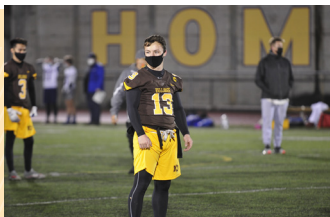


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# Biden wins, says ‘time to heal’

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrat Joe Biden defeated President Donald Trump to become the 46th president of the United States on Saturday and offered himself to the nation as a leader who “seeks not to divide, but to unify” a country gripped by a historic pandemic and a confluence of economic and social turmoil.

“I sought this office to restore the soul of America,” Biden said in a prime-time victory speech not far from his Delaware home, “and to make America respected around the world again and to unite us here at home.”

Biden crossed the winning threshold of 270 Electoral College votes with a win in Pennsylvania. His victory came after more than three days of uncer-

tainty as election officials sorted through a surge of mail-in votes that delayed processing.

Trump refused to concede, threatening further legal action on ballot counting. But Biden used his acceptance speech as an olive branch to those who did not vote for him, telling Trump voters that he understood their disappointment but adding, “Let’s give each other a chance.”

“It’s time to put away the harsh rhetoric, to lower the temperature, to see each other again, to listen to each other again, to make progress, we must stop treating our opponents as our enemy,” he said. “We are not enemies. We are Americans.”

Biden, 77, staked his candidacy less on any distinctive political ideology than on

galvanizing a broad coalition of voters around the notion that Trump posed an existential threat to American democracy. The strategy, as well as an appeal to Americans fatigued by Trump’s disruptions and wanting a return to a more traditional presidency, proved effective and resulted in pivotal victories in Michigan and Wisconsin as well as Pennsylvania, onetime Democratic bastions that had flipped to Trump in 2016.

Biden’s victory was a repudiation of Trump’s divisive leadership and the president-elect now inherits a deeply polarized nation grappling with foundational questions of racial justice and economic fairness while in the grips of a virus that has killed more than 236,000 Americans

and reshaped the norms of everyday life.

Kamala Harris made history as the first Black woman to become vice president, an achievement that comes as the U.S. faces a reckoning on racial justice. The California senator, who is also the first person of South Asian descent elected to the vice presidency, will become the highest-ranking woman ever to serve in government, four years after Trump defeated Hillary Clinton.

Harris introduced Biden at their evening victory celebration as “a president for all Americans” who would look to bridge a nation riven with partisanship and she nodded to the historic nature of her ascension to the vice presidency.

“Dream with ambition, lead

with conviction and see yourselves in a way that others may not simply because they’ve never seen it before,” Harris told Americans. “You chose hope and unity, decency, science and, yes, truth ... you ushered in a new day for America.”

After he spoke, the cars at the drive-in rally — a pandemic campaign invention — began to honk their horns and a fireworks display lit up the night sky. Biden was on track to win the national popular vote by more than 4 million, a margin that could grow as ballots continue to be counted.

Nonetheless, Trump was not giving up.

Departing from longstanding democratic tradition and signaling a potentially turbulent trans-

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Zack Demars, The World

Located on U.S. Highway 101 in North Bend, Bryan's Home underwent a full renovation on the inside and out.

## Home for veterans nears completion

**ZACK DEMARS**  
The World

NORTH BEND — A once-dilapidated home sitting on the highway has undergone a significant transformation, and the home’s owners are nearly ready for it to start transforming lives, too.

Inside on most days, Patrick Wright is working. Either working on the building itself, or working to secure funding for future projects, Wright’s goals come out of his own experience as a Marine Corps veteran.

“I got a four-day class in how to be a civilian,” Wright says.

Aware of the challenges that

veterans face in life after service and after experiencing his own years of homelessness, Wright set out in 2016 to end homelessness among Coos County’s veterans.

Now, in spite of the financial challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, Wright’s nonprofit is nearing completion on Bryan’s Home, a multi-family living space for veterans getting out of homelessness. Operation Rebuild Hope plans to finish the facility in the next month, if it can secure the funding to do so.

Named after Bryan Bertrand, a Coos Bay native who was the first Oregonian to die in the middle eastern wars after 9/11,

the building will have eight rooms for residents: two for men, two for women, two for disabled veterans and two for veterans with families.

The building is designed as a step-up from the nonprofit’s other housing solution, an emergency housing facility that offers shared living space for up to 90 days. The rooms at Bryan’s Home are meant to be more permanent, and more individual, Wright says.

“We’re not just giving them a bed to sleep in and hoping their life gets better,” Wright said.

Instead, the home includes services, and a community of other residents.

Camilo Pardo has been the nonprofit’s case manager for about a month.

“If I get one success story, it really is rewarding,” Pardo said. “I consider myself a success story.”

Pardo gets his inspiration to do the work from his own experience, he said. He spent seven years in the Marine Corps, and had a challenging period when trying to navigate his return to civilian life.

Since then, he spent time as a research manager at Oregon Health & Sciences University and began doing some counseling. Once he heard about the

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## Coast Guard recognizes Charleston marina lifesaver

**ZACK DEMARS**  
The World

CHARLESTON — Curtis Green held back his emotion Friday as he relived a harrowing experience from last year. His face grew somber as a U.S. Coast Guard member told a small crowd gathered about Green’s lifesaving actions.

“It was everything I could do to keep my eyes from misting up,” Green said.

On Friday, the Coast Guard recognized Green with a rare Distinguished Public Service Award in a small ceremony in the

Charleston Station. The award was a recognition of Green’s lifesaving efforts in a 2019 accident in the Charleston Marina.

In late December of that year, Coast Guard crews responded to a call of a capsized fishing vessel, the Darean Rose. It had run aground on the sandbar, and was laying on its side, largely submerged.

When crews got to the vessel, they found four men, drenched on the remaining dry portion of the boat, according to Joseph Benavidez, a member of the Coast Guard crew that responded to

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Zack Demars, The World

Captain Olav Saboe, right, pins a Distinguished Public Service Award on Curtis Green in recognition of his 2019 lifesaving efforts in the Charleston Marina.

Photo gallery: Trick-or-treaters find new fun amid pandemic

Photo gallery: ‘Speeders’ steam through Coos Bay for toy drive

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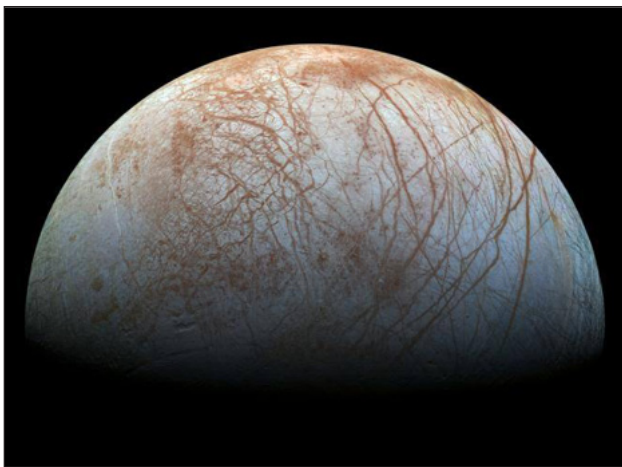
# NASA mission is topic of SWOCC lecture Thursday

The World

COOS BAY — An astronomy expert will give a public lecture Thursday about an upcoming NASA mission in search of life-supporting conditions on Jupiter’s moon, according to Southwestern Oregon Community College.

Dr. Tracy Becker, a group lead at the Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio, Texas, and a part of the NASA Europa Clipper mission’s team, will give the lecture. Her research has included studies on asteroids, Saturn’s rings and Jupiter’s moons, according to a press release from the college.

The Europa Clipper mission’s goal is to inves-



Courtesy of Southwestern Oregon Community College  
Jupiter’s icy moon, Europa.

tigate whether Jupiter’s icy moon Europa could have life-sustaining conditions. Becker’s talk will discuss why Europa is the the destination for the mission and how NASA plans to study its habit-

ability, according to the college.

The talk will be livestreamed by the college at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 12 at [livestream.com/swocc/physicsandastronomy2020-21](https://livestream.com/swocc/physicsandastronomy2020-21).

# South Coast ESD seeks committee member

The World

The South Coast Educational Service District Budget Committee is looking for a member for the area from the southern part of Coos County — the Bandon, Powers, Coquille and Myrtle Point areas — to

serve on the budget committee for 2020-21.

South Coast ESD provides services to 10 area school districts in special education, technology, administration and curriculum. The agency’s primary goal is to support school districts so that students thrive,

parents get the support they need, school districts are provided important and necessary services and the community is successful.

The budget committee reviews the proposed budget, listens to comments and approves the budget. The committee reviews

# Myrtle Point company wins bid for BLM timber

The World

NORTH BEND — The Bureau of Land Management Coos Bay District sold 1.75 million board feet of timber during a sealed auction bid on Friday, Oct. 30.

3H Forestry and Land Management of Myrtle Point was the high bidder for the “Slate Gray” timber sale. The sale price of \$612,571.95 was nearly twice the appraised value for the timber. Three other companies also submitted qualifying bids.

The sale is located on Oregon and California Revested (O&C) lands in Douglas County.

It takes about 16,000 board feet of lumber to frame a 2,000-square-foot house. One million board feet is enough timber to

build approximately 63 family sized residential homes.

BLM manages 2.4 million acres of forests and woodlands in western Oregon under two different management programs — the O&C lands and public domain lands. BLM officials said the lands include some of the most productive forests in the world, containing a diversity of plant and animal species, wild and scenic rivers, wilderness areas and cultural and historic resources. In addition to opportunities for timber sales, the lands host multiple other uses including recreation, mining and grazing.

BLM officials said a sustainable forestry program is critical to the economies in western Oregon. Local

communities rely on the jobs and timber that come from BLM forests, and BLM is committed to providing predictable and sustainable timber harvest opportunities.

Revenue generated from timber sales on O&C lands is split between 18 counties and the general fund of the U.S. Treasury, as designated under the O&C Lands Sustained Yield Management Act of 1937. Counties use the revenue to fund essential county services.

Revenue generated from timber sales on public domain lands is deposited with the U.S. Treasury.

For more information on BLM’s timber program, visit <https://www.blm.gov/programs/natural-resources/forests-and-woodlands/timber-sales>

## MEETINGS

TUESDAY, NOV. 10

**South Coast ESD Board of Directors** — 6 p.m., regular meeting, 1350 Teakwood Ave. in Coos Bay, conducted virtually with minimal staff attending in person. The meeting link is available at [www.scesd.k12.or.us/board-of-directors/](https://www.scesd.k12.or.us/board-of-directors/) or call 541-266-3951 or email [kathleenm@scsd.k12.or.us](mailto:kathleenm@scsd.k12.or.us).

**North Bend City Council** — 7 p.m., regular meeting, followed by Urban Renewal Agency meeting, held in council chamber. Due to COVID-19 and meeting size limitations, people can watch the meeting online at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-BQ3YfjsfZPmyNB1bUd-FCwA>. People wishin gto make written or public comments can sign up at the following link: <https://www.northbendoregon.us/cityrecorder/webform/remote-public-comment>

Coos County Board of Commissioners — 10

a.m., executive session for performance evaluation of public officer or employee, Courthouse Room 106.

**Coos County Board of Commissioners** — 1:30 p.m., hearing on public health fees, large conference room.

**Lakeside Water District** — 3:30 p.m., rate increase hearing followed by a regular board meeting. Lakeside Water District Office, 1000 North Lake Road, Lakeside. Due to limited crowd size, people are encouraged to attend by phone conference call at 1-844-219-5837, access code 5736731776#

Lower Umpqua Library District Board of Directors — 6 p.m., regular meeting Reedsport Library, 395 Winchester Avenue. Meeting also available on Zoom, with Zoom meeting information located on the library website [www.luld.org](http://www.luld.org) and Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/LowerUmpquaLibrary> the day of the meeting.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11

**Bunker Hill Sanitary District** — 7 p.m., regular meeting, The Dyer Partnership Engineers & Planners, 1330 Teakwood Avenue, Coos Bay.

THURSDAY, NOV. 19

**Port of Bandon Commission** — 5 p.m., Regular meeting via Zoom. To join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84515964531?pwd=ZjZBZ2tJbnFNQz-B2L1U4c29lN3VBdz-09then> enter Meeting ID: 845 1596 4531 and Password: 817493. Or dial +1 (253) 215- 8782 and enterMeeting ID: 845 1596 4531 thenPassword: 817493. We are asking all those attending to please use the Dial In Option. For more information or assistance on joining meeting, please call (541) 347-3206 or visit [www.portofbandon.com](http://www.portofbandon.com).

## NORTH BEND POLICE LOG

<b>Nov. 8</b> 12:33 p.m. Suspicious conditions in 2700 block of Ash Street	charging unlawful possession of meth and FTA. 9:37 Counterfeit money turned in	1:12 p.m. Suspicious conditions at Connecticut and Sheridan Avenues 1:37 p.m. Suspicious conditions in 2000 block of Union Avenue 4:34 p.m. Suspicious conditions in 700 block of Connecticut Avenue 8:07 p.m. Suspicious conditions in 2400 block of Broadway Avenue 8:39 p.m. UUMV in 2500 block of Delores Lane 8:43 p.m. Warrant service, arrested Nick D. Linnehan on warrant charging FTA.
<b>Nov. 7</b> 9:22 a.m. Hit and run in 2200 block of Laura Lane 12:58 p.m. Criminal mischief in 3100 block of Pine Street 2:31 p.m. Criminal mischief in 1800 block of Meade Avenue	<b>Nov. 5</b> 6:37 a.m. Disturbance in 1700 block of Sherman Avenue 7:28 a.m. Criminal mischief at both Rite Aid and Lilie’s Market 7:50 a.m. Disorderly conduct at Virginia Avenue and Grant Street 9:27 a.m. UEMV in 1600 block of McPherson Avenue 10:41 a.m. Suspicious conditions at Sheridan Avenue and Connectickit Street	<b>Nov. 4</b> 12:41 a.m. Criminal
<b>Nov. 6</b> 12:42 a.m. Criminal trespass in 3200 block of Tremont Avenue 2:15 a.m. Warrant service, CCSO arrested Allen C Edwards on warrant		

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## English Holly - *Ilex aquifolium*

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Oregon grape



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Health officials are working with the event's organizers to determine if participants were taking

The state also reported 770 cases on Sunday and 723 on Monday. 31 of the state's 36 counties reported new cases over

The pause also means private social gatherings must be limited to one household. Washington,

“We can’t stop caring.”

County	Cases	Total deaths	Negative tests
Baker	181	3	2,499
Benton	516	6	19,853
Clackamas	3,925	71	81,699
Clatsop	287	0	7,307
Columbia	310	2	9,268
Coos	290	1	9,670
Crook	139	5	3,466
Curry	74	2	2,515
Deschutes	1,459	13	41,826
Douglas	472	10	16,414
Gilliam	17	0	391
Grant	53	0	1,165
Harney	47	0	1,051
Hood River	303	1	6,163
Jackson	2,339	8	44,736
Jefferson	634	11	6,059
Josephine	315	4	15,897
Klamath	471	3	12,372
Lake	49	0	1,145
Lane	2,858	29	86,325
Lincoln	526	13	10,252
Linn	985	17	22,486
Malheur	2,080	38	6,701
Marion	6,796	117	65,599
Morrow	579	7	2,195
Multnomah	11,156	185	190,052
Polk	783	15	13,104
Sherman	23	0	419
Tillamook	87	0	3,860
Umatilla	3,642	45	16,300
Union	540	2	5,541
Wallowa	64	2	1,324
Wasco	380	17	6,309
Washington	6,897	88	121,676
Wheeler	1	0	192
Yamhill	1,170	15	23,022
Total	50,448	730	858,853

1This includes cases confirmed by diagnostic testing and presumptive cases.

The threshold for counties being added to the two-week pause is counties with a case rate above 200 cases per 100,000 people over a two-week period, or more than 60 cases over a two-week period for counties with less than 30,000 people.

South Dakota reported 252 deaths, a 98% increase in the last 30 days. It had a death rate of roughly 29 people per 100,000 over the last 30 days, according to the Johns Hopkins data. The state on Saturday recorded thirteen more deaths in addition to 1,337 new cases of COVID-19.

It's not clear if any jurors took off their masks.

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# A word, please

By June Casagrande

Here come the holidays. Or as some might put it, the Holidays. Or, less commonly, the holiday's. Either way, it's a great time to make embarrassing errors in social media posts, emails, cards, business correspondence and marketing copy. Here are some terms you'll want to write right this time of year.

Happy holidays. Just because they both start with an H doesn't mean both Hs should be capitalized. And no apostrophe, please.

Turkey Day. Think of this as a nickname. Like real names, nicknames are proper nouns. Each word in proper noun starts with a capital letter, which is why the D in Day is uppercase.

Season's greetings. This one's not as easy. When we say "season's greetings," we mean it as a catch-all nod to multiple holidays, including Christmas, Hanukkah and New Year's. But just because you're talking about plural holidays doesn't mean you're talking about plural seasons. For purposes of this greeting, they're all one season. So when you hear "season's," the final S isn't there to indicate a plural. It's there to indicate a possessive: the greetings of the season. Always put an apostrophe before the S and, of course, remember to lowercase the G in greetings.

