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Coos County sees 6th virus death

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The World

As Christmas approaches, the South Coast is continuing to feel the impacts of increasing COVID-19 cases. On Saturday, state officials reported Coos County's sixth COVID-related death. A 64-year-old woman who tested positive for the virus Dec. 1 died at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center—Riverbend in Springfield on Dec. 15. The pres-

ence of underlying conditions was still being confirmed at the time of the report. That report joined another which came Friday, of an 86-year-old Coos County woman who died with underlying conditions at Bay Area Hospital Dec. 17, according to the Oregon Health Authority. The county saw 26 cases between Friday and Sunday, bringing its case total to 658 since the pandemic began. In Coos Bay, an outbreak at

Life Care Center has expanded to include 38 cases, 25 among residents and 13 among center staff, Executive Director Barbara Hutchinson wrote in an email Saturday. That's more than half the facility's residents, and about a tenth of the staff as of the outbreak's onset. "This is our first outbreak, and our incredible associates have worked so hard and continue to go above and beyond each day," Hutchinson wrote, adding that the facility takes safety precau-

tions in line with government guidance and has passed multiple infection control surveys. The spread of the virus in the facility likely isn't due to any missed safety precautions, Coos Health & Wellness officials said Monday. "I think that it's just an unfortunate situation, if you will," said Becky Fairhurst, a case investigator with the agency. "We have seen where some cases, no matter how careful you are, the virus is spread. So there's not a

concern at the facility level — I think they're doing everything that they can." With the Christmas holiday just days away, health experts are again encouraging residents to take precautions by avoiding large holiday gatherings and wearing masks and social distancing when around others from outside their usual household. If Christmas gatherings lead to further increases in cases, Coos County could remain under Please see **Virus**, Page A10



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A group of volunteers work to give food to people in Coos Bay and North Bend. The volunteers, many elderly, make the work done by Pelican Harbor Food Bank possible.

Flu shots offer test of local plan

ZACK DEMARS
The World

NORTH BEND — A group of public health staff and volunteers had flu shots in hand in the Pony Village Mall parking lot Friday — but they also had another vaccine in mind. "For us, this is going to be kind of a practice run through for potential COVID vaccination," said Anthony Arton, the public health director for Coos Health & Wellness.

Arton, who's been on the job since October, was leading a drive-thru vaccination event, delivering free flu shots to anyone who passed through. But the team was also practicing for the possibility that, a few months from now, supplies of a COVID-19 vaccine will be much higher than they are now.

The practice allows the department to determine potential inefficiencies in a mass vaccination event, or supply issues that may arise. And events like this could happen after the pandemic too, if other vaccinations or antibiotic distributions are needed in future emergencies.

The system — called a "point of distribution," or POD — is set up in a multi-stage drive-thru. Volunteers, including nurses and staff from CHW, the Community Emergency Response Team and the Medical Reserve Corps, direct traffic through two lanes on either side of three pop-up tents.

Inside the tents are three stages: First, an administrative tent. There, staff ask drivers and other patients about key pieces of medical history, like allergies to vaccines or other conditions that could complicate a vaccination.

In the second tent, a nurse steps up to the vehicle's window, dons a secondary face shield and disinfects the patient's arm. With a quick pinch, the nurse administers the vaccine.

From there, patients roll forward to the final tent, where staff share information about any possible vaccine side effects and ask drivers to wait in the parking lot for a few minutes to make sure no bad reactions develop.

After that wait, the patient is on their way. All told, Arton said the process takes about four minutes, plus the time patients are asked to wait after they get the shot.

It's likely the same process the department will use to administer COVID-19 vaccines, when doses trickle down to the general population.

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Pelican Harbor Food Bank reaches out to hundreds

By DAVID RUPKALVIS
The World

The volunteers began showing up early Saturday morning with one goal - get food to anyone who needed some in Coos Bay and North Bend. By 9 a.m., the need was clear as lines of cars were lined up around the back of the Pony Village Mall. What was once a mountain of food was quickly wiped out as more than a dozen volunteers gave fresh fruit, vegetables, cookies, eggs and more to everyone who showed up. For Laurel Broman, the food giveaway was just another day of helping people in the region. As the director of the Pelican Harbor Food Bank, Broman said the organization gives out food every



Photo by David Rupkalvis, The World

A volunteer with the Pelican Harbor Food Bank loads eggs into the back of a truck during a food giveaway Saturday. The food bank, which is run 100 percent by volunteers, has given away more than 1 million pounds of food this year.

time they can. "We do it any day of the week except Sunday," she said.

Broman said the food bank is always looking for sources of food and finds it anywhere from

Blaine, Washington to Los Angeles and anywhere in between. When food is located that can be donated, the food bank pays for it to be trucked to Coos Bay and almost immediately, it is given out.

The food bank has been helping hungry people for 16 years, but 2020 is different. With COVID-19 playing havoc with the economy, Broman said the need is greater than ever.

"Big time, especially with the elderly," she said. "People on food stamps got double food stamps for a few months. But the elderly are on fixed incomes and their taxes are going up. It's hard."

So hard, that the volunteers with the Pelican Harbor Food

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Tensions rise at capitol during special session

SALEM (AP) — State police declared an unlawful assembly at Oregon's Capitol building Monday morning as protesters attempted to force their way in during the third special legislative session. Lawmakers are at the Capitol to consider measures that would provide \$800 million in relief to people struggling from the COVID-19 pandemic and this summer's massive wildfires. The Statesman Journal reports that a smaller group of protesters were successful in entering a portion of the Capitol building, while protesters outside banged their fists against the doors chanting, "Let us in." At least two people were arrested.

The Capitol is closed to the public during the special session as part of a COVID-19 safety measure. However virtual testimony about the proposed bills that are expected to be discussed by lawmakers Monday was allowed during Thursday and Saturday hearings. There were tense moments inside and outside the Capitol. On the Senate floor Monday morning, Republican Sen. Dallas Heard stood before his colleagues accusing Democrats and Senate President Peter Courtney of joining Gov. Kate Brown's "campaign against the people and the children of God." The senator from Roseburg called the special session "illegitimate" as the public is not allowed inside and described it as an "unchecked assault" against people and their freedom. Heard ended his brief statement by saying he would stand at the microphone without a mask for 30 seconds as he ripped off his surgical-style mask. "Your time is up," Courtney said seconds later as he banged the gavel. "No it is not Mr. President," Heard said raising his voice. A quick back and forth ensued before Heard's microphone was shut off and he stormed out of the chamber. The bills expected to be taken up Monday during the one-day special legislative session include

a proposed eviction moratorium that includes \$200 million in relief for landlords and tenants, a restaurant relief package that includes a provision legalizing cocktails to-go, a bill that would protect schools from some coronavirus-related lawsuits and a measure that would transfer \$600 million in to the state's emergency fund for COVID-19 and wildfire-response and recovery. With the federal and state eviction moratorium set to expire at the end of the year, the issue has been pushed to the forefront — dominating discussions among lawmakers and driving the immediate need for a special session.

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Last member of robbery crew sentenced

The World

A fifth member of a robbery crew led by a Reedsport man was sentenced to federal prison last week.

Marcus Cox, 38, of Eugene, was sentenced to 110 months in prison and three years of supervised release after pleading guilty to interfering with commerce by robbery and using, carrying and brandishing a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence.

According to federal authorities, a group of five men led by Jorge Rubio of Reedsport stole drugs and money from marijuana traffickers in a series of violent robberies in Oregon. Rubio was sentenced to 121 months in prison and five years of supervised release for the same charges in October.

According to U.S. Attorney Billy J. Williams, the five men used assault rifles and firearms to violently rob individuals who were planning to sell large quantities of marijuana or invest in marijuana operations in Oregon. According to a press release issued Tuesday, on March 6, 2017, the group robbed two men who traveled from Austin, Texas, to Eugene to meet with Rubio to discuss investing in a marijuana growing operation and to purchase marijuana for sale in Texas. One of the victims had \$50,000 in cash on him after purchasing marijuana from Rubio previously.

"In a misguided attempt to avoid detection by law enforcement, Jorge Rubio and his gang of thugs preyed on people they believed would not report their crimes. In doing so, they callously threatened the lives of their targets and risked the safety of the entire community," said Williams. "These violent crimes are the direct result of an illegal and thriving marijuana black market. I commend the hard work and dedication of law enforcement for bringing this gang to justice."

"These defendants targeted drug dealers while hiding in the dark underworld of illegal marijuana production and distribution. Using death threats and violent attacks against their targets, they stole weapons, tens of thousands of dollars in cash and hundreds of thousands of dollars in drugs," said Renn Cannon, special agent in charge of the FBI in Oregon.

According to law enforcement, when Rubio and his crew met with the two men from Austin, Texas, Rubio arranged to meet the men at a hotel in Eugene.

Shortly after the men arrived, three co-conspirators barged into the room with guns drawn and ordered the Texas men onto the floor.

When one person attempted to fight back, he was struck in the head with a firearm. The crew then tied the men up with zip ties and Duct tape and demanded to know where the cash was. They searched the room and located the \$50,000. After leaving the room, the men were able to escape and summoned help. The man who had been hit was transported by Life Flight to Portland for treatment.

Later in 2017, the group of five men were involved in two separate robberies. First, they set up a group of people who wanted to do business with Rubio. As part of the deal, the men were told to meet at a marijuana grow operation. On the way, the Oregon men robbed the people at gunpoint, seizing cash, wallets, cell phones and keys. The men were left in a field and warned not to call police.

In the second event, the crew acted like marijuana buyers from New York. They arranged to purchase drugs for \$260,000, but instead robbed the men in their Medford-area residence, taking the drugs, a handgun, wallets and phones.

The crew robbed another person who had arranged a deal with Rubio. While meeting in a car, one member beat the man while another threatened him with a gun. They then stole 43 pounds of marijuana, cash and phone. The individual jumped from the moving vehicle to escape.

This case was investigated by the FBI, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, Eugene Police Department, and Austin Police Department. It was prosecuted by Joseph Huynh, Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Oregon.

All five men were convicted of the same crimes and sentenced a minimum of four years in federal prison.

Warming Center to open

The World

COOS BAY — With temperatures projected to drop, the Warming Center at Coos Bay's Devereux Center will open Tuesday.

The center offers a meal, hot beverages and warm shelter when temperatures drop to 36 degrees or below. It'll be open from 6 p.m. Tuesday to 8 a.m. the next morning.

Temperatures are expected to dip down to around 34 degrees Tuesday night after daytime highs in the mid-50s, according to the National Weather Service.

Wednesday night is forecast to see temperatures of around 35 degrees. If that forecast holds, the warming center

will likely be open Wednesday night, too.

The center is located at the lower level of the Devereux Center, at the "Y intersection" of Newmark Avenue in Coos Bay (1200 Newmark Avenue).

Center leaders say they're currently in need of donations of hot cocoa and apple cider, as well as coffee creamer, tuna and hot dogs, snacks, winter clothing and rain gear. Monetary donations are accepted through the organization's Facebook page, as well as in-person at the center or online at www.thedeveuxcenter.org.

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Nighttime highway construction begins next month in Coos Bay

COOS BAY – Motorists traveling through south Coos Bay should watch for nighttime construction next year as ODOT and Knife River Materials begin work on a new highway project.

The project, which begins construction Jan. 4, is aimed at improving safety and the flow of traffic at the northbound (First Street) and southbound (Broadway) U.S. 101 intersections with Johnson Avenue.

The project will create a dedicated left-turn lane from eastbound Johnson

Avenue onto northbound U.S. 101 (First Street), replace the ADA ramps at all corners of both intersections and install a large curb extension at the Broadway intersection to shorten the crosswalk distance across U.S. 101.

Knife River plans to work at night (7 p.m. to 5 a.m.), Sunday night to Thursday morning each week. Most lane closures will be at night, though some lanes will be closed during the day.

Starting in early January, the right-turn lane on northbound U.S. 101 onto

Johnson Avenue near Fred Meyer will be closed approximately one month.

Knife River is scheduled to begin work on the southeast corners of both intersections in January, then work in a clockwise direction replacing the sidewalks on each corner. When all the sidewalk work is completed around May, the contractor will pave both intersections.

All work on the \$1.4 million U.S. 101: Johnson Avenue Intersections project is scheduled to be completed by the end of June.



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Oregon crosses 100,000 cases in pandemic

The World

Oregon crossed the 100,000-case barrier in the COVID-19 pandemic on Friday as cases continue to surge statewide.

The Oregon Health Authority also released a new modeling report Friday, suggesting possible scenarios for the future spread of the virus.

“People in Oregon successfully lowered the higher level of transmission seen earlier in November, and we did not observe an increase in transmission over Thanksgiving,” researchers wrote. “However, as of November 28 the (rate of reproduction) remained above one, indicating cases were continuing to rise.”

In one scenario, if Oregon residents became more adherent to prevention recommendations, like in early October, researchers project new daily diagnosed cases would decrease to a two-week average of 1,200 by Jan. 1, and daily hospitalizations would decrease to 55 in the same timeframe.

If residents keep the same level of virus precautions as in late November, the researchers wrote that the state could continue to see exponential growth in cases, up to an average of 2,200 cases and 110 hospitalizations per day.

But if people start

taking less precautions, the picture could get worse. A return to early November’s level of transmission would mean an average of 2,550 cases and 125 hospitalizations a day by Jan. 1.

OHA also began reporting a new — and much more positive — figure over the weekend: The number of vaccinations received and administered in the state. By Saturday, the state had received its scheduled 35,100 doses of the Pfizer vaccine.

19,000 of those have gone to hospitals across the state, including facilities in Portland, Salem, Albany, Bend, Ontario and Medford, among others, according to OHA.

“The sprint to the starting line is over. Now the hard work begins to vaccinate the critical mass of adult Oregonians needed to end this pandemic,” OHA Director Patrick Allen wrote Friday. “Thanks to all the front-line health care workers who literally rolled-up their sleeves to take their first doses of this safe and effective vaccine.”

Case counts

The state reported 1,390 cases on Friday, pushing the state to 100,308 total cases.

“While this significant number reflects how widely the novel coronavirus has spread within

our communities, I want to acknowledge every Oregonian who has been affected by this pandemic and thank the vast majority of Oregonians who’ve taken steps to protect their families, their neighbors, and the most vulnerable members of our communities,” OHA Public Health Director Rachael Banks said Friday.

“COVID-19 hasn’t spread as fast as it has in most other states. But every infection, every hospitalization and every death are one too many. The safe and effective vaccines we’re distributing across the state offer real hope we can end this pandemic. But it’s too soon to drop our guard.”

Both Idaho and Nevada, two of our neighboring states with fewer residents, have reported more total cases — more than 125,000 for Idaho and 194,000 for Nevada. Oregon also has the 44th lowest level of average daily cases among all states, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The state reported 21 new deaths Friday and 36 Saturday before reporting just one new death Sunday.

In addition, there were 1,542 new cases Saturday and 1,153 on Sunday.

Cases reported Friday were in the following counties: Baker (7), Benton (34), Clackamas (117),

Clatsop (6), Columbia (6), Coos (18), Crook (10), Curry (10), Deschutes (59), Douglas (14), Grant (3), Harney (2), Hood River (29), Jackson (76), Jefferson (27), Josephine (30), Klamath (62), Lake (1), Lane (93), Lincoln (7), Linn (43), Malheur (17), Marion (153), Morrow (4), Multnomah (200), Polk (18), Tillamook (15), Umatilla (59), Union (1), Wasco (30), Washington (221), Yamhill (18).

Cases reported Saturday were in the following counties: Baker (9), Benton (23), Clackamas (109), Clatsop (5), Columbia (12), Coos (16), Crook (10), Curry (7), Deschutes (63), Douglas (24), Gilliam (2), Harney (1), Hood River (24), Jackson (75), Jefferson (26), Josephine (19), Klamath (52), Lake (1), Lane (172), Lincoln (2), Linn (35), Malheur (48), Marion (161), Morrow (7), Multnomah (326), Polk (34), Tillamook (14), Umatilla (48), Union (8), Wasco (18), Washington (148), Yamhill (43).

The new cases Sunday were in the following counties: Baker (4) Benton (7), Clackamas (77), Clatsop (3), Columbia (9), Coos (5), Crook (5), Curry (7), Deschutes (43), Douglas (4), Hood River (17), Jackson (47), Jefferson (4), Josephine (16), Klamath (50), Lake (4), Lane (61), Lincoln (3), Linn (27), Malheur (6), Marion (203),

County	Cases	Total deaths
Baker	398	4
Benton	1,215	9
Clackamas	9,016	107
Clatsop	489	2
Columbia	740	9
Coos	653	6
Crook	393	6
Curry	248	2
Deschutes	3,545	19
Douglas	1,280	36
Gilliam	33	1
Grant	164	1
Harney	123	1
Hood River	709	8
Jackson	5,309	58
Jefferson	1,259	14
Josephine	972	18
Klamath	1,641	14
Lake	185	4
Lane	6,223	80
Lincoln	803	16
Linn	2,324	31
Malheur	2,739	49
Marion	12,543	195
Morrow	774	7
Multnomah	23,138	365
Polk	1,739	24
Sherman	30	0
Tillamook	254	0
Umatilla	5,164	54
Union	946	13
Wallowa	76	3
Wasco	786	20
Washington	14,616	134
Wheeler	12	0
Yamhill	2,391	31
Total	102,930	1,341

[†]This includes cases confirmed by diagnostic testing and presumptive cases.

Morrow (3), Multnomah (174), Polk (19), Sherman (1), Tillamook (1), Umatilla (44), Union (3), Wasco (17), Washington (261), Yamhill (28).

Agreement reached on cost for wastewater treatment

By DAVID RUPKALVIS
The World

After months of discussion, the city of Coos Bay came to an agreement with Jacobs Engineering on a cost for running the wastewater treatment plant for the current fiscal year.

The city council approved the contract but said the city must still consider taking over at least a portion of the operation.

Jim Hossley, director of the public works and community development project, said months of negotiation let to the

contract. The four key elements in the contract were:

- Jacobs agreed to reduce its management fee from 18 percent to 11 percent.
 - For the first six months of the contract, Jacobs had no increase in fees.
 - There is a clause to provide the city 180 days to terminate the contract.
 - Another clause would provide a rebate of personnel positions is not filled.
- Overall, the contract would add to city expenditures, but it was \$350,000

less than Jacobs originally asked.

“We’re currently looking at putting a transition plan together so we could take over collections in July 2021,” Hossley said.

Hossley said city staff is already working on a new amendment to have the city take over the collection of wastewater with Jacobs continuing to run the treatment plant.

Members of the city council said they were pleased with the progress that was made.

“I think it is worth noting Jacobs came back

to the table,” Councilor Lucinda DiNovo said. “It’s unfortunate we had to be so forceful to get them here.”

City Manager Rodger Craddock said the council’s action were the impetus in getting an agreement made.

The council voted 7-0 to approve the contract.

Motorist rescued from car buried by snow

NEW YORK (AP) — A man who drove off the road in this week’s snowstorm spent 10 hours trapped in his car after a passing plow and rapidly accumulating snow buried it, finally managing to get a 911 call through and being rescued in the nick of time by a New York state trooper.

Kevin Kresen, 58, of Candor, drove off the road in the town of Owego and became “plowed in by a truck,” state police said.

“If he was in there for another hour his body temperature would have gone lower, and I’m con-

vinced he wouldn’t have made it,” State Police Sgt. Jason Cawley, who rescued the man, said in an interview.

Kresen drove into a ditch around midnight and

called 911 through the wee hours of Thursday but had trouble connecting. The vehicle became completely disabled, authorities said, leaving Kresen without heat.

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GUEST OPINION

Physicians educated abroad can fill shortage

Dr. G. Richard Olds

The United States will be short nearly 140,000 doctors by 2033, according to the latest estimates from the Association of American Medical Colleges.

COVID-19 may drive the number of doctor shortages up further. Large numbers of physicians are leaving the profession. Consequently, we must begin preparing now to rebuild the nation's physician workforce. To train all the doctors America will need, medical schools will have to enroll more of the qualified students who apply. International medical schools are particularly well suited to that task.

It's easy to see why the pandemic is nudging doctors into early retirement. Forty percent of the U.S. physician workforce is 55 or older. The coronavirus poses a much greater threat to people in this age group.

And doctors are more likely to encounter the virus, given their line of work. A study published in September in The Lancet Public Health found that "front-line health-care workers were at increased risk for reporting a positive COVID-19 test."

Other U.S. doctors are closing their practices because they have no patients to treat; they're staying home for fear of contracting the virus. Ninety-seven percent of medical practice leaders reported a significant drop in patient visits due to the coronavirus, according to a recent poll. Fewer patient visits mean less revenue -- sometimes up to 80 percent less.

This wave of physician retirements will disproportionately affect rural parts of our country. More than half of rural doctors are over 50, compared to less than 40 percent of physicians in urban areas, according to a recent report.

Rural areas can ill afford an exodus of physicians. Sixty percent of our country's health professional shortage areas are in rural regions.

Nearly 80 million Americans live in a primary care shortage area, meaning they have insufficient access to pediatricians, family medicine, and internal

medicine practitioners. That number could grow as the population ages.

To meet that demand, we'll need more medical school graduates.

U.S. medical schools are unable to provide those graduates on their own. Between 2014-15 and 2018-19, the number of U.S. medical school graduates increased just 6 percent.

We'll have to look to medical schools located outside the United States. International medical schools are up to the challenge.

International medical graduates (IMGs) account for roughly one-fourth of the U.S. physician workforce and about the same share of doctors in training. Many of them are U.S. citizens who chose to go abroad for their degrees and then return home to practice.

Thousands of promising students graduate from international medical schools each year. More than 1,100 graduates of the school I lead, St. George's University in Grenada, began residencies in the United States this past summer. About three-quarters of our students are U.S. citizens.

Their skills are on par with U.S. medical graduates. International medical graduates are required to pass the same licensing exams as graduates of U.S. schools. St. George's University students pass the U.S. Medical Licensing Step 1 Exam at a 96 percent clip.

International graduates also have a history of practicing in areas where the need is greatest. Compared to doctors trained at U.S. schools, IMGs are typically "more likely to look after underserved populations and to live and work in rural areas," according to a study published in BMC Family Practice.

The COVID pandemic could stretch our physician workforce to a breaking point. Increasing our reliance on doctors educated at international medical schools can help prevent that from happening.

Dr. G. Richard Olds is President of St George's University (www.sgu.edu).

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Legislators are hypocrites for taking vaccine first

The COVID-19 vaccine was supposed to go to frontline health care workers and nursing homes but Congress jumped to the front of the line to get the vaccine. Thanks Nancy and Mitch for looking out for America. What a bunch of worthless hypocrites we have in DC.

Alan Post
North Bend

Wearing a mask is act of caring

I read David Rose's letter in the Dec. 15, 2020, edition of The World with interest. I have to say I agree with his observation that the media's focus on the pandemic infections and deaths ignore the many who recover. However, I don't see any sinister political motive for it. Those who recover can still spread it and infect others.

The 2020 global pandemic is certainly worthy of front-page reporting. This is a crisis that is affecting humankind the world over. Actions can be (and have been) taken in every country to combat this invader, with different results unique to those actions.

When it was first reported in early February it seemed like an opportunity for all Americans to unite against a common threat. Unfortunately, the situation somehow became yet another factor to divide us.

Wearing a safety mask when inside a public space can be seen as an act of caring for our fellow citizens who may have a lower threshold for resistance. We can't know the extent of anyone's pre-existing medical condition but we can show respect for the health

of our community by practicing social distancing for a period of time. Is that political?

Terry Moore
North Bend

Pool-for-police switch-a-roo doesn't float

The passing of Measure 6-177 meant \$800,000ish less dollars per year for the city of North Bend. The original proposal (on which they have already reneged) was to stop police coverage from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. The decrease in revenue, they said, meant they would have to lay off some police officers. Instead, what they did was reallocate money from the North Bend pool to the police department. This was billed as a temporary measure since the pool was already closed due to the virus.

Well, now, the conversation has changed. Now they propose making this a permanent reallocation. "Sorry, we can't afford the pool, anymore" they say. Well, they can afford the pool. They are lying to you. They're just hoping you weren't paying attention.

All that has to be done in order to keep the pool open is demand that the city follow through with exactly what was voted for. When 6-177 was placed on the ballot, the understanding was that the loss of revenue would be offset by a reduction in police and fire staffing. Now, they are walking that back and deciding that instead of doing what they proposed, they will just take the swimming pool away instead (lest you give them more money).

North Bend residents should not put up with that. Citizens should insist that the city do exactly what the voters voted for. Do not give them any more money.



GUEST OPINION

I'm so sick of superlatives

Thomas L. Knapp

"2020: The Worst Year Ever," reads the cover of Time magazine's December 14 issue.

"There have been worse years in U.S. history," admits author Stephanie Zacharek, but not, to her way of thinking, since World War II. Between a heavy hurricane and fire season, police violence and the accompanying protests, a circus of a presidential election, and a global pandemic, Zacharek opines, none but the oldest among us can remember a year nearly as bad.

Just how bad a given year was is, of course, a matter of opinion, but Zacharek's opinion on 2020 strikes me as overwrought in a way that's becoming increasingly typical of whiny American poor-ism.

Lately it seems everything has to be described in a superlative manner. Natural disaster. War. Police violence. Political craziness. You name it, we just can't seem to accept that it's part of a continuum. Everything absolutely, positively must be the most or the worst of its kind, ever.

I don't remember World War II. I don't even remember 1968. But that particular year lived on in our collective memory strongly

enough, for long enough, that I remember (and sometimes still see) the shudders of those who lived through it. Some high points:

In January, nearly 400 people died and thousands were injured in an earthquake in Sicily. North Korean forces seized the USS Pueblo. The Tet Offensive began in Vietnam.

In February, police killed three students at a civil rights protest in Orangeburg, South Carolina.

In March, American troops murdered somewhere between 350 and 500 unarmed civilians at My Lai in Vietnam.

On April 4, Martin Luther King was assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee. Riots ensued.

In May, seven weeks of mass unrest began in France and at least 46 tornadoes struck. At least 46 tornadoes struck ten US states in one night, killing dozens and injuring thousands.

In June, Robert Kennedy was assassinated in Los Angeles, California.

