Downtown Nehalem sees flooding

Residents take waters in stride

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Flooding in a Nehalem backyard Thursday after heavy rains.

NEHALEM — High water from heavy winds and rains led to flooding and closed streets in downtown Nehalem Thursday.

Water in the Nehalem River topped 19.68 feet, well beyond the 9.28 feet forecast, Capt. Jesse Walsh of Nehalem Bay Fire and Rescue said. High tide came at about 10:30 a.m.

"It came up quickly but it's receding at this time," Walsh said Thursday afternoon.

Walsh said power trucks had been in the area but there had been no sustained outages.

"I heard somebody got bogged down on one of the roads, but they were able to be towed out and get back on the road," he said.

Nehalem resident Dave Fisher said the high waters are "nothing unusual" for Nehalem. "Heavy rains make for a swollen Nehalem River which coupled with high tides can lead to flooding," Fisher said.

Following the flood of February 1996 several downtown businesses had their foundations raised to avoid interior flooding of the structures.

"One exception was Nehalem Food Mart," Fisher said. "The building is old and it wasn't practical to try and jack it up. While it has flooded and covered the interior floor in recent years since 1996 that did not happen this morning when the tide peaked. Said one employee, 'It was just a high tide, no biggie.' Waters came up to the front entry but no further."

Detours remain in place throughout downtown Nehalem.

OBITUARIES

Wilma M. Johnson

Benicia, California
June 20, 1921 — Feb. 2, 2017

Wilma M. Johnson passed away Feb. 2 in Fairfield, California.

She was born in Lambert, Oklahoma, and attended Northwestern College in Alva, Oklahoma. She later moved to Kansas, and was working for Boeing when she met Alven Johnson, who in 1946 became her husband.

Wilma moved to Astoria, Oregon, in 1946 and finally to Benicia, California, in 2011.

Wilma loved cooking, baking, traveling and camping. She enjoyed watching basketball and tennis and her favorite team, the Oregon Ducks. Wilma was walking and doing aquatic exercise into her 90s.

Wilma Johnson

She is survived by her son, Larry Johnson; daughter, Vicki Lathrop; grandchildren, Brian and Stuart Johnson and Jeremy and Rian Lathrop; and her great-grandchildren, Allison, Emilia, Kalevvi and Taavi. She was preceded in death by her husband, Alven G. Johnson, in 1983.

Graveside services will be held at a later date at Ocean View Cemetery in Warrenton, Oregon.

The family prefers donations be made to Peace Lutheran Church in Astoria, or a hospice of the donor's choice. Arrangements are under the direction of Passalacqua Funeral Chapel in Benicia. Please visit the online tribute at www.passalacquafuneralchapel.com

Alice Winifred Herrmann

Seaside
Feb. 14, 1919 — Jan. 8, 2017

Alice Herrmann passed away Jan. 8, 2017, with family beside her.

Born to E.C. and Susan W. (Eddy) Nelson on Feb. 14, 1919, in Waterville, Kansas, she was raised on her parents' farm with two brothers. She was the valedictorian of the Class of 1936 at Waterville High School.

Alice Herrmann

Alice married Leslie O. Herrmann on March 30, 1941. They lived in Willamina, Oregon, until Les was inducted into the military. Alice followed Les as he served as a flight instructor at U.S. Army Air Force bases during World War II. After the war they resided in Camas, Washington, until January 1950, when they moved to Seaside, Oregon, to raise their family and spend the remainder of their lives. Les preceded Alice in death on Aug. 3, 1977.

Alice was a longtime employee of Seaside Hospital, beginning as a nurse's aide and retiring as ward clerk.

Alice enjoyed time with family and friends, baking cookies and games of pinochle or 500, all accompanied by a cup of coffee. After retiring, she loved traveling around the U.S., Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, Cuba, Great Britain, Europe, Japan and Hong Kong.

She was a member of Lighthouse Christian Church since 1950, the Ramona Rebekah Lodge, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and American Legion Auxiliary.

Alice was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Carl and Waldo Nelson; and sisters-in-law Jane Nelson, Dorothy Nelson and Yvonne Combs White.

