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Downward trend of virus transmission

MAX KIRKENDALL
Lincoln City News Guard

Oregon continues to make progress this week in the fight against COVID-19 (Coronavirus), state leaders announced Friday.

During a Sept. 4 press conference, Oregon Governor Kate Brown was joined by Oregon Health Authority Director Pat Allen and Dr. Dean Sidelinger, health officer and state epidemiologist, to discuss the current virus trends ahead of Labor Day

weekend.

Portland protests

Prior to the update, Gov. Brown addressed the ongoing protests in Portland regarding racial equity and police accountability. Gov. Brown said she has continued to speak with community leaders and they continue to make progress, citing the passing of six police accountability bills in Oregon during June.

Those bills included outlawing the use of respiratory restricting restraints, duty to report and

intervene in response to misconduct, transparency of police discipline records, protecting freedom of speech and assembly from excessive force, committee on transparent policing and use of force reform and discipline guidelines and arbitration decisions.

“For those who have experienced racism and discrimination first hand, I know that slow and steady progress toward justice doesn’t feel fast enough ... it isn’t,” Gov. Brown said. “Like many of you, I too am angry that

black and brown Oregonians continue to fear for their lives and for their families. These accomplishments are just a start, but it’s progress in a relatively short period of time.”

Gov. Brown said she has come up with a plan to organize a community forum to invite protest organizers, community leaders and others to work toward racial justice and police reform. The forum will begin meeting in the coming days.

“I’ve listed all these activities I’ve been working on with com-

munity leaders because achieving racial justice and accountability for law enforcement is my goal here,” Gov. Brown said.

As a part of the plan, Gov. Brown said they will continue to focus on allowing free speech while also putting a halt to arson and violence in Portland.

“The violence must stop, period,” Gov. Brown said. “Our country’s worst moments have been defined by fear and hatred, and our greatest moments are defined by peace, understanding

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Courtesy Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

A 38-foot juvenile male Sei whale was beached in Bandon on Saturday afternoon. The whale died Saturday night.

Whale dies after stranding

The World

BANDON — What has been tentatively identified as a 38-foot sei whale became stranded on the Oregon coast just south of Face Rock viewpoint in Bandon Saturday afternoon, Sept. 5.

Oregon State Park rangers, the Oregon State Police, Oregon State University, Oregon Marine Mammal Stranding Network and representatives of the West Coast Marine Mammal Stranding Network and NOAA Fisheries responded, according to a press release from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.

While alive when it first came ashore, the sei whale was stranded by the tide and died Saturday evening, stated the press release. Based on its size, it was a subadult male, meaning it was not yet fully-mature. The necropsy was performed Sunday, Sept. 6, by Oregon State University, World Vets, and Sealife Response, Rehabilitation and



Contributed photo by Steve Dimock

Local photographer Steve Dimock captured this image of an Oregon State Police officer throwing water on a beached Sei whale Saturday afternoon as officers and wildlife officials tried to save its life and make it more comfortable. The whale died later that evening.

Research. The necropsy allowed marine mammal biologists to collect samples to try to determine what may have caused the

animal to strand.

The carcass will be buried on the beach shortly thereafter. It is against federal law to take pieces

from a whale carcass.

The whale drew dozens of onlookers to the beach. OPRD roped off the whale so people wouldn’t disturb it. Sunday morning, officials brought in heavy machinery to bury the whale after the necropsy.

“(It was) a sad day at the beach yesterday,” wrote local photographer Steve Dimock, who posted several photos on social media.

“I have come across a beached whale on a couple of occasions,” Dimock wrote. “This was the first time I have watched as it gasped for breath. A difficult thing to see and watch.”

Dimock said officials on scene were providing relief as best they could for the mammal, dumping ocean water on it and covering it with soaked blankets to keep it cool and wet.

“I am afraid it was too badly injured and they were simply trying to keep it as comfortable as they could”

Zone 1 (four-year term): Adela Villers

Zone 2 (two-year term): Cindy Gant

Zone 3 (four-year term): Charlie Waterman

Zone 4 (four-year term): Michael Clary

Zone 5 (two-year term): no

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Election measures by city

SOUTH COAST — There are several ballot measures within cities along the South Coast that will appear on the official General Election ballot on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020, including two marijuana sales tax measures, a tax on short-term lodging, a school district bond for improvements, a measure to allow ATVs on city streets, a measure to allow nomination of candidates by paying a fee, an advisory question about moving the Idaho border to include Douglas County and a sanctuary ordinance in Coos County. Mail-in ballots will be sent out to voters on Oct. 15 and are due by 8 p.m. on election day. No postage is required.

COOS COUNTY

Measure 6-181 — Shall the citizens of Coos County adopt the proposed Second Amendment Sanctuary Ordinance? The ordinance would prohibit Coos County officials (unless ordered by a court) from participating in the enforcement of an Extraterritorial Act or to use any county funds to enforce an Extraterritorial Act. An Extraterritorial Act

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Fire in Coquille displaces 8 residents

MARY GEDDRY
For The World

COQUILLE — The historic Sherwood Building in downtown Coquille caught fire Friday night permanently displacing eight full-time residents.

No one was injured and most of the residents were able to escape via the stairs and front entrance, according to fire officials and witnesses. Coquille Fire & Rescue had to assist one resident trapped by the blaze with a ladder truck from a rear window facing Barton’s Alley, according to Chief Justin Ferren.

Extinguishing the fire was impaired by the department’s lack of a tall enough ladder to reach the roof. A call was made

to both Bandon and Coos Bay but neither agency was able to assist with an appropriately sized ladder. Coquille Fire & Rescue did extinguish the blaze before it destroyed the entire building. It is not yet known the extent of the damage.

An icon in the small community, the Sherwood sits on the corner of First and Central Avenue and was once the home of First National Bank, founded by Andrew Jackson Sherwood, a lawyer, banker and one of Coquille’s first mayors. It was built in 1903 and has not yet been added to the National Historic Register, according to NHR records. The building storefront has served many purposes over

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John Gunther, The World

Damage to one of the upstairs apartments is visible following a Friday night fire in the historic Sherwood Building in Coquille.



Photo gallery: Tribe builds a home for healing

Photo gallery: Passion for education drives Hillcrest principal

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Hike Humbug Mountain with South Coast Striders

The World

SOUTH COAST — South Coast Striders announce hikes at Humbug Mountain on Sunday, Sept. 13.

Hike one of two trails at Historic Humbug Mountain. Hikes require pre-registration at <http://canopyweb.com/forms/index.html> and are limited to 15 people, but if demand is high and there are enough leaders, the hike times can be staggered.

Also, there is a “short” hike option and some hikers may prefer that.

To volunteer to lead, send an email to hikes@coostrails.com.

Hike description: There will be two hikes running at the same time.

Long hike: The hike itself is just over 5 miles long, but the elevation gain is significant (about 1,800 ft), which makes this a difficult hike. The group will hike up the east trail, which will give

good views to the south as hikers near the top. The group will then return by the west trail, which provides good views of Port Orford as they descend.

Short hike: The “short” hike isn’t really that much shorter, at just over 4 miles, but the highest elevation is only 434 feet. It follows along the old coast highway and offers good views of Humbug Mountain itself, Red Fish Rocks, and the town of Port Orford. If there isn’t

a volunteer to lead one of the two hikes, the short hike may be self guided, but there is a detailed trail guide.

Humbug short trail guide: <https://coostrails.files.wordpress.com/2020/08/humbug-short-trail-2.pdf>

New hike guidelines

1. Hike groups will be limited to 15 people.
2. Hikers will be asked to complete a registration form so organizers can

control the number.

3. Hikers will be asked to maintain social distance (as much as 10-12 feet) on the trail
4. Hikers will be asked to have face covering (like a bandana) that can be pulled up at tight spots on the trail
5. Hikers should step off the trail to let others pass

Other information

There are no restrooms at the trailhead. The restrooms may be open at Battle Rock Park in Port Orford.

Location and time

Meet at the Humbug Mountain trail head at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 13.

Directions: Take the Coast Highway (U.S. Highway 101) south, past Port Orford. The trail head is about 6 miles south of Port Orford.

Remember to complete registration form.

Local actors to present ‘King Lear’ on YouTube

The World

COOS BAY — Coos Bay Shakespeare in the Park and Dolphin Players will present “King Lear” on YouTube Live on Saturday, Sept. 12, and Sunday, Sept. 13, at 4 p.m.

To access the presentations, on Sept 12 use the following link: <https://youtu.be/po9MHCgxu94> and on Sept. 13, use this link: <https://youtu.be/G2w-BL8oGBvM>

“Love cools, friendship falls off, brothers divide: in cities, mutinies; in countries, discord; in palaces, treason, and the bond cracked ‘twixt son and father.”

“Join us for Shakespeare’s most intricate tragedy and explore how loves and loyalties change as we all stand alone, connected only by technology; bareheaded before the storm,” said a press release.

Lakeside hires new city manager

The World

LAKESIDE — The City of Lakeside has offered the city manager/recorder position to Loree Pryce who has been acting in the position since late June of this year.

The Lakeside City Council interviewed 10 applicants during the recruitment process for the position and determined that Pryce was the best candidate for the job, said a city spokesperson.

Pryce has over 25 years of experience in city government and is a licensed civil engineer in Oregon and California. Her background includes



Loree Pryce

capacities as public works director and city engineer in cities including Roseburg, Brookings, Westlake Village, Calif., and City of Ventura, Calif. Other experience includes land development supervisor for the City of Santa Bar-

bara and project engineer for Casitas Water District both in California.

Pryce has a degree in environmental engineering from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo. She has spent two years in Leadership programs including the Ford Leadership program based in Roseburg.

“I am looking forward to serving the community of Lakeside and carrying out the goals of our council,” Pryce said. “I am charmed by Lakeside, the residents, the culture and our staff. I feel a strong sense of dedication and commitment for doing the best we can for Lakeside.”

Pryce will maintain part time hours for her consulting firm that provides engineering support to adjacent communities including Powers and Oakland.

“City staff and council works as a team here at City Hall to administer the business of the city, and Ms. Pryce is now a valued member of this team, with the ultimate responsibility and authority to act as our recorder-manager,” said the spokesperson. “When you get an opportunity to do so, stop by city hall and meet Loree Pryce, and welcome her to our community.”

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MEETINGS

TUESDAY, SEPT. 8

South Coast ESD Board of Directors — 6 p.m., regular meeting. The meeting will be conducted virtually with minimal staff attending in person at 1350 Teakwood Ave. in Coos Bay. Find the meeting link at www.scesd.k12.or.us/board-of-directors/ or call/email 541-266-3951 or kathleenm@scesd.k12.or.us for additional information.

North Bend City Council — 7 p.m., regular meeting. To view the agenda, visit: <https://www.north-bendoregon.us>. Work Session and Council Meetings will be conducted remotely at the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBQ3YfjsfZPmyNBibUdFCwA>.

Myrtle Point City Council — 7:30 p.m., regular meeting, Flora M. Laird Memorial Library meeting room, 435 Fifth St., Myrtle Point.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 10

Southwestern Oregon Community College Board of Education — 10 a.m., regular meeting, 1988 Newmark Ave., OCCI/Tioga Hall 505, 1988 Newmark Ave., Coos Bay. Detailed agenda will be posted to the webpage (www.socc.edu/Board).

FRIDAY, SEPT. 11

Southwestern Oregon Community College Board of Education — 8:30 a.m., board retreat workshop, 1988 Newmark Ave., OCCI/Tioga Hall 505, 1988 Newmark Ave., Coos Bay. Detailed agenda will be posted to the webpage (www.socc.edu/Board).

MONDAY, SEPT. 14

Reedsport City Council — 6 p.m., work session; 7 p.m., regular meeting, Reedsport City Hall, 451 Winchester Ave., Reedsport.

Bandon School District Board of Directors — 5:30 p.m., work session, 6:30 p.m., regular meeting, Bandon High School library, 550

Ninth St. SW. Meetings are held virtually via Zoom and broadcast to the public via Facebook Live. Any public comment on any agenda item should be sent in advance of the meetings to district secretary Rachel Hernandez at rachelh@bandon.k12.or.us.

Coos County Area Transportation District (CCATD) Board of Directors — 8 a.m., regular meeting, South Coast Business Employment Corporation, 93781 Newport Lane, Coos Bay. This meeting will be streaming live: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/667827645> Password 1982 or dial 1 346 248 7799; Webinar ID: 667 827 645 Password 1982. To view the agenda, visit www.coostransit.org.

Bandon City Council and Urban Renewal Agency — 7 p.m., regular meeting followed by Urban Renewal Agency meeting, Bandon City Hall, 555 Highway 101. The meeting will also be live-streamed on Facebook on the City of Bandon - Local Government page. Agenda and supporting documents available at www.cityofbandon.org.

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Bicyclist killed in crash

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HAUSER — On Sunday, Sept. 6, at approximately 1:12 p.m., Oregon State Police and emergency personnel responded to a vehicle crash on U.S. Highway 101 near milepost 232, about 4 miles north of North Bend.

A preliminary investigation revealed that a Nissan Titan operated by Renee Reiser, 56, of Florence, was northbound when it crossed over the fog line and struck two bicyclists, also northbound.

Bicyclist Jason Dixon, 42, sustained fatal injuries and was pronounced deceased.

Bicyclist Robert Hammonds, 52, sustained life-threatening injuries and was transported to a local hospital.

OSP was assisted by North Bend Police Department, North Bend Fire and Rescue and the Oregon Department of Transportation.



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Stems reach up to 4 feet tall, numbering one to many from roots.


Flowerheads are in somewhat flat-topped clusters, yellow and daisy-like in appearance.

Plants spread primarily by seed. Seed bank can remain viable in the soil for 15 years.




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The leaves are toxic to cattle and horses, causing irreversible liver damage. Sheep appear to be unaffected by ragwort's toxicity



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Oregon reports 11 more COVID-19 deaths over weekend

PORTLAND — COVID-19 claimed 11 more lives from Friday to Sunday, raising the state's death toll to 481, according to the Oregon Health Authority.

The Oregon Health Authority also reported 190 new confirmed and presumptive cases of COVID-19 on Sunday, bringing the state total to 28,044.

OHA reported 268 new confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases on Friday and 261 on Saturday.

The new cases reported Sunday are in the following counties: Benton (3), Clackamas (18), Columbia (1), Curry (1), Deschutes (3), Jackson (13), Jefferson (1), Lane (14), Linn (2), Malheur (8), Marion (30), Morrow (1), Multnomah (50), Polk (3), Umatilla (14), Wasco (3), Washington (23), and Yamhill (2).

Oregon's 481st COVID-19 death is an 89-year-old man in Lane County who tested positive on Aug. 27 and died on Sept. 5, in his residence. He had underlying conditions.

The new cases reported Saturday are in the following counties: Benton (2), Clackamas (23), Columbia (2), Coos (3), Deschutes (1), Jackson (18), Jefferson (2), Josephine (3), Klamath (1), Lane (6), Lincoln (2), Linn (1), Malheur (31), Marion (49), Morrow (1), Multnomah (43), Polk (5), Tillamook (1), Umatilla (17), Union (2), Wasco (5), Washington (33), and Yamhill (10).

Oregon's 476th COVID-19 death is a 53-year-old man in Marion County who tested positive

on Aug. 17 and died on Sept. 3, at Salem Hospital. He had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 477th COVID-19 death is an 80-year-old woman in Multnomah County who tested positive on Aug. 3 and died on Sept. 2, at her residence. She had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 478th COVID-19 death is a 68-year-old man in Umatilla County who tested positive on June 21 and died on July 16, at his residence. Presence of underlying conditions is being confirmed. The death certificate listed COVID-19 disease or SARS-CoV-2 as a cause of death or a significant condition contributing to death.

Oregon's 479th COVID-19 death is a 70-year-old man in Clackamas County who became symptomatic on Aug. 4 and died on Aug. 15, at Providence Willamette Valley Medical Center. He had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 480th COVID-19 death is a 78-year-old man in Washington County who tested positive on Aug. 22 and died on Sept. 4, at his residence. He had underlying conditions.

The new confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases reported Friday are in the following counties: Benton (4), Clackamas (18), Clatsop (1), Coos (1), Crook (2), Curry (1), Deschutes (2), Hood River (2), Jackson (12), Jefferson (1), Josephine (6), Lake (2), Lane (22), Linn (5), Malheur (31), Marion (44), Morrow (6), Multnomah (43), Polk (3), Tillamook

(2), Umatilla (32), Union (1), Wasco (2), Washington (23), and Yamhill (2).

