

# Astoria Police has new sergeant

## Officer Randall has been with force 13 years

By ERICK BENGEL  
The Daily Astorian

Astoria Police Chief Brad Johnston announced this week he is promoting Officer Andrew Randall, a 13-year veteran of the department, to sergeant effective Dec. 31.

Randall, who was one of two candidates for the job, will take an oath of office and receive his badge at the Jan. 3 Astoria City Council meeting. The position has been open for more than a year, since Eric Halverson was promoted to deputy chief.

Randall has served as a detective, field training officer, shift supervisor and acting sergeant. A two-time recipient of the Sgt. James D. Shepherd Achievement Award, Randall holds an advanced police officer certification and has already attended several supervision courses, Johnston said in a release.

Randall was the detective and lead investigator in a high-profile case from several years ago involving the aggravated murder of a



Danny Miller/The Daily Astorian

**Astoria Police Department Officer Andrew Randall talks to dispatch after pulling over someone for speeding.**

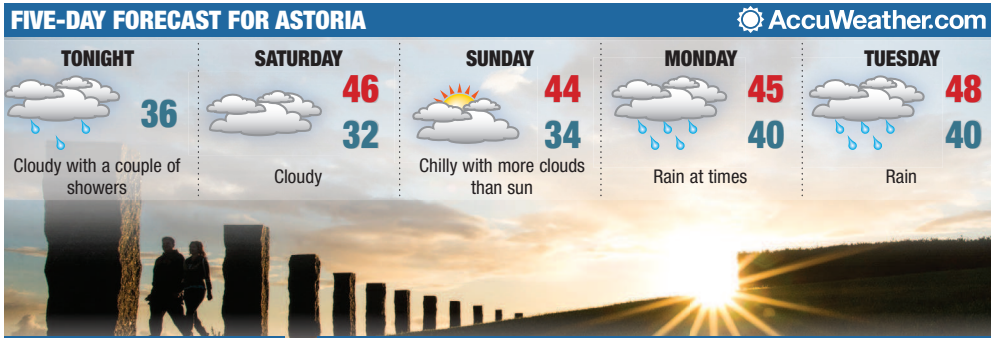
woman by her boyfriend in Emerald Heights.

"It's one of the three worst domestic abuses that I think we've seen as an agency," Johnston said.

For the application process, the candidates underwent emotional intelligence testing, an interview, and gave a presentation to department leadership on police legitimacy and procedural justice. The presentation is a kind of research project

where the candidates discussed their understanding of the issues, what the department is already doing about them and where it could improve.

"Sergeant is one of the most important roles in our organization. The sergeants are on the scene and implement the policies of the department," Johnston wrote. "I have no doubt that Sgt. Randall will be successful in his endeavors."



### ALMANAC

Astoria through Thursday.

**Temperatures**  
High/low ..... 43°/31°  
Normal high/low ..... 48°/36°  
Record high ..... 59° in 1993  
Record low ..... 15° in 1983

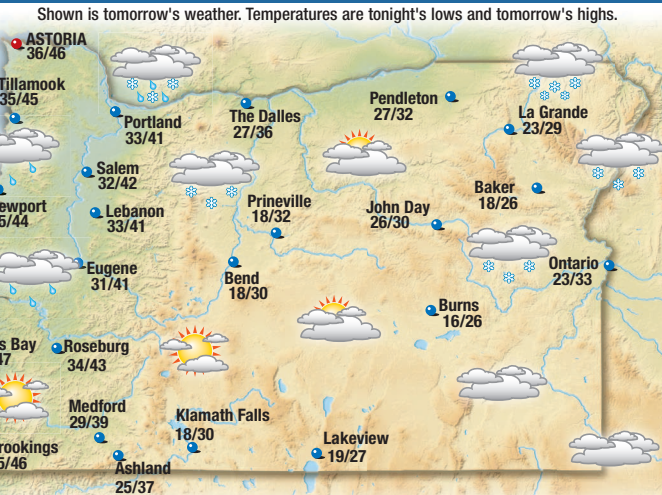
**Precipitation**  
Thursday ..... 0.31"  
Month to date ..... 8.27"  
Normal month to date ..... 7.07"  
Year to date ..... 84.77"  
Normal year to date ..... 64.69"

### SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight ..... 4:34 p.m.  
Sunrise Saturday ..... 7:57 a.m.  
Moonrise today ..... 2:25 a.m.  
Moonset today ..... 1:38 p.m.

Dec 28 Jan 5 Jan 12 Jan 19

### REGIONAL WEATHER



### UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: The northern cross, which is also known as Cygnus, the swan, stands almost straight up from the northwest horizon before midnight.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

### TOMORROW'S TIDES

Time	High	Time	Low
9:39 a.m.	8.8 ft.	3:22 a.m.	2.9 ft.
10:49 p.m.	7.0 ft.	4:37 p.m.	1.1 ft.

