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Coos County bans non-essential lodging ahead of city regulations

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The World

COOS COUNTY - The Coos Bay City Council and the Coos County Board of Commissioners each held meetings on Wednesday to pass non-essential travel bans.

Last week, the Coos Bay City Council, along with other coastal municipalities, adopted a resolution that asked Governor Kate Brown to close down nonessential lodging in the state.

"We received word back that the governor was not going to issue a statewide emergency order for that. She didn't believe it was a statewide issue, it was more of a coastal issue," Coos Bay City Manager Rodger Craddock said.

In response to the governor's reply, the city began drafting a resolution that asked hotels and motels in the city to voluntarily comply in restricting lodging to all non-essential travelers.

"There was an agreement among the hoteliers that they would abide by it," Craddock

On Wednesday afternoon, the Coos Bay City Council met to approve that resolution that asked for voluntary compliance. However, earlier in the day the Coos County Board of Commissioners met in a special meeting to approve a similar non-essential travel restrictions.

"I spoke with the county ear-

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Nicholas Johnson, The World

Coos Bay City Council met Wednesday afternoon to adopt a resolution to restrict nonessential travel during COVID-19 pandemic.

Distiller ditches grog for sanitizer in time of need

NICHOLAS JOHNSON The World

CHARLESTON - Stillwagon Distillery, in partnership with Southern Oregon Workforce Investment Board, has begun making hand sanitizer during

of rum. Rick Stillwagon, of Stillwagon Distillery, said that the process for making hand sanitizer isn't that different from making rum.

the COVID-19 pandemic instead

"The process is pretty much the same as for this particular product," he said. "We ferment sugar into what is called a wash, similar process for making wine, where the yeast produce ethanol and other compounds. It is a simple formula: 80 percent ethanol by volume, is the active ingredient, hydrogen peroxide, glycerin, and distilled water. The high ethanol content is necessary to kill the virus on contact."

Federal and state agencies including the Food and Drug Administration and the Oregon **Liquor Control Commission** have streamlined regulations to allow for distilleries to start making hand sanitizer, providing guidelines to follow for the production, labeling and distri-

Stillwagon said that he's been working on a new cooling system for the distillery to increase production, but the need for hand sanitizer has pushed up his construction schedule.

"We started building the new cooling system a year ago," he said. "This event has pushed up



Photo Contributed by Stillwagon Distillery

Local rum distiller Rick Stillwagon stands with a wash he's working on turning into hand sanitizer to adress shortages brought about by COVID-19.

come in, and financially it is a risk using our credit lines to work on the infrastructure when there is such an uncertain future ahead."

The first batch of hand sanitizer will be released in about a week to SOWIB, which provided funding for the project through recently obtained emergency aversion funds. SOWIB plans to

as part of its effort to provide Personal Protective Equipment

during the current shortage. "We will also be making sanitizer for the Coos Bay Rotary, another contributor, which will also be distributing the sanitiz-

er," Stillwagon said. Stillwagon has also contacted 7 Devils Brewing Company, which will be letting him use the brewery's fermenter if producto handle.

"Fermentation is one of the bottle necks to production," he explained. "It takes about a week to ferment the sugar into a weak ethanol solution that is ready for distillation. 7 Devils Brewing Company has fermenters that Carmen and Annie are willing to use for this process. I am work-

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provide local healthcare workers the need to finish it. We are still and hospitals with the sanitizer tion is too large for his operation waiting for some of the parts to Coquille Schools finds new 'hotspots' for education

JILLIAN WARD

The World

COQUILLE - School buses aren't taking students to school these days, but are instead bringing school to them.

"We have buses with Wi-Fi hotspots and are putting them throughout the community so if a student has a Chromebook they can work on it to get their schoolwork done," said Tim Sweeney, superintendent at the Coquille School District.

This move was done as a way to bring distance learning to every student in the district. After the Oregon Department of Education provided new guidance on Monday for education during the ongoing school shutdowns, the

Coquille School District was ready to move forward as soon as Wednesday. That day, buses were spotted around town, as well as parents who parked nearby so their children could access the internet.

"We had one snafu in Fairview and worked to get that fixed," Sweeney said. "We thought we had a Wi-Fi hotspot available but don't have great connectivity there so are working with businesses in Fairview to expand their internet services. This way we can use it to serve our bus as a better Wi-Fi hotspot."

The district also kept busy on Wednesday by passing out Chromebooks and packets to stu-

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Amanda Linares, The World

The Coquille School District is parking school buses with Wi-Fi in neighborhoods for students who don't have internet capabilities. With these mobile Wi-Fi units, students have the ability to access distance learning.

adopts quarantine policy **AMANDA LINARES** The World

COOS COUNTY - At a time filled with such uncertainty, local health authorities and leaders are taking proactive steps to ensure the community's safety against the highly contagious novel coronavirus, otherwise known as COVID-19.

The Coos County Board of Commissioners approved a resolution in March which outlined the county's response procedures related to people who fail to comply with any necessary testing, treatment, isolation and/or quarantine orders.

According to the resolution, the county is required to take all reasonable measures to obtain voluntary compliance with people who are suspected of suffering from a condition of public health importance before using the mandatory procedures set forth by the county's policy and in Oregon's revised statute chapter 433.

Coos Health and Wellness Public Health Administrator Florence Pourtal-Stevens explained at a virtual press briefing Wednesday that the resolution was put into place to formalize a step-by-step process for the county's public health administrator to follow to prevent and control the spread of a communicable diseases such as COVID-19.

"(The resolution) has been placed for the 'just in case' situ ation," said Pourtal-Stevens. "I do think people are responsible and want to do the right thing when they talk to the health department."

According to Pourtal-Stevens, CHW has been in close partnership with the Coos County District Attorney's Office as well as the Coos County Sheriff's Office in making sure the actions taken under the resolution are supported by the agencies and in compliance with state and federal law.

Under the resolution, the county's public health administrator is empowered to initiate a petition or other legal measures to noncompliant people who they believe require emergency isolation or quarantine as a way to "avoid a clear and immediate danger to others."

After the petition or order is issued, the county will coordinate with the Sheriff's Office to make reasonable efforts to serve the person or people subjected to the emergency isolation or quarantine prior to the court filing, according to the resolution.

According to Pourtal-Stevens, local community members who have been in contact with Coos Health and Wellness related to personal monitoring have been completely compliant with the state and local health authorities quarantine guidelines.

Coos County Sheriff's Office Capt. Gabe Fabrizio said in a previous interview with The World that its deputies haven't come across anyone who has been uncooperative in following state and federal guidelines to stop and slow down the spread of COVID-19.

The Sheriff's Office he said has worked closely with CHW

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Oregon reports 1 new COVID-19 death, 47 new cases

THE WORLD

PORTLAND — COVID-19 has claimed one more life in Oregon, raising the state's death toll to 19, the Oregon Health Authority reported at 8 a.m. Wednesday.

Oregon Health Authority also reported 47 new cases of COVID-19 as of 8 a.m. Wednesday. The new COVID-19 cases reported today are in the following counties: Benton (1), Clackamas (6), Deschutes (3), Douglas (1), Jackson (1), Lane (2), Lincoln (1), Marion (10), Multnomah (18), Washington (3), and Yamhill (1).

Wednesday's statewide case count is 736. Oregon Health Authority reports new cases once a day on its website: www.healt-horegon.org/coronavirus.

Oregon's 19th COVID-19 death is a 70-year-old woman in Multnomah County, who tested positive on March 27 and died on March 29 at her residence. She had underlying medical conditions.

Updated projections from health researchers show that there is "strong evidence that measures currently in place in Oregon are reducing transmission," according to the latest models. The most recent data suggest that current social distancing measures could cut transmission rates between 50%-70% if Oregonians maintain these limitations on virus-spreading interactions into early May

tions into early May.

If Oregonians can main-

tain current social distancing efforts and the current projections hold true, the state could meet the likely demand for hospital beds under current strategies.

According to the latest report, researchers estimate that Oregon has slightly higher numbers of current infections than previously assessed, based on an increase in reported cases from earlier time points.

• COVID-19 infections: Under current social distancing conditions with the cooperation of most Oregonians to Stay Home, Save Lives, it is estimated that in early May, Oregon would have over 4,000 cumulative infections and 200-1,200 active infections. However, if the state were to reopen non-essential businesses (while keeping schools closed), the number of new infections would spike to as many as 3,500 active infections by early May.

• Hospital beds needed: Researchers found "expected demand for hospital beds is predicted to remain relatively constant before decreasing, assuming current or strengthened interventions and continued high compliance.

• Uncertainty: Researchers highlighted that the projections remain uncertain. In coming weeks, state public health officials and researchers will get a better picture of current actual infections and how they affect the projections, as well as more data on the public's continued adherence to social distancing measures.

The models state health officials released today were prepared by the Institute for Disease Modeling, based in Washington.

Oregon's emergency response continues to focus on strengthening the health care system's ability to meet the coming surge. State health officials are working with hospitals and other health care partners to mobilize the health care workforce and keep workers safe, expand bed capacity and secure more ventilators. However, the public's ability to maintain social distancing will be the most important factor in determining whether Oregon

prevents local hospitals from becoming overwhelmed by COVID-19 admissions.

Dr. Dean Sidelinger, state health officer at OHA, said: "We know coronavirus has brought painful disruption and distress for Oregonians. However, these numbers tell us that what we're doing can work. We know social distancing is tough and comes with incredible sacrifices. But steps we're all taking to maintain social distancing could save the lives of people we know and people who are important to us. As Oregonians, we all must continue to put Stay Home, Save Lives into practice."

Amidst mask shortage, health professionals should be prioritized

ZACH SILVA The World

COOS BAY — Local public health officials were clear in responding to the national question on whether or not people should wear face masks in public: it is a great recommendation, but not realistic.

"So in theory, in a world where - ideally - there would be an unlimited amount of (personal protective equipment) available to anyone, I would say the recommendation is great," said Florence Pourtal-Stevens, public health director for Coos Health and Wellness. "Now in the real world where we live in, this is not a good recommendation because it would take away the little bit of protective equipment for the people who actually

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need it to protect themselves and take care of sick folks ... That would prevent them from accessing that

equipment."
Brian Leon, an
epidemiologist for Coos
Health and Wellness, added
that there has also been
confusion on what wearing
the mask would accomplish.

"If there was that level of PPE available, it would need to be stressed that that would be more so that the wearer – unbeknownst to them may be infected and could potentially be having either extremely mild symptoms or anything – to prevent them from spreading that illness," he said. "It would not be to protect them from becoming ill in just a day-to-day moving about type of scenario."

This conversation on Wednesday came on the

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heels of reports that top US health officials were looking at options to instruct all citizens to wear masks.

As of now, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website notes that those that those who are sick should wear a face mask while those that are healthy should refrain.

"You do not need to wear a face mask unless you are caring for someone who is sick (and they are not able to wear a face mask). Face masks may be in short supply and they should be saved for caregivers," the website reads.

In Coos County, just as is the case in many places across the country, face masks are in low supply.