Oregon's 471st COVID-19 death is a 43-year-old man in Clackamas County who tested positive on Aug. 12 and died on Aug. 26, at Providence St. Vincent Medical Center. He had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 472nd COVID-19 death is a 52-year-old man in Multnomah County who tested positive on Aug. 25 and died on Sept. 2, at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center. He had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 473rd COVID-19 death is a 73-year-old man in Multnomah County who tested positive on Aug. 13 and died on Sept. 1, at Legacy Good Samaritan Medical Center. He had underlying conditions.

Oregon's 474th COVID-19 death is a 56-year-old woman in Washington County who tested positive on July 15 and died on Sept. 3 at OHSU. She had underlying medical conditions.

Oregon's 475th COVID-19 death is an 87-year-old woman in Multnomah County who tested positive on April 16 and died on July 18 in her residence. She had underlying conditions. The death certificate listed COVID-19 disease or SARS-CoV-2 as a cause of death or a significant condition contributing to death.

Note: Monday, Sept. 7, OHA will publish its daily media release and newsletter but will not tally the Labor Day weekend totals

until Tuesday, Sept. 8.

OHA releases modeling update

OHA released its latest modeling report today showing that the current rate of transmission has fallen to a point where each case is generating less than one other case. For this reason, daily case numbers are dropping.

"This is tremendous progress, but it will only continue if we keep up the pressure," said Dean Sidelinger, MD, state health officer and state epidemiologist. "We cannot ease up and allow Labor Day social gatherings to send our rate back up. This virus remains extremely contagious and spreads very quickly. It would not take much for cases to rise again."

The model looked at the following scenarios:

If the transmission rate continues as it is today, then by Sept. 24, the new daily cases would drop to 410 from today's 560, resulting in diagnosis of about approximately 150 of those cases. There would be six severe cases per day and the reproduction rate is 0.9 in this scenario, indicating that each case generates 0.9 others on average.

If the rate of transmission were to drop by 5 percent, by Sept. 24, the model estimates 240 daily cases with diagnosis of roughly 90 of them and five severe cases per day. In this scenario the reproduction rate would be slightly lower at 0.77.

If the transmission rate were to rise by 5 percent from current levels, then by Sept. 24, each case would

County	Cases	Total deaths	Negative tests
Baker	77	2	1405
Benton	226	6	11085
Clackamas	2063	58	53425
Clatsop	97	0	4984
Columbia	135	1	6134
Coos	126	0	5726
Crook	57	1	2342
Curry	23	0	1438
Deschutes	703	11	25451
Douglas	180	3	11022
Gilliam	4	0	250
Grant	8	0	789
Harney	12	0	726
Hood River	238	0	4565
Jackson	895	3	25518
Jefferson	471	7	4313
Josephine	171	2	9592
Klamath	236	2	9244
Lake	30	0	765
Lane	789	7	55366
Lincoln	469	13	8028
Linn	401	13	14369
Malheur	1288	20	4463
Marion	4043	82	42091
Morrow	455	3	1564
Multnomah	6273	124	124898
Polk	448	15	7696
Sherman	18	0	318
Tillamook	42	0	2715
Umatilla	2781	39	12048
Union	423	2	3042
Wallowa	23	1	867
Wasco	222	3	4456
Washington	3953	49	81405
Wheeler	0	0	156
Yamhill	664	14	15125
Total	28,044	481	557,38

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

generate 1.05 new cases, and daily cases would rise to 790, with 180 diagnosed per day. Severe cases would rise to 11 per day.

"The takeaway from our modeling this week is very clear: We've made great progress through hard work and sacrifice, but those gains are tenuous," added Dr. Sidelinger. "It's on every one of us to maintain the progress we've made against COVID-19, and together we can do it."

See table for Sunday's total cases, deaths, and negative tests by county.

1This includes cases confirmed by diagnostic

testing and presumptive cases. Presumptive cases are those without a positive diagnostic test who present COVID-19-like symptoms and had close contact with a confirmed case. County of residence for cases may change as new information becomes available. If changes occur, we will update our counts accordingly.

2For additional details on individuals who have died from COVID-19 in Oregon, please refer to our press releases.

3This includes cases who test negative and are not epi-linked to a confirmed case.

New case of COVID-19 reported in Curry County

The World

CURRY COUNTY — Notification came from Curry General Hospital at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 5 of a confirmed case of COVID-19. The case has been verified and confirmed by the Curry County public health officer through lab results, according to Public Health Administrator Sherrié Ward.

Public health has made contact with the individual, who is a Curry County resident and is at home self-isolating, monitoring symptoms. Curry County Public Health is currently investigating the case to identify any possible contacts and exposures relevant to the case. Public health will reach out to anyone suspected of exposure to COVID-19.

As of Sept. 5, the total verified number of positive cases in Curry County is currently 23, with 19 recovered cases, four active cases, no hospitalizations and no deaths.

"Please remember, it is important that we all

follow the OHA and CDC guidelines and Governor's directives about social distancing, wearing facial coverings in public build-

ings and protecting ourselves by staying home to slow the spread and save lives," Ward said. Public Health will

continue to keep the public informed with all the information they can in order to keep its citizens safe.

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New drug pricing executive order burdens patients

KENNETH E. THORPE

President Trump just issued several executive orders designed to reduce drug prices. The most consequential, dubbed a “Most Favored Nation” policy, pegs Medicare payments for medicines to the prices paid by foreign governments.

This plan would reduce access to today’s innovative medicines and stifle medical progress. It must be shelved. There are much better ideas for reducing prescription drug costs.

Many foreign nations have single-payer health systems that impose strict price controls on new medicines and refuse to cover particularly expensive drugs.

Patients living in those nations end up with fewer treatment options. Patients in the United Kingdom and France had access to just seven in 10 new cancer therapies between 2011 and 2018. American patients could access to virtually all of them.

The U.S. market operates differently. Insurers compete for patients -- often by offering generous drug coverage. Drug researchers are incentivized to develop new treatments, as they know that American patients value innovation. As a result, research companies across the world generally launch their

newest drugs here first.

The proposed executive order would slow medical progress. There are currently 4,500 drugs in America’s development pipeline. These medicines target everything from cancer and HIV to heart disease and asthma. Price controls would inevitably reduce drug firms’ revenues -- and leave them less to invest in research and development. This could block the next generation of drugs from ever even hitting the pharmacy shelf.

Medical breakthroughs are constantly making it easier and cheaper for patients to stay healthy. A recent study from my organization, the Partnership to Fight Chronic Disease, found that new medicines could avoid \$6 trillion in healthcare costs and prevent 16 million deaths by 2030.

It isn’t fair that Americans pay so much more than Canadians and Europeans. But policymakers should work to get these nations to shoulder more of the research burden -- not import their harmful policies.

(Kenneth E. Thorpe is a professor of health policy at Emory University and chairman of the Partnership to Fight Chronic Disease. This piece originally ran in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Engelke will help North Bend prosper

What is best for North Bend’s future? Jessica Engelke — who is running for mayor. She has a vision for making North Bend the best it can be. She is an educator at Southwestern Oregon Community College, a mentor for SWOCC business students and the Junior Chamber of Commerce, an active member of the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, and a North Bend City Council member since 2018.

Jessica has the background, knowledge and experience to champion a new vision for our South Coast and city of North Bend. As mayor, she will move us forward to create a place where people want to live, work, visit and play.

Although, I live in Coos Bay, I want both North Bend and Coos Bay to prosper. Jessica can make this happen for North Bend as mayor. I hope you will vote for Jessica for North Bend mayor.

Renee’ Menkens
Coos Bay

Looters live in the White House

Last week, the Peoples’ House was looted. Its dignity stolen so blatant lies could be read from a teleprompter, all paid for with taxpayers’ money. Money that was not going to help teach our children. Money that was not helping our elderly receive the care they deserve. Money not going to support veterans who have given so much.

Instead of governing, what were these looters doing? Erecting television scenes in the Rose Garden. One of the most hurtful words were made Thursday night when The White House was called “a building” by the man who occupies it, and even boasted that “we” have it and “they” don’t.

The White House is The Peoples’ House. It is a living memorial to our republic and democratic way of life. Now, its tenants govern by royal decree, like the recent 10% tariff placed on Canadian aluminum so that Rusal, a Russian company with a 40% stake in a proposed aluminum mill in Ashland, Kentucky can make even more profit from its 200 million dollar investment.

The scribble of a marker deferred the Payroll Tax responsibilities between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31. This tax funds Social Security and Medicare and would not be paid until January 1 through April 30, 2021. This

tax, if cut permanently on Dec. 31, as stated in August of this year, would bankrupt these two programs by 2023 in their time of continuing need.

What were the looters doing last week? Sabotaging the United States Postal Service with removal of automated sorting machines, drop boxes and cutting employee hours during a pandemic and in front of a presidential election. Its 17% military veteran workforce continue to serve our country, delivering lifesaving prescriptions and protecting democracy.

The ultimate moment of disgust for me was seeing a man and a row of American flags with gleaming golden eagles, just below head height. The Presidential Seal was positioned and centered behind his head, slightly elevated above the flags, but still partially hidden so that only the golden rim of the seal was seen. It made a literal glowing halo of gold around the man’s head.

For four days, the cries for law and order were made from an active crime scene. The Hatch Act was defied and defiled, and we taxpayers paid for it. Do not expect me to applaud and cheer these looters.

Sue Powrie
Myrtle Point

Empire Boat Dock funded with Urban Renewal money?

Why did we waste Urban Renewal money on the Empire boat docks? This money comes from our property taxes. The project could have been funded by the Oregon State Marine Board who uses our license fees to pay for these projects. There is a catch to Marine Board funding, no fees can be charged to users.

What are our County Commissioners and the City of Coos Bay up to? Will the Empire boat launch be the next fee launch where you have to pay \$5 or buy a \$50 yearly pass? More punishment for clam diggers, crabbers and fishermen who object to Jordan Cove LNG project?

What about the other businesses who use this launch to test and sell boats and all the stores that sell sporting goods? Are the Chamber of Commerce members OK with this?

God bless those County Commissioners and City of Coos Bay for allowing the waste of our Urban Renewal money. None of you will ever get my vote. The situation at Empire was not a new issue. You wait till the docks are



Big spending Biden

Which presidential candidate will bankrupt America first, Donald Trump or Joe Biden?

Last year, we compared the costs of the leading Democratic candidates’ promises. At that time, Biden, to his credit, proposed the least new spending.

Kamala Harris promised the most. She wanted to add \$4.2 trillion to America’s debt. Her lavish promises didn’t win her supporters; she dropped out soon after. But now she’s Biden’s running mate, and Biden promises to spend more.

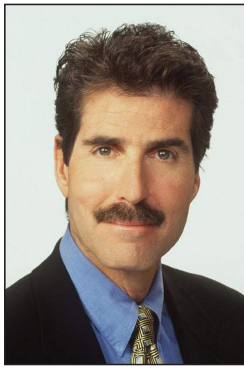
That’s unusual. Historically, Democrats moved left during the primaries, and then back toward the center once nominated. Not this time. Biden’s people met with Bernie Sanders’ staff and concocted a grotesque orgy of spending. That’s the subject of my video this week.

“Joe Biden has been lurching to the left on federal spending for years, first as a senator, then vice president, now as a presidential candidate,” says Pete Sepp, president of the National Taxpayers Union. “Tax, spend and borrow is going to bankrupt the nation.”

Originally, Biden proposed \$170 billion a year in new “climate” spending. Now, he wants \$500 billion. It will go for things like “green infrastructure... more efficient windows... 500,000 charging stations for electric cars.”

“This is the way that governments grow at the expense of the American people,” says Sepp. I push back. “So they spend it. So what? We’ll have more infrastructure.”

But there’s a key difference. Those rights mean: Govern-



JOHN STOSSEL

“What we won’t have is infrastructure that’s efficient or effective,” Sepp replies. “We will have holes in the ground and mass transit that people won’t ride.”

Biden wants to spend \$77.5 billion more to pay caregivers for children and the elderly.

“A good thing?” I suggest.

I like Sepp’s answer. “Why not leave more money in people’s pockets ... so they can afford to provide care for their families? We as taxpayers know better how to take care of our families and ourselves than some distant government.”

Biden wants \$64 billion more for housing subsidies, saying, “Housing should be a right.”

“A right to housing” may sound reasonable. So might a right to food, clothing, college, health care, etc.

After all, the Bill of Rights did grant Americans a right to free speech, free exercise of religion and the right to keep and bear arms.

But there’s a key difference.

Those rights mean: Govern-

ment must leave us alone.

But a “right” to housing -- or college, health care, etc. means government forcibly takes money from some Americans and gives it to others. That’s very different.

As I write, Biden’s new spending proposals total \$1.2 trillion a year.

“We can’t afford it!” complains Sepp. “Sooner or later, every nation faces a reckoning. Joe Biden’s policies, if enacted in full, draw that reckoning even closer.”

I say to Sepp, “We’ve been taxing and spending and borrowing, and except for COVID, we were doing well!”

“Deficits and debt don’t matter until, suddenly, spectacularly, they do!” he replies. “No one ever knows when doomsday happens until it already has. Ask the folks in Greece. Ask the folks in Weimar, Germany.”

The Weimar Republic printed so much money that the price of bread rose from 250 to 200,000 million marks. People brought wheelbarrows full of money with them when wanted to buy something.

Will it happen in America? No one knows. But eventually, we’ll have to pay our debts. A rubber band stretches and stretches but at some point, it breaks.

Our national debt is now a record \$26 trillion.

“Deficits and debt destroy economic growth,” says Sepp. “It’s going to hurt the American people. It’s coming.”

Next week, I’ll compare Biden’s spending plans with President Trump’s.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR cont.

sinking, seriously? Coos Bay’s reason for removing the docks due to COVID-19 is absurd. Have you been down there during high tide? The dock you left in place is partially underwater and people have to jump over it?

Charles Erickson
Coos Bay

You gotta be kidding me!

We hear cries: “Quit killing our blacks!” Well, There’s a guaranteed solution to eliminate the majority of “deaths by cops”: Simply do what you’re told to do!

The majority of these deaths occur when the “victim” refuses to obey. “Drop that knife!” “Stop!” Right?

In the Bible at Romans 13:1-4, it’s blatantly obvious: be compliant with authority ... or you’ll suffer!

It starts in the home: “Don’t play with matches!” Then, the school: “Don’t use your phone in class!” Employer: “Be here at 8 am sharp!” Health: “Stay away from drugs!” Driving: “Speed limit 55 mph!” Cops: “On the Ground!” Governor: “Wear masks!” The President: “Deploy to Vietnam!” Finally, God: “Thou shalt not ... !”

Simple, isn’t it? Obey lawful authority, or wear the consequences!

Bob Fluetsch
North Bend

Arrest the mobs

A whole lot of people are really tired of the left blaming Trump for the riots, virus, the sunrise, etc. The far left government in Portland and Salem are to blame and no one else. Brown, Wheeler can set this mess right at their own door.

My parents raised me to know right from wrong and to be lawful and show respect to others and not to hate everyone that has a different view of life. We all need to live by the rule of law. These people in Portland are the very people that don’t want to abide by rules of society. They need to be scooped up and jailed. When I broke a rule while growing up I was punished.

What has happened to our state? Democrats with extreme leftist thoughts are tearing this state down like they did in California. They should arrest the mobs and let’s get on with life.

Duane Slagle
Powers

Many, many thanks

Thank you to the nursing staff at Bay Area Hospital for their excellent care and empathy for my husband and our extended family during an incredibly sad time for all of us. Your professionalism and understanding allowed all to have extended time with our husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. I really can’t stress how great you were.

Thank you to our friends who provided support and care for our large family group. It allowed us more time to share meals and time together. You ladies are SO appreciated.

And, a big thank you to R & J Plumbing! During a stressful time, we had a plumbing issue. After calling many plumbers on the Friday afternoon before Labor Day, one who said would call back and didn’t, and others who couldn’t come for weeks to months, I called Tri-County Plumbing who couldn’t help but gave me plumber Ron Ward’s recently established business number. He came immediately and fixed the issue. We are forever grateful.

Betty Pratt
North Bend

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

Write a Letter to the Editor and be part of the community discussion on local topics. Letters should not contain any personal attacks against other community members.

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‘Tenet’ tallies \$20.2M as Americans step back into theaters

NEW YORK (AP) — In a litmus test for American moviegoing in the pandemic, Christopher Nolan’s “Tenet” brought in an estimated \$20.2 million through the holiday weekend in U.S. and Canadian theaters.

The result could be greeted as either the rejuvenation of U.S. cinemas — more Americans went to the movies this weekend than they have in nearly six months — or a reflection of drastically lowered standards for Hollywood’s top blockbusters given the circumstances.

About 70% of U.S. movie theaters are currently open; those in the country’s top markets, Los Angeles and New York, remain closed. Theaters that are operating are limiting audiences to a maximum of 50% capacity to distance moviegoers from one another. “Tenet” played in 2,810 North American locations, about three-fourths of what most major releases typically launch in.

