

POINT of view

THE DAILY ASTORIAN // QUESTION OF THE WEEK

'It's National Park Week. What's your favorite park — national or otherwise?'



"Since I'm an Oregonian, I'll say Crater Lake. But I could just as easily say Olympic National Park."

Hobe Kytr, Astoria



"Yosemite. I've been there several times, and it's awesome and breathtaking."

Sharene Pasch, Astoria



"Probably McCall Waterfront Park in Portland, on the Willamette River. I think so because of its beauty and the way the city of Portland has integrated the urban landscape into the natural landscape, enhancing the beauty of the river and making it accessible to people. It's also a venue for city activities."

Connie Hunt, Svensen

OBITUARIES

Ruth C. (Hess) Huckaby Seaside

Jan. 24, 1932 — March 11, 2017

Ruth passed away March 11, 2017. She was born in Astoria, Oregon, Jan. 24, 1932, to Charles N. Hess and Valda C. Edwards.

Ruth attended Astoria schools, graduating in 1949. She continued her education, receiving her bachelor's degree from Oregon College of Education in 1952. Later that year, she married Donald L. Hatcher. They have three sons, Charles (Chuck), William and James.

Ruth taught school in Washington and Astoria before moving the family to Omaha, Nebraska. Donald passed away in 1964. She returned to school in Omaha and received her master's degree in science at the University of Omaha, Nebraska, in 1966. After she received her degree, she and her boys moved back to Astoria to be near family.

She then began teaching at the Warrenton School District, retiring in 1993. She loved teaching and her students very much, spending many after-school hours helping tutor students who needed extra time and attention.

In 1973 she married Bobby E. Huckaby and welcomed her daughter, Laura Elizabeth, into the world that same year.

Ruth worked hard raising four children as a

single mother. Family was very important to her. She was always telling stories of farm life with six sisters, a high point of many family gatherings. She enjoyed traveling around the country, taking road trips as often as she could. She loved gardening and playing cards with her friends. Her heart was a gentle and generous one that touched many lives during her life.

We will miss her greatly, but know she is finally able to rest peacefully. As many of you know, she suffered from Alzheimer's disease.

She leaves behind her three boys and a daughter, Charles (Chuck) Hatcher of Astoria, Oregon, William Hatcher of Portland, Oregon, James Hatcher and his wife, Betty, of Astoria, Oregon, and Laura Magee of Missoula, Montana; two grandsons, Jake and Cole Hatcher of Astoria, Oregon; and three sisters, Nancy Hess, JoAnn Davis and Agnes Stocker. She was preceded in death by three sisters, Colleen Hippensteel, Valda (Billie) DeBlois and Jane Hall.

Ruth wanted a celebration of her life. In honor of her request, a celebration will be held Saturday, May 13, at the Warrenton Community Center, in Warrenton, Oregon, from noon to 4 p.m.



Ruth Huckaby

Curtis Lee Olson Wheeler

Aug. 30, 1932 — April 8, 2017



Curtis Lee Olson, 84, passed away April 8, 2017. He was born Aug. 30, 1932, in Astoria, to Otto and Reta (Lynn) Olson, the middle of three children.

Curt grew up in the Melville area of Lewis and Clark, where he was involved in 4-H (dairy cows) and helped on the family farm. He attended Melville School, Lewis and Clark and Astoria High School. He was proud that he was given a driver's license at age 14 to drive area classmates to school, as the bus did not go out that far.

Following high school, Curt joined the U.S. Army National Guard, achieving the rank of sergeant. He was sent to Fort Belvoir, Virginia, for training in heavy equipment operation, and fondly remembered roller skating on the National Mall.

Curt married Winifred Schuster on May 2, 1953, in Portland. They raised three children, Marilyn, Keith and Roxanne, in the Youngs River area. He and Wini participated in a motorcycle club, played cards and square danced. He also enjoyed hunting and camping trips.

Curt worked on a log boom in Youngs River Loop, later becoming a longshoreman and proud union member of International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local No. 50. He also operated Olson Logging for several years. After divorcing, Curt married Beverly Patson (deceased 1987).

He gillnetted on the Columbia River and fished for many summers in Bristol Bay, Alaska, on his beloved boat, the Beve-Lee. He later spent 18 years with Rebecca

Myers (deceased, 2005), enjoying playing cards and weekly dinners at the Buoy Nine. Following Curt's retirement, they spent winters with fellow Astorian snowbirds in Yuma, Arizona. Another favored daily routine was morning coffee at the Labor Temple with friends. Curt was a long-time member of both the Elks and American Legion, as well as Moose and Eagles.

