

**KKNU-FM 93.3**

**SPRINGFIELD, OREGON**

**QUARTERLY POSTING OF COMMUNITY PROBLEMS, NEEDS AND  
INTERESTS**

**Fourth Quarter, 2019: October 1 through December 31**

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### **McKenzie River Broadcasting Co., Inc.**

Each quarter, on January 10, April 10, July 10 & October 10, we place in our public inspection file a list of what are considered to be the most significant Problems, Needs and Issues of the Springfield-Eugene, Oregon, community.

Along with this list are the programs that were aired to deal with these problems, needs and issues.

### **ASCERTAINMENT METHODS**

To ascertain these problems, needs and issues, McKenzie River Broadcasting Co., Inc., employs a Public Affairs Director who, within the natural course of news gathering, is made aware of problems, needs and issues in the community. The views of citizens of the community and civic leaders regarding community problems, needs and issues are also ascertained during meetings and interviews. Problems, needs and issues are also ascertained during interaction with members of the public.

### **PROGRAMMING**

To air information about these problems, needs and issues, McKenzie River Broadcasting Co., Inc., relies on the following methods:

1. Bona Fide Newscasts: These include news stories and segments that target these problems, needs and issues.
2. Community Forum: This is a 15-30 minute weekly program that offers in-depth examinations of community problems, needs and issues.

## McKENZIE RIVER BROADCASTING 4Q, 2019, ISSUES LIST:

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Quarter	October 1 through December 31, 2019
	<i><b>*Note: Major breaking news stories during the quarter that fall under these categories will be added as is appropriate and reflected in daily news and public service postings</b></i>
1	<b><u>ECONOMY, BUSINESS, GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING, UTILITIES, COLLEGE &amp; PRO SPORTS, EVENTS:</u></b> Economy; Economic and downtown development, urban renewal and urban density; Affordable housing; Rural development, urban growth boundary; Unemployment, workforce training; Major road construction: I-105 at Washington-Jefferson Bridges, Franklin Blvd.; Local tech; Personal finance; Consumer prices; Legal cannabis; Immigration economics; Retirement concerns; UO-OSU Athletics teams and funding; Sports events; Hayward Field rebuild, Civic Park project; Agriculture and farms; Technology; Energy prices, development; Cybersecurity and breaches.
2	<b><u>CRIME, SAFETY, LAW ENFORCEMENT, ILLEGAL DRUGS:</u></b> Community crime, policing, prevention; Drug & alcohol abuse, treatment; Mental health; Traffic safety, accident prevention; Human trafficking; Youth protection; School safety; Child abuse; Gangs; Cybersecurity; Police shootings, targeting of police; Demonstrations & riots; Racial profiling; Severe weather, storms, natural disasters; Terrorism.
6	<b><u>HOMELESSNESS, LOW-INCOME:</u></b> Affordable housing; Homeless veterans, individuals, families, youth; Homeless "rest stops"; "The Working Poor"; Minimum wage and living wages; Community agencies; Mental health; Older adults: Protection, health, housing, finances.
3	<b><u>HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH:</u></b> Mental health; Opioid epidemic, drug abuse; Legal cannabis products; Oregon Health Plan (Medicaid) and CCOs, ACA battles; Prescription drug prices; Obesity, diabetes & healthy eating; Food and product recalls; Legal battles over abortion and reproduction; Women's health; Flu, STDs; Measles, other outbreaks, debate over vaccines; Immunizations; Environmental health, wildfire smoke, overall air quality; Safe water systems; Assisted suicide.
4	<b><u>POLITICS, ELECTIONS, GOVERNMENT:</u></b> Legislative laws take effect, pre-session 2020 and elections news; School funding; Timber Unity, climate change bills; Other decisions by state officials and lawmakers, Trump administration, Congress, Oregon's Congressional delegation, Federal and state courts affecting Oregon; state funding and policy; Education funding; election funding; immigration and border, health care, women; offshore drilling, pipelines, oil trains, other environmental matters; partisan and budget battles; gun control, mass shootings, school violence; mental health treatment; marijuana and cannabis enforcement; the opioid epidemic; low-income and affordable housing; cybersecurity and data breaches; Proposed Lane County Courthouse, Eugene City Hall /
7	<b><u>ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION, DISASTERS, AGRICULTURE, WILDLIFE, FISHERIES:</u></b> Local flooding; Record snowfall aftermath; Snowpack, drought; Wildfires; Earthquake & Disaster preparedness; Air quality; Climate change, "Climate Kids" lawsuit; Legislative "cap & trade" debate; Agriculture, Horticulture, Sustainable landscaping; Cannabis & hemp; Pollinators; Pesticides, herbicides; Cougar and wolves; Ocean health, Fisheries, fish migrations; Forest management, Wildlife habitat; Power generation; Alternate energy; Hazardous materials, transport, clean-ups.
8	<b><u>EDUCATION:</u></b> Local-state budgets for higher ed, community colleges, K-12 education; College affordability; Curriculum, academic standards, student test results; Student honors; Student activism; Teacher contracts and contract negotiations; New schools; Knight Science Complex.
9	<b><u>TRANSPORTATION:</u></b> Infrastructure needs and projects, I-105, Franklin Blvd., Local repaving; Road and gas fees and taxes; Pedestrian, biker, rider safety; Hiking-biking trails; Airlines; Eugene's airport; Lane Transit District expansion and service; Hybrid, electric vehicles; Boeing 737 crashes and flight disruptions; Spring-summer travel; Rail safety.
10	<b><u>MILITARY, VETERANS, WAR ON TERRORISM:</u></b> Veterans, jobs, mental health (PTSD, suicide, etc.) and homelessness; Military families; Homeland and local security; Balancing terrorism with civil rights; National Guard deployments; Oregonians in the military; hacking and privacy.
5	<b><u>WOMEN, SEXUAL HARASSMENT, FAMILY, YOUTH, ELDER, MINORITIES, RACISM, IMMIGRATION, CIVIL RIGHTS, CIVIL LIBERTIES, HUMAN RIGHTS, RELIGION, COMMUNITY, DISABILITIES, LEGAL:</u></b> Sexual violence and harassment; Immigration, DACA, LatinX community; Families and children; Domestic violence; Youth programs; Youth protection; Race, racism; LGBTQ; Fair housing; Civil rights; Civil liberties; Privacy, cybersecurity; Religion, churches; Community and charitable events; Older adults; Pets and animal rights.

*The 4th Quarter, 2019, Issues List was formulated at a public meeting on Wed., Oct. 9, 2019, with Tracy Berry - KKNU-FM, Mary Reilly - KMGE-FM, as well as from the previous quarters' ascertainment; and conversations, phone calls and emails with listeners.*

## **KKNU-FM KMGE-FM KEUG-FM ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST**

### **ISSUES:**

- YOUTH, WOMEN'S ISSUES, FAMILIES
- EDUCATION
- HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH
- SAFETY

### **NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

*Locally produced / Regularly scheduled*

**DATE:** 10/6, 10/20    **TIME:** 6:30 a.m.-KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG    **LENGTH:** 30 minutes

### **GUEST:**

- **Name:** Verna Wise
- **Title:** Executive Director
- **Organization:** Ophelia's Place
- **City and State:** Eugene, Oregon
- **Email address:** verna@opheliasplace.net
- **Phone number:** 541-284-4333

### **TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

- How do families and communities raise smart, thoughtful and independent girls? the non-profit, Ophelia's Place, provides a safe place for girls to meet, study, take part in activities and receive counseling and mental health support as they become young women. The organization's outreach includes all of Eugene-Springfield, an expanding effort in Junction City, as outreach to girls from across Lane County. the newest programs are being offered in Albany. Executive Director Verne Wise discusses the "community for girls" and explains how its staff and counselors offer curriculum and presentations in Lane County Middle Schools and to community groups and businesses. In addition to a study and resource center, there are counseling and therapy services, skill-building activities and games, and a chance of girls to relax as a group and "just be themselves." Among the goals: encourage healthy relationships, a positive body image, and reduce bullying and harassment.

## **KKNU-FM KMGE-FM KEUG-FM ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST**

### **ISSUES:**

- YOUTH, FAMILIES
- COMMUNITY
- HEALTH
- EDUCATION

### **NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

*Locally produced / Regularly scheduled*

**DATE:** 10/13/19      **TIME:** 6:30 a.m.-KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG      **LENGTH:** 30 minutes

### **GUEST:**

- **Name:** Bev Smith
- **Title:** Executive Director
- **Organization:** Kidsports (also a lead member of Eugene Civic Alliance)
- **City and State:** Eugene, Oregon
- **Email address:** bevs@kidsports.org
- **Phone number:** 541-683-2374

### **TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

- Have you seen the progress this fall on the new Civic Park in South Eugene? The community sports complex, located on the former site of Civic Stadium, will provide children with playing fields and a fieldhouse, and a new administrative home to longtime non-profit sports organization Kidsports. the goal is to promote sports, fitness, and health in our community. The Eugene Civic Alliance has been fundraising for years on the project. while it still needs a few million more, it's also collecting donations for its "Gear Up" campaign to outfit the facility. Kidsports Executive Director Bev Smith, a leading member of the eugene Civic Alliance, gives us an overview. She says this fall's community day at the site, which allowed children and families to see the new playing field up-close, was a great chance to spur interest in the facility and fundraising. She says there's a shortage of playing fields and playing courts, which sometime makes it difficult to schedule games and matches. This facility will take some of the pressure off busy school gyms and fields, although they will remain tightly-booked. She also discusses the importance of sports for children: How they learn social skills, a positive attitude, controlling emotions, working as a team, and get some great physical and mental exercise. Kidsports focuses on participation. every child plays. Kidsports' scholarships allow any child to play, regardless of family income. Donations are always needed. Smith also encourages volunteers to learn how to become game officials.

## **KKNU-FM KMGE-FM KEUG-FM ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST**

### **ISSUES:**

- HEALTH
- ELDERS, FAMILIES
- LOW-INCOME
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### **NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

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**DATE:** 10/27, 11/3    **TIME:** 6:30 a.m.-KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG    **LENGTH:** 30 minutes

### **GUEST:**

- **Name:** Brian Price
- **Title:** Volunteer counselor
- **Organization:** SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance) - via Willamalane
- **City and State:** Springfield, Oregon
- **Email address:** (phone preferred for SHIBA Helpline)
- **Phone number:** 541-736-4421

### **TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

- The annual "open enrollment" period for Medicare is here again. It began Oct. 15 and continues through early December and trained volunteer counselors with SHIBA, the Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance program are taking appointments to help. Longtime volunteer and volunteer trainer Brian Price explains some of the changes this year. He says there are more companies offering a wider range of Medicare Advantage plans this year in Lane County, some at low or no cost. But he says those eligible to enroll should always read the coverage, co-pay and out-of-pocket details carefully. He directs people to the medicare.gov website where a new "Plan Finder" this year allows an enrollee to create a log-in for an online account where they may enter their location and a list of things such as their prescription medications and the software will provide a list of plans that have the best insurance coverage match. He also discusses the importance of making sure your health care providers and specialists are in-network. And he notes that couples should understand that just because one plan is a good fit for one person doesn't mean it will meet the needs of the other. Price also talks about the newer Medicare cards and protecting yourself from scams and ID thieves.

## **KKNU-FM KMGE-FM KEUG-FM ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST**

### **ISSUES:**

- **HOMELESSNESS:** Services for homeless youth
- **FAMILIES:** Reunification of runaways and families
- **COMMUNITY:** Funding for residential treatment for youth
- **LOW-INCOME:** Winter clothing drive

### **NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

***Locally produced / Regularly scheduled***

**DATE:** 11/10, 11/17 **TIME:** 6:30 a.m.-KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG **LENGTH:** 30 minutes

### **GUEST:**

- **Name:** Craig Opperman & Tyler Mack
- **Title:** President and CEO & Director of Marketing
- **Organization:** Looking Glass Community Services
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- **Phone number:** 541-686-2688

### **TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

- Topics included how Looking Glass serves the homeless youth in Lane County and how to fund their services. Among the services are schools, counseling and residential treatment. Funding to open a new location in Cottage Grove was discussed as well as the success of the Socktoberfest 2019 Sock Drive and the ongoing winter weather clothing drive.

## **KKNU-FM KMGE-FM KEUG-FM ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST**

### **ISSUES:**

- HEALTH
- MENTAL HEALTH
- LOW-INCOME
- SAFETY

### **NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

*Locally produced / Regularly scheduled*

**DATE:** 11/24, 12/1    **TIME:** 6:30 a.m.-KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG    **LENGTH:** 30 minutes

### **GUEST:**

- **Name:** Dr. Patrick Luedtke
- **Title:** Lane County Senior Health Officer
- **Organization:** Lane County Public Health / Lane County Health & Human Services
- **City and State:** Eugene, Oregon
- **Email address:** patrick.luedtke@co.lane.or.us
- **Phone number:** 541-682-4041

### **TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

- Flu season is gearing up and it's hitting early and hard. A combination of diligence and luck helped Lane County dodge a measles outbreak this fall. But reports of sexually transmitted diseases continue to climb. This morning, we sit down with Dr. Patrick Luedtke from Lane County Public Health to discuss everything from the importance of vaccination to safe sex. along the way, we learn about the agency's efforts to provide care to lower-income and other residents of Lane County. And we talk about growing mental health needs, the lung injuries caused by off-market vaping cartridges and more.



## **KKNU-FM KMGE-FM KEUG-FM ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST**

### **ISSUES:**

- **LOW-INCOME, HOMELESSNESS**
- **ELDERS, YOUTH, FAMILIES**
- **EDUCATION, HEALTH**
- **COMMUNITY**

### **NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

***Locally produced / Regularly scheduled***

**DATE: 12/8, 12/15    TIME: 6:30 a.m.-KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG    LENGTH: 30 minutes**

### **GUEST:**

- **Name:** Tom Mulhern
- **Title:** Executive Director
- **Organization:** FOOD for Lane County
- **City and State:** Eugene, Oregon
- **Email address:** [tmulhern@foodforlanecounty.org](mailto:tmulhern@foodforlanecounty.org)
- **Phone number:** 541-343-2822

### **TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

- It's been around for 35 years and its mission continues to grow and evolve. Tom Mulhern with FOOD for Lane County, our local food bank, talks about how they've added a major warehouse facility as part of the shift involved with moving from canned and packaged dry good to fresh and frozen foods, some of which need processing in the food banks' kitchen. We learn about how FFLC and other Oregon network food banks take part in restaurant and institutional kitchen food collection and repackaging, collect from grocery stores, farms, even pay for trucks to collect shipments of unsold produce from other states. He also discusses the organization's Dining Rooms for low-income patrons and elders, as well as the Summer Meals Program for children and teens and free meals in schools. And he discusses how the number of food pantries and their offerings continue to grow. Some of the largest are those that serve college students struggling to pay tuition and rent, even while working and raising a family. Others are in rural communities or are operated with the help of faith-based and other organizations. FOOD for Lane County's educational component includes it community and youth gardens, nutrition and cooking classes and more.

## **KKNU-FM KMGE-FM KEUG-FM ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST**

### **ISSUES:**

- HOUSING
- LOW-INCOME
- EDUCATION
- COMMUNITY, FAMILIES, YOUTH

**NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

***Locally produced / Regularly scheduled***

**DATE: 12/22, 12/29   TIME: 6:30 a.m.-KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG   LENGTH: 30 minutes**

### **GUEST:**

- **Name:** Ross Kanaga
- **Title:** Financial Innovation Manager
- **Organization:** DevNW (formerly NEDCO)
- **City and State:** Springfield, Oregon
- **Email address:** ross.kanaga@devnw.org
- **Phone number:** 541-345-7106

### **TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

- As we close in on the end of the year, it's time think about how your finances worked out in 2020 and make some healthy financial resolutions for 2020. Ross Kanaga with the non-profit DevNW talks about financial literacy, setting financial goals, the organization's classes and counseling, and how to talk with your significant other or kids about managing money and setting financial goals. He also outlines some of their other programs, including saving for retirement and their first-time homeowner program.

## PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING FORM

**DATE OF  
BROADCAST** 10/01/19

**TIME OF  
BROADCAST** 5:30AM-8:30AM / KKNV-FM

**NAME OF  
PROGRAM** Morning News

**LENGTH OF  
PROGRAM** 30 Seconds

**ISSUE OR  
SUBJECT  
DISCUSSED**

**ENVIRONMENT:** A bit frosty this morning as temperatures in the Willamette Valley dipped into the high 30s. This is a good time to ensure you're protected any sensitive plants by moving them under cover or indoors. It's also a good time to think about your pets and livestock: Are they warm enough as we head for colder autumn nights? Do they have access to food and water that won't freeze when the temperature falls? / **EDUCATION, SAFETY:** Fall term classes begin today at the University of Oregon in Eugene. Watch for students crossing roadways and bicycling. There is a new crosswalk on East Broadway at Franklin Boulevard where a new student apartment complex stands at the site of the former Louie's Restaurant. Watch for red crosswalk signals and obey traffic rules. / **YOUTH, SAFETY:** Oregon Department of Human Services officials say investigations into the deaths of children involved with child welfare will now be launched faster and have increased transparency. The changes come after the passage of state legislation dealing with such investigations and the governor's executive order on child welfare. DHS officials say people will soon be able to access more timely information about child fatalities and systemic issues that, when addressed, could help prevent tragedies. Some of the most notable changes in new legislation include requiring authorities to deploy a critical incident response team when there is a reasonable belief that a child died due to neglect or abuse. / **COMMUNITY, YOUTH, HEALTH, DEVELOPMENT:** Have you seen the progress this fall on construction of the new Civic Park in Eugene? The community sports complex, located on the former site of Civic Stadium, will provide children with playing fields and a fieldhouse to help promote sports, fitness and health. Now, the Eugene Civic Alliance is collecting donations for its "Gear Up" campaign for Civic Park. During the month of October, donate to help provide athletic equipment for the new facility. Donations will help purchase soccer balls, basketballs, volleyball nets, football goal posts, and other athletic equipment for people of all ages to use at Civic Park. Donations of any amount are welcome: A ten-dollar contribution, for example, covers the cost of a soccer ball. A \$20 donation buys a volleyball. A \$130 donation purchases a case of lacrosse balls. The campaign runs through October 31st. Contributions may also be mailed to Eugene Civic Alliance, P.O. Box 5338, Eugene, OR 97405. And mark your calendar! There will be a fundraising event on Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, at Hot Mama's Wings. From 3:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., Hot Mama's Wings will donate 15 percent of proceeds from food and beverage sales to Civic Park's Gear Up

campaign. Download and print the flyer at [eugene-civalliance.org/gear-up](http://eugene-civalliance.org/gear-up) and present it with your order. / **SPORTS, BUSINESS:** Renowned track coach Alberto Salazar, who trained four-time Olympic champion Mo Farah and former Duck Galen Rupp, along with a gold medalist and other top contenders at this week's world championships, has been kicked out of the competition. Overnight, Salazar was handed a four-year ban in a case long pursued by investigators with the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency. USADA officials said in a news release overnight that an arbitration panel decided on the four-year penalty for Salazar and endocrinologist Jeffrey Brown for, among other violations, possessing and trafficking testosterone while training top runners at the Nike Oregon Project (NOP). Brown performed consulting work for the Nike Oregon Project and was a personal physician for some of the runners. In a statement released by the Nike Oregon Project, Salazar said he was shocked by the arbitration outcome, and that he would appeal. He said throughout a six-year investigation, he and his athletes "endured unjust, unethical and highly damaging treatment from the USADA." In his statement, he said, quote, "The Oregon Project has never and will never permit doping." The USADA ban went into effect Monday, and track's governing body, the IAAF, moved quickly to revoke Salazar's credential for the final six days at the world championships in the nation of Qatar. The Athletics Integrity Unit, which oversees anti-doping in track, is notifying Salazar's athletes that they may not associate with their coach because of his ban. The 61-year-old Salazar is a former University of Oregon distance running star who went on to win four major marathon titles, in New York and Boston, from 1980 through 1982. The existence of the long-running USADA investigation became public after a 2015 report by BBC and ProPublica that detailed some of Salazar's practices, which included use of testosterone gel and infusions of a supplement called L-carnitine that, when mixed with insulin, can greatly enhance athletic performance. USADA said it received information from 30 witnesses. The case never directly implicated any of Salazar's athletes but was a reminder of how track's doping issues stretch well beyond the Russian scandal that has overtaken the sport over the last several years. ; Defying the NCAA, California opened the way Monday for college athletes to hire agents and make money from endorsement deals with sneaker companies, soft drink makers, car dealerships and other sponsors, just like the pros. The first-in-the-nation law, signed by California's Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom and set to take effect in 2023, could upend amateur sports in the U.S. and trigger a legal challenge. Supporters cast it as an attempt to bring more fairness to big-money college athletics and let players share in the wealth they create for their schools. Critics of the current system have long complained that universities are getting rich off the backs of athletes — often, black athletes struggling to get by financially. ; The NCAA says a new California law allowing college student athletes to earn money from endorsements is creating confusion for current and future athletes, coaches, administrators and schools. The NCAA responded Monday after California Gov. Gavin Newsom tweeted a video of himself signing the bill during a special episode of HBO's "The Shop: Uninterrupted." The NCAA says changes are needed to continue to support student-athletes, but improvement needs to happen on a national level through the NCAA's rules-making process. The NCAA says it is considering its next steps in California but did not elaborate. / **EDUCATION:** Northwest Christian University (NCU) has enrolled the largest freshman class and posted the ninth consecutive

year of record overall enrollment in the Christian Liberal Arts University's 124-year history. NCU is a small campus, nestled on the west side of the University of Oregon. The 2019-'20 freshman class topped 113 students, 13 more than the previous school year, and includes students from across the Northwest, U.S., and eight other countries. NCU's overall enrollment is 805 students this fall. Campus administrators say 92% of the school's undergraduates complete their programs within four years. / COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT: The City of Eugene's new Residential Food Waste Collection Program got underway today. It's part of an effort to reduce the waste headed to the landfill and provide an expanded source for local compost. Eugene tosses 40 million pounds of food into the local landfill each year. Half of this food waste comes from homes. Supporters say composting food waste allows the material to be used for something useful while also reducing harmful greenhouse gas emissions. This citywide program comes after a successful three-year residential curbside food waste collection pilot program that included 1,500 households in four Eugene neighborhoods. Not everyone is able to take advantage of the program, only those residents who have yard debris bins provided by local waste disposal companies. And you need to avoid adding anything that's not compostable: Plastic bags for example, are a big no-no. Want to learn more about the program? Your residential waste hauler had probably already shared details and has information on their websites. I've also placed a link to the city's program page on my TracyKGNU Facebook page. / BUSINESS, SAFETY, HEALTH: Major drug store chains CVS, Rite-Aid and Walgreen's are halting sales of popular heartburn treatment Zantac and its generic store brand after warnings by U.S. health regulators. It's the latest precautionary move by retailers and manufacturers after the Food and Drug Administration recently warned consumers about a potentially dangerous contaminant in prescription and over-the-counter versions of Zantac. In its announcement this weekend, CVS said customers who bought Zantac products can return them for a refund. The retailers are continuing to sell other heartburn medications. In September, the FDA said it detected low levels of a probable cancer-causing chemical known as NDMA in Zantac and related generic drugs to treat ulcers and reflux disease. The same chemical has been linked to dozens of recalls of prescription blood pressure drugs in the past year. The agency said the amount found in Zantac products barely exceeds levels found in common foods such as meats, dairy products and chemicals. Even so, the warning has led some pharmacies and manufacturers to stop selling drugs containing Zantac's active ingredient, ranitidine. Last week, two generic makers voluntarily recalled their products. Both companies said they have not received any reports of patient harm. Some other manufacturers have stopped shipping their product to pharmacies. Currently, the FDA isn't advising patients to stop taking Zantac and related drugs. The agency said not all medicines sold in the U.S. are being recalled. Concerned patients should contact their doctor. Several drugs also treat heartburn and other stomach conditions. They include Pepcid, Nexium, Prilosec, Prevacid and Protonix. Some are available only with a prescription, while others also have less-potent nonprescription versions. For people taking over-the-counter Zantac and related medications, the FDA recommends they consider another heartburn medicine. / HEALTH: Eating red meat is linked to cancer and heart disease, but are the risks big enough to give up burgers and steak? A team of international researchers says probably not, contradicting established advice. In a series of papers

published Monday, the researchers say the increased risks are small and uncertain and that cutting back likely wouldn't be worth it for people who enjoy meat. Their conclusions were swiftly attacked by a group of prominent U.S. scientists who took the unusual step of trying to stop publication until their criticisms were addressed. The new work does not say red meat and processed meats like hot dogs and bacon are healthy or that people should eat more of them. / BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT: Starting today businesses in Portland will not give you single-use plastic items unless you ask for them. The new policy includes plastic straws, stirrers, utensils and individually packaged condiments. It applies to dining in, takeout and delivery at restaurants, food carts, hotels, grocery stores, coffee shops, caterers and bars. The City Council passed the ordinance in December to reduce plastic waste. Businesses face fines up to \$500 for violating the policy. / VETERANS, HEALTH: Today is Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, and the first day of the Department of Veterans Affairs' nationwide ban on smoking outside all VA medical facilities. The new rule applies to visitors, patients and employees at all facilities, including the Roseburg VA Health Care System facilities in Roseburg and Eugene. People are being urged to leave their smoking materials at home. The ban includes cigarettes, cigars, e-cigarettes and vape pens. Smoking was already prohibited inside VA medical buildings, but now patients, employees and visitors will not be able to puff away anywhere on the grounds. Previously, smoking was allowed in designated shelters dotting the grounds of VA medical facilities. Supporters of the new policy say it creates a safer environment and reduces the risk of ignition near oxygen and other flammable gases used at VA facilities. It also promotes better health and reduces the risks associated with smoking and second-hand exposure. The smoking ban was first announced this summer. It brings the facilities in line with bans already in place at 4,000 medical facilities and four national health care systems that have made their grounds smoke free. But the move isn't without controversy. An estimated one-third of all veterans smoke, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and many were introduced to the habit while serving. Tobacco has long been tied to military: Cigarette ads featured troops, and the culture of the service historically promoted smoking on the battlefield or as a welcome respite from the stress of combat. Some veterans argue that there should be some place for smoking at VA facilities and there are concerns that some veterans may choose cigarettes or cigars over visiting their VA doctors. The Roseburg VA Health System offers smoking cessation treatment services to veterans and employees. If you're a veteran, information is available through your primary care team. / HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT: Outdoor burning and home wood heating. The fall season begins today (Oct. 1) for both here in Lane County. Here are details from the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency (L-RAPA): The fall outdoor burning season opens today for many Lane County residents. Fall outdoor burning seasons close at the end of the month for many areas inside Lane County. The outdoor burning season has been delayed in the past due to dry weather and fire danger. This year, weather conditions are better. Outdoor burning, also known as open or backyard burning, allows some Lane County residents to burn dry woody yard debris that was generated on their own residential property. Rules concerning outdoor burning differ throughout the county. Burn barrels are prohibited countywide. Before starting your outdoor burn, you must check the daily burning advisory, which indicates whether burning is prohibited on a given day. The

advisory also provides a time by which all fires must be extinguished. The daily burning advisory can be found by calling the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency's advisory line at 541-726-3976 or by visiting [www.lrapa.org](http://www.lrapa.org). Although burning is an option for some Lane County residents, LRAPA encourages exploring alternatives to burning. Residents can dispose of woody yard debris for a minimal charge at one of Lane County's various collection depots or with Rexius and Lane Forest Products. Chipping and composting are also alternative options to burning. Daily home wood heating advisories also begin today for residents of Eugene, Springfield and Oakridge and continue until the end of May. Daily home wood heating advisories apply to solid fuel devices such as wood stoves, pellet stoves and wood burning fireplaces in Eugene, Springfield and Oakridge. Green day advisories indicate that the air quality is good and burning is allowed. Yellow day advisories indicate that the air quality is deteriorating and burning is discouraged; residents are urged to use alternative sources of heat if possible. Red day advisories indicate that the air quality is unhealthy, and any visible smoke is prohibited. Failure to adhere to the daily advisories can result in hefty fines, including a \$500 fine for residents' first citation. Opacity limitations exist on Green and Yellow days that limit how thick your smoke can be. Home Wood Heating advisories are posted at 2 p.m. every day and go into effect at 4 p.m. that day for 24 hours. Lane County residents are required to check the daily advisory before starting a fire. Please visit [www.lrapa.org](http://www.lrapa.org) or call the advisory line at 541-746-4328. Residents may also sign up for text messages alerts that will notify you of a red advisory day by texting: "LRAPAHWH" to 313131. Financial need-based exemptions from red days are available in Eugene and Springfield; for more information, call LRAPA at 541-736-1056. Oakridge exemptions are available through Oakridge City Hall, 541-782-2258. Smoke from wood stoves and fireplaces are the main source of air pollution in Lane County in the fall and winter. To help Lane County meet the federal clean air standards every year, residents are encouraged to burn smart and clean. LRAPA advises people to make sure they only burn wood that has been seasoned for a minimum of six months to prevent excessive smoke. Additionally, use a certified wood stove and make sure your chimney is clean and free of creosote. / SAFETY: October is National Fire Prevention Month. Oregon's theme mirrors the 2019 national theme: "Not every hero wears a cape. Plan and practice your escape." During a typical home fire, you may have just minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarm sounds. Planning and practicing escapes can help you and your family make the most of this narrow window of time and give everyone enough time to get out safely. In the five-year period from 2014 through 2018, home fires killed 154 people, and injured another 1,029, in Oregon. Here are simple steps to plan and prepare for your safe home fire escape: Ensure your home has working smoke alarms and remember to check them monthly. Make an escape map, showing every window and door, and share it with everyone in the household. Know two ways out of every room, if possible. Have an outside meeting place a safe distance from the home where everyone should meet. Practice your home fire drill at least twice a year, during the night and day. When the smoke alarm sounds, get out and stay out; never go back inside for others or pets. Once outside, then call 9-1-1. / WILDLIFE, ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURE, POLITICS: Congress is closer to approving a contentious wild horse initiative backed by national animal welfare groups and the livestock industry but

condemned by leaders of the largest and oldest coalition of mustang advocates in the West. The Senate Appropriations Committee approved \$35 million last week for the program supported by an unprecedented alliance including the Humane Society of the United States, American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, National Cattlemen's Beef Association and American Farm Bureau Federation. They say it would eliminate the threat of slaughter for thousands of free-roaming horses and shrink the size of herds primarily through expanded fertility controls on the range. Critics say it drops long-held opposition to the capture of mustangs across 10 western states and could allow for sterilization of mares — a hot-button issue with horse protection advocates historically. The Senate committee included a \$35 million increase for the U.S. Bureau of Land Management's wild horse and burro program as part of the \$35.8 billion Interior Department appropriation bill it approved on Thursday. It's not clear when the full Senate will consider the measure. Then-Acting BLM Director Casey Hammond said in Idaho in July the Trump administration won't pursue lethal measures such as euthanasia or selling horses for slaughter. Backers of the bill approved by the Senate panel said it provides added assurances the horses will be treated humanely. They had sought a \$50 million increase in the BLM's \$80 million annual horse budget, arguing any boost in spending on contraception and other population controls ultimately will save money as herds shrink. The new alliance unveiled in April was immediately attacked by the American Wild Horse Campaign, Friends of Animals and others who have fought legal battles for more than a decade to block mustang roundups. If implemented, "we'll see massive round-ups, swelling captive wild horse population and jubilation from cattlemen's associations that secured political cover from the Humane Society ... for their long-time aspiration to secure a government-funded wild horse depopulation program," Marty Irby, executive director of Animal Wellness Action, said after the vote. BLM estimated 88,000 wild horses and burros are roaming public rangelands, more than three times what the agency says the land can support. Another 50,000 that have been removed from the range in recent years were in holding facilities at an annual cost of about \$50 million. Horse advocates have argued the animals must be permitted to roam the range in federally protected management areas established under the Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act of 1971. They say BLM's population quotas are often outdated and lack scientific data to support roundups to cull herd sizes. Ginger Kathrens, director of The Cloud Foundation based in Colorado, said the new initiative dubbed the "Path Forward" should be called the "path to extinction." She said it sets population targets to less than 27,000 — the total when federal protections first were enacted nearly a half-century ago. The new proposal advocates roundups in densely populated areas that cannot sustain large numbers of animals. It also would move horses currently in short-term holding pens to larger "cost effective, humane" pastures. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: The Coast Guard suspended its search for a man early Monday morning after more than 11 hours of combined searches in the vicinity of Whale Cove near Depoe Bay. Crews coordinated eight combined searches by air and by sea. It came after Coast Guard watchstanders at Sector North Bend received a report late Sunday morning from someone on land who spotted vessel debris in the vicinity of Whale Cove, about one mile south of Depoe Bay. Responders located the floating debris field and confirmed the debris belonged to the overdue sailing vessel Kiwanda. The Kiwanda was last sighted



Saturday evening in the vicinity of Cape Foulweather, heading north. While they've not located the vessel's occupant or occupants, Coast Guard crews recovered several items including pieces of wood, a life jacket, part of a marine sanitation device, and a strobe light with the name of the vessel inscribed on it. /

**CRIME:** The man authorities say fired a gun at Portland International Airport last week has pleaded not guilty to the charges he's facing. 31-year-old Deshawn Seamster is accused of unlawful use of a weapon, assault of a public safety officer, interfering with a public safety officer, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, criminal trespass with a firearm, and felon in possession of a firearm. Police say Seamster shot himself with his own weapon Friday morning during a struggle with an officer inside a revolving door near the baggage claim area. Seamster was sent to a hospital to be treated for his gunshot wound. He was arrested shortly afterward and made his first court appearance Monday. /

**BUSINESS:** Low-price fashion chain Forever 21, a one-time hot destination for teen shoppers that fell victim to its own rapid expansion and changing consumer tastes, has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. The privately held company based in Los Angeles says it will close up to 178 stores. It has a location in Eugene's Valley River Center. The company once had more than 800 stores in 57 countries. Forever 21 joins Barneys New York and Diesel USA in a growing list of retailers seeking bankruptcy protection as they battle online competitors. Forever 21 was founded in 1984 and, along with other so-called fast fashion chains like H&M and Zara, rode a wave of popularity among young customers that took off in the mid-1990s. But over the last year or so, fast fashion has fallen out of style. /

**ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY:** A Yellowstone National Park visitor has been hospitalized with severe burns after falling into thermal water at Old Faithful Geyser. A park spokeswoman said the man told rangers he was walking near the famous geyser late Sunday night without a flashlight when he tripped into a hot spring. He was taken by ambulance to West Yellowstone and airlifted to a burn center in Idaho Falls. A hospital representative said Monday the man was in the intensive care unit, but declined to release further details. It is illegal to leave the boardwalks around Old Faithful, a crime punishable by up to six months in prison and a \$5,000 fine. In 2016, an Oregon man died after falling into a Yellowstone hot spring. /

## PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING FORM

<b>DATE OF BROADCAST</b>	10/02/19
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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>WILDLIFE, SAFETY, COMMUNITY: Springfield Police are sharing details of another cougar sighting. This one occurred early this morning—about quarter to two—in the area of 58<sup>th</sup> and High Banks in the Thurston Hills area. Police say they were contacted by a person who reported seeing an approximately 90-pound cougar. The person told police the big cat left and then returned to the area a few minutes later, then last saw the cougar heading north into a field and traveling toward the river. Springfield Police checked the area early this morning but were unable to locate the cougar. But they're advising residents to use caution when travelling in the Thurston Hills area. Two weeks ago, there was a cougar sighting at Dorris Ranch in Springfield. Officials with the Willamalane Parks and Recreation District, which manages the property, say they've worked with the local office of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to post signs at the park. Oregon is home to more than 6,000 cougars, or mountain lions. While cougar sightings and encounters are rare but have increased in recent years as cities have expanded and more homes and businesses have moved into rural areas. Why they generally avoid people, some of the big cats have grown more accustomed to human presence and even ventured into communities when food grows scarce in the wild. In Springfield, there have been a number of cougar sightings in recent years, mostly in areas that border wooded areas and fields near the river and are considered wildlife corridors. But one big cat was euthanized in July of last year after it was spotted watching children at play in a Springfield neighborhood. Last October, residents in the Mt. Vernon-Jasper Road area were warned to be alert a flurry of cougar sightings, including one near a school, and evidence of several predatory animal kills. If you think you see a cougar, report the sighting to your local office of the Oregon Department of Fish &amp; Wildlife, local police or the Oregon State Police. Use caution areas where the big cats have been seen, especially around dawn and dusk. Keep an eye on everyone in your party, especially children. Keep dogs on a leash. The Oregon Department of Wildlife also notes that: Cougars that encounter humans often will retreat if given the opportunity. Leave the animal a way to escape. Stay calm and stand your ground. Maintain direct eye contact. Pick up children, but do so without bending down or turning your back on the cougar. Back away slowly. Do not run. Running triggers a chase response in cougars, which could lead to an attack. Raise your voice and speak firmly. If the cougar seems aggressive, raise your arms to make yourself look larger and clap your hands. If in the very unusual</p>

event that a cougar attacks you, fight back with rocks, sticks, bear or pepper spray, tools or any items available. / **HEALTH, SAFETY, CRIME, ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY:** Fed up with litter, dumping, reckless burning, open fires and damage to property and habitat, state officials are moving to ban overnight recreational use and camping on the banks and small islands along the Willamette River in Eugene. It comes after Eugene Police, Oregon State Police, the Eugene Parks Division and others dealt with repeated problems with homeless camps in the areas, ranging from crime to health hazards. Officials with the Oregon Department of State Lands in May announced the temporary closure. No activity will be permitted on those lands between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. Camping and fires are prohibited at all times. The state now is considering permanent restrictions and will hold a public hearing on the issue in two weeks, on Wednesday, October 16. That session will run from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Eugene Parks and Open Space Division, at the Public Works complex at 1820 Roosevelt Boulevard in Eugene. For years, there have been growing complaints that illegal homeless camps are polluting the river, the riverbank and small islands. Workers say they're continually being asked to clean up abandoned camps dotted with human feces, syringes and other garbage. The City of Eugene already bars overnight camping on its public property, and the county has recently moved to set curfews on its property in downtown Eugene that has attracted homeless campers in the past. Earlier this summer, the City of Eugene's Public Works Parks and Open Space staff and a sheriff's work crew, made up of low-level offenders, spent the morning removing truckloads of trash and waste from one illegal camping sight along one Willamette River island in the heart of Eugene. Crews found 10 large-scale camps on the island and estimated that roughly 3,000 pounds and 45 yards worth of trash would be removed from the area by the time the crews finished. Crews found broken-down bike frames and tires, decaying food, human feces, trash and at least 50 hypodermic needles within the first few hours of the project, Allen said. One of the biggest problems for river island camps such as these is all types of trash and waste collected at the site can and has made it into the river. Officials say the trash can wind up in the river and on shore. Homeless campers also destroy vegetation on the island, destroying wildlife habitat. The camps also mean that stretch off the river is less safe for people to visit. Officials gave homeless campers 24 hours' notice of the cleanup. Issues surrounding homeless camps in Eugene are nothing new. In June, city council members cracked down on curbside camping, allowing business owners to enforce trespass on planter strips in front of their businesses. However, when it comes to Willamette River islands, issues concerning land management and control will have to play out before the city can impose rules banning camping. The city of Eugene started negotiations in April with the Department of State Lands to establish a rulemaking process for restrictions on unauthorized uses of riverbanks and islands within Eugene city limits. The riverbanks and islands are state-owned, and therefore state-regulated. / **LOW-INCOME, GOVERNMENT:** If you are a recipient of federally funded Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or "SNAP" benefits, you might see an increase in your monthly food benefits. SNAP offers supplemental nutrition assistance to low-income individuals and families. It is the largest program in the domestic hunger safety net. SNAP monthly benefit amounts are based on federal guidelines. The annual changes are made to reflect changes in the cost of living and other

allowances. Cost of living is the amount of money needed to support a basic standard of living. Rules regarding monthly benefit amounts are changed every October 1<sup>st</sup>, the beginning of each Federal fiscal year. No action is needed. Benefit changes will begin with October SNAP benefits. Monthly benefits amounts are determined based on current reported income and deductions. Officials do not expect any SNAP benefit decreases due to the annual adjustment. In Oregon, individuals and families apply for SNAP benefits at Department of Human Services and Area Agency on Aging offices across the state. / CRIME: The scammers are at it again, pretending to be a police officer or other law enforcement official and trying to get you to give them your money, personal information, or both. Investigators with Eugene Police and other agencies remind you: They will never call and demand payment for a fine or other issue immediately. Law enforcement does not call you saying there's a warrant for your arrest, but that you can take care of it by giving them cash, gift cards, your checking account information or credit card numbers. If you receive a phone call and recognize that the call is a scam, please hang up immediately and report the information to [www.ic3.gov](http://www.ic3.gov) If you are the victim of a scam and have incurred a loss, please call the Eugene Police non-emergency line at 541-682-5111 or, if you live outside of Eugene, your local law enforcement agency. Scams like this pop up all the time. In some cases, scammers pretend to be calling from the IRS or other government agency. Sometimes, the scammers are able to "spoof" legitimate phone numbers, creating a Caller ID that makes it appear as though they are calling from a police or government agency, or even from 9-1-1 dispatch. Be suspicious! Eugene Police remind you: If someone asks you for your cash, gift cards, credit card numbers, security log-ins, or other personal information (especially if you don't know them well), the safest move is to refuse their request and check with the police, or find an independent way to contact a legitimate business and follow up rather than responding right away to the caller. Don't give out computer or phone log-ins, personal or financial information to someone who calls you. If you are unsure, hang up and independently find the phone number of the alleged represented agency and call yourself. A law enforcement agency will not ask you for this type of information or request that money be sent by way of money order for any reason. Beware of high-pressure techniques, such as the need to give information or make a decision on the spot. If it sounds quirky or weird, it probably is. / LAW ENFORCEMENT: Congratulations to Lane County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Carl Wilkerson. He recently completed one of the toughest challenges available to local law enforcement officers: the FBI National Academy. Last month, Chief Deputy Wilkerson and two other Oregon law enforcement officers graduated a ten-week training session at the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. There is a highly competitive process local law enforcement officers must go through to be selected for this honor. It includes a nomination by a supervisor; interviews with the candidate and co-workers to determine leadership skills and abilities; a background check; a determination of physical fitness; and the support of former National Academy graduates within the candidate's organization. Only a few law-enforcement officers from Oregon attend each year. Chief Deputy Carl Wilkerson started with the Lane County Sheriff's Office in 1994. He became a deputy in 1996, working in corrections and later transferring to the Police Services Division. He served as a patrol deputy on the Traffic Safety Team, as a Creswell contract deputy, and on county patrol, serving

community members over an area of 4,600 square miles. In 2005, the agency promoted him to detective in the Criminal Investigations Section, and, in 2013, to sergeant. In 2018, he promoted to the position of Police Services Lieutenant before accepting the promotion to Chief Deputy, second in command to the Sheriff, this year. Chief Deputy Wilkerson has served on the Marijuana Eradication Team, as a drug recognition expert; as a SWAT operator; and on the Interagency Deadly Force Investigations Team. The National Academy classes include classes in Critical Incident Leadership; Crisis Negotiations; Contemporary Issues in Police and Media Relations; Essentials for Law Enforcement Leaders; Behavioral Science for Law Enforcement Leaders; Fitness in Law Enforcement; and Contemporary Issues in Law Enforcement. / HEALTH, SAFETY: State health officials say they've learned of three additional cases of severe lung illnesses linked to vaping, bringing the total to eight. The Oregon Health Authority said last week that two of the Oregon victims had died. That escalation prompted state health officials, lawmakers and Gov. Kate Brown to launch a barrage of anti-vaping messaging, including calls for people to stop using the devices. It came one day after officials with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said that there were 805 confirmed and probable cases nationwide. Of the five cases reported last week, The Oregonian/OregonLive reports officials confirmed all shopped at legal retail cannabis stores. A health authority spokesman did not say whether patients in the three new cases did, as well. On Friday, the governor said Oregon Justice Department experts advised her that one possible response could be a six-month ban on vaping products. Last week, Washington state's governor directed his health agency to exercise emergency authority to ban all flavored vaping products, including those containing THC—the psychoactive ingredient in marijuana. / AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS, EDUCATION: The Global Hemp Innovation Center at Oregon State University has received a \$1 million gift to explore hemp genomics (juh-NOH'-mihks). Supporters say the research can expand understanding of how hemp may be used in health and nutrition products, textiles and construction materials. The gift to the OSU Foundation was provided by Oregon CBD, a hemp seed research and development company. The Global Hemp Innovation Center was launched in June by OSU's College of Agricultural Sciences and is the largest, most comprehensive hemp research center in the nation. Oregon CBD is a family-owned business with longtime ties to Oregon State University. Seth and Eric Crawford both have several degrees from OSU and prior to starting the family business Seth Crawford taught in Oregon State University's School of Public Policy for 13 years. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The 2019 fire season officially ended Tuesday on all lands protected by the Oregon Department of Forestry as the Southwest Oregon District covering Josephine and Jackson counties became last district to end its fire-related restrictions. There were 923 wildfires on Oregon Department of Forestry-protected lands this year. That's about average. However, only a bit more than 16-thousand acres burned, 56 percent below average. Officials say that's because temperatures remained relatively cool this summer and when lightning storms swept across the state, they were often accompanied by drenching rains. Crews also deployed to areas where the storms were most likely to spark fires, giving them a jump on battling the blazes and helping to keep many to less than one-tenth or one-quarter of an acre. Only two blazes, the Milepost 97 Fire and the Ward Fire, required

deployments of state teams. Oregon Department of Forestry analysts say this wound up being the shortest fire season in the 21st century at only 99 days. That's about three weeks shorter average. Officials say much of the credit goes to members of the state's coordinated fire protection system, including forest and range landowners, local fire districts, tribes, contractors, and federal, state and county partners. As Oregon transitions out of fire season, ODF districts across the state are shifting their attention to wildfire prevention efforts. So, too, are private landowners. The projects include clearing vegetation, creating defensible space around homes, and keeping burning of debris piles under control. / SAFETY: October is National Fire Prevention Month. Oregon's theme mirrors the 2019 national theme: "Not every hero wears a cape. Plan and practice your escape." During a typical home fire, you may have just minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarm sounds. Planning and practicing escapes can help you and your family make the most of this narrow window of time and give everyone enough time to get out safely. In the five-year period from 2014 through 2018, home fires killed 154 people, and injured another 1,029, in Oregon. Here are simple steps to plan and prepare for your safe home fire escape: Ensure your home has working smoke alarms and remember to check them monthly. Make an escape map, showing every window and door, and share it with everyone in the household. Know two ways out of every room, if possible. Have an outside meeting place a safe distance from the home where everyone should meet. Practice your home fire drill at least twice a year, during the night and day. When the smoke alarm sounds, get out and stay out; never go back inside for others or pets. Once outside, then call 9-1-1. / COMMUNITY, CRIME, EDUCATION: Yesterday was a day of remembrance on the anniversary of two mass shootings in the U.S. In Roseburg, a ceremony for the Day of Remembrance at Umpqua Community College. This was the fourth anniversary of the loss of eight students and an assistant professor after a 26-year-old student brought firearms into a classroom and a short time later killed himself after a confrontation with plainclothes officers. And it was the second anniversary of the attack on country music concertgoers at an outdoor festival on the Las Vegas Strip. A 64-year-old man fired more than 11-hundred rounds of ammunition from his nearby high-rise hotel suite, killing 58, wounding 422 and contributing to the injuries of hundreds more who fled the scene. Yesterday there were memorials and 58 crosses back on a section of the busy tourist area. For survivors, family and friends of the victims, these anniversaries are intensely painful and the observances somber. But participants say it's important to honor the memory of the victims and work to prevent future tragedies. / TRANSPORTATION, TERRORISM, SAFETY, GOVERNMENT: Starting on Oct. 1, 2020, all air travelers must have a federally recognized form of identification in order to board domestic flights. If you have a passport, you're all set, as long as you remember to take it to the airport to show at TSA checkpoints. But The Oregonian and OregonLive report only a bit more than one in three Oregonians have a valid passport. Real ID cards, which were optional for air travel up to now, will be the other way to prove you are who you say you are. The Department of Homeland Security is driving the ID upgrade, to crack down on potential security issues. And starting in July, Oregon will finally issue Real ID-compliant driver's licenses. But that will make us the last in the country to comply with the federal rules that were set in motion by Congress in 2005. And because Oregon won't start issuing Real IDs until July 6, it could be a

tremendously busy three months at the state's 60 DMV offices and at airport checkpoints from Portland to Eugene to Medford unless people know what's coming. Oregonians who request the cards starting next summer will receive a license similar to what they may already have, but the Real ID-compliant card will be adorned with a black star in the upper right-hand corner. Reporter Andrew Theen writes that state officials are urging people who plan a trip to the DMV next summer and early autumn for other issues plan accordingly and expect potentially lengthy delays. Transportation officials estimate that some 960,000 Oregonians may want a Real ID once those documents are available next year. An estimated 3.25 million Oregonians have current driver's licenses. DMV officials say the agency issues roughly 600,000 to 700,000 renewals, replacement cards and motorcycle endorsements every year. Licenses are valid for an eight-year period. Oregon transportation leaders gathered at Portland International Airport Tuesday to make an unusual plea: Apply for a passport now if you're eligible, especially if you plan to fly anywhere between July and October of next year. If you have a soon-to-be expired passport, begin planning to renew it as soon as possible. State officials say they are trying to get the word out to apply for a passport if you don't have one and plan air travel late next year. They say there simply is not enough time for the DMV to produce enough Real ID licenses to meet the demand. According to the U.S. State Department, it can take six to eight weeks to obtain a passport in some cases. Passports can be expedited in certain cases or issued the same day in certain locations. Real IDs will be mailed to Oregonians anywhere from five to 10 days after applications and documents are submitted. Oregon is in the midst of installing new computer systems at all of the state DMVs. The offices will begin training in April on the new Real ID software, and that training will extend through June. The state approved funding for 49 new DMV employees to help with the situation. Applicants must bring a federally recognized form of identification, like a birth certificate, to the DMV when applying for a new or replacement card starting in July. They must also bring proof of a home address and a document like a paystub or W-2 with proof of a valid Social Security Number. Those documents will be scanned into a secure system at the DMV. DMV officials note that those are all documents that most Oregonians will have brought when first applying for a driver's license. But the applications must be submitted in person and the state projected it could add 8 minutes to every transaction, not including the waiting time in the lobby nor the 10-plus minutes needed to go through the license application process. A final cost for the Real ID card hasn't been finalized, but McClellan said it would likely be around \$20. That cost is in addition to the \$40 fee for a license renewal. Real IDs are not required for Oregon residents under the age of 18. Minors are not required to have a passport if they are traveling with a companion. / CRIME: Authorities suspect the bizarre deaths and mutilations of five bulls in Oregon were caused by humans, but they have no leads. In the weeks since the dead bulls were found over several days in July, the Harney County Sheriff's Office has received calls and emails with speculation about what, or who, might be responsible. Colby Marshall, vice president of the ranch that owned the bulls, says he suspects a cult is behind the killings. Ranch hands have been advised to travel in pairs and to go armed. The deaths of the bulls recall mutilations of livestock across the West and Midwest in the 1970s that struck fear in rural areas. A former FBI agent who headed that investigation said that at the time there was no indication that

anything other than ordinary animal predators were behind the mutilations. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: The body of a Clackamas man involved in a boating accident has been recovered one day after the U.S. Coast Guard suspended the search for him near Depoe Bay on the central Oregon coast. The body of 58-year-old Hoang Minh Tran was recovered from the Pacific Ocean Tuesday morning. He was found wearing a life jacket. It came after Coast Guard watchstanders at Sector North Bend received a report late Sunday morning from someone on land who spotted vessel debris in the vicinity of Whale Cove, about one mile south of Depoe Bay. Responders located the floating debris field and confirmed the debris belonged to Tran's overdue sailing vessel, Kiwanda. The Kiwanda was last sighted Saturday evening in the vicinity of Cape Foulweather, heading north. During eight searches of the area, Coast Guard crews recovered several items including pieces of wood, a life jacket, part of a marine sanitation device, and a strobe light with the name of the vessel inscribed on it. According to family member's Facebook posts, Tran was a high school counselor, an experienced outdoorsman and a well-known volunteer in Portland's Vietnamese community. / HEALTH, SAFETY, YOUTH: A Washington state agency has created an app to help teenagers and young adults quit vaping as cases of a lung illness possibly connected to vaping continue to emerge. The Seattle Times reports that the free app, which was released Monday by the Washington Department of Health, is targeted toward people wanting to quit vaping. It is set up to teach users how to deal with cravings and achieve goals on the path to quitting. App users go through 10 lessons that provide tips to teach them how to deal with their cravings. Washington state's health officer says targeting teens and young people with another channel to quit vaping is an important step toward keeping them healthy. The app was released just days after Washington's governor directed his state Board of Health to exercise its emergency authority to ban all flavored vaping products, including those with THC. / SAFETY, BUSINESS, COMMUNITY: Johnson & Johnson has become the latest company to settle a lawsuit to get out of the first federal trial over the nation's opioids crisis, reaching a deal worth more than \$20 million with two Ohio counties. The conglomerate and its Janssen Pharmaceutical subsidiary announced the agreement late Tuesday with Cuyahoga and Summit counties. It calls for the company to pay \$10 million. The deal also includes provisions for the company to reimburse the counties up to \$5 million for legal expenses and contribute another \$5.4 million to nonprofit organizations that deal with the opioid crisis. The company is not admitting liability in a settlement announced three weeks before a trial is to begin in Cleveland. Four other drug companies had already reached settlements with the two counties. /



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<b>DATE OF BROADCAST</b>	10/03/19
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<b>NAME OF PROGRAM</b>	Morning News
<b>LENGTH OF PROGRAM</b>	30 Seconds
<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>CRIME: U.S. authorities said Wednesday they completed drug-trafficking busts in Oregon that involved an international network of couriers, dealers and stash-house operators who smuggled methamphetamine, heroin and cocaine worth about \$15 million from Mexico to Portland. Federal, state and local law enforcement conducted raids and arrested 20 people, according to U.S. Attorney Billy Williams. There were already 10 people in custody in the case. Eleven others, including the two suspected top leaders, remained at large after being indicted. Investigators say Mexican kingpins smuggled the drugs to two Oregon distributors, who then spread it to stash houses, dealers, couriers and money launderers. Williams says the operation "marks one of the largest takedowns of a drug trafficking organization in the history of the District of Oregon." He adds that, "The very large quantities of drugs trafficked and the possession of firearms will subject many of these defendants to very long prison sentences—up to life." At one point, investigators say operatives in Portland were filling weekly orders from customers for more than 75 pounds of methamphetamine and 55 pounds of heroin. They estimate that amounts to roughly 600,000 individual user doses. Prosecutors say the organization would routinely change the location of stash houses, rotate vehicles and phones, and pay individual couriers to take time off if they were nearing detection by law enforcement. The operation is also accused of shipping guns back to Mexico for use by associates. Court documents allege the operation involved a sophisticated money laundering scheme that worked out of a Mexican mini-mart in a rundown strip mall next to a marijuana retail store. Couriers brought drug proceeds there to be wired in small amounts back to Mexico, with the knowledge and consent of its owners, Williams said. In that way, more than \$1 million was laundered from drug proceeds in one year alone, he said. ; It was a successful outcome after some tense moments, when Springfield Police early yesterday morning took a man into custody who later told them his efforts to resist arrest and flee were an attempt to get officers to kill him. Instead, 19-year-old Olallie Franklin Stahlwellborn was taken to jail. It started shortly around three yesterday morning when an officer spotted Stahlwellborn in his vehicle in the Springfield Walmart parking lot. The man had been reported missing, possibly suicidal and in possession of a handgun. Plus, he has a warrant for his arrest for failure to appear on a Disorderly conduct Charge in Eugene Municipal Court. Police say Stahlwellborn refused numerous requests to exit his vehicle, eventually putting it into gear and ramming two patrol cars. After officers</p>

broke out the drivers' window, a police K9 was deployed to help take Stahlwellborn into custody. Even though police say the suspect hit Springfield K9 Gryff several times in the head, the dog held on and the man was arrested. Police say they found a loaded 9 mm handgun was found on him, as well as a digital scale and numerous packages of heroin and methamphetamine in the vehicle. Stahlwellborn was treated at the hospital for minor injuries. ; A 53-year-old Lebanon man died in Oregon Department of Corrections custody, where he was serving a 60-year prison sentence for murder. Kenneth McPhail died Wednesday at Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution in Pendleton, at the facility's end-of-life care program, after a long illness. A 2006 article by the Corvallis Gazette-Times reported McPhail was convicted of killing a Lebanon woman, Melissa Dawn Bauer, in 2005 when she was 20 years old. Bauer was found dead from multiple stab wounds in a Linn County park, and McPhail was arrested a week later in Lincoln County. ; Authorities suspect the bizarre deaths and mutilations of five bulls in Oregon were caused by humans, but they have no leads. The deaths of the bulls recall mutilations of livestock across the West and Midwest in the 1970s that struck fear in rural areas. A former FBI agent who headed an investigation said there was no indication that anything other than ordinary animal predators were behind those mutilations. In the weeks since the dead bulls were found over several days in July, the Harney County Sheriff's Office has received calls and emails with speculation about what, or who, might be responsible. Colby Marshall, vice president of the ranch that owned the bulls, says he suspects a cult is behind the killings. Ranch hands have been advised to travel in pairs and to go armed. ; Police say they have finally caught a man who for two years has been throwing roofing nails on Oregon City roads in the early morning hours. The Oregon City Police Department says officers observed local resident Bret Wilson "intentionally throwing nails from his vehicle" onto a street at about 5:30 a.m. Tuesday. According to officials, when the 56-year-old Wilson was detained he admitted to intentionally throwing nails not only in Oregon City but throughout the Portland area. Police say by his recollection Wilson has thrown nails over 50 times onto busy streets over the last couple years. Officials say the nails can cause tire damage. Wilson was lodged at the Clackamas County Jail on multiple counts of disorderly conduct. / LEGAL, BUSINESS: A man who says his donated sperm was used to father at least 17 children in violation of an agreement that allowed for the creation of no more than five children has filed a lawsuit against an Oregon fertility clinic. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports Dr. Bryce Cleary believes it's possible that he has many more offspring from his donations 30 years ago. The lawsuit filed Wednesday in Multnomah County Circuit Court says Cleary, who lives in Corvallis, donated his sperm when he was a first-year medical student at Oregon Health & Science University in 1989 after the hospital's fertility clinic solicited him and other classmates. In March 2018, his lawsuit says he began to learn that his sperm donations successfully resulted in the births of some children after two young women, born through the fertility clinic process, contacted him. The suit says the young women told him they used Ancestry.com data as well as "specific and substantive information" given to them by the fertility clinic to identify more siblings and Cleary himself. Cleary then sent his own DNA to Ancestry.com, discovering that he had at least 17 offspring born through his sperm donations. Cleary's suit says he is "profoundly distressed" as he wades through the "moral, legal, ethical, and personal obligations" he now feels toward those 17 children,

the lawsuit said. He is seeking \$5.25 million. An OHSU spokeswoman said the organization it treats any allegation of misconduct with "the gravity it deserves. In light of our patient privacy obligations and the confidentiality of protected health information, we cannot comment on this case." The lawsuit says Cleary also has learned that at least two of the offspring have attended the same schools as the children he raised with his wife. His suit claims that is an additional breach of promise by the Oregon Health & Science University's fertility clinic, which he says stipulated that all of the children be born to mothers living outside Oregon. Cleary has three sons with his wife, as well as adopted a daughter. / **BUSINESS, GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT:** Many keep a low profile. But there are dozens of tech companies in the Eugene-Springfield area. This evening, many will be highlighted on the annual Eugene Tech Tour. It's sponsored by the Technology Association of Oregon in the Southern Willamette Valley. The event highlights companies that focus on products ranging from games to cloud storage and digital security. The tour also doubles as a recruiting and networking event—a chance for prospective employers to meet and chat with the prospective employees who want a better sense of the jobs and cultures offered by the various firms. The tour gives participants the chance to visit more than 30 tech companies based in and around downtown Eugene. Why such a tech hub there? One big reason is the fiber network that runs across downtown and in dozens of buildings. It allows tech companies to move massive amounts of data for very low-cost. There are also some experienced workers from Symantec and other firms, along with college students and graduates, in the local employment pool. Many have been hired and trained by the newer tech companies to handle everything from basic coding and website design to customer sales and service. / **MILITARY:** When the USS Oregon, a Navy's newest attack submarine, is christened this weekend in Connecticut, it will be splashed with liquids from Oregon. The Pentagon says the submarine will be christened Saturday at General Dynamics' Electric Boat Yard and that Oregon Republican Congressman Greg Walden will be the keynote speaker. Walden said the submarine will be christened with water from Crater Lake and wine from Oregon. The Oregon, a Virginia-class submarine, is the third U.S. Navy ship to honor the state. Virginia-class submarines are built to conduct anti-submarine warfare; anti-surface ship warfare; strike warfare; special operation forces support; intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance; irregular warfare; and mine warfare missions. The Pentagon says they have stealth, endurance, mobility and firepower. / **SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT:** Authorities say two 71-year-old hikers who disappeared from the group with which they were traveling one day earlier have been found safe. KOIN-TV reports Anna Jung and Suki Jung, who own a Portland restaurant, were mushroom picking with four other people Tuesday on the Paradise Park Trail near Mount Hood when the pair became separated from their hiking party. The Clackamas County Sheriff's Office said on Twitter Wednesday afternoon that the two had been found, a bit cold but otherwise OK. The tweet noted they were located in an area that features steep terrain, dense forest and many other trailheads, making it challenging for searchers. Authorities say it took the rescuers about two hours to help the women out to a trailhead. Joining the sheriff's office in the search were Pacific Northwest Search and Rescue, Mountain Wave, Portland Mountain Rescue and Washington County Sheriff's Office Explorer Post 877, which is composed of teenagers who do search and

rescue. / **LEGAL, AGRICULTURE:** Justices on the Oregon Court of Appeals will not resolve a dispute over the impact of Klamath basin wells on surface waters due to newly imposed regulations in the area. The Capital Press reports the appellate court has dismissed the case calling it moot and unworthy of review. It came after Oregon water regulators adopted different rules governing surface water interference from wells in the Upper Klamath basin earlier this year. The lawsuit was filed by several irrigators in the region whose wells were shut down in 2015 and 2016 by the Oregon Water Resources Department, which determined that groundwater pumping was reducing flows in the Sprague River to the detriment of senior water rights holders. An attorney for the plaintiffs said the dismissal is disappointing because the agency's repeated rule changes have effectively denied the irrigators a ruling on the merits of their case. But an attorney for irrigation districts with senior water rights, who sided with the agency in the dispute, said his clients consider the dismissal a "win." / **EDUCATION, COMMUNITY:** The BEST of Springfield High School will be on display as SHS presents the fifteenth annual community Homecoming Pep Rally at Silke Field Parking lot. The Springfield High School Pep Rally showcases the BEST of SHS and is open to the public. Everyone is invited! Starting at 5:00 PM, more than a dozen food booths will open for business. Purchase street tacos, burritos, pizza, hamburgers, hot dogs and chili dogs, Korean bbq, tamales, shaved ice, baked goods, Krispy Kreme donuts, nachos, and beverages from Springfield High's very own Coffee Cart, and much more. At 7:00 PM, the SHS Marching Band will lead the public into the stadium. Springfield High School Principal Jose' da Silva will address the crowd, followed by performances by the cheerleaders, award-winning band and choir. There will be fun competitions, a highlight video from the drama department and an honoring of Springfield High School's senior fall athletes. Coach Haley, a Springfield High alum, will give a rousing pep talk followed by an awesome fireworks display. / **DISASTERS, ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, GOVERNMENT:** Washington state officials are working to on an earthquake warning that may be downloaded to mobile phones and devices, It's expected to be available in October of next year. KING-TV reports that the ShakeAlert app is designed to send an alert giving recipients a brief amount of warning—perhaps just seconds—before the shaking from an earthquake reaches them. ShakeAlert was developed by the U.S. Geological Survey and research universities in Oregon, Washington and California. Officials say the system monitors data from seismometers to pick up initial detection waves, and scientists have plans to assemble 100 more meters in Oregon and Washington for network density. Officials say ShakeAlert is available in Washington now as a pilot for utilities, cities and other business and government users. The app has also launched in Los Angeles because of the higher number of seismometers placed permanently around the state. / **GOVERNMENT, POLITICS:** The Public Records Advisory Council has agreed on a legislative proposal that would bolster the independence of Oregon's public records advocate in response to allegations of political influence on the advocate from Governor Kate Brown's staff. The Statesman Journal reports the proposal shifts the responsibility for appointing the public records advocate away from the governor, would disallow the governor from removing the advocate and gives the Public Records Advisory Council an avenue to propose legislation outside of the standard executive branch framework. It also would explicitly state that the advocate is an independent office. On Sept. 9,

Ginger McCall, the state's first public records advocate, submitted her resignation because of what she described as inappropriate political pressure coming from Brown's office. In January, McCall said, the governor's general counsel, Misha Isaak, told McCall he was her supervisor and that she was to report to him. McCall said he added that she should have weighed the governor's interests before allowing the advisory council to propose legislation. / **COMMUNITY, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** Old Barnard Bridge on Westfir Road has reopened. Extensive repairs to the foundation under a footing of the bridge are complete and water has returned to the channel. Westfir Road is located at OR 58 McKenzie Highway milepost 31.06, across from the U.S. Forest Service Ranger Station. ODOT bridge inspection dive crews conducting a routine inspection found a hole under the footing and the bridge was immediately closed for safety. Working with our partners at Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Forest Service, Oregon Marine Board, and Army Corp of Engineers, a repair plan was quickly developed. Crews stabilized the bridge with steel beams, then water was diverted from the side channel by a dam made up of bags filled with gravel. Logs and debris from last winter's storms and landslides were removed. A form was built around the footing of the bridge, filled with concrete, and covered with rock. Once the concrete set, the water was released back through the channel. The gravel released from the bags will be left to provide fish habitat. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** The National Transportation Safety Board called Wednesday for new seat belt requirements for limousines following a crash in upstate New York that killed 20 people. The board released safety recommendations almost a year after a Ford Excursion SUV that had been modified into a huge stretch limo blew through a T-intersection in a rural part of New York state and went into the woods. The crash killed the driver, 17 passengers on a birthday outing and two pedestrians. The safety board recommended to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that lap and shoulder seat belts be required on all new vehicles modified to be used as limousines. The agency also recommended that seating systems in these vehicles meet minimum performance standards to ensure their integrity during a crash. None of the 17 passengers appeared to have worn available seat belts at the time of the crash, the board said, and the belts were poorly designed and "would not have provided adequate protection." / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, MILITARY, VETERANS:** A Connecticut state official says seven people died in the crash of a World War II airplane during an aborted takeoff from Hartford's airport. Six others who were on the B-17 "Flying Fortress" suffered injuries ranging from minor to critical. The vintage "warbird," owned by the Collings Foundation, crashed and burned Wednesday morning while attempting to return to the Connecticut airfield. The cause of the crash is being investigated. Officials say heroic actions of people on the plane and involved in the rescue helped to prevent a higher death toll. The Collings Foundation is one of several groups that has restored and tours with the World War II aircraft. Passengers often make donations to take a flight on one of the historic planes. The proceeds help pay for restoration and upkeep. It brought a B-17 to Eugene's airport in 2016 and to Corvallis in 2014. It's not known whether the plane that crashed yesterday is the same one that visited Oregon. /

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<b>DATE OF BROADCAST</b>	10/04/19
<b>TIME OF BROADCAST</b>	5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM
<b>NAME OF PROGRAM</b>	Morning News
<b>LENGTH OF PROGRAM</b>	30 Seconds
<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>HEALTH, SAFETY: The number of vaping-related illnesses has surpassed 1,000, and there's no sign the outbreak is fading, U.S. health officials said Thursday. Doctors say the illnesses, which first appeared in March, resemble an inhalation injury. Symptoms include severe, shortness of breath, fatigue, and chest pain. Most who got sick said they vaped products containing THC, the marijuana ingredient that causes a high, but some said they vaped only nicotine. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said 1,080 confirmed and probable cases have been reported in 48 states and one U.S. territory as of Tuesday afternoon. The count includes 18 deaths in 15 states. More than a third of patients are under age 21, but the deaths have been older adults who apparently had more difficulty recovering. Recently, 275 cases have been added to the tally each week, and about half of the newest batch were people hospitalized in the last two weeks. "Unfortunately, the outbreak ... is continuing at a brisk pace" and there's no sign of it slowing, the CDC's Dr. Anne Schuchat said in a Thursday call with reporters. The Food and Drug Administration is analyzing products from 18 states, but neither that agency nor the CDC has pinpointed an electronic cigarette, vaping device, liquid or ingredient as the root cause. The investigation has increasingly focused on THC vaping products. But until a cause is found, the CDC continues to advise Americans to refrain from using any vaping products. Complicating the investigation are apparently conflicting medical reports about what's been seen in the lungs of different patients. Some doctors suggested patients' lungs are being clogged and inflamed by oils from vaping liquids, but a report published this week by the New England Journal of Medicine pointed to the kind of chemical burns that might come from poisonous gases. "There may be a lot of different nasty things in e-cigarette or vaping products, and they may cause different harms in the lung," Schuchat said. "We hope over the months ahead that we'll learn more about the spectrum of lung conditions that these exposures are having." Only Alaska and New Hampshire have not reported any illnesses. ; A shadowy but widely sold illegal marijuana vape is drawing the attention of investigators looking into a rash of mysterious lung illnesses around the country. Investigators have not identified a culprit in the outbreak but say patients have frequently mentioned using Dank Vapes. Industry experts say it's a rogue brand. Rather than being produced by a single company with a single set of ingredients, its packaging and hardware may be easily purchased online and the labels placed on thousands of products created by hundreds of different individuals or</p>

companies. Investigators warn the marijuana oil in the illegal cartridges is untested and could be tainted with pesticides or other contaminants. Wisconsin, Minnesota and Indiana are among the states where authorities have seized tens of thousands of vapes carrying the Dank name. / HEALTH, BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT: Federal consumer watchdogs have ordered Juul and five other vaping companies to hand over information about how they market e-cigarettes, the government's latest move targeting the industry. The announcement Thursday from the Federal Trade Commission comes amid a nationwide crackdown on e-cigarettes as politicians and health authorities try to reverse an explosion of underage vaping by U.S. teenagers. The FTC said in a statement it wants to "better understand" vaping sales and promotional practices, including e-cigarette give-aways, online influencer programs and marketing on college campuses. Those techniques are also at the center of several state and federal investigations into whether Juul's early viral marketing efforts helped spark the surge in teen vaping. Last week San Francisco-based Juul announced it would cease all advertising of its small, discrete vaping devices. A company spokesman said Thursday in a statement: "We will fully cooperate and are focused on earning the trust of regulators, policymakers and other stakeholders." Federal law prohibits traditional tobacco companies from numerous sales tactics, including giving away cigarettes, sponsoring sports events and advertising on television, radio, public transportation and billboards. But those laws don't apply to e-cigarettes, which first launched in the U.S. in 2007. More than 1 in 4 high school students report vaping in the past month, according to the latest government survey data. Top health officials have called the trend an epidemic that risks addicting a generation of young people to nicotine. Besides Juul, the government is also seeking information from R.J. Reynolds Vapor Company, Fontem US, Logic Technology Development, Nu Mark and NJOY. Regulators want to review company materials beginning in 2015. Besieged by criticism, Juul announced a series of surprise concessions last week: halting all advertising, pledging not to lobby against a planned federal ban on vaping flavors and replacing its CEO. Juul already faces multiple investigations from Congress, the Food and Drug Administration and several states attorneys general. The privately held company controls nearly 70 percent of the U.S. retail market for e-cigarettes and became a cultural phenomenon on the success of its high-nicotine, flavored pods. Most experts agree that e-cigarette vapor is less harmful than cigarette smoke because it doesn't contain most of the cancer-causing chemicals in burning tobacco. The recent outbreak of lung illnesses mostly involves people who say they vaped THC, the high-inducing chemical found in marijuana. Still, health inspectors have not ruled out any products and are encouraging Americans to avoid vaping until they determine the cause of the illnesses. / BUSINESS, CRIME, SAFETY: MGM Resorts International could pay up to \$800 million to victims of the 2017 Route 91 Harvest Festival in Las Vegas in a settlement announced yesterday. The amount of the settlement will depend on the number of plaintiffs, according to lawyers who represent people with claims. Fifty-eight people died and hundreds of others were wounded or injured in the rush to escape the country music venue that attracted 22,000 people, including many from Oregon. Victims say MGM failed to protect them when a gunman opened fire from his high-rise suite at the Mandalay Bay Resort before killing himself. Police found 23 assault-style weapons in the room. A court-appointed administrator will allocate the settlement money by late next

year. Plaintiffs say they have mixed feelings about the settlement. One woman, an orthopedic surgeon from Tennessee, whose husband died shielding her from gunfire, said it will help give families closure and alleviate their ongoing medical costs, but there's no way to bring back the people who died. The settlement creates the third-largest victims compensation fund in U.S. history, according to Kenneth Feinberg, the claims administrator who distributed \$7.1 billion in victim compensation after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and \$6.5 billion following the 2010 BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. The final amount of the Las Vegas settlement will depend on the number of claims and decisions by one or more independent administrators who will be appointed by a court to allocate money from the settlement fund. Attorneys said there are at least three other lawsuits that are not affected by the settlement. Some name the gunman's estate, gun manufacturers, event promoters and others. / CRIME: Defense attorneys for a man accused of aggravated murder in the slaying of two strangers on a Portland light-rail train are asking a judge to dismiss the death penalty murder charges against him. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the attorneys say under a new law passed by the state Legislature that went into effect Sunday, Jeremy Christian can no longer be tried for aggravated murder. They say therefore he is no longer eligible for the death penalty if he's found guilty. The new law has narrowed the definition of aggravated murder, which is the only crime in Oregon that can draw a death sentence. Christian's attorneys say prosecutors could choose to pursue him under the newly created charge of first-degree murder. Christian is accused of spewing hate speech at black teens on the train, and then stabbing three men who intervened in 2017. He has pleaded not guilty. Multnomah County District Attorney's Office spokesman Brent Weisberg says they are working on next steps. / WILDLIFE, COMMUNITY, HEALTH: The Cannon Beach city council has banned the feeding of wild animals including birds, raccoons, squirrels, opossums and rabbits, among others. The Astorian reports city councilors approved the ordinance Tuesday night making it illegal for residents to place food on their property for wild animals. People are still allowed to feed songbirds as long as the food is in a container that prevents other animals from gaining access. Warrenton passed a similar ordinance in 2016 to discourage people from feeding elk. Gearhart followed earlier this year. For Cannon Beach, the council says it's about not attracting wild animals and educating the public on why it is harmful to feed them. The ordinance would classify attracting or feeding wildlife as a public nuisance. The violation will be a misdemeanor with a maximum fine of \$500. For the first year, the city will enforce the ban through warnings and education. / UTILITIES, ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: A major Western U.S. utility is speeding up plans to use less coal-fired power over the next decade. Portland-based PacifiCorp said Thursday it plans to reduce coal-fired generation by two-thirds by 2030. The utility intends to implement a big buildout of wind and solar energy and to use batteries to store and deploy solar power. Utility officials say federal tax incentives make wind and solar less expensive for their 1.9 million customers in California, Idaho, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming. The proposal would hasten closure of a Montana power plant and partial shutdown of three coal-fired plants in Colorado and Wyoming. PacifiCorp already planned to partly or entirely close three other coal-fired power plants in Arizona, Colorado and Wyoming by 2030. / GOVERNMENT: Oregon's ethics watchdog says Secretary of State Bev Clarno cannot hire her



son, or any other family member, to work for her office without running afoul of the state's conflict of interest law. The Statesman Journal reports the Oregon Government Ethics Commission released the advisory opinion in advance of the commission's meeting on Thursday. Questions of nepotism arose after Clarno appointed her son, Randy Hilderbrand, to a volunteer role when she took over the office. Gov. Kate Brown appointed Clarno, a Republican and former state lawmaker, to replace Dennis Richardson, who died in February of brain cancer. Rich Vial, a spokesman for the office, said Hilderbrand has never worked for the office other than as a volunteer. The request came from Tasha Petersen, the Secretary of State's human resources director, who asked for the commission's guidance regarding nepotism. / **COMMUNITY, DEVELOPMENT, MINORITIES:** They've narrowed the list from more than 1,100 suggestions to 12 finalists and posted them online. Now, it's your chance to review the list and cast your ballot on the name for those three new streets in Eugene's Downtown Riverfront development. To ensure that street names are relevant to Eugene and the new Downtown Riverfront neighborhood, suggestions had to fall into one of three categories: Community/Culture – A person, place, or thing that embodies Eugene. Ecology/River – From our rivers to surrounding mountains and the valley, ideas representing the ecology of Eugene are as abundant as our native plants. Industry/Energy – Major industries that are important to Eugene's history and the energy of steam and water. Additionally, names had to meet practical guidelines such as not exceeding 20 characters or being too similar to another street name in Lane County. Names of people who are still living or already have a public space named after them were also removed. An internal group at the City reviewed all suggested names and narrowed down the choices based on the criteria. To select names online, click on the hearts next to your favorite name suggestions. Voting will be open through October 18. The voting results will be given to the Mayor, who will help make the final decision. I've placed a link to the finalists on my TracyKGNU Facebook page. / **MINORITIES, EDUCATION, YOUTH:** Calling all students, parents, and supportive community members: The Lane County chapter of the NAACP is holding its fall kick-off event on Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Lane Community College Downtown campus at 10<sup>th</sup> and Olive Streets in Eugene. The event runs from 10 a.m. to noon. For parents, a Child Care Team who will offer Free Child Care during the event. NAACP organizers also announce the opening of their 2020 ACT-SO program. Students in grades 8 – 12 are encouraged to participate. ACT-SO stands for the NAACP's "Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics." The yearlong achievement program is designed to recruit, stimulate, and encourage high academic and cultural achievement among African-American high school students. ACT-SO includes 32 competitions in STEM, humanities, business, and performing, visual and culinary arts. Almost 300,000 young people nationwide have participated from the program over the past 40 years. Locally, ACT-SO's year-long enrichment program begins with mentoring, coaching and teaching. The local competition takes place at the HULT Center for the Performing Arts in April. Contestants who win gold medals on the local level qualify for an all-expense-paid trip to attend the National ACT-SO competition, which will take place this year in Boston, Massachusetts. / **COMMUNITY, RECREATION, ENVIRONMENT:** Get dirty for good! The annual "Great Willamette Clean Up" takes place on Saturday, October 5, and brings hundreds of clean water enthusiast together over 187 miles