Christmas Day. Technically, you could think of the "day" as a not-proper noun, justifying a lowercase D. But that's not how most editors would see it. Even more so than Turkey Day, Christmas Day is a proper name in its own right, requiring a capital D.

Christmas Eve. Use a capital E. This is a proper noun.

'Tis. When you type an apostrophe at the beginning of a word, spell-checker often assumes you meant to type a single quotation mark. The software changes the mark to one that curves like the letter C. That's not an apostrophe. That's a single quotation mark. To fix this once without tinkering with the settings in your computer, type the apostrophe twice then delete the first one.

Merry. This isn't a proper

noun. You often see it capitalized because it's the beginning of a sentence. But anywhere else, the M is lowercase: We wish you a merry Christmas.

New Year, New Year's, New Year's Eve, New Year's Day. Stick with capital letters in most cases: Happy New Year! Happy New Year's. On New Year's Eve. On New Year's Day. If you're just talking about the year itself and not the holiday, you probably want to use all lowercase: I hope business picks up in the new year. Associated Press supports lowercase "new year" at times. But "happy New Year" is probably best.

Hanukkah. Anytime you have a word adopted from a language that uses a different alphabet, English spellings can be subject to debate. For example, don't get me started on Qadaffi, which starts with the same Arabic letter represented as a Q in al-Qaeda though many English language news outlets spell it with a G: Gadafi. A Hebrew word like Hanukkah draws the same confusion for translators: How do you represent letters that don't exist in your own alphabet? Do you go with Hanukkah, Chanukah or Hanukah — all of which are correct? I don't know. But in cases like this, style guides like the Associated Press Stylebook pick one for consistency's sake — to ensure Page 1 of a newspaper doesn't have one spelling while Page 3 has a different one. AP says to go with Hanukkah, which is also the preferred spelling listed in Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary. So unless you have strong feelings about Hebrew transliteration, that's as good a spelling as any.

Black Friday, Cyber Monday. Black Friday is in Merriam-Webster's dictionary, capital B, as a proper noun. Cyber Monday, a newer term for an unofficial shopping holiday, is not in Merriam-Webster's. But if you want my two cents, go with the capital C: Cyber. It's used like Black Friday, so why not capitalize it like Black Friday?

— June Casagrande is the author of "The Joy of Syntax: All the Grammar You Know You Should Know." She can be reached at JuneTCN@aol.com.



# Journalism has never been more important

By Frank Perea

Weekly newspapers carry the news and views of communities reported on by decent people with local passion.

"Journalism exists to keep the people informed. It exists to spread knowledge and, yes, it exists to provide viewpoints from many different perspectives, to provide the fuel that people in a democracy need to take part in their governments."

The staff at The World have no desire to spread falsehoods. We are your neighbors, friends or maybe even your relatives. We're local journalist who are dedicated men and women who work hard each and every day

to educate and tell your story.

To paint all journalist with one broad stroke as fake news or the enemy of the people is irresponsible and dangerous to a free society.

The World plays an important role as the community watchdog, holding government in check and shining the light on all the actions of our governors. That is the intention of the First Amendment.

"...Were it left, to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter." — Thomas Jefferson, third president of the United States of America, 1787

It is my philosophy that a local newspaper should promote its community and should inform on issues that are relevant to people and the community as a whole.

Understanding and capturing the diverse interests within Coos Bay and advocating for good government are things we do not take lightly. We advocate for groups and organizations that disagree to get together and encourage working together.

"Journalism matters because democracy matters. The two are inseparable."

Frank Perea is Director of Operations for Country Media, Inc. Contact him at frank-pera@countrymedia.net.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Voters completed impeachment process

The anticipated "wave" didn't quite make it but enough people voted to say "enough is enough" anyway. Over 75 million and counting. The impeachment at the beginning of the year is now in force. It took "we the people" to enact the removal from office that the Senate Republicans lacked the honor and integrity to do.

Looking forward to the end of January next year when we will no longer have to listen to the daily lies and fabrications. Good bye Donald John Trump. America is so much better than you.

Terry Moore  
North Bend

### State should protect beavers

Why the Beaver State Should Protect its Beavers:

Beavers are synonymous with Oregon's wilderness. They're on our flag, they're our state animal and they gave us our nickname: the Beaver State. But while

we've been happy to welcome beavers into our reputation, we've done little to keep them around.

Oregon hosts an abundance of suitable habitat for beavers. But current hunting and fishing rules allow largely unregulated harvesting of beavers across the state, with few protected areas. Additionally, the population status of beavers in Oregon is unknown because the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, the agency responsible for managing the state's fish and wildlife, has not been monitoring live beaver populations and distribution.

Beavers are nature's engineers. They improve water quality, diversify habitat, create fire breaks against wildfires and maintain or increase stream flows for our fish. Science has shown that habitats that are created and maintained by beavers lead to improved water quality and decreased flood peaks and intensity, helping humans and natural communities be resilient in combating the impacts of climate

change. While beavers are not listed as endangered under the federal Endangered Species Act or Oregon's Endangered Species Act, they are critically important members of forest ecosystems.

There are less than 170 licensed beaver hunters and trappers in Oregon, out of a population of 4.2 million. The majority of Oregonians care about habitat loss, lack of water, declining fish populations and responsible resource management. All of these issues could be improved by increasing the amount of protected beaver habitat in our state. Right now, protected beaver habitat includes only Ochoco National Forest, and some rivers and streams in Mt Hood National Forest and Umatilla National Forest

Beavers have done their part to protect our health, our livelihoods and our natural resources. It's time we do our part for them and amend state regulations to increase protected habitat on our public lands.

Sristi Kamal  
Portland

# Renowned correspondent Seymour Topping dies

NEW YORK (AP) — Seymour Topping, among the most accomplished foreign correspondents of his generation for The Associated Press and the New York Times and later a top editor at the Times and administrator of the Pulitzer Prizes, died on Sunday. He was 98.

Topping passed away peacefully at White Plains Hospital, his daughter Rebecca said in an emailed statement.

As a correspondent for the AP in 1949, he was eyewitness to the fall of Nanking, then the capital of Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist government, to Mao Zedong's Red Army. It was the key victory in the Communist conquest of China, and Topping was first to report it to the world.

After the Communists consolidated their hold and publicly aligned with Soviet leader Josef Stalin, Topping and other American correspondents were ousted from the mainland,

with Topping arriving in Hong Kong in late 1949. From there, after a home leave visit to the United States and an urgent detour to Canada to visit and marry his future wife, Audrey, he returned to the AP bureau in Hong Kong.

He was hoping that the Chinese Communist authorities would agree to his request to go back to China. While awaiting their answer, Topping accepted an assignment in French Indochina.

As he recounted it in a 1972 memoir of his reporting career in Asia, "Journey Between Two Chinas," the AP wanted him to "go to a funny little country whose name was sometimes mixed up by our editors in New York with Indonesia. It was Indochina. There was some kind of trouble in Vietnam, and would I go there for a month?" He and Audrey had just checked into the Continental Hotel in Saigon in

February 1950 when a plastic bomb thrown by a cycle driver ripped through a café across the square, shaking the hotel. He rushed out to a scene of chaos.

"French soldiers and sailors, dead and wounded, lay amid overturned tables and shattered glass inside the café and outside on the sidewalk terrace where they had been sipping drinks," he wrote. "The war was on in the South in full fury."

Over the next two years, Topping wrote presciently about the strength of the insurgency against the French colonial occupiers of Indochina and the long and bloody struggle that would continue almost without interruption until the final U.S. withdrawal from Vietnam in 1975.

After postings to London as diplomatic correspondent and West Berlin as bureau chief for the AP, Topping in 1959 joined the Times, where he was to work for the next 34 years.

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## OBITUARIES

### Ruth R. Anderson

March 4, 1919 – November 6, 2020



Ruth Riggs Anderson, 101, of North Bend, died November 6, 2020 in North Bend. A Memorial service will be held at a later date. Interment will be at the Sunset Memorial Park Mausoleum in Coos Bay. She was born March 4, 1919, in Page, Nebraska, the daughter of Aden and Katherine (Kohler) Riggs.

Ruth was a graduate of University of Nebraska School of Nursing and later completed a degree in Public Health Nursing at University of California. During World War II she served in the U.S. Navy Nurse Corps. In 1943 she married Elmer Ager Anderson and from this union came three daugh-

ters. Care of her family always came first in her life's priorities.

Her nursing career was part-time and volunteer work. For years she taught Mother and Baby Care classes for the Berkeley California Chapter of the American Red Cross and was a school nurse in the Richmond, California, School District. In 1978 she and her husband moved to the Coos Bay-North Bend area for his retirement. There she worked for the Coos County Health and Mental Health Departments and served as R.N. volunteer for the Red Cross Blood-mobile and South Coast Hospice. She was very interested in quality care for the elderly, especially in their own homes, and was a member of the Geriatric Health Care Advisory Committee at SWOCC (Southwestern Oregon Community College). Her career as an R.N. continued through her 90th year.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Elmer A. Anderson, in July, 2005; a little grandson, Trevor Alan

Kenney, in 1988; and niece, Tammy Ann Crisp, in July 2020.

She is survived by her three daughters and sons-in-law, Kathe Anderson and Gary Dunks of Upland, California; Connie and Jim Kenney of Wilsonville, Oregon, Christine and Roy Molina of Ankeny, Iowa; six precious grandchildren, Kathy Molina-Powell (husband Jay Molina-Powell), Sarah Molina, Roy Vincent Molina, Selicity Icefire, Galen Kenney, and Bin Kenney; great-grandson, A.J. Molina-Powell; and great-granddaughter, Alma Nova Molina-Powell. She is also survived by a sister, Nova Riggs Crisp, of Portola Valley, California and a dear friend at Evergreen Court, Jack Thomas.

The family suggests any memorial remembrances to South Coast Hospice, 1620 Thompson Road, Coos Bay, Oregon 97420.

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### Lynn Suzann (Hopper) Yager

February 11, 1961 - November 5, 2020



A small funeral service with the family has been held for Lynn Suzann (Hopper) Yager, 59, of Coos Bay. She will be buried with her late husband, Robert Ellis, at Eagle Point National Cemetery in Eagle Point, Oregon.

Lynn was born February 11, 1961 in North Bend, the daughter of Raymond and Wilma (Eldridge) Hopper. She was raised and educated in North Bend and graduated from North Bend HS in 1979. Lynn's favorite job as a teenager was working at Lucky Steer. Lynn worked with her sister-in-law at a laundry service. Lynn also worked at Safeway in customer service. Her last job was at the Coos County Courts in Coquille where she was in charge of jury selection. She filled her office and the juror room with her cheerful personal touches and where anyone

who walked into her office knew her favorite color was orange.

She married Daniel Gorman in 1981. Together they had three daughters, Heather, Emalee, and Lacey. They later divorced. In 1992 she met and married Robert Ellis and they welcomed a 4th daughter Alyssa, and combined families. Together they raised their nine children. After Robert passed away in 2003, Lynn was blessed to marry again in 2007 to Richard Yager who cared for her up to the end of her life.

Lynn was always someone who very easily made friends. She was a confidante to many. She had a loving, nonjudgmental way about her that drew people in.

As a mother to her four girls and "Grammy" to her six grandchildren she was a safe haven. She loved each of her girls and grandkids to the fullest and spent time invested in each one of their individual lives. She truly found her family to be her life's biggest and best accomplishment.

She was a strong woman who dealt with a nearly 30 year cancer diagnosis in the

most graceful and courageous way. She never let her illness get in the way of how she lived each day. She lived her life being present in the moment with those that she loved.

Lynn touched many lives and it is regrettable that her service could not be attended by so many of her dear friends. Memories, pictures, and condolences of Lynn can be shared online at [grammy-lynn-yager.blogspot.com](http://grammy-lynn-yager.blogspot.com).

She is survived by her husband, Richard Yager; daughters, Heather and James Johnson (children, Lincoln and Myla), Emalee and Jess Seybolt (children, Whitley, Layton, Harper), Lacey Gorman, Alyssa and Cory Pritchett (daughter, Austin); mother, Wilma Hopper; sister, Terry and Jamie Evans; brothers, Keith and Laurie Hopper, Wayne and Patty Hopper; and many nieces and Nephews

She was preceded in death by her father, Ray; brother, David; husband, Robert; and nephew, Kevin Hopper.

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# Famed 'Jeopardy' host Alex Trebek dies

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Alex Trebek, who presided over the beloved quiz show "Jeopardy!" for more than 30 years with dapper charm and a touch of schoolmaster strictness, died Sunday. He was 80.

Trebek, who announced in 2019 that he had advanced pancreatic cancer, died at his Los Angeles home, surrounded by family and friends, "Jeopardy!" studio Sony said.

The Canadian-born host, who made a point of informing fans about his health directly, spoke in a calm, even tone as he revealed his illness and hope for a cure in a video posted March 6, 2019.

In the video, Trebek said he was joining the 50,000 other Americans who receive such a diagnosis each year and that he recognized that the prognosis was not encouraging.

But Trebek said he intended to fight it and keep working, even joking that he needed to beat the disease because his "Jeopardy!" contract ran for three more years. Less than a week later, he opened

the show with a message acknowledging the outpouring of kind words and prayers he'd received.

"Thanks to the — believe it or not — hundreds of thousands of people who have sent in tweets, texts, emails, cards and letters wishing me well," Trebek said. "I'm a lucky guy."

The program tapes weeks of shows in advance, and the remaining episodes with Trebek will air through Dec. 25, a Sony spokeswoman said.

Messages of grief and respect from former contestants, celebrities and the wider public quickly followed news of his loss.

"Alex wasn't just the best ever at what he did. He was also a lovely and deeply decent man, and I'm grateful for every minute I got to spend with him," tweeted "Jeopardy!" champion Ken Jennings. "Thinking today about his family and his Jeopardy! family — which, in a way, included millions of us."

"It was one of the great privileges of my life to spend time with this courageous man while he fought the battle of his life. You will never be replaced in our hearts, Alex," James Holzhauer, another "Jeopardy!" star, posted on Twitter.

John Legend tweeted that he was "obsessed with Jeopardy as a nerdy kid growing up in Ohio.

I've loved and revered Alex Trebek since I can remember. What an iconic career."

"Jeopardy!" bills itself as "America's favorite quiz show" and captivated the public with a unique format in which contestants were told the answers and had to provide the questions on a variety of subjects, including movies, politics, history and popular culture.

They would answer by saying "What is ... ?" or "Who is .... ?"

Trebek, who became its host in 1984, was a master of the format, engaging in friendly banter with contestants, appearing genuinely pleased when they answered correctly and, at the same time, moving the game along in a brisk no-nonsense fashion whenever people struggled for answers.

He never pretended to know the answers himself if he really didn't, deferring to the show's experts to decide whether a somewhat vague answer had come close enough to be counted as correct.

"I try not to take myself too seriously," he told an interviewer in 2004. "I don't want to come off as a pompous ass and indicate that I know everything when I don't."

The show was the brain-storm of Julann Griffin, wife of the late talk show host-entrepreneur Merv

Griffin, who said she suggested to him one day that he create a game show where people were given the answers.

"Jeopardy!" debuted on NBC in 1964 with Art Fleming as emcee and was an immediate hit. It lasted until 1975, then was revived in syndication with Trebek.

Long identified by a full head of hair and trim mustache (though in 2001 he startled viewers by shaving his mustache, "completely on a whim"), Trebek was more than qualified for the job, having started his game show career on "Reach for the Top" in his native country.

Moving to the U.S. in 1973, he appeared on "The Wizard of Odds," "High Rollers," "The \$128,000 Question" and "Double Dare." Even during his run on "Jeopardy!", Trebek worked on other shows. In the early 1990s, he was the host of three — "Jeopardy!", "To Tell the Truth" and "Classic Concentra-

tion."

"Jeopardy!" made him famous. He won five Emmys as its host, including one last June, and received stars on both the Hollywood and Canadian walks of fame. In 2012, the show won a prestigious Peabody Award.

He taped his daily "Jeopardy!" shows at a frenetic pace, recording as many as 10 episodes (two weeks' worth) in just two days. After what was described as a mild heart attack in 2007, he was back at work in just a month.

He posted a video in January 2018 announcing he'd undergone surgery for blood clots on the brain that followed a fall he'd taken. The show was on hiatus during his recovery.

It had yet to bring in a substitute host for Trebek — save once, when he and "Wheel of Fortune" host Pat Sajak swapped their TV jobs as an April's Fool prank.

In 2012, Trebek ac-

knowledgeed that he was considering retirement, but had been urged by friends to stay on so he could reach 30 years on the show. He still loved the job, he declared: "What's not to love? You have the security of a familiar environment, a familiar format, but you have the excitement of new clues and new contestants on every program. You can't beat that!"

Although many viewers considered him one of the key reasons for the show's success, Trebek himself insisted he was only there to keep things moving.

