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# Increase in early voting

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The World

COOS COUNTY — With Election Day almost a week away, an unusual jump in early voting is being seen at the Coos County Election's Office.

According to County Clerk Debbie Heller, a total of 21.7% of ballots have been returned as of Monday. This means of the 46,600 ballots sent out, 10,017

have been turned in.

In the last primary presidential elections in 2016, a total of 15.4%, or 5,300, turned in ballots at roughly the same time.

"Having received 21.7% (of ballots) is pretty awesome," Heller said.

It is still unclear if the increase is due to this being the first Oregon election with pre-paid ballots, where the state paid for postage on return envelopes.

In a press release from Heller's office on Tuesday afternoon, voters were reminded that today, May 13, is the last day for ballots to be mailed in for the election. Of course, ballots can still be taken to drop off sites throughout the county between now and Election Day on May 19.

"Ballots must be received in the Election office no later than Tuesday, May 19th, as postmarks do not count," the release said.

Social distancing during elections

With the ongoing pandemic, the Election's Office has spaced work stations six feet apart and has fallen into a routine for regular sanitation. With ballots already being received, staff have begun signature verification and preparing them for "the boards," or to be counted on

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# Biden campaign worries Democrats

(AP) - Joe Biden has no foreseeable plans to resume in-person campaigning amid a pandemic that is testing whether a national presidential election can be won by a candidate communicating almost entirely from home.

The virtual campaign Biden is waging from Wilmington, Delaware, is a stark contrast with President Donald Trump, who is planning travel despite warnings from public health experts about the coronavirus's spread. It also intensifies the spotlight on how Biden, the presumptive Democratic nominee, will manage his campaign, with some in his party fretting that his still-developing approach isn't reaching enough voters.

For now, Biden and his aides are brushing back hand-wringing from Democrats and mockery from Republicans who argue that the 77-year-old is "hiding in his basement."

"Voters don't give a s--- about where he's filming from," campaign manager Jen O'Malley Dillon told The Associated Press. "What they care about is what he's saying and how we connect with them."

Biden was more diplomatic in assessing the situation on Tuesday.

"The idea that somehow we are being hurt by my keeping to the rules and following the instructions that (have) been put forward by doctors is absolutely bizarre," he told ABC's "Good Morning America."

O'Malley Dillon took the helm of Biden's campaign in mid-March, just as coronavirus shutdowns commenced. She recently beefed up the campaign's digital and finance teams and said she'll unveil battleground state leadership in coming weeks. She also pointed to budding "partnerships" that include the national party's battleground state program.

But those moves haven't prevented critiques from prominent Democrats, including the architects of President Barack Obama's 2008 campaign, who question Biden's digital savvy and capacity to build the national vote-by-mail effort that might be necessary to win during a pandemic.

Obama allies David Plouffe and David Axelrod wrote in a

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Zach Silva, The World

The Kozy Kitchen has reopened despite an executive order from the governor.

# Restaurant speaks out

ZACH SILVA  
The World

NORTH BEND — Dave Grover was done waiting for the "okay" to open back up. Grover, the owner of the Kozy Kitchen, opened the doors of his restaurant this past weekend to dine-in customers, a move that went against the executive order from Governor Kate Brown.

"Well, I think it was just time," Grover said on Tuesday. "We were waiting to get approval to open the counties back up. I think, we just kind of felt that it was time to make a stand for ourselves and other local

businesses. I know a lot of them are really struggling, some won't open back up. I think you hear that around the state about how some won't make it."

In an effort to limit the spread of the novel coronavirus "on-site (consumption) of food and drink at food establishments statewide" was banned on March 17 by Executive Order 20-12 from the Governor. In the past week, counties across the state, including Coos County, have submitted applications to reopen.

Counties that are selected would be allowed to open businesses in phases. Included in phase one of this rollout, which

could begin as soon as Friday if Coos County is approved, would be restaurants opening in limited capacity.

"It's disappointing to work this hard and have a few people put this progress in jeopardy because they don't think they can (wait) four more days," said County Commissioner Melissa Cribbins on Monday about businesses reopening before they were approved. "We totally understand that businesses are having a hard time and we want to get reopened and that is our priority, to get reopened while protecting the public health. So these decisions put everyone at

risk and it's frustrating."

Grover has put in new health policies at the restaurant including limited capacity, additional cleaning and single-serve condiments. Customers are not required to wear personal protective equipment and, on Monday afternoon, employees were not wearing PPE.

Ultimately, Grover was not going to wait any longer. "They said we just need to get past the curve and then we'll open up. It continued and now all events are canceled through September," he said. "Is there an end to it? I don't know. They're

# City plans millions of dollars worth of work

CHERYL UPSHAW  
The World

COOS BAY — Millions of dollars in road work is planned for the City of Coos Bay this spring, summer and fall. The work will include pothole repair, overlay work and other improvements.

The city is budgeted to spend \$10 million for road work that will occur between now and fall 2021. Road projects planned between now and June 30 are going up for bid soon. The budget for those improvements is just under \$1 million.

The \$10 million budget includes the Safe Routes for Schools project in Eastside. The project is about \$3 million and is partially funded by a Safe Routes for Schools grant of \$2

million, \$50,000 in funds from the Oregon Department of transportation for the work that falls outside city limits and \$130,000 from Coos Bay Public Schools. The remaining approximately \$820,000 will be paid out of the city's street maintenance fund. This work has already begun. It will include work on the sidewalks in the area of 6th Avenue and D Street.

## Potholes

Pothole repair across the city is planned for spring, summer and fall.

Funding for pothole repair comes from the gas tax and from the transportation utility fee. According to City Manager Rodger Craddock, pothole repair can be complicated, as many potholes

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Cheryl Upshaw, The World

Fourth Street and Anderson Avenue in downtown Coos Bay. Fourth Street will see major construction this year.



Photo gallery: The Face of Coronavirus  
Photo gallery: Marshfield Junior High School construction

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# Stuck motorhome starts fire

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The World

COOS BAY — Early Saturday morning, Coos Bay Fire Department put out a motorhome fire that started when the vehicle became stuck.

The fire occurred in the Libby Fire District, at 63312 Shasta Road at 6:52 a.m.

The owners of the 39-foot motorhome were returning home from a vacation. While they were backing it down the driveway, the vehicle got stuck. According to Fire Chief Mark Anderson, the spinning wheels caused friction and heat, starting a fire.

The fire threatened the surrounding trees. According to a city of Coos Bay press release, CBFDF arrived on scene within about 10 minutes of being notified.

According to the release, it is unclear how much damage was sustained to the motorhome or how



Photo Courtesy of Coos Bay Fire Department

This motorhome caught fire early on Saturday, May 9.

much it would cost to repair. Anderson also asserted that the motorhome was

truly for recreation and that no one was currently living in it. The motorhome was insured. No injuries were

reported. Still, Anderson said, "It's not a good way to start the day."

# No answers for fire that struck same house twice

Two fires at one Coos Bay house 'raises a flag'

**CHERYL UPSHAW**  
The World

COOS BAY — While fire officials suspect something fishy happened at a Coos Bay home that caught fire twice in January, they can't prove it.

"For a house to burn twice in the same month is unusual," said Coos Bay Fire Chief Mark Anderson. "That raises a flag."

Coos Bay Fire Department put out two fires at 312 S Wall St. this last January that don't have a clear explanation.

The first call to the fire came in on January 2 at 4 a.m. The house is only a few minutes away from the fire station, so, according to Fire Chief Mark Anderson, it took longer to load the fire truck than it did to get to the fire.

The owners of the home were in the back bedroom when they smelled what Anderson described as "electrical burning."

The fire department arrived to find the left side of the single-story house ablaze. Three hours later, the fire was out. Crews left at 7:22 a.m.

According to a press release from the city of Coos Bay from the time, the home was insured, but was a total loss after the first fire. It was valued at \$195,000. While no fire personnel or other humans were injured, smoke from the first fire claimed the lives of a dog and two birds.

The press release also stated that the fire was not considered intentional and that it was electrical in nature.

The second call came

three weeks later, at 1:41 a.m. on January 26. By this time, the home was no longer occupied, and the windows were boarded up. The fire was contained to an outside porch that is attached to the house.

This time, there was more damage to the already single property, about 20 feet away from where the first fire occurred.

According to Anderson, it looked as though someone was camping on the property and had started a fire to cook or warm themselves and that it spread.

There was no one present at the home by the time firefighters arrived at the second fire.

Anderson felt it was possible that both fires could have been caused accidentally. The second fire, however, gives him pause.

"Whether it was intentional or accidental is difficult to determine, in this case," Anderson said.

Since the fire was all outside the home, and there was no issue with wiring, and no electrical storm or sparks or embers, he is sure that the fire was caused by human activity.

Unfortunately, with the house unoccupied and since the person or persons who may have been present at the second fire have not come forward, the true cause of the second fire may never be known.

Anderson described situations in which former friends of those who have committed arson have come forward in the past, but he doesn't anticipate that happening for the Wall Street fires.

"We're not hopeful that we'll learn anything more," Anderson said.

# Oregon reports no new COVID-19 deaths, 61 new confirmed cases

The World

PORTLAND — The state's death toll from COVID-19 is unchanged from Monday and remains at 130, the Oregon Health Authority reported Tuesday.

Oregon Health Authority reported 61 new confirmed cases and 11 new presumptive cases of COVID-19 as of 8 a.m. Tuesday, bringing the state total to 3,358. The new confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases reported today are in the following counties: Benton (1), Clackamas (6), Clatsop (1), Deschutes (4), Jackson (1), Josephine (1), Klamath (1), Linn (1), Marion (29), Multnomah (9), Polk (2),

Wasco (1), Washington (14), Yamhill (1).

Coos County has had 29 confirmed COVID-19 cases, with 839 people tested and zero COVID-19 deaths. Twenty-eight of those cases were at Shutter Creek Correctional Institution, with one case from the community and not related to Shutter Creek.

Douglas County has had 24 confirmed COVID-19 cases, with 1,459 people tested and zero COVID-19 deaths.

Curry County has had four confirmed COVID-19 cases, with 221 people tested and zero COVID-19 deaths.

Weekly Report presents snapshot of COVID-19 in

Oregon

OHA on Tuesday released its COVID-19 Weekly Report, which presents an in-depth look at the virus in Oregon. This week's report again contains a summary of the week's data by an OHA senior health adviser. Also new this week is a table that displays cases by gender and ethnicity.

This week's report no longer contains a table of underlying conditions of those who have died from COVID-19. Routinely available information about COVID-19 cases lacks sufficient detail to offer useful information about the specific conditions that make up the broad categories

included in the table. A more accurate and reliable source of information about underlying medical conditions among hospitalized patients with COVID-19 has become available through COVID-NET ([https://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/COVIDnet/COVID19\\_5.html](https://gis.cdc.gov/grasp/COVIDnet/COVID19_5.html)), a national surveillance network that collects detailed medical information about hospitalized patients in many states. Oregon is a participant in COVID-NET.

To see more case and county level data, visit the Oregon Health Authority website, which OHA updates once a day: [www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus](http://www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus).

## COOS BAY POLICE LOG

May 11

### Criminal Trespass

At 8:09 a.m. on 1020 S 1st St at Fred Meyer, a transient was reportedly

harassing staff and customers.

At 10:16 a.m. on 880 S 1st St, transients were reportedly starting a warming fire.

At 12:45 p.m. on 810 Central Ave, criminal trespassing was reported.

At 7:44 p.m. on 1900 Woodland Dr, criminal trespassing was reported.

disorderly conduct was reported.

**Dispute**  
At 6:54 a.m. on 3345 Waite Ave, subjects were reportedly yelling.

### Hit and Run Accident

At 12:58 a.m. on 1075 Newmark Ave, at 7-11, a hit and run accident was reported.

At 7:30 p.m. on 519 Puerto Vista Dr, a hit and run accident was reported.

reported.

### Suspicious Subject

At 1:03 p.m. on 840 Ocean Blvd, a suspicious subject was reported.

### Suspicious Vehicle

At 2:44 a.m. on 550 D St at Eastside Boat Ramp, a suspicious vehicle was reported.

At 11:08 p.m. on 2nd and Hall, a suspicious vehicle was reported.

### Theft

At 7:41 a.m. on 1999 N 7TH St at South Coast Gospel Mission, the theft of a bike was reported.  
At 10:57 a.m. on 1098 W Ingersoll Ave, the theft of minibikes and a scooter were reported.  
At 4:48 p.m. on 1280 Crocker St, the theft of a license plate was reported.

### Disorderly Conduct

At 2:57 a.m. on 1020 S 1st St at Fred Meyer, a subject was reportedly yelling at employees in the parking lot.

At 5:08 a.m. on 1075 Newmark Ave, at 7-11 a woman was reportedly throwing rocks at vehicles.

At 11:58 a.m. on 253 Broadway St at Bay Area Appliance, it was reported that a man was disorderly. Criminal trespassing was also reported.

At 5:33 p.m. on 229 S Broadway St at the Egyptian Theater, urinating in public was reported.

At 6:43 p.m. on 7th St and Central Ave,

### Driving While Suspended

At 7:34 p.m. on 1075 Newmark Ave, Michael Clark, 33, was issued a ticket for driving while their license was suspended.