Warner Bros. declined to split up U.S. and Canadian box office receipts. Theaters in Canada, where COVID-19 cases are much lower than in the U.S., began showing “Tenet” a week earlier. The film debuted stateside with nightly preview screenings Monday through Wednesday before the official opening on Thursday. Warner Bros. included all of the above in its estimated gross Sunday, along with expected returns for Monday’s Labor Day.

“Tenet” opened stronger in China. It debuted there with \$30 million in ticket sales from Friday to Monday. Internationally, “Tenet” has exceeded expectations. In two weeks of release, its overseas total is \$126 million, with a global tally thus far of \$146.2 million.

Warner Bros. has emphasized that the usual opening-weekend calculus is out the window. Few onlookers felt it was possible to gauge how “Tenet” would open. The film, which cost \$200 million to make and at least \$100 million to market, will need to get close to \$500 million to break even.

In the film’s favor: It

currently has the big screen almost entirely to itself. Some multiplexes played “Tenet” as many as 100 times over the weekend. With little else on the horizon, Warner Bros. is counting on a long run for “Tenet.”

Not in the film’s favor: Audiences didn’t love Nolan’s latest time-bender. Moviegoers gave the thriller, starring John David Washington, Robert Pattinson and Elizabeth Debicki, a “B” CinemaScore, the lowest grade for a Nolan release since 2006’s “The Prestige.” Reviews (75% positive on Rotten Tomatoes) have been good but far from overwhelming.

Warner Bros. declined to make executives available to discuss the opening but said in a statement that “Tenet” had to be judged differently. “We are in unprecedented territory, so any comparisons to the pre-COVID world would be inequitable and baseless,” said the studio.

Analyzing the film’s performance was virtually impossible, said senior media analyst Paul Dergarabedian for data firm Comscore. He acknowledged North America remains a more challenged marketplace than Europe or Asia, but called it a solid start in what will be lengthy run for “Tenet.”

“It’s going to take a longer time to assess this,” said Dergarabedian. “The win is just to have movies open. To me, that says a lot.”

Hollywood is watching closely. With the majority of the studios’ top productions delayed until next year, the industry is experimenting with how to release its most expensive movies in the COVID-era. The Walt Disney Co. this weekend also debuted its \$200 million live-action “Mulan” remake, but did so as a \$30 purchase for Disney+ subscribers.

Disney on Sunday didn’t share digital returns for “Mulan” — a practice that’s been common among streaming companies and previous anticipated VOD releases like Universal’s “Trolls World Tour” and Disney’s own “Hamilton.” But “Mulan” is also playing in theaters in some overseas territories.

OBITUARY

Kenneth “Kenny” Gray Pratt

May 21, 1938 – August 28, 2020



Kenny was always up for having fun, had a great sense of humor and was never unkind — unless you were a gopher tearing through the backyard.

Kenneth “Kenny” Gray Pratt, 82, of North Bend, Oregon, died Aug. 28, 2020, in the Bay Area Hospital in Coos Bay. Though Kenny’s death came suddenly, his wife, children and most of his grandchildren were able to say goodbye in person.

Kenny was born on May 21, 1938, to Sena May Trosper and Keith Ezra Pratt in Union, Oregon.

He was the fourth of five children, raised in La Grande, among lots of family. He graduated from La Grande High School in 1956. A piece of Kenny will always remain in La Grande, especially since he lost a fingertip to the elevator in the old Sacajawea Hotel while delivering newspapers as a child.

Kenny joined the Navy following high school,



with hopes of being a pilot. He spent four years in the Navy as a mine man diver. Kenny married his first wife, Janice Sheinfeld, in 1960, and they had four children, Kim, Sheri, Jana and Michael. Following the death of Janice from colon cancer, Kenny met and married his second wife Betty Haven, with whom he would spend the next 39 years of his life.

Kenny was the last telegraph operator in Grass Valley, Oregon, a brakeman on a Union Pacific train, and then a conductor. He was elected legislative director of the railroad union and he and Betty moved to Salem in 1984. Kenny and Betty lived in Salem for 20 years before retiring to North Bend, in 2004. He and Betty loved visiting Garibaldi on the coast and going out on their boat. While in North Bend, Kenny was active in Shriners and was president for three years. He and Betty bought a hillside

property they spent years fixing up and working in the garden.

Kenny loved to tell stories, maybe a bit exaggerated at times, about his childhood with his brothers (his poor mom); his Navy stories including exchanging a uniform for a serape in Mexico; and railroad stories from back when he worked as a trainman, a fun time for him when friendships were formed forever. As the state director of the UTU (train workers’ union), when the railroad lobbyists wrote a letter to the legislators accusing Kenny of being misleading, his return letter asserted his accusers were the “Kings of Misleadingdom.”

Kenny was preceded in death by his parents Sena May and Keith; his first wife Janice; and his sister Leila Marie Fernandez.

Kenny is survived by his wife Betty; children, Kim Ankrum (Steve), Sheri Pratt-Campbell (Herb), Jana Pratt Warren and Michael Pratt (Rebecca); step-children Dorrie Kaetzel (Jim) and L.P. McClennan (Verna); 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He’ll be laid to rest in Island City. Due to COVID and at Kenny’s request, there will be no ceremony.

The World

COOS BAY — Southwestern Oregon Community College will offer free virtual tutoring services for high school students. Teachers and students are encouraged to utilize this service to help them navigate the upcoming school year.

Starting Sept. 14, Southwestern student tutors will be available via Zoom Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-

8 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

“We recognize what a stressful year this is for high school students, teachers and families,” said Southwestern Oregon Community College Dean of Instruction Meredith Stone. “Our hope is these tutoring services remove some of that anxiety and help students be successful in this unusual year.”

High school students and teachers can connect

virtually with an appropriate, faculty-recommended tutor in three simple steps. See the detailed schedule for a list of tutors available by subject:

Click on the Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/2449777118#success>

Tell Southwestern what subject you need help with.

Get connected with a tutor!

For more information, call 541-888-1593 or email llcinfo@socc.edu.

Sunset Bay health advisory lifted

The World

PORTLAND — The Oregon Health Authority on Friday, Sept. 4, lifted a public health advisory for contact with marine water at Sunset Bay Beach, located in Coos County. The health authority issued the advisory Sept. 2 after water samples showed higher than normal levels of fecal bacteria in ocean waters.

Results from later samples taken by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality showed lower bacteria levels.

Contact with the water no longer poses a higher than normal risk. However, officials recommend staying out of large pools on the beach that are frequented by birds, and runoff from those pools, because the water may contain increased bacteria from fecal matter.

State officials continue to encourage other recreational activities at all Oregon beaches, suggesting only that water contact be avoided when advisories are in effect.

Since 2003, state officials have used a U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency grant to monitor popular Oregon beaches and make timely reports to the public about elevated levels of fecal bacteria. Oregon state agencies participating in this program are OHA, DEQ and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.

For more information, visit the Oregon Beach Monitoring Program website at <http://www.healthoregon.org/beach> or call 971-673-0440, or call the OHA toll-free information line at 877-290-6767.

DEAR ABBYBy Abigail Van Buren

Recent divorcee is surprised to find love close to home

DEAR ABBY: I am recently divorced after a 19-year marriage, and to my great shock, I already find myself in love with another man. I didn’t come out of the marriage looking for anyone, nor did I think I’d ever marry again, but this man wants to marry me, and I’m seriously considering it.

We bonded when he contacted me to offer support after he heard about my divorce, and it was love at “second” sight. Why “second”? Because we grew up together -- literally next door -- and he’s my first cousin.

Despite the societal taboo, it is legal in my state for first cousins to marry, and genetic issues with offspring aren’t a concern. We’re both sterile and have no ability (or desire) for more children. My siblings suspect and aren’t pleased with the situation. His parents know and are happy for us.

Am I crazy to think I’m in love again this quickly? It doesn’t feel too fast because we’ve always known each other and been close; it’s just that the form of love has changed. How do we break it to the rest of the family? The world? People can be so judgmental, even though in many parts of the world it is perfectly normal to marry your cousin. -- SECRET LOVE IN THE SOUTH

DEAR SECRET LOVE: You are not “crazy,” but you may be in an altered mental state, as many recently divorced people have found themselves. They describe it as a kind of high.

If you are wise -- and I hope you are -- you will slow this romance down and allow enough time for your family to become accustomed to the changed circumstances of your relationship with your cousin. The “world” isn’t going to care about this the way your family does, so don’t concern yourself with explaining anything to the general public. (How often have you asked couples to explain if they are related in addition to marriage? Not many, I’ll bet.)

My advice is to let this new relationship evolve more slowly. If you do, the outcome may be more positive than if you hurtle to the altar.

DEAR ABBY: I have the best wife and daughter ever, and here’s my dilemma. My daughter lives in another state and would love us to build a second home nearby to be closer to their family.

My wife and I are nearly 80 and very active. I play tennis or pickleball every day. My wife walks an hour to an hour and a half every morning. We are happiest when we are active. Where my daughter lives is not conducive to walking, and my wife would be very unhappy.

Please don’t suggest a gym or a treadmill -- been there, done that. Plus, my wife has no desire to take on the added burden of a second house. We just downsized five years ago. How do I keep the two women in my life happy? -- FIGURING IT OUT IN FLORIDA

DEAR FIGURING: Recognize that it won’t be possible to make both women happy. Your first loyalty should be to your wife.

Explain to your daughter that you know she means well, but that at your ages (80), your routine is extremely important. (It’s true.) That routine may be what keeps you as healthy as you are. Back it up with the fact that two homes would be too much for you and her mother to manage, which is why you have BOTH decided -- as much as you love her -- to keep things as they are. And stick to it. Your daughter can visit you, and you can visit her, but stay where you are.

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DEATH NOTICES

Faithe Marie Vest, 34, of North Bend, passed away August 29, 2020 in North Bend. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Angela Cope, 59 of North Bend, passed away August 29, 2020 in Coos Bay. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Claire Harris, 93, of Myrtle Point, passed away August 28, 2020 in Myrtle Point. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

Betsey Fleming Jacobs, 44, of North Bend, passed away August 29, 2020 in North Bend. Cremation Rites are under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, Oregon 541/267-4216

SERVICE NOTICES

A memorial service will be held for **Donna White**, 83, of North Bend, on Saturday, September 19, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery, 63060 Millington Frontage Road in Coos Bay. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated for **Lloyd Dean Lorenz**, 82, of Coos Bay, at 2:00 pm, Thursday, September 10th at the Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in North Bend. Inurnment will be at Ocean View Memorial Gardens. Arrangements are under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 541-267-4216.

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Council candidates (four-year term, top three are seated):
Drew Farmer (incumbent)
Stephanie Kilmer (incumbent)
Lucinda DiNovo (incumbent)
Cody Skoff
Cameron Langley
Jim Kingsley

NORTH BEND
Mayoral candidates
(two-year term):
Jessica Engelke (current city councilor)
James Rose

Council candidates
(four-year term, top three are seated):
Levi Clow
Eric Gleason
Pat Goll
Ron Kutch
Timm Slater (incumbent)
Jonathan Vinyard
Susanna Noordhoff

BANDON
Mayoral candidates
(two-year term):
Mary Schamehorn (incumbent)
Nancy Evans

Councilor candidates

(four-year term, top three are seated):
Geri Procetto (incumbent)
Brian Vick (incumbent)
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COQUILLE
Mayoral candidates
(two-year term):
Matt Rowe (current city councilor)
Sam Flaherty

Councilor candidates
(four-year term, top three are seated):
Paul Recanzone
Julie Nighswonger (incumbent)
John Cooper
Jay Westrum

MYRTLE POINT
Mayoral candidates

(two-year term):
Bill Schaefer (incumbent)
Mike West

Councilor candidates
(four-year term, top three are seated):
Michael S. Hogan (incumbent)
Gary Sullivan (incumbent)
Mike Wood (incumbent)

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Mayoral candidates
(two-year term):
James Edwards (incumbent)
Michael Lendahl

Councilor candidates
(four-year term, top three are seated):
Thomas Miller (incumbent)
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Kenneth Ireland
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POWERS
Mayoral candidates
(two-year term):
Robert Kohn (incumbent)
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(four-year term, top three are seated):
Wanda L. Blanton (incumbent)
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Douglas County

REEDSPORT
Mayoral candidates
(two-year term):
Linda McCollum (incumbent - unopposed)

Councilor candidates
(four-year term, top three are seated):
DeeDee Murphy (incumbent)
Jeffrey W. Vanier
Joe F. Liedtky
Curry County

PORT ORFORD
Mayoral candidates
(four-year term):
Pat Cox (current city councilor)

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(four-year term, top three are seated):
Tim Pogwizd (current mayor)
Gary Burns (incumbent who was appointed to fill a vacant position two years ago)
Gregory Tidey
Kim Nye

Measures

From A1

is any local, state, federal act, laws, orders, rules or regulations which restrict the right to keep and bear arms.
For example, the proposed ordinance would prohibit county officials from enforcing current laws that: Prohibit carrying a firearm concealed; prohibit those adjudicated to be mentally ill from possessing a firearm; and prohibit the unlawful possession of sawed-off shotguns, short-barreled rifles and silencers.
The ordinance allows county officials to enforce restrictions on convicted felons from possessing firearms. Would allow county officials to enforce crimes where possession of a firearm is an aggravating factor.
The ordinance has no effect on state, federal or municipal officials enforcing

any firearm law in Coos County.
A “no” vote leaves in place current practice regarding enforcement of firearms laws.

BANDON
Measure 6-186, Bandon School District No. 54 — Bonds to construct, renovate, repair and improve district facilities. Shall Bandon School District issue \$4 million in bonds and receive \$4 million state matching grant to construct, renovate, repair, improve facilities? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of section 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

CHARLESTON
Measure 6-185 — Measure authorizing Charleston Area tax on short-term lodging. Shall Coos County collect a 9.5% tax on

short-term lodging in the Charleston Area as defined in County Ordinance 20-07-004L? All revenue generated by the tax would go toward promoting tourism in the Charleston area.

COQUILLE
Measure 6-187 — Charter amendment allowing nomination by fee in addition to petition. Should the (City of Coquille) Charter be amended to allow nomination of candidates by paying a fee as an alternative to a petition?

LAKESIDE
Measure 6-182 — Should the City amend an ordinance 20-293 authorizing ATV access on all city streets?
Measure 6-183 — Should the City continue Ordinance 20-293 authorizing an ATV access route to Spinreel Dunes?r

MYRTLE POINT
Measure 6-184 —

Should the City enact an ordinance taxing licensed recreational marijuana sales up to 3%?

DOUGLAS COUNTY

Measure 10-180, advisory question — Should Douglas County Commissioners, State Representatives and Senators work toward moving the Idaho

state border to include Douglas County?
REEDSPORT
Measure 10-177 — Shall electors impose a tax on the sale of marijuana items by recreational marijuana retailers in the City of Reedsport?

WINSTON
Measure 10-178, advisory ballot measure — Should

the city amend its code to allow marijuana retailers in additional locations as permitted under state regulations?

CURRY COUNTY

PORT ORFORD
(measure number not available) — 3% tax on recreational marijuana sales in City of Port Orford.