"So I will talk just for Oregon and our county but definitely, the stock of PPE is dry. We distributed what we received a few weeks ago to our health care system and first responders," said Pourtal-Stevens. "Just so I can give you an example, a few weeks ago, probably at the beginning of March, we had three suspect COVID-19 cases hospitalized and within the weekend I believe the hospital went through about 175 to 200 masks just to patient care for three people. So that hopefully gives you a sense of the burn rate of the PPE. And this was just

three suspect cases."
At the latest round of Coos County COVID-19 testing, there were still no active cases in the area. So far 201 tests have been conducted with 173 coming back negative and 28 still pending.

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Forest Hills golf course still open

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The World

REEDSPORT — While businesses across the South Coast have been instructed to close, along with state and county parks, to limit spread of the COVID-19 virus, some golf courses are staying open during the shutdown.

Forest Hills Country Club, in Reedsport, is still open for business as normal. According to Dick Dorn, the club's PGA head professional, the club's staff is making sure everything is cleaned often and customers, as well as staff, are asked to observe social distancing practices.

"We want our golf course to remain available, for as long as possible, as one of the few recreational activities in our area that has not been outright banned or closed at this time," states the Forest Hills board. "We are doing our part to adhere to social distancing and sanitizing measures, and we ask that our patrons do the same."

In an April 1 update on the club's Facebook page, the board clarified the practices they had implemented. They have set up a table to maintain 15 feet of social distancing between customers and the attendant. When customers make a payment, they must leave the money on the table and leave the building. The customer's card, or change, will be left on the table to be picked up.

The club's staff is also frequently cleaning and sanitizing commonly touched

surfaces, like doors, phones, keyboards, counters, and restrooms, as well as the handles, steering wheels, gear shifters, cup holders, and seats of golf carts.

The driving range has also been closed and the Practice Green flags have been removed.

The board also asks that customers practice their own precautions as well. They encourage people to maintain social distancing at all times, don't shake hands with a play partner, and consider wearing gloves on both hands. They also ask that players leave the flag in the hole while putting and carry their own bags and possessions.

Though businesses were asked to close to promote social distancing, people are still allowed to go outside so long as they take precautions. People are asked to maintain a six-foot distance between people who are not immediate family members.

"Stay healthy," said the Forest Hills board. "And whether you golf or not, don't be afraid to get outside. 'Stay at home' doesn't have to mean stay in the home."

Precautions against potentially spreading viruses are also encouraged. This includes coughing or sneezing into the elbow, or into a tissue and immediately disposing of it; washing hands frequently or using hand sanitizer with 60% alcohol; and not going outside if a person feels sick, especially if they have symptoms common to the coronavirus.

Coos Health and Wellness encourages against panic buying on the South Coast

ADAM ROBERTSON

The World

SOUTH COAST – As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, stores around the world have dealt with inventory shortages and lack of supplies, as people buy in bulk to stock up for isolation. In response, Coos Health and Wellness is encouraging the South Coast community to refrain from excessive purchasing and hoarding supplies.

According to Florence Pourtal-Stevens, public health director for Coos Health and Wellness, it's an issue of community spirit. She said she understands the uncertainty and concern people are experiencing and that they want to be prepared for whatever happens.

"That's perfectly fine to ensure that your household would have the necessary supplies for that period of time," Pourtal-Stevens said. "However, it has been reported to us that people are purchasing all of the meat that's available in the store, storing things for long set of time, or hoarding toilet paper."

She continued that while stocking up for two weeks is fine, buying out all of a given item is excessive and hurts others in the community. She added that it's good some people have the resources to buy supplies for a month or more, but it's important to remember there are people

who aren't as fortunate and aren't able to stock up for long periods.

When people buy supplies excessively, CHW says it increases work and stress for truck drivers and store employees to re-stock the shelves. It also makes things harder on vulnerable individuals in the community, such as the elderly, disabled, and immuno-compromised, as they have to search a number of stores to find things.

Pourtal-Stevens recalled there have also been reports of health care workers coming off long shifts and needing to go to the store, but only finding empty shelves. She said this makes it harder for people fighting to treat the virus to keep up their own household supplies.

"I hope people realize that the excessiveness of their actions might really compromise somebody else's ability to sustain their family and themselves," Pourtal-Stevens said. "Yes, this is stressful. Yes, let's be prepared. Yes, let's think about our community members and make sure that our behavior is not going to be detrimental to somebody else's ability to feed themselves."

CHW asks that people shop for the most immediate needs of their household. They said this will allow both stores and health care providers to best serve the community, as well as being good for everyone's health.

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Veteran organizations work to keep resources alive amid Coronavirus pandemic

AMANDA LINARES The World

COOS COUNTY -Helping their fellow military service members in need despite the wide range of coronavirusrelated shutdowns is still a top priority for many local area veteran organizations and nonprofits.

Across Coos County, businesses, organizations and community members have all been impacted by the state's mandates to help stop and slow down the spread of the novel coronavirus including numerous groups focused on helping veterans.

Operation Rebuild Hope's Executive Director Patrick Wright talked with The World on Wednesday to discuss the impacts the nonprofit organization is facing in relation to the state's stay-at-home order.

According to Wright, work on the female housing unit at the "Timberwolves Den," which will provide emergency housing to female veterans, has come to halt as volunteers and staff are following the social distance guidelines put forth by state and local health officials.

Restoration work at Bryan's Home, the organization's transitional home for homeless veterans, has also been limited. Despite feeling the challenges and struggles with being able to keep its organization operational and afloat during hard times, Wright said the group is still here for veterans and is still providing a number of support ser-

ORH remains committed to helping homeless veterans in need of housing by giving them a place to stay in the men's unit of the

"Timberwolves Den," said Wright. Veterans are being screened for symptoms consistent with the coronavirus before being admitted into the housing units as a way to limit exposure to other occu-

pants. In collaboration with Oregon Coast Community Action, veterans will still be referred to their services for additional housing assistance and vouchers. Veterans in need of home repair projects or yard work are still encouraged to call ORH, said Wright. The organization is still active on its Facebook page as well as its website for veterans needing to reach out.

ORH's "Honor 22" program will also continue on. The organization created the program last year as a way to raise local awareness of veteran suicides in Coos County. According to Wright, the organization will usually host a suicide prevention training seminar around town, but due to the gathering restrictions currently in place that will likely not hap-

However, he said the organization will move its efforts online to its Facebook page to keep veterans and community members engaged and connected with one another.

"We know the veterans we work with personally that continue to struggle and we reach out to them directly," said Wright.

Wright, a U.S. Marine Corps veteran who completed three combat deployments to Iraq, has

been open with commu-

nity members and fellow

veterans about his past personal struggles with homelessness, suicidal ideations and PTSD.

As the coronavirus pandemic continues to unfold around the state, Wright admits it's not only impacted his organization, but his mental health as well.

"All of this kind of triggers my survival mode," he said. "I have to make sure I have enough to take care of my family and I start already planning all these contingencies in my head, 'well if this happens I can do this or if that happens I could do that,' so I'm trying to plan out scenarios ahead of time in my head which does affect everything else."

"When I'm all about, 'how am I going to prepare for this to make sure me and my family are safe?' I also am not thinking about other things that I need to do. So, it has a direct impact and it does start to trigger PTSD for me."

Noting that all veterans have their own unique experiences and struggles, Wright said he's limited the amount of media and repeated news he's taking in as well as begun working on overdue projects around his home.

On ORH's Facebook page, Wright said the organization has challenged other veterans in Coos County to stay active in their own homes and share with them what projects and things they're working on during the state's stay-at-home

"You can still get outside of your house, of course practicing social distancing, and use this time to maybe work on projects that you've been wanting to do like build a bench or dog house," said Wright. "We still encourage people to go outside."

Now more than ever is also the best time to reach out and check in with veterans or anyone in your life who may be struggling with PTSD or other mental health issues, said Wright. He recommended one way people can do that is through mobile app known as "Operation Pop Smoke," which was developed by former U.S. Marine Sgt. Aaron Quinonez to serve as a first-aid response tool for veterans suffering with mental health issues.

"This is the time when they need you the most so reach out those people and check on them even

if they say they're okay still check on them," he said. "We'll be doing more posts online to get more people involved and check in with people... I'm just super proud of our community and all the essential personnel who are still working. We're extremely grate-

Southwestern Oregon Veterans Outreach, a nonprofit organization in Coos County, dedicated to meeting the needs of veterans and their families, has also worked to continue its services over the state's mandated restrictions.

The organization, which is housed out of the Pony Village Mall in North Bend, offers a wide range of services some of which includes helping veterans file disability claims, obtain military records and other legal documents as well as provides them with referrals for housing, legal and counseling services.

SOVO board president Matthew Fare, a U.S. Air Force veteran who later joined the Army National Guard, explained its staff is continuing to meet veterans' needs as much as possible. The majority of the services the organization provides can be done remotely via telephone, he said.

According to Fare, with the help of Tom Benz, the organization's treasurer, operations such as checking the office's mailbox and voicemail for inquiries is still taking place. The two he said will make home visits when necessary for situations that require signatures or an in-person meeting.

"It's just not as convenient as it used to be, but we're still here to help," said Fare. "... I'm an operate by faith not fear kind of guy... we're not afraid to step out and help someone and it's not being irresponsible because we're still taking the necessary precautions. It's a warrior mentally it goes right to our bones."

SOVO works closely with ORH to help veterans in all types of situations acquire the services they need. The group recently collaborated to help a stranded veteran whose militarygrade vehicle broke down in Empire get back on the

Fare said he encourages veterans to reach out to its office at 541-756-8718 or visit its website at http://sovoservesvets. org/. The organization recently received two grant each for \$4,500 to provide taxi and bus vouchers to veterans in need of emergency transportation as well as veterans experiencing financial hardship get some extra help in its "A Hand up, not a Hand out" program.

Crisis hotlines/ resources

If you or someone you know is thinking about suicide, you can contact the Coos County 24-hour crisis hotline at 541-266-6800 or 1-888-543-5763. You can also contact the Veterans Crisis Line at 1-800-273-8255 and press 1.

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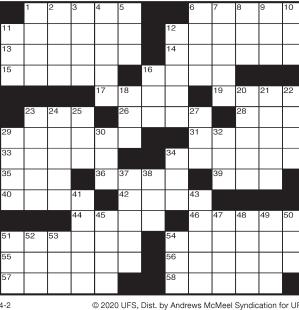
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Digital inequality a festering problem

America came face to face with the festering problem of digital inequality when most of the country responded to the coronavirus pandemic by shutting elementary and high schools that serve more than 50 million children.

Even before the shutdown, an estimated 12 million children were having difficulty completing routine homework assignments — not to mention writing research papers — because they lacked the home internet access their better-off classmates take for granted.

The so-called Homework Gap has taken on crippling dimensions now that closed school districts have been trying to maintain a semblance of instruction by putting teachers or course materials online. Internetsavvy school systems that serve connected populations appear to be moving ahead relatively smoothly with the new order of business. At the same time, some districts that lack infrastructure and serve heavily poor populations have given up altogether on remote learning. Still others are hesitant to pursue online instruction out of fear they might be hauled into court for offering course materials to which broadband-deprived families cannot gain access.

