

SPORTS

# Merchants win another nationals title

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The Astorian

Another summer, another nationals title for a local youth softball team.

It took three meetings between the same two teams from Clatsop County to decide a champion, but the 12U North Coast Merchants finally prevailed, as they defeated the Future Fish of Astoria 4-2 in the final game (division 12C) of the North American Fastpitch Association Summer Nationals, held last week at locations in Aurora, Newberg and Yamhill.

A North Coast 14U team won a similar championship last summer.

The 12U Merchants and the Future Fish both went



The 12U state champion North Coast Merchants.

2-0 in pool play, with the Future Fish scoring wins of 15-0 over the Lady Braves of Banks, and 18-7 over the Washington Rage.

The Merchants — who are based out of Warren-

ton but include four Knappa players and three from the southwest Washington state peninsula — scored a pair of close victories against the Rampage Falcons (2-1) and the Glide Wildcats (8-5).

Natalie Pike had the Merchants' only hit in the narrow win over the Falcons.

The Future Fish played 11 games in four days, including five on the final day. The team's award for co-Most Valuable Players of the tournament was shared by Augusta Hayrynen and Kate Barendse. Haily Svenson, Aryana Adams and Finley Cameron were all-stars.

Pike was the Merchants' MVP, while Gracelyn Brown, Makaila Warfield and Lucy Smith earned all-star awards.

Makenzee Graff won the tournament's home run derby, and Warfield won the longest throw competition. Both are from the Long Beach Peninsula.

OBITUARIES

## Raymond Stanley Falck Warrenton and Harper Aug. 3, 1929 — July 22, 2021

Raymond Stanley (Ray) Falck was born Aug. 3, 1929, in Weldon, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Ray passed away peacefully July 22, 2021, at Oxford Senior Care in Abbotsford, British Columbia, Canada.

Ray was the eighth of 10 children, five girls and five boys. He is survived only by his sister, Maudie Robertson, of Red Deer, Alberta, Canada.

Ray's father, Rudolph Falck, immigrated from Nor-

way to Weldon around 1909. Ray's mother, Stella Hanson Falck, was born in Bridgewater, South Dakota, and immigrated to Saskatchewan with her parents.

Ray graduated from Weldon High School. He worked on the family farm for a few years before moving to Prince Albert, Saskatche-



Raymond Falck

wan, and then on to Portland, where he began his bartending career.

Ray married Teresa Shira, along with her six children, in 1968, and they bought Ray's Tavern in Warrenton. They operated the tavern until 1981, when they sold it to retire and do some traveling.

They later bought a house in Harper, where Teresa was raised, and they lived there until Teresa's passing in 2003.

Ray and Marilyn Peterson became loving partners, and traveled and spent time between Harper and Abbotsford, where Marilyn owns a home.

There will be a graveside service at Ocean View Cemetery in Warrenton on Aug. 28 at 1 p.m.

## Flora Mae Chan

Astoria

Nov. 9, 1916 — July 30, 2021

Flora Mae Chan, lovingly known as "Cookie" to all of her friends and family, passed away on July 30, 2021.

At 104 years old, she lived without health issues, and died when her body found its natural end.

Cookie was born in Astoria, on Nov. 9, 1916, to Fong How Wong (Mary Fong) and Lum Sue in the back of the family grocery store, Lum Quing Grocery, at 373 Bond St. She remained a lifetime resident of Astoria.

She graduated from Astoria High School in 1936, and completed her training as a registered nurse at Good Samaritan Hospital in 1945.

After graduation, she worked at the Astoria clinic for 25 years, helping thousands of babies to come into this world. Cookie was a talented knitter and quilter, who always kept her hands busy — and she would send babies from the clinic home with a hand-knitted cap.

Cookie enjoyed golfing until the age of 90, quilting until the age of 95, and daily walks around the Astoria boardwalk, and then the

Clatsop Retirement Village, until her body would no longer let her.

She loved food, and would be found at the refrigerator each night with a hot dog or lion's head meatball as a "midnight snack."

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her sisters, Anna Tsu and Nancy Luck; brothers, John and George; and her husband, Harvey Thomas Chan.

She is survived by her brother, David Lum; three children, Harvey Chan Jr., Deborah Robertson and Kathryn Chan; six grandchildren, Baron, Dwight, Teruko, Heidi Jo, Mary Jo and Mariko Ashley; six great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews, whom she loved as her own.

A brief funeral service will be held on Friday at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Astoria.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Astoria High School Scholarships fund at astoriascholarshipfund.org



Flora Chan

## Louann Luce Riner

Longview, Washington

April 6, 1935 — July 13, 2021

Louann Luce Riner, 86, passed away July 13, 2021, in Longview, Washington.

