

# Debate: Face-off may have been most-watched debate in US history

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the debate, Northwest Tea Party Chairman Ed McNulty said today it's probably in the eye of the beholder. While Trump could have hit Clinton harder regarding the attack on a diplomatic compound in Benghazi, Libya, and the finances of the Clinton Foundation, he said, Trump did a good job. McNulty said the biggest surprise was that Clinton could make it through the entire debate.

"I know they were doing a good job of hiding it, but she does have health issues," he said. "I'm surprised she could stand an hour and a half."

In Astoria, liberals gathered at the Inferno Room. Tessa James Scheller, a former delegate for U.S. Sen Bernie Sanders, said today Clinton clearly did a better job showing she could have coherent thoughts and lay out policy. While Trump stayed on message for the first part of the debate, she said, he eventually gave Clinton the more reactive response Democrats were hoping for.

"I think Donald stumbled terribly in regards to race," Scheller said. "He wants to paint a picture of race with African-Americans and Hispanics living in ghettos and shooting one another."

She said Trump's comment about being smart for not paying federal income taxes was unpatriotic.



Edward Stratton/The Daily Astorian  
Democrats gathered at The Inferno Room in Astoria to watch the presidential debate Monday.



Edward Stratton/The Daily Astorian  
Conservatives gathered Monday at Uptown Cafe in Warrenton to watch the presidential debate.

## Huge audience

Both campaigns knew the highly anticipated first debate could mark a turning point six weeks before Election Day, but it was unclear if either candidate would reap significant gains. Trump and Clinton are locked in an exceedingly close race and competing vigorously to win over undecided voters.

CNN reports that "Monday's face-off may well have been the most-watched debate in American history." Actual viewership figures will be released by Nielsen on later today.

## Debate tactics

Clinton's preferred tactic — provoking Trump with jabs aimed at rattling him — continued to pay dividends the day

after the debate. After brushing off Clinton's claim that he'd once shamed a former Miss Universe winner for her weight, Trump dug deeper today.

"She gained a massive amount of weight. It was a real problem. We had a real problem," Trump told "Fox and Friends" about the 1996 winner of the pageant he once owned.

Though he said on Twitter he had "really enjoyed" the debate, he accused moderator Lester Holt of a left-leaning performance and going harder on him than Clinton. He insisted he had "no sniffles" and no allergies despite the #snifflegate speculation that had exploded on social media.

And in one of the more bizarre moments in presidential debate history, he floated the

possibility that organizers had intentionally set his "terrible" microphone to a lower volume than Clinton's. Trump said he "didn't want to believe in conspiracy theories" but pushed the theory anyway that it was "set up that way on purpose."

"Anybody who's about the microphone is not having a good night," a sardonic Clinton told reporters on her plane as she flew today to North Carolina. She accused Trump of making "demonstrably untrue" claims in the debate.

## Back to the trail

With precious few weeks left to campaign, both candidates returned promptly to the trail. North Carolina and Florida, where Trump was campaigning, are both among a

handful of toss-up states whose winners could help determine the outcome of the election. Obama and Trump are slated to face each other on Oct. 9 during the second debate, in St. Louis.

The debate was confrontational from the start, with Trump frequently trying to interrupt Clinton and speaking over her answers. Clinton was more measured and restrained, often smiling through his answers, well-aware of the television cameras capturing her reaction.

"Hillary told the truth and Donald told some whoppers," Clinton's running mate, Tim Kaine, told ABC News.

Trump has said he can't release his tax returns because he is being audited, though tax

experts have said an audit is no barrier to making the information public. When Clinton suggested his refusal might be because he possibly paid nothing in federal taxes, he interrupted to say, "That makes me smart."

Trump's criticism of Clinton turned personal in the debate's closing moments. He said, "She doesn't have the look, she doesn't have the stamina" to be president. He's made similar comments in previous events, sparking outrage from Clinton backers who accused him of a sexist attack on the first woman nominated for president by a major U.S. political party.

The centerpiece of Trump's case against Clinton is that the former senator and secretary of state is little more than a career politician who has squandered opportunities to address the domestic and international problems she's now pledging to tackle as president.

"She's got experience," he said, "but it's bad experience."

