

POINT of view

THE DAILY ASTORIAN // QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What's your favorite thing to do in the summer?



"The planning and conducting of a trip with my kids."

John Ryan,
Huntington, New York



"Travel."

Maria Alfanzo,
Wethersfield,
Connecticut



"Travel."

Kelly Blanchard,
Ridgefield,
Washington

Astoria man announces bid for mayor

Miller knows he's a long shot

By **KATIE FRANKOWICZ**
The Daily Astorian

Michael Miller doesn't think he has a chance of winning. But the Astoria man who protested how the mentally ill are treated by standing naked with a sign on Marine Drive over the Memorial Day weekend says he will run for mayor.

He plans to use his candidacy "to advocate for those people and things I feel passionate about, as a way of inviting others to share their views, and to uplift some who are usually invisible to our community's 'little chairs of power.'"

Miller, also known by his nickname "Sasha," is a familiar figure in Astoria, often seen riding his bike with a dog or two following close behind. He has lived here on and off for 26 years. This will be his first time running for public office. He will run against City Councilor Cindy Price and downtown business owner Duleye Taylor.

Miller announced his candidacy on Facebook last week, but only just secured the signatures he needs to be considered a candidate. He wrote that the idea of running

for mayor "seems antithetical to who I am, in so many respects," but the current political and social climate inspired him to take action.

"I, like all I suppose, expected my nation to become a far better place over the span of my life," he wrote. "I expected great moral achievements, instead we got Facebook. And now, all I want is to see my temporal hope for others restored (the hope (I) have that things will get better in time), before there's nothing I can do, or I vanish."

His primary concerns include the welfare of high-risk children in the community and representation across the community. He believes many people in Astoria feel disenfranchised.

"Part of our local manifestation of this is the replacement of much of our natural resource-based economy with a tourist-based economy," he said. This makes people feel like Astoria is becoming "a crowded Victorian doll house they're not really welcome in."

"Yes we put up pretty tokens celebrating those people who built Astoria, but those kind of people can't find affordable rent in this town," he added.

He believes it is impos-

sible for four city councilors and a mayor to listen to or fairly represent the thousands of people in the city. He wants broader representation, but also for government to "get out of the way of people trying to bring improvements and changes to the city."



Michael Miller

He points to the Astoria Warming Center, which provides emergency shelter to people during the winter and which had to go through a conditional use permit process with the city last year, and local rules about operating vacation rentals. Both could have been handled with more community involvement and less government involvement, he argues.

Mental health treatment is also a concern. The sign he held during his Memorial Day weekend protest stated: "How we care for the least of us defines us as a community. Who are we?"

"Our nation's lack of treatment and concern for the mentally ill is a crime," he said. "That law enforcement and incarcerations is often the response to mental illness in this country will be a deep moral stain in the history books of the future. Our city has a responsibility not to be a willing accomplice to broad national failure."

OBITUARY

Frank Furnish Hillsboro

June 28, 1938 — June 10, 2018

On June 10, 2018, Frank Furnish Jr. passed away suddenly. Frank was born June 28, 1938, to Frank and Stella Furnish, in the town of Auburn, Washington. He grew up in Buckley, Washington, on a 40-acre farm with his siblings Alan, Ted, Melinda, Patty and Mary.

Born with an entrepreneurial and inventing spirit, he had a paper route, and his own bicycle shop, during high school. He also participated in Future Farmers of America, track and golf, and became the statewide Junior Square Dance Champion.

He graduated from Multnomah Bible College in 1963, where he met and fell in love with Beverly Sigurdson. On Aug. 10, 1963, he married his sweetheart. Over the next nine years, they had five children, filling their home with laughter, busy feet and chatter.

Frank worked a variety of jobs at the Department of Forestry, Boeing and Bell Buoy Crab Co. He also co-owned Gentle Haven Inc., an adult foster care home, in Seaside, Oregon, and served on the Oregon State Foster Home Association as a state representative.

Dad was a natural "MacGyver" with duct tape. He was skilled in problem-solving and inventing cheaper, more efficient solutions. While some said "he thought outside the box," we think he didn't know there was a box.

