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# Lakeside dropsite draws attention

County responds to ballot security questions

**ZACK DEMARS** The World

LAKESIDE — Shirlee Benell and Wayne Frampton aren't usually a part of local politics.

But this year, Frampton drove his ballot to North Bend to make sure it'd get returned. Benell took hers all the way to the county courthouse in Coquille.

The two have found themselves deeply engaged in the general election — not because of the heated presidential race. but because of a local ballot measure about ATV use on city

What's more, their focus on the election has made them worry about the way their city collects ballots.

"It's just kind of a 'good old boys' way of doing things, and that's just not the way the world is anymore," Frampton said.

Now. Lakeside's dropsite is looking a little different with new security measures, and city and county officials are assuring voters that their ballots are safe after some like Benell and Frampton have raised concerns about the site's after-hours procedure.

"It's this kind of stuff that makes voters feel uneasy," Benell said. "It seems like there should be more than we have

That dropsite that Lakeside

has is at city hall: During working hours, voters can drop their ballots off and watch city hall staff members put them in the county's official, sealed ballot

But when the office is closed - like on weekends, or after 5 p.m. — voters drop their ballots into the slot on the front door. where they fall into an open-top box or on the floor to be collected when a city staff member is next in the office.

The period of time where ballots are sitting out in the open in a building frequented by city officials who are up for election and by those who might disagree on the city's ATV-related ballot measures — is what worries voters like Frampton.

"A lot more handlers than I

think are necessary," Frampton said. "Yes, it is (the way it's been done before), but who's to say that that's the right way?"

Still, elections officials are sure that the process is a safe one for ballots — and have put new improvements in place to comfort voters who might be worried.

"I feel it's secure, we've had absolutely no issues," said Coos County Clerk Debbie Heller, noting that an identical system had been used in the May primary.

The county sent Lakeside a new box to use for underneath the mail slot, and Heller is confident that the city staff take the appropriate steps with the ballots.

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# Election coverage

The World will have online coverage of the election results as they come in

Check The World's website at www.theworldlink. com for updated stories and results starting at 8 p.m.

Coverage will include results from local races in Coos, Curry and Western Douglas counties, as well as state and national races impacting the South Coast.



**Zack Demars Photos, The World** 

Pikachu holds a bucket of candy outside the Coos Bay Fire Department's Empire station Saturday.

# Trick-or-treating during a pandemic

Drive-through events provide safe option for collecting candy

**ZACK DEMARS** The World

COOS BAY — Even in a year as spooky as this one, trick-ortreaters couldn't get enough Halloween fun Saturday. Across the region, costume-clad kids and parents packed into cars and did their candy collection in a whole new way.

With the COVID-19 pandemic still raging across the country, health officials shared recommendations throughout the fall warning families that they shouldn't engage in the tradition-



Kyle Lovelace drops candy into an eager bucket during Saturday's drive-thru trick-ortreating at the Coos Bay Fire Department's main station.

al costumed parades from doorto-door in search of sweet treats. While some still walked

through neighborhoods as they usually would — some with face masks and others without

- many heeded the recommendations instead and drove around town to a slate of organizations hosting drive-thru trick-or-treat

"It's doing something exciting, it's doing something out of the normal," said Tawyna Stumpf, an organizer at the Salvation Army's drive-thru event. "It is hope."

Stumpf said that organizers were worried they'd have too much candy for the event, with seven stations prepared with 250 pre-packaged goodies each. A pirate-themed station brought "treasure chests" full of chocolate coins, while a spiderweb-themed station brought lollipops adorned with pipe-cleaner spiders.

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# Election day has arrived

Deadline to turn in ballots at drop boxes is 8 p.m. tonight

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COQUILLE — Voters have just a few hours to return their ballots for the 2020 general election. In Oregon, ballot boxes statewide close at 8 p.m. Tuesday, and counties will begin reporting preliminary returns

shortly thereafter. It's too late for voters to mail their voted ballots, so elections officials say they must be returned to dropsites in order to be counted. Voters can use any official county dropbox in the state and their ballots will be returned to the correct county clerk, state officials say.

State health officials said voters should still be conscious of COVID-19 precautions while turning in their ballots. The Oregon Health Authority recommends wearing a mask when using a ballot drop box which can be busy on Election Day — and staying six feet away from other voters, in addition to washing hands after touching a ballot drop slot.

By Friday, almost two-thirds (over 63%) of Coos County voters had returned their ballots to the elections office. Only 51% had done so by that time in the 2016 general election, county historical data show.

Curry County is outpacing Coos County, as well as much of the state, with just under 70% of ballots returned by Friday.

Statewide, almost 1.7 million voters had submitted their votes by Friday, quickly approaching the 2 million that voted in the 2016 general election. About 80% of the state's Democrats, 74% of Republicans and 48% of nonaffiliated voters have cast their ballots in this election, state data show.

Voters should ensure the signatures on their ballots match those on their voter registrations, and can check the return status of their ballots at www.oregonvotes.gov/myvote.

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# Oregon could become first state to decriminalize hard drugs

SALEM (AP) — In what would be a first in the U.S., possession of small amounts of heroin, cocaine, LSD and other hard drugs could be decriminalized in Oregon under a ballot measure that voters are deciding on in Tuesday's

Measure 110 is one of the most watched initiatives in Oregon because it would drastically change how the state's justice

system treats people caught with amounts for their personal

Instead of being arrested, going to trial and facing possible jail time, the users would have the option of paying \$100 fines or attending new, free addiction recovery centers.

The centers would be funded by tax revenue from retail marijuana sales in the state

that was the country's first to

decriminalize marijuana possession.

It may sound like a radical concept even in one of the most progressive U.S. states — but countries including Portugal, the Netherlands and Switzerland have already decriminalized possession of small amounts of hard drugs, according to the United

Portugal's 2000 decriminalization brought no surge in drug

use. Drug deaths fell while the number of people treated for drug addiction in the country rose 20% from 2001 to 2008 and then stabilized, Portuguese officials have said.

The U.N. Chief Executives Board for Coordination, chaired by Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, is also advocating a different approach.

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# Man dies in accident near Elkton

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ELKTON — A passenger in a vehicle died Saturday after suffering injuries in a one-vehicle accident on Highway 38 about two miles west of Elkton and the driver faces charges including manslaughter and driving under the influence of intoxicants.

About 5:15 p.m., Oregon State Police troopers and emergency personnel responded to the accident near mile post 34.

A preliminary investigation found a Honda Odyssey operated by Jose Torres, 40, of Van Nuys, Calif., was westbound when it left the roadway, traveled down an embankment, and rolled.

A passenger in the vehicle, Alfredo Valdez-Perez, 46, hometown unknown, sustained fatal injuries and was pronounced deceased.

Torres was transported

by air ambulance to Sacred Heart Medical Center in Springfield. Torres was released

from the hospital Sunday and taken into custody by Oregon State Police on

charges including manslaughter, recklessly endangering another person, reckless driving, driving under the influence of intoxicants and assault III. He was transported to the Douglas County Jail.

OSP was assisted by North Douglas Fire Department and the Oregon Department of Transpor-

# **MEETINGS**

### TUESDAY, NOV. 3

Bay Area Health District Board of Directors — 6:30 p.m., regular meeting in Community Health Education Center Conference Room A, 3950 Sherman Ave., North Bend. Meeting follows Board Educational Session at 5:30 p.m. Attendance is limited, contact Denise Bowers, executive assistant, at Bay Area Hospital to attend. Masks are required for attendees.

Coos County Board of Commissioners — 8:30 a.m., regular meeting, with public portion starting at 9:30 a.m., in Owen Building, 201 N. Adams, Coquille. Meeting can be viewed on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/ channel/UCSBIVF1IsAVmowSokRR2v A

Coos County Noxious Weed Board — 3 p.m., regular meeting, small conference room.

Lakeside Water District — 3 p.m., Special meeting and executive session, water district office, 1000 North Lake Road, Lakeside.

### WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4

Bay Area Health District Board of Directors — 11:30 a.m., work session in Community Health Education Center Conference Room A, 3950 Sherman Ave., North

**Lighthouse School Board** — 7 p.m., meeting held via Google Meet at meet.google.com/dut-ssda-tuu THURSDAY, NOV. 5

North Bend School Board — 7 p.m., regular board meeting held via zoom. To join the meeting, visit https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81575698723?pwd=ak-FvSWFJQ254cDB4U1EwQjAzaEk3QT09. Meeting ID: 815 7569 8723. Passcode: 9su5wv

Coos Bay-North Bend Water Board — 7 a.m., regular meetings in board office, with public able to attend by telephone. To make an in-person appointment during the meeting, call 541-267-3128, ext. 236. To participate in the public comment period, call 1-872-240-3412 and use access code 571-478-365 to join the meeting.

### Coos Bay seeks volunteer committee members

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COOS BAY — Residents have several opportunities to be a part of city government, according to the city of Coos Bay.

City leaders are seeking volunteers for positions on the budget committee, design assistance team, parks commission and Coos Bay-North Bend Water Board, the city announced

in a press release.

Applications are open through Dec. 4, and are available from the city manager's office in City Hall, online at www. coosbay.org, or by calling 541-269-8912, the release

Members of the budget committee meet in April at 7 p.m., and are appointed to three-year terms by the city council. Only city residents can apply for the

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two open positions, the release said.

The Design Assistance Team advises the city's Community Development Department, Planning Commission, City Council and Urban Renewal Agency, according to the release. Applicants to the three open positions should have expertise in local history, art, graphics, interior design or architec-

Those interested in the parks commission should have a background in landscape design

profession, landscaping business profession, design profession or parks management, according to the release. The commission meets monthly, and applicants to the three openings must be city residents or own property in the city.

The city also has one opening to the Coos Bay-North Bend Water Board, which meets once a month, according to the release. Applicants to the four-year appointments must be city residents for at least one year.

Editor's Note: The World regularly updates police logs for Coos Bay, North Bend, Bandon, Coquille, Reedsport, Myrtle Point and Powers online at www.theworldlink.com.

### Nov. 1

1:30 a.m. Theft of dogs on Norman Street.

4:48 a.m. Harassment in 900 block Empire Boulevard.

7:51 a.m. Criminal trespass at South Second Street and Commercial Avenue. 10:33 a.m. Illegal dumping in

1300 block North Eighth Street. 11:15 a.m. Criminal mischief in 1300 block Ocean Boule-

11:39 a.m. Theft in 100 block South Mill Street. 12:09 p.m. Criminal mischief

in 100 block Laclair Street.

12:16 p.m. Disorderly conduct at Central Boulevard and South Second Street.

12:20 p.m. Criminal trespass at Walmart.

1:08 p.m. Criminal trespass at Safeway. Subject arrested on suspicion of two counts of criminal trespass II and cited in lieu

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1:47 p.m. Shots fired at North Broadway and Park Avenue. 2:42 p.m. Harassment in 200 block north Wasson Street. 2:53 p.m. Criminal trespass at

Dollar Tree. 3:12 p.m. Disorderly conduct at Dollar Tree. Subject yelling

at employees. 3:31 p.m. Theft of services at Blue Heron Bistro. Subject arrested on suspicion of theft III

and cited in lieu of custody. 8:56 p.m. Unattended campfire at Lower Empire Lakes. 11:11 p.m. Illegal camping

at East Anderson Avenue and South Bayshore Drive. 11:26 p.m. Loud party in 1700 block Newmark Avenue.

### Oct. 31

10:44 a.m. Illegal dumping in 500 block North Bayshore Drive.

11:59 a.m. Assault in 1400 block Central Avenue. 2:51 p.m. Criminal trespass at

Walmart. 2:31 p.m. Criminal trespass in 900 block South First Street. 4:33 p.m. Theft in 100 block

South Broadway Street. 5:41 p.m. Disorderly conduct on South First Street. Subject arrested on suspicion of resisting arrest, criminal trespass II and disorderly conduct II. Subject cited in lieu of custody.

6:00 p.m. Criminal trespass at Fred Meyer. Subject locked in restroom and refusing to leave. 6:13 p.m. Criminal trespass at Safeway. Subject arrested on suspicion of criminal trespass II, resisting arrest and interfering with police. Subject cited in lieu of custody.

6:44 p.m. Criminal trespass in 400 block Bennett Avenue. 6:57 p.m. Fight near Bay Area

Hospital. 7:26 p.m. Disorderly conduct at City Hall.

8:36 p.m. Fire dept. assist resulting in arrest on suspicion of

criminal trespass I. Subject cited in lieu of custody. 8:54 p.m. Fight in 900 block

Newmark Avenue. 9:10 p.m. Criminal trespass at Fred Meyer. Subject arrested on suspicion of criminal trespass II and cited in lieu of

9:56 p.m. Criminal trespass at Fred Meyer. Subject arrested on suspicion of criminal trespass II and cited in lieu of custody.

### Oct. 30

12:58 a.m. Disorderly conduct at Newmark Avenue and

Ocean Boulevard. Subjects in middle of the road.

7:19 a.m. Robbery at Three Rivers Casino.

8:12 a.m. Criminal mischief at Seventh Day Adventist Church. Broken window and attempted burglary.

8:16 a.m. Illegal dumping in 1300 block North Eighth Street. Someone dumped a utility trailer and trash on property. 9:13 a.m. Overdose in Coos

Bay area.

9:13 a.m. Arrest in 1300 block North Eighth Street. Subject arrested on suspicion of unlawful use of a motor vehicle and cited in lieu of custody.

10:27 a.m. Criminal trespass at McDonald's. Subject arrested on suspicion of criminal trespass II and cited in lieu of custody

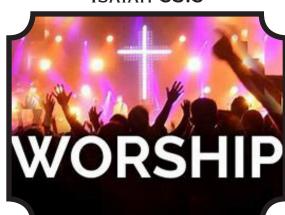
12:00 p.m. Assault in 1100 block Oregon Avenue.

12:04 p.m. Disorderly conduct in 1800 block Thomas Avenue. Subject arrested on suspicion of disorderly conduct II, plus additional charges of burglary II, criminal mischief II and theft III.

12:04 p.m. Criminal mischief at city hall. Subject arrested on suspicion of criminal mischief I and cited in lieu of custody. 1:12 p.m. Criminal mischief at

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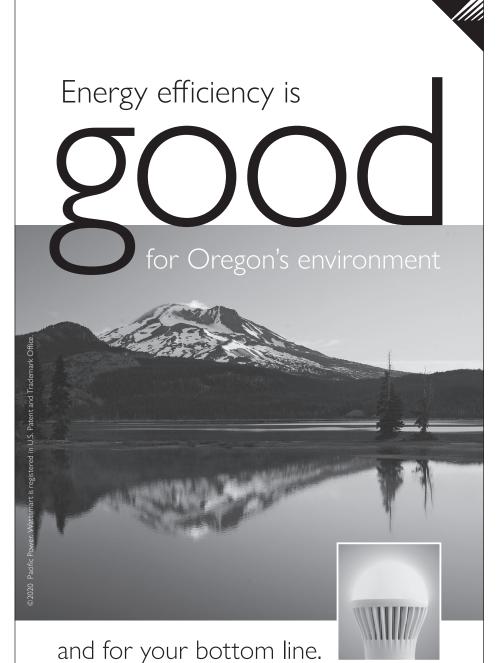
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# **COVID-19** cases continue to soar

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Oregon had more than 500 new confirmed and presumptive cases of COVID-19 both Saturday and Sunday and matched its daily high for reported deaths since the pandemic began, the Oregon Health Authority reported.

The two big days brought the state's total number of cases over 45,000. And Coos, Curry and Douglas counties contributed a total of 25 of the cases.

And on Monday, another 557 cases were reported, making it five straight days with more than 500 cases in the state and 45,978 total. Only one new death was reported Monday.

On Saturday, the state had 555 new confirmed and presumptive cases and 14 reported deaths, which match the high since the pandemic started. The

deaths included the second in Curry County, a patient at Curry General Hospital who died Oct. 25 and was a resident in a Harbor facility that had an outbreak last month.

On Sunday, the state had 524 new confirmed and presumptive cases, bringing the total since the pandemic began to 45,429. In addition, two new deaths were reported, bringing the total to 691.

Saturday's cases were in the following counties: Baker (1), Clackamas (46), Clatsop (3), Coos (4), Curry (2), Deschutes (31), Douglas (3), Gilliam (5), Harney (2), Hood River (2), Jackson (12), Jefferson (2), Josephine (4), Klamath (3), Lane (65), Linn (19), Malheur (10), Marion (54), Morrow (3), Multnomah (138), Polk (14), Tillamook (2), Umatilla (15), Union (6), Wallowa (4), Wasco (6), Washington

(86), Yamhill (13).

Cases Sunday were in the following counties: Benton (1), Clackamas (35), Clatsop (3), Columbia (5), Coos (6), Curry (2), Deschutes (28), Douglas (8), Grant (2), Hood River (2), Jackson (36), Klamath (4), Lane (35), Lincoln (2), Linn (7), Malheur (8), Marion (132), Morrow (2), Multnomah (116), Polk (5), Umatilla (5), Union (1), Wallowa (1), Wasco (4), Washington (67), Yamhill (7).

New cases Monday were in the following counties:

Benton (1), Clackamas (93), Clatsop (3), Columbia (1), Coos (1), Crook (2), Curry (4), Deschutes (30), Douglas (6), Jackson (17), Jefferson (1), Klamath (1), Lake (1), Lane (12), Lincoln (1), Linn (11), Malheur (7), Marion (60), Multnomah (199), Polk (11), Tillamook (1), Umatilla (13), Union (1), Wasco (5), Washington

(71), and Yamhill (4).

### **OHA updates pediatric** COVID-19 data

OHA has updated a report analyzing the scope of pediatric COVID-19 cases in Oregon since the beginning of the pandemic. Of confirmed and presumptive cases in Oregon, 4,901 -11.3 percent – have been pediatric patients, defined as people under age 18.

The pediatric age group most likely to be infected is people 12-17 years old.

The report noted that while pediatric case counts are higher, young people are still far less likely than adults to develop severe symptoms. Only 1.3 percent pediatric patients have been hospitalized due to COVID-19, compared to 8 percent of adults.

There are six reported cases of Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children in Oregon.

County	Cases	Total deaths	Negative tests
Baker	144	3	2,334
Benton	465	6	19,039
Clackamas	3,383	67	78,130
Clatsop	257	0	6,942
Columbia	280	2	8,900
Coos	271	1	9,212
Crook	116	4	3,245
Curry	62	2	2,425
Deschutes	1,267	13	39,660
Douglas	384	8	15,819
Gilliam	17	0	370
Grant	14	0	1,064
Harney	39	0	972
Hood River	290	1	5,987
Jackson	1,911	7	42,722
Jefferson	611	10	5,835
Josephine	277	3	14,893
Klamath	437	3	12,036
Lake	47	0	1,102
Lane	2,596	28	83,523
Lincoln	521	13	10,013
Linn	890	17	21,542
Malheur	1,985	38	6,456
Marion	6,252	112	62,664
Morrow	559	7	2,117
Multnomah	9,894	172	181,689
Polk	695	15	12,457
Sherman	21	0	394
Tillamook	77	0	3,715
Umatilla	3,481	45	15,793
Union	494	2	5,315
Wallowa	56	2	1,242
Wasco	362	16	6,060
Washington	6,230	79	116,498
Wheeler	1	0	187
Yamhill	1,043	15	22,011
Total	45,429	691	822,363

1This includes cases confirmed by diagnostic testing and

# Curry County reports second death from COVID-19

Woman was a resident at the Seaview care facility in Harbor

### THE WORLD

BROOKINGS — A 92-year-old woman died on Oct. 25, more than two weeks after she tested positive for COVID-19, according to Curry County Public Health.

The woman died at Curry General Hospital in Gold Beach.

