



# Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

For the week ending June 4, 2010

## OREGON COAST

- The **Veteran's Administration** opened a health clinic in **Newport**. It is co-located with the **Newport Community Health Center**. *News Guard, 5-26-10*
- The **Bridge Restaurant** opened in **Gold Beach**. *Curry County Reporter, 5-13-10*
- **Columbia Pacific Law Firm** opened in **Astoria**. *Daily Astorian, 5-13-10*
- **Jeannie's Barber Cottage** opened in **Toledo**. *News Times, 5-12-10*
- **Wauna Federal Credit Union** will open a second, full-service branch in **Astoria**. *Daily Astorian 5-13-10*
- **Donya Marie's Beyond Chocolate** – a manufacturing, wholesale, retail, and restaurant business – opened in **Newport**. It makes a variety of food items, such as bread, salad dressing, and drink mixes, that are combined with dark chocolate. *News Times, 6-2-10*

## SOUTHERN OREGON

- **Willie D's Pub and Eatery** in **Roseburg** closed. *The News Review, 5-9-10*
- **Roseburg-based Lacuna Inc.** acquired the assets of APEX Block from Arxx Building Products Inc. and plans to expand in Roseburg with a new manufacturing plant and headquarters that will employ 100 people. APEX Block is made from recycled expanded polystyrene, commonly called Styrofoam, and can replace wood and concrete block as a building material. *The News Review, 6-2-10*

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## CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- **Wonderland Toy Shoppe** opened in **Bend's Old Mill District**. *Cascade Business News, 5-19-10*
- **Klamath County** will lay off 30 employees due to budget shortfalls. *Herald and News, 5-20-10*
- **Hearing Specialists of America** opened in **Prineville**. *Central Oregonian, 5-19-10*
- **Deschutes County** laid off five people due to a closure of a portion of its juvenile facility. *Bend Bulletin, 5-8-10*

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## EASTERN OREGON

- **The Movie Gallery** store in **Baker City** will close. It employs seven people. *Baker City Herald, 5-14-10*
- The **Union-Baker Education Service District** will shut down its alternative education program at the end of the school year, eliminating 3.5 positions at the district's **Haines** education center. The district will begin operating its own alternative education program in 2010-2011. *The Observer, 5-14-10*

## PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- **H&M**, the popular Swedish clothier, will open at **Pioneer Place** in **Portland**. *Portland Business Journal, 5-27-10*
- **Agave Grill**, a Mexican restaurant, opened at **Bridgeport Village** in **Tigard**. *The Oregonian, 5-29-10*
- The **City of Portland** will eliminate 17 positions in its **Bureau of Development Services**. *Daily Journal of Commerce, 5-27-10*
- **Withers Lumber** opened in **Molalla**. *Molalla Pioneer, 5-27-10*
- **Forest Grove Lumber** in **McMinnville** closed. It employed 50 people. *News Register, 5-30-10*
- **Umpqua Bank** opened a branch in the **Sellwood** area of **Portland**. *Portland Business Journal, 5-19-10*
- **Piccolina** – a resale store offering children's clothing, maternity wear, books, toys, and new locally handcrafted items – opened in southeast **Portland**. *The Bee, 5-5-10*

## WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- **Willamette Auto Group** in **Salem** will close on June 15. It employs about 30 people. *Statesman Journal, 6-2-10*
- **The Riverfront Restaurant** will open in **Corvallis** this summer. It will offer Vietnamese specialties, steak, pasta dishes, and a sushi bar. *Corvallis Gazette-Times, 6-2-10*
- Two area wood product manufacturers are cutting back production to help reconcile market supply with low demand. **Swanson Group** will shut down its sawmills in **Glendale** and **Noti** for the week following Memorial Day, affecting 110 employees. **Seneca Sawmills** in **Eugene** has cut back to two 36-hour shifts. *Register-Guard, 5-21-10*
- **Bread Board**, an artisan bakery, will open in **Falls City**. *Polk County Itemizer-Observer, 5-26-10*
- **Grape Solar**, a Chinese solar panel distributor, plans to set up an assembly plant in west **Eugene**. It may employ up to 150 people doing assembly work and 40 to 50 support staff. *Register-Guard, 6-3-10*