

SPORTS



North Coast Merchants

The North Coast Merchants' 18U softball team.

North Coast Merchants compete in Newberg

The Astorian

The North Coast Merchants were in action last weekend with two teams playing eight games over Saturday and Sunday in Newberg.

And it was a tough weekend for the Merchants, as the North Coast 18-and-under team went 1-3, as did the Merchants' 14-and-under squad in a tournament at the Darnell Wright Sports Complex.

The North Coast 18U team opened play Saturday with a 10-5 win over the Titans, as the Merchants jumped on their opponents with four runs in the first inning and six in the third.

North Coast pitchers Hannah Dietrichs and Brynn Tarabochia gave up nine hits with two strikeouts and a walk, while the Merchants made the most of their eight hits.

Julia Norris was 2-for-3 with a triple and two RBIs, Kylee Tarabochia had a double and scored three runs and Dietrichs had a triple and drove in three runs.

The Gresham Vengeance defeated the Merchants 9-6 in Saturday's second game, building a 7-6 after just two innings.

Avyree Miethe was 3-for-3 at the plate and scored twice for North Coast. Norris was 2-for-3 with a double, and Kylee Tarabochia was 2-3 and scored twice.

The Vengeance had three doubles by Peyton Bradley, Madison Knudson and Madison Sterhoff.

On Sunday, the Clackamas Bandits defeated the Merchants 9-0, as Bandit pitchers Faith

Collar and Alexis Miles allowed just three hits and a walk with nine strikeouts. Clackamas had triples from Elli Martin and Vanessa Smoke.

In Sunday's second game, Miethe was again 3-for-3, but the Vengeance scored a 4-1 win. Clackamas pitchers allowed six hits and one walk with six strikeouts.

14U results

The North Coast Merchants' 14U team lost Saturday games to the Black Widows (9-0) and Crossfire (8-1), then dropped an 11-8 decision to the Rough Riders in Sunday's first game, in which the Merchants led 4-0 after a half inning.

Taeja Tuimato was 2-for-3 at the plate and scored twice while Taylor Pass also had two hits and two runs scored.

The Rough Riders rallied with two runs in the first, two in the second and seven in the fourth.

The Merchants finally scored their first win in Sunday's second game, 13-3 over the Lions.

North Coast scored six runs in the first inning to set the tone, and added one in the second and six more in the third in their three plate appearances.

The Merchants had 10 hits, highlighted by a double from Maddie Wilkin and a triple by Lily Simpson.

Pass was the winning pitcher and was 2-for-3 at the plate with three runs scored while teammate London O'Brien had two hits and scored twice.

Down 11-3, Lower Columbia rallies for win

The Astorian

The Vancouver Mavericks and the Lower Columbia Baseball Club hooked up in a nine-inning slugfest Tuesday night at Aiken Field — a slugfest that turned into a Maverick meltdown and led to a big comeback victory for Lower Columbia's team, sponsored by Hilander Dental of Longview, Washington.

Vancouver held an 11-3 lead in the top of the fifth inning before Lower Columbia rallied with 13 runs that ultimately led to a 16-11 win in nine innings.

Four routine defensive plays for Vancouver in the bottom of the seventh instead resulted in four errors, leading to a big five-run inning for LCBC.

Offensively, five players did most of the damage for Lower Columbia. The local players from Astoria, Warrenton and Naselle combined for eight hits, six runs scored and 10 runs batted in.

The biggest day belonged to Lower Columbia catcher and recent Warrenton graduate Jake Morrow, who finished 3-4 at the plate, with four RBIs and three runs scored. He also walked twice to reach base five times.

Warrenton teammate Austin Little was

2-for-4 with three RBIs.

Vancouver scored six runs in the top of the fifth to build a seemingly safe 11-3 lead, but Maverick errors in the bottom of the fifth forced Vancouver to go deep into its bullpen.

And Lower Columbia took advantage, eventually pounding out 14 hits off seven different pitchers. The Maverick pitchers also walked nine and hit three batters.

Lower Columbia had its own problems on the mound, allowing 10 hits with six walks and three hit batters.

After closing to within 11-7 in the bottom of the fifth, Morrow highlighted the Hilander comeback with a bases-loaded double off the left field fence that brought his team to within 11-10.

After a scoreless sixth, Lower Columbia tacked on five runs in the bottom of the seventh and one in the eighth.

