

Poll: GOP primary for governor getting closer

Carpenter closes gap with Rep. Buehler

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SALEM — A new poll by a Democratic polling firm suggests Sam Carpenter, the “Make Oregon Great Again” candidate, is edging up to state Rep. Knute Buehler in the race for the Republican nomination for governor.

The survey by Global Strategy Group of 438 registered voters who plan to vote in the GOP primary shows that 33 percent planned to vote for Buehler, while 25 percent favored Carpenter. Only 8 percent of respondents said they would vote for Greg Woolridge, a retired Navy aviator who lives in Portland. Thirty-three percent of respondents in the survey, taken



Sam Carpenter



Knute Buehler

this month, said they were either undecided or refused to answer.

The particularly contentious primary race will be decided Tuesday, and the winner will face off with Gov. Kate Brown, a Democrat.

“This is surprising that it has become a race for Buehler,” said Jim Moore, political science professor at Pacific University and director of the Tom McCall Center for Policy Innovation. “It’s entirely because Buehler ran a cam-

paign that didn’t seem to pay attention to the Republican electorate and now is having to play catch-up.”

Rebecca Tweed, Buehler’s campaign manager, dismissed the significance of the new poll.

“From the beginning, Knute Buehler has been focused on defeating Kate Brown and talking to Oregonians all across this state who are ready for change,” Tweed wrote in an email. “There have been dozens of polls in

this election with conflicting and contradicting numbers — the only poll that matters takes place on Tuesday. This is a left-leaning polling firm releasing data to help Kate Brown because they know Knute Buehler is the only candidate who can defeat her.”

Carpenter also questioned the accuracy of the poll, saying his internal polling shows he is ahead of Buehler. He said the poll’s sample size was small, and residents from urban areas were oversampled.

It’s unclear who commissioned the poll.

Politico first obtained and published the results. The results also were sent to the Democratic Party of Oregon, which shared it with Oregon-based reporters.

The poll comes days after Buehler launched a new ad attacking Carpenter, a move that, political analysts said, showed that Buehler realized he might be in trouble in the

primary. The Bend orthopedic surgeon, who has served in the House since 2014, previously had focused on defeating the governor once he won the nomination.

“When he ran ads against Sam Carpenter, that tells me that internal polling told them that they are in trouble,” Moore said. “He was running against Kate Brown before that. That was it, and all of a sudden, ‘Oh, I have to win this primary.’ The Trump backers and Sam Carpenter seem to be the main problem and that is why he is attacking Sam Carpenter.”

The poll results are an additional piece of evidence to ads online and on TV in which Buehler and Carpenter “are at each other throats” and shows “that Buehler really has not locked this up,” said Jeanne Atkins, chairwoman of the Democratic Party of Oregon.

“Our internal polls show us leading Knute Buehler by

at least 10 percent, and that is why the attack ads are out there,” Carpenter said. “If he had been leading, the attack ads wouldn’t have happened. We are quite confident in where we are and that is why we haven’t responded. The ads have helped our campaign.”

The Global Strategy Group poll results also showed that 82 percent of the respondents believe Brown is doing a “not so good” to “poor” job as the state’s chief executive.

About 98 percent of the respondents were white. Half were men, and half were women. About 34 percent of participants had a college degree.

The three Republican candidates are scheduled to participate in their first and last debate together on the Lars Larson radio show today.

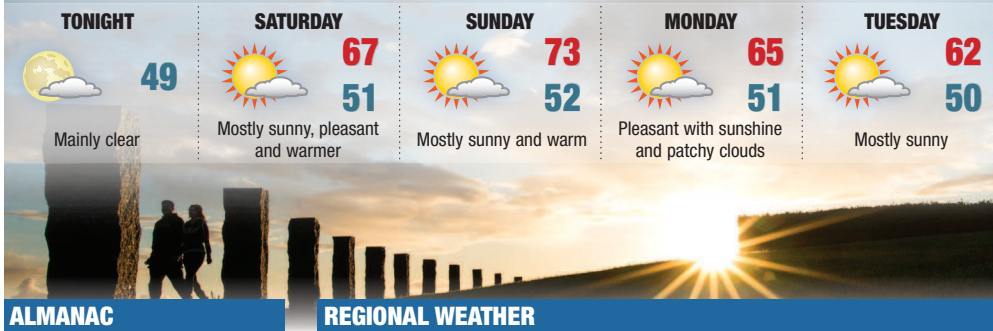
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PUBLIC MEETINGS

