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Mother's Day drive-by parade

AMANDA LINARES
The World

COOS BAY — Colorful, handmade signs with message of love filled the driveway at Ocean Ridge Assisted Living as community members gathered Friday to celebrate Mother's Day.

With its annual "Mother's Day Petal and Pearls Tea Party" being canceled this year in order to follow the state mandated restrictions to keep people safe against the novel coronavirus, staff members at Ocean Ridge were thinking of ways it could still honor and celebrate their residents.

Marketing Director Bonnie Hribar, of Ocean Ridge, said the team quickly began brainstorming and over the past several days organized a drive-by parade for family members to express their love for their mothers and grandmothers all while at a safe distance.

"We didn't expect so many cars to show up," said Hribar. "It's so overwhelming and

amazing. There is so much love here and we're so touched that so many people participated."

Staff decorated the facility's windows with handmade paper heart decorations as a way for their residents to thank their families who drove by. A Coos Bay Fire Department fire engine truck participated in the parade along with dozens of other vehicles happy to celebrate and honor their moms.

Helen Stamate, 90, a resident at Ocean Ridge, said she was pleased and proud that the team found an alternative way to keep its annual Mother's Day celebration going.

"It makes you feel good that they really care," she said. "The celebration was just one of many ways its team has worked to keep their residents spirits lifted during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic," said Hribar. The assisted living facility has restricted visitations to its facility as the elderly population has been identified at a higher risk for severe illness or death if exposed to



Amanda Linares, The World

Ocean Ridge team members Sharon, Bonnie Hribar and Mary Luther, pose in front of the assisted living facility after a successful Mother's Day celebration.

COVID-19.

"It's a really hard time right, but we're doing our best to

keep everyone happy and

healthy," said Hribar. "It makes me feel good to see everyone

smiling and you can tell that

they have a big smile on their face even through their masks."

Umpqua River Bridge



Amy Moss Strong, The World

A geometric pattern is created by the support arches under the Umpqua River Bridge in Reedsport.

Negative tests at Shutter Creek

ZACH SILVA
The World

HAUSER — Last week, 20 adults in custody at Shutter Creek Correctional Institution were tested.

The Department of Corrections reported that 19 of those came back negative, with one test inconclusive.

"There are a few different things that can potentially happen to get that kind of result," said Brian Leon, an epidemiologist at Coos Health and Wellness. "Sometimes there is an error in packaging, sometimes there is an error in transit or how much medium is included and basically

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Economies reopen to risk of chaos

PARIS (AP) — Plastic spacing barriers and millions of masks appeared Monday on the streets of Europe's newly reopened cities, as France and Belgium emerged from lockdowns, the Netherlands sent children back to school and Spain let people eat outdoors. All faced the delicate balance of trying to restart battered economies without fueling a second wave of coronavirus infections.

Social distancing was the order of the day but just how to do that on public transit and in schools was the big question.

Fears about infection spikes have been born out in Germany, where new clusters were linked to three slaughterhouses; in Wuhan, the Chinese city where the virus started; and in South Korea, where a single nightclub customer was linked to 85 new infections.

With Monday's partial reopening, the French did not have to carry forms allowing them to leave their homes. Crowds developed at some metro stations in Paris, one of France's viral hot spots, but the city's notorious traffic jams were absent and

only about half the stores on the Champs-Elysees Avenue were open.

Hairdressers in the city practiced their new workflow over the weekend ahead of Monday's reopening, and planned to charge a fee for the disposable protective gear they'll now need for customers. Walk-ins will be a thing of the past, said Brigitte L'Hoste, manager of the "Hair de Beauté" salon, who expects the number of appointments to be cut in half.

"The face of beauty will change, meaning clients won't

come here to relax. Clients will come because they need to," said Aurelie Bollini, a beautician at the salon. "They will come and aim at getting the maximum done in the shortest time possible."

Roughly half of Spain's 47 million people shifted into a softer version of the country's strict confinement, beginning to socialize, shop in small stores and enjoy outdoor seating in restaurants and bars. Its biggest cities of Madrid and Barcelona remained under lockdown as the

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Health director quietly replaced

The World

COOS COUNTY — As the COVID-19 pandemic spreads throughout the area, Coos Health and Wellness had a quiet change in leadership from its now former public health director, Florence Pourtal-Stevens.

"... She is no longer employed at Coos Health and Wellness," said Eric Gleason, public information officer for CHW.

According to Gleason, as well as a text message from

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Southern Coos Hospital hires interim CEO

AMY MOSS STRONG
The World

BANDON — The Southern Coos Health District Board of Directors has hired Eugene Suksi as Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center’s interim CEO.

Suksi has been hired on a one-year contract.

The Board fired former CEO Amy Fine on March 26 on a vote of 3-1 in a decision that proved somewhat controversial for the district.

Soon after, the board interviewed four candidates and used a search firm specializing in healthcare professionals to assist in

identifying qualified candidates.

“The district board felt that out of all the candidates, Mr. Suksi had the best experience and skills to guide the district and the hospital into the future,” said Esther Williams, Southern Coos Health District board president.

Suksi has over 30 years of experience in senior healthcare management in a wide variety of settings, encompassing both acute care and behavioral health. Suksi began his career as a behavioral health counselor before moving into healthcare administration and has an established record of revenue growth,

cost control, product development, and quality improvement.

Suksi’s most recent position was as CEO of Bakersfield Behavioral Healthcare, a 90-bed psychiatric hospital, and also has over a decade of experience in of small, acute care facilities in Washington and California, including extensive experience with critical access hospitals and public healthcare districts.

He grew up in Illinois and went to school in the Midwest and graduate school in Idaho, then earned his MBA and MHA at the University of Washington.

“I’ve always worked in healthcare and I’ve never

even thought about doing anything else,” Suksi said.

Suksi said he is impressed with the depth of talent among hospital employees and feels they have worked hard to prepare for any potential COVID-19 cases.

“I think folks here did a very good job of preparedness,” Suksi said. “We haven’t seen any cases — yet, and hopefully those will be in small numbers. I think there’s been a great effort and awareness in Bandon to prepare. It’s of great concern to all hospitals and also clinics and every form of healthcare service.”

Suksi said his background in running behavioral health clinics and hospitals will be useful in

his position at a critical access hospital like Southern Coos.

“You can bring behavioral health into an acute care center,” he said.

He enjoys being in a small community like Bandon for both professional and personal reasons. He’s worked in smaller and larger facilities, including a stint as CEO at Sutter Coast Hospital in Curry County. When he learned of the opportunity in Bandon, he knew he wanted to apply. He and his wife Nancy both like the coastal environment and the size of Bandon’s community.

“A small community allows us to be more involved,” he said. Nancy is still in Bakers-

field for the time being with their Australian Shepherd, Cable.

One thing Suksi hopes to work on as interim CEO is being more transparent with the public.

“The community fills in the blanks, when they don’t have all the information, with things more sinister than the truth is, if you don’t share that,” he said. “So I hope to put energy into communicating both internally and externally.”

“Bandon is a unique and beautiful community,” Suksi added. “I am impressed with the extent of expertise in the Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center staff and am excited to move forward.”

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No virus deaths, 60 new cases

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PORTLAND — The state’s death toll from COVID-19 is unchanged from Saturday and remains at 127, the Oregon Health Authority reported Sunday. Oregon Health Au-

thority reported 60 new confirmed cases and eight new presumptive cases of COVID-19 as of 8 a.m. Sunday, bringing the state total to 3,228. The new confirmed and presumptive cases reported today are in the following counties:

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Answers for puzzle on page A6

Benton (3), Clackamas (10), Clatsop (1), Deschutes (1), Hood River (1), Marion (14), Multnomah (22), Polk (2), Umatilla (1), Washington (11), Yamhill (2).

On Saturday, OHA reported three new COVID-19 deaths, 79 new cases and 13 new presumptive cases.

Saturday’s confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases were reported in the following counties: Benton (1), Clackamas (6), Clatsop (1), Coos (1), Deschutes (1), Hood River (1), Jefferson (2), Lane (1), Linn (2), Malheur (1), Marion (37), Multnomah (24), Polk (2), Umatilla (4), Washington (6), Yamhill (2).

Oregon’s 125th COVID-19 death is a 76-year-old woman in Clackamas County, who tested positive on April 8 and died on May 8 at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center. She had underlying medical conditions.

Oregon’s 126th COVID-19 death is an

81-year-old man in Linn County, who tested positive on April 19 and died on May 2 at Samaritan Albany General Hospital. He had underlying medical conditions.

Oregon’s 127th COVID-19 death is a 92-year-old woman in Polk County, who tested positive on May 1 and died on May 7 at Salem Hospital. She had underlying medical conditions.

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

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Lori Osborne, left, Shawn Winchell and Margaret Pounder load up a van for delivery of donated food items for Bandon-area residents.



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Community members provide overwhelming support for food banks

AMY MOSS STRONG
Bandon Western World

BANDON — Bandon Feeds the Hungry is accepting donations for Bandon's food assistance organizations during the COVID-19 crisis.

Canned or dry food items can be donated at the Bandon Food Bank Drop-off in front of Farm & Sea in the Old Town Marketplace parking lot at 250 First Street SW in Bandon. Pickup or curbside is available by calling 541-347-FISH.

People can also drop off a check or cash in the Farm & Sea shop or mail checks to Bandon Feeds the Hungry at P.O. Box 566, Bandon, OR 97411. All monetary donations are tax-deductible.

Margaret Pounder, CEO of the Bandon Chamber of Commerce came up with the idea, and Lori Osborne of Farm & Sea has helped daily with putting out a tote to collect donations and making staff available

to collect monetary donations and empty the tote when it's full. The Port of Bandon has also helped with staffing and the use of the parking lot.

Farm & Sea will be accepting donations seven days a week during their hours of operation (Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.) The donations box was initially open for drop-offs every Tuesday and Wednesday morning, but the first two days of food collections were so successful that the program has been expanded and donations are now accepted daily.

Osborne said there have been thousands of dollars worth of food taken in so far, along with over \$3,000 in monetary donations.

"It is such an incredible response and we are so grateful," Osborne said.

“Yes, we will accept ham, cheese, deli meats, etc, just let me know so we can get those

items into the fridge,” Osborne added. “Cleaning supplies, bathroom toiletries, deodorants, tooth paste and brushes, soaps, dog and cat food etc. Amy has been picking up the items and distributing to the organizations throughout Bandon and depositing checks and cash, which is also being distributed to these organizations.”

There is also a home delivery task force to assist people in South Coast communities with home delivery of their groceries. The assistance is provided through the South Coast Senior Nutrition Program, which is managed by the South Coast Business Employment Corporation in Coos Bay. The number to call is 541-269-2013. Melissa Dovenspike heads the program.

Bandon Feeds the Hungry will be distributing 100 percent of all food and monetary donations to the participating 501c3 nonprofit food assistance organizations in Bandon,

including: Coastal Harvest, E.A.T., Good Neighbors Food Bank, Senior Nutrition (Senior Meals and Meals on Wheels), and Restoration Worship Center Food Pantry.

“The Bandon community has been so very generous with both food and monetary donations,” said Bandon Feeds the Hungry president Amy Moss Strong. “Margaret Pounder, Lori Osborne and the Port of Bandon have all donated their time to make this effort successful. The food assistance program volunteers continue to do their good work, putting in more hours than ever to help get food into people’s homes. It’s heartwarming to see our community come together to help others in this time of great need. We thank you all for your generosity.”