Lower Columbia pitchers Reed Elo (Mark Morris High School) and Kevin Barnett (R.A. Long) helped hold Vancouver scoreless over the final four innings.

Now 5-0 overall, Lower Columbia hosts a doubleheader with Rural Baseball Inc. Friday at Aiken Field beginning at 5 p.m.

OBITUARIES

Christopher Kent Stangland

Lake Oswego

Nov. 18, 1942 — April 22, 2020

Christopher "Chris" Kent Stangland was born in Astoria, Oregon, on Nov. 18, 1942, to Arthur and Artie Stangland. He passed away in Portland, Oregon, on April 22, 2020, at age 77.

He attended Astoria High School and the University of Oregon. During summers, he worked on the waterfront as a longshoreman, or in the forest building roads or clearing snags, when both of these industries were thriving on the North Coast. He also served in the Oregon Army National Guard before attending college.

Chris always wanted to be his own boss. Beginning at age 5, selling tickets to the neighborhood kids to see "artifacts" in the family garage, Chris pursued his dream to be a businessman and a creator of ideas and products. Some of these included tea towels, posters, handbags, dolls, Halloween and Christmas decorations, stainless steel pots and pans, yo-yos and Wheaties trophy boxes.

He was selected the Small Businessman of the Year from the state of Oregon for the success of his rubber stamp business, STAMPOS, a pocket stamp with the ink pad in its cap. The business began at the kitchen table and grew to 160-plus employees. He successfully expanded the single stamp into a product line that included alphabet sets, travel games, teaching aids and licensed

character stamps.

TreeSmart Industries, a company that makes and sells pencils, pens and rulers made from recycled materials is his current enterprise. We wonder if there's significance to Chris's passing on Earth Day 2020.

He was an active participant in the Boy Scouts, helping to guide many young men, including his two sons, to their Eagle Scout Award. He was inspired by this experience to continue hiking with fellow dads he had met during these scouting years.

Yearly trips to wilderness areas around America eventually prepared them to tackle the last 100 miles of the Appalachian Trail. Their hikes also included the Lost Coast Trail, where they impressed a small group of Navy Seals they encountered during that hike. Chris's ultimate goal was to hike the beginning 100 miles of the Appalachian Trail. He wanted that "book end" accomplishment once he was well again.

In addition to his wife of 45 years, Sue, he is also survived by his two sons, Robb, who lives in Portland, and Scott, who lives in New York City; sister, Saradell Poddar; brother, Tom Stangland; niece, Amanda Reed (John); and nephew, Douglas Stangland (Lucianne).

A celebration of life will be planned later this year.



Christopher Stangland

Fauci pleas for caution amid pandemic

Spike in cases across U.S.

By LAURAN NEERGAARD and RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The next few weeks are critical to tamping down a disturbing coronavirus surge, Dr. Anthony Fauci told Congress on Tuesday — issuing a plea for people to avoid crowds and wear masks just hours before mask-shunning President Donald Trump was set to address a crowd of his young supporters in one hot spot.

Fauci and other top health officials also said they have not been asked to slow down virus testing, in contrast to Trump's claim last weekend that he had ordered fewer tests be performed because they were uncovering too many infections. Trump said earlier Tuesday that he wasn't kidding when he made that remark.

"We will be doing more testing," Fauci, infectious disease chief at the National Institutes of Health, pledged to a House committee conducting oversight of the Trump administration's response to the pandemic.

The leading public health officials spent more than five hours testifying before the committee at a fraught moment, with coronavirus cases rising in about half the states and political polarization competing for attention with public health recommendations.

Fauci told lawmakers he understands the pent-up desire to get back to normal as the U.S. begins emerging from months of stay-at-home orders and business shutdowns. But that has "to be a gradual step-by-step process and not throwing caution to the wind," he said.

"Plan A, don't go in a crowd. Plan B, if you do, make sure you wear a mask," Fauci said.