She is survived by daughters Martha (David) Lambert, Diane Walters and Ellen (William) Shaw; sons Steven (Patty) Herrmann and John (Joan) Herrmann; grandchildren Scott (Tami) Lambert, Karin (Van) Velarde, Brenda (John) Riccardi, Tara (Tyler) Hebert, Andrew (Laura) Herrmann, Shauna (Benjamin) Potter, Ian (Miranda) Herrmann and Kelly Jo Herrmann; 15 great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

The family thanks Providence Seaside Hospital, Clatsop Care Center, Lower Columbia Hospice, Suzanne Elise Assisted Living Facility and their caregivers for the wonderful care provided Alice and the support given her family.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017, at Lighthouse Christian Church, 88786 Dellmoor Loop, Warrenton, Oregon. A private interment took place Jan. 18, 2017, at Willamette National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to Lighthouse Christian Church, 88786 Dellmoor Loop, Warrenton, OR 97146; Lower Columbia Hospice, 2111 Exchange St., Astoria, OR 97103; or a charity of one's choice.

Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements. An online guest book may be signed at www.caldwellsmortuary.com

Missing Hammond man found safe

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A Hammond man who had been missing since Wednesday has been found and is safe.

Police have called off the search for Ronald Austin, 75, of Hammond. The Warrenton Police Department also spotted his 2006 Toyota Tacoma outside his house, Police Chief Mathew Workman said.

Austin was reported missing after leaving the Silver Cloud Inn at roughly 5 a.m. Wednesday morning in Portland to pick his wife up at Good Samaritan Hospital. He never arrived at the hospital, prompting the search.

Annual fire hydrant flushing in Astoria

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Starting Monday, Astoria Public Works begins the annual flushing and flow testing of 448 fire hydrants, which will take place between 7:30 am and 3:30 pm. and continue for approximately five weeks. Areas of hydrant flushing will be announced daily on local radio stations.

Customers may experience temporary low pressure or water discoloration during the testing process. If these conditions continue after 3:30 p.m., call Astoria Public Works at 503-325- 3524.

CORRECTION

Day, team wrong — The photo captions for the Seaside v. Astoria boys basketball game on the Sports page on 10A Thursday contained incorrect information. Seaside played Astoria and the game was on Wednesday, not Thursday.

DEATH

Feb. 7, 2017

STEINBACK, Ernest Albert, 87, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Ocean View Funeral & Cremation Service of Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

MONDAY

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

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

LOTTERIES

OREGON

Thursday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 7-6-1-3
4 p.m.: 5-5-2-9
7 p.m.: 9-0-8-5
10 p.m.: 5-2-1-9

WASHINGTON

Thursday's Daily Game: 7-7-0

Thursday's Keno: 01-13-15-18-21-22-28-32-33-37-38-40-50-52-53-55-56-57-73-80

Thursday's Match 4: 06-11-15-16

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

AccuWeather.com

TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
38	49 / 33	50 / 34	54 / 39	55 / 44
Mostly cloudy with a shower	Partly sunny with a shower in spots	Variable cloudiness	Intervals of clouds and sunshine	Mainly cloudy; rain at night

ALMANAC

Astoria through Thursday.

Temperatures

High/low	57°/48°
Normal high/low	51°/37°
Record high	67° in 2016
Record low	13° in 1933

Precipitation

Thursday	1.28"
Month to date	6.84"
Normal month to date	2.43"
Year to date	12.65"
Normal year to date	12.63"

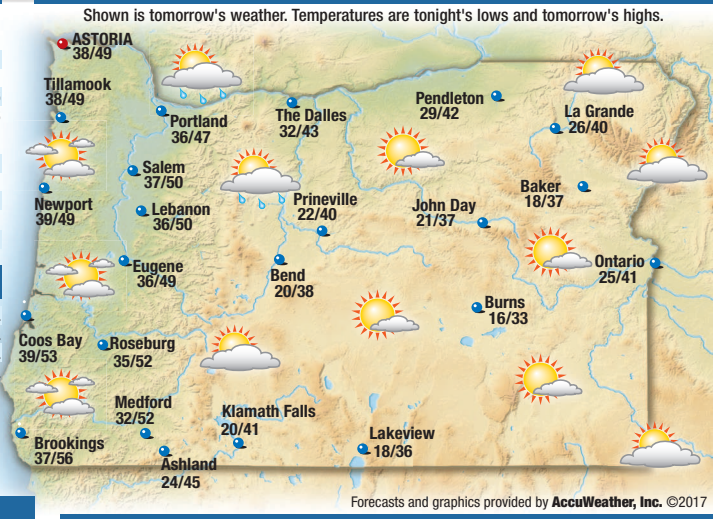
SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight	5:34 p.m.
Sunrise Saturday	7:25 a.m.
Moonrise today	5:37 p.m.
Moonset today	7:10 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
Feb 10	Feb 18	Feb 26	Mar 5

REGIONAL WEATHER

Shown is tomorrow's weather. Temperatures are tonight's lows and tomorrow's highs.