New York City, which has an estimated 300,000 students who lack internet-connected devices, is one of several districts rushing to acquire such devices. Still, the country needs a more systematic approach to this problem. Jessica Rosenworcel, a Federal Communications Commission member who has been proselytizing on this issue for several years, has rightly called on the F.C.C. to use funds earmarked for connecting schools and libraries to the internet to provide schools with internet hot spots that could be lent to students. Beyond that, some members of the Senate are urging the Republican majority leader, Mitch McConnell, to set aside dedicated funding that would help to narrow the digital divide.

These suggestions address the exigencies of the moment. But the time has long passed for the country to open the door to the information age for communities that are locked out.

The daunting challenge of trying to get distance learning up and running comes as school districts are already struggling to feed students who rely on school breakfasts and lunches to stave off hunger. An analysis of policy statements by 46 districts that was released last Friday by the nonpartisan Center on Reinventing Public Education found considerable confusion among districts about how to deal with issues of technology and internet access. Only about a third of the districts said they were working to deliver laptops or tablets to students. Only five said they were delivering mobile phones or wireless hot spots to students, while more were encouraging parents to sign up for internet service. Few districts had comprehensive learning plans, and most were sharing links to "optional assignments on publicly available websites." No district examined by the center had "a clear solution for ensuring that 100 percent of students have a ... device and reliable, longterm access to the internet."

This scramble is taking place in an atmosphere of uncertainty over how long the shutdown will last. Districts will need more money — and new expertise — if it turns out that a comprehensive online infrastructure is needed for the long haul.

The pandemic-driven changes undertaken by KIPP, the nation's largest public charter school network, give a sense of how schools have had to adapt and how obstacles vary by region. The network is using its buses to deliver food to communities that need it. Where internet connectivity is poor, the network's buses also drop off work packets that are later picked up for grading. The lack of internet access in poor and rural communities comes up again and again as educators talk about the pandemic ... closing the digital divide — and bringing all Americans into the information age — will require a momentous effort on the scale of the federal project that brought electricity to darkened regions of the country during the New Deal. And it will be similarly worth the effort.

— The New York Times



The red tape pandemic



JOHN STOSSEL

is frightening.
I'm working
from home,
practicing
"social
distancing."
Experts say it'll
help "flatten the
curve" so fewer
people will be
infected

Coronavirus

simultaneously. Then hospitals won't be overwhelmed.

But the infection rate grows. Doctors and hospitals may yet be overwhelmed. It didn't have to get to this point. Coronavirus deaths leveled off in South Korea.

That's because people in Korea could easily find out if they had the disease. There are hundreds of testing locations -- even pop-up drive-thru testing centers.

Because Koreans got tested, Korean doctors knew who needed to be isolated and who didn't. As a result, Korea limited the disease without mass quarantines and shortages.

Not in America. In America, a shortage of COVID-19 tests has made it hard for people to get tested. Even those who show all the symptoms have a difficult time.

Why weren't there enough tests?
Because our government insists on control of medical innovation.

That's the topic of my new video.
When coronavirus appeared, the
Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention made its own tests and
insisted that people only use those CDC
tests. But the CDC test often gave

inaccurate results. Some early versions of the test couldn't distinguish between coronavirus and water.

Private companies might have offered better tests, and more of them, but that wasn't allowed. The World Health Organization even released information on how to make such tests, but our government still said no. Instead, all tests must go through the government's cumbersome approval process. That takes months. Or years.

Hundreds of labs had the ability to test for the virus, but they weren't allowed to test.

As a result, doctors can't be sure exactly where outbreaks are happening. Instead of quarantining just sick people, state governors are forcing entire states to go on lockdown.

At the same time, many people who show no symptoms do have COVID-19. Without widespread testing, we don't know who they are, and so the symptomless sick are infecting others.

A few weeks ago, the government finally gave up its monopoly and said it was relaxing the rules. There would be quick "emergency use authorizations" replacing the months- or years-long wait for approval. But even that took so long that few independent tests were approved.

So President Donald Trump waived those rules, too.

Now tests are finally being made. But that delay killed people. It's still killing people.

Other needlessly repressive rules prevented doctors and hospitals from trying more efficient ways to treat patients.

For example, telemedicine allows doctors and patients to communicate through the internet. When sick people

consult doctors from home, they don't pass on the virus in crowded waiting rooms.

But lawyers and bureaucrats claimed such communications wouldn't be "secure," and would violate patients' privacy.

Only last week did officials announce they would allow doctors to "serve patients through everyday communications technologies."

Americans shouldn't have to ask permission to use "everyday" technologies.

Now doctors fear that as more people get sick, hospitals won't have enough beds for the critically ill.

But the bed shortage is another consequence of bad law. Critical access hospitals in rural areas are not allowed to have more than 25 beds. Trump has now announced that he's waiving those rules.

In some states, there's a shortage of doctors or nurses. That, too, is often a product of bad law -- state licensing laws that make it illegal for professionals licensed in one state to work in another. Trump said he would waive "license requirements so that the doctors from other states can provide services to states with the greatest need." Then it turned out that he could only allow that for Medicare; he didn't have the power to override stupid state licensing rules.

Fortunately, many states finally waived harmful licensing laws on their

It's good that governments finally removed some rules.

But the time that took killed people. Once coronavirus passes, America should leave those regulations waived. And we should repeal many others.

The Chamber Minute: Keeping our sense of community

TIMM SLATER
Bay Area Chamber
of Commerce

So how are you doing? Isn't it odd not to be able to go to the movies or out to your favorite restaurant or just walk around the Shore Acres Gardens? As we watch the news from across our nation, we see the reasons for staying home, even though it impacts our work, our businesses and even our worship.

But it can be overwhelming.

Occasionally, I have to turn from my 24 hour news channel and watch a Christmas movie on Hallmark. While they all have good endings, it's the focus on family gathering and the strong community ties which most impacts me.

Several years ago I was being treated for cancer with regular doses of chemo. While I knew I would lose my hair, it didn't occur to me that I would lose most of my energy. We had wood stove and a bit of wood on hand. One afternoon my timberlands friends showed up with two

truckloads of nice wood. That next morning, I was awakened by the sound of splitting mauls working the wood. Men from the congregation were splitting and stacking my wood. What a terrific sense of community and family that made me feel.

Friends, let's not let anyone feel isolated in these challenging times. Let's strive to keep that sense of togetherness and community. Call each other regularly. Maybe it's just to say hello. Maybe it's to find out what the other needs. If there are needs, help folks out. Also, show your

appreciation for our frontline warriors like medical staff, first responders and all our public safety people.

Sense of Community is something we control. Let's make sure it thrives especially during these historic times. For truly, together we can make a difference.

Remember, our business is helping your business and like us on Facebook.

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The #PresidentCuomo fantasy is not realistic in 2020



BYRON YORK

How nervous are some Democrats about Joe Biden's chances against President Trump this November? Nervous enough to entertain the notion that another Democrat — New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo — might swoop in and

save the day.

Cuomo, who has been governor for nearly a decade and has one of the most

famous names in Democratic politics, found new prominence when his state became the epicenter of the coronavirus crisis in the United States. In February and March, some New York officials urged the public to maintain regular activities even as the virus took hold in the state, leading to the worst outbreak in the country. Now, with New York in crisis, the governor holds daily briefings that some politicos see as an effective counterpoint to Trump's White House updates.

It did not take long for the hashtag #PresidentCuomo to appear on Twitter. And from there came the dream that perhaps Cuomo might somehow become the Democratic standard-bearer.

"I see Cuomo as the Democratic nominee this year," entertainer Bill Maher said recently. "If we could switch Biden out for him, that's the winner."

him, that's the winner."
But how? Among the states and

territories, the Democratic Party will hold 57 primaries and caucuses this year. Thirty of them have already been held, after a

campaign that began in the spring of 2019. So far, 10,118,114 people have voted for Biden, while 7,665,794 have voted for second-place Bernie Sanders. Elizabeth Warren, now out of the race, picked up 2,466,729 votes for third place.

At this point, does someone — Party elders? The chairman of the Democratic National Committee? — tell the 10,118,114 people who voted for Biden: "Never mind. Gov. Cuomo will be your candidate now." Or does someone tell the 7,665,794 who voted for Sanders: "Sorry, Biden won't be the candidate, but neither will the second-place finisher."

Remember the big deal some Democratic leaders and commentators made of the fact that the party's African American voters had chosen Biden? Would that be thrown out, too?

Yes, there are some big states among the 27 that have not yet voted, among them Georgia, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Maryland, New Jersey and New York. (Cuomo recently announced that his state's primary, previously scheduled for April 28, will now take place June 23.) But Biden already has 1,215 of the 1,991 delegates required to clinch the Democratic nomination. Sanders has 909. There aren't enough delegates up for grabs in remaining primaries for a new candidate to win.

Plus, apart from a write-in campaign, to allow Democrats in those states to vote for Cuomo would take throwing out all the

party's rules -- the rules Biden, Sanders and the rest played by. And, of course, voters in the majority of states and territories that have already voted would never have the chance to consider Cuomo. Finally, even if all the rules were magically changed, the idea of Cuomo abandoning his current job at this critical time to run for president is nuts.

So the only way any Democrat could seriously hope for Cuomo as their presidential nominee would be a convention in which delegates threw out Biden, and Sanders, and started from scratch. And that would obliterate the fundamental principle of the candidate selection process: The nominee should be selected by the party's voters. It is simple, straightforward and sacred.

More than anything else, the Cuomo boomlet is a reflection of some influential Democrats' misgivings about Biden. They have always known that, at age 77, he has lost a step. Now, they are seeing him struggle to project any sense of leadership in the crisis. They know the Democratic rank-and-file chose Biden in the primary field, but not necessarily with any great enthusiasm.

In a new Washington Post-ABC poll, 86 percent of the people who say they plan to vote for President Trump say they are enthusiastic about doing so. Just 74 percent of Biden supporters say the same thing. The poll also found that 15 percent of those Democrats who currently prefer Sanders would vote for Trump, not Biden, in the general election.

"They're a fractured party," one Trump campaign official said in a text exchange Sunday. "Cuomo coming in as the 'savior' would be viewed with hostility by the Bernie people. Double slap in the face."

Cuomo, who won a third term as governor in 2018, had his chance to run for president. He chose not to. He has a style and personality — largely unseen in the virus coverage — that can be difficult, to say the least. Last year, his job approval rating among New Yorkers fell into the 30s. There is no guarantee, or even indication, that he would wear well on American voters.

In a recent New York Times interview, Cuomo said he is not interested in running for president. "No. I know presidential politics," he told the paper. "I'm at peace with who I am and what I'm doing."

Perhaps Cuomo, who is 62, will reconsider and choose to run in 2024. But for now, as long as Joe Biden remains able to run, Democrats seem to be on an unalterable path to nominating him.

Some are doing so with extraordinarily low expectations — recently The Atlantic published an article headlined "Stay Alive, Joe Biden" that argued, "Democrats need little from the front-runner beyond his corporeal presence." But in any event, Biden is their man, no matter how much they might wish for a savior named Andrew Cuomo.