MONDAY

Youngs River Lewis & Clark Water District Board, 6 p.m., 34583 U.S. Highway 101 Business.
Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protection District Board, 6 p.m., Fire-Rescue Main Station, 188 Sunset Ave.
Seaside City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

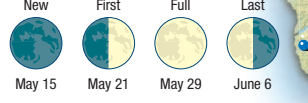


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Astoria through Thursday.
Temperatures
High/low 57°/50°
Normal high/low 60°/45°
Record high 86° in 1941
Record low 34° in 1967
Precipitation
Thursday 0.17"
Month to date 0.35"
Normal month to date 1.21"
Year to date 33.05"
Normal year to date 31.25"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 8:36 p.m.
Sunrise Saturday 5:47 a.m.
Moonrise today 4:19 a.m.
Moonset today 4:18 p.m.



UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Virgo is the second largest of all the constellations, lying on the celestial equator.

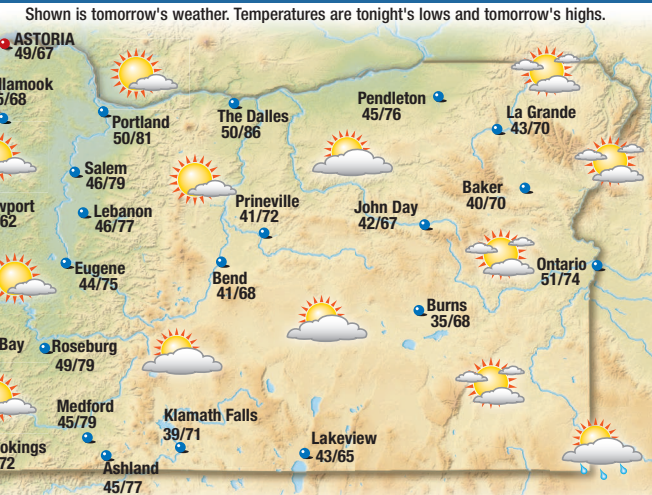
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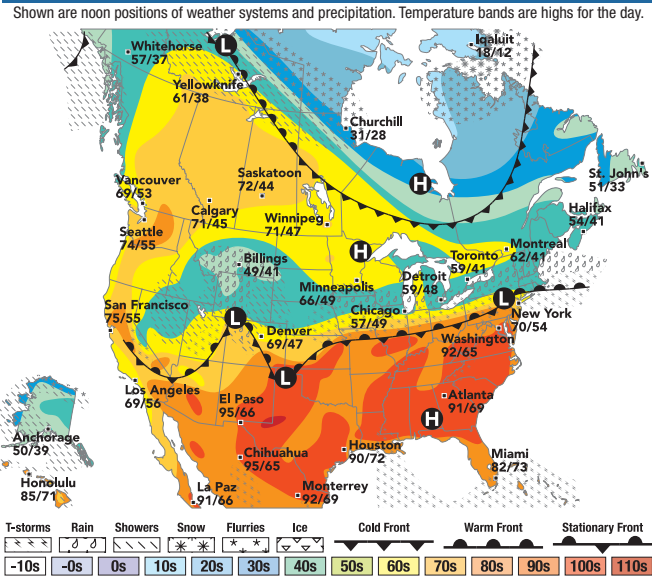
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REGIONAL CITIES

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TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER



Free fishing set for June

The Daily Astorian

People will be able to fish, crab or clam for free in Oregon on June 2 and June 3.

