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TODAY SATURDAY SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY
Mostly cloudy Periods of clouds and sun Mostly cloudy A passing shower in the morning Mostly cloudy with a few showers

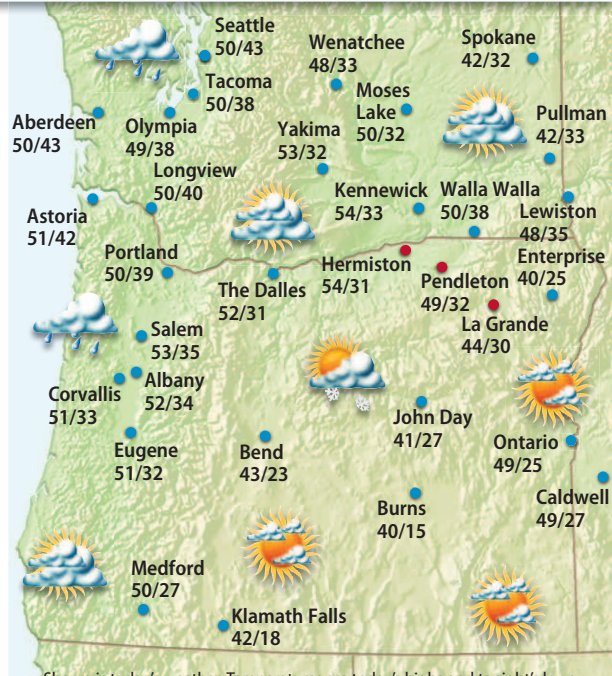
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PENDELTON through 3 p.m. yesterday
TEMPERATURE
YESTERDAY HIGH LOW
Records 70° (1896) -1° (1909)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.25"
Month to date 0.82"
Normal month to date 0.70"

HERMISTON through 3 p.m. yesterday
TEMPERATURE
YESTERDAY HIGH LOW
Records 66° (1965) -7° (1955)

SUN AND MOON
Sunrise today 6:57 a.m.
Sunset tonight 4:22 p.m.
Moonrise today 5:54 a.m.
Moonset today 4:28 p.m.



REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Mostly cloudy today; a shower; however, dry in the south.
Eastern and Central Oregon: Intervals of clouds and sunshine today; a flurry in central parts.

REGIONAL CITIES

Table with columns: Today (Hi, Lo, W), Sat. (Hi, Lo, W). Lists cities like Astoria, Baker City, Bend, Brookings, Burns, Enterprise, Eugene, Heppner, Hermiston, John Day, Klamath Falls, La Grande, Meacham, Medford, Newport, North Bend, Ontario, Pasco, Pendleton, Portland, Redmond, Salem, Spokane, Ukiah, Vancouver, Walla Walla, Yakima.

WORLD CITIES

Table with columns: Today (Hi, Lo, W), Sat. (Hi, Lo, W). Lists cities like Beijing, Hong Kong, Jerusalem, London, Mexico City, Moscow, Paris, Rome, Seoul, Sydney, Tokyo.

WINDS

(in mph) Today Saturday
Boardman WSW 10-20 WSW 3-6
Pendleton WSW 8-16 WSW 4-8

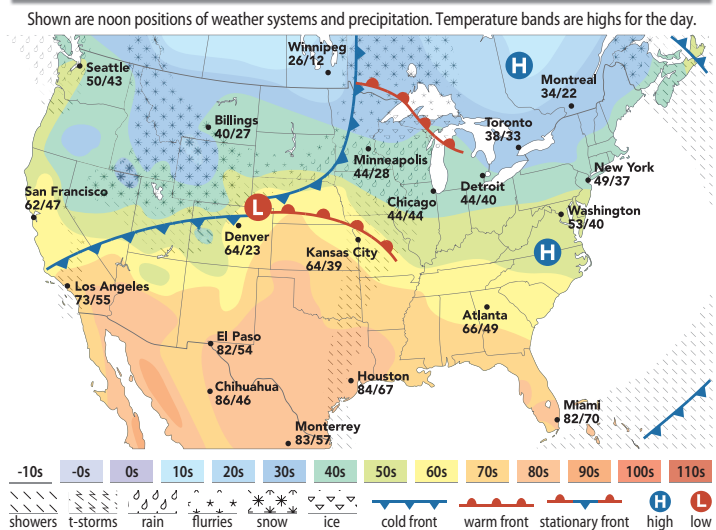
UV INDEX TODAY



8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.
0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



National Summary: Wet weather is forecast from part of the upper Mississippi Valley to the southern Rockies today. Some rain and mountain snow will linger along the Pacific coast as snow falls on the northern Rockies.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 90° in Tucson, Ariz. Low 9° in Logan, Mont.

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Jim Crary sees opportunity to unseat Walden

By JADE MCDOWELL
East Oregonian

Unseating an incumbent like Greg Walden from Congress is a steep uphill battle, but challenger Jim Crary smells an opportunity.

Crary, one of several Democrats vying for their party's nomination, was tapped to run against Walden for the District 2 seat in the 2016 general election. He lost with only 28 percent of the vote, but he said the difference in dissatisfaction with Walden and the Republican party this time around seems like "night and day."

People are unhappy about Walden's prominent role in engineering a health care bill that would have caused an estimated 10 percent of his constituents to lose their health insurance, Crary said. He said Republicans promised for seven years that they had a much better plan than the Affordable Care Act, then it turned out they didn't have any plan "on the shelf" when they took charge.

"Obviously they're great at criticizing but not great at constructing," he said. Crary said there were about 140 people at a candidate forum in Bend on Monday night. Last time around, he said, it was hard to get 25 people to show up to something this early in the race.

