

OBITUARIES

Brenda Kay (Bassett) Brown

Seaside

Sept. 21, 1970 — Oct. 24, 2016

In loving memory of our beautiful and sassy Brenda, born in Astoria, Oregon, Sept. 21, 1970, to Donna Kay and Paul Lavern Bassett.

Brenda spent her youth through adulthood in Gearhart and the surrounding areas filling her days with family, close friends and taking care of her two daughters, Jessica and Whitney Brown, whom she loved fiercely. In her youth, Brenda was very athletic and was part of the Sons Of Norway softball team. As an adult she was always ready to take the boys down in a game of flag football at the family property (sometimes with her car). We love you Brenda!

Brenda also loved camping, spending time with close ones, friends and family, taking drives on the beach or looping the back highways to pick daffodils with Fleetwood Mac as a co-pilot.



Brenda Brown

With her husband, Lindsay Brown, and their girls, they traveled to Disneyland several times. Road trips with tunes were always a big favorite of Brenda's in remembrance of her mom, Donna. Her family meant everything to her.

Brenda is survived by her husband, Lindsay Brown; daughters Jessica and Whitney Brown; brothers Terry and Jon Bassett; sister Tracy Borlaug; Aunt Cheryl Dietrich; Uncle Darcy Dobson; and many, many more aunts, uncles, cousins and those who love her dearly.

Brenda was a beautiful and will force that we will carry in our hearts, never to be forgotten and greatly missed.

A public celebration will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, at BJ's Pizza Palace, 2490 U.S. Highway 101 N., Seaside, OR 97138.

Audubon Christmas Bird Count gears up for 117th year

Bringing people together with binoculars

By RICH LANDERS
The Spokesman-ReviewLiz Kishimoto/The Spokesman-Review
Brian Flick looks for a rough-legged hawk in Peaceful Valley in Spokane, Wash., during the Audubon Society Christmas Bird Count in 2003.

SPOKANE, Wash. — Numbers aren't the only focus of the annual Christmas Bird Count.

The event was founded in 1900 in New York to urge a change in what was then a socially accepted practice of killing birds — all kinds of birds — as a way of seeing what species are out there, or were.

The idea of a count brought people together with binoculars instead of guns.

Organized by the National Audubon Society, the 117th count will kick off next week across the country and beyond with numerous single-day count outings scheduled by local birders in the inland Northwest.

All of those eyeballs scouring the landscape through binoculars turn up something new every year on local counts as well as rare sightings, according to reports filed by group leaders.

Local Audubon chapters have scheduled programs to help birders understand birding trends and to identify and

understand birds that frequent this region in winter.

They also invite newcomers to join groups of birders that survey 15-mile diameter circles on designated days between Wednesday and Jan. 5.

A colossal database has been compiled in 116 years of number keeping by compulsive birders as interest in the annual event has spread.

The last Christmas Bird Count set overall records for turnout — 76,669 volunteers participating in 2,505 group counts across North America, Latin America, Bermuda and the Pacific Islands.

They tallied a total of 58.9 million birds, down from the record 68.8 million birds counted the previous year.

The inland Northwest is rich with bird species, but the count helps put the numbers in perspective.

The 78 participants in the Spokane Christmas Bird Count, which is limited to a 15-mile circle from the intersection of Division and Francis, listed 87 bird species, according to local compiler Alan McCoy.

A large group of birders contributing to the Kootenai County, Idaho, "big year" count work 12 months to identify about 210 species.

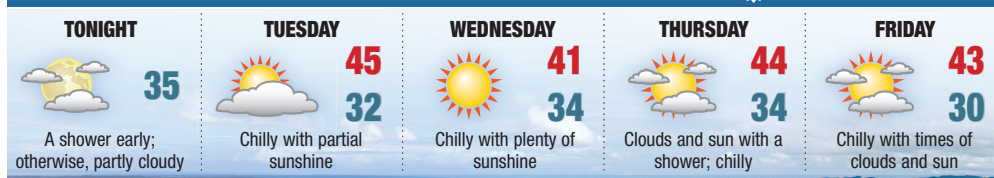
But a single Christmas bird count last year in the important December habitat of Yanayacu, Ecuador, tallied 509 species. That count reinforces the importance of critical habitat in specific locations, experts say.

Group leaders who file data also report details that help researchers monitor trends.

Last year's severe, long-term El Niño event wreaked havoc in the northwestern Pacific Ocean, with warm ocean temperatures altering the food chain for marine creatures and resulting in huge die-offs of seabirds, especially common murrelets. Storm after storm pummeled the Pacific Northwest coast, affecting birds and bird counters.