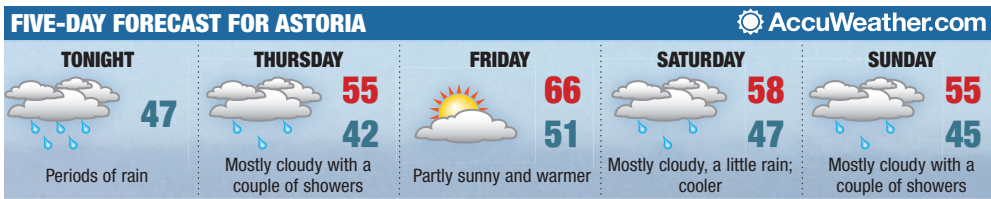
Curt was preceded in death by his parents; siblings, Joan Lindseth and Roger Olson; a sister-in-law, Carol Olson; and infant son, Russell. He is survived by his children, Marilyn (David) Mears of Seattle, Keith (Shirley) Olson of Seaside and Roxanne (Serge) Boen of Albany; three grandsons, Abraham and August Mears and Robert Olson; and a brother-in-law, Elmer Lindseth of Seattle.

A service will be held Saturday, April 22, at 1 p.m. at Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria. A reception follows at the American Legion.

Remembrances may be made to Warrenton Deep Sea Fishermen's Benefit Fund, P.O. Box 1062, Warrenton, OR 97146; or charity of your choice.



Curtis Olson



ALMANAC

Astoria through Tuesday.

Temperatures
 High/low 58°/47°
 Normal high/low 57°/41°
 Record high 74° in 2016
 Record low 26° in 1927

Precipitation
 Tuesday 0.21"
 Month to date 5.26"
 Normal month to date 3.38"
 Year to date 37.59"
 Normal year to date 28.22"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 8:08 p.m.
 Sunrise Thursday 6:20 a.m.
 Moonrise today 2:47 a.m.
 Moonset today 12:34 p.m.

Last New First Full
 Apr 19 Apr 26 May 2 May 10

UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Mars will fade into the western horizon after sunset. Jupiter will be high above the southeast.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks

Time	High	Time	Low
8:18 a.m.	7.1 ft.	2:46 a.m.	3.5 ft.
10:13 p.m.	6.9 ft.	3:27 p.m.	1.1 ft.

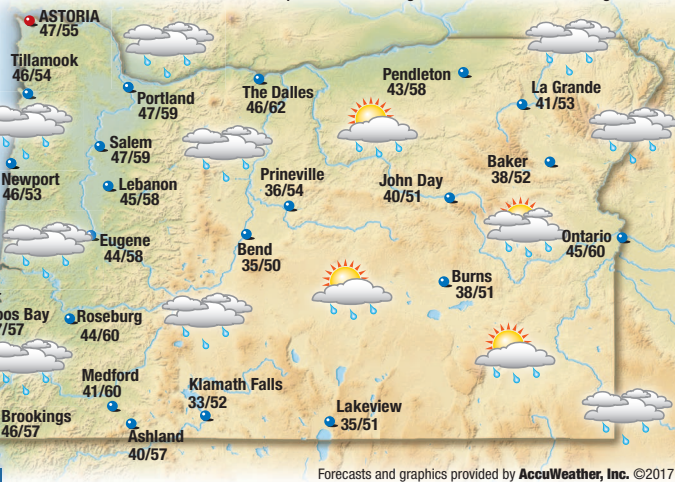
NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu.	W
Atlanta	81 64	pc	84 64 s
Boston	52 45	pc	62 46 c
Chicago	67 47	t	71 41 c
Denver	73 38	s	65 38 sh
Des Moines	74 51	t	64 44 c
Detroit	74 52	t	75 46 t
El Paso	90 60	s	91 59 s
Fairbanks	37 17	s	42 18 s
Honolulu	82 74	sh	82 73 sh
Indianapolis	79 64	c	79 48 t
Kansas City	82 53	pc	66 49 c
Las Vegas	82 62	s	84 61 s
Los Angeles	75 58	s	80 59 s
Memphis	86 65	pc	84 65 pc
Miami	83 73	sh	83 72 c
Nashville	84 64	pc	88 64 c
New Orleans	81 68	pc	82 66 pc
New York	54 50	pc	64 56 c
Oklahoma City	81 61	pc	73 60 c
Philadelphia	62 53	pc	75 58 c
St. Louis	86 68	pc	76 52 t
Salt Lake City	60 44	pc	56 40 sh
San Francisco	67 54	c	66 51 pc
Seattle	57 47	r	57 44 sh
Washington, DC	62 57	c	82 66 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