of the river system to take the trash out. Volunteers participate by canoe, kayak, stand-up paddleboard, raft, motorboat, jet ski, drift boat, bike, and by foot to free our river of trash and debris. This is also a great opportunity for volunteers and community groups to take part in projects to improve Willamette River habitat and celebrate community spirit. Several areas host post-cleanup celebrations that include lunch, local frothy beverages, and “trash-talk.” This is a family-friendly event – no experience necessary. Go to Eventbrite at [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com) and search for “Great Willamette Cleanup” to find events up and down the valley. At some locations, you may reserve a seat in a raft, canoe, kayak or stand-up paddleboard if you don’t have one of your own. The City of Eugene is also hosting an event on the riverbank and asking participants to sign up in advance to there are have plenty of tools, gloves and refreshments on-hand. / **COMMUNITY:** As dusk turns to dark during the first weekend of October, more than 80 iconic buildings, landmarks and fire departments across the country will be illuminated as part of “Light the Night for Fallen Firefighters.” Participants include One World Trade Center in New York City, the Willis Tower in Chicago, and the LAX Pylons in Los Angeles International Airport. This nationwide lighting event is part of National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend, October 5 and 6. In Eugene-Springfield, the fire department drill tower located at 2nd and Chambers Streets in Eugene will be lit in tribute on Oct 4, 5, and 6. During the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend on Sunday Oct. 6, 92 firefighters who died in the line of duty in 2018 and 27 firefighters who died in previous years will be honored at the national memorial in Maryland. The national ceremony includes a “tolling of the bells” and local places of worship, including Eugene’s First Christian Church, St. Jude Catholic Church and St George Greek Orthodox Church are participating. The Oregon Fire Service Honor Guard will conduct a traditional bell ceremony at St. Matthews Episcopal Church, located at 4110 River Road in Eugene. It takes place on Sunday, October 6, at 9:15 a.m. All are welcome. / **ECONOMY, BUSINESS:** The U.S. unemployment rate fell in September to a new five-decade low of 3.5 percent, while employers added a modest 136,000 jobs. The Labor Department says that despite the ultra-low unemployment rate, which dropped a notch from August, average hourly wages slipped by a penny. Hiring has slowed this year as the U.S.-China trade war has intensified, global growth has slowed, and businesses have cut back on their investment spending. Still, hiring has averaged 157,000 in the past three months, enough to lower the unemployment rate over time. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p><b>SPORTS:</b> The No. 13 Ducks rallied after a messy first half for a 17-7 victory over California on Saturday night. Oregon (4-1, 1-0 Pac-12) trailed until Cyrus Habibi-Likio's 1-yard touchdown run with 1:38 left in third quarter made it 10-7. Justin Herbert extended his streak to 33 consecutive games with a touchdown pass, connecting with Jaylon Redd with 7:14 to go in the game. For those who didn't see it on TV—because it wasn't shown—Habibi-Likio tackled a fan that burst on the field during the game, but felt bad about it afterward: "If he has Instagram or Twitter, you can follow me and message me and we can go get ice cream," he said. "He was having fun but we had to go. We had to get going." Oregon hosts Colorado next Friday night. ; Quarterback Jake Luton led Oregon State to one of its most impressive Pac-12 victories in a long time. Luton threw a career-high five touchdowns passes and ran for another as Oregon State dominated the UCLA Bruins 48-31 at the Rose Bowl. Yesterday, he was named the National Collegiate Football Player of the Week. Luton, who completed 18 of 26 passes for 285 yards. Oregon State (2-3, 1-1 Pac-12) scored on its first three drives and had a 21-0 lead a little more than six minutes into the game. Oregon State hosts No. 17 Utah on Saturday. The Utes have won the last three games in the series. /</p> <p><b>LEGAL, CRIME, GOVERNMENT, MINORITIES, RACISM:</b> The U.S. Supreme Court plans to hear a case with implications for Oregon's non-unanimous jury system. Oregon is the only state where juries can render non-unanimous verdicts. Criminal defendants, not including those charged with murder, may be found guilty on votes of 10-2 or 11-1. The court will hear a 2014 Louisiana case, in which a 10-2 jury convicted a man of second-degree murder. Louisiana voters later approved a ballot measure doing away with non-unanimous juries, leaving the Oregon as the only state to allow it. During the last legislative session, the Oregon District Attorneys Association spoke out against non-unanimous juries and supported a bill that would've put the issue before voters in 2020. The legislation died after the high court agreed to hear the Louisiana case. /</p> <p><b>LEGAL, ELECTIONS, HEALTH, IMMIGRATION, GOVERNMENT:</b> The U.S. Supreme Court begins its annual session this morning and in the coming weeks and months will take up a series of cases likely to have political reverberations in the 2020 elections. Major cases this year address the immigration program for young people ("Dreamers") known as DACA, the Affordable Care Act (again), and public money for religious schools. There will be cases dealing with gay rights, gun rights and Native American rights. The high court justices will also consider cases</p>

that involve several aspects of defendants' rights: whether minors can be given a life sentence, whether a state can abolish the insanity defense and, in a case with implications for Oregon, whether criminal convictions require a unanimous jury. The court will hear a 2014 Louisiana case, in which a 10-2 jury convicted a man of second-degree murder. Louisiana voters later approved a ballot measure doing away with non-unanimous juries, leaving the Oregon as the only state to allow non-unanimous verdicts. Criminal defendants, not including those charged with murder, may be found guilty on votes of 10-2 or 11-1. During the last legislative session, the Oregon District Attorneys Association spoke out against non-unanimous juries and supported a bill that would've put the issue before voters in 2020. The legislation died after the U.S. Supreme Court agreed to hear the Louisiana case. The court meets this morning for its first public session since late June. First up is a death-penalty case from Kansas about whether states can abolish an insanity defense for criminal defendants. The term could reveal how far to the right and how fast the court's conservative majority will move, even as Chief Justice John Roberts has made clear he wants to keep the court clear of Washington partisan politics. / HEALTH, BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT: Oregon's governor ordered a temporary ban Friday on the sale of flavored vaping products amid an outbreak that has sickened more than 1,000 people nationwide -- and killed two in Oregon. Several other states, including Washington, New York, Michigan and Rhode Island, have also imposed temporary bans. The illnesses first appeared in March, with symptoms including shortness of breath, fatigue and chest pain. Most who got sick said they vaped products containing THC, the marijuana ingredient that causes a high, but some said they vaped only nicotine. Gov. Kate Brown's order imposes a 180-day ban on all flavored vaping products and on the sale of other sources or additives as they are identified in cases of vaping-related lung injuries or deaths. Brown's statement noted that the safest option for Oregonians right now is to not use vaping products of any kind until medical experts know more about what is causing the illnesses. The Oregon Health Authority had asked Brown for a six-month ban on sale and display of all vaping products, including tobacco, nicotine and cannabis. The agency also urged Oregonians to stop using all vaping products until federal and state officials have determined the cause of the illnesses. The Oregon Retailers of Cannabis Association said it was very grateful the governor did not implement a complete ban on cannabis vaping products, like Massachusetts did. The group told its members that technical questions and issues need to be worked out and that it will try to "ensure the government acts responsibly and makes evidenced-based decisions that do not needlessly harm the legal cannabis industry." Brown also called on state agencies to develop plans within 90 days for consumer warnings, product testing and disclosure of the ingredients of vaping products. Brown also directed state agencies to develop proposals for long-term solutions for consideration by the Legislature, which convenes early next year. In Oregon, eight cases have been reported, two of which resulted in death. President Trump has said he plans to ban flavored vaping products nationally. / WILDLIFE, AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONEMNT: A newly established pack of wolves in Oregon has at least four new pups. But their births to the pack in the western part of the state, where they are still listed as endangered, has fueled more debate about managing the return of the predator. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced Friday that a photo from a trail camera confirmed the pups' existence.

Their fur gray with cream-colored streaks, three of them were photographed walking on an unpaved road with a larger wolf, with the fourth pup on the other side of the road and further back. While wildlife advocates applauded the news, many ranchers are unhappy about the wolves' resurgence, pointing to cases of livestock predation in some parts of southern and eastern Oregon, as well as growing problems with a pack in neighboring Washington state. Earlier this year, the Trump administration proposed to take the wolf off the endangered species list. Wolves lost federal protection in eastern Oregon in 2011, though they still retain federal protection in the western two-thirds of the state. There are three packs in western Oregon. Most wolves in Oregon roam the eastern part of the state. In April, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife reported that Oregon was home to a record number of wolves, 20 years after the species returned to the state after being exterminated. The number of known wolves in Oregon at the end of 2018 was 137, a 10 percent increase over the previous year. The existence of the western Oregon pack was officially confirmed only early this year, and then numbered three wolves. The pups are growing fast. Officials with the federal and state wildlife departments placed a GPS collar on what is believed to be one of them, a 52-pound, 5-month-old female, on Sept. 26 in the Umpqua National Forest. The collar's biodegradable foam spacer will continue to allow the collar to fit as the wolf grows into an adult. ; Washington Gov. Jay Inslee is seeking ways to reduce the number of problem wolves that are killed by the state. Inslee sent a letter Tuesday to the Department of Fish and Wildlife saying the statewide wolf management plan does not appear to be working in the Kettle River Range area of Ferry County, where the state has killed about two dozen wolves that were preying on cattle. Experts say the Ferry County situation is unique and that roughly 90 percent of wolf packs live in the state without "livestock conflicts." / ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION: Today, representatives from the National Weather Service will be at Crater Lake National Park to celebrate 100 years of weather observation. There will be a brief ceremony on the back porch of Crater Lake Lodge at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend. Long-term weather observations are extremely important to monitor climate trends and predict weather conditions. Meteorologists use weather data collected by the park to study snowfall amounts and track changes in weather patterns. Crater Lake National Park is the only long-term high elevation snow data collection site in southern Oregon. Weather plays a significant role in the resources and management of the park. Crater Lake is filled entirely by rainfall and snowmelt, resulting in some of the purest, clearest water on the planet. With an annual snowfall of 512 inches, Crater Lake National Park is one of the snowiest inhabited places in the country. The park's snowplow operators work hard to clear snow from roads so that visitors can safely experience the incredible winter vistas and recreational opportunities the park has to offer. The park works closely with the National Weather Service (NWS) not only during the winter, but during summer storms as well. The partnership with the NWS is a critical component of safe boat tour operations on the lake. The NWS alerts the park if thunderstorms are moving towards the lake and provides valuable information to park and concession staff to help determine if tours need to be postponed or cancelled to avoid hazardous lightning. Crater Lake National Park is proud to serve as a Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador, collaborating with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the National Weather Service to share information

about weather conditions with park visitors and those who may be traveling to the park. Be sure to check the park website and Facebook page for updates during winter storm events. / **ECONOMY, TRANSPORTATION:** Fuel prices climbed this week as the national average for a gallon of regular gasoline went to \$2.65. Here in Oregon and Eugene-Springfield, it stands at \$3.16, up nine cents from one week ago, 17 cents from last month. Prices are a bit lower than this time last year, however, by about a dime. / **TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNITY:** How do you commute to work or school? Or just get around town? Today through Oct. 21 is a great opportunity to consider spending a bit more time carpooling, walking, taking a bus or riding a bicycle. The annual "Get There Challenge" encourages you to park your personal vehicle and save a little money while exploring other ways to travel around the area. Lane Transit District and the Oregon Department of Transportation are coordinating the local effort, previously known as the "Drive Less Challenge." When you go to the website and register at [www.GetThereOregon.org](http://www.GetThereOregon.org) you may log your "non-drive-alone" trips for a chance to win prizes. Many employees and businesses register each year. Prizes range from Bike Friday gift cards and Visa cash cards, to gift cards from popular local businesses and eateries. The more trips you log, the greater your chance to win prizes and reap other rewards. Last year, Oregonians logged more than 876,880 non-drive-alone miles. In Lane County alone, participants logged 188,766 miles representing a savings of 134,090 of CO2 and 4,280 gallons of gasoline. A variety of commuter travel options in the Lane Transit District can be found at [www.LTD.org/point2point](http://www.LTD.org/point2point). In addition, LTD's Point2Point team is available to help people find carpools and/or vanpools, navigate bus schedules and routes, determine bike routes, and answer challenge related questions by calling 541-682-6213 or emailing them at [point2point@LTD.org](mailto:point2point@LTD.org). / **SAFETY, HEALTH:** Avoid strains, sprains and falls this fall. Falling leaves, crisp air, pumpkin-spiced everything. It must be fall—a time for staying in and being cozy—or getting out to enjoy the last bit of sunshine before the rainy season. But while we love fall, it doesn't always love us back. Whether it's lifting a pumpkin that's too heavy, doing yard work, or exercising, there are many risks of getting a sprain or strain during the fall season. Experts with SAIF (say: SAFE), the state's workers' compensation agency, have tips for staying healthy: Running: Wet fallen leaves, acorns, pinecones, and downed branches can all pose slip, trip, and fall hazards. If you want to get in some final steps before the weather turns, be sure to watch where you're going and wear good shoes with slip-resistant soles. Raking leaves: It may not be everyone's favorite fall activity, but it has to be done. Alter your stance to face the direction you are raking and avoid reaching and twisting when exerting yourself. Picking pumpkins: Coveting the largest gourd at the patch? Be sure to lift it safely. Keep the load close to the body by standing in front of the pumpkin with one foot along the side and your feet shoulder-width apart. Keep your chin up and look forward to keep the natural curve in your lower back as you lift. Flex your knees and avoid deep squatting. Cheering for the home team: Sitting all day in the bleachers can take a toll on your back. Avoid slouching, sit upright, and consider a stadium seat with a back. Drinking hot beverages: While your barista is not likely to keep you from your pumpkin-spiced beverage like in the video, remember to have things you use often well within reach to avoid over-extending yourself. / **MILITARY:** The U.S. Navy's newest attack submarine, the future USS Oregon, has been christened in Connecticut. A ceremony was held Saturday at

the General Dynamics Electric Boat shipyard in Groton. Republican Congressman Greg Walden of Oregon delivered the keynote address. Politicians, shipyard leaders and Navy officials spoke about the importance of Virginia-class submarines and praised the skills of the thousands of shipyard workers in Connecticut, Rhode Island and Virginia who built the Oregon. The ship's sponsor, Dana Richardson, christened the nuclear submarine with sparkling wine from Oregon and water from Crater Lake National Park in Oregon. Richardson is married to retired Adm. John Richardson. It's the third Navy ship to honor the state. Construction began in the fall of 2014 on this vessel. It's the 20th Virginia-class submarine. / **COMMUNITY, HEALTH, SAFETY, CRIME:** The city of Vancouver, Washington, has filed a lawsuit against major opioid producers and suppliers, joining a long list of cities seeking restitution for the drug's impact on their communities. The Columbian reports the lawsuit filed this week in U.S. District Court in Tacoma names the Sackler family, owners of OxyContin manufacturer Purdue Pharma, as well as Johnson & Johnson and pharmacy Walgreens Co. The suit says the opioid manufacturers and distributors knew how addictive drugs like OxyContin were, and pushed misleading marketing campaigns. The suit says between 2002-2004 and 2011-2013, the number of opioid-use treatment admissions within Vancouver's Clark County rose 246.1%. Last month, Purdue Pharma reached a tentative settlement with 23 states and over 2,000 cities and counties — including Clark County — that would see the Sacklers pay roughly \$3 billion and relinquish control of the company. / **HEALTH, GOVERNMENT:** An Oregon teen and her mother have argued with the state that they should be able to treat the girl's cancer with CBD oil instead of surgery to remove the tumor. The Oregonian/OregonLive reported Friday that the state did not go forward with a motion Friday for 13-year-old Kylee Dixon to have emergency surgery like prosecutors expected. The attorney for Kylee and her mother Christina Dixon says the hearing was scheduled after a Clackamas County judge decided to postpone surgery Sept. 27. Kylee Dixon was scheduled to have a cancerous tumor removed from her liver the day before. The attorney says the judge hadn't heard from doctors during the case so far. The state and Christina Dixon weren't immediately available for comment. Another court date is set for Nov. 14. / **AGRICULTURE:** An Oregon creamery is working with a distiller to turn whey into vodka. KOIN-TV reports TMK Creamery, near Canby, is working with Jason Greenwood of Divine Distillers of Salem on the venture. Greenwood says whey-based vodka is not common. He says they have been working with the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Oregon State University to "perfect" the process. According to the university, most milk that goes into a cheese-making facility comes out as whey, which it says can be expensive to dispose of in landfills. The university says turning whey into protein powders or related products requires equipment that can be too expensive for small creameries. TMK Creamery's Todd Koch says the hope is to be selling bottles of the new vodka by month's end. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>EDUCATION, BUSINESS: Bargainers for the University of Oregon and the union representing close to 1,500 of its graduate teaching fellows hold more contract mediations this week. In late September, negotiators for the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation declared an impasse in the talks, which gave both sides seven days to submit their final offers and enter a 30-day "cooling off" period, during which bargaining may continue. If there's still no agreement, the union may declare its intent to strike, with a walkout likely happening no sooner than November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Both sides say they remain optimistic they can come to terms. They remain separated over salary and health insurance. Graduate teaching fellows are students who also work part-time at the university, either teaching, or performing research or administrative duties. The University of Oregon's contract with the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation expired at the end of March. /</p> <p>BUSINESS, HEALTH: Officials with two national retailers said yesterday they will stop selling e-cigarettes amid health concerns and growing regulatory scrutiny. Supermarket chain Kroger, the parent company of Fred Meyer, and Walgreens, the nation's largest drugstore chain by total locations, says they will discontinue sales of e-cigarettes and vaping products permanently. The nation's largest retailer, Walmart, announced plans last month to discontinue sales of e-cigarettes. Another big retailer, CVS Pharmacy, has never sold e-cigarettes. A news release from Kroger said the company is discontinuing the sale of electronic nicotine delivery products as soon as the inventory runs out at its 2,700 stores and 1,500 fuel center locations. Walgreens' decision affects more than 9,500 stores across the U.S. It comes as the federal government considers increased regulatory requirements and a ban on vaping flavors. Last week, health experts with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced at least 1,080 people have had lung illnesses and 18 people have died in connection with mysterious illnesses linked with vaping. Eight of those cases are in Oregon, with two deaths. Federal health officials have called the e-cigarette trend an "epidemic," and fear teenagers who vape will eventually start smoking. /</p> <p>ELECTIONS, POLITICS, ENVIRONMENT: Backers of three proposed initiatives to regulate greenhouse gas emissions are hoping to use their petition drives to pressure state lawmakers to take action on the issue. And if the legislature fails to take action, they say they'd ask voters to do so in November of 2020. Backers of the efforts filed the trio of initiative petitions with the Oregon Secretary of State's Office yesterday. Oregon Public Broadcasting reports the proposals would require</p>



the state to phase out electricity sources that contribute to global warming, and transition to a carbon-free economy by 2050. Lawmakers have discussed a "carbon cap" bill for more than a decade. The most recent version became the focus of a big legislative battle during the summer that led to a walkout by Senate Republicans and disunity among Democratic lawmakers. Business groups and rural voters traveled to Salem for high-profile lobbying and rallies. The first of the initiative petitions would establish and enforce limits on greenhouse gas emissions in the state, replacing the current soft goals with hard limits that are even more stringent than those contemplated in the recently abandoned House Bill 2020. The measure would require the state to reduce greenhouse gas pollution 50 percent below 1990 levels by 2035 and be 100 percent carbon-free by 2050. The second initiative petition would require that all electricity used in Oregon be from 100 percent carbon-free sources by 2045. The backers of the proposal also filed a second version of the clean electricity ballot proposal with additional revisions to state law, removing barriers to electric utilities' investing more aggressively in electric car charging infrastructure and clean building technologies like electric heating. / CRIME: A 19-year-old man from Troutdale has appeared in federal court, accused of using Instagram to coerce children to send him sexually explicit images and videos of themselves. The Oregonian and OregonLive report the FBI arrested Anthony Lozowski after raiding his home Friday based on a tip from another agency. A federal complaint says he's accused of sexual exploitation of children and receipt of child pornography. FBI investigators wrote in the complaint that Lozowski attempted to extort children to meet him for sex, threatening to send the sexually explicit photos or videos of themselves he received to people they knew. The complaint says Lozowski told FBI agents he had sexually exploited approximately 100 girls and extorted three girls. Federal agents have identified two victims and working to identify other potential victims. / WILDLIFE, CRIME: State Fish and Wildlife troopers are seeking information about buck deer that were poached and dumped near Interstate 5 outside of Myrtle Point. Oregon State Police say troopers responded Sunday to a report of a buck deer that was dumped at an old rest area site. Troopers found one skinned whole buck and the hides and heads of two other bucks. One was a three-point buck and two were forked-horn bucks. Investigators say the bucks were killed late Friday or Saturday. Anyone with information about the poachers is asked to call the tip hotline at 1-800-452-7888. / ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS: The city of Portland will be hosting the return of a regional climate conference this week. Oregon Public Broadcasting reports the 10th annual Northwest Climate Conference will be held at a downtown Portland hotel from Tuesday through Thursday. The event will start Tuesday evening with an open session that will talk about agriculture and climate change in the Pacific Northwest. The summit will cover topics including water quality impacts, drought, wildfires, and public perception of climate change. / POLITICS: An attorney for the U.S. Ambassador to the European Union, Gordon Sondland, says the State Department has directed Sondland not to appear for his scheduled interview before a joint House committee taking depositions in the impeachment probe of President Trump. Sondland, a Portland businessman turned diplomat, is among those at the center of the political furor over the president's dealings in Ukraine. He initially agreed to appear voluntarily today to answer the committee's questions in a closed session. Sondland, who owns hotels, was appointed

ambassador to the EU after donating \$1 million to Trump's inauguration in 2016. The Portlander has emerged as a key figure in the Ukraine controversy, which was set off after Trump asked the Ukraine government to investigate Democratic Presidential candidate Joe Biden and his son Hunter. / **LEGAL, MINORITIES, BUSINESS:** Supreme Court justices are mulling what the impact would be if they ruled that federal civil rights law protects gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people from job discrimination. The court is hearing arguments today in two closely watched LGBT cases. In the first case, Chief Justice John Roberts wondered whether there should be exemptions for employers with sincerely held religious beliefs, should the court find that sexual orientation is covered by civil rights law. Roberts is considered a possible swing vote on the issue. The case focuses on interpretations of a key provision in the Civil Rights Act of 1964 that bars discrimination in employment. The second case will examine whether transgender individuals are protected under the law. A ruling for employees who were fired because of their sexual orientation or gender identity would have a big impact across the country because most states don't protect LGBT people from workplace discrimination. A decision is expected by early summer 2020. The cases are the court's first on LGBT rights since Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement and replacement by Justice Brett Kavanaugh. Kennedy was a voice for gay rights while Kavanaugh is regarded as more conservative. / **CRIME, BUSINESS:** Online security experts say small and mid-sized businesses are increasingly targets for cybercriminals. But those are companies that often struggle to find enough resources to protect their technology from attack. An annual survey of companies by the Ponemon Institute, which researches data protection, and Keeper Security, a manufacturer of password protection software finds that 76 percent (three-quarters) of the close to 600 U.S. companies they surveyed had experienced a cyberattack in the previous 12 months. That was up six percent from the year before and 13 percent from 2017. The most common attacks were phishing and social engineering scams. These are scams where criminals target unsuspecting computer, smartphone and tablet users with realistic-looking emails; if a user clicks on a link or attachment in the email, malicious software is downloaded onto the device. Forty-four percent of companies reported an attack that came via a website. Analysts say smaller businesses are increasingly targeted because they don't have large information technology staffs and many don't have expensive, sophisticated software designed to monitor their systems and defend against attacks. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** The union representing Southwest Airlines pilots is suing Boeing and calling the grounded 737 Max unsafe. The Southwest Airlines Pilots Association says in the lawsuit that Boeing rushed the plane into service and misled pilots by saying it was little different than previous versions of the 737. The union says those claims turned out to be false. The lawsuit filed in a Texas state court in Dallas is a blow to Boeing's plan to restore public confidence in the plane, which remains grounded after two crashes that killed 346 people. Boeing hopes to use pilots in a campaign to reassure travelers to fly on the plane once regulators approve changes that the company is making to a key flight-control system. Southwest is the biggest operator of Boeing 737s. / **BUSINESS:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection has slapped rare detention orders on goods imported from an unprecedented five countries in one day based on allegations that people producing those items might be children, or adults subjected to forced

labor. Among them, a Chinese company that makes baby pajamas sold at Costco, and rubber gloves used by surgeons made by a Malaysian company that sells to the U.S. subsidiary of Ansell, an Australian protective gloves manufacturer. The U.S. importers say they don't condone forced labor and that they plan to investigate. And the foreign firms deny labor abuse. The orders, issued by Customs and Border Protection on Oct. 1, are used to hold shipping containers at the U.S. ports of entry until the agency can investigate the claims of wrongdoing. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>SPORTS, TRANSPORTATION: The Oregon Ducks host Colorado Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. at Autzen Stadium for a Pac-12 conference football game. But because it falls on a weeknight and because they still need to use many buses for Lane Transit District's regular weekday bus service, a handful of the regular LTD-Autzen bus shuttle lots will not be operating on Friday. These include the Park &amp; Ride service from Eugene Station, Springfield Station, and Thurston High School. All other Autzen Express service will remain the same. Those locations are: River Road Station, Valley River Center, Lane County Fairgrounds, South Eugene High School, and RiverBend Annex. Autzen Express service begins three hours before each game, with buses running every 10 to 20 minutes. Return trips from Autzen Stadium to the Park &amp; Ride locations are only available during halftime of the game and immediately following the game for 60 minutes. Fare for this special service is \$5 per rider, round trip, age 6 and up. Fans may pay either the \$5 cash fare before boarding the shuttle on game day, use their existing valid LTD bus pass (day, month, Group Pass, or Honored Rider), or purchase a day pass on the TouchPass mobile app for only \$3.50. The Autzen Express Park &amp; Ride service from Eugene Station, Springfield Station, and Thurston High School will return to regular Autzen Express service for the UO home football game on Saturday, October 26. / RECREATION, ENVIRONMENT, GOVERNMENT: The Oregon Cascades are home to some gorgeous wilderness areas. From Lane County, alone, you can access the Mt. Jefferson, Mt. Washington, Three Sisters, Waldo Lake and Diamond Peak wildernesses. But are we loving those areas to death? Forest Service officials say increased recreational use is degrading the resources, wilderness character and recreation experience in these areas. Planners with the Willamette and Deschutes National Forests are asking for input on a proposed special recreation permit fee as a part of the new limited entry system for day and overnight use in three Central Cascades wildernesses. The limited entry system will go into effect beginning the summer of 2020. The special recreation permit fee, if approved, also would go into effect in the summer of 2020. The special recreation permit fee will be required from the Friday before Memorial Day to the last Friday in September in the Mt. Jefferson, Mt. Washington, and Three Sisters wilderness areas. The special recreation permits would be available through the Recreation.gov website. Limited entry reservations would include the special recreation permit fee, plus the processing fees charged by Recreation.gov. The processing fees are currently \$1 per person for day use and \$6 per overnight</p>

group. The Forest Service has proposed the following structure for the special use permit fee: No special use permit fees for youth 12 and under, though each person requires a limited entry reservation regardless of age. Day-use permit fee \$3.00 per person (needed at 19 trailheads, no fee 60 trailheads). Overnight permit fee \$5.00 per person, per night (needed at 79 trailheads). The Forest Service is collecting public input to determine how the fees should be invested, and hear any concerns or suggestions related to the special recreation permit fee. The public comment period on the proposal begins on October 9, 2019 and end on November 25, 2019. The final proposal will be presented to two Resource Advisory Committees, one on the east side of the Cascades and one on the west side of the Cascades. The Resource Advisory Committees will give the Forest Service recommendations on the fee structure. The Regional Forester for the Pacific Northwest, Region 6, will make the final decision. Under Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act, 80 to 95 percent of the proposed special recreation permit fees would be invested in wilderness management activities, trail maintenance, visitor education and expanding work with volunteers and partners within the three wildernesses. / HEALTH, SAFETY, BUSINESS: Health officials say one more Oregonian has a vaping-related severe lung illness, raising Oregon's toll to nine victims, two of whom have died. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports Gov. Kate Brown on Oct. 4 ordered a six-month ban on sales of all flavored vaping products with nicotine or THC. It's unclear when the ban will start. The governor told state agencies to "immediately" pass emergency rules to ban the products. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says at least 1,080 people across the country have been struck with lung illnesses connected to vaping and at least 18 have died. Officials do not know what is causing the illness. Medical tests have pointed to oils lodged in victims' lungs, while others have pointed to lung reactions typical of exposure to toxic chemicals. Of Oregon's nine victims, at least five used products they bought at legal marijuana retail stores. / LEGAL, MINORITIES, BUSINESS: A seemingly divided U.S. Supreme Court yesterday heard arguments over whether federal civil rights law protects gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people from job discrimination. The justices are considering two closely watched LGBT cases and what the impact would be if they ruled that federal civil rights law protects LGBT workers and job applicants. In the first case, Chief Justice John Roberts wondered whether, if the court finds that sexual orientation is covered by civil rights law, there should be exemptions for employers with sincerely held religious beliefs. Roberts is considered a possible swing vote on the issue. Justice Neil Gorsuch said during the session that the case seems close, but he wonders whether the justices should consider, quote, "the massive social upheaval," end quote, that might follow a ruling in favor of LGBT employees. The second case asks whether transgender individuals are protected under the law. The cases are the court's first on LGBT rights since Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement and replacement by Justice Brett Kavanaugh. Kennedy was a voice for gay rights while Kavanaugh is regarded as more conservative. / SAFETY, YOUTH: Ikea is recalling a specific type of infant bibs because they present a choking hazard if the snaps detach. The MATVRÅ bibs for infants are sold in a two-pack with one blue and one red bib with a snap at the back of the neck. The blue bib has a green seam along the outside with white polka dots. The red bib has a yellow seam along the outside with red polka dots. MATVRÅ, IKEA and the IKEA logo are printed on a white tag

on the back of the bib. Officials say they've received two reports of detached snaps but no reports of injuries. / YOUTH, SAFETY: A long-serving board member of Mercy Corps, a global humanitarian aid group, has resigned following reports that the agency mishandled sexual abuse allegations against one of its founders. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports that Robert Newell resigned from the board after Mercy Corps was told the newspaper found that agency executives knew co-founder Ellsworth Culver had been accused of sexual abuse in the early 1990s. Culver died in 2005. In a statement Tuesday Newell, who helped conduct the initial review into Culver, said the board of the Portland, Oregon-based Mercy Corps took the allegations "very seriously," and called the investigation challenging. Mercy Corps this week removed tributes to Culver from its website and took down photos of him from its headquarters. Mercy Corps CEO said in a statement that it would conduct an independent review of how the agency responded to the allegations. / CRIME, LEGAL: Three protesters who said they were assaulted by Portland police during a 2018 demonstration against Patriot Prayer have filed a federal civil rights suit against the city and police. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the suit was filed in the U.S. District Court in Portland Monday. Aaron Cantu says he suffered a traumatic brain injury from a flash-bang grenade that struck him in the head. James Mattox says police hit him with rubber projectiles. Tracy Molina says an officer grabbed her protest sign from behind then knocked her to the ground. The suit says a large group of officers then tackled and arrested her. Police have said protesters had thrown a "chemical agent" and other objects at officers. Multiple counter-protesters said they didn't see anything thrown at officers. Portland police and the city attorney didn't respond to messages for comment Monday night. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>SPORTS, TRANSPORTATION: Friday's University of Oregon football game against Colorado will be a bit more challenging for drivers, according to Eugene Police, whether they're headed for the game at Autzen Stadium or simply trying to get home from work or school. The kick-off is at 7:00 p.m. Friday, meaning much of the traffic will peak during the 5:00 p.m. commute. Here are a few tips to help you navigate traffic more easily: In order to ease congestion in the Ferry Street Bridge and Coburg Road corridor on the day of the game, police recommend that motorists not traveling to the game use alternate routes to access the area during their commutes. Alternate routes such as the Washington/Jefferson Street Bridge, Delta Highway, Cal Young Road, Harlow Road, Goodpasture Island Road, and Green Acres-Crescent Avenue are several ways motorists can access the Coburg Road area without competing with traffic from the game. Other transportation options include walking and biking to Autzen Stadium along the numerous pedestrian paths and bike lanes throughout Eugene or taking the bus. After the game, Traffic Enforcement officers encourage motorists to take the Club Road exit to downtown as an alternate option to access northbound Delta to Beltline, instead of having to travel north on Coburg from MLK. If more motorists use this route, traffic in other areas around the stadium will be less impacted by traffic from the game. If you are headed to the game: Ride the Bus – Lane Transit District offers several convenient park and ride locations throughout Eugene/Springfield at an affordable price. LTD buses are given priority into and out of the area of Autzen Stadium on game days which greatly minimizes travel time for fans. But remember: Shuttle buses are not running for this game only from Eugene Station, Springfield Station and Thurston High School. Have a Plan – Fans coming to the game should pre-plan their travel routes and where they will park once they arrive. Normal traffic patterns around Autzen Stadium are dramatically changed on game days and will limit your ability to drive freely through the area. Obey the Law – It's vital that fans observe basic traffic laws when commuting to and from the game. The traffic cone patterns around the area of Autzen Stadium on games days are considered traffic control devices and cannot be arbitrarily disregarded. Failure to obey these cones patterns or the officers who are directing traffic, may lead to a \$300 citation. Be Patient – On game days, approximately 60,000 people come to the area near Autzen Stadium. Trying to get that many people into and out of the area is a huge undertaking and takes time. By allowing plenty of travel time and expecting some delays you will</p>

improve your overall game day experience. Don't Drink and Drive!!! – Local law enforcement agencies want football fans to enjoy themselves but to do so responsibly. By not drinking excessively and designating sober drivers, fans can help prevent tragedies from occurring. / EDUCATION, BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT: The newest research facility at Oregon State University in Corvallis celebrates its grand opening today. The A.A. "Red" Emmerson Advanced Wood Products Laboratory is part of the Oregon Forest Science Complex and is the home of the TallWood Design Institute. The complex is an academic partnership between OSU's Colleges of Forestry and Engineering and the University of Oregon's College of Design. Supporters say the institute is leading the nation in the advancement of using structural wood products and mass timber design in constructing multi-story and high-rise buildings. The 15,000 square-foot state-of-the-art lab houses computer-controlled robotics and fabrication equipment for workforce training, design testing and educational programs and also will be available for privately sponsored industry partnerships and projects. It comes as Oregon's wood products industry works to become a leader in modern building elements, including cross-laminated timber panels and other building technologies known as "mass timber products." Backers say the Oregon Forest Science Complex will increase OSU's competitiveness for large-scale research grant proposals and for public-private partnerships that support development of products that can be manufactured in the Pacific Northwest. / ENVIRONMENT, EDUCATION, RECREATION, DEVELOPMENT: The Oregon Coast Aquarium has announced a fundraising campaign for an \$18 million expansion effort. The aquarium plans to remodel existing facilities and add a marine rehabilitation center and an outdoor play area. Aquarium officials say the project would be the first major remodeling since the facility in Newport opened to the public in 1992. The attraction on the central coast draws more than 420,000 visitors annually and has hosted 15 million people overall. Aquarium officials say that's a big increase from when it opened and the original facility was not designed to accommodate current visitor numbers. The renovation plan includes a rehabilitation facility for endangered marine animals such as sea turtles, seals and snowy plovers. Officials say those animals are now cared for in a repurposed warehouse. / CRIME: The U.S. Marshal's Service arrested 15 sex offenders in Lane County during the past three months, part of a months-long effort to track, contact and arrest out-of-compliance sex offenders living in Oregon. Another 37 were taken into custody in Washington County, southwest of Portland. The Register-Guard reports the effort, dubbed "Operation Oregon Trail 3," focused on those considered at high risk of reoffending, and who might have failed to report address changes, complete annual registrations or provide accurate information on registration forms. Oregon has approximately 30,900 sex offenders on its sex offender registry. Two earlier operations focused on other parts of the state. ; A 50-year-old man has pleaded no contest to arson charges in connection with a chemical fire in May at the Lebanon Walmart that prompted evacuations and forced the store to close for nearly a week. The Democrat Herald reports 50-year-old Joel Reynolds entered the plea Wednesday in Linn County Circuit Court in Albany. Reynolds, from the small community of Lacombe, will serve more seven years in prison. Another arson charge will be dismissed. Kit comes after prosecutors say a witness told authorities that Reynolds mixed brake fluid with pool chemicals inside the store on May 14, then left the Walmart, telling her the



store would be, quote, "up in smoke" and police would arrive soon. Documents say another witness told police that Reynolds had talked about wanting to set a fire at the Lebanon retailer because he was upset with the business. Investigators say he had an earlier theft conviction involving the same store. / ELDERS, GOVERNMENT, ECONOMY: Millions of retirees will get a modest 1.6 percent cost-of-living increase from Social Security in 2020, an uptick with potential political consequences in an election year when Democrats are pushing more generous inflation protection. The increase amounts to \$24 a month for the average retired worker, according to estimates released by the Social Security Administration. Following a significant boost this year, the cost-of-living adjustment, or COLA, for 2020 reverts to its pattern of moderate gains. But seniors and advocates complain that the inflation yardstick used to determine the annual adjustment doesn't adequately reflect their costs, mainly for health care. The COLA affects household budgets for about 1 in 5 Americans, nearly 70 million people, and that includes Social Security recipients, disabled veterans and federal retirees. With the COLA, the estimated average monthly Social Security payment for a retired worker will be \$1,503 a month, starting in January. Many older adults complain the cost-of-living adjustments have not kept up with increased health care premiums and copays, along with other kinds of insurance costs. They say each year the increases, when there are increases, are eaten up by an increase in Medicare's "Part B" premium for outpatient care, which has not been announced yet. Roughly 1 in 2 seniors live in households where Social Security benefits provide at least half the total income. Most private pensions do not provide a cost-of-living adjustment, but Social Security has featured inflation protection since 1975. Beneficiaries also gain from compounding since COLAs become part of their underlying benefit, the base for future cost-of-living increases. Social Security is financed by a 12.4 percent tax on wages, with half paid by workers and the other half paid by employers. Next year, the maximum amount of earnings subject to the Social Security tax will increase from \$132,900 to \$137,700. About 177 million workers pay Social Security taxes. / BUSINESS, CRIME, SAFETY: Headlines touting quick and high returns for cryptocurrency investments can be a temptation. But just as common are reports of major losses, criminal activity, and a new, wide-open playground for scammers. Anyone can get in the crypto game today; buying or selling through kiosks at local malls, gas stations, mini marts and pawn shops. Easy to get in, easy to lose your shirt. Better Business Bureau Northwest and Pacific is taking this opportunity during Cyber Security month to warn potential investors of the high risks associated with crypto. Better Business Bureau leaders warn that cryptocurrency is becoming a market force as a new resource for investing and transferring money, but it also has the potential for significant loss and so the BBB advises consumers to be cautious. Cryptocurrency is digital code, not backed by any government entity. It is not legal tender and not widely accepted at this time. Crypto is not FDIC insured, so the value and your money are not protected. Consumers should be aware: Cryptocurrency does not have legal protection, unlike credit or debit card transactions that can be disputed. Though transactions are anonymous, they may be recorded on public ledgers ultimately leading potential scammers to consumers personal information. Once you've paid, the money is gone as transactions are not reversible. Potential Investors should: Be suspicious of unregulated brokers and exchanges which offer too-good-to-be-true returns,

