



Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

For the week ending February 19, 2010

OREGON COAST

- **LifeWorks NW**, the addiction treatment agency for Clatsop County, will close its **Seaside** and **Astoria** offices by July 1. *Daily Astorian, 2-12-10*
- **Whiskey Creek Barbeque and Grill** opened in **Netarts**. *Headlight Herald, 2-10-10*
- **Claws and Paws Pet Supply** opened in **Toledo**. It employs two people. *News Times, 2-10-10*
- **Hawthorne Enterprises**, owner of **Coos Bay Toyota**, added 10 workers in recent months by expanding operations to include **Budget Auto Sales**, a used-car lot; **Bayshore Auto Detail**; and a fleet of rentals. *The World, 2-17-10*
- The **Comfort Inn** in **Garibaldi** has been replaced by the **Garibaldi House Inn & Suites**. Three employees have been added. *Headlight Herald, 2-13-10*

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SOUTHERN OREGON

- A shortage of providers is forcing **Roseburg Veteran Affairs Medical Center** to contract out some of its services. It converted its intensive care unit to a telemetry floor, which treats patients needing less care and reduced the number of beds from six to two. *Bandon Western World, 2-10-10*
- **Second To None**, an antique and collectibles store, opened in **Drain**. *News-Review, 2-14-10*
- **Inspiration Mixes** opened in **Roseburg**. It produces gluten free mixes for bread, pizza dough, and cookies. *The News-Review, 2-7-10*

CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- **Roadhog Motorsports** in **Redmond** will close on February 27. It sells motorcycle parts and accessories. *Bend Bulletin, 2-17-10*
- **Fitzwise 4 Kids** in **Bend** will close on March 1. *Bend Bulletin, 2-10-10*
- The **Klamath Falls City Schools** will likely cut four school days this year due to an expected budget shortfall. The furlough days are expected to save the district \$540,000. *Herald and News, 2-13-10*

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EASTERN OREGON

- Sixty-seven workers laid off from **Ash Grove Cement Company's Durkee** plant in December will return to work. Details about resuming production at the plant will be announced at a later date. *Baker City Herald, 2-10-10*
- **WC Construction** of **Elgin** won the \$8 million contract to replace the Pendleton Round-Up's west grandstand section. Counting subcontractors, the project will employ more than 100 workers and should be completed in time for the Round-Up's 100-year celebration in September. *The Observer, 2-3-10*

PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- **Vestas Americas**, the sales and service arm of Danish wind-turbine maker Vestas Wind Systems, cut 114 positions of its North American workforce, including 15 in **Portland**, due to softening demand for renewable energy projects. *The Oregonian, 2-11-10*
- **Woo Jung Oak** restaurant opened in **Beaverton**. It offers Korean dishes including tofu soup and barbecue short ribs, beef, and chicken. *The Oregonian, 2-11-10*
- Construction of the **Stafford Hills Racquet and Fitness Club** in **Tualatin** will begin by mid-year. *Daily Journal of Commerce, 1-12-10*
- **Wizer's Lake Grove Market** is closing. *Lake Oswego Review, 2-10-10*
- **Nico's Italian Buffet** opened in **Hillsboro**. It offers made-to-order pastas, lasagna, and chicken and eggplant parmesan. *The Oregonian, 2-11-10*
- Groundbreaking will take place in February on **Springbrook Station**, a \$1.8-million, two-building retail complex in **northeast Vancouver**. **7-Eleven** and a cell phone store will occupy one building and the other will be available for lease. *The Columbian, 1-27-10*
- **Basco's Burgers**, a **Cornelius** landmark for 30 years, is closing. In addition to the owner, it employed three people. *Forest Grove News Times, 2-10-10*

WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- **Aumsville IGA** closed. It employed 10 people. *Statesman Journal, 2-15-10*
- **Five Guys Burgers and Fries** will open this spring in **Salem**. A second Salem location and one in **Corvallis** could open within the next year and a half. *Statesman Journal, 2-16-10*
- **Taco Del Mar** in **north Eugene** has closed. *Register-Guard, 2-18-10*
- **Coffee Paradigm** in **Keizer** closed. *Statesman Journal, 2-10-10*
- **Flat Tail Brewing** will open this month in **Corvallis**. *Corvallis Gazette-Times, 2-15-10*
- **Primetime Pizza** closed its **Keizer** location and opened in **west Salem**. *Statesman Journal, 2-10-10*