She had underlying conditions and was the county's second COVID-19-related death, the health department said.

Our hearts and prayers

go out to the family for their loss," Public Health Administrator Sherrié Ward wrote in a press

release.

The individual was a resident at Seaview Long Term Memory Care in Harbor, the same facility that was home to the county's first virus death and which has been experiencing an outbreak of COVID-19 cases since early October.

That facility had reported 23 COVID-19 cases among its residents and staff as of the state's weekly report Wednesday.

According to the public health department, Curry County has seen 66 virus cases since the pandemic began, and 11 of those are considered active cases. Six of those total cases

were reported just over the weekend.

The department has been in contact with each of the new positive cases, and is contact tracing for anyone who may have been exposed to any of the individuals.

"Please remember, it is important that we all follow the OHA and CDC guidelines and Governor's directives about social distancing, wearing facial coverings in public buildings and protecting yourselves by staying home to slow the spread and save lives," Ward wrote.

Coos County has had one death during the pandemic and Douglas County has had eight deaths.

See chart above for totals for all counties.



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# Don't freak out over results of the election

Worried about Tuesday? Remember: The most important parts of life happen outside

Love, friendship, family, raising children, building businesses, worship, charity work -- that is the stuff of life! Politicians get in the way of those things. But despite the efforts of power-hungry Republicans and Democrats, life gets better.

You may not believe that. Surveys show most people think life is getting worse.

But it isn't, as Marian Tupy and Ron Bailey point out in their new book, "Ten Global Trends **Every Smart Person Should** Know."

Child labor was once ubiquitous. Now it's limited to a few countries in Africa. Women did not have a vote (until New Zealand granted it at the end of the 19th century). Today, women vote everywhere except for the Vatican," Tupy reminds us.

"Gays and lesbians, persecuted for millennia, are free to marry. Slavery was universal; now it is illegal. The world has never been more peaceful, more educated and kinder."

But the nastiness of today's politics may stop progress! Make life worse!

It's possible, but "worse" compared to what?

I've lived through the Vietnam War, a military draft, 90% income tax rates, price controls, indecency laws, widespread racism and sexism, Jim Crow, the explosion of crime in the 1970s...

Overall, life got better.

With Donald Trump and Joe Biden claiming the other will destroy what's good, it's hard to see improvement. But the world has made progress, largely thanks to libertarian ideas.

"For millennia the world was marked by despotism, slavery, hierarchy, rigid class privilege, and literally no increase in the standard of living," says Cato Institute Vice President David Boaz in the May/June 2020 Policy Report.

"Then libertarian ideas came into the world. Of course, they weren't called that at the time. ... (T)hey were the ideas of human rights, free markets, property rights, religious toleration, the value of commerce, the dignity of the individual life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

These ideas created a wave of progress unlike anything in history.

"Look at the chart of gross domestic product (GDP) per capita, or any measure of economic growth," adds Boaz. "It looks like a hockey stick: flat for almost all human history, and then it rockets upwards."

The media shriek hysterically about every problem, and we have problems: pandemic, lockdowns, unemployment, wildfires, bad cops, violent riots, crime...

But no matter who wins on



JOHN STOSSEL

Tuesday, life will probably get

Entrepreneurs will invent cool

This year, while Democrats and Republicans fought, the private sector found cheaper and better ways to send people into

The World Bank complained about governments not providing all people clean drinking water. So private companies are doing it. A billboard in Peru turns humidity into potable drinking water. A drinking straw, LifeStraw, removes bacteria and parasites

Forests are expanding because modern farming uses less land, allowing the forests to

Thanks to often-despised free markets, poverty continues to decline. In 1981, 42% of the world lived in extreme poverty. By 2018, only 8.6% did. Do politicians ever highlight those

Probably because most of those good things happened in spite of them, not because of

Most good things do.

Yes, we still have lots of problems: trillion?dollar deficits, mental illness, crushing regulation, endless wars (although fewer of them), criminal injustice, inequality, climate

But it's always been that way. Evolution programmed humans to focus on problems. hypervigilant, they wouldn't have lived long enough to give birth to the people who gave

birth to us. I try not to let that distract me

More people in more places dom, personal freedom, demo-

likely to destroy that. John Stossel is author of 'Give Me a Break: How I Exposed Hucksters, Cheats, and Scam Artists and Became the Scourge of the Liberal Media.' For other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit

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things.

from water.

gains? No.

Our ancestors survived in a very dangerous world. If they weren't

I obsess about problems. But from the big picture:

enjoy prosperity, religious freecratic governance, largely equal rights, civility, better health and longer lives.

Neither Trump nor Biden is

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Reopen the pool

On August 25 2020, The World published a front page article stating that the North Bend Pool is closed and will be closed until next year. The reasons given for closing the pool are not acceptable and I, along with many other people, think that the pool should be opened immediately.

The pool is an important part of our community. Children, seniors, the Coast Guard, SWOCC, SCAT, North Bend High School Swim Team, Special Olympics, Life Guard training and the general public utilize the North Bend pool. If the reason for the closure is funding, then I say that the pool has been mismanaged and if the reason is due to COVID, that is blatantly false because almost all pools, (indoor and outdoor), in Oregon and nationwide are

Mingus pool has been open for some time now and how can we expect Kathee McNutt to accommodate the Coos Bay/ North Bend swimmers and the many other people in our community that want and need to use a pool?

Are you going to tell me that the city of Coos Bay values the well being of their residents more than North Bend?

The property tax statements have been sent out and along with other fees, the people of North Bend are being charged for the pool. Does the city plan on returning the pool fees to the tax payers for non-use of the pool?

What about the swim passes? Will the city issue a refund to the people that have bought the passes and had an expectation that the passes would be honored and that they would be able to

The water has been drained from the pool and if the reason for draining the pool is because it needs to be painted, there are many in our community that would be COVID compliant and would volunteer to help to get the pool reopened.

So please, contact City Hall and demand that the pool be filled and reopened immediate-

> Rebecca Cowan North Bend

### **Grateful for quick fire** response

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Charleston Fire Department for their quick action on a fire that they responded to on Libby Lane near the B.A.C.A.P.A. ball field. This was approximately one hour after the North Bank fire started to burn out of control on September 8, 2020.

When Charleston fire arrived

on scene they immediately requested traffic control as their fire apparatus was blocking one lane of traffic. I arrived on scene and observed two firefighters racing to remove an attack line from the fire truck and immediately cutting their own trail through thick underbrush towards the fire. I could clearly hear and see the fire was growing fast and was definitely concerned about it getting out of control.

I CAN'T BELIEVE

WE'RE ADDING ANOTHER HOUR TO THIS

ENDLESS YEAR.

Several fire trucks from outside agencies arrived on scene to supply additional water. Not long after as smoke and debris filled the sky fire fighters were able to get the fire under

I would like to personally thank volunteer firefighters Zach Breitkreutz, Austin Cybulski, and assistant fire chief Jerry Huff for their quick response and brave actions to quickly get the fire under control.

**Chief Jerry Merritt** Coquille Tribal Police Department

### **After the election distortions** in our democracy will persist

"Dear Mr. Fantasy play us a tune,

Something to make us all

happy.

Do anything, take us out of

Sing a song, play guitar, make it snappy.'

The lyrics of the classic rock tune from the 60s perfectly express our collective national malaise. Regardless of the outcome of the presidential election, systemic problems with the structure of our government will continue to affect our lives until we the people demand that the problems be remedied.

Consider the following. Every state is represented by two senators. That means, a large state like California (40 million people and 39% White) and a rural state like Wyoming (population 575,000 and 92% White) each have the same number of senators representing their vastly different populations and demographics. What was suitable in 1776 is no longer adequate to establish an equitable democracy in America today. The less populated rural states are now being over-represented in the Senate.

Remedies already exist. We could eliminate winner takes all voting and establish proportional representation in Congress, eliminate gerrymandering and all forms of voter suppression, take money out of politics, and unequivocally establish by Constitutional amendment that money is not speech and corporations are not people.

Urgent problems demand that we change the way we govern ourselves so that we can get on with addressing and resolving the very real and existential threats of climate change, nuclear war, future pandemics, environmental pollution, poverty, and many other serious problems.

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So much needs to be done but we can't even get to first base on any of it. Our democracy needs an overhaul so that we can truly be a lamp of justice and freedom to lead the whole world into a safe, secure, and prosperous future.

No matter where you stand on the political spectrum, our children and grandchildren would appreciate it if we would quit our partisan bickering and start working together to make this a livable, peaceful world for present and future generations. Look beyond the election. A long row awaits our hoeing.

> **Thomas Bertka** Coos Bay

### Advantages to 'green new deal'

Let's wake up about a "green new deal": renewable energy is a distributed system for energy, that energy inexhaustible and non-polluting. These systems have a whole host of upsides:

1) much safer to protect terrorist-wise because there are many smaller systems instead of gigantic hubs that could be targeted and disrupt power for millions at a time instantly with a mere cyber attack, not to mention physical attack; 2) middle-class jobs that

maintain and improve these systems as well as extend the local networks of these systems -- so many more than the pittance the Jordan Cove Project "offered"

3) far less local pollution or risk of massive human and property damage from explosions;

4) locally generated electricity for the same or less cost than purchasing as we do now;

5) a better use for oil: plastics that can create any kind of container we wish — something that dramatically improves the ability of commerce and trade to exist, expand and change;

6) a more distributed network of innovation based in scientific inquiry and system observation instead of the likes of oil companies and the Rockefellers controlling and squelching change that would benefit us instead of them.

Jenny Jones North Bend

### Write to us and the community with a Letter to the Editor

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### **OBITUARY**

### Mary B. Lalic

August 14, 1922 - October 25, 2020



A funeral Mass for Mary B. Lalic, 98, of Bandon will be held at 10 am at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. A recitation of the rosary will proceed the Mass at 9:30 am. A grave side service will be held following the Mass at the Holy Trinity Caltholic Cemetery, north end of Harem Ave. in Bandon. Seating is limited please call Holy Trinity Catholic Church at 541-329-0697 Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday between 9:30 am - 3pm to reserve a seat.

Mary was born August 14, 1922 in Delmont, PA. The daughter of Michael Bizon and Ernestina (Suchter) Bizon. She died October 25, 2020 at Southern Coos Hospital.

She was raised in Greensburh, PA. The youngest of 5 children. She Graduated High school in 1940 and had various jobs. In 1943 working at Westinghouse, she met the love of her life Guy D. Lalic and on November 17, 1945 they married at the Church of Our Lady of Grace in Hoboken, NJ, with only her Mom and best friend in attendance.

They settled in Skyville, MD and she worked for the social security office in Baltimore, MD. Promoting to GS 11. She retired in

They moved to Bandon on November 17. 1994 where she remained active with her gardening and growing her award winning gladiolus. She became known as the gladiolus lady in Bandon, blessing many with her flowers.

She loved playing bridge and always looked forward to the time with her many friends at the bridge club. She truly loved everyone she met.

Mary is survived by numerous nieces and nephews and very close and dear friends.

Arrangements are under the direction of Amling Schroeder Funeral Service, Bandon.

Friends may offer condolences online at westrumfuneralservice.com

Joplin, Stevie Nicks and

a stirring cover of Alan-

na Myles' song "Black

Kelly Clarkson, who won

ibbin tearfully hugged her

was voted out in 2002.

journey this has been,"

McKibbin said before

"What an incredible

leaving the stage. "Just to

know that so many people

support me and enjoy what

I do means more than any-

The often acid-tongued

Simon Cowell was equally

"Reality check: Out of

10,000 people, you are third.

This is not a time for tears,"

he told McKibbin. "You've

got a career ahead of you."

Idol sent its condolences

to McKibbin's family and

"Nikki McKibbin was

an incredible talent and we

are deeply saddened by the

"She was part of our Amer-

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news of her passing," the

TV show said in a state-

ment posted on Twitter.

ican Idol family and will

be truly missed."

In a statement, American

thing in the world."

gracious.

friends.

fellow contestants when she

Gracious in defeat, McK-

the competition.

# Actor Sean Connery dies

LONDON (AP) — Sean Connery, the charismatic Scottish actor who rose to international superstardom as the suave secret agent James Bond and then abandoned the role to carve out an Oscar-winning career in other rugged roles, has died. He was 90.

Connery's wife and two sons said he "died peacefully in his sleep surrounded by family" in the Bahamas, where he lived. Son Jason Connery said his father had been "unwell for some time."

Bond producers Michael G. Wilson and Barbara Broccoli said they were "devastated" by the news. They said Connery's "gritty and witty portrayal of the sexy and charismatic secret agent" was largely responsible for the success of the film series.

"He was and shall always be remembered as the original James Bond whose indelible entrance into cinema history began when he announced those unforgettable words 'The name's Bond... James Bond," they said in a statement.

Daniel Craig, the current Bond, said Connery "defined an era and a style" and that the "wit and charm he portrayed on screen could be measured in mega watts.'

Scottish First Minister Nicola Sturgeon said the country was mourning "one of her best loved

Connery, was a commanding screen presence for some 40 years. He was in his early 30s — and little known — when he starred in the first Bond thriller, 1962's "Dr. No," based on the Ian Fleming novel.

Condemned as immoral by the Vatican and the Kremlin, but screened at the White House for Bond fan John F. Kennedy, "Dr. No" was a box office hit and launched a franchise that long outlasted its Cold War origins.

United Artists couldn't wait to make more films about the British secret agent, with ever more elaborate stunts and gadgets, along with more exotic locales and more prominent co-stars, among them Lotte Lenya and Jill St. John.

For decades, with actors from Connery to Craig in the leading role, filmgoers have loved the outrageous stunts, vicious villains and likable, roguish hero who enjoyed a life of carousing, fast cars, gadgety weapons, elegant clothes and vodka martinis (always shaken, not stirred).

Connery continued as Bond in "From Russia With Love," "Goldfinger," "Thunderball," "You Only Live Twice" and "Diamonds Are Forever," often performing his own stunts. 007 and feared he wasn't being taken seriously despite his dramatic performances in Alfred Hitchcock's "Marnie" and Sidney Lumet's "The "I'd been an actor since I was 25, but the image the press put out was that

I just fell into this tuxedo and started mixing vodka martinis," he once complained. When he walked away at age 41, Hollywood

"Diamonds Are For-

and by then Connery had

grown weary of playing

ever" came out in 1971

insiders predicted Connery would soon be washed up. Who would hire a balding, middle-aged actor with a funny accent?

Connery fooled them all, playing a wide range of characters and proving equally adept at comedy, adventure or drama. And age only heightened the appeal of his dark stare and rugged brogue; he set a celebrity record of sorts when at age 59 he was named People magazine's "Sexiest Man Alive."

He won the affection of fans of the "Indiana Jones" franchise when he played Indy's father opposite Harrison Ford in the third picture, 1989's "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade." He turned in a poignant portrayal of an aging Robin Hood opposite Audrey Hepburn in "Robin and Marian" in 1976 and, 15 years later, was King Richard to Kevin Costner's Robin Hood in "Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves."

He was the lovable English con man who joined Michael Caine in swindling people in a distant land in "The Man Who Would Be King" and the bold Russian submarine commander in "The Hunt for Red October."

Connery delivered a charming performance as a reclusive writer who mentors a teenage prodigy in 2000's "Finding Forrester."

He won his Oscar for supporting actor in 1987 for his portrayal of a tough Chicago cop who joins Elliot Ness' crime-fighters in "The Untouchables."

By then he was at peace

with James Bond, and when he arrived onstage at the Oscars ceremony he declared, "The name's Connery. Sean Connery.' He kept his promise

not to play Bond again until 1983, when he was lured back by an offbeat script about a middle-aged 007. Based on the only Fleming story that hadn't been nailed down by the film empire Broccoli and Saltzman created, Connery took the role and helped produce the film. The result was "Never Say Never Again," a title suggested by his wife, Micheline Roquebrune.

Even as the 007 films made him a millionaire, Connery tried often to separate his own personality from that of Bond.

"I'm obviously not Bond," he once said. "And Bond is obviously not a human being. Fleming invented him after the war, when people were hungry for luxury, gourmet touches, exotic settings. Those were the things the English loved to read about following the privations of the war."

The "real" Sean Connery had a troubled first marriage and a history of comments justifying domestic violence. In 1962, he married Diane Cilento, an actress best known for her role as Molly in "Tom Jones." They had a son, Jason, who also became an actor, but the union proved tempestuous and ended in 1974.

Its impact lasted long after. Cilento would allege that he had physically abused her and Connery defended his behavior in interviews. In 1965, he told Playboy magazine that he did not find "anything particularly wrong about hitting a woman — although I don't recommend doing it in the same way that you'd hit a man. An openhanded slap is justified — if all other alternatives fail and there has been plenty of warning."

When Barbara Walters brought up those remarks in a 1987 interview, he said his opinion hadn't changed because "sometimes women just won't leave things alone."

Connery was widely criticized, but still received numerous honors, including being chosen as commander (the same rank as Bond) of France's Order of Arts and Literature and a Kennedy Center honoree in 1999. The following year Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed him a British knight, for services to film drama.

In 2005 he was chosen

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**DEAR ABBY** By Abigail Van Buren

for a lifetime achievement award by the American Film Institute. Thomas Sean Connerv was born Aug. 25, 1930, in Edinburgh, Scotland, the first of two sons of a long-distance truck driver and a domestic

He left school at age 13 during World War II to help support his family.

"I was a milkman, laborer, steel bender, cement mixer—virtually anything," he once said.

Weary of day labor, he joined the British navy and was medically discharged after three years. The ailment: stomach ulcers.

Back in Edinburgh, he lifted weights to build his body and compete in the Mr. Universe contest. He came in third, and briefly considered becoming a professional soccer player, but chose acting because he reasoned his career would last longer.

He got his first big break singing and dancing to "There is Nothing Like a Dame" in "South Pacific" on the London stage and in a road production before going on to act in repertory, television and B movies. He went to Hollywood for two early films, Disney's "Darby O'Gill and the Little People" and "Tarzan's Greatest Adventure."

When he decided to become an actor, he was told that Thomas Sean Connery wouldn't fit on a theater marquee so he dropped his first name.

Then came the audition that changed his life. American producers Albert "Cubby" Broccoli and Harry Saltzman had bought the film rights to a string of post-World War II spy adventure novels by Fleming. Connery was not their first choice for "Dr. No."

The producers had looked to Cary Grant, but decided they wanted an actor who would commit to a series. The producers also realized they couldn't afford a big-name star because United Artists had limited their film budget to \$1 million a picture, so they started interviewing more obscure British performers.

Among them was the 6-foot-2 Connery. Without a screen test, Broccoli and Saltzman chose the actor, citing his "dark, cruel good looks," a perfect match for the way Fleming described

### Velvet." known for her third place McKibbin finished third finish in the first season of American Idol, has died. on the show that year, behind Justin Guarini and

Nikki McKibbin dies

'American Idol' contestant

She was 42. McKibbin's husband, Craig Sadler, confirmed her death in a Facebook post, saying that she had died after suffering a brain aneurysm on Wednesday and was taken off life

ARLINGTON, Texas

(AP) — Nikki McKibbin,

a singer from Texas best

husband did not say where she died. McKibbin's son, Tristen Langley, told The New York Times that his mother

support early Sunday. Her

died in Arlington, Texas. "She was so loved that I know thousands of you will be grieving with us," Sadler said. "She loved so many of you and I know you loved her too."

McKibbin appeared on American Idol in 2002, when the show started and became an instant hit.