Good Neighbors Food Bank holds its monthly distribution from 9 a.m.-noon on the first Tuesday of every month next to The Barn in Bandon City Park.

During the COVID-19 crisis, the distribution will be done as a drive-through pick-up. No proof of income is required. Anyone needing assistance between distributions can call Larry Roberts at 541-347-8406.

Coastal Harvest will hold its next distribution from 9 a.m.-10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 20. Coastal Harvest has now gone to a monthly distribution rather than weekly, and will no longer require monthly fees or volunteer hours, but volunteers are still needed. This change allows members to save gas by driving less frequently. Coastal Harvest is located at the corner of 11th an Rosa Road. People needing assistance prior to that date can call Christine Roberts at 541-329-9726.

Restoration Food Center Food Pantry distributes on the last Thursday of the month from 4-6 p.m. at 89 North Avenue. Proof of income is not required. Those needing assistance prior to that date can call

Laurie Bowman at RWCFC,
541-347-4900.

Senior Meals serves lunches to go every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 11:15 a.m.-12 p.m. Those grabbing a meal to go are invited to use the back dining room door at the southwest side of The Barn, behind the Senior Center in City Park. Meals on Wheels breakfasts and lunches (and soon to come, dinner), are also delivered to homes five days a week. For more information about Senior Meals, Meals on Wheels delivery and other local senior services, contact Melissa Dovenspike at South Coast Business Employment Corp., 541-296-2013.

E.A.T. meals are currently not being served, but will start up again as soon as it is safe to do so. E.A.T. offers a free home-cooked dinner once a week at The Barn when it is operating.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

This is not the way to be making America great again

Dear Editor:
The USA's response to the pandemic has been confused, chaotic, feeble, unfocused, disjointed, shoddy, and sinister. Consequently, our nation is suffering the most deaths and financial losses of any nation. In a perfect world, we would have responded as a nation to this pandemic in the manner that South Korea and Singapore did. Those nations had recent prior experience dealing with the Ebola and SARS pandemics. Their response to Covid-19 was swift, thorough, competent, and unified. As a result, they have suffered the least number of deaths and economic hardships. The current administration in the White House not only dismantled our nation's pandemic response capabilities that had been set up by the prior administration, but when the Covid-19 pandemic came along, they failed to consult our allied nations in the Far East, failed to follow their example on how to respond to the pandemic, and blatantly ignored all warnings about it.

If the current administration had responded swiftly and competently, and had orchestrated an immediate, unified, and effective response all across the nation, our lives would be returning to normal by now, a whole lot of Americans would still be alive, and a whole lot more Americans would not have to die in the coming weeks and months.

When businesses finally open up again, herds of people from all parts of Oregon and from all around the world will travel to Oregon's coast to cool off and enjoy nature's beauty. They will also bring the coronavirus with them, and our coastal cities and towns will be awash in it.

When school starts up again, students going to and from school will carry with them whatever viruses and bacteria they pick up in their homes and classrooms. Health officials have been warning us that to open up the economy, businesses, and schools without robust and functioning Covid-19 testing and contact tracing systems in place will lead to second and third waves of the virus and a widening of the pandemic.

The current administration, by its latest actions of shifting its focus exclusively on opening up the economy, appears to be giving up on managing the nation's response to the pandemic. Someone please tell the people in the White House that this is not the way to be making America great again.

Thomas Bertka
Coos Bay, Oregon

An opportunity exists

What can we as a community do to increase our capacity for handling the very sick from COVID-19 related illness? Correct me if I'm wrong on my

math here, but it seems like an opportunity exists.

While it would only take a very small fraction, say 1/10th of a percent or 64 of our county's 64,000 residents to become critically ill from COVID-19 & related illness for our hospital to run out of beds, we have empty commercial real estate, homes with absent owners, and church retreat centers not currently in use.

I recently heard of other states using vacant hotels and motels as temporary COVID-19 centers. Is that something we could do here?

Jenny Jones
North Bend

Cal Mukumoto- The Candidate We Trust

My wife and I were both born in the Bay Area, lived here all our lives, raised our six children here, and have always supported efforts to improve our community. I served on the board of directors of Bay Area Hospital for 14 years, the first four years while we were designing and building the new hospital.

And now we urge you to vote for Cal Mukumoto as our district's State representative. Both of us have known Cal for a long time, and we are impressed with his integrity, intelligence, and experience. We trust Cal to have the steady leadership we need to recover from the COVID-19 crisis.

Cal's college major was Forest Management, and his Master's Degree from the University of Washington is in Business Administration. He has served on the State Board of Forestry and as a member and most recently as chair of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission. He has hands-on experience with businesses in which local people make their living. Cal supports strong schools on the South Coast and believes that health care is a right, not a privilege.

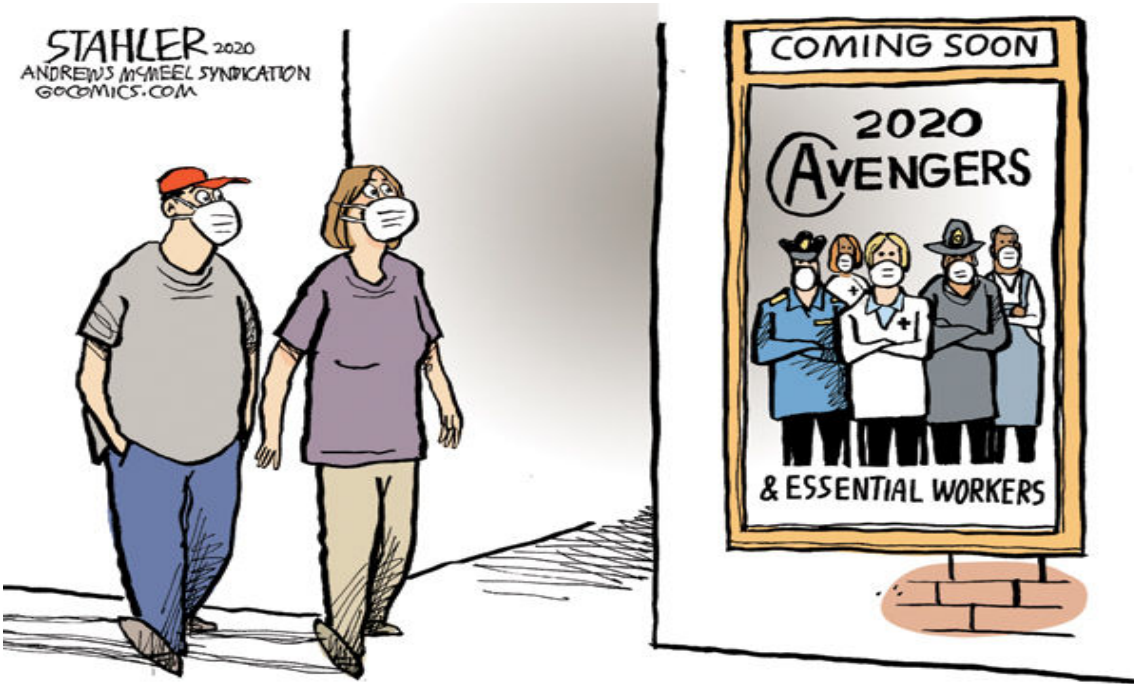
We know that Cal is a good, respectful listener and that he works well with other people. Please join us in voting for Cal Mukumoto to represent the South Coast in Salem.

John Whitty
Coos Bay

A thanks to officials and citizens

As of May 7th, Oregon was #2 in the contiguous U.S. for the fewest per capita Covid-19 cases. Our testing has increased from the bottom 5 to #14. Here's a thanks to our officials and citizens for working together with strong, smart policies and dedication, to limit the spread. Thanks to our health care professional's preparations, and thanks to all workers and the public who are responsibly taking care of our community. I am proud to be an Oregonian! We can get through this - together.

Melissa Green
Coos Bay



On this day in Coos County history

100 YEARS - May 11, 1920

More Testimony Is Heard Today Condition of Place Where Body Found Is Described Brother of Murdered Girl Tells of Finding Two Empty Shells in Road Where Shooting Occurred (Special to The Times)

COQUILLE, Ore., May 11 — The prosecution in the Harold Howell case is still introducing testimony in the trial in the circuit court. Rev. Jennings told of coming home from church on the day the girl was killed and of her visit at his home and said she left there about 5 o'clock in the evening.

John Leuthold Jr., brother of the murdered girl, was on the stand. He told of finding two empty shells near the place where the pool of blood was found. This was some days after the murder. At the previous trial the boy had testified about a foot print found near the place. It was shown by a tracing on a piece of paper and indicated that it was made by a shoe with hobnails.

Suggests A Fire Boat For Bay C.F. McGeorge Tells Plant to the City Council

Bids Open for Street Work and Matter Laid Over a Week — Other Business Transacted

C.F. McGeorge at the meeting of the city council last night brought up the matter of a fire boat for Coos Bay. He said he had presented the idea to the port commissioners and they wanted to know what the city would do toward the support of a boat of that kind. Mr. McGeorge said his idea was to have the boat serve all of the water front from Empire to the Oregon Export Company mill and the he thought it was entirely a matter for the port and not for the council but that he thought the council might be interested.

Mr. McGeorge said that while most the mills were outside of the city proper the city was directly interested in the welfare of the industries and he thought that a fire boat might save the waterfront in the case of a bad fire and would be a great assistance to the fire department.

Councilman James said that the only reason the city did not have a fire boat before this time was because of the big cost of maintenance but that if there was any way to get it he would be in favor of it.

75 YEARS - May 11, 1945

Coos Will Pay Tribute to Mothers at Annual Mother's Day Program to Be Presented Here on Sunday

The annual Mother's day program arranged by the Mother's Day association will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Marshfield high school auditorium. Mothers will represent lodges and civic and church organizations from Coos Bay, North Bend and Empire.

Officers in charge of the program are: Mrs. George Burger North Bend, chairman; Mrs. Anna Ellefsen, Eastside, vice-chairman; Mrs. E. M. Holmes, North Bend, secretary-treasurer; and program committee, Rev. Oscar W. Payne, Mrs. Burger, Mrs. I.A. Goodlin, Mrs. Holmes, R.C. Armstrong, Freddie Vidger and Earl Littrell. Ushers will be members of the Boy Scout troops of Coos Bay and Girl Scout troops of North Bend.

Official War Films Available to County Clubs

The special events committee of the Coos county war savings staff today offered a selection of official war films to county service clubs, lodges and other organizations.

Chairman Alan Torbet announced that all programs chairmen of the organizations could contact him to arrange showings of the battle pictures — all of which show actual combat and feature full sound.

Expecting many requests during the 7th war loan, Torbet limited the engagements only to groups of 15 persons or more. The picture can be show any place in the county during the next two weeks.

50 YEARS - May 11, 1970

Investigation

Coos County sheriff's deputy is continuing an investigation of the circumstances surrounding the death of Daniel Foster McCann, 63, Pocatello, Idaho. McCann was found unconscious Sunday night in his car about seven miles up Seven Devils Road from Charleston.

He was pronounced dead on arrival at McAuley Hospital, to where he was taken by Bay Cities Ambulance. An autopsy was to be performed today.