July saw the first recorded cases in the 1968 H3N2 flu epidemic, which killed somewhere between 1 million and 4 million worldwide and as many as 100,000 in the United States (no, not as many as COVID-19, but the population of the US was less than 2/3 what it

is now). It also saw four days of rioting in Cleveland, Ohio after a four-hour gun battle between police and the Black Nationalists of New Libya left seven dead.

In August, more than 200 died in an earthquake in the Philippines, the Soviet Union invaded Czechoslovakia, and police rioted at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago, abducting and injuring hundreds.

In October, soldiers opened fire on a protest in Mexico City, killing between 350 and 400, and 30 years of "The Troubles" kicked off after police in Derry, (Northern) Ireland, truncheoned civil rights protesters.

Yes, 2020 has been a pretty crappy year, but let's try to keep a little perspective here. There's never been a year that some people didn't think — at the time — was the worst year ever. And even if you can't think of a single good thing about 2020 right now, I can point at least one out for you: It's almost over.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR cont.

Keep your pool. Stop falling for these rope-a-dopes.

Frank Ritumbo
North Bend

COVID-19 is like the flu on steroids

My brother just died from COVID-19 last month. He was a healthy 42 year old person who never smoked. While in the Umpqua Valley, he stopped and ate dinner at a restaurant that was open for inside dining. It's the only place he had close contact with people that day. Three days later he woke up with a high fever and chills.

He thought he had the flu. He didn't call his doctor because the medical center is closed to the public. On the fourth day, he had to be taken into ER because he couldn't breathe. Even with all the medical procedures he got worse by the hour. On day five, he went into a coma and that night he died. The doctor told me that my brother had COVID-19 and he couldn't do anything save him.

Anybody out there that's reading this beware. COVID-19 is not just like the flu. It is much more like the flu on steroids.

My brother didn't have any underlying health problem and still died from this virus.

I plead with everyone to do everything you can to prevent getting the virus. Watching my brother die through a glass window has broken me mentally and isn't something I would want anyone to go through.

When you hear people say

COVID isn't as bad as the flu don't listen to it because they simply don't know what that virus does to many people.

George Curtiss
Remote

CDC: No quantified COVID-19 isolates available

The CDC admits that "No quantified virus isolates are currently available" in their 59-page document found at <https://www.fdc.gov/media/134922/download>. The title is CDC 2019-Nov-19 Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) Real Time RT-PCR Panel. See page 39 – second paragraph.

The majority of COVID-19 testing is using the RTPCA test invented by Nobel Prize winner Dr. Kary Mullis. Dr. Mullis stated that "these tests cannot detect free infectious viruses at all."

U.S. labs are over-amplifying ATPCR test results at a high rate of 35-45 cycles, increasing false positive rates as much as 97%. <https://bpa-pathology.com/covid19-per-tests-are-scientifically-meaningless>. Dr. Reiner Fuellmich Crimes against Humanity. Dr. Sherri Tenpenny at <https://www.dailymotion.com/video/x7uurks>.

Koch's Postulates is the gold standard in testing pathogens. The criteria for Koch's Postulates is as follows:

- 1 – The specific causative agent must be found in every case.
- 2 – The disease organism (bacterial or viral agent) must be isolated in a pure culture.

3 – Inoculation of a sample of the culture into a healthy subject must produce the same disease.

4 – The disease organism (bacterial or viral agent) must be recovered from the inoculated subject.

Without an isolated cultured COVID-19 sample, the requirements for Koch's Postulates cannot be met.

Emergency use for the mRNA vaccine

The vaccine manufacturers are now allowed to "skip over" animal studies and have no liability if their vaccines cause injury or death. Package ingredients from Astra Zenica mRNA vaccine includes ChAdOx1-s recombinant (a genetic modification of DNA) and MRC-5 protein taken from lung tissue of a 14-week old aborted Caucasian male fetus.

The MHRA urgently seek an artificial intelligence software tool to process the expected high volume of COVID-19 vaccine adverse drug reactions (ADRs). Moderna's and Pfizer's will be similar.

Moderna trials only recorded adverse effects starting on the 42nd day after the first injection and only seven days afterwards. See chart at <https://thehighwire.com/videos/how-effective-is-the-covid-19-vaccine>.

Possible adverse events include convulsions, seizure, stroke and death. See possible adverse outcomes at <https://www.fda.gov/media/143557/download>. See page 17.

John Costa
Bandon

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

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OBITUARIES

Curtis "Curt" Walter Stewart

July 20, 1949 - December 6, 2020



Curtis "Curt" Walter Stewart passed December 6, 2020 losing his battle with cancer. He was born July 20, 1949 in Scotia, California. He moved here from Petrolia, California in 1952. He graduated from Coquille High Scholl and

served in the U.S. Army. His passion was driving truck.

He was proceeded in death by his parents, Joe and Mary Stewart and brother-in-law, Neal Pearce.

He is survived by his sister, Carol Pearce; nephews, Nick Pearce and Mark Pearce; wife, Sara; and daughter, Melanie.

At his request there will be no services.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests contributions to South Coast Special Olympics or charity of your choice.

Online remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.westrumfuneralservice.com

Arrangements are under the direction of Amling/Schroeder Funeral Service - Coquille Chapel, 541-396-3846.

Charles Y. Becker

November 2, 1941 - April 28, 2020



Charles Yancy Becker was born on November 2, 1941, in Ontario, Oregon, to Cotton Becker and Phyllis Chester Becker joining sister, Sharon Becker Jarman.

After many years of coaching, teaching, rafting and hunting, he departed on his final raft trip on April 28, 2020, leaving family and friends to appreciate a great guy; wife, Judy of 58 years; sons Michael, Gard (Vickie), and Christopher; grandsons, Tres and Colton. He left four sisters, many nieces and nephews, friends, numerous former students and ball players.

Tributes may be made to Bethany Lutheran Church or Gold Beach High School Athletic Fund or any chosen charity.

A celebration will be held for hugs and laughs when gathering is allowed.

Thank you to all my friends and family who have been so very supportive and helpful during this trying transition.

David "Leon" Walkup

February 28, 1930 - December 15, 2020



David "Leon" Walkup, known to his great grandchildren as "Walka-Walka", was a devoted husband, father, brother, grandfather, and friend. It is with sadness that we share of his passing on December 15, 2020.

David was born to Benjamin and Martha Walkup on February 28, 1930, in Bristow, Oklahoma. David was one of ten children. He was known to be a sweet and silly boy who grew up fast and learned the value of hard honest work.

David was a proud father to eight children, Charmaine, Lorna, Becky, Davene, David, Dianna, Cheryl and Elaine. He also welcomed Penny's children and grandchildren as his own.

David joined the United States Air Force in 1948. He was proud to serve his country and honored many times for outstanding workmanship, dedication, and commitment to his specialty. David's service spanned internationally to include serving in the

Vietnam War. In

1968, after 20 years of service, David was honorably discharged and retired to Tacoma, Washington. Soon after his retirement from the Air Force David was hired at the Asarco Smelter in Tacoma. He worked there until 1985 when he retired.

While serving his country, David also worked tirelessly to provide for his family. He was known to seek odd jobs to include contacting local farmers to work their fields in exchange for a portion of the crop. He was a true jack of all trades working mechanical, plumbing, and carpentry. If he didn't know how, he would find a way.

David could often be found lending a helping hand. He had a strong faith in the Lord and believed that it was his calling to help others whenever the opportunity presented itself. In his later years he continued to help others through prayer and enlisting help.

The outdoors were always calling. Some of Dave's happiest times were spent on the water fishing, wandering through the woods, and exploring God's great creation.

David leaves behind his siblings, Sharline (Fred) Tuggy, Shirline (Roland) Clark, and Wayne (Diane) Walkup; his children, Lorna (Steve) Kearns, Becky (Bob) Trent, Davene Rod-

cker, David

Walkup, Dianna (Andy) Flores, Cheryl (Ken) Munoz, and Elaine Walkup. He also leaves behind his 15 grandchildren and their spouses, 24 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandson. Last but not least, his companion, puppy, his "little girl", Gidget.

David was preceded in death by his parents, Benjamin and Martha Walkup; his siblings, Ellen, Wana-Ruth, Anita, William, Ben, and Danny; his daughter, Charmaine; his grandchildren, Christene and Stephen; and his beloved wife, Penny.

We would like to express sincere gratitude to Dolly Miller and the other caregivers who so lovingly tended to David's needs. David was well loved. He cherished every cup of coffee while reading the Bible with friends, every phone call, and every heartfelt card that he received. The cookies that he would find time to time on his porch always filled his heart and his belly.

Services with Military Honors were held at the Coquille Pioneer Cemetery.

Online remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at www.westrumfuneralservice.com

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Volcano erupts on Hawaii's Big Island

HONOLULU (AP) — Hawaii's Kilauea volcano on the Big Island erupted and shot a steam and ash cloud into the atmosphere that lasted about an hour, an official with the National Weather Service said early Monday.

The eruption began late Sunday within Kilauea's summit crater, the U.S. Geological Survey said. The crater, named Halemaumau, is located within Hawaii Volcanoes National Park and was home to a longstanding lava lake that was present for years before a 2018 eruption caused it to drain.

Tom Birchard, a senior forecaster with the National Weather Service in Hawaii, said lava interacted with a pool of water that had accumulated inside the crater, leading

to a short-lived but fairly vigorous eruption.

When lava interacts with water it can cause explosive reactions.

All the water evaporated out of the lake and a steam cloud shot up about 30,000 feet (9 kilometers) into the atmosphere, Birchard said.

The water was the first ever recorded in the summit crater of Kilauea volcano.

In 2019, after a week of questions about a mysterious green patch at the bottom of the volcano's crater, researchers confirmed the presence of water. The lake had continued to fill since then.

An advisory was issued by the National Weather Service in Honolulu, warning of fallen ash from the volcano. Excessive

exposure to ash is an eye and respiratory irritant, it said. The agency later said the eruption was easing and a "low-level steam cloud" was lingering in the area.

By 1 a.m., USGS officials told Hawaii News Now that there were reported lava fountains shooting about 165 feet (50 meters) into the sky.

David Phillips, a Hawaiian Volcano Observatory spokesman, said the agency was monitoring the "rapidly evolving" situation.

"We will send out further notifications on Kilauea and other Hawaiian volcanoes as we observe changes," he said.

A magnitude 4.4 earthquake hit about an hour after the volcano began erupting.

DEATH NOTICES

Donna Stillion, 82, of Coos Bay, passed away December 16, 2020 in Springfield. Cremation Rites under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Donald E. Lee, 82 of Coquille, passed away December 17, 2020 in Coquille. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Tina Rae Carbonell, 58, of North Bend, passed away December 13, 2020

in Flagstaff, Arizona. Arrangements are pending under the direction of Nelson's Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Stafford L. Owen, 89, of North Bend died December 17, 2020 in North Bend. Cremation rites will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory, Coos Bay with inurnment at Denmark Cemetery under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel. 541-267-3131. www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Marjorie A. Cornell, 86, of Coos Bay, passed

away on December 17, 2020 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440

Lynda Lee Holland, 76, of Charleston, passed away December 17, 2020 in Charleston. Arrangements are under the care of Coos Bay Chapel, 541-267-3131 www.coosbayareafunerals.com

Sammy H. Anderson, 54, of Coos Bay, passed away on December 18, 2020 in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

Airport traffic rising despite holiday travel warnings

SAN RAMON, Calif. (AP) — More than 1 million people have passed through U.S. airport security checkpoints in each of the past two days in a sign that public health pleas to avoid holiday travel are being ignored, despite an alarming surge in COVID-19 cases.

It marks the first time U.S. airports have screened more than 1 million passengers since Nov. 29. That came at the end of a Thanksgiving weekend that saw far more travel around the country than had been hoped as the weather turned colder and COVID-19 cases were already spiking again.

Now, hospitals in many areas are being overwhelmed amid the largest outbreak of COVID-19 in the U.S. since March, when most Americans were ordered to stay home and avoid interactions with other households.

The seven-day rolling average of newly reported infections in the U.S. has risen from about 176,000 a day just before Thanksgiving to more than 215,000 a day. It's too early to calculate how much of that increase is due to travel and gatherings over Thanksgiving, but experts believe they are a factor.

Although lockdowns are no longer in effect in many parts of the country, stay-at-home orders have returned in some areas in effort to contain the virus. Nearly 99% of California's population of roughly 40 million people, for

instance, has been told to remain at home except for essential work, shopping and exercise.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has issued an advisory declaring "postponing travel and staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others from COVID-19."

Nevertheless, about 1.07 million people

passed through the security checkpoints at U.S. airports on Friday and again on Saturday, according to the Transportation Security Administration. Saturday's volume was down 57% from the same time last year, the smallest year-over-year decline in daily traffic at U.S. airports since Nov. 22 as people began their Thanksgiving getaways.

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DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

GIFTS FOR GRANDKIDS ARE LEFT BEHIND AT GRANDMA'S HOUSE

DEAR ABBY: I raised my kids right as a single mom. I took pride in supporting them and giving them what they needed and wanted.

I have a daughter who lives out of town with her husband and children. I don't get to see them often, so I love buying them gifts that are waiting for them when they get here. For the kids' birthdays and holidays, I always have nice gifts for them, too.

For the past few years, my daughter has refused to take any of the gifts home with her, so the toys sit in my spare rooms. She smirks and laughs when someone says something about leaving behind the gifts I buy. She and her husband stay at my house when they visit, so the kids play with their toys then.

I'm hurt by her lack of appreciation and have decided to stop buying anything for the kids on holidays or birthdays. I don't enjoy giving monetary gifts. I want to see the kids' faces when they open a present and play with it. Would it be wrong for me to just stop buying gifts? -- GENEROUS GRANNY IN OHIO

DEAR GENEROUS GRANNY: This is something you should discuss with your daughter. Could it be that your grandchildren have so many toys at home that there isn't room for more?

I'm not sure why your daughter would "smirk and laugh" when "someone" mentions the gifts left behind when your family leaves. That kind of behavior is rude. But I don't think children should be punished for something their parent does. To deny them gifts on birthdays and Christmas because of it would be petulant and a mistake.

DEAR ABBY: My mother is close to death. I haven't had contact with her

in 30 years. While we were growing up and even into adulthood, she was incredibly abusive, neglectful and manipulative. She didn't provide the basic needs of food and clothing for us. She prioritized her boyfriend over us kids and engaged in crazy behavior. She would chase us with knives, walk around naked and expect us to accompany her to throw garbage on her boyfriend's car.

I'm not a bad person. I don't wish any harm on her, but she's not part of my life for a reason. As she approaches death, how do I deal with this? No one should die alone. None of my siblings want anything to do with her, either. What do I even say? -- POST-TRAUMATIC IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR POST-TRAUMATIC: What do you even say ... to WHOM? To the person who informed you that your mother has little time left? To your mother if you choose to be with her? Are you sure your mother wants you there?

Because you asked for my advice, I am suggesting that you may have fewer regrets -- and less anger, righteous as it may be -- if you are with her at the end. You don't have to say anything more than, "Mom, I'm here for you," if you don't wish to. From your description of her, your mother may have had serious emotional problems for much of her life. Please allow me to offer my sympathy.

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



Christmas cheer

The North Bend City Council recently announced its first Spirit of Christmas awards, honoring six homes and one business for their festive Christmas displays. Among those honored were these homes.

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KEZI ABC	KEZI 9 News at 5:00 (N)	ABC World News	KEZI 9 News at 6 (N)	KEZI 9 News at 6:30 (N)	Family Feud	Entertainment Tonight (N)	The Bachelorette (Season Finale) (N)		(:01) Supermarket Sweep "Serious Steaks on the Line" (N)				KEZI 9 News at 11pm (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!											
KCBY CBS	KVAL News at 5pm (N)	CBS Evening News	KVAL News at 6pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune (N)	The Price Is Right at Night (N)		Let's Make a Deal Primetime (N)		NCIS "Into the Light" A possible terrorist plot is revealed.		KVAL News at 11pm (N)	Late Show-Colbert											
KCBY2 TBD	Outlook: Icons Revealed	Outlook: Icons Revealed	Best of the Week	Best of the Week	Best of the Week	Best of the Week	The Pet Collective Christmas	FailArmy Christmas	FailFactory	FailFactory	Adventure Amplified (N)	Adventure Amplified (N)	Parkour Adventures	Parkour Adventures											
KOBI NBC	NBC 5 News at 5:00 (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	NBC 5 News at 6:00 (N)		NBC 5 News	Access Hollywood (N)	The Voice Coaches and more perform holiday songs. (N)		Saturday Night Live "A Saturday Night Live Christmas Special" Popular Christmas-themed sketches.				NBC 5 News at 11:00 (N)	Tonight Show-J. Fallon											
KMKB NBC	NBC 16 News at 5pm (N)	NBC 16 News at 5:30pm (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	NBC 16 News at 6:30pm (N)	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Voice Coaches and more perform holiday songs.		Saturday Night Live "A Saturday Night Live Christmas Special" Popular Christmas-themed sketches.		Night Live Christmas Special" Popular Christmas-themed sketches.		NBC 16 News at 11pm (N)	Tonight Show-J. Fallon											
KOAC PBS	Ready Jet Go! (E)	Wild Kratts "Elephant Brains!"	Ask This Old House	BBC World News Outside	PBS NewsHour (N)		City Hall (2020, Documentary) Frederick Wiseman examines the history of Boston City Hall.																		
KLSR FOX	The People's Court		Hot Bench	Hot Bench	Oregon's News at 7 (N)	Judge Judy	NEXT "FILE 9; FILE 10" (Series Finale) NEXT targets Congresswoman-a Beauty. (N)		Oregon's News at 10 (N)	Oregon's Sports Report	Modern Family "Yard Sale"	Mike & Molly "Mike Check"													
KTVC IND	Secrets Unsealed	Secrets Unsealed	Country Wisdom	Gospel Outreach	Fountain View Music	Variety	Better Life Today	Advent World Radio	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Stories of Faith	Mission Stories	GYC Convention	GYC Convention											
KEVU MNT	The King of Queens	Portland News (N)	The 700 Club		The Drew Barrymore Show		Chicago P.D. Ruzek's family and work lives collide.		Chicago P.D. Upton uses her past to get a confession.		TMZ (N)	Access Hollywood (N)	Portland News (N)	Judge Judy											
CW30	black-ish "Dr. Hell No"	black-ish	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Swamp Thing Swamp Thing goes on the offensive.		Tell Me a Story Ashley faces pressure to cancel a show. (N)		Seinfeld "The Subway"	Seinfeld Jerry surprises folks.	Schitt's Creek "Girls' Night"	Schitt's Creek											
A&E	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars "Lock & Roll"	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	(:01) Storage Wars	(:32) Storage Wars	(:04) Storage Wars	(:34) Storage Wars											
AMC	*** Love Actually (2003, Romance-Comedy) Hugh Grant, Laura Linney, Colin Firth. Various people deal with relationships in London.						** Four Christmases (2008, Romance-Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Reese Witherspoon, Robert Duvall. A couple must somehow fit in four holiday visits with family.			** Fred Claus (2007, Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Paul Giamatti, Miranda Richardson. Santa's ne'er-do-well brother puts Christmas in jeopardy.															
BRAVO	Below Deck Mediterranean "The Bali Is in Your Court"		Below Deck Mediterranean Capt. Sandy deals with chaos.		Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best											
CNBC	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	The News With Shepard Smith	The Profit "Athens Motors"	Dateline "Something Wicked"														
COMEDY	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Drunk History	Drunk History "Heists"	Jeff Dunham's-Unrehearsed Last Minute Pandemic Holiday	Jeff Dunham's-Unrehearsed Last Minute Pandemic Holiday													
DISCOVERY	Moonshiners: Deck the Stills (N)		Moonshiners: Deck the Stills "Better Together" (N)		Moonshiners: Deck the Stills "Gifts That Keep on Giving" (N)		Moonshiners "No Ordinary Run" (N)																		
DISNEY	Liv and Maddie	Liv and Maddie	Liv and Maddie	Liv and Maddie: Cali Style	Gabby Duran & The Unsittables	Big City Greens	Toy Story That Time Forgot	Mickey Mouse	(:05) Disney Holiday Magic Quest		Jessie Jessie and the Ross kids go to Hawaii.		Good Luck Jessie: NYC Christmas												
E!	(4:30) ** Burlesque (2010, Drama) Cher, Christina Aguilera. A small-town gal finds her niche at a neoburlesque club.				** Monster-in-Law (2005, Romance-Comedy) Jennifer Lopez, Jane Fonda. A shrewish woman clashes with her son's fiancée.			(:15) ** Monster-in-Law (2005, Romance-Comedy) Jennifer Lopez, Jane Fonda, Michael Vartan. A shrewish woman clashes with her son's fiancée.					Nightly Pop (N)												
ESPN	(4:00) College Football RoofClaim.com Boca Raton Bowl -- UCF vs BYU. (N) (Live)				SportsCenter With Scott Van Pelt (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)												
FOOD	Chopped Chicken hearts; sea bass; zucchini.		Chopped Combining fish with rice pudding.		Chopped Sushi platter; ostrich fillets and wine.		Chopped "Million-Dollar Meals" High-end, top-dollar ingredients.		Chopped (N)		Supermarket Stakeout (N)		Chopped The chefs attempt a deviled ham spread.												
FREEFORM	(:10) *** Home Alone (1990, Children's) Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci, Daniel Stern. A left-behind boy battles two burglars in the house.				(:40) ** Home Alone 2: Lost in New York (1992, Children's) Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci, Daniel Stern. A Kevin ends up in New York when he boards the wrong plane.				(:20) ** The Night Before (2015, Comedy) Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Seth Rogen. Premiere.																
FS1	College Football: B1G Championship		Women's College Basketball DePaul at Creighton. From D.J. Sokol Arena in Omaha, Neb. (N) (Live)		NFL Films Presents (N)		TMZ Sports (N)		Skip and Shannon: Undisputed		Women's College Basketball DePaul at Creighton. From D.J. Sokol Arena in Omaha, Neb.														
FX	(3:30) ** Night School (2018, Comedy) Kevin Hart, Tiffany Haddish, Rob Riggle.		** Skyscraper (2018, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Neve Campbell, Chin Han. A man must save his family from a burning skyscraper.		** The Fate of the Furious (2017, Action) Vin Diesel, Dwayne Johnson, Charlize Theron. A mysterious woman forces Dom to betray the crew.				** The Fate of the Furious (2017, Action) Vin Diesel, Dwayne Johnson.																
FXM	(4:35) ** Pitch Perfect 3 (2017, Musical Comedy) Anna Kendrick, Hailee Steinfeld, The Barden Bellas reunite for an overseas musical USO tour.		** Pitch Perfect 3 (2017, Musical Comedy) Anna Kendrick, Hailee Steinfeld, Rebel Wilson. The Barden Bellas reunite for an overseas musical USO tour.				(:25) ** The Greatest Showman (2017, Musical) Hugh Jackman, Zac Efron, Michelle Williams. P.T. Barnum creates the Barnum & Bailey circus in the 1800s.		(:20) Where's the Money (2017, Comedy) Andrew Bachelor, Kat Graham, Logan Paul. A man must pledge a fraternity to recover stolen money.																
HBO	(4:55) REAL Sports With Bryant Gumbel		(5:55) His Dark Materials "Malice"		(:45) ** Battleship (2012, Science Fiction) Taylor Kitsch, Alexander Skarsgard, Rihanna. Earth comes under attack from a superior alien force.		Under the Grapefruit Tree: The CC Sabathia Story (N)		(:10) News of the World: HBO First Look		Industry "Pre-Crisis Activity" Reduction in Force Day is close at hand.		(:25) Industry "Reduction in Force"												
HGTV	Fixer to Fabulous		Fixer to Fabulous Dave and Jenny renovate a 1902 home.		Fixer to Fabulous Troy Ward purchases a house on the lake.		Fixer to Fabulous "Life on Marrs: Surprise Renovation" (N)		Fixer to Fabulous Joan and Steve's dream home. (N)		(:01) House Hunters International		House Hunters International												
HISTORY	(4:00) Banned From the Bible II		The Curse of Oak Island "Alignment"		The Curse of Oak Island "The Master Plan"		The Curse of Oak Island: Digging Deeper (N)		The Curse of Oak Island "Mounding Evidence" (N)		(:03) Beyond Oak Island The Lagnas deploy Matty Blake. (N)		(:05) The Curse of Oak Island "The Master Plan"												
LIFETIME	(4:00) Homemade Christmas (2020) Michelle Argyris.		The Santa Squad (2020, Romance) Aaron Ashmore, Rebecca Dalton. An unemployed art teacher has to accept a job.				The Christmas High Note (2020) Premiere. A woman falls for a single father during the holidays.		Jamie Luner, Johnny Messner. Miami is convinced to come home for the holidays.		(:03) Inn Love by Christmas (2020) Jonna Walsh. A woman living in Miami is convinced to come home for the holidays.														
NBCSN	Caffeine-Oct.	Caffeine-Oct.	Carcass	Carcass	Proving Grounds (N)		Caffeine-Oct.	Caffeine-Oct.	Carcass	Carcass	Proving Grounds		Proving Gr.	Proving Gr.											
NICK	All That	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	Top Elf Six contestants vie for the title.	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends											
ROOT	(4:00) College Basketball Louisville at Pittsburgh. (N) (Live)		The Short List	The Immortals	Mark Few Show	College Basketball Northwestern State at Gonzaga. Athletic Center in Spokane, Wash.	Seahawks Press Pass	Mariners All Access	Mariners All Access	Mariners Rewind From Aug. 31, 2020.															
SYFY	(3:15) ** Green Lantern	(:45) * Death Wish (2018, Action) Bruce Willis, Vincent D'Onofrio, Elisabeth Shue. A man delivers vigilante justice to his family's attackers.	** Transformers: The Last Knight (2017, Action) Mark Wahlberg, Anthony Hopkins, Josh Duhamel. The war between Transformers and humans threatens Earth.				Futurama																		
TLC	Welcome to Plathville Micah faces financial stress.		Welcome to Plathville Moriah introduces Max to her family.		Welcome to Plathville Ethan doubts he's ready for a tattoo.		7 Little Johnstons The Johnstons throw a Christmas party.		My Big Fat Fabulous Life "Sex, Lies and Sandwiches" (N)		(:01) Welcome to Plathville "The Open Road" (N)		(:01) Invasion of the Christmas Lights 2												
TNT	(4:00) NBA Basketball Golden State Warriors at Brooklyn Nets. From Barclays Center in Brooklyn, N.Y. (N Subject to Blackout)				NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Los Angeles Lakers. From Staples Center in Los Angeles. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)		Inside the NBA (N) (Live)		Supernatural Sam and Dean run into Claire Novak.		Supernatural														
TOON	Teen Titans Go! Vs. Teen Titans (2019, Action) Voice of Greg Cipes. Animated. An antagonist forces the two teams to battle.		Steven Universe: The Movie (2019) Voices of Zach Callison, Deedee Magno. Animated. Steven has to battle a new threat.				American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy													
USA	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Undercover Mother"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Know It All"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Complicated"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Info Wars"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Dearly Beloved"		Modern Family	Modern Family													
WGN-A	NewsNation (N) (Live)		NewsNation (N) (Live)		NewsNation (N) (Live)		NewsNation		NewsNation		NewsNation		DailyMailTV	DailyMailTV											
WTBS	Family Guy "Airport '07"	Family Guy	Family Guy "Boys Do Cry"	Family Guy	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Misery Index (N)	Conan Guest: Al Franken.	The Misery Index											