A 23-year-old from Grand Prairie, Texas, McKibbin impressed the judges with soulful performances of songs by Janis

### **DEATH NOTICE**

Helen L. Morris, 87, of Coos Bay died October 29, 2020 in Coos Bay. Cremation rites will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www. coosbayareafunerals.com

### SERVICE NOTICE

A memorial service for David L. Cummings, 73, of Lakeside who died October 16, 2020 in Lakeside will be held Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 11:00 AM at the Reedsport Church of God 2191 Birch St. Private inurnment will be held at Sunset Memorial Park, Coos Bay under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel 685 Anderson Ave. 541-267-3131. www.coosbayareafunerals.com

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in their eyes.

creating a bond since she has offloaded them to you. Talk with your daughter. Tell her that if she isn't prepared to actually spend time with her children, you will stop bringing them, and then follow through. Children aren't stupid. They know when someone is interested in them and when they are being ignored. In the end, you won't be the "bad guy"

**DEAR ABBY:** I am raising my two

granddaughters and trying to allow their

mother, my daughter, to visit with them.

with us, she stays on her phone or Snap-

chat. Last weekend, I drove to the place

have a ton of family and friends who say

bad guy when they grow up. Help, Abby.

I'm wrong for allowing her to even see

the girls, period. I don't want to be the

where she resides, and the whole time

we were there she ignored the girls. I

My problem is, the entire time she is

**DEAR ABBY:** I am writing because I'm sure other grandparents have faced the same issue as I have. I enjoy sending my grandchildren cards with a small check for special occasions or as a reward for doing well in school, etc. My son and daughter-in-law have a reward

system set up with my grandson where he receives an allowance for doing his chores, but has money deducted if he

I sent my grandson a small check with his birthday card, but my son informed me that he will be able to keep only \$2 of it, because he's in the hole for not doing his chores. I feel the check was a gift and should have been kept separate

from the rewards program. Who is right -- my son or me? -- GENEROUS GRAN IN WASHINGTON

**DEAR GRAN:** I think you are. But since your son and daughter-in-law dictate what goes on under their roof, it doesn't matter what you and I think. The rules are the rules, and your grandson needs to get off his behind and catch up on those chores!

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I are snowbirds and head south for a few sunny months every winter. We rent in an active adults community and enjoy all the clubs and sports. Our problem is the number of relatives and friends who invite themselves down for a free vacation.

Unless I specifically call and invite you, I am not interested in spending my vacation -- which is costing me a pretty penny -- making beds, washing towels, cooking much more elaborate meals than my husband and I usually eat and ferrying you around to see the sights. Feel free to rent your own place or stay in a hotel wherever you wish, but please do not include us in your plans. Thank you, Abby, for letting me get that off my chest! -- ANSWER IS NO

**DEAR ANSWER:** You are welcome. That's what I am here for. But you are venting to the wrong person. This is something you should express to each of the friends and relatives who think they can continue to impose upon you. Who can blame them? They thought your silence was consent.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www. DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

# Pumpkin Time

The annual Cherry Creek Floral Community Pumpkin Carving Contest in Myrtle Point featured 63 total entries from area residents who found creative ways to carve, decorate and design their gourds

**Photos by John Gunther** 



Benjamin Broer's pumpkin offering included two oranges who were prisoners in his carved creation.





The pumpkins for the Cherry Creek Floral Community Carving Contest came in all shapes and sizes and the designs varied from traditional carving to coloring to additional enhancements including ribbons, candy corn and even a famed red political hat (bottom left).









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# Presidential campaigns draw to a close

# Trump talks legal action while Biden goes on offense

CLEVELAND (AP) — President Donald Trump cast doubt in advance on Tuesday's election results, while Democratic challenger Joe Biden pushed ahead on offense on the final full day of campaigning ahead of an election conclusion that could have consequences for the U.S. for years to come.

After the president threatened legal action on Sunday to stop vote counting in some crucial states such as Pennsylvania, his campaign released a statement on Monday accusing Democrats of trying to "subvert state deadlines for receiving and counting ballots."

If Pennsylvania ballot counting takes several days, as is allowed, Trump charged on Monday that "cheating can happen like you have never seen."

Biden dipped into Ohio, a show of confidence in a state that Trump won by 8 percentage points four years ago. He focused on the central message of his campaign: that Trump cost lives by mismanaging America's response to the worst pandemic in a century.

"Donald Trump is not strong, he's weak," Biden declared in Cleveland. "This is a president who not only doesn't understand sacrifice, he doesn't understand courage."

On the eve of the election, the U.S. is at a crossroads, gripped by a historic pandemic that is raging anew in nearly every corner of the country, and a reckoning over race. Both campaigns insist they have a pathway to victory, though Biden's options for picking up the required 270 Electoral College votes are more plentiful. Trump is banking on a surge of enthusiasm from his most loyal supporters in addition to potential legal maneuvers.

Trump was spending the final day sprinting through five rallies, from North Carolina to Wisconsin. Beyond Ohio, Biden was devoting most of his time to Pennsylvania, where a win would leave Trump with an exceedingly narrow path.

Biden also announced plans to campaign in Scranton and Philadelphia on Tuesday as part of a get-out-the-vote effort. His running mate, Sen. Kamala Harris, will visit Detroit, a heavily Black city in battleground Michigan, and both of their spouses will hit the road too. Trump, at least for now, was not scheduled to travel on Election Day.

More than 93 million votes have already been cast, through early voting or mail-in ballots, which could lead to delays in tabulation. Trump has spent months claiming without evidence that the votes would be ripe for fraud while refusing to guarantee that he would honor the election result.

Trump has used stark terms to threaten litigation to stop the tabulation of ballots arriving after Election Day — counting that is allowed with earlier postmarks in some states. As soon as polls close in battlegrounds, "We're going in with our lawyers," Trump said Sunday.

It was unclear precisely what he meant. There is already an appeal pending at the Supreme Court over the counting of absentee ballots in Pennsylvania that are received in the mail in the three days after the election.

The state's top court ordered the extension, and the Supreme Court refused to block it, though conservative justices expressed interest in taking up the propriety of the three added days after the election. Those ballots are being kept separate in case the litigation goes forward. The issue could assume enormous importance if the late-arriving ballots could tip the outcome.

One of Biden's top legal advisers Bob Bauer pushed back at Trump's promise of mobilizing his lawyers after polls close to challenge certain ballots.

"It's very telling that President Trump is focused not on his voters but on his lawyers, and his lawyers are not going to win the election for him," Bauer said. "We are fully prepared for any legal hijinks of one kind or another. We're not worried about it"

And Harris, said that she believed Trump was simply blustering to "distract from the fact that he actually has no record to run on." She said "he wants to scare people, he wants to distract people, confuse people."

Under the shadow of possible legal battles, Pennsylvania loomed as the most important battleground.

For Biden, who was born there and lives in neighboring Delaware, Pennsylvania has long been a focus of his campaign, a bulwark to block Trump from securing the electoral votes needed for reelection. Both Biden and Harris and their spouses were crisscrossing the state Monday — hoping to deliver a knockout blow big enough to avert a legal challenge.

Trump once led comfortably in Ohio. But Biden announced Sunday during his national team's daily call that he planned to return to the state at the urging of Sen. Sherrod Brown, who said he and other Ohio Democrats in Congress had encouraged it, suggesting a final, late visit could win.

That trip comes after Biden's ticket has pushed into other formerly reliable Trump strongholds including Georgia, where the Democrats' most popular

surrogate, former President Barack Obama, was campaigning Monday.

"I didn't originally plan to come to Georgia. I told Michelle, I'm sorry, Baby, I got to go to Georgia. This is a big deal," said Obama, noting Democrats' hopes that they could deliver a knockout blow to Trump in the former GOP stronghold. "Georgia could be the state, Georgia could be the place."

But even as Biden enjoyed strong poll numbers, the move to expand the map revived anxiety among Democrats scarred by Trump's 2016 upset over Hillary Clinton, whose forays into red states may have contributed to losing longtime party strongholds. Biden planned a Pittsburgh drivein event with Lady Gaga on Monday night, reminiscent of Clinton's rallying with Bruce Springsteen and Jon Bon Jovi in Philadelphia on the eve of an election she was favored to win but didn't.

Short on campaign cash,
Trump has been unable to
compete with Biden over the
airwaves and has relied on rallies
to fire up his base. Those events,
arguably the most striking political force of the past five years,
could draw to a close Monday
with stops in North Carolina,
Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and
two in Michigan. The last was
set for Grand Rapids, the city
where Trump held his finale four
years ago.

# Lawyers ready if election heads to court

WASHINGTON (AP)
— Signature matches.
Late-arriving absentee votes. Drop boxes. Secrecy envelopes.

Democratic and Republican lawyers already have gone to court over these issues in the runup to Tuesday's election. But the legal fights could take on new urgency, not to mention added vitriol, if a narrow margin in a battleground state is the difference between another four years for President Donald Trump or a Joe Biden administration.

Both sides say they're ready, with thousands of lawyers on standby to march into court to make sure ballots get counted, or excluded.

Since the 2000 presidential election, which was ultimately decided by the Supreme Court, both parties have enlisted legal teams to prepare for the unlikely event that voting wouldn't settle the contest. But this year, there is a near presumption that legal fights will ensue and that only a definitive outcome

is likely to forestall them.

The candidates and parties have enlisted prominent lawyers with ties to Democratic and Republican administrations. A Pennsylvania case at the Supreme Court pits Donald Verrilli, who was President Barack Obama's top Supreme Court lawyer, against John Gore, a one-time high-ranking Trump Justice Department official.

It's impossible to know where, or even if, a problem affecting the ultimate result will arise. But existing lawsuits in Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Minnesota and Nevada offer some hint of the states most likely to be ground zero in a post-election battle and the kinds of issues that could tie the outcome in knots.

Roughly 300 lawsuits already have been filed over the election in dozens

of states across the country, many involving changes to normal procedures because of the coronavirus pandemic, which has killed more than 230,000 people in the U.S. and sickened more than 9 million.

Most of the potential legal challenges are likely to stem from the huge increase in absentee balloting brought on by the coronavirus pandemic. In Pennsylvania, elections officials won't start processing those ballots until Election Day, and some counties have said they won't begin counting those votes until the following day. Mailed ballots that don't come inside a secrecy envelope have to be discarded, under a state Supreme Court ruling.

"I still can't figure how counting and verifying absentee ballots is going to go in some of the battle-ground states like Pennsylvania," said Ohio State University law professor Edward Foley, an election law expert.

The deadline for receiving and counting absentee ballots is Friday, an extension ordered by the Pennsylvania's top court. The Supreme Court left that order in place in response to a Republican effort to block it. But several conservative justices indicated they'd be open to taking the issue up after the election, especially if those late-arriving ballots could mean the difference in the state.

Trump, though, was not happy the extension was left in place, even though Pennsylvania will keep those ballots separate from the rest in case of renewed court interest.

"This is a horrible thing that the United States Supreme Court has done to our country," Trump said in Pennsylvania Saturday.

On Sunday, he said that as soon as the polls close, "We're going in with our lawyers."

# GOP tries to save Senate majority

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republicans are fighting to save their majority, a final election push against the onslaught of challengers in states once off limits to Democrats but now hotbeds of a potential backlash to President Donald Trump and his allies on Capitol Hill.

Fueling the campaigns are the Trump administration's handling of the COVID-19 crisis, shifting regional demographics and, in some areas, simply the chance to turn the page on the divisive political climate.

Control of the Senate can make or break a presidency. With it, a reelected Trump could confirm his nominees and ensure a backstop against legislation from House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif. Without it, Joe Biden would face a potential wall of opposition to his agenda if the Democratic nominee won the White House.

In North Carolina, for example, the match-up between GOP Sen. Thom Tillis and Democratic challenger Cal Cunningham, among the most expensive in the nation, is close.

"At some point, you put it in the hands of voters," said Dallas Woodhouse, a former executive director of the state's Republican Party.

Republican incumbents are straining for survival from New England to the Deep South, in the heartland and the West and even Alaska. Overpowered in fundraising and stuck in Washington until just last week to confirm Trump's Supreme Court nominee, they are fanning out some alongside Trump for last-ditch, home-state tours to

shore up votes.

With the chamber now split, 53-47, three or four seats will determine Senate control, depending on which party wins the White House. The vice president breaks a tie in Senate votes.

What started as a lopsided election cycle with Republicans defending 23 seats, compared with 12 for Democrats, quickly became a more stark referendum on the president as Democrats reached deeper into Trump country and put the GOP on defense.

Suddenly some of the nation's better-known senators — Lindsey Graham in South Carolina, Susan Collins in Maine — faced strong reelection threats. Only two Democratic seats are being seriously contested, while at least 10 GOP-held seats are at risk.

"I don't see how we hold it," said Chip Felkel, a Republican strategist in South Carolina who opposes the president.

Felkel added: "You'd be hard pressed to admit we don't have a Trump problem."

The political landscape is quickly changing from six years ago when most of these senators last faced voters. It's a reminder of how sharp the national mood has shifted in the Trump era.

Younger voters and more minorities are pushing some states toward Democrats, including in Colorado, where the parties have essentially stopped spending money for or against GOP Sen. Cory Gardner because it seems he is heading toward defeat by Democrat John Hickenlooper, a former governor.

In more Republican-friendly terrain, the GOP senators must balance an appeal to Trump's most ardent supporters with outreach to voters largely in suburbs who are drifting away from the president and his tone.

Tillis is struggling to gain ground in North Carolina, a presidential battleground, even after Cunningham's sex-texting scandal with an aide.

Arizona could see two Democratic senators for the first time since last century if former astronaut Mark Kelly maintains his advantage over GOP Sen. Martha McSally for the seat held by the late Republican John McCain.

A vivid dynamic is in Iowa, a state Trump won in 2016 but is now a toss-up as Sen. Joni Ernst struggles to fend off Democrat newcomer Theresa Greenfield. Ernst wowed Republicans with a 2014 debut ad about castrating hogs but she faced criticism after last month's debate when she stumbled over the break-even price for soybeans.

In Georgia, Trump calls David Perdue his favorite senator among the many who have jockeyed to join his golf outings and receive his private phone calls. But the firstterm senator faces a surge of new voters in the state and Democrat Jon Ossoff is playing hardball.

Ossoff called Perdue a "crook" over the senator's stock trades during the pandemic. Perdue shot back that the Ossoff would do anything to mislead Georgians about Democrats' "radical and socialist" agenda.

### Video altered to look like Biden greeted wrong state

### Associated Press

It's an awkward moment when a presidential candidate greets the audience at a rally and names the wrong state.

Fortunately for Democratic nominee Joe Biden, that didn't happen to him this week, despite a widely shared video that appears to show him saying "Hello, Minnesota" to a crowd in Florida.

It turns out he was, indeed, in Minnesota. The video that was shared had been altered to change the text on a sign and the podium to refer to Tampa, Florida, instead of Minnesota.

What you need to know about this edited video and the falsehoods spreading around it:

CLAIM: Video shows Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden mistakenly saying "Hello, Minnesota" at a campaign event in Tampa, Florida.

AP'S ASSESSMENT: False. The sign behind Biden in this video has been edited to add the words "Tampa, Florida" and remove the words "TEXT MN to 30330." The podium has also been edited to add "FL" instead of "MN." Original video from this event confirms that Biden was in Minnesota and addressed the correct state in his greeting.

THE FACTS: An altered video

circulating widely on social media appears to show Biden making a cringeworthy mistake: addressing Minnesotans during a campaign stop across the country in Tampa, Florida.

"Hello, Minnesota!" Biden says after taking the stage. Behind him, a sign appears to read, "Tampa, Florida" and "Battle for the Soul of the Nation."

Biden continues, "Jessica, thank you for being here, for sharing your story." Then, the 16-second clip ends.

The video had more than a million views on Twitter on Sunday and was spreading quickly the weekend before the U.S. presidential election. However, the words on the sign and the podium in this video have been manipulated. Several sources prove that Biden did not address the wrong state in his greeting and he was indeed in Minnesota.

An original version of the video on C-SPAN shows it was taken during an Oct. 30 campaign stop in St. Paul, Minnesota. The sign did not read "Tampa, Florida," but instead said "TEXT MN to 30330." The podium did not read "TEXT FL to 30330," but instead said "TEXT MN to 30330."

Several Associated Press images from the event provide additional proof that the sign and podium said "TEXT MN to 30330" and did not include mention of Florida.







# Governor puts National Guard on standby for election

PORTLAND (AP) — Oregon Gov. Kate Brown on Monday put the National Guard on standby for a 48-hour period around Election Day and used her executive authority to activate a unified command of state troopers, sheriff's deputies and Portland police to handle any protests.

Portland has seen near nightly protests for five months after the police killing of George Floyd in Minneapolis and many demonstrations end in vandalism, arson and violent clashes with officers. President Donald Trump's call

for a crackdown on protests in Democratic-led cities has attracted right-wing groups to the city for "law and order" rallies and pro-Trump events.

"We've seen firsthand what happens when free expression is fueled by hate," the Democratic governor said. "We know that there are some people who might want to use peaceful election night protests to promote violence and property destruction,"

"I want to be very, very clear that voter intimidation and political violence will not be tolerated. Not from the left, not from the right and not from the center. Not this week, not any week in Oregon," Brown said.

The unified command will begin at 5 p.m. Monday and end at 5 p.m. Wednesday. It can be extended if necessary, Brown said

State police and the Multnomah County sheriff's office will oversee the unified force. That allows its members to use tear gas if needed. Portland police are prohibited from using tear gas after an order by Mayor Ted Wheeler, who is also police commissioner.

Authorities used a similar joint command approach to police a right-wing rally and counterprotests in late September.

Wheeler, who is in a tight reelection race, thanked the governor for taking the action.
"Oregon is likely to be a

flashpoint," he said of post-election protests. "Our partnership prevented violence in the past, and I hope it will do so again."

Oregon State Police sent its mobile response team to Portland

on Monday, agency Superintendent Terri Davie said.

The role of the National Guard will be fluid and decided as events unfold, said Maj. Gen. Michael Stencil, head of the Guard.

Oregon is a universal vote-bymail state, and voters who have not mailed back their ballots have until 8 p.m. Tuesday to deposit them in designated ballot drop boxes.

Multnomah County Sheriff Mike Reese said deputies will be conducting stepped-up patrols to monitor for voter intimidation.

# Judge rejects GOP bid to throw out 127,000 Houston votes

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal judge on Monday rejected another last-ditch Republican effort to invalidate nearly 127,000 votes in Houston because the ballots were cast at drive-thru polling centers established during the pandemic.

The lawsuit was brought by conservative Texas activists who have railed against expanded voting access in Harris County, where a record 1.4 million early votes have already been cast. The county is the nation's third largest and a crucial battleground in Texas, where President Donald Trump and Republicans are bracing for the closest election in decades on Tuesday.

U.S. District Judge
Andrew Hanen's decision
to hear arguments on the
brink of Election Day drew
concern from voting rights
activists, and came after
the Texas Supreme Court
rejected a nearly identical
challenge over the weekend.

Hanen said the opponents to drive-thru centers — who were represented by former Harris County GOP Chairman Jared Woodfill— had no standing to bring a lawsuit. He added that people had already voted and that conservative activists had months to bring a challenge sooner.

But Hanen still expressed doubts about whether Texas law allowed anyone to vote from their car, even in a pandemic.

"If I were voting tomorrow, I would not vote in a drive-thru just out of my concern as to whether that's legal or not," Hanen said.

Woodfill said he would immediately appeal the decision, accusing Harris County officials of using their office to help Democrats win Tuesday.

"If Harris County goes against Trump in large enough numbers, then we could lose Texas. And if Trump loses Texas then we

lose the national election," Woodfill said after the ruling. "As far as I'm concerned this is ground zero."

Another 20,000 or more voters were expected to use drive-thru polling locations Tuesday, said Harris County Clerk Chris Hollins, the county's top elections official. Several voters who already used the drive-thru centers rushed to join mounting opposition to the lawsuit, including a Houston attorney whose wife was 35 weeks pregnant when she cast her ballot. She gave birth to twins Friday.