Regardless of the weather, Inland Northwest birders plan to be out in the thick of the action again to help scientists get a snapshot of winter bird distribution.

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA



ALMANAC

Astoria through Sunday.

Temperatures
High/low 51°/41°
Normal high/low 49°/36°
Record high 63° in 2014
Record low 18° in 1919

Precipitation
Sunday 0.75"
Month to date 5.26"
Normal month to date 3.72"
Year to date 81.76"
Normal year to date 61.34"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 4:30 p.m.
Sunrise Tuesday 7:50 a.m.
Moonrise today 4:00 p.m.
Moonset today 5:52 a.m.



UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: The Great Square of Pegasus passes high overhead before midnight.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

TOMORROW'S TIDES

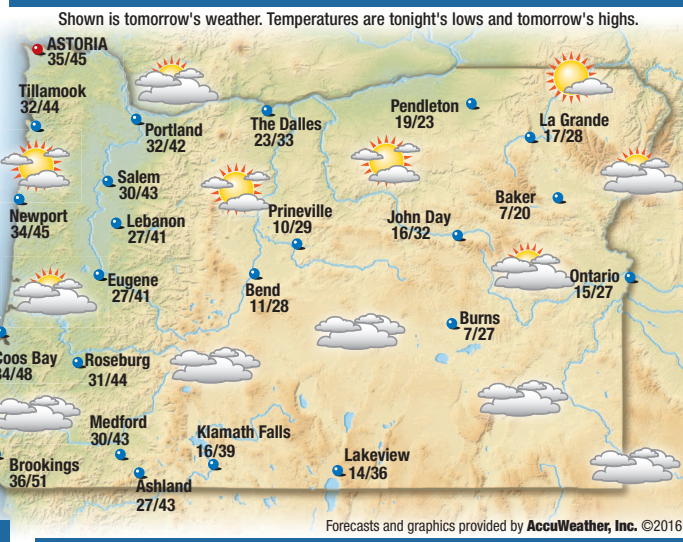
Astoria / Port Docks	High	Time	Low
12:36 a.m.	8.4 ft.	6:07 a.m.	2.4 ft.
12:04 p.m.	10.6 ft.	7:09 p.m.	-1.4 ft.

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Tues.
Atlanta	61 48 c 59 48 r	
Boston	47 32 r 42 31 pc	
Chicago	24 12 pc 17 4 pc	
Denver	45 16 pc 41 16 c	
Des Moines	33 10 pc 22 13 pc	
Detroit	34 17 c 30 8 c	
El Paso	71 46 s 70 44 s	
Fairbanks	-10 -19 s -12 -17 c	
Honolulu	78 66 sh 79 66 s	
Indianapolis	30 23 c 33 13 sn	
Kansas City	39 19 s 30 17 pc	
Las Vegas	64 48 pc 66 48 pc	
Los Angeles	65 55 pc 66 53 pc	
Memphis	53 42 pc 50 32 pc	
Miami	83 71 c 83 71 sh	
Nashville	51 34 pc 50 30 c	
New Orleans	77 63 pc 72 59 t	
New York	49 34 r 42 34 pc	
Oklahoma City	51 31 pc 47 24 pc	
Philadelphia	50 32 r 45 35 pc	
St. Louis	39 28 pc 36 18 pc	
Salt Lake City	44 27 pc 41 32 c	
San Francisco	57 47 c 56 27 s	
Seattle	43 32 c 38 27 s	
Washington, DC	55 34 r 47 35 pc	