charge high fees or keep your money. Crypto value can change by the hour, so an investment worth thousands one day might be worth just hundreds the next. Cryptocurrency investing is speculative and high risk; only invest what you can afford to lose. Throughout the month of October, BBB will release cyber safety tips and articles to help consumers and businesses stay vigilant. Articles and a cybersecurity toolkit for small businesses can be found at [www.BBB.org/BBBSecure](http://www.BBB.org/BBBSecure) / **BUSINESS, MINORITY, RACISM:** An African American hotel guest who made national headlines after he was ousted from a DoubleTree hotel in Portland for what he describes as "calling his mother while black" from his cellphone in the hotel lobby is seeking \$10 million in a lawsuit. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the lawsuit was filed Tuesday by Jermaine Massey's lawyers against the hotel chain. Massey's lawyers claim there's a systemic problem of racism within the Hilton hotel chain, which owns 17 brands and more than 5,800 properties worldwide. The lawsuit says the 35-year-old from the Seattle area was staying at the DoubleTree in the Lloyd District Dec. 22 when a security guard asked if he was a guest and to state his room number. The lawsuit says although he gave his room number he was escorted from the property. In a statement Hilton says following the incident Hilton accelerated training for all franchise properties globally and worked with the DoubleTree by Hilton Portland, Oregon, an independently owned and operated property, to ensure their employees have completed the diversity and unconscious bias training. / **GOVERNMENT:** Oregon's public records advocate says fees charged by the state and local governments for public records requests are high and wildly uneven, creating a barrier for journalists and citizens seeking documents. Ginger McCall, who leaves her job Friday, said in a final report Wednesday that fees, sometimes reaching \$180 per hour, are onerous compared to what the federal government and other states charge. She recommended a less discretionary fee structure and low rates. She called for the Legislature and others to commit more resources to public records processing. McCall announced her resignation in September, saying Gov. Kate Brown's office wanted her to secretly work for the governor while giving the impression she was working in the public interest. Brown said she regrets the controversy and is committed to improving transparency. / **CRIME, BUSINESS:** Thousands of pairs of Nike knockoffs were seized at the Los Angeles-Long Beach ports complex recently in a shipment arriving from China, U.S. Customs and Border Protection said Wednesday. Had the 14,800 pairs of counterfeit Nike special edition and retro design shoes been real, the manufacturer's suggested retail prices would have totaled more than \$2.2 million, the agency said. Nike is based in Beaverton. The shoes were in two containers with contents declared as napkins. The fakes violated protected designs and trademarks for various versions of Nike's Air Jordan and Air Max shoes. Customs and Border Protection said collectors might pay between \$1,500 and \$2,000 for a legitimate pair of the shoes. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>SPORTS, BUSINESS, COMMUNITY: It is a ten-day event that takes place in August of 2021 and will feature more than 2,000 athletes from close to 200 countries. In 655 days, Eugene and the state of Oregon will host elite athletes from across the globe at the new Hayward Field. The World Athletic Championships are coming to town in 2021. It will be the first time the multi-day track and field competition has come to the United States and Eugene will be the smallest city to ever host the event. This will be the first time the championships, which are held every two years, will take place at a college track-and-field stadium. But Eugene has a reputation for hosting world-class track and field events with style. And the new Hayward Field will seat close to 25,000 fans daily. Yesterday, hundreds gathered at the University of Oregon for the official kickoff for the championships. They heard from state and local officials and from some of the Team USA athletes who just returned from this year's world championships, where they dominated the competition by taking 14 gold medals and 29 medals, overall. That competition was held in Doha, in the Middle Eastern nation of Qatar. And while the events took place in and around a state-of-the-art stadium, the crowds were sparse—sometimes fewer than one-thousand people attended the finals. So you can imagine how thrilled the U.S. athletes are to be training for an elite world competition, dubbed "Oregon21," that will take place before tens of thousands of fans at Eugene's Hayward Field. It will be the largest global sporting event of 2021 and the third international championship event held at Hayward Field in the past seven years. They expect the crowd to help cheer them on not only to victories in their events but to personal bests, American and world records. While most of the events will take place at Eugene's Hayward Field, organizers revealed yesterday that they're proposing to hold the men's and women's marathons in Portland. A decision from track and field's international governing body is expected in March. The Oregon21 planning is well underway and its website includes the slogans, "This is No time for Slow" and "The Summer of Speed." Tickets will be available for purchase after the 2020 Tokyo Olympics conclude. / SPORTS, BUSINESS: Nike says it is closing its Oregon Project program following coach Alberto Salazar's four-year ban from track and field. While calling the allegations against Salazar "uninformed innuendo and unsubstantiated assertions," a statement from Nike officials notes that the years-long investigation and ruling has become, quote, "an unfair burden for current Oregon Project athletes." Salazar was banned last week for possessing and</p>

trafficking testosterone while coaching top runners at the Nike Oregon Project, an elite training program bankrolled by the sports apparel company since 2001. Salazar is appealing the decision by track and field's governing body. / **HEALTH, SAFETY, GOVERNMENT:** The number of vaping-related illnesses in the U.S. continues to rise, with more 1,300 cases and at least 26 deaths—two of them in Oregon. Experts with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Thursday that investigators are still having difficulty pinning down the cause or causes of the illnesses. The outbreak appears to have started in March. Symptoms include severe shortness of breath, fatigue, and chest pain. Officials do not know what is causing the illness. Medical tests have pointed to oils lodged in victims' lungs, while others have pointed to lung reactions that resemble chemical burns typical of exposure to toxic chemicals. Most who fell ill said they vaped products containing THC, the marijuana ingredient that causes a high, but about 1 in 8 said they vaped only nicotine. There are concerns that patients inhaled black market or off-brand vaping products that were sold on the streets or somehow made their way onto retail shelves. Until a cause is pinpointed, the CDC is advising Americans to refrain from using any vaping products. Of Oregon's nine patients, at least five say they used products they purchased at legal cannabis retail stores. Earlier this month, Oregon's governor ordered a six-month ban on sales of all flavored vaping products with nicotine or THC. While it's unclear whether flavored products are to blame for the outbreak, supporters of the ban hope it will reduce the number of underage e-cigarette and vaping users. Officials with the Oregon Health Authority and Oregon Liquor Control Commission—which oversees the retail cannabis market—hold a news conference later this morning to discuss details of those temporary emergency rules affecting vaping products. / **HEALTH, WOMEN'S ISSUES:** October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, an annual campaign to increase awareness of the disease. According to the National Breast Cancer Foundation, when breast cancer is detected early, and is in the localized stage, the 5-year relative survival rate is close to 100 percent. Early detection includes monthly breast self-exams and scheduling regular clinical breast exams and mammograms. This week, I had my annual mammogram. And, calling in last night to hear the results, learned everything was normal. That's great news. But even you're called in for additional imaging or exams, isn't that better than not knowing? Get past your procrastination and anxieties and take care of your health—you deserve it! / **CRIME:** The Mercy Corps CEO has resigned two days after an Oregonian and OregonLive investigation found that executives at the global humanitarian aid group allowed co-founder Ellsworth Culver to remain in a top role after his daughter accused him of serial sexual abuse. 65-year-old CEO Neal Keny-Guyer had led Mercy Corps since 1994. Keny-Guyer wrote in his resignation letter that if he was going to "morally own this" he would need to take the ultimate action. The latest resignation comes after Mercy Corps was told the newspaper found that agency executives knew co-founder Ellsworth Culver had been accused of sexual abuse in the early 1990s. Culver died in 2005. Mercy Corps this week removed tributes to Culver from its website and took down photos of him. The Associated Press does not usually identify victims of sex crimes, but Culver's daughter has identified herself. / **POLITICS:** The attorney for a U.S. envoy at the center of an impeachment investigation of President Trump has slammed a Democratic congressman's call for a boycott of the Portland-based Provenance hotel chain

that the diplomat founded. Oregon Congressman Earl Blumenauer said Wednesday that no one "who cares about America" should stay at or do business with the hotels until Gordon Sondland, the U.S. ambassador to the European Union, testifies and turns over relevant documents to the House of Representatives. The lawyer representing Sondland called that a quote, "irresponsible attempt to hurt a homegrown business that supports hundreds of jobs in our local economy." The lawyer says Sondland has requested that the State Department allow him to testify as soon as possible. Texts provided by another diplomat last week showed Sondland and others navigating Trump's demands for investigations by Ukraine of Democratic rival Joe Biden and his son. Several House committees have subpoenaed Sondland, who failed to appear for questioning after the Trump administration blocked him from testifying. /

**WILDLIFE, ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURE:** The Oregon Department of Forestry and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have signed an agreement that will enhance protections for the Pacific fisher on nearly 184,000 acres of land owned by the Oregon Board of Forestry. The Pacific fisher, a cat-sized member of the weasel family that lives in lower-elevation conifer forests. It is a candidate for listing under the federal Endangered Species Act. Populations have been reduced over time due to trapping, habitat removal and other impacts. Today, the Pacific fisher population in Oregon is believed to be confined to two separate areas in southwestern Oregon. While there are no known Pacific fisher dens on state forest lands, the acres covered under the agreement fall within the fisher's historic range. The conservation effort will take place on portions of the Santiam, Gilchrist and Sun Pass state forests as well as other Board of Forestry land in Lane, Douglas, Coos and Josephine counties. In return for providing the conservation benefits, the state receives assurances that no additional conservation measures or future restrictions will be required on Board of Forestry-owned lands if the species is listed. The agreement runs through June 20, 2048. /

**EDUCATION, MINORITIES:** The University of Oregon's freshman class is the most diverse and academically prepared in the history of the university, and there are a record number of them. Preliminary figures indicate the first day of classes brought 4,558 first-year students to campus, beating the previous record by more than 300 students and representing growth of 8.5 percent over last year. This year marks the ninth in a row that the UO has set a new record for the diversity of its entering class from a race and ethnicity standpoint. The number of first-year students identifying as domestic minorities is 1,573, up from 1,518 in 2018. The freshman class also established several records for academic achievements: Highest high school grade point average of 3.65, compared to 3.59 last year and the previous UO record of 3.61. Highest SAT scores ever recorded at the UO, with an average of 1200, compared to last year's 1191. Most college credits earned, bringing in 62,209 credits from Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate or dual credit programs. This represents 54 percent of all first-year students entering with pre-earned credits. /

**EDUCATION, COMMUNITY, LEGAL, GOVERNMENT:** David Schuman, professor of practice at the University of Oregon School of Law, a former justice on the Oregon Court of Appeals and a deputy attorney general of Oregon, died Oct. 9. He was 75. A committed public servant, practitioner and professor of the law, Schuman began his 35-year legal career immediately after graduating from Oregon Law in 1984. He served as a judicial law clerk to Oregon Supreme Court Justice Hans Linde and then was

hired by former Attorney General Dave Frohnmayer to serve as the assistant attorney general with the Oregon Department of Justice. Schuman returned to Oregon Law in 1987, and his commitment to the law came through as he taught constitutional law, criminal procedure, legislation and administrative law. He also served as associate dean for academic affairs from 1994 to 1996 and was a recipient of the University of Oregon's prestigious Ersted Award for Distinguished Teaching. Beyond his love of the law, Schuman was an avid bicyclist. On Oct. 5, he experienced a serious cycling accident and died as a result of injuries he sustained. Schuman leaves behind his wife, Sharon; two children, Ben and Rebecca; and three grandchildren, Milly, Halina and Sage. Information regarding a memorial gathering will be announced at a later date. /

**TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** More than three dozen older Boeing 737 jets have been found to have structural cracking in a part that helps keep wings from falling off the plane. U.S. safety regulators ordered inspections of certain planes after cracks were found in some that were undergoing overhauls. It's another safety issue for Boeing, which is already facing the grounding of its newer 737 Max after two deadly crashes. Boeing isn't identifying which airlines found problems, but Brazil's Gol grounded 11 planes and U.S.-based Southwest Airlines grounded two. The NG is being replaced by the 737 Max, which has been grounded since March. /

**GOVERNMENT, ELDERS, LOW-INCOME, HEALTH:** Social Security says millions of retirees will get a modest 1.6% cost-of-living increase in 2020 — and that comes to about \$24 more a month more the average retired worker. That news could have political consequences in an election year when Democrats are pushing more generous inflation protection, along with better benefits overall. After a significant boost this year, the cost-of-living adjustment, or COLA, for 2020 is reverting to its pattern of moderate gains. Seniors and advocates complain that the inflation yardstick used to determine the annual adjustment doesn't adequately reflect their costs, mainly for health care. The COLA affects household budgets for about 1 in 5 Americans, meaning nearly 70 million people, and that includes Social Security recipients, disabled veterans and federal retirees. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>HEALTH, BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT, YOUTH: Oregon's six-month ban on the sale of flavored vaping products containing nicotine or THC goes into effect tomorrow. It comes after the number of vaping-related illnesses in the U.S. continues to rise, with more 1,300 cases and at least 26 deaths—two of them in Oregon. The Oregon Liquor Control Commission, which regulates the recreational marijuana market, voted unanimously to approve the temporary sales ban on the same day that the Oregon Health Authority, which regulates tobacco sales statewide, filed the ban with the Oregon Secretary of State. While it's unclear whether flavored products are to blame or the outbreak, supporters of the ban hope it will reduce the number of underage e-cigarette and vaping users. Until a cause is pinpointed, experts with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are advising Americans to refrain from using any vaping products, a call reiterated by the Oregon Health Authority. The outbreak of lung illnesses appears to have started in March. Symptoms include severe shortness of breath, fatigue, and chest pain. In some instances, medical tests suggested oily substances had coated the inside of some victims' lung passages, but examination of other cases revealed reactions that resemble chemical burns typical of exposure to toxic or caustic chemicals. Most who fell ill said they vaped products containing THC, the marijuana ingredient that causes a high, but about 1 in 8 said they vaped only nicotine. There are concerns that patients inhaled black market or off-brand vaping products that were sold on the streets or somehow made their way onto retail shelves. Of Oregon's nine patients, at least five say they used products they purchased at legal cannabis retail stores. / HEALTH: As we settle into mid-October, health officials are making a push for you to get your annual flu shot. And in some places, they're being pretty creative about it. South of Roseburg, the Douglas Public Health Network is partnering with local emergency management and medical personnel to provide free drive-up flu vaccinations on Saturday at the Tri City fire station. That's about as convenient as you can make it. And it's a win-win for residents of southern Douglas County and the folks giving the vaccines. The flu vaccinations will be administered by health professionals from around Douglas County. Participants may remain in their vehicle or take advantage of the walk-up option. The clinic gives Douglas County emergency responders a chance to practice how they might dispense medications, antibiotics and vaccinations in a rapid, large-scale fashion in the event a widespread disease or other emergency were to occur. To receive the vaccines, people just need to complete a brief</p>

intake form, receive a quick medical screening if needed, and then proceed to a vaccination station for a free flu vaccine. And that intake form may be downloaded in advance. Again, that drive-up clinic is at the Tri City fire station in southern Douglas County on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The vaccines are available to anyone who is six months and older. ; Last year's flu brought double trouble: A new strain started a second wave of illnesses just as the first was winding down, making for one of the longest influenza seasons on record. The year before that marked flu's highest death toll in recent decades. So far, it does not look like the flu season is getting an early start. But experts with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention urge you to get your flu vaccine by the end of October. Typically, flu begins widely circulating in November or December, and peaks by February. While people who are vaccinated might still catch the flu, health experts say those illnesses are milder with a lower risk of pneumonia, hospitalization or death. Who should receive a vaccine? According to the CDC, everybody age six months and older. Flu is most dangerous for people over age 65, young children, pregnant women and people with certain health conditions such as heart disease, asthma or other lung disorders, even diabetes. But it can kill even the young and otherwise healthy. On average, the CDC says flu kills about 24,000 Americans each year. Traditional flu shots are for all ages. For needle-phobic adults, one brand uses a needle-free jet injector that pushes vaccine through the skin. And the FluMist nasal spray is for generally healthy people ages 2 through 49. Two brands are designed specifically for the 65-plus crowd, whose weakened immune systems don't respond as well to traditional shots. One is high dose, and the other contains an extra immune-boosting compound. Those brands protect against three flu strains, including the more typically severe ones. And people allergic to eggs have two options, one brand grown in mammal cells instead and another made with genetic technology and insect cells. Manufacturers say 162 million to 169 million vaccine doses will be available this year, and people can ask about the different choices. And remember to exercise good health habits: Cover coughs and sneezes. Wash your hands frequently during flu season. One recent study shows good handwashing is better than hand sanitizers. And most importantly, stay home if you're sick to keep from spreading the misery. /

**COMMUNITY, LOW-INCOME, DEVELOPMENT:** A big gathering in West Eugene Friday, as supporters of our local food bank, FOOD for Lane County, gathered for the annual Empty Bowls dinner and auction. This year, it took place in a new location: FOOD for Lane County's new warehouse on West Broadway in the industrial area. The building, once owned by the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County, has been remodeled to accommodate vast amounts of storage for canned and dry foods. But more importantly, crews installed a 3,500 square-foot industrial freezer. That's important, says FOOD for Lane County's Tom Mulhearn, because the food-rescue field has changed dramatically in recent years. Rather than dealing mostly in dented cans and food being removed from store shelves because it's close to the "pull date," food banks are increasingly focusing on collections of fresh foods from groceries, restaurants, food businesses and farms. That requires having the capacity to process and store those ingredients and products. Over time, FOOD for Lane County officials say the new warehouse will become the non-profit agency's primary intake facility and the food bank's headquarters, kitchen and warehouse on Baily Hill Road will become primarily a distribution facility. FOOD for Lane County also operates and supplies a network



of local food banks and helps alleviate hunger for children, adults, and seniors. / HOUSING, SPORTS, RECREATION, ECONOMY: With events ranging from sports to music and the arts, plus great access to the outdoors, Eugene-Springfield is expecting a surge in traveler interest. That's the conclusion of home, apartment and condo short-term rental company Airbnb, which says our community could see a more than 200 percent increase in booking requests in the coming year, putting it on the company's "Top 20" global list for growing popularity. Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Cape Canaveral, Florida, were the only other U.S. locations on the list expecting such strong surges in booking interest. Airbnb's news release noted that Eugene might be a medium-sized city in the Pacific Northwest, but it "punches above its weight." It notes that the area is home to many multinational businesses, that the city has made a name for itself as an Oregon culinary hub, and that the area is dotted with parks and trails and surrounded by natural beauty. Airbnb also highlighted Eugene's upcoming national and world track and field events in 2020 and 2021 at the new Hayward Field. / MINORITIES, EDUCATION, COMMUNITY, RACISM: It was a weekend celebrating black history at the University of Oregon. On Saturday, campus leaders, students, members of the black community and others gather to celebrate the official opening of the Lyllye (say: Lily) Reynolds-Parker Black Cultural Center. The \$3 million dollar, 3,200 square-foot center is located at the corner of 15th Avenue and Villard Street and was created in response to student demand and paid for through private donations. The building is open to everyone on the U-of-O campus. It offers academic services, educational and cultural programming, and has space that can accommodate small classes, study areas, academic support, meetings and social gatherings. It also showcases cultural pieces and artwork that celebrate black heritage. The center is named in honor after Lyllye Reynolds-Parker, a popular longtime campus advisor and lifelong resident of Eugene. On Saturday and Sunday, the University of Oregon's Museum of Natural and Cultural History celebrated the opening of a related exhibit, "Racing to Change: Oregon's Civil Rights Years — The Eugene Story." The exhibit was co-developed by the Oregon Black Pioneers and chronicles the birth and evolution of the civil rights movement in Eugene and on the U-of-O campus during the 1960s and 1970s. The displays use photographs, recorded interviews and resources from historical archives to explore how racist policies and attitudes created a need for sustained civil rights activism in Eugene and throughout Oregon. It includes firsthand accounts from the movement organizers, former University of Oregon students and other members of Eugene's black communities. While the focus is on the 20th century, the exhibit also features historical documents, including the original Oregon Constitution, which includes the state's notorious 1857 black exclusion clause, which prohibited black people from entering the state, making contracts or owning property. The clause and was not formally repealed until 1926. The museum is located on East 15th Avenue, about one block east of Agate Street. The museum is closed on Mondays, but open Tuesdays through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., with extended evening hours until 8 p.m. on Thursdays. ; For generations and on many calendars, this is Columbus Day. For some, it is a federal or state holiday. But for at least five states, including Oregon, this is Indigenous Peoples' Day. It's part of a trend to move away from a day honoring Christopher Columbus, whom many Native Americans see as an invader who helped bring the destruction of their traditional

way of life. Oregon's governor declared Indigenous Peoples' Day in 2017. This year, New Mexico holds its first such observance with invocations by several tribal leaders, a parade and traditional dances in Albuquerque. Maine is also a first-time observer of the holiday. Several other states —from Minnesota to Vermont — have eliminated Columbus Day celebrations in deference to Native Americans, although the federal Columbus holiday remains in place. / BUSINESS: A union representing grocery workers from across Oregon and southwest Washington earlier this month reached a contract agreement with several Northwest grocery chains. It came after 16 months of negotiations. After members of the United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555 ratified the new 3-year labor contract on Friday with Fred Meyer, Albertsons, Safeway, and QFC regional grocery stores, union officials announced the lifting of a boycott they'd called for of regional Fred Meyer stores. The boycott request was issued Sept. 22. Union leaders say the new contract includes a 20-hour weekly guarantee, some wage increases, additions to health and welfare benefits and improved vacation requests. / SPORTS: The Oregon Ducks football team moved up one notch, to Number 12, in the national rankings yesterday. It came after Friday night's win over Colorado, 45-3, at Autzen Stadium. Quarterback Justin Herbert threw for 261 yards and two touchdowns, while Cyrus Habibi-Likio rushed for three more. It was Oregon's fifth straight victory. Jaylon Redd rushed for a touchdown and caught a pass for another score for the Ducks who opened Pac-12 play with a 3-0 record for the first time since 2013. Oregon has not dropped a game since the season opener against Auburn. And if you watched the game on television, you heard the announcers repeatedly praise the Ducks' quick and powerful defense, which intercepted Colorado's quarterback four times on four consecutive drives. Herbert told reporters afterward, "When they play like that it makes our job so much easier." Herbert was 18 of 32 with two touchdowns, bringing his total to 17 TDs this season. His string of games with a touchdown pass is the longest nationally among active players. The Ducks have held their four previous opponents to single digits in scoring. It's worth noting there were several NFL GMs at the game, including Oakland's Mike Mayock. ; A disappointment in Corvallis: No. 15 Utah routed Oregon State 52-7 on Saturday night. The Beavers (2-4, 1-2) were coming off a 48-31 victory over UCLA at the Rose Bowl last weekend, just their second win this year and first victory over a Pac-12 opponent since last season. Quarterback Jake Luton, chosen Pac-12 Player of the Week after accounting for six touchdowns (five pass, one run) against the Bruins, threw for 131 yards but was intercepted for the first time this season. Oregon State visits California on Saturday. The Golden Bears had a bye over the weekend. ; Denver's defense chased Tennessee quarterback Marcus Mariota before finishing with seven sacks and three interceptions in a 16-0 shutout of the Titans. Mariota was just 7 of 18 passing for 63 yards, two picks and three sacks before he was benched in favor of Ryan Tannehill in the second half. Brandon McManus hit three field goals and Phillip Lindsay ran for a touchdown as the 2-4 Broncos dealt the 2-4 Titans their fourth loss in five games. / ECONOMY, TRANSPORTATION: The average U.S. price of regular-grade gasoline has remained at \$2.73 a gallon over the past two weeks. In Oregon, the average price for a gallon of regular-grade gas stands at \$3.26. It's a penny higher in Lane County. Industry analyst Trilby Lundberg of the Lundberg Survey says the attack on Saudi Arabia's key oil processing facility last month had no effect on gas prices. In fact, the price at the pump is 24 cents lower

than it was a year ago. The highest average price in the nation is \$4.20 a gallon in San Francisco. The lowest average is \$2.17 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The average price of diesel is down a penny, to \$3.06 per gallon but stands at \$3.20 here in Oregon. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>RECREATION, DEVELOPMENT, DISABILITIES, COMMUNITY: The Willamalane Park and Recreation District has wrapped up the first phase of improvements under the Dorris Ranch Master Plan, which includes a new flush restroom, landscaping, Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements and grand entry signage. A celebration of the upgrades and a ribbon-cutting ceremony takes place today (Tues., Oct. 15) at Dorris Ranch from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Dorris Ranch is located at 205 Dorris Street in Springfield. Light snacks and refreshments will be served. Dorris Ranch is a national historic site, a living history farm and a public park that features walking trails and natural areas. It was here that George Dorris developed his techniques for pruning filbert trees to create the country's first commercial hazelnut orchard. That orchard remains in commercial production today. Dorris Ranch also is the western access point of the paved, four-mile-long Middle Fork Path, which runs to Clearwater Park. The recent improvements to Dorris Ranch are the final upgrades paid for through voter passage of Willamalane's 2012 bond measure. And they're needed: The park entrance sign for Dorris Ranch, for example, was demolished by a storm several years ago. The new sign was designed with input from more than 500 Dorris Ranch users. But the improvements that will likely earn the biggest applause are the new flush restrooms, adjacent to the barn. Patrons say they're much needed because Dorris Ranch hosts many large events and programs, in addition to the regular day visitors. Work is also underway to improve accessibility and drainage. The upgrades include compacted gravel walkways, a permeable paver patio area, timber steps and updated landscaping. Those projects were funded through Willamalane's Bond &amp; Systems Development Charges (SDC) funds and with revenues from the filbert orchard. ; Eugene Recreation's Echo Hollow Pool &amp; Fitness Center is getting an upgrade and expansion thanks to voters who approved the 2018 Eugene Parks and Recreation Bond and Levy. Now, you're invited to get a look at the final designs. The event takes place Wednesday evening, Oct. 16, from 6-8 p.m. at Echo Hollow Pool &amp; Fitness Center, 1655 Echo Hollow Road in Eugene. Echo Hollow Pool &amp; Fitness Center's renovation and expansion is one of the key bond projects planned under the \$39.35 million bond and \$3.15 million levy passed by Eugene voters in May 2018. Construction will begin in the winter of 2020 and will last about a year. Improvements include renovation of the indoor pool, expansion of the outdoor pool, and a new seasonal outdoor recreation pool. These additions will</p>

accommodate more lessons, programs and the competitive swimming needs of the community. / ELECTIONS, AGRICULTURE, POLITICS: A pair of recall efforts by Republicans to oust Oregon's Democratic governor failed on Monday, with officials saying one group lacked the necessary number of signatures and the other failed to submit any signatures to election officials. Monday at 5 p.m. was the deadline for submission of signatures for both recall petitions. Brown's opponents launched the recall efforts, objecting to a greenhouse gas emissions cap-and-trade bill that she backed but that failed to emerge from the Legislature after a walkout by GOP senators and a series of public protests. Opponents also dislike education tax package that did pass, along with other issues. Oregon Secretary of State Bev Clarno says that three hours before the deadline to deliver signatures on one recall petition, chief sponsor Michael Cross delivered nine boxes of petitions to elections officials, along with a form attesting to a "completed petition submission estimating 290,000 signatures." But after the boxes were transferred under lock to a Secure Election Division facility, the secretary of state's staff counted 23,926 sheets, Clarno said. Since each sheet cannot contain more than 10 signatures, the submission fell short of the 280,050 signatures necessary to trigger a recall vote by at least 46,000, Clarno said. Clarno said no submission was received from the Oregon Republican Party for a second recall effort. Oregon GOP Chairman Bill Currier told both the Statesman Journal and KXL's Lars Larson Show that the effort came up short but there are plans to try again. Thomas Wheatley, a Brown political adviser, said recalls should be used only when an elected official has committed a crime, not when someone disagrees with the policies of the governor or another elected official. Brown was re-elected governor last November by beating her nearest finisher, Republican nominee Knute Buehler, by more than 119,000 votes. ; Backers of rejected ballot initiatives to tighten Oregon's forestry rules have filed a lawsuit, saying Oregon Secretary of State Bev Clarno broke with legal precedent and based her rejection on bad advice from political appointees. Clarno, a Republican, rejected the initiatives Sept. 24. She said they failed to qualify because they covered more than one subject. Clarno said Oregon's Constitution requires that each ballot initiative only address a single policy topic. The three proposals, Initiative Petitions 35, 36 and 37, are similar. Another other things, they call for tightening the state's aerial herbicide spraying laws, which today offer some of the West Coast's weakest protections for people and fish. They call for more logging restrictions in steep, landslide-prone areas. And they would prohibit conflicts of interest for state forestry board appointees, who today can set policies that benefit their own companies. The Oregonian and OregonLive reports that the lawsuit by the initiatives' supporters, filed Monday in Marion County Circuit Court, asks a judge to overturn Clarno's rejection and order the state cover their attorneys' fees. / BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT, HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT: Oregon might soon allow customers to bring their own reusable food containers to grocery stores and restaurants in an effort to curb plastic waste. The Statesman Journal reports that is not currently allowed under federal Food and Drug Administration rules, which Oregon has adopted, because of the potential for cross-contamination with pathogens or allergens. But state officials say pressure to change Oregon regulations has been mounting since China's decision in January 2018 to stop allowing many items from the U.S. to be imported for recycling. Since then, Oregonians have thrown away an estimated 16,000 tons of previously recyclable

items, much of them single-use plastics like take-out containers. An official with Oregon's food safety program acknowledges that people are looking for ways to reduce what goes into the waste stream. Calls for a rule change intensified after the state cracked down on a program at First Alternative Co-op in Corvallis, which had for years been washing containers returned by customers and offering them for reuse. Its customers submitted a petition to state regulators. Now, Oregon officials are taking a closer look at rules for grocery stores, which are licensed and inspected by the state Department of Agriculture. Dave Martin, the Foodborne Illness Prevention Program coordinator at the Oregon Health Authority, says rule changes for restaurants likely will soon follow. The Oregon Health Authority licenses and inspects restaurants through county health departments. But not all retailers are on board. At an Oregon Department of Agriculture-led meeting in August, grocery chain representatives worried about cross-contamination, and highlighted additional concerns. Among them: The possibility of theft if the containers are not made from clear materials; consumers using containers not meant to be used multiple times; and problems getting an accurate weight of the container before it's filled. / **CRIME, SAFETY:** The Eugene Police SWAT and Crisis Negotiation Team served a search warrant yesterday morning around 7 a.m. at a residence in the 3000 block of Harris Street. Police said they used SWAT and the Crisis Negotiation Team, in part, because they wanted to secure the scene before children headed to a nearby school. They say a suspect, 32-year-old Jordan Mills Mallory, was in possession of nine firearms, including one firearm with a modified trigger and that narcotics also were found at the scene. He was charged with nine counts of being a Felon in Possession of a Firearm, Unlawful Delivery of MDMA within 1,000 feet of a school, as well as Unlawful Possession of Cocaine, and two counts of Unlawful Possession of Controlled Substance Schedule 1 (Psilocybin Mushrooms and LSD). Mallory also was charged with Attempted Assault in the Second Degree after police say he set his dog at SWAT officers. Investigators say the dog was deterred with less lethal options and was not injured. ; Authorities have identified a man found dead in a River Road-area neighborhood Sunday as 48-year-old Stephen Durkee of Eugene. The Lane County Sheriff's Office said in a news release that the cause and manner of Durkee's death have not yet been determined. At about 8:40 Sunday morning, deputies were called to a dispute off Evergreen Drive involving three people. When they arrived, they found one man dead. Two others were taken to a hospital for treatment. Investigators have not revealed the subject of the dispute but said on Monday that there's no indication of a continued threat to the community. ; Sheriff's officials are investigating a stabbing that was reported yesterday evening after 5 p.m. at a residence in the 31500 block of Lynx Hollow Road in Creswell. Deputies say one man was hospitalized with knife wounds and a suspect, identified as 42-year-old Jamie Oldfield of Creswell, was taken into custody after fleeing the scene and being located in Creswell a short time later. Investigators say Oldfield and the victim are related and will reveal more details and any charges in the case later. / **MENTAL HEALTH, SAFETY:** A 33-year-old Oregon State Hospital psychiatric patient, Peace Wickham, was reported missing Monday, Oct. 14. Anyone seeing Wickham should call 911, the Oregon State Police at 800-452-7888 or OSP on their mobile device. Wickham is not considered to be an imminent danger to himself or others. He is accused of unauthorized departure. Oregon State Police is conducting an investigation to

help locate him. Wickham should not be approached. Wickham was admitted from Lane County to the Junction City campus of Oregon State Hospital Sept. 7, 2016. Wickham was found guilty except for insanity on the charges of assault, unlawful possession of a weapon, and felon in possession of a restricted weapon. He was last seen at approximately 12:30 p.m., on the grounds of Luther House, 1824 University Street in Eugene, where he was attending a group activity.

Wickham walked away from the group and left the immediate area. Hospital officials, who reported the missing patient to state and local law enforcement agencies, described Wickham as a male, 6 feet 2 inches tall, 255 pounds, with a shaved head and brown eyes. He has two tattoos, the state of California on his right forearm and Hawaii on his left forearm. When last seen, he was wearing a gray fleece sweatshirt, tan pants, and tan hiking shoes with rubber laces. /

HEALTH, BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT, LEGAL, YOUTH: Oregon's six-month ban on the sale of flavored vaping products containing nicotine or THC goes into effect today. It comes after the number of vaping-related lung illnesses in the U.S. continues to rise, with more 1,300 cases and at least 26 deaths—two of them in Oregon. Until a cause is pinpointed, experts with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are advising Americans to refrain from using any vaping products, a call reiterated by the Oregon Health Authority. The outbreak of lung illnesses appears to have started in March. Symptoms include severe shortness of breath, fatigue, and chest pain. In some instances, medical tests suggested oily substances had coated the inside of some victims' lung passages, but examination of other cases revealed reactions that resemble chemical burns typical of exposure to toxic or caustic chemicals. Most who fell ill said they vaped products containing THC, the marijuana ingredient that causes a high, but about 1 in 8 said they vaped only nicotine. Of Oregon's nine patients, at least five say they used products they purchased at legal cannabis retail stores. There are concerns that patients inhaled black market or off-brand vaping products that were sold on the streets or somehow made their way onto retail shelves. While it's unclear whether flavored products are to blame or the outbreak, supporters of the ban hope it will reduce the number of underage e-cigarette and vaping users. /

GOVERNMENT, HOUSING, COMMUNITY, ECONOMY: Lane County taxpayers will receive their 2019–2020 property tax statements beginning Friday, October 18. Statements are available online now at [www.lanecounty.org/AT](http://www.lanecounty.org/AT) The first payment is due on November 15, 2019. Lane County Assessment and Taxation collects property tax on behalf of 85 separate taxing districts, including cities, schools, education service districts, water districts, rural fire districts, urban renewal districts and other taxing districts such as park and recreation, library and ambulance districts. Most properties will continue to see the 3 percent statutory increase in their Maximum Assessed Values. On average, residential property owners will pay tax on 67.7 percent of their Real Market Values in 2019. Oregon's constitution limits the increase in Maximum Assessed Values of each property to 3 percent per year, unless there have been changes made to the property, such as new construction or additions, new partitions or subdivisions, removal from special assessment or exemption programs, or changes in zoning and use of the property. If taxpayers believe their properties' market values are incorrect, taxpayers should first contact Lane County Assessment and Taxation. Taxpayers have the right to appeal to the Board of Property Tax Appeals through the Deeds and Records Division of the County Clerk's Office. The Board of Property Tax

Appeals has the authority to reduce market value when sufficient evidence is provided to demonstrate the Real Market Value of a property was different on January 1, 2019 than what is on the tax statement. If the Real Market Value is still higher than Assessed Value, the tax payment will likely remain the same. A reduction to the value does not always result in a refund. The Board cannot grant reductions to a tax amount; it can only review a property's value. All appeals must be filed with the Lane County Deeds and Records office by December 31, 2019. /

**DISASTERS, SAFETY, COMMUNITY:** The Great Oregon ShakeOut earthquake drill is almost here and it's time to think about what you would do during an earthquake. The world's largest earthquake drill is Oct. 17 at 10:17 a.m., and more than 600,000 Oregonians are already registered. You can register at [shakeout.org](http://shakeout.org) to participate and be counted. Oregon is earthquake country. In 1993 western Oregon experienced two damaging earthquakes, Scotts Mills (magnitude 5.6) and Klamath Falls (magnitudes 5.9 and 6). Molalla High School and the State Capitol building were severely damaged. In addition to those crustal fault earthquakes, there is evidence that a massive subduction zone earthquake will happen off the coast from Northern California to British Columbia with force similar to that which hit Indonesia in 2004, and Japan in 2011, during subduction zone earthquakes and tsunamis. By preparing now for future earthquakes, we can protect our homes and families. Great ShakeOut earthquake drills are an opportunity to practice how to be safer during earthquakes by knowing how to "Drop, Cover and Hold On." ShakeOut organizers say that to react quickly you must practice often. You may only have seconds to protect yourself in an earthquake, before strong shaking knocks you down or drops something on you. ;

At the University of Oregon, coordinators will test the UO Alerts mass-notification system, sending an email to all students and employees and text messages to everyone who is signed up to receive the notices. Any students or employees who have not signed up for UO Alerts are strongly encouraged to do so, because that's how the University of Oregon distributes information in emergencies. The U-of-O is also talking preparedness by hosting a training session for students and employees to share details on what a major earthquake might feel like, what kind of damage to expect, and how to be more prepared on campus and at home. The session will include a brief "drop, cover and hold" drill. The session also features a panel discussion with seismologists Lucy Jones of Caltech, known nationally as the "earthquake lady," and Professor Doug Toomey of the UO's Department of Earth Sciences, as well as Krista Dillon, director of operations for UO Safety and Risk Services. The session for students and staff takes place in the Erb Memorial Union's Crater Lake rooms on Thursday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Jones is a resident lecturer this month as Wayne Morse Chair, and also presents a free public lecture on disaster resiliency on Tuesday, Oct. 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the EMU ballroom. The aim is to understand and communicate where the greatest vulnerabilities lie and what actions can be taken to reduce the risk that are the most cost-effective. Dr. Jones completed 33 years of federal service with the US Geological Survey in March 2016. Most recently, she led the creation of a national science strategy for all the natural hazards studied by the USGS to promote the science that would better prepare the nation for future natural hazards. In her book *The Big Ones: How Natural Disasters Have Shaped Us (and What We Can Do About Them)*, Dr. Jones offers both a look at how natural disasters have affected the course of history and how we can prepare for them. Free pamphlets



will be available to attendees offering a checklist of items to purchase and steps to take over a three-month period to create an emergency supply kit and disaster preparation plan for themselves and their families. / ENVIRONMENT, DISASTERS. AGRICULTURE: Federal officials have released their plan to prevent devastating wildfires in southeastern Oregon, southwestern Idaho, and northern Nevada. One option creates 1,500 miles of fuel breaks up to 400 feet wide along existing roads. The Bureau of Land Management's draft environmental impact statement deals with the Tri-State Fuel Breaks Project. The BLM now is accepting public comments through the end of November. BLM officials say clearing vegetation to create the fuel breaks will help fire crews stop wildfires and protect key habitat for sage grouse and other wildlife on land also used by ranchers and outdoor enthusiasts. The BLM says some options include fewer miles of fuel breaks all the way down to no fuel breaks at all. But opponents, including members of some environmental groups, say the fuel breaks will ultimately harm the region by opening areas to cheatgrass and other invasive plants. They are also concerned that the fuel breaks will fragment habitat, isolating wildlife populations that are especially vulnerable if they cross open ground such as that created by fuel breaks. The region in recent decades has seen repeated giant rangeland wildfires. / ENVIRONMENT, FISHERIES, UTILITIES, MINORITIES: Two Pacific Northwest tribes are calling for the removal of three major hydroelectric dams on the Columbia River. The Lummi Nation and the Yakama Nation said Monday that the U.S. government violated a treaty from 1855 when it built Bonneville, John Day and The Dalles dams on the lower Columbia River. The tribes say the dams destroyed important native fishing sites and deeply impacted the migration of salmon. The Yakama say they traditionally fished for salmon along the river and the Treaty of 1855 guaranteed the tribe access to those sites even after the tribes ceded 11.5 million acres to the U.S. Salmon are also the preferred prey of endangered orcas, which were traditionally hunted by the Lummi Nation. / HEALTH: State health officials say a case of West Nile virus has been confirmed in a horse in Eastern Oregon. The Oregonian and OregonLive reports West Nile virus was first recorded in Oregon in 2003, but this is the first case recorded in Crook County. The virus, which can spread in humans only through the bite of infected mosquitoes, is often fatal to horses. Officials say the virus also can infect chickens, squirrels and dogs. West of the Cascades, cases of West Nile virus have been recorded in Multnomah and Clackamas counties, the most recent in 2014 in Clackamas County. Officials say eight people in Oregon contracted the virus in three different counties in 2019. Symptoms include fever, headache, stiff neck, fatigue and confusion, shaking, paralysis, rash and encephalitis - inflammation of the brain. About one in 150 people who are infected develop severe symptoms. /