For those two days, the state will not require residents and nonresidents to have fishing licenses or tags. Other fishing regulations still apply, however, including closures, bag limits and size restrictions.

“Free fishing weekends are a great opportunity for friends and families to get out and

enjoy a day or two of fishing,” said Mike Gauvin, recreational fisheries manager with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, in a statement. “Trout, warmwater fish, ocean fishing, crabbing and clamming are just some of the great opportunities available.”

The state schedules events at various sites in conjunction with free fishing days. Volunteer angler instructors will be on hand, loaning out fishing gear and giving tips on how

to catch and clean fish at most sites. Two events have been scheduled locally: at Coffenburg Lake on June 2 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and at the Gnat Creek Fish Hatchery near Clatskanie from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Oregon State Parks are also free to visit over this weekend. Day-use parking fees will be waived both days, and camping will be free on June 2. An \$8 reservation fee is required to guarantee a camping spot.

AAUW presents fine art leaders

The Daily Astorian

The American Association of University Women Astoria Branch presents “Leaders in the Fine and Performing Arts” at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Astoria Library Flag Room.

The presenters are Charlotte Brun, Jo Pomeroy

Crockett, Jeannine Grafton, Bereniece Jones-Centeno and Charlene Larsen.

Brun is a multimedia artist, co-founder of Old Town Framing, and co-owner of Luminari Arts. Crockett, founder of the Astoria Art Loft, is an educator, artist, consultant and a writer. Grafton is the owner and

director of RiverSea Gallery. Jones-Centeno is an opera singer, voice teacher, and programmer for KMUN. Larsen has been performing with orchestras since the 1960s.

The program is free and open to the public. For information, contact Roz Edelson at edelsonr4041@charter.net or 503-510-7893.

False tsunami warning jolts West Coast, Alaska

Associated Press

JUNEAU, Alaska — Some Alaskans got a jolt when they heard an emergency radio and television broadcast indicating the entire West Coast, from San Diego to Alaska’s Aleutian Islands, was under a tsunami threat.

Only at the end of the message sent early this morning did it indicate the alert was a test.

The National Tsunami Warning Center says there is no tsunami threat.

The tsunami center says it issued a routine test message at 7 a.m. the same way all

tests are sent. Typically, the message says it’s a test at the beginning.

It’s not clear why the version heard by Alaskans didn’t say it was a test until the end.

The warning center told KTVA warning sirens may be going off in coastal areas.

ON THE RECORD

Assault
• At 6:47 p.m. Thursday, Kristopher Michael Dean, 42, of Astoria, was arrested by Astoria police near the 350 block of Marine Drive and charged with second-degree assault, harassment and second-degree disorderly conduct. Dean allegedly struck a man several times with

a walking staff.
DUI
• At 1:57 a.m. Thursday, John Newman, 53, of Cannon Beach, was arrested by Seaside police on Roosevelt Drive near Avenue K and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants.

LOTTERIES

OREGON
Thursday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 4-4-6-6
4 p.m.: 6-1-2-2
7 p.m.: 4-4-3-4
10 p.m.: 3-4-2-2

Thursday's Lucky Lines: 04-08-10-13-20-21-26-32
Estimated jackpot: \$13,000

7-6-0
Thursday's Keno: 05-08-11-12-15-21-23-27-30-36-37-44-47-49-61-66-67-74-75-79
Thursday's Match 4: 08-10-18-24

MAY 17 CAREER FAIR at Providence Seaside Hospital. Providence is calling. We are seeking compassionate individuals for on-call, part-time and full-time openings in a variety of clinical and non-clinical positions, including: Nursing and Nursing Support, Food and Nutritional Services, Environmental Services/Housekeeping. Whether you are trying to advance your career or get started in health care, come see what Providence has to offer. Providence Seaside Hospital Thursday, May 17 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. We look forward to meeting you! Get a jump start on applying for positions at http://bit.ly/ProvidenceSeasideOpenings Providence Health & Services is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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