When Trump made a crack about Clinton taking time off the campaign trail to prepare for the debate, she turned it into a validation of her readiness for the White House.

"I think Donald just criticized me for preparing for this debate," Clinton said. "And, yes, I did. And you know what else I prepared for? I prepared to be president. And I think that's a good thing."

# Inn: Expansion would bring in \$70,000 a year in taxes

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proximity to U.S. Highway 101 would reduce Hemlock Street traffic.

The proposed hotel expansion would contribute about \$70,000 in new lodging taxes each year, providing economic benefit, the application stated. According to the city budget, lodging taxes are estimated to make up about 50 percent of the city's general fund resources.

Commissioner Joseph Bernt said the project would bring in money for the city, adding that 18 rooms does not seem "overbearing" compared to visitors who create traffic issues without staying overnight.

"These day-trippers are not providing the \$70,000," Bernt said. "If you're going to sell out to tourism, you ought to sell out for money rather than clogged arteries in the town."

Kerr said the city is "not poor."

"I don't see the demand being we need the money and the revenue," she said. "What it gets spent on is more celebrations and holidays to bring in more tourists."

Though Bernt said the hotel addition could be a "good investment for the town," he voted against allowing the expansion.

## For expansion

Janet Patrick was the only commissioner to vote to approve the hotel expansion. She said a development will eventually be built on the lot.

"If it's homes that are permanently occupied by residents, I would assume those residents will use a great deal of water," Patrick said.

If the project is approved, Commissioner Robin Risley said a spotlight for traffic and water-saving measures could

both be considered.

The proposed development is located in a limited commercial zone, where a new hotel or motel is not allowed. However, since the property was a hotel site before 1979 zoning ordinance changes, a hotel could still be built on the lot under the city's pre-existing use regulations.

The lot, formerly the Cannon Village Motel, has been vacant since the former motel's structure was torn down in 2006. The request was based on a previous conditional use approval that has since expired. Escape Investment owns the property.

"We're trying to do something tasteful that fits into the neighborhood," applicant Patrick Nofield, representing Escape Lodging Co., said to the commission.

Tolovana Park resident and City Council candi-

date Herb Florer spoke in support of the project.

"We feel this would fit and conform with the existing uses in the area," he said.

Resident Jan Siebert-Wahrmund questioned whether the city's water supply can sustain further development.

"Hotels and motels use our water mostly in the summer months," she said. "Unfortunately, this would be quite a lot of extra water being used."

The Inn at Cannon Beach, which manages the 40-unit hotel on the south side of East Surfcrest Avenue and an eight-unit condominium development on the north side of the street, would also manage the proposed suites.

To continue with the project, the applicant could appeal to the City Council or resubmit an application to the Planning Commission, City Planner Mark Barnes said.

# Housing: 'It's time for us to do something'

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"Any type of housing built is good," Leahy said. "We want to work very closely with the city and move forward."

Seaside Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Brian Owen asked councilors to help builders or developers "overcome hurdles" for affordable units.

"What I would like to see is something built in the Seaside area, an apartment-type structure that hits the need for the \$1,000-\$1,200 month renter, something that stable employees can handle and won't turn into a short-term rental situation," Owen said. "It's time for us to do something."

Owen urged discussions with developers to overcome roadblocks to construction. He proposed public-private partnerships and nongovernmental financing to meet the housing need.

"If we can connect the dots, in six, seven months, we can have houses here," Owen said. "That would be my ultimate goal."

Councilor Randy Frank said the issue is "important to the towns of the county and our viability."

"Every time I see something new getting built, rebuilt or spaces expanding, we know there will be a demand for housing that's really not there," Frank said. "I applaud your efforts and we understand the need."