"My vote counts," David Hobbs said. "My wife's vote counts."

Trump won Texas by nine points in 2016 but polls have shown Democrat Joe Biden still within reach in America's biggest red state. Democrats also need to flip only nine seats to reclaim a majority in the Texas House for the first time in 20 years, and have aggressively targeted sev-

eral races in Harris County.

Woodfill has been a part of a battery of court challenges over moves to expand voting options during the COVID-19 pandemic. The challenges have not involved Trump's campaign.

Harris County offered 10 drive-thru locations as an option for its nearly 5 million residents amid worries of spreading the coronavirus. Woodfill argued that Texas election law makes no explicit allowances for drive-thru voting and framed it is as an unlawful expansion of curbside voting, which is legal in Texas but limited to people who are unable to enter polling places because of their health.

Portions of the hearing were consumed by debate over what exactly qualified as a legal structure for a polling place under Texas law.

"You have a fundamental right to vote in a car?" Hanen tersely asked an attorney for the ACLU.

Woodfill's lawsuit noted that all but one of the drive-thru centers were set up "in Democrat areas of the county." More than 40% of Harris County residents are Latino, and about one in five residents are Black.

The lawsuit drew objections even from Republicans, include former Texas House Speaker Joe Straus. Republican Sen. John Cornyn, who is facing the toughest reelection battle of his career Tuesday against Democrat MJ Hegar, also said during a weekend campaign stop that the Texas Supreme Court made the right decision earlier in rejecting an identical challenge.

The Texas Supreme Court, which is controlled entirely by Republicans, rejected an identical lawsuit last month and on Sunday refused to invalidate the votes already cast. The state's highest court did not explain its decision.

Hollins had asked Re-

publican Gov. Greg Abbott to affirm that the drive-thru locations are legal but received no response.

Texas is one of just five states that did not allow for widespread mail-in voting this year during the coronavirus pandemic, which has killed more than 18,000 people statewide. Abbott instead expanded early voting by one week, and that extra time helped Texas already surpass 2016's total votes even before Tuesday's election.

More than 9.7 million people have cast early ballots in Texas, where turnout typically ranks among the lowest in the country. Some elections experts predict that total turnout in Texas could surpass 12 million, and Harris County officials have taken more steps than most to expand voting access.

The county tripled the number of polling places and last week had eight locations that stayed open for 24 hours.

# Trump threatens to fire Fauci after the election

OPA-LOCKA, Fla.
(AP) — President Donald
Trump is suggesting that
he will fire Dr. Anthony
Fauci after Tuesday's
election, as his rift with
the nation's top infectious
disease expert widens
while the nation sees its
most alarming outbreak of
the coronavirus since the

Speaking at a campaign rally in Opa-locka, Florida, Trump expressed frustration that the surging cases of the virus that has killed more than 231,000 people in the United States this year remains prominent in the news. That sparked his supporters to begin chanting "Fire Fauci."

"Don't tell anybody but let me wait until a little bit after the election," Trump replied to thousands of supporters early Monday, adding he appreciated their "advice."

Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden tweeted later Monday in response: "We need a president who actually listens to experts like Dr. Fauci."

Biden has sought to keep the campaign focused on what he says is a disastrous federal response to the pandemic. Trump is countering by using the race's final hours to accuse Biden of wanting to force the country back into a lockdown to slow the spread of the virus.

Still, Trump's comments on Fauci less than 48 hours before polls close likely ensure the pandemic will remain front and center heading into Election Day.

It's the most direct
Trump has been in suggesting he was serious about trying to remove Fauci from his position. He has previously expressed that he was concerned about the political blowback of removing the popular and respected doctor before the election.

Trump cannot directly fire Fauci, who is not a presidential appointee. Theoretically, Trump could pressure Fauci's boss, Dr. Francis Collins, or Health and Human Services
Secretary Alex Azar to do so. Even discounting
Fauci's scientific legacy, taking that step would be politically extraordinary considering a Republican president, George W. Bush, awarded Fauci the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Fauci also has considerable bipartisan support in Congress.

Former President Barack Obama defended Fauci while campaigning in Atlanta for Biden. Obama praised Fauci's public service and remarked that Trump's "second-term plan is to fire that guy, the one person who could actually help them contain the pandemic."

The latest flare-up follows Fauci making his sharpest criticism yet of the White House's response to the coronavirus and Trump's public assertion that the nation is "rounding the turn."

Fauci has grown outspoken that Trump

has ignored his advice for containing the virus, saying he hasn't spoken with Trump in more than a month. He has raised alarm that the nation was heading for a challenging winter if more isn't done soon to slow the spread of the disease.

In an interview with The Washington Post this weekend, Fauci cautioned that the U.S. will have to deal with "a whole lot of hurt" in the weeks ahead due to surging coronavirus cases.

Fauci said the U.S. "could not possibly be positioned more poorly" to stem rising cases as more people gather indoors during the colder fall and winter months. He says the U.S. will need to make an "abrupt change" in public health precautions.

Fauci added that he believed Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden "is taking it seriously from a public health perspective," while Trump is "looking at it from a different perspective." Fauci, who's on the White House coronavirus task force, said that perspective emphasizes "the economy and reopening the country."

In response, White
House spokesman Judd
Deere said Trump always
puts people's well-being
first charged that Fauci had
decided "to play politics"
right before Tuesday's
election. Deere said Fauci
"has a duty to express concerns or push for a change
in strategy" but instead is
"choosing to criticize the
president in the media and
make his political leanings
known."

Trump had already stepped up his attacks on Biden in recent days for pledging to heed the advice of scientists in responding to the pandemic. As Trump charges that Biden's measures to slow the pandemic could keep Americans home and hurt the economy, the former vice president has countered that the only way out of the health crisis is to heed the warnings of Fauci and other medical

professionals. Biden has also been careful not to endorse another national lockdown.

Trump has recently relied on the advice of Stanford doctor Scott Atlas, who has no prior background in infectious diseases or public health, as his lead science adviser on the pandemic. Atlas has been a public skeptic about mask wearing and other measures widely accepted by the scientific community to slow the spread of the virus.

Other members of the White House coronavirus task force have grown increasingly vocal about what they see as a dangerous fall spike in the virus.

Trump's aggressive approach to Fauci carries some risks.

A Kaiser Family Foundation poll in September showed 68% of Americans have a great deal or a fair amount of trust in Fauci to provide reliable information on the coronavirus. That compares with 52% of Americans who trusted Biden to do that and just 40% for Trump.







### Rose listed wrong charter school

North Bend mayoral candidate James Rose incorrectly listed that he had helped establish the nonprofit status for the Lighthouse Charter School in his information submitted for The World's election guide in October. Rose helped with discussions for a separate potential charter school two decdes ago.



# Oregon hospitals could reach capacity by mid-December

SALEM (AP) — Last week Oregon health officials delivered a concerning message: If the state remains on the path it is now with increasing daily COVID-19 cases hospitals in Oregon could reach capacity by mid-December.

Out of Oregon's 721 listed intensive care unit beds, 24% were available, based on data on from the health authority's website Thursday. Out of the non-ICU adult hospital beds in the state, 14% were available.

As of Thursday afternoon there were 156 confirmed COVID-19 patients in hospitals. However there have been days in months past, such as July and August, where the number has surpassed

In the month of October, Oregon has surpassed its record of daily cases multiple times. On Friday officials reported a new daily record — 600 COVID-19 cases.

So if cases continue to rise and the number of patients in Oregon hospitals begin to spill over what happens?

"Hospitals have a spectrum of tools they can utilize to manage bed capacity such as in face of a surge of COVID patients," said Tim Heider, a spokesperson for the Oregon Health Authority.

This could include postponing elective procedures, using hospitals beds or wings that are currently unused, or adding staffing capacity to their inpatient units.

In addition, Oregon hospitals have worked on a "regionalized approach."

"Through this regional approach, hospitals across a region can assess capacity and respond to a surge together by distributing patients needing inpatient

or emergency department level of care based on capacity and capability," Heider said. "In face of a surge, hospitals can call on help from hospitals in neighboring communities to ensure patients get needed care, instead of working in isolation as

This response could include hospitals out of

individual facilities."

Heider said that even prior to COVID-19 hospitals have routinely transferred patients across state lines "in order to get patients to the appropriate level of care or specialty care."

Earlier this month In addition, Kootenai Health, a hospital located in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, announced that people with COVID-19 in Northern Idaho may be sent to Seattle, Washington, or Portland, Oregon, because the region's hospitals are

nearing capacity.

The Oregon Health Authority said this week that they had spoken with colleagues in Idaho, and at this time are not aware of any plans for any Idaho hospitals to move patients to Oregon.

Oregon's total COVID-19 case count since the start of the pandemic surpassed 44,300 Friday. The death toll is

For six weeks, Oregon's COVID-19 cases were in a downward trend until mid-September. Since then, officials warned that numbers were again increasing at an alarming

During October, Oregon has reached grim COVID-19 milestones including the state's largest daily case count since the start of the pandemic, surpassed 600 deaths and reached 40,000 confirmed

## Judge: Postal Service must make extra effort to deliver ballots on time

SALEM (AP) — A federal judge has ordered the U.S. Postal Service to take "extraordinary measures" to deliver ballots in time to be counted in Wisconsin and around Detroit, including using a priority mail service.

Chief U.S. District Judge Stanley Bastian in Yakima, Washington, issued the order on Friday after being presented with data showing on-time delivery of ballots sent by voters was too slow in Michigan and Wisconsin. They are both "battleground states" in the November election.

Delivery of ballots in the USPS' Detroit district, for example, has dipped as low as 57% over the past week, Washington state Attorney General Bob Ferguson's office said Saturday.

"Every vote must be counted," Ferguson said. "Our democracy depends

National on-time delivery has been at 93% or higher, said the statement from Ferguson, who leads a coalition of 14 states that filed a lawsuit on Aug. 18 over changes to the Postal Service.

Bastian, an appointee of former President Barack Obama, said that starting Sunday and continuing through Nov. 10, the USPS must report to his court the prior day's "all clear" status for each facility and processing center in the Detroit area and a district covering most of Wiscon-

If the USPS identifies any incoming ballots in its "all clear" sweeps of these facilities, it must make every effort to deliver those ballots by 8 p.m. local time on Election Day, including by using Priority Mail Express or other extraordinary measures, Bastian

### Oregon

In a 2019 report, the board announced its commitment to "promote alternatives to conviction and punishment in appropriate cases, including the decriminalization of drug possession for personal use."

Doing so would also "address prison overcrowding and overincarceration by people accused of drug crimes," said the board, which is made up of the leaders of all U.N. agencies, funds and other

Oregon's measure is backed by the Oregon Nurses Association, the Oregon chapter of the American College of Physicians and the Oregon Academy of Family Physicians.

"Punishing people for drug use and addiction is costly and hasn't worked. More drug treatment, not punishment, is a better approach," the groups said in a statement.

Opponents include two dozen district attorneys who urged a no vote, saying the measure "recklessly decriminalizes possession of the most dangerous types of drugs (and) will lead to an increase in acceptability of dangerous drugs."

Three other district attorneys back the measure, including the top prosecutor in Oregon's most populous county, which includes Portland, the state's largest city.

"Misguided drug laws have created deep disparities in the justice system," said Multnomah County District Attorney Mike Schmidt. "Arresting people with addictions is a cruel

punishment because it slaps them with a lifelong criminal record that can ruin lives."

Jimmy Jones, executive director of Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action, a group that helps homeless people, said arresting people who are using but not dealing hard drugs makes life extremely difficult for them.

"Every time that this happens, not only does that individual enter the criminal justice system but it makes it very difficult for us, on the back end, to house any of these folks because a lot of landlords won't touch people with recent criminal history," Jones said. "They won't touch people with possession charges.'

The measure would decriminalize possession of less than one gram of heroin or methamphetamine; two grams of cocaine; 12

grams of psilocybin mushrooms; 40 doses of LSD, oxycodone or methadone; and one gram or five pills of MDMA.

The new addiction recovery centers that would be launched in the state would be funded by tax revenues from Oregon's legal, regulated marijuana industry.

Marijuana tax revenues collected by the state in excess of \$45 million annually would fund the centers. Doing so would reduce the amount given to schools, the state police, mental health programs and local governments, according to the ballot measure's financial impact statement published by the Oregon secretary of state.

The Oregon revenue department said it received about \$133 million in marijuana taxes during the most recent fiscal year that started in July 2019 and

ended last June.

Opponents have seized on the funding reductions in an attempt to sway voters to vote against the measure and have also said that decriminalizing hard drugs would make young people more likely to start using them.

The state's voters in 2014 legalized recreational use and sale of marijuana. But it passed by fewer than 200,000 votes of the 1.5 million counted.

Given that margin, the more controversial hard drugs decriminalization measure is unlikely to pass, said Catherine Bolzendahl, director of Oregon State University's School of Public Policy.

But Christopher McKnight Nichols, associate professor of history at Oregon State University. said it's hard to gauge the outcome because voter participation seems headed for a historic high, with many first-time voters.

"We don't know as much about their preferences," Nichols said.

If Oregon's voters reject Measure 110, "it may well pass next time, which has been the model for marijuana legalization, for instance, across the country," Nichols said.

The measure's political action committee, More Treatment for a Better Oregon: Yes on 110, received a \$500,000 donation from Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg and his wife Dr. Priscilla Chan via the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, which supports science and education work and promotes criminal justice reform.

"If the measure passes, Oregon will shift to a health-based approach to drugs and addiction," the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative's website says.

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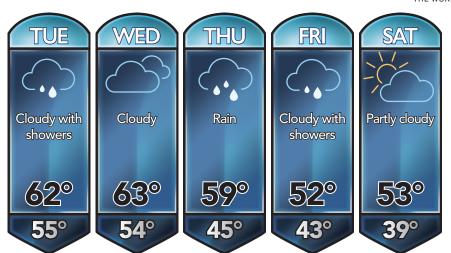
From A1

Coos County has seven official dropsites, all of which will be accepting ballots through 8 p.m.

County employees, who swear an oath to protect the integrity of the vote, collect ballots from the following sites:

- Bandon City Hall, 555 U.S. Highway 101.
- Coos Bay City Hall, 500 Central
- Coquille Courthouse, 250 North Baxter Street.
- Lakeside City Hall, 915 North Lake Road.
- Myrtle Point City Hall, 424 Fifth Street.
- North Bend Fire Department, 1880 McPherson Avenue.
- Powers Market, 409 Second Avenue. In Reedsport, ballots can be returned by mail, or to the Douglas County Annex at 680 Fir Avenue. That drive-thru drop box is open 24 hours a day, with final pick-up at 8 p.m. tonight.

The Coos County elections office can be reached by calling 541-396-7610. The Douglas County elections office is available at 541-440-4252, and Curry County's is at 541-247-3297.



### Halloween

From A1

All 1,750 candies were gone within an hour, Stumpf said.

The event was even more special for the Salvation Army's team this year because of what happened last year, according to Stumpf. That year, the organization had planned a fall festival with free food and carnival activities for hundreds of guests, when the gymnasium's roof caved in the morning of the event, forcing leaders to cancel the whole thing.

This year though, volunteers got together to put on a Halloween event, albeit one changed by the realities of the pandemic.

"What we're trying to do is show people that community is still around," Stumpf said Saturday.

At the same time as the Salvation Army's drive-thru, cars piled onto Elrod Avenue, stalling in the middle of the street as they waited to turn into the Coos Bay Fire Department station.

There, department staff members were handing out candy to cars driving through. Kids dressed in the whole range of costumes — from farm animals, to Superwoman, to princesses, to ghouls — yelled the classic "trick-or-treat!" through rolled-down car windows, often with bags and pumpkin-shaped buckets held out.

"What do we say?" parents asked, reminding their kids to say "thank you" before driving away.

By just half way through the event, the department's Station #1 on Elrod Avenue had seen nearly 600 kids, organizers said. Department leadership ran resupply trips for more candy as the night went on.

At the department's Empire station, Jillian Black packed candy into plastic goody bags in preparation for incoming trick-or-treaters. Two hours into the event, that station



Zack Demars Photos, The World

A family walks through the Coos Bay Fire Department's drive-thru trick-or-treating event on Halloween.

had seen around 400 kids, Black said.

"It's really nice to still have the interactions, despite everything that's going on right now," said Jonathan Torres, Black's fiance and a third-year student with the fire department.

Torres and Black said parents had been gracious throughout the night, thanking the group for hosting the trick-or-treat event — and asking them where they could find more drive-thru Halloween festivities.

Torres' favorite costume of the night? A family all together in a car, with the driver and passenger dressed as plague doctors and the riders in the back seat dressed as plague-ridden patients, a clear allusion to the present pandemic.

Black said she was impressed with the work that some parents had done on the hair of some princesses who visited the station. A team of firefighters piled into an engine to depart for a call a few minutes later, leaving Torres and Black to lead the trick-or-treating table.

"We're just trying to spread some happiness despite all that's going on," Torres said. "It's nice to get some support from our community."

Halloween isn't the first major event to be disrupted by the pandemic — and it's sure not to be the last. The future of holidays is already on the minds of many, including the Salvation Army's Stumpf, who says her organization is planning new forms of food box donation and holiday meal programs to keep recipients safe during the pandemic.

"Thanksgiving's going to be different a little different. Christmas is going to be a little different," Stumpf said. "What are things going to look like?"



Above: The Salvation Army's volunteers dressed up to match their trick-or-treating stations and the candy they passed out to hundreds kids during Saturday's Halloween festivities.

Right: "2020 is Boo Sheet," a ghost's sign reads during the Coos Bay Fire Department's drive-thru trick-or-treating event Saturday.



### **Lakeside**

From A1

The windows that look into the office's main lobby have been covered, too, so ballots that land on the floor can't be seen from the outside, and access to the building is limited, Heller said.

"These are pretty dedicated workers," Heller said. "We all want everybody to be able to vote."

What's more, Heller said that all cities will have outdoor, standalone drop boxes in future years, once locations are secured for them.

"I've never had any

issues at any of my dropsites," Heller said.

Mayor James Edwards said city hall is secure too, and that he doesn't have any contact with the ballots.

"We do everything we can to make sure that they're safe and secure," Edwards said. "There are no ballots that are not put in the county box. Guaranteed."

Plus, the county's ballot return data show that ballots are coming in through the dropsite. Almost 850 ballots had been collected from city hall in the town of 1,800 by Thursday morning, according to the

returns data.

And, as an added layer of security, the state allows voters the chance to check on the status of their ballots. Voters can enter their information at www. oregonvotes.gov/myvote and see if their ballot has arrived at the county elections office.

Still, with a tense nationwide conversation about election security and a heated local conversation about the measures on the ballot, tensions (literally) at the ballot box are still running high.

"We've had a pretty heated year this year, on both sides," Frampton said

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### LOTTERY

MegaMillions Oct.30 14-19-34-39-59 Megaball: 11 Multiplier: x2 Jackpot: \$129 million Powerball
Oct. 31
2-6-40-42-55
Powerball: 24
Multiplier: x3
Jackpot: \$137 million

**Megabucks** Oct. 31 5-18-23-37-40-44 Jackpot: \$3.9 Million

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# Timbers move into first place in West

PORTLAND (AP) — Yimmi Chara scored in the 61st minute and the Portland Timbers beat the Vancouver Whitecaps 1-0 on Sunday night.

The Timbers (11-5-5) moved into first place in the Western Conference with two games remaining. Portland was helped by the Seattle Sounders' 3-1 loss to the Colorado Rapids earlier Sunday.

But the victory was costly. Late in the game Jaroslaw Niezgoda, who has seven goals, was stretchered off in stoppage time. Details about the injury were not known, but Timbers coach Giovanni Savarese indicated after the game that it was serious.