At 8:50 on Southwest and Oregon, Mary Bowman, 34, was issued a ticket for driving while their license is suspended.

### Fraud

At 11:47 a.m. on 975 Anderson Ave, fraud was reported.

### Harassment

At 2:42 p.m. on 114 N Wesson St, possible harassment was reported.

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# Coos County applies for reopening

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The World

COOS COUNTY — Last Friday, the Coos County Board of Commissioners, with Coos County Public Health and Bay Area Hospital, submitted the “Phased Reopening Plan” to the state.

On Friday afternoon, the state asked for more details around the amount of personal protective equipment for each county hospital and the document was resubmitted on Monday morning.

“We still expect to be in the initial wave of counties that is approved for reopening if there isn’t some issue that comes up with a lot of cases, frankly,” said County Representative Melissa Cribbins on Monday afternoon.

If approved for Phase I, busi-

nesses such as restaurants, salons and barbershops would be able to open up under specific safety guidelines. Gatherings of up to 25 people would also be allowed. Regardless of county approval, retail stores will be allowed to open up starting on Friday as long as they follow safety protocols that include physical distancing.

To get the green light for the actions in Phase I, the state said that counties had to demonstrate that they had met prerequisites including either a decline in novel coronavirus cases or fewer than five hospitalizations; sufficient testing capabilities; ability to isolate or quarantine new cases if need be; hospital capacity to handle a surge in cases; and enough PPE for health care workers.

The document submitted by Coos County showed evidence that the region has checked off these boxes.

The report states that the county has recorded three positive cases of COVID-19. In a town hall last week with Coos Health and Wellness, Oregon Health Authority stated that positive cases from Shutter Creek will not be added to those in Coos County because adults in custody were removed from the local correctional facility.

“The low numbers of positive cases in Coos County may be a result of the county’s low population density (natural social distancing) and adherence to the government’s guidelines on preventative measures to reduce exposure,” read the report from the county.

In regards to testing, the requirement for reopening includes 30 tests per 10,000 residents. In the report, Coos County states that the county requirement would be for 192 tests per week. The report also states that Coos County is expected to have 10 full time contact tracers. This includes local employees from environmental health, public health, a nurse and Spanish-speaking staff member.

The report continues on to show a plan in place if there was need for isolation or quarantining in the community.

“Should an individual or family that is experiencing homelessness contract COVID-19 or be identified through contact tracing as a contact of a known COVID-19 case requiring isolation, Coos County will work with

local partners and volunteers as necessary to seek necessary lodging. Hotels have been located within the County that may be utilized in the event of need,” it read.

The report concludes by stating that there is enough personal protective equipment at hospitals for health workers. In addition, all 16 fire departments, eight police departments and three ambulance companies have reported sufficient PPE.

Phase I will continue for 21 days and if the prerequisites are still met after this time, counties will then move to Phase II. Phase II includes larger gathering sizes, some office work and visitation in congregate settings.

## Short-term rentals now allowed to open in Bandon city limits

AMY MOSS STRONG  
Bandon Western World

BANDON — Short-term rentals, including motels, vacation rentals, bed-and-breakfasts and private RV parks are once again open in Bandon.

At the Bandon City Council’s May 7 work session, the council voted to allow short-term rentals to reopen on May 12, following an emergency declaration to close those businesses in March due to concerns about the coronavirus. The council directed the staff to continue moving forward with four items:

Signage and posters for the town encouraging physical distance, masks and other precautions, including outdoor message boards (examples of the signs can be seen on the City of Bandon Facebook page).

Reopening guidance for businesses on COVID-19 distancing and precautions.

Continue to work with Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center on screening kits and information for lodging businesses and guests.

Be sure that the community maintains and adequate supply of masks and sanitizer.

Monitor the situation, particularly with respect to contact tracing.

“All of these actions have been in the works for some time,” said City Manager Dan Chandler. “We will be mindful that the goal all along has been to flatten the curve and slow the progress of the disease. There has never been a realistic pros-

pect of keeping the virus out of Bandon long-term, particularly now that there is community spread in Coos County. People who are particularly vulnerable should continue to self-isolate.”

At the work session, the council was set to discuss reopening, after voting at a special meeting on April 23 to reopen, only to rescind that action at a special meeting on April 28. The council was going to revisit the issue at its regular May 11 meeting, but instead voted unanimously at the May 6 work session to allow short-term rentals to reopen, following guidelines.

Coos County, as well as cities within the county, such as Coos Bay and North Bend, have also allowed emergency declarations closing short-term rentals to expire that were enacted in March during spring break when visitors flocked to coastal towns.

Chandler provided the council with up-to-date information regarding what has been put in place to help with the reopening, including screening kits available for motels managers to check their employees, wash stations and hand sanitizer, a toolkit for businesses with suggestions on how to carefully and successfully reopen, put together by the Bandon Chamber of Commerce.

The council also discussed as an example the strict guidelines put in place at Bandon Dunes Golf Resort, which reopened May 11.

The purpose of the Chamber’s toolkit is to help business owners get the infor-

mation they need in order to reopen, what steps should be taken to put them on the best path of success, and how to assess their business needs. The kits are available on the Chamber’s website at [bandon.com](http://bandon.com).

Over the weekend, the Bandon Farmers and Artisans Market reopened, as well as Face Rock Creamery, according to Bandon Chamber CEO Margaret Pounder. Coos County has applied to reopen and that request must be approved by the state to begin the phased process for reopening in each city.

The prerequisites to be approved for Phase I include a decline in the prevalence of COVID-19 cases, testing capabilities, contact tracing systems, the ability to isolate, health care capacity and 14-days worth of personal protective equipment for rural hospitals. State officials stated last week that cases of COVID-19 at Shutter Creek Correctional Institution will not count against Coos County during the reopening process.

For counties that are approved, Phase I is set to begin on May 15. Included in this phase is the opening of restaurants to dine-in customers, barbershops, gyms and local gatherings for groups of less than 25 people.

Pounder said. “We want to present a unified message (from the Chamber and the City),” Pounder said. “I want us to be a community so we’re not divided and the message is that we want to keep (everyone) safe.”

Local short-term rental owners have said that May is not usually a busy month, and they understand the importance of maintaining the guidelines to keep customers and employees safe.

Bryan Longland, owner of the Sunset Motel, posted photos on Facebook of the measures they have taken to ensure the public’s safety. Other motels have implemented many measures, such as installing plastic screens at check-in and guided entries and exits, disinfecting rooms between customers, canceling courtesy breakfasts, closing swimming pools, providing masks and more.

“The motels are ready,” said Councilor Claudine Hundhausen. “The problem is that the public doesn’t realize how regulated the motel industry is.”

The council also spoke about signage, which will be posted throughout town with guidelines and suggestions to protect people from spreading or being infected by the coronavirus. The use of masks was discussed, but councilors agreed that mandating that use is not advisable or enforceable.

Councilors did have concerns that once Bandon reopens, visitors will once again pour into town, potentially bringing the coronavirus with them.

“When the hospital says we have a problem (with COVID-19 cases — Bandon has had none so far), they will tell us,” said Mayor Mary Schamehorn.

“If it comes to that, we’d have to shut it down again,” said Councilor Brian Vick.

## U.S. Reps demand support for state and local governments

BANDON WESTERN WORLD

EUGENE — House Transportation and Infrastructure Chairman Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., along with Reps. Suzan DelBene, D-Wash., and Kim Schrier, M.D., D-Wash., Friday held a press call demanding support for the region’s frontline public service workers in the next Coronavirus aid package.

Pacific Northwest Democrats are fighting for critical aid that state and local governments need to pay healthcare workers, police, firefighters, teachers and other frontline public service workers during the crisis, DeFazio said.

But, Republican Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell — who blocked such aid in the most recent package — recently said he believes states should be forced to file bankruptcy, putting the livelihoods of frontline public service workers at risk.

“Even during the Great Depression, the federal government did not let a single state go bankrupt, yet the Senate Majority Leader is suggesting we do just that during the Coronavirus pandemic,” said DeFazio. “Frontline public service workers continue to put their lives at risk every day during this crisis, but state and

local governments are currently struggling to fund these vital services. Congress must step in and ensure that these dedicated workers are protected in any subsequent relief legislation.”

“States, local governments, and tribes are facing painful cuts to essential services such as public health, first responders, toxic chemical cleanup, and early learning programs because of COVID-19 and its economic fallout. The federal government needs to step in to further support our communities,” said DelBene. “This is not a red versus blue state problem. This is not an urban versus rural problem. This is an American problem, and we need to come together to address it now.”

Despite a critical need, the White House and Republican Senate Leader Mitch McConnell have continually rebuffed Democrats’ requests for robust funding for state, tribal and local governments to fund critical public services. Pacific Northwest Democrats are committed to ensuring that this comprehensive support be included in the next package.

An audio recording of the press call is available on DeFazio’s website at <https://defazio.house.gov/>

## Man drowns in Tenmile Creek

THE WORLD

LAKESIDE — A man drowned trying to cross Tenmile Creek near Lakeside on Thursday afternoon.

The Coos County Sheriff’s Office received a report of a possible drowning in the area behind Dunes Mobile Ranch in Lakeside on May 7 at about 3:43 p.m.

According to a press release from Capt. Gabriel Fabrizio with the Sheriff’s Office, marine deputies initiated a search by water and deputies were stationed along the bank nearby in an attempt to locate the victim, identified as 69-year-old Larry Ray Gabbard, and provide aid if they could. Gabbard was not located.

The U.S. Coast Guard deployed a helicopter in aid of the search and the Coos County Search and Rescue team was activated, as well as the Bandon Dive Team.

“Sadly, Mr. Gabbard’s remains were located near where he was last seen,”

wrote Fabrizio.

The investigation revealed that Gabbard and some friends were improving a fishing area nearby. Gabbard had seen a log across the creek which he intended to use as an improvement to their project. He tied a rope to his belt loop and attempted to cross the creek.

At that time of that day, there was a strong outgoing tide. Gabbard was not able to swim against the current. Gabbard’s friends tried to pull him back in, his belt loop broke and he was caught by the current, Fab-

rizio stated in the release.

The Coos County Sheriff’s Office would like to remind the public that as the weather warms, swimming can still be hazardous. Water temperatures remain cool which may lead to hypothermia. As always, personal flotation devices are encouraged or required in water activities.

The Coos County Sheriff’s Office was assisted by the U.S. Coast Guard Sector North Bend, Lakeside Fire Department and Coos County Search and Rescue.

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**PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE** *Lythrum salicaria*

**Bloom: June - September**

- Dense upright woody plant
- Found in wetlands and streamside
- One purple “spike” per stem
- Can grow anywhere between 3'-9' tall, but is 6' tall on average

Flower: Purple

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**KNOTWEED: HIMALAYAN** *Polygonum polystachyum*

**Bloom: July - October**

- Red stems resemble the look of bamboo
- Small white flower “spikes”
- Long leaves that come to a point, about that can grow up to 7” long

Flower: White

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**KNOTWEED: JAPANESE** *Polygonum cuspidatum*

**Bloom: July - October**

- The wide side of the leaf, closest to the stem, is flat
- Red spotted stem resembles look of bamboo
- Small white flower “spikes”
- Leaves alternate, giving the appearance of a zig-zag pattern

Flower: White

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### North Bend City Councilors weigh in on measure 6-176

We write these comments to address measure 6-176 as being presented to the voters of the City of North Bend. The three councilors signatory to this letter did not vote for the last \$15.00 per month increase to the public safety fee. In fact, some of us didn't vote for the earlier \$10.00 per month increase to the fee. The three of us, along with the rest of the council present at the initial meeting to pass the initial \$5.00 monthly fee voted to approve the \$5.00 monthly fee.

The outcome of measure 6-177 is in the hands of the voters. The measure if passed would reduce the public safety fee to \$15.00 per month and freeze it at that level, subject only to voter change.

Our concern is measure 6-176 which would not allow the city or the council the ability to raise "FEES" above the social security COLA (1.6% for 2019 and 2020). The measure states that any increases higher than those listed above would require a vote of the people. These fees include but are not limited to swimming pool charges, community center charges, copying cost and permit fees to name a few.

The three councilors listed below have a combined 53 years of serving on your city council, we are all business people with conservative spending philosophies and our voting records reflect that philosophy.

We ask that you not approve measure 6-176 as to not "TIE" the hands of future North Bend City Councilors

North Bend City Councilors  
**Howard Graham**  
**Larry Garboden**  
**Mike Erbele**

#### In Support of Dick Anderson for Oregon State Senate

The COVID crisis has shown us all how crucial it is to have competent individuals running our state government, regardless of party affiliation.

Lincoln City Mayor Dick Anderson is an experienced leader we can depend on and I am supporting him for Oregon State Senate. Dick is a Republican who brings constructive solutions instead of more taxes to solve our ongoing socio-economic struggles with homelessness, affordable housing and small business sustainability. In Lincoln City, Dick was part of a public-private partnership to construct a new \$45 million hospital that did not cost taxpayers any new taxes. This is resourceful thinking from a leader who needed to make improvements and got the job done.

Dick will hinder the implementation and fight against the super-majorities illogical new tax proposals which would further decimate our communities. Our state government has more of our money than ever to waste, and like always, it has not come back to the Coast.