Wednesday Evening														MOVIES		SPORTS		KIDS		BEST BETS		December 23, 2020			
	5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30											
KEZI ABC	KEZI 9 News at 5:00 (N)	ABC World News	KEZI 9 News at 6 (N)	KEZI 9 News at 6:30 (N)	Family Feud	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town (N)		The Great Christmas Light Fight (Season Finale) Brooklyn, N.Y.; Atlanta, Ga. (N)				KEZI 9 News at 11pm (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!											
KCBY CBS	KVAL News at 5pm (N)	CBS Evening News	KVAL News at 6pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune (N)	A Holly Dolly Christmas		Garth & Trisha Live! A Holiday Concert Event		S.W.A.T. "Monster" The SWAT team must protect a warlord.		KVAL News at 11pm (N)	Late Show-Colbert											
KCBY2 TBD	Outlook: Icons Revealed	Outlook: Icons Revealed	Best of the Week	Best of the Week	Best of the Week	Best of the Week	Animals Unscripted	Animals Unscripted	FailFactory	FailFactory	Dust (Season Premiere) (N)		Parkour Adventures	Parkour Adventures											
KOBI NBC	NBC 5 News at 5:00 (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	NBC 5 News at 6:00 (N)		NBC 5 News	Access Hollywood (N)	Chicago Med The staff adjusts to the pandemic.		Chicago Fire Firehouse 51 welcomes a new team member.		Chicago P.D. "Fighting Ghosts" The team faces police reform.		NBC 5 News at 11:00 (N)	Tonight Show-J. Fallon											
KMKB NBC	NBC 16 News at 5pm (N)	NBC 16 News at 5:30pm (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	NBC 16 News at 6:30pm (N)	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Chicago Med The staff adjusts to the pandemic.		Chicago Fire Firehouse 51 welcomes a new team member.		Chicago P.D. "Fighting Ghosts" The team faces police reform.		NBC 16 News at 11pm (N)	Tonight Show-J. Fallon											
KOAC PBS	Ready Jet Go! (E)	Wild Kratts (E)	Journeys in Japan	BBC World News Outside	PBS NewsHour (N)		Nature Animals adapt and survive during winter.		NOVA "Pluto and Beyond" New Horizons prepares for a flyby.		NOVA "Flying Supersonic" Building a supersonic airliner.		Food Flirts	Food Flirts											
KLSR FOX	The People's Court Dental Dilemma.		Hot Bench	Hot Bench	Oregon's News at 7 (N)	Judge Judy	I Can See Your Voice "Episode 8; Episode 10" Taya Diggs; DeRay Davis; Joel McHale.		Oregon's News at 10 (N)	Oregon's Sports Report	Modern Family "Arrested"	Mike & Molly													
KTVC IND	A Sharper Focus	A Sharper Focus	Islam and Christianity	Islam and Christianity	Amazing Facts Presents	Evolution Impossible	Better Life Today	It Is Written	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Boots 'n Bibles	Boots 'n Bibles	Impact: Canvasback	The Secret Life of Forests											
KEVU MNT	The King of Queens	Portland News (N)	The 700 Club		The Drew Barrymore Show		Dateline "Unspeakable" A celebration ends in murder.		Dateline Police investigate a woman's death.		TMZ (N)	Access Hollywood (N)	Portland News (N)	Judge Judy											
CW30	black-ish "Churched"	black-ish	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Silent Night -- A Song for the World The creation of the Christmas carol.				Seinfeld "The Strike"	Seinfeld "The Cadillac"	Schitt's Creek "Open Mic"	Schitt's Creek											
A&E	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam: Top 10 Moments of 2020 (N)	Court Cam	(:01) Rescue Cam (N)	(:32) Rescue Cam (N)	(:04) Court Cam	(:34) Court Cam											
AMC	(3:30) ** Fred Claus (2007, Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Paul Giamatti, Miranda Richardson.		** Four Christmases (2008, Romance-Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Reese Witherspoon, Robert Duvall. A couple must somehow fit in four holiday visits with family.				*** Elf (2003, Children's) Will Ferrell, James Caan, Bob Newhart. A man leaves Santa's workshop to search for his family.					*** The Polar Express (2004, Children's) Voices of Tom Hanks, Michael Jeter, Nona Gaye. Animated. A conductor guides a boy to the North Pole.													
BRAVO	Below Deck Capt. Lee calls a staff meeting.		Below Deck "Big Girls, Do Cry" Kate sets Kevin up for failure.		The Real Housewives of Orange County		The Real Housewives of Orange County (N)		The Real Housewives of Orange County (N)		The Real Housewives of Salt Lake City (N)		Bravo's Chat Room (N)	Real Housewives											
CNBC	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	The News With Shepard Smith	The Profit "Amazing Grapes"	Dateline "Silent Witness"														
COMEDY	South Park "Casa Bonita"	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park "Rehash"	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park Animated. The kids face danger from COVID-19.	South Park	South Park												
DISCOVERY	Expedition X "Ghosts in the Swamp"		Expedition X "Devil in the Forest"		Expedition X: Uncovered "America's Lake Monster" (N)		Josh Gates Tonight (N)				Expedition Unknown: Rediscovered "The Life of Jesus Christ" (N)														
DISNEY	Star New Year	(:25) Jessie Jessie and the Ross kids go to Hawaii.	(:25) Miraculous World: New York, United Heroez		Miraculous: Ladybug	Miraculous: Ladybug	Miraculous: Ladybug	Miraculous: Ladybug	Big City Greens	Holiday House Party	Bizaardvark	Bizaardvark	Just Roll With It	Just Roll With It											
E!	The Bradshaw Bunch	The Bradshaw Bunch	The Bradshaw Bunch	The Bradshaw Bunch	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best											
ESPN	(4:00) College Football Montgomery Bowl -- Memphis vs Florida Atlantic. (N) (Live)				NBA Basketball in Phoenix. (N) (Live)		Dallas Mavericks at Phoenix Suns. From Talking Stick Resort Arena		SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)														
FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games Guy spins the DDD Wheel.		Guy's Grocery Games (Part 2 of 4)		Guy's Grocery Games Super duos make classic DDD dishes.		Guy's Grocery Games (Part 4 of 4)		Guy's Grocery Games "Delivery: One Box Only" (N)		Guy's Grocery Games Celebrity chefs compete in Flavortown.		Guy's Grocery Games "Pork-a-Palooza" Pork-inspired dishes.												
FREEFORM	(3:35) ** The Santa Clause 2 (2002, Children's) Tim Allen.		(:05) * The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (2006) Tim Allen. Jack Frost wants to freeze Santa out of the North Pole.				(:10) ** Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas (2000, Children's) Jim Carrey, Jeffrey Tambor, Christine Baranski. A curmudgeon hates the Christmas-loving Whos of Whoville.		(10:50) Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town																
FS1	(4:00) College Basketball Villanova at Marquette. (N) (Live)		College Basketball Connecticut at DePaul. From Wintrust Arena in Chicago. (N) (Live)		NFL Turning Point (N)		NFL Films Presents		TMZ Sports (N)		Skip and Shannon: Undisputed		College Basketball Villanova at Marquette.												
FX	(4:30) *** Deadpool (2016, Action) Ryan Reynolds, Morena Baccarin, Ed Skrein. Deadpool hunts down the man who nearly destroyed his life.				FX's A Christmas Carol Scrooge has a dark night of the soul.				FX's A Christmas Carol Scrooge has a dark night of the soul.																
FXM	(3:35) ** The Star (2017, Children's) Voices of Steven Yeun. Animated. Animal friends become heroes during the first Christmas.		(:20) ** The Star (2017, Children's) Voices of Steven Yeun. Animated. Animal friends become heroes during the first Christmas.		(:05) *** Kung Fu Panda 3 (2016, Children's) Voices of Jack Black, Bryan Cranston, Dustin Hoffman. Animated. Po trains a village of pandas to fight a supernatural enemy.				** Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children (2016, Fantasy) Eva Green, Asa Butterfield, Samuel L. Jackson. A teen visits an island where children have special powers.				(:36) FXM Presents												
HBO	(4:55) ** Godzilla: King of the Monsters (2019, Science Fiction) Kyle Chandler, Vera Farmiga, Millie Bobby Brown. Godzilla collides with Mothra, Rodan and King Ghidorah.		(:10) His Dark Materials "The Scholar" Mary takes a leap of faith.		His Dark Materials "Malice"		(8:50) ** Contraband (2012, Action) Mark Wahlberg, Kate Beckinsale, Ben Foster. A former smuggler finds he has to get back in the game.		(:45) I Used to Go Here (2020) Gillian Jacobs, Jemaine Clement. Premiere. Author becomes entangled in the lives of college students.																
HGTV	Good Bones Mina and Karen revamp a tiny home.		Home Town A woman moves into town to downsize.		Home Town Finding a historical charmer.		Home Town "Our Little Secret: Military Family" (N)		Property Brothers: Forever Home "Teenager in the House" (N)		(:01) House Hunters International		(:01) House Hunters International												
HISTORY	(4:00) The Bible Peter denies Jesus; Judas hangs himself.		Forged in Fire Two families battle against each other.		Forged in Fire Tactical knives out of rescue tools.		Forged in Fire Scaling down a 9 foot long dagger.		Forged in Fire Forging steel from Santa's sleigh. (N)		(:03) Forged in Fire Bladesmiths use the San Mai technique.		(:03) Forged in Fire Re-creation of Gen. Patton's saber.												
LIFETIME	(4:00) Christmas on the Vine (2020) Julianna Guill, Jon Cor.		The Christmas High Note (2020, Romance) Jamie Luner, Johnny Messner. A woman falls for a single father during the holidays.				Christmas at the Castle (2019) Brooke Buritt. Premiere. Sparks fly between a perfumer and a Scottish aristocrat.				(:03) Feliz Navidad (2020, Romance) Mario Lopez, AnnaLynne McCord. A single father finds romance during the holidays.														
NBCSN	DRL Drone Racing (N)		World Chase Tag		World Chase Tag		World Chase Tag		World Chase Tag		World Chase Tag		World Chase Tag												
NICK	(4:00) Santa Hunters (2014)		*** Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (2008, Children's) Voices of Ben Stiller, Chris Rock, David Schwimmer.		Top Elf Prototypes for Santa's new super vest.				Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Friends	Friends	(:05) Friends "The Last One" The six friends say goodbye.												
ROOT	Mariners All Access	Mariners All Access	Mariners Rewind From Sept. 4, 2020.		Mariners All Access		Seahawks Press Pass	Seahawks Press Pass	Seahawks Press Pass	Strongman Champions League (N)	Strongman Champions League		Strongman Champions												
SYFY	(4:30) ** Transformers: The Last Knight (2017, Action) Mark Wahlberg, Anthony Hopkins, Josh Duhamel. The war between Transformers and humans threatens Earth.				** Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire (2005, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. Voldemort lays a trap for Harry at the Triwizard Tournament.				Buddy Valastro: Road to Recovery (N)				My Feet Are Killing Me "Under the Mistletoes"												
TLC	Invasion of the Christmas Lights		Invasion of the Christmas Lights 2		Extreme Christmas Trees Over-the-top Christmas trees.		Dr. Pimple Popper One of the busiest days of the year.		Buddy Valastro: Road to Recovery (N)																
TNT	(4:30) NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at Boston Celtics. From TD Garden in Boston. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)				All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N)				** Unknown (2011, Suspense) Liam Neeson, Diane Kruger, January Jones. An accident victim finds a man using his identity.																
TOON	Teen Titans Go!	Teen Titans Go! "Titans vs. Santa"	Teen Titans Go!	Teen Titans Go!	LEGO DC Shazam: Magic and Monsters (2020, Children's) Voices of Sean Astin, Troy Baker, Nolan North.		American Dad	American Dad	American Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy											
USA	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Counterfeit"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Forty-One Witnesses"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Manhattan Transfer"		WWE NXT (N Same-day Tape)				(:08) ** The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift (2006) Lucas Black. An American street racer takes on a Japanese champion.														
WGN-A	NewsNation (N) (Live)		NewsNation (N) (Live)		NewsNation (N) (Live)		NewsNation		NewsNation		NewsNation		DailyMailTV	DailyMailTV											
WTBS	Seinfeld "The Red Dot"	Seinfeld "The Pick"	Seinfeld "The Race"	Seinfeld "The Gum"	Seinfeld "The Strike"	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Misery Index (N)	Full Frontal	Conan Guest: Nicole Wallace.	Full Frontal											

Thursday Evening													December 24, 2020	
	5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KEZI ABC	KEZI 9 News at 5:00 (N)	ABC World News	KEZI 9 News at 6 (N)	KEZI 9 News at 6:30 (N)	Family Feud	Entertainment Tonight (N)	** The Greatest Showman (2017) Hugh Jackman. Premiere. P.T. Barnum creates the Barnum & Bailey circus in the 1800s. (N)	Disney Prep & Landing	Prep & Landing	KEZI 9 News at 11pm (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!			
KCBY CBS	KVAL News at 5pm (N)	CBS Evening News	KVAL News at 6pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Young Sheldon (:31) B Positive	(:01) Mom	The Unicorn	FBI "Little Egypt" A bomb detonates at a restaurant.	KVAL News at 11pm (N)	Late Show-Colbert		
KCBY2 TBD	FAILARMY	FAILARMY	FAILARMY	FAILARMY	FAILARMY	FAILARMY	FAILARMY	FAILARMY	FAILARMY	FAILARMY	FailArmy Christmas	The Pet Collective Christmas	Parkour Adventures	Parkour Adventures
KOBI NBC	NBC 5 News at 5:00 (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	NBC 5 News at 6:00 (N)		NBC 5 News	Access Hollywood (N)	**** It's a Wonderful Life (1946, Comedy-Drama) James Stewart. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide.	James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide.		NBC 5 News at 11:00 (N)	(:34) Christmas Eve Mass (N)			
KMBC NBC	NBC 16 News at 5pm (N)	NBC 16 News at 5:30pm (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	NBC 16 News at 6:30pm (N)	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	**** It's a Wonderful Life (1946, Comedy-Drama) James Stewart. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide.	James Stewart, Donna Reed, Lionel Barrymore. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide.		NBC 16 News at 11pm (N)	(:34) Christmas Eve Mass (N)			
KOAC PBS	Wild Kratts: A Creature Christmas (E)	Outside With Greg Aiello	BBC World News Outside		PBS NewsHour (N)		Craft in America Using narrative to convey truths.	Craft in America "Democracy" Craft and principles of the U.S.	Modus Ingvar uncovers a lead.		The Durrells in Corfu on Masterpiece			
KLSR FOX	The People's Court Livid Over a Pool Liner.	Hot Bench	Hot Bench		Oregon's News at 7 (N)	Judge Judy	The Resident Ezra must keep a situation under wraps.	Prodigal Son An impromptu Whitley family reunion.	Oregon's News at 10 (N)	Oregon's Sports Report	Modern Family	Mike & Molly		
KTVC IND	Better Life On Tour	Better Life On Tour	3ABN Today Live	3ABN Today Live	3ABN Today Live	3ABN Today Live	Better Life Today	Gospel Outreach	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Table Talk	Table Talk	3ABN Today Live	3ABN Today Live
KEVU MNT	The King of Queens	Portland News (N)	The 700 Club		The Drew Barrymore Show		Dateline "Secret Lives" A young mother's disappearance.	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Undaunted Mettie"	TMZ (N)	Access Hollywood (N)	Portland News (N)	Judge Judy		
CW30	black-ish	black-ish "Sugar Daddy"	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Family Guy (Part 1 of 2)	Family Guy	iHeartRadio Jingle Ball 2020 The annual concert event.	Whose Line Is It Anyway?	Seinfeld "The Red Dot"	Seinfeld "The Shower Head"	Schitt's Creek	Schitt's Creek		
A&E	** Jurassic Park III (2001) Sam party encounters new breeds of prehistoric terror.				*** Back to the Future (1985, Comedy) Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd, Crispin Glover. A boy travels through time to his parents' teenage years.				*** Back to the Future Part II (1989, Comedy) Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd, Lea Thompson. Marty's time traveling is threatened by a dangerous rival.					
AMC	(4:00) *** The Polar Express (2004, Children's) Voices of Tom Hanks, Michael Jeter.	*** Elf (2003, Children's) Will Ferrell, James Caan, Bob Newhart. A man leaves Santa's workshop to search for his family.				*** National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (1989, Comedy) Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo, Randy Quaid. A traditional Griswold yuletide backfires in comic fashion.				(:15) ** Four Christmases (2008, Romance-Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Reese Witherspoon, Robert Duvall. A couple must somehow fit in four holiday visits with family.				
BRAVO	(3:30) ** Diary of a Mad Black Woman (2005)	** Last Holiday (2006, Comedy) Queen Latifah, Gérard Depardieu, LL Cool J. A terminally ill woman lives it up on vacation.				** Last Holiday (2006, Comedy) Queen Latifah, Gérard Depardieu, LL Cool J. A terminally ill woman lives it up on vacation.				** Diary of a Mad Black Woman (2005) Kimberly Elise, Steve Harris. A woman starts over after her husband leaves her.				
CNBC	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	The News With Shepard Smith		The Profit "Santa's Toys"	Dateline (Part 1 of 2)				
COMEDY	The Office	The Office	The Office "Secret Santa"	The Office (Part 1 of 2)	The Office (Part 2 of 2)	The Office (Part 1 of 2)	The Office (Part 2 of 2)	The Office	Schitt's Creek "The M.V.P."	Schitt's Creek "Roadkill"	Schitt's Creek "The Roast"	Schitt's Creek "The Hike"		
DISCOVERY	(4:00) BattleBots "Let the Big Bot Battle Begin"	BattleBots "Stop! Hammer Time!" (N)				BattleBots (N)				Moonshiners: Master Distiller (N)				
DISNEY	Good Luck Charlie, It's Christmas! (2011, Children's) Bridgit Mendler, Leigh-Allyn Baker.	Raven's Home	Stuck in the Middle The family travels to Florida.		Disney Channel's Epic Holiday Showdown	Bunk'd "Secret Santa"	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Sydney to the Max	Austin & Jessie & Ally All Star New Year				
E!	(3:15) ** Sister Act (1992)	** Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit (1993, Musical Comedy) Whoopi Goldberg, Kathy Najimy. Deloris and friends rally to save a school from closing.	** Last Holiday (2006, Comedy) Queen Latifah, Gérard Depardieu, LL Cool J. A terminally ill woman lives it up on vacation.				** Last Holiday (2006, Comedy) Queen Latifah, Gérard Depardieu, LL Cool J. A terminally ill woman lives it up on vacation.							
ESPN	SportsCenter Presents (N)	SportsCenter Presents (N)	SportsCenter Presents (N)	SportsCenter Presents (N)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter				
FOOD	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay		
FREEFORM	Home Alone 2: Lost in N.Y.	(:35) ** Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas (2000, Children's) Jim Carrey, Jeffrey Tambor. A curmudgeon hates the Christmas-loving Whos of Whoville.	(:15) Frosty the Snowman Animated. Frosty heads north.				(8:50) Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer				(9:55) Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town		The 700 Club	
FS1	** Draft Day (2014, Drama) Kevin Costner, Jennifer Garner, Denis Leary. The Cleveland Browns' GM goes after the top draft pick.								TMZ Sports (N)	Skip and Shannon: Undisputed			College Football	
FX	(4:00) ** Minions (2015, Children's) Voices of Sandra Bullock, Jon Hamm.	** Despicable Me 3 (2017, Children's) Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig, Trey Parker. Animated. Gru and his twin brother battle a former 1980s child star.				** Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (2018, Children's) Voices of Benedict Cumberbatch, Cameron Seely, Rashida Jones. Animated. The Grinch plans to steal Christmas from Whoville.				** Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (2018, Children's) Voices of Benedict Cumberbatch, Cameron Seely, Rashida Jones. Animated. The Grinch plans to steal Christmas from Whoville.				
FXM	(4:50) *** A Christmas Carol (1951, Fantasy) Alastair Sim, Kathleen Harrison, Mervyn Johns. A London miser meets cautionary spirits.	(:40) FX's A Christmas Carol Scrooge has a dark night of the soul.												
HBO	(4:40) I Used to Go Here (2020, Comedy) Gillian Jacobs, Jemima Clement, Josh Wiggins.	(:10) ** The Photograph (2020, Romance) Issa Rae, LaKeith Stanfield, Charité Adams. A woman develops an unexpected romance with a journalist.	** Last Christmas (2019, Romance-Comedy) Emilia Clarke, Henry Golding. A Christmas shop elf finds romance with a charming suitor.				(:45) ** A Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas (2011, Comedy) John Cho, Kal Penn. The stoner pals reunite to find the perfect Christmas tree.				(:15) ** Black Christmas (2019, Horror) Imogen Poots, Aleyse Shannon, Lily Donoghue.			
HGTV	Love It or List It A mother looks to sell her home.	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop
HISTORY	(4:57) Band of Brothers "The Breaking Point" An incompetent costs Easy Company lives.	(:39) Band of Brothers "The Last Patrol" A green officer leads a patrol.				Band of Brothers "Why We Fight" Abandoned concentration camp.				(:21) Band of Brothers "Points" Easy marches into Berchtesgaden.				(10:51) Forged in Fire Forging steel from Santa's sleigh.
LIFETIME	(4:00) A Date By Christmas Eve (2019) Vanessa Lengies.	Merry Little Christmas (2019, Romance) Kelly Rowland, Thomas Cadrot. An entrepreneur's messy family comes to her house.				Merry Little Christmas Wedding (2020, Romance) Kelly Rowland. A couple try to plan the perfect wedding amid family chaos.				(:03) Let's Meet Again on Christmas Eve (2020) Kyla Pratt. College sweethearts reconnect while coordinating a wedding.				
NBCSN	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior	American Ninja Warrior		
NICK	All-Star Nickmas	The Casagrandes	The Loud House	The Loud House	SpongeBob SquarePants	SpongeBob SquarePants	Top Elf "Elves and Selfies" Building a pop-up picture booth.	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Friends	Friends	(:05) Friends	(:40) Friends	
ROOT	Fight Sports: World Championship Kickboxing	Shogun Fights				Shogun Fights				Graham Bensinger	Seahawks Press Pass	Seahawks Press Pass	Mariners All Access	Mariners Rewind From Sept. 4, 2020.
SYFY	(2:28) *** Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (2009)	(5:57) *** Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1 (2010, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. Harry sets out to destroy the secrets to Voldemort's power.				(:10) *** Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 (2011, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. Harry may have to make the ultimate sacrifice.								
TLC	Untold Stories of the E.R. A dialysis patient bleeds; cactus.	Untold Stories of the E.R. A woman risks losing her finger.	Untold Stories of the E.R. A student's head is impaled.	Untold Stories of the E.R. A teenager's bulging tummy.	Untold Stories of the E.R. A patient's violent outbursts.	Untold Stories of the E.R. "Belly Dancer Mystery"	Untold Stories of the E.R. "Bridesmaid Meltdown"							
TNT	Bones Investigating a chess master's death.	Bones "The Heiress in the Hill" Hodgins makes a discovery.	Bones A CIA informant is murdered.	Bones The remains of a repo man are found.	*** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.	*** A Christmas Story (1983) Peter Billingsley.								
TOON	The Elf on the Shelf: An Elf's St.	Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas	We Bare Bears: The Movie (2020) A wildlife agent pursues Grizz, Panda and Ice Bear.	Voices of Bobby Moynihan. Animated.	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers (Part 1 of 2)		
USA	(4:55) Chrissy Knows Best	(:25) Chrissy Knows Best	(5:55) Chrissy Knows Best	(:25) Chrissy Knows Best	(6:56) Chrissy Knows Best	(:26) Chrissy Knows Best	(7:56) Chrissy Knows Best	(:17) Chrissy Knows Best	Chrissy Knows Best	(:44) Chrissy Knows Best "Holiday Celebration" (N)	(:27) Chrissy Knows Best	(:15) Chrissy Knows Best	(:44) Chrissy Knows Best	
WGN-A	NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation	NewsNation	NewsNation	NewsNation	NewsNation	NewsNation	DailyMailTV	DailyMailTV		
WTBS	Friends	Friends Chandler in Tulsa.	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	*** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.	*** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.	*** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.	*** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.				