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**DATE OF  
BROADCAST** 10/16/19

**TIME OF  
BROADCAST** 5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM

**NAME OF  
PROGRAM** Morning News

**LENGTH OF  
PROGRAM** 30 Seconds

**ISSUE OR  
SUBJECT  
DISCUSSED** SAFETY, HEALTH, COMMUNITY: It took the better part of seven hours, but crews restored a major phone outage yesterday afternoon that affected both 911 lines from many areas east of Interstate Five in Lane County, as well as some businesses, medical facilities and schools. Emergency officials say they began receiving word of the issue shortly before eight yesterday morning that some callers were experiencing difficulties with 911 lines and non-emergency lines for landline phones. Century Link began working on the issue and determined the outage affected communities including Springfield, Marcola, Leaburg, Blue River, Lowell, Oakridge and some Douglas County areas. Service was restored shortly after 3 p.m. / CRIME: Eugene Police say they arrested a woman early yesterday morning and charged her with extensively vandalizing the interior of the Elkhorn Brewery on East Broadway. Investigators say it is the second case involving the suspect, 30-year-old Courtney Lee Albin, at the business. Yesterday's incident came around 4:30 a.m., when police received multiple calls that a woman was throwing bottles at the windows of Manola's Thai Cuisine and Elk Horn Brewery, both of which are on East Broadway near Patterson Street. Arriving officers observed the damage and arrested Albin on two counts of Criminal Mischief in the First Degree. When the business owners arrived, they discovered extensive damage inside the Elkhorn Brewery which led to additional charges against Albin of Attempted Arson in the Second Degree, and Burglary in the Second Degree. Police say Albin was arrested September 13 for a separate incident at Elkhorn, where glass was broken at the business. She was charged in that case with Criminal Mischief in the First Degree and Criminal Trespass in the Second Degree. ; Officials say the man wanted in connection with a head-on crash in southern Oregon earlier this month killed the wife of a Wolf Creek firefighter was arrested on Sunday in the Springfield area and lodged in the Lane County Jail. Investigators say 46-year-old Freddie Tillett of Grants Pass was charged with Manslaughter I and Driving under the Influence of Intoxicants. Oregon State Police say that on September 27, Tillett was at the wheel and driving recklessly on Highway 99 in Grants Pass when his Audi sedan crossed the centerline and collided head-on with a Nissan sedan driven by 39-year-old Brenda Reinert, who died at the hospital. Officials say she was on her way to pick up her three children. / HOMELESSNESS, SAFETY, HEALTH, CRIME, ENVIRONMENT, GOVERNMENT: Fed up with litter, dumping, reckless burning, open fires and damage to property and habitat, state officials are moving to ban overnight

recreational use and camping on the banks and small islands along the Willamette River in Eugene. It comes after Eugene Police, Oregon State Police, the Eugene Parks Division and others dealt with repeated problems with homeless camps in the areas, ranging from crime to health hazards. In May, officials with Oregon's Department of State Lands announced a temporary closure: No activity is permitted on those lands between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m.; camping and fires are prohibited at all times. The state now is considering permanent restrictions and will hold a public hearing on the issue this evening. That session will run from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Eugene Parks and Open Space Division, at the Public Works complex at 1820 Roosevelt Boulevard in Eugene. For years, there have been growing complaints that illegal homeless camps are polluting the river, the riverbank and small islands. Workers say they're continually being asked to clean up abandoned camps dotted with human feces, syringes and other garbage. The City of Eugene already bars overnight camping on its public property, and the county recently moved to set curfews on its property in downtown Eugene that has attracted homeless campers in the past. Earlier this summer, the City of Eugene's Public Works Parks and Open Space staff and a sheriff's work crew, made up of low-level offenders, spent the morning removing truckloads of trash and waste from one illegal camping sight along one Willamette River island in the heart of Eugene. Crews found 10 large-scale camps on the island and estimated that roughly 3,000 pounds and 45 yards worth of trash would be removed from the area by the time the crews finished. They hauled away broken-down bike frames and tires, decaying food, human feces, trash and at least 50 hypodermic needles within the first few hours of the project. One of the biggest problems for river island camps such as these is all types of trash and waste collected at the site can and has made it into the river. Homeless campers also destroy vegetation on the island, destroying wildlife habitat. The camps also mean that stretch off the river is less safe for people to visit. Issues surrounding homeless camps in Eugene are nothing new. In June, city council members cracked down on curbside camping, allowing business owners to enforce trespass on planter strips in front of their businesses. However, when it comes to Willamette River islands, issues concerning land management and control will have to play out before the city can impose rules banning camping. / SAFETY, HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION, COMMUNITY: A big "thank you" to everyone who on Saturday joined the Friends of Fall Creek Watershed for a big clean-up effort along both Fall Creek and Winberry Creek. You shouldn't have to clean up other people's messes, but these dedicated folks did. They filled several truckloads of garbage, even digging up old trash that was buried by new growth in the forest. They also cleaned locations where people illegally dump garbage. In addition, they picked up after some of the summertime crowd that left a bunch of trash at popular recreation sites. The volunteer's goal is to corral the stuff before it further harms the landscape and gets into the nearby creeks and reservoir, as well as improve the health and safety of the recreation area for everyone. Law enforcement rangers from the Bureau of Land Management assisted at several known illegal dump sites. Shortly after the cleanup, BLM law enforcement stopped one person who was about to dump a trailer filled with trash at the same location. Illegal dumping on federally managed lands can lead to fines and restitution for clean-up costs, jail time, and even a ban from BLM public lands. / GOVERNMENT, ECONOMY, COMMUNITY, BUSINESS: State revenue

officials yesterday outlined how Oregon taxpayers will receive their "kicker" refunds: The more than \$1.5 billion tax surplus will be returned through a credit on their 2019 state personal income tax returns filed in 2020. You're eligible to claim the kicker if you filed a 2018 tax return and had tax due before credits. Even if you don't have a filing obligation for 2019, you still must file a 2019 tax return to claim your credit. There will be detailed information on how to claim your credit in the 2019 Oregon personal income tax return instructions: Form OR-40 for full-year Oregon residents, Form OR-40-P for part-year residents, and Form OR-40-N for non-residents. Composite and fiduciary-income tax return filers are also eligible. Keep in mind that the state may use all or part of your kicker to pay any state debt you owe, such as tax due for other years, child support, court fines, or school loans. A What's My Kicker? calculator will be active on Revenue's website for personal income tax filers when filing season opens in January. To calculate your kicker, you'll enter your name, Social Security Number, and filing status for 2018 and 2019. / ECONOMY: Oregon's job growth cooled a bit in September. State analysts say non-farm employers added only 200 net jobs last month, coming on the heels of an overall loss of 900 jobs in August. Oregon's unemployment rate was 4.1 percent in September, essentially unchanged from 4.0 percent in August. The U.S. unemployment rate dropped to 3.5 percent in September, from 3.7 percent in August. Oregon's unemployment rate has been between 4.0 percent and 4.4 percent for 35 consecutive months dating back to November 2016. Monthly gains were strongest in health care and social assistance (+2,300 jobs); wholesale trade (+1,000); and manufacturing (+400). These gains were offset by cutbacks in the government sector (-2,100 jobs); financial activities (-500); professional and business services (-500); and retail trade (-400). One continuing bright spot on the employment picture: Health care and social assistance, which has grown consistently for many years. Over the past 12 months, state analysts say the industry grew by 9,000 jobs, a 3.5 percent growth rate, with each of its components adding jobs rapidly as demand for health care services increased along with Oregon's expanding and aging population. Retail trade is down by 3,900 jobs over the past 12 months, while transportation, warehousing and utilities counterbalanced that loss with a gain of 4,100 jobs as more shopping takes place online. / EDUCATION, SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION, YOUTH: To celebrate national "Walk + Roll to School Month," the "O Heroes" (University of Oregon athletes) and members of the University of Oregon Transportation and Livability student group will join Edison Elementary School students as they walk and roll to school today (Wed., Oct. 16). Tasha the dinosaur (the school's unofficial mascot) will make a special guest appearance and join in the walk. The event will kick off at 8:00 a.m. with a people-powered school bus walking and biking from nearby First Congregational Church parking lot to Edison. When they arrive at school, the UO Garter Band will welcome them in the gym with live music for dancing, hula hooping and singing to start the school day. Thousands of students from 20 Eugene School District 4J schools are walking, pedaling, scooting and rolling to school this month through various challenge events in celebration of national Walk + Roll to School Month. Walk + Roll challenge events are great outdoor fitness activities for students and families. They also help raise awareness about the need to create safer routes for walking and bicycling. Children and adults learn more about physical activity, pedestrian safety, traffic congestion and care for the environment. / RECREATION,

**DEVELOPMENT, ELECTIONS:** Eugene Recreation's Echo Hollow Pool & Fitness Center is getting an upgrade and expansion thanks to voters who approved the 2018 Eugene Parks and Recreation Bond and Levy. Now, you're invited to get a look at the final designs. Stop by the Echo Hollow Pool & Fitness Center, 1655 Echo Hollow Rd., Eugene, this evening from 6 – 8 p.m. Echo Hollow Pool & Fitness Center's renovation and expansion is one of the key bond projects planned under the \$39.35 million bond and \$3.15 million levy passed by Eugene voters in May 2018. Construction will begin in the winter of 2020 and will last about a year. Improvements include renovation of the indoor pool, expansion of the outdoor pool, and a new seasonal outdoor recreation pool. These additions will accommodate more lessons, programs and the competitive swimming needs of the community. For more information about programs at Echo Hollow Pool & Fitness Center, visit [getrec.org](http://getrec.org) To learn more about the 2018 Eugene Parks and Recreation Bond and Levy, visit [eugparksandrec.org](http://eugparksandrec.org) /

**HEALTH, ELDER:** The annual open enrollment for Medicare started on Oct. 15 and the Oregon Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA) Program in the Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace is ready to help. Medicare annual enrollment continues through Dec. 7. Medicare is health insurance for people 65 years or older or younger than 65 with Social Security Disability Income. People living in Oregon who are 65 years or older may be eligible to sign up and find health insurance that best meets their needs. Medicare covers many medical costs, including visits to the doctor, prescription medications, and preventive care such as mammograms, colonoscopies, diabetes treatment, and blood pressure screenings. Medicare annual enrollment for 2020 benefits runs through Dec. 7, 2019. Enroll in a Medicare Advantage (MA) or prescription drug plan (Part D) for the first time or make changes between these dates so coverage begins without interruption on Jan. 1, 2020. There is also an extended MA open enrollment period from Jan. 1, 2020, to March 31, 2020. You must be enrolled in an MA plan to use this extended open enrollment period to make any changes. Medicare Advantage and Part D plans are sold by private insurance companies that contract with Medicare. You can change your cost and coverage each year, so it's important to do annual check-ups to make sure you have the coverage you need in 2020. Most importantly: Make sure your health care providers and prescription medications are covered under any plan you're considering, including your current plan. That coverage can change from year. If you don't do your homework, it can cost you hundreds of additional dollars each month for out-of-pocket care or prescriptions. There is a new Medicare plan finder tool this year, the first upgrade in a decade. The new plan finder is at <https://www.medicare.gov/plan-compare/> The finder allows users to shop and compare Medicare Advantage and Part D plans. The updated finder also provides people with Medicare coverage and their caregivers with a personalized experience through a mobile friendly and easy-to-read design that will help them learn about different options and select coverage that best meets their health needs. SHIBA, the Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance program, provides free health insurance counseling to explain how the Medicare program works, more insurance options that work with Medicare, and help with reducing out-of-pocket costs. SHIBA staff members and certified counselors serve many of Oregon's more than 860,000 Medicare beneficiaries to help them understand their Medicare benefits and enrollment options. Free information and help is

available by calling 1-800-722-4134 (toll-free) or visiting [shiba.oregon.gov](http://shiba.oregon.gov) In Lane County, SHIBA is offered through Willamalane Senior Services. Trained volunteers can help you navigate Medicare information. Topics include new to Medicare, Part D drug coverage, Medicare Advantage Plans and other Medicare options. They also assist with billing issues and/or possible fraud. Sponsored by Willamalane Park and Recreation District. For appointment, call 541-736-4421. /

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<b>DATE OF BROADCAST</b>	10/17/19
<b>TIME OF BROADCAST</b>	5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM
<b>NAME OF PROGRAM</b>	Morning News
<b>LENGTH OF PROGRAM</b>	30 Seconds
<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A High Surf Advisory remains in effect through today for breaking waves to 25 feet. Unpredictable and destructive waves may wash over beaches, jetties and other structures with no warning. Beach erosion is possible. This is not a time to be near the water. There is an enhanced possibility for sneaker waves. Keep away from large logs on the beach. Sneaker waves can run up on the beach lifting or rolling these extremely heavy logs. People have been injured after being caught under these logs from sneaker wave action. It can be very dangerous to venture near the coast under high surf conditions. People at times are swept off rocks and jetties and drown while observing high surf. Stay well back from the water's edge and be alert for the exceptionally high wave. /</p> <p>ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, COMMUNITY, DISASTERS: Get ready to drop, cover and hold for one minute today at 10:17 a.m. It's time for the annual "Great Oregon ShakeOut." Close to 700,000 Oregonians have already registered for the ShakeOut and will join more than 64 million people worldwide. You don't have to do anything special: Just take a moment wherever you are to "Drop, Cover and Hold!" to practice your emergency skills. This is also a good time to think about emergency planning and chat about it with family, friends and co-workers. After all, we live in an active earthquake zone that scientists say is overdue for a big temblor. Earthquakes are one of the natural hazards we face in Oregon and "The Great Oregon ShakeOut" is a safe and fun way to practice what to do when seismic activity occurs. Many Oregon school students are taking part, so are many businesses. This year's ShakeOut comes as new early-warning warning technology, ShakeAlert, is being developed and implemented in phases up and down the West Coast. ShakeAlert is managed by the U.S. Geological Survey. It is currently in the demonstration phase and is designed to detect significant earthquakes and send out text alerts to people seconds before the shaking starts. A few seconds might not sound like much, but backers say it is enough advance warning to allow people to take shelter, to pause elevators, factory and mill machinery, slow trains, halt surgeries and take other precautionary steps. Experts from the University of Oregon are among those who helped to develop the sensors and alert system, which is already being tested in parts of California and will eventually expand to the Northwest. Oregon's Office of Emergency Management also reminds you of the importance of being "2 Weeks Ready" for earthquakes and other disasters. This is a good time to review your emergency planning, at home and at the office. Learn more at</p>

<https://www.shakeout.org/oregon/> and at the Oregon ShakeOut Facebook page. At the University of Oregon, coordinators will test the UO Alerts mass-notification system, sending an email to all students and employees and text messages to everyone who is signed up to receive the notices. Any students or employees who have not signed up for UO Alerts are strongly encouraged to do so, because that's how the University of Oregon distributes information in emergencies. / CRIME, BUSINESS: Federal prosecutors have filed criminal charges against an ex-finance manager from timber company Weyerhaeuser who is accused of stealing at least \$4.5 million from the business. The Oregonian and OregonLive report 60-year-old Susan Tranberg, who worked for the company for 42 years, is charged with mail fraud and aggravated identity theft, according to a criminal information filed in U.S. District Court in Eugene Tuesday. Tranberg also faces a temporary restraining order in federal court, barred from liquidating or transferring any of her assets at Weyerhaeuser's request. Tranberg acknowledged the fraud in a signed statement to Weyerhaeuser that she wrote on Jan. 15, the day she was fired in a meeting with company officials at a hotel near the office in Springfield where she worked. Weyerhaeuser filed the statement in court. Weyerhaeuser in February referred the fraud case to the U.S. Attorney's Office for criminal prosecution. Prosecutors say Tranberg defrauded the company from June 2004 through January of this year. Company officials say in court papers that Tranberg defrauded the business for at least 15 years by creating fake vendors and approving payment to the vendors by forging co-workers' signatures. She also would hack into colleagues' computer systems without authorization or their consent, the officials allege. Tranberg was in federal court in Portland Tuesday morning, appearing in a civil case brought against her by her former employer. Her lawyer in that case told the court his client is not trying to hide her assets, nor has she been on any "spending spree," as suggested by the company's lawyer in court documents. / MENTAL HEALTH, SAFETY: Officials say a patient reported missing Monday by the Oregon State Hospital has been located. The 34-year-old psychiatric patient was being treated at the Junction City hospital but walked away from a group activity at the Luther House, near 18<sup>th</sup> and University Streets in Eugene. He was not considered an immediate danger to himself or others. On Tuesday, investigators say an employee of the hospital recognized the patient at Washington-Jefferson Park in Eugene. The staff member called police, who took the man into custody Tuesday evening. He was temporarily taken to the Lane County Jail while he awaited transport back to the hospital. / SPORTS, GOVERNMENT: The Oregon Lottery yesterday launched its mobile sports-betting app. It's called Scoreboard and allows people within the state of Oregon to place legal wagers on professional sports. Lottery officials made it available on iOS and Android devices and offer a desktop app. Scoreboard is the agency's first venture into online sales and gameplay. Next year, Oregon Lottery officials expect to add in-venue sports betting at select retail locations. Once players set up their accounts, lottery officials say users may add funds and wager on teams in professional sports leagues including the NFL, NBA, the Major Soccer League and National Women's Soccer League, Major League Baseball and NASCAR. The Oregon Lottery hoped to launch the app ahead of football season, but rollout was delayed. Lincoln City's Chinook Winds casino opened a sports betting lounge in late August, making it the first sports-wagering venue in the state. / MILITARY, RECREATION: Starting yesterday and continuing



through Sunday, members of the Marine Reserve Engineer Service Company CLB-23 based in Springfield are training with heavy equipment and putting their skills to use by performing general maintenance in some of the campgrounds and recreation sites off Horsfall Road in the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area. The sites in the dunes between Lakeside and North Bend. The Horsfall Beach Campground & Day Use Area and the Bull Run Staging Area will both be closed to public use while the work continues. The Marines will be operating heavy equipment to rehabilitate the campground, leveling campsites and installing new fire rings, picnic tables and signage. Dozer will work on off-road routes from the staging area northwards, to improve safety and visibility for riders. The Marine Reserves will also be involved with hazard tree removal along Horsfall Road, as well as in nearby sand campsites and off-road designated routes. Flaggers will be posted to direct traffic and drivers should anticipate temporary delays. If you visit the area during the next few days, use caution. Watch for road flaggers and heavy equipment. This is the second year the Marine Reserves have visited the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area to conduct annual their training. /

HEALTH, RECREATION: The Oregon Health Authority has issued a recreational use health advisory for North Tenmile Lake on the central coast due to the presence of a toxic algae bloom. The blooms and the advisories usually end after a couple of days or weeks. Avoid swimming and engaging in high-speed water activities, such as water skiing or power boating, in areas of the lake where blooms are identified. Although toxins are not absorbed through the skin, people who have skin sensitivities may experience a puffy red rash. People are encouraged to visit North Tenmile Lake and enjoy activities such as fishing, camping, hiking, biking, picnicking, and bird watching. Boating is safe as long as speeds do not create excessive water spray, which could lead to inhalation risk. Drinking water directly from areas of the lake affected by a bloom is especially dangerous. Toxins cannot be removed by boiling, filtering or treating water with camping-style filters. Children and pets are at increased risk for exposure because of their size and level of activity. Don't let your dogs play in the water. Dogs can be exposed to algal toxins by licking their fur, licking rocks or eating the algae, itself. Catching fish from North Tenmile Lake? Remove the fat, skin and organs before cooking or freezing, as toxins are more likely to collect in these tissues. Fillets should also be rinsed with clean water. Exposure to cyanotoxins can be serious and result in a range of symptoms, from those similar to food poisoning such as stomach cramping, diarrhea, nausea and vomiting, to more serious symptoms like numbness, tingling, dizziness and shortness of breath that may require medical attention. / TRANSPORTATION: It fits in your wallet and can be loaded with regular passes or a set amount of funds. Lane Transit District, our local mass-transit agency, is rolling out its new TouchPass tap card on Monday. Like the TouchPass app that was unveiled earlier this summer, the tap card—true to its name—allows riders to tap LTD bus fare readers to pay for their trips. It's similar to the Hop Cards used by Portland's Tri-Met system or the Orca Cards in use in the Seattle area. Starting Monday, you may purchase a TouchPass tap card at the LTD Customer Service Center at 1080 Willamette Street for \$3. If you are one of Lane Transit's Honored Riders or Half-Fare Riders, the card is free. Once you have your tap card, you log in to TouchPass.com – the link will be on Lane Transit's website—to create an account and purchase a monthly bus passes or add funds to your account. Using the TouchPass tap card is easy.

When you're boarding, tap the card to the TouchPass reader located next to the fare box on all LTD buses, with the exception of EmX. The TouchPass reader will automatically deduct the appropriate fare from your card. Unused paid fares are stored on the tap card for future use. There are caps built into the system so you won't be charged more than the daily fare or monthly pass value once that fare level is reached. Lane Transit officials hope the TouchPass tap cards will make riding the bus more convenient and speed boarding time. It will also provide the transit district with more precise data about which routes have higher demand at what times, which should improve long-term system planning. Want to learn more? Go to [LTD.org](http://LTD.org) and click on "TouchPass." / TRANSPORTATION,

BUSINESS, SAFETY: The House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure held a hearing yesterday on the ride-hailing industry. Oregon Congressman Peter DeFazio chairs the committee. He and others have raised concerns about the conditions governing the industry's partnerships with state and local governments and transit agencies, the labor impacts of their ride-hailing companies' business models, and disturbing reports of public safety problems among those who use ride-hailing platforms. Representatives from Uber and Lyft declined to participate in the hearing. In letters to their CEOs, DeFazio pointedly warned that the Committee had little choice but to make policy decisions without their input. He noted in his opening remarks that here in the Fourth Congressional District, one dozen applicants with serious criminal convictions, including a convicted murderer and a registered sex offender, were cleared through Uber and Lyft's screening process and allowed to drive passengers. He notes it was not until the local police department performed its own, more comprehensive background checks that the drivers' criminal records were discovered, and they were removed from service. / EDUCATION, BUSINESS: Bargainers for the University of Oregon and the union representing close to 1,500 of its graduate teaching fellows hold more contract mediations tomorrow (Oct. 18). Both sides say they remain optimistic they can come to terms. They remain separated over salary and health insurance. Graduate teaching fellows are students who also work part-time at the university, either teaching, or performing research or administrative duties. The University of Oregon's contract with the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation expired at the end of March. In late September, negotiators for the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation declared an impasse in the talks, which gave both sides seven days to submit their final offers and enter a 30-day "cooling off" period, during which bargaining may continue. If there's still no agreement, the union may declare its intent to strike, with a walkout likely happening no sooner than November 3<sup>rd</sup>. / MILITARY, ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURE: The U.S. Air Force wants to fly supersonic fighter jets at lower altitudes in lightly populated areas of southeastern Oregon, southwestern Idaho, and northern Nevada to better simulate combat conditions. Mountain Home Air Force Base in southwestern Idaho operates flights over portions of the three states. The Air Force says allowing jets to fly lower will give crews training in low-altitude tactics and radar masking using mountainous terrain for survival. Air Force officials say they plan to prepare an environmental impact statement to study the idea and will hold meetings and take public comments through Nov. 25 to help shape the study. The first meeting is Nov. 4 in McDermitt, Nevada. Later that week in Idaho, meetings are planned for Boise, Grand View, and Mountain Home. / MILITARY, ELECTIONS: Two Oregon counties are offering the

opportunity for members of the U.S. military, their dependents and others living overseas to vote in special elections this November with smartphones. While some technology experts have warned that such a system could be insecure, Jackson and Umatilla counties have already advised hundreds of registered voters overseas that they have the option to cast ballots using blockchain-based mobile voting. Jackson County Clerk Christine Walker said she has confidence in the system, and that it will help ensure that the votes of those living overseas will be counted. She noted that overseas mail systems can be unreliable. /

**ELECTIONS:** The race to become Oregon's next secretary of state has heated up with former House Majority Leader Jennifer Williamson announcing her candidacy. The Democratic state representative said Wednesday her priorities, if she wins, would be to keep elections free and fair and protect them from foreign tampering; work to limit big corporate money in elections, and draw fair lines for political districts so people of color and minority communities have a voice. Also running as Democratic candidates are Jamie McLeod-Skinner, who in 2018 tried to unseat Republican Rep. Greg Walden in Congress, losing but coming closer than any previous Democratic challenger, and state Sen. Mark Hass. Secretary of State Bev Clarno is not a candidate. Clarno, a Republican, took the post after the death of Dennis Richardson. No Republicans have formally filed as candidates. /

**ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURE, HEALTH:** Environmental regulators say pesticide levels in some Oregon waterways have dropped to fractions of their former concentrations due to voluntary changes by farmers. Officials say about 50% of waterway sites tested under an interagency "pesticide stewardship partnership" program showed progress in pesticide detections and concentrations. The Capital Press reports the state Department of Environmental Quality found that growers who altered spray regimens helped achieve the water quality improvements. Areas with reductions included the Walla Walla watershed and Waco basin. The tests compared results between 2015 and 2017 to the previous two years. Officials say about 27% of tested sites showed declines in water quality from pesticides, while 23% showed no change. Officials say the monitoring targets streams where pesticides have been detected, while waterways without occurrences were dropped. / **POLITICS:** The U.S. ambassador to the European Union, a longtime Portland businessman, is the latest witness set to appear before Congress in its impeachment inquiry. Gordon Sondland is scheduled to be interviewed behind closed doors by House lawmakers today. His testimony is especially critical since text messages and statements from other witnesses place him at the center of carrying out President Trump's agenda with Ukraine, including his push for politically charged investigations. Sondland, from Portland, is a longtime businessman who ran a chain of hotels before he was appointed European Union ambassador. /

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SUBJECT  
DISCUSSED** ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: A stormy day across Western Oregon, as the National Weather Service warns of high surf and breaking waves to 25 feet. Keep away from large logs on the beach. Sneaker waves can run up on the beach lifting or rolling these extremely heavy logs. People have been injured after being caught under these logs from sneaker wave action. It can be very dangerous to venture near the coast under high surf conditions. People at times are swept off rocks and jetties and drown while observing high surf. Stay well back from the waters' edge and be alert for the exceptionally high wave. ; The Cascade passes may see a few inches of snow this weekend, a reminder to travelers to be prepared if driving conditions become dangerous. Only light accumulations, if any, are expected, meaning drivers might see conditions ranging from light slush to a few inches of snow or icy spots on the pavement. The forecast means that travelers should be ready for hazardous travel conditions, with the possibility of slick roads and poor visibility. When in dangerous winter conditions, motorists should: Slow down and turn off cruise controls. Be patient and look out for other motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians. Keep fuel tank full in case you get stuck in a road closure. Carry emergency supplies (water, food, warm clothes, flashlight, etc.). Increase the following distance between you and the vehicle ahead of you. Keep cell phone charged up (but don't use it while driving!). Give snow removal equipment a wide berth and don't pass them on the right. Watch weather conditions along your route. Conditions could get worse. For the latest driving conditions visit [www.tripcheck.com](http://www.tripcheck.com), or call 511 for highway information. / SPORTS: Saturday's forecast for the Duck-Husky football game in Seattle (Kickoff at 12:30 p.m. on ABC): Showers, with thunderstorms also possible after noon. High near 54. South wind 5 to 11 mph. Chance of precipitation is 90%. New rainfall amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms. Temperature at kickoff: 52 degrees. ; Saturday's forecast for the Oregon State-Cal game in Berkeley (Kickoff at 11:30 a.m. on Pac-12 Networks): Mostly sunny, with a high near 67. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph. Temperature at kickoff: 65 degrees. ;Friday night's forecast for Prep Football (Most kickoffs at 7 :00 p.m.): Rainy and breezy. Winds 11-15 mph, gusting to 26 mph during the games. One-tenth of an inch of rain possible. Temperature at kickoff in Eugene-Springfield: 52 degrees. / BUSINESS, LEGAL, HEALTH, YOUTH: Oregon's Court of Appeals yesterday put a partial halt to the state's ban on flavored vaping products two

days after it took effect. The temporary stay only appears to apply to tobacco-based vaping products, sold under the oversight of the Oregon Health Authority. It leaves the ban in place on marijuana vaping products regulated by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission. Earlier this month, Governor Kate Brown ordered a six-month ban on flavored vaping products in Oregon in response to an epidemic of vaping-related illnesses across the country. The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says there now are close to 1,500 illnesses and 33 deaths nationwide. Oregon has reported nine illnesses and two deaths. The ruling came after a challenge was filed Wednesday with the Oregon Court of Appeals. Vape businesses and an industry group called the Vapor Technology Association said they would suffer severe and irreparable harm long before the ban could be subjected to full judicial review. Their court challenge argued that Oregon regulators lack the legal standing to enforce the governor's ban. Two businesses, Smokeless Solutions and Vape Crusaders, said that if the governor's order remained in place it would force the permanent closure of their businesses within the next two weeks. The Oregon Health Authority issued a statement defending the ban, calling it an evidence-based strategy to prevent youth, as well as adults attracted to flavors, from becoming exposed to the health risks from vaping products and from becoming addicted to nicotine. Earlier this month, a state court blocked a similar flavored vaping ban in New York. / HEALTH, SAFETY, YOUTH: Officials with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said yesterday that as of October 15, health experts have logged 1,479 lung injury cases associated with the use of e-cigarettes or vaping products. The reports are every state except Alaska, as well as the District of Columbia, and one U.S. territory. Thirty-three deaths have been confirmed in 24 states, two of those in Oregon. Health investigators say all patients have reported a history of using e-cigarette, or vaping, products. The scientists say most of the vaping products they tested that appear tied to the illnesses contain THC and most patients reported a history of using THC-containing products. THC is the psychoactive ingredient in marijuana. The latest national and state findings suggest products containing THC, particularly those obtained off the street or from other informal sources, including friends, family members, and illicit dealers, are linked to most of the cases and play a major role in the outbreak. The CDC is recommending that people not use e-cigarette, or vaping, products that contain THC. But since the specific causes or causes of lung injury are not yet known, health experts say the only way to assure that you are not at risk while the investigation continues is to consider refraining from use of all e-cigarette, or vaping, products. Leaders of the CDC add that the use of e-cigarettes, or vaping, products is unsafe for all ages, including youth and young adults. They note that nicotine is highly addictive and can harm adolescent brain development. That brain development continues into the early to mid-20s. / HEALTH, COMMUNITY: The Multnomah County Health Department says a person who passed through the Portland International Airport on Saturday has become sick with measles. The Oregonian and OregonLive reports the health department said people who were in the airport during that time may have been exposed to the virus. The patient, an adult, had been traveling out of the country, in areas where measles is common, and had not been vaccinated. Health investigators say the person passed through international arrivals, and went through customs and immigration between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 12. Health department officials said anyone who was in those areas of the

airport at the same time as the patient, especially those with a compromised immune systems, or people not vaccinated against measles, can get a "just-in-time" shot of immunoglobulin. Officials said people needing "just in time" shots should call their health care providers to schedule treatment by the end of the day today. This is the 15th person affected with measles in Multnomah County this year, the most since 1991. / CRIME: A suspect in a domestic dispute was shot by an Oakridge Police officer last night and died from his wounds. The officer was not injured. As is the case in any officer-involved shootings, the details are being reviewed by the Lane County Inter-Agency Deadly Force Investigation Team. It happened last night, shortly after 7:30 p.m., when Oregon State Police and the Lane County Sheriff's Office responded to an emergency request for assistance from an officer with the Oakridge Police Department who had responded to the domestic disturbance. The Oakridge officer reported firing shots and that the suspect was deceased. Lane County's Inter-Agency Deadly Force Investigation Team includes detectives from multiple agencies, including the Oregon State Police; Lane County Sheriff's Office; Eugene, Springfield, Cottage Grove, and the Florence Police. Additional assistance was provided at the scene by Oakridge Fire, Lane County Medical Examiner's Office, and the Lane County District Attorney's Office. / WILDLIFE, EDUCATION, SAFETY: In South Eugene, a second bobcat has been discovered just outside Oak Hill School. Wildlife veterinarians with the Oregon Department of Wildlife believe it is likely the sibling of a bobcat that was euthanized after being found inside the private school earlier this week. The ODFW experts are evaluating the condition of this second juvenile bobcat to determine whether it can be released into the wild or to an accredited facility. Bobcats are territorial and solitary animals that, like most wildlife, generally avoid people and will not enter structures. Oregon has a healthy bobcat population. The first bobcat entered the school while students and staff were still present before school officials discovered it, trapped it in a room and called the Lane County Sheriff's Office. Deputies captured the animal and transferred it to the Oregon State Police "Fish and Wildlife" Division. Bobcats are usually not considered a human safety threat due to their small size. However, officials say this bobcat's abnormal behavior led wildlife biologists to consider it a public nuisance and potential human safety threat were it to claw or bite someone. After consulting state wildlife biologists, a decision was made to euthanize it. The following day, a second bobcat was discovered outside the school building by school staff. It was captured by school staff and eventually transported to ODFW's Wildlife Health Lab for evaluation. If the juvenile bobcat is found to be diseased or otherwise unhealthy, it might also be euthanized. Wildlife biologists suspect the juvenile bobcats were orphaned or abandoned, which led them to linger near the school. Bobcats are typically born April-June and stay with their mother until February. Experts say this second bobcat appears to have been born earlier than April due to its larger size. / EDUCATION, BUSINESS: Bargainers for the University of Oregon and the union representing close to 1,500 of its graduate teaching fellows hold more contract mediations today (Oct. 18). Both sides say they remain optimistic they can come to terms. They remain separated over salary and health insurance. Graduate teaching fellows are students who also work part-time at the university, either teaching, or performing research or administrative duties. The University of Oregon's contract with the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation expired at the end of March. In late September,

negotiators for the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation declared an impasse in the talks, which gave both sides seven days to submit their final offers and enter a 30-day "cooling off" period, during which bargaining may continue. If there's still no agreement, the union may declare its intent to strike, with a walkout likely happening no sooner than November 3. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, EDUCATION, COMMUNITY: Not many people felt it, but a 4.7-magnitude earthquake struck off the coast of southern Oregon yesterday afternoon. It came just hours after 700,000 Oregonians in schools, homes and businesses around the state took part in the one-minute annual earthquake preparedness drill known as The Great Oregon ShakeOut. It's part of a national and global effort. The U.S. Geological Survey mapped yesterday's quake about 96 miles off the coast of Port Orford, in an area known for frequent small to moderate temblors because it's where a couple of tectonic plates. ; Officials in California announced yesterday that earthquake early warning alerts are publicly available throughout that state for the first time, potentially giving people critical seconds to protect themselves from harm. ShakeAlert was developed by scientists with the U.S. Geological survey and partners in the West Coast states, including at the University of Oregon. It's been in a testing phase but with its California rollout becomes the nation's first statewide quake warning system. Oregon and Washington are working to launch their versions in the next few years. The system does not predict earthquakes. Rather, it uses numerous seismic stations to detect the start of an earthquake and light-speed communications to send the data to computers that instantly calculate location, magnitude, intensity of shaking and create alerts to be distributed to areas that will be affected. Warnings produced by the California ShakeAlert system will be pushed through a cellphone app called MyShake and the same wireless notification system that issues Amber Alerts, meaning people might both notifications. Depending on distance from the epicenter, the alerts may give warnings of several seconds to a minute before shaking arrives at a given location — enough time to duck under desks, pull a knife away from a surgical patient or shut down elevators, trains and industrial processes. The ShakeAlert debut in California coincided with the 30th anniversary of the 1989 earthquake that heavily damaged parts of the San Francisco Bay area on Oct. 17, 1989, as well as the annual Great Shakeout safety drill. The thresholds for an alert are an earthquake of magnitude 4.5 and shaking intensity level 3. / BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT, LEGAL: A federal judge has temporarily blocked the Trump administration's attempt to ease some rules on mining, drilling and grazing across millions of acres in seven U.S. Western states. Judge B. Lynn Winmill said changes adopted by the administration in March likely would cause further declines in populations of greater sage grouse. The ground-dwelling bird is at the center of a bitter conflict between the administration and conservationists how much of the West's expansive public lands should be opened to development. The judge's Wednesday restraining order means government officials must fall back on previous rules that were adopted under President Barack Obama. It affects public land in Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, California and Oregon. Grouse habitats in Montana, Washington and the Dakotas were not impacted by the Trump rule changes. / CRIME, BUSINESS: Federal prosecutors have filed criminal charges against an ex-finance manager from Weyerhaeuser who is accused of stealing at least \$4.5 million from the timber business. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports 60-year-old Susan Tranberg is