"We'll find out a little bit more later, but right now it's not very positive," Savarese said.

The Whitecaps (8-14-0) went into the game ranked ninth in the Western Conference, just outside of the playoff picture. Vancouver was above the line earlier this week but Major League Soccer announced that the standings would be determined by points per game, not total points.

The change was made in part because teams missed games due to coronavirus cases. It was a blow to Vancouver, already forced to play "home" matches at Portland's Providence Park because of travel restrictions with Canada.

"Nothing's fair this year. We just have to deal with it," coach Marc Dos Santos said earlier this

The Timbers were without forward Jeremy Ebobisse because of a concussion.

The Timbers dominated possession in the first half but Vancouver challenged them with a flurry of activity in front of Portland goalkeeper Steve Clark in the final minutes. The two teams were scoreless at the break.

The Timbers broke through in the 61st minute on Chara's goal off a cross from Jorge Villafana, who was making his 100th regular-season appearance for Portland.

"We know that we still have two more games. We have to stay focused on the important part of these two matches that are going to be difficult," Savarese said.

The Whitecaps had a good chance in the 80th minute but Clark deftly stopped Lucas Cavallini's blast off a cross from Ali Adnan. Clark finished with two saves.

"It was a close game, and equal game. We pushed after we conceded the goal," Dos Santos said. "We continued believing and pushing."

At the same time Niezgoda was injured, teammate Diego Valeri also left the match after he appeared to injure his left ankle.

However, Savarese said after the match that Valeri, who has eight goals this season, was fine.

Portland was coming off a 5-2 win at home over the Galaxy on Wednesday. The Whitecaps fell 0-2 to the Seattle Sounders at Providence Park the night before.

It was the second meeting between the Cascadia Cup rivals this season. Felipe Mora scored for Portland in a 1-0 victory over Vancouver at Sept. 27.

Vancouver has just one more game this season, next Sunday on Decision Day against the LA Galaxy. There is still a slight chance for the Whitecaps can make the playoffs, but they would need help.

# Lots of new QB faces as Pac-12 starts season

**ANNE M. PETERSON** 

**Associated Press** 

The so-called Conference of Quarterbacks has had some considerable turnover at the position heading into the season.

Gone are some of the Pac-12's big names: Oregon's Justin Herbert, Washington State's Anthony Gordon, Arizona's Khalil Tate and Utah's Tyler Huntley. Just five quarterbacks who started regularly for conference teams last season are back.

Arguably the top returnee is USC's Kedon Slovis, who took over last season when starter JT Daniels was injured in the opener. Slovis threw for 3,502 yards with 30 touchdowns and nine interceptions. He was named Pac-12 Freshman of the Year.

"I felt as Kedon progressed through that second half of the season and we progressed as a team, we started playing our best ball towards the end of the season last year," Trojans coach Clay Helton said. "Now, to be able to watch Kedon work with those skill players and see the timing the ball is coming out (with), the accuracy the ball is coming out with, the chemistry of those skill players with him, it's evident that being in the second year of the system and his comfort level with the kids he's been working with is clear on the field. It makes you excited as a coach."

Slovis is considered one of the top QBs in the conference, if not the nation, heading into the pandemic-abbreviated season.

The Trojans, who finished 8–5 overall and 7-2 in the Pac-12 last year, are currently ranked No. 21 in the AP Top 25 despite the fact they haven't played yet.

"From my perspective, or from the offense's, we're just really throwing in a lot of stuff, more nuances from what we did last year and more variations from what we did last year. We can run so many different things from so many different looks," Slovis said about USC's progression heading into his second season.

Other returning starters at QB include Arizona State's Jayden Daniels, who threw for 2,943 yards with 17 touchdowns and two interceptions as a freshman. He had five 300-yard games. Cal's Chase Garbers threw for 1,772 yards and 14 touchdowns with three interceptions in nine games last year. And UCLA junior Dorian Thompson-Robinson threw for 2,701 yards and 21 TDs with 12 interceptions.

At Stanford, quarterback K.J. Costello went to Mississippi State under Mike Leach, who left Washington State in the offseason. But the Cardinal still have junior Davis Mills, who started in six games last season when Costello was injured and set a school record with 504 passing yards against Washington State.

take the reins at QB after starting in three games last season when Tate struggled with injury.

Oregon's backup last season, Tyler Shough, is the presumed starter for the Ducks, while

Tristan Gebbia is expected to top the depth chart at Oregon State. To the north in Washington, Jacob Sirmon appeared to be the frontrunner to replace Jacob Eason, and Washington State had a three-way competition in camp between Jayden de Laura, Gunner Cruz and Cammon Cooper.

Utah also had three players vying for the starting nod, Jake Bentley, Drew Lisk and Cameron Rising, while Colorado's battle was primarily between Tyler Lytle and Sam Noyer.

**CORONAVIRUS:** As

COVID-19 cases surge nationwide and more games get canceled, the Pac-12 is proceeding with caution. Oregon reported that five players had positive tests and called off a scrimmage last Saturday. The players were asymptomatic and isolated pending more accurate tests. Turned out, the initial tests were false positives and the players returned to practice Tuesday.

Among the league's coaches, Arizona's Kevin Sumlin and UCLA's Chip Kelly both had the coronavirus.

PROJECTED FINISH:

Media members who cover the Pac-12 selected Oregon to finish atop the North Division and USC to top the South, and the Ducks to win the league title for the second straight year. Last year the Ducks won their division, the championship and the Rose Bowl to finish 12-2 overall and ranked No. 5 in the final Top 25.

**NEW COACHES:** There are three new head coaches in the

Pac-12, but one, Colorado's Karl Dorrell, isn't exactly new. He was head coach at UCLA from 2003-07. He replaces Mel Tucker, who left Boulder after one season for Michigan State.

The other two newbies are in Washington: Jimmy Lake is coach of the Huskies and Nick Rolovich has taken over the Cougars. Lake was promoted after Chris Petersen unexpectedly announced his retirement. Rolovich, who spent the last four seasons as coach at Hawaii, replaces Leach.

**EARLY RISERS:** Ready or not, Pac-12 fans, you're about to need early Saturday wakeup calls to catch the league's 9 a.m. games. Those early starts are tough for the players, with alarms set several hours earlier for pregame meals and warmups. Many of the league's coaches weren't all that excited about the prospect — except for Utah's Kyle Whittingham, who essentially said to bring it on.

"As willing as we could possibly be. So whatever the maximum willingness level is, that's where we're at," Whittingham said about the prospect of playing in those early starts. "It doesn't bother us a bit. Our opinion has always been the sooner we get on the field, the better. It provides no advantage for either team, they're both kicking off at the same time."

For the Pac-12's opening weekend, USC will host Arizona State in a game starting at 9 a.m. local time.

# Alabama closes gap on Clemson

**ASSOCIATED PRESS** 

Clemson remained No. 1 in The Associated Press college football poll on Sunday, but not by much.

Trevor Lawrence's absence because of COVID-19 and the Tigers' narrow win over Boston College created a divide among the 62 writers and broadcasters on the voting panel.

Clemson received 33 first-place votes — 19 fewer than last week and has only a two-point lead over No. 2 Alabama heading into a huge ACC matchup at fourth-ranked Notre Dame this week.

Alabama, which handed Mike Leach his first shutout as a head coach with a 41-0 victory over Mississippi State, got the other 29 first-place votes.

The rest of the top five emained the same, with Ohio State at No. 3, followed by Notre Dame and Georgia.

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# Chargers blow another big lead, lose in final seconds

### Herbert is solid again but San Diego loses third straight game it led by 17 points

DENVER (AP) - Los Angeles Chargers coach Anthony Lynn pointed toward the official in the end zone who was momentarily waving his arms incomplete, hoping for that decision to be heeded.

It wasn't. Another close call that went against the Chargers.

Denver rookie receiver KJ Hamler hauled in a 1-yard TD pass while falling down in the end zone with no time left

to tie the game, and Brandon McManus made the extra point as the Broncos rallied for a 31-30 win over the Chargers on Sunday.

It took a quick replay review to uphold the touchdown.

"The way we lost a game today, that is unacceptable," Lynn said. "Everything we wanted is still in front of us. We've got to figure this out and turn it around

Just for Denver (3-4) to get in position for the winning score took some close calls and reviews on that final drive. There was one on an outstretched reach by former Chargers running back Melvin Gordon that awarded Denver a valuable first down.

Later, there was a pivotal pass interference call in the back of the end zone with 1 second remaining that set up Drew Lock's winning toss.

To think, the Chargers (2-5) had a 24-3 in the third quarter and were seemingly in total control. Here's a telling stat: Teams when leading by 17 or more points are 52-4 this season (heading into the night game), according to ESPN Stats & Info.

The Chargers? They're now

It's the fifth time in franchise history the Chargers have blown a lead of 21 or more.

The Broncos had just about everything fall right on their 14-play, 81-yard drive that

consumed the final 2 minutes, 30 seconds.

Gordon made a one-handed catch on third-and-5 at the Chargers 29, where as he was falling down he extended the football. He was ruled short, but the video replay showed Gordon made the first down.

Then the Chargers had a chance to end the game with the Broncos facing fourth-and-4 at the LA 18 with 7 seconds left. Lock lofted a pass toward tight end Albert Okwuegbunam in the back of the end zone with Chargers defensive back Brandon Facyson blanketed all over him.

As Facyson celebrated breaking up the play, an official threw a flag for pass interference. It gave the Broncos the ball at the 1 with a second remaining.

"That was just a tough call," Chargers safety Rayshawn Jenkins said. "That could've gone either way."

With one last play, Lock rolled to his right and tossed a pass to an open Hamler, who secured the ball as he fell to the ground to tie the game. Hamler celebrated as the officials discussed the catch. After a review, the touchdown was upheld. After the extra point, there was some pushing and shoving.

It was just that kind of loss for the Chargers.

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# Elliott races into NASCAR championship final

### Harvick is eliminated from title contention after dominating the regular season

MARTINSVILLE, Va. (AP) Kevin Harvick was on cruise control all season long, the most dominant driver in NASCAR, coasting into the championship round with a comfortable cushion that left plenty of room

That's how it was supposed to play out, at least, after Harvick won a Cup series-high nine races

and the regular-season title. Then his nearly perfect season came to a spinning and sudden halt Sunday when a mediocre run bounced Harvick from the

playoffs in a stunning upset at Martinsville Speedway.

Chase Elliott won the highstakes race to earn his first career berth in the championship four. It stopped Harvick one race short of the title round in a stunning collapse to a season spent as the favorite to win the Cup crown.

"We won nine races and had a great year. Just came up short," Harvick said.

Eight points short, to be exact, after his spinning 17th-place finish at Martinsville.

Elliott, Brad Keselowski and Denny Hamlin will race Joey Logano, who had already clinched his berth, in next week's finale at Phoenix. It's a matchup of a pair of Fords from Team Penske against Hamlin's Toyota and Elliott, the first Hendrick Motorsports and Chevrolet driver to make the finale since Jimmie Johnson won his seventh and final title in 2016.

Harvick was eliminated along with Alex Bowman, Kurt Busch and Martin Truex Jr., who battled for the win until a late loose wheel ended his shot.

Harvick noted NASCAR's 10-race championship format is far different from the season-long points battle Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt won seven times each. The system now spans three series of three races each, with eliminations in each round, before four drivers line up for a championship shootout.

"They aren't won the same way that Earnhardt and Petty did. You have to put together a few weeks and we didn't put together these last few weeks like we needed to," Harvick said. "That's the system that we work in and it's obviously skewed more towards entertainment than the whole year.

"It's exciting to watch."

Harvick was only mediocre at Martinsville and even fell a lap off the pace after a flat tire. His Stewart-Haas Racing team was in trouble, trying desperately to tune his Ford so that he could drive his way back onto the lead lap and back above the cutoff line.

But it was an incredibly long 500-lap points-chasing quest at NASCAR's oldest and smallest speedway. Harvick was racing for the fourth and final slot in the field, separated from Hamlin and Keselowski by one point on one lap, two on the next, back to one after that.

On and on it went, those three drivers locked into a tense fight

for single digit points because with Elliott out front, just two spots remained open for three drivers.

Harvick was one point below the cutline when Elliott crossed the finish line. He needed to pass one car ahead of him — Kyle Busch, Hamlin's teammate at Joe Gibbs Racing — to grab that point and Busch wasn't going to make it easy.

Harvick tried to knock Busch out of his way in a failed desperate effort as they closed in on the finish line. Both cars spun and Harvick's season was done.

"It was just a move I had to try knowing that I needed one point," Harvick said. "It was just a Hail Mary that didn't work

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# Hamilton adds to Formula One win total

IMOLA, Italy (AP) — Runaway championship leader Lewis Hamilton overcame a sluggish start to win the Emilia Romagna Grand Prix on Sunday for a record-extending 93rd Formula One

Hamilton beat Mercedes teammate Valtteri Bottas by 5.7 seconds and rushed over to celebrate with the team's engineers and mechanics after the team clinched a record-extending seventh straight constructors' title.

'Seven times champs, something to tell my grandchildren," said Hamilton, who also clinched an extra point for the fastest lap. "It is very overwhelming right now."

Renault driver Daniel Ricciardo placed third for a second podium of an impressive season, while Daniil Kvyat placed a commendable fourth in what is expected to be his last season before being replaced at AlphaTauri.

"It was a bizarre one, I'm not sure what happened to Max but that put us in the fight for a podium," Ricciardo said. "Cyril (Abiteboul) will not be getting another tattoo though.'

Abiteboul is the team principal and, at the start of the season, agreed to have a tattoo done if Ricciardo finished a race on the podium.

Ferrari's Charles Leclerc was fifth ahead of Racing Point's Sergio Perez.

The unbeaten Liber-

year in the Football Bowl

Subdivision, entered the

at No. 25. Penn State is

rankings for the first time

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ty Flames, in their third

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Hamilton started from second on the grid and was overtaken by Max Verstappen, who span off track 11 laps from the end after his rear right tire blew, bringing out the safety car and prompting drivers to change to quicker tires.

Hamilton had missed the first pit window and came in after the other drivers, but his lead was sufficient enough and he came back out about two seconds ahead of Bottas.

The safety car remained on the track following another crash as George Russell lost control and slammed into the track barriers. He was unharmed but upset at his own error while behind a safety car, as he sat on the grass and slapped himself several times on the leg in frustration.

This gave Bottas a chance to pressure Hamilton with six laps left, but Hamilton got away cleanly after the re-start and clocked fastest laps on his way to another comfortable win.

F1 returned to Imola for the first time since 2006, when Michael Schumacher won at the Enzo and Dino Ferrari circuit situated in Italy's auto racing heartland and the site of Ayrton Senna's death from a high-speed crash in 1994.

Hamilton broke Schumacher's record for wins when he clinched a 92nd victory last weekend.

He is now closing rapidly on matching Schumacher's record

seven F1 titles and leads Bottas by 85 points with four races and a maximum of 104 points left. Hamilton can clinch the title at the Turkish GP on Nov. 15.

Bottas took an excellent pole position and made a good start, while Hamilton almost lost another position but managed to block Pierre Gasly, who retired his AlphaTauri on Lap 9.

"It was an exhausting race, the speed we were having to go after a poor start," Hamilton said.

Verstappen pitted to switch from medium to hard tires on Lap 19, with Bottas following on the next lap as his team covered his move. But this played into Hamilton's hands.

He stayed out longer, having asked his team not to bring him in, and set fastest laps before coming in for his tire change with a lead of nearly four seconds ahead of Bottas — hindered by a large piece of debris stuck under his car since Lap 2.

"I think (the damage) made quite a big impact today," Bottas said. "Out of Turn Seven there was the debris, I didn't have time to

The gap was larger than expected for Hamilton. He was entering the pits just as a virtual safety car call was made when Esteban Ocon's Renault stalled on the side of the track, meaning drivers had to slow down.

Still, the decision to bring Bottas in right after Verstappen appeared strange, seeing how quick he was going on the medium tires and that the race leader usually has priority over strategy calls.

He then lost second place on Lap 43 when locking his tires entering a turn, allowing Verstappen to zoom past a short time later.

"I was pushing hard to avoid Max getting through," Bottas said. "I had to push over all of my limits which led to a few mistakes.

"Second!" Verstappen said with evident irony on the team radio, such is Mercedes' dominance.

Soon after, it was despondency as he trudged back to the team garage with his race over.

Soon after the restart, Alexander Albon span his Red Bull and Mc-Laren's Carlos Sainz Jr. showed remarkable reflexes to swerve left and avoid any contact. It was another dismal day for

four-time F1 champion Sebastian Vettel, who lost out on a points finish after an awful 13-second tire stop and finished 12th.

He is 14th in the standings while teammate Leclerc is fifth and 67 points ahead.

Vettel arrived at Ferrari in 2015 with high hopes that he could win the team's first drivers' title since Kimi Raikkonen in 2007.

But this season Vettel has not finished a race higher than sixth.

# champs

LAS VEGAS (AP) - Steve Torrence, Matt Hagan, Erica Enders and Matt Smith held onto their points leads to win season titles Sunday at the Dodge NHRA Finals at The Strip at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Torrence raced to his third straight Top Fuel championship, Hagan claimed his third Funny Car title, Enders won her fourth Pro Stock crown, and Smith his fourth Pro Stock Motorcycle title.

Hagan and Enders raced to event victories as well, with Hagan giving Don Schumacher Racing its 14th straight victory in the class dating to 2019. He beat Ron Capps with a 3.914-second run at 326.40 mph in a Dodge Charger SRT for his third win of the season and 36th overall.

Enders raced to her fourth victory of the season and 29th overall. She beat Kyle Koretsky with a 6.643 at 206.39 in a Chevrolet Camaro.

Antron Brown won the Top Fuel event, and Angie Smith -Mike Smith's wife topped the Pro Stock Motorcycle field.

Brown beat Torrence in the final with a 3.759 at 315.34 for his first victory in more than two years and 51st overall.

### **NASCAR**

Hamlin, a seven-time winner this season who went race-for-race with Harvick all year, lamented not getting a shot at his rival in Phoenix.

"I feel bad for Kevin. I think they deserve to be in. There's not a person on this planet that would say they aren't a top-four team," Hamlin said. "We wanted to create a Game 7 moment, so this is what you get.

"If you have a bad race or two in a three-race series, you're out. Everything you do for eight innings doesn't matter if you don't have a good ninth inning."

Elliott, meanwhile, scored a must-win victory that put him in the finale after three previous failures to advance. It's a huge professional on-track accomplishment for NASCAR's most popular driver and gave the beloved Elliott family its first Martinsville trophy grandfather clock.

Bill Elliott was 0 for 45 at Martinsville in his Hall of Fame career, and Chase Elliott won in his 11th try.

"It's the biggest win ever for us," said Elliott, who earned his 10th Cup victory and career-high fourth of the season. "I've never been in this position before and it's exiting."

NASCAR this season moved Martinsville to the final elimination race in an effort to turn the .0526mile paperclip into a short track throw-down. It made for 500 white-knuckled laps in which the contenders all showed up to win but also had in-race bobbles.

Elliott had back-to-back bad pit stops, including one late in the race in which Elliott could have drawn a race-crippling penalty when his jackman entered the service stall too early. The crew member smartly ran back to pit wall and touched it to re-establish his position, leading NA-SCAR to make a no-call on the slip.

Keselowski was flagged for speeding on pit road, Hamlin was hampered by loose lug nuts during a stop, Truex had a loose wheel and Harvick's flat tire deflated his season.