Double fatal crash near Drain

The World

DRAIN — Two people have died following a crash on state Highway 38 Saturday night.
According to a press release from the Oregon State Police, at approximately 9:40 p.m., Sept. 5, OSP troopers and

emergency personnel responded to a two vehicle crash on Highway 38 near milepost 47.5, four miles west of Drain.
Preliminary investigation revealed that a Harley Davidson motorcycle, operated by Seth Albert, 38, of Eugene, was westbound when it collided

with a Ford F150, operated by Michael Fluharty, 57, of Walla Walla, Wash., that was turning to go eastbound onto Highway 38.
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TODAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				
Mostly sunny and breezy	Partly sunny and very warm	Partly sunny and cooler	Times of clouds and sun	Times of clouds and sun
83° 57°	83° 55°	70° 52°	66° 52°	65° 51°

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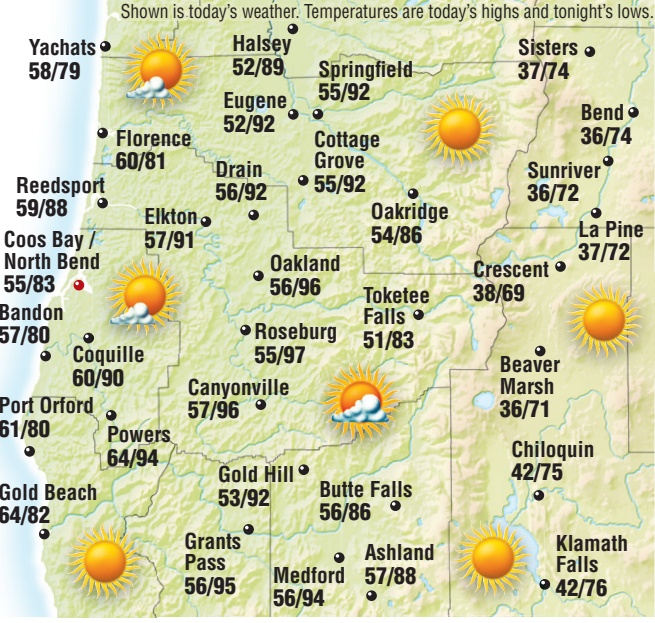
North Bend Sunday	
TEMPERATURE	
High/low	68°/51°
Normal high/low	66°/51°
Record high	88° in 1981
Record low	43° in 1969
PRECIPITATION	
Yesterday	0.00"
Year to date	28.02"
Last year to date	41.92"
Normal year to date	37.73"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight	7:41 p.m.		
Sunrise tomorrow	6:49 a.m.		
Moonrise tomorrow	10:55 p.m.		
Moonset tomorrow	1:03 p.m.		
Last	New	First	Full
Sep 10	Sep 17	Sep 23	Oct 1

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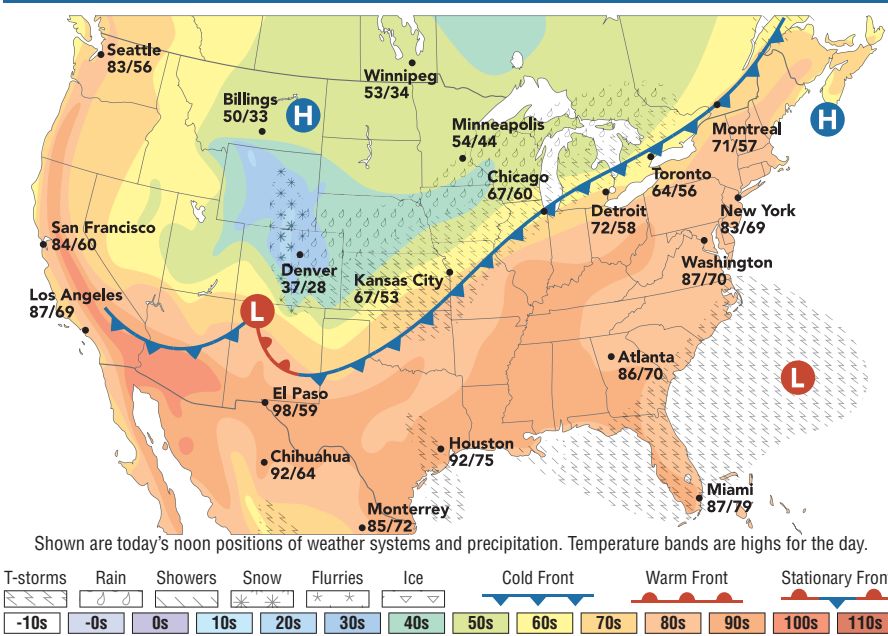
TIDES

Location	High	ft.	Tuesday	Low	ft.	High	ft.	Wednesday	Low	ft.
Bandon	4:40 a.m.	5.0	10:13 a.m.	2.4	5:42 a.m.	4.7	10:53 a.m.	3.0	---	---
Charleston	4:45 a.m.	5.5	10:11 a.m.	2.6	5:47 a.m.	5.1	10:51 a.m.	3.1	---	---
Coos Bay	6:11 a.m.	5.3	11:39 a.m.	1.2	7:13 a.m.	4.9	12:49 a.m.	1.1	---	---
Florence	5:29 a.m.	4.7	11:09 a.m.	2.1	6:31 a.m.	4.4	12:19 p.m.	2.8	---	---
Port Orford	4:29 a.m.	5.1	9:50 a.m.	2.7	5:36 a.m.	4.8	10:29 a.m.	3.2	---	---
Reedsport	5:51 a.m.	5.5	11:35 a.m.	2.4	6:48 a.m.	5.1	12:40 a.m.	1.3	---	---
Half Moon Bay	4:54 a.m.	5.1	10:23 a.m.	2.4	5:55 a.m.	4.7	11:03 a.m.	2.9	---	---

REGIONAL FORECASTS

South Coast		Curry Co. Coast		Rogue Valley		Willamette Valley		Portland Area		North Coast		Central Oregon	
Today	Tonight	Today	Tonight	Today	Tonight	Today	Tonight	Today	Tonight	Today	Tonight	Today	Tonight
													
85°	60°	82°	62°	94°	55°	92°	50°	83°	60°	81°	59°	77°	34°

NATIONAL FORECAST



NATIONAL EXTREMES YESTERDAY (for the 48 contiguous states)
National high: 122° at Death Valley, CA
National low: 30° at Fraser, CO

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Tue. Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	City	Tue. Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	City	Tue. Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W
Albuquerque	81/42/c	55/47/sh	Fargo	54/34/pc	60/39/s	Pittsburgh	89/64/pc	89/66/s
Anchorage	61/50/c	60/45/pc	Flagstaff	67/31/t	60/32/s	Pocatello	61/28/s	66/36/s
Atlanta	86/70/pc	86/71/c	Fresno	100/68/s	96/68/pc	Portland, ME	78/63/pc	76/62/pc
Atlantic City	81/72/pc	80/73/c	Green Bay	57/45/r	53/42/r	Providence	83/64/pc	80/68/c
Austin	89/74/pc	88/70/t	Hartford, CT	86/62/pc	85/66/c	Raleigh	85/70/pc	80/72/t
Baltimore	86/68/pc	83/72/c	Helena	58/33/s	71/41/s	Rapid City	49/28/r	57/34/s
Billings	50/33/pc	65/39/s	Honolulu	90/74/pc	90/77/pc	Redding	95/64/s	96/58/s
Birmingham	90/69/pc	90/71/pc	Houston	92/75/t	90/75/t	Reno	72/43/s	77/47/pc
Boise	68/45/s	74/49/s	Indianapolis	88/67/pc	89/65/pc	Richmond, VA	86/69/t	79/72/t
Boston	80/66/s	79/68/c	Kansas City	67/53/r	63/53/r	Sacramento	97/66/pc	93/60/pc
Buffalo	76/64/pc	83/63/s	Key West	89/82/pc	89/82/t	St. Louis	91/70/t	88/66/t
Burlington, VT	81/61/pc	80/62/c	Las Vegas	85/61/s	82/64/s	Salt Lake City	56/39/s	61/45/s
Caribou, ME	78/53/c	68/48/t	Lexington	88/64/pc	89/66/s	San Angelo	90/63/t	71/56/sh
Casper	37/18/sn	43/24/s	Little Rock	90/71/pc	89/71/t	San Diego	78/68/s	83/67/s
Charleston, SC	86/72/t	84/74/t	Los Angeles	87/69/s	88/66/s	San Francisco	84/60/s	77/61/s
Charlotte, WV	91/66/s	87/68/s	Louisville	91/68/s	92/70/pc	San Jose	93/61/s	86/60/s
Charlotte, NC	86/70/pc	82/71/t	Madison	56/47/r	54/45/r	Santa Fe	76/37/pc	54/39/pc
Cheyenne	31/23/sn	36/27/pc	Memphis	92/73/pc	90/72/t	Seattle	83/56/s	90/58/s
Chicago	67/60/t	68/59/c	Miami	87/79/t	89/79/t	Sioux Falls	51/42/sh	55/41/c
Cincinnati	88/66/pc	89/68/s	Milwaukee	61/53/t	61/54/r	Spokane	69/47/s	82/52/s
Cleveland	82/63/pc	83/63/s	Minneapolis	54/44/r	56/43/r	Springfield, IL	86/64/t	83/60/t
Colorado Spgs	40/25/sn	39/32/pc	Missoula	63/34/s	77/42/s	Springfield, MA	86/61/pc	86/63/c
Columbus, OH	88/65/pc	89/67/s	Nashville	92/67/pc	91/70/pc	Syracuse	81/64/pc	88/66/pc
Concord, NH	85/60/pc	85/60/pc	New Orleans	91/79/pc	90/80/pc	Tampa	90/76/t	89/77/t
Dallas	89/72/t	82/66/t	New York City	83/69/pc	82/72/c	Toledo	80/62/r	82/62/pc
Dayton	89/65/pc	90/65/s	Norfolk, VA	83/76/t	82/76/t	Trenton	85/65/pc	81/70/c
Daytona Beach	86/76/t	88/76/t	Oklahoma City	89/58/t	70/54/r	Tucson	100/73/s	91/64/s
Denver	37/28/sn	41/32/pc	Olympia, WA	83/47/s	90/49/s	Tulsa	89/67/t	84/66/r
Des Moines	54/47/r	55/49/sh	Omaha	51/45/r	53/47/r	Washington, DC	87/70/pc	82/73/sh
Detroit	72/58/r	78/60/pc	Orlando	88/76/t	90/76/t	W. Palm Beach	88/77/t	89/78/t
El Paso	98/59/pc	74/56/r	Philadelphia	87/69/pc	84/72/c	Wichita	75/50/r	61/50/r
Fairbanks	58/46/r	53/39/r	Phoenix	101/70/s	92/68/s	Wilmington, DE	85/67/pc	82/71/c

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice, Prec.-precipitation.

Fire

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the years, including a karate studio and a used goods store while the upper floors consist of office space.
Owners Jean Ivey-Gurney and her son Paul Recanzone converted the storefront to an office for Ivey-Gurney's weekly publication, previously known as The Coquille Valley Sentinel. The offices on the second floor have been converted to residential dwellings with communal bathrooms. The dwellings do not include kitchens or sinks.
According to Chief Ferren, the fire started in a room rented by Rick

Tentinger. The Oregon State Fire Marshal was on the scene Saturday to investigate the cause of the blaze which is suspected to be from an unattended electric or propane powered hot plate used for cooking. Tentinger and other tenants stated they used hot plates and microwaves to prepare meals.
The fire destroyed much of the roof exposing the upper floor to the elements. The marshal has deemed the building unsafe and locked the building prohibiting all commercial and residential tenants from entering. Dwellings will be prohibited in the building in the future without reengineering

ing and installation of adequate services. Tenants were escorted to their rooms to collect some of their belongings but were told they will have to wait until the investigation is complete before they can collect the rest.
Tentinger said he resided there for three years and worked as a handyman for Recanzone. Tentinger said he has lost everything he owned and, like his neighbors, now has nowhere to live. The Red Cross has been working with the tenants to provide temporary assistance. According to one tenant, Recanzone has promised to reimburse the tenants' September rent payment.



Contributed photo
Drone footage shows severe damage to the roof of the historic Sherwood Building in Coquille following a fire Friday night.

Virus

From a1
and justice. The only way through this is if we work together."
Flattening the virus curve
OHA director Pat Allen said the state is on a clear downtrend of daily COVID-19 cases statewide. In the latest data, OHA reported a 30% drop in weekly cases as compared to the peak of the pandemic in Oregon.
"That's a really encouraging sign and it's validation that more people are taking seriously the guidance to wear face coverings, practice physical distancing and to limit

gatherings," Allen said.
Efforts of Oregonians are working, said Allen, but they will need to keep up the pressure in order to open school classrooms for students and allow businesses to recover from the closures. Allen said social gatherings continue to be the main cause of spreading the virus.
"We simply cannot celebrate Labor Day, and all the holidays coming up in the fall and winter, the way we have celebrated them in the past," Allen said.
Gov. Brown urged Oregonians to make smart choices when it comes to virus this weekend, stating that three times Oregon has seen spikes in COVID-19 after a holiday weekend

since the pandemic began.
"I ask you, as you make your plans for Labor Day, please don't let your fatigue with these restrictions take away from our collective goal or reducing infection and preventing deaths," Gov. Brown said.
"The more we all follow good safety practices, the safer you and your family will be."
Both Gov. Brown and Allen hope Oregonians will stay local as much as possible and stay in small groups this weekend. If you do plan to be in a group, health officials are recommending you do so outside. Health officials also encourage everyone to keep a six foot distance, wear a face covering when

physical distance cannot be maintain, and continually wash your hands.
New modeling
Oregon has accounted for over 27,000 COVID-19 cases and 475 deaths so far. However, last week marked the fourth consecutive week that case totals have dropped, at a 8.6% drop from the previous week.
Testing positivity is also down to 4.4%, the first time since June that it has been below 5%. Below 5% is the figure needed to reopen classrooms. Allen said they are encouraged by the figures, but wants Oregonians not to lessen up.
"Any lapse in our col-

lective vigilance or in our individual judgment can have far-ranging impacts on us, our families and our communities," Allen said.
"It's not just about flattening the curve, it's about keeping it flat."
Dr. Sidelinger spoke about the newest OHA modeling that has also provided some encouraging signs. The modeling shows that each case is generating less than one other case, which is a reason for the daily case number decrease. However, Dr. Sidelinger said there is still work to be done.
"The virus is extremely contagious, spreads very quickly and it wouldn't take much for cases to spike again," Dr.

Sidelinger said.
At the current transmission rate, Dr. Sidelinger said they could see a substantial drop in daily case numbers by the end of September. As a result of the progress, the state is looking at reopening some lower risk activities, such as public pools and playgrounds. But the continued progress will depend on others' individual efforts to follow the safety guidelines.
"It's on every one of us to maintain the progress we've made to stop COVID-19 and together I know we can do it and get through this holiday weekend and keep the pressure up on COVID-19 in Oregon," Dr. Sidelinger said.

NORTHWEST STOCKS

Friday's closing quotes:	NW Natural	50.00	Levi Strauss	12.42
Stock	Skywest	35.44	Dow Jones closed	at 28,133.31
Intel	Starbucks	86.27	NASDAQ closed	at 11,313.13
Kroger	Umpqua Hldgs	12.05	S&P 500 closed	at 3,426.96
Microsoft	Weyerhaeuser	29.04		
Nike	Xerox	18.65		

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Timbers top rival Sounders in Seattle

SEATTLE (AP) — Substitute Felipe Mora scored after slipping behind the Seattle defense in the 83rd minute and the Portland Timbers beat the Sounders 2-1 on Sunday night.

Moments after Seattle nearly took the lead, Mora came open behind the Sounders back line, collected a well-timed pass from Eryk Williamson and beat goalkeeper Stefan Frei to give the Timbers the lead.

It was Mora's third straight match with a goal and gave the Timbers (4-3-2) some redemption after a 3-0 loss at the hands of Seattle (4-2-3) two weeks ago in Portland.

"I think the difference was that we were able to perform the entire match. Not like the previous matches in which we had

good moments, but also some other moments in which we lack concentration we allow the teams to be able to find moments to imbalance us," Portland coach Giovanni Savarese said. "And I think today what was the key factor was how in tune everybody was with each other."

Williamson scored early in the first half for the Timbers, who played most of the match without star forward Sebastian Blanco after he suffered a knee injury in the opening moments. Savarese said Blanco would undergo further examination back in Portland on Monday.

Kelvin Leerdam scored just before halftime for Seattle, and the Sounders had the better of the chances but suffered their third consecutive regular season loss

at home to the Timbers.

"Hopefully we can clean things up. ... Portland is a very good team that plays extremely well on the counter attack and we weren't as sound defensively, especially in the second (half)," Seattle midfielder Cristian Roldan said.

Since winning the MLS is Back tournament in Florida last month, the Timbers were winless in their first three matches as part of the league's restart. Portland had allowed 10 goals in those three matches — two losses and a draw — but shutdown the Sounders.

Williamson scored in the ninth minute off a perfectly chipped pass from Diego Valeri that landed at Williamson's feet as he continued his run.

But Seattle controlled most of

the possession and finally converted in the 42nd minute when Leerdam's right-footed shot from the top of the penalty area couldn't be stopped by Portland goalkeeper Steve Clark. It was Leerdam's second goal of the season, both coming against the Timbers.

Clark finished with two saves, his best coming just before Leerdam's goal when he stopped Jordan Morris from close range.

Seattle goalkeeper Stefan Frei made three saves, including a key stop on Jaroslaw Niezgoda early in the second half after a careless defensive mistake by Yeimar Gómez Andrade.

The Timbers lost Blanco to a right knee injury in the second minute. Blanco's right leg buckled in a dual with João Paulo and immediately collapsed to the

turf in severe discomfort. He was down for several minutes and eventually helped off the field and back to the Portland locker room.

Blanco returned to the field at halftime on crutches and with a large brace on his knee and watched the second half from the sidelines.

Blanco was the MVP for the MLS is Back tournament after scoring three goals and adding five assists in helping lead the Timbers to the title.

"In this team he's someone that is well liked by everybody. He's a competitor. He's a motivator. He just makes a difference on the field (and) is a very important player," Savarese said. "We'll see after the evaluation exactly what will be the situation of the injury."