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OBITUARIES

Dora May Huber

December 27, 1922 - March 23, 2020

On the morning of March 23, 2020, Dora May Huber passed away quietly at the Life Care Center of Coos Bay. She was 97 years old. Her husband, Antone Huber, preceded her in death. Private entombment was held at Sunset Memorial Park in Coos Bay.

Dora's friends called her "Tatty." She was born December 27, 1922 in Oroville, Washington, to Nelson and Venus (Negley) Thrasher. She was the youngest of seven children, along with her twin sister, Dorothy, who was nicknamed "Tiny." They all worked very hard on their 20-acre farm where they raised livestock, grew vegetables and planted apples, cherries and other fruits to sell. They entertained themselves with singing, playing music and creating mischief whenever possible.

Tatty loved playing the piano and organ. She made quilts, painted landscapes, and liked to beachcomb for interesting shells and driftwood which she would turn into wonderful works of art. She was a strong woman who could figure out how to do almost any-

thing, using her unique blend of creativity, ingenuity and just plain stubbornness.

Tatty and Tony shared their love of the outdoors with their friends, inviting them camping at their property in Bridge, Oregon. They liked deer hunting and clam digging and the great meals that resulted from their efforts. These same values of hard work and providing for their family were passed on to their children and grandchildren, which will be remembered as their greatest legacy.

Tatty will always be an inspiration to her family. Having lived nearly a century, she is the last of her family's older generation. She is survived by her five children, Carolyn Heberlein of Scholls, Oregon, Claudia Keyes of Beaverton, Oregon, Michael McClure of Corpus Christi, Texas, Jackie McClure of Sherwood, Oregon, and John Huber of North Bend, Oregon; nine grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren and

one great-grandchild.





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Fountains of Wayne songwriter Adam Schlesinger dies

The Associated Press

Emmy and Grammywinning musician and songwriter Adam Schlesinger, known for his work with his band Fountains of Wayne and on the TV show "Crazy Ex-Girlfriend," died Wednesday after contracting the coronavirus.

Schlesinger died at a hospital in upstate New York, his longtime lawyer Josh Grier told The Associated Press. It is not clear where or how Schlesinger, a 52-year-old father of two daughters, contracted the virus. He had been sedated and on a ventilator for several days.

Schlesinger was nominated for 10 Emmys for writing comical songs across several television shows, winning three.

He was also nominated for an Academy Award for writing the title song for the 1997 movie "That Thing You Do," written and directed by Tom Hanks. The snappy pop ditty was the fictional one hit for a Beatles-esque band called the One-ders, later changed to the Wonders, on a label called Playtone, a name Hanks adopted for his production company.

"There would be no Playtone without Adam Schlesinger, without his 'That Thing You Do!'" Hanks, who is himself recovering from the coronavirus, said on Twitter. "He was a Oneder. Lost him to Covid-19. Terribly sad today.'

Raised in New York and Montclair, New Jersey, Schlesinger formed Fountains of Wayne, named for a lawn ornament store in Wayne, New Jersey, in 1995 with his classmate from Williams College in Massachusetts, Chris Collingwood.

With Schlesinger playing bass and singing backup and Collingwood playing guitar and singing lead, and the two men co-writing songs, the band known for its sunny harmonies and synthesis of pop, rock punk and comedy would have hits in 1996 with "Radiation Vibe" and 2003 with "Stacy's Mom." The latter was nominated for a Grammy.

The band was more New Jersey than New York. While most rock bands live for the city, Fountains of Wayne and Schlesinger's writing embraced the suburbs with finely-etched tales of lives like a floor installer who's convinced his crush will come back looking for him and a commuter who's sure about his "Bright Future in Sales.'

"That's a real Randy Newman thing," Schlesinger told the AP in 2003. "That's a trademark of his writing that I was always amazed by — the sort of unaware narrator, where you learn more about him than he does himself inside of a few

verses.' New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy said on Twitter that Schlesinger's death is a "sad, sad loss for Jersey's music scene."

Stephen King, Fran Drescher and many others were also singing his praises on social media.

After Fountains of Wavne's main run was done, Schlesinger would then drop behind the scenes and go on to be known for his writing.

He won the 2009 Grammy for best comedy album for co-writing with David Javerbaum the songs on "A Colbert Christmas: The Greatest Gift of All!" a companion to a TV Christmas special with songs performed by Stephen Colbert and Elvis Costello.

Colbert said on Twitter Wednesday night he that he was "so saddened" to learn of the death of "a great (and patient) and talented artist with whom it was my good luck to work."

In recent years he was known along with the

show's star Rachel Bloom as one of the songwriters behind "Crazy Ex-Girlfriend," the musical comedy series on the CW.

Last year, Schlesinger, Bloom and Jack Dolgen won an Emmy for the show's song, "Antidepressants Are So Not A Big Deal."

Bloom was in the hospital having a baby girl while Schlesinger was another hospital across the country with the virus. She said in an Instagram post Wednesday that she, her husband and her baby had returned home safely but it had been the most "emotionally intense" week of her life to be having her daughter while her "dear friend" was suffering 3,000 miles

away "I have so much to say about Adam Schlesinger that I am at a complete loss for words," she tweeted Wednesday night. "He is irreplaceable."

Working again with Javerbaum, Schlesinger won a 2012 Emmy Award for writing the song "It's Not Just for Gays Anymore," performed by Neil Patrick Harris to open the Tony Awards telecast. They wrote another song for Harris that won them another Emmy the following year.

DEAR ABBY

Man's closeness to mother puts distance in relationship



DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend is 31 and still goes to his mother's house and spends the night, even though we live less than 15 minutes away. He knows it upsets me, yet every time she asks him to spend the night, he goes. He left our children home alone while I worked overnight because it was her birthday.

His relationship with his mother is a large part of why we aren't married, and the fact that he continues to spend the night there is leading to huge fights. Is this normal or not? -- FED UP IN OHIO

DEAR FED UP: That your boyfriend would leave minor children alone and without supervision while he spends the night with his mother -- birthday or not -- is unusual. It would have been more logical for him to have invited his mother to your house to celebrate the occasion.

That said, you cannot control what your boyfriend does. I suspect there's a lot more wrong with your relationship than the fact that he hasn't emotionally separated from his mother. You two could benefit from couples counseling to sort out not only his relationship with his mother, but also your relationship with each other. If he won't go, go alone to

get clarity on how to proceed with your future.

DEAR ABBY: I have a good friend who has a frustratingly bad habit. Every year, she makes a point of mentioning her upcoming birthday at least a couple of times a week, starting about four months before the day. It is never mentioned the rest of the year.

If I want to buy someone a birthday gift, I make the effort to find out when their special day is and act accordingly. If I don't wish to provide a gift, then no amount of nagging will guilt me into it. I do not want to end the friendship because she is an otherwise nice person and a good friend, but I'm sick of the nagging. Any suggestions on how to tactfully but effectively deal with this? --NAGGED IN FLORIDA

DEAR NAGGED: The next time your friend starts up, respond by saying, "You have already told me." When she does it for the third time say, "You know, this is getting old. It looks like you are soliciting a gift." Then tell her if she keeps it up, you WON'T buy her one. I'll bet it works!

DEAR ABBY: Sometimes when my boyfriend and I go out with another couple and I'm talking, he abruptly says, "I never get a word in," or, "Can anyone else talk?" Abby, if I don't talk, he just sits there like a lump on a log. It's embarrassing, and I have asked him not to say that in front of other people. How should I respond when he makes cruel remarks in front of

other people? --AWKWARD SILENCE

IN NEW YORK **DEAR AWKWARD:** Is what your boyfriend says true? Or is it that he has trouble making social conversation? If that's the case, perhaps you should make more of an effort to draw the "lump" into the conversation. However, if it's not true, then what he's doing may be an effort to appear to be the dominant partner in your relation-

When it happens again -- and I'm betting it will -your response should be, "Ouch. That was hurtful and embarrassing. If you have a complaint about my behavior, please be considerate and make it privately."

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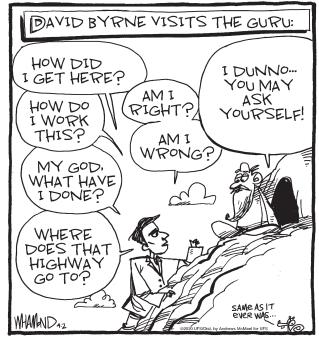


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REALITY CHECK



THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"I hope somebody's counting all these baths I've been taking."

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"It works most of the time."

BAKED SPIRAL CUT HAM WITH HONEY APRICOT GLAZE

Ingredients:

1 (10 - 14 lb.) Spiral Sliced, Fully Cooked Ham

1 cup Honey

1 can (6 oz.) Frozen Orange Juice Concentrate, Thawed

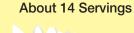
1/3 cup1/3 cupApricot Jam1/2 tspGround Nutmeg1/4 tspGround Cloves

Directions:

Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Place ham on rack in shallow roasting pan. Mix together remaining ingredients in medium bowl; set aside.

Bake ham for 30 minutes; pour glaze over ham and continue to bake another 30 minutes to 1 hour until ham is heated through

Please note that some ingredients and brands may not be available in every store.

















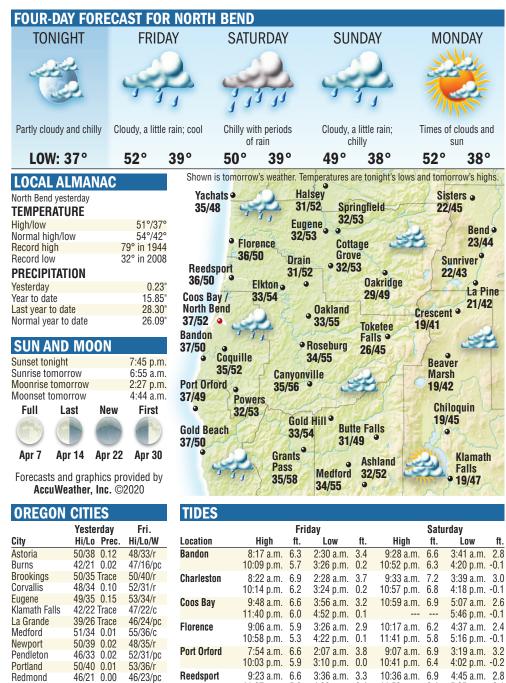




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Cleveland	50/33/s	58/44/pc	Minneapolis	38/24/r	48/32/pc	Springfield, IL	64/44/c	53/42/t
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Columbus, OH	61/35/s	63/48/pc	Nashville	71/47/pc	74/53/pc	Syracuse	48/38/c	55/38/pc
Concord, NH	50/36/r	55/34/pc	New Orleans	82/66/c	80/68/c	Tampa	83/64/s	85/67/s
Dallas	69/45/t	60/55/t	New York City	52/45/sh	56/45/pc	Toledo	59/37/s	60/45/c
Dayton	62/41/pc	62/49/pc	Norfolk, VA	61/50/pc	58/46/pc	Trenton	55/44/c	58/44/pc
Daytona Beach	77/56/pc	79/63/s	Oklahoma City	51/37/t	58/46/s	Tucson	83/52/s	84/53/pc
Denver	44/24/c	59/34/s	Olympia, WA	48/29/r	50/34/r	Tulsa	60/39/t	57/46/s
Des Moines	44/28/r	51/34/pc	Omaha	41/25/c	47/33/s	Washington, DC	61/46/pc	62/47/pc
Detroit	60/36/s	55/44/pc	Orlando	83/59/pc	86/63/s	W. Palm Beach	82/67/s	83/68/s
El Paso	77/53/s	80/58/c	Philadelphia	55/46/c	59/45/pc	Wichita	45/32/t	56/42/s
Fairbanks	35/20/sf	36/31/sf	Phoenix	84/59/s	85/60/s	Wilmington, DE	57/46/c	59/45/pc

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"It's going to be on a case-by-case basis," he said. "We want to make sure we don't violate people's rights, but at the same time of course we

don't want others to be exposed to the disease who could get sick or potentially die... thankfully we haven't had to that yet."