"I'm introduced as the host of 'Jeopardy!', not the star," he said in a 2012 interview. "My job is to provide the atmosphere and assistance to the contestants to get them to perform at their very best," he explained. "And if I'm successful doing that, I will be perceived as a nice guy and the audience will think of me as being a bit of a star."

## DEATH NOTICES

**Yukari F. Lindsley**, 89, of North Bend died November 6, 2020 in North Bend. Cremation rites and inurnment will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens, Coos Bay, under the direction of Myrtle Grove Funeral Service-Bay Area 541-269-2851. [www.coos-bayareafunerals.com](http://www.coos-bayareafunerals.com)

**Sharlee I. Goodrow Bong**, age 71, of North Bend, passed away November 5, 2020 in Coos Bay. Arrangements under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 541 267-4216

## SERVICE NOTICE

A graveside inurnment service for **Dwayne L. Moore**, 78, of Coos Bay will be held Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 2:00 PM at Ocean View Memory Gardens 1525 Ocean Blvd. NW under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel. 541-267-3131. [www.coosbayareafuneral.com](http://www.coosbayareafuneral.com).

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## DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

### CONDO COMMUNITY FEELS EFFECTS OF STRESS DURING THE PANDEMIC

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I own a condo in a building with 22 units. Because of COVID, one of the HOA board members has posted signs stating "rules" throughout the building. The rules are typical for these trying times, but the number of signs is obsessive. Many of the residents dislike the signs, but my husband was the one who wrote a nasty letter to the HOA about how many are posted.

The board member who was responsible for posting the signs was a friend of mine. Her feelings were hurt, and she has made some snide remarks about the letter. A group of women meet weekly for happy hour, and she and I are both part of that group. I feel caught in the middle. My husband has had a hard time getting over being mad about the signs, and I know the HOA member is angry at him. I just want to go to happy hour and drink and gossip. Why can't we all just get along? -- IN THE MIDDLE

**DEAR IN THE MIDDLE:** We are living in trying times, and many people -- your husband included -- aren't their better selves right now. The HOA board was fulfilling its obligation to the community by posting health and safety signs. They are meant to educate not only homeowners but also visitors to the building, but too often they tend to become like "wallpaper" and are ignored. You are not caught in the middle. Your husband owes that woman an apology for getting snarky. But it probably won't happen unless you insist upon it. (If it doesn't, you can always do it "for" him the next time you all meet for happy hour.)

**DEAR ABBY:** I met a wonderful man who was 14 years older who treated me like I have never been treated before. He opened doors for me, took me on actual dates, paid for things, met all my friends and family, and took me on my first

vacation at 39 years old. He was very cuddly and such a gentleman. He even introduced himself as my "boyfriend" to some of my friends.

Seven months ago, we had our first argument and he asked me how I felt about him. I said I loved him and he returned with, "I like you a lot." He said he didn't feel as strongly as I did and doesn't want a relationship.

When we broke up shortly after, he said he wanted to be friends. But he still called and invited me over for sex regularly for the next six weeks. I was very hurt, but I finally cut ties because emotionally I couldn't handle it. He still wants to be friends but I cannot. He still will do anything for me and wants the benefits of being together without the labels.

It has been more than two months and I'm heartbroken. If I call him, he answers and talks like we are the best of friends, and it kills me. How do I get over him? Is it worth trying to see if we will work out? -- BROKEN IN UTAH

**DEAR BROKEN:** This "gentleman" made clear that his feelings for you are not as strong as those you have for him. You are involved with someone who is honest about wanting nothing more than the status quo. If you're willing to settle for being only FWB -- which, I suspect, you have too much intelligence and self-esteem to do -- go along with what he's offering (which is very little). But if you do, know full well that it won't "work out."

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*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.*







# Biden names coronavirus advisory board

BOSTON (AP) — As he begins his transition to the presidency, Joe Biden is pivoting from a bitter campaign battle to another, more pressing fight: reining in the pandemic that has hit the world's most powerful nation harder than any other.

On Monday, Biden announced the members of his coronavirus task force that will develop a blueprint for fighting the pandemic. It includes doctors and scientists who have served in previous administrations, many of them experts in public health, vaccines and infectious diseases.

Notable among the members is Rick Bright, a

vaccine expert and former head of the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority. He had filed a whistleblower complaint alleging he was reassigned to a lesser job because he resisted political pressure to allow widespread use of hydroxychloroquine, a malaria drug pushed by President Donald Trump as a COVID-19 treatment.

Public health officials warn that the nation is entering the worst stretch yet for COVID-19 as winter sets in and the holiday season approaches, increasing the risk of rapid transmission as Americans travel, shop and celebrate with loved ones.

“The next two months are going to be rough, difficult ones,” said Dr. Albert Ko, an infectious disease specialist and department chairman at the Yale School of Public Health. “We could see another 100,000 deaths by January.”

The U.S. is now averaging more than 100,000 new coronavirus infections a day, frequently breaking records for daily cases. Hospitals in several states are running out of space and staff, and the death toll is soaring. So far, the U.S. has recorded more than 9.8 million infections and more than 237,000 deaths from COVID-19.

“Dealing with the

coronavirus pandemic is one of the most important battles our administration will face, and I will be informed by science and by experts,” Biden said in a statement Monday.

He pledged during the campaign to make testing free and widely available; to hire thousands of health workers to help implement contact-tracing programs; and to instruct the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to provide clear, expert-informed guidelines, among other proposals.

As the Democratic nominee, Biden made Trump's mishandling of the pandemic a central focus of his campaign. But

much of what Biden has proposed will take congressional action, and he's certain to face challenges in a closely divided House and Senate.

“I'm not running on the false promises of being able to end this pandemic by flipping a switch. But I do promise this: We will start on day one doing the right things,” he said during a campaign event last month.

Dr. Phillip Coule, chief medical officer at Augusta University Medical Center in Georgia, said he hopes the nation can get past the political divisions that have complicated the response to the virus now that the election is over.

“Now that we are post election, let's just handle this based on the science and not the politics of this disease and the pandemic,” he said.

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, a Democrat, said he believes even the most ardent COVID-19 deniers will strike a more conciliatory tone as Trump's election defeat sinks in.

“I think the political pressure of denying COVID is gone,” he said Sunday on ABC's “This Week.” “I think you'll see scientists speak with an unmuzzled voice now. And I think the numbers are going to go up, and Americans are going to get how serious this is.”

## Fraud claims aimed at keeping Trump base loyal

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Trump campaign's strategy to file a barrage of lawsuits challenging President-elect Joe Biden's win is more about providing President Donald Trump with an off-ramp for a loss he can't quite grasp and less about changing the election's outcome, according to senior officials, campaign aides and allies who spoke to The Associated Press.

Trump has promised legal action in the coming days as he refused to concede his loss to Biden, making an aggressive pitch for donors to help finance any court fight. Trump and his campaign have leveled accusations of large-scale voter fraud in Pennsylvania and other states that broke for Biden, so far without proof.

But proof isn't really the point, said the people. The AP spoke with 10 Trump senior officials, campaign aides and allies who were not authorized to discuss the subject publicly and spoke on condition of

anonymity.

Trump aides and allies also acknowledged privately the legal fights would — at best — forestall the inevitable, and some had deep reservations about the president's attempts to undermine faith in the vote. But they said Trump and a core group of allies were aiming to keep his loyal base of supporters on his side even in defeat.

There has been no presidential election in recent memory in which such widespread fraud was alleged. The closest was the 1960 election in which Democrat John F. Kennedy beat Republican Richard Nixon, and there were scattered allegations that fraud helped Kennedy win.

Moments after the AP called the race for Biden, Trump attorney Rudy Giuliani stood in front of campaign banner taped over the garage door of a landscaping company in Philadelphia, wedged near a cremation center and an

adult book store called “Fantasy Island,” with a handful of poll watchers and declared they'd been kept too far away to check for any inaccuracies. Something fishy was going on, he said.

“We have no way of knowing, because we've been deprived of the right to inspect ballots,” he said.

Partisan poll watchers are designated by a political party or campaign to report any concerns they may have. They are not poll workers who actually tally ballots. Monitoring polling places and election offices is allowed in most states, but rules vary and there are certain limits to avoid any harassment or intimidation. They are not allowed to interfere with the conduct of the election and are typically required to register in advance with the local election office.

This year, because of the coronavirus that has killed more than 230,000 people across the country, there was litigation in a few states, including Penn-

sylvania, over where poll watchers could stand to ensure social distancing.

Lawyers could potentially argue the vote tally should be cast aside over fraud observed by poll watchers, but in order to win that argument they'd need strong evidence, not just allegations the monitors weren't allowed to see clearly enough. Judges are loathe to disenfranchise any voters and there would need to be substantial proof that fraud had so damaged the count it must be set aside. And it would have to happen across multiple states.

Democratic poll watchers, who were also given the same access, have not raised concerns. Giuliani called evidence of fraud circumstantial at the news conference. He said he'd be filing suit in federal court, but the issue has already been before judges.

A federal judge in Philadelphia Thursday night ordered the two sides to work out an agreement on the number of poll watch-

ers and how close they could be to the counting. The judge also voiced concerns about the safety of poll workers during the pandemic if poll watchers were allowed to peer over their shoulders.

On Fox News Channel's “Sunday Morning Futures” Sunday, Giuliani said two additional lawsuits were in the process of being drafted, in addition to existing litigation in Pennsylvania.

By the end of this week, Giuliani predicted the campaign would have filed “four or five” lawsuits, with a total of 10 possible. Republican lawyers planned a Monday news conference to announce additional litigation.

Voter fraud is extremely rare, and when it does happen, people are generally caught and prosecuted and it does not change the outcome of the election. Typically, it involves someone wanting to honor the wishes of a loved one who recently died and either knowingly or not commits a crime by filling

out that ballot.

Trump campaign officials have also alleged that more than 21,000 had been cast in the name of the dead in Pennsylvania. The claims stem from a conservative legal group's lawsuit against the Secretary of State, accusing her of wrongly including some 21,000 supposedly dead residents on voter rolls.

The federal judge who has the case, John Jones, has said he was doubtful of the claims. He said the Public Interest Legal Foundation that brought the claims was asking the court to accept that there were dead people on voter rolls, and he asked for proof and questioned why they had waited until the “eleventh hour” to file suit.

“We cannot and will not take plaintiff's word for it — in an election where every vote matters, we will not disenfranchise potentially eligible voters based solely upon the allegations of a private foundation,” he wrote in an Oct. 20 ruling.

## Biden

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fer of power, he issued a combative statement saying his campaign would take unspecified legal actions. And he followed up with a bombastic, all-caps tweet in which he falsely declared, “I WON THE ELECTION, GOT 71,000,000 LEGAL VOTES.” Twitter immediately flagged it as misleading.

Trump has pointed to delays in processing the vote in some states to allege with no evidence that there was fraud and to argue that his rival was trying to seize power — an extraordinary charge by a sitting president trying to sow doubt about a bedrock democratic process.

Trump is the first incumbent president to lose reelection since Republican George H.W. Bush in 1992.

He was golfing at his Virginia country club when he lost the race. He stayed out for hours, stopping to congratulate a bride as he left, and his motorcade returned to the White House to a cacophony of shouts, taunts and unfriendly hand gestures.

In Wilmington, Delaware, near the stage that, until Saturday night, had stood empty since it was erected to celebrate on Election Night, people cheered and pumped their fists as the news that the presidential race had been called for the state's former senator arrived on their cellphones.

On the nearby water, two men in a kayak yelled

to a couple paddling by in the opposite direction, “Joe won! They called it!” as people on the shore whooped and hollered. Harris, in workout gear, was shown on video speaking to Biden on the phone, exuberantly telling the president-elect “We did it!”

Across the country, there were parties and prayer. In New York City, spontaneous block parties broke out. People ran out of their buildings, banging on pots. They danced and high-fived with strangers amid honking horns. Among the loudest cheers were those for passing U.S. Postal Service trucks.

People streamed into Black Lives Matter Plaza near the White House, near where Trump had ordered the clearing of protesters in June, waving signs and taking cellphone pictures. In Lansing, Michigan, Trump supporters and Black Lives Matter demonstrators filled the Capitol steps. The lyrics to “Amazing Grace” began to echo through the crowd, and Trump supporters laid their hands on a counter protester, and prayed.

Americans showed deep interest in the presidential race. A record 103 million voted early this year, opting to avoid waiting in long lines at polling locations during a pandemic. With counting continuing in some states, Biden had already received more than 75 million votes, more than any presidential candidate before him.

Trump's refusal to concede has no legal implications. But it could add to the incoming administration's challenge of bringing

the country together after a bitter election.

Throughout the campaign, Trump repeatedly refused to commit to a peaceful transfer of power, arguing without evidence that the election could be marred by fraud. The nation has a long history of presidential candidates peacefully accepting the outcome of elections, dating back to 1800, when John Adams conceded to his rival Thomas Jefferson.

It was Biden's native Pennsylvania that put him over the top, the state he invoked throughout the campaign to connect with working class voters.

He also won Nevada on Saturday pushing his total to 290 Electoral College votes.

Biden received congratulations from dozens of world leaders, and his former boss, President Barack Obama, saluted him in a statement, declaring the nation was “fortunate that Joe's got what it takes to be President and already carries himself that way.”

Republicans on Capitol Hill were giving Trump and his campaign space to consider all their legal options. It was a precarious balance for Trump's allies as they try to be supportive of the president -- and avoid risking further fallout -- but face the reality of the vote count.

On Saturday, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell had not yet made any public statements -- either congratulating Biden or joining Trump's complaints. But retiring GOP Sen. Lamar Alexander of Tennessee, who is close to McConnell,

said, “After counting every valid vote and allowing courts to resolve disputes, it is important to respect and promptly accept the result.”

More than 237,000 Americans have died during the coronavirus pandemic, nearly 10 million have been infected and millions of jobs have been lost. The final days of the campaign played out against a surge in confirmed cases in nearly every state, including battlegrounds such as Wisconsin that swung to Biden.

The pandemic will soon be Biden's to tame, and he campaigned pledging a big government response, akin to what Franklin D. Roosevelt oversaw with the New Deal during the Depression of the 1930s. He announced that, as his transition kicks into high gear, he would on Monday appoint his own coronavirus task force.

But Senate Republicans fought back several Democratic challengers and looked to retain a fragile majority that could serve as a check on some of Biden's ambitions.

The 2020 campaign was a referendum on Trump's handling of the pandemic, which has shuttered schools across the nation, disrupted businesses and raised questions about the feasibility of family gatherings heading into the holidays.

The fast spread of the coronavirus transformed political rallies from standard campaign fare to gatherings that were potential public health emergencies. It also contributed to an unprecedented shift to

voting early and by mail and prompted Biden to dramatically scale back his travel and events to comply with restrictions. The president defied calls for caution and ultimately contracted the disease himself.

Trump was saddled throughout the year by negative assessments from the public of his handling of the pandemic. There was another COVID-19 outbreak in the White House this week, which sickened his chief of staff Mark Meadows.

Biden also drew a sharp contrast to Trump through a summer of unrest over the police killings of Black Americans including Breonna Taylor in Kentucky and George Floyd in Minneapolis. Their deaths sparked the largest racial protest movement since the civil rights era. Biden responded by acknowledging the racism that pervades American life, while Trump emphasized his support of police and pivoted to a “law and order” message that resonated with his largely white base.

The third president to be impeached, though acquitted in the Senate, Trump will leave office having left an indelible imprint in a tenure defined by the shattering of White House norms and a day-to-day whirlwind of turnover, partisan divide and Twitter blasts.

Trump's team has filed a smattering of lawsuits in battleground states, some of which were immediately rebuffed by judges. His personal lawyer, Rudy Giuliani, was holding a news

conference in Philadelphia threatening more legal action when the race was called.

Biden, born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, and raised in Delaware, was one of the youngest candidates ever elected to the Senate. Before he took office, his wife and daughter were killed, and his two sons badly injured in a 1972 car crash.

Commuting every night on a train from Washington back to Wilmington, Biden fashioned an everyman political persona to go along with powerful Senate positions, including chairman of the Senate Judiciary and Foreign Relations Committees. Some aspects of his record drew critical scrutiny from fellow Democrats, including his support for the 1994 crime bill, his vote for the 2003 Iraq War and his management of the Clarence Thomas Supreme Court hearings.

Biden's 1988 presidential campaign was done in by plagiarism allegations, and his next bid in 2008 ended quietly. But later that year, he was tapped to be Barack Obama's running mate and he became an influential vice president, steering the administration's outreach to both Capitol Hill and Iraq.

While his reputation was tarnished by his time in office and his deep friendship with Obama, Biden stood aside for Clinton and opted not to run in 2016 after his adult son Beau died of brain cancer the year before.

Trump's tenure pushed Biden to make one more run as he declared that “the very soul of the nation is at stake.”

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# South Florida feels the wrath of Eta

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Torrential rain from Tropical Storm Eta caused dangerous flooding across Florida’s most densely populated urban areas on Monday after it made landfall in the Florida Keys. Cars were stranded and entire neighborhoods were swamped as flash floods rose in areas where the water had no place to drain.