Richards New Manager of North Bend Bank

Lyle W. Richards, assistant manager at U.S. National Bank of Oregon's Klamath Falls branch, has been promoted to manager of the statewide

financial institution's North Bend branch, it has been announced by Beryl C. Swails, vice president and manager of the bank's southern region.

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Roblan and Castillo to host meeting on education

TRep. Arnie Roblan, D-Coos Bay, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Susan Castillo will host a town hall style-meeting from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 13, in Coos Bay.

According to a press release for Roblan's office, Roblan, a member of the House Education Committee, and Castillo, a former vice-chairwoman of the Senate Education Committee, are inviting constituents to attend and discuss education funding in Oregon - as well as other matters related to the public school systems. Attendees also are welcome to address any matter of concern to the state and their communities, the release stated.

The meeting will be held in the cafeteria at Marshfield High School, 10th and Ingersoll streets.

Police, fire staffing still in question as CB committee approves budget By Penny Gillson, Editorial Assistant

Coos Bay may leave three positions dark in its fire and police departments in an effort to cut spending in the coming fiscal year that starts July 1.

The Coos Bay Budget Committee has approved its 2005-06 budget, but opted to leave a decision on fire and police department staffing until a later date. The city still is negotiating labor contracts.

Overall, the city's budget totals \$25.7 million. In his initial budget message, City Manager Scott McClure said to maintain the current level of city services, the budget committee would have to come up with roughly \$460,000. McClure suggested eliminating the two unfilled police and one fire position, which soon could be vacant, and using \$245,000 from fund reserves to make up the additional balance.

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

Biden has a lot to consider in choosing running mate

THE LOS ANGELES TIMES

With the Democratic presidential nomination within his grasp, former Vice President Joe Biden must make a decision that presidential candidates always insist that they take seriously but often don't: the selection of a running mate. Biden says he will soon announce members of a committee to screen potential candidates for that role.

We already know one thing about Biden's choice: It will be a woman. That commitment still leaves Biden with an array of qualified potential partners, but, like every presidential candidate, he will be exhorted to consider attributes other than the two that should be uppermost in his mind: whether his pick would be qualified to assume the presidency at a moment's notice and whether in that event she would continue the policies he championed.

Some will urge Biden to make a choice that would represent another olive branch to his defeated rival Bernie Sanders and Sanders' passionate, often young, supporters. Others will advocate that he choose a running mate who would be likely to deliver voters in her home state, especially if it's one that President Trump carried or ran well in four years ago.

Biden will also be pressed to seek ethnic or racial balance, for example by naming an African American running mate who could energize a loyal Democratic constituency. One such potential choice, former Georgia gubernatorial candidate Stacey Abrams, has disdained false modesty by suggesting that she would

be an "excellent running mate" for the former vice president.

Biden himself has floated an additional factor: skills or experience that would complement his strengths and compensate for his weaknesses. According to Biden, that approach was recommended to him by former President Obama.

We believe, however, that Biden's primary criteria for a running mate should be ability and compatibility.

We would urge any prospective presidential nominee to set these priorities, but it's especially important for Biden to do so. Although in good health, if elected he would be 78 when he was inaugurated for what very likely would be a single term. (Biden has not committed to serve only four years, yet he reportedly indicated to aides that he probably wouldn't seek reelection.) If he indeed served only one term, his vice president would be a favorite for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2024.

But Biden's age isn't the only reason for him to choose carefully. When presidential candidates have allowed other criteria to drive the selection of a running mate, the results often have been unfortunate, even disastrous. It was supposed to be a "game changer" when Republican presidential nominee John McCain, a seasoned U.S. senator and foreign policy expert, chose Alaska's then-Gov. Sarah Palin as his running mate in 2008. It soon emerged that Palin was not only woefully unsuited for national office, but practiced a style of pandering populist politics that

was alien to McCain's appreciation of the responsibilities of government.

The Palin fiasco is a reminder of what happens when novelty or "excitement" becomes the primary factor in selecting a running mate. But there are less dramatic examples of mismatches, including then-Vice President Walter Mondale's selection of the obscure Rep. Geraldine Ferraro in 1984 — an early exercise in gender balance that saddled the campaign with unwelcome controversy — or George H.W. Bush's selection four years later of the youthful (and more conservative) Sen. Dan Quayle of Indiana, who proved himself in office to be "no Jack Kennedy."

Nor is it clear that an ideologically or geographically "balanced ticket" is a recipe for victory. Some believe that John F. Kennedy secured a crucial victory in Texas and other Southern states in 1960 by asking Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson to be his running mate. (Johnson later said Kennedy himself held that view.) But Kennedy's victory in those states also reflected the lingering dominance of the Democratic Party in that region. Among the conflicting accounts of why Ronald Reagan chose George H.W. Bush, a defeated opponent, as his running mate in 1980 is that the more moderate Bush provided ideological balance for the conservative Reagan. But Reagan's overwhelming victory over unpopular incumbent Jimmy Carter undermines the notion that Reagan's choice of a running mate made much difference.

Indeed, research suggests that, whether they are chosen because of gender, geography or ideology, vice presidential candidates probably don't exert significant influence over most voters' choice for president, though voters may lose confidence in a presidential candidate who chooses a running mate perceived as incompetent. Even the popular notion that vice presidential candidates will carry their home states for the ticket has been questioned, although a recent study suggests there might be such an advantage.

We're not suggesting that Biden should totally ignore other factors in making his selection, including personal chemistry, party unity and the possibility that a particular candidate might make the difference in the outcome in a particular state or region. But these should be secondary considerations. Fortunately, the Democratic Party includes many officeholders with the right amounts of experience and demonstrated expertise, including some of Biden's primary campaign rivals, who potentially would be productive partners for a President Biden.

When he announced that he would ask Biden to be his running mate, Obama described the long-time Delaware senator as "a statesman with sound judgment who doesn't have to hide behind bluster to keep America strong." Substitute "stateswoman" for "statesman" and that is the job description that should guide Biden in making this momentous decision.

Online: <https://www.latimes.com/>

Flamboyant rock pioneer Little Richard dies

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Little Richard, one of the chief architects of rock ‘n’ roll whose piercing wail, pounding piano and towering pompadour irrevocably altered popular music while introducing black R&B to white America, died Saturday after battling bone cancer. He was 87.

Pastor Bill Minson, a close friend of Little Richard’s, told The Associated Press that Little Richard died Saturday morning. His son, Danny Jones Penniman, also confirmed his father’s death, which was first reported by Rolling Stone.

Bill Sobel, Little Richard’s attorney for more than three decades, told the AP in an email that the musician died of bone cancer at a family home in Tullahoma, Tennessee.

“He was not only an iconic and legendary musician, but he was also a kind, empathetic, and insightful human being,” Sobel said.

Born Richard Penniman, Little Richard was one of rock ‘n’ roll’s founding fathers who helped shatter the color line on the music charts, joining Chuck Berry and Fats Domino in bringing what was once called “race music” into the mainstream. Richard’s hyperkinetic piano playing, coupled with his howling vocals and hairdo, made him an implausible sensation — a gay, black man celebrated across America during the buttoned-down Eisenhower era.

He sold more than 30 million records worldwide, and his influence on other musicians was equally staggering, from the Beatles and Otis Redding to Creedence Clearwater Revival and David Bowie. In his personal

life, he wavered between raunch and religion, alternately embracing the Good Book and outrageous behavior and looks - mascara-lined eyes, pencil-thin mustache and glittery suits.

“Little Richard? That’s rock ‘n’ roll,” Neil Young, who heard Richard’s riffs on the radio in Canada, told biographer Jimmy McDonough. “Little Richard was great on every record.”

It was 1956 when his classic “Tutti Frutti” landed like a hand grenade in the Top 40, exploding from radios and off turntables across the country. It was highlighted by Richard’s memorable call of “wop-bop-a-loo-bop-a-lop-bam-boom.”

A string of hits followed, providing the foundation of rock music: “Lucille,” “Keep A Knockin’,” “Long Tall Sally,” “Good Golly Miss Molly.” More than 40 years after the latter charted, Bruce Springsteen was still performing “Good Golly Miss Molly” live.

The Beatles’ Paul McCartney imitated Richard’s signature yelps — perhaps most notably in the “Wooooo!” from the hit “She Loves You.” Ex-bandmate John Lennon covered Richard’s “Rip It Up” and “Ready Teddy” on the 1975 “Rock and Roll” album.

When the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame opened in 1986, he was among the charter members with Elvis Presley, Berry, Buddy Holly, Jerry Lee Lewis, Sam Cooke and others.

“It is with a heavy heart that I ask for prayers for the family of my lifelong friend and fellow rocker Little Richard,” said Lewis, 84, in a statement provided by his publicist. “He will live on always in my heart with his

amazing talent and his friendship! He was one of a kind and I will miss him dearly. God bless his family and fans.”

Mick Jagger called Little Richard “the biggest inspiration of my early teens” in a social media post Saturday.

“His music still has the same raw electric energy when you play it now as it did when it first shot through the music scene in the mid 50’s,” Jagger wrote. “When we were on tour with him I would watch his moves every night and learn from him how to entertain and involve the audience and he was always so generous with advice to me. He contributed so much to popular music. I will miss you Richard, God bless.”

Few were quicker to acknowledge Little Richard’s seminal role than Richard himself. The flamboyant singer claimed he paved the way for Elvis, provided Mick Jagger with his stage moves and conducted vocal lessons for McCartney.

“I am the architect of rock ‘n’ roll!” Little Richard crowed at the 1988 Grammy Awards as the crowd rose in a standing ovation. “I am the originator!”

Richard Wayne Penniman was born in Macon, Georgia, during the Great Depression, one of 12 children. He was ostracized because he was effeminate and suffered a small deformity: his right leg was shorter than his left.

The family was religious, and Richard sang in local churches with a group called the Tiny Tots. The tug-of-war between his upbringing and rock ‘n’ roll excess tormented Penniman throughout his career.

Magician Roy Horn dies from coronavirus

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Roy Horn of Siegfried & Roy, the duo whose extraordinary magic tricks astonished millions until Horn was critically injured in 2003 by one of the act’s famed white tigers, has died. He was 75.

Horn died of complications from the coronavirus on Friday in a Las Vegas hospital, according to a statement released by publicist Dave Kirvin.

“Today, the world has lost one of the greats of magic, but I have lost my best friend,” Siegfried Fischbacher said in the statement. “From the moment we met, I knew Roy and I, together, would change the world. There could be no Siegfried without Roy, and no Roy without Siegfried.”

He was injured in October 2003 when a tiger named Montecore attacked him on stage at the Mirage hotel-casino in Las Vegas. He had severe neck injuries, lost a lot of blood and later suffered a stroke. He underwent lengthy rehabilitation, but the

attack ended the long-running Las Vegas Strip production.

The darker-haired of the flashy duo, Horn was credited with the idea of introducing an exotic animal — his pet cheetah — to the magic act.

“Roy was a fighter his whole life including during these final days,” Fischbacher said. “I give my heartfelt appreciation to the team of doctors, nurses and staff at Mountain View Hospital who worked heroically against this insidious virus that ultimately took Roy’s life.”

The two became an institution in Las Vegas, where their magic and artistry consistently attracted sellout crowds. The pair performed six shows a week, 44 weeks per year.