Friday Evening													December 25, 2020	
	5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KEZI ABC	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Los Angeles Lakers. From Staples Center in Los Angeles. (N) (Live)	Dallas Mavericks at Los Angeles Lakers. From Staples Center in Los Angeles. (N) (Live)	Sports Stars of Tomorrow (N)	black-ish	Family Feud	Entertainment Tonight (N)	To Be Announced	KEZI 9 News at 11pm (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!					
KCBY CBS	KVAL News at 5pm (N)	CBS Evening News	KVAL News at 6pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune (N)	MacGyver Mac must hunt down a bioweapon.	Magnum P.I. Magnum helps a fallen friend's brother.	Blue Bloods	KVAL News at 11pm (N)	Late Show-Colbert			
KCBY2 TBD	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	We Heart Animals	Best of the Week	Best of the Week	
KOBI NBC	NBC 5 News at 5:00 (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	NBC 5 News at 6:00 (N)		NBC5 Year in Review	Access Hollywood (N)	Grinch Stole Christmas!	** How the Grinch Stole Christmas (2000, Children's) Jim Carrey, Jeffrey Tambor. A curmudgeon hates the Christmas-loving Whos of Whoville.	NBC 5 News at 11:00 (N)	Tonight Show-J. Fallon				
KMBC NBC	NBC 16 News at 5pm (N)	NBC 16 News at 5:30pm (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	NBC 16 News at 6:30pm (N)	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Grinch Stole Christmas!	** How the Grinch Stole Christmas (2000, Children's) Jim Carrey, Jeffrey Tambor. A curmudgeon hates the Christmas-loving Whos of Whoville.	NBC 16 News at 11pm (N)	Tonight Show-J. Fallon				
KOAC PBS	(4:30) Northanger Abbey (2007, Drama) Felicity Jones, JJ Feild.	Outside: Beyond the Lens	BBC World News Today		PBS NewsHour (N)		Call the Midwife "Holiday Special" Nursing shortage at the Outer Hebrides.	Call the Midwife "Holiday Special" Everyone looks forward to Christmas. (N)		(:02) Thou Shalt Not Kill Valeria gets away from her family.				
KLSR FOX	The People's Court Fireworks Over a Fence.	Hot Bench	Hot Bench		Oregon's News at 7 (N)	Judge Judy	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N Same-day Tape)	Oregon's News at 10 (N)	Oregon's Sports Report	Modern Family	Mike & Molly			
KTVC IND	3ABN Sabbath School	3ABN Sabbath School	SS Study Hour	SS Study Hour	Stories of Faith	Catching the Light	Better Life Today	Heaven's Call	Disclosure	Disclosure	GP Worship Hour	GP Worship Hour	The Heavens Declare	Nature Music
KEVU MNT	The King of Queens	Portland News (N)	The 700 Club		The Drew Barrymore Show		Law & Order: Criminal Intent The detectives look for a racist.	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "The Gift"	TMZ (N)	Access Hollywood (N)	Portland News (N)	Judge Judy		
CW30	black-ish	black-ish	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Family Guy (Part 2 of 2)	Family Guy	The Christmas Caroler Challenge The final two groups face off. (N)	The Finals" (Series Finale) The	Seinfeld	Seinfeld "The Doll"	Schitt's Creek	Schitt's Creek "The Rollout"		
A&E	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Live Rescue "Live Rescue: Top 20 Moments of 2020" Matt is joined by Captain Garon Mosby. (N)	Court Cam	Court Cam			
AMC	(3:45) ** Four Christmases (2008)	(:45) *** National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (1989, Comedy) Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo, Randy Quaid. A traditional Griswold yuletide backfires in comic fashion.				*** Elf (2003, Children's) Will Ferrell, James Caan, Bob Newhart. A man leaves Santa's workshop to search for his family.				*** Elf (2003, Children's) Will Ferrell, James Caan, Bob Newhart. A man leaves Santa's workshop to search for his family.				
BRAVO	*** Shrek (2001) Voices of Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy. Animated. A monster and a donkey make a deal with a mean lord.	*** Shrek (2001) Voices of Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy. Animated. A monster and a donkey make a deal with a mean lord.				*** Shrek (2001) Voices of Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy. Animated. A monster and a donkey make a deal with a mean lord.				** Monster-in-Law (2005) Jennifer Lopez, Jane Fonda.				
CNBC	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	The Profit "Pacific Hospitality"	Dateline "Haunting"				
COMEDY	Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special	Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special	Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special	Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special	Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special	Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special	*** Meet the Parents (2000, Comedy) Robert De Niro, Ben Stiller, Blythe Danner. A man spends a disastrous weekend with his lover's family.	*** Meet the Parents (2000, Comedy) Robert De Niro, Ben Stiller, Blythe Danner. A man spends a disastrous weekend with his lover's family.	*** Meet the Parents (2000, Comedy) Robert De Niro, Ben Stiller, Blythe Danner. A man spends a disastrous weekend with his lover's family.	*** Meet the Parents (2000, Comedy) Robert De Niro, Ben Stiller, Blythe Danner. A man spends a disastrous weekend with his lover's family.				
DISCOVERY	Gold Rush: White Water "Come Hell or High Water"	Gold Rush: White Water Dustin's gamble pays off.				Gold Rush: White Water "Rookie Mistakes"				Gold Rush (N)				
DISNEY	Bizaardvark	Bizaardvark	Just Roll With It	Just Roll With It	Holiday House Party	Holidays Unwrapped	Disney Holiday Magic Quest	(:45) Raven's Home Nia tells Booker he is a bad gift-giver.	(:35) Disney Channel's Epic Holiday Showdown	(:25) Good Luck Charlie, It's Christmas! (2011, Children's) Bridgit Mendler, Leigh-Allyn Baker.				
E!	(3:00) **** It's a Wonderful Life (1946) James Stewart.	**** It's a Wonderful Life (1946, Comedy-Drama) James Stewart. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide.				**** It's a Wonderful Life (1946, Comedy-Drama) James Stewart. An angel saves a distraught businessman from suicide.								
ESPN	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Los Angeles Lakers. From Staples Center in Los Angeles. (N) (Live)	Dallas Mavericks at Los Angeles Lakers. From Staples Center in Los Angeles. (N) (Live)	NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Denver Nuggets. From Ball Arena in Denver.		SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)								
FOOD	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives		
FREEFORM	Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer	*** Home Alone (1990, Children's) Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci, Daniel Stern. A left-behind boy battles two burglars in the house.				*** Home Alone 2: Lost in New York (1992, Children's) Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci, Daniel Stern. Kevin ends up in New York when he boards the wrong plane.				The 700 Club				
FS1	(4:30) NASCAR Race Hub	NASCAR Race Hub	NASCAR Race Hub	NASCAR Race Hub	NASCAR Race Hub	NASCAR Race Hub	College Basketball Wisconsin at Michigan State. From Breslin Center in East Lansing, Mich. (N Same-day Tape)	College Basketball Maryland at Purdue. From Mizzou Arena in West Lafayette, Ind.						
FX	** Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (2018, Children's) Voices of Benedict Cumberbatch, Cameron Seely, Rashida Jones. Animated. The Grinch plans to steal Christmas from Whoville.	** Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (2018, Children's) Voices of Benedict Cumberbatch, Cameron Seely, Rashida Jones. Animated. The Grinch plans to steal Christmas from Whoville.				** Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (2018, Children's) Voices of Benedict Cumberbatch, Cameron Seely, Rashida Jones. Animated. The Grinch plans to steal Christmas from Whoville.								
FXM	(1:50) FX's A Christmas Carol	(:20) *** A Christmas Carol (1951, Fantasy) Alastair Sim, Kathleen Harrison, Mervyn Johns. A London miser meets cautionary spirits.	(:10) FX's A Christmas Carol Scrooge has a dark night of the soul.								(:40) *** A Christmas Carol (1951, Fantasy) Alastair Sim, Kathleen Harrison, Mervyn Johns. A London miser meets cautionary spirits.			
HBO	(4:07) *** The Family Man (2000, Romance-Comedy) Nicolas Cage, Tea Leoni.	(:15) ** The Family Stone (2005, Romance-Comedy) Dermot Mulroney, Sarah Jessica Parker, Diane Keaton. A man introduces his uptight girlfriend to his family.	*** Die Hard (1988, Action) Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman, Bonnie Bedelia. A New York policeman outwits foreign thugs in an L.A. high-rise.				(:15) *** Die Hard 2 (1990, Action) Bruce Willis, Bonnie Bedelia, William Atherton. Police hero spots military terrorists at D.C. airport.							
HGTV	Property Brothers: Forever Home "From Chaos to Calm"	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home		
HISTORY	(4:00) History's Greatest Mysteries Where Cooper landed.	The Food That Built America "Lines in the Sand" A revolution takes place. (Part 1 of 3)				The Food That Built America "Best Served Cold" A new breed of innovator rises up. (Part 2 of 3)				(:05) The Food That Built America "The Spoils of War" Behind the food titans in America. (Part 3 of 3)				
LIFETIME	(4:00) Christmas on Wheels (2020, Drama) Tiya Sircar.	The Christmas Setup (2020, Romance) Ben Lewis, Blake Lee. Hugo heads to Milwaukee to spend the holidays with family.				My Sweet Holiday (2020, Romance) Malone Thomas. Premiere. A woman finds romance with the owner of a chocolate store.				(:03) Too Close for Christmas (2020) Chad Michael Murray. A woman reunites with a man who ruined her relationship.				
NBCSN	Mecum	Mecum Auto Auctions "Indy" From Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis.	Mecum Auto Auctions (N)				Mecum Auto Auctions "Kissimmee"				Mecum Auto Auctions			
NICK	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	SpongeBob SquarePants	SpongeBob SquarePants	SpongeBob SquarePants	Top Elf "Who Will Be Top Elf?" The winner is crowned.	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Friends Chandler in Tulsa.	Friends	(:05) Friends	(:40) Friends	
ROOT	World Poker Tour LA Poker Classic - Part 1.	World Poker Tour LA Poker Classic - Part 2.	World Poker Tour LA Poker Classic - Part 3.	World Poker Tour LA Poker Classic - Part 3.	Poker Night in America	Seahawks Press Pass	Seahawks Press Pass	Seahawks Press Pass	Pro Football Weekly	Shogun Fights	Shogun Fights			
SYFY	(4:00) Christmas Icetastrophe (2014) Victor Webster.	Santa Jaws (2018, Science Fiction) Reid Miller, Courtney Lauren Cummings. A shark manifests and kills Cody's entire family.				Letters to Satan Claus (2020, Horror) Karen Knox, Miriam McDonald. A journalist encounters Satan during the holidays.				Christmas Icetastrophe (2014) Victor Webster, Jennifer Spence, Mike Dopud. Ice crystals threaten to freeze anything in their path.				
TLC	Dr. Pimple Popper "Every Rosacea Has Its Thorn"	Dr. Pimple Popper Chuck has a Popeye-shaped bump.	Dr. Pimple Popper Tony has large growths on his nose.	Dr. Pimple Popper Tony has large growths on his nose.	Dr. Pimple Popper One of the busiest days of the year.	Dr. Pimple Popper Brandon has several lumps on his head.	Dr. Pimple Popper Brandon has several lumps on his head.	Dr. Pimple Popper Brandon has several lumps on his head.	Dr. Pimple Popper Brandon has several lumps on his head.	Dr. Pimple Popper Brandon has several lumps on his head.	Dr. Pimple Popper Brandon has several lumps on his head.	Dr. Pimple Popper Brandon has several lumps on his head.		
TNT	*** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.	*** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.				*** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.				*** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.				
TOON	*** Paddington 2 (2017, Children's) Voice of Ben Whishaw, Hugh Grant, Sally Hawkins.	*** Paddington (2014) Hugh Bonneville. Live action/animated. A kindly British family takes in a lost Peruvian bear.				Bob's Burgers				American Dad	American Dad	Rick and Morty	Family Guy	Family Guy
USA	(3:35) *** Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (2004) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint.	(:35) *** Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire (2005, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. Voldemort lays a trap for Harry at the Triwizard Tournament.				*** Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (2001) Daniel Radcliffe, J.K. Rowling's student wizard has his first adventure.								
WGN-A	NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation (N) (Live)	NewsNation	NewsNation	NewsNation	NewsNation	NewsNation	NewsNation	DailyMailTV	DailyMailTV		
WTBS	(4:00) **** A Christmas Story (1983) Peter Billingsley.	**** A Christmas Story (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.				*** Wonder (2017, Drama) Julia Roberts, Owen Wilson, Jacob Tremblay. A boy who has a facial deformity attends public school.				*** Wonder (2017) Julia Roberts. A boy who has a facial deformity attends public school.				

Barr undercuts Trump in final public appearance

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General William Barr used his final public appearance to undercut President Donald Trump on multiple fronts Monday, saying he saw no reason to appoint a special counsel to look into the president's claims about the 2020 election or to name one for the tax investigation of President-elect Joe Biden's son.

In the course of breaking with Trump on matters that have been consuming the president, Barr also reinforced the belief of federal officials that Russia was behind a massive hack of U.S. government agencies, not China as Trump had suggested.

Barr made the comments at a press conference to announce criminal charges in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103, which killed 190 Americans, an issue he had worked on in his previous stint as attorney general in the early 1990s. He chose the announcement for his last public appearance, then

took questions.

Barr said the Justice Department's existing investigation into Hunter Biden's financial dealings was "being handled responsibly and professionally."

"I have not seen a reason to appoint a special counsel and I have no plan to do so before I leave," he said. Nor for election fraud, he said.

Barr had been in lock-step with the president during much of his tenure as Trump's attorney general. But Trump, as he has done with many others in his inner circle, started criticizing Barr publicly. He was particularly angry that Barr didn't announce the existence of a two-year-old investigation of Hunter Biden.

And shortly before he announced his resignation, Barr told The Associated Press that he had seen no evidence of widespread voting fraud, despite Trump's claims to the contrary. Trump has continued to push baseless claims even after the

Electoral College made Biden's victory formal Dec. 14.

A special counsel would make it more difficult for the incoming attorney general and president to close investigations begun under Trump. Doing so could lend a false legitimacy to baseless claims, particularly to the throngs of Trump supporters who believe the election was stolen because he keeps wrongly claiming it was.

Barr's statements Monday may make it easier for the acting attorney general who takes over, Jeffrey Rosen, to resist pressure from the White House to make such appointments.

In his 2019 confirmation hearings for deputy attorney general, Rosen said he was willing to rebuff political pressure from the White House if necessary. He told legislators that criminal investigations should "proceed on the facts and the law" and prosecutions should be "free of improper political influences."

"If the appropriate

answer is to say no to somebody, then I will say no," he said at the time.

Trump and his allies have filed roughly 50 lawsuits challenging election results and nearly all have been dismissed or dropped. He's also lost twice at the U.S. Supreme Court.

With no further tenable legal recourse, Trump has been fuming and peppering allies for options as he refuses to accept his loss.

Among those allies is Rudy Giuliani, who during a meeting Friday pushed Trump to seize voting machines in his hunt for evidence of fraud. The Homeland Security Department made clear, however, that it had no authority to do so. It is also unclear what that would accomplish.

For his part, Barr said he saw no reason to seize them. Earlier this month, Barr also told the AP that the Justice Department and Homeland Security had looked into the claims "that machines were programmed essentially to

skew the election results" and ultimately concluded that "so far, we haven't seen anything to substantiate that."

Trump has consulted on special counsels with White House chief of staff Mark Meadows, White House counsel Pat Cipollone and outside allies, according to several Trump administration officials and Republicans close to the White House who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to discuss the matter publicly.

Trump was interested both in a counsel to investigate the younger Biden's tax dealings and a second to look into election fraud. He even floated the idea of naming attorney Sidney Powell as the counsel — though Powell was booted from Trump's legal team after she made a series of increasingly wild conspiratorial claims about the election.

Federal law requires that an attorney general appoint any special

counsels.

Barr also said Monday the hack of U.S. government agencies "certainly appears to be the Russians."

In implicating the Russians, Barr was siding with the widely held belief within the U.S. government and the cybersecurity community that Russian hackers were responsible for breaches at multiple government agencies, including the Treasury and Commerce departments.

Hours after Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said in a radio interview that Russia was "pretty clearly" behind the hacks, Trump sought to undercut that message and play down the severity of the attack.

He tweeted that the "Cyber Hack is far greater in the Fake News Media than in actuality." He also said China could be responsible even though no credible evidence has emerged to suggest anyone other than Russia might be to blame.

California hospital staffs stretched thin during COVID-19 virus surge

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Medical staffing is stretched increasingly thin as California hospitals scramble to find beds for patients amid an explosion of coronavirus cases that threatens to overwhelm the state's emergency care system.

As of Sunday, more than 16,840 people were hospitalized with confirmed COVID-19 infections — more than double the previous peak reached in July — and a state model that uses current data to forecast future trends shows the number could reach 75,000 by mid-January.

More than 3,610 COVID-19 patients were in intensive care units. All of Southern California and the 12-county San Joaquin

Valley to the north have exhausted their regular ICU capacity, and some hospitals have begun using "surge" space. Overall, the state's ICU capacity was just 2.1% on Sunday.

In hard-hit Los Angeles County, Nerissa Black, a nurse at Henry Mayo Newhall Hospital, estimated she's been averaging less than 10 minutes of care per patient every hour. That includes not just bedside care, but donning gear, writing up charts, reviewing lab results and conferring with doctors, she said.

"And the patients who are coming in are more sick now than they've ever been, because a lot of people are waiting before they get care. So when they do come in, they're

really, really sick," Black said Sunday.

The enormous crush of cases in the last six weeks has California's death toll spiraling ever higher. Another 161 fatalities were reported Sunday for a total of 22,593.

Across LA County at UCLA Health Santa Monica Medical Center, nurse Wendy Macedo said all 25 beds on her unit are filled with COVID-19 patients. She said a ward on another floor that had been devoted to orthopedic patients has been converted to care for people who have tested positive for the virus.

Nurses are working longer shifts, and more of them, she said. There are nearly 5,550 people hospitalized with COVID-19 county-

wide.

"The more patients we have, the more there's a risk of making a mistake, especially if we're rushing," Macedo said Sunday. "Obviously we're trying to avoid that, but we're only human."

California was experiencing "some of the darkest days of our COVID-19 surge," Gov. Gavin Newsom said, but there was some light Sunday as a working group of scientists and experts endorsed a vaccine developed by Moderna. The step clears the way for the drug to be distributed throughout California and other Western states that reviewed it separately from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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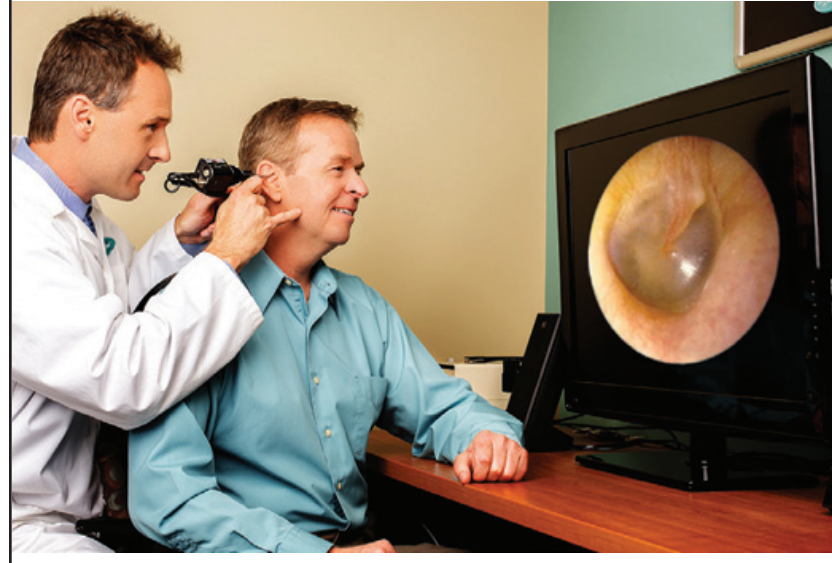
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Congress seals agreement on COVID-19 relief bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Top Capitol Hill negotiators sealed a deal Sunday on a \$900 billion COVID-19 economic relief package, finally delivering long-overdue help to businesses and individuals and providing money to deliver vaccines to a nation eager for them.

The agreement, announced by congressional leaders, would establish a temporary \$300 per week supplemental jobless benefit and a \$600 direct stimulus payment to most Americans, along with a new round of subsidies for hard-hit businesses and money for schools, health care providers and renters facing eviction.

It came after months of battling and posturing, but

the negotiating dynamic changed in Republicans' favor after the election and as the end of the congressional session neared. President-elect Joe Biden was eager for a deal to deliver long-awaited help to suffering people and a boost to the economy, even though it was less than half the size that Democrats wanted this fall.

Biden praised the bipartisan spirit that produced the measure, which he called "just the beginning."

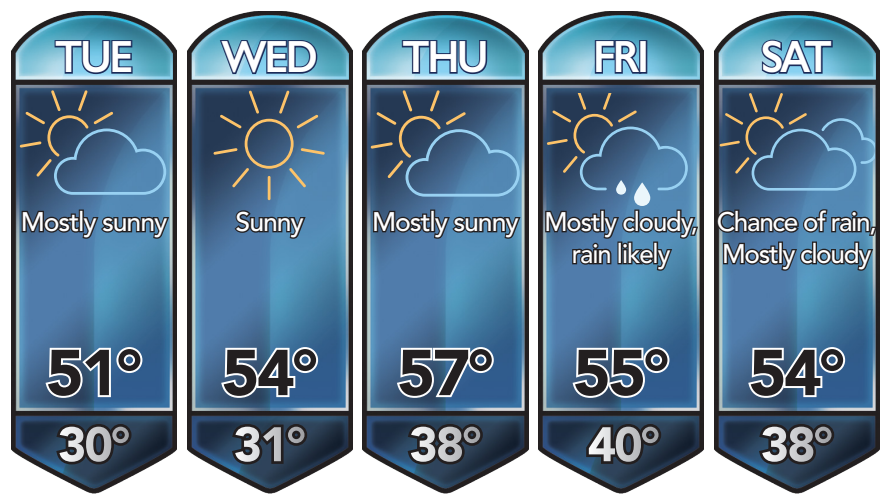
"This is a model for the challenging work ahead for our nation," Biden said in a statement.

House leaders informed lawmakers that they would vote on the legislation on Monday, and the Senate was

likely to vote on Monday, too. Lawmakers were eager to leave Washington and close out a tumultuous year.

"There will be another major rescue package for the American people," Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., said in announcing the agreement for a relief bill that would total almost \$900 billion. "It is packed with targeted policies to help struggling Americans who have already waited too long."

Democrats acknowledged it wasn't as robust a relief package as they initially sought — or, they say, the country needs. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi vowed more to come once President-elect Joe Biden takes office.



Biden introduces climate team

WILMINGTON, Del. (AP) — Just as the United States has needed a unified, national response to COVID-19, it needs one for dealing with climate change, President-elect Joe Biden said Saturday as he rolled out key members of his environmental team.

"We literally have no time to waste," Biden told reporters as introduced his choices.

The approach is a shift from Donald Trump's presidency, which has been marked by efforts to boost oil and gas production while rolling back government efforts intended to safeguard the environment. The incoming Biden team will try to undo or block many of the current administration's initiatives. There also will be an emphasis on looking out for the low-income, working class and minority communities hit hardest by fossil fuel pollution and climate change.

In his remarks, Biden stressed the diversity of an emerging team that he described as "brilliant,

qualified, tested and they are barrier-busting."

"Already there are more people of color in our Cabinet than any Cabinet ever, more women than ever," said the former vice president, who has promised to assemble a group of department leaders who reflect the diversity of America.

The nominees Biden introduced Saturday had compelling personal stories that they cited as guiding them if confirmed by the Senate.

New Mexico Rep. Deb Haaland would be the first Native American to lead the Interior Department, which has wielded influence over the nation's tribes for generations. She said her life has not been easy. She struggled with homelessness and relied on food stamps at one point.

"This moment is profound when we consider the fact that a former secretary of the Interior once proclaimed his goal, was to quote, 'civilize or exterminate' us," Haaland said. "I'm a living testament to the failure of that horrific ideology."

Haaland was referring to

Alexander H.H. Stuart, who said that in 1851.

Former two-term Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm is in line to be energy secretary. She described arriving in the U.S. at age 4 and brought from Canada by a family "seeking opportunity." She said her father found work as a bank teller and retired as head of the bank.

"It's because of my family's journey and my experience in fighting for hardworking Michigan families that I have become obsessed, obsessed with gaining good-paying jobs in America in a global economy," Granholm said.

North Carolina official Michael Regan would be the first African American man to run the Environmental Protection Agency. Regan, the state environmental head since 2017, has made a name for himself by pursuing cleanups of industrial toxins and helping the low-income and minority communities significantly affected by pollution.

Virus

From A1

"extreme risk" regulations for much longer.

"We're concerned on multiple levels," said Katrinka McReynolds, a CHW spokesperson. "Of course we're concerned about each of our own mental health and our ability to have contact with friends and family. But there are ways to do that safely, and we need to just be willing to review and look at our plans and find a way to do that in a safe way so that we can bring our numbers down as a county."

Under the state's COVID-19 regulations,

it takes two weeks before counties can move between levels of restrictions. With Coos County at the highest level of restriction, a loosening of restrictions couldn't happen until at least Jan. 1.

But if transmission increases over Christmas due to gatherings, a rise in case numbers could mean indoor dining and gyms, as well as some in-person schooling, could remain off limits for an extra month or more.

"You have two weeks for developing those cases, and then you have the connected cases — and that's assuming that they're testing and contact tracing, so that people are being notified that they were exposed,"

McReynolds said.

What happens after Christmas matters, too: Fairhurst said that, even if people do gather for the holidays, they can reduce the spread by not going to work sick after the fact, and by cooperating with testing and contact tracing procedures.

Elsewhere on the South Coast, in Curry County, the public health department reported an additional 14 cases of the virus over the weekend, bringing it to a total of 248 since the pandemic began as of Sunday. In Douglas County, officials reported 26 new cases, bringing it to 1,284. Neither Curry nor Douglas Counties reported any new virus-related deaths over the weekend.

Shots

From A1

"In some rural areas, where they don't have direct access to care, we may set up some PODs like this," Arton said.

Friday's event had another vital purpose: To give out free flu shots. It wasn't as many as they hoped, but the team administered a handful of vaccinations throughout the day.

Renee Menkens has been giving flu shots for much of her 35-year career as a nurse. But Menkens, now retired and a member

of the Medical Reserve Corps, said this year is different.

"I would say it's more important (this year) because of COVID," she said.

That's because COVID-19 and the flu have many similar symptoms, like headaches and a fever, Menkens said. So lowering the chance of catching the flu with that vaccine can reduce the burden on medical facilities and reduce the stress of dealing with both diseases.

"We don't know, can you have the flu and COVID? Oh my God, that'd be horrible," Menkens said.

She also said she planned to get the COVID-19 vaccine as soon as she's able to. That could take some time, since the first few shipments of the vaccine are dedicated to health workers who deal regularly with virus patients as well as long-term care residents and staff.

Still, when the time comes, it'll be important to Menkens.

"One, I don't want to get COVID. I'm 65, and I don't want to get sick with it," she said. "By the time (the vaccine) gets here, they'll know a lot more about it."



Zack Demars, The World

Volunteers prepare for an incoming patient to receive a flu shot.

Food

From A1

Bank have worked nonstop this year. By the end of the month, Broman said the food bank will have given out 1.5 million pounds of food. That is half a million pounds more than a normal year and easily the biggest year the organization has had.

