# State fines Jacob estate over oil spill

*The Daily Astorian*

The state Department of Environmental Quality has issued a $6,000 penalty to the estate of late hotelier and developer Robert "Jake" Jacob over an oil spill near the Cannery Pier Hotel.

A year ago, workers at the hotel noticed an oil sheen on the Columbia River, which at one point spanned 5 miles downriver. The Coast Guard narrowed the source of the sheen to an underground tank from a former seafood cannery on property owned by Jacob. The Coast Guard estimated the cleanup of the spill and the tank at more than $700,000.

Jacob died in September.

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# Info needed to find Tillamook teen

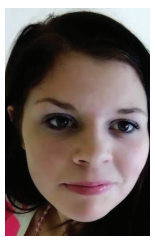
## 17-year-old has been missing since last year

*The Daily Astorian*

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children is looking for any information regarding Alexus Roberts, a 17-year-old from Tillamook who has been missing for a year.

It is believed she could still be in the region.

Roberts is 5 feet, 6 inches tall, white, with brown hair and hazel eyes. She weighs about 100 pounds and has pierced ears. The teenager has also been known to wear fake piercings in her nose, ears and lips.



**Alexus Roberts**

Roberts also has a distinctive tattoo on her left forearm of a diamond with the word "Boss."

Anyone with information can call 1-800-THE-LOST or the Tillamook Police Department at 503-815-1900.

# Businesses, organizations step up for shutdown federal employees

*The Daily Astorian*

The list of organizations and businesses supporting the Coast Guard and other furloughed or unpaid federal workers during the government shutdown is quickly growing.

The MOMS Club of Astoria and Boy Scout Troop 211 continue to collect donations at various locations around Clatsop County for the Be the Light food pantry from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Astoria Masonic Lodge, 1572 Franklin Ave. The pantry will be open to all federal employees affected by the government shutdown. For donation dropoff locations and more information, visit tinyurl.com/bethelightpantry

Wauna Federal Credit Union is offering federal employees no-interest emergency loans of up to $3,500, payable over 12 months, through its Helping Hand loan program.

The American Legion is offering one-time grants of up to $1,500 for eligible households.

In addition, Coast Guard Mutual Assistance is offering low- or no-cost loans.

The Chief Petty Officers Association of Lower Columbia River, a nonprofit that serves Coast Guard members and their families, is collecting checks and other donations. Checks can be made out to: CPOA Lower Columbia River PO Box 34, Warrenton, OR., 97146. Gift cards to local grocery stores are especially helpful.

Local Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion posts are providing grants to Coast Guardsmen and furloughed federal workers.

Numerous organizations and businesses are offering free and discounted products and services for affected federal employees, such as free pet food from the South Pacific County Humane Society; free entry to the Portland Zoo; 25 percent off beer and half off food at Rogue Ales Astoria Public House; two-for-one burgers and kids' entrees at T. Paul's Supper Club; free liposomal vitamins at Kit's Apothecary in Astoria; free yoga classes at Wild Roots Movement and Massage in Astoria; free coffee at Street 14 Cafe in Astoria; 25 percent off children's products at Watch Me Grow in Gearhart; and free doula services this month at North Star Doula, among others.

Airbnb is offering any federal executive branch employee in Oregon who hosts either an experience or three nights in their home over the three months between Dec. 18 and March 18 up to an extra $110. For more information, visit press.airbnb.com/anightonus

# High surf warning issued for the North Coast

## Waves expected to be near 25 feet

*The Daily Astorian*

A high surf warning is in effect from 10 a.m. Thursday to 10 a.m. Friday.

Waves are expected to be near 25 feet along North Coast and southwest Washington state beaches, with breaker heights up to 30 feet. Peak wave heights are expected to happen late Thursday afternoon into the evening. Bar crossings and the surf zone will be very hazardous due to strong currents and breaking waves, according to the National Weather Service.

These powerful waves can sweep people off jetties, move large beach debris, produce rip currents and cause minor beach erosion.

# Port drops case against indebted hotelier

*The Daily Astorian*

The Port of Astoria has dropped its lawsuit against Brad Smithart over unpaid rent and revenue at the Astoria Riverwalk Inn.

Smithart, who operated the hotel between 2012 and 2015, had wracked up more than $270,000 in estimated rent and revenue-sharing. But the case was supplanted by a separate lawsuit by Param Hotel Corp., a Portland-based hotel company, against the Port.

Param and the Port recently reached a settlement, including the company's takover of the hotel operation and the creation of an escrow account to pay off Smithart's debts. Smithart was set to receive more than $186,000, which the city secured as collateral on back-due lodging taxes.

# Two arrested after Warrenton motorcycle chase

*The Daily Astorian*

Two people are in custody after allegedly leading police on a motorcycle chase in Warrenton on Wednesday night.

Warrenton police attempted to stop Cameron Dean Carlson, of Vancouver, Washington, around 9 p.m. after allegedly seeing him pop a wheelie near Home Depot on U.S. Highway 101, according to a police report. The driver then sped off, leading police on a southbound chase down Highway 101 before ditching his motorcycle in a yard near Cullaby Lake. Carlson and his passenger were arrested shortly after.