In 2019, urban politicians passed a new Oregon sales tax which they refuse to postpone during the COVID crisis. Because the money-hungry politicians are refusing a tax deferral, our coastal families are being forced to pay even though their businesses are forcibly closed. Furthermore, with summer nearly upon us, did you know that we now must pay a kayak, canoe and paddleboard tax? The Governor came up with this heinous tax and it impacts every one of us 15 years of age and up. Pay the \$5.00 per week tax or face a fine of \$115.

Dick Anderson is exceptional. He will stand up to Governor Brown and the politicians who aimlessly follow her. He will refuse to accept their failed leadership, especially in difficult times like this. I urge you all to vote this election cycle. The only way our communities will thrive again is to end the super-majority

polarization in Salem. Dick Anderson will bring balance and equality back to the State Legislature. Please join me in voting for Dick Anderson as our next District #5 State Senator.

**Krysta Bert**  
Coos Bay

#### Incumbents burrow like tics

Timm Slater has made Bob Main's long held dream of being accepted by the North County chamber crowd a reality with his recent letter promoting Main's reelection to the county commission. However, Slater's lackluster endorsement is less a commendation of Main's prowess as a leader and commissioner than it is a condemnation of the anti-LNG candidates he is facing in the upcoming primary.

Let's be clear, Bob Main's primary interest is Bob Main. Consider that he even campaigned against a citizen initiative that would have protected county landowners from a foreign company, namely Pembina, using eminent domain against US landowners' property to benefit Canadian shareholders. Unfortunately, all too often incumbents burrow into their offices like a tic and as a double dipper Main is beginning to suck some serious money from the county taxpayers.

During Main's tenure county services have declined despite a 3% annual property tax increase we all pay. At the same time, he has voted three times to give himself a raise. Don't forget that he orchestrated the appointments of Fred Messerle and Cam Parry to the commission which brought about tremendous upheaval and cost us the solid waste incinerator. All our rates have gone up under the "new" program.

Even though the county voters opposed a county administrator by a wide margin he supported the creation of a new finance position, a de facto administrator, to circumvent the electorate.

More than ever we need fresh ways of approaching age old as well as brand-new problems and Main's lack of imagination leaves him ill prepared to cope or innovate during a time when innovation is critical.

Main's had his chance and now it is time for the voters to retire him and let someone new with fresh eyes and plenty of energy roll up their sleeves and dig in. Do not vote for another chamber puppet, do not reelect Bob Main.

**Mary Geddry**  
Coquille

#### Common sense, not fear-mongering

In response to a recent letter, we, the other people I guess, who are going about our business, so sorry — NOT.

We all do things differently, eat differently, dress differently, buy different cars and we are allowed our opinion.

If we shop, drive, eat with no mask, it's our choice. We all realize there is a virus, we are staying safe. We stay far from you, we stand on the tape in every store. Your mask protects you, keeps your germs to you.

I, for one, do not live in a bubble or drink the "juice" and do not have to be told by everyone, "Wash your hands. Are we in kindergarten?"

It's everyone's right to wear a mask or not. (Because of) your complaining, now all McKay's workers have to wear a mask. Hot, icky, feel bad. Instead of being thankful (that) stores are open and waiting on you people, you choose to complain, make nasty calls and get on Facebook, acting like you're the "Walmart Police" — oh wait, that's parking.

Mind your business, not everyone else's.

**Karen Parish**  
Bandon



## ON THIS DAY in Coos County history

### 100 YEARS May 13, 1920

#### Still In Bunker Hill Captured Three Men Arrested At Midnight and Fourth Sought Marshal Carter and Officer Bailey Make Raid — One of Party Informed on Othersy

A midnight raid on a house in West Bunker Hill, not far from Coal Bank Slough, and south of the highway, resulted in the seizure of a small still, about ten gallons of apple cider and the arrest of three men. A fourth is being sought today. Those arrested were: Jack Norton, Walter Harris, F. Webb. Henry Ludwig, of Bunker Hill, is being sought.

#### Shot to Scare

The raid savored of the tales of the swooping down on the moonshiners in the Kentucky hills, as depicted in the movies. When Carter and Bailey reached the house, Bailey started around to the rear and Carter went in at the front gate.

Carter says that one of the party gathered around the stove which was furnishing the heat for the still, made a dive through a window. However, he declares, he recognized him as Henry Ludwig, whom he knows well.

#### Davis Slough Has First Forest Fire Blaze Said to Have Started Forty Feet Above Ground Spark From Locomotive Landed in Sap Pocket of Old Snag and High Wind Spread It

Fire originating from a spark from a locomotive and catching in a sap pocket in an old snag about forty feet from the ground started a fire that for a time yesterday threatened the working of the Davis Slough camp. It spread rapidly and a large force of men was required to curb it.

The fire was noticed soon after it caught near the dump but the sparks were carried for a quarter of a mile or more before the men at the dump could fall the snag.

The forests are unusually dry for this season of the year and most of the logging operators are rushing the burning of old debris to reduce the danger to a minimum.

### 75 YEARS May 13, 1945

#### Coos Sergeant Dies in Action

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Saarenpaa of Englewood have been notified by the war department that their son, S/Sgt. George Oliver Saarenpaa, was killed in action April 7 in Germany. He first was reported missing April 25.

Graduated from Marshfield high school in 1936, Sgt. Saarenpaa is survived by his parents and one sister, Mrs. George Councilman of Everett, Wash. Sgt. Saarenpaa joined the army July 7, 1941. He was wounded last fall while fighting with the 1st army in France, and he was with the 9th army in Germany at the time of his death.

#### Three Are Injured In Accidents Here

Accidents claimed three Coos Bay victims on Mother's day, hospital reports revealed today.

Edward Kline, engineer on the switch engine of the Southern Pacific, was injured yesterday at the yards when he fell and broke his leg. Mrs. V.H. Davis of Millington, fell Sunday and suffered a broken leg, and Coastguardsman Jack Schenewark of the Empire coastguard base fell and injured his back. The patients are all the McAuley hospital.

### 50 YEARS May 13, 1970

#### North Bend School Board Among Ten Honored By National Group

The North Bend School District 13 board was among 10 Northwest school boards honored Tuesday by the National Education Association for outstanding achievement in public education.

A certification of merit was presented in Washington D.C. commending the board's foresight in planning "a building and land program that will keep pace with the growth of the community needs," according to United Press International.

The board was entered in competition for the honor by the Association of Classroom Teachers committee of the North Bend Education Association. Mrs. Jane Baumgarten, chairman said "We're real pleased and proud to have this happen."

#### Myrtle Point Woman Hurt in Mishap

A Myrtle Point housewife was listed in satisfactory condition Wednesday at Keizer Memorial Hospital after receiving severe internal injuries when she and her husband were thrown from their auto as it left Highway 42 and struck a dirt embankment.

Francine Cate, 30, suffered a fractured pelvis according to a hospital spokesman. Her husband, Darrel Cate, 34, was not seriously injured and did not require hospitalization.

According to Oregon State Police, the Cate auto failed to negotiate a curve in the vicinity of Highway 42 and Mullen Creek Road. Police said it was raining hard at the time of the accident.

### 15 YEARS May 13, 2005

#### BURN-TO-LEARN IN CB

Firefighters in Coos Bay will ignite a house Saturday in their latest live training session.

In a press release, the Coos Bay Fire Department said the "burn-to-learn" event will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 1149 Minnesota Ave., in the Inglewood area. Crews will practice search and rescue, fire attack, ventilation and exposure protection.

During the drill, Dakota Street will be cordoned off at Southwest Boulevard from 8:30 a.m. to the end of training. Motorists can use Minnesota Avenue and 14th Street as a detour while training is in progress.

#### School funding dispute threatens airport bill By Howard Yune, Staff Writer

What does public education have to do with the North Bend airport?

On the surface, not much - except that a dispute in the state Legislature over the former may threaten a bill steering millions of dollars toward improving the latter.

Rep. Arnie Roblan, a Democrat who took office this year, said there is a move by Republicans led by House Majority Leader Wayne Scott of Canby to derail Senate Bill 152. The bill would provide the North Bend Municipal Airport with \$10 million toward a new passenger terminal and an improved runway. Scott and others, he said, have threatened to kill the airport legislation in committee unless Roblan, in his position on the House education committee, votes to prevent a controversial school funding proposal from going to a full House vote.

These stories were found in the Marshfield Sun Printing Museum newspaper repository store in Marshfield HS courtesy of Coos Bay Schools and on The World newspaper website www.theworldlink.com.

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# Tennessee boy catches 80-pound sturgeon

HENDERSONVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A 9-year-old boy in Tennessee became the third child in his family to catch a monster fish, reeling in an 80-pound sturgeon that outweighed him by far.

Coye Price was eager to catch something big after his 11-year-old sister Caitlin hooked a 40-pound striper and his 8-year-old sister Farrah reeled in a 58-pound blue catfish a while back, the Tennessee Wildlife and Resource Agency said Tuesday in a Facebook post.

“Coye had been saying,

‘Man, I don’t have nothing on these girls, I’ve got to catch a big fish.’” Coye’s father, Chris, told the Tennesseean. “So not only did he catch a bigger fish than they had, but sturgeon are rare, which is the other cool part about it.”

Coye, who weighs just 55-pounds, was targeting catfish in Old Hickory Lake before he hooked the sturgeon. It took him 15 minutes to get the fish in the boat, where they weighed it and took some pictures before returning it to the water, the Tennesseean reported.

The endangered lake sturgeon are some of the largest and longest-living fish in Tennessee, the state’s wildlife agency said. There have been efforts to restore the species, which can grow up to eight feet and live up to 150 years, after their population declined due to reasons including overfishing and habitat loss.

The agency said more than 220,000 lake sturgeon have been stocked into the Cumberland River and portions of the Tennessee River since 2000.

# Albany food processor fined

PORTLAND (AP) — Oregon workplace safety regulators have cited an Oregon food processor for unsafe practices after nearly three dozen of its employees tested positive for the coronavirus.

The \$2,000 penalty against National Frozen Foods in Albany appears to be the first since Gov. Kate Brown ordered businesses to ensure distancing between workers, the Democrat-Herald reported. The food manufacturer had employees standing as close as 2 feet apart, rather than 6 feet, as ordered by Brown.

National Frozen Foods has 30 days to appeal the citation.

The citation from Oregon OSHA stems from an inspection starting April 20 in response to complaints about the facility.

National Frozen Foods employs more than 300 people at its Albany plant, which opened in 1982. The plant puts out millions of pounds of frozen produce including beans, corn and squash, each year.

Additionally, several workers at Pacific Seafood’s plant in Warrenton, Oregon, have tested positive for the coronavirus, the second seafood processor on the northern Oregon coast with an outbreak, the Astorian reported. A spokesman for Clatsop County described six cases involving workers at Pacific Seafood and one case involving one of the worker’s contacts.

In a statement Saturday, Pacific Seafood said it suspended operations at the Warrenton plant after a worker tested positive. John King, the general

manager of the seafood processor, said the facility has since been professionally cleaned. He said the company will test workers for the virus before reopening.

Over two dozen workers have tested positive at Bornstein Seafoods in Astoria, Oregon.

More than 3,350 people in Oregon have tested positive for the coronavirus and at least 130 people have died. The Oregon Health Authority reported no new deaths on Tuesday.

The virus causes mild to moderate symptoms in most patients, and the vast majority recover. But it is highly contagious and can cause severe illness and death in some patients, particularly the elderly and those with underlying health conditions.

# Portland will keep pools closed for summer

PORTLAND (AP) — Portland Parks and Recreation will not open seasonal public swimming pools this summer, and is canceling all camps and activities because of the coronavirus pandemic, officials said Tuesday.

Parks, trails and nature areas remain open and park greeters will be there “to make sure people know how to use their park system safely during the pandemic,” The Oregonian/OregonLive reported.

But other programs that families rely on -- including outdoor camps, Summer Free For All and the Portland World Soccer Tournament — are canceled.

“We have had to layoff or not hire hundreds of valued seasonal employees,” Portland Parks and Recreation Director Adena Long said in a statement Tuesday, “your exercise instructors, swim teachers, camp counselors, and many other important PP&R team members. These employees are the heart of our programs, and they will be missed.”

“This is difficult news to share,” Long said, “and we will miss you this summer.”

Long added the department will focus its efforts this summer on urgent community needs, including the Lunch + Play program, which provides free lunch to Portland kids all summer.

# Woman falls into thermal feature at Yellowstone

MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS, Wyo. (AP) — A woman illegally visited Yellowstone National Park while it’s closed during the coronavirus pandemic and suffered burns Tuesday when she fell into a thermal feature, officials said.

She was reportedly backing up while taking photos and fell into a hot spring or hole where hot gases emerge near Old Faithful geyser, park spokeswoman Linda Veress said in an email.

Despite her injuries, the woman drove for roughly 50 miles (80 kilometers) until park rangers stopped her near Mammoth Hot Springs. She was flown to a hospital in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Park officials did not release the woman’s name or the extent of her injuries. Yellowstone National Park has been

closed since March 24. Yellowstone and nearby Grand Teton National Park will announce plans for a phased reopening Wednesday.

