

**KKNU-FM 93.3**

**SPRINGFIELD, OREGON**

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

**Fourth Quarter, 2023: 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.

	<b>McKENZIE RIVER BROADCASTING ISSUES LIST</b>
	KKNU-FM / KMGE-FM / KEUG-FM
	Fourth Quarter – October 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023
	<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, EMPLOYMENT, LABOR, FINANCES, INFLATION, BUSINESS, GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING, UTILITIES, COLLEGE &amp; PRO SPORTS, EVENTS, ATTRACTIONS, HOLIDAYS, ENTERTAINMENT, LOTTERY:</u></b> Economic recovery, inflation, interest rates, possible recession; Rising housing, fuel, food, and other prices; Workforce training; Legislature; Economy; Economic, downtown development, urban renewal, urban density; Affordable housing; Pac-12, UO-OSU Athletics; Other sports; Rural development, urban growth boundary; Road improvements; Local tech; Personal finance; Consumer prices; Legal cannabis; Immigration economics; Retirement concerns; County courthouse, City hall; Agriculture and farms; Technology; Energy prices, development; Cybersecurity and breaches.
2	<b><u>DISASTERS, RECOVERY, DISASTER PREPAREDNESS, WILDFIRES, WILDFIRE RECOVERY, ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY, WEATHER, CLIMATE CHANGE, AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, RECREATION:</u></b> Wildfires and recovery; Community and residential “hardening” against wildfires; Climate change; Drought; Winter weather – snowpack and rain; Disaster and severe weather preparedness; Air quality; Climate change and health; Agriculture, Electrical grid; EVs; Natural gas referendum; Power generation; Offshore drilling; Wind, solar, and other “green” energy; ; Ocean health, Fisheries; Forest, wildlife, habitat; Hazardous materials; Pipelines; Oil trains; Cannabis & hemp; Pollinators; Pesticides, herbicides; Predator control including wolves, cougars, coyotes.
3	<b><u>CRIME, SAFETY, POLICING, LAW ENFORCEMENT, ILLEGAL DRUGS:</u></b> Drug & alcohol abuse, opioid epidemic; Addiction treatment; Mental health; Police funding and policing guidelines; Community enforcement, social service funding shift; CAHOOTS; Illegal cannabis farms and businesses; Traffic safety; Cybersecurity; Severe weather, storms, natural disasters; Human trafficking; Youth protection; School safety; Child abuse; Gangs; Terrorism, Fires..
4	<b><u>SOCIAL SERVICES, LOW-INCOME, HOUSING, HOMELESSNESS, CHARITY:</u></b> Legislative package; Homelessness and Safe Sleep sites issues; Neighborhood, business, and community impacts; Crime, substance abuse, and homelessness; CAHOOTS and other alternate enforcement; Affordable housing; Homeless veterans, individuals, families, youth; “The Working Poor”; Minimum wage and living wages; Community agencies; Mental health; Older adults: Protection, health, housing, finances /
5	<b><u>HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, PANDEMIC:</u></b> Mental health; Opioid epidemic, drug abuse; Legal cannabis; COVID-19 pandemic easing, lifting of restrictions, vaccines, treatments, long COVID; Other infectious diseases; Oregon Health Plan (Medicaid) and CCOs, ACA; Prescription drug prices; Obesity, diabetes & healthy eating; Food and product recalls; Abortion and reproduction; Childcare; Women’s health; STDs, other illnesses & diseases; Environmental health, wildfire smoke, overall air quality; Safe water; Assisted suicide.
6	<b><u>POLITICS, ELECTIONS, GOVERNMENT, COURTS:</u></b> Legislative session and local government; Oregon revenues, Legislative Emergency Board funding; Federal funding,