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>LEGAL, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY, GOVERNMENT: A trial in a \$1.4 billion breach-of-contract lawsuit brought against the state of Oregon by 150 counties and other taxing districts over the issue of forest management is scheduled to begin Thursday. The Albany Democrat-Herald reports the lawsuit, filed nearly four years ago, claims the state has not managed forests for the most long-term, sustainable income as required in a decades-old contract. The trial is expected to last three weeks. The case has its origins in the Great Depression. Thousands of acres of timberlands were harvested by privately owned companies. Many landowners determined it would be more cost-effective to let the lands go back to the counties for unpaid taxes rather than replanting millions of trees and waiting up to 60 years to harvest them. Counties did not want the properties and could not afford to reforest them. Working with the state, the counties turned the timberlands over to the Board of Forestry through the Forest Acquisition Act. The state agreed to replant timberlands and upon harvest, would share the income with the counties based on the forests' "greatest permanent value." The lawsuit claims that means timber management that provides the most annual income on a sustainable basis over the long-term. However, in a management plan that took effect in 2001, the Oregon Board of Forestry based a definition of "greatest permanent value" to include factors such as recreation, riparian zones, wildlife enhancement and water quality, Attorneys for the Oregon Department of Justice have said repeatedly that the state has the right and obligation to amend management of the state's forests, especially when the environment and wildlife are at stake. The 15 counties in which state forests cover more than 1,093 square miles, known as the forest trust counties, have seen their annual share of revenues decrease by \$35 million per year. Attorneys for the plaintiffs say the lawsuit is all about economic development and jobs, especially the timber jobs are vital to rural counties. Environmental groups, which generally support the state's position, have submitted written statements arguing the greatest permanent value is served through balanced management that provides timber supply and revenues, but also clean water, fish and wildlife habitat, hiking and camping and hunting, off-road vehicle use, and carbon storage. / TRANSPORTATION, GOVERNMENT: The Oregon and Washington lawmakers tasked with reviving long-stalled talks to replace the Interstate Five Bridge between Portland, Oregon, and Vancouver, Washington, will meet for the first-time on Friday. The Oregonian and OregonLive reports members from Oregon's eight-person bipartisan</p>

committee will first tour the existing Interstate Bridge spanning the Columbia River with their Washington state counterparts, then hold a public hearing. While it's the first official meeting of the bistrate delegation, in December 2018, a coalition of lawmakers from each state met in an occasionally tense gathering in Portland, where the politicians tried to make amends over lingering headaches that resulted from an earlier, failed Columbia River Crossing project. Last month, the states received another extension from the federal government that gives additional time to show progress on building a new bridge. Otherwise, Oregon and Washington face a deadline to repay \$140 million collective debt owed to federal highway officials for planning costs tied to the Columbia River Crossing project. Both states are now on a fast track toward constructing a new bridge, potentially as early as 2025. / EDUCATION, BUSINESS: Bargainers for the University of Oregon and the union representing close to 1,500 of its graduate teaching fellows held more contract mediations Friday. But union officials say their members have overwhelmingly approved a walkout if there's no tentative agreement in the coming weeks. Graduate teaching fellows are students who also work part-time at the university, either teaching, or performing research or administrative duties. The University of Oregon's contract with the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation expired at the end of March. Both sides say they remain optimistic they can come to terms. They remain separated over salary and health insurance. In late September, negotiators for the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation declared an impasse in the talks, which gave both sides seven days to submit their final offers and enter a 30-day "cooling off" period, during which bargaining continued. A walkout would happen no sooner than November 3<sup>rd</sup>, which marks the end of the "cooling off" period. / ELECTIONS: Ballots began arriving in the mail late last week for the Nov. 5 Special Election. But there are only three issues on the ballot in Lane County and many people won't receive a ballot because they live outside the affected cities or tax districts. If you're in the City of Eugene, you'll be asked to consider a ballot measure that caps the rate and limits the use of the new payroll tax. This is not a vote on whether there should be a payroll tax. Rather, it limits using the revenues to community safety services including police, fire, emergency medical, municipal courts, prevention and homeless services. Voters in the Santa Clara Rural Fire Protection District are being asked to renew the district's five-year operating levy. And voters in the city of Coburg are being asked to increase the motor fuel tax from three cents to six cents per gallon to help pay for street improvements and repairs. If you're one of the voters receiving a ballot next month's special election, you'll need to fill it out and mail it back or hand-deliver it to the Elections office or a designated drop box. / WILDLIFE, EDUCATION, SAFETY, LAW ENFORCEMENT: That second young bobcat that was discovered last week outside Oak Hill School south of Eugene has been released into the wild in a location far from people and structures. It came days after an earlier bobcat, believed to be the second animal's sibling, entered the private school while students were still in the building, then displayed abnormal behavior and was euthanized. Wildlife experts with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife says the bobcat that was released was taken on Friday to federal, forested land in Lane County after blood tests and X-rays on the 6-month-old male found it was healthy. Officials say the young bobcats are within an age range when they leave their mother and strike out on their own and that might

have been the case with these young bobcats. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: Robert Campbell was thoroughly soaked, shivering, his wet sleeping bag covering him in the only shelter he could find -- a pit toilet in a closed campground -- after getting lost in a snowstorm in Oregon while hiking the Pacific Crest Trail. Campbell was saved on Friday by a search team from the local sheriff's department, who found his footprints in the snow. Heavy snow was forecast through Saturday evening in the Cascade Range. Campbell said he owed them his life because his sleeping bag and tent were soaked he had no dry clothes. Campbell, a native of the Philadelphia area, started hiking the famed Pacific Crest Trail on the U.S.-Mexican border on May 4, determined to make it all the way to the other end, on the Canadian border, 2,650 miles away. Last year, he hiked the Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine, he said. Those who walk the entire distance of these multi-state trails are called thru-hikers. Campbell's troubles began Wednesday night. Snow was falling, the first winter storm of the season. He stayed awake all night, punching the interior tent walls to knock the accumulating snow off. As he hiked on Thursday, the snow buried the trail. A smartphone app that was supposed to show the way didn't help. Straying miles off the trail and into a boulder field, he stepped into a crack hidden in the snow, trapping his foot. He struggled for five minutes and had to unlace his shoe before he could free himself, Campbell said. Campbell, scared after being temporarily trapped and realizing he needed help, called 911 on Thursday and said he was lost. Then the line dropped. There was no phone signal. The Marion County Sheriff's Office sent out a search and rescue team, putting out a notice saying "the area of focus is very expansive and there is limited information available." Campbell, meanwhile, stumbled into the campground. Tire tracks gave hope that some lingering vacationers might be present, but the place was empty. Cold, wet and exhausted, he ducked into a pit toilet, the only available shelter. On Friday afternoon, searchers drove by the campground and found his footprints. Once he recovers and conditions improve, he intends to finish the hike. ; The widow of an Oregon elk hunter has filed a \$960,000 lawsuit against the man's hunting partner following an accidental shooting. The Oregonian and OregonLive report that Vicki VanCleave, George VanCleave's widow, filed the lawsuit against Richard Toubeaux in Baker County Circuit Court. The lawsuit says 76-year-old George VanCleave died Feb. 19 after Toubeaux checked to see if his rifle was loaded and it fired, the bullet striking and killing VanCleave. The Baker County sheriff's office investigated the shooting involving the two Baker City men that occurred about 50 miles southwest of Baker City and decided not to pursue charges after determining it was an accident. Toubeaux didn't return a message left by The Oregonian/OregonLive. / EDUCATION, SAFETY, MENTAL HEALTH, CRIME: It was a tense excerpt of surveillance video, showing Parkrose High School security guard and coach Keanon Lowe (say; KEE'-nuhn LOH) disarming a student who brought a gun to the Portland-area school in mid-May. But the video clip ended with Lowe speaking with the student and even hugging him as they waited for police to arrive. Lowe, a former University of Oregon football player, was hailed as a hero and has drawn nationwide praise for his compassion. Since the video clip was released this month, it's gone viral, being widely shared by the media and on social media. But The Oregonian and OregonLive report leaders of the Parkrose School District are objecting to its disclosure, arguing the video should not have

been released to the media and general public. The video, first posted by KOIN-TV, was released by the Multnomah County District Attorney's office in response to a public records request by the Portland CBS affiliate. But Parkrose officials say they're concerned the release of the footage violates a federal student privacy law and might have a negative impact for students, staff and families at Parkrose. In the video, Lowe can be seen holding in one hand the loaded shotgun that the student brought to school. Lowe's other arm is around the then-18-year-old. After handing the weapon to someone, Lowe hugs the teen and appears to comfort the student. In court, the young man's lawyer said his client didn't bring the weapon to school intending to harm anyone but himself. The student pleaded guilty to felony possession of a firearm in a public building and misdemeanor possession of a loaded firearm in public, has been sentenced to three years of probation and any necessary mental health treatment. / AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS: Oregon is home to great beers and wines, agriculture ranging from hazelnuts and berries to potatoes and honey. It's also home to the world's best cheese. On Friday, at a competition in Bergamo, Italy, the judges declared a blue cheese from Central Point's Rogue Creamery the best on the planet—the first American cheesemaker to receive that honor at the World Cheese Awards. Rogue River Blue is just one of the blue cheeses created by Rogue Creamery. According to the creamery's website, Rogue River Blue is made from organic milk, cave-aged nine to 11 months and hand-wrapped in Syrah grape leaves that have soaked in pear liqueur. It's known to exhibit flavors of blackberry, vanilla, hazelnut and bacon – all of which would probably pair nicely. At the competition, cheeses from around the globe were judged over a single day by technical experts, retailers, buyers and food writers. They looked for color, consistency, texture and, ultimately, taste to determine the winner. ; Cosmic Crisp, a new variety of apple, is coming to a grocery store near you Dec. 1. Cosmic Crisp is the first apple ever bred in Washington state, which grows the majority of the United States' apples. It's expected to be a game changer. Already, growers have planted 12 million Cosmic Crisp apple trees, a sign of confidence in the new variety. While only 450,000 40-pound boxes will be available for sale this year, that will jump to more than 2 million boxes in 2020 and more than 21 million by 2026. The apple variety was developed by Washington State University over 20 years. Washington growers, who paid for the research, will have the exclusive right to sell it for the first 10 years. The new variety keeps for a long time in storage and in the refrigerator, according to its creators. And they say it is an exceptionally good "eating apple," ultra-crisp, very juicy, with a good balance of sweetness and tartness. The apple is called Cosmic Crisp because of the bright yellowish dots on its skin, which look like distant stars. Cosmic Crisps are a cross between the disease-resistant Enterprise and the popular, crunchy Honeycrisp varieties. The Honeycrisp, nicknamed "Moneycrisp" by some growers, was the latest apple to spark a big buzz in the United States when it was introduced a couple of decades ago. It was developed by the University of Minnesota. Apples are a \$2.5 billion a year business in Washington, which grows about 60 percent of the nation's supply, or nearly 140 million boxes. The top varieties are Gala, Red Delicious, and Fuji. / SPORTS: Quarterback Justin Herbert and the Ducks' offensive line helped rally Oregon past Washington 35-31 on Saturday at Husky Stadium. The win all but locks up the Pac-12 North for Oregon, which moved up one notch in the national

polls, to Number 11. It also keeps the Ducks on the fringes of the College Football Playoff conversation. What was expected to be a defensive showdown turned into an offensive shootout with both Herbert and Washington quarterback Jacob Eason taking the spotlight. The victory gave Oregon (6-1, 4-0 Pac-12) complete control in the North Division. Four of the five other teams already have three conference losses, with Oregon State at 2-2 the closest to the Ducks. Still, there were challenges: The Ducks' defense that allowed four touchdowns all season gave up three in the first half to Washington. Oregon had allowed one touchdown in its previous 63 opponent drives entering the game, but Washington scored TDs on consecutive first-half possessions. The Huskies' 414 total yards were the most allowed this season. The Ducks return home to host Washington State on Saturday. ; Oregon State blew a 14-point lead, then rallied to defeat Cal 21 – 17. The Beavs moved to 2-2 in the conference standings and have won consecutive road games for the first time since 2013. It was a nice bounce-back from the Utah game the previous weekend. Oregon State has a second bye week, then plays at Arizona on Nov. 2. / LEGAL, BUSINESS, HEALTH, COMMUNITY, SAFETY, CRIME: The nation's three largest drug distributors and a drugmaker have reached a tentative \$260 million deal to settle a single lawsuit related to the nation's opioid crisis. The agreement came within hours of what would have been the first federal trial over the crisis. The settlement means the closely watched trial will not move forward now, but it does not resolve more than 2,600 other lawsuits across the country seeking to hold the drug industry accountable for an opioid crisis that has been linked to more than 400,000 deaths in the U.S. since 2000. The tentative settlement involves drug distributors AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal Health and McKesson and drug manufacturer Teva (say: THE'-vuh). But the settlement is a limited one: It ends only the suits brought by the Ohio counties of Cuyahoga and Summit. Purdue Pharma, maker of OxyContin, is trying to settle opioid lawsuits through bankruptcy court. It's not clear what will happen with the remaining litigation if the settlements are finalized. Three state attorneys general who were leading talks about a nationwide settlement of lawsuits over opioids today's smaller deal gives them time to finalize a broader agreement. They say they are still working on a resolution intended to distribute money fairly across the country. They say the discussions with the companies over another a national settlement might be worth \$48 billion. /

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court's attention during open enrollment. Using a physician who is in-network usually lowers the cost for consumers. The confusion, the judge said, will likely lead to increased administrative costs to PeaceHealth and damage to its reputation and loss of goodwill. The judge ordered that both Health Net and Trillium insurers post special notices on their web sites to make it clear that PeaceHealth is no longer considered an in-network provider. The notices must be in a banner format, capitalized and in 18-point Arial font, he ordered. /

**EDUCATION, SAFETY, CRIME:** The Eugene School District is receiving a \$370,000 federal grant to help reduce school violence. It's part of an \$85 million dollar package of grants from the U.S. Department of Justice to bolster overall security and support first responders who arrive on the scene of a school shooting or other violent incident. Eugene District's 4J's grant came through the Justice Department's COPS School Violence Prevention Program. The federal program provides up to 75 percent of the cost of things such as improving coordination with law enforcement; training local officers; improving security equipment, such as metal detectors, locks and lighting; and implementing technology to more quickly notify law enforcement agencies in the event of an emergency. /

**GOVERNMENT, POLITICS, IMMIGRATION:** Oregon Gov. Kate Brown has responded to President Trump's executive order giving state and local governments the authority to refuse to accept refugees. Brown said in a video posted Monday on Twitter that refugees are welcome in Oregon and noted that it is a sanctuary state. The Democratic governor said resettlement is a lifeline that America provides to the world's most vulnerable refugees. Trump's Sept. 26 executive order says that within 90 days, the secretary of state and the secretary of health and human services must develop and implement a process by which a state and the locality's consent to the resettlement of refugees is taken into account. If a state or locality has not provided consent, then refugees would not be resettled there except for under special circumstances. / **CRIME, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, GOVERNMENT:** They're being threatened or assaulted when they make a routine traffic stop or attempt to collect a park entrance fee. They're received threatening phone calls, had gunshots fired over the heads and, in a case involving a Bureau of Land Management worker, were stabbed outside a federal building. A new report from the Government Accountability Office, a congressional watchdog agency, reports that federal employees overseeing U.S. public lands were assaulted or threatened at least 360 times over a five-year period. It came during a time of heightened tensions with anti-government groups. The report did not say whether rates of assaults and threats were increasing. But it noted a dwindling number of federal officers patrolling the nation's vast forests, parks, wildlife refuges and other open spaces, which cover more than 670 million acres primarily in 12 Western states, including Oregon. Some of the assaults triggered FBI domestic terrorism investigations, although the precise number was not disclosed because it was considered sensitive information. The report highlighted the six-week armed occupation of the 2016 Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in southeastern Oregon and other standoffs with armed protesters in Montana and Nevada. The GAO report notes the clashes are rooted in a deep distrust of government on the part of individuals and protesters, who view the federal bureaucracy as unlawfully impeding people from using public land for grazing, mining and other economic purposes. The Bureau of Land Management

saw a 9 percent drop in such personnel and now has one officer in the field for every 1.2 million acres the agency oversees. The GAO investigation also faulted officials at U.S. land agencies for failing to come up with plans to assess the security of government facilities, leaving employees at greater risk. The findings will be addressed by lawmakers during a hearing today before the House Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands. / EDUCATION, AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT: Oregon State University has announced plans to immediately reinstitute a once-abandoned 2005 management plan for its McDonald-Dunn research forest outside Corvallis. It's the latest response to fallout after the school allowed the clearcutting of a stand of ancient trees that included a 420-year-old giant. The Oregonian and OregonLive reports the leader of the university's college of forestry also said he would add 36 acres of nearby old growth to protected reserves. Those trees were targeted for logging until the furor erupted this summer over the controversial 16-acre old-growth clearcut. The university had already temporarily paused logging of trees older than 160 years. In his Monday letter to the forestry school's community, Anthony Davis, the interim dean, said the college's decision-making around management of the McDonald-Dunn has impaired the ability to lead by example. / SAFETY, UTILITIES: It was a car crash that knocked out a utility pole and power to hundreds of homes and businesses in South Eugene yesterday afternoon. Eugene Police said the crash involved just one vehicle and occurred south of 29<sup>th</sup> and Willamette Streets. One person was taken to the hospital. Eugene Water and Electric Board utility crews worked into the night to restore power to the last of more than 700 affected customers. / CRIME: Eugene Police are seeking the woman who robbed the Coburg Road branch of Oregon Community Credit Union shortly after 4:30 Monday afternoon. Witnesses say the suspect used a note during the crime. She's described as a white female, approximately 35 to 40 years old, about five-foot-six, with a medium build. She was last seen wearing a gray sweater, a grey beanie with long hair tucked under the cap, and sunglasses with purple lenses. If you have tips about the case, Eugene Police would like to hear from you. / ENVIRONMENT: A 4.6 magnitude earthquake was recorded off the southern Oregon coast Monday morning. The quake's epicenter was 122 miles west of Bandon, in an offshore area where two tectonic plates meet and temblors are frequent. This is the second quake to hit the Oregon coast in under a week and the fifth to hit this month. The most recent happened on Thursday in roughly the same area at a 4.7 magnitude. / CRIME: A Chinese man has been sentenced to three years and one month in federal prison for trafficking fake and altered Apple iPhones. The U.S. attorney's office in Portland said Quan Jiang was also sentenced Monday to three years' supervised release after he completes his sentence. Prosecutors said that over the span of two years, Jian sent around 3,000 fake iPhones, imported from Hong Kong, to Apple, saying they wouldn't turn on and should be replaced under warranty. Apple responded by sending almost 1,500 replacement iPhones, each with an approximate resale value of \$600. Jian, a former engineering student at a community college in Albany, Oregon, pleaded guilty to one count of trafficking in counterfeit goods. He faced a maximum prison sentence of 10 years. / SPORTS: Four-time Olympian Shalane Flanagan, who ended a 40-year American drought when she won the New York City Marathon in 2017, is retiring from competitive running to become a coach



with the Nike Bowerman Track Club. The 38-year-old Flanagan was a regular competitor in elite events at Eugene's Hayward Field and won the silver medal in the 10,000 meters at the 2008 Olympics. A two-time NCAA cross-country champion, Flanagan still holds the American records at 3,000 meters, 5,000 meters and 15K. But in a social media post on Monday, Flanagan noted that her passion and purpose have shifted from competition to coaching. She noted the toll of decades of competitive running, including broken bones, torn tendons, and the loss of too many toenails to count. But Flanagan added she's loved and learned from all of it, found out what she was capable of, and discovered it was more than she ever dreamed possible. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A new study finds climate change is making stronger El Ninos, which change weather worldwide and heat up an already warming planet. Scientists looked at 33 El Ninos since 1901. This natural weather phenomenon is the warming of equatorial Pacific that triggers weather extremes across the globe. Since the 1970s, scientists have found El Ninos are forming farther to the west in warmer waters. Researchers led by the University of Hawaii say this leads to some stronger El Ninos. This is important because El Nino —especially strong ones — can trigger drought in some places, like Australia and India. And it can cause flooding in other areas like California. The study is in Monday's Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. / HEALTH, YOUTH: Scientists have found the strongest evidence yet that a virus is to blame for a mysterious illness that can start like the sniffles but quickly paralyze children. The paralysis is very rare. U.S. health officials have confirmed 590 cases over the past five years. Finding the cause is key to better care or developing a vaccine. But doctors seldom can find the chief suspect in patients' spinal fluid. University of California, San Francisco researchers instead tested how the immune system fought back. They found clear signs that an enterovirus, a common seasonal virus that specialists have suspected, was indeed the culprit. The research was published Monday in Nature Medicine. / GOVERNMENT, POLITICS: Senate Democrats are attempting to repeal an IRS regulation that is designed to keep people from exceeding the \$10,000 limit on state and local tax deductions. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer said Democrats will force a vote to overturn the regulation through the Congressional Review Act. He says the vote will be Wednesday. The vote takes aim at an IRS rule from June that prohibits states from creating charitable funds that taxpayers can contribute to in exchange for a state tax credit. The workaround gave residents in some states a way to get around the limit on so-called SALT deductions. The 2017 GOP tax overhaul limited the amount of state and local taxes that taxpayers can write off. / ECONOMY, HOUSING: U.S. home sales fell 2.2% in September, as rising home prices and lower inventories have stifled homebuyers. The National Association of Realtors said the decline in the number of homes sold last month ended two months of sales gains. Existing-home sales are up 3.9 percent from a year ago, but September's stumble shows the limits of the boost that declining mortgage rates had been providing. Homebuyers have been hamstrung by a shortage of available properties this year, especially at the lower-priced end of the market. The median sales price climbed 5.9 percent from a year ago to \$272,100, outpacing wage gains as the strongest price appreciation since January 2018. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>HEALTH: Health officials say they have started to see cases of seasonal flu in Oregon. They recommend everyone 6 months and older get a flu vaccine. And they want to remind you: People who get vaccinated not only protect themselves but those around them. People at higher risk of severe illness include those who cannot receive the vaccine, including young infants, and those with chronic medical conditions or weak immune systems—including people receiving chemotherapy or who have received transplants. But many others are vulnerable to flu if they are not vaccinated, including young children, adults older than 65, pregnant women. Flu is a virus that causes mild to severe respiratory illness. In severe cases it can lead to hospitalization and even death. The virus kills thousands of people in the U.S. each year. Oregon had two flu-related deaths of children during the 2018-2019 flu season. Oregon Health Authority numbers indicate only about one-third of healthy adults between the ages of 18 to 49 get the flu vaccine, which hampers what's known as "herd immunity" among the general population. So the message from state health officials is get the flu vaccine not only to protect yourself but those you love. Flu vaccine is available from health care providers, local health departments and many pharmacies. The vaccine is free or low cost with most health insurance plans. And one reason experts urge you to vaccinate early is because it may take up to two weeks for the dose to reach its full effectiveness. Studies have also shown flu vaccines reduce the severity of illness in people who get vaccinated but still get sick, preventing thousands of hospitalizations each year. Public health officials also encourage health care workers to get vaccinated for the flu. Immunized health care workers help prevent the spread of influenza in health care settings, particularly among hospitalized patients at high risk for complications from the flu. / HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH: A \$2.2-million dollar federal grant will help Oregon medical practices better screen their patients for excessive alcohol use and work to change their habits. Oregon Health &amp; Science University will take the lead on working with more than 700 smaller primary care practices across the state over the next three years. Health experts say excessive alcohol use affects almost one-third of adults and is the nation's third-leading cause of preventable death. It also is a major risk factor for many other health problems, as well as social and economic issues. Nationwide, officials estimate excessive drinking costs individuals, families, businesses and communities more than \$250 billion per year. The goal is to use a range of strategies to screen for excessive drinking,</p>

then create tailored interventions as well as medication-assisted treatments for patients with an alcohol use disorder. ; Governor Kate Brown yesterday announced the membership of a committee seeking ways to control the cost of health care for Oregonians. The panel is tasked with setting an annual target for health care spending growth and recommending enforcement tools to hold key players in the health care system accountable for meeting the target. The governor cited research which shows that Oregonians pay more for health care and have higher deductibles than residents in other states. Between 2010 and 2016, Oregon household income grew by 15 percent, while employer-sponsored health care premiums grew by 25 percent and deductibles for families grew by 77 percent. Oregon has the third-highest health insurance deductibles in the country and is in the top ten highest states for family budgets spent on out-of-pocket hospital costs. Oregon has already established a 3.4 percent growth rate for public programs, but there isn't a similar target for the private market, where almost half of Oregonians get their health insurance. Committee members include the head of the Oregon Health Authority along with executives with major medical systems including PacificSource Health Plans, Kaiser-Permanente Northwest, Regence Blue Cross-Blue Shield, Providence Health and Services, OHSU, St. Charles Health System, Legacy Health and Moda Health. Also included are representatives from the Oregon Medical Association, the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services, AARP Oregon, SEIU Local 49 (which represents thousands of healthcare workers in the Northwest), the Papé Group, Rogue Valley Microdevices and others. / SAFETY: It took several hours but landline 911 service was restored yesterday afternoon in the Blue River area. No word on the cause of the outage. CenturyLink worked to resolve the issue. But it serves as a reminder that if you ever encounter an outage with your landline service and need to dial 911, do so on your mobile phone or, if that won't connect, try calling your nearest local fire station. / GOVERNMENT, ECONOMY: This is a big time for seasonal hiring across the U.S. Major retailers are beefing up their staffs for the holiday season. So, too, are major distributors from Amazon to Walmart. You know who else is hiring? The U.S. Census Bureau. The agency is preparing for its once-a-decade census and needs 500,000 temporary workers in the spring to help with the headcount. The Census Bureau launched its national recruitment effort yesterday and is holding close to 4,000 local recruiting events across the country. Among those considered good candidates as temporary Census workers are recent high school graduates, veterans, retirees, military spouses, seasonal workers and applicants who are bilingual. Census takers will be hired to work in their communities and go door to door to collect responses from those who do not respond to the 2020 Census online, by phone or by mail. Officials say the positions offer competitive pay, flexible hours, paid training and weekly paychecks. Pay rates vary depending on where the job is located, but here in Lane County the pay rate is \$17.50 per hour. Census takers also receive reimbursement for work-related mileage and expenses, where applicable. The selection process for census taker positions begins in January 2020, with paid training occurring in March and April. The door-to-door work begins in May and runs through early July. Check out the 2020 Census website for listings of available census taker and other jobs. The U.S. Constitution mandates that a census of the population be conducted once every 10 years. Census data are

used to determine congressional representation in the states and how billions of dollars in federal funds are distributed to states and local communities every year for critical public services and infrastructure, including health clinics, schools, roads and emergency services. For more information on the 2020 Census, visit [2020census.gov](https://www.census.gov) / **YOUTH:** Congratulations to 15-year-old Mason Stuller of Veneta. He's headed back to the Junior National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas for a third time in his career. Mason Stuller recently qualified to compete in both the Bareback and Saddle Bronc in Las Vegas in December. This year, he was named the National High School Rodeo All-Around Rookie of the Year. In 2018, he was the Junior National Finals Rodeo Saddle Bronc and All-Around Champion. Stuller began competing in rodeo when he was just four years old. / **CRIME, EDUCATION:** The Register-Guard is quoting authorities who say two boys were arrested and cited after a member of the Cottage Grove High School junior varsity football team was assaulted in the boy's locker room as part of a hazing incident last month. Cottage Grove's police chief said a school resource officer was alerted the morning of Sept. 30 by staff at Cottage Grove High School to the report from one student of hazing and bullying incidents associated with the football team. The male student was interviewed at the school and details of the incidents were obtained. Cottage Grove's Police Chief confirmed to The Register-Guard that two students, both 15 years old, were arrested and each received citations. The boys have been cited with physical harassment. Because they are juveniles, the suspects' names were not released. School officials, citing student privacy laws, have not said how many students were involved or nor whether any of them have been disciplined or kicked off the football team. / **GOVERNMENT, IMMIGRATION, ELECTIONS:** Oregon's secretary of state says an attempt to repeal a new law that grants undocumented immigrants driver's licenses is unconstitutional and cannot proceed. Secretary of State Bev Clarno announced Tuesday the wording of Initiative Petition 43 does not include the "full text of the proposed law," as required by the Oregon Constitution. Instead, she said, the petition calls for a law passed via House Bill 2015 to be repealed, without offering what Clarno calls "the specific language" of the change being proposed. The legislation (HB 2015) was among the most controversial bills Oregon lawmakers passed this year. It eliminates the requirement that a person provide proof of legal presence in order to get a state driver's license. Oregon Public Broadcasting quotes one of the proposal's chief petitioners, Mark Callahan, who says he sent Clarno an e-mail disputing the finding, and asking her to reconsider. He said he's not proposing a new law but pushing a law to be scrubbed from the books. / **BUSINESS:** Nike's longtime CEO Mark Parker is stepping down early next year. He will be replaced by board member John Donahoe, who formerly ran e-commerce company eBay. Parker will become executive chairman of the board. Beaverton-based Nike's sales have been on the rise as the company focuses on selling more of its swoosh-branded sneakers online and on its apps. The company's first quarter earnings last month soared past expectations. But Nike has also been plagued by recent scandals. Three weeks ago, renowned track coach Alberto Salazar was banned from the sport for four years by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency for running experiments with supplements and testosterone that were bankrolled and supported by Nike, along with possessing and trafficking testosterone. Nike announced that it was shutting down its elite Oregon Project

track and field program overseen by Salazar in the wake of the scandal. Parker said in a TV interview with CNBC Tuesday that the scandal had "absolutely nothing" with him leaving the top job and that succession plans have been months in the making. Last year, allegations of misconduct and gender discrimination led to a leadership shakeup at the company. And earlier this spring, Nike announced changes to its contract policies after the New York Times published opinion articles and videos from female runners saying they risked losing pay if they became pregnant. Parker, who joined the company in 1979 as a footwear designer, has been CEO since 2006. In 2017, he took a 70% compensation cut after a rough year for U.S. sales and the company's stock price. ; Boeing is replacing the head of its commercial-airplanes division as it struggles with a crisis created by two deadly crashes of its newest airliner. The company announced Tuesday that Kevin McAllister is out as chief executive of Boeing Commercial Airplanes. He is being replaced by Stanley Deal, leader of Boeing's services division. McAllister was recruited from General Electric Co.'s jet-engine operation to run Boeing's biggest division in 2016, just months before the 737 Max went into service. The shake-up comes just days after the release of internal communications that showed a senior test pilot experienced serious problems while testing flight-control software for the 737 Max on a simulator. That software, called MCAS, is at the center of investigations into two crashes that killed 346 people and led to grounding of the Max. Boeing is taking much longer than executives expected to change the software and get the plane flying again. Boeing took a \$5.6 billion pretax charge this summer to cover its estimate for compensating airlines that have canceled thousands of flights because of grounded planes. It has disclosed nearly \$3 billion in other additional costs related to the grounding. This morning, the company disclosed that costs related to the 737 Max groundings rose by \$900 million in the third quarter. The company faces dozens of lawsuits by families of passengers killed in the Max crashes in Indonesia and Ethiopia. It is also the subject of investigations by the Justice Department and Congress. / HEALTH, EDUCATION: Prolonged exposure to blue light, such as that which emanates from your phone, computer and household fixtures, could be affecting your longevity, even if it's not shining in your eyes. New research at Oregon State University suggests that the blue wavelengths produced by light-emitting diodes damage cells in the brain as well as retinas. The study, published today in *Aging and Mechanisms of Disease*, involved a widely used organism, *Drosophila melanogaster*, the common fruit fly, an important model organism because of the cellular and developmental mechanisms it shares with other animals and humans. Jaga Giebultowicz, a researcher in the OSU College of Science who studies biological clocks, led a research collaboration that examined how flies responded to daily 12-hour exposures to blue LED light – similar to the prevalent blue wavelength in devices like phones and tablets – and found that the light accelerated aging. Flies subjected to daily cycles of 12 hours in light and 12 hours in darkness had shorter lives compared to flies kept in total darkness or those kept in light with the blue wavelengths filtered out. The flies exposed to blue light showed damage to their retinal cells and brain neurons and had impaired locomotion – the flies' ability to climb the walls of their enclosures, a common behavior, was diminished. Some of the flies in the experiment were mutants that do not develop eyes, and even those

eyeless flies displayed brain damage and locomotion impairments, suggesting flies didn't have to see the light to be harmed by it. Natural light, Giebultowicz notes, is crucial for the body's circadian rhythm – the 24-hour cycle of physiological processes such as brain wave activity, hormone production and cell regeneration that are important factors in feeding and sleeping patterns. In the meantime, there are a few things people can do to help themselves that don't involve sitting for hours in darkness, the researchers say. Eyeglasses with amber lenses will filter out the blue light and protect your retinas. And phones, laptops and other devices can be set to block blue emissions. / HEALTH: For the first time, U.S. health regulators have endorsed a type of smokeless tobacco as a less harmful alternative to smoking. Under Tuesday's decision, Swedish Match will be able to advertise that its tobacco pouches carry a lower risk of cancer, bronchitis and other diseases than cigarettes. It's the first time the Food and Drug Administration has endorsed a tobacco product as a way to reduce the deadly impact of smoking. Swedish Match has sold its tobacco pouches in the U.S. for more than a decade. / GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS: Facebook's latest foes: nearly every U.S. state. New York Attorney General Letitia James says a state-level antitrust investigation into the social network now has the backing of a bipartisan group of 47 attorneys general, including Oregon's. The Democrat and a handful of states launched the probe last month. It focuses on whether Facebook's dominance is stifling competition, limiting consumer choice and costing advertisers more money. James says the group also worries about Facebook's handling of customer data. That drew scrutiny after firms were able to harvest information in attempts to influence the 2016 presidential election. An email seeking comment was sent to Facebook representatives. Facebook and other tech giants have also been feeling the heat from federal regulators. The Federal Trade Commission recently fined Facebook \$5 billion for privacy violations. /

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people and utility officials warn a second round of outages could occur over the weekend when winds are forecast to return. It's not just Northern California: Hot, dry Santa Ana winds are expected to hit Southern California today and its major utility, Southern California Edison, warned that it might black out about 308,000 customers — affecting perhaps 750,000 people — depending on the forecast. The utilities have said the precautionary blackouts are designed to keep winds from knocking branches into power lines or toppling them, sparking wildfires. Electrical equipment was blamed for setting several fires in recent years that killed scores of people and burned thousands of homes, including in Paradise and Santa Rosa, California. / FISHERIES, ENVIRONMENT: Tens of millions of voracious purple sea urchins that have already chomped their way through towering underwater kelp forests in California are spreading north to Oregon, sending the delicate marine ecosystem just offshore into such disarray that scientists say other critical species are starving to death. A recent count found 350 million purple sea urchins on one Oregon reef alone — a more than 10,000 percent increase since 2014. And in Northern California, researchers say 90 percent of the giant bull kelp forests have been devoured by the urchins, and the kelp might never return. Marine scientists say they've mapped vast "urchin barrens" — stretches of denuded seafloor dotted with nothing but hundreds of the spiny orbs — that have spread off the coast of Oregon where kelp forests were once so thick it was impossible to navigate some areas by boat. Experts say the population explosion of purple sea urchins is the latest symptom of a Pacific Northwest marine ecosystem that's out of whack. Kelp forests were already struggling because of warmer-than-usual waters in the Pacific Ocean. Then, in 2013, a mysterious disease began wiping out tens of millions of starfish, including a species called the sunflower sea star that is the only real predator of the purple urchin. Around the same time, the purple urchins had two excellent breeding years — and with no predators, the young urchins began devouring every stand of kelp they could reach. Without kelp habitat, scientists say the underwater annihilation is killing off important fisheries for red abalone and red sea urchins and creating such havoc that scientists in California are partnering with a private business to collect the over-abundant purple urchins and "ranch" them in a controlled environment for ultimate sale to a global seafood market. Scott Groth, a shellfish scientist with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, says, quote, "We're in uncharted territory... You can't just go out and smash them. There's too many. I don't know what we can do." Scientists are not yet sure if climate change is responsible for the sea urchin explosion, but they suspect it plays a role in the cascade of events that allowed the purple urchins to boom. And kelp, already under siege from warming waters, is not as resilient as it once was. The devastation is also economic: Until now, red abalone and red sea urchins, a larger and meatier species of urchin, supported a thriving commercial fishery in both states. But 96 percent of red abalone have disappeared from California's northern coast as the number of purple sea urchins increased sixfold, according to a study released this week by the University of California, Davis. Last year, California closed its red abalone fishery, which poured an estimated \$44 million into the coastal economy per year, and Oregon suspended permits for its 300 abalone divers for three years. The commercial harvest of red sea urchins in California and Oregon also has taken a massive hit. In California, there were



30,000 to 40,000 participants in (the abalone) fishery every year for decades, and for the first time ever that fishery had to close. And while the purple urchins have eaten themselves into starvation as well, unlike other kelp-dependent creatures, the species can go into a dormant state, stop reproducing and live for years with no food. That means the only way to restore the kelp is to remove or destroy the purple urchins. Scientists estimate that in Oregon alone, it would take 15 to 20 years to remove all 100 million pounds of purple urchins recently surveyed on just one large reef. While urchins are in starvation mode, the edible part — known as roe — shrivels, making them commercially worthless. Against this backdrop, conservationists, commercial urchin harvesters, scientists and private interests are coming together with an unusual plan: Pay underemployed red sea urchin divers to collect the shriveled, but living, purple sea urchins and transfer them to carefully tended urchin "ranches" to be fattened up for sale to seafood markets around the world. One company, Urchinomics, is already working on urchin ranching projects in Japan, Canada and California and sees a future where the overwhelming demand for wild urchin roe is replaced by a taste for human-raised purple urchins collected from the seafloor, allowing kelp forests to rebound. In Oregon, red urchin divers are a tiny artisanal collective, but they are also exploring ways to try to turn the glut of destructive purple urchins to their advantage. Oregon's urchin fishery had a boom year last year, when red urchins were scarce in California but before their purple cousins had spread north. Now, they too are hurting.

