

POINT of view

THE DAILY ASTORIAN // QUESTION OF THE WEEK

'What are you looking forward to in spring?'



"To be happy and healthful."

Kevin Kinney, Astoria



"Dry weather, for one thing. And sunshine — we need our Vitamin D. And longer days. I wish we could stay on daylight saving time all year."

Scott Leahing, Astoria



"There are so many things I could say. Sunshine, and everything being fresh and new again. And the flowers are coming out, making the season special."

Kathy Wigutoff, Astoria



Oregon State Police

A small plane crashed Tuesday afternoon near Clatskanie.

Small plane crashes into Columbia near Clatskanie

Associated Press

A small plane crashed on the Columbia River Tuesday afternoon near Clatskanie.

Oregon State Police said

the crash happened about 1:30 p.m. on Wallace Island.

The Coast Guard rescued the pilot, Douglas Paul Pflugradt, 67, from Mat-tawa, Washington, and took him to Pearson Field in

Vancouver, Washington. He was not injured.

Pflugradt told authorities he was trying to land on a sandbar of the island because of mechanical issues.

Warrenton woman arrested for cooking her dog alive

By JACK HEFFERNAN
The Daily Astorian

A Warrenton woman was arrested Tuesday after allegedly cooking a Chihuahua alive in an oven.

Noel Moor, 28, allegedly

cooked the 7-year-old dog Monday night. She has been charged with first-degree animal abuse in the dog's death.

Moor had been involved in several disturbances in the past month that have led

to interactions with Clatsop Behavioral Healthcare, according to a police report. After a person close to Moor reported the incident Tuesday, Warrenton police arrested her while she was at Columbia Memorial Hospital.

Barber seeks full term as Seaside mayor

By R.J. MARX
The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — Jay Barber announced Tuesday he will run for a full four-year term as Seaside mayor.

In November 2016, Barber was appointed to fill the remaining two years of Mayor Don Larson's term. Larson died in December 2016 after an extended battle with cancer.

Barber, a retired college president, foundation director and ordained minister, served as a city councilor and two-term mayor in Red Bluff, California, a position which, he said, gave him experience dealing with the public.

He and his wife, Jan, have lived full time in Seaside since 2006.

Barber was selected in

2009 to fill the unexpired council term of Gary Diebolt. Barber won election for Ward 1 in 2010 and again in 2014.

At the time of his appointment, Barber said he did not intend to run in 2018.

"It is impossible to make a decision like this two years out," Barber said in a statement. "The city and the council have so many important initiatives underway currently and I believe we need strong, stable leadership in place as we face the future."

In his announcement, Barber listed addressing workforce and housing issues, the major expansion of the Seaside



Jay Barber

Civic and Convention Center and the relocation of the Seaside School District facilities as among top priorities. He also said he plans to annex properties at the south entrance of the city with the implementation of a new urban renewal district.

Tsunami readiness must focus on the urgent need to identify funding to upgrade at least three of the city's bridges to provide secure escape routes, he added.

Filing for the November general election begins May 30. The filing deadline is Aug. 28.

According to City Recorder Kimberley Jordan, three council seats are also up for re-election. Incumbents Steve Wright, Tita Montero and Dana Phillips face expired terms at the end of December.

Oregon jobless rate holds steady at 4.1 percent

Associated Press

PORTLAND — Oregon's unemployment rate did not budge in February.

The state Employment Department said Tuesday the jobless rate was 4.1 percent — the same as in December

and January. The month saw strong job gains in retail, construction and health care.

Payroll employment has grown by 43,700 jobs over the past year, with construction and the leisure-and-hospitality industry faring particularly well.

Recent figures from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics show Oregon — at 2.7 percent — had the country's fifth-fastest job growth between January 2017 and January 2018. It trailed Utah, Idaho, Nevada and Washington state.

CORRECTION

Restaurant operators omitted — A 2A story Monday about Cullaby Coffee, a new business on Sunset Beach Lane in the former Bakery & Deli by the Sea, omitted the deli's previous operators Julita and Wayne Johnson.

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
39	48	46	48	51
37	37	36	34	37

Periods of rain
A couple of showers, a thunderstorm later
Chilly with rain
Cloudy and chilly with a little rain
Mostly cloudy with a shower in places

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Astoria through Tuesday.

Temperatures

High/low 54°/31°
Normal high/low 54°/39°
Record high 77° in 1915
Record low 28° in 1955

Precipitation

Tuesday 0.00"
Month to date 1.89"
Normal month to date 4.95"
Year to date 20.50"
Normal year to date 22.34"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 7:29 p.m.
Sunrise Thursday 7:15 a.m.
Moonrise today 9:49 a.m.
Moonset today none

REGIONAL WEATHER

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

UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Messier Catalog published (1781).

