

# Gov. Brown announces re-election bid for 2018

## Sets contrasts with Trump

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Gov. Kate Brown

SALEM — Just a year after winning election, Gov. Kate Brown announced early Monday that she would seek a final term in office in 2018.

In a video blasted across social media, the longtime Democratic politician contrasted her administration to that of President Donald Trump, while never mentioning the Republican by name.

"As your governor, it's my job to make things better and stand up to anyone who would take our rights away," Brown said.

A former Oregon secretary of state, Brown ascended to the governorship in February 2015, when former Gov. John Kitzhaber stepped down amid an influence-peddling scandal. Oregon's unusual

line of succession made Brown the first openly bisexual governor in the nation's history and Oregon's second female chief executive. The state has no lieutenant governor, so the secretary of state is first in line after the governor.

In November 2016, Brown was elected to complete the last two years of Kitzhaber's four-year term. She defeated a Republican challenge by Salem oboist Bud Pierce, who was a newcomer to politics.

But those two years counted as her first term, and in Oregon, governors are limited to two consecutive terms in office.

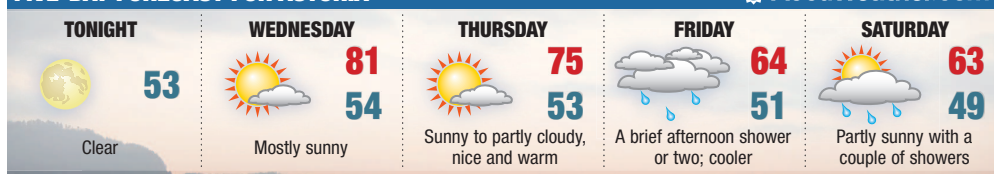
Brown's announcement Monday was merely a formal-

ity. The governor has raised campaign funds in excess of \$1.1 million since January in preparation for a showdown with orthopedic surgeon and state Rep. Knute Buehler, a Republican who announced his candidacy last month.

Brown on Monday touted legislative accomplishments under her administration, including a \$5.3 billion transportation package and expansion of the Oregon Health Plan, the state's Medicaid program, to undocumented children. She also highlighted passage of the Oregon Promise, which allows Oregon high-school graduates to attend college for as little as \$50 a semester, an increase in the minimum wage, and a program to phase out the use of coal.

Buehler, who has raised \$1.2 million, has criticized Brown for failing to address major problems in the state, such as the low high school graduation rate, and tax and spending reform.

### FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA



### ALMANAC

Astoria through Monday.  
**Temperatures**  
 High/low ..... 65°/56°  
 Normal high/low ..... 66°/48°  
 Record high ..... 81° in 1899  
 Record low ..... 38° in 1972  
**Precipitation**  
 Monday ..... 0.10"  
 Month to date ..... 2.68"  
 Normal month to date ..... 1.66"  
 Year to date ..... 52.74"  
 Normal year to date ..... 39.76"

### SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight ..... 7:05 p.m.  
 Sunrise Wednesday ..... 7:09 a.m.  
 Moonrise today ..... 1:32 p.m.  
 Moonset today ..... 11:04 p.m.

### UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Lyra the harp is best known for the brilliant star Vega, which stands high overhead at nightfall.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

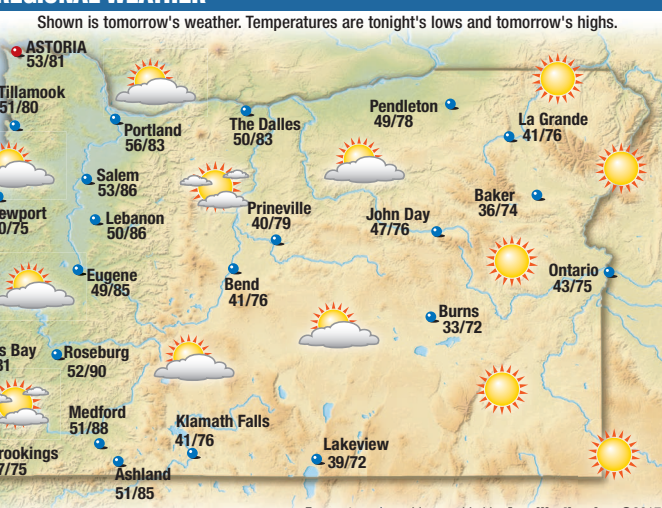
### TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks  
 Time Low  
 7:32 a.m. 6.0 ft. 12:48 a.m. 0.9 ft.  
 6:32 p.m. 7.0 ft. 12:44 p.m. 3.1 ft.

### NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Wed.
Atlanta	88 68 s	89 70 s
Boston	79 65 pc	79 66 pc
Chicago	90 61 pc	72 54 s
Denver	63 45 pc	60 45 pc
Des Moines	70 51 sh	70 50 s
Detroit	90 68 s	79 51 pc
El Paso	83 63 pc	77 62 t
Fairbanks	52 36 pc	54 38 pc
Honolulu	89 74 s	89 75 pc
Indianapolis	91 68 s	80 53 t
Kansas City	68 55 c	70 49 pc
Las Vegas	81 64 s	86 66 s
Los Angeles	90 62 s	90 63 s
Memphis	90 72 s	90 68 s
Miami	87 77 t	88 77 sh
Nashville	90 66 s	90 66 s
New Orleans	87 73 pc	90 74 s
New York	83 70 pc	84 68 pc
Oklahoma City	67 58 r	65 56 t
Philadelphia	86 71 pc	88 68 pc
St. Louis	91 65 s	75 54 pc
Salt Lake City	63 42 s	69 49 s
San Francisco	85 60 s	88 60 pc
Seattle	72 55 pc	77 56 pc
Washington, DC	84 72 pc	88 69 pc

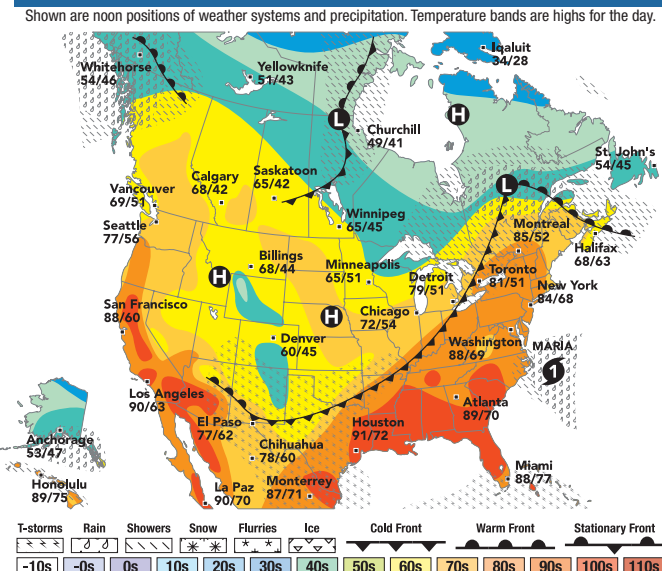
### REGIONAL WEATHER



### REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Wed.
Baker City	71 36 s	74 35 s
Bend	71 41 s	76 42 pc
Brookings	74 57 s	74 55 s
Eugene	76 49 pc	85 50 pc
Ilwaco	69 55 pc	77 58 s
Klamath Falls	74 41 s	76 39 pc
Medford	82 51 s	88 50 pc
Newberg	78 53 pc	85 54 pc
Newport	67 50 pc	75 54 s
North Bend	71 53 s	79 53 s
Olympia	74 49 pc	79 47 pc
Pendleton	75 49 s	78 48 s
Portland	78 56 pc	83 60 pc
Roseburg	80 52 s	90 53 pc
Salem	78 53 pc	86 53 pc
Seaside	71 54 pc	80 57 s
Spokane	69 47 pc	73 49 s
Springfield	78 50 pc	86 52 pc
Vancouver	76 55 pc	82 57 pc
Yakima	77 46 s	79 47 pc

### TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER



# Oregon Court of Appeals affirms ruling overturning GMO ban

## Invalidated ban in Josephine County case

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The Oregon Court of Appeals has affirmed that a prohibition against genetically engineered crops in Josephine County is pre-empted by state law.

Voters in Josephine County approved the ban in 2014, nearly a year after state lawmakers passed a bill barring local governments from regulating genetically modified organisms, or GMOs.

Farmers Robert and Shelley Ann White, who wanted to plant biotech sugar beets, convinced Josephine County Circuit Judge Pat Wolke that the local GMO ban was unlawful in 2016.

Oregonians for Safe Farms and Families, a nonprofit, and Siskiyou Seeds, an organic

farm, intervened in that case as defendants, allowing them to challenge Wolke's decision before the Court of Appeals.

The appeals court has now upheld the ruling without comment, but GMO critics vow to continue the battle in the legislative arena.

"We're still firm in our resolve to protect farmers in Josephine County," said Mary Middleton, executive director of Oregonians for Safe Farms and Families. "We're not giving up, we're not giving in."

Middleton said her organization has decided not to pursue further litigation but will instead focus on persuading lawmakers to invalidate the pre-emption statute or otherwise allow Josephine County's ordinance to be enforced.

"The will of the people is being ignored," she said.

When passing the GMO pre-emption bill, lawmakers vowed to create a statewide system for overseeing GMOs, but instead they have left a "regulatory void," Middleton said.

The state Legislature passed the pre-emption bill to avoid a county-by-county patchwork of restrictions for genetically engineered crops, said Scott Dahlman, policy director for Oregonians for Food and Shelter, an agribusiness group that opposed the GMO ban.