The system’s wide reach and heavy rains posed a serious threat across South Florida, an area already drenched from more than 14 inches (350 millimeters) of rain last month. Eta could dump an additional 6 to 12 inches (150 to 300 millimeters), forecasters said.

“In some areas, the water isn’t pumping out as fast as it’s coming

in,” warned Miami Dade Commissioner Jose “Pepe” Diaz.

Eta’s center hit land late Sunday as it blew over Lower Matecumbe, in the middle of the chain of small islands that form the Florida Keys. It was moving into the Gulf of Mexico early Monday near where the Everglades meet the sea, with maximum sustained winds of 65 mph (100 kph). It was centered south of Naples, moving west-northwest at 13 mph (20 kph).

Forecasters said it could re-intensify into a minimal hurricane as it slowly moves up the southwest Gulf Coast, centered just far enough offshore to maintain its strength while dumping vast amounts of water across the lower third of the Florida penin-

sula.

Fort Lauderdale Mayor Dean Trantalis called it a 100-year rain event, drenching already saturated streets. City officials dispatched some 24 tanker trucks with giant vacuums to soak up water from the past few weeks, but many were being pulled off the roads as conditions worsened overnight.

Some older neighborhoods simply don’t have any drainage. The city passed out 6,000 sandbags to worried residents over the weekend but water seeped into homes and stranded cars in parking lots and along roadways.

“Once the ground becomes saturated, there’s really no place for the water to go,” Trantalis said. “It’s not like a major hurricane. It’s more of a rain event,

and we’re just doing our best to ensure that the people in our community are being protected.”

A tractor-trailer was left dangling off the elevated Palmetto Expressway in Miami early Monday morning, the Florida Highway Patrol reported. The driver lost control on the rain-slickened road and suffered minor injuries, CBS 4 in Miami reported.

“Please take this storm seriously,” urged Palm Beach County Emergency Management Director Bill Johnson. “Please don’t drive through flooded roadways.”

Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos Gimenez said he was in frequent contact with county water officials about the struggle to drain the flooded waters, which has stalled vehicles,

washed over intersections and crept into some homes.

Firefighters pulled a person from a car that had driven into a canal Sunday night in Lauderhill, Florida, north of Miami. The patient was hospitalized in critical condition, according to a statement from Lauderhill Fire.

In the Florida Keys, the mayor ordered mandatory evacuations for mobile home parks, campgrounds and RV parks and those in low-lying areas. School districts closed, saying the roads were already too flooded and the winds could be too gusty for buses to transport students. But the islands were spared any major damage, and officials expected shelters to close and schools to reopen by Tuesday.

Eta also wasn’t done yet

with Cuba, just 90 miles south of Florida, where the storm continued to swell rivers and flood coastal zones on Monday. Some 25,000 were evacuated with no reports of deaths, but rainfall continued, with total accumulations of up to 25 inches (635 mm) predicted.

Eta initially hit Nicaragua as a Category 4 hurricane before wreaking havoc around Central America. Authorities from Panama to Mexico were still surveying the damage after days of torrential rain. Official death tolls totaled at least 68 people, but hundreds more were missing and many thousands were in shelters after flash floods tore through communities of improvised homes on unstable mountainsides.

# Astronauts prepare for second SpaceX crew flight

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Four astronauts arrived at Kennedy Space Center on Sunday for SpaceX’s second crew launch, coming up next weekend.

For NASA, it marks the long-awaited start of regular crew rotations at the International Space Station, with private companies providing the lifts. There will be double the number of astronauts as the test flight earlier this year, and their mission will last a full six months.

“Make no mistake: Every flight is a test flight when it comes to space travel. But it’s also true that we need to routinely be able to go to the International Space Station,” NASA Administrator Jim Bridenstine said in welcoming the astronauts to Kennedy.

The crew of three Americans and one Japanese are scheduled to rocket away Saturday night, provided approaching Tropical Storm Eta doesn’t interfere. It will be a speedy trip to the space station, a six-orbit express

lasting under nine hours.

The astronauts have named their Dragon capsule Resilience given all the challenges of 2020: coronavirus and social isolation, protests against racial injustice, and a particularly difficult election and campaign season. They have been in quarantine for a week or two and taking safety precautions — masks and social distancing — long before that.

“It’s been a tough year for everybody for a lot of different reasons,” crew commander Mike Hopkins said after flying in from Houston. “We felt like if the name of our vehicle could give a little hope, a little inspiration, put a smile on people’s face, then that is definitely what we wanted to do.”

The four will remain in orbit until spring, when their replacements arrive aboard another SpaceX Dragon capsule. The cargo version of the capsule also will keep making regular deliveries of food and supplies.

SpaceX’s Benji Reed

said the company expects to launch seven Dragons over the next 14 months: three for crew and four for cargo.

“Every time there’s a Dragon launch, there will be two Dragons in space,” said Reed, director of crew mission management.

NASA’s other hired taxi service, meanwhile, Boeing, isn’t expected to fly its first crew until next summer. The company plans a second unpowered test flight in a couple months; the first one suffered so many software problems that the Starliner capsule failed to reach the space station.

NASA turned to private companies for space station deliveries — cargo, then crew — following the shuttle fleet’s retirement in 2011. U.S. astronauts kept hitching rides on Russian rockets at increasingly steep prices. The last Soyuz ticket cost NASA \$90 million.

SpaceX finally ended NASA’s nearly decade-long launch drought for astronauts last May, successfully delivering a

pair of test pilots to the space station from Kennedy for a two-month stay. The returning capsule was scrutinized by SpaceX following its splashdown, resulting in a few changes for this second flight.

Engineers discovered excessive erosion in the heat shield from the searing reentry temperatures; the company shored up the vulnerable section for the upcoming launch, said SpaceX’s Hans Koenigsmann, a vice president. Improvements also were made to the altitude-measuring system for the parachutes, after the chutes opened a little too low on the first astronaut flight. More recently, the Falcon rocket had two engines replaced because of contamination from a red lacquer used in processing. The engine swaps delayed the flight two weeks.

Perhaps the biggest surprise from the first SpaceX crew flight was all the private boats full of gawkers who surrounded the capsule in the Gulf of Mexico following splash-

down in August. Koenigsmann promises a bigger keep-out zone and more patrols for future returns.

The second crew has three veteran fliers and one first-timer:

— Hopkins, 51, is an Air Force colonel and former space station resident who grew up on a hog and cattle farm in Missouri.

— Navy Cmdr. Victor Glover, 44, is the pilot and the lone space rookie; he’s from the Los Angeles area and will be the first African American astronaut to move into the space station for a long stay.

— Shannon Walker, 55, a Houston-born-and-raised physicist, also has lived before on the space station; her husband, retired astronaut Andrew Thomas, helped build the outpost.

— The Japanese Space Agency’s Soichi Noguchi, 55, another former station resident, will become the first person in decades to launch on three kinds of rocketships; he’s already flown on a U.S. space shuttle and Russian Soyuz.

They will join two Russians and one American

who arrived at the space station last month from Kazakhstan.

Hopkins and his crew will ride to the launch pad in Teslas — SpaceX founder Elon Musk’s other company — in spacesuits color-coordinated with the spacecraft. But beneath all the good looks is “lots of amazing capability,” according to Glover.

“It’s a very sleek capsule. But it’s got the advantage of having great leaps in technology since the last time we built spacecraft here in this country,” Walker said in a recent interview with The Associated Press.

Noguchi, who along with Walker joined the crew just this year, is particularly excited about riding a Dragon. In Japan, the dragon is an esteemed mythical creature — “almost a ride to the heaven.”

“It’s quite a privilege to learn how to train the Dragon actually, how to ride a Dragon,” he said. “SpaceX did pretty good job teaching from scratch to dragon rider in six months.”

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Veterans

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open position at Operation Rebuild Hope, that “tugged on (his) heart” a little more, giving him reason to move to Coos County, he said.

Now, as case manager, Pardo spends his time re-navigating many of the systems he went through after leaving the military — but this time, he does it for the nonprofit’s residents. Getting one individual into addiction treatment has been one of the organization’s biggest successes, thanks to Pardo.

“We’ve been able to knock down a lot of barriers,” Pardo said. “I’m busy.”

Even things that seem like they should be simple come with barriers that can be all but impossible to navigate for homeless vet-

erans without a guide like Pardo. Getting into certain treatment programs, for example, requires multiple appointments and legal documents, and the process has to start over if even one of those steps is missing.

Making sure that veterans have the appropriate identification and VA forms all falls in Pardo’s area of expertise, too. He’s working to become a certified case manager during his first year with the nonprofit.

“There’s always forks in the road,” Pardo said. “To help everybody else take the right road, that’s what keeps me going.”

The nonprofit has helped about two dozen veterans so far — though they “never leave Operation Rebuild Hope,” Wright says.

For the nonprofit’s leaders, Bryan’s Home isn’t only about the veterans it’ll be able to house —

it’s about the impact the construction can have on the community, too.

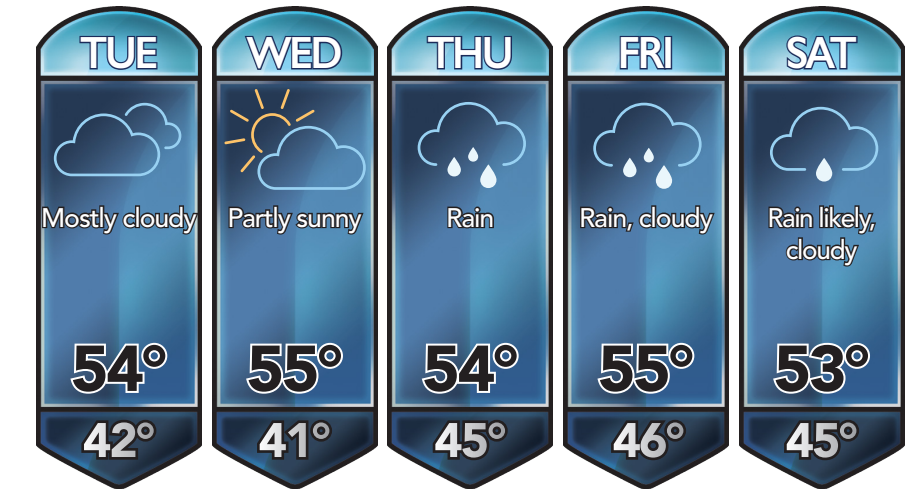
“It’s a community building,” said Angie Archer, ORH’s marketing manager and a veteran of the Air Force.

Many of the materials used to renovate the 150-year-old building and much of the labor involved was donated, Archer said. Whatever wasn’t donated came from local companies, even if out-of-area companies could have been more efficient.

The organization wants the building to have a ripple effect, by keeping the project’s funding within the community, Archer and Wright said. The two grew up in the area and graduated from local high schools.

“Nobody’s going to come into Coos Bay to do it,” Archer said.

While the house is almost



done, there’s still a bit of work to go. The interior doors they’ve ordered, for example, won’t be ready until December unless they can find another supplier.

The nonprofit’s also had a challenging time securing the right funding during the COVID-19 pandemic, Wright said. Some state and nonprofit grants dried up

when the pandemic hit, and others changed their criteria for prioritizing projects.

Now, the group needs around \$30,000 to finish the job. After Bryan’s Home is done, ORH plans to expand its emergency housing to include spaces for women and is in the development process for a tiny home village, the last step in the

organization’s housing plan.

Wright hopes that community members and state grant agencies will recognize the project’s potential value and chip in to the effort.

“It’s not always just what our mission is,” Wright said. “It’s what the value of our mission is to the community.”



**Zack Demars, The World**  
Bryan’s Home will have space for two families. Executive Director Patrick Wright says he has a family of seven that could be ready to move in right away once his crews can finish the project.



**Zack Demars, The World**  
Crews put finishing touches on the kitchen’s ceiling in Bryan’s Home. The industrial kitchen will allow residents to gain experience in a restaurant-style environment that could be applied to jobs, according to Executive Director Patrick Wright.

Green

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the call. Just a few minutes before they arrived, three of those men were trapped inside the vessel’s wheelhouse.

“They were all kind of, you could tell, in shock,” Benavidez said.

The three men owe their survival in large part to Green: An employee at the nearby Russel’s Marine Fuel and Supply, Green saw the sinking vessel and jumped into the water. That was a “high” moment, Green said — one when he felt the adrenaline pushing him to help the men.

“It doesn’t seem like that big of a task until you’re out there doing

it,” Green said.

Once he swam out to the fishing boat, Green began hitting the wheelhouse window with a hammer dozens of times as it filled with water, the three men still inside.

But then, on the deck of the boat, Green hit a low point: His foot got stuck in some of the gear on the deck, and he felt water creeping up his leg. He still couldn’t free his foot.

“It was the minute my foot got stuck, I wanted to get off that boat as bad as they did,” Green said.

Still, Green kept hitting the window. Eventually, he gave up on the hammer, and used his fist instead. With a bloody arm, he’d broken the window open and was able to pull



**Zack Demars, The World**  
Curtis Green holds the certificate and medal he was awarded by the U.S. Coast Guard.

the men through.

That was another “high” moment, he said. “I felt like Oprah Winfrey,” Green said. “‘You get a life! You get a life!’”

With Green’s help, the three men escaped

with only minor cuts and bruises. When Coast Guard leaders heard about Green’s actions that day, they agreed to honor him with the Distinguished Public Service Award, according to Captain Olav Saboe,

the commanding officer at Sector North Bend.

“Curtis (Green) really epitomizes what each and every one of us, that is wearing a coast guard uniform, why we joined,” Saboe told guests at Friday’s ceremony. “It’s to save others — ‘so others may live’ is our unofficial motto, and Curtis definitely exemplified that.”

After the ceremony, Green said he was grateful for the recognition, but was largely focused on the the three men who escaped the boat and the community that came together to help them afterwards. He still connects with the men, he said.

“I’d like to receive this in their honor,” Green told the small crowd of Coast Guard members

and family members.

“They had a lost crab season and stuff, I really appreciate the way the community came together for those fishermen, and I think that even as bad as it was there was so much good that came out of that for our community.”

Noting that many other fishermen in the community would’ve done the same thing, Green said the experience gave him an appreciation for the work of rescue crews and law enforcement (as well as a reason for him to start researching life insurance policies).

“I don’t know if I could do it again,” Green said. “It’s not a job for me. I’ll leave the cold water for these guys.”

School

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put the brakes on sending more kids into classrooms.

Still, district leaders are considering their options.

“I’m cautiously optimistic that we will have our fourth and fifth graders return,” said North Bend School District Superintendent Kevin Bogatin.

Before that can happen, Bogatin says the district has a lot to figure out. District officials have

to make sure that there’s enough space in school buildings for appropriate social distancing, and that heaters and building ventilation systems work well enough to circulate air, even when windows are closed for the winter.

The district also has to focus on teachers, some of whom have concerns about coming back into contact with students and increasing their risk of catching the virus.

“We will be watching the metrics pretty closely over the next few weeks,” he said. “I think

there’s a lot of benefits that our kids get from seeing each other, from seeing their teachers.”

Leaders in that district tentatively announced Nov. 30 as a possible return date for kindergarten through sixth grade, though Bogatin said that’s highly dependent upon what procedures the district can work out and how the county’s health data progresses.

Coos Bay School District leaders haven’t announced any plans for opening more classrooms, but said last week

they’d be reviewing the metrics and the district’s options.

In the Coquille School District, school leaders are hoping to jump on the chance to reopen some grade levels. Coquille Valley Elementary announced a plan Wednesday to allow some fourth- to sixth-grade students to return to in-person classes on a half day schedule.

“The turnaround time is fairly quick as our two week data that says we can open could change on November 13,” principal

Geoff Wetherell and vice principal Maureen Marsh wrote in a letter to Coquille Valley Elementary families. “If we are not open for grades 4-6 by then, the new data could prevent that from taking place.”

The school’s plan allows for families in those grades to choose between students continuing with online learning or spending half of each day in a school classroom.

According to CHW’s Gleason, each new week’s data is highly dependent on whether or

not all county residents are heeding the advice of health officials by wearing masks, socially distancing and avoiding interpersonal gatherings.

“I think it’s going to be imperative that we get the elementary school youth back to where they need to be, Gleason said. “I’m cautiously optimistic that we can make this work, but it is ultimately going to take all of us together as a whole — Coos County needs to work together to make sure that our youth have that opportunity.”

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# Oregon opens with win over Stanford

EUGENE (AP) — While it was admittedly strange without fans in the stands, Oregon quarterback Tyler Shough and the No. 12 Ducks still found motivation in their season opener.

Shough picked up where Justin Herbert left off, throwing for 227 yards and a touchdown and running for another score to lead Oregon to a 35-14 victory over short-handed Stanford on Saturday night.

Stanford was hurt before game even kicked off when it was announced that starting quarterback Davis Mills was unavailable.

Receiver Connor Wedington

and defensive end Trey LaBounty were also listed as unavailable because of COVID-19 testing results and contact tracing protocols. Stanford did not specify whether the players had tested positive, but Wedington said on Twitter that he tested negative.