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu	W	City	Today	Thu	W
Baker City	54 44 c	55 30 r		Olympia	56 39 r	47 34 r	
Bend	54 41 c	46 29 sh		Pendleton	58 48 c	58 34 r	
Brookings	54 39 r	46 39 c		Portland	57 46 r	49 38 r	
Eugene	55 37 r	47 35 r		Roseburg	59 41 r	50 38 r	
Ilwaco	50 42 r	47 39 t		Salem	55 43 r	49 37 r	
Klamath Falls	52 40 sh	42 26 sh		Seaside	51 41 r	48 38 t	
Medford	61 42 r	50 36 r		Spokane	50 42 c	53 30 r	
Newberg	55 42 r	48 37 r		Springfield	55 39 r	48 35 r	
Newport	52 40 r	47 38 t		Vancouver	54 44 r	48 38 r	
North Bend	54 40 r	47 39 t		Yakima	60 42 c	56 29 sh	

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu	W
Atlanta	51 34 pc	58 39 s	
Boston	36 32 sn	41 30 c	
Chicago	41 27 pc	48 31 s	
Denver	61 35 pc	72 45 pc	
Des Moines	48 33 pc	50 35 r	
Detroit	43 25 pc	46 25 s	
El Paso	81 57 pc	87 61 c	
Fairbanks	24 0 c	25 7 s	
Honolulu	82 73 c	82 73 c	
Indianapolis	43 23 pc	47 28 s	
Kansas City	55 38 pc	65 44 s	
Las Vegas	73 60 c	70 55 sh	
Los Angeles	68 60 r	63 55 sh	
Memphis	56 36 pc	62 48 pc	
Miami	82 54 s	74 53 s	
Nashville	50 32 s	58 39 s	
New Orleans	69 51 s	69 52 s	
New York	36 30 sn	42 32 s	
Oklahoma City	66 46 s	74 56 pc	
Philadelphia	33 28 sn	45 29 pc	
St. Louis	49 32 pc	48 41 sh	
Salt Lake City	63 51 c	65 46 sh	
San Francisco	65 55 r	58 46 sh	
Seattle	58 44 r	48 37 r	
Washington, DC	36 29 sn	47 31 pc	

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER

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

OBITUARIES

June E. Seger Astoria

Feb. 22, 1936 — March 11, 2018

June E. Seger, 82, passed away Sunday, March 11, in Portland, Oregon.

A rosary Mass will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 24, at St. Mary, Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Astoria, with a Mass service to follow at 11 a.m. Friends and family are welcome.

June was born Feb. 22, 1936, to James Lockwood and Frances Marlow Lockwood, in Messina, New York. She graduated from Messina High School.

Survivors include sons James Deruchia II, John Deruchia and Jerry Deruchia, and her husband, Linus Seger, of Astoria. She was preceded in death by daughters Joyce, Jamey and Julie Deruchia; and husbands James E. Deruchia, Peter Gil and Warren Jones.

June was actively involved in her church, St. Mary, Star of the Sea, and was a proud member of Catholic Daughters.

She enjoyed a lifetime of singing and dancing, including a run as "Mama" in the local "Shanghaied in Astoria" production.

She held an adult teaching degree, and enjoyed teaching the "55 Alive" course for many years.

June spent her youth in Messina, New York, and raised her children in Milpitas, California, while employed in administration at Milpitas City Hall for 27 years. She relocated to Astoria with her sons once she retired, and made a home in Lewis and Clark.

June will be very missed by all who knew her.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Mary, Star of the Sea scholarship fund account.

Hughes-Ransom Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements. An online guest book may be signed at hughes-ransom.com



June Seger

MEMORIAL

Saturday, March 24

ANDRICH, Dale Alyn — A memorial Mass at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 24, at the Old Historic St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 599 N.W. Lava Road in Bend, followed by a reception at the DoubleTree Hotel, 300 N.W. Franklin Ave. in Bend.

DEATHS

March 19, 2018

BEERS, Edward I., 68, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary

of Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

PETERSON, Wendell Ervin, 81, of Warrenton, died

at home. Hughes-Ransom Mortuaries & Crematory of Astoria/Seaside is in charge of the arrangements.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

THURSDAY
Sunset Empire Transportation District Board, 5:30 p.m., Seaside Public Library conference

room, 1131 Broadway.
Cannon Beach Planning Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

LOTTERIES

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

Tuesday's Lucky Lines: 02-07-10-16-20-24-28-29
Estimated jackpot: \$12,000
Tuesday's Mega Millions: 14-38-51-64-70, Mega Ball: 9
Estimated jackpot: \$421 million

WASHINGTON
Tuesday's Daily Game: 1-9-8
Tuesday's Keno: 01-02-04-05-06-07-13-16-18-25-28-30-34-41-47-55-61-64-68-78
Tuesday's Match 4: 06-13-15-21

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