Visitors are warned to stay on the boardwalks near Yellowstone’s often boiling or acidic thermal features, which include geysers, hot springs, steam vents and mud pots. Tourists sometimes go off the designated walkways and are injured or killed.

Last fall, a man who was walking off a boardwalk near Old Faithful at night fell into a hot spring, suffering serious burns.

In June 2016, 23-year-old Colin Scott of Portland, Oregon, fell into a superheated, acidic mud pot and died. His remains couldn’t be recovered

# Washington farmers give away potatoes to needy

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — Washington state farmers will give away more than 200,000 pounds of potatoes at the Tacoma Dome on Thursday as part of a mission to get 1 million pounds of potatoes into the hands of people in need.

The News Tribune reports the potatoes were meant to be sold to restaurants and other food service establishments but then the COVID-19 pandemic hit.

“With so many restaurants closed due to

COVID-19 restrictions, our potato farmers have storages full of these potatoes that were scheduled to be turned into french fries, tater tots, hash browns and many other frozen potato products,” a group of Washington state potato farmers said in a press release Monday.

“Our farmers and their families recognize that they are not the only ones suffering financially, and they have the potatoes in their storage sheds that can feed so many.”

The Washington State

Potato Commission has coordinated with local volunteers at the Tacoma Dome, the City of Tacoma and Emergency Food Network to help hand out the bags of potatoes. Bags will be loaded right into vehicles.

Local food banks can pick up pallets of potatoes by calling the Potato Commission at 509-765-8845 or emailing office@potatoes.com. A GoFundMe set up to support the Washington Potato Growers Commission has already collected \$28,000.

# Woman dies after falling from paddleboard

REDMOND (AP) — A Redmond woman has died after falling from a stand-up paddleboard into a lake northwest of Sisters, authorities said.

The woman fell into Scout Lake, a small body of water near the popular Suttle Lake, according to the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office.

She was pulled from the water but despite measures including CPR she didn’t survive, KTVZ- reported.

The woman was identified as Valerie Mallory, a 44-year-old Warm Springs teacher.

She wasn’t wearing a life jacket, according to the sheriff’s office.

Late last week, the Oregon State Marine Board noted five boating fatalities on Oregon’s waterways this spring, all with two things in common -- not wearing life jackets, and cold water.

# Manafort released from prison due to virus concerns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Paul Manafort, Donald Trump’s onetime presidential campaign chairman who was convicted as part of the special counsel’s Russia investigation, has been released from federal prison to serve the rest of his sentence in home confinement due to concerns about the coronavirus, his lawyer said Wednesday.

Manafort, 71, was released Wednesday morning from FCI Loretto, a low-security prison in Pennsylvania, according to his attorney Todd Blanche. Manafort had been serving more than seven years in prison following his conviction.

His lawyers had asked the Bureau of Prisons to release him to home confinement, arguing that he was at high risk for coronavirus

because of his age and preexisting medical conditions. Manafort was hospitalized in December after suffering from a heart-related condition, two people familiar with the matter told The Associated Press at the time. They were not authorized to discuss the matter publicly and spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity.

Manafort was among the first people to be charged in special counsel Robert Mueller’s Russia investigation, which examined possible coordination between the Trump campaign and Russia in the 2016 election campaign.

Manafort, who was prosecuted in two federal courts, was convicted by a jury in federal court in Virginia in 2018 and later pleaded guilty in Washington. He was sentenced last March and was immediately hit with state charges in New York that could put him outside the president’s power to pardon. New York prosecutors have accused him of giving false information on a mortgage loan application.

Manafort’s release comes as prison advocates and congressional leaders have been pressing the Justice Department for weeks to release at-risk inmates ahead of a potential outbreak. They argue that

the public health guidance to stay 6 feet (1.8 meters) away from other people is nearly impossible behind bars.

Attorney General William Barr ordered the Bureau of Prisons in March and April to increase the use of home confinement and expedite the release of eligible high-risk inmates, beginning at three prisons identified as coronavirus hot spots. There are no confirmed coronavirus cases at FCI Loretto.

As of Tuesday, 2,818 federal inmates and 262 BOP staff members had positive test results for COVID-19 at federal prisons across the country. Fifty inmates had died.

The bureau has given contradictory and confusing guidance how it is deciding who is released to home confinement in an effort to combat the virus, changing requirements, setting up inmates for release and backing off and refusing to explain how it decides who gets out and when.

An agency spokeswoman said more than 2,400 inmates have been moved to home confinement since March 26, when Barr first issued a home confinement memo, and more than 1,200 others have been approved and are in the pipeline to be released.

## DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

### Baked beans recipe wins smiles at family gatherings

DEAR ABBY: I love your column. Some years ago, you printed a recipe for baked beans. I believe they were called St. James’ Baked Beans. I have lost my copy. I would get lots of compliments about how great they were at family gatherings and potlucks. Would you please reprint the recipe? -- SHIRLEY IN BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS

DEAR SHIRLEY: Thank you for your kind words and for letting me know how much you enjoyed that recipe. It’s included in my Cookbooklet set, which contains more than 100 tasty recipes for soups, salads, appetizers, main courses and desserts that can be used when friends and family get together to celebrate holidays and special occasions. Shirley, I am pleased to share it, knowing you will continue to enjoy it.

#### ST. JAMES’ BAKED BEANS (Serves 8)

6 slices bacon, diced  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1 (16-ounce) can pork and beans, drained  
1 (16-ounce) can lima beans, drained  
1 (15-ounce) can kidney beans, rinsed and drained  
1 (10-ounce) package sharp cheddar cheese, cubed  
1 cup ketchup  
3/4 cup firmly packed dark brown sugar  
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce  
Heat oven to 325 degrees. Butter a 1 1/2-quart casserole. In a small skillet, saute the bacon and onions until the bacon is crisp and onions are lightly browned; drain well. In a large bowl, combine the remaining ingredients. Add bacon-onion mixture; mix well. Pour bean mixture into prepared casserole. Bake uncovered at 325 degrees for 1 1/2 hours.

For readers who are interested in having

my cookbooklets, they can be ordered as a set. Once you start reviewing “Cookbooklet II” you will discover that a sweet tooth runs in my family. The pecan pie recipe has won blue ribbons at county fairs, while others were featured on the covers of women’s magazines. The booklets can be ordered by sending your name and address, plus check or money order for \$16 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby -- Cookbooklet Set, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. I know the recipes will become among your favorites because dinner guests, family members -- as well as many readers -- have raved about them.

Also included in this collection are tips on entertaining, when those days return, for anyone who is inexperienced or nervous about it. Remember, although what you put on the table is important, it’s WHO you put on the chairs that makes for a great party.

DEAR ABBY: I am seeing a guy whose roommate is a sex offender. I found out after I typed the address on the internet. I’m not sure how to ask my friend about it. Should I come right out and ask, or just leave it alone? I’m not sure he knows, but I would be surprised if he didn’t. I don’t want it to be awkward when I ask. -- SHOCKED IN VIRGINIA

DEAR SHOCKED: There are various levels of sex offenses, and the roommate’s offense may be minor. Double-check to make sure the roommate’s name, address and photo match what you found on the site. Tell the man you are seeing what you discovered, but not in an alarmist manner.

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

## DEATH NOTICES

**Avis LuAnn Walker** - 65, of Coos Bay passed away May 8, 2020 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 [www.coosbayareafunerals.com](http://www.coosbayareafunerals.com)

**Larry Ray Gabbard** - 69, of North Bend, passed away on May 7, 2020 in North Bend. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

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# Dear Reader,

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to alter our daily lives.

In March, we directed the reporters for all of our Country Media newspapers – including those at our publications in Coos Bay, Bandon and Reedsport - to work from their home offices.

And to limit the contact between our staff and our customers, thereby protecting all parties, we reduced the office hours at every location to 9 a.m. – noon, Monday – Friday.

For those employees whose work requires them to be onsite to conduct our essential business, we moved their workstations to ensure safe distancing and we are enforcing the scheduled sanitation

of all surfaces several times daily.

As you can see from a quick drive down U.S. Highway 101, the virus' impact on local businesses is severe. Many have closed their doors, some permanently.

These local businesses rely on newspapers to connect them to potential customers, and we in turn rely on generating advertising revenue to offset our operating expenses. Business closures intended to prevent the spread of the coronavirus have dramatically reduced those advertising revenues over the past several weeks.

While we all hope to emerge from this crisis soon, there's no way to predict the duration or severity of its impact on our economy. Meantime, you may notice some changes

to our regular lineup of comics, columns and features, and the resulting number of pages in each issue.

Soon after we bought this newspaper on February 1, we learned that the monthly bill for the comics and features appearing in The World exceeded that of a full-time reporter. The virus has enhanced the urgency for both expense reduction and prioritization of content, and right now I would rather have a reporter on the streets - and eliminate a few comics - than the other way around.

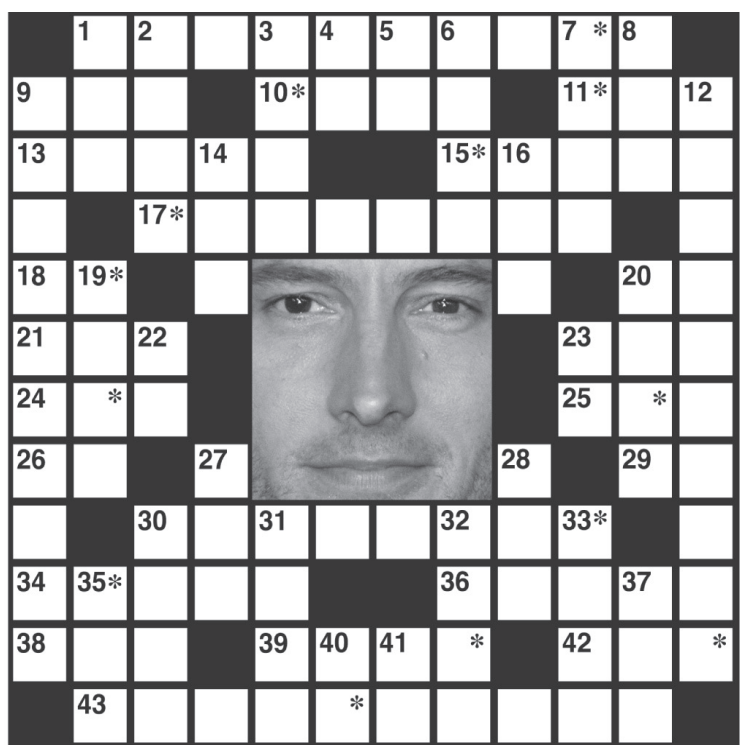
You will also notice an increase in the number and percentage of local news articles, with proportionately less Associated Press content. This is intentional.

While we will still provide AP articles that are relevant to our readers, you depend on us daily to report the local news that you won't find anywhere else. Our newsroom is fully committed to this mission.

And we're still hiring! Here in Coos Bay, we are searching for advertising sales reps and graphic artists. If you know anyone who would seem to be a good fit, send them our way.

Thank you for your continued trust and support. It's our honor to serve the citizens of Coos, Douglas and Curry counties.

Ben Kenfield  
 Publisher  
 bkenfield@countrymedia.net



The identity of the featured celebrity is found within the answers in the puzzle. In order to take the TV Challenge, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

**ACROSS**

- 1. Actor on "Bless This Mess" (3)
- 9. "What's New, Scooby-\_\_?"
- 10. Turner or Fey
- 11. Univ. of Utah athlete
- 13. Playful prank
- 15. "Ghost \_\_"; 2007 Nicolas Cage film
- 17. Series for Bryan Callen
- 18. Actor Molinaro
- 20. Justin Timberlake's state of birth: abbr.
- 21. Two months ago: abbr.
- 23. "\_\_ 54, Where Are You?"
- 24. Actress Sandra & others
- 25. "Live Free or \_\_ Hard"; Bruce Willis movie
- 26. Soon-to-be-grad: abbr.
- 29. "\_\_ Law" (1986-94)
- 30. Actor on "Chicago Med" (2)
- 34. Dog-\_\_; like the pages of a much-read book
- 36. City in central Florida
- 38. Baseball stat.
- 39. Fail to mention
- 42. Diesel, for one
- 43. Role on "All Rise" (2)

- 6. "My Name Is \_\_"
- 7. Last name for a mom-and-daughter duo
- 8. Mailman's beat: abbr.
- 9. Role on "FBI" (2)
- 12. "Blue Bloods" role (2)
- 14. \_\_-T; "Law & Order: SVU" actor
- 16. Suffix for crisp or grump
- 19. The Cowardly Lion's portrayer
- 20. "An American \_\_"; film about Fievel
- 22. Initials for a Beatle
- 23. \_\_ tray; old computer's feature
- 27. Role on "black-ish"
- 28. Caroling month: abbr.
- 30. Teacup's edge
- 31. "American \_\_"
- 32. Oz visitor
- 33. Place for a wasp's nest
- 35. Actor Vigoda
- 37. Wife to Todd, Burton & Fisher
- 40. "\_\_ Wife and Kids"
- 41. Prefix for logical or legal

**Solution**  
 Justin Hartley

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**DOWN**

- 1. Geologic period
- 2. Periods
- 3. Engrave
- 4. "\_\_ Joe: The Rise of Cobra"; Dennis Quaid film
- 5. Initials for Mr. Spock's portrayer