"We think the Legislature has spoken very clearly on this issue," he said. "Farmers should be allowed to choose what crops they grow."

Repeated attempts to overturn the pre-emption law have been made since it was originally enacted in 2013, but none have gained much traction, Dahlman said.

Because the Court of Appeals affirmed Wolke's ruling without opinion, the ruling doesn't set a binding precedent that other courts must follow, said John DiLorenzo, attorney for the Whites.

However, the decision is likely to be "persuasive" if the pre-emption issue should arise in other counties, since existing case law would support the same outcome, DiLorenzo said.

## OBITUARIES

### Renee Gross

#### Seaside

Oct. 28, 1924 — Sept. 20, 2017

Renee was born in San Francisco to Richard and Berenice Gross. She attended Lowell High School, and earned a degree in microbiology at University of California, Berkeley. She worked in public health for the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the University of Alaska in Juneau and Fairbanks.

Renee retired, and then traveled the U.S. by recreational vehicle with her beloved cat, Jade. She later published a travelogue of her cross-country adventures. She often wintered with her friends in Kingsville, Texas. She settled in Mount Vernon, Washington, and finally in Seaside, Oregon.

An avid bridge player, she was a member of Juneau, Fairbanks, Mount Vernon and Seaside American Contract Bridge League clubs. She attended numerous contract bridge tournaments across the country. In high school, Renee and her twin sister, Ella, were All-Western Team Four champs, winning at historic Treasure Island. As an adult, she achieved her goal of becoming a Life Master. She was an

evangelist for the game until the very end, inviting everyone she met to come and play bridge.

She was a nature lover, and passionate supporter of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and animal advocate groups around the globe.

Renee was preceded in death by her sister, Jean Gross. She is survived by her sister, Ella Driscoll, and niece Danielle Driscoll.

Family and friends are invited to attend her memorial service on Saturday, Sept. 30 at 3:30 p.m. at Hughes-Ransom Mortuary, 220 N. Holladay Drive in Seaside, Oregon.

In lieu of flowers, please make a small donation in her name to one of the following charities: the ASPCA; Spay & Neuter Thrift Shop of Seaside, Oregon; Jean Gross Memorial Scholarship at the University of Alaska Southeast; and Gross/Clark Scholarship at San Francisco State University.

Hughes-Ransom Mortuary is in charge of arrangements. Visit [www.hughes-ransom.com](http://www.hughes-ransom.com) to share memories and sign the online guest book.



Renee Gross

## ON THE RECORD

### DUII

• At 10:34 p.m. Friday, Richard Raterman, 49, of Warrenton, was arrested by the Warrenton Police Department at Oregon Highway 104 and Biwater Lane and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants.

His blood alcohol content was 0.17 percent.

• At 1:57 a.m. Monday, Sue Ann Stuck, 39, of Astoria, was arrested by the Astoria Police Department on West Marine Drive just east of the Roundabout and charged with DUII. Her

blood alcohol content was 0.20 percent.

• At 12:08 a.m. Tuesday, Linnie Charlene Taylor, 52, of Seaside, was arrested by the Clatsop County Sheriff's Office at 12th Avenue and Wahanna Road in Seaside and charged with DUII.

## LOTTERIES

### OREGON

**Monday's Pick 4:**  
 1 p.m.: 2-1-6-3  
 4 p.m.: 4-2-1-0  
 7 p.m.: 8-9-0-4  
 10 p.m.: 5-1-8-4  
**Monday's Lucky Lines:** 02-06-09-14-18-23-25-30  
 Estimated jackpot: \$19,000

**Monday's Megabucks:** 8-11-14-36-37-39  
 Estimated jackpot: \$7.8 million

**WASHINGTON**  
**Monday's Daily Game:** 8-3-2  
**Monday's Hit 5:** 04-17-23-27-28

Estimated jackpot: \$120,000  
**Monday's Keno:** 09-14-17-18-19-24-25-33-52-55-56-58-61-62-64-67-71-73-76-79  
**Monday's Lotto:** 02-06-13-28-44-47

Estimated jackpot: \$4 million  
**Monday's Match 4:** 05-10-17-23

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

### TUESDAY

**Clatsop Care Health District Board**, noon, Clatsop Care Memory Community, 2219 Dolphin Ave., Warrenton.  
**Warrenton City Commission/Skipanon Water Control District**, 2 p.m., work session on Eighth Street Dam, City Hall, 225 S. Main Ave.  
**Warrenton City Commission**, 6 p.m., City Hall, 225 S. Main Ave.

**Seaside Airport Advisory Committee**, 6 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.  
**Astoria Planning Commission**, 6:30 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

### WEDNESDAY

**Clatsop County Board of Commissioners**, 6 p.m., Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St.

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