Shough completed 17 of 26 passes with one interception, and ran for 85 yards, as he assumed the starter's role now that Herbert has moved on to the NFL. With Herbert at quarterback, Oregon went 12-2 last season and won the Rose Bowl over Wisconsin.

In a coronavirus-shortened season, every win will be valu-

able for the Ducks.

"It was really weird running out of the tunnel, without the Duck on the motorcycle," Shough said about the lack of usual game-day festivities at Autzen Stadium. "We had to create our own juice."

CJ Verdell ran for 105 yards and a score for Oregon, which won its 11th straight game at Autzen Stadium, the seventh longest active streak in the nation.

Mills started in six games for the Cardinal last season, throwing for 1,960 yards and 11 touchdowns. He was replaced by backup Jack West, who made his

second career start. Stanford also used freshman Tanner McKee.

West completed 13 of 19 passes for 154 yards for Stanford, which went 4-8 last season to snap a 10-year bowl streak. Austin Jones ran for 100 yards and two touchdowns but Jet Toner missed four field goal attempts.

"We were missing obviously a couple of our starters. Tough to find that out couple hours before the game," Stanford coach David Shaw said. "Once again, coaches made adjustments. Thankfully we didn't have to adjust too many things. Jack West stepped in as starting quarterback and run our operation."

After Toner's first attempt was off, Stanford took the early lead on Jones' 4-yard touchdown run.

Oregon answered on the ensuing drive with Verdell's 10-yard scoring run. Verdell is the Pac-12's top returning running back with 1,220 rushing yards last season. Shough found Mycah Pittman with a 44-yard pass on the scoring drive.

Toner's 40-yard attempt in the second quarter went wide left before Oregon pulled in front on Shough's 5-yard touchdown pass to DJ Johnson.

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## Elliott races to NASCAR crown

AVONDALE, Ariz. (AP) — The new face of NASCAR circled Phoenix Raceway for a celebratory lap of his finest achievement. Chase Elliott, NASCAR's most popular driver, was now a Cup champion, too.

He came upon teammate Jimmie Johnson, who banged doors with Elliott. Then the seven-time champion, in his final race, gave Elliott a fist bump.

The torch has officially been passed.

This is NASCAR's Camelot. Elliott did what Dale Earnhardt Jr. could not and parlayed the popularity gleamed off his Hall of Fame father into a NASCAR championship. The son of "Awesome Bill from Dawsonville" Georgia solidified himself as the new face of Hendrick Motorsports, of Chevrolet and of NASCAR on the day the greatest driver of this generation called it a career.

Elliott drove from the back of the field to victory lane at Phoenix to win for Hendrick and Chevrolet, which had been shut out of the title race since Johnson won his seventh and final crown in 2016.

"I just never would have thought that this year would have gone like it has," Elliott said. "I mean, NASCAR Cup Series champion, are you kidding me? Unreal."

He shared a long hug with Johnson, who joined Elliott for the victory celebration.

"Oh my gosh, I mean, to share a moment like that, Jimmie's last race, to win and lock the championship," said Elliott, "those are moments you can only dream, you know, and this is a dream."

"Just hoping I don't ever wake up."

Elliott's car failed pre-race inspection and the penalty cost him the pole when he was sent to the rear. But he raced his way through traffic in the first stage and then took control of the championship. Elliott led seven times for a race-high 153 laps.

Johnson finished fifth — his best result since August — in his final ride in Hendrick's No. 48 Chevrolet.

"My heart is full," said Johnson, who is tied with Hall of Famers Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt with seven titles. His 83 victories rank sixth on the career wins list and his stretch of five consecutive titles from 2006-2010 is a NASCAR record.

Asked what he will remember about his 686th race, Johnson said it will be Elliott's breakthrough.

"Chase Elliott won his first championship. I'm so happy for that guy," he said. "I can recall going snowboarding with Bill out in Colorado and Chase was maybe 8 years old on skis, super quiet, wouldn't say much."

"To watch him grow up and to be around him and to give him some advice from time to time has really been meaningful for me. I think more about him winning a championship more than anything."

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John Gunther Photos, The World

Myrtle Point quarterback Luke Nicholson waits for the snap during a scrimmage against Reedsport on Friday night.

## Football teams get night under the lights

JOHN GUNTHER

The World

COOS BAY — In a normal year, Friday night might have marked the start of the football playoffs for South Coast schools.

This year, thrown out of normalcy by the COVID-19 pandemic, it marked the start of any football competition for five South Coast schools.

Marshfield, North Bend, Reedsport, Myrtle Point and Brookings-Harbor gathered at Pete Susick Stadium for a seven-on-seven jamboree, each meeting the other four teams in 25-minute scrimmages.

For at least one week in 2020, it was football under the Friday night lights.

"It's great to be back," said North Bend coach Gary Prince. "The best thing is being able to hang out with the kids again."

That was a common perspective.

New Reedsport head coach Bill Shaw said he only had a few days of practice for his group, but was pleased 24 showed up.

"I can't say how much I appreciate Marshfield and North Bend hosting this stuff and letting our kids get out to do something," he said.



North Bend receiver Konnor Jelinek focuses before running a route during Friday's jamboree.

The schools plan to get together seven more times at Marshfield and North Bend as part of the second portion of the fall season, which also includes boys and girls soccer for Marshfield and North Bend and basketball skills competitions that also will include other schools.

As with the first part of the fall, fans will not be allowed because of the ongoing pandemic.

The seven-on-seven variety of football includes just a quarterback and receivers against defenders. The quarterback has a limited amount of time to pass

the ball and cannot run it. Coaches hope to add lineman competitions in the coming weeks — for now those position players are working out with the rest of the team, but not participating in the jamborees.

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## Luton is solid in first NFL start for Jacksonville

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Jake Luton's first NFL start won't be his last. The Jacksonville Jaguars don't think it will be his best, either.

The sixth-round draft pick from Oregon State could end up supplanting Gardner Minshew (thumb) for the rest of the season. Coach Doug Marrone certainly liked what he saw from the rookie in a 27-25 loss to Houston on Sunday.

"I was impressed with a lot of things," Marrone said. "I thought he made some really nice throws. I thought there's some that obviously he'd like to have back. When it's your first time starting and you're down by a score and a 2-point conversion and lead your team down the field to potentially tie the game, I think

that's another checkmark.

"There's a lot of checkmarks."

Luton completed 26 of 38 passes for 304 yards, including a perfectly placed, 73-yard touchdown pass to DJ Chark on the game's opening possession. He became the first rookie in franchise history to top 300 yards passing in his first start.

His strong arm was evident. His athleticism was surprising. Luton scrambled for 13 yards to make it a two-point game with 1:39 remaining. He stiff-armed rookie Jon Greenard and then spun away from Keion Crossen and into the end zone.

"I wouldn't say it's my strength, but it's something I can do," Luton said. "It's not something I choose to do, but when the opportunity arises, I'm going

to try to go out and make a play with my feet and was able to do that. It was fun. It was pretty cool to have that play."

He took more pride in the stiff arm.

"The spin move, I didn't really know what I doing," Luton said. "I was trying to make something happen."

His day wasn't all good, though.

Luton threw an interception and had a fumble that a teammate recovered. But those were somewhat expected, especially considering he was playing against Texans star J.J. Watt, who notched his 100th career sack in Houston's sixth straight victory in the series.

Luton also had a chance to tie the game, but his 2-point conver-

sion pass to Chark landed at the receiver's feet in the end zone.

"It was just a bad ball," Luton said. "Really no other excuse for it."

Still, the Jaguars saw enough to think Luton has something they can build around.

"It's just being comfortable and confident in himself," said James Robinson, who ran 25 times for 99 yards and a score. "He showed everyone that he can do that, so I like it going forward."

Added Chark, who finished with seven catches for a season-high 146 yards: "He stepped into a divisional game and he never showed any nerves. He just played football and did what was

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# Johnson finishes fifth in final NASCAR race

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Jimmie Johnson strode into the final news conference of his NASCAR career wearing a black hat with “One Final Shot” on the front. Told he was the first driver in the room after Sunday’s race at Phoenix Raceway, the seven-time Cup champion had a quick response.

“I won something this year,” he said. Johnson closed out one of the greatest careers in NASCAR history by finishing fifth at Phoenix — first among the drivers not in the Cup playoffs.

The 45-year-old spent some of the final moments in his No. 48 car pumping his fist and shouting from the window at Hendricks Motorsports teammate Chase Elliott after the 24-year-old won his first Cup championship.

After his final news conference, Johnson tossed cans of beer to his crew and toasted former crew chief Chad Knaus back out on the track.

A solid finish to a stellar career. “It was nice to be competitive out there, but my bucket’s full,” Johnson said. “NASCAR has been so wonderful for me. This journey has been more than I could have dreamed of or expected. Last couple years weren’t as I would have dreamed up, but I’ve experienced the highest of highs and worked with the greatest of people.”

Johnson announced last year this would be his final NASCAR season so he could spend more time with family, run a partial IndyCar season next year and pursue other ways to keep the adrenaline flowing.

Knaus also ran his final race Sunday -- he’s moving to an executive role with Hendricks Motorsports -- as did Clint Bowyer, who finished 24th.

Bowyer is headed to the Fox Sports booth after 15 full Cup seasons and 10 career wins. A former Xfinity Series

## Cindric captures Xfinity Series title

AVONDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Austin Cindric charged on fresh tires to his first NASCAR championship with a gutsy overtime drive Saturday to win the Xfinity Series finale at Phoenix Raceway.

Cindric was already headed toward the win when title-favorite Chase Briscoe spun with six laps remaining. It brought out a caution that forced Cindric and Team Penske into a bold race-deciding strategy call.

Cindric handed contender Justin Allgaier the lead by pitting for new tires, a call that dropped Cindric to third for the two-lap overtime shootout. Cindric didn’t once sweat the decision because he’d played loose headed into the finale after a disappointing playoffs.

“You’d think I’d be nervous this entire weekend, but given how important this race was for me and my team I was happy to be here, happy to be racing for a championship and that mentality has paid off,” Cindric said. “I’ve been points racing for the last six weeks and I got to drive my (butt) off for one day.”

Allgaier had taken new tires on the previous pit stop — he and Cindric were on opposite strategies — and Allgaier restarted as the leader. He chose the top lane and Cindric chose to start up there, too, right behind Allgaier.

Cindric had to first wrestle with Noah Gragson, Allgaier’s JR Motorsports teammate, for position before he got his shot at Allgaier. Gragson moved to

champion, he won races for Chevrolet, Toyota and then Ford after replacing Hall of Famer Tony Stewart in the No. 14 when he retired in 2016.

A solid career, just not like Johnson’s.

the lead and then Cindric bounced off Allgaier as the two took the white flag.

Cindric cleared Allgaier and, even though he didn’t have to win the race to win the title, he chased down Gragson for extra measure.

It was Cindric’s sixth win of the season but first of what had been an underwhelming playoffs. He wasn’t as strong as Briscoe during the playoffs but quickly showed Saturday the No. 22 Ford was legitimate.

Cindric led 72 laps and was in control until Briscoe’s spin. His victory gave Team Penske one championship on the weekend with a shot for one more. Brad Keselowski and Joey Logano race in the Cup Series’ final four Sunday.

“This thing came to life lap one,” said Cindric.

Cindric celebrated by standing atop his Ford boldly waving the championship banner. The 22-year-old is not moving up to Cup next season because of Penske’s long-term planning. He’ll run a handful of Cup races, compete for a second Xfinity Series title, and move to Wood Brothers Racing to drive the No. 21 in Cup in 2022.

He’s the son of Team Penske President Tim Cindric, but said he’s come a long way on his own merit. Cindric before this season was winless on ovals — a road course ace, if you will — but his Phenix victory was his fourth oval win of the season.

Johnson and Knaus teamed up to dominate NASCAR for more than a decade in the No. 48, pulling in a record-tying seven championships, including a staggering stretch of five straight. Hall of Famers Rich-

ard Petty and Dale Earnhardt are the only other drivers with seven championships.

Labeled boring early in his career, Johnson proved to be anything but, becoming a popular pitchman, fan favorite and one of the most well-liked drivers on the circuit.

When Johnson’s final race was over, the respect was evident as crewmembers from every team lined the wall to high five the popular driver before he rides off into the sunset.

“That respect from my peers and respect from my industry is something I’ll never, ever forget,” Johnson said. “.”

Johnson clinched his final title in 2016 and won his last race the following year, putting his career-ending winless streak at three years after Sunday’s race at Phoenix. He failed to reach the playoffs his final season in part because of a positive COVID-19 test in June that caused him to miss the first of 685 Cup races.

Johnson led 103 combined laps in 36 races this season -- none at Phoenix.

He started 26th in his career finale and gradually worked his way toward the front at a track where he’s won four times.

Johnson cracked the top 10 after about 100 laps and was third around 140 laps before a round of green-flag pit stops dropped him to ninth.

He rallied to finish fifth for his ninth top-10 of his final season, first since Dover in August.

“It definitely feels good to run well in my final race here,” Johnson said. “I’ve got a tent full of family and friends back there. I didn’t have too much riding on making sure I had a good run here because I always plan to run well in my head, I always feel like I should.”

He almost always did, a big reason why Johnson will go down as one of the greatest drivers in NASCAR history.

# No spectatators means no roars at the Masters this week

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — The roars were endless Sunday at the Masters, coming from everywhere for just about everyone.

One moment stood out in 2011.

From below the rise of the fairway on the par-5 eighth hole, it sounded like a sonic boom. That was an eagle cheer coming from the green, no doubt. But for whom?

“Tiger Woods just came through,” a marshal said, and thus ended the mystery.

But it didn’t end there.

Woods, who started that final round seven shots out of the lead, now was tied for the lead. Moments later, as Woods headed to the ninth tee, another cheer rang out from the 18th green. And then, another one down by Amen Corner. And then a third cheer in the direction of the 15th green.

More birdies? Eagles? No, it was the crowd scattered across the golf course responding to seeing scoreboards change as Woods moved into a tie for the lead. He couldn’t keep it going. That was the year eight players had at least a

share of the lead at some point on the back nine until Charl Schwartzel finished with four straight birdies.

An incredible day. Amazing atmosphere.

And now, silence.

This Masters in November will be missing the patrons because of the COVID-19 pandemic and missing the very essence of what makes Augusta National so magical.

“It echoes there. It travels,” Woods said. “It’s unlike any place in the world.”

Woods has heard his share. He probably can still hear the lustrous chants of “Tiger! Tiger!” after he celebrated a fifth and most unlikely Masters victory last year. Or the change in pitch from anticipation to letdown to delirium when his chip on the 16th hole in 2005 trickled down the hill, stopped for a full second on the brim of the cup until gravity took over and the ball dropped for a birdie.

Ask what one moment stood out and it wasn’t even for him.

He was paired in the final round with Davis Love III in 1998. Right behind

them was 58-year-old Jack Nicklaus, making an early charge, chipping in for birdie on No. 3.

“The roars were so much louder. Those were Nicklaus roars,” Woods said. “And that’s what I had grown up watching and got a chance to experience in person.”

Nicklaus had company in producing a cheer that Phil Mickelson still remembers. It was the second round of 1991. Mickelson, the 20-year-old U.S. Amateur champion, opened with a 69 and was on the 18th green.

“Tom Watson and Jack Nicklaus were playing together and on the 16th green, one of them made the putt from down below to the front right up-on-top pin. And the place erupted to the point where the ground actually shook and you could feel the vibrations in my feet,” Mickelson said.

“And moments later, the other player — I don’t know who putted first between Tom and Jack — made the same putt and the place erupted again,” he said. “That was my first Masters.”

A charge even more stunning than Woods in 2011 — which also fell short — was Jordan Spieth in 2018. He started the final round nine shots behind, and his birdie on the 16th put him at 9-under for the day and tied with Patrick Reed. Along for the ride that day was Justin Thomas, friends with Spieth since they were teenagers.

“I made about a 35-footer and that was the loudest roar I’ve ever heard in my life. It felt like the ground was moving. It was insane,” Thomas said. “I’m getting goose-bumps just thinking about it, talking about it. It was unreal.”

Louis Oosthuizen could hear better than he could see when in 2012 he became the only player to make an albatross on the par-5 second hole, holing a 4-iron from 253 yards. He never saw the ball go in the hole, but he saw the people.

And he could hear them. “I remember seeing it go up and disappearing behind the bunker,” he said. “Then I remember looking at the people. You can see the

front row get up from their seat, and then everyone erupted. It’s something I’ll always see in my mind.”

Nick Price could only see a putter. But, oh, that sound.

He was coming off the first 63 in Masters history in the third round of 1986, putting him in the final group with Greg Norman. Both were struggling midway through the back nine in a year when a half-dozen players had a chance to win. One of them was the 46-year-old Nicklaus, who took the lead with a birdie putt on the 17th.

“The cheers were going up all over the place. Honestly, the atmosphere was electric. I don’t have the superlatives to describe it,” Price said. “Norman and I were walking off 15 tee, walking past 17 green, when Jack holed that putt. We couldn’t see too well with all the people, so all we saw was the putter go up in the air. And the roar ... it was deafening.”

