

POINT of view

THE DAILY ASTORIAN // QUESTION OF THE WEEK

It's National Park Week. What's your favorite park, national or otherwise?



“Grand Teton National Park. I used to live in Jackson, Wyoming, and it was one of my favorite places to go. Learned to snowboard there. Lots of fun once you figure out how to stand up on the board.”

Felicia Ginther, Astoria



“Fort Stevens. I go fishing there all the time. It's clean, usually, and I get to park there free because I'm a disabled veteran.”

Bill Waite, Astoria



“Of course, Crater Lake, because I saw it as an 8-year-old child, and I was amazed. I lived in Alabama, and it's one of the seven natural wonders of the world — at least in my eyes, it is.”

Mary Paige Rose, Astoria



Heidi Lent

The sixth-grade Warrenton Water Warriors, from left, Mason Devos, Austin Palmer, London Warner, Kimber Parris, Nayomi Holmstedt and Wyatt Bond won first in the novice class of the Marine Advanced Technology Education's regional underwater robotics competition. Not pictured is team member Shelby Bruney.

Local teams win in underwater robotics competition

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Several local teams performed well in the Marine Advanced Technology Education's regional underwater robotics competition in Lincoln City.

Students had eight weeks to design an underwater robot that could simulate inspecting a hydroelectric dam, making repairs, removing debris,

testing water quality, restoring habitat for fish and recovering a mock cannon from the Civil War. They also created marketing displays and presented to judges about how they designed and built the robots.

Warrenton Grade School sent three teams to the novice scout level of the competition. The Warrenton Warriors, comprised

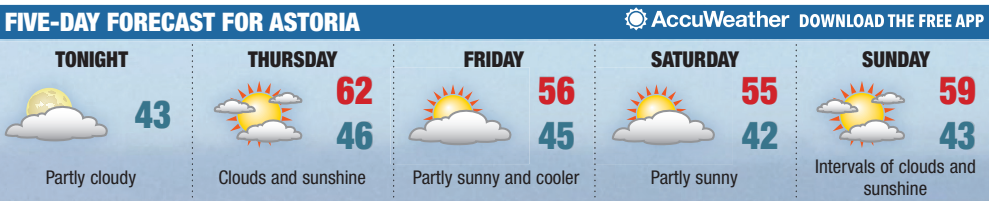
of sixth graders, took first, followed by the fifth-grade Warrenton Water Masters in second and the seventh- and eighth-grade Warrenton Warrior Waves tied for third.

The Columbia River Maritime Museum also sent a team named the Columbia River Pilots, comprised of fifth-to-seventh graders from Astoria, to the novice scout level.

Brownson to hold meet and greet Saturday

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Astoria City Councilor Tom Brownson is holding a “Meet Your Councilor” event at 9 a.m. Saturday at 3 Cups Coffee, 279 W. Marine Drive. Residents are invited to express their thoughts about what's going on in Astoria.



ALMANAC

Astoria through Tuesday.

Temperatures

High/low 54°/49°
Normal high/low 57°/42°
Record high 73° in 2018
Record low 34° in 2013

Precipitation

Tuesday 0.10"
Month to date 5.27"
Normal month to date 4.20"
Year to date 20.32"
Normal year to date 29.04"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 8:14 p.m.
Sunrise Thursday 6:12 a.m.
Moonrise today 1:09 a.m.
Moonset today 10:07 a.m.



UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Low above the southwest horizon is the bright star Sirius of Canis Major.

TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks	Time	High	Low
5:41 a.m.	7.9 ft.	12:00 a.m.	3.3 ft.
7:44 p.m.	6.8 ft.	12:56 p.m.	0.6 ft.