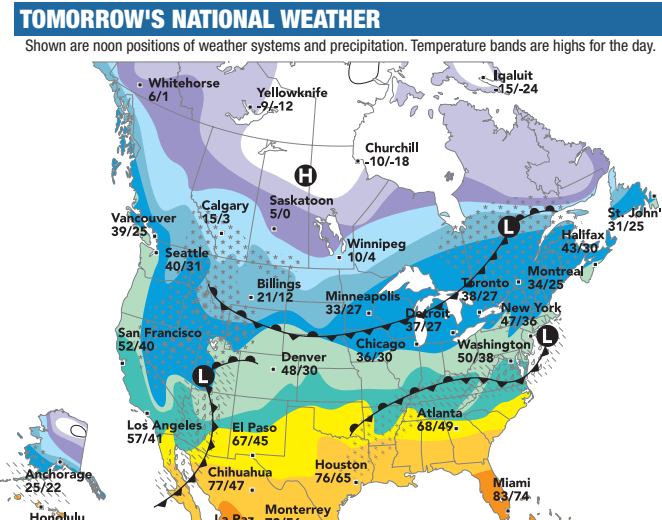
### NATIONAL CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	57	45	s	68	49	c
Boston	42	34	s	45	31	r
Chicago	35	31	sn	36	30	c
Denver	49	29	s	48	30	s
Des Moines	37	24	sn	37	32	s
Detroit	39	31	pc	37	27	c
El Paso	61	39	pc	67	45	s
Fairbanks	-9	-20	sn	0	-9	c
Honolulu	81	71	pc	81	72	pc
Indianapolis	47	36	c	42	34	c
Kansas City	42	26	c	44	39	pc
Las Vegas	55	46	pc	51	36	sh
Los Angeles	61	50	r	57	41	pc
Memphis	57	55	c	63	57	r
Miami	82	73	pc	83	74	pc
Nashville	57	50	pc	57	54	r
New Orleans	69	58	pc	74	61	pc
New York	45	38	s	47	36	r
Oklahoma City	51	37	sh	62	53	c
Philadelphia	48	35	s	48	32	r
St. Louis	42	38	r	49	39	c
Salt Lake City	42	38	sn	41	26	r
San Francisco	54	43	r	52	40	pc
Seattle	40	35	sh	40	31	c
Washington, DC	48	41	pc	50	38	r

### REGIONAL CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Baker City	22	18	sn	26	10	sn
Bend	38	18	sn	30	9	pc
Brookings	46	36	r	46	34	pc
Eugene	44	31	r	41	28	sh
Ilwaco	45	40	c	46	36	c
Klamath Falls	39	18	sn	30	12	pc
Medford	42	29	r	39	23	pc
Newberg	41	32	r	41	30	c
Newport	45	35	r	44	33	sh
North Bend	47	35	r	47	35	c
Olympia	39	29	c	39	27	c
Pendleton	35	27	sn	32	25	sn
Portland	41	33	r	41	32	c
Roseburg	45	34	r	43	31	c
Salem	44	32	r	42	30	c
Seaside	45	39	r	47	36	c
Spokane	33	27	sn	32	19	sn
Springfield	44	32	r	41	28	sh
Vancouver	41	34	r	41	33	c
Yakima	33	21	sn	34	16	pc

### TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER



# Offices close to mark Christmas

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Since Christmas Day is on a Sunday, the holiday is mainly being observed on Monday. All federal and state offices are closed Monday. County offices and Astoria city offices and services close at noon Friday and are closed Monday. Warrenton and Cannon Beach city halls are closed Friday and Monday. Gearhart city hall closes early Friday and is closed Monday. Seaside city hall is closed Monday. All U.S. post offices are closed Monday, and there is no mail delivery.

Astoria, Jewell, Knappa, Warrenton/Hammond, Seaside (including Cannon Beach and Gearhart schools) and Ocean Beach School District schools and Clatsop Community College are closed for winter vacation.

The Astoria Library and Seaside Library are closed

Monday. The Warrenton Library is closed Friday through Monday. All Timberland libraries in Washington state, including Ilwaco, Ocean Park and Naselle, are closed Saturday through Monday.

The Port of Astoria offices and services are closed Friday and Monday.

Garbage collection through Recology Western Oregon (covering Astoria, Seaside, Gearhart and Cannon Beach), city of Warrenton garbage collection, and Peninsula Sanitation (covering the Long Beach, Washington, Peninsula) are not affected by the holiday. Recology Western Oregon's transfer station closes at 2 p.m. Saturday, but is open Monday; the Warrenton customer service office is closed Monday. The Seaside Recycle Depot and Peninsula Sanitation's transfer station are open Monday.