Clemson made up an 18-point deficit in the second half to beat BC 34-28. Five-star freshman D.J. Uiagalelei made his first start and got better as the game went on as Clemson pulled off its largest comeback for a

history. Alabama made easy work of Mississippi State and has now scored 35 or more points in 19 straight games, the longest streak in the FBS.

home win in program

POLL POINTS: Liberty, which was idle Saturday, beat out Northwestern for the No. 25 spot. Hugh Freeze's Flames are 6-0 against mostly light competition. Their biggest test so far comes this week at Virginia Tech.

The last time Penn State was unranked was

week the Nittany Lions upset Ohio State in Happy Valley and appeared in 63 straight polls in which they were eligible. (Big Ten teams were removed from consideration for two polls this year because of their coronavirus-delayed season.)

Penn State had the fourth-longest active streak behind Alabama (205), Ohio State (138) and Clemson (94)

Cincinnati, at No. 6, has its highest ranking since it finished the 2009 regular season No. 4.

No. 9 BYU is in the top 10 for the first time since it was No. 7 on Sept. 13, No. 13 Indiana has its

best ranking since it was as high as No. 11 in 1987. IN: No. 22 Texas beat

Oklahoma State in overtime for its first road win

against a top-10 team since 2010 and is back after a three-week absence.

- No. 24 Auburn returned after two weeks following its rout of LSU.

- No. 25 Liberty's schedule gets tougher now, with Virginia Tech, North Carolina State and Sun Belt Conference phenom and No. 15 Coastal Carolina still to come.

**OUT:** North Carolina has lost two of three and dropped out for the first time this season.

 Penn State's absence might be temporary, with winnable games against Maryland and Nebraska up next.

Kansas State's two-week stay ends with an ugly road loss to West Virginia.

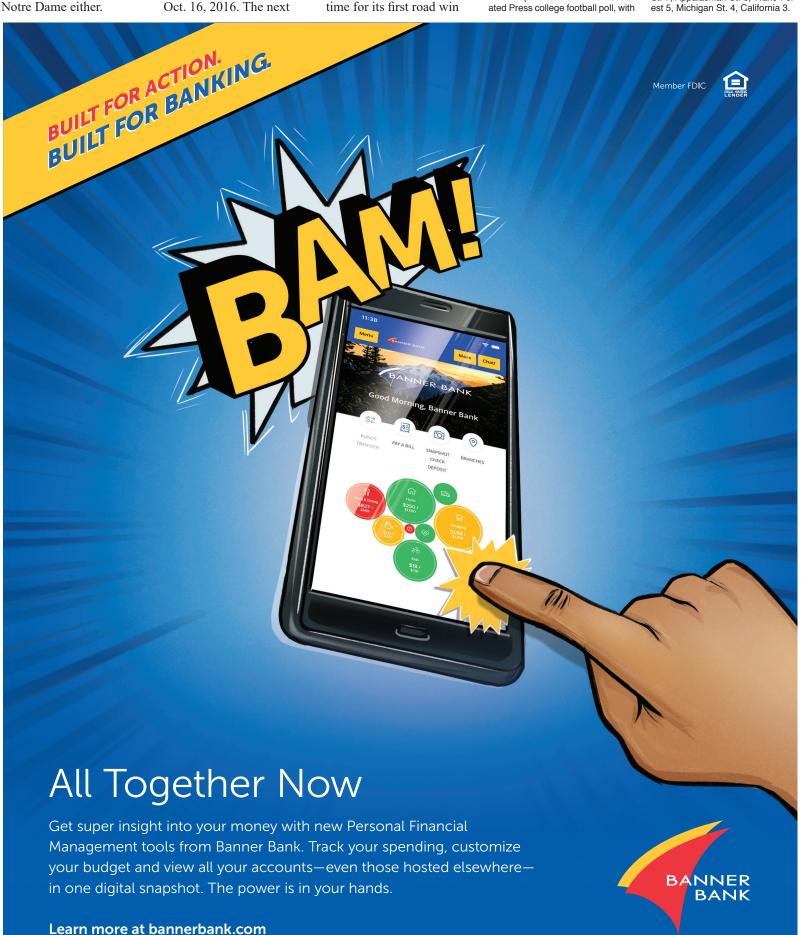
AP Top 25 The Top 25 teams in The Associ-

cords through Oct. 31, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

first-place votes in parentheses, re-

	W-L	Pts	Prv
1. Clemson (33)	7-0	1515	1
	6-0	1513	2
3. Ohio St.	2-0	1430	
4. Notre Dame	6-0	1351	4
<ol><li>Georgia</li></ol>	4-1	1289	5
6. Cincinnati	5-0	1199	7
7. Texas A&M	4-1	1156	8
8. Florida	3-1	1066	10
9. BYU	7-0	1014	11
<ol><li>Wisconsin</li></ol>	1-0	985	9
11. Miami	5-1	946	12
12. Oregon	0-0	831	14
13. Indiana	2-0	765	17
<ol><li>14. Oklahoma St.</li></ol>	4-1	760	6
<ol><li>Coastal Carolina</li></ol>	6-0	527	20
<ol><li>16. Marshall</li></ol>	5-0	523	19
17. Iowa St.	4-2	427	23
18. SMU			22
<ol><li>19. Oklahoma</li></ol>	4-2	405	24
20. Southern Cal	0-0	354	21
21. Boise St.	2-0	336	25
22. Texas			-
23. Michigan			13
24. Auburn	4-2	144	-
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# NFL: Steelers stay perfect with win over Ravens

### **ASSOCIATED PRESS**

BALTIMORE — The Pittsburgh Steelers rallied behind Ben Roethlisberger to remain the lone unbeaten team in the NFL, beating error-prone Lamar Jackson and the Baltimore Ravens 28-24 on Sunday in a duel for first place in the AFC North.

Roethlisberger threw a pair of second-half touchdown passes to bring Pittsburgh (7-0) back from a 10-point halftime deficit. After completing only four passes for 24 yards in the first half, the 38-year-old finished 21 for 32 for 182 yards.

Jackson threw two interceptions and lost two fumbles, turnovers that helped Pittsburgh stay within striking distance until its offense finally got on track.

The Steelers led 28-24 when the Ravens (5-2) faced a fourth-and-3 at the Pittsburgh 8 with 2 minutes left. Jackson ran a quarterback draw and lost the ball while being stopped short.

Baltimore got the ball back and moved to the Pittsburgh 23 before Jackson's pass in the end zone was broken up on the final play.

Earlier, Robert Spillane took an interception back for a score to end Baltimore's first possession; Jackson lost a fumble inside the Pittsburgh 5; and Alex Hightower set up a Steelers touchdown by picking off a pass on Baltimore's initial offensive play of the second half.

The Steelers stretched their streak of games with at least one sack to 64, and Baltimore's run of games with a takeaway reached 20 when Peters forced a fumble by Claypool in the first quarter.

BILLS 24, PATRIOTS 21: Backup defensive lineman Justin Zimmer punched the ball out of Cam Newton's arms and the fumble was recovered by safety Dean Marlowe at the Buffalo 13 with 31 seconds remaining to secure the win.

Zack Moss scored two touchdowns rushing and the AFC East-leading Bills are off to consecutive 6-2 starts for the first time since a six-year run from 1988 to 1993. Buffalo snapped a seven-game skid against the division-rival Patriots, and beat a Bill Belichick-coaches New England team for just the sixth time in 41 meetings, going back to 2000.

New England dropped to 2-5 and has lost four in a row, matching its worst skid since 2002.

The game was decided just as the Patriots were threatening to at least force overtime. Facing second-and-10 at the Buffalo 19, Newton took the snap and followed a line of blockers to his left. Zimmer came diving in from behind and punched out the ball, which rolled directly into Marlowe's arms.

**DOLPHINS 28, RAMS 17:** Tua Tagovailoa threw his first career touchdown pass and then let his teammates take over with a succession of big plays.

The Dolphins stamped themselves as playoff contenders by earning their third consecutive win. They struck for scores 75 seconds apart on Andrew Van Ginkel's 78-yard fumble return and Jakeem Grant's team-record 88-yard punt return. They came up with four takeaways in the first half and at halftime led 28-10 despite being outgained 224-54.

The big plays helped Tagovailoa overcome a costly early turnover in his first NFL start. The No. 5 overall pick in this year's draft finished 12 of 22 for 93 yards.

The Rams (5-3) ran 92 plays to the Dolphins' 48, and Miami won while totaling eight first downs and 145 yards. The Dolphins (4-3) have outscored opponents by a combined 95-34 in the past three games, and they're above .500 for the first time in their 23 games under second-year coach Brian Flores.

SAINTS 26, BEARS 23, OT: Drew Brees threw for two touchdowns to regain the NFL's all-time lead from Tom Brady, and Wil Lutz nailed a 35-yard field goal in overtime.

The Bears' Cairo Santos booted a 51-yard field goal at the end of regulation to force the extra period.

The Saints (5-2) led 23-13 early in the fourth quarter after scoring 20 consecutive points, only to have Chicago rally in the closing minutes of regulation. But the three-time defending NFC South champions pulled out their fourth straight win when Lutz connected on their second possession of OT.

The Saints had a first down at the 16 when coach Sean Payton called on him. And Lutz delivered, sending the Bears (5-3) to their second straight loss. New Orleans tied Tampa Bay for the division lead, with Brady and the Buccaneers meeting the struggling New York Giants on Mon-

day night.
Chicago receiver Javon
Wims got ejected for
punching New Orleans
safety C.J. Gardner-Johnson in the third quarter.
Marshon Lattimore then
intercepted Nick Foles,
leading to a tiebreaking
field goal by Lutz.

Brees added a 20-yard touchdown to Taysom Hill to make it 23-13 early in the fourth period. The Bears (5-3) pulled within three with 3:32 remaining on Foles' 3-yard pass to Darnell Mooney.

After the Saints went three-and-out, Chicago tied it with 13 seconds left on Santos' field goal into the wind.

SEAHAWKS 37, 49ERS 27: Russell Wilson threw four more touchdown passes, two to DK Metcalf. Wilson and Metcalf tormented San Francisco and its banged-up secondary as the top-scoring offense in the league continued to pile up points. The Seahawks (6-1) have scored at least 30 points in six of seven games.

Wilson hit Metcalf on a pair of first-half touch-down passes, but it was a 2½-minute sequence midway through the third quarter when Seattle blew the game open.

Wilson found rookie DeeJay Dallas on a 2-yard TD pass after San Francisco went three-and-out to open the second half for a 20-7 lead. Dante Pettis fumbled the ensuing kick-off on a big hit from Cody Barton. Six plays later, Wilson evaded pressure in the pocket and zipped a 6-yard TD pass to David Moore for a 27-7 lead.

Seattle added one more score on a 1-yard TD run by Dallas with 3:33 left after the 49ers (4-4) pulled within 10.

Wilson finished 27 of 37 for 261 yards and has 26 TD passes on the season, one behind Tom Brady for the most in the first seven games of a season.

EAGLES 23 COW-BOYS 9: Carson Wentz threw a pair of touchdown passes to overcome four turnovers, Rodney McLeod returned a fumble 53 yards for a score and Philadelphia beat Dallas.

A pair of two-win teams fighting for first place in the weak NFC East in Week 8 put on a sloppy performance fit for the preseason instead of prime time.

The Eagles (3-4-1) took control of the division with their second straight victory. Dallas (2-6) has lost three in a row.

Dallas rookie Ben DiNucci, a seventh-round pick from James Madison making his first start, was sacked four times and lost two fumbles. He completed 21 of 40 passes for 180 yards.

Wentz threw two interceptions and lost two fumbles but his 9-yard TD pass to Travis Fulgham in the third quarter gave Philadelphia the lead for good. Wentz connected with Jalen Reagor on the 2-point conversion to make it 15-9.

VIKINGS 28, PACK-ERS 22: Dalvin Cook gained 226 yards from scrimmage and became the first Viking in over four decades to score four touchdowns in a single game.

The Vikings withstood a three-touchdown performance from receiver Davante Adams, who had seven catches for 53 yards.

Green Bay had the ball at Minnesota's 41-yard line with 12 seconds and no timeouts left, but D.J. Wonnum sacked Aaron Rodgers and knocked the ball loose. Eric Wilson recovered at the 24 as time expired.

Cook missed Minnesota's last game with a groin injury that had him listed as questionable, but he looked just fine while dicing up Green Bay's defense all day. Each of the Vikings' first four possessions ended with Cook touchdowns. He ran for 163 yards and three touchdowns on 30 carries. Cook also had two catches for 63 yards, including a 50-yard score.

The only other Vikings to score four touchdowns in a game are Ahmad Rashad in 1979 and Chuck Foreman in 1975.

RAIDERS 16, BROWNS 6: Derek Carr threw a 4-yard touchdown pass to Hunter Renfrow early in the fourth quarter and Daniel Carlson kicked three field goals in windy, wintry conditions along Lake Erie.

Carr's strike to Renfrow with 14:53 to go was the game's only TD and helped the Raiders (4-3) bounce back after they fell apart late in last week's 45-20 loss to Tampa Bay.

Using running back Josh Jacobs and a short passing game, Carr controlled the clock in the second half and kept the ball away from the Browns (5-3).

On the Raiders' first two drives after halftime, the first leading to their go-ahead TD and the other to Carlson's 24-yard field goal with 4:24 left, they ate up 17:41. Jacobs finished with a career-high 128 yards — 80 in the second half — on 31 carries. Last week, he had just 17 yards on 10 attempts.

The Raiders had allowed 10-plus points in an NFL-record 116 straight games.

BENGALS 31, TI-TANS 20: After watching Giovani Bernard and Samaje Perine run for early scores, Joe Burrow threw two fourth-quarter TD passes and closed it out with a time-consuming

The Bengals (2-5-1) blew leads each of the previous two weeks, but Burrow would not allow it to happen again. Instead, he threw for 249 yards and the crucial late scores to snap a three-game losing streak. Cincinnati has matched its victory total from last season. And it was the first time second-year head coach Zac Taylor has defeated a team with a winning record.

Tennessee (5-2) has lost two straight and had a fivegame road winning streak end. The Titans are now tied with the Indianapolis Colts atop the AFC South.

Cincinnati's reversal of fortune came on a day that began with five offensive starters on the inactive list and despite A.J. Green again struggling to become a major contributor. Somehow, though, Burrow found a winning combination.

Derrick Henry rushed for 188 yards but it was the first time Tennessee has lost when Henry topped the 100-yard mark.

CHIEFS 35, JETS 9: Patrick Mahomes threw for 416 yards and five touchdowns, the Kansas City defense shut down Sam Darnold and the inept Jets offense.

Tyreek Hill had 98 yards receiving and two touchdowns, Travis Kelce finished with 109 yards and another score, and Mecole Hardman and Demarcus Robinson also reached the end zone. The Chiefs (7-1) gave Andy Reid his 229th win to move into a tie with Hall of Fame coach Curly Lambeau for fifth most in

### **NFL Standings**

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Buffalo	6	2	0	.750	198	199
Miami	4	3	0	.571	188	130
New England	2	5	0	.286	136	167
N.Y. Jets	0	8	0	.000	94	238
South	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	5	2	0	.714	198	136
Tennessee	5	2	0	.714	208	184
Houston	1	6	0	.143	166	217
Jacksonville	1	6	0	.143	154	220
North	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	7	0	0	1.000	211	142
Baltimore	5	2	0	.714	203	132
Cleveland	5	3	0	.625	206	237
Cincinnati	2	5	1	.313	194	214
West	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	7	1	0	.875	253	152
Las Vegas	4	3	0	.571	187	203
Denver	3	4	0	.429	147	183
L.A. Chargers	2	5	0	.286	179	185
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East	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	3	4	1	.438	186	205
Washington	2	5	0	.286	133	165
Dallas	2	6	0	.250	185	266
N.Y. Giants	1	6	0	.143	122	174
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	5	2	0	.714	206	197
Tampa Bay	5	2	0	.714	222	142
Carolina	3	5	0	.375	179	193
Atlanta	2	6	0	.250	209	224
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	5	2	0	.714	219	187
Chicago	5	3	0	.625	161	166
Detroit	3	4	0	.429	177	206
Minnesota	2 <b>W</b>	5	0 <b>T</b>	.286	183	214
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Seattle	6	1	0	.857	240	199
Arizona	5	2	0	.714	203	146
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Atlanta 25, Carolina 17 Sunday's Games Buffalo 24, New England 21 Cincinnati 31, Tennessee 20 Indianapolis 41, Detroit 21 Kansas City 35, N.Y. Jets 9 Las Vegas 16, Cleveland 6 Miami 28, L.A. Rams 17 Pittsburgh 28, Baltimore 24 Denver 31, L.A. Chargers 30 New Orleans 26, Chicago 23, OT Seattle 37, San Francisco 27 Philadelphia 23, Dallas 9 Open: Houston, Jacksonville, Arizona, Washington Monday's Game Tampa Bay at N.Y. Giants, late Thursday, Nov. 5 Green Bay at San Francisco, 5:20 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8 Baltimore at Indianapolis, 10 a.m. Carolina at Kansas City, 10 a.m. Chicago at Tennessee, 10 a.m. Denver at Atlanta, 10 a.m. Detroit at Minnesota, 10 a.m. Houston at Jacksonville, 10 a.m. N.Y. Giants at Washington, 10 a.m. Seattle at Buffalo, 10 a.m. Las Vegas at L.A. Chargers, 1:05 p.m. Miami at Arizona, 1:25 p.m. Pittsburgh at Dallas, 1:25 p.m. New Orleans at Tampa Bay, 5:20 p.m. Open: Cincinnati, Cleveland, L.A. Rams, Philadelphia Monday, Nov. 9 New England at N.Y. Jets, 5:15 p.m.

NFL history.

Le'Veon Bell, getting a crack at the Jets just a few weeks after they released him, was held to 7 yards rushing with three catches for another 31 yards — though it wasn't as if Kansas City needed him.

Darnold, who was without top receivers Jamison Crowder and Breshad Perriman because of injuries, was 18 of 30 for 133 yards as the Jets fell to 0-8 for the first time since the 1996 team of Rich Kotite that went 1-15.

COLTS 41, LIONS 21: Philip Rivers threw three touchdown passes in the second quarter to give Indianapolis a double-digit lead. Rivers picked apart Detroit's defense while completing 23 of 33 attempts, mostly short passes to the outside or over the middle. The 38-year-old quarterback also showed he still has some arm strength to go along with his savvy touch, perfectly throwing a 29-yard pass to Nyheim Hines late in the first half.

The Colts (5-2) were healthy and looked rested and ready to roll after being idle last week and improved to 3-0 after a bye under coach Frank Reich.

The Lions (3-4) lost a seventh straight home game, dating to last season, and missed an opportunity to win three in a row for the first time with coach Matt Patricia.



### **Chargers**

From B1

"It's the NFL, man, games come down to the wire," running back Justin Jackson said. "When we're ahead, we've got to try to keep putting the points on them, keep that spread up and help the defense out. Like I said, it's the NFL. You've got to go out there and win the game at the end."

The loss overshadowed the performance of Justin Herbert, who threw for 278 yards, three TDs and two interceptions. He joined Houston's Deshaun Watson as the only rookie QBs in NFL history with four straight games with three or more touchdowns.

"It doesn't really matter how well I played, or how poorly I played. We lost," Herbert said. "We didn't get it done."

The Chargers' defense held the Broncos to two first downs and 60 yards in the first half. But then Lock and the Broncos woke up, beginning with Phillip Lindsay's 55-yard TD run midway through the third quarter.

Asked what it's going to take to close out these tight games, receiver Keenan Al-

len candidly responded: "I wish I knew the answers. I thought we played well the first three quarters. I don't know how we get the 'W."

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# This week in Coos County history: November 1-3

### 100 YEARS - 1920

### **Vandals abuse Catholic church**

Property scattered about in shameful manner

House of worship entered Saturday evening evidently with malicious intent

While the Catholic church was open Saturday evening and while the members of the church were all at the exposition, someone, or probably several persons, entered the church and threw things around in a shameful manner.