And everything is done with volunteers. Broman helped start the organization 16 years ago, and she said not one person has ever been paid in that time. On Saturday, the volunteers ranged from older

helpers in wheelchairs to young Coast Guard members who gave their time to help others.

Due to COVID restrictions, the volunteers loaded food into the trunks and truck beds as people drove through a line. Everyone who showed up left with food without any contact with others.

"We have so many happy people," Broman said. "There's people in wheelchairs, people in walkers. They just want to help people. We're always looking for people with a happy attitude and a willingness to help."

Broman said the goal

for the food bank is to give healthy food to anyone who needs it.

"There is a big need for good, basic food - good wholesome food," she said.

And since the need doesn't stop, neither does the food bank. On Christmas Eve, the volunteers will be back at Pony Village Mall to hand out more food.

Beginning a 9 a.m., anyone who needs help is welcome to some.

"It is anybody who needs it," Broman said. "We don't look at income, we don't look at anything. We just give them food."

Broman said the food bank is always preparing to

help. She encouraged local residents in need to call 541-756-6696 any time. The hotline is routinely updated and will let people know when the next food giveaway is scheduled.

While the food bank pays no one, it does have expenses and could always use help. Broman said the expense of moving food to Coos Bay is going up and an assistance will go 100 per-

cent to bringing food in and helping people. Donations can be dropped off during the giveaways. The organization also accepts aluminum cans, which they cash in for financial assistance.

Session

From A1

For weeks, housing advocates have implored lawmakers to extend the moratorium, estimating that between 20,000 and 40,000 Oregon households could be at risk for eviction.

The proposal ex-

tends the moratorium on residential evictions through June 2021. The bill would also require tenants to submit a sworn statement that they've experienced financial hardship in order to be protected from eviction.

The main sticking point however is in the second part of the proposal — a \$200 million

package in which \$50 million will be allocated for rental assistance to tenants for the months ahead and \$150 million to small landlords for previously unpaid rent. In order for landlords to receive funds they must forgo 20% of past-due payments, which Drazen described as "dramatically unfair."

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	Intel	47.45	46.36	Skywest	41.03	39.87	Dow Jones closed at	30,214.74	
	Kroger	30.88	30.79	Starbucks	103.24	102.94	NASDAQ closed at	12,742.39	
	Microsoft	218.98	222.72	Umpqua Hlds	14.65	14.81	S&P 500 closed at	3,694.91	
	Nike	139.00	144.04	Weyerhaeuser	33.76	33.32	Provided by Coos Bay Edward Jones		
				Xerox	22.83	22.39			

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MegaMillions	Dec. 18	Powerball	Dec. 19	Megabucks	Dec. 19	Win For Life	Dec. 19
	7-15-25-51-60		27-32-34-43-52		1-2-5-7-28-44		5-9-20-22
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	Multiplier: x3		Multiplier: x2				
	Jackpot: \$330 million		Jackpot: \$321 million				

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Ducks to face Iowa State in Fiesta Bowl

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Iowa State lost the Big 12 championship game, yet still earned a spot in its first major bowl game.

Oregon won the Pac-12 title after being a late replacement and is back in a New Year's Six bowl for the second straight season.

Two different roads to what could be another great Fiesta Bowl when No. 12 Iowa State faces No. 25 Oregon on Jan. 2.

"We certainly understand the prestige and history of the Fiesta Bowl," Iowa State coach Matt Campbell said. "To play an opponent like Oregon and what coach (Mario) Cristobal has continued to do there and the success

of the program, I can tell you our kids will be truly honored to play in this game."

The Cyclones (8-3) dropped four spots in the College Football Playoff rankings to No. 10 after losing to No. 8 Oklahoma in the Big 12 championship game. The Ducks (4-2, No. 25 CFP) won their second straight Pac-12 championship by beating Southern California on Friday.

The Fiesta Bowl has seen some wild games through the years, including Boise State's overtime win over Oklahoma in 2007 and a combined 94 points between UCF and Baylor in 2014.

Oregon may not be as prolific

offensively as in past seasons, but quarterback Tyler Shough threw for 1,480 yards and 13 touchdowns with five interceptions in six games.

Iowa State has the nation's leading rusher in Brecee Hall, who had 1,436 yards and 19 touchdowns. Quarterback Brock Purdy provided balance to the offense, throwing for 2,594 yards and 18 touchdowns with nine interceptions.

"They're an excellent, talented, well-coached football team that schematically runs more than a couple things that are very different than what we've seen," Cristobal said.

Iowa State got the 2020 season

pull out due to COVID-19 issues. The Ducks, who finished second in the Pac-12 North, made the most of the opportunity, beating USC 31-24 for their second straight conference title. They did it despite originally being scheduled to play Colorado.

The win earned Oregon the Pac-12's automatic bid to a New Year's Six bowl and got the Ducks back into the AP Top 25 at No. 25. The Ducks got the Pac-12's conference-only season off to a strong start, scoring at least 35 points in wins over Stanford, Washington State and UCLA.

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Alabama is top seed for college football playoffs

RALPH D. RUSSO

Associated Press

A season filled with uncertainty brought on by the pandemic will end with a perfectly predictable College Football Playoff.

Alabama vs. Notre Dame. Clemson vs. Ohio State. Four of the bluest of blue bloods and the teams that have comprised the top four in the rankings for nearly two months. Notre Dame was picked Sunday over Texas A&M for the final spot, ending what little drama there had been.

"It's been a unique season in so many ways," Ohio State coach Ryan Day said.

Not not when it comes to the teams playing for the national championship.

The top four teams in the selection committee's first rankings of the season were the same teams at the end, just in different order. Alabama, Notre Dame, Clemson and Ohio State have also held the first four spots in the AP Top 25 since Oct. 25.

Only 11 schools have ever reached the playoff and all four of these participants have been there before.

The Fighting Irish and Crimson Tide will meet Jan. 1 at AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Texas, after a late pandemic-related relocation from the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California. The Tigers and Buckeyes are set to play the same day at the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans if all goes according to plan.

The national champion is scheduled to be determined Jan. 11 in suburban Miami.

The Fighting Irish (10-1) are back in the playoff for the second time in three seasons, becoming the first team to lose a conference title game and make the final four. It was a novelty made possible only because of the pandemic, which pushed the famously independent Irish into a conference for the first time in school history.

The Atlantic Coast Conference is the second league to have two teams in the playoff, joining the SEC in 2017.

Coastal Carolina, Cincinnati left out of playoffs

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The Coastal Carolina Chanticleers did everything asked of them and then some.

Coastal played 11 games during a pandemic that wreaked havoc on schedules nationwide and won them all. The Chanticleers even added unbeaten BYU late in the season on short notice and pulled out a victory in one of the season's most exciting games.

That wasn't enough for the Sun Belt co-champions to even get close to the College Football Playoff. The Chanticleers were No. 12 in the rankings released on Sunday.

Cincinnati got snubbed, too. The Bearcats defeated Tulsa on

Saturday night in the American Athletic Conference championship game to remain undefeated, yet the Bearcats finished No. 8 in the standings.

Once again, Group of Five teams have no representation in the College Football Playoff. That's been the case every year since the current format was introduced for the 2014 season.

"If a G-5 team wasn't going to make it this year, I don't know if they're ever going to make it, just because of all the circumstances," Coastal Carolina coach Jamey Chadwell said.

Cincinnati was rewarded with a New Year's Six game -- the Bearcats will play Georgia in the Peach Bowl. But Coastal was left out of the top-tier

College Bowl Schedule

Monday, Dec. 21

Myrtle Beach Bowl
Appalachian St. vs. North Texas, late

Tuesday, Dec. 22

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
Tulane vs. Nevada, 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Boca Raton (Fla.) Bowl
UCF vs. BYU, 4 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 23

New Orleans Bowl
Louisiana Tech vs. Georgia Southern, 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Montgomery (Ala.) Bowl
Memphis vs. FAU, 4 p.m., (ESPN of ESPN2)

Thursday, Dec. 24

New Mexico Bowl
Hawaii vs. Houston, 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Dec. 25

Camellia Bowl
Buffalo vs. Marshall, 11:30 a.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 26

Gasparilla Bowl
UAB vs. South Carolina, 9 a.m., (ABC)

Cure Bowl
No. 12 Coastal Carolina vs. Liberty, 9 a.m., (ESPN)

First Responder Bowl
No. 19 Louisiana vs. UTSA 12:30 p.m. (ABC)

Lendingtree Bowl
W. Kentucky vs. Georgia St., 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Dec. 28

Military Bowl
ACC vs. American, 11:30 a.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Dec. 29

Cheez-It Bowl
No. 18 Miami vs. No. 21 Oklahoma St., 2:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Alamo Bowl
No. 20 Texas vs. Colorado, 6 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 30

Duke's Mayo Bowl
Wisconsin vs. Wake Forest, 9 a.m. (ESPN)

Music City Bowl
No. 15 Iowa vs. Missouri, 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 31

Cotton Bowl Classic
No. 6 Oklahoma vs. No. 7 Florida, 4:15 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 31

Armed Forces Bowl
No. 24 Tulsa vs. Mississippi St., 9 a.m. (ESPN)

Arizona Bowl

No. 22 San Jose St vs. Ball State, 1 p.m. (CBSSN)

Liberty Bowl

Tennessee vs. West Virginia, 1 p.m. (ESPN)

Texas Bowl

TCU vs. Arkansas, 5 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Jan. 1

Peach Bowl
No. 8 Cincinnati vs. No. 9 Georgia, 9 a.m. (ESPN)

Citrus Bowl

No. 14 Northwestern vs. Auburn, 10 a.m. (ABC)

College Football Playoff

Semifinal Game 1
No. 1 Alabama vs. No. 4 Notre Dame, 2 p.m. (ESPN)

Sugar Bowl

No. 2 Clemson vs. No. 3 Ohio St., 5:45 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan 2

Gator Bowl

No. 23 NC State vs. Kentucky, 9 a.m. (ESPN)

Outback Bowl

No. 11 Indian vs. Ole Miss, 9:30 a.m. (ABC)

Fiesta Bowl

No. 10 Iowa vs. No. 25 Oregon, 1 p.m. (ESPN)

Orange Bowl

No. 5 Texas A&M vs. No. 13 North Carolina, 5 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Jan. 11

Championship

Semifinal Game 1 winner vs. Sugar Bowl winner, 5 p.m. (ESPN)

Canceled Bowls

Bahamas Bowl
Birmingham Bowl
Celebration Bowl
Fenway Bowl
Frisco Bowl
Guaranteed Rate Bowl
Hawaii Bowl
Holiday Bowl
Independence Bowl
LA Bowl
Las Vegas Bowl
Pinstripe Bowl
Quick Lane Bowl
Redbox Bowl
Sun Bowl

far fewer cross-conference games than usual — was a challenge for the committee all season. But Ohio State's six-game schedule was not as important to the panel as the Buckeyes going undefeated and winning the Big Ten.

Oklahoma surged to sixth in the final rankings after closing with seven straight victories and a Big 12 title. The Sooners will face seventh-place Florida in the Cotton Bowl on Dec. 30.

Unbeaten Cincinnati finished eighth, making the Bearcats the top-ranked team among Group of Five conference champions and guaranteeing them a spot in one of the New Year's Six bowls. Cincinnati will meet Georgia in the Peach Bowl on New Year's Day.

Pac-12 champion Oregon will face Iowa State in the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 2.

Notre Dame's reward will be a matchup with Alabama (11-0), the Southeastern Conference champion that is back in the playoff for the sixth time after missing out last year. The last time the Fighting Irish and Crimson Tide played was the 2012 BCS championship game and the Tide won 42-14.

Clemson (10-1) is in the CP for the sixth straight season, only missing out on the first playoff. Ohio State (6-0) is making its fourth appearance. The Tigers have won two playoff titles and the Buckeyes won the first after the 2014 season.

Clemson-Ohio State is a rematch of last season's dramatic semifinal in Arizona, won 29-23 by the Tigers. The two teams also met at the Fiesta Bowl in the 2016 playoff and Clemson beat the Buckeyes 31-0.

Instead of having more than three weeks to prepare for the schedule, the altered regular-season schedules mean the semifinals are 12 days away.

"It's very different to prepare," Clemson coach Dabo Swinney said. "It's basically like an open date."

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Seahawks beat Washington, clinch playoff spot

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — Russell Wilson asked Carlos Dunlap to make a play to get the Seattle Seahawks into the playoffs, and the veteran defensive end was all too eager to deliver.

Dunlap shook off a lingering foot injury and sacked Washington's Dwayne Haskins to shore up a 20-15 victory Sunday that clinched a playoff spot. It's Seattle's ninth berth in 11 seasons under coach Pete Carroll but Dunlap's first crack at the postseason since 2015 and safety Jamal Adams' first in his NFL career.

"I know you guys are used to Seattle always going to the playoffs — I'm not used to this," said Adams, who extended his single-season sacks record for a

defensive back. Adams couldn't contain his excitement after another game he played with two broken fingers. "I'm just excited. It feels good, man. This is what you dream of."

Carroll called it a "sweet win," brushing off a rough fourth quarter to celebrate another accomplishment. Russell Wilson threw for a touchdown, Carlos Hyde ran 50 yards for a score, and the Seahawks (10-4) picked off Haskins twice to build a big lead before holding on with a big defensive stop in the final minutes.

It was only fitting Dunlap had the big sack on third-and-15 with just over a minute left, given his lengthy playoff drought.

"The universe just wants me to win, and we've got an opportunity," Dunlap said. "That's all I want is an opportunity."

Washington (6-8) still has that opportunity in the NFC East, even though its winning streak was snapped at four with Alex Smith out because of a calf injury. Haskins finished 38 of 55 for 295 yards, a TD pass and the two interceptions.

"There were some plays I'd want back, for sure," Haskins said. "It was definitely a hard fought game."

Wilson threw for 121 yards and a 10-yard TD pass to Jacob Hollister and ran for 52 on six carries. Hyde's 50-yard TD run was Seattle's longest rushing

play of the season.

"I was following Hollister," Hyde said. "He actually took me to the end zone. I followed him. He was my convoy to the end zone for six."

Adams' sack of Haskins in the first quarter gave him 9 1/2, adding to his single-season record for a defensive back since the NFL began tracking the stat in 1982. Adams also became the first DB in that time to have a sack in four consecutive games.

Adams went to the locker room for a finger injury in the third quarter but didn't miss a series. He said he has been playing with two broken fingers for a couple of weeks, insisting the injury doesn't slow him down.

OSU women fall out of Top 25

NEW YORK (AP) — Oregon State's four-year run in the Top 25 ended Monday when the Beavers fell out of The Associated Press women's basketball poll for the first time since 2016.

The Beavers had the seventh-longest active streak, being ranked for 76 consecutive weeks dating to Dec. 19, 2016. Oregon State lost its lone game last week, falling to Washington State and dropping out of the poll from No. 21.

While the Beavers' streak is over, Stanford remained No. 1 for the third consecutive week. Tara VanDerveer became the winningest coach in women's basketball history, passing the late Pat Summitt, with her 1,099th victory. VanDerveer got her 1,100th victory on Saturday, beating Southern Cal. The Cardinal visit No. 10 UCLA on Monday night.

Stanford received 26 of 30 first-place votes from a media panel. Louisville, UConn, North Carolina State and South Carolina followed the Cardinal again in the poll. Connecticut holds the longest active streak of being ranked, with 515 consecutive Top 25 appearances.

Arizona, Baylor, Oregon, Texas A&M and UCLA round out the first 10 teams in the poll.

Kentucky lost its first game of the season, falling to then-No. 24 DePaul. The Wildcats dropped to No. 13 while the Blue Demons rose to 18th.

Michigan State replaced Oregon State in the poll, coming in at No. 25.

Charlie Woods shines in debut

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Justin Thomas and Tiger Woods traded text messages on the eve of the final round at the PNC Championship, their teams tied for the lead and in contention. Neither mentioned winning.

This was about Woods getting to play alongside 11-year-old son Charlie, watching him twirl the club after a good drive and yes, even deliver a fist pump in his red shirt on Sunday. For Thomas, it was about competing with his father Mike, a longtime club professional in Kentucky and the only coach he's ever had.

Team Thomas birdied the opening seven holes and the father delivered a 5-foot birdie putt on the 18th hole that gave them a 15-under 57 in the scramble format and a one-shot victory over Vijay Singh and son Qass.

They won the Willie Park Trophy. It only felt like the other 19 teams won a participation trophy.

"Memories we'll have for our entire lives," Woods said after he and Charlie posted another 62 to finish seventh. "He's not going to appreciate this at 11 years old. I didn't when I was with my dad. As the years go by, you start appreciating it more."

Woods and his son dressed in his traditional Sunday red with black trousers. Charlie's mother, Elin Nordegren, walked the final round at The Ritz-Carlton Club at Grande Lakes, her first time at a golf tournament since the 2009 Presidents Cup at Harding Park.

The Woodses played the final six holes in 6-under par, too late by then to do anything about Thomas and his father. Thomas, a former world No. 1 and PGA champion,

has grown close to the Woods clan and talked in the days leading up to this event about how badly Charlie wants to beat him.

Mike Thomas said young Woods took \$1 off him on the putting green Saturday afternoon and said with a laugh, "I'll show him what I got here." Mike Thomas specializes in working with juniors and spends time with Charlie when he's in Florida.

Thomas, who has multiple PGA Tour titles in each of his last four years, wasn't about to compare this with his PGA Championship, World Golf Championships or any other of his 13 tour victories. Even so, he called the PNC Championship "100 percent the most enjoyable."

"A part of you didn't care who won," he said. "We were here as father and son to enjoy a special moment."

That's what Alastair Johnston, the vice chairman at IMG, had in mind when he created this tournament 25 years ago. It started as the Father-Son Challenge. It since has changed into major champions and Players Championship winners competing with a family member — son, daughter, father-in-law, grandson.

The idea was that golf fans would be curious to see the children of great players. Throw in the 11-year-old son of golf's biggest star, and interest surged to new levels. Charlie Woods delivered a great show, unfazed by the 250 spectators (mostly sponsor guests) or the national TV spotlight.

"I'd like to find the right way to tell Charlie that thousands of kids watching at home will be inspired to want to play golf with their dads," Johnston said.

NHL, players agree to 56-game season

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Hockey is set to return Jan. 13 after the NHL and players completed a deal Sunday to hold a 56-game season that would include playoffs lasting into July to award the Stanley Cup.

The league's Board of Governors voted to approve the agreement that was backed by the NHL Players' Association executive board Friday night. The regular season is scheduled to go until May 8 with a 16-team playoff to follow.

"It'll be exciting to get going again," San Jose general manager Doug Wilson said on a video call. "It's been a challenging year and journey."

The season will be highly unusual in at least one respect: There will be four divisions — North, South, East and West — and all play will be within them through the first two rounds of the playoffs to minimize travel and the potential for the coronavirus to disrupt the season. The North Division contains only the seven Canadian teams.

"It is the current plan to play games in the home arenas of participating teams while understanding that most arenas will not, at least in the initial part of the season, be able to host fans," the NHL said.

The league is allowing for the possibility of playing games at neutral sites if needed. Final details on where the Canadian teams will play were still pending until there are agreements with federal and provincial health officials.

Still, the hurdles won't be enough to prevent the season from starting without a quarantined bubble.

"The National

Hockey League looks forward to the opening of our 2020-21 season," Commissioner Gary Bettman said in a statement. "While we are well aware of the challenges ahead, as was the case last spring and summer, we are continuing to prioritize the health and safety of our participants and the communities in which we live and play."

The NHL completed last season in bubbles in Toronto and Edmonton, Alberta, with players, coaches and staff isolated from the general public and virus-tested daily.

"The players are pleased to have finalized agreements for the upcoming season, which will be unique but also very exciting," NHLPA executive director Don Fehr said. "During these troubled times, we hope that NHL games will provide fans with some much-needed entertainment as the players return to the ice."

Most of the league will open training camp Jan. 3. The seven teams that didn't make the playoffs last season can start as soon as Dec. 31. There won't be any exhibition games before play gets going for real.

Critical dates, such as the trade deadline and latest possible day for the end of the Stanley Cup Final, and the full schedule are expected to be released in the coming days. In the three U.S. divisions, teams will play eight times against each other.

"It's not easy," said Wilson, whose Sharks will hold training camp in Scottsdale, Arizona, given restrictions on sports in Santa Clara County in California. "The complexities of this I think far outweigh what they had to do last year on the restart because you're now traveling across states and you're going to different cities and different things."

Happy Holidays



From the City of North Bend

Oregon women stretch winning streak to 25 games

SEATTLE (AP) — Basketball coaches sometimes have skewed perspectives. Oregon coach Kelly Graves illustrated this Saturday after his No. 7 Ducks showed a little toughness in a 73-49 win over rival Washington.

Oregon extended the nation's longest winning streak to 25 games and improved to 6-0 for the third straight season. But while their defense was sterling, the offense was a bit of a mess, leaving the Ducks in a bit of a mood as they left Seattle following what was effectively an easy victory.

"You know that you've got a pretty good team when you just beat somebody by 24 on the road and you're disappointed by the performance," Graves joked.

Sydney Parrish scored 18 points, Nyara Sabally added 13 and the streaking Ducks (6-0, 4-0) won their 22nd consecutive Pac-12 Conference game. Sabally and Te-Hina Paopao exploited the middle of the Washington (4-3, 1-3 Pac-12) defense early and Parrish hit four 3-pointers.

The Ducks used their size and athletic advantages to open a double-digit lead in the first half behind Paopao's relentless drive and Sabally's dominant play underneath. Oregon took a 17-point lead midway through the second quarter with a quick 10-2 run punctuated by an athletic play from Sabally.

The 6-foot-5 sophomore center took a defensive rebound, dribbled the length of the court, used a crossover move to elude a defender, then dropped in a finger roll over another, drawing a foul for a 33-16 lead with 6:25 left in the half.

That could have been the beginning of the end for the Huskies, but they held the Ducks without a field goal for more than six minutes the rest of the way. They could only cut the lead to nine, however, and trailed 37-26 at half.

"Everyone's allowed a less than stellar performance and ... I think that was really our first one," Graves said. "I don't think we were at our best tonight, and I think we've been pretty consistent-

ly good throughout the season."

Parrish helped the Ducks pull away late, hitting consecutive 3-pointers late in the fourth quarter to help push the lead over 20 points.

Oregon scored 34 points off 20 Washington turnovers and had 11 steals, including three from Jaz Shelley, who stole consecutive inbounds passes early in the game, converting the first for a layup and dropping the second to a teammate for another easy basket.

Paopao finished with 12 points and four assists for the Ducks. Darcy Rees led the Huskies with 17 points, hitting 4 of 6 3s, and Quay Miller added 11 and a game-high 10 rebounds. Washington point guard Tameiya Sadler missed the second straight game with an undisclosed injury.

"Twenty turnovers isn't going to win games in this league," Washington coach Jody Wynn said. "It's hard not having our point guard out on the floor with us. It's no knock on the other players, but we're asking them to be decision makers and handling the full-court press and putting

them in positions they might not be accustomed to handling. It really showed today."

WASHINGTON STATE 61, OREGON STATE 55: Johanna Teder scored 17 of her career-high 20 points in the second half and Washington State beat No. 21 Oregon State on Saturday to snap a 13-game losing streak in the series.

Teder made four 3-pointers in the fourth quarter, the last giving Washington State a 58-55 lead with 1:13 left. The Cougars closed on an 8-0 run as Oregon State was scoreless in the final three minutes.

Freshman Charlissee Leger-Walker added 13 points and seven rebounds, and Bella Murekatete had 10 points, all in the first half, and six boards for Washington State (3-0, 2-0 Pac-12). Teder was 6 of 10 from 3-point range as the Cougars made 8 of 25.

WSU ended the first half on an 8-0 run to take a 10-point lead after shooting 40.5% and forcing 15 turnovers.

Sasha Goforth and Aleah

Goodman each scored 14 points for Oregon State (3-3, 1-3). Taylor Jones had 13 points and 10 rebounds. The Beavers hadn't lost to Washington State since Feb. 15, 2013 in Corvallis.

It was the Cougars' first win over a ranked opponent since the 2016-17 season.

MEN

OREGON 80, PORTLAND 41: Chris Duarte scored 21 points, LJ Figueroa added 15 and Oregon walloped Portland 80-41 on Saturday, winning its sixth straight game.

Portland had been averaging nearly 82 points a game, beat Oregon State 87-86 in OT on Dec. 10, and rode a five-game win streak into Matthew Knight Arena for the afternoon clash.

The Pilots (5-2) managed just 12-for-56 shooting (21%) against Oregon with four assists, against lows. The 41 points was Portland's lowest output since Jan. 12, 2017.

The Ducks, shooting 50% at halftime (14-for-28) cranked it up to 64% shooting in the second half, making 18 of 28.

Ducks top USC in Pac-12 championship game

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Oregon didn't win its Pac-12 division, and it only got into the championship game because Washington had to drop out. The Ducks hadn't won a game in nearly a month before they took the Coliseum field Friday night.

They still ended up celebrating amid confetti and streamers in their rivals' empty stadium.

After yet another display of the big-game poise their West Coast foes so often lack, the Ducks are back-to-back conference champions.

Anthony Brown threw two touchdown passes in his unusual Oregon debut, Jamal Hill made his second interception with 2:47 to play, and the Ducks won their second straight Pac-12 title with a 31-24 victory over No. 13 Southern California.

Defensive end Kayvon Thibodeaux, the game's MVP with five tackles and a sack, jauntily wore two hats during the postgame party to symbolize the Ducks' two championships.

"We fought this year," said Thibodeaux, a Los Angeles

native. "So many trials and tribulations. So many things that kept popping up. So many excuses we could have made, and we didn't flinch. We stuck to the script and got it done."

Tyler Shough also threw two touchdown passes for the Ducks (4-2), who claimed the Pac-12's New Year's Six bowl berth despite having more losses than USC, Washington or Colorado. The Trojans were one win away from an unbeaten regular season before the Ducks took charge with a superb defensive effort and timely offense throughout the night.

"We were itching to get back to our kind of football, and we did it tonight," coach Mario Cristobal said. "(We) really just came out with an attitude, came out with a purpose and a mission."

Jaylon Redd, Hunter Kampmoyer, DJ Johnson and Travis Dye caught TD passes for the Ducks, who got into the title game after consecutive losses only because the Huskies had to drop out Monday due to coronavirus problems.

