

POINT of view

'Since there's more rain ahead in the forecast, what is your favorite rainy day activity?'



"Watching it from inside."
Stacey Agee, Astoria



"A rainy day activity would be riding in the woods on my ATV. My daughter would say mud wrestling."
Peggy Mills, Astoria



"Quilting. I'm a fiber artist. I like nothing better than sitting in front of my sewing machine and having it purr. It puts me in my happy place."
Constance Waisanen, Knappa

THE DAILY ASTORIAN // QUESTION OF THE WEEK

OBITUARY

Wayne Ledford

Seaside
April 13, 1933 — April 4, 2017

Humor, laughter and a sunny disposition were what Wayne Ledford was all about. He passed peacefully on April 4, 2017, with family at his side.

Wayne was born April 13, 1933, in Willow, California, and graduated from Arcata Union High School in 1951. During and after high school, he worked at various dairy farms with his mother, Agnus Hedlund. He lovingly helped support her and his younger siblings, who looked up to him like a father.

He relocated to San Bernardino, where he opened Wayne's Chainsaw & Power Tool Shop. He met and married Winifred Kellems in 1960. Two years later, Jennifer was born. Wishing for a better life for his family, he made the move to Brownsmead, Oregon, in 1967, and later to Svensen.

He became a tree faller for Crown Zellerbach and Arvo Aho Logging. In the early 1980s, his next adventure was driving log trucks. He started Wilco Logging, and became a well-known sight on the roads with his self-loading log truck. In his later years, he lived with Patricia Harney in the Jeffers Gardens area, where he had a shop, scrap business

and delivered The Oregonian. Wayne will be dearly missed by his daughter, Jennifer; son-in-law, Randy; grandson, Deejay; former wife, Winifred; his brother, Vince; sisters Linda and Carol; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother, Rodney; sister, Cherie; and partner, Patricia Harney.

Special thanks to all the cousins in the Bartlett and Allen families, and longtime friends Butch and Lori Hennessee, Rhonda and Dennis, and Pastor Jackson. Their continuous support were an inspiration for him. His niece, Debbie Wallace, and friend, Marcy, helped orchestrate his care and well being in Port Haven, and his desired move back to Clatsop County. A sincere thanks, as well, to the hospice and staff at Avamere.

Wayne was a very memorable character, a hard working man's man with a generous heart and contagious laughter that will be missed by all that knew him. A celebration of life is being held on Saturday, April 29, at 2 p.m. at Knappa Assembly of God, with a reception following.



Wayne Ledford



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Clam dig cleared for Long Beach Peninsula

EO Media Group

LONG BEACH, Wash. — Ending the longest closure since 2002, state shellfish managers have approved a five-day razor clam dig that began this morning on the Long Beach Peninsula.

Twin Harbors, Copalis and Mocrocks beaches also will be open.

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife approved the opening after marine toxin tests showed that clams at all four beaches are safe to eat.

Dan Ayres, a state coastal shellfish manager, noted that the upcoming dig marks the first time Long Beach and Ocean Park beaches will open for clam digging this season, which began in October. Marine toxin levels at the beach had exceeded state health standards since last fall, but not anymore, Ayres said.

"We know that people have been waiting to dig razor clams at Long Beach for a long time, and we're pleased we can finally add that beach to the lineup," Ayres said.

"Toxin levels there and at the other three beaches are all well within state health standards."

Tests on Sunday found a maximum level of domoic toxin of 10 parts per million in peninsula clams, well below the 20 ppm threshold at which clamming is not safe.

Long Beach and Twin Harbors will both be open for five straight days of digging, while Copalis and Mocrocks will open on alternating days. All four beaches will be open on morning tides, with no digging allowed after noon.

Fishery managers close portion of Oregon Coast to salmon fishing

By CASSANDRA PROFITA
Oregon Public Broadcasting

About 200 miles of the West Coast will be closed to ocean salmon fishing this year to protect a record-low run of Klamath River Chinook.

Fishery managers with the Pacific Fishery Management Council voted Tuesday for a total closure of ocean salmon seasons from northern Oregon to northern California.

Commercial troll fishing seasons will be closed from Florence to Horse Mountain, which is south of Eureka, California. Sport fishing seasons will be closed from Humboldt Mountain south of Port Orford to Horse Mountain. The rest of the coast will have limited fishing seasons.