**ACROSS**

- 1 Gallon fraction
- 6 Economy
- 12 Wavering
- 14 Land, as a fish (2 wds.)
- 15 Sharpshooter Annie
- 16 Earnest
- 17 WNW opposite
- 18 Sheltered side
- 19 Watchdog's warning
- 21 Make a bet
- 23 Fox rival
- 26 Rock's - Fighters
- 27 Quick turn
- 28 Take a powder
- 30 Place (abbr.)
- 31 Wyo. neighbor
- 32 Temple city of Japan
- 33 In progress
- 35 Prefix for pod

**DOWN**

- 1 Quid pro -
- 2 One, to Conchita
- 3 Make inquiry
- 4 Monarch
- 37 - - whim
- 38 Handbag logo
- 39 Kept out of sight
- 40 - Aykroyd of films
- 41 "The Bells" poet
- 42 NBA player
- 43 Parapsychology topic, for short
- 44 Gehrig or Costello
- 46 Clean water org.
- 48 Traditional (hyph.)
- 51 Giggle
- 55 Paused
- 56 Fast
- 57 Stylish
- 58 Clear data

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**



- 5 Crowd, in Madrid?
- 6 Sincerely
- 7 In this place
- 8 Furniture style
- 9 Seine vista
- 10 Fish appendage
- 11 Explosive letters
- 13 Place for shadow
- 19 Bungle (2 wds.)
- 20 Baroque style
- 22 First name in mystery
- 24 Worries
- 25 Doze
- 26 Lose energy
- 27 Ristorante order
- 28 Lose control
- 29 Complain
- 34 Leopard cousins
- 36 Holds, as attention
- 42 Not clear
- 43 Food consumer
- 45 Flamenco shouts
- 47 Plumbing need
- 48 Circle portion
- 49 Mousse alternative
- 50 That, to Jaime
- 52 Drink with scones
- 53 MS polishers
- 54 Cereal grass

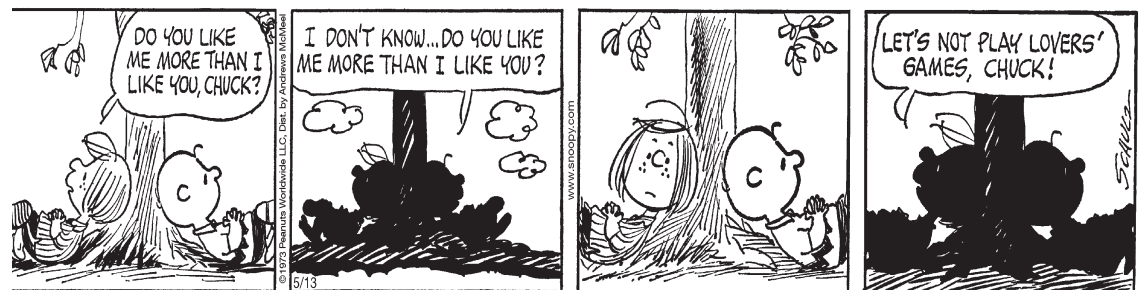
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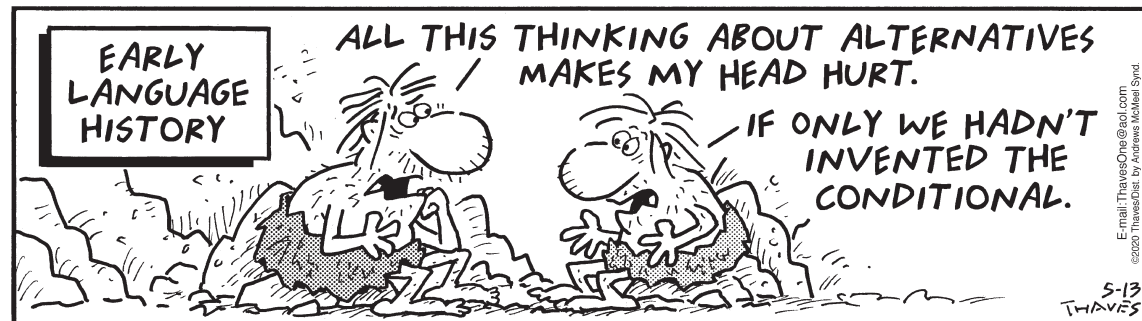
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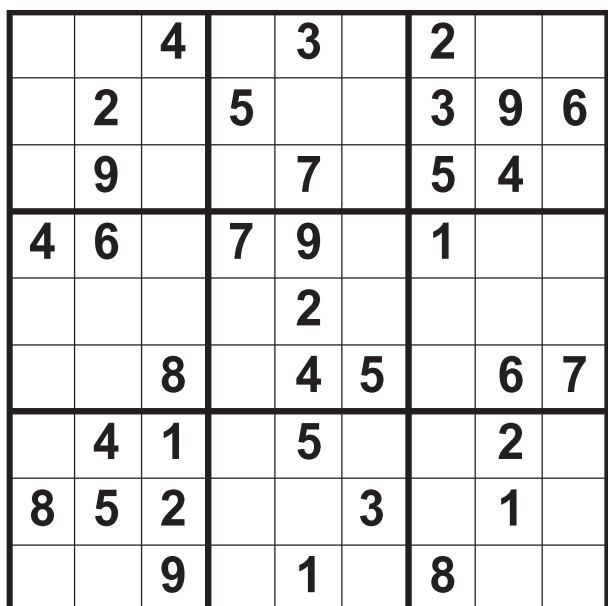


**FRANK AND ERNEST**



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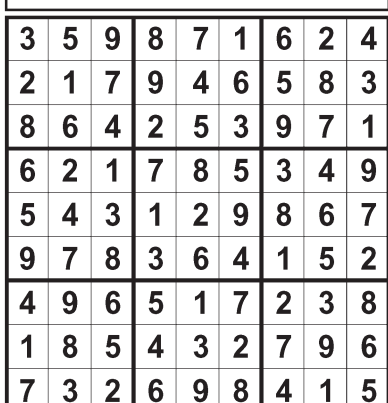
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**PREVIOUS SOLUTION**



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

## sportsquiz

BY GEORGE DICKIE

# Changing position

**Questions:**

- 1) What All-Star outfielder's switch to third base helped catalyze his team's championship run in the mid-1970s?
- 2) This All-Star second baseman became a left fielder when his throws could no longer find first base. Can you name him?
- 3) What All-Star has played over 200 games each in the outfield, at second base and at catcher?
- 4) What former All-Star catcher won an MVP award after moving to third base?
- 5) Bad knees forced this Hall of Fame center fielder to first base in the latter years of his career. Who was he?
- 6) This All-Star outfielder blew out his elbow in a one-off pitching performance. Who was he?
- 7) What seven-time batting champion played over 1,000 games each at first and second base?
- 8) What Hall of Famer switched from catcher to third base late in his career?
- 9) This budding left-handed starter agreed to become a closer to fill a team need. He then excelled at this position. Who was he?
- 10) Who won 94 games as a pitcher and hit 714 home runs, mostly as an outfielder?

**Answers:**

- 1) Babe Ruth
- 2) Dave Righetti
- 3) Johnny Bench
- 4) Rod Carew
- 5) Jose Canseco
- 6) Mickey Mantle
- 7) Joe Torre
- 8) Craig Biggio
- 9) Knoblauch
- 10) Chuck
- 1) Pete Rose



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A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the North Bay Fire District, Coos County, State of Oregon to discuss the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 will be held at the North Bay Fire Station 1 located at 67577 East Bay Road, North Bend, Oregon. The meeting will take place May 21, 2020 at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and comments from the public on the budget. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained on or after May 9, 2020 at 67577 East Bay Rd., North Bend, Oregon between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. This is a public meeting where discussion of the budget committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the budget committee.  
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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
Sealed Bids for the **City of Coos Bay - 2020 Spring Asphalt Projects** will be received by Randy Dixon, Operations Administrator at Coos Bay City Hall, 500 Central Ave., Coos Bay, OR 97420 until 2:00 PM local time on June 3, 2020, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. No bids will be accepted after this time. The Project is for construction of: roadbed reconstruction, asphalt overlay and the removal of old asphalt at various residential right of way locations as identified in the Bidding Documents. The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: The City of Coos Bay Operations Department, Randy Dixon, Operations Administrator. Bidding Documents may be viewed at [www.QuestCDN.com](http://www.QuestCDN.com), and at the City of Coos Bay City Hall. To be qualified to submit a Bid the Contractor must obtain the bidding documents at [www.questCDN.com](http://www.questCDN.com). QuestCDN Project No. 7056178. All pre-Bid questions and responses will be posted on QuestCDN. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 10:00 AM local time on May 19, 2020 at Coos Bay, City Hall, 500 Central Ave., Coos Bay, OR 97420. This contract is for public work and is subject to ORS 279C.870 regarding prevailing wage rates. Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any technicalities or informalities in connection with the bids. No Bidder may withdraw their bid until thirty (30) days after the bid opening. By order of: **City of Coos Bay Randy Dixon, Operations Administrator**  
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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
Sealed Bids for the **City of Coos Bay - Bundled 2020 Unplanned Empire Projects** will be received by Jennifer Wirsing, PE, City Engineer, until 2:00 PM local time on **June 2nd, 2020** at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read through a streaming service. The City has implemented online bidding using the QUEST Construction Data Network. Only electronic bids will be accepted through [www.questcdn.com](http://www.questcdn.com) No bids will be accepted after this time. The Project is for construction of:  
**S Cammann Street Between Webster and Fulton Avenue**  
Installation of approx 155' of 12" sanitary sewer, and may include the installation of approx 125' of 10" SDR-35 PVC storm sewer (SD) pipe, the reconnection of sewer service lateral. Asphalt resurfacing and minor repairs will be required, and all other activities required to complete work.  
**S Wall Street Between Webster and Pacific Avenue** - Installation of approx 250' of 8" sanitary sewer, the reconnection of sewer service lateral, manhole repairs, asphalt resurfacing and minor repairs will be required, and all other activities required to complete work.  
The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: **Civil West Engineering Services**; Aaron Valley, PE. Bidding Documents may be viewed at [www.QuestCDN.com](http://www.QuestCDN.com). To be qualified to submit a Bid the Contractor must obtain the bidding documents and submit their bid electronically at [www.questCDN.com](http://www.questCDN.com). QuestCDN Project No. **7070902**. All pre-Bid questions and responses

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will be posted on QuestCDN. All pre-qualifications for this bid are to be turned in by **June 2nd, 2020** in order for bidder to be deemed responsive. A pre-bid conference will not be held.  
This contract is for public work and is subject to ORS 279C.800 to 279C.870 regarding prevailing wage rates. This project is being fully funded by The City of Coos Bay Wastewater Emergency Funds.  
Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any technicalities or informalities in connection with the bids. No Bidder may withdraw their bid until thirty (30) days after the bid opening.  
By order of: **City of Coos Bay Jennifer Wirsing, PE, City Engineer**  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPARTMENT In the Matter of the Estate of: DORA MAY HUBER, Decedent. Case No.: 20PB02621 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at P.O. Box 1006, North Bend, Oregon, 97459, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorneys of the personal representative, Stebbins & Coffey, P.O. Box 1006, North Bend, Oregon 97459. Dated and first published April 29, 2020  
John A. Huber  
Personal Representative  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR COOS COUNTY Juvenile Department In the Matter of JACKSON JAMES LEE ROBERTS, A Child. Case No. 20JU00337 PUBLISHED SUMMONS**

TO: Audrey Janette Lyon  
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON:  
A petition has been filed asking the court to terminate your parental rights to the above-named child for the purpose of placing the child for adoption. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PERSONALLY APPEAR BEFORE the Coos County Court at 250 N. Baxter, Coquille, OR 97423, on the 20th day of July, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. to admit or deny the allegations of the petition and to personally appear at any subsequent court-ordered hearing. YOU MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY IN THE COURTROOM ON THE DATE AND AT THE TIME LISTED ABOVE. AN ATTORNEY MAY NOT ATTEND THE HEARING IN YOUR PLACE. THEREFORE, YOU MUST APPEAR EVEN IF YOUR ATTORNEY ALSO APPEARS. This summons is published pursuant to the order of the circuit court judge of the above-entitled court, dated April 15, 2020. The order directs that this summons be published once each week for three consecutive weeks, making three publications in all, in a published newspaper of general circulation in Coos County, Oregon. Date of first publication: April 29, 2020 Date of last publication: May 13, 2020

**NOTICE READ PAPERS CAREFULLY**  
IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR PERSONALLY BEFORE THE COURT OR DO NOT APPEAR AT ANY SUBSEQUENT COURT-ORDERED HEARING, the court may proceed in your absence without further notice and TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS to the above-named child either ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THIS SUMMONS OR ON A FUTURE DATE, and may take such orders and take such actions as authorized by law.

**RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO**

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**BE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY IN THIS MATTER.** If you are currently represented by an attorney, CONTACT YOUR ATTORNEY IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTICE. Your previous attorney may not be representing you in this matter. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY and you meet the state's financial guidelines, you are entitled to have an attorney appointed for you at state expense. TO REQUEST APPOINTMENT OF AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU AT STATE EXPENSE, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY CONTACT the Coos County Juvenile Department, 250 N. Baxter, Coquille, OR 97423, phone number (541) 396-4076, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. for further information. IF YOU WISH TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY, please retain one as soon as possible and have the attorney present at the above hearing. If you need help finding an attorney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684-3763 or toll free in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. IF YOU ARE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH YOUR ATTORNEY AND TO KEEP YOUR ATTORNEY ADVISED OF YOUR WHEREABOUTS. **PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY**  
Chris L. Martinez  
Assistant Attorney General  
Department of Justice  
975 Oak Street, Suite 200  
Eugene, OR 97401  
Phone: (541) 686-7973  
ISSUED this 27th day of April, 2020 Issued by: /s/ Chris L. Martinez OSB #175566  
Assistant Attorney General  
Of Attorneys for Petitioner  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR COOS COUNTY Juvenile Department In the Matter of JACKSON JAMES LEE ROBERTS, A Child. Case No. 20JU00338 PUBLISHED SUMMONS**

**TO: Derick Lee Roberts**  
IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON:  
A petition has been filed asking the court to terminate your parental rights to the above named child for the purpose of placing the child for adoption. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PERSONALLY APPEAR BEFORE the Coos County Court at 250 N. Baxter, Coquille, OR 97423, on the 20th day of July, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. to admit or deny the allegations of the petition and to personally appear at any subsequent court-ordered hearing. YOU MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY IN THE COURTROOM ON THE DATE AND AT THE TIME LISTED ABOVE. AM ATTORNEY MAY NOT ATTEND THE HEARING IN YOUR PLACE. THEREFORE, YOU MUST APPEAR EVEN IF YOUR ATTORNEY ALSO APPEARS. This summons is published pursuant to the order of the circuit court judge of the above-entitled court, dated April 15, 2020. The order directs that this summons be published once each week for three consecutive weeks, making three publications in all, in a published newspaper of general circulation in Coos County, Oregon. Date of first publication: April 29, 2020 Date of last publication: May 13, 2020

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Issued this 27th day of April, 2020. Issued by: /s/ Chris L. Martinez OSB #175566  
Assistant Attorney General  
Of Attorneys for Petitioner  
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS In the Matter of the Estate of CAROL J. FLETCHER, Deceased. Case No. 20PB02810 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All

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persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned personal representative at Lawrence Finneran LLC, Attorney at Law, 405 North Fifth Street, PO Box 359, Coos Bay, Oregon, 97420, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorneys for the personal representative. DATED and first published this 6th day of May, 2020.  
Jeffrey Fletcher Personal Representative  
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## NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the **COOS COUNTY AIRPORT DISTRICT, COOS COUNTY**, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 will be held as a virtual meeting. This meeting which was to occur on May 19th, 2020 has been rescheduled and will now take place on the **26th day of May, 2020 at 5:30pm**. If necessary, a second virtual meeting will be held on **May 28th, 2020 at 5:30pm**. Meetings can be attended via the link found on the [flyoth.com/administration](http://flyoth.com/administration) website. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget will take place. The Budget Committee will receive the budget message and recommended budget, and take questions or comments from the public on the document. Public comments can be made in writing and submitted via email to [info@flyoth.com](mailto:info@flyoth.com), fax at 541-751-1010, or delivered to the terminal lobby at 1100 Airport Lane, until May 26, 2020 at 10:00 am, and will be shared during the virtual meeting. An electronic copy of the budget document may be obtained on or after **May 20th, 2020** by contacting airport administration at 541-756-8531  
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## Bridge

In Chicago scoring and teams events, if you smell a game, you bid th at game. The game bon us i s a potent lure. But in a matchpointed pairs event, you shouldn't push for thin games. Don't jeopardize a plus score.

South overbid on this deal from a pairs event, and his card-play technique wasn't equal to the task.

Over North's raise to two hearts, that South hand is only worth a game-try. Perhaps two no-trump is the best bid. North will sign off in three hearts, and there the matter can rest. However, South saw 12 points and forced to game.

Four hearts needs the trumps to be 3-2, the spade finesse working and the club ace onside: just over a 16% chance. That is how the cards lay, but South still went down — why?

He won the second diamond, played a spade to his jack and continued with the spade ace and king, discarding dummy's diamond loser. West ruffed in, but it was from three trumps.

West got off play with the diamond jack, ruffed low in the dummy. Declarer drew trumps ending in his hand and led a club to the king. Fine, as far as it went, but South had no hand entry left. He had to play a club from the board and lost two club tricks to go down one.

Did you spot the mistake? South must ruff the diamond jack with the heart six. Then he cashes the heart king and leads the heart seven to his ace. After the club king wins trick nine, declarer can return to hand for another club play by overtaking the heart two with his five.

Watch those important spot-cards.

		North	05-13-20		
		♠ 8 2			
		♥ K 7 6 2			
		♦ A 6 4			
		♣ K Q 7 6			
West			East		
♠ 10 7			♠ Q 9 6 5 4 3		
♥ Q 10 8			♥ J 9		
♦ K Q J 9			♦ 10 5 3		
♠ A J 9 3			♣ 10 8		
		South			
		♠ A K J			
		♥ A 5 4 3			
		♦ 8 7 2			
		♣ 5 4 2			
<b>Dealer: North Vulnerable: North-South</b>					
South	West	North	East		
1♥	Pass	1♣	Pass		
3NT	Pass	2♥	Pass		
		4♥	All Pass		
Opening lead: ♦ K					



# GOP senators will give House relief bill the cold shoulder

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Nancy Pelosi unveiled a more than \$3 trillion coronavirus aid package, a sweeping effort with \$1 trillion for states and cities, “hazard pay” for essential workers and a new round of cash payments to individuals.

The House is expected to vote on the package as soon as Friday. But Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell has said there is no “urgency.” The Senate will wait until after Memorial Day to consider options.

“We must think big, for the people, now,” Pelosi said Tuesday from the speaker’s office at the Capitol.

“Not acting is the most expensive course,” she said.

Lines drawn, the latest pandemic response from Congress will test the House and Senate — and President Donald Trump — as Washington navigates the extraordinary crisis with the nation’s health and economic security at stake.

The Democrats’ Heroes Act is built around nearly \$1 trillion for states, cities and tribal governments to avert layoffs, focused chiefly on \$375 billion for smaller suburban and rural municipalities largely left out of earlier bills.

The bill will offer a fresh round of \$1,200 direct cash aid to individuals, increased to up to \$6,000 per household, and launches a \$175 billion housing assistance fund to help pay rents and mortgages. There is \$75 billion more for virus testing.

It would continue, through January, the \$600-per-week boost to unemployment benefits. It adds a 15% increase for food

stamps, new subsidies for laid-off workers to pay health insurance premiums under a COBRA law and a special “Obamacare” sign-up period. For businesses, it provides an employee retention tax credit.

There’s \$200 billion in “hazard pay” for essential workers on the front lines of the crisis.

Pelosi drew on U.S. history — and poetry — to suggest “no man is an island” as she called on Americans to respond to the crisis with a strategy of science, virus testing and empathy.

“There are those who said, ‘Let’s just pause,’” she said. “Hunger doesn’t take a pause. Rent doesn’t take a pause. Bills don’t take a pause.”

But the 1,800-page package is heading straight into a Senate roadblock.

Republicans are wary of another round of aid and McConnell declared the Democratic proposal a grab bag of “pet priorities.” He said Tuesday it is not something that “deals with reality.”

House Republicans also took a pass. “I can’t believe that that would be real,” said Rep. Andy Biggs, R-Ariz., leader of the hard-right House Freedom Caucus, said in an interview.

This would be the fifth coronavirus package. It’s a starkly partisan offering with no real input from Republicans, who prefer to assess the impact of earlier expenditures before approving more.

But the political peril of doing nothing during an election year could prove challenging for Congress and the White House. As states experience flareups of virus outbreaks, and more than 30 million Americans remain unemployed in the shutdown, the near-term health and eco-

nomie outlook remains daunting.

The Senate Democratic leader, Chuck Schumer of New York, warned that Trump and Republicans risk the same path as Herbert Hoover, the former president roundly criticized for failing to act to stem the Great Depression.

“What is it going to take for Mitch McConnell to wake up and see the American people need help, and they need it now?” Schumer said.

The latest package extends some provisions from previous aid packages, and adds new ones.

There is \$25 billion for the U.S. Postal Service. There is help for the 2020 Census, including the bureau’s request to delay deadlines for turning over apportionment and redistricting data. For the November election, the bill provides \$3.6 billion to help local officials prepare for the challenges of voting during the pandemic.

The popular Payroll Protection Program, which has been boosted in past bills, would see another \$10 billion to ensure under-served businesses and non-profit organizations have access to grants through a disaster loan program.

For hospitals and other health care providers, there’s another \$100 billion infusion to help cover costs and additional help for hospitals serving low-income communities.

There’s another \$600 million in funding to tackle the issue of rapid spread of the virus in state and federal prisons, along with \$600 million in help to local police departments for salaries and equipment

McConnell said he is working with the White House on next steps. His priority is

to ensure any new package includes liability protections for health care providers and businesses that are reopening. Trump is expected to meet Tuesday with a group of Senate Republicans.

“I don’t think we have yet felt the urgency of acting immediately,” McConnell told reporters earlier this week at the Capitol.

As states weigh the health risks of re-opening, McConnell said Tuesday the nation needs to find a “middle ground between total lockdown and total normalcy.”

Top GOP senators flatly rejected the House bill. “What Nancy Pelosi is proposing will never pass the Senate,” said Sen. John Barrasso of Wyoming, the third-ranking Republican.

The Senate recently reopened its side of the Capitol while the House remains largely shuttered due to the health concerns.

Senators have been in session since last week, voting on Trump’s nominees for judicial and executive branch positions and other issues. The Senate majority, the 53-member Senate Republican conference, is meeting for its regular luncheons most days, spread out three to a table for social distance. Democrats are convening by phone. Many senators, but not all, are wearing masks.

At least a dozen Capitol police officers and other staff have tested positive for the virus, and at least one senator, Lamar Alexander of Tennessee, is in isolation at home after exposure from a staff member who tested positive. Other lawmakers have cycled in and out of quarantine.

# Powell warns of possible prolonged recession

WASHINGTON — Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell warned Wednesday of the threat of a prolonged recession resulting from the viral outbreak and urged Congress and the White House to act further to prevent long-lasting economic damage.

The Fed and Congress have taken far-reaching steps to try to counter what is likely to be a severe downturn resulting from the widespread shutdown of the U.S. economy. But Powell cautioned that widespread bankruptcies among small businesses and extended unemployment for many people remain a serious risk.

“We ought to do what we can to avoid these outcomes,” Powell said.

Additional rescue aid from government spending or tax policies, though costly, would be “worth it if it helps avoid long-term economic damage and leaves us with a stronger recovery,” he said.

Powell spoke a day after House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, a California Democrat, proposed a \$3 trillion aid package that would direct money to small businesses, state and local governments and other beleaguered institutions. This money would come on top of roughly \$3 trillion in earlier financial assistance that the government

has provided. The Fed itself has also intervened by slashing interest rates to near zero and creating numerous emergency lending programs.

Yet Trump administration officials have said they want to see how previous aid packages affect the economy. And Republican leaders in Congress have expressed skepticism about allowing significant more spending right now.

“Deeper and longer recessions can leave behind lasting damage to the productive capacity of the economy,” the chairman warned in his prepared remarks before holding an online discussion with

the Peterson Institute for International Economics. “Avoidable household and business insolvencies can weigh on growth for years to come.”

He said the Fed would “continue to use our tools to their fullest” until the viral outbreak subsides, but he gave no hint of what the Fed’s next steps might be.

Powell repeated his previous warnings that the Fed can lend money to solvent companies to help carry them through the crisis. But a longer downturn could threaten to bankrupt previously healthy companies without more help from the government.

Powell’s downbeat view contrasted with a speech Monday by Charles Evans, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. Evans sketched a more upbeat outlook and suggested that “it’s reasonable to assume a legitimate return to growth in the second half” of this year and into 2021.

In his remarks Wednesday, the Fed chairman underscored some of the harsh impacts of the recession. Among those working in February, nearly 40% of households earning less than \$40,000 a year lost a job in March, Powell said.

# Supreme Court hears cases involving Trump

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court on Tuesday appeared likely to reject President Donald Trump’s claim that he is immune from criminal investigation while in office. But the court seemed less clear about exactly how to handle subpoenas from Congress and the Manhattan district attorney for Trump’s tax, bank and financial records.

The court’s major clash over presidential accountability could affect the 2020 presidential campaign, especially if a high court ruling leads to the release of personal financial information before Election Day.

The justices heard arguments in two cases by telephone Tuesday that stretched into the early afternoon. The court, which includes six justices age 65 or older, has been meeting by phone because of the coronavirus pandemic.

There was no apparent consensus about whether to ratify lower court rulings that the subpoenas to Trump’s accountant

and banks are valid and should be enforced. The justices will meet by phone before the end of the week to take a preliminary vote on how those cases should come out, and decisions are expected by early summer.

On the same day Trump’s lawyers were telling the court that the subpoenas would be a distraction that no president can afford, Trump found the time to weigh in on a long string of unrelated issues on Twitter, about Elon Musk reopening Tesla’s California plant in defiance of local authorities, the credit he deserves for governors’ strong approval ratings for their handling of the virus outbreak, the anger Asian Americans feel “at what China has done to our Country,” oil prices, interest rates, his likely opponent in the November election and his critics.