Despite losing its two previous games to Oregon State and California, Oregon seized the opportunity to continue its domination of the Trojans on the way to the school's sixth Pac-12 championship in 12 years and its record fourth championship game victory.

When Thibodeaux was asked whether a championship won in 2020 should have an asterisk, he replied: "Everybody who's not a winner is going to say that, so who are we leaving it up to? The winners or the losers?"

Kedon Slovis passed for 320 yards with two touchdowns and three interceptions for the Trojans (5-1), whose perfect season ended with their fourth loss in their last five meetings with Oregon. The sophomore quarterback had X-rays on his shoulder after the game.

USC fell behind 14-0 in the opening minutes after two interceptions from Slovis led to TD drives by the Ducks — and unlike every other game this season, the Trojans never caught up. "There's a lot of hurt souls in

our locker room right now," USC coach Clay Helton said. "I know our kids wanted extremely badly to win a championship, and we came up a play too short today."

Oregon had a 31-17 lead with less than 10 minutes to play, but Bru McCoy caught a TD pass on fourth down for the Trojans before they got the ball back with 4:43 left. USC reached midfield in search of a fourth-quarter comeback win for the fourth time in its six-game season, but Slovis threw the first fourth-quarter interception of his career.

Hill made an acrobatic play to hang on to the poorly thrown ball, and Oregon's offense ran all but 23 seconds off the clock. USC reached the Oregon 49, but the Ducks' pass rush prevented Slovis from getting off a Hail Mary.

"We didn't have any doubt at all," USC receiver Drake London said. "We believed in each other to just try to go out there and execute it. Unfortunately we just ended up short."

Amon-Ra St. Brown caught a TD pass before spraining his shoulder late and Markese Stepp

rushed for a score for the Trojans, who had a horrible start to their third game in 13 days.

QB SURPRISE

The Ducks stunned almost everybody in the mostly empty Coliseum by replacing Shough occasionally with Brown, a senior graduate transfer from Boston College who hadn't recorded any statistics for Oregon this season.

Brown's first throw for the Ducks was a TD pass to Redd on Oregon's opening drive. He threw another scoring pass to Dye in the third quarter, finishing 3 of 4 for 17 yards in an offensive package set up for short-yardage situations and goal line chances.

"He's a really good player, and he deserved to play somehow, some way," Cristobal said. "Not only that, he provided an advantage for us in the (run-pass option) world. We all very much appreciate Anthony for hanging in there throughout the season, because it's a position where one player is playing for the most part."

ASU beats Beavers in OSU finale

CORVALLIS (AP) — Jayden Daniels passed for a touchdown and had two of Arizona State's six rushing touchdowns in the Sun Devils' 46-33 victory over Oregon State on Saturday night.

Following a 70-7 blow-out of rival Arizona, the Sun Devils' offense was explosive once again in the season finale amassing 514 total yards.

"We should have been 4-0. That's motivation for next year," said Daniels, who was 8 of 15 for 139 yards, and ran for 83 yards on six carries. "You have those thoughts on what could have been."

Rachaad White had 158 of the Sun Devils' 375 yards rushing on just 13 carries, including runs of 51 and 55 yards.

Despite having three games canceled this season, White said "the excitement was still there for all of us."

Daniels' 53-yard touchdown run early in the third quarter gave the Sun Devils a 33-15 lead.

Jack Colletto, who the Beavers often utilized at

quarterback in short-yardage situations, scored on an 11-yard run to cut the lead to 33-21 midway through the third quarter.

Back came the Sun Devils (2-2 Pac-12), who scored on White's 45-yard run to extend the lead to 40-21.

Oregon State (2-5) stayed within striking distance on Chance Nolan's 24-yard touchdown pass to Tre'Shaun Harrison late in the third quarter, cutting the deficit to 40-27.

But wide receiver Ricky Pearsall scored on a 29-yard reverse early in the fourth quarter to give Arizona State a 46-27 advantage.

Oregon State made too many mistakes and gave up too many big plays to avoid ending the season on a three-game losing streak.

"It was a long journey and a long road, but I'm really thankful for all the seniors," Colletto said. "Just a lot of work to do in the off-season to improve and come back and be better next year."

Arizona State, despite not going to a bowl game,

finished the season strong.

"The key going into this game was we didn't want to have a losing season," Arizona State coach Herm Edwards said. "The last two games we've been more consistent with the offense scoring points."

Following Jermer Jefferson's lost fumble early in the second quarter, the Sun Devils scored on the next play when Daniels' found a wide open Geordon Porter for a 63-yard touchdown — Oregon State safety Kitan Oladspoo fell down on the play — for a 19-7 lead.

Jefferson finished with 103 yards rushing on 24 carries. Nolan was 9-of-23 passing for 114 yards and two touchdowns with an interception.

Arizona State extended the lead to 26-7 on White's 4-yard run midway through the second quarter.

Nolan ran for 12 yards on a key fourth-and-2 from the OSU 42 to keep their ensuing drive alive. Colletto's 1-yard touchdown run followed by his two-point conversion run cut the lead to 26-15 at halftime.

THE TAKEAWAY

Arizona State: Arizona State went nearly a month between games due to COVID-19 related issues following a 28-27 loss at USC in the opener. After the California, Colorado and Utah games were canceled, the Sun Devils lost to UCLA 25-18 in their only home game.

But Arizona State finished strong, outscoring Arizona and Oregon State by a combined score of 116-34. Daniels gives the Sun Devils a veteran dual-threat quarterback to build around in 2021.

Oregon State: Nolan showed promise in his three starts in place of the injured Tristan Gebbia and figures to compete for the starting job next season. Jefferson, who came into the game fourth in the nation in rushing yards per game, has a decision to make about returning for his senior year.

The highlight of Oregon State's seventh straight losing season was a 41-38 victory over Pac-12 champion Oregon.

Army left out in Bowl season marred by cancellations, opt outs

PAT GRAHAM
Associated Press

At a time when team after team had opted out of bowl games, Army found itself in a different sort of situation — left out.

The Black Knights have a 9-2 record and a nearly two-month-long commitment to the Independence Bowl. They seemed all set. But when the Dec. 26 game in Louisiana was called off Sunday night because there was not an available team to play, it suddenly left Army on the outside of the postseason landscape.

A sliver of hope remains: The Black Knights could be in line should some bowl-bound team find itself dealing with COVID-19 issues.

"These young men haven't quit all year and we surely won't quit now," Army director of athletics Mike Buddie said in a statement. "They deserve better. Period."

What is usually a joyous day for more than 60 teams around the country was far more surreal as organizers set the annual bowl schedule two weeks later than usual. Far below the headlines of Alabama, Ohio State, Notre Dame and Clemson, the scramble was weird — and in the case of Army, painful.

This only adds insult: With bowl contracts still in force, a South Carolina team with a useful 2-8 record is going to the Gasparilla Bowl.

With the season winding down, more than 20 Bowl Subdivision teams

chose not to accept an invitation to a bowl, calling an end to this long season. That led to the unusual situation of postseason games not having enough teams to fill the slots.

"It was a difficult day for all of college football," said Nick Carporelli, the executive director of Bowl Season, the re-named Football Bowl Association. "We probably would have been naive to think that wouldn't have been, given all the challenges everybody's gone through this year."

Maybe Minnesota coach P.J. Fleck summed it up best in explaining why his team opted out.

"School is done. Nothing to do. Nowhere to go," said Fleck, whose Gophers announced they were done after going 3-4 with two cancellations. "You are talking about 11 days of doing what? Sitting there, doing nothing. Like doing nothing besides football in the hours we are allowed. Then also have boxed lunches. Boxed breakfasts. Boxed dinners. And that's going to be memorable?"

This seemed to almost perfectly sum up what teams experienced all season: UTSA was set to play in the Frisco Bowl over the weekend when SMU withdrew due to COVID-19 concerns and the bowl was scrubbed. So UTSA accepted an invitation to the First Responder Bowl, where the Roadrunners found out Sunday they will face No. 16 Louisiana-Lafayette.

Stanford tips UCLA in double overtime

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Davis Mills threw for 428 yards and three touchdowns, including a 14-yard score to Simi Fehoko in the second overtime as Stanford defeated UCLA 48-47 at the Rose Bowl Saturday night in the season finale for both teams.

The win capped a long three-week road trip for Stanford (4-2), who had to leave campus after Santa Clara County prohibited contact sports due to COVID-19.

After Fehoko's TD, the Bruins got the ball one more time. Chase Griffin, who came on for the injured Dorian Thompson-Robinson in the second quarter, threw a 21-yard touchdown to Kyle Phillips on fourth-and-18. UCLA (3-4) went for the 2-point conversion, but Brittain Brown was stopped short of the end zone.

Mills, who completed 32 of 47 passes, bounced back from three second-half interceptions, including a

39-yard pick-6 to Jay Shaw that gave UCLA a 34-20 lead with 5:39 remaining. But the Cardinal scored on their final two drives to force overtime.

All three of Mills' TD passes were to Fehoko, including a 21-yarder with 18 seconds remaining in regulation. Fehoko finished with 16 receptions for 230 yards.

UTAH 45, WASHINGTON STATE 28: Ty Jordan ran for 154 yards and three touchdowns to rally

Utah to a 45-28 victory over Washington State on Saturday.

Britain Covey added a career-high 134 yards and a touchdown on six catches to help power the Utes' comeback effort. Backup quarterback Drew Lisk threw for 152 yards in relief of starter Jake Bentley.

Utah (3-2, 3-2 Pac-12) outscored Washington State 38-0 in the second half to notch its third straight victory to end the 2020 season.

Playoff

From B1

One of the semifinals was scheduled to be played at the Rose Bowl, but a move was announced Saturday night after coaches and school officials from playoff contenders complained about California's COVID-19 restrictions that ban spectators from sporting events and would have made it impossible for players' families to attend the game.

Playing the game at the home of the Dallas Cowboys will allow 16,000 fans to attend. Because of that, Barta said, the committee placed top-seeded Alabama there to give it the possibility of more of a home-field advantage.

The Superdome is currently set to have 3,000 fans for the Sugar Bowl, but that number could go up.

This season has been filled with disruptions as teams navigated COVID-19 outbreaks, contact tracing that sent players into extended quarantine and daily uncertainty about whether games

will be played. More than 100 games were canceled or postponed since late August and more than a dozen teams have already said they have no plans to play in a bowl even if they are invited.

Ohio State had three regular-season games

canceled and the Big Ten had to change a minimum games played rule earlier this month just so the unbeaten Buckeyes could play in the conference title game Saturday against Northwestern.

Still, 87% of the games scheduled were played.

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NFL: Dolphins eliminate Patriots from postseason

Jets get first win by edging Rams

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. (AP) — Undrafted rookie Salvon Ahmed and veteran Matt Breida combined for 208 yards rushing Sunday to lead the Miami Dolphins to a 22-12 victory over the New England Patriots, who were eliminated from playoff contention, ending their NFL-record run of 11 consecutive postseason appearances.

The Dolphins entered the game late in the league in yards per carry, and Ahmed became their first 100-yard rusher since 2018, totaling 122 yards and scoring a 2-point conversion on a trick play.

Breida added 86 yards and the Dolphins totaled a season-high 250 against the Patriots, who were gashed for more than 150 on the ground for the fifth time this year.

The Dolphins (9-5) bolstered their wild-card chances and are assured of a winning record for only the second time since 2008.

The Patriots (6-8) will finish at .500 or worse for the first time since 2000, the year they drafted Tom Brady. They fall one year short of matching the Dallas Cowboys' NFL record of 20 consecutive winning seasons.

Buffalo clinched the AFC East title with a win Saturday.

BUCCANEERS 31, FALCONS 27: Tom Brady did it again to the Atlanta Falcons.

This time, he didn't even need overtime.

Rallying Tampa Bay from a pair of 17-point deficits, Brady recreated his Super Bowl miracle by leading the Buccaneers on five straight scoring drives in the second half for a victory over the stunned Falcons.

The stakes weren't nearly as high and the deficit wasn't quite as daunting, but Brady's latest blow to Atlanta took the Bucs (9-5) to the brink of their first playoff berth since 2007.

It sure didn't look that way when Atlanta raced to 17-0 by halftime, or when the Falcons (4-10) restored their margin to 24-7 after Brady finally guided the Bucs to a touchdown on the first possession of the second half.

Turns out, the 43-year-old was just getting warmed up.

He certainly had plenty of experience to fall back on when it came to breaking Atlanta's heart.

In the 2017 Super Bowl, Brady famously led the greatest comeback in championship game history, rallying New England from a 28-3 deficit late in the third quarter to a 34-28 overtime victory that secured his fifth of six titles with the Patriots.

CHIEFS 32, SAINTS 29: Patrick Mahomes had his full repertoire of side-arm throws, basketball-style push passes and under-handed flips on display while passing for 254 yards and three touchdowns, and Kansas City extended its winning streak to nine

games. The Kansas City defense did its part to spoil Drew Brees' return from rib fractures and a punctured lung that had kept the record-setting passer out four games.

While Brees passed for 234 yards and three TDs, he completed less than half of his passes and was intercepted for just the fourth time this season.

The victory kept the defending Super Bowl champion Chiefs (13-1) in pole position to capture the AFC's lone playoff bye as a No. 1 seed. The Saints (10-4), meanwhile, missed a chance to clinch the NFC South for a second straight week and now are longshots to capture the NFC's top seed.

Mahomes' scoring passes went for 5 yards each to Tyreek Hill and Mecole Hardman, the latter coming as the Chiefs' agile QB back-peddled toward the left sideline to avoid pressure and released a throw to the back corner of the end zone, where Hardman was able to snag it in traffic while narrowly getting two feet inbounds.

CARDINALS 33, EAGLES 26: Kyler Murray threw for a career-high 406 yards, DeAndre Hopkins had 169 yards receiving and a stellar touchdown catch, and Arizona improved its position in the playoff race by beating Philadelphia.

Arizona (8-6) won its second straight game as it tries to make the postseason for the first time since 2015. The Cardinals are in third place in their division behind the Rams and Seahawks and would currently be the No. 7 and final seed in the NFC playoffs.

The Eagles (4-9-1) trailed 16-0 in the first quarter, but rallied to tie the game at 26 in the third quarter after quarterback Jalen Hurts ran for a 7-yard touchdown.

Arizona responded with its go-ahead touchdown drive capped by Hopkins' spectacular 20-yard grab. Cornerback Michael Jacquet was playing tight defense on the play, but Hopkins wrestled the ball away and held on with one hand as he fell past the pylon into the end zone.

Murray completed 27 of 36 passes, with three touchdowns and one interception.

Hurts, making his second career start, completed 24 of 44 passes for 338 yards and three touchdowns. He had a lot of good moments, but couldn't lead the Eagles to any points on their last two offensive drives.

JETS 23, RAMS 20: Sam Darnold passed for 207 yards and New York finally earned the first victory of its miserable season, holding on for a win that erased the possibility of the third winless 16-game season in NFL history.

Frank Gore rushed for an early touchdown and made a decisive third-down reception with 2:05 left for the Jets (1-13), who also ended the longest losing streak in franchise history with a strong start and a gritty finish at SoFi Stadium.

Embattled coach Adam Gase got his first win of the year only after New York blew most of a 17-point lead in the second half. The Jets' defense stopped the Rams on downs at midfield with 3:54 to play before Darnold

hit Gore with a short pass over the middle to convert a third down that allowed the Jets to run out the clock.

New York might have ruined its chances at the No. 1 overall pick in the draft because Jacksonville (1-13) is likely to win a tiebreaker based on strength of schedule. But possibly missing the chance to draft Trevor Lawrence meant nothing to the celebrating Jets, who were thrilled to avoid the ignominy of a winless year.

Darnold, the Jets' embattled third-year quarterback, looked right at home in his first pro game in his native Southern California. The former USC Trojans star went 22 of 31 with a touchdown pass and no interceptions.

New York had a 13-3 lead at halftime after holding the Rams to 97 yards, and the Jets led 20-3 midway through the third quarter. Los Angeles chipped the deficit down to three points.

Of the nine teams in NFL history to start 0-13, the Jets were the fourth to win in Week 15.

Robert Woods and Tyler Higbee caught TD passes for the Rams (9-5) in the most humiliating loss of coach Sean McVay's largely successful four seasons in charge.

Jared Goff passed for 209 yards for Los Angeles, which could have clinched a playoff berth with a victory over the NFL's worst team after an extra-long week of rest. The Rams had won four of five to surge to the top of the NFC West, but their inconsistent offense was inept, while their elite defense wasn't sharp, allowing the Jets to convert seven third downs.

The Rams still can win the division if they can beat the Seahawks in Seattle next week, but their task got exponentially harder.

COLTS 27, TEXANS 20: Philip Rivers threw a late, tiebreaking touchdown to Zach Pascal and Indianapolis' defense recovered a fumble in the end zone with 19 seconds left to seal a victory over Houston.

Indy (10-4) has won three straight to retain a share of the AFC South lead with Tennessee, winners over Detroit. Houston (4-10) has lost three straight and five of six in this series.

The Colts won this one in similar fashion to the teams' meeting two weeks ago. The Texans had a chance to win that one in the final minute but Indy jumped on a bad snap to quarterback Deshaun Watson inside the red zone.

This time, Pascal caught a pass in the flat, turned up the field and stretched his arms across the goal line while hitting the pylon to give Indy a 27-20 lead with 1:47 to go.

Rivers was 22 of 28 with 228 yards and two scores. Jonathan Taylor had 16 carries for 83 yards and a touchdown.

Watson was 33 of 41 with 373 yards and two touchdowns. Coutee had five catches for 53 yards and one score before the fumble, and David Johnson had 11 receptions for 106 yards.

TITANS 46, LIONS 25: Ryan Tannehill ran for two touchdowns and threw three more, and Derrick Henry ran for 147 yards and a score to move Tennessee closer to clinching its third playoff berth in four seasons as it routed Detroit.

The Titans (10-4) did their part with their second straight victory and fourth in five games to stay atop the AFC South. With Indianapolis beating Houston 27-20, the Titans still hold the tiebreaker in the division over the Colts with two games remaining.

The Lions (5-9) lost their second straight after winning their first game under interim coach Darrell Bevell even with quarterback Matthew Stafford shaking off a rib injury to start. Stafford threw for 252 yards and a TD before being pulled for Chase Daniel after Tennessee went up 39-18 with 9:00 left.

RAVENS 40, JAGUARS 14: Baltimore built a 26-point halftime lead against helpless Jacksonville and rolled to a victory that boosted their playoff chances and extended the Jaguars' losing streak to 13 games.

Lamar Jackson threw three touchdown passes and ran for a score to carry the Ravens (9-5) to their third straight win following a three-game skid. Hopeful of reaching the postseason for the third year in a row, Baltimore is among several AFC teams vying for three wild-card spots.

After Jackson returned from a bout with cramps to deliver a thrilling 47-42 win in Cleveland on Monday night, the Ravens had no desire for any drama at home against Jacksonville (1-13). Baltimore got the desired result, taking a 26-0 lead in the second quarter before cruising to the finish.

Rookie J.K. Dobbins ran for 64 yards and a score, and 32-year-old receiver Dez Bryant celebrated his first touchdown since 2017 late in the first half. It added up to the kind of confidence-building blowout the Ravens were looking for as they head into the final two weeks of a harrowing season in which they've fought through an outbreak of COVID-19 that forced two games to be rescheduled.

BEARS 33, VIKINGS 27: David Montgomery rushed for a career-high 146 yards and two touchdowns and Chicago trampled Minnesota's depleted defense and hung on for a victory to stay in the hunt for the expanded playoffs.

The Bears (7-7), who entered the afternoon one game behind Arizona for the new third wild-card spot in the NFC, never trailed in winning at Minnesota for a third straight year. Coach Matt Nagy improved to 5-1 against the Vikings (6-8), whose postseason chances all but vanished.

Chicago punted only once, on the opening possession. It did just about whatever it wanted with the ball until Cameron Dantzler intercepted Mitch Trubisky's third-and-goal pass into a crowd in the end zone with 2:57 left and a 30-27 lead.

But the Bears, who were plenty vulnerable on defense themselves, delivered their second fourth-and-1 stop in Minnesota territory to get the ball right back for a field goal.

Dalvin Cook rushed for 132 yards and a score, but he was stuffed on third-and-1 before a pivotal incompletion by Kirk Cousins throwing off his back foot. Cairo Santos, who con-

verted all four of his kicks, stretched his streak to 22 straight field goals made.

The Bears then intercepted a last-snap heave by Cousins into the end zone to drop the Vikings to 3-5 at home this year.

COWBOYS 41, 49ERS 33: Tony Pollard ran for two touchdowns with Ezekiel Elliott sidelined by an injury for the first time in the two-time rushing champion's career, and Dallas beat San Francisco.

Four of the seven Dallas scores were set up by turnovers from the 49ers (5-9), who guaranteed themselves becoming the second Super Bowl runner-up in the past 13 seasons to finish with a losing record the next year.

The Cowboys (5-9) kept faint playoff hopes alive in a matchup of longtime rivals with a rich playoff history that was moved out of prime time with both teams starting the day in last place in their divisions.

Andy Dalton threw for two touchdowns, and Greg Zuerlein kicked a tiebreaking field goal early in the fourth quarter after the second interception by Nick Mullens, who was replaced by C.J. Beathard.

NFL Standings						
AMERICAN CONFERENCE						
East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
yx-Buffalo	11	3	0	.786	407	340
Miami	9	5	0	.643	352	257
New England	6	8	0	.429	289	301
N.Y. Jets	1	13	0	.071	206	413
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	10	4	0	.714	399	320
Tennessee	10	4	0	.714	436	361
Houston	4	10	0	.286	315	386
Jacksonville	1	13	0	.071	275	423
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Pittsburgh	11	2	0	.846	349	237
Cleveland	10	4	0	.714	368	374
Baltimore	9	5	0	.643	403	287
Cincinnati	2	10	1	.192	244	338
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
yx-Kansas City	13	1	0	.929	435	310
Las Vegas	7	7	0	.500	377	421
Denver	5	9	0	.357	276	395
L.A. Chargers	5	9	0	.357	327	389
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Washington	6	8	0	.429	302	295
Dallas	5	9	0	.357	339	433
N.Y. Giants	5	9	0	.357	244	311
Philadelphia	4	9	1	.321	303	361
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-New Orleans	10	4	0	.714	397	297
Tampa Bay	9	5	0	.643	401	321
Atlanta	4	10	0	.286	355	353
Carolina	4	10	0	.286	323	356
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
yx-Green Bay	11	3	0	.786	434	339
Chicago	7	7	0	.500	315	318
Minnesota	6	8	0	.429	360	388
Detroit	5	9	0	.357	335	435
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Seattle	10	4	0	.714	413	339
L.A. Rams	9	5	0	.643	345	269
Arizona	8	6	0	.571	391	329
San Francisco	5	9	0	.357	333	352
x-clinched playoff spot; y-clinched division						
Thursday's Game						
L.A. Chargers 30, Las Vegas 27, OT						
Saturday's Games						
Buffalo 48, Denver 19						
Green Bay 24, Carolina 16						
Sunday's Games						
Baltimore 40, Jacksonville 14						
Chicago 33, Minnesota 27						
Dallas 41, San Francisco 33						
Indianapolis 27, Houston 20						
Miami 22, New England 12						
Seattle 20, Washington 15						
Tampa Bay 31, Atlanta 27						
Tennessee 46, Detroit 25						
Arizona 33, Philadelphia 26						
N.Y. Jets 23, L.A. Rams 20						
Kansas City 32, New Orleans 29						
Cleveland 20, N.Y. Giants 6						
Monday's Game						
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, late						
Friday, Dec. 25						
Minnesota at New Orleans, 1:30 p.m.						
Saturday, Dec. 26						
Tampa Bay at Detroit, 10 a.m.						
San Francisco at Arizona, 1:30 p.m.						
Miami at Las Vegas, 8:15 p.m.						
Sunday, Dec. 27						
Atlanta at Kansas City, 10 a.m.						
Carolina at Washington, 10 a.m.						
Chicago at Jacksonville, 10 a.m.						
Cincinnati at Houston, 10 a.m.						
Cleveland at N.Y. Jets, 10 a.m.						
Indianapolis at Pittsburgh, 10 a.m.						
N.Y. Giants at Baltimore, 10 a.m.						
Denver at L.A. Chargers, 1:05 p.m.						
L.A. Rams at Seattle, 1:25 p.m.						
Philadelphia at Dallas, 1:25 p.m.						
Tennessee at Green Bay, 5:20 p.m.						
Monday, Dec. 28						
Buffalo at New England, 5:15 p.m.						

Beathard handled the last two possessions and threw a 49-yard touchdown to Kendrick Bourne on the final play on a desperation pass.

BROWNS 20, GIANTS 6: In East Rutherford, N.J., Baker Mayfield led two 95-yard touchdown drives and Cleveland moved closer to ending its 17-year playoff drought.

Mayfield was sharp all night, helping the Browns (10-4) bounce back from a 47-42 loss to Baltimore last Monday night. The Cleveland quarterback finished 27 of 32 for 297 yards with scoring passes to Jarvis Landry and Austin Hooper.

Nick Chubb had a 1-yard touchdown run in the third quarter as the Browns became the first team this season to have two 95-yard TD drives in a game.

Cleveland, vying for its first playoff spot since 2002 — the NFL's longest drought — also matched its highest win total (10-6 in 2007) since the team's 1999 expansion rebirth.

Colt McCoy was 19 of 31 for 221 yards for the Giants, who are tied with Dallas a game behind Washington for first place in the NFC East.

ers reached the end zone on their first three series before hanging on.

Aaron Rodgers threw for a season-low 143 yards but produced a touchdown pass — his 40th of the season — and a touchdown run for the Packers. Rodgers is the first player in NFL history to throw at least 40 touchdown passes in three separate seasons; he had 45 during his 2011 MVP campaign and 40 in 2016.

Green Bay (11-3) won its fourth straight and took a half-game lead over New Orleans (10-3) in the race for the NFC's best record. The Packers own a tiebreaker over the Saints after winning 37-30 at New Orleans on Sept. 27.

Under the NFL's new 14-team playoff format this year, only the No. 1 seed in each conference earns a first-round bye.

The Panthers (4-10) have lost eight of their last nine games.