Baseball great Lou Brock dies

NEW YORK (AP) — Hall of Famer Lou Brock, one of baseball's signature leadoff hitters and base stealers who helped the St. Louis Cardinals win three pennants and two World Series in the 1960s, has died. He was 81.

Dick Zitzmann, Brock's longtime agent and friend, confirmed Brock's death Sunday, but he said he couldn't provide any details. The Cardinals and Cubs also observed a moment of silence in the outfielder's memory before their game at Wrigley Field.

Brock lost a leg from diabetes in recent years and was diagnosed with cancer in 2017.

"Lou Brock was one of the most revered members of the St. Louis Cardinals organization and one of the very best to ever wear the Birds on the Bat," Cardinals chairman Bill DeWitt Jr. said in a release.

"He will be deeply missed and forever remembered."

The man later nicknamed the Running Redbird and the Base Burglar arrived in St. Louis in June 1964, swapped from the Cubs for pitcher Ernie Broglio in what became one of baseball's most lopsided trades.

Brock stole 938 bases in his career, including 118 in 1974 — both of those were big league records until they were broken by Rickey Henderson.

"Lou was an outstanding representative of our national pastime and he will be deeply missed," baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred said in a release.

Brock's death came after Hall of Fame pitcher Tom Seaver died Monday. Brock and Seaver faced each other 157 times, the most prolific matchup for both of them in their careers.

Along with starter Bob Gibson and center fielder Curt Flood, Brock was an anchor for St. Louis as its combination of speed, defense and pitching made it a top team in the '60s and a symbol of the National League's more aggressive style at the time in comparison to the American League.

"There are two things I will remember most about Lou," former Cardinals teammate Ted Simmons said in a statement. "First was his vibrant smile. Whenever you were in a room with Lou, you couldn't miss it — the biggest, brightest, most vibrant smile on earth. The other was that he was surely hurt numerous times, but never once in my life did I know he was playing hurt."

The Cards were World Series champions in 1964 and 1967 and lost to the Detroit Tigers in seven games in 1968. Opposing teams were warned to keep Brock off base, especially in the low-scoring years of 1967-68 when a single run often could win a game. But the speedy left fielder with the popup slide was a consistent base-stealing champion and run producer.

A lifetime .293 hitter, he led the league in steals eight times, scored 100 or more runs seven times and amassed 3,023 hits.



World File Photo

Marshfield's Kaylin Dea hits a ball during a 2019 game against Siuslaw. The 2020 season was canceled, but softball is one of the sports that Marshfield and North Bend will participate in this fall.

Marshfield, NB will offer sports this fall

THE WORLD

Athletes at Marshfield and North Bend high schools will be able to practice and have competitions against each other in several sports this fall after the school boards for both schools approved.

Marshfield students have already started practicing in several sports and North Bend students can begin practicing Tuesday, North Bend athletic director Mike Forrester said.

Competitions will start in late September.

There will be two "seasons," the first running through Oct. 24 and the second starting Oct. 26.

The first season will include track and field, volleyball (which will be played outdoors when the schools meet), baseball, softball, cheer and marching band.

The second will include seven-on-seven football, soccer, basketball, drama and forensics.

"I'm just excited that we are providing an opportunity for our

students," Marshfield athletic director Greg Mulkey said. "It's been a long time they've had to endure this pandemic and a very difficult time for them."

"I'm thankful both boards supported this. They understand how important this is for our kids for the social and mental aspect to have this opportunity."

North Bend will not charge students to participate, but they must sign up on FamilyID before they can participate, Forrester said.

There is no statewide sports schedule this fall.

The Oregon School Activities Association postponed the regular fall season for sports until the new year as part of a plan that will have reduced seven-week seasons for all regular sports and activities starting at the end of December.

Traditional winter sports — basketball, wrestling and swimming — will be held first, with practice starting Dec. 28, the first contests the week of Jan. 11 and

the OSAA week of postseason March 1-7.

Fall sports will come next, with practice starting Feb. 22 for cross country, volleyball, soccer and football and the first contests the week of March 8 (March 15 for football). The season-ending OSAA week will be April 26-May 2 for cross country, volleyball and soccer and a week later for football.

And spring sports — golf, tennis, track and field, baseball and softball — will begin practice the week of April 19, with contests starting the week of May 3 and the OSAA week the week of June 21.

As for the various activities sponsored by OSAA, the OSAA week for cheerleading will be the week of March 8, dance and drill April 12, speech April 19, solo music April 26, choir May 3 and band/orchestra May 10.

Many of the first students competing this fall will be having their first actual competitions in more than a year since the

baseball, softball and track and field seasons were canceled in the spring as the pandemic broke out.

Mulkey said that was part of the reason they are part of the first group of teams in action this fall.

"But at the same time, we had to offer the programs that really fit best during this time frame because of the weather," he said.

Volleyball is included in that group since it will be played outside on the football fields when the teams meet.

He stressed that participating in the fall season is voluntary.

"That includes our coaches," he said. "They've been very supportive, too. They understand how important it is."

The schedule for the fall competitions between the schools, which will include several games in each sport and four track meets — two at each school — will be included in a future print edition of The World.

Djokovic loses for accidentally hitting line judge

NEW YORK (AP) — Novak Djokovic was kicked out of the U.S. Open for accidentally hitting a line judge in the throat with a tennis ball after dropping a game in his fourth-round match Sunday, a stunning end to his 29-match winning streak and bid for an 18th Grand Slam title.

As he walked to the Arthur Ashe Stadium sideline for a changeover, trailing Pablo Carreño Busta 6-5 in the first set, Djokovic — who was seeded and ranked No. 1 and an overwhelming favorite for the championship — angrily smacked a ball behind him. The ball flew right at the line judge, who dropped to her knees at the back of the court and reached for her neck.

During a discussion of about 10 minutes near the net involving

tournament referee Soeren Friemel, Grand Slam supervisor Andreas Egli and chair umpire Aurelie Tourte, Djokovic pleaded his case.

"His point was that he didn't hit the line umpire intentionally. He said, 'Yes, I was angry. I hit the ball. I hit the line umpire. The facts are very clear. But it wasn't my intent. I didn't do it on purpose.' So he said he shouldn't be defaulted for it," said Friemel, who made the decision to end the match. "And we all agree that he didn't do it on purpose, but the facts are still that he hit the line umpire and the line umpire was clearly hurt."

Friemel didn't see what happened, and said he was not allowed to check a video replay, but was given a rundown by Egli and Tourte. Friemel said that even if Djokovic didn't intend to

hurt the line judge, she was hurt, and that was enough to merit the ruling.

Eventually, Djokovic walked over to shake hands with Carreño Busta. Tourte then announced that Djokovic was defaulted, the tennis equivalent of an ejection.

"I was a little bit in shock, no?" Carreño Busta said later at a news conference done via video conference because of social-distancing rules at the U.S. Open, the first Grand Slam tournament staged amid the coronavirus pandemic.

Djokovic quickly left the tournament grounds without speaking to reporters, posting an apology on social media hours later.

"This whole situation has left me really sad and empty.

I checked on the lines person and the tournament told me that thank God she is feeling ok. I'm extremely sorry to have caused her such stress. So unintended. So wrong," Djokovic wrote.

"As for the disqualification, I need to go back within and work on my disappointment and turn this all into a lesson for my growth and evolution as a player and human being," he wrote. "I apologize to the @usopen tournament and everyone associated for my behavior."

Asked whether he thought Djokovic should have been allowed to continue to play, Carreño Busta shrugged and replied: "Well, the rules are the rules. ... The referee and the supervisor (did) the right thing, but it's not easy to do it."

Tour has stressful rest day including COVID-19 tests

LA ROCHELLE, France (AP) — It was a rest day like no other for the Tour de France bunch.

After nine nervous and exhausting stages that took the peloton from the Riviera to the Pyrenees via a short journey in the Alps, riders would have normally taken some time off on Monday with their friends and families.

But this year is different.

In addition to their recovery routine, the 166 remaining riders stayed in their own “bubble” with a Damocles sword hanging over their head as they underwent coronavirus tests that will decide whether they can keep on racing.

“It’s disturbing, but we need to be patient,” said French rider Warren Barguil, sitting alongside his Arkea-Samsic team leader Nairo Quintana during a video conference. “We’ll see our families in Paris on Sept. 20.”

Even with the video filter separating them from reporters, both riders kept their face masks on as they answered questions.

Tour de France organizers said about 650 tests will be performed. Some took place on Sunday, with the majority of riders being tested Monday.

Under threat of cancelation at some point — more than 30,000 people in France have died after contracting the coronavirus, making the country one of the hardest-hit in Europe — the Tour has been salvaged by pushing it back from its traditional July date to end of the summer. The price paid for the race to be run is a heavy sanitary protocol which includes mandatory COVID-19

Roglic leads Tour after epic mountain trek

LARUNS, France (AP) — Primoz Roglic finally seized the race leader’s yellow jersey after another hectic day of Tour de France racing in the mountains as debutant Marc Hirschi of Switzerland delivered an impressive 90-kilometer solo effort across four Pyrenean climbs.

Roglic, the Slovenian favorite this year alongside defending champion Egan Bernal, displayed his strong climbing credentials in the final ascent Sunday to dethrone overnight leader Adam Yates.

Jumbo-Visma leader Roglic has been flawless so far and able to respond to every attack with ease over the first weekend in high mountains. It’s a performance that earned him the first yellow jersey of his career after nine days of racing.

“Everyone is dreaming about wearing it, I’m super happy,” said Spanish Vuelta champion Roglic, a former ski jumper. “But the mission is to try to win the race in Paris, we need to maintain our focus. It’s just the beginning.”

Hirschi, a former under-23 road race world champion, got away away from the peloton in the first major ascent of the 153-kilometer (95-mile) trek then resisted the favorites’ chase until he was caught with only 2 kilometers left. He launched a sprint to the finish line but was not fast enough as Tadej Pogacar prevailed to win Stage 9 ahead of fellow Slovenian Roglic. Hirschi finished third in the town of Laruns.

“It’s really crazy, after that hard day to win the stage,” said Pogacar, who put his hands on his helmet after winning his first Tour stage at just 21. “Actually I wanted to gain as much time as I could

in the general classification, but in the last 100 meters I thought of the 10 seconds awarded to the winner. I focused on the sprint, I just went full gas.”

A Tour debutant, Pogacar is lagging 44 seconds behind Roglic in seventh place.

Ahead of Monday’s first rest day, Roglic leads Bernal by 21 seconds thanks to the bonus time he amassed at the top of the mountain and on the finish line. Frenchman Guillaume Martin is third, 28 seconds off the pace. Bernal finished the stage in the same time as Pogacar.

“I know that I have lost time to Roglic but I should be patient,” Bernal said. “He is an intelligent rider, I think that he has learned a lot from the last big tours that he did. The plan is just to wait until the right moment.”

Yates, who moved down to eighth overall, got dropped when the competition between the favorites heated up near the summit of the Col de Marie Blanque after Roglic’s teammates significantly increased the pace. The Mitchelton-Scott rider cracked when Pogacar attacked and conceded 54 seconds on the finish line.

“I gave everything I could to hang on. I think we can be proud of what we did,” Yates said. “I’ll freshen up now, have a rest day and then go after some stages.”

Riding behind Hirschi, Pogacar was the most aggressive on the Col de Marie Blanque, where he accelerated three times and forced his rivals to show their strength and cards. Bernal responded with ease and even tried a counter move that proved inefficient while Roglic followed without trouble.

the Pyrenees mountains, many spectators without masks did not respect the two-meter distance required by organizers as they cheered their favorite riders.

Although test results are not expected to be unveiled before Tuesday, teams will soon find out whether the virus has contaminated the race bubble.

“It would really be a shame to see a rider excluded from the Tour de France because he has been cheered on by not attentive enough fans,” Cofidis team manager Cedric Vasseur said.

The next round of testing could indeed throw the race into turmoil. Anyone who tests positive will have to leave the race and any team with more than two positive tests — either rider or staff — within seven days will be thrown out.

To avoid false positive results that could rule healthy riders out of contention, Tour organizers have said they will try to perform a retest and a blood analysis as quickly as possible. They have set up a mobile coronavirus lab that can produce results in two hours.

Following Sunday’s final stage in the Pyrenees, where Primoz Roglic of Slovenia seized the race leader’s yellow jersey, the 22 Tour teams have traveled by bus to the western Charente region. The race resumes Tuesday with a flat stage linking two islands, the Ile d’Oleron and the Ile de Re.

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testing for riders and teams staff members on rest days.

All were tested before the Tour started in Nice and have since lived in the race quarantine, making sure they stayed away from fans and sponsors

usually omnipresent during the three weeks of the popular event.

After four staff members of the Belgian team Lotto-Soudal were sent home following abnormal coronavirus tests on

the eve of the Tour, the race has been run without any further COVID-19-related incidents.

But keeping the social distancing with the roadside crowds in place has not been an easy task. During Saturday’s first stage in

Harvick wins NASCAR playoff opener at Darlington

DARLINGTON, S.C. (AP) — There was no doubt which of his two Darlington Raceway victories this year Kevin Harvick enjoyed more.

“The first thing I want to say is, ‘Welcome back fans! This is a hell of a lot more fun with you guys up there,’” he told the crowd Saturday night.

Harvick had a large smile as he waved to the 8,000 or so fans — the May 17 event here was run without spectators due to the coronavirus pandemic — and even gave the checkered flag to a young fan wearing one of his shirts.

Harvick had reason to be happy, taking the Southern 500 when leaders Chase Elliott and Martin Truex Jr. bumped as Truex tried to make a pass and both brushed the wall.

Harvick was there to take advantage — and begin NASCAR’s playoff the best way possible.

Harvick, the 2014 series champion, was widely considered a favorite to be racing for a title this season. His eighth win this year put him into the second round.

“It was way better” getting out of the car and hearing a fan reaction, Harvick said. “It felt really good to have fans cheering.”

Especially after what they witnessed down the stretch at the track “Too Tough to Tame.”

Elliott and Truex had the most speed throughout — Truex won the first two stages — and were once again dueling for lead. Once they touched and hit the wall, things opened up for Harvick, who suddenly found himself out front.

Elliott dropped off the pace and Harvick passed him for second. Truex — who led a race-high 196 laps — had to pit for repairs on his damaged car, giving Harvick a clear path

to the finish.

“The leaders got tangled up there and the next thing you know we were racing for the win,” Harvick said. “This is one of the most prestigious races in our sport and obviously everybody in our sport knows the history that Darlington has for our sport, so anytime you can win here is pretty special.”

Harvick’s May victory at Darlington came in NASCAR’s return after a 10-week pause at the start of the pandemic. When he won that race without spectators, he pointed into the television camera and told the fans how much they were missed.

It was difficult to imagine the win going to anyone other than Truex or Elliott, who combined to lead 310 of 367 laps.

But as Truex tried to complete a pass for first, he clipped Elliott’s front side and both slid up into the wall.

“Just not enough room there for both of us,” Truex said about the botched pass for the lead. “I thought I had enough of a run to clear him. I think it was close, obviously. I thought I had enough momentum and distance on him that he was going to let me in there.”

Harvick had to hold off a hard-charging Austin Dillon, a driver few predict will advance very far into the playoffs, to seal the victory in his Ford for Stewart-Haas Racing.

Dillon, in a Chevrolet for Richard Childress Racing, was second. Joey Logano in a Ford for Team Penske was third.

Erik Jones, the defending Southern 500 winner who is being replaced at Joe Gibbs Racing at the end of the season, finished fourth in a Toyota. Jones was the only non-playoff driver in the top 10.

Hendrick Motorsports teammates William Byron

and Alex Bowman were fifth and sixth, followed by reigning series champion Kyle Busch, Kurt Busch, and SHR teammates Aric Almirola and Clint Bowyer.

Elliott wound up 20th while Truex was a lap down in 22nd.

Elliott was disappointed with the result after leading 114 laps and being in position for the win.

Truex “was close, but he wasn’t all the way clear,” Elliott said. “Obviously, I hate it.”

Elliott said he needed a little more pace there to extend the lead instead of “playing defense” to prevent Truex’s approach. “But regardless, I thought we were in a good spot,” he said.

PLAYOFF PUSH: Almirola is now squarely on the bubble ranked 12th among the 16 drivers after the first playoff race. Four drivers will be eliminated at the end of the first three-

race round. Bowyer is 13th in playoff standings with Cole Custer, Matt DiBenedetto and Ryan Blaney also on the outside with two races left in the opening round.

BLANEY PENALTY: Blaney’s title chances took a hit just hours before the first playoff race began. His Team Penske Ford was found with improper ballast during inspection and NASCAR docked the team 10 points and sent him to the back of the field from his seventh-place starting spot. Blaney’s crew chief, Todd Gordon, was also suspended for the race. Team Penske said the weight is usually there before the engine is installed and was mistakenly not removed. Things didn’t get much better for Blaney during the race as he fell two laps down after a flat tire at the start of stage two. He ended 24th.