Crary's motto, printed right on his business cards, is "Don't criticize unless you have a better idea." One of Crary's biggest ideas is for campaign finance

reform — the issue that first inspired him to run in 2016.

The Ashland Democrat said he doesn't think it's possible with today's congressional and Supreme Court makeup to pass a constitutional amendment or overturn the Citizens United decision that designated political donations as protected free speech. But Crary said there are ways to dilute the power of that money and the wealthy donors who spend it.

Crary envisions a public financing system that would give each registered voter \$50 from the federal government to donate to any candidate or ballot measure that they would be able to vote on in the coming year. If the voters participated in the primaries, they would get another \$10 to donate toward the general election. Crary said if every Oregonian who voted for him in 2016 gave him \$10, that would be more than \$1.66 million.

"Let me tell you this, you can run a really credible campaign on that amount of money," he said.

Besides health care, the other issue that has become especially important to Crary this time around is the environment. Crary said he "absolutely" believes in man-made climate change, and called the Trump administration's decision to pull out of the Paris climate accord "going backward."

Crary acknowledged that he spent about six years of his career working for the oil company BP in their contracts and procurement department, but said those

days are behind him. He said the country doesn't have time to "screw around" on climate change, and needs to implement a cap and trade carbon tax that would charge polluters for excess carbon emissions and then either return the money directly to individual taxpayers or put it toward things like renewable energy and electric cars.

"If everyone was driving electric vehicles charged with renewable energy, that's nirvana," he said. Crary said one thing he did agree with President Donald Trump about was that the country needed to invest in updating and building new infrastructure. It's something that labor on the left and businesses on the right both agree with, he said, so it didn't make sense that Congress wasn't pursuing it.

Crary has lived east of Ashland for about 11 years and was born and raised in Fargo, North Dakota. He served two years in the Army before graduating with a bachelor's degree from Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma and a law degree from University of San Diego. He has held a variety of jobs over his career, including 14 years working for the municipality of Anchorage's legal department. He is married with four children.

Crary is on a three-day trip to Hermiston that has included several meet and greets with constituents, but he also encouraged people to email him at Jim@Crary4Congress.com or give him a call on his cell phone at 541-531-2912. He said if elected to Congress he has pledged to spend at least five hours a week personally answering the phones in his office.

Irrigon man involved in Malheur takeover sentenced to prison

By STEVEN DUBOIS
Associated Press

PORTLAND — A federal judge sentenced a man Thursday to a year and a day in federal prison for digging a trench during last year's armed takeover of a national wildlife refuge in Oregon. Duane Ehmer, 47, of Irrigon, was found guilty in March of depredation of government property.



Ehmer

The trial in which three other men were convicted came months after occupation leader Ammon Bundy and six co-defendants were found not guilty in a separate trial.

Dozens of people occupied the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge from Jan. 2 to Feb. 11, 2016, in a protest against federal control of Western lands and the imprisonment of two ranchers.

They were allowed to come and go for several weeks as authorities tried to avoid bloodshed seen in past standoffs at Waco, Texas, and Ruby Ridge, Idaho. Bundy and other key figures were arrested on a Jan. 26, 2016, traffic stop away from the refuge

that ended with police fatally shooting occupation spokesman Robert "LaVoy" Finicum.

Anxiety gripped the refuge the next morning, with a dwindling number of Bundy followers fearing the government was about to violently storm the place. Ehmer, a military veteran, said he and another man dug the trench as a defense.

"I dug that hole, there's no doubt about it; I never denied that," Ehmer told the judge Thursday. "But it was only to save human life, my own and the lives of my friends."

U.S. District Judge Anna Brown said Ehmer was trespassing, so there was no reasonable excuse for damaging property that also contained artifacts important to the Burns Paiute Tribe.

Ehmer, who often dresses patriotically, wore an American flag blazer to his sentencing. He told the judge he has the "utmost respect" for Native Americans and would never knowingly disturb culturally sensitive artifacts. Brown later pointed out that Ehmer never apologized to the tribe.

Barreto re-elected to House GOP leadership team

State Rep. Greg Barreto (R-Cove) has been re-elected to serve as deputy leader of the Oregon House Republicans heading into the 2018 short legislative session.

Rep. Mike McLane, of Powell Butte, will once again serve as House Republican leader when the session begins Feb. 5, the caucus announced Thursday.

"We have an excellent leadership team in place headed into the February legislative session," McLane wrote in a press release. "I look forward to working alongside them and the rest of my colleagues in the Republican caucus to restore some common sense to our state government."

Rep. Duane Stark, of

Grants Pass, was chosen to take over for Jodi Hack as the Republican whip. Hack, originally from Pendleton, recently resigned from the Legislature to become CEO of the Oregon Home Builders Association.

Three assistant leaders were also appointed by McLane, including Sherrie Sprenger of Scio, Carl Wilson of Grants Pass and Cliff Bentz of Ontario.

Baker City tables nuisance-property ordinance

BAKER CITY (AP) — The Baker City Council took no action this week on a proposed ordinance that would allow the city to seek court orders blocking access to problem properties — including by the owner.

The Baker City Herald

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reports the proposal put forth by the police chief has generated controversy in the eastern Oregon city.

The ordinance defines a chronic disorderly property as one that has been the site of multiple arrests, or violations of the city's animal and property maintenance regulations. If the court granted an order, access to the properties would be cut off from three

months to a year.

Police Chief Wyn Lohner says the proposal is based on a nearly identical one in Springfield, and gives property owners a chance to fix problems before courts are involved.

Opponents told councilors the ordinance would target elderly and disabled residents who have trouble maintaining their property.

FREE THANKSGIVING MEAL
The Faith Center Church is offering Thanksgiving meals for families in need.
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