Bills clinch first division title since 1993 with Saturday win

DENVER (AP) — The Buffalo Bills captured their first AFC East title in a quarter-century Saturday when 24-year-old quarterback Josh Allen threw for two touchdowns and ran for two more in a 48-19 rout of the Denver Broncos.

The Bills (11-3) scored twice in a 17-second span in the third quarter to ice their fourth straight victory that officially ended the New England Patriots' 11-year reign atop the division.

The Broncos (5-9) have their fourth consecutive losing season for the first time since they had 10 straight sub-.500 campaigns from 1963-72. They also became the first team ever to go five years without making the playoffs following a Super Bowl title.

Allen threw for 359 yards, hitting Stefon Diggs 11 times for 147 yards before a foot injury in the fourth quarter, and Cole

Beasley eight times for 112 yards.

Allen also tied Jack Kemp's record of 25 career touchdown runs with his second TD scamper, a 1-yard keeper to the right that was set up by Andre Roberts' 55-yard return of Taylor Russell's short second-half kickoff.

The Broncos turned to Russell, whose vagabond career included stops in the XFL, the Canadian Football League and even

the Chinese arena league after Brandon McManus went on the COVID-19 reserve list.

Russolino missed a 51-yard field goal and two extra points on a windy day that didn't adversely affect Bills kicker Tyler Bass, who made both field goal attempts and all six extra points.

PACKERS 24, PAN-THERS 16: Aaron Jones rushed for 145 yards and a touchdown as the Pack-

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Ellen Hopkins, whose novels are particularly popular with teenagers and young adults, said, "For short-term relaxation, I take a hot tub. It's my best way to unblock writers' block, too. For a bit longer relaxation, I enjoy camping. Just being in the wilderness, with no phones or computers or anything I have to do really refreshes my spirit."

Which word in that quote is appropriate for today's deal? South is in three no-trump. West leads the spade king, immediately wishing he could have an "undo" and change to the spade two!

The Baltic states have done well keeping coronavirus under control, permitting live events. This deal arose during one of the

weekly training sessions in Latvia.

South took a shot at three no-trump, hoping that he would not lose the first five tricks.

Karlis Rubins (West) knew that he had to get his partner on lead for a spade return through declarer's 10 -- but how?

South, with only six top tricks, needed to establish diamond winners. But he should also have known that he could not afford to let in Jelena Alfejeva (East). So, when declarer played a low diamond toward his hand at trick two, he should have covered East's card with his nine (or seven). When he actually won with his ace, West immediately unblocked his king.

Declarer played a diamond to the queen and continued with a low heart, East carefully putting up her 10 (I would have played the jack). So, when South took the trick with his ace, West unblocked again, dropping the queen. Now East had to get on lead to push a spade through.

North	12-22-20		
♠ A			
♥ K 8 5 4			
♦ Q 10 8 6 3			
♣ K 7 2			
West	East		
♠ K Q J 9 2	♠ 7 4 3		
♥ Q 7 6	♥ J 10 3		
♦ K 4	♦ J 5 2		
♣ 9 4 3	♣ Q 10 6 5		
South			
♠ 10 8 6 5			
♥ A 9 2			
♦ A 9 7			
♣ A J 8			
Dealer: West			
Vulnerable: East-West			
South	West	North	East
	1♣	Dbl.	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♠ K			



TUESDAY, DEC. 22, 2020

Verify information carefully this year. The best way to eliminate uncertainty is to know what you are up against and to act accordingly. Refuse to let anyone try to sway your opinions or decisions. Run the show instead of taking a wait-and-see approach. Be direct and forceful, and pursue your goals with passion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- An aggressive position will help you get your way. Use your intelligence to outmaneuver any competition. Don't let uncertainty cause you to miss an opportunity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Be careful not to start something you cannot finish. You'll come up against opposition if you try to make changes without input from others. Pay more attention to personal growth.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Connect with people who have helped you in the past, and show interest in what others are doing. You'll discover some valuable information that will help you upgrade your approach.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- You could feel pressure to get things done before the year comes to a close. Don't let trivial matters get to you when it's the big picture that counts. Stay focused on what's important to you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- A sudden change will cause uncertainty. Figure out precisely what you want to do, and put your strategy in place. Use your intelligence to navigate your way forward.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Trust in yourself, not in what someone is telling you. Look at every angle and consider the consequences of your actions. Look over personal and professional contacts, and evaluate your options.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Rely on your intelligence, creativity and charisma to help you seal a deal, connect with someone you want to work alongside or commit to someone special. Make plans, and put an end to uncertainty.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Don't jump to conclusions. Keep track of you spend, your actions and what's still on your to-do list. Organization and preparation will eliminate stress. Romance is encouraged.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Embrace change. Making room for projects and home improvements or clearing a space conducive to learning something new will empower you to reach your goal. Don't fall for anyone's tricks.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Consider what will make your life easier and less stressful and will encourage better concentration, then make the necessary adjustments. Aggressive action will impress a loved one.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Think outside the box, and you'll surprise someone special. A unique approach will attract someone who wants to be on your team. Speak up and take action; everything will fall into place.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Control your emotions in order to avoid appearing insecure or indecisive. Focus on getting things done, taking good care of yourself and of loved ones, and creating a strategy that will lead to a better future.

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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 Used a pew
- 4 Say grace
- 8 Oomph
- 11 Yuck!
- 12 Observance
- 13 Stork kin
- 15 Ernesto
- 16 Guevara
- 17 Thought
- 18 Lawless role
- 19 Suspends
- 20 College books
- 21 Aussie bird
- 23 Scottish for John
- 24 Suit part
- 27 Billionth, in combos
- 29 D.C. initials
- 32 Whale like Shamu
- 33 Softball toss
- 34 Pipe fitting
- 35 Mauna —
- 36 College maj.
- 37 Mr. Lugosi
- 38 Tax-form ID

DOWN

- 39 Mollusk
- 40 Wise — owl
- 41 One of the Stooges
- 42 Startled cry
- 44 Cut of beef
- 47 Instruct
- 51 Road map info
- 52 Kid around with
- 55 Coral island
- 56 Judge's garb
- 57 Layered cookie
- 58 Put a stop to
- 59 Con's vote
- 60 Pulls
- 61 Sandra or Ruby

Answer to Previous Puzzle

G	O	T		W	A	N		G	P	S
A	A	H		S	A	L	E	S	R	O
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D	A	N			B	E	T		L	A

- 5 Get — of that junk!
- 6 Tucked away
- 7 Affirmative vote
- 8 Siren
- 9 Alpine goat
- 10 Garden herb
- 14 Stockholm carrier
- 19 Wooden clog
- 20 Eastern philosophy
- 22 Lacking the means
- 23 Tax form item
- 24 Tennessee alums
- 25 Mythical archer
- 26 Look over quickly
- 28 Diva's rendition
- 29 Turns right
- 30 Clay pot
- 31 Blueprint
- 37 Use the oven
- 39 Pull a fast one
- 41 Amble
- 43 Social mores
- 44 Wintertime sound
- 45 — of bricks
- 46 Singer — McEntire
- 48 Made a hole-in-one
- 49 Bamboo stalk
- 50 London park
- 52 Little bit
- 53 Galleon cargo
- 54 Baste

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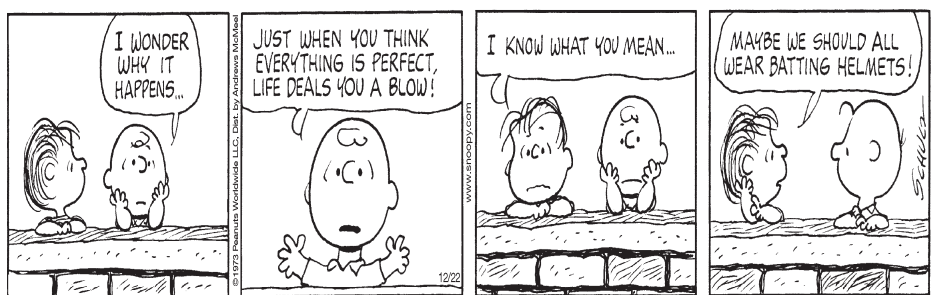
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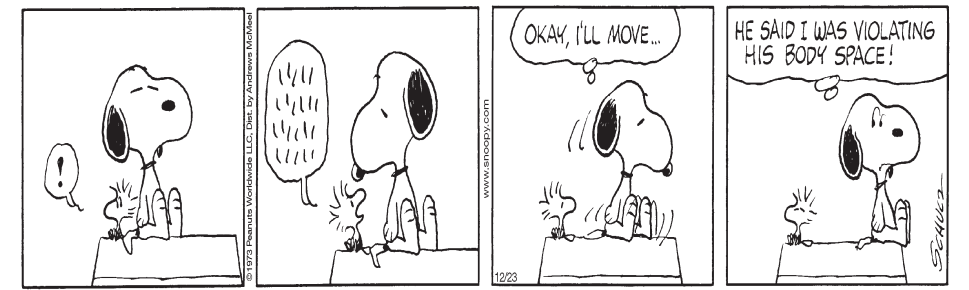
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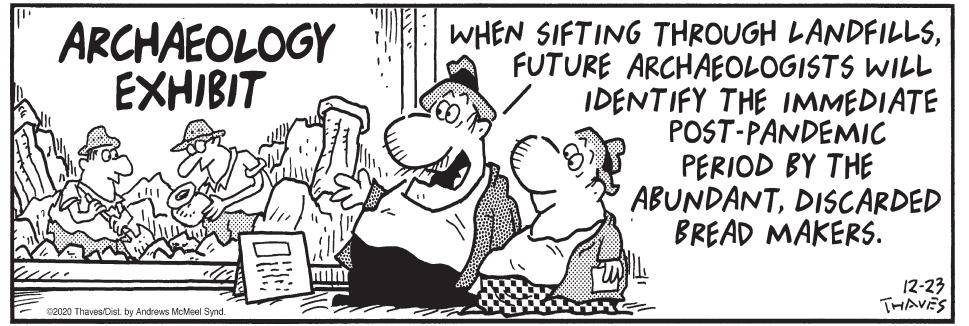
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4	5	6	7	2	3	1	9	8
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HOW TO PLAY:
Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

ACROSS

- 1 Shaman or therapist
- 7 Communication devices
- 13 Frame of mind
- 14 Jauntily dashing
- 15 Father of Horus
- 16 Pass, as time
- 17 Fish, in a way
- 18 House buzzer
- 19 Mexican Mrs.
- 22 That, to Juanita
- 24 Mischievous children
- 28 Shirt or blouse
- 29 Union flouter
- 30 First-quarter tide
- 31 Louis XIV, e.g.
- 32 Off-road vehicle

DOWN

- 33 Rock tumbler stone
- 34 Internet note
- 36 Nairobi's cont.
- 38 Fem. saint
- 39 Televises
- 40 Look at impertinently
- 41 Pioneered
- 42 Clues
- 43 Gaze at
- 44 Time divs.
- 45 Checkout scan
- 47 Bradley and McBain
- 50 Hun honcho
- 53 I-beam lifters
- 57 Borrowed car
- 58 Less trouble
- 59 Spanish girlfriends
- 60 Resides

Answer to Previous Puzzle

S	A	T		P	R	A	Y		V	I	M	
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- 3 "Exodus" name
- 4 Pantry item
- 5 Essayist's pen name
- 6 Esteem
- 7 "Instant" house
- 8 Convention site
- 9 Approving
- 10 Pinch
- 11 19th letter
- 12 Yon maiden
- 19 Run of luck
- 20 Dorm sharer
- 21 Beehive
- 23 Barbarian
- 25 Paltry
- 26 Glib speech
- 27 Burns up the road
- 29 Mr. Mineo of films
- 33 Have being
- 35 Handing out
- 37 Took to the cleaners
- 40 Prized statuettes
- 46 Petition
- 48 Take a card
- 49 Business encl.
- 50 — carte
- 51 Jones of fiction
- 52 — chi ch'uan
- 54 Goose egg
- 55 Sushi morsel
- 56 Almost-grads

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THURSDAY

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.

FRIDAY

DILBERT



CLASSIC PEANUTS



FRANK AND ERNEST



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 Klondike —
- 5 I knew it!
- 8 Ref's kin
- 11 Sacred image
- 12 Retail center
- 14 Bolger or Conniff
- 15 Astrologers of yore
- 16 Salad-dressing cheese
- 17 Plant sticker (var.)
- 18 Port near Hong Kong
- 20 Esoteric
- 22 Hypotheticals
- 23 Ms. Foch
- 24 F. — Fitzgerald
- 27 Hang around
- 29 Golf term
- 30 Boat fixer
- 34 Tree-dwelling
- 37 Icky stuff
- 38 Laser output
- 39 Milestone

DOWN

- 41 Turn
- 43 Legume
- 44 Mink or ermine
- 46 Hindu mystics
- 49 "— Jude"
- 50 Cashmere
- 52 Secondhand
- 54 Poetic tribute
- 55 Round building
- 56 "Blondie" kid
- 57 Mate's comeback
- 58 Hibernation
- 59 Horse's brake

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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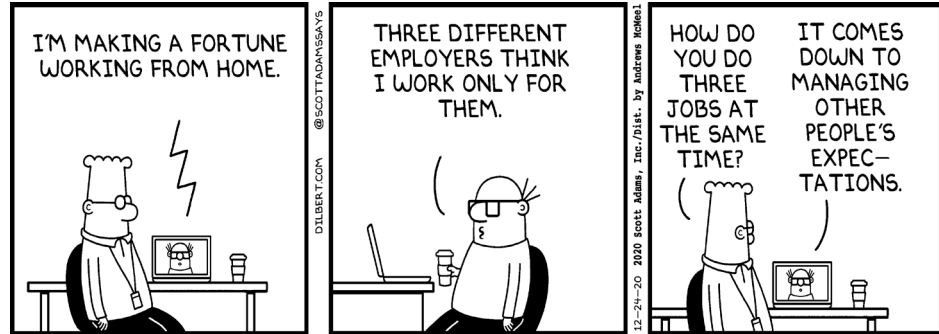
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- 10 Ceremonial fire
- 13 Root vegetable
- 19 Toward the stern
- 21 Radio — Music Hall
- 24 Health club
- 25 Surface transport
- 26 Moon, in verse
- 27 Pow!
- 28 Feel awful
- 30 Neptune's kingdom
- 31 Census info
- 32 Swoboda of baseball
- 33 Speckle
- 35 Kimono sashes
- 36 Freshens
- 39 Fair-hiring letters
- 40 Less defined
- 41 Like fleabag hotels
- 42 Check endorser
- 43 Traffic cone
- 44 Not so fast!
- 45 Burglar's "key"
- 47 Speck on a globe
- 48 18-wheeler
- 51 "Bravo!"
- 53 Put on

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DILBERT



CLASSIC PEANUTS



FRANK AND ERNEST



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ACROSS

- 1 Say in fun
- 5 Extreme degree
- 8 Hat attachment
- 12 Bad day for Caesar
- 13 Future fish
- 14 Cato's bear
- 15 Hits
- 16 Forefront
- 17 Put down
- 18 Gaucho's rope
- 20 Pipes
- 22 Shaggy-haired ox
- 23 Brother's title
- 24 Leipzig link
- 27 Tornado shape
- 30 "Foucault's Pendulum" author
- 31 Capp and Jolson
- 32 Kernel holder
- 34 Eatery order

- 35 Ex-soldier
- 37 Mr. Orbison
- 38 Quaking trees
- 40 — cuisine
- 42 Meadow
- 43 Sunflower yield
- 44 Cramp
- 46 Famous racetrack
- 49 Earthquake
- 50 Moose kin
- 52 Fortright
- 54 Lotion additive
- 55 Kung fu expert
- Bruce —
- 56 Place for posies
- 57 Futons and pallets
- 58 Harry, to Charles
- 59 "Who — was there?"

DOWN

- 1 Crane arm

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 2 Smell
- 3 French Legion headgear
- 4 Makes a try
- 5 Kim of "Vertigo"
- 6 Water-power org.
- 7 A few
- 8 Spock or Sarek
- 9 Latin 101 word
- 10 Wife of Osiris
- 11 Schoolboy
- 19 Make doilies
- 21 Coffee makers
- 24 Spider trap
- 25 West Coast campus
- 26 Crumbles
- 27 Soap ingredients
- 28 Beige hue
- 29 Raid
- 33 So long!
- 35 Notch shapes
- 36 Nail polishes
- 39 Dinnerware items
- 40 Towel word
- 41 Recess
- 43 Like some chests
- 44 Foot part
- 45 Tramp along
- 47 Gem
- 48 Miss Trueheart of the comics
- 49 Elbow
- 51 Durocher or Tolstoy
- 53 Born as

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This week in Coos County history: December 20-22

100 YEARS — 1920

Robber of the Scottsburg Store is killed

Frank Wagner, known as “Dutch Frank,” shot by officers at Astoria

Was found making new burglar tools

In belongings found \$6,550 in Liberty Bonds belonging to John Hedden

Suspected at the time

Had gotten away from the penitentiary and officers were sure he blew open the safe — five are charged with aiding him

By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times ASTORIA — Frank Wagner, known as “Dutch Frank,” escaped convict from the Oregon penitentiary, was killed in a duel yesterday with Warden Compton and nine other officers.

Wagner was found in a blacksmith shop where he was forging a new set of safe robber’s tools.

In a cache of Wagner’s belongings was found a package containing \$6,550 in liberty bonds, the property of John Hedden of Scottsburg, stolen from his store following Wagner’s escape.

Five Astoria persons are accused of harboring the criminal.

At the time the Hedden store and post office at Scottsburg was robbed officers from the state penitentiary were in Marshfield looking for the escaped convict. They said at that time that the manner in which the safe was blown open showed that the robbery could not have been committed by anyone but Wagner and they have since been on the lookout for him.

It was afterward learned that the robber hid in a barn near Scottsburg. Some of the securities which had been taken were found concealed in the hay.

Martha Buehner saves vessel

Picks up Steamer Prentiss below San Francisco

Tows her to San Pedro — will probably receive big salvage from her

Manager C.G. Bock of the Buehner Lumber Co. this morning received a telegram from Capt. John Swensen of the Martha Buehner saying he had just arrived at San Pedro with the steamer Prentiss in tow. He picked up the Prentiss eighty miles below San Francisco last Friday. She had lost her wheel and was completely disabled.

No further particulars were given. It is presumed that the Prentiss was caught in the storm which swept the coast last week. She was loaded with lumber.

The Prentiss is owned by Andrew F. Mahoney, formerly of Olson & Mahoney. She has made a number of trips to Coos Bay, having left here last on November 25th with a cargo from the Bay Park mill.

Catholics take over property

St. Monica’s parish secures former Oren holdings

Plan to sell present church site — will erect new church before long

Rev. Father H.J. McDevitt announces that St. Monica’s parish has taken over the former J.E. Oren property as a site for the new church which the congregation expects to build before long. The Oren property was purchased a few years ago by the Sisters of Mercy for school purposes but later their plans were changed and the boarding school idea was given up.

This year, a parochial school was built on one corner of the property. The residence is leased by Chas. Hall as a home.

St. Monica’s parish plans to sell the present church site which is across the street from the property which they have just acquired.

Plat B fire bug again at work

Blaze is started in a house recently vacated

Discovered by Thomas Sorenson who put it out before damage is done

Another attempt was made last night to set fire to a house in Plat B. Several weeks ago fires were started in that section and

some of the older buildings were burned down. The people have been on the watch but have not been able to detect who was starting the fire.

The attempt last night was made in the house recently vacated by James Hoskinson but was discovered in time by Thomas Sorenson who lives nearby and the fire was put out before any damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. Sorenson heard someone pass their house about 11 o’clock. Mr. Sorenson was just about to retire and when he went to the second story of his home he raised the window shade and saw the blaze in the neighboring house, and hurried to the place to put it out. A sack filled with papers had been put against the wall and lighted. The blaze was just beginning to set fire to the woodwork but it was easily put out. There was no clue as to who might have done it.

Rancher is fined \$200 for still

L.M. Weir of Larson Inlet arrested today

Enters plea of guilty and six month jail sentence is suspended — get mash

L.M. Weir, a rancher living on Larson inlet about two miles above the county landing was arrested this morning for having a still on his place. He entered a plea of guilty when arraigned before Justice Joehnk. He was fined \$200 and sentenced to six months in the county jail but the latter was suspended during good behavior. He paid the \$200 fine.

H. Gustafson who was at the Weir place at the time was brought in by Constable Goodman but no charges were preferred against him. Goodman alleges that Gustafson poured the mash into the sewer drain while the officers were gaining entrance into the house.

A ten-gallon still was seized and destroyed. A barrel of mash found and twenty-eight bottles of beer were seized.

Have a lively night at Powers

Six arrests are made by Constable Brown

Moonshine flows freely and Walter Smith fined \$250 for selling it; five others are fined

Last Saturday there was a wild night at Powers, according to Constable Brown of that place who is in the city today, and as a result, six arrests were made. There was a big supply of moonshine and the Christmas celebration which occurred when the loggers arrived in Powers from the camps was about as lively a one as Powers has ever seen.

Pays heavy fine

Walter Smith was arrested by Constable Brown for selling liquor. He was taken before Justice Zimmerman and fined \$250 and paid the fine.

Paddy Addis, Hugh Ritter, Sam LaBlanche, William Darling and a man named Rutledge were all arrested for being drunk and were fined from \$20 up. LaBlanche gave the constable quite a fight before he would submit to arrest and was finally put out of commission by the constable before he could be taken. The man all paid their fines.

50 YEARS — 1970

U.S. high court upholds 18-year-old vote

But not in state elections

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Supreme Court ruled today that 18-year-olds may vote in federal elections for presidential and congressional candidates but held that state voting laws will continue to govern state and local contests.

The Court divided sharply on the issue with Justice Hugo L. Black delivering the prevailing opinion.

The justices were in greater agreement in upholding two other key sections of the law — one striking down state residency rules of beyond 30 days for voting in presidential elections, and the other banning throughout the county literacy tests for voting.

Black said that where Congress at-

tempted to remedy racial discrimination by the states, its authority was enhanced by the 14th Amendment’s guarantee of “equal protection of the laws” and other post-Civil War amendments.

But he said Congress had no foundation in the Civil War amendments for changing the voting age for the states.

Coos Bay police continue school safety program

Coos Bay police officers continued their program of appearing before school classes on various police subjects while at the same time keeping up a strong schedule of training during November, according to Chief Rollie Pean’s montly report.

Officer Jack Bushmaker conducted a school safety program for 93 students at Coos Catholic School and spoke to a communication class at Marshfield High School on police-student relationships. He also discussed safety to grades 1 through 3 at Milner Crest and Englewood schools, and police-student communications for grades 4 through 6 at both schools.

Continued development seen for Coos Bay in '71

Signs of progress mark the City of Coos Bay’s path in 1970, with the promise of continued development seen for 1971. This is the picture painted by Coos Bay Mayor Bill Morin and City Manager Hal Leedom.

One of the significant accomplishments this year, according to Leedom, is the completion of the Empire Lakes Neighborhood Facility Building. Mayor Morin concurs in Leedom’s estimation, calling its construction “a major milestone.”

Leedom hailed the building as an “added facility the community can use,” saying it will “help the segment of population that needs it most — the low-income family.” He noted it is the only municipally owned facility building in Oregon funded by the Department of Housing and Urban Development for that purpose.

North Bend approves access to new chip facility

Santa Claus appears at meeting
Highway 101 improvements that will allow a left turn lane and some widening near the Ocean Terminals Inc. chip export facility under construction at the foot of Tower Street were accepted Tuesday by the North Bend city council.

The action followed a report by Councilman B.L. Higgins, chairman of the traffic committee.

Higgins said the State Highway Department will be asked to remove an island in the center of the four-lane highway to gain some of the room for the left turn lane. Other room will be gained by widening and restricting parking on the east side of the highway, he said.

The council session was interrupted briefly by the appearance of Santa Claus, who presented gifts to the mayor and the council and passed out candy to persons attending the meeting.

Tigers nip Braves — Forrest hits 40

Bayard Forrest became only the third player in the history of the Sunset Six to crack the 40-point barrier in the basketball game as he led visiting Bandon to an 83-81 victory over Reedsport of the Coast League in a non-counting tilt Tuesday night.

Forrest, a 6-foot-8 junior transfer from Prescott, Ariz., connected on 20-of-27 shots afield for 40 markers in the wild and wooly contest at Reedsport to tie a Sunset individual scoring mark first set by Jim Jarvis of Coquille in 1959 and later tied by Steve Ray of Myrtle Point in 1967.

He also erased the 16-year-old Bandon school scoring record of 37 points set by Wimpy Hastings against North Bend in 1954.

20 YEARS — 2000

Schools vandalized

For the second time this week, vandals have torn up the fields at three Coos Bay

schools.

“It happened the first time Sometime Sunday or over the weekend,” said Coos Bay School District’s Maintenance Supervisor Bill Lawrence. “Then it happened again last night.”

Lawrence said the football field at Millicoma Middle School and a parcel of grass in front of the school have been torn up by a vehicle “squirreling and doing doughnuts.”

Also vandalized was a field that is shared between Millicoma and Eastside Elementary School students, the field at Bunker Hill Elementary School and there was damage done to the Eastside City Park.

“This means a lot of time and work for our maintenance guys,” Lawrence said. “Now we’re going to have to reseed and flatten the areas. It is going to take two guys a good day or more to fix this.”

Investigators suspect arson in Reedsport fires

Suspicion: Oregon State Police unit called to investigate

REEDSPORT — The Reedsport Volunteer Fire Department responded to a fifth suspicious fire here within a week Tuesday night, according to Fire Chief Ed Conner.

“We are now treating all fires as suspicious and the State Fire Marshall has been called to investigate,” Conner said at the scene of the fire at the Sentosa clothing store in the Umpqua Shopping Center.

The Oregon State Police arson unit was called to assist in the investigation, according to Reedsport Police Chief John Smart.

Coos Bay city council paves way for train museum

The Coos Bay City Council is moving full steam ahead with plans to facilitate construction of an historic railway museum along the waterfront.

During their meeting Tuesday, councilors enacted an ordinance that amends the city’s urban renewal plan, allowing the city to acquire land for the proposed museum.

The council approved the ordinance by a 6-1 margin, with Anna Marie Larson opposing.