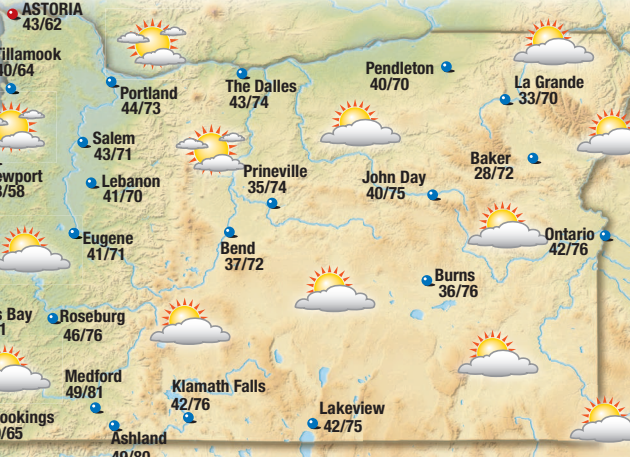
NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu.
Atlanta	84 62 s 81 60 pc	
Boston	65 46 pc 59 46 s	
Chicago	63 45 s 70 47 pc	
Denver	71 43 s 64 46 pc	
Des Moines	71 51 pc 70 46 pc	
Detroit	66 46 s 69 50 pc	
El Paso	76 55 pc 86 60 s	
Fairbanks	41 23 c 46 22 pc	
Honolulu	85 72 pc 85 72 s	
Indianapolis	64 55 sh 71 50 r	
Kansas City	68 48 pc 71 46 pc	
Las Vegas	90 70 s 94 72 s	
Los Angeles	79 58 pc 76 58 s	
Memphis	79 61 pc 72 56 t	
Miami	82 71 s 84 74 pc	
Nashville	82 60 pc 76 58 r	
New Orleans	80 66 pc 78 62 t	
New York	69 50 s 64 54 pc	
Oklahoma City	71 52 pc 76 49 c	
Philadelphia	72 52 s 67 56 c	
St. Louis	66 55 sh 73 50 c	
Salt Lake City	71 51 pc 73 57 pc	
San Francisco	74 51 s 68 50 s	
Seattle	60 44 s 61 46 pc	
Washington, DC	77 58 s 72 60 c	

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.

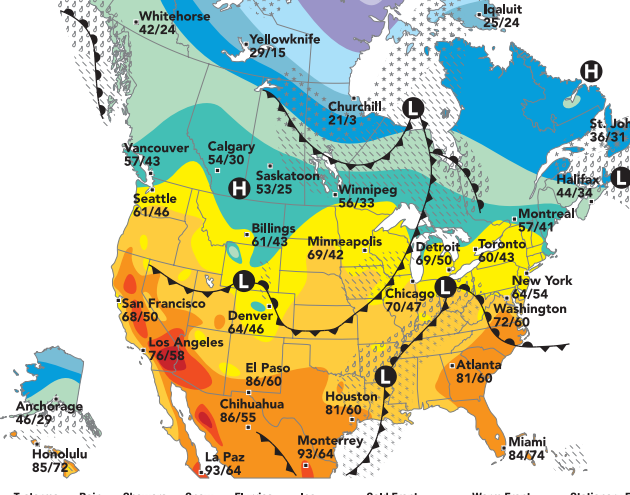


REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Thu.	W	City	Today	Thu.	W
Baker City	67 28 pc 72 42 pc			Olympia	62 38 s 65 43 pc		
Bend	67 37 pc 72 40 pc			Pendleton	66 40 pc 70 49 pc		
Brookings	67 48 pc 66 48 pc			Portland	68 44 pc 73 48 pc		
Eugene	66 41 pc 71 44 pc			Roseburg	72 46 pc 76 46 pc		
Ilwaco	57 45 s 60 47 pc			Salem	66 43 pc 71 44 pc		
Klamath Falls	73 42 pc 76 41 pc			Seaside	59 43 pc 62 47 pc		
Medford	78 49 pc 81 48 pc			Spokane	62 39 pc 64 45 pc		
Newberg	66 43 pc 71 43 pc			Springfield	65 40 pc 71 42 pc		
Newport	57 43 pc 58 46 pc			Vancouver	66 43 pc 71 45 pc		
North Bend	60 46 pc 60 48 pc			Yakima	71 41 pc 71 48 pc		

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER

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



T-storms Rain Showers Snow Flurries Ice Cold Front Warm Front Stationary Front

County unemployment dipped in March



Jobless rates for March*

Area	Feb. 2019	March 2019	1-yr. ago
Clatsop	4.6	4.5	4.1
Columbia	5.3	5.2	5.1
Tillamook	4.7	4.6	4.3
Oregon	4.4	4.4	4.1
U.S.	3.8	3.8	4

*Preliminary, seasonally adjusted rates.
Source: Oregon Employment Department
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Clatsop County's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dipped slightly in March from previous months, according to state figures.

Seasonally adjusted figures compare economic forecasts with reality. The county registered a 4.5 percent seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in March, down from 4.6 percent in February but 0.4 percent higher than the year prior.

The county had the eighth-lowest unemployment rate in the state. Its

unemployment was slightly higher than the state — 4.4 percent — and national — 3.8 percent — rates.

The county's total non-farm payroll employment in March was at 19,000, 180 more than the year prior. Over the past year, the county added 200 jobs in retail trade and 90 in leisure and hospitality.

