



Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

For the week ending April 17, 2009

OREGON COAST

- **The Fat Mermaid** gift shop has opened in Lincoln City. *News Guard, 4-15-09*
- **Brookings-based C&K Markets Inc.**, which operates 59 stores in Oregon and California, has laid off 63 employees, reduced some worker's hours and cut the pay of others. The corporate office in Brookings accounted for 13 of the layoffs and the remaining 50 were spread across the stores. *Curry Coastal Pilot, 4-11-09*
- **Astoria Auction Gallery** has opened. The owners plan to hold 12 auctions a year. *Daily Astorian, 4-9-09*

SOUTHERN OREGON

- **North River Marine** closed its manufacturing plant in **Green**, indefinitely laying off about 100 workers. *The News-Review, 4-10-09*
- **Alcan Cable** laid off 32 production workers at its plant in **Wilbur**. *The News-Review, 4-8-09*
- **Joe's Sports, Outdoor & More** in **Medford** will close. It employed 32 people. *Medford Mail Tribune, 4-8-09*
- **The Electrolysis Clinic** has opened in **Roseburg**. *The News-Review, 4-5-09*

CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- **PatRick Environmentals Inc.** in **Redmond** will receive about \$290,000 in federal stimulus dollars through the Forest Service for fuel reduction in Deschutes and Crook counties. It will hire about 30 people for the work. *Bend Bulletin, 4-8-09*
- **Ritz Camera** at the **Bend River Promenade** in **Bend** will close. *Bend Bulletin, 4-4-09*
- **John Dough's Pizza** has opened in **Prineville**. *Central Oregonian, 4-1-09*
- **Downtown Doggie**, a pet boutique in **Bend**, will close on April 28. *Bend Bulletin, 4-16-09*
- **Mountain Comfort Furnishing** in **Bend** is going out of business. *Bend Bulletin, 4-14-09*
- **Taco Bell** will open in **Madras** by September. It will employ 30 to 35 people. *Madras Pioneer, 4-16-09*
- **Habit**, a women's clothing boutique in **Bend**, will close in early May. *Bend Bulletin, 4-16-09*

All information in this report is gleaned from nonconfidential published sources. To be added to the email distribution for this report, contact Kathi Riddell at Kathi.R.Riddell@state.or.us or 503-947-1266.

EASTERN OREGON

- **The Joseph Little Store** is operating fewer hours and staffed now by only the proprietors. Five part-time employees have been let go. *Wallowa County Chieftain*, 3-26-09 and 4-2-09
- Facing a possible shortfall of about \$500,000, **Treasure Valley Community College** in **Ontario** will eliminate seven positions for the next fiscal year. *Argus Observer*, 4-3-09

PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- **Affiliated Computer Services** in **Tualatin** is hiring 175 customer care agents and managers to provide support to iPhone customers. *KGW.com*, 4-10-09
- **Nike Inc.** will lay off 17 employees at its **Beaverton** employee store. *Portland Business Journal*, 4-10-09
- **Artzia**, an apparel retailer serving young women, will open this summer at **Washington Square Mall** in **Portland**. *Portland Business Journal*, 4-6-09
- **Daimler Trucks North America** in **Portland** will cut the pay of nonunion, salaried workers by 10 percent. It will also close non-truck plant operations on alternating Fridays beginning April 24 and suspend its 401(k) match as of May 1. *The Oregonian*, 4-10-09
- **Coherent Inc.**, a California-based maker of laser and other optical equipment for commercial and scientific use, will open in **Wilsonville**. *Portland Business Journal*, 3-23-09
- **Yankee Candle** will open at the **Westfield Vancouver** mall. It will offer scented candles and home interior products. The **Ruby Thai** restaurant and **Journey's Kidz**, a children's footwear store, opened there recently. *The Columbian*, 4-1-09
- **Zupan's Market** will close its **Raleigh Hills** location on May 2. *Beaverton Valley Times*, 4-13-09
- **Newberg Canine Rehabilitation** has opened. It offers a variety of physical therapy and rehabilitation services for dogs. *Newberg Graphic*, 4-1-09

WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- **Peterson Pacific Corp.**, a **Eugene** company that makes industrial grinders and chippers, has laid off about 25 employees. Other employees are working reduced hours. *Register-Guard*, 4-15-09
- **Sharon's Kountry Café** has opened in **Stayton**. *Statesman Journal*, 4-15-09
- **Joe's Sports, Outdoors and More** will close its **Eugene** and **Albany** stores, laying off 63 and 44 workers, respectively. *Register-Guard*, 4-10-09 and *Albany Democrat-Herald*, 4-8-09
- **Willamette Valley Fruit Company**, located between **Salem** and **Silverton**, has opened a retail store. It offers pies, cobblers, bags of frozen fruit, and products from other local companies. *Salem Chamber Business News*, 4-1-09