7	<b><u>SCHOOLS, STUDENTS &amp; EDUCATION:</u></b> School state and local programs funding; Racial justice & protests; School funding; Big Bear Administration; Confined migrant and federal and state courts; College affordability; Oregon; Seniors and veterans; Cybersecurity; data breaches; activism; Teacher contracts; New schools; Families; The childcare shortage.
8	<b><u>RACIAL JUSTICE, RACE, RACISM, BIPOC (BLACKS, INDIGENOUS, PEOPLE OF COLOR, TRIBES), LATINX, IMMIGRATION, CIVIL RIGHTS, CIVIL LIBERTIES, HUMAN RIGHTS, DISABILITIES, LEGAL, COMMUNITY, FAMILY, CHILDREN, YOUTH, OLDER ADULTS, RELIGION, WOMEN, LGBTQ, GENDER ISSUES, SEXUAL HARASSMENT, ANIMALS, PETS:</u></b> Racial equality and administration of justice; Civil rights, Civil liberties; Older adults; Families and children; Youth programs & protection; Domestic-sexual violence; Immigration-DACA, LatinX community; LGBTQ; Fair housing; Privacy, cybersecurity; Religion, churches; Community and charitable events; Older adults; Pets, animal rights.
9	<b><u>TRANSPORTATION:</u></b> Infrastructure needs and projects; Road and gas fees and taxes; Pedestrian, biker, rider safety; Hiking-biking trails; Airlines; Eugene's airport expansion; Lane Transit District; Hybrid, electric vehicles; Spring-summer travel; Rail safety; Transportation systems ridership recovery.
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.
	<i>The 4th Quarter, 2023, Issues List was formulated by Tracy Berry - KGNU-FM and from previous quarters' ascertainments, conversations, phone calls, and emails with listeners and community leaders. As always, the list is updated to reflect developing issues over the course of the quarter.</i>

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

**ISSUES: ENVIRONMENT, WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, COMMUNITY, WILDFIRE RECOVERY**

**NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**  
*Locally produced / Regularly scheduled*

**DATE: 10/01/23 and 10/08/23**

**TIME: 6:30 a.m.: KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG**

**LENGTH: 30 minutes**

**GUEST:**

Name, Title, Organization: Joe Moll, Executive Director, McKenzie River Trust

Contact information: <https://mckenzieriver.org/contact/>

City and State: Lane County, Oregon

**TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

It was created close to 35 years ago: a non-profit land trust with the mission to protect critical habitat and scenic lands in the McKenzie Basin. Over the decades it's expanded its mission, but also kept a strong focus on the river that inspired its name. We learn more about the McKenzie River Trust during our interview with Executive Director Joe Moll. The big news this Fall: Years of work to restore habitat along a stretch of the McKenzie River is paying off. Leaders of the McKenzie River Trust say Chinook salmon returning to spawn are finding more places to lay their eggs on a section known as the Finn Rock Reach. The floodplain has been restored to provide multiple river channels and slower-flowing water ideal for spawning. The McKenzie River Trust partnered with the U.S. Forest Service, Eugene Water & Electric Board, and the McKenzie Watershed Council on the effort. Project teams added downed trees and other large woody debris to the stretch. That helped create deep pools and small sandbars that benefit not only Chinook but other fish species, including trout and lamprey. The restoration helps reduce erosion, preserve sediments, and absorb flooding. Finn Rock Reach is one of more than 400 acres of restoration projects located between Finn Rock and the headwaters of the McKenzie River. The Trust also is working with landowners affected by the 2020 Holiday Farm Fire to help them restore their land and riparian zones. And the Trust continues its work elsewhere, including on some historic Willamette Valley wetlands and on the coast along the North Siuslaw River.

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

**ISSUES: YOUTH, SPORTS, EDUCATION, COMMUNITY, HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH**

**NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**  
*Locally produced / Regularly scheduled*

**DATE: 10/15/23 and 10/22/23**

**TIME: 6:30 a.m.: KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG**

**LENGTH: 30 minutes**

**GUEST:**

Name, Title, Organization: Bev Smith, Executive Director, Kidsports

Contact information: <https://kidsports.org/>

City and State: Lane County, Oregon

**TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

It's a hub for sport, recreation, and fun. Since it opened, officials say Civic Park in South Eugene has welcomed more than 300,000 visitors to the Kidsports Field House and Market of Choice turf field. It provides a place, they say, for up to 30,000 kids each year to play, develop, and have a good time. The fundraising is continuing for the next phase of Civic Park. Kidsports Executive Director Bev Smith, who is also with the Eugene Civic Alliance, says Civic Park is part of an overall Kidsports effort to ensure any child in the metro area who wants to play can. They focus on individual growth and fun, team-building, fair play, and more. And they raise funds to offer scholarships to any child who cannot afford the sports fees. Kidsports also continues to manage sports leagues for youngsters in kindergarten through eighth grade, using not only their fieldhouse and playing field but those across the area. Kidsports relies not only on donations and fees but on volunteers who can serve as sports officials and referees. It's not all organized sports. Some classes for the youngest kids include Tot Tumbling and Mini Movers. Smith says healthy habits and fair play skills stick with kids throughout their lives.