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According to the CDC's website, the Commerce Claus of the U.S. Constitution grants the federal government authority to take measures to prevent the entry and

spread of communicable diseases.

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Isolation and quarantine orders can be taken by the federal government as well as state, local and tribal governments to protect the public by preventing exposure to people who may have or have a contagious disease.

Pourtal-Stevens added she hopes the order will

require people who refuse to self-isolate or quarantine, who may potentially suffer from the coronavirus, will act as a deterrent to people to regain compliance and understand the seriousness of the disease.

"Hopefully we wouldn't have to ensure that a member of law enforcement has to stay by that door to ensure this person

remains in isolation," she said. "This is not yet worked out, but I'm hoping we don't have to go that route."

Earlier this week, local law enforcement officials in Coos County said they would take an education-first approach to making sure citizens are following social distancing rules and Gov. Kate Brown's

recently issued stay-athome order.

THE WORLD

"Right now people are still doing what they're supposed to," said Fabrizio. "It's just been about mainly educating people on (the new orders)."

As of April 1, there have been no reported cases of the novel coronavirus in Coos County.

Travel

lier today and they did adopt a countywide order restricting temporary lodging establishments from operating unless under certain conditions ...," Craddock said. "Basically they're telling hotels they can't allow people who are traveling through or tourists. It has to be people who provide essential services, people who can't stay home because someone in their home is in quarantine, and

such." Craddock said that he spoke with the Board of Commissioners and its mandatory order does preempt a resolution that is passed by the city, unless the city's resolution is stricter.

"The difference

between theirs and the one that's before you is that ours formalizes that we were asking for compliance, theirs is specific and is an order," he said. "According to Commissioner Cribbins, they have the authority to do this under the State of Emergency. They control the health department and this is a

health issue." Coos County Commissioner Melissa Cribbins said the Board of Commissioners took action with the resolution on Wednesday in an attempt to discourage tourism.

"We want to have those nurses, doctors, and truck drivers coming in, we just don't want people who are just coming down here

recreationally," Cribbins said. "The hotels have been very compliant and very concerned about limiting tourism. What we're seeing is a few vacation rentals, and that sort of thing that are not really limiting travel."

Cribbins said that she had hoped to give cities within the county more time to make and approve their own non-essential travel restrictions, but the council met and a majority voted to pass the resolution along.

"I wanted to give the cities seven days to pass their own regulations, there was a provision in there that I had asked for that said this would apply to all the cities in seven days, if they didn't pass their own regulation," she said. "I didn't want to impose our regulation on them. I was in the minority on that, and we did decide to move forward on an overall restriction on non-essential travel."

The county restriction for non-essential travel is through April 30, while the Coos Bay restriction is through June 1.

The Coos Bay City Council discussed that it was still important to adopt its own resolution so citizens know their city worked to adopt legislation within the interest of Coos Bay citizens.

"We're doing what we believe is best for the citizens of Coos Bay. Even if the county trumps our resolution, at least we've done what we think is best," Councilor Lucinda Di Novo said.

Prior to the vote,

Councilor Drew Farmer asked that the city's resolution be amended to allow for a broader definition of local use of temporary lodging.

"Looking at it, I don't see where it's covering what the governor had as exceptions in cases of domestic violence," Farmer said. "Domestic violence is not the only reason hotels are used locally. They're used for mental health, as a recovery center when you're trying to get someone out of a situation ... There are a lot reasons why local access to the hotels needs to be retained."

Farmer argued, and the council agreed, that while the council has no way to broaden definitions of the county's order it could broaden the definition of local uses for its own resolution. The resolution in Coos Bay was passed with the amendment that local lodging be left open for interpretation.

Manager of the Coos Bay Best Western Joseph Monahan said during the meeting that there was not really a need for regulations on non-essential travel.

"There seems to be this assumption the different cities and different counties that were getting inundated with tourists," he said. "We are not. On March 23 ... the governor issued her stay home stay safe order, which took care of 98 percent of discretionary travel. We're creating these rules and restrictions for an issues that is not there."

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dents, posting learning materials online and handing out a total of 730 meals to kids.

"We got a couple hundred Chromebooks handed out today," Sweeney said. "We've had a lot of positive comments from parents and the community."

Parents remained upbeat even though the district momentarily ran out of Chromebooks and had to have another box delivered to where they were being handed out at Coquille Junior and Senior High School.

"Parents have been patient and kind," Sweeney said. "They understand we are in this together. It's been fun problem-solving with our staff and community to overcome this whole unfor-

tunate situation." For Sweeney, he says he is excited by the change in direction from ODE, having thought it "unconscionable to forego half of March, all of April and potentially May when our students could be learning and start to earn

high school credits again." Sweeney believes the distance learning guidelines provide a better step forward. Though the dis-

trict was already well-equipped to take on remote learning due to its alternative Winter Lakes program, it is brand new for Coquille Valley Elementary and Lincoln School of Early Learning.

"Coquille Junior and Senior High School has done some dabbling in distance learning though," he said, adding that the district is trying to make these new accommodations gradelevel appropriate. This means packets are being sent to pre-K students rather than having them log onto the internet with a Chromebook.

When asked if high school seniors will be able to graduate on time, Sweeney gave an emphatic "yes" if the students are already credit healthy.

"If they are not credit healthy, we will work on a plan to get them healthy," he said. "But if they are credit healthy and doing the tasks we set before them, there is

no reason to not graduate on time."

Because the date to return to brick-and-mortar schools keeps getting pushed out, it is unknown when graduating seniors would be able to have a ceremony to receive their diplomas. However, Sweeney said the district is cautiously optimistic that some kind of graduation ceremony could be arranged, even if it has to happen in June.

"But we will see," he said. The district is also working on how to arrange prom, the senior award night and senior picnic, but Sweeney said principals are directing all of their energy into establishing distance learning before tackling these events ... if they can even be

"We're excited," Sweeney said. "We think this will be as good as we can do it for the next few months, if that's what's called. No one has told me we won't go back April 28 ... but in case (that date is extended again) we're ready ... I'm really pleased with what I've seen so far."

Sanitizer

ing on trying to take care of it ourselves by temporarily increasing our own fermentation capacity. Moving the wash from their location to ours is difficult because of the weight and volume of the solution. But should we find ourselves in a crunch, I am glad they are available to assist."

Stillwagon said its

nerve-wracking owning a business and having good work to do brings him

some relief. "Having something to do that you know is the right thing to do, gives me focus and there is relief in knowing that you are doing the right thing," he said. "My hope is that the community finds the means to support and assist those struggling more than themselves. Isolation can

cause the mind to think dangerous things. Staying in contact with friends and family, and helping in any way possible as a community will help prevent a social breakdown. This will pass. Humanity has experienced pandemics, wars, and famine many, many times. What we will be remembered for will be what we did and how we acted during that crisis."

NORTHWEST STOCKS

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LOTTERY

MegaMillions **Powerball** March 31 April 1 33-353-45-48-60 8-17-51-57-70 Megaball: 2 Powerball: 16 Multiplier: x2 Multiplier: x4 Jackpot: \$121 million Jackpot: \$180 million

Megabucks April 1 4-7-8-24-35-44 Jackpot: \$1.8 Million

Win For Life April 1 4-16-40-53 Pick 4 April 1 2-6-7-2

OSAA maintains chance of spring sports

ZACH SILVA

The World

There is still a chance for spring sports in Oregon high schools as long as students go back to school.

The Oregon School Activities Association's Executive Board decided during an online meeting Wednesday to maintain the current suspension of spring sports through April 28, in keeping with Governor Kate Brown's school closure order due to the coronavirus.

"The Board decided to continue its current suspension of Spring activities but chose not to cancel any other remaining state championships at this time," read a memo from OSAA Executive Director

Peter Weber that was sent to member schools across the state.

The memo went on to note that if schools move to a distance learning approach for the remainder of the year then the spring sports season will be canceled and that the board does not support extending spring sports into the summer.

"If the Governor orders that inperson student learning is shut down for the remainder of this school year, the OSAA will continue to align with the school closures and also cancel its Spring activities and state championships," Weber wrote.

On Monday afternoon the Oregon Department of Education issued a memo that stated "...we also foresee the strong possibility

that our students may not come back through our school house doors this academic ear. This calls for a shift from providing supplementary education to a formidable effort to provide Distance Learning

If the spring sports season did return this year, the OSAA also put forth a series of guidelines to "emphasize student safety." Included in this list was that when students returned there would be a seven-day period with no games. The first possible day of games would be May 6.

Games would be pushed later in the day and weekend games would be encouraged to ensure more time in the classroom and there would be a limit on the number of contests played each week.

Last week a petition was put up online for the OSAA to push the spring sports season into the sum-

"We would like the OSAA to extend the Spring Seasons into the Summer. We would like to see school teams get close to a full seasons if at all possible," read part of the petition which, as of Wednesday afternoon, has amassed over 17,000 online signatures.

The OSAA seemingly responded to this in its memo on Wednesday.

"Board members discussed the potential of shifting Spring activities and state championships into the summer and are not supportive of that concept at this time," the

statement said. "Concerns included increased staffing and personnel costs for school districts already facing uncertain financial impacts, scheduling issues regarding facility availability, plus student/family commitments for jobs, travel, etc."

If OSAA is able to hold its spring championships, it will need a new location for the Class 3A-2A-1A track and field championships, since Western Oregon University has shut down its athletic facilities through June 30.

OSAA staff members are conducting other potential venues to determine interest and availability, Weber wrote.

The Executive Board will meet online again on April 15 to further consider spring sports.

Just say no to bizarre ideas

PAUL NEWBERRY The Associated Press

The NBA playoffs on cruise

ships?

Tiger vs. Lefty, The Sequel? Formula One drivers intentionally exposed to the coronavirus?

In these challenging times when sports around the world are largely shut down because of the pandemic, some bizarre ideas have been floated to get things going again.

These aren't even worthy of April Fools' Day gags

Sure, we could all use the diversion that sports provides. I mean, as wonderful as it is to hear the late Keith Jackson again, how many times can we watch replays of college football games from the 1980s?

But the idea that athletes should potentially risk their own health to give us more TV options is reckless at best and Tiger King-level wacko at worst.