They returned to the stage in February 2009 for what was billed as their one and only comeback performance, to raise funds for the new Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health in Las Vegas. The brief performance, which

included Montecore, became the basis of an episode of the ABC television show “20/20.”

Horn and Siegfried Fischbacher, both natives of Germany, had first teamed up in 1957 and made their Las Vegas debut a decade later. Siegfried & Roy began performing at the Mirage in 1990.

When they signed a lifetime contract with the Mirage in 2001, it was estimated they had performed 5,000 shows at the casino for 10 million fans since 1990 and had grossed more than \$1 billion. That came on top of thousands of shows at other venues in earlier years.

“Throughout the history of Las Vegas, no artists have meant more to the development of Las Vegas’ global reputation as the entertainment capital of the world than Siegfried and Roy,” Terry Lanni, chairman of MGM Mirage, the casino’s parent

company, said after the attack.

The pair gained international recognition for helping to save rare white tigers and white lions from extinction. Their \$10 million compound was home to dozens of rare animals over the years. The white lions and white tigers were the result of a preservation program that began in the 1980s.

“The good news is that the white tigers and white lions are going into the 21st century,” Horn said in a 1999 interview with The Associated Press. “The bad news is that if we don’t do something about the tigers in the wild, they will disappear.”

Siegfried & Roy’s show, incorporating animal antics and magic tricks, included about 20 white tigers and lions, the number varying depending on the night. The show also had other exotic animals, including an elephant.

Jerry Stiller dies at 92

NEW YORK (AP) — Jerry Stiller, who for decades teamed with wife Anne Meara in a beloved comedy duo and then reached new heights in his senior years as the high-strung Frank Costanza on the classic sitcom “Seinfeld” and the basement-dwelling father-in-law on “The King of Queens,” died at 92, his son Ben Stiller announced Monday.

“I’m sad to say that my father, Jerry Stiller, passed away from natural causes,” his son said in a tweet.

“He was a great dad and grandfather and the most dedicated husband to Anne for about 62 years. He will be greatly missed. Love you Dad,” wrote Ben, who followed in his father’s comedic footsteps and became an A-list box office star with movies like “Tropic Thunder,” “Dodgeball” and “Something About Mary.”

Jerry Stiller was a multi-talented performer who appeared in an assortment of movies, playing Walter Matthau’s police sidekick in the thriller “The Taking of Pelham One Two Three” and Divine’s husband Wilbur Turnblad in John Waters’ twisted comedy “Hairspray.”

He also wrote an autobiography, “Married to Laughter,” about his 50-plus year marriage to soul mate and comedic cohort Meara, who died in 2015. And his myriad television spots included everything from “Murder She Wrote” to “Law & Order” — along with 36 appearances alongside Meara on “The Ed Sullivan Show.”

Stiller, although a supporting player on “Seinfeld,” created some of the Emmy-winning show’s most enduring moments: co-creator and model for the “bro,” a brassiere for men; a Korean War cook who inflicted food poisoning on his entire unit; an ever-simmering salesman controlling his explosive temper with the shouted mantra, “Serenity now!”

Stiller earned an 1997 Emmy nomination for his indelible “Seinfeld” performance. In a 2005 Esquire interview, Stiller recalled that he was out of work and not the first choice for the role of Frank Costanza, father to Jason Alexander’s neurotic George.

“My manager had retired,” he said. “I was close to 70 years old, and had nowhere to go.”

He was initially told to play the role as a milquetoast husband with an overbearing wife, Estelle, played by Estelle Harris. But the character wasn’t working — until Stiller suggested his reincarnation as an over-the-top crank who matched his wife scream for scream.

It jump-started the septuagenarian’s career, landing him a spot playing Vince

Lombardi in a Nike commercial and the role of another over-the-top dad on the long-running sitcom “King of Queens.”

While he was known as a nut-job father on the small screen, Stiller and wife Meara raised two children in their longtime home on Manhattan’s Upper West Side: daughter Amy, who became an actress, and son Ben, who would become perhaps the most famous Stiller as a writer, director and actor.

He and Ben performed together in “Shoeshine,” which was nominated for a 1988 Academy Award in the short subject category.

Stiller was considerably quieter and reflective in person than in character — although just as funny. The son of a bus driver and a housewife, Stiller grew up in Depression-era Brooklyn. His inspiration to enter show business came at age 8, when his father took him to see the Marx Brothers in the comedy classic “A Night at the Opera.”

Years later, Stiller met Groucho Marx and thanked him.

Stiller earned a drama degree at Syracuse University after serving in World War II, and then headed to New York City to launch his career. There was a brief involvement in Shakespearean theater, including a \$55 a week job with Jack Klugman in “Coriolanus.”

But his life and career took off after he met Meara in spring 1953. They were married that fall.

The seemingly mismatched pair — he a short, stocky Jewish guy from Brooklyn, she a tall, Irish Catholic from the Long Island suburbs — shared an immediate onstage chemistry, too. They were soon appearing on “The Ed Sullivan Show” and working nightclubs nationwide.

The pair also wrote and performed radio commercials, most memorably a series of bits for a little-known wine called Blue Nun. The duo’s ads boosted sales by 500%. Ben Stiller recalled trips with his sister to California when his parents would head west to do television appearances.

The couple went on to appear as a team in dozens of film, stage and television productions. One of them was “After-Play,” a 1995 off-Broadway show written by Meara.

Stiller joined “Seinfeld” in 1993, and moved on to “King of Queens” when the other Jerry & company went off the air in 1998. He also appeared in Ben Stiller’s spoof on modeling, “Zoolander,” released in 2001.

DEAR ABBY

By Abigail Van Buren

Friendship ends with flood of social media messages

I had this friend that I met eight months ago at a local boxing gym here in Chicago. We got along extremely well and even hung out a couple of times. However, she left her job at the gym two months later and things started falling apart.

I started sending excessive messages on her social media, and she didn’t like it. By the following month, she had enough. She told me I have an unhealthy attachment to her and we would go our separate ways. She blocked me from all social media, and she hasn’t contacted me since.

Four months later, I am better, but she is still in my head. I really want to write her a nice and sincere letter and reconcile with her and have her be my friend again. I didn’t know that I was doing something wrong.

I have tried reaching out to her multiple times recently via email, to no avail. In the meantime, one of her friends told me she has moved to Texas, which makes it even more heartbreaking. How can I show her I can be her friend again without exhibiting those same “toxic” behaviors? -- GUY WITH A WOUND-ED HEART

DEAR GUY: You have already done enough. You have done so much, in fact, that the young woman felt she was being stalked. She has sent you clear signals that she’s not interested in being friends -- or anything more -- with you. For your own sake, take the hint, leave her alone and, please, learn from this experience so you won’t repeat it with someone else.

DEAR ABBY: I am 60, and my husband is 64. We lost everything in the recession. A dear friend helped us get back on our feet, and my son and husband built a home on land we purchased with our last dollar. We have a mortgage and all the bills that come with it. We have no savings, pension or life insurance. I work 40 hours a week, and my husband is partially disabled from an autoimmune disease.

My son, who is studying to become

an RN, is 33. He lives with us and pays \$550 a month, which pays the property taxes. He has slowly brought his girlfriend into our home, whom we like, but she does not contribute financially. I have asked my son for some extra money, and he refused. We will always appreciate how he pitched in and helped us in creating a new home. What can I do without starting a family war? -- KEEPING THE PEACE

DEAR KEEPING: It would have been interesting to know what reason your son gave you for his refusal. Continue talking with him about it. Unless the girlfriend is unemployed, she should at least pay for her food and a share of the utilities if she is living in your home.

DEAR READERS:

This is National Women’s Health Week. Because of the current health crisis, taking care of your health is now more important than ever. Make it a priority. Eat healthy, give yourself the gift of exercise, manage your stress levels, get the sleep you need, and schedule that appointment to see your doctor or dentist as soon as they are seeing patients again. Take steps to eliminate behaviors that put you at risk -- smoking, texting while driving and not wearing a seatbelt. Your health is your most precious possession, so please, take care of it. For more information, visit womenshealth.gov. -- Love, ABBY

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Dear Reader,

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to alter our daily lives. In March, we directed the reporters for all of our Country Media newspapers – including those at our publications in Coos Bay, Bandon and Reedsport - to work from their home offices. And to limit the contact between our staff and our customers, thereby protecting all parties, we reduced the office hours at every location to 9 a.m. – noon, Monday – Friday. For those employees whose work requires them to be onsite to conduct our essential business, we moved their workstations to ensure safe distancing and we are enforcing the scheduled sanitation of all surfaces several times daily.

As you can see from a quick drive down U.S. Highway 101, the virus’ impact on local businesses is severe. Many have closed their doors, some permanently. These local businesses rely on newspapers to connect them to potential customers, and we in turn rely on generating advertising revenue to offset our operating expenses. Business closures intended to prevent the spread of the coronavirus have dramatically reduced those advertising revenues over the past several weeks. While we all hope to emerge from this crisis soon, there’s no way to predict the duration or severity of its impact on our economy.

Meantime, you may notice some changes to our regular lineup of comics, columns and features, and the resulting number of pages in each issue. Soon after we bought this newspaper on February 1, we learned that the monthly bill for the comics and features appearing in The World exceeded that of a full-time reporter. The virus has enhanced the urgency for both expense reduction and prioritization of content, and right now I would rather have a reporter on the streets - and eliminate a few comics - than the other way around. You will also notice an increase in the number and percentage of local news articles, with proportionately less Associated Press

content. This is intentional. While we will still provide AP articles that are relevant to our readers, you depend on us daily to report the local news that you won’t find anywhere else. Our newsroom is fully committed to this mission. And we’re still hiring! Here in Coos Bay, we are searching for advertising sales reps and graphic artists. If you know anyone who would seem to be a good fit, send them our way. Thank you for your continued trust and support. It’s our honor to serve the citizens of Coos, Douglas and Curry counties. Ben Kenfield Publisher bkenfield@countrymedia.net

Grammy-winning 1970s soul singer Betty Wright dies

MIAMI (AP) — Betty Wright, the Grammy-winning soul singer and songwriter whose influential 1970s hits included “Clean Up Woman” and “Where is the Love,” has died at age 66. Wright died at her home in Miami on Sunday, several media outlets reported. Steve Greenberg of S-Curve Records told the New York Times Wright had been diagnosed with cancer in the fall. Wright had her breakthrough with 1971’s “Clean Up Woman,” which combined elements of funk, soul and R&B. Recorded when Wright was just 17, the song would be a top 10 hit on both the Billboard R&B and pop charts, and its familiar grooves would be used and reused in the sampling era of future decades. The youngest of seven children, Wright was born

Bessie Regina Norris in 1953 in Miami, the city whose funk and soul sounds her music would always be identified with. She started singing with the family gospel group, Echoes of Joy, and released her solo debut album, “My First Time Around,” at age 15 in 1968. The album yielded a top 40 hit, “Girls Can’t Do What the Guys Do.” After “Clean Up Woman,” written by Clarence Reid and Willie Clarke and later sampled by Afrika Bambaataa and Mary J. Blige, she would have her first hit she wrote herself with “Baby Sitter,” a 1973 hit that showed off her so-called “whistle register” vocals, an ultra-high singing style later employed by Mariah Carey and others. With members of K.C. and the Sunshine Band, she co-wrote her 1975 proto-disco hit, “Where is the Love,” which would

win her a Grammy for best R&B song. A career lull in the late 1970s and early 1980s prompted Wright to start her own label in 1985, leading to a gold album, “Mother Wit,” in 1987 and the comeback hit “No Pain (No Gain)” She spent much of the rest of her life as a producer and mentor to younger artists, many of whom were singing her praises after her death. “Thank you for being a master teacher, a friend and one of the greatest female soul singers in our industry,” Ledisi said on Twitter. “You were so much more than your music. We were blessed to be around royalty.” John Legend tweeted that Wright “was always so loving and giving to younger artists. Always engaged, always relevant. She will be missed.”

