

# Republican senator calls on Portland mayor to resign

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Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez. Cynthia Nixon. Ted Wheeler?

To Portland activists sometimes given to thinking of the mayor as a law-and-order tyrant, Wheeler might seem out of place on a list with two ultra-left political candidates from New York City.

To a Republican U.S. senator from Louisiana, he fits right in.

Sen. Bill Cassidy on Tuesday filed a resolution for consideration in Congress's upper house, formally calling on Wheeler to resign from office. The Occupy ICE PDX demonstration that shuttered a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement building in Portland in June has been cleared for weeks, but in the minds of Cassidy — and President Donald Trump — the message it sent lives on.

“A mob of left-wing activists recently surrounded an ICE office in southwest Portland, Oregon, trapping ICE employees inside the building,” the proposed resolution states.

In the document, also supported by Sen. David Perdue, a Republican from Georgia, Cassidy calls on Wheeler “to immediately resign so that a leader committed to protecting all law-abiding citizens and public servants from harm can assume the duties of mayor of Portland.”

Folding in criticisms from union officials representing Portland police officers and agents of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Cassidy takes to task Wheeler's stance early on in the occupation, when he said he did not want Portland police “engaged or sucked into a conflict, particularly from a federal agency that I believe is on the wrong track.”

The resolution, first reported by Willamette Week,

likens the response to Ocasio-Cortez's support from an Occupy ICE group in Los Angeles. The Democratic congressional candidate from New York mounted a stunning primary upset of U.S. Rep. Joe Crowley earlier this year, and appears headed for victory in November.

Cassidy also folded in a mention of actress Cynthia Nixon, running for governor of New York, who has reportedly dubbed ICE a “terrorist organization.”

But it's Wheeler whom Cassidy targets for resignation.

“A politician deciding who gets help in an emergency based on politics is the kind of thing that happens in banana republics — not a democracy that ensures equal protection under the law,” Cassidy said in a statement Tuesday. “For Mayor Wheeler to abandon this principle along with people being threatened by a violent mob is unacceptable. He needs to resign immediately.”

# Governor's campaign demands TV stations stop airing ad

Associated Press

PORTLAND — An attorney for Democratic Gov. Kate Brown's re-election campaign is demanding that Oregon TV stations stop airing an attack advertisement, claiming the ad is illegal under state law because it's making false statements.

A letter by attorney Harry Wilson was sent to stations Monday, saying the recent ad by the group Priority Oregon contains several untrue statements, Oregon Public Broadcasting reported.

“This is a clear, unambiguous false statement of fact, and that is illegal,” Wilson said. “What we're asking is that these stations recognize

that Priority Oregon is breaking the law and take down the illegal ad.”

The group's ad titled “Scary” depicts a woman reading a bedtime story to her children about Oregon under Brown's leadership. The ad suggests that Brown has allowed homelessness to get out of hand, children to go hungry and seniors to be abused. At the end of the story, the woman says “you can sell drugs while running a day care,” while pointing to an illustration of a figure holding a baggie of what appears to be marijuana.

The letter takes note of that statement and cites state administrative rules that prevent people from being certi-

fied as child care providers if they hold a medical marijuana license, or grow or distribute marijuana.

“That statement is categorically and unambiguously untrue: It is illegal to sell drugs at a child care center in Oregon under numerous provisions of Oregon law,” Wilson said in the letter.

Under state law, TV stations are not liable in most cases for airing false campaign statements knowingly created by another party. Wilson acknowledged that stations are not obligated to pull the ad despite the letter's demand.

Republican state Rep. Knute Buehler is challenging Brown for the governor's office.

# Earthquake reported off the coast

Associated Press

An earthquake and aftershock have been reported today off the Oregon Coast.

The United States Geological Survey said an initial quake with a preliminary magnitude of 6.2 struck just

after 1:30 a.m., more than 170 miles west of Coos Bay.

Robert Sanders of the USGS said there is no tsunami threat associated with the quake. He said people as far away as Portland reported feeling the tremor.

Dispatch with the Coos

Bay police said there have been no reports of damage or injury.

The quake was located at a depth of about 6 miles.

About two hours later, an aftershock with a preliminary magnitude of 3.5 struck the area.

# County seeks three applicants for arts council

The Daily Astorian

Applications are open for three positions on the Arts Council of Clatsop County.

The volunteer council promotes and advocates for the arts locally. One posi-

tion runs through 2020, while the other two run through 2021.

Residents, those who own property, business owners and those who rent studio space are eligible to apply. Applications are due

Sept. 7. They are available at [www.co.clatsop.or.us](http://www.co.clatsop.or.us), the Clatsop County Manager's Office at 800 Exchange St., Suite 410 or by calling 503-325-1000.

County commissioners will make final appointments.