/ ENVIRONMENT, WILDLIFE, POLITICS, GOVERNMENT: It will take \$5 billion and 15 years to get an overpopulation of wild horses under control on federal lands across the West, the acting head of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management said Wednesday, adding that several developments have made him more optimistic about his agency's ability to get the job done. William Perry Pendley said the agency adopted out more than 7,000 mustangs and burros captured last year — the most in 15 years and a 54% increase from the previous year. He said that helps clear space in government holding pens, so they can accelerate roundups while scientists develop new fertility-control drugs to eventually shrink the size of the herds from 88,000 to the 27,000 he says the range can sustain. He said a new coalition of animal welfare advocates and ranchers is helping promote solutions and Congress appears willing to help. Pendley said the agency is in the process of hiring additional staff to speed roundups in Nevada, the state with the most horses. "I'm not going to speculate on what Congress is going to do about money," Pendley said. "But I know there is a sense of sincerity on the Hill about this issue. They get it." The Senate Appropriations Committee approved \$35 million last month for a new package of mustang proposals supported by an unprecedented alliance including the Humane Society of the United States, American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, National Cattlemen's Beef Association and American Farm Bureau Federation. They say it would eliminate the threat of slaughter for thousands of free-roaming horses and shrink the size of herds primarily through expanded fertility controls on the range and increased roundups in certain areas. The proposal has been condemned by the largest and oldest mustang protection groups in the West, including the American Wild Horse Campaign and Friends of Animals. "This proposal, which is really a betrayal by so-called wild horse advocates who are in bed with the meat industry, is management for extinction

and putting money toward it is a step toward eradicating these iconic animals from our public lands," Friends of Animals President Priscilla Feral said in a statement Wednesday. In July, then-Acting BLM Director Casey Hammond said the Trump administration won't pursue lethal measures such as euthanasia or selling horses for slaughter. But critics say the new plan could allow for sterilization of mares. They argue the animals must be permitted to roam the range in federally protected management areas established under the Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act of 1971. They say BLM's population quotas are often outdated and lack scientific data to support roundups to cull herd sizes. The \$35 million the Senate committee approved is part of the \$35.8 billion Interior Department appropriation bill. It's not clear when the full Senate will consider the measure. Pendley said the agency is spending \$50 million a year to house 50,000 captured horses in government corals and another \$30 million in associated costs. Alan Shepherd, the head of the bureau's wild horse and burro program in Nevada, planned to join members of the new coalition at the Nevada Museum of Art in Reno Wednesday night for the screening of a documentary that blames horses for severe degradation of federal rangeland. Doug Busselman, executive director of the Nevada Farm Bureau, said his group still wants Congress to allow the government to sell excess horses without the current ban on their resale for slaughter. "As long as the numbers are so far above appropriate management levels, the tools of fertility control and adoption don't accomplish the needs for having wild horse and burro populations match the carrying capacity of the herd management levels and the destruction of the habitat will continue," he said in a statement. Conservationists say more damage is caused by the cattle and sheep that graze on public lands at a ratio of 15-to-1 mustangs. "This film is a propaganda piece ... that scapegoats relatively rare wild horses for problems that in truth are caused by the domestic cattle that are widespread environmental problems across the West," said Erik Molvar, a wildlife biologist for the Western Watersheds Project. / DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING, ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, GOVERNMENT: Lane County is in the process of updating its land use regulations for nearly 12,000 properties located in a floodplain. Planners say they're working to enhance safety by ensuring that floodplain properties are developed in a way that minimizes the risk of extensive flood damage. Lane County Land Management is hosting three community open houses this month to provide information to property owners and answer questions. Each open house will include a presentation at 5:45 p.m., followed by an open workshop format. The first session is this evening in Springfield, from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Thurston Middle School library. Thurston Middle School is located at 6300 Thurston Road. There are two sessions next week: On Monday evening the Florence Events Center and on Wednesday evening at the Lane County Public Service Building at 8th and Oak Streets in Eugene. It's worth noting that no new properties will be added to the floodplain as part of these updates. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) effort to create new flood maps is a separate process. And these updates do not include any proposed changes to stream riparian regulations. But if you want to learn more, see interactive maps and look up your properties, you may do so by going to [www.lanecounty.org/floodplaincode](http://www.lanecounty.org/floodplaincode) Select the "Floodplain Map" option under the Quick Links section and search by address. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT,

**AGRICULTURE:** The OSU Extension Service in Lane County is offering a unique opportunity to learn how to safely and effectively burn slash piles and then actually burn them. The "Learn and Burn" will be held on Monday, November 4th, from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM in Eugene. Burning slash piles is an effective way to remove unwanted slash from your property. However, proper slash pile construction and location is important to set the stage for safe and complete burning. You don't want to smoke your neighbor out! The cost of this workshop is \$20 which includes lunch. Space is limited so please pre-register by Friday, November 1st. Registration information is available on the OSU Extension Service – Lane County website at [extension.oregonstate.edu/lane](http://extension.oregonstate.edu/lane) and scroll down to "Upcoming Events." Or stop by the OSU Extension Service office at 996 Jefferson Street in Eugene (enter on 10th Avenue at the ramp. / **HEALTH:** Los Angeles County health officials say a visitor to Disneyland this month may have exposed others to measles. The Department of Public Health says a county resident with a confirmed case of measles visited the theme park on Oct. 16 from 9:15 a.m. to 8:35 p.m. Earlier that morning, the person was at a Starbucks on the west side of Los Angeles. Health officials say anyone who was at those locations at those times may be at risk of developing measles for up to 21 days. Those people should check their medical records to determine if they were immunized or had measles previously. Five years ago, another Disneyland visitor was responsible for a cluster of measles cases that affected at least one Lane County resident. ; U.S. health officials want women getting breast implants to receive stronger warnings about the possible risks and complications. The Food and Drug Administration said Wednesday that manufacturers should add a boxed warning — the most serious type — to information used to market and prepare patients for implants. The recommendations are the agency's latest attempt to manage safety issues with the implants. In recent years, the FDA and regulators elsewhere have grappled with a link between a rare cancer and a type of textured implant, some of which have been recalled. Separately, the agency has received thousands of reports of health problems that some women attribute to the implants, including arthritis, fatigue and muscle pain. The FDA will take public comment on the recommendations before adopting them. / **AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS:** Agriculture entrepreneur Frank Tiegs has pulled out of his planned \$155.5 million takeover of the bankrupt NORPAC Foods processing company. The Capital Press reported Tiegs said he's withdrawn from the "asset purchase agreement" because of what he considered "red flags" with the company. In August, the farmers' cooperative filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection to restructure its debt while remaining operational and announced that Tiegs' Oregon Potato Co. planned to buy most of its assets. A hearing to approve the deal was scheduled for Oct. 28 in bankruptcy court after no other bidders materialized to compete with higher offers. But Tiegs said NORPAC hadn't supplied documents that were needed to complete the agreement and that, since making the offer, he's become aware of serious problems with soil and water contamination at NORPAC's facilities, and regulatory problems he did not want to discuss. The Capital Press was unable to reach Albert Kennedy, the lead attorney representing NORPAC in the bankruptcy for comment. But during an Oct. 21 court hearing, Kennedy told a U.S. Bankruptcy judge that Tiegs notified NORPAC of the termination less than 30 minutes before competing bids were due on October 18. If no one steps up to

buy NORPAC's facilities — including Oregon properties in Brooks, Salem and Stayton, as well as a plant in Quincy, Washington — it's likely those assets will be sold off piecemeal as part of a liquidation. Tiegs had planned to keep the Brooks, Salem and Quincy facilities operational, while he wanted to cease operations at the Stayton property until deciding later what to do with it. Scott Cargill, an attorney representing unsecured creditors, told the bankruptcy court at the hearing that there are concerns that Oregon Potato's alleged reasons for terminating the deal was a pretext to renegotiate the acquisition because there were no other bidders. /

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<b>LENGTH OF PROGRAM</b>	30 Seconds
<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>SPORTS: Prep Football Kick-off Forecast: Friday, Oct. 25, 7 p.m.: Some clouds, a slight chance of showers, then dense patchy fog. Temperature at kick-off: 55 degrees. Oregon Ducks-Washington State football forecast at Autzen Stadium: Saturday, Oct. 26, 7:30 p.m.: Clear skies, patchy fog forming. Temperature at kick-off: 50 degrees. / HEALTH, SAFETY, YOUTH: Fewer reports of vaping illnesses are coming in, but U.S. health officials don't know if that means the cases have peaked or there are delays in reporting. Experts with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention say 125 additional cases were reported in the last week, bringing the total to 1,604 in this year's outbreak. That includes 34 deaths, one more than last week. The outbreak appears to have started in March. No single ingredient, electronic cigarette or vaping device has been linked to all the illnesses. Most who fell ill said they vaped products containing THC, the high-inducing ingredient in marijuana. ; State health officials say they are now investigating 12 cases of vaping-related lung illnesses, up from nine reported cases last week. That includes two deaths. Meantime, a new state study indicates use of marijuana and nicotine vaping products by youth is rising rapidly. The new numbers indicate that while overall use of marijuana among Oregon youth has remained constant—at 20 percent—but youth vaping of marijuana increased 295 percent over the past two years — from 11 percent to 44 percent among 11th-graders who admitted to using cannabis products. The data come from the Oregon Healthy Teens survey of middle- and high-school students that state officials administer every two years. On the nicotine side of things, the data show one in four Oregon 11th-graders report using a nicotine vaping product, with youth use of e-cigarettes like Juul increasing nearly 80 percent over the past two years. About half of Oregon high school students who currently use e-cigarettes report they never smoked conventional cigarettes. But among those in Oregon who do or did, youth vaping overlaps with use of conventional tobacco and flavored tobacco products. The analysis also found that more than half of Oregon eighth- and 11th-graders who use tobacco use flavored tobacco. Roughly half of all youth who currently use conventional tobacco products started with vape products. Nearly two in five Oregon 11th-grade vape users also currently smoke conventional cigarettes. State health experts call the trends "alarming." They say the analysis adds to evidence that vaping is increasing the potential for more youth to become addicted. Surveys find that nicotine vaping products are most popular among children and young adults: 23 percent of 11th-grade students and</p>

13 percent of young adults, ages 18 to 24, use nicotine e-cigarettes versus just 3 percent of adults age 25 and older. / SAFETY: Authorities say human remains were discovered near a trailhead on the Willamette National Forest that provides access to the Three Sisters Wilderness. The Lane County Sheriff's Office says the agency received a report of possible human remains on Oct. 18 in a heavily wooded area near the Separation Lake Trailhead. Sheriff's office deputies and search and rescue responded and found a deceased male whose remains appeared to have been there for years. A driver's license was found but additional investigation and testing will be performed by the medical examiner to confirm the person's identity before the name is released to the public. / EDUCATION, SAFETY: From the South Lane School District at 8:15 a.m.: Lincoln Middle School was placed in a brief lockdown this morning because of a reported safety concern. Cottage Grove Police are on-site and have confirmed that there was no threat or safety concern. All students should remain at school and continue with their regular day. / LAW ENFORCEMENT, COMMUNITY, SAFETY, HEALTH, CRIME: On Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., local law enforcement and other agencies are taking part in the National Drug Take-Back Day. It's sponsored by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. It's a chance to rid your home of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. The disposal locations include: The Springfield Justice Center; Outside Lane Community College's Main Campus Building 19; Coburg City Hall; the Veneta Bi-Mart store; Harrisburg City Hall; and Brownsville City Hall. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked. Please note: Collection sites cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps, only pills or patches. This year, because so many people are quitting vaping amid concerns over the outbreak of vaping related lung illnesses, the DEA will collect vape pens or other e-cigarette devices from individual consumers at its collection sites across Oregon and the U.S. But there's one big condition: Officials will only accept the items after the batteries are removed from the devices. That's to reduce the fire risk from damaged batteries. Those running the collection sites cannot remove the battery for you, so you need to do it yourself—provided it's safe to do so. And if the battery cannot be safely removed, you should instead see if a local electronics or battery store accepts vape pens or e-cigarette devices for proper disposal. You may also contact your local Hazardous Materials disposal facility, including Lane County Waste Management, to determine if they accept the devices, and for additional guidance regarding proper disposal. / LOW-INCOME, YOUTH, FAMILIES, HEALTH: Far too many children go hungry each day in Lane County. Many are students at local schools who spend their evenings and weekends wondering where their next meal will come from. On Saturday, October 26th, you can do something to help. Local businesses, organizations and families are joining to pack meals on Saturday, October 26, at Bertha Holt Elementary School at 770 Calvin Street in Eugene at 10 a.m. More than 11,000 meals to be distributed in Eugene and Springfield. Organizers say 300 volunteers are needed to pack the meals in under two hours. Organizers are more than halfway to that goal, but hope you will have time to help out. They say the event is a good one for families who wish to serve together. Register online at [GenerosityFeedsEugene.org](http://GenerosityFeedsEugene.org) to be a part of this great event. The Generosity Feeds meal was created by a culinary chef with U.S. taste and nutritional needs in mind. The meals feature black beans and rice and will be

distributed through programs at four local schools. For additional information about the Generosity Feeds event in Eugene, contact [genfeedseugene@gmail.com](mailto:genfeedseugene@gmail.com) Organizers would like to thank MOD Pizza, Pedal Power Music, and Hoodoo Ski Area for their ongoing support of this cause. / EDUCATION, COMMUNITY, BUSINESS: The University of Oregon and nearby business district are hosting a Homecoming Block Party. It includes activities, musical performances, a student homecoming parade, pep rally and more. The location is on 13th Avenue between Kincaid and Alder Streets, Kincaid Street between 12th and 14th Avenues. The stage near 13th Avenue and Alder Street. Street closures for the event area will be in effect beginning at 6 a.m. Members of the University of Oregon, alumni and Eugene-Springfield communities are invited to enjoy the event. / ECONOMY: Eugene-Springfield unemployment rate rose one notch to 4.5 percent in September, the same as the jobless rate one year earlier and relatively unchanged from August's 4.4 percent mark. Oregon's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for September was 4.1 percent and the national rate was 3.5 percent in September. Non-seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment increased by about 2,000 jobs, largely due to gains in the education sector with the start of a new school year. Other recent increases were in government employment. There also were net job increases in health services, but seasonal losses in leisure and hospitality. There were additional losses in the financial activities, information, and professional and business services sectors. / GOVERNMENT: A new audit designed to reduce red tape in state government warns Oregonians might face delays in accessing safety net programs if the state does not have enough workers in place to manage the flood of new data. The Secretary of State's audit examines Oregon's effort to simplify the application process for people seeking to access multiple safety net programs. The audit finds that once the state effort is complete, an Oregonian will be able to fill out a single application for food assistance, medical assistance and childcare. Currently, three separate applications are needed. But state auditors warn that the staff time needed to manually clean up inaccurate data in the new system could lead to long wait times for Oregonians seeking services if the added work is not planned for and completed promptly. The Statesman Journal reports the project is being overseen by the Oregon Health Authority and the Oregon Department of Human Services. / BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE: Agriculture entrepreneur Frank Tiegs has pulled out of his planned \$155.5 million takeover of the bankrupt NORPAC Foods processing company. The Capital Press reports Tiegs said he's withdrawn from the "asset purchase agreement" because of red flags with the company. If no one steps up to buy NORPAC's facilities — including Oregon properties in Brooks, Salem and Stayton, as well as a plant in Quincy, Washington — it's likely those assets will be sold off piecemeal as part of a liquidation. In August, the farmers' cooperative filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection to restructure its debt while remaining operational and announced Tiegs' Oregon Potato Co. planned to buy most of its assets. Tiegs had planned to keep the Brooks, Salem and Quincy facilities operational, while he wanted to cease operations at the Stayton property until deciding later what to do with it. Tiegs says NORPAC hadn't supplied documents that were needed to complete the agreement and says since making the offer he's become aware of serious problems with soil and water contamination at NORPAC's facilities, and regulatory

problems he did not want to discuss. Capital Press was unable to reach the lead attorney representing NORPAC in the bankruptcy for comment. But Scott Cargill, an attorney representing unsecured creditors, told the bankruptcy court at a hearing that there are concerns that Oregon Potato's alleged reasons for terminating the deal was a pretext to renegotiate the acquisition because there were no other bidders. / HEALTH, LEGAL, BUSINESS: Trillium Community Health Plan on Thursday filed a federal antitrust lawsuit against the Legacy, Providence and Oregon Health & Science University systems alleging they illegally colluded to block Trillium from the Portland-area Medicaid market. The Lund Report broke the story, noting that Trillium, based in Eugene, claims the three Portland-area hospital systems have refused to negotiate contracts with Trillium that would allow the insurer to sign up Medicaid members in the Portland area starting next year. Trillium alleges the refusals represent a "group boycott" by the hospital systems, and claims the companies, quote, "collusively agreed to refuse to contract their hospitals and physician networks with Trillium." Trillium is asking a federal judge to order what it calls the "Big Three" to "negotiate with Trillium" in time for Trillium to begin offering Medicaid insurance in the Portland market in 2020. The hospital systems have not yet filed answers in court. But all denied the allegations. / HEALTH, SAFETY: Another major national retail chain is halting the sale of all 22-ounce Johnson & Johnson baby powder products and removing them from its shelves. It comes after Johnson & Johnson recalled 33,000 bottles last week after tests revealed one lot of the product contained trace amounts of asbestos. CVS joins Walmart and Rite Aid, who took similar action last week. Johnson & Johnson agreed to the voluntary recall after the Food and Drug Administration found trace amounts of asbestos in one bottle during routine testing. Exposure to asbestos can cause a form of cancer. The lot number, #22318RB, can be found on the back of the bottle. The company is facing several lawsuits for failing to inform customers that its talcum powder contained asbestos. It is also reportedly also under criminal investigation for concealing those risks. /



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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>HEALTH, COMMUNITY: A Lane County resident and a visitor to Washington County have been diagnosed with measles. Their illnesses are linked to an individual with the disease who passed through Portland International Airport earlier this month. The two new cases reportedly were on the same international flight that landed in Portland on Oct. 12, according to the Oregon Health Authority. None of the patients were fully vaccinated against measles. Most Oregonians have been vaccinated against measles and their risk is low. Risk may be higher for unvaccinated persons who may have been exposed at one of the following locations, dates and times here in Lane County: Monday, Oct. 21: 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Creswell Bakery, 182 S 2nd St, Creswell. Noon-4 pm, Bier Stein, 1591 Willamette Street, Eugene. Wednesday, Oct. 23: 4-7:30 p.m., Blue Mist, 1400 Valley River Dr., Suite 130, Eugene. 6-9:30 p.m., North Fork Public House, 2805 Shadowview, Eugene. Additional exposure sites might be added as the investigation continues. Public health officials urge you to call a health care provider or urgent care center by telephone, rather than showing up in the waiting area where you might spread the illness to others. Call if you have been exposed within the previous 21 days, AND you have symptoms of measles (such as fever, cough, red eyes or rash). If you have questions about measles infection or the measles vaccine, call your primary care provider or your county health department. Lane County Public Health may be reached at 541-682-4041. ; Measles poses the highest risk to unvaccinated pregnant women, infants under 12 months of age, and people with weakened immune systems. The symptoms of measles start with a fever, cough, runny nose and red eyes, followed by a rash that usually begins on the face and spreads to the rest of the body. Symptoms begin 7-21 days following exposure. Common complications of measles include ear infection, lung infection, and diarrhea. Swelling of the brain is a rare but much more serious complication. After someone contracts measles, illness develops in about two weeks, but people can be contagious up to 4 days before they get a rash. Measles is a highly contagious virus that spreads through the air after a person with measles coughs or sneezes. People are contagious once they have symptoms, which typically start about 4 days before the rash, until 4 days after the rash. The virus can also linger in the air up to two hours after someone who is infectious has left the area. You are considered immune to measles if ANY of the following apply: You were born before 1957. Your physician has diagnosed you with measles. A blood test proves that you are immune. You have had 2 doses of</p>

measles vaccine. For more information on measles for the public, visit the OHA measles web page. / **DISASTERS, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT:** Two strike teams from Lane County are among the 15 fire teams from across Oregon headed to California to assist in the battle against a raging wildfire in Wine Country. They are experts in protecting homes and other structures from flames and will shore up the fight in critical areas where entire neighborhoods are threatened. The crews, their fire engines and other equipment will be divided between two blazes—one that broke out this weekend in Mendocino County and a major fire in Sonoma County that started late last week. It is called the Kincade Fire. Over the weekend, it forced the evacuation of close to 200,000 people in Sonoma County, threatening the towns of Healdsburg and Windsor and the northern neighborhoods of Santa Rosa. Close to 100 structures have burned, half of them homes. The blaze has scorched more than 66,000 acres. Some of the homes in those Santa Rosa neighborhoods burned to the ground two years ago in the Tubbs Fire and residents who rebuilt only began moving into their new homes over the past few months. The blaze spread after a night of hurricane-force winds—including a 93 mile per hour gust on Saturday night—and more gusty, sustained winds yesterday and early this morning. One task force is drawn from the Lane Fire Authority, South Lane Fire & Rescue, Eugene-Springfield Fire, and the Coburg Fire District. The other strike team includes personnel, vehicles and equipment from the Mohawk Valley Rural Fire District, Junction City Fire & Rescue, Dexter Rural Fire Protection District, McKenzie Fire & Rescue, and Coburg Fire District. Meantime, a major wildfire sparked overnight just north of downtown Los Angeles, in the parched hills along Interstate 405 near the Getty Center. It's grown in just a few hours to 250 acres, forcing the evacuation of close to 3,000 homes. At least two structures are burning. Among the evacuees, NBA star LeBron James. Close to 500 firefighters are battling that fire. Across California, high winds and hot, dry conditions have prompted major utilities to intentionally shut off power to close to three million people to reduce the risk of downed trees and limbs striking electrical lines and equipment and igniting wildfires. / **SAFETY:** Oregon State Police over the weekend continued their investigation into Friday evening's fatal pedestrian crash on Highway 99-W near Junction City. It happened around 10:40 p.m. near Milepost 111, when investigators say a woman driving northbound on the highway in Mercury Cougar struck a female pedestrian. The pedestrian's identity is not known. Then driver was uninjured. Highway 99-W was partially closed for about four hours following the crash. ; A man was killed and seven people were injured in a highway crash south of Woodburn. KGW-television reports the crash of four vehicles occurred at around 4 a.m. Saturday on Interstate 5. A preliminary investigation indicated a sedan driven by 23-year-old Valeria Villasenor-Sibrian of Salem was southbound and rear-ended a small car driven by 24-year-old Artemio Davila of Beaverton. Davila's car went underneath the cable barrier in the median and was struck by a northbound sport utility vehicle driven by 55-year-old Vanessa Underwood of Salem. A northbound pickup drive by 52-year-old Theresa Peters of Salem then struck the SUV. Davila died at the scene. Four people in the SUV were transported to the Salem Hospital, including three with serious injuries. / **SPORTS:** The Oregon Ducks climbed four notches to Number Seven in the new Associated Press Top 25 Football Poll after defeating Washington State on

Saturday at Autzen Stadium. This marks the Ducks' highest AP ranking since early in the 2015 season. The Ducks have now won seven straight games and are off to a 5-0 start in Pac-12 play for the first time since 2013. Only one other Pac-12 team is in the Top 25 this week: Utah, which is Number 9. Oregon is at USC on Saturday. Kickoff is set for 5:05 p.m. on FOX. Oregon was able to snap its four-game losing streak against the Cougars thanks to 528 total yards, highlighted by 306 on the ground. Sophomore running back CJ Verdell became the first FBS player with 250 yards rushing and 50 yards receiving since 2016 and added three touchdowns. True freshman kicker Camden Lewis hit a game-winning 26-yard field goal as time expired to finish off a perfect October for the Ducks. Oregon State, meantime, had the weekend off but returns to Pac-12 play on Saturday in Tucson against Arizona. Kick-off is at 1:30 p.m. on Pac-12 Networks.

**BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE:** A group of Oregon wine industry interests have formed a new trade group. The Register-Guard reports the new coalition is called the Oregon Wine Council and it has an agenda that differs from the Oregon Wine Association. Members of the new group earlier this year opposed wine legislation they viewed as anti-competitive. They claim to represent the interests of the entire state. Board member Sam Tannahill says majority of large, taxpaying wine growers as well as many of small producers around the state don't have a say in how their tax money is spent. A board member of the Oregon Wine Association, Justin King, says the argument that his organization is made up of selfish people from one area of the state is patently false.

**ENVIRONMENT, GOVERNMENT, POLITICS:** Congressional Democrats are demanding the Interior Department produce an overdue report on plans to manage wild horses roaming federal lands in the West. That's after the head of its Bureau of Land Management told reporters it'll take \$5 billion and 15 years to get overpopulated herds under control. Acting Bureau Director William Perry Pendley says he's increasingly optimistic his agency eventually will be able to reduce herd sizes through stepped up roundups and increased use of fertility control drugs on the range. Those ideas were among options the department outlined in a report in April 2018. Colorado Rep. Joe Neguse and six other Democrats said in a letter to Interior Secretary Dave Bernhardt an update the department promised by July is three months late and the current approach isn't working.

**LEGAL, AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITIES, GOVERNMENT:** A trial to that could help shape the way Oregon manages its forest trust lands is underway in Linn County. Linn, 13 other counties and many smaller taxing districts are seeking \$1.4 billion in damages, saying the state has failed to manage more than 1,000 square miles for its "greatest permanent value" as required. The Albany Democrat-Herald reports that the trial began Thursday. It's expected to last three weeks, and whatever the verdict is, it will likely be appealed. The trust land used to be owned by the counties but was turned over to the state about 80 years ago. The state said it would manage the timberland its "greatest permanent value," but the counties say the state has failed to do so since 2001, when it adopted a plan that emphasizing the protection of wildlife, clean water and recreation.

**CRIME:** A judge has sentenced a former Oregon certified public accountant to more than four years in federal prison for stealing about \$4.5 million of his clients' investments to support his "Playboy-style" lifestyle and bolster his marijuana business. The Oregonian/OregonLive reports U.S. District Judge Karin J.

Immergut heard from victims who recounted how they were duped by Nathan Wheeler's cordial, personable manner only to be devastated to learn how he had pillaged their life savings. Prosecutors say he ripped off more than \$900,000 in earnings from Olympic snowboarder Daniel Kass and misappropriated the trust fund of two porn shop heirs. Prosecutors say he also brought his fiancée an engagement ring using the investments of a retired law enforcement officer. Wheeler, 43, pleaded guilty to wire fraud and attempted tax evasion in May 2018.

/ MILITARY, LAW ENFORCEMENT, CRIME: A U.S. Coast Guard crew from Astoria has returned after a mission in which they seized nearly 4,000 pounds of cocaine worth approximately \$54 million. The U.S. Coast Guard says the crew of the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Alert returned Friday following a patrol mission lasting over two months. The crew conducted counterdrug operations in international waters of the Eastern Pacific Ocean, where teams seized the cocaine and detained six suspected drug smugglers. Three Mexican naval officers joined the crew for the patrol to exchange lessons learned and to build cohesion. Alert's commanding officer Cmdr. Tyson Scofield says the crew disrupted the illegal flow of narcotics that fuels instability in Central and South America.

/ TERRORISM: President Trump announced yesterday that Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, the head of the Islamic State group, died after he was targeted in a U.S. military operation in Syria. Trump says al-Baghdadi died after running into a dead-end tunnel and igniting an explosive vest, killing himself and three of his young children, and that an on-site DNA confirmed al-Baghdadi's identity. The president says no U.S. personnel were lost in the mission. Al-Baghdadi presided over ISIS' global jihad and became one of the world's most wanted men. The U.S. placed a \$25 million bounty on his head. He'd kept a low public profile in recent years, releasing only sporadic audio recordings. In a recording just last month, he called on members of the extremist group to do all they could to free IS detainees and women held in jails and camps. That purported audio was his first public statement since last April, when he appeared in a video for the first time in five years. President Trump's announcement came on the heels of bipartisan criticism following the recent pullback of U.S. troops from northeastern Syria. Critics fear the militant group will regain strength after it had lost vast stretches of territory it had once controlled. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>SAFETY, HOUSING, ENVIRONMENT, UTILITIES, BUSINESS: With the National Weather Service forecasting overnight temperatures at or below freezing through Thursday night, the Eugene Water &amp; Electric Board is reminding residents to take simple precautions to winterize their homes and businesses to avoid frozen pipes. Cold north winds and subfreezing temperatures can do a lot of damage to homes and businesses if exposed or unheated pipes freeze. In addition to leaving customers without running water, repairing the damage caused by frozen, broken pipes can be expensive. Here are some basic, low- or no-cost tips to help cope with the cold weather and avoid expensive repair bills: Insulate all pipes located in unheated areas, such as the garage, basement and garden areas. Inexpensive foam insulation is available at most home improvement stores. Insulate your water meter and the meter box. Inexpensive foam insulation is available at most home improvement stores. Disconnect outside hoses, wrap faucets and cover them with plastic or faucet covers. Cover crawl space vents with cardboard or plywood when temperatures dip below freezing. Remember to uncover vents when the weather warms up. At 20 degrees Fahrenheit or less, turn on a small but steady stream of cold water at the inside faucet furthest from the water meter. Also, open cabinet doors below the sink to let warm air circulate around water pipes. Drain and winterize underground irrigation systems, including yard sprinklers and backflow preventers. Be sure to wrap the backflow preventer with insulating material. If your pipes do freeze and you know where the frozen spot is, wrap the pipe with warm towels. Never use a flame or hair dryer to thaw frozen pipes. If your pipes break, shut off your water using the hand valve at the meter. If you cannot get the water turned off, call your utility. ; Fall is the best time to prepare your business for the cold ahead. In the past five years, SAIF—the state's workers' compensation insurer—has received reports of more than 3,400 claims for injuries caused by ice and snow. SAIF experts say it's important to think about staying safe before the wintry conditions arrive. Shuffle your feet: When walking, keep your weight forward and your knees bent. Walking like a penguin—shuffling with slow, careful steps—is a good way to reduce the chance you'll slip and fall. If you do fall, practice landing on your bottom with your head tucked and your arms wrapped around your body, to avoid breaking anything. Clear the way: The biggest concern during the winter months is getting people from place to place. Sidewalks, ramps and stairways are spots for concern. Make sure areas are cleared of ice and snow or treated with de-</p>

icing granules, if needed. Learn from the critters: Even in the wind, rain, and cold, the animals enjoy Oregon's outdoors, and so should you. We might not have natural fur or feathers, but we can bundle up with layers of warm clothes next to our skin and a waterproof jacket that's lightweight and flexible. / HEALTH, COMMUNITY: As Lane County health officials look for people who may have been exposed to measles at four area restaurants, the woman who caught the virus on an international flight is speaking out about why community members should be checking their immunization records. KEZI reports

Roxanne Wiergeland said she was raised in a family that didn't believe in vaccines. It wasn't until she was an adult that she got her first measles vaccine. However, she said she was never told to get a booster shot. Two doses of measles vaccine are about 97% effective at preventing measles if exposed to the virus. One dose is about 93% effective. On Oct. 12, Wiergeland and her husband saw a visibly sick person at the airport on the way home from an international trip, she said. She sat rows away from him on the plane. Ten days later, she was contacted by health officials who said she may have been exposed to measles. By then, she was already showing symptoms and had visited several area restaurants where people may have been exposed. "I didn't believe it could possibly happen to me. When I had a low-grade fever, I thought, 'Oh no, this isn't what this is.' And sure enough, it happened," she said. According to experts, measles is spread through the air when a carrier coughs or sneezes. Once it's there, 9 out of 10 unprotected people around them will get the virus up to two hours after the infected person has left. The restaurants have been safe to visit since the hours after their exposure. Lane County Senior Public Health Official Dr. Patrick Luedtke said that officials are actively looking for people who may have been exposed to the virus, in some cases checking the restaurant's credit card records to identify those who are at risk. "I don't think we are going to see a thousand cases, but it could be we see a few dozen if things don't go in our favor," he said. Experts with PeaceHealth said that the lesson here is to ensure that you are fully vaccinated. "The most important thing for (the community) is that they are looking at their immunization records and that if they haven't had two immunizations that they are going to their health care provider and getting that vaccination so they can be protected. Now is the time. You don't want to wait until we have multiple cases in the community," said director of infection prevention Catherine Kroll. If you believe you may have been exposed and are not vaccinated, call ahead to your clinic or hospital before visiting in order to protect others. Wiergeland is still experiencing symptoms. She said it may be days before she is able to leave her home. "Today I have a 100-degree temperature and I'm covered with spots. I think it took about two days for the rash to start. It started around the back of the neck, to the cheeks and down the chest and arms," she said. ; Questions and answers from Lane County Public Health experts: WHERE COULD PEOPLE HAVE BEEN EXPOSED? At this time, there are four identified sites of possible exposure during the Lane County patient's infectious period. These include the time period when the patient was present, as well as the two hours it takes for traces of the virus to disappear. Monday, October 21: 10:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., Creswell Bakery, 182 S 2nd St., Creswell; 12:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m., Bier Stein, 1591 Willamette St., Eugene. Wednesday, October 23: 4:00 p.m.–7:30 p.m., Blu Mist, 1400 Valley River Dr., Suite 130, Eugene; 6:00 p.m.–9:30 p.m.,

North Fork Public House, 2805 Shadowview Dr., Eugene. Additional sites may be added as the investigation continues. **IS THERE STILL DANGER OF EXPOSURE IN THOSE LOCATIONS?** No. Measles exposure is possible for up to 2 hours after an infected person leaves the location. None of the identified locations above are considered ongoing exposure risks. **WHAT ARE SYMPTOMS OF MEASLES?** Measles, also known as rubeola, is a potentially severe viral infection. Measles symptoms appear 7 to 18 days after contact with the virus and typically include high fever, cough, runny nose, and watery eyes. Measles rash appears 3 to 5 days after the first symptoms. It usually begins as flat red spots that appear on the face at the hairline and spread downward to the neck, trunk, arms, legs, and feet. Small raised bumps may also appear on top of the flat red spots. The spots may become joined together as they spread from the head to the rest of the body. When the rash appears, a person's fever may spike to more than 104° Fahrenheit. Additionally, tiny white spots (Koplik spots) may appear inside the mouth two to three days after symptoms begin. **IS MEASLES DANGEROUS?** Measles isn't just a little rash. Measles can be dangerous, especially for babies and young children, as well as for pregnant women and those who have compromised immune systems (e.g., cancer and transplant patients, etc.). **HOW DOES MEASLES SPREAD?** Measles is very contagious. Measles spreads through the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It is so contagious that if one person has it, up to 9 out of 10 people around him or her will also become infected if they are not protected. A child can get measles just by being in a room where a person with measles has been, even up to two hours after that person has left. An infected person can spread measles to others even before knowing they have the disease—from four days before developing the measles rash through four days after the rash subsides. **WHAT SHOULD SOMEONE CONCERNED ABOUT EXPOSURE DO?** If someone believes they have been exposed to measles, they should contact their healthcare provider by phone before traveling to their provider's office. Measles spreads quickly through the air. People who may have been exposed and who are showing symptoms should limit their contact with other people and public places until they can see their healthcare provider. **ARE VACCINES AVAILABLE AND EFFECTIVE?** The measles vaccine is very effective. Two doses of measles vaccine are about 97 percent effective at preventing measles if exposed to the virus. One dose is about 93 percent effective. If someone has not been vaccinated, or may only be partially vaccinated, they should contact their healthcare provider and arrange to be vaccinated. / **SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY, UTILITIES, BUSINESS:** Members of those 15 wildfire strike teams from Oregon fire departments and districts might remain in Northern California for up to 16 days to help battle dangerous wildfires. They include 271 firefighters from 60 agencies along with 75 fire engines. Their assignment is to protect homes while wildland firefighters battle the brushfires. The strike teams include two from Lane County. Other fire crews in the task forces hail from Linn, Benton, Douglas, and 11 other counties. They are Klamath, Yamhill, Columbia, Clatsop, Multnomah, Marion, Washington, Clackamas, Lincoln, Jackson, and Josephine counties. California fire officials requested Oregon assistance through a state-to-state mutual aid system Sunday morning. It came after that California's governor declared a statewide emergency as crews battle blazes in both Northern and Southern California. ; Millions of

Californians preparing for up to five or more days without electricity as the nation's largest utility said it was switching off power again today to prevent powerful winds from damaging its equipment and sparking more fires. Pacific Gas & Electric Corp. said its latest blackout will start early today and affect 605,000 customers — about 1.5 million people — in 29 Northern California counties. The announcement came even before the last blackout had ended, which shut power to more than 2.5 million people over the weekend. It wasn't clear if power for those homes and businesses would be restored before the next round of outages. What is clear was that patience was wearing thin and frustration at the utility was growing. From the suburbs of San Francisco up north to wine country, people searched Monday for places to charge phones and to stock up on ice for perishable food for their warming refrigerators and freezers. Powerful winds are driving multiple fires across California and the deliberate shut-offs are intended to prevent blazes. The huge wildfire in Sonoma County wine country has destroyed 96 buildings and threatens thousands more. Pacific Gas & Electric &E is under severe financial pressure after its equipment was blamed for a series of destructive wildfires during the past three years. The company reported last week that a transmission tower may have caused a Sonoma County fire that had forced nearly 200,000 people to evacuate. PG&E said Monday its power lines may have started two wildfires over the weekend in the San Francisco Bay Area, even though widespread blackouts were in place to prevent downed lines from sparking in dangerous winds. Wall Street reacted, as the utility's stock dropped 24 percent Monday and was down more than 50 percent since Thursday. Many Californians are skeptical of PG&E's motives for the blackouts, and feel the utility is more concerned with its finances and protection from liability than protecting customers.

/ ELECTIONS, POLITICS, AGRICULTURE: The lone Republican in Oregon's congressional delegation will not seek reelection to a 12th term, throwing a huge district covering a conservative part of the state up for grabs. With less than seven months to go before the 2020 primaries, Congressman Greg Walden's videotaped announcement on Monday sets up further changes in the U.S. House of Representatives, which Democrats regained control of in the 2018 midterm elections. Walden is the 19th House Republican to announce he or she will not seek re-election. Three other GOP lawmakers have resigned. Walden, considered a GOP moderate, is a former chairman of the powerful House Energy and Commerce Committee and now serves as the top Republican on the energy panel. He was a key player in GOP efforts to replace President Obama's health care law. The 62-year-old Walden said he could have won the next election based on recent polling and strong fundraising. But he said he will instead pursue new challenges and opportunities that do not involve running for political office. Walden is a former radio station owner and was first elected to represent Oregon's 2nd Congressional District in 1998. The Hill, which covers politics in the Capitol, shared speculation yesterday that Walden might take the top job with the National Association of Broadcasters. Former Oregon U.S. Senator Gordon Smith is preparing to retire from that role. The district covers 70,000-square-miles of high desert, mountains and forests and is one of the largest in America. The district voted overwhelmingly for President Trump in 2016. Walden grew up on a cherry orchard and is from Hood River. He represents a district where many residents make their living off the land as farmers, ranchers and timber operators.