The sound is different for eagles than birdies. Anything around the 16th hole on Sunday with the pin below the ridge can only mean a hole-in-one.

And when the roars are for Nicklaus or Palmer, Woods or Mickelson, it’s a different decibel.

Rory McIlroy remembers his first Masters. It was 2009, and the 19-year-old from Northern Ireland made a respectable debut. That was the year Woods and Mickelson were paired together in the final round, the undercard to another pulsating finish.

“I was coming down 15, and Tiger and Phil were coming up 7,” McIlroy said. “They went out in 30 and 33. It was my first Masters, I remember being on the back nine, the roars and cheers, they were six deep on either side.”

And then his thoughts turned to November, an autumn Masters.

A quiet Masters. “The way I see it, every hole at Augusta will be like what we experience on the 12th green,” McIlroy said. That green is some 150 yards away from the nearest spectator, most of it hidden by bunkers.

“You hole a putt, people can’t see if it goes in,” he said. “Every year we experience one hole like that. But not the other 17.”

## Timbers draw in finale, finish third in West

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jorge Villafana scored in the 90th minute, and the Portland Timbers played to a 1-1 draw against LAFC on Sunday as both teams wrapped up the regular season bound for the playoffs.

LAFC’s Diego Rossi claimed the league’s Golden Boot with 14 goals in the coronavirus-shortened season. He had a chance to up his final total against the Timbers, but he hit the

post twice.

LAFC (9-8-5) finished seventh in the Western Conference standings and will visit Minnesota United in the opening round of the playoffs. The Timbers (11-6-6) finished third and will host FC Dallas.

The Timbers headed into Decision Day vying for the top spot in the West with the Seattle Sounders and Sporting Kansas City. Portland was atop the table

but dropped with a 1-0 loss to Colorado on Wednesday.

Carlos Vela made his first start since Aug. 22 and scored on a rebound goal in the fifth minute. Vela was working his way back from an MCL injury.

Portland’s best chance before Villafana’s header came in the 80th minute, when Diego Valeri was unmarked in the box, but his shot was stopped by LAFC goalkeeper Kenneth Vermeer.

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“They’re working on fundamental drills, strength drills, agility drills,” Marshfield coach John Lemmons said.

The goals are the same, whether it’s the linemen or the quarterbacks and receivers.

“We’re just trying to get better at the little things,”

For the first time out, Lemmons and the other coaches were pretty good.

“I thought the kids did pretty well,” Lemmons said.

Prince said seven-on-seven goes back to the basics — pre-snap and post-snap reads of the de-

fense for the quarterbacks and running precise routes and catching the ball for the receivers.

“We had fun,” he said. “We just want to see if we can get better between now and next Thursday.”

Marshfield and North Bend didn’t start focusing on football until after the first portion of the fall season, which included baseball and softball, outside volleyball and track and field.

Myrtle Point, meanwhile, has been having practices for each of its sports seasons on a different day each week, but hadn’t had any competitions before Friday.

And then there was Reedsport, which only

finalized plans a few days before the first jamboree.

“A week ago, I didn’t think my kids were going to be able to do anything,” Shaw said. “We had three days of practice, nothing under the lights.”

But he was thrilled for the opportunity.

“I’m excited about where we’re headed,” Shaw said.

The teams had mixed success for the first time out. After they were done with the final scrimmage of the night, players from Marshfield and North Bend, good friends from rival schools, visited for a while.

“They’re all friends,” Lemmons said. “It’s good to just see kids out doing stuff again.”

## NASCAR

From B1

Elliott, who turns 25 later this month, has followed his father’s footsteps. Bill Elliott won the 1988 championship and 16 times was voted by the fans NASCAR’s most popular driver.

Chase Elliott became the fan favorite in 2018 after Earnhardt Jr. retired. He’s the first most popular driver to win the championship since his father won his only title.

The Elliotts joined Lee and Richard Petty and Ned and Dale Jarrett as just the third father-son combination to win a NASCAR Cup title. The Elliotts, along with Hall of Famer Tim Flock, are the only three drivers from Georgia to win the title.

Hendrick Motorsports extended its NASCAR record with a 13th championship.

Elliott passed Joey Logano with 42 laps remaining and pulled away in a race Elliott controlled even as the four title contenders ran 1-2-3-4 most of the afternoon. Elliott had charged through the field during the first stage to clump the four contend-

ers in the winner-take-all season finale.

It was Elliott’s fifth win of the season, trailing only Kevin Harvick (nine) and Denny Hamlin (seven). Elliott’s win at Martinsville last week not only locked him into the final four, but eliminated regular-season champion Harvick.

“I felt like we took some really big strides this year, and last week was a huge one,” said Elliott, who also won the All-Star race at Bristol. “To come out of that with a win and a shot to come here and have a chance to race is unbelievable.”

Elliott beat Brad Keselowski, who was followed by Team Penske teammate Logano and then Hamlin, who is now 0 for 4 in title races. Hamlin is considered along with Hall of Famer Mark Martin the best driver without a Cup title.

“No one has won more than we have over the last two years. Pretty proud what this team is doing,” Hamlin said. “We’ll come back and do it again next year.”

Hamlin was the only driver among the final four not to lead a lap at Phoenix, where he won last November.

Logano led 125 laps, but

most of them early.

“It stings not winning, I’m not going to lie. It hurts,” he said.

Keselowski had been holding out hope for a late caution to set up a short sprint to the finish, which is how both the Truck Series and Xfinity Series titles were decided the previous two nights.

“I would have loved to have raced it out,” Keselowski said. “We just didn’t get any yellows.”

The race had just four total cautions, three of them scheduled breaks. It made Elliott’s coronation look easy.

The race completed NASCAR’s frenzied 38-race schedule that was overhauled because of the pandemic. The season was suspended five days after NASCAR raced at Phoenix in March, a race won by Logano, and the engines idled for 10 weeks.

But facing crippling financial losses to the teams and the industry, NASCAR was one of the first sports to resume competition. NASCAR went racing again May 17 and used doubleheaders, midweek races and a massive scheduling shuffle to complete the season for all three of its national series.







# New Orleans, Brees dominate Tampa Bay

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Drew Brees threw for 222 yards and four touchdowns, regaining the NFL career TD pass lead and lifting the New Orleans Saints into first place in the NFC South with a 38-3 rout of Tom Brady and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Sunday night.

The three-time defending division champions won their fifth straight game, intercepting Brady three times and completing a season sweep of the Bucs (6-3).

The Saints (6-2) weren’t perfect — turning the ball over twice themselves — however the offense was extremely efficient with receivers Michael Thomas and Emmanuel Sanders back in the lineup, and the defense played its best game of the season.

Brees was 26-of-32 passing, including first-half TD throws of 14 yards to Tre’Quan Smith, 8 yards to Adam Trautman and 12 yards to Sanders, who missed the previous two games while on the COVID-19 list. The 41-year-old added a 3-yarder to Josh Hill to make it 38-0 with just over nine minutes remaining.

Brees regained the league career TD pass lead with 564, three more than the 43-year-old Brady, who had thrown for 17 touchdowns and just one interception over his previous six games. **BILLS 44, SEAHAWKS 34:** Josh Allen regained his early season groove by throwing three touchdown passes and rushing for a score, leading the Bills to the victory.

Buffalo’s defense played a major role in rattling Seattle’s Russell Wilson, who was sacked five times, threw two interceptions and lost two fumbles.

Buffalo (7-2) matched its best record through nine games since 1993, a season that ended with the Jim Kelly-led Bills making their fourth consecutive Super Bowl appearance.

Allen — playing one day after the death of his grandmother — finished 31 of 38 and equaled a career best with 415 yards passing. The Bills’ offense came alive after Allen combined for just 846 yards passing and five touchdowns — including one rushing — in splitting the previous four

games. The Seahawks (6-2) blew an opportunity to match to match their best record through eight games. They were 7-1 in 2013. Seattle became the NFL’s sixth team to score 25 or more points in each of its first eight games, but was undone by turnovers and a defense that surrendered 420 yards.

**DOLPHINS 34, CARDINALS 31:** Tua Tagovailoa threw for 248 yards and two touchdowns in his second NFL start and Miami rallied in the fourth quarter to beat Arizona.

Miami (5-3) has won four straight. The Cardinals (5-3) had their three-game winning streak snapped.

The 22-year-old Tagovailoa was on the winning end of an action-packed duel with Arizona quarterback Kyler Murray, who finished with 283 yards and three touchdowns. Murray also had 106 yards rushing on 11 carries.

Arizona’s Zane Gonzalez was short on a 49-yard field goal attempt that would have tied the game with 1:53 left.

Tagovailoa was more productive in his second start after throwing for 93 yards against the Rams last week. He showed great poise during two scoring drives in the fourth quarter. The left-hander also made some plays with his feet, extending drives with scrambles. He finished with 35 yards rushing.

**CHIEFS 33, PANTHERS 31:** Patrick Mahomes threw for 372 yards and four touchdowns, Travis Kelce and Tyreek Hill each went over 100 yards receiving, and Kansas City held on to beat Carolina when Joey Slye missed a 67-yard field-goal attempt wide right on the final play.

The Chiefs (8-1) were left clinging to the lead when Christian McCaffrey, just back from his ankle injury, scored from a yard out with 1:26 to go. The Panthers’ outside kick was recovered by Kansas City, but they used their three timeouts to get the ball back, and Teddy Bridgewater’s 23-yard pass to Curtis Samuel with 9 seconds remaining gave them hope.

Carolina (3-6) tried to get a bit closer with a pass to McCaffrey, but the incomplection brought on Slye, who had plenty of leg with the wind behind him. His kick dropped just outside the uprights, though, allowing the Chiefs to escape.

Slye also missed a 65-yard attempt late in a 27-24 loss to New Orleans in Week 7.

McCaffrey finished with 18 carries for 69 yards and a touchdown while catching 10 passes for 82 yards and another score. Bridgewater threw for 310 yards and two TDs with Samuel catching nine balls for 105 yards and the other score.

**STEELERS 24, COWBOYS 19:** Ben Roethlisberger threw all three of his touchdown passes after shrugging off a

knee injury, rallying Pittsburgh past Dallas.

Pittsburgh is 8-0 for the first time in the storied franchise’s history despite an upset bid from the Cowboys, who were the biggest underdogs they’ve been at home in at least 31 years.

Garrett Gilbert was the fourth different starting quarterback in five games for Dallas (2-7), throwing a touchdown pass in his first career start and bringing some life to the offense for a team that lost its fourth straight game without Dak Prescott.

The Steelers erased a 10-point deficit in the fourth quarter with three scoring drives, the last two aided by Dallas penalties that kept drives alive. The go-ahead score was an 8-yarder to Eric Ebron with 2:14 remaining.

**RAVENS 24, COLTS 10:** Lamar Jackson turned up the tempo in the second half, and Baltimore broke the NFL record for consecutive 20-point games in its win over Indianapolis.

After Gus Edwards’ 1-yard plunge gave Baltimore the lead midway through the third quarter, Jackson sealed the win with a 9-yard TD run.

The Ravens (6-2) have scored 20 or more points 31 straight times — breaking a tie with Denver, which set the mark from 2012-14.

Baltimore has won 10 straight road games, the league’s longest active streak, and earned the franchise’s first win at Indianapolis in seven tries. The Ravens also had lost 20 straight games when trailing at halftime.

It was the first home loss for Indy (5-3) this season.

And, not surprisingly, the league’s reigning MVP turned the game this time by starting the second half with no-huddle against a stingy Colts defense. It changed everything after a sluggish first half in which the Ravens’ defense kept them in the game.

**TITANS 24, BEARS 17:** Ryan Tannehill threw two touchdown passes, and Tennessee never trailed as it beat Chicago to snap a two-game skid.

The Titans (6-2) avoided their longest skid since Tannehill took over as starting quarterback and stayed atop the AFC South going into Thursday night’s division showdown against Indianapolis.

They got big help from an undermanned and struggling defense missing three-time Pro Bowl linebacker Jadeveon Clowney with an injured knee.

Cornerback Desmond King picked up a fumble and ran 63 yards for a TD only days after the Titans picked up the 2018 All-Pro from the Chargers for a sixth-round pick. King didn’t join Tennessee until Saturday after clearing COVID-19 testing protocols and put the Titans up 17-0 late in the third quarter.

The Bears (5-4) came in trailing Green Bay in the NFC North dealing with their own

injuries and COVID-19 issues. Chicago lost its third straight despite the defense coming up with three sacks and holding the NFL’s fifth-best offense to a season-low 228 yards.

**VIKINGS 34, LIONS 20:** Dalvin Cook kept his brilliant season rolling by rushing for a career-high 206 yards and two scores on 22 carries, leading Minnesota past Detroit.

Kirk Cousins threw for three touchdowns — two to tight end Irv Smith Jr. — in his second straight turnover-free performance for the Vikings (3-5), who averaged 8.9 yards per play on the way to their first home win this season.

Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford, who didn’t practice all week due to coronavirus exposure protocols, left the game in the fourth quarter for concussion evaluation after taking a knee to the head during a sack. He was picked off on consecutive possessions in the third quarter, first at the Minnesota 12 and then in the end zone. Chase Daniel threw another interception after taking over.

The show again belonged to Cook, though, with his predecessor Adrian Peterson watching from the opposite sideline. Cook, whom Peterson admiringly called “a lethal weapon” this week, has 478 yards and six touchdowns from scrimmage in two games since missing one with a groin injury.

Peterson had eight carries for 29 yards while again dropping behind rookie D’Andre Swift in the pecking order for the Lions (3-5), who lost their ninth straight division game and are 2-13 against the NFC North under coach Matt Patricia. He’s 0-5 against the Vikings.

**FALCONS 34, BRONCOS 27:** Matt Ryan took advantage of Denver’s thin secondary to throw three touchdown passes and Atlanta turned back Denver’s bid for a second consecutive comeback.

Ryan completed 25 of 35 passes for 284 yards with one interception. Atlanta (3-6) improved to 3-1 under interim coach Raheem Morris.

Atlanta led 20-3 at halftime. Drew Lock threw two touchdown passes and ran for a 10-yard score in the final quarter that made it 34-27. With Atlanta leading by seven points, the Broncos (3-5) took the ball at their 20 with 44 seconds remaining and no timeouts. Following three incompleitions by Lock, a fumbled snap ended the possession.

One week after throwing three fourth-quarter touchdown passes in a win over the Chargers, Lock tried to spark another rally. With Atlanta leading 27-6, Lock threw a 20-yard scoring pass to Jerry Jeudy early in the fourth quarter. On Denver’s next possession, Lock was under pressure when he overthrew Jeudy and was intercepted by Ricardo Allen, who returned the ball 20 yards to the Denver 12.

NFL Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE						
East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	6	2	0	.750	198	199
Miami	4	3	0	.571	188	130
New England	2	5	0	.286	136	167
N.Y. Jets	0	8	0	.000	94	238
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	5	2	0	.714	198	136
Tennessee	5	2	0	.714	208	184
Houston	1	6	0	.143	166	217
Jacksonville	1	6	0	.143	154	220
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	7	0	0	1.000	211	142
Baltimore	5	2	0	.714	203	132
Cleveland	5	3	0	.625	206	237
Cincinnati	2	5	1	.313	194	214
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	7	1	0	.875	253	152
Las Vegas	4	3	0	.571	187	203
Denver	3	4	0	.429	147	183
L.A. Chargers	2	5	0	.286	179	185
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	3	4	1	.438	186	205
Washington	2	5	0	.286	133	165
Dallas	2	6	0	.250	185	266
N.Y. Giants	1	6	0	.143	122	174
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	5	2	0	.714	206	197
Tampa Bay	5	2	0	.714	222	142
Carolina	3	5	0	.375	179	193
Atlanta	2	6	0	.250	209	224
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	5	2	0	.714	219	187
Chicago	5	3	0	.625	161	166
Detroit	3	4	0	.429	177	206
Minnesota	2	5	0	.286	183	214
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	6	1	0	.857	240	199
Arizona	5	2	0	.714	203	146
L.A. Rams	5	3	0	.625	193	152
San Francisco	4	4	0	.500	208	173

Thursday's Game

Green Bay 34, San Francisco 17

Sunday's Games

Atlanta 34, Denver 27

Baltimore 24, Indianapolis 10

Buffalo 44, Seattle 34

Houston 27, Jacksonville 25

Kansas City 33, Carolina 31

Minnesota 34, Detroit 20

N.Y. Giants 23, Washington 20

Tennessee 24, Chicago 17

Las Vegas 31, L.A. Chargers 26

Miami 34, Arizona 31

Pittsburgh 24, Dallas 19

New Orleans 38, Tampa Bay 3

Open: Cincinnati, Cleveland, L.A. Rams, Philadelphia

Monday's Game

New England at N.Y. Jets, late

Thursday, Nov. 12

Indianapolis at Tennessee, 5:20 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 15

Houston at Cleveland, 10 a.m.

Jacksonville at Green Bay, 10 a.m.

Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, 10 a.m.

Tampa Bay at Carolina, 10 a.m.