Nothing was particularly damaged, but evidently the intruders intended to show their contempt. Father McDevitt, the rector, said he scarcely thought it was done by small boys and that the motive seemed to be to show a disrespect for the house of worship.

Ornaments on the altar were removed and thrown about and the casket in which the host is kept was lifted out of its place and put on the floor.

Several of the little statues and ornaments which have their place on the altar were removed and thrown on the floor. The church has a box containing a card index showing the account of the pew rents of the members. This was opened and the cards scattered about the building. A fire had been built in the stove. Father McDevitt said that there was apparently nothing stolen and nothing broken but the vandals had evidently tried to defile the church.

"I scarcely think that what was done could have been at the hand of small boys," said Father McDevitt. "If it was I believe that the parents of such boys had best be looking after them. If the acts performed in the church were those of elders, I can only say that they harmed themselves in vandalizing a house of worship more than they hurt the church."

### John Lundberg is under arrest

Still and moonshine found at his place Gives bond in sum of \$500 for appearance before Justice Joehnk after election

John Lundberg was arrested by Constable Goodman, Officer Bryant of North Bend, and Pete Anderson. Lundberg lives on Isthmus Inlet, nearly opposite Millington. His place was searched and the officers found a copper still, a quantity of mash, raisins and some moonshine whiskey. The liquor and equipment was seized and Lundberg taken before Justice Joehnk. He gave bond in the sum of \$500 and was released. His trial will be taken up after election.

### City fire truck carries strong

Voters approve \$15,000 bond issue for purpose

Total vote on proposition in city was 912 to 302 — includes garbage truck

The proposition to issue \$15,000 city bonds to purchase a fire truck and garbage truck for the city of Marshfield carried yesterday by a vote of more than three to one.

The final vote was 912 in favor of the

bond issue and 302 against it.

The proposition carried in every pre-

cinct in the city.

### Ellingson and Wade win in county

Republican candidate has probably defeated W.W. Gage by good majority Judge Hall loses for first time

Present incumbent is given substantial

majority here and in Bandon Miss Inez Bunch wins

Number of outlying precincts are still missing — expect complete returns by late tonight

With returns from a number of precincts still missing this afternoon, the indications were that the straight republican ticket has been elected by good majorities.

Even Sheriff Gage and Judge Hall, the democratic warhorses, were carried down to defeat in the tide. Gage is defeated considerably worse than he was a few years ago by Alfred Johnson.

Judge Hall received his first defeat in years at the hands of County Judge C.R. Wade.

It is expected that the complete returns will reach the County Clerk's office this evening. The count will be completed officially in a day or two.

Returns at Coquille

This afternoon at 2:30, County Clerk Oddy had received returns from thirty-two of the fifty-eight precincts in the county. His returns differed somewhat from The Times as his figures included largely Co-

### **1920 Election Results**



### **Halloween Photo Page from 2000**





and princess visitors







quille valley precincts and did not include the Bandon and Coos Bay side precincts which The Times had.

### 50 YEARS - 1970

### Bay Area weather report

Wide variations in October, nothing extreme

A review of Bay Area weather during October shows wide variations, but nothing extreme in either temperature or rainfall.

High for the month was a temperate 67 degrees, recorded Oct. 1 and Oct. 28, according to unofficial records kept at The World from figures reported by Federal Aviation Administration, North Bend. Lowest daytime reading was 51 on Oct. 15.

Highest October reading on record, from official figures, is a torrid 99 degrees, which occurred Oct. 22, 1929.

Low for the month was a nippy 36 on Oct. 13, with the highest nighttime reading a comfortable 54 degrees, Oct. 3 and 4.

The all-time low was 26, which oc-

The all-time low was 26, which occurred on Oct. 13, 1930.

Rain for the month was 4.21 inches, just under the average of 4.77 for October.

Last year was about the same, 4.81.

The heaviest rainfall for October in the Bay Area fell in 1947, when the area was deluged for 13.83 inches. The driest

was deluged for 13.83 inches. The driest October on record was in 1917, when only .02 inches fell.

Rainfall to date measures 46.25 inches

Rainfall to date measures 46.25 inches since January, as compared to the average of 44.12 and last year's total to date of 42.08.

### Reedsport's Hogg wins crown; MP's Flora 2nd

COQUILLE — Reedsport's Scott Hogg claimed the individual crown while Bill Flora of Myrtle Point finished second in the Region 2AA cross country championships at the Coquille Valley Elks Golf and Country Club Saturday.

Hogg was clocked in 12:54 to 13:08 for Flora, who were the only individuals to qualify for this Saturday's state AA meet at Eugene.

Newport claimed the team title, 43-48, over Gold Beach, and thereby earned the right to enter the state meet.

### Prefontaine easy victor

PULLMAN, Wash. — Steve Prefontaine of Oregon won a second straight Northern Division cross country title here Saturday as the Ducks took their fourth consecutive team title.

Prefontaine was timed at 29:45.5 as he came across the line 200 yards ahead of Don Smith of Washington State.

Oregon had 35 points. WSU was second with 43, Oregon State third with 56 and Washington last with 85.

### Largest cargo ever to leave CB port

A Norwegian vessel will sail from the Port of Coos Bay later this week with the largest lumber cargo ever to leave the port.

The Fossanger, 577 feet long, is taking aboard 7,200,000 board feet of lumber at Coos Bay Dock.

The lumber is being added to 3,500,000 board feet loaded in Canada. The ship will carry nearly 16,300 long tons of cargo, drawing close to 30 feet of water when it sails.

The total cargo of 10,700,000 board feet of lumber is destined for Sydney, Adelaide and Melbourne, Australia, according to F. Willis Smith, co-owner of Coos Head Timber Co.

Loading of the cargo started Monday. The vessel was built in Sweden in 1965 and is owned by Star Bulk Shipping Co. of Bergen, Norway.

Smith said the large cargo comes from mills in Washington, Oregon and California, with the largest part coming from Coos Head Timber Co. and other Coos County mills.

He said a substantial part of the lumber was trucked in from the Willamette Valley area and from Northern California mills.

Smith said "This large volume shipment and the resulting increase in employment dollars for the Coos Bay area results primarily from the channel improvement project completed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers during 1970. Without this project the loading of this vessel would not have been possible at Coos Bay Docks.

"We feel it is important at this time to point to the need of continual maintenance and improvement to our port if we are to be able to attract and then accommodate this new type large vessel.

"We feel the environmental groups, who have opposed the dredging and maintenance work in our port, must also give consideration to the economy of our area and further, how dependent this area is on our ocean commerce.

"We should all strive to keep Coos Bay as the number one shipping port in the world."

### **Beach patrols in Oregon successful**

SALEM — Summer beach patrols, initiated this year along the Oregon coast, are being hailed as an "unqualified success."

This assessment comes from Capt. Earle Tichenor of the State Police headquarters staff. He reports the patrols succeeded in reducing vandalism at public beaches, parks and waysides by 80 percent.

Incidents of cars being broken into were down by 60 per cent, he said.

The entire patrol force consisted of 18 college men, generally 21-22 years of age. Most of them had taken some law enforcement courses and they were all screened and selected with as much thoroughness as regular state police candidates undergo.

They underwent weekend training in the early spring at State Police stations near their homes and then were given a four-day concentrated training session at Camp Rilea, the police training center, just before going on summer duty.

The officer cadets were not armed and went about their patrols in four-wheel drive vehicles. They were paid and supplied by the state highway division but operated under the authority of the state police.

### 20 YEARS - 2000

### PETA wants raccoon investigation taken seriously

Uproar over a suspected killing and torture of a raccoon by students at Southwestern Oregon Community College last month has reached as far as the East Coast — and prompted a disturbed reaction from an animal rights advocacy group.

The People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, based in Norfolk, Va., have requested that the investigation into the matter be taken seriously and addressed quickly.

In the two-page letter addressed to South-

western President Stephen Kridelbaugh,
Daphna Nachminovitch, a senior caseworker for PETA, calls on Southwestern "to
acknowledge the seriousness of these allegations and proceed with the proper action,
both internally and criminally."

Outrage over the incident began after it was reported a severed raccoon tail was found Oct. 17 by a resident assistant in a dormitory on the Southwestern campus.

The college newspaper reported the animal was lured in a dorm room by students who offered it food. The paper reported the raccoon was shot with a BB gun and that the animal retaliated by biting one of the students.

It then was beaten to death with a stick, according to the newspaper article.

Nachminovitch said PETA has received approximately 15 phone calls from students at the college expressing outraged at the alleged killing.

### **Bulldogs advance with playoff win**

Volleyball: North Bend travels to St. Mary's Friday for berth at state

North Bend's volleyball team picked a great time to break out of a slump.

The Bulldogs beat South Medford 15-6,

15-10 Wednesday in the second round of the state playoffs to move within one win of the Class 4A state tournament. North Bend plays at St. Mary's Friday

night in Portland with a berth in the tournament going to the winner. Wednesday's win came at the heels of five straight losses to end Midwestern

League play.
But Wednesday night, North Bend came

out inspired.

"We were a lot better," said junior middle blocker Jennie Macpherson, who had a big night at the net. "We had a lot more energy. We were just excited."

### Pirates stay alive on raod

Volleyball: Marshfield wins at McMinnville to advance in playoffs

One more win and it is on to state. In eerie fashion, Marshfield won its second-round Class 4A playoff volleyball match similar to its first-round win. The Pirates lost the first game before a huge comeback resulted in a 14-16, 15-5, 15-10 win against McMinnville on Wednesday

on the road.

The Pirates need one more win to reach the state tournament as the Midwestern League No. 4 seed. Marshfield travels to Roseburg, the second-place team in the Southern Oregon Conference, in a match tentatively scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday.

It doesn't seem to matter where or when the Pirates play at the moment, as the team won three of its last four in the regular season and now its first two in the playoffs.

"This is a great time of the season to be winning," said Marshfield coach Ken Tedder. "We didn't panic. We just sucked it up and got it done."

### Port ponders meeting at Charleston

Power: Plan would decrease moorage fees and add a monthly electricity bill

There will be no simple remedy to the financial woes facing the Charleston Marina, although part of the answer to meeting increasing costs and erasing the harbor's debt may lie in restructuring moorage rates and billing individual boat owners for the electricity they use.

The Oregon International Port of Coos Bay's Board of Commissioners was presented with several rate-adjustment proposals on Wednesday night at its first work session of the month and reached general consensus in favor of further exploring a plan to install electrical meters at each slip in the marina.

No action was taken by the board, which was presented with the metering proposal along with three other plans by Harbormaster Don Yost and Port General Manager Allan Rumbaugh. Other proposals included a flat utility-charge increase, a moorage-rate increase, and a pay-by-footage plan based on a recommendation made during public meetings held in September.

The port board, led by President Vernon Brecke, decided to look further into combining a metering plan with a restructuring of moorage rates. Installing meters in the marina's 264 annual slips would require an initial investment of nearly \$42,000, adding to the \$81,000 debt the marina already faces, however most committee members believed the plan was a fair solution that would eventually help pay down the debt and solve a funding issue that has become a yearly dilemma.

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**Employment Opps** 

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Rogue Credit Union is looking for a teller in the Bandon branch. Come visit our website for more details www.roguecu.org.

Seeking individuals interested in providing caregiving to those with Mental Illness to help with daily activities and other supportive services. Must be at least 18 yrs old, able to pass a background check. For more info call (541)266-6790

South Coast ESD is now hiring multiple positions. Apply at www.scesd.k12.or.us/careers.

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1998 Mercedes 4x4 ML320. Very reliable, a/c, heat, one owner, new tires, service records, garaged. \$3,600 541-373-7396

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Newer medical facility. 1-year lease negotiable.

Grand Management Services 541-269-5561

### 311 **Announcements**

For Thomas M. Barclay, please contact your brother Larry (Ibarclay117@gmail. com) about matters of importance. Thank you!

THE FLEET DELI is going on Winter hours. Starting the 4th of November we will be open Wed. through Saturday, 11-5 until further notice. The cheesecake this week is Cinnamon Roll. Located next to the cheese factory in Bandon 541-290-7030.

### 999 **Legal Notices**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPART-MENT Case No. 20PB07256 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS in the Matter of the Estate of MARK STE-VEN WHITLOCK, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at 9220 SW Barbur Blvd. Ste. 119 No. 205, Portland, Oregon 97219, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published November 3, 2020. Elizabeth Walsh, Personal Representative. Jefferv A. Demland OSB #140767 DEMLAND & CROMWELL LLC 9220 SW Barbur Blvd. Ste. 119 No. 205, Portland, Oregon 97219 (503) 420-5708. Published: Nov. 3, 10. & 17. 2020 The World &

ONPA (ID:300546)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Coos Bay City Council will conduct a public hearing at the time and location noted below for the purpose of taking testimony on the matter of enacting an ordinance correcting a scrivener's error in Ordinance No. 495 pertaining to Land Use # 187-ZON17-094 filed on December 7, 2017, by applicants Peter and Katharine Cooley, for the vacation a portion of 15th Court between "F" Street and "G" Street, found in Section 36AD, Township 25, Range 13 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon, recorded on April 2, 2018. The City Council will consider the proposal at a public hearing which will occur on November 17. 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Coos Bay Council Chambers 500 Central Avenue, Coos Bay. The hearing is open to the public and all interested parties are encouraged to attend. Detailed information pertaining to the conduct of the public hearing and submission of evidence is available upon request by contacting the Public Works Department. Written objections may be filed with the Public Works Department, City Hall, 500 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, prior to the hearing and will be considered at the time of the hearing. Additional information pertaining to this application or its review may be obtained by contacting Randy Dixon, Operations Administrator, at (541) 269-1181 extension 2201. The Exhibit (map showing the right of way vacation location) can be provided upon request. Published: Nov. 3 and 10, 2020 The World & ONPA (ID:300424)

### 999 **Legal Notices**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF ORE-GON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS JAMES SHEETS AND YVONNE SHEETS, Plaintiffs, vs. THE ESTATE OF ELIZA-BETH FRIEND, and all other persons or parties claiming interest in the real property described in the Complaint Herein, Defendants. Case No.: 20CV34625 SUMMONS TO: The Estate of Elizabeth Friend, and all other persons or parties claiming interest in the real property described as follows: All of the: Northeast One Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Southwest One Quarter (SW 1/4) of the Northeast One Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Southwest One Quarter (SW 1/4) of the Northeast One Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Thirty-One (31), Township Twenty-Eight (28) South, Range Fourteen (14) West of the Willamette Meridian County of Coos, State of Oregon, Plaintiffs James Sheets and Yvonne Sheets bring this action to quiet title to the above referenced property. You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the aboveentitled cause within 30 days from the date of service of this summons upon you, and in case of your failure to do so, for want thereof, plaintiff(s) will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE TO THE **DEFENDANT: READ THESE** PAPERS CAREFULLY!You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal document called a "motion" or "answer". The "motion" or "answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days of the date of first publication specified herein along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have

### 999 **Legal Notices**

see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at www.oregonstatebar.org or by calling (503) 684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free elsewhere in Oregon at (800) 452-7636.Date and first published October 27, 2020 Jane W. Stebbins, OSB No. 144376 Stebbins & Coffey, Attorneys at Law Trial Attorney for Plaintiff PO Box 1006. North Bend. OR 97459 Published: Oct. 27, Nov. 3, 10, & 17, 2020 The World & ONPA (ID:300061)

LEGAL NOTICE The Fortress Self Storage 1503 Ocean Blvd NW Coos Bay, OR 97420541-888-5521 The following units will be sold at Public Auction on November 18, 2020 at 11:00am for non-payment of rent and other fees. Auction to be pursuant to auction rules and procedures for Truax Holdings III. Rules are available upon inquiry. Bidder registration day of auction required. Unit #773 Sharen Roddam Published: Oct. 31 & Nov. 3, 2020 The World & ONPA (ID:300234)

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### **Bridge**

Did you see that the influenza numbers in Australia plummeted from 2019 to 2020?

an attorney, proof of service

upon the plaintiff. If you have

any questions, you should

As you guess, today's deal features players from that interesting country. It is taken from the match between Australia and Sweden at the 17th World Youth Team Championships, held in 2018 in Wujiang, China.

When Sweden sat North-South, its pair found the longest fit, playing in six clubs with nine trumps instead of six diamonds with only eight. However, the contract had no chance after East led the heart ace. Declarer (North) did not have communications to pick up both minors and finished down one.

In the given auction, East's

North

South

Dealer: West

West

Pass

♠ A 6 3 ♥ KJ 10 7 3

Vulnerable: Neither

Opening lead: ♥ 8

North

4NT

♦ AK 10 7 3

♣ A K 10 7 6 5 2

East

♠ Q 10 8 7 4

♥ A Q 9 5 4

Pass

All Pass

**★** − 2

West

♠ KJ952 ♥ 86

♣ Q J 9

Dbl.

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diamond overcall was the equivalent of a Michaels Cue-Bid, showing at least 5-5 in the majors. (This permits a two-club overcall to be natural.) South's double promised length and strength in at least one major and interest in trying to extract a penalty from the opponents. North's four no-trump indicated a minor two-suiter with longer clubs than diamonds. Then, when South preferred diamonds, North raised.

West led the heart eight. East won with his ace and shifted to a spade. Not good enough. The declarer, McGrath, Francesca won with her ace, took two diamond finesses, played a club to the ace, cashed the club king, ruffed a club, ruffed a spade, drew

West's last trump and claimed.

T h e winning defense against six diamonds was for East to lead his club at trick two. Stranded on the board, declarer would have been unable to reach her hand to pick up the diamond

queen. Tough!



**TUESDAY, NOV. 3, 2020** 

Look at the possibilities and use your strengths to get ahead. Dismiss negativity and people who drag you down. Clear a path to a better future. Balance and integrity will be crucial to your success. Be respectful and honorable, and don't hesitate to take the lead.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Walk away from situations that appear risky and avoid people who are trying to take advantage of you. Think twice before you donate money or get involved in a costly venture.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Keep an open dialogue to offset accusations of evasive behavior. Don't let a money matter get out of hand. Joint ventures are discouraged.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- If you say something in haste, you will regret it. You are better off biding your time and listening to others. You may want change, but sound judgment and proper motives are essential.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Make positive changes at home that will add to your comfort and bring you closer to your loved ones. Put muscle behind your plans. Romance is

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- If you are too quick to react, you will upset someone you love. Make a change that can help you get back on track or encourage a better way to earn a living.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Take a closer look at places you want to visit or courses you wish to take. Expanding your options and adding to your resume will help you find a more rewarding path. Romance

is in the stars. TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- You'll be offered invalid information from someone you thought trustworthy. Verify what you hear before you pass along anything that will make you look bad. You are only as good as your word.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) -- Your charm and flirtatious ways will work wonders for you. Keep your promises and avoid giving someone the wrong impression. Make personal improvements, fitness and health priorities.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Don't get upset over things you cannot change. Taking a unique approach to your responsibilities will set you apart from any competition you face.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Align yourself reliable people. Be direct, and refuse to make a decision or move without verification. Selfimprovement is favored.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Offer suggestions, but don't force your opinions on others. It's crucial to maintain peace and integrity going forward. If uncertainty sets in, back away. Don't mix business with plea-

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Learn all you can and look for ways to improve your health, appearance, knowledge and relationships with others. Distance yourself from individuals who are demanding, excessive or disruptive.

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I DON'T

NEED TO.

IT ISN'T

AN APP

I NEED.

alter a storm, the rain

goes down the drain which

is where I sometimes feel

my education is also gring.

End of report

HOW DO

YOU PLAN

TO SOLVE

THAT?