UP NEXT: The second playoff race is at Rich-

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Derby winner Authentic might get rematch in Preakness Stakes

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Briefly off the radar to set himself straight, Authentic now might have to get used to having a target on his back.

Bob Baffert’s latest star achieved that by blowing past Kentucky Derby favorite Tiz the Law to win going away Saturday at Churchill Downs. Though Authentic shattered hopes for a Triple Crown winner this year, he raised questions about what he’ll do for an encore, which could include a possible rematch against Tiz the Law at the Preakness in Baltimore on Oct. 3. That race is the final jewel in this year’s reshuffled Triple Crown.

Tiz the Law’s team suggested after the Derby that the colt would be there, with owner Jack Knowlton

adding to “hopefully win that and get some revenge.” Baffert sounded just as eager Sunday as he digested Authentic’s 1 1/4-length victory over the 3-5 favorite at Churchill Downs.

“Right now all systems are go for the Preakness as long as he looks healthy,” the trainer said, “and knock on wood that they stay healthy. That’s the main key.

“I’ve been really lucky with him.”

Shorter than the Derby at 1 1/8 miles, the Preakness allows Authentic to follow his blistering Derby trip of 2:00.61 and Tiz the Law to atone for his second-place finish. It’s certainly within Authentic’s reach considering he brought a Haskell Stakes win at that distance into the Derby and was second to Honor A. P. in the Santa Anita Derby.

There figures to be other well-rested horses to contend with, though Baffert touted Tiz the Law as a formidable foe at Pimlico Race Course. November’s season-ending Breeders’ Cup world championships at Keeneland also offer a chance to make a strong case for the Eclipse Award as the year’s top 3-year-old.

But those options are for later, and Baffert is happy

that Authentic emerged from the Derby in good shape.

“He was pretty sharp,” said Baffert, who plans to keep the horse at Churchill Downs for the time being.

“I’m going to wait a week or two, see how he is. Then I’ll give him a little breeze here.

“Right now, at the end of the day Tiz the Law is still going to be tough. As long as (Authentic) is doing well, he gets on the plane and that means I feel good about it.”

Baffert said Thousand Words could also be part of the Preakness plan despite being disqualified from the Derby when he reared up and fell backward in the paddock before the race. Assistant trainer Jimmy Barnes fractured his wrist in the process and underwent surgery that evening but was in the barn Sunday morning before heading back to California.

That moment began an emotional Derby roller coaster for Baffert, whose sixth win tied Ben Jones for the most by a trainer. The Hall of Famer was soon lifted by Authentic’s wire-to-wire victory from the No. 18 post, then knocked over in the winner’s circle by the horse when he became bothered by ribbons attached to the garland of roses.

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Griff Smith is far ahead of the other drivers in a race earlier this year in the Junior Stingers division at Coos Bay Speedway. Smith has won every main event of the season at the speedway.

Smith wins another Jr Stingers main event at Coos Bay Speedway

THE WORLD

COOS BAY — Griff Smith made it 10-for-10 in main events this year in the Junior Stingers division at Coos Bay Speedway when the 13-year-old Bandon racer won the race Saturday night.

Smith, who also won one of the heat races, finished ahead of fellow Bandon racer Teagan Montgomery, who won the other heat race. Florence racers Jordan Wheeler and James Shingleton were next, with Coquille driver Max Haga fifth.

Brody Montgomery of Bandon won the main event in the America’s Mattress Super Late Models division ahead of fellow Bandon driver Bra-

den Fugate. Jason Johnson of Gresham was third, Mike Taylor of Reedsport fourth and Wayne Butler of Bandon fifth.

Jeff Thurman of Coquille won the main event in the Mini Outlaws division, followed by Dustin Wilkinson of Paibute and Jason Kellam of Coos Bay.

Graig Osborne of Creswell won the main event in the Street Stocks division, beating Steve Dubisar of Coquille, Ken Fox of North Bend, Daniel Land of Coos Bay and Leroy Rockwell of Florence. Fox and Osborne won the heat races.

Thane Landis of West Linn, racing at the speedway for the first time this year, won the Hornets division, followed by Seth

Christian or Roseburg, Kris Parker of Florence and William Hitner of Port Orford. Christian and Mike Bales of Florence won the heat races.

Ryan Emry or Corvallis own the heat race and main event in the Sportsman Late Models division, followed by Jared Simmons of Cottage Grove and Brionna Fuller of Medford.

In the other division that raced Saturday, R.J. Baker of Orland, Calif., won the Winged Sprints class, followed by RJ McGahney of Grants Pass, David Marble and Lawrence VanHoof of North Bend.

Donovan Prather of Grass Valley, Calif., and Austin Sause of Coos Bay won the main events.

Results will be included

in Saturday’s edition of The World.

Next up for the oval dirt track is NASCAR Championship Night on Saturday, Sept. 12.

The season winners will be crowned in the America’s Mattress Super Late Models, Sportsman Late Models, Street Stocks, Mini Outlaws, Hornets and Junior Stingers divisions. The evening also will feature visiting racers in the Dwarf Cars Pro and Old Time Racing Hard Tops divisions.

The racing starts at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens and students 7 to 17 years old, and free for children 6 and under. A family pass for two adults and up to three students is \$35.

Defending champion loses in Crossings Cup semifinals

THE WORLD

BANDON — There will be another new Crossings Cup champion at Bandon Crossings Golf Course after defending champion Richard Stefiuk was beaten by Brian Gibson in the semifinals last week.

That means that there still are no two-time champions in the match play tournament that crowns the champion each year.

Gibson beat Stefiuk 5 and 4 in their match and now will face Phillip Shoaf, who topped Carter Borror 2 and 1.

Gibson was the No. 5 seed and Shoaf the No.

3 seed in the match play bracket, which was determined by the regular-season results in the Casual Fridays competitions.

The Casual Fridays events continue, for golfers who didn’t make it into the match play tournament.

James Hanson was the winner of Friday’s event, shooting a 2-under 70 that was 10 shots better than Mike Walker.

Daryl Robison, Frank Cronan and Val Nemcek tied for low-net honors with scores of 73.

Results will be included in the Community Scoreboard in Saturday’s edition of The World.

‘Father of the Final Four’ Jernstedt dies

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Tom Jernstedt, a member of the Naismith Hall of Fame for his contributions to college basketball and the NCAA Tournament, has died. He was 75.

The NCAA said Sunday Jernstedt died this weekend.

Nicknamed “Father of the Final Four,” Jernstedt has widely been credited with transforming the NCAA Tournament into the billion-dollar March Madness it has become today.

“A decade after his departure from the NCAA, Tom Jernstedt’s fingertips remain visible during March Madness and the Final Four,” NCAA senior vice president Dan Gavitt said in a statement. “His innovation and superb ability to develop relationships turned a basketball tournament into a three-week phenomenon that became a global event.”

A former back-up quarterback, Jernstedt worked his first Final Four in 1973 and helped push the growth of the NCAA Tournament from 25 teams to the 68, anything-can-happen bonanza held every spring.

Jernstedt helped the NCAA increase its television contract from just over \$1 million to more than \$10 billion when he left in 2011. He served as

president of USA Basketball, was a member of the College Football Selection committee and was inducted into the Naismith Hall of Fame as a contributor in 2017.

“Tom Jernstedt was a humble and unsung steward of the game,” John L. Doleva, president and CEO of the Basketball Hall of Fame, said in a statement. “Under his direction, the NCAA Men’s Basketball Tournament grew into a phenomenon that brings college basketball fans together on a global scale. He will forever be remembered as the Father of the Final Four and one of the most respected leaders in basketball.”

Jernstedt established himself as a team leader despite being a backup quarterback at Oregon from 1964-66 and went on to serve as the Ducks’ events manager. He joined the NCAA in 1972 and spent 38 years with the organization.

“Tom served as a friend and mentor to countless people in and around collegiate athletics, and I’m proud to be among that vast group of people,” Gavitt said. “His legacy within the NCAA and its membership, and his impact on the sport of college basketball, is eternal. We extend our deepest condolences to Tom’s family.”

Bucks say star will have treatment for ankle

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — The Milwaukee Bucks say reigning NBA MVP Giannis Antetokounmpo will get plenty of treatment on his sprained right ankle before any determination is made about his status for Game 5 of his team’s Eastern Conference semifinal series against the Miami Heat.

Antetokounmpo missed most of Game 4 after aggravating the injury. He scored 19 points early, then watched the rest of the way from the locker room.

But the Bucks kept their season alive anyway, winning 118-115 in overtime to cut Miami’s series lead to 3-1. Game 5 is Tuesday.

“His ankle’s already in bad shape and he still went out there, first and second quarter, however long he was out there, giving his all,” said the Bucks’ Khris Middleton, who played 48 minutes and scored 36 points in Game 4. “As a team, you can do nothing but respect your teammate for giving his all. We had to have his back tonight.”

Antetokounmpo was driving to the basket with 10:18 left in the second quarter, trying to get past Miami’s Andre Iguodala. He went down and screamed in pain as he grabbed at the ankle, and it didn’t take long for most of those on the Bucks’ bench to gather around him in concern.

Antetokounmpo eventually went to the bench, then went back onto the court to shoot his free throws. He had to take them to have any chance of being able to return to the game, per NBA rules.

In the end, it didn’t matter: The Bucks announced at halftime that Antetokounmpo would not return to the game. He was 8 for 10 from the field when he limped off, after scoring 19 of Milwaukee’s first 30 points and being the only Bucks player able to manufacture much of anything against Miami in the early going.

“You feel for Giannis,” Bucks coach Mike Budenholzer said. “I hope it’s not lost what he did in those first 10 or 12 minutes on an ankle that’s not fully 100%. He was phenomenal to start the game and gave us a huge boost. I think they threw a big punch early and Giannis was able to keep us afloat.”

Antetokounmpo originally turned the ankle inward on a drive in the first quarter of Game 3 of the series on Friday night. He finished with 21 points, 16 rebounds and nine assists in 35 minutes, but he shot just 7 for 21 from the field and missed all seven of his 3-point tries.

Antetokounmpo insisted after Game 3 that the ankle did not bother him during the game.

Many quarterbacks cut as NFL teams opt to go with just two signal-callers

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The theory that NFL teams would go with three quarterbacks to start the pandemic-impacted season took a hit Saturday.

Lots of third-stringers were sent packing as the 32 teams got down to the 53-man limit. The season opens Thursday night with Houston at Super Bowl champion Kansas City.

Perhaps most noteworthy was Miami releasing Josh Rosen, a first-round selection by Arizona in 2018 who was dealt to the Dolphins last year after the Cardinals took Kyler Murray with the top overall selection. Rosen was behind veteran Ryan Fitzpatrick and first-round-er Tua Tagovailoa on the depth chart.

“The most important thing is to kind of move forward and not look back,” Dolphins coach Brian Flores said. “You don’t hit on every play, on every trade, on every draft pick. Show me a team that has hit on every one. I’ll applaud that team.”

Miami also traded for versatile rookie Lynn Bowden Jr. It also got a sixth-round draft pick from the Raiders for a fourth-round choice. Bowden can play running back or receiver, and also played quarterback at Kentucky.

Alex Smith made Washington’s 53-man roster, another significant step in his remarkable comeback 22 months since severely

breaking his right leg and then having medical complications. Coach Ron Rivera said there’s no plan to put Smith on injured reserve in the coming days. Smith might even be Dwayne Haskins’ backup in the season opener Sept. 13 against the Philadelphia Eagles.

Another heartwarming story: Star-crossed tight end Jake Butt made the Broncos after overcoming his sixth knee operation. In three seasons in Denver, the ex-Michigan star has played in as many games (three) as he’s had major knee surgeries, each of which required a clean-up procedure.

“If you’ve been through an ACL you know how hard one is. When you go through three, it means a lot to get that recognition from your comrades, your teachers, your coaches,” Butt said recently. “But for me, I’m healthy. It’s part of my story but I’m out there, I’m out there playing ball, I’m not looking back.”

Other quarterbacks released were veteran Mike Glennon and Josh Dobbs of the Jaguars, David Blough of the Lions, who lost all five of his starts subbing for the injured Matthew Stafford in 2019; Paxton Lynch of the Steelers; Cooper Rush and Alex Tanney of the Giants; Kurt Benkert and Kyle Lauletta of the Falcons; Chad Kelly of the Colts; and David Fales and Mike White of the Jets, who said veteran Joe Flacco passed his

physical after neck surgery.

Making the Giants was Mr. Irrelevant. Georgia linebacker Tae Crowder, the final player taken in April’s draft, is on the roster. Miami kept Malcolm Perry, a star QB at Navy and now a wideout.

One NFL star quarterback got much richer. The Texans and Deshaun Watson reached agreement on a four-year, \$160 million contract that ranks only behind the 10-year, \$503 million deal for Kansas City’s Patrick Mahomes. Coincidentally, those two will face off in the season opener on Thursday night.

“As a child growing up in Georgia, it was always my dream to play in the NFL,” Watson wrote on social media. “Today, I couldn’t be more honored and humbled to sign a long-term deal in Houston, the city that I’ve grown to love so much and now call my home.”

“I promise to do everything I can to not only bring a championship to this great city but also leave a legacy of helping positively impact this community,” he wrote in the post. “Now back to the work ...”

The Chargers’ Keenan Allen received a four-year deal that will make him the league’s second-highest paid receiver in average money. He will get \$80.1 million with \$50 million guaranteed.

“Want to thank the organization ... (general manager) Tom Telesco

especially for giving me a opportunity! Super juiced about this,” Allen said on his Instagram account.

The Chargers also waived Trent Scott, who started nine games at tackle last season.

Pittsburgh cut longtime defensive tackle Dan McCullers. A sixth-round pick in 2014, the massive McCullers (6-foot-7, 352 pounds), carved out a niche as a backup but struggled to get into the regular defensive line rotation.

The Cowboys released two veterans who played all 16 games last season, linebacker Justin March and cornerback C.J. Goodwin. March and Goodwin mostly played on special teams but saw some action on defense because of injuries.

San Francisco activated starting receiver Deebo Samuel from the non-football injury list.

It’s not certain Samuel will be able to play in the opener. Samuel caught 57 passes for 802 yards and three TDs last season and also made big contributions in the running game. He had 14 carries for 159 yards and three scores. Samuel was a standout in the postseason, too.

Buffalo released two players it plans to bring back: receiver/return man Andre Roberts and safety Dean Marlowe.

The Patriots released both placekickers, veteran Nick Folk and rookie fifth-round draft pick Justin Rohrwasser.

was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1985 in his first year of eligibility.

The soft-spoken Brock was determined no matter the score and sometimes angered opponents and teammates by stealing even when the Cards were far ahead. He also made two damaging mistakes that helped cost St. Louis the ’68 World Series.

After his playing career was over, Brock worked as a florist and a commentator for ABC’s “Monday Night Baseball” and was a regular for the Cards at spring training.

Brock

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Brock was even better in postseason play, batting .391 with four homers, 16 RBIs and 14 steals in 21 World Series games. He had a record-tying 13 hits in the 1968 World Series, and in Game 4 homered, tripled and doubled as the Cardinals trounced Detroit and 31-game winner Den-ny McLain 10-1.

Brock never played in another World Series after 1968, but remained a star for much of the last 11

years of his career.

He was so synonymous with base stealing that in 1978 he became the first major leaguer to have an award named for him while still active — the Lou Brock Award, for the National League’s leader in steals. For Brock, base stealing was an art form and a kind of warfare. He was among the first players to study films of opposing pitchers and, once on base, relied on skill and psychology.

In his 1976 memoir “Lou Brock: Stealing is My Game,” he explained his success. Take a

“modest lead” and “stand perfectly still.” The pitcher was obligated to move, if only “to deliver the pitch.” “Furthermore, he has two things on his mind: the batter and me,” Brock wrote. “I have only one thing in mind — to steal off him. The very business of disconcerting him is marvelously complex.”

Brock closed out his career in 1979 by batting .304, making his sixth All-Star Game appearance and winning the Comeback Player of the Year award. The team retired his uniform number, 20, and he

California avoids major power outages as fires rage

SHAVER LAKE, Calif. (AP) — Rescuers in military helicopters airlifted 207 people to safety over the weekend after an explosive wildfire trapped them in a popular camping area in California’s Sierra National Forest, one of dozens of fires burning amid record-breaking temperatures that strained the state’s electrical grid and for a time threatened power outages for millions.

The California Office of Emergency Services said Black Hawk and Chinook helicopters were used for the rescues that began late Saturday and continued into Sunday morning at Mammoth Pool Reservoir. At least two people were severely injured and 10 more suffered moderate injuries. Two campers refused rescue and stayed behind, the Madera County Sheriff’s Office said, and there was no immediate word on their fates.

