

# Climatologists are betting on an El Niño forming in the Pacific

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The odds now strongly favor an El Niño forming in the Pacific Ocean, federal climatologists said Thursday, tilting the long-range weather outlook toward a warm winter in the Northwest.

The cool waters that ruled the seas along the equator since last fall have warmed to normal or just-below-normal temperatures. The federal Climate Prediction Center, a branch of the National Weather Service, puts the chances that waters will heat to El Niño levels by December at 70 percent.

El Niño winters are generally warmer and drier in the northern U.S. But it's not a sure bet, Washington State Climatologist Nick Bond said.

"It's completely possible

we'll have a cold winter, but more likely it will be on the warmer side," he said. "The odds of having a little below normal snowpack are higher than usual."

A month ago, the prediction center put the odds of an El Niño by winter at just under 50 percent. The center said the increasing odds heavily influenced its updated outlook, especially for the fall and winter.

The forecast favors higher-than-average temperatures in California, Idaho, Oregon and Washington state from now until August 2019.

Washington state, Oregon and the western half of Idaho are expected to receive below-average precipitation through February 2019.

California and eastern Idaho have equal chances of below-, above- or average precipitation during that

time, according to the prediction center.

Last May, the prediction center said the odds slightly favored an El Niño. Instead, a La Niña, a cooling of the ocean, formed. "It shows you have to keep an eye on things," Bond said.

The center predicted an El Niño in May 2014 and was correct that time. The following winter was mild and led to Washington's "snowpack drought" of 2015, when precipitation was plentiful but it fell in the mountains as rain instead of snow.

"It's possible it could happen again, but that was so extreme, it's really unlikely," Bond said.

El Niño persisted and grew stronger for the winter of 2015-16. Average temperatures statewide were above normal, but enough precipitation fell to erase the drought.

harassment and second-degree disorderly conduct. A woman reported Teegarden had choked her during a domestic dispute.

**DUII**

• At 9:26 p.m. Thursday,

Angela Moreno, 49, was arrested by Oregon State Police on U.S. Highway 101 and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants. Her blood alcohol content was 0.21 percent.

**ON THE RECORD**

**Strangulation**

• At 9:31 p.m. Thursday, Kurtiss Steven Teegarden, 53, of Salem, was arrested by Seaside police on the 20 block of Avenue A and charged with strangulation,

**FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA**

Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
50	62 / 51	60 / 50	62 / 50	66 / 53
Partly cloudy	Partly sunny	Partly sunny	Partial sunshine	Mostly cloudy

**ALMANAC**

Astoria through Thursday.

**Temperatures**

High/low ..... 58°/52°  
 Normal high/low ..... 61°/46°  
 Record high ..... 83° in 1958  
 Record low ..... 33° in 1974

**Precipitation**

Thursday ..... Trace  
 Month to date ..... 0.42"  
 Normal month to date ..... 1.94"  
 Year to date ..... 33.12"  
 Normal year to date ..... 31.98"

**SUN AND MOON**

Sunset tonight ..... 8:45 p.m.  
 Sunrise Saturday ..... 5:39 a.m.  
 Moonrise today ..... 8:47 a.m.  
 Moonset today ..... none

First Full Last New  
 May 21 May 29 June 6 June 13

**REGIONAL WEATHER**

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

**REGIONAL CITIES**

City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Sat.	Lo	W
Baker City	68	40	pc	72	42	pc	
Bend	69	45	pc	70	49	pc	
Brookings	60	48	pc	60	48	pc	
Eugene	69	47	pc	71	48	pc	
Ilwaco	61	51	pc	60	52	pc	
Klamath Falls	70	38	pc	72	45	pc	
Medford	79	49	pc	80	53	pc	
Newberg	69	51	pc	74	52	pc	
Newport	59	49	pc	58	49	pc	
North Bend	61	51	pc	61	51	pc	
Olympia	69	48	pc	72	48	pc	
Pendleton	66	50	c	73	52	pc	
Portland	71	54	pc	77	55	pc	
Roseburg	74	52	pc	75	51	pc	
Salem	71	51	pc	74	52	pc	
Seaside	62	50	pc	62	51	pc	
Spokane	63	50	sh	67	50	pc	
Springfield	70	49	pc	72	50	pc	
Vancouver	69	53	pc	75	53	pc	
Yakima	70	53	c	73	49	pc	

**TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER**

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

## OBITUARIES

### Kenneth Edward Ness

Astoria

Nov. 13, 1956 — May 12, 2018



Kenneth Ness

Kenneth Edward Ness, born Nov. 13, 1956, son of Kermit and Frances Ness, went home to be with his savior on May 12, 2018.

He is survived by his devoted wife and caretaker of 40 years, Denise; his brother, Craig; his two sons and their growing families, Josh and Des Ness, and Luke and Melissa Ness, two beautiful and spunky granddaughters, Avery and Emma, with two new grandchildren on the way; along with many close nieces, nephews, relatives and a multitude of friends.