In March, leisure and hospitality gained 190 jobs in the county with the ramp-up of the tourism season. Trade, transportation and utilities added 30. Local government education cut 40 positions.

Land conservancy pursues Tillamook Head property

By KATIE FRANKOWICZ

The Daily Astorian

The North Coast Land Conservancy hopes to buy 95 acres near Tillamook Head that will close an important gap between its properties and state land.

The organization recently secured more than \$600,000 in state funding from the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, the bulk of which will go toward the purchase of privately-owned forestland on the north face of Tillamook Head.

The land conservancy will need an additional \$200,000 to \$300,000 to acquire the property, according to Jon Wickersham, associate director.

It is a special property, he said, with salmon-bearing streams and upland forest habitat that has been logged historically but is in good shape.

The acquisition of the property is the next step in a 15-year effort by the land conservancy to preserve lands on this particular coastal headland. The organization owns Boneyard Ridge Reserve to the south and Circle Creek Habitat Reserve to the east. The Elmer Feldenheimer State Natural Area and its hiking trails are to the west.

“What’s really important about that property is the connectivity between Circle Creek and the state park land,” said Melissa Reich, stewardship director for the

land conservancy.

The property also features unique pockets of wetland and mosses more often associated with bogs and fens.

Of the \$600,000 the land conservancy is receiving from the state, \$108,829 will go toward restoring native forest habitat in the nearby Boneyard Ridge Reserve. The land conservancy plans to begin thinning a 70-acre portion of the property in the fall and introduce more diversity, both in terms of the age and species of trees. The site had been clearcut in the past and densely replanted with hemlock and spruce.

“We’ve never done forest restoration on any scale and so we’re pretty excited to dip our toes into this type of work,” Reich said.

Delores Darlene Dickson

Seaside

June 17, 1934 — April 21, 2019

Delores Dickson, 84, passed away peacefully at Avamere by the Sea Assisted Living in Seaside, Oregon, on Sunday, April 21, 2019.

Delores was the daughter of Elmer A. Kumpula and Nellie Viola Piippo Kumpula. She was born June 17, 1934, in Otto Township, Minnesota. She moved to Clatsop County as a child. Upon graduation, she worked as a nurse's aide.

On Feb. 14, 1950, she married David Dickson. David joined the Air Force, and while in Texas, they had their first daughter, Katherine. They moved back to Astoria after his tour. She was a happy homemaker, and helped with their real estate business. They welcomed their second daughter, Margaret.

She enjoyed many hobbies, which included sewing, arts and crafts and taking walks. She also liked to go fishing, clam-

ming and camping with family, including their grandchildren, over the years.

Delores was preceded in death by her husband, David Dickson, on Jan. 7, 2015; and both daughters, Katherine Jenson and Margaret Breitenbach.

Survivors are grandsons, Frank Jenson, Joseph Jenson, David Jenson, Samuel Breitenbach and Max Breitenbach. Eleven great-grandchildren also survive.

Visitation will be held at Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary, 1165 Franklin Ave., Astoria, Oregon, Friday, April 26, 2019 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Graveside services will be held May 11, 2019, at 11 a.m. at Ocean View Cemetery in Warrenton, Oregon, where she will be interred with her husband.

Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements. Please sign our online guest book at caldwellsmortuary.com



Delores Dickson

PUBLIC MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY

Cannon Beach City Council, 5:30 p.m., special meeting on Tourism and Art Funds guidelines, City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.
Clatsop County Board of Commissioners, 6 p.m., Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St., Astoria.

THURSDAY

Sunset Empire Transportation District Board, 9 a.m., Astoria Transit Center, 900 Marine Drive.
Columbia River Estuary Study Taskforce Council, noon, Suite 203, 818 Commercial St.
Astoria City Council, 1 p.m.,

work session on homelessness, Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St.

Clatsop County Recreational Lands Planning and Advisory Committee, 1 to 3 p.m., fourth floor, 800 Exchange St.
Cannon Beach Planning Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

LOTTERIES

OREGON

Tuesday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 0-9-3-9

4 p.m.: 6-8-4-5

7 p.m.: 8-0-6-3

10 p.m.: 5-8-0-1

Tuesday's Lucky Lines: 3-8-12-

14-20-21-28-30

Estimated jackpot: \$28,000

Tuesday's Mega Millions: 7-24-

68-67, Mega Ball: 9

Estimated jackpot: \$212 million

WASHINGTON

Tuesday's Daily Game: 9-2-9

Tuesday's Keno: 04-12-14-15-

18-19-20-23-34-45-47-48-49-50-

52-57-67-69-71-78

Tuesday's Match 4: 07-09-17-21

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