The Oregon Farm Bureau thanked Walden for his service to the agricultural community and his championing of its causes. A town hall that Walden staged in Bend, in 2017, became raucous as constituents packed into a high school gymnasium clashed with him on issues like gun control, health care, immigration and the environment. Walden told the town hall he was not a climate change denier and that he supports renewable energy. But he took flack for backing construction of a pipeline was halted amid protests in the Obama administration, but later approved by Trump. / EDUCATION, BUSINESS: Bargainers for the University of Oregon and the union representing close to 1,500 of its graduate teaching fellows hold more contract mediations today. It comes after members earlier this fall overwhelmingly approved a walkout if there's no tentative agreement soon. A walkout would happen no earlier than Sunday (November 3), which marks the end of the "cooling off" period. Graduate teaching fellows are students who also work part-time at the university, either teaching, or performing research or administrative duties. The University of Oregon's contract with the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation expired at the end of March. Both sides say they remain optimistic they can come to terms. They remain separated over salary and health insurance. In late September, negotiators for the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation declared an impasse in the talks, which gave both sides seven days to submit their final offers and enter a 30-day "cooling off" period, during which bargaining continued. / SPORTS: Following Oregon's thrilling last-second 37-35 win over Washington State on Saturday, running back CJ Verdell, right guard Shane Lemieux and kicker Camden Lewis claimed Pac-12 Conference player of the week honors on Monday. C.J. Verdell, who rushed for 257 yards and finished with 313 all-purpose yards, earned "Pac-12 Offensive Player of the Week" recognition for the second time in his career. The sophomore running back finished the WSU game tied for the fourth-most rushing yards in Oregon history, as well as matching the most rushing yards by a Duck at Autzen Stadium. Verdell's 313 yards from scrimmage are the most by a player nationally this season. Shane Lemieux is the third different Oregon offensive lineman, and the fifth overall, to win the "Offensive Lineman of the Week" award. The senior helped Oregon rush for 306 yards and graded out as the top guard in the Pac-12 and fourth nationally for the week. His 79.3 run-blocking grade was the second best among guards nationally. Camden Lewis claimed "Special Teams Player of the Week" accolades after making a game-winning 26-yard field goal as time expired to give the Ducks a two-point win. The Ducks' freshman converted on all three of his field goal attempts, his first game with multiple FGs, while making a season-long 40-yarder in the first quarter against the Cougars. / EDUCATION, YOUTH, RACISM: A group of high school students in the mid-Willamette Valley allegedly wore blackface to a Halloween gathering last weekend. KEZI is reporting that Lebanon High School's principal told students and staff that he is investigating what he called a racist incident that allegedly occurred over the weekend, when a group of teens showed up in what appeared to be blackface for a haunted barn fundraiser. A Portland Democrat lawmaker, Representative Diego Hernandez, labeled the incident racist and malicious because he said the teens use a hashtag containing racist language when they posted a photo of themselves. / CRIME: In Douglas County, investigators are offering a \$1,500 reward for credible information which directly leads to the arrest of 34-year-old

Jason Ryan Taylor. Officials say Taylor is known to law enforcement in both Douglas and Josephine Counties and thus far has avoided apprehension. They say Taylor travels between the two counties committing crimes and victimizing property owners. There are active warrants for his arrest. Both counties have partnered with the U.S. Marshal's Service to locate Taylor and investigators say those who are harboring or assisting Taylor may also face criminal penalties, including arrest. Taylor is a white male adult described as five-foot-nine, 150 pounds with brown hair and brown eyes. He is known to alter his appearance to avoid recognition and capture. If Taylor is spotted, do not approach him but call police immediately. All information about Taylor should be routed to the Douglas County Sheriff's Office at (541) 440-4471 or by email [dcso.pio@co.douglas.or.us](mailto:dcso.pio@co.douglas.or.us) / SAFETY: Oregon State Police are continuing their investigation into Saturday morning's single vehicle fatal crash on Highway 126-W near Walton. It happened shortly after 10 p.m. Saturday, when troopers and emergency personnel responded to a single vehicle fatal crash near milepost 35. Preliminary investigation revealed that a Chevrolet pickup, operated by 26-year-old Olivia Jean Minniear of Elmira, left the roadway for unknown reasons and struck multiple trees before rolling and coming to rest on its top in a small creek. Minniear died at the scene. ; Traveling up the coast this week? On southbound U.S. 101 in Lincoln City, the slow lane is closed to traffic over the D-River Bridge beginning tonight. Cracks were found in a bridge girder during construction under the bridge, and the lane will remain closed for safety while repairs completed. The bridge remains open, but watch for slowdowns, highway workers, flaggers and equipment. / LOW-INCOME, COMMUNITY, BUSINESS: OnPoint Community Credit Union made a \$40,200 contribution to Oregon Food Bank following the credit union's successful Refer a Friend campaign throughout the summer. The donation will help to provide more than 120,000 meals for individuals and families throughout Oregon and Southwest Washington. OnPoint presented the check to the Oregon Food Bank at the University of Oregon homecoming game against Washington State University on October 26. OnPoint has supplemented the Refer a Friend donation with an additional \$2,500 donation to the local Eugene food bank, FOOD for Lane County. During the two-month campaign, OnPoint members invited friends, family and business associates to join OnPoint. For every new member who opened a personal or business checking account, OnPoint pledged to make a \$50 donation to the Oregon Food Bank. As part of the campaign, both the referring member and the new member also each received \$50 from OnPoint. Oregon Food Bank and its network of 21 regional food banks and 1,200 community-based partner programs helps people access nutritious, affordable food today – sharing 54.5 million meals' worth of food to clients in the past year alone. The organization also works to eradicate the factors that lead to hunger and poverty, engaging thousands of supporters in actions that protect key investments and sustain vital food resources. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: A former wastewater plant operator for Union Pacific Railroad who allowed oil to seep from an overflowing tank into the Willamette River has been sentenced to two years of probation and a \$2,500 fine. The Oregonian and OregonLive reports Robert LaRue Webb II negligently discharged oil from a storage tank at Union Pacific's Albina Yard in North Portland in January 2018 after he was distracted by a cellphone call, according to court records. Webb pleaded guilty in August to

unlawful discharge of oil into the river in violation of the Clean Water Act. About 1,800 gallons of oil were estimated to have been released into the river. Emergency response and cleanup cost Union Pacific more than \$500,000. After the oil spill, Union Pacific installed an overflow alarm system, a concrete barrier and an overfill protection system at a cost of more than \$80,000. Webb apologized to the court and to the citizens of Oregon. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT: Authorities are praising the resilience of a 25-year-old Idaho woman who survived a frigid night in the high desert of southeastern Oregon following a helicopter crash that killed her father. Malheur County investigators say that despite being injured herself, Jordan Valentine managed to crawl around the side of the wreck to get out of the chilling wind after the helicopter went down in a remote area on Friday afternoon. She was lightly dressed and the temperature was in the 20s. Authorities were notified of the missing helicopter at 2 a.m. Saturday, and radar showed its last contact as being a state natural area. Search and rescue crews found it at 8:20 that morning. Fifty-two-year-old Jim Valentine, of Eagle, Idaho, was dead, and his daughter was flown to a hospital with undisclosed injuries. She remained in the hospital for treatment Monday and was able to speak with investigators. Officials say it took, quote, "a very tough and determined person to be able to survive a crash like that and keep her composure through the night." / YOUTH, HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH: The number of young Americans watching online videos every day has more than doubled, according to survey findings released this morning. And they're glued to them for nearly an hour a day, twice as long as they were four years ago. Common Sense Media, a nonprofit organization that tracks young people's tech habits and offers guidance for parents, says the survey American youth included the responses of more than 1,600 young people between the ages of 8 to 18. Overall screen time hasn't changed much in those four years, the survey found. The average tween spent four hours and 44 minutes with entertainment media on digital devices each day. For teens, it was seven hours and 22 minutes. That did not include the time using devices for homework, reading books or listening to music. But the findings on video-watching indicate just how quickly this generation is shifting from traditional television to streaming services, often viewed on smartphones, tablets and laptops. YouTube was their overwhelming first choice for online videos, even among the tweens who were surveyed — three-quarters of whom say they use the site despite age restrictions. Only 23 percent in that age group said they watch YouTube Kids, a separate service aimed at them and even younger children. And of those, most still said they preferred regular YouTube. That can be challenging for parents who often are at work or busy at home and say they don't have time to monitor everything their child views. Researchers say youth have figured out how to get around many online viewing filters. The authors of the survey say parents' best approach is to have a game plan: Protect homework time, family time, dinner time and bed time—and have device-free times or zones. / HEALTH: Are researchers a step closer to creating a vaccine to combat active cases of tuberculosis? An experimental vaccine proved 50 percent effective at preventing latent tuberculosis infection from turning into active disease in a three-year study of adults in Africa. Doctors were encouraged because protection declined only a little after two years, and even a partially effective vaccine would be a big help against TB. The lung disease kills more than a million people a year,

mostly in poor countries, and about one-third of the world's people harbor the bacteria that cause it. Results were reported Tuesday at a conference in India, the country hardest hit by TB, and published by the New England Journal of Medicine. There is a TB vaccine now, but it's given only to very young children and partly prevents severe complications. Researchers have been seeking a vaccine that also works in adults, to curb spread of the disease.

GlaxoSmithKline's experimental vaccine was tested in nearly 3,600 adults in Kenya, South Africa and Zambia who were infected with TB but who did not also have HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. Plans are underway for another, definitive study, which will take at least several more years. After two-year results were announced last year, the World Health Organization called the vaccine a "major breakthrough" and has been holding meetings to discuss how to further its development. / ECONOMY, HOUSING: U.S. home prices increased modestly in August, a trend that analysts say could make home buying affordable for more Americans. The S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller 20-city home price index rose 2 percent in August from a year earlier. That matched July's annual increase as the slowest in seven years. Wages have been increasing more quickly than home prices since February, reversing a years-long trend. The survey notes that slower price gains combined with low mortgage rates have helped the housing market revive this year after a slump in 2018. Steady hiring and an unemployment rate at a 50-year low also have forced companies to offer higher pay, making it easier for more people to afford house payments. The average rate on a 30-year mortgage was 3.75% last week, down sharply from 4.86% a year earlier. Sales of existing homes have increased 3.9% in the past year, while sales of new homes have soared 15.5% compared with a year earlier. As many once-hot Western markets cool off, cities in the Southeast are starting to see the nation's fastest price gains. Home prices in Seattle barely rose, increasing just 0.7% from a year ago, while they slipped 0.1% in San Francisco. The supply of available homes remains low, with builders complaining about a lack of available land and shortage of construction workers. Those trends have pushed up the cost of lower-priced homes more quickly than more expensive ones in many cities. /

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<b>ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED</b>	<p>HOMELESSNESS, SAFETY, COMMUNITY: With temperatures dipping below freezing last night and the next couple of nights, Lane County and the City of Eugene are working together with St. Vincent DePaul and the Egan Warming Centers to provide shelter from the cold for people experiencing homelessness. The warming center was activated Tuesday night, more than two weeks ahead of schedule, at the Wheeler Pavilion at the Lane Events Center, off West 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Eugene. It will operate tonight, as well, offering a safe, warm place to sleep for adults ages 18 and older beginning at 8 p.m. Youth ages 18 and younger may seek shelter at Looking Glass Station 7, located at 931 West 7th Avenue in Eugene. Call first: 541-689-3111. The Egan Warming Center will close in the mornings at 7:30 a.m., and the St. Vincent DePaul Society's Eugene Service Station, located at 450 Highway 99 North, will open for day service beginning at 7:30 a.m. The warming center will be open to anyone in need of a warm, dry place to spend a few hours. During the day, a number of community facilities also are open to anyone needing a warm, dry space. They include: Eugene Public Library's Downtown, Bethel, and Sheldon branches' City of Eugene Recreation Facilities: Amazon, Campbell, Hilyard, and Sheldon Community Centers; Petersen Barn; Echo Hollow and Sheldon Pools. The Eugene Mission is open 24/7. The check-in to stay overnight is by 6:30 p.m., but new guests may check-in between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. The men's and women's centers are both closed daily from 1-4 p.m. Egan Warming Center's official season starts Nov. 15, and volunteers are being recruited and trained. Learn more at <a href="http://www.eganwarmingcenter.com">www.eganwarmingcenter.com</a> The Egan Warming Center overnight emergency shelters operate from November 15 to March 31 when forecasted low temperatures fall below 30 degrees. The center is named in honor of Major Thomas Egan who froze to death during a cold spell in 2008. The Egan Warming Center coalition of volunteer community members, service providers, nonprofits, faith and social activist communities, and local government work to ensure that homeless people have shelter during extreme cold weather. / DISASTERS, ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, COMMUNITY: As wildfires continue to rage across California, the Red Cross Cascades Region has deployed 14 volunteers so far to assist in the massive response effort. That number includes one Eugene Red Cross staff member who will be assisting with the response of providing shelter, food and comfort for those forced to leave their homes with little notice. Among those heading south, Carisa Hettich, the executive director with the Southwest</p>

Oregon Chapter of the Red Cross Cascades Region. This will be her third deployment, following her service during Hurricane Harvey in Texas and last year's Camp Fire that burned through the town of Paradise, California. /

**AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT:** U.S. agriculture officials said Tuesday a rule that allows farmers to legally grow hemp will be finalized this week, a move that many states awaited for months so they can begin widespread hemp production. The rule is set to be published Thursday and effective immediately. It establishes requirements for licensing, maintaining records on the land where hemp will be grown, testing the levels of THC — the active ingredient in marijuana that causes a high — and disposing plants that don't meet the requirements. In addition, a national hemp-growing program that Congress authorized in the 2018 farm bill will be launched by the rule. Hemp and marijuana are both cannabis plants but have different levels of THC. Industrial hemp can be used in food, fiber, paper, beauty products and other products, and the industry estimates it could grow nationally to be a \$1.9 billion market by 2022. Jumping into hemp growing may not be a simple task for traditional farmers. Many hemp farmers grow crops for the fast-expanding market for CBD products. CBD, a compound found in the hemp plant, is used in a wide assortment of foods and as pain relievers, as well as for other medical conditions. Extracting it is legal in some states, including Oregon, but not others. And in April, the Food and Drug Administration issued warning letters to companies for making unapproved health claims about CBD products. Some farmers may not find it profitable to grow for the CBD market. For example, farmers in Iowa where CBD extraction is not legal would have to ship their plants elsewhere for CBD oil extraction. Those who hope to grow for the industrial hemp market for products that could replace plastic or for fiber may find scarce buyers. Some states have grown hemp on a smaller scale under the 2014 farm bill pilot program. The 2018 law removed industrial hemp from the list of illegal drugs and required the USDA to set up a national hemp growing program. The rule establishes testing of plants that must be done in a Drug Enforcement Administration-registered laboratory, raising initial concerns that could create a bottleneck in the process if there aren't enough labs available. USDA officials say nationally there are as many as 250 labs and the agency may allow private labs to become certified for hemp testing. Sampling must be conducted within 15 days of harvest by a sampling firm or law enforcement agent, the rule says. The concentration of THC must be below 0.3%. Plants measuring too high must be destroyed. At least 47 states, including Oregon, have passed laws to establish hemp production programs, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. Exceptions include South Dakota, Idaho and Mississippi. The rule published Thursday is an interim rule. The USDA can change it if necessary to make the program run efficiently. The interim rule ends in two years, at which time the USDA will release a final rule. Officials say about 120,000 acres of hemp was grown under the federal pilot program rule in 2018. There are estimates that 500,000 acres will be grown this year. The USDA hasn't tracked hemp acres, so the figures are only estimates, he said. It will begin to collect data on acres planted like it does for other major crops grown in the U.S. next year. ; A global hemp research lab is being developed in Oregon as part of a larger movement to bring the standardization to hemp that traditional crops like corn and cotton enjoy. It's a critical step toward accountability and consistency in

an industry that's sprung up almost overnight since the U.S. legalized hemp last year. The Global Hemp Innovation Center was unveiled in June by Oregon State University. The OSU research hub will be the United States' largest and will offer a certification for hemp seed that guarantees farmers the seed they're buying is legitimate and legal. That's a critical need when individual hemp seeds are selling for \$1.20 to \$1.40 each — and an acre of crop takes up to 2,000 seeds. Interest in the cannabis crop has exploded because of hemp-derived CBD, a compound marketed as having health benefits but without the high caused by marijuana. Licensed hemp acreage in Oregon, which has an ideal climate for growing the crop, has increased six-fold since last year, earning Oregon the No. 3 spot for hemp cultivation after Montana and Colorado, according to Vote Hemp, which advocates for and tracks the industry in the U.S. The new center dovetails with a greater movement to create a national infrastructure around hemp as the market explodes. Globally, the supply of hemp is less than 10 percent of the demand, and backers say that's driving states like Oregon to rush to stake a claim in the international marketplace. Hemp and marijuana are both cannabis plants but have different THC levels. Marijuana, illegal under federal law, refers to plants with more than a trace of THC. Hemp has almost no THC — 0.3% or less under U.S. government standards. States with hemp programs test for THC in the crops but do so after the plants are grown and close to harvest. Crops that test over the THC limit for hemp must be destroyed — and farmers with bad seed might not know until it's too late, Willison said. ; Oregon State University officials in June launched a Global Hemp Innovation Center and is taking a lead to certify hemp seed for planting in Oregon. Hemp is a fast-growing plant, a relative of marijuana. But it contains lower concentrations of the psychoactive drug THC and higher levels of cannabidiol or CBD, which does not make users "high" and is being added to a variety of health, medical and other products. Historically, hemp is grown for its fiber and is used in the manufacture of paper, textiles, clothing, biodegradable plastics, paint, insulation, biofuel, food, and animal feed. OSU officials say Hemp Innovation Center will be a hub of research, teaching and extension work to further understand the uses and marketability of hemp and hemp-derived products. The center will draw from the expertise of more than 40 Oregon State faculty members across 19 colleges, departments and academic disciplines. Already in the state of Oregon, officials say there are close to 1,600 licensed hemp growers who have planted more than 50,000 acres of the crop. One of the major products derived from hemp: CBD oil, the non-high producing element of cannabis plants. CBD is used in food and health products. The launch of the OSU research center is a return to Oregon State's roots. The campus was home to a hemp research center from 1880 to 1932. / SPORTS, EDUCATION, BUSINESS: They say the move will modernize college sports and help provide the best possible experience for college athletes. But it will come with limitations. The NCAA took a major step Tuesday toward allowing college athletes to cash in on their fame, voting to permit them to "benefit from the use of their name, image and likeness." The NCAA's move came a month after California passed a law that would make it illegal for NCAA schools to prohibit college athletes from making money on endorsements, autograph signings and social media advertising, among other activities. The NCAA is the nation's largest governing body for college sports and its member schools now must figure out how to allow athletes

to profit — something leaders have fought against doing for years — while still maintaining rules regarding amateurism. The NCAA Board of Governors directed each of the organizations three college divisions to create the new rules immediately and have them in place no later than January 2021. The board is emphasizing that change must be consistent with the values of college sports and higher education and not turn student-athletes into employees of institutions. Some college sports leaders fear allowing athletes to earn outside income could open the door to corruption. They say the challenges lie in determining what regulations need to be set in place; to which markets athletes should be allowed access; with which entities and individuals they should be permitted to work; and whether the schools themselves could provide funds to athletes through licensing deals. The California law allowing college athlete compensation goes into effect in 2023. More than a dozen states have followed with similar legislation, some of which could be on the books as soon as next year. The NCAA has said California's law is unconstitutional, and any states that pass similar legislation could see their athletes and schools being declared ineligible to compete. But the board also said it hopes to reach a resolution with states without going to court. It's hard to say exactly how much athletes could fetch on an open market for their names. It could range from a few hundred dollars for creating personalized video and audio greetings for fans through companies such as Cameo, to thousands of dollars for doing television advertisements for local businesses. NCAA rules allow for an athletic scholarship that covers tuition, room and board, books and a cost-of-attendance stipend. The cost of attendance is determined by the institution using federal guidelines and generally ranges from \$2,000-\$5,000 per semester. /

**TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS:** Oregon Congressman Peter DeFazio (duh-FAW'-zee-oh), who chairs the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, holds a hearing today on the design, development and marketing of Boeing's 737 Max jets. It comes as the investigation continues into two overseas crashes that killed more than 300 people and resulted in the jets being grounded. This will be the fourth Congressional hearing by the committee and Boeing's CEO will tell the panel that the aircraft company knows it made mistakes and is doing everything to fix the plane. Dennis Muilenburg appeared yesterday before a Senate panel. His prepared statement to both committees was released on Monday. In their final report on the first crash, Indonesia investigators said last week that Boeing's design of a key flight-control system made the plane vulnerable if a single sensor failed — disregarding the aviation industry's long reliance on redundant systems to prevent disaster. They also faulted Lion Air, which operated the plane, and U.S. regulators who approved it for flight. Most pilots did not know about the flight-control system, called MCAS, until after the Lion Air crash. At Boeing's request, an explanation about it was excluded from pilot manuals. DeFazio said he will ask why Boeing didn't tell the Federal Aviation Administration about changes during development of the Max that made MCAS more powerful. He suggested that Boeing concealed the true power of MCAS to discourage regulators from examining the system more closely. On both fatal flights, a faulty sensor caused MCAS to push the nose down, and pilots were unable to save the planes. Boeing is now making the nose-down pitch less frequent and powerful, and it is adding redundancy by tying it to two sensors and two computers instead of one each at a



time. Congress is expected to consider changes to the way FAA certifies new planes and its practice of deputizing employees of Boeing and other aircraft manufacturers to perform safety tests on key components. Some relatives of passengers who died want Boeing banned from conducting safety reviews — they want FAA inspectors to do all that work. Such a change would require a big increase in FAA's budget. According to DeFazio, there are about 45 FAA inspectors overseeing 1,200 Boeing employees who conduct much of the actual testing. / GOVERNMENT: Property tax statements went in the mail earlier this month across Oregon but in Douglas County, there's going to receive a second mailing. Turns out the State of Oregon's contractor included the wrong type of return envelope with the statements that went to Douglas County property owners. The envelope's mailing address window is in the wrong location and doesn't line up with the payment forms. That means if Douglas County residents use them to mail back payments the payment address isn't be visible to postal sorting machines and employees. Duplicate property tax statements with the proper envelope are on their way. For those who've already paid, the state is working with Douglas County to get those mailings to the correct location. / ELECTIONS, POLITICS: One day after Republican Congressman Greg Walden said he would not seek re-election, former state lawmaker and Republican gubernatorial candidate Knute Buehler announced on Twitter that he's considering seeking his party's nomination. The Oregonian and OregonLive reports at least two other Republicans who've also served in the Oregon Legislature say they will run or are considering it: State Senator Cliff Bentz of Ontario and former State Senator Jason Atkinson of Central Point. Buehler is from Bend. He is a surgeon by training and served two terms in the Oregon House of Representatives, after first winning election in 2014. He ran unsuccessfully for secretary of state in 2012 against Kate Brown, and Brown defeated him again in his 2018 bid for governor. Buehler is fiscally conservative but on social issues, he is much more moderate than Walden, being both pro-abortion rights and a champion of gay marriage. / SAFETY, LAW ENFORCEMENT, CRIME, EDUCATION: It was an ugly rumor triggered by a social media post. On Monday evening, the Lebanon Police Department began receiving multiple calls from concerned citizens regarding a possible school shooting. Over the next several hours, investigators spoke with callers, gathered information and notified the Lebanon school administration. The investigation tied everything back to rumors triggered by a social media post. But out of an abundance of caution, police put extra precautions in place yesterday to ensure the safety of the students and faculty and provide reassurance. Anyone with additional information on the incident is asked to contact the Lebanon Police Department. / SAFETY: Oregon State Police are continuing their investigation into Friday evening's fatal pedestrian crash on Highway 99-W near Junction City. It happened around 10:40 p.m. near Milepost 111, when investigators say a woman driving northbound on the highway in Mercury Cougar struck a female pedestrian. The pedestrian's identity was not initially known, but officials say she has been identified as 34-year-old Megan Thornton, although they do not know her city of residence. The driver, 56-year-old Robbin Wilson of Monroe, was uninjured. Highway 99-W was partially closed for about four hours following the crash. ; The Benton County Sheriff's Office is planning a test of the Linn-Benton

ALERT system on Saturday November 2, at 2 p.m. The test will cover all of Benton County's traditional land phone lines in its 911 database. Benton County residents who have registered other devices with the system, will also receive the test message. Organizers of the test are asking recipients of the alert to confirm receipt of the message on each phone or device. There is no need to call the Benton County Sheriff's Office. The Linn-Benton ALERT Emergency Notification System is a mass notification system that allows public safety officials to provide rapid notifications to Linn and Benton County residents for emergencies, evacuations, and other urgent events. For more information on our emergency notification system, or to sign up, go to

[www.co.benton.or.us/preparedness/page/emergency-alert](http://www.co.benton.or.us/preparedness/page/emergency-alert) / EDUCATION:

America's eighth graders are falling behind in math and reading, while fourth graders are doing slightly better in reading. That's according to the latest results from the Nation's Report Card. There were exceptions to the findings, which also showed declines among fourth graders in math. Mississippi, the District of Columbia and some big-city school districts showed gains. Nationwide, a little more than a third of eighth graders are proficient in reading and math. About a third of fourth graders are proficient in reading, while more than 40% of fourth graders are proficient in math. The nationwide test is given to a sampling of students in those grades every two years. Education Secretary Betsy DeVos calls the results "devastating" and using them to renew her push for expanded school choice. / ENVIRONMENT, DISASTERS: A new study says the number of people threatened by climate change-triggered flooding is about three times higher than previously thought. But it's not because of more water. The study says it is because the land, especially in Asia and the developing world, is several feet lower than what space-based radar has calculated. The study says that radar mistakes rooftops and tree canopies for ground with an average error of about 6.5 feet. So instead of 80 million people living in low-lying areas that would flood annually by 2050 as the world warms, this new study finds the population at risk is closer to 300 million people. The study by the non-profit Climate Central is in Tuesday's journal Nature Communications. / BUSINESS, SAFETY, TERRORISM, CRIME, CIVIL LIBERTIES: Concert promoters AEG Presents and Live Nation now are disavowing plans to use facial recognition technology at music festivals. AEG's privacy policy earlier this year said it may collect facial images at its events and venues for what it calls "access control" and "personalization." AEG now says it has no plans to implement it. Last year, Live Nation subsidiary Ticketmaster announced it was investing in a facial recognition company called Blink Identity for ticketing purposes. Now Live Nation says it does not have plans to use facial recognition at its clients' venues, and any future use would be "strictly opt-in." Tom Morello had co-authored a BuzzFeed opinion piece last week condemning the use of the technology. While facial recognition is not used in many music venues, the biggest one known to use it is Madison Square Garden in New York, which says it's for security measures. /

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DISCUSSED** COMMUNITY, FAMILIES, SAFETY, YOUTH: The good news for kids this Halloween: They'll likely come home with a bigger pile of candy than of healthy snacks while out trick-or-treating. Americans have a wide variety of plans to celebrate the spooky holiday this year, from carving pumpkins to watching scary movies. Some even plan to make their dogs and cats suffer the fate of being forced into goblin or Spiderman outfits. Those are just some of the findings of a poll conducted ahead of Halloween by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research. Many Americans, including most people with kids under 13 at home, say they do plan to dress their kids up and take them out trick-or-treating. About a quarter of adults, and a third of those with younger children, will get into costume themselves. But the poll also indicates that by 60 years old, fewer want to spend the evening dressed like Dracula, or to spend Nov. 1 yanking out the tombstones planted in their lawns. By comparison, close to half of adults under age 30 do plan to dress up. Younger Americans are also far more likely than older ones to have plans to decorate for the holiday, 46% to 28%. Pets weren't asked about their feelings about Halloween, but 11% of Americans do say they plan to dress up their cat or dog. For those facing the choice of whether to dress their critters up, a common refrain is that the decision belongs to the pets themselves. A majority of Americans think it's unsafe for kids to trick-or-treat alone, including about a third who say it's very unsafe. Perhaps not surprisingly, city residents and people with younger children at home are especially likely to say it's very unsafe. ; Motorists: Drive cautiously on Halloween evening. Excited youngsters may forget some of their safety rules and dart out in front of cars. Residents: Have a well-lighted doorstep and yard, and to remove all obstacles from their lawns and steps to prevent tripping and injuries. Pets and trick-or-treaters are safer, and the pets are less stressed, if the two are kept separated—if you live with a dog, keep him or her inside the house and away from the entryway during trick-or-treating time. Don't want trick-or-treaters, or ran out of candy? Turn off lights and remove Halloween decorations from your porch to send the right signals. Parents and trick-or-treaters: Sunset is a bit after 6:00 p.m. tonight. Make sure youngsters are visible. Street safety is key. Children should cross only at corners—never between parked cars—and always remove masks before crossing streets. Watch for cars that may be turning into or backing out of driveways. Walk facing the oncoming traffic if there is no sidewalk. Make sure children are warm enough on this chilly Halloween night. The temperature will be

51 degrees at sunset and fall to 39 degrees by 11 p.m. Keep safety in mind when designing or selecting costumes. They should be flame-resistant, reflective and safe. Shoes should be functional, to avoid falls (sneakers, yes; high heels, no); capes should break away, to prevent strangulation. A natural mask of nontoxic face paint or cosmetics is safer than a mask, which can restrict vision or breathing; swords or knives should be made of flexible materials to avoid accidental or intentional injuries. ; Halloween as a time for fun and treats. But roughly two times as many children between the ages of 5 - 14 are killed while walking on a Halloween evening compared with other evenings of the year. Falls also are a leading cause of injuries among children on this holiday. Parents can help prevent children from becoming injured on Halloween by following these safety tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the National Safety Council. Children should: Go only to well-lit houses and remain on porches rather than entering houses. Travel in small groups and be accompanied by an adult. Know their phone numbers and carry a cell phone for an emergency phone call. Carry a note in their pocket with their name and address. Bring treats home before eating them so parents can inspect them. When using costume knives and swords, ensure they are flexible, not rigid or sharp. When walking in neighborhoods, they should: Use flashlights, stay on sidewalks if available, and avoid crossing yards. Cross streets at the corner, use crosswalks if available, and don't cross between parked cars. Stop at all corners and stay together in a group before crossing. Wear clothing that is bright, reflective, and flame retardant. Consider using face paint instead of masks. Avoid wearing hats that could slide over their eyes. Avoid wearing long, baggy, or loose costumes or oversized shoes to prevent tripping. Always look left, right, and left again before crossing the street. Parents and adults should: Supervise the outing for children under age 12. Establish a curfew for older children. Prepare homes for trick-or-treaters by clearing porches, lawns, and sidewalks and by placing decorations away from doorways and landings. Avoid giving choking hazards such as gum, peanuts, hard candies, or small toys as treats to young children. Inspect all candy before children eat it. To ensure the safety of pedestrian trick-or-treaters, parents and adults should: Make sure children under age 10 are supervised as they cross the street. Drive slowly. Watch for children in the street and on medians. Exit driveways and alleyways carefully. Have children get out of cars on the curbside, not the traffic side. Consider taking advantage of community events where the kids can show off their costumes and trick-or-treat in one central place without the need to navigate city and neighborhood streets. ; Eugene Police offer additional tips for Trick-or-Treaters and parents Reflective Trick or Treat bags are available at the front lobby of police headquarters, 300 Country Club Road. Get one while supplies last. The safest option is to take your kids trick-or-treating only in low-traffic neighborhoods where you know the residents, or at organized events. Second-best, have a trusted adult accompany children on their trick-or-treating rounds. Third-best—an option for older kids—be sure you know what route your children will take as they trick-or-treat with their friends, and set a time limit for returning home. Serve kids dinner before trick-or-treating — this will help them resist temptation and save their treats until they get home. Although candy tampering concerns are based largely on an urban legend that has inspired a few real incidents and many more hoaxes, pigging out on

candy isn't good for anyone's health or comfort. Examine the trick-or-treating haul and toss out anything that looks unsanitary or suspicious. While rare, police should be notified of any suspicious treats or inappropriate behavior at homes visited. Consider throwing your own Halloween party for your kids and their friends. An adult should be present at all children's parties. Make certain that all popcorn poppers and other electrical appliances are in good working order. Parents, let your children know: Vandalism and bullying in the name of fun is not acceptable. The Halloween holiday does not give kids permission to vandalize neighbors' properties with eggs, toilet paper or spray paint; to bully, harass or intimidate smaller children; or to engage in other actions that could hurt someone, damage property or start a fire. Remind them that responsibility to the community and respect for others outweigh their desire to have fun at others' expense. If a homeowner has turned off the porch lights, this means the household does not want to be visited by trick-or-treaters. They may be ill, asleep, unable to answer the door, or just plain out of candy. Never enter a stranger's home unless their parent is along for the visit and says it's okay. Go home immediately to report any dangerous or threatening situations. Eugene Police will patrol as usual on Halloween evening, and ask that everyone works together to keep children safe this Halloween. / TRANSPORTATION: I-105 / Washington-Jefferson Street Bridges Project in Eugene: Expect lane closures lane closures between 1st and 7th avenues today and Friday between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Crews have been waiting for slightly warmer temperatures to install permanent striping. Lanes might also be closed at night as crews complete work on bridge joint seals. Lane closures change as needed and crews are onsite day and night in the project area. Crews are placing seismic reinforcement on six columns between 1st and 7th Streets under the bridges. In a two-year project, I-105 bridges and ramps between the Delta Highway interchange and downtown Eugene are being repaired, repaved, and receiving seismic upgrades. / HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT: The Lane Regional Air Protection Agency issued "RED" home wood heating health advisory for Oakridge on Wednesday afternoon (10/30). The advisory continues until at least 4 p.m. today, with the potential for extension if conditions do not improve. It comes after air pollution levels rose overnight on Tuesday in Oakridge, settling into the Willamette City neighborhood. High levels of fine particulate collected overnight and cleared out very slowly yesterday. Wood combustion is the biggest cause of winter-time air pollution in Lane County, especially in Oakridge. Degraded air quality can trigger asthma attacks or increase negative long-term health impacts including cancer and heart disease. Children, pregnant women, seniors, and those who suffer from respiratory or cardiovascular diseases should avoid strenuous exercise or time outside in the smoky air. During such periods, no visible smoke is allowed from a chimney at a residential home. People are asked to use alternative heating devices. Regulators say they understand that many Oakridge residents rely heavily on wood for their primary heat and economic exemptions are available through Oakridge City Hall. Outdoor burning is also prohibited during a RED home wood heating advisory. There is a daily home wood-burning advisory available for Oakridge residents. Call the Home Wood Heating Hotline at 541-746-4328 or check online at [www.LRAPA.org](http://www.LRAPA.org) for current advisories and up-to-date air quality information. / SPORTS: The Oregon women's basketball team will open the 2019-

20 season as the No. 1 ranked team in the nation, the Associated Press announced Wednesday morning in its preseason top-25 poll. It is the first No. 1 ranking in program history for the Ducks, who are coming off last season's historic run to the NCAA Final Four. Oregon opened 2018-19 at No. 3 in the AP poll and was ranked as high as No. 2 while winning its second straight Pac-12 regular season championship. The Ducks received 25 of 28 first-place votes in the AP poll to earn the top spot, with Baylor, Stanford, Maryland and UConn rounding out the top five. Oregon was also No. 1 in the ESPN-W preseason top 25 released earlier this week. Led by reigning Wade Trophy and Wooden Award winner Sabrina Ionescu, who chose to return to Oregon for her senior season rather than declare for the 2019 WNBA Draft, the Ducks return four of five starters and seven total letterwinners from the 2018-19 Final Four squad. Ionescu is joined by a pair of WBCA honorable mention all-Americans and all-Pac-12 selections in senior Ruthy Hebard and junior Satou Sabally, along with one of the nation's top three-point shooters in junior Erin Boley. Oregon also brings back sophomore Taylor Chavez along with juniors Lydia Giomi and Morgan Yaeger. Head coach Kelly Graves bolstered the Ducks' depth in a big way with five offseason additions. Senior Minyon Moore (USC), a two-time Pac-12 all-defensive selection, and redshirt freshman Sedona Prince (Texas) joined Oregon as transfers, and the Ducks brought in a trio of highly-touted international recruits in Lucy Cochrane (Australia), Jaz Shelley (Australia) and Holly Winterburn (England). The Ducks will get a unique opportunity on Saturday, Nov. 8, when they host the USA Women's National Team in an exhibition game at Matthew Knight Arena. Oregon will officially open its 2019-20 season on Monday, Nov. 11, with a Veterans' Day matchup against Northeastern in MKA. / EDUCATION, HEALTH, COMMUNITY: Lane Community College is hosting a Health Promotion Fair today. It's being held from 8 am. to 4 p.m., at Lane's Main Campus, 4000 E. 30th Ave., in Building 31 (the Health Professions building). The fair will offer: Free flu vaccines, free dental screenings, free health screenings including blood pressure, free chair massage, free pizza, HIV and Hepatitis C screening (downtown location only), information and referrals on a variety of health promotion topics, including exercise, nutrition, how to access local healthcare resources, and more. The fair is sponsored by the Lane Community College Nursing Program and Lane County Public Health. / CRIME, COMMUNITY: They were severely emaciated with their ribs clearly showing when animal welfare investigators showed up. Now, a number of horses are being treated for health issues and nursed back to health. And a Creswell woman may be facing multiple charges. It came after Lane County Animal Services and Lane County Sheriff's Office, along with numerous community partners, began removing an undisclosed number of horses from the property after consulting with veterinarians. Lane County District Attorney's Office is evaluating the evidence on pursuing criminal charges against the horses' owner, Gwenth Davies, in connection to this case. Investigators say Davies, who resides at the property along with her husband Michael DeLeonardo, had contacts last year with Animal Services regarding horses that were in poor condition. Officials say she agreed to bring care of the horses up to what are known as "minimum care standards." But on October 16, Lane County Animal Services received photographs from Emerald Valley Equine Rescue after it received multiple complaints from people who previously boarded their horses

with Davies. The horses in the photographs appeared to be severely neglected. Because the number of horses needing treatment exceeded local capacity, Lane County contacted the Oregon Humane Society and other organizations to coordinate the animals' evaluation, removal, treatment and housing. Sound Equine Options, a Gresham-based rescue organization, will ultimately transport horses to its facility near Portland. In the short term, Emerald Valley Horse Rescue, Oregon Humane Society, and Lane County Land Management Division are all assisting with the rescue operation and property compliance issues. Lane County's Senior Animal Welfare Officer Bernard Perkins said while officials typically focus on voluntary compliance and education, the level of alleged neglect and Davies' history of violations goes far beyond what is acceptable in the community.

/ EDUCATION, BUSINESS: A tentative contract settlement this week between bargainers for the University of Oregon and the union representing close to 1,500 of its graduate teaching fellows. It came after a marathon bargaining session on Tuesday. The agreement averts a strike planned for next week. The tentative pact is expected to be ratified by the two sides during the next two weeks. Graduate teaching fellows are students who also work part-time at the university, either teaching, or performing research or administrative duties. According to an update on the U-of-O's Human Resources page, the tentative agreement includes three percent cost-of-living salary increases for those graduate employees receiving minimum salaries and 1.4 percent hikes for those making above the minimum. The tentative pact maintains the graduate employees' health care premiums. There are provisions for paid parental leave and increased child-care assistance. Union bargainers say other elements include some paid training and input into curriculum development. The University of Oregon's contract with the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation expired at the end of March. The two sides began bargaining in November of last year. In late September, negotiators for the Graduate Teaching Fellows Federation declared an impasse in the talks, which gave both sides seven days to submit their final offers and enter a 30-day "cooling off" period, during which bargaining continued.

/ CRIME: A Eugene man who terrorized a neighborhood while high on methamphetamine this summer was sentenced to 15 years in prison. The Register-Guard reports 47-year-old Richard Hibbert pleaded guilty to first-degree robbery, attempted first-degree rape and three counts of first-degree burglary Wednesday in Lane County Circuit Court. Other charges against him, including kidnapping and unlawful use of a weapon were dismissed in a plea deal. Eugene police arrested Hibbert in June after a five-hour standoff in a neighborhood near west Eugene's Churchill High School after Hibbert barricaded himself inside a woman's home. The woman was able to run away, but Hibbert, armed with a knife, refused to come out. Earlier, police say Hibbert entered a nearby restaurant and menaced employees before fleeing to the adjacent neighborhood where prosecutors say Hibbert tried with varying success to break into multiple homes. SWAT and crisis negotiation teams responded, eventually breaking a window and using gas cannisters to force Hibbert out.

; A change this year in Oregon law drastically limits who is eligible for the death penalty in Oregon. As a result, prosecutors have filed court papers seeking to amend three charges from their original indictment against Jeremy Christian, the man charged in 2017 with fatally stabbing two men on a Portland light-rail train. The aggravated murder charges

would become first-degree murder and the attempted aggravated murder charge would become attempted first-degree murder. On Sept. 29, a new Oregon law went into effect that narrows the definition of aggravated murder, the state's only capital charge. Senate Bill 1013 was the product of a Democratic supermajority in the Oregon Legislature and was fought vigorously by district attorneys. The measure limited the death penalty to murder cases of children younger than 14 or murders of law enforcement officers, terrorist attacks that kill at least two people, and prison killings carried out by someone who has previously been convicted of murder. Christian's defense attorneys filed motions earlier this month asking that the aggravated murder charges be dismissed and the death penalty taken off the table as a sentencing option because of the new state law. After reviewing the law, prosecutors agreed. A judge would still need to sign off on the proposed change. / LEGAL, IMMIGRATION, GOVERNMENT: A lawsuit filed Wednesday in Portland accuses the Trump administration of preventing Americans from bringing their foreign spouses and parents to live with them in the United States by requiring those immigrants to prove they can afford health care before they get visas. Seven U.S. citizens and a nonprofit organization filed the federal lawsuit over a rule that's set to take effect Sunday. It applies to people seeking immigrant visas from abroad, not those already in the country, and does not affect asylum seekers, refugees or children. The rule is the Trump administration's latest effort to limit immigrant access to public programs while trying to move the country away from a family-based immigration system and into a merit-based system. Earlier this year, the administration made sweeping changes to regulations that would deny green cards to immigrants who use some forms of public assistance, but the courts have blocked that measure. Under the government's visa rule, the required insurance can be bought individually or provided by an employer and it can be short-term coverage or catastrophic. Medicaid doesn't count, and an immigrant can't get a visa if using the Affordable Care Act's subsidies when buying insurance. The federal government pays for those subsidies. The lawsuit seeks class-action status and to block the rule from taking effect. Officials with the Justice Department declined to comment on the lawsuit. / SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY: Wildland firefighters worked to contain small blazes across Western Oregon as windy conditions and low humidity fanned several across the state. Strong east winds caused wildfire danger levels to climb, as southwestern Oregon experienced a weather pattern similar to the one affecting parts of Northern California. Firefighters in Lane County quickly got a handle on two fires that started on Tuesday. Firefighters also contained a small blaze near Eagle Point Tuesday. Firefighters continue to work a small fire in Josephine County that started Saturday. The Coos Forest Protective Association responded to four fires since Sunday, one of which the agency says was powerline related. Fire crews are also working to control two somewhat larger fires in northwest Oregon east of Molalla and near Detroit. No injuries have been reported and no structures have been reported destroyed. / HEALTH, GOVERNMENT: The 2020 sign-up season for the Affordable Care Act is getting underway with premiums down slightly in many states and more health plan choices for consumers. The Obama health care bill has shown remarkable resiliency, but it has also fallen short of expectations. The number of uninsured Americans has been rising again, even though some people would qualify for



zero-premium coverage, after taking into account financial subsidies. Open enrollment for health insurance on HealthCare.gov starts Friday and ends Dec. 15. Coverage takes effect Jan. 1. The sign-up season begins as the Trump administration is seeking to overturn "Obamacare" in its entirety. A decision by a federal appeals court could come any day. The legal case is likely to end up at the Supreme Court. /