

# A BUDDING INDUSTRY

## ASTORIA

**Sweet Relief Dispensary**

144 Commercial St.

**Nature's Choice Alternative Medicine**

229 W. Marine Drive #C

**Hi Casual Cannabis Dispensary**

194 Marine Drive

**The Pharmacy**

2911 Marine Drive, Suite B

**Hi Cascade Astoria**

690 Olney Ave.

**Five Zero Trees**

1169 Commercial St.

## SEASIDE

**Cannabis Nation**

550 S. Roosevelt Drive

**Highway 420**

1803 S. Roosevelt Drive

**Oasis Cannabis**

1111 S. Holladay Drive

## MANZANITA

**Oregon Coast Cannabis**

868 Laneda Ave.

## Is Oregon cannabis the next great tourist attraction?



COLIN MURPHEY/THE DAILY ASTORIAN

Businesses like Portland's Kush Tours and Oregon Weed Tours are offering package deals that take clients around to dispensaries including several in Clatsop County.

By **DAN HAAG**

FOR COAST WEEKEND

**B**eer, wine and the lure of the great outdoors have put Oregon on the map for countless vacation-goers. But these Oregon tourism magnets might be joined by another: cannabis.

Dispensaries are hoping to take their place among Oregon's major tourist attractions. Still, there are major hurdles to be cleared.

### Changing perceptions

Since legalizing non-medical cultivation and uses of marijuana in 2015, there's been a push to change the perception of how consumers purchase cannabis.

Most North Oregon Coast dispensaries feature lobbies with security doors and identification checks. Retail areas are generally well lit. Employees are waiting to answer questions and help patrons.

There are boards with daily specials, shelves lined with glassware, jewelry, hats and t-shirts and charts explaining Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and the difference between sativa and indica strains.