West Coast salmon runs have been hit hard in recent years by drought conditions in their native rivers and El Niño conditions in the Pacific Ocean that reduce their food sources.

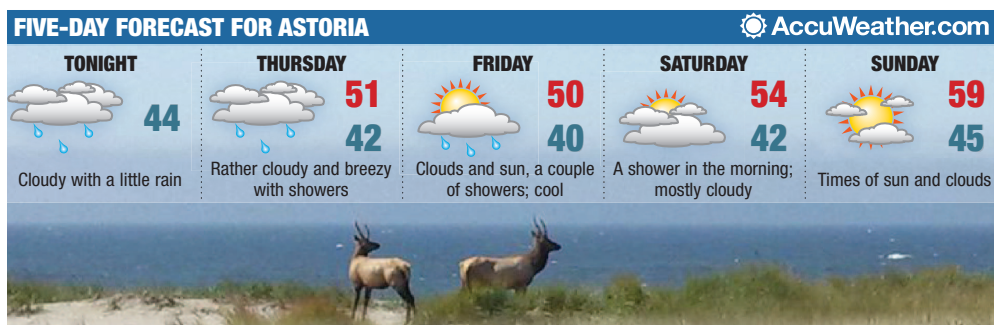
While fishermen up and down the coast are in for a tough year, those who depend on Klamath River salmon are already calling for help. Fishing groups and Native American tribes plan to ask California Gov. Jerry Brown to declare a fishing disaster so they can receive federal assistance.

The salmon returns for other Oregon streams and the Columbia River look healthier than the Klamath, according to state reports. And Washington state is expecting average to good Chinook returns for Puget Sound salmon and other

coastal rivers. However, some Washington coho salmon stocks are expected to have low returns, and that triggers restrictions on other salmon fisheries.

The North Coast of Oregon and Washington will have minimal seasons that are a little better than last year, according to Butch Smith, who chairs an advisory panel that helps the council set salmon seasons.

Smith said the fishing seasons from Florence to San Francisco are so grim they will likely qualify for fishing disaster assistance. Managers were only able to allow fisheries in that whole region to catch about 800 Klamath River fish to protect what is projected to be smallest run ever of Klamath River fall Chinook.



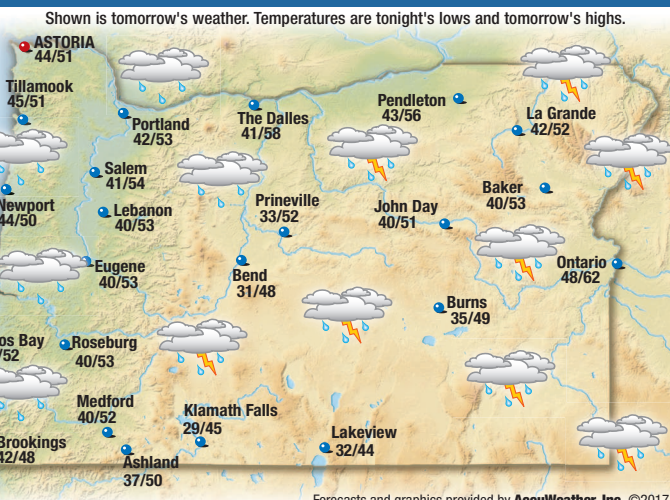
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Astoria through Tuesday.
Temperatures
High/low 57°/35°
Normal high/low 56°/41°
Record high 80° in 1994
Record low 31° in 1901
Precipitation
Tuesday 0.22"
Month to date 3.44"
Normal month to date 2.16"
Year to date 35.77"
Normal year to date 27.00"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 7:59 p.m.
Sunrise Thursday 6:33 a.m.
Moonrise today 9:37 p.m.
Moonset today 7:39 a.m.
Last New First Full
Apr 19 Apr 26 May 2 May 10