SEE TOMORROW FOR TODAY’S SUDOKU PUZZLE AND ANSWERS

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movie review

Diane Keaton has been serviced well by the vast majority of her movies, but “Baby Boom” ranks high among the ones that have suited her best. Within its main mission of being amusing, the 1987 film (which Turner Classic Movies shows Sunday, May 10) addresses many themes that remain relevant more than three decades later ... relationship commitment, professional vs. personal life, the entrepreneurial spirit, and responsibility to oneself as well as others. And in this case, the main “other” is an adorable infant named Elizabeth. Workaholic businesswoman J.C. Wiatt (Keaton) is shocked to become the immediate – as in, “handed off during an airport layover” – guardian of the child, a relative who’s just been orphaned. Able to handle everything previously, including her at-arm’s-distance live-in boyfriend (Harold Ramis), J.C. is certain she can balance her very active career with surrogate motherhood. However, her boss (Sam Wanamaker) warns her, “You can’t have it all.” And much sooner than later, he’s proven right, with J.C. caught up in moments such as having a restaurant hostess try to mind Elizabeth during a business meeting ... and eventually, J.C. is maneuvered out of the firm she served so totally and forced to reinvent herself. She does that successfully, though it takes a while, by moving out of fast-paced New York to relaxed and scenic Vermont – where she

gets inspiration from her newly inherited child to develop a baby-food brand that she labels Country Baby. Applying her savvy to marketing it eventually makes it a hit, catching the attention of her former employers, who want to broker a deal to buy it for a very tidy sum. But will J.C. bite? What ultimately happens shows how well Keaton fares in developing the character’s full arc, thanks also to then-married screenwriters Charles Shyer (the movie’s director as well) and Nancy Meyers. This can be deemed the springboard for the female-empowerment comedies Meyers would write and direct later, including “Something’s Gotta Give” (for which Keaton also was her muse), “The Holiday” and “It’s Complicated.” Apart from the messages “Baby Boom” folds in, there’s a sweet romance pairing Keaton with a low-key and appealing Sam Shepard as a Vermont doctor she tries to resist. Of course, that lasts only so long, and the two performers are wonderful together. Add smaller but memorable turns by Pat Hingle as a business mogul and James Spader as Keaton’s weasel of a co-worker, and the casting obviously is strong overall. (Also commendable: the music score by Bill Conti.) In the end, though, it’s Keaton who makes or breaks “Baby Boom.” And, as proven by the fact that the picture remains just as enjoyable after 33 years, she surely makes it.

BY JAY BOBBIN

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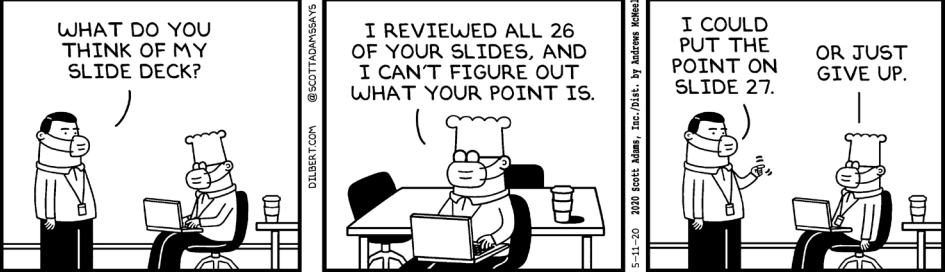
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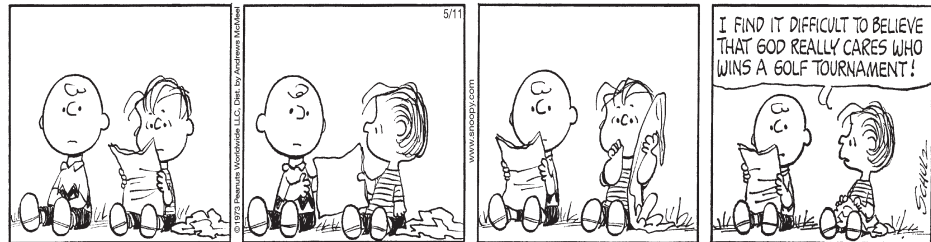
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In the Matter of the Estate of: YVONNE WILSON, Decedent.
Case No.: 20PB01171
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Johnathan Wilson has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned attorney at 5285 Meadows Road, Suite 377, Lake Oswego, OR 97035, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS
In the Matter of the Estate of ROBIN MICHELLE PRUITT, Deceased.
No. 20PB02165
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF COOS PROBATE DEPARTMENT
In the Matter of the Estate of CARL TROUT, JR. Deceased.
Case No. 20PB02031
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Bridge

We have all heard of the Stayman convention. You probably assumed that it was devised by Sam Stayman, a New York expert who won three Bermuda Bowl world team titles, in 1950, '51 and '53, and 20 national championships. However, Sam did not devise Stayman. That was done independently by Jack Marx from London and George Rapee from New York. Rapee suggested it to his then-partner Stayman. Sam thought it was such a good idea that he immediately wrote an article for The Bridge World magazine, and his name stuck. Today's deal was played by Stayman in New York's famous Cavendish Club in 1949. How did he play in seven no-trump after West

led the spade jack? One no-trump showed 16-19 points in those days. North used the Gerber convention to learn that his partner had one ace and four kings. There seemed to be 13 top tricks. But Stayman was not willing to rely on good breaks, especially as it was rubber bridge with a sizable sum on the line. Stayman won with dummy's spade ace and cashed the club ace, to see if the clubs were 5-0. When both opponents followed, he played off his top spades (discarding a club from dummy), his top hearts, the diamond king and the diamond ace. At this point, Stayman had learned that West had begun with six spades, four hearts, two diamonds and one club. That meant East had started with four clubs. Stayman led the club 10 from the dummy and ran it when East played low. A club to the king, a diamond to the queen, and the club queen completed the 13 tricks.

North 05-11-20
♠ A 7
♥ Q 8 4
♦ A Q 2
♣ A Q 10 9 3
West
♠ J 10 9 6 4 3
♥ J 9 7 3
♦ 5 3
♣ 2
East
♠ 8 2
♥ 6 5
♦ J 9 8 7 6
♣ J 8 7 5
South
♠ K Q 5
♥ A K 10 2
♦ K 10 4
♣ K 6 4
Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both
South West North East
1NT Pass 4♣ Pass
4♥ Pass 5♣ Pass
5♦ Pass 7NT All Pass
Opening lead: ♠ J



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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Get rid of things that you no longer need. Reevaluate the past and make improvements to the way you do things moving forward. Avoid manipulative people and protect your assets.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Take the initiative and make positive improvements. Complaints and criticism won't solve anything, but constructive action will. Be the solution, not the problem, and you'll improve your life and relationships.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Don't shy away from change. Be receptive to it and offer positive input that will help the process move along quickly. Events will turn in your favor.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Spend more time reinventing yourself. A new look, fitness routine or healthier lifestyle will help you deter anyone who is trying to lead you down the wrong path.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Your perceptions will help you differentiate between what's right and what isn't. A change is in order that can help you determine how best to use your skills. Expand your horizons.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Stay away from people who overdo it or make empty promises. Go about your business, stick to a budget and take care of your responsibilities. Rely on yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- An offer will give you a way to maneuver through unpredictable times. Be creative, and you'll come up with exciting ways to use your time, experience and attributes to your advantage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- You'll face a financial decision. Don't trust others to take care of your affairs. Negotiate on your behalf and budget for the things that are necessary to reach your goal.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Emotions will surface. Channel your energy into something constructive to avoid an argument. Offer alternatives, and, most of all, peace and harmony, if you want positive change to take place.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Expect a delay. Don't get angry, or you will slow things down even further if you're dealing with a bureaucratic matter. Review documents and make sure everything is in order.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Humanitarian groups and causes will interest you. See how you can support a group you believe in and do your part. A personal decision will alter your future.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Simplify your life. Don't let trivial matters fluster you. Look at what you can accomplish and do the best job possible. Personal improvements are favored. Focus on fitness.

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

A public meeting of the Lower Umpqua Library District will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at 6:00 pm at 395 Winchester Ave. Reedsport, Oregon or at a Zoom Meeting with access information available on the website the day of the meeting, www.luld.org. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 as approved by the Lower Umpqua Library District Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at the Lower Umpqua Library by texting or phoning 541.271.5306 or online at www.luld.org. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year.

Contact: Sue Cousineau

Telephone: 541-271-5306

Email: library@luld.org

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES

TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Actual Amount 2018-2019	Adopted Budget This Year 2019-2020	Approved Budget Next Year 2020-2021
Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital	0	171,994	197,769
Fees, Licenses, Permits, Fines, Assessments & Other Service Charges	2,522	3,000	3,000
Federal, State & all Other Grants, Gifts, Allocations & Donations	96,809	20,900	18,950
Revenue from Bonds and Other Debt			
Interfund Transfers / Internal Service Reimbursements	44,637		
All Other Resources Except Current Year Property Taxes	16,671	2,972	4,050
Current Year Property Taxes Estimated to be Received	188,230	195,000	199,018
Total Resources	348,869	393,866	422,787

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION

Personnel Services	61,891	147,290	145,634
Materials and Services	71,998	121,658	98,200
Capital Outlay			
Debt Service			
Interfund Transfers	44,637		5,000
Contingencies		124,918	173,953
Special Payments			
Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure			
Total Requirements	178,525	393,866	422,787

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES (FTE) BY ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT OR PROGRAM *

Name of Organizational Unit or Program	FTE for that unit or program		
General Fund			
FTE	3	3	3
Total Requirements	178,525	393,866	422,787
Total FTE	3	3	3

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACTIVITIES and SOURCES OF FINANCING *

A resolution has been passed to establish the Roof Replacement Reserve Fund. If an appropriation transfer resolution passes during the budget process, \$5,000 will be transferred from the General Fund to the Roof Replacement Reserve Fund in July 2020.

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US approves new quick result COVID-19 test

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

U.S. regulators have approved a new type of coronavirus test that administration officials have promoted as a key to opening up the country.

The Food and Drug Administration on Saturday announced emergency authorization for antigen tests developed by Quidel Corp. of San Diego. The test can rapidly detect fragments of virus proteins in samples collected from swabs swiped inside the nasal cavity, the FDA said in a statement.

The antigen test is the third type of test to be authorized by the FDA.

Currently, the only way to diagnose active COVID-19 is to test a patient’s nasal swab for the genetic material of the virus. While considered highly accurate, the tests can take hours and require expensive, specialized equipment mainly found at commercial labs, hospitals or universities.