The justices sounded particularly concerned in arguments over congressional subpoenas about whether a ruling validating the subpoenas would open

the door to harassing future presidents.

“In your view, there is really no protection against the use of congressional subpoenas for the purpose of preventing the harassment of a president,” Justice Samuel Alito said to Douglas Letter, the lawyer for the House of Representatives.

Justice Stephen Breyer said he worried about a “future Sen. McCarthy,” a reference to the Communist-baiting Wisconsin senator from the 1950s, with subpoena power against a future president.

But in the case involving Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus Vance Jr.’s subpoena for Trump’s taxes, the justices showed little interest in the broadest argument made by Jay Sekulow, Trump’s lawyer, that a president can’t be investigated while he holds office.

Trump had said he would make his tax returns public but hasn’t done so, unlike every other president in recent history.

“President Trump is the first one to refuse to do that,” Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg said early in the arguments.

The cases resemble earlier disputes over presidents’ assertions that they were too consumed with the job of running the country to worry about lawsuits and investigations. In 1974, the justices acted unanimously in requiring President Richard Nixon to turn over White House tapes to the Watergate special prosecutor. In 1997, another unanimous court allowed a sexual harassment lawsuit to go forward against President Bill Clinton.

In those cases, three Nixon appointees and two Clinton appointees, respectively, voted against the president who chose them for the high court. The current court has two Trump appointees, Justices Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh.

Trump’s lawyers drew on law review articles Kavanaugh wrote to buttress their arguments

that the president needs to be protected from investigations.

The justice, though, seemed more interested in how to balance the competing interests at play. “And the question then boils down to, how can we both protect the House’s interest in obtaining information it needs to legislate but also protect the presidency?” Kavanaugh asked.

Appellate courts in Washington and New York have ruled that the documents should be turned over, but those rulings have been put on hold pending a final court ruling. The appellate decisions brushed aside the president’s broad arguments, focusing on the fact that the subpoenas were addressed to third parties asking for records of Trump’s business and financial dealings as a private citizen, not as president.

House committees want records from Deutsche Bank and Capital One, as well as the Mazars USA accounting firm. Mazars also is the recipient of a

subpoena from Vance.

Two congressional committees subpoenaed the bank documents as part of their investigations into Trump and his businesses. Deutsche Bank has been one of the few banks willing to lend to Trump after a series of corporate bankruptcies and defaults starting in the early 1990s.

Vance and the House Oversight and Reform Committee sought records from Mazars concerning Trump and his businesses based on payments that Trump’s then-personal lawyer, Michael Cohen, arranged during the 2016 presidential race to keep two women from airing their claims of extramarital affairs with Trump.

Trump sued to block the subpoenas. He is being represented by personal lawyers at the Supreme Court, and the Justice Department is supporting the high-court appeal.

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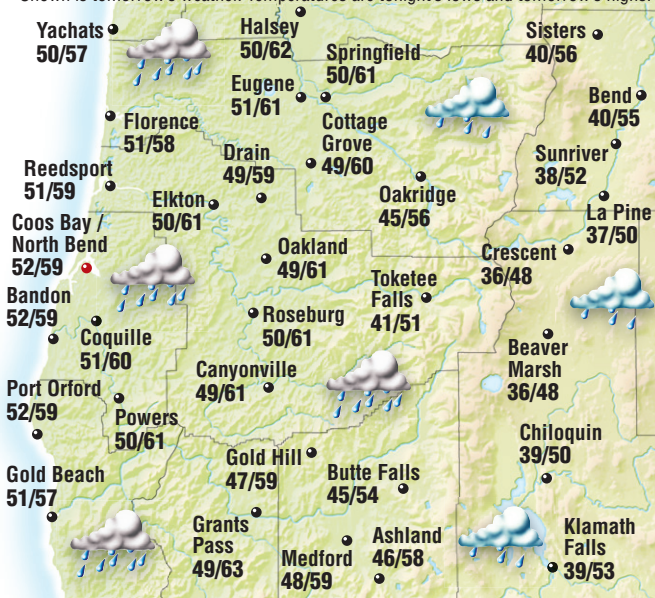
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Weather forecast for North Bend from tonight to Sunday, including icons for clouds, rain, sun, and temperature ranges (Low: 52° to 48°).

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Table with weather statistics for North Bend: Temperature (High/Low, Record High/Low), Precipitation (Yesterday, Year to date, Last year to date, Normal year to date), and Sun and Moon (Sunset, Sunrise, Moonrise, Moonset).

Shown is tomorrow's weather. Temperatures are tonight's lows and tomorrow's highs.

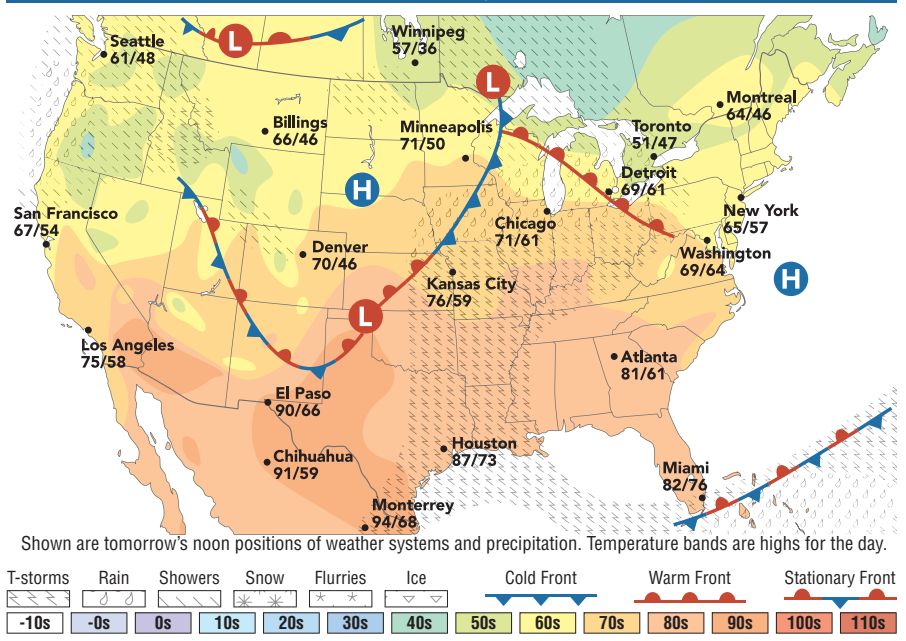


SUN AND MOON

Table for Sun and Moon phases for May 14, 22, 29, and Jun 5, including Last, New, First, and Full moon phases.

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NATIONAL FORECAST



Shown are tomorrow's noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

NATIONAL EXTREMES YESTERDAY (for the 48 contiguous states) National high: 97° at East Mesa, AZ National low: 12° at Crested Butte, CO

NATIONAL CITIES

Table listing weather forecasts for 50 major US cities, including city names, dates (Thu/Fri), and high/low/precipitation statistics.

OREGON CITIES

Table listing weather forecasts for 20 Oregon cities, including city names and high/low/precipitation statistics.

TIDES

Table showing high and low tide times for 10 Oregon coastal locations: Bandon, Charleston, Coos Bay, Florence, Port Orford, Reedsport, and Half Moon Bay.

REGIONAL FORECASTS

Table showing regional weather forecasts for South Coast, Curry Co. Coast, Rogue Valley, Willamette Valley, Portland Area, North Coast, and Central Oregon.

Voting

From A1 Election Day. "Each individual has their own face masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, Lysol wipes, and personal writing utensils," Heller said. "...It's up to them to use what they feel safe using or not using. We sanitize stations every night." Heller said they also sanitize the voting booths in the hallway throughout the day. The tables where ballots will be counted have been spaced apart, putting some out of the Election's Work Room and into the Commissioner Room. Heller

said there are three people at each table. When asked how these stations will be monitored in two separate places, Heller said she is the usual "floor person." She plans on overseeing the work in the Commissioner Room, while her election director oversees work in the Election's Work Room. The drop-site courier, who collects ballots taken to designated drop sites, has their own personal protective equipment, Heller said. Looking at these health precautions in the middle of an election, Heller commented that she is "...trying to keep focused on making sure everyone has what they need to

feel safe and secure while working this important job. We have a job to get done and keep as efficient as possible. ... I hope the security measures I put into place will make the workers comfortable because we do need to get this done for the voters — they trust us to get this done. That's the top of the list." The ballot drop sites available on Election Day are at: Bandon Library, 1204 11th St. SW. Use the 24-hour book return; due by 8 p.m. Election Day. Coos Bay City Hall, 500 Central Ave. Use the 24-hour ADA drive-up; due by 8 p.m. Election Day.

Coquille Courthouse, 250 N Baxter St. Use the 24-hour ADA walk-up; due by 8 p.m. Election Day. Lakeside City Hall, 915 North Lake Rd. Use the mail slot; due by 8 p.m. Election Day. Myrtle Point City Hall, 424 5th St. Drop-off available from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 8 a.m.-8 p.m. on Election Day. North Bend Fire Dept., 1880 McPherson Ave. Drop-off available from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. daily through Election Day. Powers Market, 409 2nd Ave. Drop-off available daily from 8 a.m.-7 p.m., and from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. on Election Day.

Biden

From A1 recent New York Times op-ed that Biden's home studios resemble "an astronaut beaming back to earth from the International Space Station." They encouraged Biden to make wider use of platforms from Facebook and Twitter to Snapchat, Instagram and TikTok. In a similar piece, Lis Smith, media strategist behind Pete Buttigieg's 2020 campaign, touted the virtues of local-market media and using celebrities more on other platforms. Yvette Simpson, who leads the progressive group Democracy for

America, said she's "very concerned" she cannot see "how we're going to engage people." She said the campaign has squandered time since Biden took command of the primary in early March. House Majority Whip Jim Clyburn of South Carolina, a close Biden friend whose endorsement helped spur his run of primary victories, said he's "very worried" about Democrats building a voter turnout operation that balances in-person voting with absentee balloting. Clyburn, however, emphasized that it's not Biden's place to worry over the details. "His job is to be the candidate," Clyburn said.

Restaurant

From A1 kind of giving us light at the end of the tunnel but are we going to see that light?" The restaurant was paid a visit from the North Bend Police Department who reminded Grover of the order, but he has continued to stay open. The fine for reopening during this time is a Class-C misdemeanor in addition to fines. "I hope not," said Grover when asked if he thinks he will be fined. "I hope

our officials kind of look at this with a compassion of heart, look at what it has done to our county and fines are only going to hurt small businesses and the ability for our county to get back on its feet." When asked about the possibility of a coronavirus outbreak associated with reopening, Grover felt the restaurant would not be at fault. "I guess my reaction would be it would be very hard to say that was the cause of it. Coming from these few businesses that are opening up compared

to the large businesses where they have over 1,000 people in there at a time and are actually paying their employees hazard pay because they know they're creating an unsafe environment, I don't know," he said. "I mean, we're far less crowded than some of those businesses and we wipe everything down every single time. Our capacity is much less and people are pretty much forced to stay away from each other because of the seating." While Grover has seen

comments and complaints about opening up, he has also expressed that the people that have dined-in have loved being back. "Of course not everyone will agree with us and that's their choice and they don't have to come in and that's their choice. And our employees that don't want to come back don't have to come back," he said. "It's kind of the American way. We have free choice and I think that's part of the reason we decided to open. Because I know a lot of our employees desperately need to come back to

work." Grover cited that some of his employees had yet to receive unemployment checks and that they were in need of work. But while there were voices that opposed opening, Grover received support from Duane "Boomer" Wright, who is running for the District 9 seat in the Oregon House of Representatives. "It seemed to me that people like this should be supported in their ability to try to make a living before they lose their business," said Wright in a phone call

on Tuesday. "I've always believed that you don't tell people how to do things, you tell people what to do. Give them the reasons why you should be doing certain things and then allow them to do it. The people in Coos County and along the coast are intelligent people. They know what they have to do. You tell them we need to do this, they will do it. But you know, sometimes government just needs to get out of their way so they can earn a living and put food on the table and pay their bills."