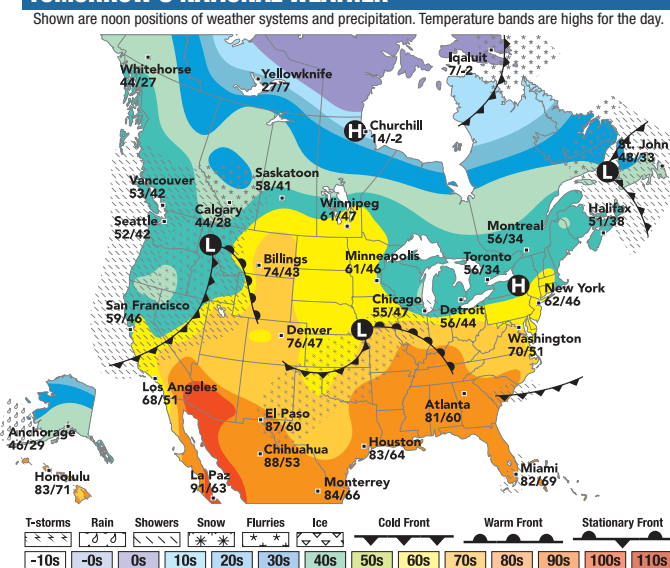
REGIONAL WEATHER



REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu	City	Today	Thu
Baker City	56 40 pc	53 34 t	Olympia	57 41 r	51 38 sh
Bend	52 31 sh	48 27 t	Pendleton	61 43 c	56 39 t
Brookings	52 43 r	48 39 sh	Portland	58 42 r	53 41 sh
Eugene	56 40 r	53 39 sh	Roseburg	57 40 r	53 39 sh
Ilwaco	53 45 r	50 42 sh	Salem	58 41 r	54 40 sh
Klamath Falls	49 29 r	45 22 t	Seaside	54 45 r	51 43 sh
Medford	59 40 r	52 36 sh	Spokane	52 42 sh	52 35 t
Newberg	56 41 r	52 39 sh	Springfield	57 40 r	52 39 sh
Newport	53 44 r	50 41 sh	Vancouver	57 43 r	53 41 sh
North Bend	54 44 r	52 41 sh	Yakima	59 41 sh	62 36 t

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER



Ecola State Park closed for road repairs

The Daily Astorian

Ecola State Park will be closed to visitors through at least April 20.

The road leading into the park is sliding and unsafe for drivers, according to Oregon State Parks. The park will also be closed to walk-in access

since parking is unavailable. Road work is underway to reopen the park. It could reopen April 20 unless heavy rain hits the area.

DEATH

April 10, 2017

SCHEVE, Robert, 74, of Astoria, died at home. Hughes-Ransom Mortuary & Crematory in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

ON THE RECORD

DUII

At 1:48 a.m. Saturday, Sean M. Davies, 24, of Warrenton, was arrested by the Warrenton Police Department in the Youngs Bay Plaza parking lot for driving under the influence of intoxicants. He allegedly hit a curb on the roundabout west of the New Youngs Bay Bridge and was missing a tire when arrested.

DUII

At 4:39 p.m. Saturday, Brendan Alsbaugh, 29, of Seaside, was arrested by the Warrenton Police Department on Ridge Road near Fort Stevens State Park for DUII and refusing to take a breath test. He was given a test by a drug recognition evaluator.

At 10:53 p.m. Saturday, Stanley Elliott, 46, of Gearhart, was arrested by the

Warrenton Police Department on U.S. Highway 101 west of the New Youngs Bay Bridge for DUII. His blood alcohol content was 0.18 percent.

At 3:45 a.m. Monday, a 17-year-old boy from Portland was arrested by the Seaside Police Department at the 30 block of North Holladay Drive for DUII.

MEMORIAL

Saturday, April 15

HILL, Doris Alma — Memorial at 2 p.m., Cannon Beach Community Church, 132 E. Washington St., in Cannon Beach.

LOTTERIES

OREGON

Tuesday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 4-5-8-2
4 p.m.: 0-7-9-4
7 p.m.: 4-7-5-8
10 p.m.: 4-6-2-5
Mega Millions: 19-34-35-38-49, Mega Ball: 8
Estimated jackpot: \$30 million

WASHINGTON

Tuesday's Daily Game: 6-8-2
Tuesday's Keno: 05-08-16-17-19-24-25-26-29-34-36-38-48-54-55-56-61-72-77-80
Tuesday's Match 4: 08-09-12-18

PUBLIC MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY
Clatsop County Board of Commissioners, 6 p.m., Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St.
Astoria School Board, 6:15 p.m., study session, 7:30 p.m., regular meeting, Capt. Robert Gray School third-floor boardroom, 785 Alameda Ave.

Wickiup Water District Board, 6:30 p.m., 92648 Svensen Market Road, Svensen.

THURSDAY
Seaside Convention Center Commission, 5 p.m., Convention Center, 415 First Ave.
Advance Astoria Community Forum, 6:30 p.m., Hampton Inn, 201 39th St.

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