

# Third Cannon Beach pot store seeks approval

Tolovana shop is slowed by design review

By **BRENNA VISSER**  
*The Daily Astorian*

CANNON BEACH — Progress will be stalled for a marijuana retailer looking to set up shop in Tolovana.

On Thursday night, the city's Design Review Board decided to issue a continuance to allow the applicant, Daryl Bell, more time to elaborate on and amend major exterior design modifications at 3115 S. Hemlock St.

If approved, this would be the third retail marijuana shop to come to Cannon Beach.

Nancy Benson, the project manager from Grace Design and Landscaping LLC, represented Bell at the meeting and described their goal for the business as "high end."

Bell, who has spent the last couple of years building out dispensaries for clients, is expanding his career in cannabis on the coast to places like Rockaway Beach, Pacific City and, hopefully, Cannon Beach, Benson said. Bell's pitch for a marijuana shop at a condominium complex near Pier 39 in Astoria was rejected by the Astoria City Council last year.

"This is going to be a very nice place. Our goal as a company is to make it look nice," Benson said of the Cannon Beach store.

But before moving forward, Bell and his team must address parking issues identified by the city. As plans stands now, parking spaces are drawn onto the city's right of way, City Planner Mark Barnes said.

"The problem here is these are private spaces half in the public sphere," Barnes said. Bell will have to work with public works to find different solutions before the next Design Review Board meeting Sept. 21 in order to secure approval.

More abstractly, board members took issue with the lack of detail in the application. Bell provided plans to paint the building and modify windows, along with general landscaping ideas, but the board wasn't satisfied without seeing a full mock up. Barnes also noted the lack of discussion concerning meeting ventilation and signage requirements in the proposal.

"We look at actual samples of paints and facade," board member Sandi Lundy said. "It's just a matter of us being able to physically see the changes you are suggesting."

Some neighbors took issue with the vague nature of the

design plans, including Steve Crane, the property adviser of Lodges at Cannon Beach next door. In written testimony sent to the city, he thought more needed to be done to help rehabilitate a structure that has been sitting vacant for years.

Just repainting the building, Crane wrote, "is like putting lipstick on a pig."

Escape Lodgings President Patrick Nofield leases space from a modular unit connected to the property, and asked board members to wait on approval before issues like adequate parking and more thorough designs were presented.

One of his concerns was making sure this property was "architecturally compatible" with the rest of Tolovana.

"I've leased space for 10 years, and I know that building needs help," Nofield said. "It needs more work than what this plan is showing."

Kiki Meletis is a co-trustee of Demetrios Meletis Living Trust, which owns the property, and said having the new business move in was a great way to "revitalize the property in a timely way."

Benson said she and Bell are happy to work with the city to make sure the business fits with the community.

"This is a community thing, so I want community input," Benson said.

# Eclipse traffic already heavy in central Oregon

Backed up on Highway 26

By **GILLIAN FLACCUS**  
*Associated Press*

PORTLAND — Traffic is already a headache in central Oregon as thousands of people arrive before Monday's total solar eclipse.

Traffic was backed up about 15 miles at one point on Thursday on U.S. Highway 26 near Prineville, the last town before the turnoff for an eclipse-themed festival that's expected to attract 35,000 people in a remote area with narrow, one-lane roads. Drivers then had to contend with another 14 miles of traffic on local roads to the venue.

A handful of gas stations in Bend and Prineville also ran out of fuel Wednesday before getting restocked.

The scene echoed one on Wednesday night, when eclipse traffic first began to swell. Traffic backed up for



AP Photo/Gillian Flaccus

An advertisement for a central Oregon festival built around Monday's total solar eclipse sits alongside a busy road leading into Madras. Traffic is already a headache in central Oregon as thousands of people arrive before the eclipse.

12 miles on the same stretch of road, doubling the drive time between the towns of Redmond and Prineville as an estimated 8,000 cars passed through.

"The numbers of people who were coming in, we are beyond capacity really on that highway. Traffic is moving — it's not stopped — but it's taking a long time," said Peter Murphy, a spokesman for the Oregon Department of Transportation in central Oregon. Traffic officials repro-

grammed traffic lights to provide more time on green lights on east-west routes. The Prineville police also closed the eastbound lane of the highway for a time Thursday and diverted traffic onto local roads so the crush could clear.

In Madras, to the north, traffic also picked up Thursday. Gas stations were still stocked, said Joe Krenowicz, executive director of the Jefferson County-Madras Chamber of Commerce.

**FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA** AccuWeather.com

TONIGHT	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
53	67 / 52	68 / 55	70 / 54	69 / 56
Becoming cloudy	Clouds breaking; breezy in the afternoon	Clouds breaking for some sun	Pleasant with clouds and sun	Sun and areas of low clouds

**ALMANAC**  
Astoria through Thursday.  
Temperatures: High/low 68°/58°, Normal high/low 69°/53°, Record high 84° in 1946, Record low 41° in 1973.  
Precipitation: Thursday 0.00", Month to date 0.38", Normal month to date 0.50", Year to date 50.05", Normal year to date 37.44".

**SUN AND MOON**  
Sunset tonight 8:19 p.m., Sunrise Saturday 6:20 a.m., Moonrise today 2:46 a.m., Moonset today 6:11 p.m.

**UNDER THE SKY**  
Tonight's Sky: Aug. 21: During the two minutes of totality, the sky will be very dark, shading to a 360-degree sunset along the horizon.