According to City Manager Bill Grile, this was just the first step towards completion of the museum — a project being spearheaded by the South Coast Chapter of the National Railway Historic Society. The plan would bring Locomotive 104, built in 1922, to Coos Bay to be restored and joined with a depot and museum complex. Eventually the train would be making a short run between Coos Bay and North Bend.

Habitat members make trek to New Zealand

Journey: Thirteen Americans made the trip as part of HFH’s Global Village program

As if they weren’t busy enough putting the finishing touches on a home in the Empire area, two members of the Coos Bay Habitat for Humanity chapter recently took the two-week trip to New Zealand to help a struggling family complete its dream home.

The seasons may be reversed, but the terrain and home-owner’s dream found in the port town of Nelson, New Zealand, is strikingly similar to that found here on the South Coast, said Don Blom, president of the local HFH affiliate.

“The only difference is that (in New Zealand) you can get to a great orchard within 30 minutes,” said Blom. “The people were incredibly friendly ... I think the family was almost overwhelmed.”

Blom, Coos Bay attorney Steve Plinski and 13 other Americans made the long trek to New Zealand on Nov. 18 as part of HFH’s Global Village program.

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

The Coos County Noxious Weed Board presents:

Weed of the Month

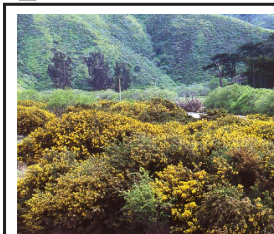
Gorse-Ulex europaeus

ID Tips:

- evergreen shrub
- stiff branches covered in thorns
- dark yellow flowers
- hairy seed pods
- can grow up to 12'+ tall and take over hillsides
- peak bloom times are March - May, but can flower all year round

Wondering about control measures for gorse?

- **Manual methods-** For small sites with few plants, dig up plants taking care to remove all the roots so the plants will not re-sprout.
- **Cutting with a mower will promote growth!**
- **Report gorse to your local watershed for a consultation about a plan to control your gorse.**



Gorse and scotch broom both have pea-like flowers, but gorse stems have thorns.



Talk to your local watershed! We're here to help!

The Coos Watershed Association
(541) 888-5922 x309



The Coquille Watershed Association
(541) 396-2541



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Letters to Santa

FROM HILLCREST 4TH GRADERS

December, 2020

Dear, Santa

Hi Santa. My name is Abby. I have blue and green eyes and I am very tall. I think I have been good this year but sometimes me and my sister get mad at each other but we always make up to each other. First of all, Santa I really appreciated the gift I got last year. Also this year I want a really big lego set for me and my sister to play with and build. Also in my stocking this year I want candy because I didn't really know what I want. For my sister can you please get her a american girl set? On Christmas we have a very nice breakfast. Then we will open our stockings. Then we open our gifts and every one in our family gets a ornament just for them. Lastly Santa do your reindeer like frosted cookies?

Sincerely, Abby

Hello Santa!

My name is Mira, I'm sure you don't remember from last year- since there are a lot of names to remember. I have very dark brown eyes and about the same dark chocolate colored hair. I always love Christmas time, because all the lights and magical feelings are being spread this time of year! My personality would be very joyful and funny.

This year I have been very good, although sometimes I forget to feed my fish and get in small fights with my brother but we always forgive each other after. I do all my school, and do my chores when I get home!

I really want to say thanks for last years gifts, I can't perfectly remember what you got me- I think it was some art books but I am not so sure... This year a gift I would love to see under our tree is some Crayola brush tip pens, and in my stocking I would love a candy cane or a small treat!

On Christmas Eve we wait until later or around dinner time and we open a present from a family member at my grandma's and grandpa's house. Then on Christmas morning we head straight to my grandparents house, sometimes still in our pajamas! We open all our presents there and then have brunch at my Aunt's house.

Before I stop writing my letter, I have a quick question; How did you come up with names for your reindeer, like what inspired those names?

Merry Christmas Santa!

Sincerely,
Mira

Hi santa,

its Teagan im 9 years old I like sports and art and music my family says that im daring I live in oregon i only expect the cookie smells and a book and the last thing my family together. I've been good and bad the bad part is I get mad at stupid things but the good part is that i have been doing my chores. Can I have roller skates those and arm and knee pads a new helmet and a book called santa post please just put the same things you did last year One tradition my family does is we wait for everyone to wake up and the last one to wake up gets to open the first gift and we all watch the parade while we wait for everyone to wake up And we get to open the stockings. And then we get to watch movies and Cinnamon rolls and hot chocolate for breakfast and a candy cane in it. And how many kinds of candy do you put in it?

Sincerely,
Teagan

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa, my name is Sophia. I have blue eyes, shoulder length hair. I love to swim and draw. I love Christmas because I love making cookies for Santa and spending time with my family and friends. And decorating the house with christmas decorations.

I think I have been good this year. Except when I try to give my little brother hugs when he doesn't want me to. And when me and my sister and brother fight, but we always make up the next hour. But I do help my mom with my siblings and clean the house.

First of all Santa, I really appreciated the slime and books you got me last year. And this year I would like some more books and baking supplies. And Santa for Christmas could you please get my little brother a new bike,

his broke this year. In my stocking I would like some chocolate please, Thank you Santa.

On Christmas Eve, me and my family always open a present early. On Christmas morning I go and wake up my little brother, and then we go and wake up are parents. After that we look in our stockings, then start opening presents. And that's how it is on Christmas Eve and on Christmas day.

Santa, I have some questions on what is it like on the North Pole. What does Jingles and Sprinkles do up at the North Pole when you are gone? Does it snow a lot up at the North Pole? Also Pierce is very happy that he got his own elf this year, Sprinkles should be bringing a letter soon. And that is why I love Christmas.

Your friend, Sophia

Hello Santa,

My name is Olivia Clinkenbeard. I have blue eyes, chest length hair, I am above average for my age and my personality is kind hearted I live in North Bend, Oregon. Secondly, I think I was very good this year minus the fact that every now and then me and my little sister getting into fights, but we never stay mad at each other for long we always make up, me and my little sister help around the house when asked or needed we help around the house at our grandparents house as well! (P.S we get good grades) Thank you for the gifts last year I was flabbergasted! And if it isn't any trouble could you get a hoverboard for my little sister for Christmas she has been asking forever! And also all I would like for Christmas in my stocking is Candy Canes! And the two things I want under the tree is the rest of the Harry Potter book collection (not one two or three though) and the second thing I want for Christmas under the tree is a MineCraft nintendo game case. Christmas Eve at my house is we get to open one Christmas present of our parents choice. My parents and me and my little sister start preparing for Christmas dinner and we say prayers before eating our food although sometimes my Dad eats his food in his video game room when he was here of course but he is in San Diego, California. conclude this letter I would like to ask a few questions and tell a thing that you will probably need to know: Our house doesn't have a Fire-place! And I have a question for you: do you have a brother?

Sincerely, Olivia

Hello Mr. Claus,

I'm Charlie. I'm 9 years old, and I've wanted a gift for a little now and it's a telescope. I'm not really sure about my personality because i do a lot of things that are different. I live somewhere in north bend oregon. I think Christmas is a colorful spectacular arua of Christmas cheer, oh and you can't forget the snowball fights, it's a pretty fun and exciting holiday!

I'm not sure about how I've been this year, but I've helped my mom water our plants and plant potatoes.

I thought last year's gifts we're jaw dropping when i saw them, and I feel lucky I got them. I only really want a telescope, I don't usually use stocking so you don't

need to bring any candy canes.

There isn't any special tradition for my family on Christmas except there is always a little party and there's hot coco. I only add sprinkles to the cookies, I like your holiday because it has Christmas cheer and love and also friendship and can't forget, SNOW! You can make snowmen have snow-ball fights, it's like the possibilities are endless!!

PS: Santa do the elves make the toys or do yetis? -Charlie

Hi Santa,

My name is Hailey, I have brown hair, my hair is less than shoulder length, and I have brown eyes I am 9 years old and I live at a blue apartment. I love Christmas because I get to see a lot of pretty lights. I smell cookies baking in the oven by the cinnamon rolls. I love the of eggnog me and my dad get a carton of eggnog before diner. I like to touch the snow even we play snowball fight we play until the snow melts or or my mom or dad gos in the house. My family open presents youngest to oldest. We open our stockings next and play with our toys. We have cinnamon rolls for breakfast and ham for diner. In Germany we play in the snow at night. I like Christmas because the snow, the lights, and diner. I have a couple guesing do you like m&ms or reese's, and why do people call you gally old saint Nick?

Sincerely,
Hailey

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LETTERS TO SANTA

From Hillcrest students

December 10, 2020

Dear Santa,

My name is Mikyla, but my friends call me Kyla. I have brown eyes and both brown and blonde hair so. I live really close to Oak Street Park. There are lots of trees and wind. I also have one dog, named Kona.

I think that I have been good this year. I've been doing really good in school, especially in AR!! My mom has to help teach me because I'm doing school at home. I think it is hard for both of us. I sometimes get frustrated and she is REALLY busy with work!

First of all Santa, thank you soooooo much for the present you got me last year. Also, could you make sure my mom gets baking things this year? I think that she would really like that. Lastly, what I want for Christmas is a hoverboard, but if I get that it has to stay at my Nana and Papa's house because they do not have very many hills. So maybe a gymnastics bar would be the best!!!! In my stocking, I would like some coloring things.

On Christmas Eve, since it is just me and my mom in the house, we go to my Nana and Papa's house!!! I also get to open one present and have dinner early. When me and my mom go home, we look at all of the Christmas lights on the way. Then, we go to bed once we are home. I wake my mom up about 7:00 AM on Christmas morning, and we get hot cocoa and open up presents. After that, we open our stockings. Then we go to our Nana and Papa's house in our PJ's and do the same thing but with really good breakfast.

One more thing Santa, I have a few questions for you. Ok, ok, only three questions. I hope you can answer these. Do I come from a long line of true believers? Are the mall Santas your helpers? Lastly, what kind of cookies are your favorite? I hope to hear from you soon!

Love,

Mikyla

Hi Santa,

My name is Krissy. I have blue eyes my hair is middle back lenghe. My hair is blond my fave color is lite purple and blue. I live close to 7-11. And I think I ben good me and my sister fint but we werk it awht and I help my mom with the baby. I wont my mom to be happy and I want a toy house and a toy horse in my stoking. Santa wich rander is your favret?

Your Friend, krissy

DECEMBER 2020,

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa,

My name is Paige. I'm good but I can be bad sometimes because I have fights with my brother and I try to get good grades, wonky, but I'm getting there. I also get my stuff turned in late and on time. I will tell you what I want under the tree. I want hair stuff and in my stocking I would like a barbie. For someone else, my Mommy would like new good pots and pans. Thank you for getting me a new rock'n toy box and a new barbie.

I love them and thank you for giving Christmas to the families everywhere.

The day before Christmas Eve, my family packs up and leaves to go to my grandma and grandpa's house in Salem. We do this every year, it is a tradition. We go because my grandma and grandpa get to see us and my sisters birthday is on Christmas Eve. You may think she gets more presents, but she gets the same amount as us because her birthday presents are for her birthday.

On Christmas day we come from the hotel or vfw and drive to my grandma's house. Then we visit and open our stockings. Then some of us help grandma get food started for the holiday and others talk.

While the diner is cooking, we open presents together and whoever gets to give the presents out is called the elf.

Lastly We end our day by packing everything into our truck, even leftovers, and say goodbye to grandma and grandpa because Daddy has to sadly work the next day I definitely look forward to my tradition every year.

Sincerely,

Paige

Hello Santa,

My name is Junae and I'm nine years old, I have dark brown eyes and I'm a brunette I live by the coast, it's a breeze down here. What I love most about

Christmas is that some of my family comes over. The best part about dinner is when my mom cooks it, it's like eating candy. The second thing I love about Christmas is when my mom buys those cinnamon scented pine cones and when we get to decorate. I believe I've been good this year like how I help my friends especially my bff Jasmine. I sometimes get good grades and I always to my chores. I've been bad this year as well I don't listen all the time and I don't pay attention. I loved the roller skates last year AND I'M STILL TRYING TO LEARN HOW TO SKATE. Anyway I don't have a lot of

asks this year I love a good surprise. For my stocking I do know its called MINE IT DIAMOND it's really fun and the some nerds candy I love those things Everyday when my family comes they always help my mom cook we also watch christmas movies together and my favorite PLAY FAMILY GAMES it's busy at my house. My dog ammo whenever he sees my uncles, grandma, nana, aunts anyone who comes through that door he is like a rocket, he jumps right at him sometimes we have to hold him back. All in all I love christmas

Sincerely, Junae

Christmas tree tips and tricks

Christmas trees are an iconic symbol of the holiday season. Whether they are personal trees nestled in the corner of a living room for families to enjoy or towering evergreens serving as the focal point of a town square, Christmas trees are a wonder to behold.

Many people have fond memories of time spent around the Christmas tree sharing gifts and family traditions. Live trees and their pine-like aroma can be especially nostalgic trees to include in holiday plans. The National Christmas Tree Association says that approximately 25 to 30 million real Christmas trees are sold in the United States every year. North American trees hail from all 50 states and areas of Canada.

While freshly cut trees can be particularly beautiful and aromatic additions to the season, they require a bit more work than artificial trees in order to remain beautiful and thrive throughout the holiday season. Maintenance can help keep Christmas trees as perfect as possible.

- Even though it is tempting to buy a real tree as early as possible, their shelf life is limited even with the best care. Dural Christmas Tree Farm advises that, under the best conditions, a real tree should last up to four weeks before drying out.

- Consider the needles when looking for a real tree. Pull your hand toward your body along the branches. If many needles fall off, the tree is past its peak.

- Think about the room in which the tree will be located. Leave at least 6 inches between the tip of the tree and the ceiling, accounting for the height of the tree stand as well.

- If needle retention is a goal, the Scotch pine variety has the best needle retention and a high survival rate, lending to its popularity, offers Precision Tree and Landscape. Douglas fir and balsam fir are other durable trees.

- If possible, buy a freshly cut tree from a reputable nursery or tree farm, advises The Old Farmer's Almanac. Many pre-cut trees sold elsewhere were likely cut weeks before and may not be fresh.

- Cut the bottom of the tree trunk before bringing it home to facilitate the uptake of fresh water daily. Trees can absorb as much as a gallon of water in a day, so make sure the tree gets fresh water every day.

- Keep trees away from as many heat sources as possible and away from direct sunlight to prolong longevity.

- According to Karabin Farms in Connecticut, to make a Christmas tree last longer, boil a gallon of water and then dissolve one cup of sugar in the water. Allow to cool. After freshly cutting the trunk, pour in the warm sugar water. Continue to add fresh, cool, plain water to the tree stand afterward.

- Once needles begin to fall off with frequency, the tree is reaching its prime.

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Simple ways to prolong the life of your poinsettias

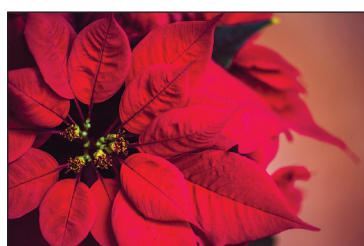
Poinsettias and their rich red, white or variegated color schemes are the ideal backdrop for Christmas celebrations. In fact, poinsettias are among the most popular decorative flowers during the holiday season.

According to the 2013 USDA Floriculture Statistics report, poinsettias accounted for about one-quarter (23 percent) of all flowering plant sales that year. Roughly 34 million poinsettia plants are sold in a given season. Indigenous to Central America, the plant was introduced to North America in the 1820s when Joel Roberts Poinsett, the first United States

Minister to Mexico, brought the red-and-green plant back with him from a trip abroad.

While millions of poinsettias will be purchased for the holiday season, many mistakenly think their utility ends once New Year's Day has come and gone. But with proper care poinsettia plants can continue to thrive and bring warmth and beauty to a home long after the holiday decorations have been tucked away.

- Choose a hearty plant. Experts with the University of Vermont Extension Department of Plant and Soil Science say that many people mistake the plant's leaves for its flowers. The red,



white or pink bracts are actually modified leaves. The flowers of the plant are the yellow clustered buds in the center called "cyathia." Choose poinsettia plants that have buds which are, ideally, not yet open.

- Keep the temperature consistent. Poinsettias prefer a room temperature between 60 and 68

F during the day and 10 degrees cooler at night. Humidity levels between 20 and 50 percent are ideal. Group plants on water-filled trays full of pebbles to help increase humidity levels.

- Place near sunlight. The United Kingdom-based Perrywood floral company advises placing poinsettia plants near a bright windowsill but not in direct sunlight. Do not let a poinsettia touch cold window panes.

- Avoid drafts. The plants are sensitive to drafts and changes in temperature. So it's best to keep poinsettias away from drafty doors, windows, radiators, or fireplaces.

- Don't drown the roots. Wait until the surface of the compost dries out before watering the plant anew. Also, the decorative foil wrapper that covers pots can trap water and lead to root rot. Remove it or poke holes in the bottom to allow for drainage.

- Cut back plants. Come mid-March, cut back the plant by half to encourage new shoots, suggests the University of Illinois Extension. The plants also can be placed outside in the spring after the risk of frost has passed. Bring poinsettias back in around mid-September to early October to force them to bloom again.

Letters to Santa from 100 years ago

FROM THE COOS BAY TIMES IN DECEMBER, 1920

Here they are kids! Here are the prizes that are going to make glad the hearts of two girls and two boys this Christmas. Santa Claus has chosen some mighty fine presents and they may be seen on display in Marshfield and North Bend stores today. Here is the list:

Girls Prize — a beautiful 21-piece set of Blue Bird China dishes. May be seen in the window of The Economy store in North Bend. These dishes are large enough to serve tea and will gladden the heart of some girl Christmas morning.

Boys Prize — A large workable airplane, now on display in the window of the Marshfield News Co. This is a genuine working model and will exercise the ingenuity of the boy who wins it. It is accompanied by a working diagram for erecting it.

Girls Prize — A beautiful wicker doll carriage that may be seen in the window of the Factory Store. This is a handsome carriage that would make any doll proud to ride in it and gladden the heart of any girl. Just look at it and see.

Boys Prize — A real steam engine that takes water and will run. Boys may see this in Norton & Hansen's window, where it will be on display until Christmas. Go and see it, boys, and then go in and win

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll buggy, a doll and a wrist watch.
I love you Santa, and want you to bring me a present.
But I want you to visit the smaller boys and girls first.
I am eight years old and in the 3rd B class at the High School.
With love from
Alma La Verne Stephens

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a girl between twelve and thirteen years old. As I am too old for toys, would rather have something to wear.
Some of the things are, material for a dress, with bow of ribbon to match dress, gloves, shoes, or a fountain pen. Hoping you will bring me some of these things, I am
Yours sincerely
Helen Marrifield

Dear Santa Claus:
I sent this letter to you to tell you what I wanted to get. This is what I want for Christmas. I want a train with tracks and tunnels and

bridges and I want a few of story books and a game.
That is all now
Thomas

Dear Santa Claus:
Please send the following articles for me for Xmas.

One doll buggy.
One pair of shoes.
One rocking chair.
One new dress.
One hen.
One hair ribbon and lots of candy and nuts and goodies
Yours truly
Theresa Vielde

And the award winners:

Girls first prize letter
Dear Santa Claus:
I hope I am not too late to send in my letter. I'd like very much a doll, dear Santa Claus. You brought me such a nice one last year, but Pa sat down on it and broke it. If you have many sets of dishes please leave one for me. I'll not ask for anything more this year, for I have two brothers and one sister for you to get presents for.
With love and best wishes,
Ethel Hughes

Girls second prize letter
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl that lives in North Bend. I am seven years old and I go to school. I am in the Second A.

I want a bracelet and a paper set of little doll furniture for Christmas please.
I have a little sister, too, please don't forget her, please bring her something nice too. She is three years old and her name is Carolyn.
I will be good until Christmas. Thanks and good bye Santa.
Betty Brown

Boys first prize
Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a puppy dog. I don't suppose you can get down the chimney with him but you can leave him in the rabbit cage by the wood shed.

You don't need to bother about bringing me anything

else this year as the puppy will make me happy enough.

I am ten years old.
I live at 695 North First St. Please don't forget the address.

Your dear friend
Perry Dodd

Boys second prize
Dear Santa Claus:
I know you are busy, but please don't forget Pete Christmas. He is a good kid. They have a lot of children in their family, so he won't get much unless you go there. Just any old thing will do for me this year if you don't forget Pete. I want him to be happy Christmas.
Your friend
Tom Pennock

Help isolated loved ones during holidays

A phenomenon called "cabin fever" tends to set in around late autumn or in midwinter. Long hours of darkness coupled with cold, inclement weather often is a recipe for increased time spent indoors. For people who live alone, the effects of cabin fever might be more pronounced.

In addition to seasonal cabin fever, this year another factor comes into play: social distancing and voluntary quarantine as a result of the novel coronavirus COVID-19. Even those who may venture outside to socialize, particularly around the holiday season, may be hesitant or unable to do so to help prevent the spread of the virus. In these instances, friends and loved ones can mitigate feelings of isolation in various ways.

• Schedule video chats.

Video conferencing apps have become the communication vehicles of choice during the era of social distancing. Different applications and services continue to evolve and help people stay in touch. Plan regular chats, either once or twice per week with isolated or vulnerable people. Try to organize a large group chat on the holiday itself so no one has to spend Christmas or Chanukah alone.

• Drop off supplies.

Even though supermarket shop-from-home and other delivery services have normalized somewhat since the start of the pandemic, treat individuals who may be isolated to some personalized attention. Put together care packages of

supplies or holiday treats and deliver them in person so you can see the smiles that result from being able to visit with someone familiar.

• Send uplifting messages. Children or even adults can make personalized cards and mail them to loved ones at home or those who may be in long-term care facilities. Send new mailings every week or two so that residents always have something to look forward to in the mail.

• Start a virtual club. A book club or another shared interest can be the catalyst for more frequent communication. A club puts everyone on the same page and enables them to come together, via phone or video chat, for a discussion.



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How to create a durable gingerbread house

Gingerbread cookies and houses are one of the many symbols of the holiday season, alongside Christmas trees and twinkling lights. In fact, few confections symbolize the holidays more so than gingerbread.

Many a child (or a child at heart) has spent hours carefully trying to create decorative gingerbread houses. Although gingerbread recipes span various cultures, gingerbread houses originated in 16th century Germany. The fairy tale “Hansel and Gretel” helped solidify the popularity of gingerbread, which became part of Christmas traditions.

Even though gingerbread houses can be fun to make, there’s no denying it can be exacting work — especially for those

who strive for perfection. Prepackaged kits attempt to take some of the guesswork out of the equation, but those who are crafting from scratch can employ these tips as they build their gingerbread houses.

- Go for form and not flavor. Few gingerbread houses ever get eaten, so focus on finding a dough that will bake up rock hard as opposed to one that tastes good.

- Get the right icing texture. Pastry artist Catherine Beddall says royal icing is the preferred “glue” to adhere gingerbread pieces. Beddall says icing should be thick like peanut butter and not runny.

- Mind the dough. Do not roll out the gingerbread dough too thin or it may become brittle after being

cooked. Always cut out shapes before the gingerbread is baked. Let the baked pieces sit overnight to cool completely before using them to build.

- Patience is key. Allow the icing to dry for at least a couple of hours after adhering each piece and before moving and handling the house, says Beddall. Work in stages so that individual items can be decorated and allowed to dry. Then the walls can be put together, followed by the roof pieces.

- Kids likely will need help. Children may not have the patience or steadiness to handle complete gingerbread construction. They can decorate the separate pieces of the house while the components are laying flat, which is easier



for kids. Adults can do the main assembly later on.

- Utilize a template. Free-handing may not be easy. Cut out templates

using cardboard or posterboard for various gingerbread pieces.

One of the most important tips is to have fun.

Don’t take gingerbread house making too seriously as a novice. Rather, enjoy the experience and the centuries-old tradition.

Sing a cherished holiday favorite with a rich history

One of the most instantly recognizable holiday songs also boasts one of the most unique histories of any Christmas carol. The exact origins and author of “The 12 Days of Christmas” are unknown, but according to the Catholic News Agency, the song was written for Catholic children in England sometime after 1558. Between 1558 and 1829, Catholics in England were forbidden to practice their faith openly. The song “The 12 Days of Christmas” was used to teach Catholic children living under such restrictions about their faith. As a result, the song is filled with hidden meaning, even if modern celebrants largely sing it to express their festive moods and not necessarily their respective faiths.

“The 12 Days of Christmas”

On the first day of Christmas my true love sent to me
A partridge in a pear tree

On the second day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Two turtle doves, and
A partridge in a pear tree

On the third day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Three french hens
Two turtle doves, and

A partridge in a pear tree

On the fourth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Four calling birds
Three french hens
Two turtle doves, and
A partridge in a pear tree

On the fifth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Five golden rings
Four calling birds
Three french hens
Two turtle doves, and
A partridge in a pear tree

On the sixth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Six geese a-laying
Five golden rings
Four calling birds
Three french hens
Two turtle doves, and
A partridge in a pear tree

On the seventh day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Seven swans a-swimming
Six geese a-laying
Five golden rings
Four calling birds
Three french hens
Two turtle doves, and

A partridge in a pear tree

On the eighth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Eight maids a-milking
Seven swans a-swimming
Six geese a-laying
Five golden rings
Four calling birds
Three french hens
Two turtle doves, and
A partridge in a pear tree

On the ninth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Nine ladies dancing
Eight maids a-milking
Seven swans a-swimming
Six geese a-laying
Five golden rings
Four calling birds
Three french hens
Two turtle doves, and
A partridge in a pear tree

On the 10th day of Christmas my true love sent to me
10 lords a-leaping
Nine ladies dancing
Eight maids a-milking
Seven swans a-swimming
Six geese a-laying
Five golden rings
Four calling birds

Three french hens
Two turtle doves, and
A partridge in a pear tree

On the 11th day of Christmas my true love sent to me
11 pipers piping
10 lords a-leaping
Nine ladies dancing
Eight maids a-milking
Seven swans a-swimming
Six geese a-laying
Five golden rings
Four calling birds
Three french hens
Two turtle doves, and
A partridge in a pear tree

On the 12th day of Christmas my true love sent to me
12 drummers drumming
11 pipers piping
10 lords a-leaping
Nine ladies dancing
Eight maids a-milking
Seven swans a-swimming
Six geese a-laying
Five golden rings
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