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UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: The full 'snow' moon. (4:33 p.m.) Penumbral lunar eclipse with the moon rising at 5:32 p.m.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks

Time	High	Time	Low
1:43 a.m.	8.8 ft.	7:29 a.m.	2.0 ft.
1:19 p.m.	9.6 ft.	8:06 p.m.	-0.8 ft.

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Sat. Hi	Lo	W
Baker City	41	18	c	37	9	pc
Bend	42	20	sh	38	21	pc
Brookings	50	38	r	53	39	pc
Eugene	50	36	sh	49	31	pc
Ilwaco	48	40	r	49	37	pc
Klamath Falls	42	20	sh	41	18	pc
Medford	51	32	sh	52	29	pc
Newberg	49	36	sh	48	31	pc
Newport	50	39	r	49	37	pc
North Bend	52	39	r	53	38	pc
Olympia	47	34	sh	49	31	c
Pendleton	46	29	c	42	24	s
Portland	48	36	sh	47	31	pc
Roseburg	53	35	sh	52	33	pc
Salem	50	37	sh	50	32	pc
Seaside	47	40	r	48	38	pc
Spokane	41	26	sh	37	21	pc
Springfield	50	35	sh	51	32	pc
Vancouver	50	36	sh	47	28	c
Yakima	43	26	pc	43	24	pc

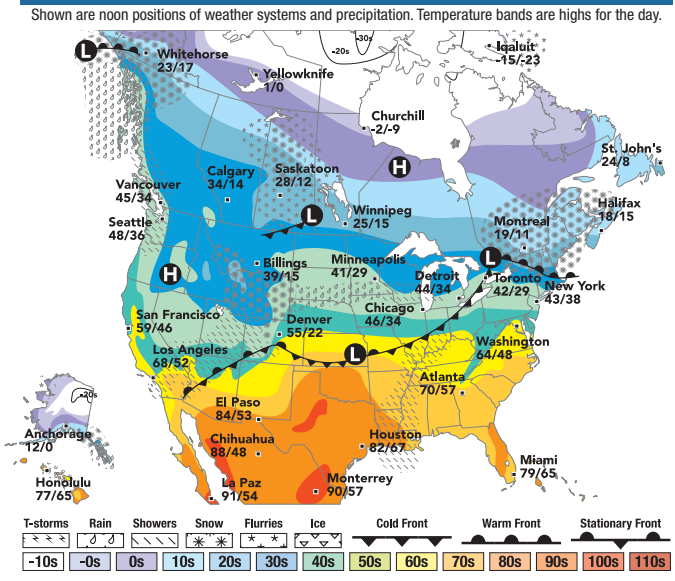
NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi	Lo	W	Sat. Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	60	44	s	70	57	pc
Boston	22	14	pc	36	25	sn
Chicago	42	34	pc	46	34	c
Denver	73	43	pc	55	22	sh
Des Moines	51	36	pc	50	33	c
Detroit	35	32	sn	44	34	sh
El Paso	83	52	s	84	53	pc
Fairbanks	-6	-28	c	-16	-32	s
Honolulu	80	68	pc	77	65	sh
Indianapolis	46	40	pc	58	43	c
Kansas City	63	43	pc	62	36	c
Las Vegas	75	57	c	66	51	pc
Los Angeles	67	56	r	68	52	pc
Memphis	65	56	pc	74	64	c
Miami	77	65	pc	79	65	pc
Nashville	61	48	s	67	62	c
New Orleans	73	61	s	79	63	c
New York	29	26	pc	43	38	pc
Oklahoma City	75	52	s	85	42	s
Philadelphia	34	29	pc	50	38	c
St. Louis	62	48	pc	69	48	c
Salt Lake City	54	36	r	45	25	sn
San Francisco	61	49	sh	59	46	s
Seattle	46	39	sh	48	36	c
Washington, DC	42	37	pc	64	48	c

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

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.



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Thursday, March 9, 2017, 6-9 pm
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