The Sunset Pool in Seaside is closed Saturday and Sun-

day, and reopens Monday. The Astoria Aquatic Center is open from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, closed Sunday, and open regular hours Monday.

The Clatsop County Heritage Museum is closed Saturday through Monday. The Oregon Film Museum, Flavel House and Carriage House are closed Saturday and Sunday. The Uppertown Firefighters' Museum is closed for the winter. Capt. Gray's Port of Play and Lil' Sprouts are closed Friday through Monday. Fort Clatsop and the Columbia River Maritime Museum are closed Sunday only. The Seaside Museum is closed Sunday, and open Monday.

Sunset Empire Transportation ("The Bus") is not running Sunday, but resumes service Monday.

The Daily Astorian offices are closed Monday, but the newspaper is printed and delivered as usual.

## OBITUARIES

### Colleen Dilkes

**Clinton Township, Michigan**  
Nov. 10, 1929 — Nov. 28, 2016



Colleen Dilkes

Colleen Dilkes, 87, a past resident of Seaside, passed away Monday, Nov. 28, at her home in Clinton Township, Michigan, surrounded by her family and loved ones.

Colleen was born Nov. 10, 1929, in the New Llano Colony, Leesville, Louisiana.

While residing in Seaside, Colleen worked as a Realtor, was a board member of Parks and Recreation, an active member of the Seaside Lions Club, and an American Legion Auxiliary member.

Colleen is survived by her sister, Eula Bishop Fish of Florence, Oregon; her son, Larry Knutson of Clinton Township, Michigan; son Bob Mills of Florence; daughter Marcee Teeters of Eugene, Oregon; granddaughter Misty Merrill of St. Louis, Missouri; grandson Brent Merrill of Beaverton, Oregon; plus numerous nieces, nephews, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandkids.

A celebration of life will be held this coming summer in Florence, Oregon.

# Endangered Puget Sound orca found dead off Canadian coast

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Scientists say an orca found dead off the coast of British Columbia belongs to the endangered population of killer whales that spend time in Washington state waters.

Center for Whale Research scientist Ken Balcomb said Thursday that he and others have confirmed the whale was an 18-year-old male called

J-34. They based the identification on photographs and its unique markings.

The orca was seen floating near the shore Tuesday near Sechtel, about 40 miles northwest of Vancouver.

The whale was towed to a beach, and Canadian officials performed a necropsy Wednesday.

The Seattle Times and CTV News Vancouver reported that the whale suffered blunt-force

trauma to the head, according to the Canada Department of Fisheries and Oceans, which could indicate the orca was struck and killed by a boating vessel.

Balcomb said in a statement that at least four members of the J pod, one of three families of southern resident killer whales, have died this year.

The population now totals 79 animals.

# UO professor who wore blackface lashes out at school

Associated Press

EUGENE — A University of Oregon law professor who wore blackface to a Halloween party is fighting back against an investigative report released by the university that found she violated the institution's anti-discrimination policies and caused

damage to the law school. The Register-Guard reported that Nancy Shurtz is calling the report "supremely public retaliation."

Shurtz says the report includes errors that take her actions out of context and she is consulting with an attorney.

She came under fire for wearing black face paint and a

curly black wig to a Halloween party she hosted.

In an apology, Shurtz said she had dressed up as Dr. Damon Tweedy, a black psychiatrist who wrote a memoir about his experiences with racism.

She says her costume was intended to shed light on racism.

# Small earthquake strikes off Oregon Coast

Associated Press

BANDON — A small earthquake struck in deep water off the Oregon Coast in

the early morning hours Friday, but no damage or injuries were reported.

The magnitude 4.3 temblor hit at 3:14 a.m. Pacific time

about 140 miles to the northwest of Bandon.

The U.S. Geological Survey says the quake occurred at a depth of 6 miles.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY

Astoria Parks Board, 6:30 a.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

## OBITUARY POLICY

The Daily Astorian publishes paid obituaries. The obituary can include a small photo and, for veterans, a flag symbol at no charge. The deadline for all obituaries is 9 a.m. the business day prior. Obituaries may be edited for spelling, proper punctuation and style. Death notices and upcoming services will be published at no charge. Notices must be submitted by 9 a.m. the day of publication.

## LOTTERIES

OREGON

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

WASHINGTON

**Thursday's Daily Game:**  
9-2-9  
**Thursday's Keno:** 01-02-04-10-20-22-25-31-36-41-42-50-54-57-60-67-74-77-78-79  
**Thursday's Match 4:** 05-10-13-20

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