Passionate about the Bible and sharing

God's love, Frank established Gospel Echo Inc. (GEI), a volunteer ministry that retraced Christian radio stations into urban areas throughout the Northwest, such as K-Love and KPDQ. GEI grew to 24 translator stations, and two Class A Christian radio stations.

The king of corny jokes, dad always had a colorful, animated story and joke to share with you, leaving you with a smile and feeling good about you. He was not a quitter, and never accepted a bad day. We will greatly miss his humor, tenacity, love of God and volunteer spirit to always help and love those around him.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly; siblings, Alan and Barbara, Mary and Ed and Patty and David; children, Mark, Frank and Teresa, Bobee-Kay and Jim, JoAnn and Stephanie and James; grandchildren, Zachary, Benjamin and Allison, Alex, Rebekah, Ian, Jessica, Luke and Maddy, Gabriel, Kayla and Abby; one great-grandson, Ives; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Please join us Saturday, June 23, 2018, as we celebrate his life at 11 a.m. (viewing at 10 a.m.) at Lighthouse Christian Church, 88786 Dellmoor Loop, Warrenton, Oregon, with a reception to follow.

Please visit hughes-ransom.com to sign the online guest book.



Frank Furnish

Brownson holds meet-and-greet

The Daily Astorian

Astoria City Councilor Tom

Brownson is holding a "Meet Your Councilor" event at 9 a.m. Saturday at Three Cups

Coffee, 279 W. Marine Drive. Residents are invited to discuss city issues.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

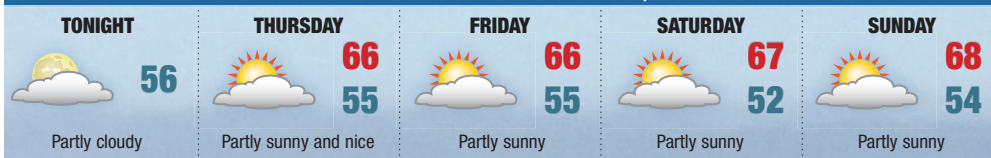
WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Seaside Transportation Advisory Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA



ALMANAC

Table with weather statistics for Astoria through Tuesday, including high/low temperatures, precipitation, and moon phases.

SUN AND MOON

Table with sunset and sunrise times for June 20, 27, and July 6, 12.

UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: First quarter moon at 3:51 a.m.

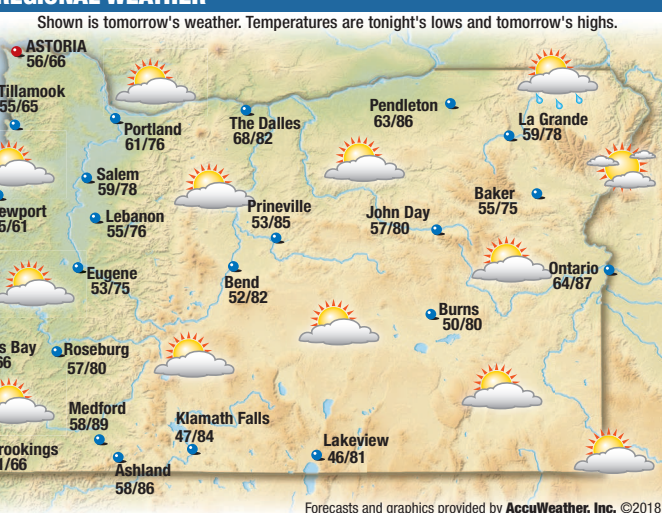
TOMORROW'S TIDES

Table with tide information for Astoria/Port Docks, including high and low tide times and heights.

NATIONAL CITIES

Table with weather forecasts for various national cities, including Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Denver, etc.