Until the virus has been largely contained, and relying on medical experts to tell us when that is, we all need to stay at home to reduce the risk of infection.

That certainly means saying no to some of these ideas:

 ESPN basketball analyst Jay Williams suggested that the NBA playoffs should be staged at sea, with teams from from each conference boarding two large cruise ships to hold games in tightly controlled conditions. "There's testing before everybody goes on the ship," Williams said. "You allow the player and their immediate family ... to go with them."

Williams wasn't done, but he lost us at cruise ships.

We're not even sure where to start with this idea, especially since these mammoth vessels have become synonymous with spreading the virus rather than providing a safe haven. There's also the little matter of trying to hoop it up on a ship that's potentially swaying back and forth in stormy waters. And, oh yeah, there would likely be some lengthy injury reports listing "seasickness" as the ail-

Hey, here's an alternative: the NBA postseason on Gilligan's Island. Hopefully, they still have the court that was used when the Harlem Globetrotters paid a visit.

Talk of a rematch between Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson began innocently enough when a fan asked on Twitter if they might be willing to hit the course, accompanied only by a bare-bones camera crew (and presumably their caddies), for an 18-hole round that everyone else could watch at home.

"We need live sports," Chris Yurko pleaded. Then came the tantalizing response from Mickelson, "Working on it." Followed by another that said, "I don't tease. I'm kinda a sure thing."

Before long, Vegas bookies were setting lines on a possible match-up. Golf.com reported that NFL quarterback Tom Brady and retired rival Peyton Manning might pair up with Woods and Mickelson in a team

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The Associated Press

One of the main public entrances to All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet club with the statue of former winner of the Wimbledon tennis championships Fred Perry in the background remained closed Wednesday after officials announced that Wimbledon had been canceled.

Wimbledon canceled due to coronavirus

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The Associated Press

For the first time in its nearly century-and-a-half history, Wimbledon was canceled for a reason other than war, scrapped in 2020 on Wednesday because of the

coronavirus pandemic. With Britain under a nationwide lockdown, the All England Club announced its decision to call off its storied two-week grass-court tennis tournament, something that hadn't happened to the sport's oldest Grand Slam event in 75 years.

"It has weighed heavily on our minds that the staging of The Championships has only been interrupted previously by World Wars," club chairman Ian Hewitt said, "but, following thorough and extensive consideration of all scenarios, we believe that it is a measure of this global crisis that it is ultimately the right decision to cancel this year's Championships, and instead concentrate on how we can use the breadth of Wimbledon's resources to help those in our local communities and beyond."

Wimbledon was scheduled to be played on the outskirts of London from June 29 to July 12. Instead, the next edition of the tournament

will be June 28 to July 11, 2021.

Eight-time Wimbledon champion Roger Federer surely spoke for many tennis players, officials and fans with a one-word message on Twitter: "Devastated."

Also Wednesday, the ATP and WTA announced that the men's and women's professional tours would be suspended until at least July 13, bringing the number of elite tennis tournaments affected by the new coronavirus since early March to more than 30. The top tours already had been on hold through June 7. Lower-level events on the Challenger Tour and ITF World Tennis Tour also are called off for the first two weeks of July now.

Wimbledon first was held in 1877 and has been contested every year since, with the exception of two stretches: from 1915-18 because of World War I, and from 1940-45 because of World War II.

Now the prestigious tournament - known for its carefully manicured grass, its Royal Box at Centre Court, its rules about wearing white, its strawberries and cream and, alas, its rain delays — joins the growing list of major sports events called off in 2020 because of the COVID-19 outbreak.

That includes the Tokyo

Olympics — which have been pushed back 12 months — and the NCAA men's and women's college basketball tournaments.

Wimbledon is the first Grand Slam tournament wiped out because of the coronavirus; the start of the French Open was postponed from late May to late September.

Shortly after the news came from Wimbledon, the U.S. Tennis Association issued a statement saying it "still plans to host the U.S. Open as scheduled," from Aug. 31 to Sept. 13 in New York.

As of now, the French Open is set to begin six days after the men's final at Flushing Meadows, where a facility housing indoor practice courts is now a temporary 350-bed hospital and Louis Armstrong Stadium is being used to prepare 25,000 meal packages per day for patients, workers, volunteers and

schoolchildren in the city. Wednesday's decision by the All England Club means Novak Djokovic and Simona Halep will not get a chance to defend their Wimbledon titles from 2019.

"We are going through something bigger than tennis and Wimbledon will be back!" Halep wrote on social media. "And it

means I have even longer to look forward to defending my title."

Serena Williams retweeted the club's message about the cancellation and wrote: "I'm Shooked."

The move takes away what might have been one of Federer's best chances to try to add to his men's-record 20 Grand Slam titles. Federer, who turns 39 in August, is recovering from knee surgery and planned to return in time for the European grass-court circuit that now has been erased from the cal-

In a statement last week, the All England Club said that postponing the two-week event would not come "without significant risk and difficulty" because of the grass surface that is affected by weather conditions. The club also said then that it had ruled out "playing behind closed doors" without spectators.

Hundreds of thousands of people have caught COVID-19 around the globe, and tens of thousands have died. For most people, the new coronavirus causes mild or moderate symptoms, which can include fever and cough, but also milder cases of pneumonia, sometimes requiring hospitalization.

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NBC Sports will broadcast IndyCar virtual race

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The Associated Press

IndyCar's virtual racing will be televised beginning with Saturday's iRacing event, which has been picked up by NBC Sports.

The debut virtual race last weekend drew 433,000 combined viewers to both IndyCar and iRacing's online stream. Totals viewers jumped to 600,000 when IndyCar tallied how many watched drivers' social media feeds or gaming

NASCAR has done well in its virtual racing series, setting records for viewership the last two weeks. It's Sunday virtual race that aired on some Fox affiliates and nationally on its cable channel

drew 1.3 million viewers. NBC Sports is IndyCar's broad-



The Associated Press

In this image taken from a video provided by iRacing IndyCar, IndyCar driver Kyle Kirkwood, foreground, collides with Alexander Rossi (27) during the early running of the American Red Cross Grand Prix virtual IndyCar auto race at Watkins Glen International, Saturday, March 28, 2020.

cast partner but had declined to air the first iRacing event. Now it will use its booth of Leigh Diffey, Paul

Tracy and Townsend Bell to call the race at virtual Barber Motorsports Park in Alabama.

More than two dozen IndyCar drivers are expected to compete, including five-time series champion Scott Dixon, who did not take part in last week's event. Sage Karam won the event at virtual Watkins Glen in New

NBC Sports first worked with iRacing last October when it aired the 2019 eNASCAR PEAK Antifreeze iRacing Championship in a two-hour event live on NBCSN.

Several racing series have gone virtual during the shutdown from the coronavirus pandemic. The iRacing platform gives drivers an opportunity to hone their skills in a realistic environment, as well as provide content to fans and showcase their teams and sponsors.



Arizona State forward Romello White (23) is defended by UCLA forward Jalen Hill during a Feb. 27 game in Los Angeles.

ASU, Washington stars enter draft

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Arizona State junior big man Romello White is joining teammate Remy Martin in declaring for the NBA draft.

White announced his decision on Wednesday, two days after Martin declared for the draft.

"I would like to announce I have decided to submit my name to the NBA draft committee in order to receive feedback as I aim to pursue my lifelong dream of playing in the NBA," White said.

A 6-foot-8 power forward from Atlanta, White was Arizona State's main inside presence as a junior. He averaged 10.2 points while consistently facing double teams, shot 57% from the floor and grabbed 8.8 rebounds per game.

White had a strong freshman season, averaging 10.5 points and 7.1 rebounds, and had a slight dropoff as a sophomore.

The Sun Devils made the NCAA Tournament each of his first two seasons and

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The NFL players' union says chang-

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narrowly approved last month "reflects

no substantive difference whatsoever,"

a claim the lawyers for free-agent safe-

that the CBA isn't valid is "completely

believes the changes regarding filing

should invalidate the collective bar-

gaining agreement set to run through

2030. And he points to the last para-

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Wednesday that describes the altera-

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"It is correct that the final version of

the 456-page CBA includes an addition-

al subparagraph with a cross-reference

to a section of the Disability Plan that

an earlier version," the NFL Players

Association memo says. "The final

the parties had inadvertently omitted in

for Social Security disability payments

The NFLPA added that Reid's claim

Ben Meiselas, who represents Reid,

were in position to make it three straight for the first time since 1980-81 before the college basketball season was canceled during to the coronoavirus.

"I strongly support Mello's decision to explore the NBA draft process!!" Arizona State coach Bobby Hurley tweeted.

Should White and Martin remain in the draft, the Sun Devils will have several holes to fill next season.

Arizona State lost seniors Rob Edwards and Mickey Mitchell to graduation and have had three players enter the transfer portal so far. Khalid Thomas, Elias Valtonen and walk-on Kyle Feit all played sporadically, but their transfers lave Hurley with a thin roster, particularly if White and Martin don't return.

Stewart will go pro

SEATTLE — Washington freshman Isaiah Stewart declared for the NBA draft Wednesday after becoming a bright spot in an otherwise disappointing season for the Huskies.

Stewart was expected to

leave Washington after one season even before he set foot on campus. He arrived to huge expectations that he would further Washington's resurgence under coach Mike Hopkins but the team underachieved and suffered numerous painful close loss-

Stewart, a bruising 6-foot-9 forward, was named to the all-Pac-12 first team after averaging 16.6 points and 8.7 rebounds in the regular season, even while opposing defenses focused on stopping his interior game. Stewart also blocked 65 shots and averaged a teamhigh 32 minutes per game.

He is projected as a midto-late first-round pick in the June draft.

In a post on social media announcing his decision, Stewart wrote, "Thank you coach Hopkins for always believing in me. I can't

express enough gratitude for the coaching staff that invested in my future and prepared me for the next level."

Even with Stewart's stellar season, the Huskies finished in last place in the Pac-12 at 5-13 following the regular season. They swept the Arizona schools on the road to close out the regular season, but ended the Pac-12 campaign 1-9 in games decided by six points or less.

The Huskies lost to Arizona in the first-round of the Pac-12 tournament and finished the season 15-17

Stewart is the latest on a list of one-and-done players for Washington that includes Markelle Fultz, Dejounte Murray, Marquese Chriss, Tony Wroten and Spencer Hawes.

There could be another name added to that list since freshman Jaden McDaniels could declare for the draft as well. McDaniels is also projected to be a first-round pick.

Sports Briefs

BASEBALL

Rangers star gives to minor leaguers

Rangers veteran Shin-Soo Choo is helping out financially strapped minor league players with the season on hold, giving \$1,000 each to 191 of them who are in the Texas organization.

Choo said Wednesday that he remembers the financial struggles when he was in the minors. The 37-year-old outfielder-designated hitter hopes the gifts will help ease those worries for the current minor leaguers, most he has never met, allowing them to stay focused on their baseball careers instead of having to figure out ways to make money.

"I've done it before, minor leagues, seven years," said Choo, who was 18 when he left South Korea to join the Seattle Mariners organization before the 2001 season. "I know right now the minor league system is better than 15-20 years ago, but still tough. Everything's very difficult, especially money wise."