A photo tweeted by the California National Guard showed more than 20 evacuees packed tightly inside one helicopter, some crouched on the floor clutching their belongings. In another photo taken on the ground from a helicopter cockpit, the densely wooded hills surrounding the aircraft were in flames.

The blaze dubbed the Creek Fire has charred more than 71 square miles (184 square kilometers) of timber, and the 800 firefighters on the scene had yet to get any containment after two days of work on steep terrain in sweltering heat. Some homes and businesses have burned, but there was no official tabulation yet.

Other blazes broke out in Southern California and forced

evacuations in San Diego and San Bernardino counties. The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, or Cal Fire, said the latter blaze, called the El Dorado Fire, started Saturday morning and was caused by a smoke-generating pyrotechnic device, used during a gender-reveal party.

The Creek Fire churned southward from the reservoir through miles of dense forest and by Sunday afternoon threatened a marina and cabins along Shaver Lake, where Jack Machado helped friends remove propane tanks from the lodge Cottages at the Point. Sheriff’s deputies went through the town of several hundred residents to make sure people complied with evacuation orders.

“The lake is totally engulfed with smoke. You can’t hardly see in front of you,” Machado said. “The sky’s turning red. It looks like Mars out there.”

Temperatures in the fire zone were in the 90s, but that was cool compared to many parts of the state. Downtown Los Angeles reached 111 degrees (44 Celsius). and a record-shattering high of 121 degrees (49.4 Celsius) was recorded in the nearby Woodland Hills neighborhood of the San Fernando Valley.

It was the highest temperature ever recorded in Los Angeles County, according to the National Weather Service. The mark rivaled the high in California’s Death Valley, typically the hottest place in the country.

Meanwhile, downtown San Francisco set a record for the day with a high of 100 (37.7 Celsius),

smashing the previous mark by 5 degrees.

“By our calculations, over 99% of California’s population is under an Excessive Heat Warning or Heat Advisory today,” the weather service in Sacramento tweeted Sunday afternoon.

The exceptionally hot temperatures were driving the highest power use of the year, and transmission losses because of the wildfires have cut into supplies. Eric Schmitt of the California Independent System Operator that manages the state’s power grid said up to 3 million customers faced power outages if residents didn’t curtail their electricity usage.

About 7 p.m., the California Independent System Operator declared an emergency and said power outages were imminent because a transmission line carrying power from Oregon to California and another in-state power plant went offline unexpectedly. The cause of the outages is unknown at this time, the agency said.

But about 8:30 p.m., the agency issued a tweet calling off the emergency “thanks to conservation of Californians!” It said no power outages were ordered by operators of the grid.

Pacific Gas & Electric, the state’s largest utility, warned customers that it might cut power starting Tuesday because of expected high winds and heat that could create even greater fire danger. Some of the state’s largest and deadliest fires in recent years have been sparked by downed power lines and other utility equipment.

The Creek Fire started Friday and by Saturday afternoon exploded in size, jumped the San Joaquin River and cut off the only road into the Mammoth Pool Campground, national forest spokesman Dan Tune said. At least 2,000 structures were threatened in the area about 290 miles (467 kilometers) north of Los Angeles. The cause of the fire hasn’t been determined.

While some campers were rescued by helicopters, others made a white-knuckle drive to safety. Juliana Park recorded video of flames on both sides of her car as she and others fled down a mountain road.

“A backpacking trip cut short by unforeseen thunder, ash rain, and having to drive through literal fire to evacuate #SierraNationalForest in time,” Park tweeted. “Grateful to the SNF ranger who led us down ... wish we got her name.”

The Mammoth Pool Reservoir is about 35 miles (56 kilometers) northeast of Fresno. It’s surrounded by thick pine forests and is a popular destination for boating and fishing. Bone-dry conditions and the hot weather fueled the flames once the fire started, and it grew rapidly.

Lindsey Abbott and her family were guided to safety by a stranger they followed down from their campsite near Whisky Falls.

“It was so hot, you could feel the flames going through the window,” she told ABC30 in Fresno.

Ashley Wagner was among those rescued, along with two relatives and a friend. They were

trapped in Logan’s Meadow behind Wagner’s Store, a 63-year-old business run by her aunt that was destroyed.

“My family’s history just went up in flames,” Wagner told the station.

In Southern California, crews scrambled to douse several fires that popped up, including one that closed mountain roads in Angeles National Forest. The largest was a blaze in the foothills of Yucaipa east of Los Angeles that prompted evacuation orders for eastern portions of the city of 54,000 along with several mountain communities. Cal Fire said the fire scorched at least 4.7 square miles (12.2 square kilometers) of brush and trees.

In eastern San Diego County, the Valley Fire broke out Saturday afternoon, and fire officials warned the blaze was burning at a “dangerous rate of speed.” By Sunday morning it had destroyed at least 10 structures after burning 6.25 square miles (16 square kilometers) and prompting evacuations near the remote community of Alpine in the Cleveland National Forest. At least two of the lost structures were homes, ABC10 News in San Diego reported.

Cal Fire said 14,800 firefighters were battling 23 major fires in the state. California has seen 900 wildfires since Aug. 15, many of them started by an intense series of thousands of lightning strikes. The blazes have burned more than 1.5 million acres (2,343 square miles). There have been eight fire deaths and nearly 3,300 structures destroyed.

Rochester mayor promises police reform in wake of in-custody death

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — The mayor of Rochester promised reforms are coming to the city’s police department as community elders sought to bring calmer minds to a fifth night of demonstrations Sunday over the March death of Daniel Prude, who lost consciousness after police held him down with a hood over his head.

Mayor Lovely Warren announced at a news conference Sunday that the crisis intervention team and its budget would move from the police department to the city’s department of youth and recreation services. Warren did not provide specifics, but said the move would be part of a series of reforms planned for “the coming weeks, months and years.”

“We had a human being in a need of help, in need of compassion. In that moment we had an opportunity to protect him, to keep him warm, to bring him to safety, to begin the process of healing him and lifting him up,” Warren said. “We have to own the fact that in the moment we did not do that.”

Police Chief La’Ron Singletary, who joined Warren at the news conference, said he supports the need for reform in his department and is working with experts and clinicians in getting outpatient services for people with mental health issues that bring them into repeated police contact.

Warren suspended the seven officers involved in Prude’s death last week after his family released police video from the March night when he was restrained on a city street.

The video shows the officers covering Prude’s head with a “spit hood” designed to protect police from bodily fluids, after he complied with being handcuffed, then pressing his face into the pavement for two minutes. Prude, 41, was naked at the time of his arrest on the light-snowy day in March. He died

a week later after he was taken off life support.

The police union head said the officers were following their training.

Protests have followed each day since the family released the video on Wednesday, sometimes spawning confrontations with demonstrators and the police.

On Sunday night, police said more than 1,000 demonstrators gathered in downtown Rochester as people chanting “We are elders, and we support our youth” and “say his name, Daniel Prude,” led a march to the Public Safety Building that houses police headquarters. Protest organizers had speeches scheduled, uniting the crowd early on in the night.

“I came out tonight as a born and raised rochesterian who loves her city,” said Kera Turner, a protester.

Turner said she “threw up” when she first saw the footage of Prude from March. “It’s just unacceptable,” she added.

The protest appeared to be peaceful late into Sunday night.

Three officers were treated at hospitals for injuries they suffered when “projectiles and incendiary devices” were hurled at them during Saturday night’s protests over Prude’s death. Lt. Greg Bello of the Rochester police said in a news release. Nine protesters were arrested.

The Democrat and Chronicle reported that some protesters were hit by projectiles as well as thousands marched through the streets of New York’s third-largest city. No information about injuries to protesters was provided by police.

The Rev. Myra Brown called for about 50 church elders to gather at Spiritus Christi Church in downtown Rochester on Sunday evening to serve as a “buffer” so protesters are free to express themselves without police interference.

“We elders have volunteered to put our bodies on the line to make sure that happens,” Brown said at the news conference with the mayor and police chief Sunday.

The New York Civil Liberties Union criticized the police use of “military tactics,” including sound cannons, flash bangs, tear gas, and pepper balls against the demonstrators.

“People speaking out are not enemy combatants, and to fire flash bangs, tear gas, and pepper balls at demonstrations against police violence only proves the point,” NYCLU Genesee Valley chapter director Iman Abid said in a statement Sunday. “The mayor and RPD must stop these warfare tactics now.”

The marches took place as New York’s attorney general announced Saturday that a grand jury would investigate Prude’s death.

“The Prude family and the Rochester community have been through great pain and anguish,” Attorney General Letitia James said in a statement Saturday. She said the grand jury would be part of an “exhaustive investigation.”

Prude’s death came after his brother, Joe Prude, had called 911 seeking help for his erratic behavior. Prude had run away from his brother’s home late in the night, about eight hours after officers had already taken him into custody for a mental health evaluation because of suicidal thoughts. Prude spent a few hours in the hospital for the evaluation and then was released, Joe Prude told officers.

The Monroe County medical examiner listed the manner of death as homicide caused by “complications of asphyxia in the setting of physical restraint.” The report cited excited delirium and acute intoxication by phencyclidine, or PCP, as contributing factors.

Small businesses shun tax deferral

NEW YORK (AP) — As employees of small businesses get their first September paychecks, they’re probably receiving their usual amount — company owners are still withholding money for Social Security despite a presidential order allowing the tax to be deferred.

The order President Donald Trump signed Aug. 8 allows employers to stop withholding the 6.2% payroll tax from Sept. 1 through Dec. 31. Employees must make under \$4,000 every two weeks to qualify. Trump said the order was aimed at putting more money into Americans’ pockets during the coronavirus outbreak.

Small business owners are wary about the plan. The tax must still be paid between Jan. 1 and April 30 of next year, which means employees could take an unwanted financial hit or companies might ultimately have to pay the government if staffers leave.

Attorney John Strohmeier is having the payroll for his Houston firm processed as per usual.

“It doesn’t make much sense. I’m not getting a tax break as an employee or employer. The money is still due by April 30 of next year,” Strohmeier says.

Jay Starkman says the businesses calling his human resources consulting firm for advice about tax deferral ask whether it’s a good benefit for employees. But they’re not inclined to implement the plan.

“If the employee doesn’t pay the money back, you’re on the hook for it. Till that changes, it just doesn’t make sense to give somebody a few more months of money,” says Starkman, CEO of Engage PEO, based in Hollywood, Florida.

Owners also have questions about the payment process that aren’t answered in the guidelines the IRS issued last week.

The three-page document is silent on how the money is to be collected after Jan. 1, leaving owners wondering if they would have to deduct it paycheck by paycheck or whether staffers would need to

come up with a lump sum. Owners also don’t know if they’d have to poll staffers individually to see who wants or doesn’t want their taxes deferred.

While many companies use payroll processors or human resources consultants to handle staffers’ pay, implementing a temporary tax deferral is still another layer of work for owners who are focused on running their companies during a pandemic.

Strohmeier says business owners would prefer to focus on changes that affect the long-term running of their companies. “This is a four-month delay. Why would you upset your business?”

Owners already see the possibility of a bureaucratic headache in tax deferral, says Karen Kerrigan, president of the advocacy group Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council.

“The vast majority of small businesses will likely opt out due to complexity, and the fact that it puts owners or managers in an awkward position of collecting funds or deducting funds from employees’ paychecks in the future, and these could be substantial amounts,” she says.

Owners are finding that employees aren’t eager to defer their taxes. Attorney Arash Hashemi’s sole staffer is looking down the road to paying the tax in 2021 and “she’s afraid that will hurt her pocket more than it will help,” he says.

Hashemi, whose practice is in Los Angeles, is also saying “no, thanks.”

“I already have so many obligations to the government, not only federal but state and local. I don’t want to make one more burden for the business,” he says.

Michael Kipness has surveyed his five staffers and found that “they’re very concerned about having to pay this back later.” His financial advisers tell him that the IRS guidance about the tax deferral is confusing.

“We will continue to withhold it, as there’s too much uncertainty right now,” says Kipness, CEO of Wizard Race and Sports, a company that gives sports gamblers analyses of races and games.

29 seconds late: GOP statement left out of pamphlet

SALEM (AP) — The Oregon Republican Party’s statement for the state voters’ pamphlet arrived 29 seconds too late and won’t appear in the guide mailed to voters for the November election, officials say.

Laura Fosmire, a spokeswoman for Secretary of State Bev Clarno, said deadlines apply equally to everyone.

“Anyone wishing to submit information to the Voters’ Pamphlet has several weeks to do so and we recommend avoiding waiting until the last minute for this reason,” she said in a statement.

But Oregon Public Broadcasting reports that

Kevin Hoar, the communications director for the state GOP, insists the party did get its statement into an online filing system by 4:59 p.m. on Aug. 25, the final day for filing.

He said the party filed a lawsuit in Marion County demanding that the statement be included in the voters’ guide before it goes to print later this month.

“We can’t quite explain the interpretation and decision here” by state elections officials, Hoar said.

State Republican Chairman Bill Currier said the failure to include his party’s statement from the voting guide “reeks of partisan discrimination.”

He added, “If a bureaucrat in some decision-making role simply didn’t like what our statement said, this doesn’t give them the right to silence us.”

Clarno, the secretary of state, is the only Oregon Republican in statewide office. A former Oregon House speaker from Deschutes County, she was appointed to the job by Democratic Gov. Kate Brown to serve the rest of the term after Secretary of State Dennis Richardson died in 2019.

The statement submitted by the Republican Party was headlined “Had enough? Vote Republican!” It attacked Democratic leadership in

Oregon on issues ranging from “Unrestrained rioting” in Portland to mismanagement of the pandemic resulting in “catastrophic small business losses.”

Hoar also said that Currier was locked out of the online filing system for several hours, delaying the party’s ability to file its statement.

Fosmire said there were “no problems or glitches” with the online reporting system. “(W)e simply received the statement after the filing deadline,” she said.

The Democratic Party of Oregon and six other political parties are included in the voters’ pamphlet for the Nov. 3 election.

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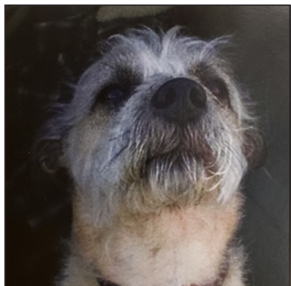
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Pursuant to ORS 312.190, notice is hereby given that on the 24th day of September, 2018, a General Judgment of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Coos, was entered in Case No. 18-CV-37179, granting Coos County Judgment for the delinquent taxes and interest due on several parcels of real property, requiring that the several liens of such taxes be foreclosed, ordering the subject properties to be sold by the County Tax Collector directly to Coos County for the respective amounts of taxes and interest for which the subject properties were severally liable, and ordering the subject properties to be held by the Tax Collector for a period of two years from and after the date of Judgment of Foreclosure, subject to redemption ("redemption period"). The redemption period will expire on the 24th day of September, 2020. Immediately upon expiration of the redemption period, all properties ordered sold under the Judgment will be deeded to Coos County and every right and interest of any person in the properties will be forfeited forever to Coos County.

Dated at Coquille, Oregon, this 17th day of August, 2020.
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A VIRTUAL regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Central Lincoln PUD will be held on September 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at Central Lincoln's Newport office located at 2129 N. Coast Hwy. In addition to regular business, the board will review its governance policies, preliminary YE financial statements; consider contract awards to purchase a service truck and two chip dump trucks, and a sole source request to purchase a transformer dry-out system. The board will also consider adoption of a resolution to authorize a NEMS master resource agreement. The board will hear an update on retirement plans, be given a COVID-19 situational report and may also discuss other business as it arises at this meeting. To review the meeting agenda, please go to clpud.org. Customers interested in attending the meeting virtually can email info@clpud.org to make a request.
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YOUR NEWS

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Push for change. Embrace the future with optimism, and refuse to let the past hold you back. Explore options that encourage personal growth and enlightenment. There will be no downside to reaching for the stars; don't be afraid to maximize your potential and take big swings.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Expand your interests, pick up new skills and keep up with technology. Being able to take advantage of what's available will help you move forward with your long-term plans.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Take care of personal matters. Start a new diet or health routine that will help build strength and encourage you to look and feel your best. Spending time with a loved one will bring you closer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- Sign up for online conferences and classes to expand your mind without taking unnecessary health risks. Doing what's right and best for everyone should be your priority.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Someone will give you the wrong impression or lead you to believe something that isn't true. Before you get involved in someone else's plans, do your research.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Make your domestic space inviting, comfortable and convenient for you and your loved ones. An enjoyable environment will do wonders for everyone's morale.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- Take time to rejuvenate and pamper yourself. The break will be the pick-me-up you need to tackle some of the items you have on your to-do list. Romance should be a priority.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Be careful how much information you share online or by phone. Keep your personal information secret, as well as your plans. Listen to what others have to say, and absorb the information thoroughly before you comment or get involved.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Work toward a goal. Avoid friction with colleagues or anyone who can ruin your day or reputation. Strive to be your best mentally, physically and emotionally.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Don't overdo it or take on too much. Keep working toward your goal. Don't take risks that can hurt your relationship with a loved one, lead to injury or damage your health.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Speak from the heart, say what's on your mind and do your best to resolve personal problems. Be willing to do your part and offer suggestions that help keep the peace.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Reach out to someone who needs your help. Be a good listener and a loyal friend, and you will gain respect, trust and admiration. A partnership looks promising.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Charm and diplomacy will be necessary to sidestep an emotional scene. Keep the peace, get your facts straight and avoid letting anyone talk you into something you don't want to do.