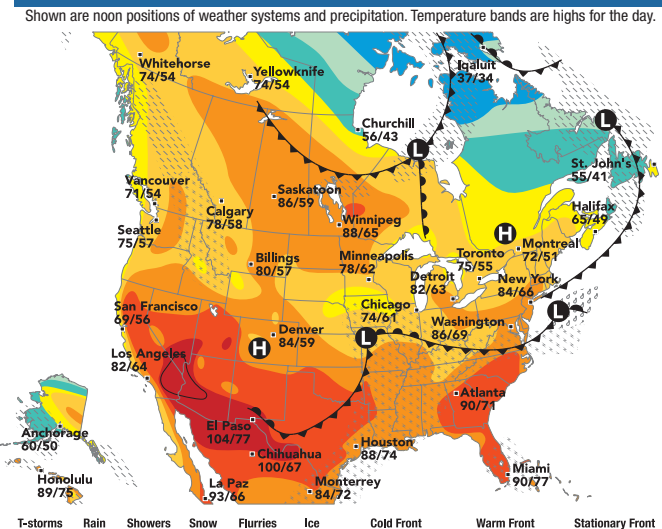
REGIONAL WEATHER



REGIONAL CITIES

Table with weather forecasts for regional cities like Baker City, Bend, Brookings, Eugene, etc.

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER



Student journalist interns in Astoria

By **EDWARD STRATTON**
The Daily Astorian

As a high schooler in Gig Harbor, Washington, Hannah Sievert was always seeking out people's stories. She grew enamored with National Public Radio's "This American Life," a weekly radio program and podcast hosted by Ira Glass, even receiving an autographed letter and photo of the journalist from her mother as a graduation present.

Sievert, 20, now a senior at the University of Portland and the editor of the campus newspaper, The Beacon, is spending her summer as The Daily Astorian's intern through the Charles Snowden Program for Excellence in Journalism.

Both of Sievert's parents work in business and encouraged her to try a different field, she said. She studies organizational communication with an English minor, mixing her literary pursuits with an understanding of effective communication skills.

She joined The Beacon her freshman year as a way to integrate on campus and has worked her way up the ranks



Edward Stratton/The Daily Astorian
Hannah Sievert, a student at the University of Portland, is spending her summer as an intern with The Daily Astorian.

as a reporter, copy editor and head of the newspaper's living section. She will serve next year as editor-in-chief.

During her time with The Beacon, Sievert has reported on a wide swath of campus issues, from a perceived lack of diversity on campus to students who want to join the clergy, a topic for which she won a national feature-writing award from the Society of Professional Journalists.

"That was so interesting just talking to them, because it's so countercultural for these kids to say, 'Yes; I'm ready for a life of celibacy,'" she said.

Her most difficult story to decipher, she said, was reporting on a professor's and his students' research into potentially harmful odors being released by Daimler Trucks North America, located in the Swan Island industrial center just below the university's campus. Sievert's most recent story with The Beacon highlighted several nonbinary students.

"It was a privilege to tell their story," she said. "A lot of them are very nervous about people knowing, but they were also like, 'This story needs to be told so other kids who feel like me feel free to express themselves.'"

Sievert isn't set on what aspect of the media she would like to work in and hopes the Snowden internship will help her test the waters as a reporter. The Snowden program, named after the longtime editor of The Oregonian and Oregon Journal, places college students in a paid summer internship with newspapers around the state.

When she's not working, Sievert said, she likes to run, hike and work on her photography and radio skills.

DEATHS

June 19, 2018
JONES, Lola W., 85, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

SPAIN, James Kyle, 92, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

June 18, 2018
HEITSTUMAN, Donald Joseph, 86, of Seaside, died in Portland. Caldwell's Funeral & Cremation Arrangement Center of Seaside is in charge of the arrangements.

June 17, 2018
PENDERGRASS, Peter Kim, 63, of Seaside, died in

Seaside. Caldwell's Funeral & Cremation Arrangement Center of Seaside is in charge of the arrangements.

June 15, 2018
HUNT, Crystal M., 59, of Seaside, died in Seaside. Caldwell's Funeral & Cremation Arrangement Center of Seaside is in charge of the arrangements.

LOTTERIES

OREGON
Tuesday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 2-2-6-2
4 p.m.: 0-5-3-4
7 p.m.: 2-5-4-1
10 p.m.: 9-8-9-3

Tuesday's Lucky Lines: 03-07-09-13-19-24-27-32
Estimated jackpot: \$17,000
Tuesday's Mega Millions: 11-13-28-65-70, Mega Ball: 14
Estimated jackpot: \$192 million

WASHINGTON
Tuesday's Daily Game: 6-1-8
Tuesday's Keno: 05-10-11-14-18-25-26-30-32-33-34-36-40-41-52-66-70-72-73-78
Tuesday's Match 4: 11-14-17-18

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