A second type looks in the blood for antibodies, the proteins produced by the body days or weeks after fighting an infection. Such tests are helpful for researchers to understand how far a disease has spread within a community, but they aren’t useful for diagnosing active infections.

Antigen tests can diagnose active infections by detecting the

earliest toxic traces of the virus rather than genetic code of the virus itself.

The FDA said that it expects to authorize more antigen tests in the future.

Quidel said Saturday that the test can provide an accurate, automated result in 15 minutes. The FDA’s emergency authorization “allows us to arm our health care workers and first responders with a frontline solution for COVID-19 diagnosis, accelerating the time to diagnosis and potential treatment,” Douglas Bryant, CEO of Quidel, said in a statement.

A genetic material test by Abbott Laboratories used at the

White House also takes about 15 minutes.

The company said it specializes in testing for diseases and conditions including the flu and Lyme disease.

Quidel stock has more than doubled in value since the beginning of the year, closing Friday at \$158.60.

The U.S. has tried to ramp up testing using the genetic method, but the country’s daily testing tally has been stuck in the 200,000 to 250,000-per-day range for several weeks, falling far short of the millions of daily tests that most experts say are needed to reopen schools, businesses, churches and other

institutions of daily life.

That’s led White House adviser Dr. Deborah Birx and other federal officials to call for a “breakthrough” in the antigen tests.

“There will never be the ability on a nucleic acid test to do 300 million tests a day or to test everybody before they go to work or to school, but there might be with the antigen test,” Birx told reporters last month.

Recently, the National Institutes of Health announced \$1.5 billion in research grants aimed at fast-tracking the development of rapid, easy-to-use testing approaches — including antigen tests — by the fall.

Leading health experts are in isolation after exposure to people with COVID-19

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Trump administration’s leading health experts on safely dealing with the novel coronavirus will be testifying in a Senate hearing by a videoconference this week after three of them and the committee’s chairman were exposed to people who tested positive for COVID-19.

Adding to a string of potentially awkward moments for President Donald Trump, Vice President Mike Pence himself self-isolated for the weekend after a staff member tested positive for COVID-19. Pence leads Trump’s coronavirus task force.

The images of top administration officials taking such precautions come as states seek to loosen economic restrictions put in place to mitigate the virus’ spread.

In the Senate, a staff member for the office of Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., tested positive for COVID-19, leading Alexander to decide to preside over Tuesday’s hearing by teleconference while self-quarantining at home in Tennessee for two weeks.

As the health experts discuss the administration’s response to the outbreak, lawyers for Trump

will hope to persuade a Supreme Court with two of his appointees to keep his tax and other financial records from being turned over to lawmakers and a New York district attorney.

The justices are hearing arguments by telephone in a pivotal legal fight that could affect the presidential campaign. Rulings against the president could result in the quick release of personal financial information that Trump has sought strenuously to keep private.

On Thursday, a House panels hears from Dr. Rick A. Bright, former director of the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority. Bright asserts that he was summarily removed from his job and reassigned to a lesser role because he resisted political pressure to allow widespread use of hydroxychloroquine, a malaria drug favored by Trump.

Perhaps most important of all the week’s developments, the administration and Congress will be watching how businesses and consumers react as states gradually loosen restrictions that were designed to slow the spread of the coronavirus.

Decisions about how fast to reopen are being made with a general election less

than six months away, and Trump and other incumbents face the prospect of seeking another term in the midst of a public health and economic crisis.

“If we do this carefully, working with the governors, I don’t think there’s a considerable risk,” Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin said on “Fox News Sunday.” “Matter of fact, I think there’s a considerable risk of not reopening. You’re talking about what would be permanent economic damage to the American public.”

Mnuchin was one of several economic advisers the White House dispatched on Sunday to place the focus on the merits of loosening restrictions on the economy. Yet attention to possible risks of infection also turned to how the virus seemed to find its way into the White House complex.

Top task force officials who have gone into quarantine because of exposure to a person at the White House who tested positive for the virus include Dr. Anthony Fauci, the director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Dr. Robert Redfield, director of the CDC; and the commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, Dr. Stephen Hahn.

Fauci’s institute said he was “taking appropriate precautions” to mitigate the risk to others while still carrying out his duties, teleworking from home but willing to go to the White House if called. Officials said both Redfield and Hahn will be self-quarantining for two weeks.

Pence’s press secretary, Katie Miller, tested positive for the coronavirus on Friday, making her the second person who works at the White House complex known to test positive for the virus this week. A military service member who acts as a valet to the president tested positive on Thursday, the first known instance where a person in close proximity to the president at the White House had tested positive.

The precautions contrast with a president who has declined to wear a face covering in meetings at the White House or at his public events.

The White House has moved to shore up its protection protocols to protect the nation’s political leaders. Trump said that some staffers who interact with him closely would now be tested daily. Pence told reporters that both he and Trump would now be tested daily as well.

Polar vortex brings May snow to East

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Mother’s Day weekend got off to an unseasonably snowy start in the Northeast on Saturday thanks to the polar vortex bringing cold air down from the north.

Some higher elevation areas in northern New York and New England reported snowfall accumulations of up to 10 inches, while traces of snow were seen along the coast from Maine to Boston to as far south as Manhattan.

John Cannon, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Gray, Maine, said parts of northern New England saw as much as 10 inches of snow and even coastal areas of Maine and New Hampshire got a dusting. There were even reports of flurries in Boston.

“We’ve had several inches in many areas in the Northeast. This is a rare May snow event,” he said.

The hardest hit areas were hill town communities like Sugar Hill, New Hampshire, which got 10.5 inches, and Carra-basset Valley in Maine, which got 9 inches, he said.

Conditions at the Mount Washington Observatory, atop the highest peak in the northeast, were downright arctic Saturday afternoon, with the wind chill at minus 22 degrees (minus 30 Celsius) and winds gusting at 87 mph (140 kph).

In many areas, the snowfall was one for the record books, even if it didn’t stick around. Massachusetts hadn’t seen measurable snow in May since 2002, while in Manhattan’s Central Park, the flakes tied a record set in 1977 for latest snow of the season.

The wintry weather

New York set to launch contact tracing training

NEW YORK (AP) — New York is poised to launch its training plan for the huge corps of disease detectives it plans to deploy to track people who might have been exposed to the coronavirus.

The effort, seen as a key to keeping the outbreak from flaring again once it is under control, is likely to involve hiring several thousand people who have no background in public health.

And since getting huge groups of people together

in one place for a contact-tracing boot camp is impossible, the training will be done through a 5- to 6-hour online course launching Monday.

“There’s all this discussion about using technology in some way. But fundamentally, this is a pretty human activity,” said Josh Sharfstein of the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, which developed the course with Bloomberg Philanthropies, the charitable foundation of former

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

When someone becomes newly infected with the virus, the tracers will be tasked with figuring out everyone who might have had contact with that person, reaching out to them, and advising them how to quarantine themselves until they know for certain they aren’t sick, too.

The video training includes having actors portray how the tracing interviews, mostly conducted by phone or video chat, are

supposed to go.

Sharfstein said the training, to be offered on the Coursera website, will be available to anyone, not just those seeking to become contact tracers, the developers said.

Bloomberg is putting up \$10.5 million through his foundation to help the state roll out its tracing plan.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo has made hiring at least 30 contact tracers per 100,000 residents a requirement for any part of the state to reopen.

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Occasional rain and drizzle

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60° 48°

59° 50°

60° 46°

63° 49°

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Last year to date

36.78"

Normal year to date

32.23"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight

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Moonrise tomorrow

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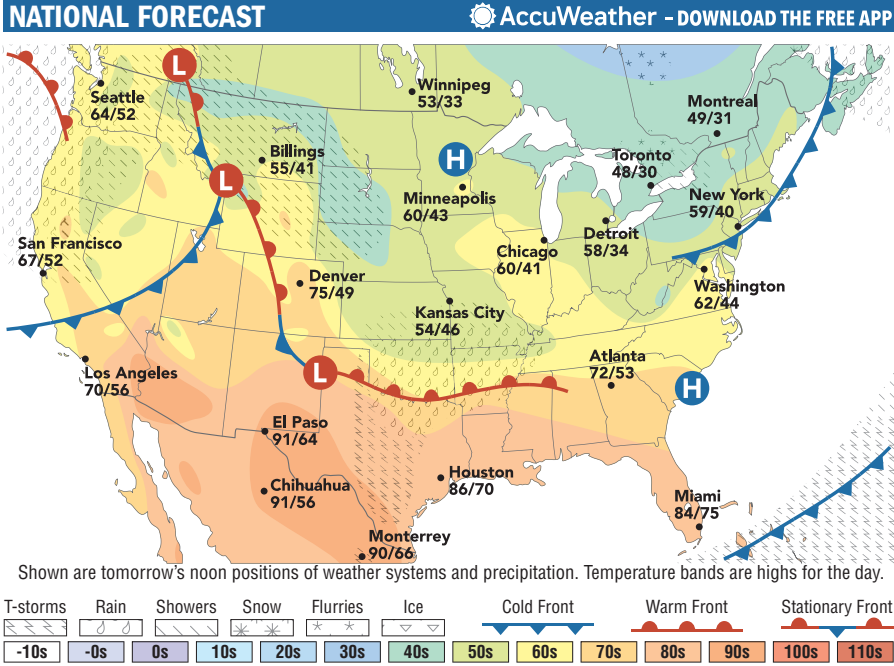
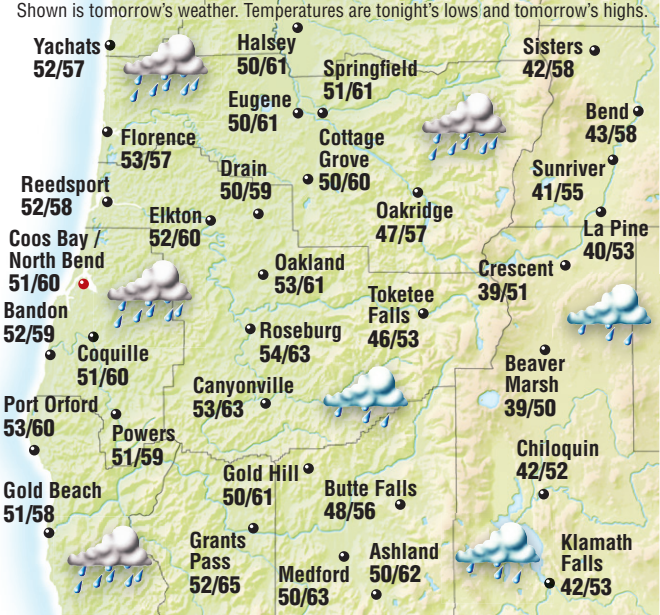
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May 14

May 22

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Burns	82/39 0.00	58/35/sh
Brookings	57/51 0.00	56/47/r
Corvallis	81/52 0.00	60/46/r
Eugene	82/51 0.00	61/46/r
Klamath Falls	80/40 0.00	53/34/r
La Grande	80/44 0.00	59/42/sh
Medford	86/56 0.00	63/45/r
Newport	59/54 0.00	58/48/r
Pendleton	80/46 0.00	63/46/sh
Portland	87/59 0.00	63/50/r
Redmond	82/44 0.00	60/36/r
Roseburg	83/53 0.00	63/47/r
Salem	85/52 0.00	60/47/r
The Dalles	88/50 0.00	66/48/r

