



Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

For the week ending August 20, 2010

OREGON COAST

- **Astoria Indoor Gardening Supply** opened. It employs two people. *Daily Astorian, 8-5-10*
- **Health Record Resources**, a business that makes products to store medical records, opened in **Tillamook**. *Headlight Herald, 8-11-10*
- **Michael's Arts & Crafts** will open in **Warrenton**. *The Columbia Press, 8-13-10*
- **Dottie's Corner**, a gift shop, opened in **Brookings**. *Curry Coastal Pilot, 8-14-10*
- **Garbo's Vintage**, an antique and vintage clothing store, opened in **Seaside**. *Headlight Herald, 8-4-10*

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SOUTHERN OREGON

- **Oregon Star Recording Studio 2151** opened at the **Rogue Valley Mall** in **Medford**, where customers can make their own demo CDs. *Medford/Jackson County Chamber Business Review, 8-10*
- **Del Taco** in **Medford** reopened. It employs about 20 people. *Medford Mail Tribune, 8-12-10*
- **Camelot Theatre** – a popular, semi-professional theater group – will break ground on a new, \$2.2 million theater in **Talent**. *Ashland Daily Tidings, 8-11-10*

CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- **Quilt Works** opened in **Bend**. It offers quilting fabric, notions, books, patterns, and threads. *Bend Bulletin, 8-18-10*
- **LifeWise Health Plan of Oregon** will move all of its staff out of its **Bend** service center facility by December 31. Most of its Bend operations associates will have the opportunity to relocate to Spokane or Portland, or remain in Bend and join its expanding "virtual service center" telecommuting network. Eleven operations positions in Bend and 10 non-operational positions statewide will be eliminated. *Cascade Business News, 8-17-10*
- **Poppies** opened in **Sisters**. It offers Northwest cuisine with a Southern flare. It also features a gourmet market. *The Nugget, 8-17-10*
- **Airhead Motorcycles** opened in **Klamath Falls**. It specializes in vintage motorcycles. *Herald and News, 8-15-10*

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EASTERN OREGON

- The **Baker County** Commissioners accepted an offer from the owners of the **Ski Anthony Lakes** resort to gift the resort to the county. The current owners of the resort – Union County – will keep the business until November 1, when Baker County will take over. None of the resort's employees are expected to lose their jobs. *Baker City Herald, 7-28-10*
- Through a partnership between **Powder Valley School** in **North Powder** and **Eastern Oregon Medical Associates** in **Baker City**, Powder Valley's school clinic, which closed about two years ago, will reopen in the fall. In addition to medical services, it will give students an opportunity to job shadow doctors and nurses or learn more about running a medical office. *Baker City Herald, 7-23-10*

PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- Global mining giant **BHP Billiton Ltd.** plans to open a potash export facility at **The Port of Vancouver USA**. The project will require additional rail lines and the construction of a storage building and a handling facility that will load the potash onto ships. Operations will likely start in 2015. *Portland Business Journal, 8-11-10*
- **Six Pence Antiques** and **Cerise**, a women's consignment store, will open in **Lake Oswego**. *Lake Oswego Review, 8-12-10*
- **Laughing Bean Bistro** opened in **McMinnville**. It offers soups, salads, sandwiches, pies, and pastries. *News-Register, 8-14-10*
- **Grandma's Store Antiques and Collectibles** opened in **Boring**. *Sandy Post, 8-18-10*
- **Keen Footwear** opened its first retail store, **KEEN Garage**, in **northwest Portland**. *The Oregonian, 8-11-10*
- **Hawaiian Time Café** will open in **Oregon City**. *Portland Business Journal, 7-23-10*
- **Pepper's Taqueria** in **Vancouver** will close. It will be replaced by the **Main Event Sports Grill** that will employ 15 to 20 people. *The Columbian, 8-16-10*

WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- All 14 **McDonald's** franchises in **Salem** and **Keizer** are hiring. As least 35 positions are available. *Statesman Journal, 8-17-10*
- **The Pit Stop Market** in **Lebanon** reopened. *Lebanon Express, 8-18-10*
- The **YWCA** will close its child care center at **Chemeketa Community College** in **Salem**, laying off 21 people. **Family Building Blocks** will take over the Salem-Keizer School District-affiliated child care service, including the **Teen Parent Early Childhood Program** and **Young Explorers Community Preschool**. *Statesman Journal, 8-12-10*
- **Mercedes-Benz of Eugene** will undergo a \$750,000 renovation, employing 17 Lane County subcontractors and 100 workers until it's completion in December. *Register-Guard, 8-17-10*