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# TV LISTINGS

Evening listings  
TUESDAY

TUESDAY EVENING												SEPTEMBER 27	
A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
2	KATU	(2) KATU News at 6		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Dancing With the Stars: The Results (N)				Agent SHIELD "Meet the New Boss" (N)		KATU News at 11	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
4	KOMO	(4) KOMO 4 News		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Dancing With the Stars: The Results (N)				Agent SHIELD "Meet the New Boss" (N)		KOMO 4 News	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
5	KING	(5) NBC Nightly News	KING 5 News	KING 5 News	Evening	The Voice "The Blind Auditions 4" (N)				This Is Us "The Big Three" (N)		KING 5 News	(35) Tonight Show
6	KOIN	(6) KOIN 6 News at 6	CBS Evening News	Extra	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Being Bad" (N)				NCIS: New O. "Suspicious Minds" (N)		KOIN 6 News @ 11	(35) S. Colbert
7	KIRO	(7) KIRO 7 News	CBS Evening News	The Insider	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Being Bad" (N)				NCIS: New O. "Suspicious Minds" (N)		KIRO 7 News	(35) S. Colbert
8	KGW	(8) KGW News at 6:00 p.m.		Live at Seven	Inside Edition	The Voice "The Blind Auditions 4" (N)				This Is Us "The Big Three" (N)		KGW News at 11	(35) Tonight Show
9	KRCW	(9) Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Flash "Invincible"				MADtv (SF) (N)		KGW News at 10	Two and a Half
10	KOPB	(10) Ask-Old House	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour		The Contenders: 16 for '16 (N)				Frontline "The Choice 2016" Profiles of Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump. (N)		Black Women in Medicine	
12	KPTV	(12) 6 O'Clock News		Family Feud	Family Feud	Brooklyn 99 (N)	New Girl (N)			Scream Queens "Warts and All" (N)		11 O'Clock News	2 Broke Girls
13	KPDx	(13) Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	FOX 12's 8 O'Clock News on PDX-TV				FOX 12's 9 O'Clock News on PDX-TV		The Simpsons	American Dad
13	KCPQ	(13) Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Brooklyn 99 (N)	New Girl (N)			Scream Queens "Warts and All" (N)		Q13 News at 10	The Simpsons
20	TBS	(20) Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan (N)	
22	KZJO	(22) Two and a Half	Two and a Half	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Modern Family	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9		Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Friends	Friends
29	ESPN	(29) (5:00) Hockey World Cup (L)		SportsCenter	The day's news in the world of sports.	SportsCenter				SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
30	ESPN2	(30) (4:00) MLB Baseball (L)		Baseball Tonight (L)		NFL Live				Baseball Tonight (L)		Fantasy Football	Hockey World Series Final Game 1
31	NICK	(31) Henry Danger	Henry Danger	The Thundermans	The Thundermans	NickyRickyDicky	Game Shakers	Full House	Full House 1/2	Full House 2/2	Full House	Friends	Friends
32	DISN	(32) Backstage (N)	K.C. Undercover	Girl Meets World	Liv and Maddie	Descendants (2015, Family)	Cameron Boyce, Booboo Stewart, Dove Cameron.	(:05) K.C. Underc.		Stuck in Middle		Backstage	Friends Whenever
34	FAM	(34) The Middle	*** Pitch Perfect (2012, Comedy)	Brittany Snow, Rebel Wilson, Anna Kendrick.		*** 10 Things I Hate About You (99)	Julia Stiles, Heath Ledger.			The 700 Club			
35	FMC	(35) (5:00) Takers (2010, Action)	Chris Brown.	(:10) *** Takers (2010, Action)	Matt Dillon, Hayden Christensen, Chris Brown.	(:25) FXM Presents	*** Prometheus (12) Logan Marshall-Green, Michael Fassbender, Noomi Rapace.	(:50) FXM Presents					
36	LIFE	(36) To Be Announced				To Be Announced		Dance Moms (N)		To Be Announced			
38	ROOT	(38) (5:00) MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at Houston Astros (L)		Post-game		MLB Baseball Seattle Mariners at Houston Astros Site: Minute Maid Park -- Houston, Texas							Post-game