IT'S DIFFICULT TO HAVE

CONFIDENCE IN PATIENT

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9 5 2

4 8

8 9 3

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7 1 4

**Answer to Previous Puzzle** 

6

2 5

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

6 1

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PRIVACY RULES WHEN A GOWN LIKE THIS IS CONSIDERED

ACCEPTABLE.

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### TUESDAY

# SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: 食☆☆☆☆

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**HOW TO PLAY:** Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

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### **ACROSS**

- 1 Speak
- 4 Eye part 8 Low cloud
- 11 Ornamental
- knot 12 Verne's
- skipper 13 Bronte's
- governess 14 Historical
- period
- 15 Brief swims
- 16 Jeer at 17 **Famous**
- wizard
- 19 Caviar 21 Jagged tear 22 Probabilities
- 25 Flower product
- 29 Not at home 31 Least-varying tide
- 34 Charged particle
- 35 İbsen heroine

14

11-3

**DILBERT** 

I'M NO EXPERT ON

BLOCKCHAIN, BUT

I THINK...

**CLASSIC PEANUTS** 

FRANK AND ERNEST

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36 Pointers 37 1960s style

### 59 Collection of tales

38 You said it!

39 P.m. units

40 Felt

- 60 Tell a fib 61 Use a keyboard
  - Toupee, slangily

### **DOWN** 1 Flower part

- 2 Buenos -
- 3 Feel nostalgic 4 Deep blue

12

15

- 6 Holy terror 7 Mediocre
  - you know
  - 10 Slangy thousand



. WE NEED TO GET

THE EVM STACK ON

THE BYTECODE SO

WE DON'T RUN INTO

A CONSENSUS FORK.

THIS IS A TERRIBLE PROGRAM.

WE SHOULD SWITCH CHANNELS

Z

### **Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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44 Guitar part	R	Τ	Т	E		Α	Р	Н	0	R	_	S	М
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58 Online journal 59 Collection		Υ	Α	R	D		В	Ε	G	G	Ε	D	
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60 Tell a fib	Ε	Т	Α	Т		Α	L	Т		Ν	Ι	Ν	O
61 Use a keyboard	V	Τ	В	Ε		G	Α	S		G	Ε	Α	R
KEVDOALO													

- (hyph.)
- 8 Just so
- 18 Reindeer herders 20 Baron -
- 26 Whitewash
- 28 Purposes
- 31 Ultimate degree
- 35 Auto-safety
- 40 9-digit no.
- 41 Betroth
- 45 It repels moths
- Reeves
- 48 Liability
- 50 Thick carpet
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5 Harness piece

- 9 Regal emblem
- 13 Mild oath
- Richthofen 23 Ensure failure
- 24 You bet!
- component 27 Fish-eating
- bird
- 30 Ecru
- 32 Blarney Stone site
- 33 Church
- alcove
- advocate
- 43 fu
- 46 Actor
- 49 Surmounting
- 51 Hole puncher
- 52 Sundial seven 53 Wallet stuffer

DON'T ASK

ME. I'M

BLUFFING

T00.

THAT WAS PRETTY GOOD

CONSIDERING HE NEVER EVEN WOKE UP!

55 Furtive

DID

THAT

MEAN

ANY-

CLICK!

THING?

### **ACROSS**

WEDNESDAY

I SPENT ALL WEEK

TRYING TO SIGN

INTO AN APP THAT

STOPPED WORKING

FOR SOME REASON.

**CLASSIC PEANUTS** 

This is my report on

rain. Rain is water

which ever not come

**FRANK AND ERNEST** 

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8

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9

5

**HOW TO PLAY:** 

Each row, column

and set of 3-by-3 box-

es must contain the

numbers 1 through 9

without repetition

out of faucets.

**BUT YOU** 

GOT IT

TO WORK

IN THE

END?

If it were not for rain,

walking to school and get

a sore throat and stay home

which is not a bad idea.

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: 食食☆☆☆

1

3

9

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2 5 1 4 9 8 3 7 6

3 8

6 9 7 5 3 2

8 4 9 3 2 5 1 6

1 3 5 6 7 9 2 4 8

4 1 6 2 5

9 7 8 1 4 3

5 2 3 9 8

6 2 8 1 4 5 3 9

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2

1

we would not get wet

NO, ALL

I DID WAS

LEARN TO

HATE THE

DEVEL-

OPERS.

Rain was the inspiration

for that immortal poem,

Come again some other day.

Rain, rain, go away

**DILBERT** 

- 1 Kitty's
- murmurs 6 Further up
- 12 Branch of
- physics 14 Different
- 15 Polar phenomenon
- 16 Trolls
- 17 Before,
- to bards 18 Letter for
- plurals 19 Get wrong
- 21 Kenya's loc. 23 Almost-grads
- 26 Forensic
- science tool 27 Hosp. scan
- 28 Honks
- 30 Autumn mo.
- 31 Devotee
- 32 Meat jelly 33 Palm off

12

15

35 Pocket watch chain 37 Incan treasure

- 38 Facade 39 Banjo kin
- 40 Do
- embroidery Spanish
- "that"
- 42 Marlins' st. 43 Bounding
- main
- 44 Bill and —
- 46 Orange root 48 Luke Skywalker's
- dad 51 "Me" devotee
- 55 Dirge 56 Royal order
- 57 Fiery particles
- 58 Zip over the ice

### **DOWN**

- 1 Taro-root
- 2 Checkout scan

4 Kitchen

gadget

35 36

45

- paste

16

18

46

51

56

- 3 Motorist no.



- 5 Lasting
- aftereffect 6 More gigantic
- 7 Quaint lodgings
- 8 Lip cosmetics 9 "She Done – Wrong"
- 10 Just get by, with "out" 11 Lawyer's

thing

13 Pickle

- servings 19 Recital extra
- 20 Proportions 22 Off and on
- 24 Peace of mind 25 Flowery shrub 26 Remove, as
- a hat 27 Catcher's glove

28 Legendary ox

- 29 Flat boat 34 Junk food junkie
- 36 Approved 42 Word processor
- choices 43 Painter's garb 45 Cry from
- the sty 47 Seasons 48 Capp and
- Jolson 49 Snooze
- 50 Physician's grp.
- 52 Keogh relative
- 53 Perm follow-up
- 54 Informal wear

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### THURSDAY

# SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: 含含含公公

8	9							
				6	7	2		5
	7	5		2				1
	8	6		5				
9			6	8	4			2
				7		6	9	
3				9		8	7	
7		8	4	1				
							5	4

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5	2	4	7	8	1	3	6	9					
3	6	8	5	9	4	2	7	1					
9	7	1	3	6	2	5	8	4					

### **ACROSS**

- 1 Martial art
- 5 Off. employee 8 Short
- distance
- 12 Big-ticket 13 Cry of disgust
- 14 Knoll 15 Glittery fabric
- 16 you asleep?
- 17 Woody's son
- 18 Diet targets
- 20 Most capable 22 Zero in on
- 23 "The Bells" penner
- 24 Refrain from 27 Understands
- (2 wds.) 30 Perform
- 31 Sumptuous
- 34 Buddy
- 35 Immense 36 Bill (abbr.)

37 Open

- 32 Except
- 55 Ring champ 56 Costa -57 Char

59 Look to be

58 Mil. rank

39 — nova

par

43 Cognac

41 Feel under

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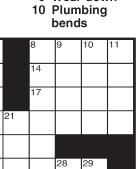
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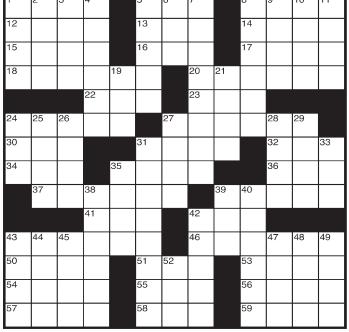
**DOWN** 

3 Half, in combos

jerk

- 4 Bulova rivals 5 Involuntary
- 7 Least
- 8 Sedimentary
- 10 Plumbing





11-5

**DILBERT** 

I DRINK SO

MUCH COFFEE THAT

I DEVELOPED A

**TOLERANCE FOR** 

IT.

**CLASSIC PEANUTS** 

RIDICULOUS.

**FRANK AND ERNEST** 

20-40

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DO YOU HAVE ANY

KIND OF MEDICAL-

**GRADE COFFEE THAT** 

COULD TAKE ME TO

THE NEXT LEVEL?

MY FOOT IS ASLEEP.

BUT MY TOES ARE AWAKE!

WHAT GOOD DOES IT

DO FOR THE TOES

TO STAY AWAKE?

### **Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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- 6 Teacup
- handle
- expensive
- rocks
- 9 Wear down
- 24 City
- 11 Conspiracy 19 Get a move on 21 The pair

  - conveyance 25 Neutral color 26 Egyptian god
  - 27 Puff of wind
  - 28 Sacred bird
  - of the Nile 29 Large casks
  - 31 Loaf (var.) 33 Water-power
  - org.
  - 35 No longer in force
  - 38 Money
  - manager 39 Roll
  - 40 Different ones
  - 42 Wacky Williams
  - 43 Farewells 44 Caught
  - the bus
  - 45 Soprano's
  - piece 47 Jacques' girl
  - 48 Agreeable
  - 49 Ounce

YES, BUT

IT HAS

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EFFECTS

- fraction
- 52 Frothy brew

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- Howard
- 12 Fencer's
- blade 14 General
- Bradley
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- need
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- 20 Exploited
- 21 Bob Hope
- sponsor 22 Gawks at
- 24 Sluggish
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- Nikola 29 Ms. Thurman
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- fours 35 Kind of cab

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**HOW TO PLAY:** 

without repetition.

- 40 Temporary
- peace
- 43 Peerage

- slangily
- 48 Vulture's
- dinner
- monster
- 57 Utopia
- 58 Part of TGIF
- 61 Cry

- singer

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- 52 Hideous
- 53 The moon
- 54 Valentine mo.
- 59 Cravings

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- member
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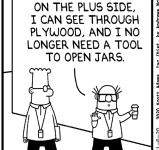
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### SINCE I SWITCHED TO MEDICAL-GRADE COFFEE.





### **CLASSIC PEANUTS**

I'VE HAD A LOT

OF SIDE EFFECTS

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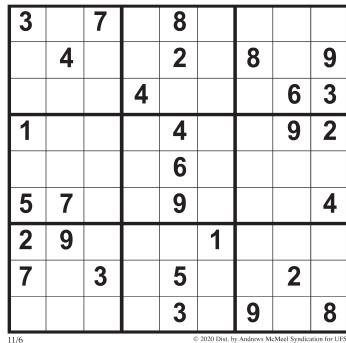






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# **Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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# Space station marks 20 years of life in orbit

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The International Space Station was a cramped, humid, puny three rooms when the first crew moved in. Twenty years and 241 visitors later, the complex has a lookout tower, three toilets, six sleeping compartments and 12 rooms, depending on how you count.

Monday marks two decades of a steady stream of people living there.

Astronauts from 19 countries have floated through the space station hatches, including many repeat visitors who arrived on shuttles for short-term construction work, and several tourists who paid their own way.

The first crew — American
Bill Shepherd and Russians Sergei Krikalev and Yuri Gidzenko
— blasted off from Kazakhstan
on Oct. 31, 2000. Two days later,
they swung open the space station doors, clasping their hands
in unity

Shepherd, a former Navy
SEAL who served as the station
commander, likened it to living
on a ship at sea. The three spent
most of their time coaxing equipment to work; balky systems
made the place too warm. Conditions were primitive, compared
with now.

Installations and repairs took hours at the new space station, versus minutes on the ground, Krikalev recalled.

"Each day seemed to have its

own set of challenges," Shepherd said during a recent NASA panel discussion with his crewmates.

The space station has since morphed into a complex that's almost as long as a football field, with eight miles (13 kilometers) of electrical wiring, an acre of solar panels and three high-tech labs.

"It's 500 tons of stuff zooming around in space, most of which never touched each other until it got up there and bolted up," Shepherd told The Associated Press. "And it's all run for 20 years with almost no big problems."

"It's a real testament to what can be done in these kinds of programs," he said.

Shepherd, 71, is long retired from NASA and lives in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Krikalev, 62, and Gidzenko, 58, have risen in the Russian space ranks. Both were involved in the mid-October launch of the 64th crew.

The first thing the three did once arriving at the darkened space station on Nov. 2, 2000, was turn on the lights, which Krikalev recalled as "very memorable." Then they heated water for hot drinks and activated the lone toilet.

"Now we can live," Gidzenko remembers Shepherd saying. "We have lights, we have hot water and we have toilet."

The crew called their new home Alpha, but the name didn't stick

Although pioneering the way, the three had no close calls during their nearly five months up there, Shepherd said, and so far the station has held up relatively well.

NASA's top concern nowadays is the growing threat from space junk. This year, the orbiting lab has had to dodge debris three times.

As for station amenities, astronauts now have near-continuous communication with flight controllers and even an internet phone for personal use. The first crew had sporadic radio contact with the ground; communication blackouts could last hours.

While the three astronauts got along fine, tension sometimes bubbled up between them and the two Mission Controls, in Houston and outside Moscow. Shepherd got so frustrated with the "conflicting marching orders" that he insisted they come up with a single plan.

"I've got to say, that was my happiest day in space," he said during the panel discussion.

With its first piece launched in 1998, the International Space Station already has logged 22 years in orbit. NASA and its partners contend it easily has several years of usefulness left 260 miles (400 kilometers) up.

The Mir station — home to Krikalev and Gidzenko in the late 1980s and 1990s — operated for 15 years before being guided to a fiery reentry over the Pacific in 2001. Russia's earlier stations and America's 1970s Skylab had much shorter life spans, as did China's much more recent orbital outposts.

Astronauts spend most of their six-month stints these days keeping the space station running and performing science experiments. A few have even spent close to a year up there on a single flight, serving as medical guinea pigs. Shepherd and his crew, by contrast, barely had time for a handful of experiments.

The first couple weeks were so hectic — "just working and working," according to Gidzenko — that they didn't shave for days. It took awhile just to find the razors.

Even back then, the crew's favorite pastime was gazing down at Earth. It takes a mere 90 minutes for the station to circle the world, allowing astronauts to soak in a staggering 16 sunrises and 16 sunsets each day.

The current residents — one American and two Russians, just like the original crew — plan to celebrate Monday's milestone by sharing a special dinner, enjoying the views of Earth and remembering all the crews who came before them, especially the first.

But it won't be a day off:
"Probably we'll be celebrating
this day by hard work," Sergei
Kud-Sverchkov said Friday from

One of the best outcomes of 20 years of continuous space habitation, according to Shepherd, is astronaut diversity.

While men still lead the pack, more crews include women.
Two U.S. women have served as space station skipper. Commanders typically are American or Russian, but have also come from Belgium, Germany, Italy, Canada and Japan. While African-Americans have made short visits to the space station, the first Black resident is due to arrive in mid-November on SpaceX's second astronaut flight.

Massive undertakings like human Mars trips can benefit from the past two decades of international experience and cooperation, Shepherd said.

"If you look at the space station program today, it's a blue-print on how to do it. All those questions about how this should be organized and what it's going to look like, the big questions are already behind us," he told the AP.

Russia, for instance, kept station crews coming and going after NASA's Columbia disaster in 2003 and after the shuttles retired in 2011.

When Shepherd and his crewmates returned to Earth aboard shuttle Discovery after nearly five months, his main objective had been accomplished.

"Our crew showed that we can work together," he said.

# Federal agencies fall short of Trump's forest protection goals

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Nearly two years ago, President Donald Trump stood amid the smoky ruins of Paradise, California, where he blamed the deadliest wildfire in the state's history on poor forest management.

"You've got to take care of the floors, you know? The floors of the forest, very important," the president said.

He ordered the U.S. Forest Service and the Department of Interior to make federal lands less susceptible to catastrophic wildfires with measures such as removing dead trees, underbrush and other potentially flammable materials.

But while Trump has accused California and Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom of doing a "terrible job" of forest protection, his own agencies fell short of his goals for federal lands in 2019.

They treated a combined 6,736 square miles — just over half of the 13,203 square miles the president sought, according to government data. It was only slightly better than their average annual performance over nearly two decades.

Without directly addressing the figures, the Forest Service said in a statement Friday to the Associated Press that prospects are "very good" for stepping up forest treatments in the next several years, assuming Congress provides more funding and state and private landowners play bigger roles. The agency has formed stewardship agreements with 19 states and "will rely on partnerships with state governments to get this work done," it said.

The numbers show it will take more than executive orders to make significant progress on a problem that has been building for a century, scientists and advocates say. More money and personnel are needed, along with policy changes.

"The fires are getting bigger, the fire seasons

are longer and costs are significantly increasing," said Dylan Kruse, director of government affairs for Sustainable Northwest, a Portland, Oregon-based nonprofit that seeks collaboration between forest industries and conservationists. "We need billions of dollars and we're not even close."

Trump and Congress have provided only modest spending increases for forest treatments in recent years, he said. The president sought a nearly \$50 million cut in 2018, which lawmakers rejected. His 2021 budget recommends \$510 million, up from \$445 million allocated this year.

Trump has drawn ridicule from political foes and some scientists for arguing that western forest floors should be "raked" and ignoring the role of climate change-induced warming and drought in the West's worsening wildfire crisis.

But protection measures like those sought in his 2018 executive order have drawn support from administrations of both parties for two decades.

A national fire plan developed under President Bill Clinton and continued under President George W. Bush called for hazardous fuel reduction and suppressing invasive beetles, along with restoration of burned-over lands to prevent erosion. The Obama administration released a fire management strategy that embraced fuel removal and controlled burns.

The amount of land receiving such treatments from the Forest Service and Department of Interior has

edged upward, peaking at 10,469 square miles in 2009 before declining to almost half that for several years. It jumped to 8,505 square miles in 2016 — President Barack Obama's last year in office.

Under Trump, the treated area has gone from 6,367 square miles in 2017 to nearly 7,336 square miles in 2018. Last year it was up to 6,736 square miles.

Still, the Forest Service says 125,000 square miles (323,748 square kilometers) it manages need work such as tree thinning and regulated burns to reduce fuel loads. The agency estimates many times more that much government and private land is vulnerable to severe wildfire.

The Department of Interior, which includes the Bureau of Land Management and the National Park Service, did not respond to written questions from AP.

"These agencies are still lagging far behind on these projects," said Susan Jane Brown, an attorney with the Western Environmental Law Center.

Federal officials acknowledge their longstanding policy of putting out fires as quickly as possible, instead of letting some take their natural course, made forests overgrown and less able to cope with drought and disease.

A Forest Service study this month found that about one-third of trees in areas where excessive vegetation had not been removed died between 2014 and 2018. In thinned out places, the tree mortality rate was 11%.

Some treated areas had been subjected to "prescribed" burns — fires

intentionally set and carefully monitored.

In its statement, the

agency said it now uses prescribed fire on about 2,187 square miles of national forest land each year and plans to do more. But it said the practice "has its challenges," including smoke pollution in nearby communities and a minor risk of losing control.

Those burns — along with other fuel reduction measures — also are costly, requiring gear, materials and skilled personnel. Yet the Forest Service has fewer staffers to devote to them, while hiring thousands more people to extinguish fires that have grown bigger and more numerous.

The service lost 7,000 non-firefighter positions between 1998 and 2015. The share of its budget devoted to firefighting has shot up from 16% in the mid-1990s to more than 50% today and is expected to keep rising as the agency buys more helicopters, fire engines and other equipment.

Shifting resources from forest treatment to firefighting doesn't bode well for long-term prevention, said John Bailey, an Oregon State University forestry professor who worked with federal officials on a fire management strategy released in 2014. It emphasized fuel reduction efforts, from clearing forest debris to rangeland grazing.

"We're on a trajectory where fire seasons are going to get longer and drier and resources stretched thinner," he said. "We're just not making the progress we need to."



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