TIDES

Location	Tuesday				Wednesday			
	High	ft.	Low	ft.	High	ft.	Low	ft.
Bandon	3:49 a.m.	6.7	10:58 a.m.	-0.5	4:46 a.m.	6.1	11:55 a.m.	0.0
	5:51 p.m.	5.6	11:09 p.m.	3.2	6:54 p.m.	5.5	---	---
Charleston	3:54 a.m.	7.3	10:56 a.m.	-0.6	4:51 a.m.	6.6	11:53 a.m.	0.0
	5:56 p.m.	6.1	11:07 p.m.	3.4	6:59 p.m.	6.0	---	---
Coos Bay	5:20 a.m.	7.0	12:24 p.m.	-0.5	6:17 a.m.	6.4	12:35 a.m.	3.0
	7:22 p.m.	5.8	---	---	8:25 p.m.	5.8	1:21 p.m.	0.0
Florence	4:38 a.m.	6.3	11:54 a.m.	-0.5	5:35 a.m.	5.7	12:05 a.m.	2.7
	6:40 p.m.	5.2	---	---	7:43 p.m.	5.2	12:51 p.m.	0.0
Port Orford	3:25 a.m.	7.0	10:42 a.m.	-0.7	4:22 a.m.	6.3	11:40 a.m.	-0.1
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Reedsport	4:59 a.m.	7.3	12:07 p.m.	-0.2	5:53 a.m.	6.7	12:13 a.m.	3.4
	6:50 p.m.	5.8	---	---	7:50 p.m.	5.8	1:01 p.m.	0.3
Half Moon Bay	4:01 a.m.	6.8	11:10 a.m.	-0.5	4:58 a.m.	6.2	12:08 p.m.	0.0
	6:10 p.m.	5.5	11:18 p.m.	3.3	7:14 p.m.	5.5	---	---

REGIONAL FORECASTS

South Coast		Curry Co. Coast		Rogue Valley		Willamette Valley		Portland Area		North Coast		Central Oregon	
Tonight	Tue.	Tonight	Tue.	Tonight	Tue.	Tonight	Tue.	Tonight	Tue.	Tonight	Tue.	Tonight	Tue.
50°	56°	51°	58°	50°	63°	50°	61°	52°	63°	52°	60°	42°	60°

Obama lashes out at Trump on call with supporters

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former President Barack Obama harshly criticized President Donald Trump’s handling of the coronavirus pandemic as an “absolute chaotic disaster” during a conversation with ex-members of his administration, according to a recording obtained by Yahoo News.

Obama also reacted to

the Justice Department dropping its criminal case against Trump’s first national security adviser, Michael Flynn, saying he worried that the “basic understanding of rule of law is at risk.”

More than 78,400 people with COVID-19 have died in the United States and more than 1.3 million people have tested posi-

tive, according to the latest estimates from the Center for Systems Science and Engineering at Johns Hopkins University.

Obama’s comments came during a Friday call with 3,000 members of the Obama Alumni Association, people who served in his administration. Obama urged his supporters to back his former vice pres-

ident, Joe Biden, who is trying to unseat Trump in the Nov. 3 election.

“What we’re fighting against is these long-term trends in which being selfish, being tribal, being divided, and seeing others as an enemy — that has become a stronger impulse in American life. And by the way, we’re seeing that internationally as well.

It’s part of the reason why the response to this global crisis has been so anemic and spotty,” Obama said, according to Yahoo News.

“It would have been bad even with the best of governments. It has been an absolute chaotic disaster when that mindset — of ‘what’s in it for me’ and ‘to heck with everybody else’ — when that mindset

is operationalized in our government,” he said.

Trump has consistently defended and boasted of his response to the virus, saying that travel restrictions from China and Europe as well as social distancing guidelines have prevented far greater damage. “I think we saved millions of lives,” he said earlier this week.

Replaced

From A1

Coos County Commissioner Melissa Cribbins, the new interim public health administrator is Kathy Cooley. Circumstances surrounding the departure of Pourtal-Stee-

vens are unknown and questions regarding what happened went unanswered.

Cooley was appointed by the Coos County Board of Commissioners as interim public health director at the commissioners’ April 24 meeting. Cooley, a registered nurse with a master’s

degree in public health, is CHW’s infant and family specialist and the agency’s home visiting manager.

Pourtal-Stevens had been with CHW as its public health director since 2014. It was not clear whether she resigned or was dismissed and when the departure occurred, but she was par-

ticipating in regular public video conferencing meetings with CHW as recently as three weeks ago.

“I understand how that would look (during a pandemic) but we don’t really have anything we can say regarding the reasons behind it other than the fact that she’s no longer

public health director and that we are still continuing the mission as we were before — providing the same services to the community as we were prior to her departure,” Gleason said.

When asked why Coos Health and Wellness did not inform the public about its

new public health director during a health crisis, Gleason said, “We respect the privacy of anyone involved and are continuing to provide the top-notch public health services our community (is) used to.”

Pourtal-Stevens could not be reached for comment.

Tests

From A1

by the time the lab even receives the sample, there could be an immediate recognizable issue with the sample before they even get into the testing phase.”

Shutter Creek has reported the most COVID-19 cases among inmates in

all the correctional facilities across the state. As of Friday, there have been 25 adults in custody who have tested positive in addition to two positive tests from employees.

There have now been 40 negative tests reported at the facility.

There is a chance that the number of cases at Shutter Creek will go up based on

new guidelines of test results from the Oregon Health Authority. The Oregon Health Authority now includes presumptive positives with confirmed positive test results. A presumptive positive is someone who has been within close contact with an individual who has tested positive.

“When I say close contact, we are talking about

a very precise definition. Either someone that has had contact with respiratory fluid of a confirmed case or someone that has spent 15 minutes or more within six feet of a confirmed case,” explained Leon.

In Coos County, there has been one presumptive positive case listed. This presumptive positive was from the individual who

lives with the woman in the community who tested positive for coronavirus last week.

The Department of Corrections has not yet responded to an inquiry from The World on how presumptive positives will come into play at Shutter Creek.

“When we talk about Shutter Creek or other congregate settings, especially

when there’s not specific assigned places that you can measure and understand a difference throughout the day, then those are contacts, but those are not necessarily close contacts,” said Leon.

All of the positive cases in adults in custody at Shutter Creek have come from individuals who are in the same unit.

Economy

From A1

country reported the lowest numbers of coronavirus-related deaths and infections since March 17.

In Greece, Smaragda Petridou was out buying beauty products from a cosmetics chain.

“Look, I’m not afraid to go in when the protection measures are being adhered to,” she said. “We’ll shop, what can we do? So the shops can survive too.”

In Germany, gyms re-opened in the most populous state, but authorities there and in France have said any backsliding in the daily number of infections could lead to new restrictions.

“We’re going to have to learn to live with the virus,” Health Minister Olivier Veran said.

In South Korea, the government pushed back hard against new infections, halting the school re-open-

ings that had been planned for this week and re-imposing restrictions on nightclubs and bars. It is now trying to track down 5,500 people who had visited a popular Seoul entertainment district by checking credit-card transactions, mobile-phone records and security camera footage.

The hurdles ahead for tourism and the service industries were on full display. Shanghai Disneyland reopened to visitors, but let in only limited numbers and demanded that they wear face masks and have their temperatures checked.

Spanish hotels were allowed to open as long as they don’t mix guests in public areas. But with people not allowed to travel outside of their provinces and few flights from overseas, the prospects were bleak.

“Unfortunately this year’s business is lost already, it’s going to be catastrophic,” said Manuel Domínguez, manager

at Seville’s Doña María Hotel.

In the U.K., Prime Minister Boris Johnson announced a modest easing of the country’s lockdown but urged citizens not to surrender the progress already made. Some people, however, were confused as the government shifted its slogan from “Stay at Home” to “Stay Alert.”

Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland stuck with the old motto.

People in jobs that can’t be done at home “should be actively encouraged to go to work” this week, Johnson said. He also set a goal of June 1 to begin re-opening schools and shops if the U.K. can control new infections. Johnson himself is the only world leader to suffer a serious bout of COVID-19.

“We will be driven not by mere hope or economic necessity,” Johnson promised. “We’re going to be driven by the science.”

At London’s Waterloo

train station, not everyone was convinced.

“I am nervous about going back, because I have a family and they have been isolating since the start. I feel like I am now putting them at risk,” said Peter Osu, 45, who was returning to work at a construction site.

In the U.S., Trump administration officials spoke optimistically about a relatively quick rebound from the pandemic — but then announced that Vice President Mike Pence “self-isolating” after an aide tested positive. U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin predicted the American economy would rebound in the second half of this year from unemployment rates that rival the Great Depression. In just seven weeks, 33.5 million Americans have lost their jobs.

The U.S. has seen 1.3 million infections and nearly 80,000 deaths, the most in the world by far, according to a tally by

Johns Hopkins University. Worldwide, 4 million people have been reported infected and more than 280,000 have died, over 150,000 of them in Europe. Health experts believe all those numbers understate the true toll of the pandemic.

The director of the University of Washington institute that created a coronavirus model said moves by states to reopen businesses “will translate into more cases and deaths in 10 days from now.” Dr. Christopher Murray said infections and deaths are going up more than expected in Illinois, Arizona, Florida and California.

Many nations are still struggling to tame their outbreaks.

India reported its biggest daily increase in coronavirus cases Monday as it prepared to resume train service to ease a lockdown that has hit migrant workers and their hungry families especially hard.

In Ukraine, hard-strapped medical workers were creating homemade protective gear as they demanded more help from the government. In Senegal, researchers were working to develop a prototype ventilator to treat COVID-patients that could cost a \$160 instead of tens of thousands of dollars.

While unemployed workers in developed nations are temporarily buoyed by government benefits, millions elsewhere are facing dire economic prospects. In a Lebanese slum along a sewage-tainted river, Faiqqa Homsi feels her family is being pushed closer to the edge.

A mother of five, she was already relying on donations to care for a baby daughter with cancer. The coronavirus shutdown cost her husband his job as a bus driver and upended her hopes of earning money selling juice.

“It is all closing in our face,” Homsi said.

NORTHWEST STOCKS

Closing and 8:30 a.m. quotes:			
Stock	Close	8:30	
Intel	59.67	60.38	
Kroger	33.34	33.70	
Microsoft	184.68	185.50	
Nike	90.46	90.22	
NW Natural	65.16	62.68	
Skywest	29.45	28.50	
Starbucks	77.87	76.22	
Umpqua Hlds	11.33	10.73	
Weyerhaeuser	19.85	19.38	
Xerox	18.13	17.42	
Levi Strauss	12.84	12.21	
Dow Jones closed at 24,331.32			
Provided by Coos Bay Edward Jones			

LOTTERY

MegaMillions	Powerball	Megabucks	Win For Life
May 8	May 9	May 9	May 9
5-20-22-61-70	12-18-42-48-65	7-12-16-19-20-41	5-26-33-51
Megaball: 4	Powerball: 19	Jackpot: \$1.2 Million	Pick 4
Multiplier: x2	Multiplier: x5		May 10
Jackpot: \$248 million	Jackpot: \$77 million		5-1-1-0

Hamlin closes iRacing Series with win

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Denny Hamlin closed NASCAR’s iRacing Series with a victory at a simulation of throwback North Wilkesboro Speedway. The Daytona 500 winner was instrumental in organizing his fellow Cup drivers for the invitational series that started after the series was suspended. Hamlin, who races barefoot on a top-of-the-line simulator, won the opening iRacing event on March 22. He also gained national attention three races ago at virtual Talladega Superspeedway when his daughter, Taylor, tried to ask him a question during the race and accidentally turned off the screen on his simulator with a remote control she was holding.