She was born in Baker City to Raymond O. Luce and Marion (Snook) Luce on April 6, 1935.

Louann lived in Baker City until the age of 12, when her parents moved to Astoria to purchase the mortuary known as Ginn Mortuary, and named the business Luce Funeral Home, now called Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary.

Louann married G. Charles (Chuck) Anderson on June 10, 1958. They had two children, Gary Anderson and Lori Anderson. Louann remarried, to James Riner in 1998, and lived in Longview, Washington.

Some of Louann's favorite activities were bicycle riding, line dancing, walking at Lake Sacajawea and being with grandchildren and friends in her Golden Girls Red Hats group.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Raymond and Marion Luce; her husband, James Riner; and her stepdaughter, Cynthia Thomas.



Louann Riner

Surviving are a son, Gary Anderson (Janell); daughter, Lori Anderson; stepdaughter, Janice Barrera; two grandsons, Brian Anderson (Abby Viens) and Michael Anderson (Sara Carsner); two great-grandchildren, Alyvia Anderson and Collin Anderson; three step-grandchildren, Terry Andrus, Steven Andrus and Julio Barrera; and two great step-grandchildren, Marcus Hawkins and Kaila Andrus.

She will be interred at Mount Hope Cemetery in Baker City, with a private family service.

There will be a memorial service for Louann Riner on Aug. 14 at 1 p.m. The service will be held at Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary, 1165 Franklin Ave. in Astoria.

There will be a reception following the service, at 2 p.m., at Grace Community Baptist Church, 1195 Irving Ave.

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

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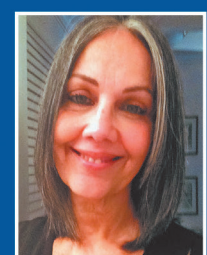
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### SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
68 58	67 55	67 56	67 55	68 54	70 56	72 57
Low clouds	A brief shower or two	Mainly cloudy	A shower possible	Partly sunny	Clearing	Clouds and sunshine

### ALMANAC

Astoria through Tuesday

**Temperatures**

High/low ..... 68/56  
Normal high/low ..... 68/55  
Record high ..... 85 in 1988  
Record low ..... 43 in 1969

**Precipitation**

Tuesday ..... 0.00"  
Month to date ..... 0.02"  
Normal month to date ..... 0.07"  
Year to date ..... 37.51"  
Normal year to date ..... 38.07"

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### UNDER THE SKY

**Tonight's Sky:** Delphinus is a moderately small and faint constellation near the star Altair in Aquila.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

### SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today ..... 6:02 a.m.  
Sunset tonight ..... 8:40 p.m.  
Moonrise today ..... 2:47 a.m.  
Moonset today ..... 7:20 p.m.

New First Full Last  
Aug 8 Aug 15 Aug 22 Aug 29

### TODAY'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks	Time	High (ft.)	Time	Low (ft.)
12:52 p.m.	6.1	6:28 a.m.	-0.3	
11:47 p.m.	7.6	6:03 p.m.	3.2	
<b>Cape Disappointment</b>				
12:42 p.m.	5.7	5:42 a.m.	0.0	
11:27 p.m.	7.7	5:21 p.m.	3.5	
<b>Hammond</b>				
12:49 p.m.	6.0	6:00 a.m.	-0.3	
11:37 p.m.	7.8	5:41 p.m.	3.3	
<b>Warrenton</b>				
12:47 p.m.	6.5	6:12 a.m.	-0.2	
11:42 p.m.	8.0	5:47 p.m.	3.3	
<b>Knappa</b>				
1:29 p.m.	6.4	7:29 a.m.	-0.2	
none		7:04 p.m.	2.7	
<b>Depoe Bay</b>				
12:00 p.m.	6.0	5:13 a.m.	-0.1	
10:41 p.m.	7.9	4:49 p.m.	3.8	

### NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Fri.
Atlanta	85/71/pc	84/70/c
Boston	71/67/r	82/69/pc
Chicago	84/68/pc	83/69/t
Dallas	91/73/pc	93/75/s
Denver	92/65/s	95/62/pc
Honolulu	87/77/sh	87/76/pc
Houston	92/76/pc	94/76/t
Los Angeles	87/64/s	84/62/s
Miami	90/80/t	90/80/t
New York City	78/67/c	86/72/pc
Phoenix	109/88/s	108/88/pc
San Francisco	69/59/pc	74/58/pc
Wash., DC	87/69/pc	90/71/s

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

### REGIONAL FORECAST