Washington at Detroit, 10 a.m.

Buffalo at Arizona, 1:05 p.m.

Denver at Las Vegas, 1:05 p.m.

L.A. Chargers at Miami, 1:05 p.m.

Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 1:25 p.m.

San Francisco at New Orleans, 1:25 p.m.

Seattle at L.A. Rams, 1:25 p.m.

Baltimore at New England, 5:20 p.m.

Open: Kansas City, N.Y. Jets, Atlanta, Dallas

Monday, Nov. 16

Minnesota at Chicago, 5:15 p.m.

Two plays later, Todd Gurley’s 4-yard scoring run extended Atlanta’s lead to 34-13.

**GIANTS 23, WASHINGTON 20:** Daniel Jones completed his longest pass of the season, didn’t turn the ball over and New York held on to beat Washington.

Jones was 23 of 34 for 212 yards, including a 50-yard connection with Austin Mack

and a touchdown pass to Evan Engram to build a 17-point halftime lead. The Giants (2-7) attempted to run things out in the second half and survived a couple of touchdown drives led by Alex Smith, who replaced injured Washington quarterback Kyle Allen.

Smith connected with Terry McLaurin on a 68-yard score, his first TD pass in 728 days.

# Chargers again come up just short of victory

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — For maybe two blissful minutes after the final whistle, the Los Angeles Chargers actually thought they had something to celebrate.

Justin Herbert had thrown an end-zone fade pass to Donald Parham Jr., who was inbounded with the ball in his hands before he fell to the turf with no time on the clock.

The officials raised their arms for a touchdown, and the Chargers went nuts. After a season of historic collapses and heart-breaking defeats, the Bolts had a stunning comeback victory over the Las Vegas Raiders.

“We were geeked up on the sideline, thinking that was it, and we did what we had to do to put the game away,” Chargers running back Kalen Ballage said Sunday. “And out of nowhere, we weren’t even paying attention, and we saw them celebrating. We were, like, ‘What? What are you talking about? What



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## 515 Employment Opps

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## 999 Legal Notices

A VIRTUAL regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Central Lincoln PUD will be held on November 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at Central Lincoln's Newport office located at 2129 N. Coast Hwy where board members plan attend in person. In addition to regular business, the Board will hear from staff in response to the FY20 audit, review a report detailing Central Lincoln's property tax payments, discuss employee health care benefits as well as hear an energy efficiency program report. The board will also review its governance policies and related financial & dashboard data, and consider approving a declaration of surplus fiber; and may discuss other business as it arises at this meeting. To review the meeting agenda, please go to [clpud.org](http://clpud.org). Customers interested in attending the meeting virtually can email [info@clpud.org](mailto:info@clpud.org) to make a request.  
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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: GERALD ROY LANTTO, Decedent. Case No.: 20PB07488  
**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed 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 for the personal representative, Stebbins & Coffey, P.O. Box 1006, North Bend, Oregon 97459. Dated and first published November 10, 2020.  
David Lantto, Personal Representative  
Published: Nov. 10, 17, & 24, 2020  
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## 999 Legal Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
FOR THE STATE OF  
OREGON  
FOR THE COUNTY OF  
COOS  
**JAMES SHEETS AND  
YVONNE SHEETS, Plaintiffs,  
vs.  
THE ESTATE OF  
ELIZABETH FRIEND, and  
all other persons or parties  
claiming interest in the real  
property described in the  
Complaint Herein, Defen-  
dants.**  
Case No.: 20CV34625  
**SUMMONS**

**TO: The Estate of Elizabeth Friend, and all other persons or parties claiming interest in the real property described as follows:**  
All of the: Northeast One Quarter (NE ¼) of the Southwest One Quarter (SW ¼) of the Northeast One Quarter (NE ¼) of Section Thirty-One (31), Township Twenty-Eight (28) South, Range Fourteen (14) West of the Willamette Meridian County of Coos, State of Oregon. Plaintiffs James Sheets and Yvonne Sheets bring this action to quiet title to the above referenced property. You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled cause within 30 days from the date of service of this summons upon you, and in case of your failure to do so, for want thereof, plaintiff(s) will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

**NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY!**  
You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal document called a "motion" or "answer". The "motion" or "answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days of the date of first publication specified herein along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service upon the plaintiff.

If you have any questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at [www.oregonstatebar.org](http://www.oregonstatebar.org) or by calling (503) 684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free elsewhere in Oregon at (800) 452-7636.

Date and first published October 27, 2020

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## 999 Legal Notices

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council will conduct a public hearing at the time and location noted below for the purpose of taking testimony on the matter of vacating a 30' x 117' undeveloped portion of Lockhart Avenue, located between S. 7th Street and S. 8th Street, found in Section 34, Township 25, Range 13 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon, filed on October 6, 2020, by Above All Property Management, LLC.

The City Council will consider the proposal at a public hearing which will occur on December 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 500 Central Avenue, Coos Bay.

Detailed information pertaining to the conduct of the public hearing and submission of evidence is available upon request by contacting the Public Works Department. Written objections may be filed with the Public Works Department, City Hall, 500 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, prior to the hearing and will be considered at the time of the hearing. Additional information pertaining to this application or its review may be obtained by contacting Randy Dixon, Operations Administrator, at (541) 269-1181 extension 2201.

The Exhibit (map showing the right of way vacation location) can be provided upon request. Published: Nov. 7, 10, & 17, 2020  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Coos Bay City Council will conduct a public hearing at the time and location noted below for the purpose of taking testimony on the matter of enacting an ordinance correcting a scrivener's error in Ordinance No. 495 pertaining to Land Use # 187-ZON17-094 filed on December 7, 2017, by applicants Peter and Katharine Cooley, for the vacation a portion of 15th Court between "F" Street and "G" Street, found in Section 36AD, Township 25, Range 13 West of the Willamette Meridian, Coos County, Oregon, recorded on April 2, 2018.

The City Council will consider the proposal at a public hearing which will occur on November 17, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Coos Bay Council Chambers, 500 Central Avenue, Coos Bay.

The hearing is open to the public and all interested parties are encouraged to attend. Detailed information pertaining to the conduct of the public hearing and submission of evidence is available upon request by contacting the Public Works Department. Written objections may be filed with the Public Works Department, City Hall, 500 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, prior to the hearing and will be considered at the time of the hearing. Additional information pertaining to this application or its review may be obtained by contacting Randy Dixon, Operations Administrator, at (541) 269-1181 extension 2201.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPARTMENT Case No. 20PB07256  
**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** in the Matter of the Estate of MARK STEVEN WHITLOCK, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at 9220 SW Barbur Blvd. Ste. 119 No. 205, Portland, Oregon 97219, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published November 3, 2020. Elizabeth Walsh, Personal Representative. Jeffery A. Demland OSB #140767 DEMLAND & CROMWELL LLC 9220 SW Barbur Blvd. Ste. 119 No. 205, Portland, Oregon 97219 (503) 420-5708. Published: Nov. 3, 10, & 17, 2020  
The World & ONPA (ID:300546)

## Bridge

In "Animal Crossing: Wild World," Takayuki Ik-kaku, Arisa Hosaka and Toshihiro Kawabata wrote,

"A person's abilities are tested best when defending rather than attacking."

A bridge player's abilities are tested best when defending rather than declaring. That is certainly true; most players are much better declarers than defenders. However, sometimes, to be a good defender you need a key signal from partner, telling you which way to turn.

In today's deal, how should the defense go against four spades after West leads the club king?

Let's look at declarer's predicament first. He has only nine winners: five spades, three diamonds and

one club. He must establish dummy's club jack and hope that the defenders do not shift to hearts.

So, South should take trick one with his club ace and immediately return the club six. If declarer needs a misdefense, the quicker he puts a defender on the spot, the better.

After West takes the second trick with the club queen, how does he know what to do?

He must rely on his partner to tell him. East plays the club two at trick one to discourage. But on the second round, he may play the three or the five. Because he would like a shift to the higher-ranking of the other two side suits, he drops his higher-remaining club, the five.

In addition, if declarer draws trumps immediately, East should follow suit in the order five-four-three-two, always his highest asking for a heart shift.

Then East just has to hope that West is watching and interpreting correctly!



TUESDAY, NOV. 10, 2020

Pace yourself, consider your objective and be secretive regarding your intentions. Share with like-minded people and those who can contribute to your journey. Change is in the air, but it's up to you to take advantage of every opportunity that comes your way. Choose a unique path that encourages creativity, spirituality and peace of mind.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Don't sit back when you need to take action. Harness your energy and get moving. Don't count on others when it's up to you to effect change.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- An emotional situation will surface if you let someone meddle or interfere with your plans. Personal improvements will boost your morale. Don't rely on someone's promises.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- You'll face opposition if you pressure others to do things your way. Go about your business and finish what you start. An unusual offer will entice you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Resolve money matters. How you delegate responsibilities will determine if you can move forward peacefully. Don't get involved in matters that don't concern you. Personal improvement is favored.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Share your ideas and look for equality in every personal or professional interaction you encounter. An unexpected change will work in your favor.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- You may crave change, but before you make a move, consider your motives and your options. Patience will be required if you intend to reach your goal. Settling for less will lead to dissatisfaction.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Take the plunge. Stand up for your rights, go after your goals and engage in conversations that address sensitive issues. A partnership will encourage personal growth and professional gains.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Do something that requires energy, agility and a competitive mindset. A physical challenge will bring out the best in you. Aggressive action will deter anyone from taking you for granted.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Moderation is favored. Speak up if you don't like what someone is doing. You may not relish making a change, but consider the alternative, and do what's necessary to improve your situation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Take care of matters that require physical exertion. A change will encourage you to strive for a better future. Distance yourself from a movement that doesn't share your point of view.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Your emotions will push you in a positive direction. An unusual partnership will encourage you to try something new and incorporate what you learn into your everyday routine.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Don't expect to get along or agree with the people you encounter today. Consider your options and put your energy into something that will bring you closer to your goal.

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TUESDAY

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ☆☆☆☆☆

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

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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

HOW TO PLAY:

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

ACROSS

1 Foil-wrapped candy

5 Length x width

9 Sports org.

12 Radiate

13 Bean for sprouting

14 Before now

15 Is, in Avila

16 “The Little Mermaid” author

18 Raining hard

20 Expels

21 Mrs. Peron

22 Yale alum

23 Habitat

26 2000 Olympics site

29 Hasty escape

30 Pole on a ship

32 Unforeseen difficulty

34 Drop-kick

36 Twisted the truth

38 Dot in the Seine

39 Rang up

41 Matterhorn echo

43 Actress — Arthur

44 Pullet

45 Pandemonium

48 In voice range

52 Being at rest

54 Ph.D. exam

55 Ginger —

56 Ocean bird

57 Ibsen woman

58 Family docs

59 Next-door

60 Ballet lake

DOWN

1 Hang on to

2 — — hungry I could ...

3 In — (as found)

4 Gawked

5 Fridge maker

6 Pealed

7 Wrap up

8 Traditional (hyph.)

9 Monster-hunter’s loch

10 Fume

11 Eye part

17 Bankrupts

19 Currier’s partner

22 Bronte’s Jane —

23 Peak for Heidi

24 Modem-speed unit

25 Former science magazine

26 Uttered

27 Camelot lady

28 New England campus

31 Entreaty

33 Hairdo goo

35 Not allowed

37 Did Easter eggs

40 Wane

42 Hamburger extra

44 More immense

45 Rocky ledge

46 Backing

47 Orangutans

48 Soprano — Moffo

49 Place for a wreath

50 Pasternak woman

51 Zest for life

53 Pique

Answer to Previous Puzzle

L	O	A	D		C	U	B		F	U	E	L
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DILBERT

TED, I HAVE TO FIRE YOU FOR LIKING AN UNACCEPTABLE TWEET SEVEN YEARS AGO ON TWITTER.

IT... IT... WASN'T ME. SOMEONE HACKED MY ACCOUNT, OR MAYBE MY FINGER SLIPPED.

WHICH LIE DO YOU WANT ME TO PUT IN YOUR FILE?

DID EITHER OF THEM SOUND PLAUSIBLE?

CLASSIC PEANUTS

THIS TEST IS TOO HARD...

YOU KNOW WHAT WE NEED, MA'AM?

WHAT WE NEED IS A GOOD OLD-FASHIONED OPEN-BOOK TEST...I'M GOOD AT THOSE...

YOU TELL ME WHAT BOOK TO OPEN, AND I'LL OPEN IT!!!

FRANK AND ERNEST

THE KING IS ANGRY YOU BUILT RIGHT ON A FAULT LINE, AND HE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS FUNNY WHEN YOU CALLED IT A “BOUNCY CASTLE.”

WEDNESDAY

DILBERT

HEADQUARTERS HAS RELEASED A NEW LIST OF THINGS YOU ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO SAY WHEN VISITING OUR ELBONIAN FACTORY.

AT THE TOP OF THE LIST, NEVER SAY “GLFALAWAH” TO AN ELBONIAN.

BECAUSE IT MEANS SOMETHING NAUGHTY?

BECAUSE IT ISN'T A WORD.

CLASSIC PEANUTS

THIS IS VETERAN'S DAY

ON VETERAN'S DAY I ALWAYS PUT ON MY “IKE” JACKET...

THEN I GO OVER TO BILL MAULDIN'S HOUSE AND QUAFF A FEW ROOT BEERS...

BILL WAS ALWAYS JEALOUS BECAUSE I MADE IT'S BEFORE HE DID!

FRANK AND ERNEST

TALENT AGENT

WHEN SHE PROMISED TO FIND A BREAKOUT ACTING ROLE FOR ME, I DIDN'T KNOW SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT AN ACNE CONTROL PRODUCT COMMERCIAL.

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ☆☆☆☆☆

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

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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

HOW TO PLAY:

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

ACROSS

1 Slow pitch

4 Happy sighs

7 Monogram pt.

11 Left Bank pal

12 Plunder

14 Prefix for “trillion”

15 FedEx truck

16 Colleen’s home

17 Supernova

18 Fervent

20 San Joaquin Valley city

22 Moo goo — pan

23 “Futureworld” name

24 Low scores

27 Off and on

30 Rara —

31 Wins at rummy

32 Youngster

34 Snapshot

35 Grow weary

36 Not taken in by

37 Cowboy gear

39 Bring down in status

40 Small-business mag

41 Vane dir.

42 Grads

45 Musical beat

49 Shape

50 Part of A.D.

52 Ja, to Jacques

53 Church part

54 Pirates’ base

55 Lb. or tsp.

56 Enjoy a novel

57 Drone

58 Poor grade

DOWN

1 Volcanic flow

2 FitzGerald’s poet

3 Difficult spot

4 Hippodromes

5 Caribbean nation

6 Edmund Hillary’s title

7 In a class by —

8 Party fabrics

9 Turkey’s neighbor

10 Edible root

13 Standing up to

19 Id companions

21 Wheel tracks

24 Use a microwave

25 Villain’s work

26 Costa —

27 Decree

28 Wrist-to-elbow bone

29 Back muscles

31 Bitterly cold

33 Forest mom

35 Helsinki native

36 Follow the rules

38 Skirted the basket

39 On dry land

41 Mr. Banks

42 Miles away

43 Easy gait

44 Sky bear

46 Garden hopper

47 Actor — Cronyn

48 Tick’s kin

51 Snatch

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THURSDAY

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING:☆☆☆☆☆

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3		6		1				
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HOW TO PLAY:  
Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

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

ACROSS

- 1 Tense  
5 Lobster appendage  
9 — Wan Kenobi  
12 Purina rival  
13 Ms. Bonheur  
14 Princess Leia's love  
15 Take on cargo  
16 Culture medium  
17 Rx givers  
18 Give celebrity status  
20 PC button  
22 Golfer — Alcott  
23 College maj.  
24 Bacon unit  
27 Small fish  
30 Marsh bird  
31 Civil War soldier  
32 Engage in rivalry  
34 Swing voter (abbr.)

- 35 Cousteau's summer  
36 Film  
37 Soup pot  
40 Cowboy competition  
41 Beam of light  
42 Sprinted  
43 Rock bottom  
46 Address part (2 wds.)  
50 Put into action  
51 Forewarning  
53 Stadium shape  
54 Born as  
55 Drinks with scones  
56 Nun's room  
57 Lemon or clunker  
58 Mall event  
59 Oak or pine

DOWN

- 1 Farfetched  
2 Tien Shan range  
3 Hairstyle

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 4 Clipper's target  
5 Deranged  
6 Opera box  
7 — matter of fact  
8 Rabbit burrow  
9 Units of resistance

- 10 Ordered  
11 Prof.  
19 Bratty kid  
21 Years on end  
23 Taunting remark  
24 Mr. in Bombay  
25 Vat  
26 Take the trolley  
27 Dole out  
28 Ancient Roman poet  
29 Port or sherry  
31 Bank on  
33 Want-ad abbr.  
36 Devise  
38 Prefix for "three"  
39 Mystical cards  
40 Knock sharply  
42 Get the suds out  
43 Now, to Caesar  
44 On a cruise  
45 Wapiti  
46 Fervor  
47 Completed  
48 Valley  
49 Vogue rival  
52 — culpa

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DILBERT

ALICE, I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I HEAR YOU AND I VALUE YOU.