## IN BRIEF

### West Grand road closure set Thursday

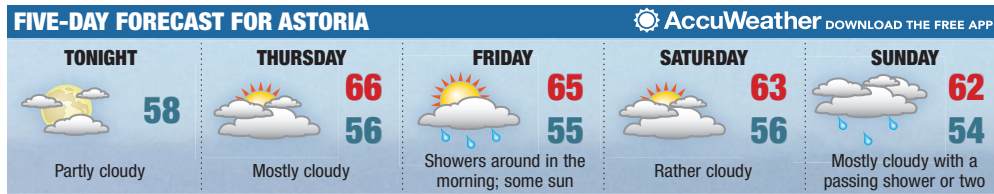
West Grand Avenue, from Lincoln Street to West Lexington Avenue, is closed for road repair from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday.

All schedules are subject to change due to weather conditions.

For questions, contact the Astoria Engineering Division at 503-338-5173.

### Dismal Nitch closed for septic system repairs

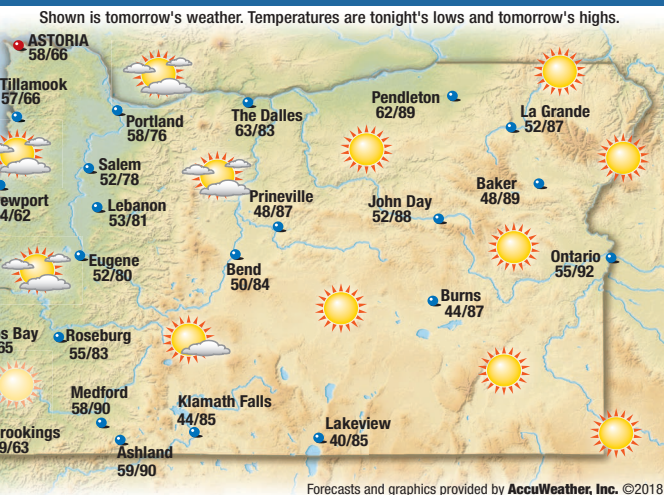
The Dismal Nitch Rest Area on State Route 401 east of the Astoria Bridge is closed for septic system repairs, the Washington Department of Transportation announced on Tuesday.



### ALMANAC

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

### REGIONAL WEATHER



### UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: The constellation Ophiuchus, the serpent bearer, fills a big wedge of the southwest sky at nightfall.

### TOMORROW'S TIDES

Table showing high and low tide times for Astoria/Port Docks on August 22, 2018.

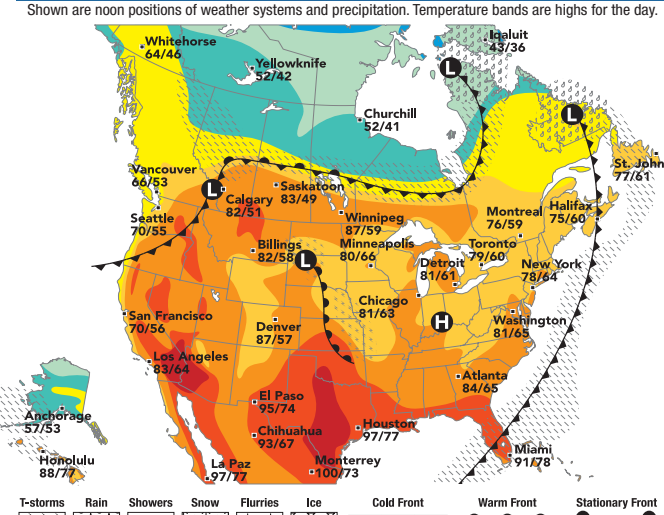
### NATIONAL CITIES

Table showing weather forecasts for various major U.S. cities.

### REGIONAL CITIES

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

### TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER



## DEATH

Aug. 12, 2018

BROWN, George D., 84, of Warrenton, died in Seaside. MedCure in Portland is in charge of the arrangements.

## MEMORIAL

Saturday, Aug. 25

JOLMA, Kerttu — Celebration of life service at 2 p.m., Mayger-Downing Community Church, 80071 Life Lane in Clatskanie. All are invited.

## ON THE RECORD

### DUII

• At 11:11 p.m. Tuesday, Taylor Wade Landwehr, 26,

of Astoria, was arrested by the Clatsop County Sheriff's Office on the 88860 block

of Youngs River Road and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

### WEDNESDAY

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

9 a.m., Astoria Transit Center Conference Room, 900 Marine Drive.

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

Astoria City Council, 7 p.m., special session on waterfront hotel appeal, City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

### THURSDAY

Sunset Empire Transportation District Board,

## LOTTERIES

### OREGON

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

Tuesday's Lucky Lines: 03-05-10-14-20-23-27-31 Estimated jackpot: \$25,000 Tuesday's Mega Millions: 14-16-19-38-57, Mega Ball: 11 Estimated jackpot: \$118 million

### WASHINGTON

Tuesday's Daily Game: 9-4-0 Tuesday's Keno: 05-06-10-23-26-28-32-36-40-41-43-44-46-48-51-53-58-65-71-74 Tuesday's Match 4: 03-07-09-11

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