To win at North Wilkesboro on Saturday, Hamlin on four fresh tires chased down leader Ross Chastain and nudged him out of the way. Chastain retaliated by hitting Hamlin’s car after the checkered flag. “Two guys going for the same spot,” said Hamlin, who said Chastain tried to block his move. Hamlin closed the iRacing Series with two wins in seven races. William Byron led the series with three victories but did not compete Saturday. NASCAR is scheduled to resume racing next Sunday at Darlington Raceway in South Carolina, where the series will compete without spectators. “Can’t wait to get back. Can’t wait to see you guys in the real

world starting next week,” Hamlin said. NASCAR closed out its virtual series at North Wilkesboro Speedway, an original venue on NASCAR’s schedule in 1949 that was abandoned after the 1996 season as NASCAR began to expand outside its southern footprint. Jeff Gordon won the last race at the 0.625-mile short track that featured a unique uphill backstretch and downhill frontstretch. After years sitting idle, the track has been badly damaged by weather and neglect and overgrown with weeds. Dale Earnhardt Jr., an early iRacing enthusiast, recently led a clean-up effort of the iconic speedway so that iRacing could laser scan it and add it to the

tracks on the virtual platform. It is not yet on iRacing for public use but was made available for NASCAR’s final race of its invitational esports venture. The track has been simulated as it was in 1987 and will be available for the public to race in June. NASCAR quickly pivoted from real racing when its season was suspended March 13 during the coronavirus pandemic to the virtual platform. Its broadcasts set several esports viewing records for broadcast partner Fox, but the novelty wore off after Bubba Wallace was fired by a sponsor for rage quitting a race and then Kyle Larson used a racial slur while on the platform Easter Sunday. He was fired by Chip Ganassi Racing for the incident.



The Associated Press

Oklahoma City’s Chris Paul plays against the Boston Celtics during a March 8 game in Boston. NBA teams are beginning to reopen their facilities.

Athletes will need time to get in shape

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Associated Press

Making it safe for America’s professional sports teams to start playing games is one thing. Making sure athletes are in game shape is another. The coronavirus pandemic brought sports to a halt, but stay-at-home orders are starting to be eased and a handful of NBA teams are opening practice facilities. For players, the difference between merely working out and playing games will be a significant jump and experts say things shouldn’t be rushed. With athletes unable to simulate game or even practice activity at home, they will need time before resuming competition. “Whatever the amount of time is, just know that players will have the input and say so because we’re the ones that’s playing, and that comes first,” said Oklahoma City Thunder guard Chris Paul, president of the National Basketball Players Association. “We don’t ever

want to put guys in a situation where their injury risk is high. It varies from player to player. But it’s at least got to be three to four weeks.” Charlotte Hornets coach James Borrego said players could be at different points based on their access to equipment. “There’s veterans out there that may have a court in their home, in their facility and they’re probably a little bit more ready to go than others,” he said. “I think we’re talking weeks. This isn’t something where after one week these guys are ready to go.” NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman has said on multiple occasions he believes a two- to three-week training camp would be needed before the season resumes. Many hockey teams have had trainers send at-home workout routines to players, but few if any have been on the ice in months. “As much as I could mentally be in game mode, your body’s not ready for it if you don’t get a full offseason of training and

if you don’t get to play a long training camp with like seven exhibition games,” Los Angeles Kings defenseman Drew Dougherty said. “If you only get a week training camp with a couple exhibition games, you’re going to ruin your body.” Edmonton Oilers forward Alex Chiasson said it is on the athlete to be ready. “That’s going to be on us,” he said. “We’re professional athletes. We’ve got to make sure we prepare. It’s not easy, but it is what it is, and we’ve got to deal with the situation as best as we can.” While basketball and hockey were nearing their playoffs, baseball was in spring training when things were shut down. It created a particular wrinkle for pitchers, who tend to train methodically toward full games. Washington Nationals general manager Mike Rizzore said he expects another period that resembles spring training before games are played. “The most important part of any spring training is preparation

for your pitchers, especially your starting pitchers,” Rizzore said. “Whenever you have to expedite a spring training, that’s probably the most impactful decision that you have to make: How to ramp them up.” Baltimore Orioles GM Mike Elias agreed. “When baseball does come back, you have to worry about guys going a very small number of innings,” he said. “I don’t know that we’ve come up with a solution to that. ... The public health guidelines makes it tough to do it without a training staff and coaches. Some of the pitchers are throwing into nets in their backyards and hitters are hitting off the tee.” Tampa Bay catcher Mike Zunino said the pitchers were his biggest concern. “The biggest worry is injuries,” he said. “It’s one of those things, I think guys are staying in shape, they’re throwing now. Hopefully a few weeks is enough. I think we’ll have to be smart as the season opens to keep guys fresh.”

Colleges face big losses in sports budget crunch

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — With the end of this virus-disrupted school year drawing nearer, a predictably bleak financial outlook for major college sports has emerged from the budgeting process. The West Virginia athletic department announced Friday a projected \$5 million shortfall, with pay cuts for coaches and staffers queued up in response. There’s a \$4 million deficit in the Minnesota athletic department’s forecast for the fiscal year ending June 30, and athletic director Mark Coyle said Friday “no doubt, everything is on the table” for cost-savings consideration. High earners there have already agreed to pay cuts and hiring and spending freezes have been enacted, but future measures like travel reduction could also lead to the elimination of sports programs. In February, before the virus outbreak caused the cancellation of the NCAA basketball tournaments and the corresponding sharp decrease in revenue, the Gophers were forecasting a \$1 million

surplus for the 2019-20 fiscal year thanks in part to a surge in football ticket sales and fundraising related to a strong 2019 season for that team. Now they’re likely to finish in the red, Coyle said at a Board of Regents meeting conducted by video conference. “We’re trying to be incredibly nimble with our response,” Coyle said. Minnesota’s \$123 million budget is the eighth-largest in the Big Ten, trailing in order Ohio State, Michigan, Penn State, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Michigan State and Iowa. The Gophers have 25 varsity teams, the fourth-most in the conference. Both regents during the meeting and reporters in a news conference afterward asked Coyle about cutting sports from an overall program that has enjoyed sustained, national success in sports like volleyball, wrestling and softball. Coyle kept to the script and did not offer many specifics, but clearly such a measure would be a last resort for a department that has long held a strong sense of pride in the diversity of the Gophers program.

“I would argue we have maximized our revenue better than most across the country,” Coyle said. The Gophers were ahead of the curve in some areas. Three senior staff members departed the university for other jobs and were not replaced. Still, difficult decisions will have to be made in the coming weeks as the projected 2020-21 budget cycle approaches. The cancellation of the NCAA men’s basketball tournament cost schools a collective \$375 million. Minnesota’s athletic department is bracing for a \$75 million loss of expected revenue in the worst-case scenario of no fall sports and thus no televised football games. Games played without fans admitted projects to a \$30 million drop in revenue. The best-case scenario of campus reopening in the fall and sports played as scheduled would bring an estimated \$10 million hit. Those figures don’t account for reduced expenses in travel and other areas due to the pandemic. “We’re not alone in this situation,” deputy AD and chief fi-

nancial officer Rhonda McFarland told the board. “There are only a handful of athletic departments that could manage a \$30 million loss and likely very few that would survive \$75 million reduction in revenue. That is the nature of the national landscape at this time.” At West Virginia, athletic director Shane Lyons said he’ll take a 10% salary reduction for the next fiscal year. Football coach Neal Brown, men’s basketball coach Bob Huggins, women’s basketball coach Mike Carey and baseball coach Randy Mazey also will voluntarily take the 10% reduction starting July 1. Coaches and athletic staff earning more than \$100,000 will take a 5% salary reduction, and those making less than \$100,000 will take a 2.5% reduction. Wisconsin announced Saturday it is asking 25 of its highest-earning employees to volunteer for a 15% pay cut over the next six months. That group includes athletic director Barry Alvarez, football coach Paul Chryst and men’s basketball coach Greg Gard.

Sports Briefs

SOCCER

National star Alex Morgan becomes a new mom

NEW YORK — U.S. national soccer team star Alex Morgan has become a mom just in time for Mother’s Day. Morgan announced Saturday on social media that she gave birth to daughter Charlie Elena Carrasco at 11:30 a.m. Thursday. Charlie weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Morgan and husband Servando Carrasco, who is a midfielder for the LA Galaxy, announced in October that they were expecting their first child in April.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Career victory leader Bess retires with 1,300 wins

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo. — College basketball victory leader Gene Bess of Three Rivers College has retired. The 85-year-old coach announced the decision Saturday. Son Brian, a longtime assistant, took over the top job at the junior college. Bess was 1,300-416 in 50 seasons at Three Rivers — 143 more victories than NCAA Division I leader Mike Krzyzewski of Duke. Bess led the Raiders to national titles in 1979 and 1992.

BASEBALL

Few Major League employees test positive

NEW YORK — Just 0.7% of Major League Baseball employees tested positive for antibodies to COVID-19, the illness caused by the new coronavirus. The small number of positive tests, announced Sunday, was positive news for a sport pushing ahead with plans to start its delayed season. Researchers received 6,237 completed surveys from employees of 26 clubs. That led to 5,754 samples obtained in the U.S. on April 14 and 15 and 5,603 records that were used. The survey kit had a 0.5% false positive rate. Dr. Jay Bhattacharya of Stanford, one of the study’s leaders, said the prevalence of the antibodies among MLB employees was lower than for the general population during testing in New York, Los Angeles, the San Francisco area and Miami.

TENNIS

French Open could be played without fans

PARIS — The French Open tennis tournament could be held without fans later this year, the president of the French Tennis Federation said on Sunday. The clay-court tournament at Roland Garros was initially slated to be held May 24-June 7, but was postponed amid the coronavirus pandemic and rescheduled for Sept. 20-Oct. 4. Bernard Giudicelli tells French newspaper Le Journal du Dimanche that organizers are considering the prospect it might need to go ahead without fans present. It could even start one week later.

OBITUARIES

Women’s baseball league pioneer Mary Pratt dies

BRAINTREE, Mass. — Mary Pratt, who played for the Rockford Peaches and Kenosha Comets in the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, has died. She was 101. Pratt died on Wednesday. Her nephew, Walter Pratt, told The Patriot Ledger she passed away peacefully at a nursing home. Pratt pitched in the women’s league from 1943-47. The league was profiled in the 1992 movie “A League of Their Own.” She was believed to be the last surviving member of the original 1943 Peaches.

US Olympic bobsledder Pavle Jovanovic dies

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. — Former U.S. Olympic bobsledder Pavle Jovanovic has died. He was 43. USA Bobsled/Skeleton said in a release Saturday that Jovanovic took his own life May 3. A native of Toms River, New Jersey, Jovanovic started in the sport in 1997. A push athlete for driver Todd Hays, he won a bronze medal at the 2004 world championships and finished seventh in both the two- and four-man events at the 2006 Winter Olympics.