THAT'S TERRIFIC. MAYBE YOU COULD STOP TALKING TO ME IN THAT SUPER-CREEPY AND CON-DESCENDING WAY.

YES, QUEEN.

WHO BROKE YOU?

CLASSIC PEANUTS

WE GOT OUR TESTS BACK...

I WONDER WHAT GRADE I GOT...I HATE TO LOOK...

"Z MINUS"??!

FRANK AND ERNEST

I HAD THE STRANGEST DREAM ABOUT A WORLD WHERE CREATURES CAN LIFT HEAVY THINGS WITH THEIR ARMS AND "BITE-SIZED" MEANS SOMETHING SMALL.

FRIDAY

DILBERT

SORRY I'M LATE. MY ALARM DIDN'T GO OFF BECAUSE MY TOWN LOST POWER AND MY PHONE BATTERY DIED.

AND WE LOST POWER BECAUSE THE STATE CLOSED DOWN THE LAST COAL POWER PLANT TO REDUCE CO2 EMISSIONS.

SO REALLY, THE FAULT LIES WITH CLIMATE CHANGE, NOT ME.

SLOW CLAP.

CLASSIC PEANUTS

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

YES, SIR...I'D LIKE TO PROTEST A GRADE THAT MY TEACHER GAVE ME ON OUR LAST TEST...

LOOK...A "Z MINUS"!

THAT'S NOT A GRADE... THAT'S SARCASM!!

FRANK AND ERNEST

WE MUST HAVE TURNED OFF THE HIGHWAY OF LIFE SOMEWHERE. WHEN YOU'RE TRAVELING ON IT THE TWISTS AND TURNS COME WITH ABSOLUTELY NO WARNING.

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING:☆☆☆☆☆

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

ACROSS

- 1 Faint trace  
5 Diminish  
8 Soft lid  
11 Easy-to-find constellation  
13 — kwon do  
14 O'Hare's code  
15 Data display  
16 Unjust rulers  
18 Org. for women golfers  
20 Racket  
21 Like some whiskers  
23 At all times, to Poe  
24 Paid work  
25 Southpaws' stats  
27 Chore  
31 Way back when  
32 Treaties end them  
33 — Spumante

- 34 Honey wine  
36 Fastened  
38 — Holm of "Alien"  
39 Data unit  
40 Ms. Ferber  
41 Tunnel  
42 ABC rival  
44 Gladden  
46 Lorena — of golf  
49 Harden  
50 Monsieur Chevalier  
52 Floating soap  
56 Belief  
57 — Alamos  
58 Hawk's lair  
59 Spigot  
60 Barracks off.  
61 Right away

DOWN

- 1 Peppery  
2 Keogh relative  
3 Pen point  
4 Turnpike fees

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 5 Blues singer — James  
6 Plane's cargo section  
7 Swiss capital  
8 Cager — Kukoc  
9 Muses' domain  
10 Dept. store inventory  
12 Sibling's son  
17 Heart outlet  
19 Spins around  
21 One over par  
22 Lusitania sinker (hyph.)  
23 Gist  
24 Door frame  
26 Saharan  
28 In reserve  
29 One kind of flight  
30 Monarch  
35 Wallpaper, etc.  
37 Shaggy flower  
43 Clears of water by dipping  
45 Santa's helpers  
46 Skip over  
47 Tijuana abode  
48 Camel feature  
49 Quip  
51 Gear tooth  
53 Incan treasure  
54 Sugarloaf locale  
55 Ginza money

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# This week in Coos County history: November 8-10

## 100 YEARS – 1920

### Many changes in train service

**Southern Pacific announces new schedules Nov. 14**

**Will make better connections from Coos Bay for south — night train earlier**

H.J. Mohr, Marshfield agent of the Southern Pacific, received a telegram this morning announcing many changes in the train service effective November 14. The detailed time tables have not been received so the exact effect on the Coos Bay line service cannot be definitely determined.

However the replacement of the Shasta Limited which will pass through Eugene about 8 o'clock will mean a better connection from here for San Francisco.

The night train in for Coos Bay will leave Portland at 7:30 p.m. instead of 8 o'clock.

### No funds for Scottsburg Road

**Highway from Reedsport requested by citizens**

**Route for road to Florence is selected by Highway Commission — other matters transacted**

Various road matters were handled by the state highway commission at the meeting held Saturday. A Portland paper referring to the meeting said:

Replying to the demand of citizens of Reedsport for a road from that place to Scottsburg, a federal road official informed the commission that there is little prospect of this road being constructed, as no funds are available, although it is on the list of approved projects.

#### Florence road

Long controversy in the state highway commission over the "high" and "low" pass on the Florence-Eugene road was ended yesterday by an opinion of the attorney-general that Commissioners Booth and Kiddle, as a majority, have the right to determine the location. Immediately following this opinion the commission adopted the low pass and instructed the engineer to arrange with Washburn & Hall, contractors, to grade the ten miles between Summit and Goldson at a bid price of approximately \$120,000.

### John Lundberg found not guilty

#### Jury in justice court acquits him

**Was charged with having a quantity of mash in his possession when arrested**

John Lundberg who was on trial for two days in Justice Joehnk's court on a charge of having several barrels of mash in his possession was found not guilty by the jury. The taking of evidence was completed yesterday afternoon and the verdict was returned at 6 o'clock after the jurors had been out about ten minutes.

Lundberg said that the mash which was found in several barrels was not on his premises and did not belong to him.

### Want cleanup in North Bend

**Club women petition the city council Report cases of unsanitary conditions and ask that matters be improved**

A delegation of ladies from the Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Matt. Smith, Mrs. M.E. Everitt and Mrs. J.B. Kaiser, waited upon the North Bend city council last night, with a request that the council take steps to keep the city more sanitary and sightly.

The ladies reported several instances of unsanitary conditions found in a recent investigation and canvass of the town. The plan of the women's club is that the city shall establish a monthly clean-up day and that stations be named where individuals may deposit old cans and other rubbish until hauled away, and that ordinances be enforced preventing people from throwing rubbish in alleys, streets and on other people's property.

Recorder Maybee was requested to publish a notice in the Coos Bay Harbor, warning the people as to the disposal of rubbish.

## 50 YEARS – 1970

**Brasch to meet with environmental official**

A Portland official of the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality will meet here Tuesday with Coos County District Attorney Robert Brasch to discuss what Brasch feels "are apparent inconsistencies between local pollution problems and the issuing of pollution permits by the DEQ."

According to Brasch, the meeting will attempt to define "what role the DEQ is playing to curb pollution and what measures the department is currently enforcing to bring air and water pollution under control."

The following day, the district attorney will survey several pollution problem areas with representatives of the Northwest Steelheaders Association. The tour is expected to center on a half-dozen logging and industrial operations. Arthur Pierce, president of the local steelheaders group, is expected to accompany Grasch on the survey.

Wednesday's survey will be the second conducted by the DA to investigate reported pollution sites.

**North Bend climaxes cross country venture with sixth place finish**

EUGENE — North Bend topped its first team venture in 15 years into the state cross country championships Saturday with a strong sixth-place finish over the 2

## The outcome of the 2000 election was in doubt



½-mile course at Eugene's Lane Community College.

Scott Jackson of Grant was the individual winner with a 12:58 clocking over the sloppy course, while South Eugene and Lake Oswego tied for team honors with 154 points each. North Eugene was third with 173.

Pleasant Hill's Dale Hammitt was the Class AA individual titlist with a 13:13.4 effort while Madras galloped off with the team crown with 41 points, followed by Chemawa with 129 and Scappoose with 135. Brookings of the Sunset Conference was seventh with 206.

Greg Blackwell as the Bulldog pace-setter as the North Bend junior toured the course in 13:26 for a 10th-place finish. Juniors Don Martin and Lorenzo Mejia ran their way into the top 50 finishers — Martin with a time of 13:39 for 21st and Mejia with a 14:11 for 49th.

"I'm pretty pleased," smile North Bend coach Ray Nelson of the high Bulldog finish, "considering what we had to start with at the first of the year."

"But everyone on the team just came on real strong the last four weeks."

### Pirates claim district swim titles

REEDSPORT — Marshfield handily won the boys title for the third straight year, and the Pirate girls made a shambles of the competition Saturday to complete the Marshfield sweep in the District 6 swimming and diving championships at Reedsport.

The Pirate mermen, paced by Brian Haliski's double in the 200 individual medley and the 400 freestyle, polled 89 points to 52 for runnerup Medford and 45 for host Reedsport. Roseburg had 36, North Bend 32 and Klamath Falls 24.

Marshfield's mermaid crew blasted to 119 points, almost double of the combined scores of the other five teams competing, while de-throning defending champion Medford. Medford finished with 53, Reedsport 30, North Bend 27, Roseburg 11 and Klamath Falls 11.

Reedsport's Craig Bowman joined Haliski in the double-win ranks as he took the 50 freestyle and the 100 butterfly.

North Bend's Bonnie Lyons was the only double winner in the girls' division as she captured the 100 individual medley and the 100 freestyle.

Marshfield qualified a total of 20 swimmers into this coming weekend's state championships at the University of Oregon's Leighton Pool in Eugene — eight boys and 12 girls. Reedsport and North Bend each qualified four swimmers while Coquille got one.

Pirate boys who will be competing include Haliski, Steve Matson, Lance Baughman, Les Ingram, Steve Thompson, Rod Fulton, John Beath and Deryl Banks — the latter four in the second-place 400 freestyle relay team.

Pirate girls include Vicki Matson, Linnea Wright, Sally McInturff — she set a new school record in the 100 butterfly, Sue Glabau, Julie Stamper, Marilyn Wilson, Lulu Fagan, Janet Farr, Karen Banks, Ramona Warzecha, Arlene Hale and Karen Richardson.

North Bend entries include Miss Lyons, Bob England, John Reissbeck and Bob Parken.

To compete for Reedsport are Bowman, Rick Winters, Kathy Bryant and Pam Davis.

Coquille's lone entry is sophomore Lori Bryant, winner of the girls' diving competition.

### Wegferd Publications

**Firm moves to NB 'Because we like it here'**

A former Pasadena, Calif., printing firm that specializes in precision color work and major orders of large volume is now operating in North Bend.

The owners of Wegferd Publications have installed presses, camera equipment and other machinery themselves since moving to 2021 Sherman Avenue.

The operation is in a building leased from Edward Fourier, Glasgow, which formerly

housed Harless Marina, now at 1307 Newmark in the Empire District of Coos Bay.

Owners are Paul and Electa Wegfahrt and their son and daughter-in-law, Dave and Edna Wegfahrt.

The firm is using three offset printing presses for their work and hopes to add another large press soon. The owners expressed pride in their new equipment, which they said has complete automatic control to insure high quality work.

The business handles 100 or more high school yearbooks yearly and can print up to 200 without requiring more space. They print catalogs for industry, color brochures, books and other specialized publications.

"We have complete layout and design services for the production of any kind of printing," said Paul. He continued, "Whenever a business moves in like ours other businesses in the area become afraid of the competition. Well, we're not going to compete with them. We do commercial printing, but generally, we're working in a different area and our production is such that we have to draw from a much larger geographical area than this one alone to have a business of this size."

The Wegfahrts said the plant is now operated by four persons, but at peak periods will use 30 or more employees.

## 20 YEARS – 2000

**Bradbury declares vote-by-mail a success**

PORTLAND — Oregon's election volunteers were swamped by voters returning ballots to drop-off points at the last minute — a major reason the state remained one of just two in the nation where the presidential winner was still unclear.

"I'm willing to trade off instant results for increased voter turnout," Oregon Secretary of State Bill Bradbury said Wednesday, after declaring the nation's only vote-by-mail election to be an "incredible success."

But Bill Lunch, a political science professor at Oregon State University, questioned Bradbury's assessment.

"If this is such a terrific system, why are we sitting here at the day after the election wondering how Oregon is going to go in the presidential election," Lunch asked.

"It's as close as it comes, and this if for the big enchilada — this is for the president of the United States — not a trivial choice," Lunch said.

"And this is the only state left in the union that has not yet completed its first count."

Bradbury blamed the delay on the huge last-minute turnout — and estimated 40 percent of those who voted turned in their ballots between Saturday and Tuesday.

**'Registration guru' makes this her last election**

From behind her desk in the Coos County Elections Office, Rachell Brugnoli helps take away the confusion of voter registration into knowledge on a daily basis.

Now, Brugnoli is retiring, after 25 years working in the office and dealing with voters.

Coos County Clerk Terri Turi said Brugnoli will definitely be missed when she retires in December.

"She handles all of our voter registration," Turi said. "She's our voter-registration guru."

A more important loss to Turi though is Brugnoli's knowledge about the county and its election history.

"Her knowledge is irreplaceable. Rachell knows where every road in the county is," Turi said. "For me personally, I love her sense of humor. That's what I'm going to miss the most, especially during the tense, hectic elections cycles."

Brugnoli began working for the Elections Office after running into the county clerk one day.

"I was looking for a job and talked to Evelyn Elliott, who was the county clerk at the time," Brugnoli said. "She told me to show up at her office the next day and I would have a job. I've been here ever since."

**Dedicated counters still at it in Coquille**

COQUILLE — Counting the ballot returns has been a tedious and ongoing process in the Coos County Clerk's Office.

Workers have had little rest since Election Day. That's because once the counting of ballots begins, the process cannot be stopped until all the ballots have been counted at least once, according to Coos County Clerk Terri Turi.

Election boards began counting the ballots Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. and continued for almost 24 hours until 8 a.m. Wednesday.

That's when Turi said she sent her boards home to get some rest for a few hours. In order to make sure the counting process continued, Turi remained at the courthouse, counting until 2 p.m., when she was relieved by other staff members and the election boards. The boards finally finished the first run through Wednesday night.

But the first go-round wasn't over. There were still the outstacked ballots to count.

Outstacked ballots are those that have been run through the counting machines but cannot be read for some reason. There have been an estimated 2,750 outstacked ballots in Coos County that have had to be duplicated by election boards in order to be read by the tallying machines.

### Feds OK rail abandonment for G-P site

The city of Coquille has cleared another hurdle in its push to build a new shopping center on a former Georgia-Pacific mill site.

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Surface Transportation Board recently OK'd a request to abandon a mile of railroad track from Sturdivant Park to the end of the line at Ron's Oil.

The railroad line will be abandoned on Nov. 29, unless there is an offer of financial assistance made to the railroad to keep the line or petitions are filed to reopen the decision.

Coquille City Manager Terrence O'Connor said he was glad Union Pacific Railroad Company and Central Oregon & Pacific Railroad's bid to abandon the one-mile stretch of railroad was successful.

"Now we are just waiting on the time frame," O'Connor said.

According to STB's decision, the board found that since 1996, the most the railroad was used was for transporting 54 carloads for two businesses, Ron's Oil and Western Helicopter. In 1999, there were only nine carloads between both businesses that used the line.

**Johnson will swing into the future with Oregon**

**College: North Bend senior signs letter of intent to golf for Ducks**

The Ducks just inherited a Beaver fan. North Bend senior Kyle Johnson signed a national letter of intent to play golf at the University of Oregon in 2001 on Thursday at the high school.

Johnson had narrowed his choice down to three Division-I schools: Oregon, Oregon State University and the University of California-Irvine. Johnson, who has been a Beaver fan for the past decade, agonized over what he called "the most important decision of my life."

In the end, it was Oregon's academics and personal relationship with Duck assistant golf coach Al Mundle that paved the way to his decision.

"I feel really good about my decision," said Johnson, flanked by his parents, stepfather and North Bend golf coach Rich Armstrong during the afternoon press conference in the gymnasium entrance. "In the end I had to decide, if it wasn't golf, what school would I be happiest at."

Johnson had several things to think about the last month, but all the attention his golf swing was getting didn't begin until last July when he picked the right time to play the best golf of his life.

Johnson entered the Junior World Championships at Torrey Pines Golf Course in San Diego and led the international field of 240 players at 8-under after two rounds. He finished 4-under, good for seventh place, but a week later, his phone began to ring off the hook.

**Agriculture plan complete for Coos County**

Members of the Coos County Local Advisory Committee could collectively breathe a sigh of relief after finishing a draft of a countywide plan to curb water pollution from agricultural sources.

The committee approved the plan after a grueling nearly five-hour marathon meeting in Coquille Wednesday night. It marks the first milestone for the group, which has worked on the plan for the past three years.

I think the whole committee had a sense of relief as we came to a conclusion," said Chairman Dave Messerle.

Committee member Bonnie Joyce said she felt fulfilled about completing the draft plan, but added the work isn't over.

"It's like writing anything like this," she said. "It doesn't feel like it's ever done."

The plan is intended to reduce agriculture's contribution to pollutants in watersheds, with a focus on erosion control, nutrient inputs that harm fish, chemical agents used to control pests and livestock grazing habits.

*These stories were found in the Marshfield Sun Printing Museum newspaper repository stored in Marshfield High School courtesy of Coos Bay Schools.*