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

City	Today	Sat.	City	Today	Sat.
Astoria	53/67	60/83	Portland	55/77	60/83
Tillamook	52/65	60/83	Prineville	46/84	52/81
Seaside	55/70	60/83	Bend	50/82	58/85
Medford	57/90	60/83	La Grande	52/81	58/85
Brookings	56/74	60/83	John Day	51/83	58/85
Coos Bay	55/67	60/83	Burns	45/84	58/85
Roseburg	60/84	60/83	Lakeview	48/87	58/85
Medford	57/90	60/83	North Bend	69/54	67/52

**REGIONAL CITIES**

City	Today	Sat.	City	Today	Sat.
Baker City	91/47	82/44	Olympia	76/50	75/48
Bend	89/50	82/46	Pendleton	91/59	83/54
Brookings	74/57	71/56	Portland	79/55	77/53
Eugene	85/53	79/49	Roseburg	91/60	84/55
Ilwaco	67/56	64/55	Salem	85/55	80/52
Klamath Falls	91/48	85/48	Seaside	69/55	66/54
Medford	97/57	90/55	Spokane	84/55	79/53
Newberg	83/54	79/50	Springfield	86/56	82/51
Newport	66/51	64/49	Vancouver	79/55	76/52
North Bend	69/54	67/52	Yakima	93/54	86/53

**TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER**  
Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

**LOTTERIES**

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

**WASHINGTON**  
Thursday's Daily Game:  
3-4-7  
Thursday's Keno: 04-09-10-12-16-17-18-23-34-42-47-49-50-53-54-60-61-62-68-75  
Thursday's Match 4: 01-09-10-13

## OBITUARIES

### Marilyn Rae Fulop Gearhart

April 11, 1934 — July 30, 2017

Marilyn Fulop passed away peacefully on Sunday, July 30, at Providence Seaside Hospital, while holding her daughters' hands.

She was born in Portland, the only child of Ruth and Abe Bernstein, and was raised in Eastmoreland. She attended St. Helen's Hall, Pomona College, and Oregon State University. She belonged to the Junior League, Aero Club, Elks Club, Columbia River Yacht Club, Chaparral County Club and the Multnomah Athletic Club.

Marilyn traveled all over the world, and enjoyed owning and operating a travel agency (Travel Counselors) with her husband, Joe, in the 1970s and 1980s. Together they walked the Great Wall of China, swam the Great Barrier Reef, sailed the Nile, and had many other adventures all over the world. She said recently that she had completed everything on her bucket list.

Marilyn's life was full of friends, volunteer work (including operating the Plastic Lady at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry), summers in Gearhart, winters in Palm Desert, and time spent at their Portland home and cruising on their boat.

"Lou Ann." She was beautiful, bright, social, well-spoken and well read, and completed the

New York Times crossword in pen every morning. She enjoyed playing golf, dinner parties and card games, and was a killer opponent at Scrabble.

Sadly, in August 2016 the family home in Gearhart had a catastrophic fire, and she never fully recovered from the trauma and smoke inhalation. She was lucky to have lived in three beautiful homes this past year, with Sally and Gretchen alternating care, along with Pete Vitas of Seaside. We are very grateful to Pete for his kindness and care of our mother.

She was predeceased by her husband of 56 years, Joe, and a granddaughter, Adrienne (Addy) Darnell.

She is survived by her daughters, Gretchen Darnell of Seaside and Sally Luciak (Waide) of Vancouver, British Columbia; her grandchildren, Lindsey Alldrin, Lauren Oxley (Wyatt), Joe Luciak (Britta), Rachael Luciak and Stephen Luciak; and her great-grandchildren, Joe Alldrin, Ariann and Eliza Oxley and Ayla Luciak.

She was an extraordinary woman, and will be forever missed by family and friends.

No service is planned. Donations may be made to the Providence Seaside Hospital Foundation, Pet Therapy Fund.



Marilyn Fulop

### Charles E. Owen

Wasilla, Alaska  
May 21, 1940 — Aug. 3, 2017

Charles E. Owen (Chuck) passed away Aug. 3, 2017, in Wasilla, Alaska. He was 77.

He was born May 21, 1940, in Astoria. His parents were Charles Owen and Mary Van Horn Owen. He was raised in Astoria, on the top of 14th Street. He attended Star of the Sea School, and then Astoria High School. He married Klaudia Jo Klaudi in 1991.



Charles Owen

Through his life he worked as a fisherman and bartender.

He is survived by his wife, Klaudia, of Wasilla, Alaska; his daughter, Eva Briggs, of Port Angeles, Washington; and his son, Steven Owen, of Seaside, Oregon.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, Aug. 19, at 2 p.m., on the east side of Coffenbury Lake.

## Portland hospital gave away recalled eclipse glasses

Associated Press

PORTLAND — Legacy Health in Portland says some of the glasses it gave away at public events for viewing the upcoming total solar eclipse may be among those recalled by Amazon.

The hospital said Thursday that people who got solar glasses from Legacy Health at public events should discard them and buy new ones.

It says glasses it gave away at Legacy Health clinics

or Legacy/GoHealth Urgent Care clinics in the past month are safe.

The online retail giant Amazon.com issued a widespread recall for eclipse glasses sold through its site after being unable to verify they met safety standards.

The total solar eclipse is the first one to cross the U.S. in 99 years.

The shadow cast by the moon first makes landfall in the U.S. in Oregon on Monday.

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