Bridge

Yesterday, you had to try to keep East off the lead so that he couldn't make a damaging switch. Today's deal is another variation on the danger-hand theme.

Cover the East-West cards. Against three no-trump, West leads the spade five: six, nine, 10. How should South continue?

Declarer starts with only five top tricks: two spades (given the first trick), two diamonds and one club. If the club finesse works, that suit will provide the other four tricks.

That was as far as the original declarer went with his analysis. Immediately, he ran the club jack. However, East won with the king and returned a spade. Declarer finessed the queen unsuccessfully and won the third

round with the ace. Now, whether he played on diamonds or hearts, West could get the lead to cash his two spade winners, defeating the contract.

Declarer should have analyzed further. If the club finesse was working, there was no hurry to take it. All of the suits were still under control. The first order of business was to dislodge West's potential guaranteed entry: the heart ace. At trick two, South should lead the heart queen.

If her majesty wins, the time has come to take the club finesse. Nine tricks are assured. If East produces the heart ace and returns a spade, declarer wins the third round of the suit, then he finesses in clubs. Even if

the finesse loses, declarer cannot go down (unless East started with five spades). Finally, if West wins with the heart ace, he cannot lead another spade without losing a trick. The contract makes easily

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

HOW TO PLAY:

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ACROSS

1 Mineral springs

5 John, in Ireland

9 Contractor's figure

12 Refuses to

13 Alice's chronicler

14 Chemical suffix

15 Operatic prince

16 North Dakota's capital

18 Eyeglass

20 Kelp

21 Flower lover

22 Excitement

23 Tricked

26 Still on the market

29 Under par

30 Pull down

32 Passion

34 Wildebeests

36 Tell all

38 Really bad coffee

39 Tomato jellies

41 Fast horses

43 Switch positions

44 Victimize

45 Pulpits

48 Dwell

52 Most erratic

54 Sports event

55 — you with it?

56 Prefix for partly

57 Poet's black

58 Flaming

59 What — can I do?

60 Bumper mishap

DOWN

1 Go in the water

2 Comic swamp critter

3 Erelong

4 Disco flasher

5 Dark fur

6 Huron neighbor

7 Capp and Jolson

8 Roamers

9 Freight hazard

10 Early Peruvian

11 Feint

17 Remote

19 Grant territory

22 Tolstoy heroine

23 Make a tunnel

24 Radius' companion

25 Arithmetic sign

26 WWW addresses

27 Capital of Peru

28 Beat soundly

31 Basics

33 McMahan and Sullivan

35 CIA agent, slangily

37 Wingding

40 Out of the rain

42 Parented

44 Loosen

45 Cracked

46 Insignificant

47 Reproduced

48 Tenets

49 Legendary ox

50 Computer graphic

51 Dress type

53 Ocean dweller

Answer to Previous Puzzle

N	A	V	Y		L	A	B		A	W	E	S
A	L	O	E		A	H	A		M	E	A	L
B	U	L	L		S	S	N		P	A	V	E
S	M	E	L	L	S		J	E	E	R	E	D
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A	M	I			K	I	S	S		O	A	K
R	I	M		M	E	E	T			P	S	I
	T	O	Q	U	E	S		G	U	E	S	T
			U	M	P		H	O	P			
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A	X	E	S		A	D	E		A	S	I	A
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DILBERT

THE ENTIRE MANAGEMENT TEAM HAS CONTRACTED CORONAVIRUS AND IS QUARANTINED.

THEY ASKED ME TO TELL YOU TO STOP WORKING, BECAUSE WITHOUT THEIR WISDOM, YOU IDIOTS WILL RUIN EVERYTHING.

ANY QUESTIONS?

NO, I THINK YOU COVERED THE MAIN THEMES.

CLASSIC PEANUTS

MISS OTHMAR...

IF I WERE TO BRING A TV DINNER TO SCHOOL TOMORROW, WOULD I BE ALLOWED TO USE ONE OF THE OVENS IN THE CAFETERIA TO HEAT IT UP?

I SEE

HAVE YOU EVER NOTICED HOW A CERTAIN KIND OF QUESTION TENDS TO UPSET HER?

FRANK AND ERNEST

DEPARTURES

GATE

THE PASSENGERS ARE WORRIED SOMEBODY MIGHT BE INFECTIOUS. THEY'RE CAREFULLY EYEING EACH OTHER. IT'S GOING TO BE A FLIGHT OF STARES.

WEDNESDAY

DILBERT

THEY SAY THE BEST WAY TO MANAGE THE CORONAVIRUS IS TO SPREAD IT TO PEOPLE YOU DISLIKE.

THE HAPPINESS YOU GET FROM THAT WILL BOOST YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM.

MAYBE I'LL GET MY MEDICAL ADVICE FROM AN ACTUAL DOCTOR.

THEY LEAVE OUT THE GOOD STUFF.

CLASSIC PEANUTS

TRUE! FALSE! FALSE! TRUE! TRUE! FALSE! TRUE! TRUE!

TRUE! FALSE! FALSE! TRUE! FALSE! FALSE! TRUE! FALSE! TRUE! FALSE!

TRUE! FALSE! TRUE! TRUE! FALSE! TRUE! TRUE! TRUE! TRUE! FALSE!

AND ONE GOOD OLD FASHIONED MAYBE!!

FRANK AND ERNEST

NOW THAT WE'RE ALL TOGETHER, LET'S EAT!

LEAST

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

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

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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

HOW TO PLAY:

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ACROSS

1 Vagrant

4 Quiet

8 Lobster eggs

11 Popular cookie

13 Kitchen staple

14 Longoria of "Desperate Housewives"

15 Fireman's mascot

17 Musical notes

18 Most senior

19 Bashfully

21 College stat

22 Watch chain

23 Long stories

26 Sailing vessels

29 Aphrodite's child

30 University official

31 Giants hero of yore

33 Fashion accessory

34 Piglet plea

35 Lascivious look

36 Tired out

38 Force open with a crowbar

39 Ka-pow!

40 Pinch hitter

41 Panoply

44 Green

48 Earth: Prefix

49 Watered

52 LAX info

53 Lunch hour, often

54 Bone-dry

55 Bear's refuge

56 Gamelan instrument

57 Atlas abbr.

DOWN

1 Foreshadow

2 Russian range

3 Pinochle combo

4 Terra —

5 "The Greatest"

6 Grassy field

7 Rainy season

8 Depend

9 Racetrack

10 Simple

12 Bulova rivals

16 Serpents

20 Cable network

22 Harsh criticism

23 Embroider

24 Phoenix loc.

25 Disco dancer (hyph.)

26 Dispatch

27 Sonnet or ode

28 Watch winder

30 Caesar's day

32 Take a crack at

34 Approving

35 Many October babies

37 Lakers' org.

38 Carl Gustav —

40 Going to court

41 Matured

42 Nerve network

43 Chestnut or bay

45 Thing

46 Saucy

47 Jeannie portrayer

50 Milne marsupial

51 Howard or Ely

Answer to Previous Puzzle

S	P	A	S		S	E	A	N		B	I	D
W	O	N	T		A	R	L	O		E	N	E
I	G	O	R		B	I	S	M	A	R	C	K
M	O	N	O	C	L	E		A	L	G	A	E
				B	E	E		A	D	O		
D	U	P	E	D		U	N	S	O	L	D	
I	L	L		E	A	R	N		F	I	R	E
G	N	U	S		B	L	A	B		M	U	D
	A	S	P	I	C	S		A	R	A	B	S
				O	N	S			U	S	E	
A	M	B	O	S		I	N	H	A	B	I	T
J	E	R	K	I	E	S	T		R	A	C	E
A	R	E		D	E	M	I		E	B	O	N
R	E	D		E	L	S	E		D	E	N	T

THURSDAY

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING:☆☆☆☆☆

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

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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

HOW TO PLAY:

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ACROSS

- 1 Nat King —
5 Multitude
9 TD passers
12 Think ahead
13 Sci-fi award
14 Also
15 Quit flying
16 Reasoner's word
17 Hostel
18 Cheesecake brand (2 wds.)
20 Sneezey's pal
22 Solar wind component
23 Cable network
24 Adored ones
27 Musical beat
30 Seines
31 Hippo locale
32 Folkloric being
34 Herriot, for one
35 Tool handle wood
36 Runner's unit

DOWN

- 37 Mementos
40 Had a heart
41 Ben & Jerry rival
42 Towel's place
43 Inspecting
46 Disappointment
50 Sprinted
51 Dots in "la mer"
53 Dublin's land
54 Jackie's second
55 Number of Muses
56 — dunk
57 HBO alternative
58 Upshot
59 Spelling error

Answer to Previous Puzzle

B	U	M			C	A	L	M		R	O	E
O	R	E	O		O	L	E	O		E	V	A
D	A	L	M	A	T	I	A	N		L	A	S
E	L	D	E	S	T		S	H		L	I	L
			G	P	A		F	O	B			
S	A	G	A	S		S	L	O	O	P	S	
E	R	O	S		D	E	A	N		O	T	T
W	I	G		O	I	N	K		L	E	E	R
	Z	O	N	K	E	D		J	I	M	M	Y
			B	A	M		S	U	B			
A	R	R	A	Y		U	N	R	I	P	E	
G	E	O		I	R	R	I	G	A	T	E	D
E	T	A		N	O	O	N		S	E	R	E
D	E	N		G	O	N	G			M	T	N

- 5 Gloss
6 Decoy
7 Quiche base
8 Like pine scent
9 Handy swab (hyph.)
10 Ulna or tibia
11 PlayStation brand
19 Part of LAX
21 Grain morsel
23 Klutz's cry (hyph.)
24 Mdse. bill
25 Bug repellent
26 Herr von Bismarck
27 Betsy or Diana
28 Estate recipient
29 Marseilles Ms.
31 Wacky
33 Govt. agent
36 Most ticked off
38 Recognize
39 Border
40 Bunkhouse item
42 Turn back the odometer
43 QED part
44 Tall tale
45 Put one's foot —
46 Eye part
47 Greasy
48 Shawl or stole
49 Verne's captain
52 Twice XXVI

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8		9	10	11
12					13					14		
15					16					17		
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	37		38	39				40				
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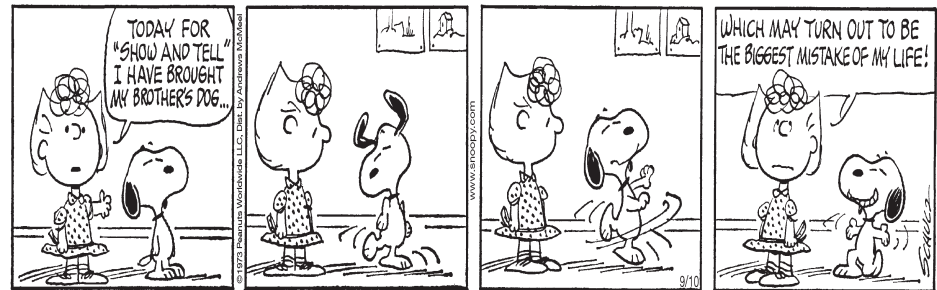
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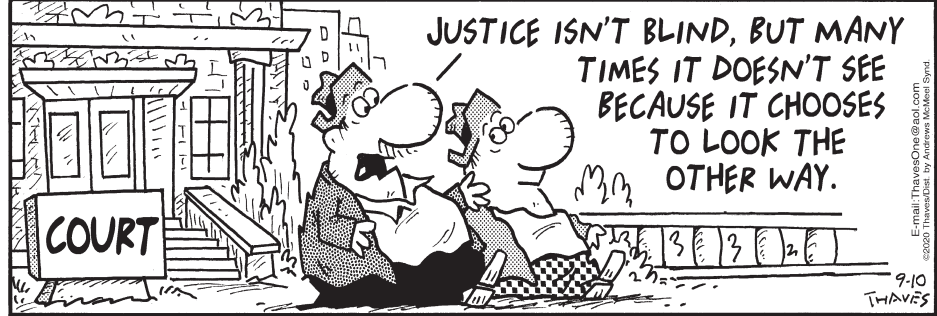
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CLASSIC PEANUTS



FRANK AND ERNEST

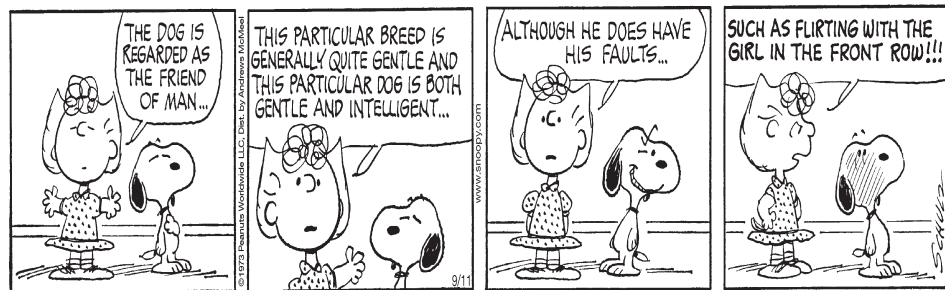


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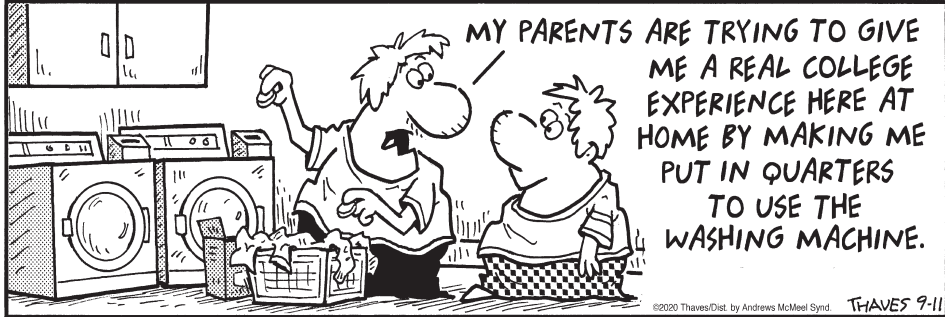
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CLASSIC PEANUTS



FRANK AND ERNEST



SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING:☆☆☆☆☆

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

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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

HOW TO PLAY:

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ACROSS

- 1 Sixty minutes
5 — Mahal
8 Pay for
11 Halos
13 Turkish honorific
14 Pursue
15 Grimy looking
16 Fishing floats
18 Major divisions of geologic time
20 No-goodnik (Var.)
21 Follow
23 Grow weary
24 — -Star Pictures
25 Tot's wheels
27 Kramer or Estrada
31 This, to Caesar
32 Holy cow!
33 Road division
34 Project starter

DOWN

- 36 Slippery — eel
38 Listening device
39 Bookish type
40 Practical knowledge
41 D.C. tax org.
42 Oct. and Nov.
44 Avoid answering directly
46 Thrash about
49 Rodin sculpture
50 Southpaws
52 Heating pipes
56 Dinghy's need
57 Corporate execs.
58 Wide tie
59 Golf instructor
60 Pack it away
61 Glimpse

Answer to Previous Puzzle

C	O	L	E		S	L	E	W		Q	B	S
P	L	A	N		H	U	G	O		T	O	O
A	L	I	T		E	R	G	O		I	N	N
S	A	R	A	L	E	E		D	O	P	E	Y
				I	O	N		U	S	A		
I	D	O	L	S		R	H	Y	T	H	M	
N	E	T	S		Z	O	O		E	L	F	
V	E	T		A	S	H		M	I	L	E	
T	O	K	E	N	S		C	A	R	E	D	
		E	D	Y		R	O	D				
E	Y	I	N	G		L	E	T	D	O	W	N
R	A	N		I	L	E	S		E	I	R	E
A	R	I		N	I	N	E		S	L	A	M
T	N	T		G	I	S	T		T	Y	P	O

- 2 Yes, in Cherbourg
3 Tall vase
4 Gets angry
5 Keep — on
6 Back when
7 "Star Wars" crime lord
8 Used plastic

1	2	3	4			5	6	7		8	9	10
11				12		13				14		
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59				60					61			

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