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

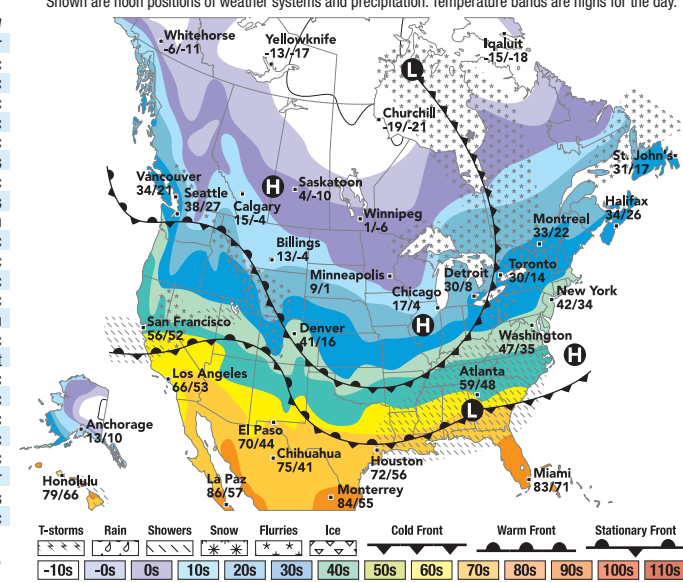
REGIONAL WEATHER



REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Tues.	City	Today	Tues.
Baker City	29 7 c 20 4 pc		Olympia	44 29 sn 39 25 s	
Bend	35 11 sn 28 12 c		Pendleton	33 19 sn 23 12 pc	
Brookings	49 37 c 50 42 c		Portland	46 32 r 42 30 c	
Eugene	46 27 r 41 28 c		Roseburg	47 31 r 44 34 c	
Ilwaco	48 37 r 44 33 pc		Salem	47 30 r 43 28 pc	
Klamath Falls	39 16 c 39 26 c		Seaside	48 36 r 46 33 pc	
Medford	46 30 r 43 36 c		Spokane	25 8 c 16 1 s	
Newberg	45 32 r 40 29 pc		Springfield	45 25 r 40 28 c	
Newport	48 34 r 45 33 c		Vancouver	45 34 r 41 30 c	
North Bend	50 35 r 49 36 c		Yakima	35 19 c 31 10 pc	

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER



Propane truck crash closed Highway 26 for six hours

The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — A propane truck crash on U.S. Highway 26 Friday morning snarled traffic and caused delays.

The road was opened in all directions late Friday afternoon.

The crash occurred 4 miles east of the Necanicum Junction at milepost 13.

The Oregon Department of Transportation had closed the highway from milepost 12 to 18.

Oregon State Police, the Department of Transportation and fire departments from Hamlet and Elsie responded to the scene.

Four Elsie Fire and Rescue personnel responded to a 911 report of a vehicle rollover at 9:56 a.m. "As things progressed, we were notified it was a delivery truck with more than 80 percent of its load on board leaking propane," Elsie Fire and Rescue's Diane Jette said.

The hazardous material response required a half-mile evacuation, Jette said.

Responders found the truck rolled over and leaking propane and shut the highway down.

Medix transported the driver, who did not sustain life-threatening injuries. Hazmat teams were called to manage the propane leak.

LOTTERIES

OREGON

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

Saturday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 9-1-3-4
4 p.m.: 0-4-9-3
7 p.m.: 7-9-2-5
10 p.m.: 9-9-0-5

Saturday's Megabucks:
2-18-21-26-27-47
Estimated jackpot: \$2.2 million

Saturday's Powerball:
12-21-32-44-66, Powerball: 15
Estimated jackpot: \$100 million

Friday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 7-7-7-9
4 p.m.: 4-1-5-5
7 p.m.: 5-5-3-7
10 p.m.: 1-3-9-6

Friday's Mega Millions:
19-27-47-67-68, Mega Ball: 1
Estimated jackpot: \$51 million

WASHINGTON

Sunday's Daily Game: 8-7-9
Sunday's Keno: 09-14-16-19-21-22-25-26-28-29-31-40-47-48-55-56-60-61-63-75
Sunday's Match 4: 03-07-14-17
Saturday's Daily Game: 8-2-0
Saturday's Hit 5: 02-14-22-32-38
Estimated jackpot: \$140,000
Saturday's Keno: 02-07-08-12-17-22-23-25-33-35-37-38-44-45-46-52-60-63-67-68
Saturday's Lotto: 05-20-23-26-48-49
Estimated jackpot: \$1.6 million
Saturday's Match 4: 01-08-16-24
Friday's Daily Game: 2-6-3
Friday's Keno: 07-09-10-13-16-17-24-25-31-33-45-46-52-53-54-56-60-63-66-72
Friday's Match 4: 03-08-21-24

DEATHS

Dec. 11, 2016

MONTGOMERY, Mary Louise, 99, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

LARSON, Donald Elmer,

80, of Seaside, died in Seaside. Hughes-Ransom Mortuary & Crematory in Seaside is in charge of the arrangements. Visit www.hughes-ransom.com to share memories and sign the guest book.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

MONDAY

Knappa School Board, 5:30 p.m., Knappa High School library, 41535 Old U.S. Highway 30.

Jewell School Board, 6 p.m., Jewell School library, 83874 Oregon Highway 103.

Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protection District, 6 p.m., Fire-Rescue Main Station, 188 Sunset Ave.

Seaside City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.

TUESDAY

Cannon Beach City Council, 5:30 p.m., work session, City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

Warrenton City Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall, 225 S. Main Ave.

Warrenton-Hammond School Board, 7 p.m., Warrenton Grade School multipurpose room, 820 S.W. Cedar Ave.

Lewis & Clark Fire Department Board, 7 p.m., main fire station, 34571 Highway 101 Business.

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