



Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

For the week ending February 27, 2009

OREGON COAST

- **Watch Me Grow**, a consignment shop for children's clothes and toys, has opened in **Seaside**. *Daily Astorian*, 2-19-09
- **For the Love of Dogs Pet Grooming** has opened in **Waldport**. *News Times*, 2-25-09
- **South Coast Hospice** in **Coos Bay** has laid off eight employees. *The World*, 2-25-09
- **Body Work Massage Therapy** has opened in **Astoria**. *Daily Astorian*, 2-12-09
- **Central Coast Internal Medicine** in **Newport** added a physician and a physician's assistant. *News Times*, 2-25-09
- **Wheeler & Grimes, CPAs LLC** has opened offices in **Bandon** and **Myrtle Point**. *The World* 1-24-09

SOUTHERN OREGON

- A \$1.2-million remodel of **Pepsi-Cola Bottling of Roseburg** that includes six new loading docks is almost complete. Three positions will be added to its workforce of 30. *The News-Review*, 2-15-09
- Global heavy-lift helicopter operator **Erickson Air-Crane** is moving its headquarters from **Central Point** to **Portland**. The headquarters staff will number about 20, with about half coming from Central Point. Manufacturing and maintenance operations, employing about 500, will continue in Southern Oregon. *Medford Mail Tribune*, 2-25-09
- **Douglas Medical Equipment Supply** has opened a retail business in **Roseburg**. *The News-Review*, 2-15-09

CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- **LoanRefine**, a loan-modification company that works with distressed borrowers to help them modify their existing loans, has opened in **Bend**. *Bend Bulletin*, 2-26-09
- **Just for You - Professional Driving Services**, a transport service, has opened in **Redmond**. *Redmond Spokesman*, 2-18-09
- **Rising Star Stellar Home Furnishings** in **Bend**, a business that sells furniture and manufactures futons, will close. *The Bulletin*, 2-24-09

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EASTERN OREGON

- **The Pine Room** restaurant in **Burns** – a Harney County dining tradition since 1942 – reopened in January under new ownership following extensive renovations after a period of sitting empty. Several new workers were hired. *Burns Times-Herald, 2-24-09*

PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- After a three-year delay, **Wal-Mart** is slated to break ground on a supercenter in **Cornelius** this July. It will employ about 300 people when it opens sometime in the summer of 2010. *Forest Grove News-Times, 2-25-09*
- **CJ Eateries** will open at the **Hillsboro Promenade**. *Portland Business Journal, 2-23-09*
- Teen specialty retailer **rue21** plans to open stores in **Troutdale, Portland, and Bend**. *Portland Business Journal, 2-11-09*
- **Brevé Espresso** has opened in **Oregon City**. *Clackamas Review, 2-10-09*
- **Sprouting Hope Midwifery** has opened in **McMinnville**. *News-Register, 2-7-09*
- **Cellular Plus Verizon Wireless** has opened in **Sandy**. *Sandy Post, 2-24-09*
- **Biscuits Café** will open at the **Mercantile Village** in **Lake Oswego**. *Portland Business Journal, 2-23-09*
- **Legacy Health System** will open a 7,300-square-foot medical clinic this summer in **Lake Oswego**. *Portland Business Journal, 2-23-09*

WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- **Roth's** supermarket in **Lebanon** will close on March 10. It employs 47 full- and part-time workers. *Albany Democrat-Herald, 2-17-09*
- **Weyerhaeuser** has laid off 67 employees at its **Dallas** lumber mill. *Statesman Journal, 2-25-09*
- **Energy Wise Lighting** in **Eugene** is expanding. It will build a 150,000-square-foot industrial facility and begin making low-cost solar water heaters. *Register-Guard, 2-24-09*
- The **Willamette Humane Society** in **Salem** will be closed to the public two days a week beginning March 3. The equivalent of 8.5 full-time positions at the shelter have been eliminated in the past two months. *Statesman Journal, 2-26-09*
- **Eugene** video game company **InstaAction** has announced the innovation of a nearly universal platform that would allow anybody with an Internet connection to play 3-D video games on the Web. The company has grown from 18 employees in 2005 to 100 today and is still hiring. *Register-Guard, 2-25-09*
- **The Grind** coffee shop has opened in south **Salem**. *Statesman Journal, 2-4-09*