Choo is one of a few major league players helping out with the baseball season on hold. Colorado Rockies infielder Daniel Murphy gifted \$100,000 on Wednesday to a fund operated by More Than Baseball, a nonprofit support group for minor league players. St. Louis pitcher Adam Wainwright gave \$250,000 to that group last week, and his donation was earmarked specifically for Cardinals minor league players.

Choo is now going into the final year of a \$130 million, seven-year deal he signed as a free agent with the Rangers. He is set to be the highest-paid Texas player this season at \$21 million.

Choo also made a

\$200,000 donation earmarked for Daegu, South Korea, a city he said was hard-hit by the coronavirus pandemic. That is about an hour from where his parents still live, and he said they were doing OK.

MLB cancels series scheduled for London

NEW YORK - Major League Baseball has canceled a two-game series in London between the Chicago Cubs and the St. Louis Cardinals because of the coronavirus pandemic.

The teams had been scheduled to play at Olympic Stadium on June 13-14.

Baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred made the announcement in a memorandum sent to MLB employees on Wednesday. MLB said March 19 that it had scrapped series in Mexico City and San Juan, Puerto Rico.

SOCCER

MLS executives will receive pay cut

Major League Soccer plans to cut the pay of some executives and front office personnel while the season is on hold because of the coronavirus pandemic, a person with knowledge of the situation told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

MLS Commissioner Don Garber and Deputy Commissioners Mark Abbott and Gary Stevenson will take 25% cuts in salary starting April 16, the person said on the condition of anonymity because the reductions were not announced publicly.

Other cuts would range from 20% to 10% for managerial staff. Lower salaried employees, like entry-level hires, would see no reduction

Cowboys bring back suspended DE Smith

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Dallas Cowboys are taking a chance on another suspended defensive end, signing Aldon Smith to a contract while his playing status in the NFL is uncer-

A person with direct knowledge of the deal said Smith signed Wednesday with Dallas. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the deal hadn't been announced. Smith posted a picture of himself signing a document on Instagram and wrote, "Life is good. I'm thankful. I'm blessed. I'm a Cowboy."

Smith hasn't played in the NFL since 2015, when he was suspended for violating the league's substance-abuse policy while with the Oakland Raiders.

The Cowboys now have two suspended pass rushers under contract in Smith and Randy Gregory. It wasn't immediately clear where

for singles, 10 for women's

doubles, four for mixed dou-

bles. "Right now, we need to

Smith stands in the reinstatement process. Gregory is seeking reinstatement.

The 30-year-old Smith had several legal issues as a player with San Francisco and Oakland. He was first suspended with the 49ers in 2014 before receiving a oneyear ban in November 2015 with the Raiders.

Scoreboard

On The Air

Today No national sports Friday, April 3 No national sports Saturday, April 4

Local Schedule

Today No local events scheduled. Friday, April 3 No local events scheduled Saturday, April 4 No local events scheduled

Pro Sports

Season suspended Major League Baseball

Season suspended

National Hockey League Major League Soccer

Season suspended **NWSL**

Season suspended

Transactions

FOOTBALL

National Football League
BUFFALO BILLS — Signed OL Daryl Williams and CB E.J. Gaines to a one-year contract. CAROLINA PANTHERS

WR Robby Anderson to a two-year contract. Signed WR Keith Kirkwood to a one-year contract. CHICAGO BEARS - Signed OL

Germain Ifedi to a one-year contract. Signed LB Robert Quinn to a five-year contract.

DETROIT LIONS — Signed LB

HOUSTON TEXANS — Signed WR Randall Cobb to a three-year

contract. Signed S Eric Murray to a three-year contract.

LOS ANGELES RAMS — Signed OL Andrew Whitworth to a three-

year contract.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS -Released QB Cody Kessler. NEW YORK GIANTS - Signed LS Casey Kreiter to a one-year contract. Signed RB Dion Lewis

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS Released OL Mike Person. WASHINGTON REDKSINS -Signed CB Ronald Darby.

Union says changes to CBA were minimal CBA corrected the omission, as the bar-Hall of Fame tight end Shannon Sharpe also questioned the validity of gaining parties were required to do

based on their agreement that 'if any

faith to correct them' (just as the parties

had similarly agreed when finalizing

not, however, change what had been

the 2011 CBA). ... This correction did

agreed to with the NFL, what informa-

tion had been provided to players, or

what players had voted upon." https://

status/1245518734489317376?s=20

ing the change could affect thousands

"Sad NFLPA puts more work into

memo deceiving players than negotiat-

ing," he said in a text message and social

media posting. "They now claim change

to CBA after vote was 'cross-reference

... inadvertently omitted in a earlier ver-

sion,' and such a change is OK based on

secret side deals and oral understandings

ESPN originally posted the memo

w/ NFL. Complete trash."

on social media.

Meiselas vehemently disagrees, say-

twitter.com/meiselasb/

of former players.

typographical errors or incorrect crossstantive, but changes were made? references are found in the 2020-2030 WOW. Why is D. Smith still running Agreement, the parties will act in good the NFLPA?"

> union. Reid has called for an investigation and a re-vote on the labor agreement, which passed by a mere 60 votes,

1,019-959 on March 15.

the new CBA, tweeting: "Nothing sub-

Smith is executive director of the

A letter from Meiselas and law firm partner Ray Genco to the union highlighted a difference in wording in the section about the league's disability plan that affects hundreds, and potentially thousands, of ex-players who applied for Social Security disability insurance payments before Jan. 1, 2015. In the version the players received and approved, those offsets applied only to

But the union's letter to its members disputes the effect of the change, and notes, "The Social Security income offset was necessary bargaining trade in order for the NFLPA to obtain other enhanced and expanded benefits."

players who applied after Jan. 1, 2015.

Wimbledon

The All England Club said it would work to help with the emergency response to the pandemic, including distributing medical equipment and food and offering

the use of their facilities in

other ways. Regular day-to-day life has come to a halt in many ways in many parts of the world in recent weeks, and sports has reflected that.

The NBA, NHL and Major League Baseball are on hold indefinitely; the

Kentucky Derby and Indianapolis 500 were pushed back several months until September; England's Premier League and other club soccer competitions are currently suspended; and the European soccer championship — scheduled to end in London on the same day as

the Wimbledon men's final - was postponed from 2020 to 2021.

"I have been fortunate to go to Wimbledon every year since 1961, and I am certainly going to miss it this year," said Billie Jean King, who won a total of 20 trophies at the All England Club — six

make sure we are taking good care of ourselves and our loved ones. These are challenging times for all of us and now is the time for us to do what is right for our world and what works for our sport."

"everybody will work longer hours and harder than that they ought to have a chance for recreation and for taking their minds off before."

those times were — much more so than today, to be sure — it doesn't translate at all to a pandemic. We're told that strict social distancing is the best way to defeat this enemy. That applies to everyone, including our

put their lives on the line just to keep us entertained.

Newberry

From B1

In a sign of how desperate everyone is for live sports, no one seemed to care that Woods-Mickelson I, which was held in Las Vegas in November 2018, was a technically-impaired dud.

OK, we'll grant that this proposal makes a lot more sense than playoff basketball on cruise ships. The risk of infection on a wideopen golf course with only a few people around would be minimized. Not to mention, the match could double as a fundraiser for

pandemic relief.

Still, it would send the wrong signal for two of the world's most prominent athletes to break a quarantine that so many people are observing. And, yes, there's a chance someone could fall ill no matter how many safeguards are taken.

So, Phil, maybe get back to us when it's safe to play a real golf tournament.

– Finally, let's consider perhaps the most ludicrous idea of all.

Helmut Marko, an adviser with the Red Bull Formula One team, proposed holding a training camp that would expose drivers to the corona-

virus so they could build immunity to the disease while the season is on hold. That way, he said, the team's drivers could recover in time for races later in the year. "It would be ideal,

because these are all young, strong men in really good health, if the infection comes then. Then they would be equipped, if it starts up again, for a really hard world championship," Marko told Austrian public broadcaster ORF.

We don't even know where to begin with this offthe-wall plan, which has already been shot down by the higher-ups at Red Bull.

In what was surely a dazzling display of understatement, Marko conceded that the proposal to actually infect drivers with a potentially lethal virus "was not accepted positively." Duh!

Some have brought up the morale-boosting role that sports — most notably, Major League Baseball played during World War II by carrying on with hugely depleted rosters.

President Franklin Roosevelt famously gave the green light for baseball to continue in a letter to Commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis that said

ever before. And that means their work even more than But as challenging as

most famous athletes.

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TIMBER FOR SALE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, SEALED BIDS will be received by the District Manager Bureau of Land Management, 1300 Airport Lane, North Bend, Oregon 97459, by 10:00 am PST on April 24, 2020 for all timber marked, or designated for cutting. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale and submission of bids, including the appraised price per species, should be obtained from the above District Manager. The prospectus is available https://www.blm.gov/or/resources/forests/index.php. The right is hereby reserved to waive technical defects in this advertisement and to reject any or all bids. The United States reserves the right to waive any informality in bids received whenever such waiver is in the interest of the United States. Environmental Assessment DOI-BLM-ORWA-C040-2016-0007-EA (Upper Rock Creek EA) was prepared for the Upper Rock Divide timber sale and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been signed. These documents are available for review at the Coos Bay District Office or online at https://go.usa.gov/xm7a9. This sale notice, first published on March 2020, constitutes the decision document for purposes of protests under 43 CFR Subpart 5003 Administrative Remedies. Protests of any sale listed below must be filed within 15 days after the first publication of this notice. In COOS COUNTY: OREGON: O&C: SEALED BID: SET-ASIDE SALE NO: ORC04-TS-2020.0032 Upper Rock Divide. All timber designated for cutting on certain Federal lands in T. 29 S., R. 9

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be considered. Minimum deposit with a sealed bid is \$104,900.00. Published in

The World & ONPA March 26 & April 2,

2020. (ID:278905)

Sealed bids for SOUTHWEST OREGON REGIONAL AIRPORT - AIRPORT RESCUE and FIRE FIGHTING (ARFF) BUILDING and ASSOCIATED SITE **IMPROVEMENTS** will be received by Coos County Airport District (CCAD), Airport Administrative Office (second floor of the Airport Terminal Building), 1100 Airport Lane, Suite 1, North Bend, Oregon 459, until the bid closing time of 2 P.M., Pacific Time, Thursday, April 30, 2020. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately after the deadline for submission of bids remote conference call information for bid opening:

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The project contemplated and to be awarded under a single contract consists of the construction of an approximately 12,000 square foot single story wood framed building located within Southwest Oregon Regional Airport in North Bend, Oregon. The building consists of four truck bays - 3 apparatus bays and 1 maintenance bay, workshop area, ARFF support spaces such as generator room, gear washroom, SCBA room, agent storage, and administration and staff support areas. The building will be support areas. supported on engineered fill and concrete foundation, and construction is primarily wood framed with walls and sloping roof structure. Exterior finishes include brick veneer, and built-up or metal roofing. Site improvements include site prep. fill, utility connections storm water improvements paving, concrete walks and drive aprons.