Carlson, 27, was arrested on charges including attempting to elude police and reckless endangerment. A passenger was arrested and cited for possession of drugs.

## FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

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| TONIGHT | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY | MONDAY |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 45 | 50 / 46 | 53 / 41 | 49 / 39 | 51 / 42 |
| Breezy with periods of rain | Rain at times | Mostly cloudy with a touch of rain | Periods of rain | Mainly cloudy, chance of a little rain |

## ALMANAC

Astoria through Wednesday.

**Temperatures**

| | |
|---|---|
| High/low | 49°/40° |
| Normal high/low | 50°/38° |
| Record high | 61° in 1944 |
| Record low | 20° in 1984 |

**Precipitation**

| | |
|---|---|
| Wednesday | 0.12" |
| Month to date | 2.35" |
| Normal month to date | 5.53" |
| Year to date | 2.35" |
| Normal year to date | 5.53" |

## SUN AND MOON

| | |
|---|---|
| Sunset tonight | 4:59 p.m. |
| Sunrise Friday | 7:52 a.m. |
| Moonrise today | 1:51 p.m. |
| Moonset today | 4:05 a.m. |

| Full | Last | New | First |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jan 20 | Jan 27 | Feb 4 | Feb 12 |

## UNDER THE SKY

**Tonight's Sky:** Due south, the Winter Circle is in good view by around nightfall and fills almost an entire quadrant of the sky.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

## TOMORROW'S TIDES

**Astoria / Port Docks**

| Time | High | Time | Low |
|---|---|---|---|
| 10:17 a.m. | 9.7 ft. | 4:18 a.m. | 3.6 ft. |
| none | | 5:40 p.m. | -0.3 ft. |

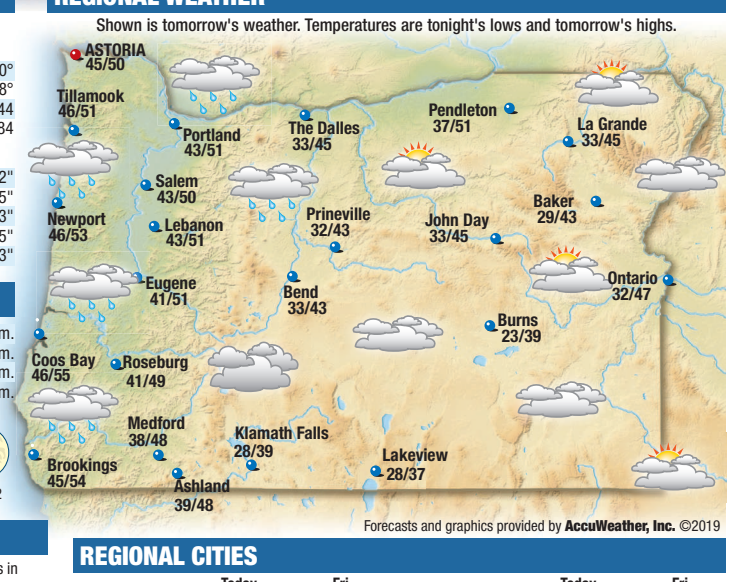
## NATIONAL CITIES

| City | Today Hi | Today Lo | Today W | Fri. Hi | Fri. Lo | Fri. W |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 52 | 45 | pc | 59 | 52 | pc |
| Boston | 29 | 25 | s | 42 | 22 | sn |
| Chicago | 34 | 23 | sf | 30 | 22 | sn |
| Denver | 54 | 33 | pc | 41 | 22 | sn |
| Des Moines | 31 | 16 | c | 27 | 13 | sn |
| Detroit | 32 | 26 | sn | 35 | 23 | c |
| El Paso | 66 | 46 | s | 65 | 37 | pc |
| Fairbanks | -4 | -13 | pc | -6 | -20 | s |
| Honolulu | 82 | 68 | pc | 80 | 68 | sh |
| Indianapolis | 39 | 28 | sn | 35 | 30 | c |
| Kansas City | 36 | 28 | i | 37 | 21 | sn |
| Las Vegas | 64 | 47 | r | 62 | 43 | s |
| Los Angeles | 62 | 51 | r | 64 | 50 | pc |
| Memphis | 57 | 42 | r | 57 | 53 | c |
| Miami | 77 | 61 | s | 79 | 66 | pc |
| Nashville | 51 | 42 | r | 53 | 48 | c |
| New Orleans | 69 | 58 | c | 71 | 63 | sh |
| New York | 31 | 29 | pc | 42 | 27 | sn |
| Oklahoma City | 53 | 39 | pc | 61 | 23 | r |
| Philadelphia | 34 | 30 | pc | 44 | 28 | pc |
| St. Louis | 41 | 30 | r | 41 | 33 | c |
| Salt Lake City | 44 | 32 | r | 39 | 27 | c |
| San Francisco | 60 | 50 | sh | 60 | 52 | c |
| Seattle | 53 | 46 | r | 53 | 46 | r |
| Washington, DC | 40 | 35 | pc | 48 | 35 | pc |

**Weather (W):** **s**-sunny, **pc**-partly cloudy, **c**-cloudy, **sh**-showers, **t**-thunderstorms, **r**-rain, **sf**-snow flurries, **sn**-snow, **i**-ice.

