



# Around the State

A weekly employment summary prepared by the Workforce Analysis Section.

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For the week ending January 22, 2010

## OREGON COAST

- **Georgia-Pacific's Wauna** paper mill restarted its Number 2 paper machine after shutting it down for two weeks. Twenty-eight people were affected by the shutdown. *Daily Astorian, 1-13-10*
- **Port Dock One** restaurant of **Newport** closed temporarily for remodeling but expects to reopen in a few weeks. *News Times, 1-13-10*
- **Providence Seaside Hospital** added four more health care providers to its North Coast Clinic. *Daily Astorian, 1-14-10*
- **Downtown Emporium** recently opened in **Coquille**. They offer antiques, vintage and collectibles, as well as estate sales services. *The World, 1-9-10*

## SOUTHERN OREGON

- **North River Boats Inc.**, an aluminum boat builder in **Roseburg**, says it has enough commercial boat orders to operate at its current level through 2010. It currently has contracts to build 94 18-foot boats for the U.S. Coast Guard, several boats for the U.S. Navy, five for the Panama Canal Authority, and a boat for the U.S. Marines. The company currently has 55 workers. *The News-Review, 1-17-10*
- **Aero Lock & Safe** recently opened in **Grants Pass**. The company provides alarm services as well as traditional locksmith services. *Grants Pass Daily Courier, 1-16-10*
- **Coyote Jack's Grill** in **Roseburg** has closed. Twenty-eight full- and part-time workers lost their jobs. *The News-Review, 1-17-10*

## CENTRAL OREGON / COLUMBIA GORGE

- The **Pioneer Saloon** in **Paisley** has opened for business. The saloon was closed for a year. *Lake County Examiner, 1-13-10*
- Construction has begun in **Prineville** on the site that will eventually house a 117,000-square-foot data center. The company, which has yet to be named, will employ up to 35 people. *Bend Bulletin, 1-20-10*
- The **Reigendo Martial Arts Academy** opened in **Klamath Falls**. Classes are available for adults and children. *Herald and News, 1-17-10*

## EASTERN OREGON

- Bella, a popular fixture in downtown Baker City, will open a second store called **Bella Mercantile** in downtown **La Grande** on April 1. The store will feature beverages and kitchen ware. *The Observer, 1-20-10*
- Plans for the **Eastern Oregon Education Center** in **Hermiston** are under way. After the design phase, the project will go out for bid to general contractors, with construction beginning in late summer. Classes could begin in September 2011. *East Oregonian, 1-12-10*

## PORTLAND AND SURROUNDING AREAS

- **Oly's Wrap Shack** opened in **McMinnville**. It offers 12-inch gourmet wraps. *News-Register, 1-10-10*
- **Opus Northwest**, a commercial construction firm, will lay off two people at its **Portland** office, another setback for a development firm that has seen its Portland-area workload evaporate completely. *Daily Journal of Commerce, 1-5-10*
- **Cascade Steel Rolling Mills** in **McMinnville** is about to embark on its fifth round of layoffs in a little more than a year. At least 17 workers will be affected. As a result of the succession of layoffs, the company's workforce that once numbered 550 is now less than 400. *News-Register, 1-12-10*
- Two **Pearl District**-area restaurants closed in recent weeks, the **Agency Ultra Sport Lounge** near PGE Park and **Bay 13** at the Crane Building. The owners of Bay 13 plan to reopen under a different concept in the spring. *Portland Business Journal, 1-14-10*
- Eugene-based **Gorilla Capital** launched a three-employee operation in **Vancouver** and plans to open a downtown office within the next three months. The company buys, renovates, and resells houses in the entry-level market. *The Columbian, 1-20-10*

## WILLAMETTE VALLEY

- The **Oregon Process Innovation Center for Sustainable Solar Cell Manufacturing**, a new solar energy research center at Oregon State University in **Corvallis**, will be fully operational by May. It will involve the efforts of more than 20 faculty and researchers from OSU, the University of Oregon, Portland State University, and the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory. It will provide a shared laboratory and equipment, serve as a resource to solve industry manufacturing problems, and be an educational training ground for solar energy engineers and scientists of the future. *Portland Business Journal, 1-8-10*
- A new beverage distributor has opened in **Salem**. **Kascade Distributing** is the sole local distributor of the Sun Tzu line of products. *Statesman Journal, 1-21-10*
- **Sfizio: Italian Food and Drink** has opened in **Eugene**. *Register-Guard, 1-16-10*
- **Manufacturing Country Inc.** will shut down production by the end of January. The plant in **Independence** employs 25 to 35 employees. *Itemizer-Observer, 1-13-10*