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

**ISSUES: *YOUTH, EMPLOYMENT, FINANCES, EDUCATION***

**NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

***Locally produced / Regularly scheduled***

**DATE: 10/29/23 and 11/05/23**

**TIME: 6:30 a.m.: KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG**

**LENGTH: 30 minutes**

**GUEST:**

Name, Title, Organization: Heidi Larwick, Executive Director, Connected Lane County

Contact information: <https://connectedlane.org/contact-us/>

City and State: Lane County, Oregon

**TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

A big grant to help underserved young people pick up some important job skills and get on-track to a future career. Connected Lane County was just awarded \$1.4 million dollars from a workforce-ready program managed by the state's Higher Education Coordinating Commission. Connected Lane County supports youth between the ages of 14 and 24 by helping them stay in school while learning valuable job skills. Without it, officials say some students would have to have drop out of school and go to work to make ends meet. This grant expands the group's Manufacturing, Technology, and Health "Excelerators," providing Connected Lane County participants with 250 hours of paid training, followed by a paid internship with local employers. The grant funds will cover youth wages and payroll taxes, and support services including transportation, clothing, shoes, and food. Last year, Connected Lane County served more than 3,000 teens and young adults. We chat with Executive Director Heidi Larwick about the program and how it's making a big difference in the lives of many teens and young adults.

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

**ISSUES: *HEALTH, FINANCES, OLDER ADULTS, GOVERNMENT, SAFETY***

**NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

***Locally produced / Regularly scheduled***

**DATE:**

**TIME: 6:30 a.m.: KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG**

**LENGTH: 30 minutes**

**GUEST:**

Name, Title, Organization: Brian Price, SHIBA volunteer

Contact information: <https://shiba.oregon.gov/get-help/Pages/connect-with-us.aspx>

City and State: Lane County, Oregon.

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

Open enrollment's underway for Medicare Advantage and "Part D" Medicare prescription drug coverage. And one reason it's so important for you to review your coverage every year is because your policy might change what prescription drugs it covers as well as your copayments. Open enrollment for the 2024 Medicare plan year runs through December 7th, so this is your chance to evaluate your plans and options and make any changes. The Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA – say "sheeba") program with the Oregon Department of Human Services is available to help you understand your Medicare options and benefits, provide enrollment guidance, and answer any questions related to Medicare benefits. Local SHIBA counselors are available to help and can be found by visiting SHIBA.Oregon.gov or calling (800) 722-4134 (toll-free). SHIBA counselors provide telephone and limited in-person support. SHIBA's Oregon Guide to Medicare Insurance Plans is available on SHIBA.Oregon.gov We chat with longtime certified volunteer Brian Price who talks about what's available in Lane County, the difference between original Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans, as well as how to avoid scammers trying to get your personal and Medicare information.



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

**ISSUES: *TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY, COMMUNITY, GROWTH, SPORTS, EVENTS, SAFETY***

**NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**  
***Locally produced / Regularly scheduled***

**DATE: 11/19/23 and 12/03/23**

**TIME: 6:30 a.m.: KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG**

**LENGTH: 30 minutes**

**GUEST:**

Name, Title, Organization: Cathryn Stephens, Eugene Airport Director

Contact information: <https://www.eugene-or.gov/3455/Eugene-Airport-Management-Team>

City and State: Eugene, Oregon

**TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

One of the big economic stories of the past few years has been the surge in travel spending as Americans have emerged from the pandemic. And one of the places we've seen a lot of activity is at Eugene's Airport. It's been another record year at the airport, both for airlines and general aviation. Travelers have expanded connections and more competitive fares. More airlines are serving our community. And construction crews are putting the finishing touches on a new car rental facility near the entrance to the airport property that will free up a significant number of parking spaces close to the terminal. Airport Director Cathryn Stephens provides an update and talks about the challenge of long-range expansion. She says the airport and airlines need more space and there are long-term plans to add a concourse with new gates. But the price tag on the project is close to \$300 million. Officials are looking at ways to stage any expansion and draw on a range of airline, federal, state, and local grants and funds. If you're flying during Thanksgiving or Christmas week, you'll have plenty of company. The Transportation Security Administration expects to screen 2.6-2.9 million passengers during each of the two days heading into Thanksgiving, with similar numbers during the Christmas and New Year's holiday periods. Stephens offers tips for packing carry-ons, meeting TSA criteria, and planning ahead. She says that includes arriving early to secure parking or, better yet, arranging for someone else to drive you to the airport and pick you up.