Work

From A1 are caused by underlying problems and can't simply be filled. Craddock pointed out that while some potholes are being filled individually, the city's planned overlay work will fill potholes and correct other imperfections on entire streets. The budget for pothole repair for the remainder of this fiscal year is \$130,000. The budget for next year is projected at \$450,000. Fourth Street Reconstruction A contract for reconstruction work on South 4th St was awarded to Knife River Materials and will happen this spring and summer. The road will be

pulled up from Market St to Donnelly St, according to Craddock, and the road base will be replaced. "Bump-outs" will be constructed at intersections. Bump-outs are round outcroppings of sidewalk that create a natural collar for traffic, Craddock said, and also give pedestrians a shorter walk between streets. In addition to road and sidewalk construction, the traffic signals will be replaced at Commercial Avenue and Anderson Avenue. Rapid-fire crosswalk signals will be installed at Central Avenue and Bennett. The blinkers alert drivers to the presence of pedestrians in crosswalks. It is illegal in Oregon to continue driving when a person is in the crosswalk. "The way it's currently

patterned, it's difficult to see individuals and not as many cars stop as they should," Craddock said. The budget for the South 4th Street project is \$2.5 million. Coos Bay Village The upcoming Coos Bay Village development along Highway 101 will cause an increase in traffic in the area and necessitate a traffic signal at Hemlock St to accommodate visitors to the 11 planned new buildings. The signal will stop both north and southbound traffic on Highway 101 at Bayshore and Front Street. Additionally, there will be a railway crossing. The city's contribution to the project is \$1.6 million, paid through Urban Renewal Agency funds. The remainder of the costs

associated with infrastructure for the area, which Craddock estimates to be extensive, will be paid by the developer. Before work can begin, it must be approved by the city of Coos Bay, Oregon Department of Transportation, ODOT Rail and the Port of Coos Bay. Overlay Work The city plans to do overlay work — laying new asphalt on an existing road — on several streets in the coming year. For spring of this year, the city plans to make overlay improvements to the following streets: • Merchant, from D Street to Jackson Street • I Street from 14th Street to 17th Street • 19th Street from California Street to Idaho Street

• 11th Street from Central Avenue to the end of the road • Park Avenue from North 4th Court to Telegraph • Underwood from 8th Street to the end of the road • North Marple Street from Grant to Taylor • Kentucky from Prefontaine to Denise Donnelly Avenue Work on Donnelly Avenue from 6th Street to 7th Street was moved to the fall. Donnelly is a concrete road initially built in the mid-1920s. As the concrete has begun to fail, the road will be pulled up and replaced. Half of this road was reconstructed last year. The other half will be completed this year. Craddock said it was important that the work

continue into this year, so that the unrepaired half would not destroy the newly-completed work. Koosbay Boulevard Portions of Koosbay Boulevard, from Teakwood Avenue to the edge of city limits, will be ground away and an overlay completed. According to Craddock, there is a problem beneath the road that has yet to be identified. Water has infiltrated the road, eroding the roadbed. Craddock suspect a natural spring may be the cause. Until the work begins, however, the cause of the issue will remain unknown. Crews will grind out the road, find and fix the problem and overlay over the top of it. "We're going to make a meaningful and lasting repair," Craddock said.

NORTHWEST STOCKS

Table listing stock market data for Northwest companies: Intel, Kroger, Microsoft, Nike, NW Natural, Skywest, Starbucks, Umpqua Hlds, Weyerhaeuser, Xerox, Levi Strauss, Dow Jones, and Coos Bay Edward Jones.

LOTTERY

Table listing lottery information: MegaMillions (May 12, \$266 million), Powerball (May 9, \$77 million), Megabucks (May 11, \$1.3 million), and Win For Life (May 11, \$4,737.2 million).



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## Pac-12 calls for unified start for football

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Associated Press

As Pac-12 football coaches pitched an NCAA-mandated uniform start to the season, some of the latest plans to fight the coronavirus in California further muddled how college teams will return to play in the West.

Washington coach Jimmy Lake said Tuesday in a video conference with reporters that he would prefer for all major college teams to begin six weeks of preparation for the season at the same time.

"I'm of the opinion it would be great if the NCAA made a blanket rule for the whole nation of when we would start, and I understand some states may be less hit by this than most. And I'm sure there's going to be some different opinions on this," Lake said. "In my opinion, I believe the NCAA should step in and say, 'OK, here's the date when

everybody can start.'"

Colorado coach Karl Dorrell and Utah's Kyle Whittingham backed Lake's idea. For the season to start on time around Labor Day weekend, when Washington is scheduled to host Michigan, teams would need to begin six weeks of conditioning and practice in mid-July.

Meanwhile on Tuesday, a Los Angeles County public health official said, according to The Los Angeles Times, that the county's stay-at-home order is likely to extend through July. That could leave Pac-12 members USC and UCLA waiting until at least August before they begin preparing.

Also, the chancellor of the California State University system said he expects the vast majority of classes on the system's 23 campuses to be taught online in the fall. Shortly after that announcement, the California College Athletic Association, an NCAA Division II conference,

suspended its fall sports season.

None of the Pac-12 schools are part of the California State University system, but San Jose State, San Diego State and Fresno State are all FBS schools competing in the Mountain West.

The presidents of those three schools and Mountain West Commissioner Craig Thompson later released a joint statement.

"Certainly, all conversations are led by academics, as well as public health and safety. Within that framework, more determinations are necessary. All three institutions will work closely with the Mountain West. No decisions on athletics have been made."

Some CSU system schools such as Sacramento State and Cal Poly compete in FCS, Division I's second tier.

Pac-12 schools California and UCLA are part of the University of California system.

College sports leaders, including NCAA President Mark

Emmert, have said college athletes can't return to campuses that are not open to the rest of the student body. What exactly constitutes an open campus has not been defined.

The NCAA doesn't have much authority over major college football. Conferences are taking the lead when it comes to how and when the season will start, with the Power Five commissioners at the forefront.

Emmert told ESPN on Tuesday the NCAA will not mandate a start date for football season because state and local authorities will be driving those decisions.

Even Emmert has acknowledged that it is probably not realistic to think that 130 major college football schools across 41 states — all taking different approaches to fighting COVID-19 — will be in position to start competing at the same time.

"I think there should be a blan-

ket start as to when that six-week process or whatever time frame it is to prepare for your season (begins). I think the NCAA should govern that," said Dorrell, the former UCLA coach who took over at Colorado on Feb. 23.

Whittingham agreed with a uniform start to the season and that all teams should have the same minimum lead time to prepare. He also said he wouldn't want athletes in some states where restrictions have been loosened to be prohibited from taking part in some training and conditioning supervised by coaches.

"There's imbalances and inequities all across the board in the NCAA, facility-wise, recruiting bases," Whittingham said. "Nothing's equal when you really look at it, and so I would hate to see athletes just sitting around that you could be training and getting ready for the season just because other places aren't quite yet to that point."



The Associated Press

New England Patriots wide receiver Phillip Dorsett, left, runs from New York Jets cornerback Nate Hairston on the way for a touchdown after a reception during a 2019 game in Foxborough, Mass. Dorsett signed with Seattle in the offseason.

## Dorsett excited about move to Seattle

RENTON, Wash. (AP) — Phillip Dorsett has never set foot in Seattle or anywhere in the Pacific Northwest. Not as a player in either of his previous NFL stops. Not in college. Not even for a random trip.

Needless to say, he hasn't personally seen the place where he will eventually practice after signing with the Seattle Seahawks.

"I wouldn't call it strange, but it is what it is. It's going to be different," Dorsett said during a video conference Tuesday. "I'll definitely have to adjust to the time change. Just hearing 10 a.m. Pacific Time and knowing that it's 1 p.m. for me has been different. But I think I'll get used to it."

One area where the Seahawks did only minor tinkering during

the offseason was with its wide receiver group. They have established starters in Tyler Lockett and DK Metcalf to go along with backups David Moore, Malik Turner and John Urusa. Seattle also drafted Florida's Freddie Swain.

The one move Seattle made in free agency was signing Dorsett to a one-year contract in the hopes he can be a viable third option. But with the coronavirus pandemic upending the NFL offseason, Dorsett hasn't been able to actually travel to Seattle to begin settling in.

Dorsett's move to Seattle nearly happened last year, he said. He considered signing with the Seahawks following the 2018 season and a Super Bowl title with New England. He decided to stay with the Patriots

for one more year.

"I chose to stay in New England but I didn't want to make that mistake again," Dorsett said.

Part of Seattle's appeal was Dorsett's time working previously with offensive coordinator Brian Schottenheimer when they were both in Indianapolis. Then there was the idea of playing with Russell Wilson and transitioning from one great quarterback in Tom Brady in New England to another in Seattle.

"I was familiar with a lot of the guys on the staff and honestly I felt like this was the right offense for me," Dorsett said. "Russell, he's a great quarterback and the way he plays quarterback and the way this offense fits my skill set."

Dorsett, 27, was a first-round

pick by Indianapolis in 2015.

But he lasted just two seasons with the Colts before being traded to the Patriots as part of the deal that sent quarterback Jacoby Brissett to Indianapolis.

He spent the past three seasons in New England, where his playing time and production increased each season. Dorsett had 32 catches and three touchdowns in 2018. Last season, Dorsett caught 29 passes, but averaged 13.7 yards per catch and scored five touchdowns.

Another reason Seattle seemed to be interested in Dorsett from the start of free agency was his experience and ability to play all three wide receiver positions in its offense. That kind of versatility could free Metcalf and Lockett to be used in different ways.

## Minor league sports face challenges

STEPHEN WHYNO  
The Associated Press

As North America's pro football, basketball, baseball and hockey leagues try to play again in a pandemic, minor league sports face a more treacherous climb to return.

While the NFL, NBA or Major League Baseball can run on television revenue, it's virtually impossible for many minor leagues to survive with empty stadiums. The possibility of no games in 2020 could put some teams in jeopardy and change the landscape for attendance-driven sports in the short- and long-term future.

"There's no future for minor league sports with empty stadiums. There's zero," said Gary Green, who owns Triple-A and Double-A baseball teams and an expansion franchise in the United Soccer League that plays in suburban Omaha, Nebraska. "If some of the teams don't have deep-pocketed ownership groups or owners, I don't know how they're going to pay their bills."

It is by far the most pressing question facing Minor League Baseball, the American Hockey League, ECHL, USL and others. The minors are deeply baked into the North American sports landscape as talent developers for the majors and cheap, family-friendly entertainment in towns big and small. Experts are divided on how they will survive and how soon they can bounce back.

MLB Commissioner Rob Manfred estimated a 40% loss of revenue if baseball is played with no fans and Herrick Feinstein sports law group co-chair Irwin Kishner estimated it is probably twice that for minor league sports. As it is, Green doesn't expect minor league baseball this year, while both the ECHL and the AHL canceled the rest of their hockey seasons.

Plans for 2020-21 include the grim possibility of empty or near-empty arenas.

"There's a million questions that need to be answered," minor league hockey player Nathan Paetsch said. "What's next season going to look like? What's the possibility of it starting? What type of season is it going to look like? Is there going to be fans or no fans? Is it going to be the same length of the season?"

Smith College economics professor Andrew Zimbalist agreed with Green that ownership will affect which teams survive. He also pointed to the ill-fated second attempt by the XFL as a cautionary tale.

"Some of the younger leagues that are out there I think are really, really fragile," Zimbalist said. "I suspect that we're going to see a lot of organizations and some leagues going out of business."

There already were 40 minor league baseball teams scheduled to lose their MLB affiliations before the pandemic under a restructuring plan that would have to try to make it independently.

## Golf returns with exhibition TV events for charity

DOUG FERGUSON  
The Associated Press

The next few weeks might resemble a return to the silly season.

Except this is serious business.

Besides, this isn't the cash grab from the old "silly season" days of the Skins Game, the Skills Challenge, the Diner's Club Matches. In two notable events, there's no prize money at all.

Televised golf returns Sunday in South Florida with an exhibition match at Seminole to fund COVID-19 relief efforts. Two of golf's biggest talents, Rory McIlroy and Dustin Johnson, take on Rickie Fowler and Matthew Wolff, who are linked by their time spent a decade apart at Oklahoma State (all four of them are linked by endorsement deals with TaylorMade, the title sponsor of the match).

The following Sunday, some of the biggest names in golf and in the NFL get together for a \$10 million charity match. Tiger Woods will have Peyton Manning as a partner against Phil Mickelson and Tom Brady.

It doesn't really matter who wins.

This is about bringing entertainment to a sporting world devoid of live golf for the last two months and raising no small sum of money for coronavirus relief funds.

And in some respects, it's a glimpse into golf not looking exactly the same when the real thing returns.

For the matches, there will be no caddies, no spectators and no media outside a very limited number to provide still photos and live commentary for a television production that will have fewer cameras. Some of the commentary Sunday will be

done off property. Mike Tirico will be home in Michigan.

With no caddies for the Seminole match, laser measuring devices are likely. There won't be any rakes alongside bunkers, though the sand will be raked by someone, perhaps a rules official.

All state and local mandates are to be followed — to what degree remains to be seen. This is an exhibition, sure, but it's not quite the same as four players booking tee times online. This is more about the show than recreation.

These are made-for-TV exhibitions. Another test began Tuesday at the Scottsdale Open in Arizona, which in some respects is even more intriguing.

In its fourth year, the 54-hole event at Talking Stick Golf Club ordinarily goes unnoticed outside the greater Phoenix area. But these are extraordinary times. PGA Tour-sanctioned events

have been shut down for two months because of the pandemic, and they are a month or more away from resuming.

The Scottsdale Open suddenly has more than a dozen players with PGA Tour experience, a list that includes Rocket Mortgage Classic winner Nate Lashley, two-time tour winner Kevin Streelman and Joel Dahmen, who at No. 70 is the highest-ranked player in the field.

In a normal year, they would be at the PGA Championship this week.

The Scottsdale field is 162 players, and it even had a waiting list. Scott Harrington, a PGA Tour rookie, got in at the last minute. They are competing for a guaranteed purse of \$130,000, which is a lot for this tournament, not so much for someone like Dahmen. He earned \$330,000 in the last tournament he played, a tie for fifth at Bay Hill.