39	FS1	(39) (5:00) Boxing Premier Champions (L)		NFL Films (N)	MLB's Best (N)	Fox Sports Live	TMZ Sports (N)	Speak for Yourself		Skip and Shannon: Undisputed Opinions on the biggest sports topics of the day.			
43	SPiKE	(43) Ink Master "The Game Begins"		Ink Master "Ruffled Feathers"		Ink Master "Put on Your Armor"		Ink Master "Sparks Fly"		Ink Master (N)		Ink Master (N)	Ink Master
44	COM	(44) Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0 (N)	Drunk (SP) (N)	The Daily Show (N) @midnight (N)	
45	HIST	(45) Counting Cars	Counting Cars	Counting Cars	Counting Cars	Counting Cars	Counting Cars	Counting Cars	Counting Cars	(:05) Motors	(:35) Motors	(:05) Counting Cars	
46	A&E	(46) The First 48 "Murder in Pleasant Grove"		Married 1stSight "To Have and to Hold"		Married 1stSight (45) Married at First Sight "Naked Truth" (N)				Born This Way "Oh Baby!" (N)		(:05) Married "To Have and to Hold"	
47	TLC	(47) Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress	Counting On (N)	Counting On "The Big Event" (N)		Cake Boss (N)		To Be Announced		(:05) Counting On "The Big Event"	
48	DISC	(48) Taking Fire		Deadliest Catch "Sacrifice"		Dungeon Cove "Pacific Fury" (N)		Deadliest Catch "Lost at Sea" (N)		Taking Fire (N)		Deadliest Catch "Lost at Sea"	
49	NGEO	(49) Russia and West "Putin Takes Control"		Finding Anastasia		Facing "Putin"		Facing Schwarzenegger (N)		Gen. X "The Geek Shall Inherit the Earth"		Facing Schwarzenegger	
50	TNT	(50) Castle "The Way of the Ninja"		Castle "The Greater Good"		Castle "XY"		Castle "XX"		Castle "PhDead"		Castle "That's '70s Show"	
51	AMC	(51) (4:00) Walk the Line Joaquin Phoenix.		*** Pearl Harbor (2001, War)	Kate Beckinsale, Josh Hartnett, Ben Affleck.					Halt and Catch Fire (N)		Halt and Catch Fire	
52	USA	(52) Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		WWE Smackdown! WWE superstars do battle in long-running rivalries.		Chopped "Peri Peri Determined"		Chrisley Knows	Chrisley Knows	Modern Family	Modern Family
53	FOOD	(53) Chopped "Sound The Alarm!"		Chopped "Cake Walk?"		Chopped Junior		Fixer Upper		House Hunters (N)	House Hunters (N)	Fixer "Couple Seeks a Unique Fixer"	Chopped After
54	HGTV	(54) Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Atlanta (N)	Atlanta	Atlanta	Battle Los Angeles
56	FX	(56) (4:30) Battle Los Angeles Aaron Eckhart.		*** Iron Man 3 (2013, Action)	Gwyneth Paltrow, Guy Pearce, Robert Downey Jr..					Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	
57	CNN	(57) Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		Anderson Cooper 360		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	
58	FNC	(58) The Kelly File With Megyn Kelly		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File With Megyn Kelly		Hannity		On the Record	
61	CNNB	(61) Shark Tank		The Profit "Murchinson-Hume" (N)		The Profit "Dilascia"		The Profit "Murchinson-Hume"		The Profit "Progress Report"		Paid Program	Paid Program
63	BRV	(63) B.Deck "No One Said This Job Was Easy"		Below Deck		B.Deck "Hair Models and Filthy Martinis"		Below Deck "That Tuna is F@#led" (N)		Below Deck "That Tuna is F@#led"		WatchWhat (N)	Real Housewives
64	USA	(64) (5:00) Bananas	(5:00) *** Young Frankenstein (74, Com)	Peter Boyle, Madeline Kahn, Gene Wilder.	(1978, Comedy)	Chevy Chase, Burgess Meredith, Goldie Hawn.	*** Foul Play (1978, Comedy)	Chevy Chase, Burgess Meredith, Goldie Hawn.	*** The Three Musketeers (73) Oliver Reed.				
65	SYFY	(65) (5:00) *** Orphan (09, Horror)	Peter Sarsgaard, Vera Farmiga.	*** National Treasure: Book of Secrets (2007, Adventure)	Jon Voight, Ed Harris, Nicolas Cage.	Aftermath "RVL 6768" (P) (N)						Lake Placid (1999, Action)	Bill Pullman.
162	RFD	(162) (5:30) Cattlemen	LandLeader TV	Downunder Horseman.		Chris Cox	Rural Eve. News	Ag PhD		Cattlemen to Cattlemen		LandLeader TV	Product Showcase

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