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SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
70 53	69 57	64 53	65 54	67 55	66 54	64 53
Partly sunny	Clouds and sun	A shower	A brief shower	Showers possible	Chance of a shower	Partial sunshine

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Astoria through Tuesday

Temperatures

High/low	76/52
Normal high/low	65/51
Record high	90 in 1926
Record low	40 in 1977

Precipitation

Tuesday	0.00"
Month to date	1.97"
Normal month to date	2.13"
Year to date	37.58"
Normal year to date	35.74"

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UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Emerging in from the east, Delphinus, the Dolphin, is the smallest constellation of the night sky.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	5:25 a.m.
Sunset tonight	9:11 p.m.
Moonrise today	10:06 a.m.
Moonset today	12:09 a.m.

	First	Full	Last	New
	June 28	July 4	July 12	July 20

TODAY'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks	Time	High (ft.)	Time	Low (ft.)
4:09 a.m.	8.2	11:20 a.m.	-0.9	
5:56 p.m.	7.0	11:32 p.m.	2.6	
Cape Disappointment	Time	High (ft.)	Time	Low (ft.)
3:47 a.m.	8.0	10:30 a.m.	-1.0	
5:35 p.m.	6.9	10:41 p.m.	3.2	
Hammond	Time	High (ft.)	Time	Low (ft.)
4:04 a.m.	8.4	10:48 a.m.	-1.2	
5:43 p.m.	7.3	11:00 p.m.	2.9	
Warrenton	Time	High (ft.)	Time	Low (ft.)
4:04 a.m.	8.6	11:04 a.m.	-0.8	
5:51 p.m.	7.4	11:16 p.m.	2.7	
Knapapa	Time	High (ft.)	Time	Low (ft.)
4:46 a.m.	8.4	12:21 p.m.	-0.8	
6:33 p.m.	7.3	none		
Depoe Bay	Time	High (ft.)	Time	Low (ft.)
2:57 a.m.	7.9	9:59 a.m.	-1.5	
4:49 p.m.	6.8	10:12 p.m.	3.0	

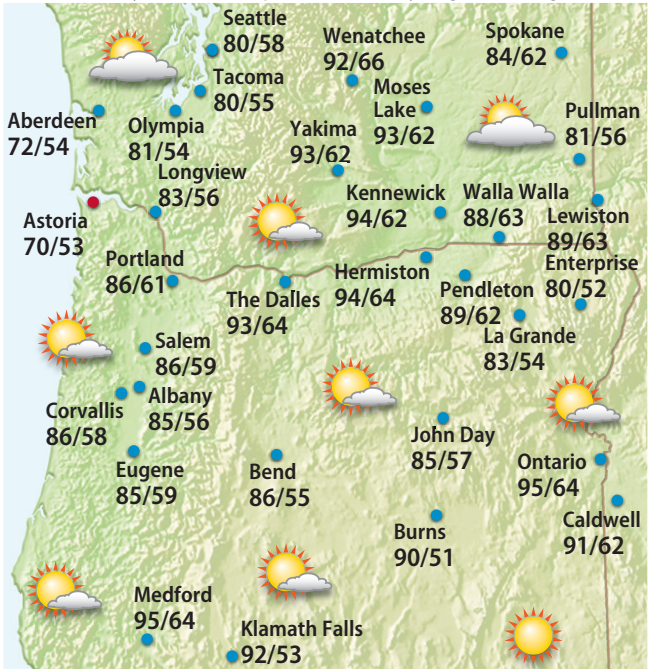
NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	76/66/pc	83/70/t
Boston	82/66/s	83/67/pc
Chicago	84/66/pc	89/73/c
Dallas	89/71/pc	91/72/pc
Denver	91/58/pc	78/55/t
Honolulu	87/75/pc	88/75/s
Houston	86/74/t	88/76/pc
Los Angeles	80/63/pc	80/63/pc
Miami	93/80/pc	92/80/pc
New York City	85/69/pc	88/71/s
Phoenix	111/80/pc	108/81/s
San Francisco	72/56/pc	75/57/pc
Wash., DC	86/69/pc	88/71/pc
Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, l-ice.		

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REGIONAL FORECAST

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



City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Fri. Hi/Lo/W
Baker City	86/51/s	91/56/s	North Bend	67/54/s	68/56/s
Brookings	74/58/s	78/59/s	Roseburg	89/64/pc	91/63/s
Ilwaco	68/56/pc	66/56/pc	Seaside	69/54/pc	69/56/pc
Newberg	86/57/pc	86/60/s	Springfield	85/58/s	87/58/s
Newport	63/48/s	64/52/s	Vancouver	84/59/pc	85/61/s