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

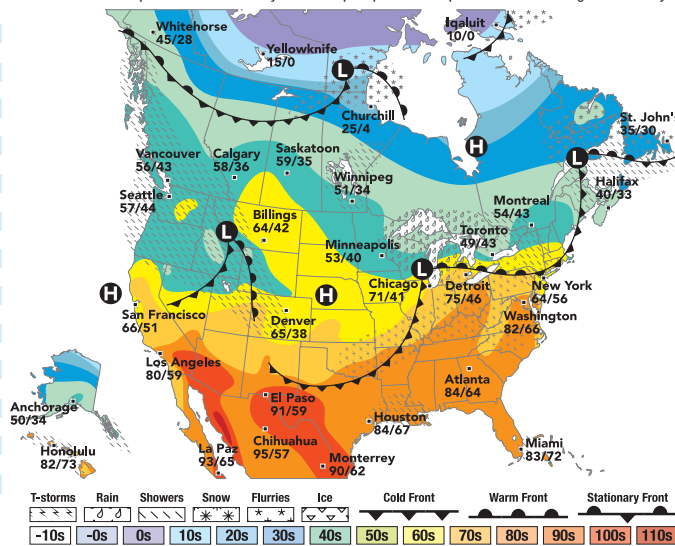


REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu.	W	City	Today	Thu.	W		
Baker City	59 38	pc	52 29	sh	Olympia	57 45	r	56 38	sh
Bend	56 35	c	50 27	pc	Pendleton	65 43	c	58 37	sh
Brookings	54 46	r	56 42	pc	Portland	58 47	r	59 42	sh
Eugene	59 44	r	58 37	sh	Roseburg	58 44	r	60 41	sh
Ilwaco	54 48	r	54 44	sh	Salem	59 47	r	59 40	sh
Klamath Falls	56 33	c	52 26	sh	Seaside	55 47	r	54 43	sh
Medford	61 41	r	60 39	pc	Spokane	61 42	pc	53 36	sh
Newberg	57 45	r	58 40	sh	Springfield	59 44	r	59 38	sh
Newport	55 46	r	53 42	sh	Vancouver	57 47	r	58 41	sh
North Bend	58 48	r	57 43	sh	Yakima	65 44	c	65 37	sh

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER

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



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First two days of clam dig canceled

The Daily Astorian

OLYMPIA, Wash. — The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife has canceled the first two days of a tentatively planned eight-day razor clam dig due to rising

marine toxin levels.

Digs on Monday and Tuesday are canceled. An announcement will be made next week whether the rest of the dig, now scheduled to begin April 26, will go forward.

Recent tests have found

toxin levels at all ocean beaches meet health standards, but the Washington Department of Health has asked for one more test to be sure, said Dan Ayres, a state coastal shellfish manager.

GOP women hold candidate forum for Port races

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WARRENTON — The North Coast Republican Women will present a candidate forum for the Port of Astoria Commission.

Three positions on the commission are up in the May 16 special district election.

The forum will be held at 6:30 p.m. on April 26 at the Warrenton High School cafeteria.

Index cards will be provided to those who wish to question the candidates. A moderator will read the questions, one at a time, for each candidate to answer.

ON THE RECORD

DUI

• At 11:44 p.m. Monday, James Christian Marsico, 18, of Portland, was arrested by the Seaside Police Department on the 3000 block of Sunset Boulevard for driving under the influence of intoxicants. His blood alcohol content was 0.19 percent.

CORRECTION

Kindergarten roundup times — A 2A story on Monday about Clatsop County kindergarten roundups incorrectly listed the time of the

events at John Jacob Astor Elementary School as 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. on April 27. The roundups at the school will take place at 4 and 6 p.m.

MEMORIAL

Saturday, April 22
PITMAN, Jack W. — Celebration of life and potluck from noon to 3 p.m., Astoria

Elks Lodge, 453 11th St.
TILLEY, June Mamlock — Memorial at 1 p.m., Hughes-Ransom Mortuary &

Crematory, 576 12th St., followed by a reception at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St.

DEATH

April 18, 2017

FARRIS, Frances, 99, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY
Seaside Tourism Advisory Committee, 3 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.

THURSDAY
Cannon Beach Parks and Community Services Committee, 9 a.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.
Sunset Empire Transportation District, 10 a.m. to noon, budget committee workshop, Astoria Transit Center, 900

Marine Drive.
Cannon Beach Design Review Board, 6 p.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.
Gearhart Planning Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall, 698 Pacific Way.
Seaside Transportation Advisory Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.
Youngs River Lewis & Clark Water District Board, 6 p.m., executive session, 34583 U.S. Highway 101 Business.

LOTTERIES

OREGON

Tuesday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 5-8-6-2
4 p.m.: 1-1-5-1
7 p.m.: 1-6-0-7
10 p.m.: 1-1-3-9
Mega Millions: 8-29-30-43-64, Mega Ball: 6
Estimated jackpot: \$45 million

WASHINGTON

Tuesday's Daily Game: 2-8-5
Tuesday's Keno: 02-07-11-14-21-27-31-32-34-40-42-52-54-56-61-62-63-65-70-75
Tuesday's Match 4: 11-14-17-20

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