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Bidding and Construction Documents for this Work, including Instructions to Bidders and Bid Form, may be examined at the office of HGE Architects, Inc., 333 South 4th Street, Coos Bay, Oregon Phone: 541-269-1166; general@hge1.com, and at the following locations: various plan centers, and on tions: various plan centers, and on HGE website at http://www.hge1.com/open-to-bid/. One set of the Bidding Documents (including Drawings and Specifications) may be obtained by General Contractor/Prime bidders from HGE, INC., with a refundable deposit of

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No bid will be received or considered unless fully completed in the manner provided in the "Instructions to Bidders." upon the official bid form provided by the Architect within the Project Manual, and

cashier's or certified check executed in favor of Coos County Airport District, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid. Bid Bond is to be forfeited per ORS 279C.385, as fixed and liquidated damage should the successful Bidder neglect or refuse to enter into a contract and provide acceptable insurance certificates, bonds or other required documents for faithful performance of the work in the event Bidder is awarded the

Federal Requirements for Federally Funded Projects. This Project is being partially funded under the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP). Contractors must comply with specific federally required provisions as listed herein and contained in the contract documents. The following federal provisions are incorporated in this solicitation by reference:

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2. Foreign Trade Restriction (49 CFR part

Davis-Bacon Act (29 CFR Part 5) 4. Debarrent and Suspension (2 CFR Part 180 (Subpart C); 2 CFR part 1200; DOT Order 4200.5)

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (49 CFR part 26) Lobbying Federal Employees (49 CFR part 20, Appendix A)

7. Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (2 CFR part 180 (Subpart C), 2 CFR part 1200, DOT Order 4200.5) 8. Recovered Materials (40 CFR part

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise. The requirements of 49 CFR part 26 apply to this contract. It is the policy of the Coos County Airport District to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex or national origin in the award or performance of this contract. The Owner encourages participation by all firms under this qualifying solicitation regardless of business size or ownership. The Coos County Airport District is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer. Small, minority, veteran, and husinesses women-owned

encouraged to submit bids. Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment

1. The Offeror's or Bidder's attention is called to the "Equal Opportunity Clause" and the "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" set forth herein. 2. The goals and timetables for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, are as follows: **Timetables**

Goals for minority participation for

each trade: 2.4% Goals for female participation in each trade: 6.9%

These goals are applicable to all of the contractor's construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted) performed in the covered area. If the contractor performs construction work in geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for such geographical area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and non-feder-

ally involved construction. The Contractor's compliance with the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4 shall be based on its implementation of the Equal Opportunity Clause, specific affirmative action obligations required by the specifications set forth in 41 CFR 60-4.3(a), and its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade, and the contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours

3. The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP) within 10 working days of award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the name, address, and telephone number of the subcontractor; employer identification number of the subcontrac tor; estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and the geographical area in which the subcontract is to be performed.

4. As used in this notice and in the contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is Coos County,

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Theresa M. Cook, Executive Director, Coos County Airport District

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Public sale Minnesota Storage Lockers, LLC 1147Minnesta Ave, Coos Bay Or,97420 will sell at auction for cash only at 10:00am April 11th, 2020 AT 1147 MINNESOTA AV, COOS BAY, OR

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NOTICE OF BUIDGET

Committee of the City of Bandon, Coos County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 will be held at City Hall, 555 Highway 101. The meeting will take place on the 20th day of April 2020 at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained after April 20, 2020 at City Hall, 555 Highway 101, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

The City's website where this notice can also be read is: http://www.cityofban-

This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Listed below is the time and place of additional Budget Committee meetings which will be held to take public comment. Any person may appear at this meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee

Date: April 27, 2020 & May 11, 2020 (if needed), at 7:00 PM Location: City Hall, 555 Highway 101,

Bandon, OR Published in The World, April 2, 2020 & The Bandon Western World April 9, 2020. (ID:280538)

NOTICE OF BUDGET **COMMITTEE MEETING**

public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Bandon Urban Renewal Agency, Coos County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 will be held at City Hall, 555 Highway 101. The meeting will take place on the 20th day of April 2020 at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

June 8th, 2020, at the hour of 10:00am at the front door of the Coos County Sheriff's Office, 250 N. Baxter St; Coquille, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the real property commonly known as: 565 N 10th St., Coos Bay, OR 97420. The court case number is 19CV34851 where NATION-STAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A CHAMPI ON MORTGAGE COMPANY is plaintiff and UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF LILL L. SMITH. BEN CARSON solely in his capacity as SECRETARY OF DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; CHASE BANK EGP INVESTMENTS. LLC: WESTERN MERCANTILE INC.: and ANY AND ALL PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT TITLE LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 565 N 10TH ST COOS BAY, OR 97420 is defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Coos County Sheriff's Office. For more information on this sale go to: http://oregonsheriffssales.org/ Published in The World and ONPA April 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2020. (ID:279653)

NOTICE OF BUDGET **COMMITTEE MEETING**

public meeting of the Committee of the Lakeside Water District, Coos County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, will be held at the district office at 1000 N. Lake Rd Lakeside, Oregon. The meeting will take place on Friday, April 10, 2020 at 4:00 pm followed by a second meeting April 14, 2020 at 4:00 pm (if needed).

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may access the meeting by phone (541-759-3602) and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 20, 2020 at the district office. 1000 North Lake Road, Lakeside, between the hours 12:00 and 1:00 - 4:30 pm. Published: March 19th & April 2, 2020 The World & ONPA (ID: 278101)

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Bridge

When you pick up a really powerful hand, it gives you a momentary glow of pleasure. But then you wonder how to steer the bidding to find out what you need to know from

East suffered badly on today's deal, which was reported in New Zealand Bridge. It occurred in Norfolk Island, an Australian territory to the north of New Zealand.

East had never seen a 28-point hand before. Trying not to smile, she opened one club, strong and artifi-

cial. South's overcall of one no-trump showed at least 5-5 in any two suits. West's two diamonds was natural and indicated fewer than 9 points (a debatable choice in my view). North was happy to compete with two hearts, expecting that to be one of his partner's suits. South's rebid of two spades was a surprise to North, but he handled it imaginatively and brilliantly. Knowing that East wouldn't sell out to two spades, North passed!

Then, over three no-trump (East not knowing what else to do), North "sacrificed" in four spades.

East doubled, of course, but the contract was unbeatable. South ruffed the heart lead and immediately attacked clubs. East switched to the spade king, but declarer played a second club. South's 10 tricks were the spade ace, four diamond ruffs in the dummy, four heart ruffs in hand and a club.

Note that East-West can make six no-trump or seven hearts -- but only if the latter contract is played by West.

When did you last bid and make a game with a combined 8 points?

Astro-Graph FRIDAY APRIL 3, 2020

Pick up the pace and make things happen this year. Putting more energy into the things that bring you the most joy will have a positive impact on your attitude and your life. Get in touch with others and make yourself available. This can be a year of shar-

ing and spreading love.

ARIES (March 21-April **19) --** Focus on whom you know and how best to utilize your connections. Discuss your intentions and listen to suggestions. Romance is favored, and positive change is within reach.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Take a step back and a deep breath, and consider what's worth fighting for and what isn't. Your time and energy will be better spent pursuing romance or physical improvements.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Listen and learn. What you offer others will be reciprocated. Visiting someone who has influenced your life will be insightful. Don't make a premature change.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Keep your cash and possessions tucked away someplace safe. The best results will come from nurturing a relationship that offers equality and brings you joy. Make love and romance priorities.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Emotions will surface if you try to please everyone. Take a step back and satisfy yourself. Aim for personal growth instead of trying to change others. You are overdue for a break.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Don't be disheartened if someone lets you down. It's essential to stay focused on what's important to you and to strive for personal perfection. A change is encouraged.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- A personal adjustment will help you recognize your talents and value. Distance yourself from people who don't appreciate you or who take advantage of you. Put yourself

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Don't let uncertainty set in because someone gives you a hard time. Follow your heart and make smart choices that will bring you the results you are striving for.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Plan your schedule carefully and your actions wisely. Refrain from making comments or sharing opinions that may not be favored by others. Protect your reputation, personal information and posses-

CAPRICORN 22-Jan. 19) -- A change will lift your spirits. Plan to do something special with a loved one. Make a promise that will have a positive influence on your

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Get back to basics.

You've been running yourself ragged trying to do too much for too many. Don't get into an emotional or financial bind by taking on, or spending, too

PISCES (Feb. 20-March **20) --** Traveling, spending time with people who bring out the best in you or helping a cause you believe in will be enlightening. A romantic gesture will lift your spirits.

SATURDAY APRIL 4, 2020

Moderation will be necessary this year if you want to avoid emotional, physical or financial troubles. Set guidelines that will help keep you on course and living within your means. You can accomplish a lot if you use your time and effort wisely. Discipline will encourage fitness and good health.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Take control of your future. Put your financial needs first and ease stress. Rebuild and update your resources to fit current trends. Positive change requires planning and preparation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Change begins within and shouldn't require you to spend a lot of cash. Expand your mind, focus on personal growth and spend more time with someone who brings out the best in you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Keep your thoughts to yourself and avoid getting into a battle with someone who doesn't share your opinions. Take a disciplined approach to health and fitness. Romance is

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Explore unfamiliar territory. Try new things and meet interesting people. A cultural event will change your perspective regarding people who come from different backgrounds.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Stick to what and who you know. Avoid getting into emotional battles you cannot win. Pay attention to the way you look and feel. Make health a

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Grant yourself a welldeserved break. Spend time doing something you've always wanted to do. A day trip will lead to a positive lifestyle shift.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Make a positive change at home. Do the work yourself to avoid expensive expenditures. You can commit to someone and put a new beginning in play. Romance is in the stars.

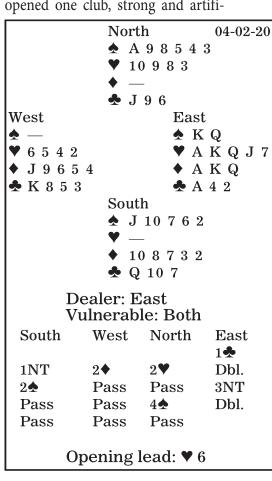
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Be careful what you promise someone. You should offer only suggestions when someone asks for help. You owe it to yourself to do what makes you happy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. **23-Dec. 21) --** A lifestyle change will be a step in the right direction. Back away from people who try to manipulate you or pressure you into doing things that you shouldn't do.

CAPRICORN (Dec. **22-Jan. 19) --** Refuse to let a last-minute change ruin your day. Do what's best for yourself, and don't feel guilty for not giving in to other people's demands. An unexpected opportunity will come your

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. **19) --** Put more emphasis on how you feel and on things that you enjoy doing. A reunion or reconnection with someone from your past will be memorable. Romance is favored.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March **20)** -- Spend time with people who can offer you mental stimulation. An intellectual challenge will promote greater creativity and lead to a good plan. Set a tight budget before you begin.



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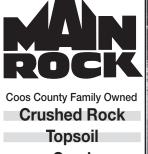
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