A strong man of incredible faith, a lover of family, farming, logging and hot rods — anyone fortunate enough to have known him was no stranger to his quick wit, sense of humor,

and ability to leave his mark anywhere he went with his infamous smile.

Kenny owned and operated a successful logging company for over 40 years, was a steadfast member of the local church community, and faithful friend to a countless number of people near and far.

All are welcome to attend a celebration of life to honor him and share memories this Sunday, May 20, at 2 p.m., at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds.

*Our family extends our most heartfelt thanks and gratitude for the tremendous support the community has shown throughout Kenny's journey. We are truly blessed.*

### Inge Sadilek

Seaside

Oct. 6, 1933 — May 7, 2018



Inge Sadilek

Inge Sadilek died peacefully at the age of 84 in Seaside, Oregon, on Monday, May 7, 2018, after a difficult battle with Alzheimer's. Inge was born Oct. 6, 1933, in Berlin, Germany, the daughter of Rohrleger Hans Muller and Charlotte (Badow) Muller.

After surviving the devastation of World War II and graduating from high school, Inge became a tour guide and traveled to numerous countries throughout Europe. In 1954, Inge married the love of her life, Harold D. Sadilek, in Berlin, and then moved to Oregon, where the big city girl adapted to small town life.

She worked for J.C. Penney in Portland for many years until her daughter, Kerstin, was born, and she became a full-time mom for the next 10 years. Inge always said those were the happiest years of her life.

In addition to raising her daughter, Inge loved to garden. Every plant in her yard, or others' yards, was loved by her, and they returned her love in abundance. And, there was no animal or young child that did not end up in her arms.

She had a knack for quietly beautifying the world around her, and expected nothing in return. She also had a mischievous side that appeared occasionally and, for those people lucky enough to experience those occasions, are times they will never forget.

Inge proudly worked for U.S. Bank in Seaside for 25 years. She was well-known in the town, and people would patiently wait for her window to be free, so she would be the person to

complete their banking transactions.

After Harold passed away in 1994, Inge focused on her grandsons, Morgan and Mitchell. She would travel to where they were living, and spend as much time with them as possible.

They were her pride and joy, and she was very proud of the accomplishments in their lives. It is no secret that much of what they have achieved is due to her unwavering support. Their names were the last words she spoke before she lost her ability to speak.

Inge is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Kerstin and Brent of Seaside; her sister and brother-in-law, Barbara and Horst of Berlin, Ger-

many; and her grandsons, Morgan of Burbank, California, and Mitchell of Albuquerque, New Mexico. Inge's feisty, yet selfless, nature will be missed beyond words. Our lives have been forever changed. And, to that, she would say, "Tough cookies!"

Inge requested a private burial with immediate family members.

The family thanks all those individuals who helped care for her during her illness. You are all angels in disguise. Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association Oregon Chapter, 1650 N.W. Naito Parkway, Ste. 190, Portland, OR 97209, or online at alz.org/oregon

Funeral arrangements are by Hughes-Ransom Mortuaries & Crematory, Seaside/Astoria, hughes-ransom.com and fb.me/hughesransommortuary

## DEATH

May 16, 2018

CARLSON, Kenneth Charles, 73, of Astoria, died in Seaside. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

## BIRTHS

May 8, 2018

DUGAN, Taylor and Karl, of Seaside, a girl, Kove Liberty Dugan, born at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Astoria. Grandparents are Judy Ann Dugan and Mike Merrill, and

Chris and Kellie Dugan, all of Seaside, and Scott Lamie and Tera Lentz, and Jeanne Hanston, all of Astoria.

DUNLAP, Alisa and Justin, of Gearhart, a girl, Isla Sumner Dunlap, born at Columbia

Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are John and Sue Henriques of Paradise, Vance and Mary Houghton of Sacramento, California, and Chuck and Margy Schroeder of Warrenton.

## CORRECTION

**Incorrect day** — A special session of the state Legislature on tax issues is scheduled for

Monday. A story on 3A Thursday on state Rep. Knute Buehler's call for teacher oversight

to be addressed incorrectly said the special session was on Tuesday.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

MONDAY

**Clatsop Care Health District Board**, noon, meeting and annual preliminary budget presentation, Clatsop Retirement Village, 947 Olney Ave.

**Ecola Creek Watershed Council**, 4:30 p.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St., Cannon Beach.  
**Knappa School Board**, 5:30 p.m., Knappa High School library, 41535 Old U.S. Highway

30.  
**Jewell School Board**, 6 p.m., Jewell School library, 83874 Oregon Highway 103.  
**Astoria City Council**, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

## LOTTERIES

OREGON

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

**Thursday's Lucky Lines:** 02-06-10-14-20-23-27-30  
 Estimated jackpot: \$20,000

**WASHINGTON**  
**Thursday's Daily Game:**

5-0-1  
**Thursday's Keno:** 02-07-08-12-13-14-15-18-19-21-25-27-36-37-38-39-45-49-54-58  
**Thursday's Match 4:** 03-04-13-18

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