## REGIONAL WEATHER

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

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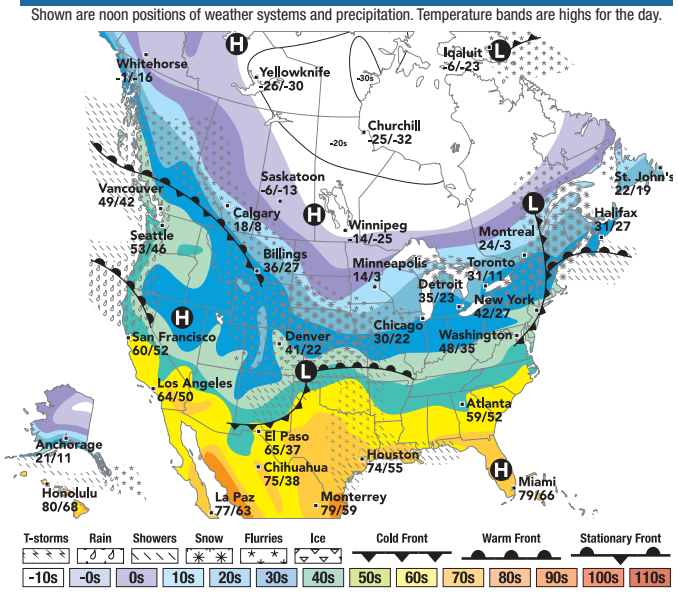
## REGIONAL CITIES

| City | Today Hi | Today Lo | Today W | Fri. Hi | Fri. Lo | Fri. W |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Baker City | 44 | 29 | r | 43 | 35 | c |
| Bend | 45 | 33 | c | 43 | 40 | c |
| Brookings | 51 | 45 | r | 54 | 49 | r |
| Eugene | 51 | 41 | r | 51 | 48 | r |
| Ilwaco | 52 | 47 | r | 51 | 48 | r |
| Klamath Falls | 43 | 28 | r | 39 | 34 | c |
| Medford | 52 | 38 | r | 48 | 43 | r |
| Newberg | 50 | 43 | r | 48 | 46 | r |
| Newport | 53 | 46 | r | 53 | 49 | r |
| North Bend | 54 | 45 | r | 55 | 51 | r |
| Olympia | 50 | 43 | r | 50 | 44 | r |
| Pendleton | 43 | 37 | r | 51 | 42 | c |
| Portland | 50 | 43 | r | 51 | 45 | r |
| Roseburg | 50 | 41 | r | 49 | 47 | r |
| Salem | 51 | 43 | r | 50 | 46 | r |
| Seaside | 52 | 46 | r | 51 | 48 | r |
| Spokane | 35 | 33 | i | 41 | 36 | c |
| Springfield | 51 | 42 | r | 51 | 48 | r |
| Vancouver | 49 | 43 | r | 49 | 45 | r |
| Yakima | 40 | 29 | c | 43 | 34 | c |

## TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER

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

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## DEATH

**Jan. 17, 2019**

MORRIS, Janis Mae, 79, of Seaside, died in Seaside. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

## MEMORIAL

**Saturday, Jan. 19**

HERNANDEZ, Blair Dylana — Celebration of life and potluck at 1 p.m., in the Chinook Room at the Astoria Riverwalk Inn, 400 Industry St.

## BIRTH

**Dec. 29, 2018**

WOMBLE, Nakesha and Zachery, of Warrenton, a boy, Jackson Harold Womble, born at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Astoria. Grandparents are Edward and Leona Henry, of Madisonville, Tennessee, and Tommy and Sherry Powell, of Nashville, Illinois.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

**THURSDAY**

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

**Astoria School Board**, 6 p.m., study session and school board interviews, 7:30 p.m., regular meeting, Capt. Robert Gray School third-floor boardroom, 785 Alameda Ave.

**Warrenton-Hammond School Board**, 6:30 p.m., special session for school board interviews, Warrenton High School library, 1700 S. Main Ave.

## LOTTERIES

**OREGON**

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

**Wednesday's Lucky Lines:** 4-7-9-14-17-24-25-32
Estimated jackpot: $19,000

**Wednesday's Megabucks:** 16-21-29-38-46-48
Estimated jackpot: $7 million

**Wednesday's Powerball:** 14-29-31-56-61, Powerball: 1
Estimated jackpot: $129 million

**WASHINGTON**

**Wednesday's Daily Game:** 7-3-4

**Wednesday's Hit 5:** 06-07-15-20-22
Estimated jackpot: $180,000

**Wednesday's Keno:** 02-03-06-12-20-23-24-27-28-29-33-34-35-38-41-52-55-72-73-74

**Wednesday's Lotto:** 02-03-20-29-40-45
Estimated jackpot: $3 million

**Wednesday's Match 4:** 05-07-17-24

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