

FISHERMEN CATCH BIG WIN AGAINST SEAGULLS



Photos by Danny Miller/The Daily Astorian

ABOVE: Astoria's Kyle Strange is ready to complete a touchdown pass Seagull Garret Kiser attempts to defend during Astoria's homecoming Friday in Astoria. BELOW: Astoria eniors Sariah Dieffenbach and Samboy Tuimato pop a balloon that revealed their Homecoming King and Queen titles as Astoria faced off against Seaside during the Fishermen's homecoming Friday at CMH Field in Astoria. Astoria defeated Seaside 50-12. More photos of the Clatsop Clash online at DailyAstorian.com



Betsy Johnson



Tim Knoop

Leaders brace for pension demands

Higher rates will play out in 2017's budgets

The Daily Astorian

The pension board has announced rate increases that will touch the budgets of nearly every county, city and school district in Oregon.

The higher rates, released Friday by the Public Employees Retirement System's board, go into effect in 2017.

State Sen. Betsy Johnson, D-Scappoose, and Sen. Tim Knoop, R-Bend, who are working on pension reform, said the higher rates would add significant costs to school districts and local governments.

"School districts that are already struggling to make ends meet in their annual budgets will now have to factor in even greater PERS costs to the detriment of our students and teachers who need that money in the classroom," Johnson said in a statement Friday.

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Brown has favorable crowd in debate

By PARIS ACHEN
Capital Bureau

PORTLAND — GOP gubernatorial nominee William "Bud" Pierce and Gov. Kate Brown covered new ground, including women's issues, in their second debate Friday at the Democratic-leaning City Club of Portland.

Pierce, a Salem oncologist and political newbie, is seeking to unseat Brown, a former secretary of state who inherited the governorship when former Gov. John Kitzhaber stepped down in February 2015 amid an influence-peddling scandal. While Brown has been in politics for more than two decades, this is Brown's first bid at election to the governor's office.

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Astoria chalks one up in 'ugly' homecoming win

By GARY HENLEY
The Daily Astorian

There have been other, more memorable Clatsop Clash football games in recent years.

Astoria's 44-38 overtime victory in 2012, and Seaside's 30-29 win the following year come to mind.

Friday's Clash at CMH Field was definitely *not* one for the time capsule.

Because *The Game That Could Get Ugly*, did in fact, get ugly.

The Fishermen opened up a big first-quarter lead, and for the second year in a row, Astoria won a lopsided Clatsop Clash, 50-12.

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Elvis lives on in Gearhart record bonanza

Richard Moore shares double life, collections

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GEARHART — What happens to an Elvis impersonator when he hangs up the suit? Gearhart's Richard Moore rarely dons the garb of the Great One these days. Instead he oversees Play It Again, featuring "LPs, eight-tracks, 33s, 45s, 78s, shoes, TV, toys, VCRs, VHS tape, luggage, golf club hats, electronics and dishes," in no particular order.

Born in Roseburg, Moore moved to Clatsop County in 1991.

He's been at 1140 G St. in Gearhart since January, after 21 moves in 20 years, including six months at a warehouse in Warrenton. "I do have a few fans," he said on a sunny Friday in front of his G Street hangar.

How many records does he store? "I quit counting at 300,000," Moore said. "There are between 80-90,000 in this building. All genres. You have to have something for everybody."

A former Elvis impersonator, the Great One is what first inspired Moore. "This is what got me started. The first time I saw a television in 1957, it was Elvis. I thought, that's going to be my job."

Elvis inspired Moore to take music lessons. "I studied banjo, fiddle, guitar, and 60 years later, I still can't play a guitar, banjo or fiddle," Moore said.

Raised in Medford, Moore, 66, spent a third of his life in the Marine Corps until resettling on the North Coast. He still maintains warehouses in Roseburg, Rogue River, Prineville, Albany and "all along The Dalles."

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Richard Moore carries on the spirit of Elvis in his record warehouse in Gearhart.

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