mega Ball: 7  
Estimated jackpot: \$415 million

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