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

**ISSUES: *BUSINESS, ECONOMY, EMPLOYMENT, LABOR, COMMUNITY***

**NAME OF PROGRAM: COMMUNITY FORUM**

***Locally produced / Regularly scheduled***

**DATE: 12/10/23 AND 12/17/23**

**TIME: 6:30 a.m.: KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG**

**LENGTH: 30 minutes**

### **GUEST:**

Name, Title, Organization: Brian Rooney, Regional Economist and Henry Fields, Workforce Analyst, with the Oregon Employment Department

Contact information: <https://www.qualityinfo.org/contact-us>

City and State: Lane County, Oregon

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

Inflation and rising prices. Pandemic recovery. Expanding industries. And robust hiring demand. This morning, we try to get a better handle on what's happening economically in Lane County with analysis from two local Oregon Employment Department experts: Regional Economist Brian Rooney and Workforce Analyst Henry Fields. We're still in a post-pandemic economy. In the spring of 2020, Lane County lost 26,000 jobs—or 16 percent of its employment. But after that we had really rapid recovery. Things started flattening out a bit this year, but we've gained back about 82 percent of the jobs that were lost. Most industries are back to pre-pandemic levels. Manufacturing and Construction and Finance are above their pre-pandemic numbers. But three industries have lagged: Professional & Business Services, Healthcare, and Public Education. Some of that is because of outsourcing or labor issues. Also, many fields have seen retirements of veteran workers, including in Utilities and Healthcare and Education. The analysts say many people left the workforce, either amid health concerns or because they were close to retirement. Others in two-income households, struggling to pay for hard-to-find or expansive childcare, realized it might be more affordable for one person to stop working. Many who pieced together multiple parttime jobs found fulltime employment. All of these things have contributed to a wide range of job openings. Meantime, the economy remains robust, but inflation and higher prices—especially for groceries and housing, have many feeling like things are worse than they are. They say consumers were accustomed to low interest rates and low prices for years and have had a challenging time adjusting.

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

**ISSUES:** *HEALTH, RECREATION, DISABILITIES, CHARITY, COMMUNITY, BIPOC*

**NAME OF PROGRAM:** COMMUNITY FORUM  
*Locally produced / Regularly scheduled*

**DATE:** 12/24/23 and 12/31/23

**TIME:** 6:30 a.m.: KKNU / 7:00 a.m.: KMGE & KEUG

**LENGTH:** 30 minutes

**GUEST:**

Name, Title, Organization: Steve Furst, David's Chair

Contact information: <https://davidschair.org/>

City and State: Various locations, including Lane County, Oregon

**GUEST:**

Name, Title, Organization: Brian Rogers, Oregon Cultural Trust

Contact information: <https://culturaltrust.org/>

City and State: Throughout Oregon

**TOPIC AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION:** (Two topics in this program)

David's Chair: Organizers say it started with a good friend who received a life-changing health diagnosis and resulted in an impressive effort to expand access to some of Oregon's most scenic locations. Southern Oregon-based non-profit David's Chair Outdoor Mobility Systems offers people the opportunity to reserve an all-terrain mobility chair—for free—one a number of popular beaches, even a few inland spots. People with mobility issues—and their families and friends—say it's an incredibly liberating experience that allows them to get out on the sand to explore and enjoy. Steve Furst from David's Chair says what started with a single track chair has grown as people have donated cash and chairs. Now, there are chairs available to reserve for free at a number of spots along the Oregon Coast—including a site near driftwood shores, north of Florence. There are chairs available for checkout at two locations in Western Oregon for use on hiking trails and while hunting. And there are a handful of Golf Chairs that allow someone with limited movement to play golf. Furst says a key part of the effort is volunteers who run the sites. In Lane County, that includes a partnership with

Lane County Parks and local volunteers. Furst says more volunteers are always needed.

Oregon Cultural Trust: Oregon is a pretty amazing state and features a wide range of art, cultural, and heritage organizations. Support your favorite and make a donation before the end of the year to the Oregon Cultural Trust, and you can not only help some great non-profits, but get a nice tax credit when you file in a few months.

Brian Rogers with Oregon Cultural Trust joins us this morning on Community Forum to explain. He says that for more than two decades, the Cultural Trust has played a vital role in enriching our state's cultural resources, supporting more than 1,600 nonprofits across Oregon. Those include a range of non-profits including performing arts groups and museum, as well as cultural locations and events that help define Oregon and its communities, and individual artists and cultural leaders. When you donate to a local non-profit, you get a tax deduction. Make another donation to the Cultural Trust, and that contribution takes the form of a tax credit, which dollar-for-dollar reduces your total tax bill. Rogers says the Cultural Trust last year received more than \$5.6 million in donations and that Oregon is the only U.S. state that offers such a tax credit program.

## PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING FORM

DATE OF BROADCAST	10/02/23
TIME OF BROADCAST	5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM
NAME OF PROGRAM	Morning News
LENGTH OF PROGRAM	30 Seconds
ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: Oregon climbed a notch to No. 8 in yesterday's AP Top 25 College Football rankings after defeating Stanford. And Oregon State jumped four spots to No. 15 after their win over Utah. The Ducks have this weekend off before heading to Seattle on Oct. 14 to meet the No. 7 Washington Huskies. The Beavs head to Berkley on Saturday to take on Cal. The game kicks off at 7 p.m. on The Pac-12 Network. / GOVERNMENT, ECONOMY: The threat of a federal government shutdown suddenly lifted late Saturday after Congress rushed to approve the bipartisan deal. President Biden quickly signed the temporary funding bill to keep agencies open through mid-November. After days of turmoil in the U.S. House, Speaker Kevin McCarthy abruptly abandoned demands from right-wing Republicans for steep spending cuts. McCarthy instead relied on Democrats to pass the bill, at risk to his own job. The Senate followed with final passage closing a whirlwind day at the Capitol. The possibility of a federal government shutdown posed plenty of uncertainty for federal workers across America and the people who depend on them — from military personnel and border control agents to airport security teams, health care and childhood nutrition providers, and others. News of the budget compromise also was good news for coordinators of the weekend's Oregon International Airshow in McMinnville. A shutdown would have grounded the U.S. Navy's Blue Angels F-18 Super Hornets and other military aircraft and performers on Sunday. / EDUCATION, FINANCES, FAMILY, EMPLOYMENT: It's October, which means millions of Americans must resume repaying their federal student loans. For most, monthly payments average hundreds of dollars. To prepare, many borrowers have spent months cutting expenses, taking on additional work, and looking for options to reduce their monthly payments. It's not yet clear how millions of people suddenly having less discretionary income might affect the economy. According to credit bureau TransUnion, more than half of student loan holders added credit card debt during the pandemic. Consumer savings, which peaked in 2021, are on the decline. The Public Service Loan Forgiveness program is one of several avenues for relief still available to many with student debt. The program erases remaining debts for federal student loan holders who work in public service while making 10 years of payments. / CRIME: Kind of amazing how much mayhem a single dangerous driver can cause. 39-year-old Jason Robert Loe is in the Lane County Jail this</p>

morning, charged in connection with a big pursuit that started yesterday afternoon in Eugene, sped toward Pleasant Hill, then doubled back and ended in the Seavey Loop area. During the course of the incident, Eugene Police say Loe's silver Mercedes was involved in hit-and-run crashes at West 7th and Garfield and East 7th and Mill and that the vehicle ran red lights as it raced recklessly along major roadways—reaching speeds of 100 mph on Highway 58. As the Oregon State Police and Lane County Sheriff's Office joined the pursuit, officers placed spike strips on Highway 58 near Seavey Loop, flattening Loe's ties to slow the car and using a forcible stop maneuver halt his vehicle and take him into custody. /

## PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING FORM

DATE OF BROADCAST	10/03/23
TIME OF BROADCAST	5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM
NAME OF PROGRAM	Morning News
LENGTH OF PROGRAM	30 Seconds
ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS, GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMY, EVENTS: They say they have commitments for two-thirds of the needed funding and hope officials with Major League Baseball and the City of Eugene will allow more time to reach their goal. Officials with the Eugene Emeralds minor league baseball team released an update yesterday on efforts to create a new multi-use facility that could become the team's new home. With inflation, the price tag for the site at the Lane County Fairgrounds has climbed to about \$90 million. The Eugene Emeralds, like other High-A Minor League teams, are facing deadlines from Major League Baseball to either upgrade their existing stadium or build a new one. The Emeralds currently use the University of Oregon's PK Park but will need a different facility to avoid scheduling conflicts and to satisfy MLB's facility requirements. Lane County, and to a lesser degree the city and the legislature, have been looking at ways to help fund the stadium because the team and its games are a big summer economic driver, and a new facility could help spearhead a complete revamping of the fairgrounds parcel. But there's not unanimous support since some key county leaders think the team should foot most if not all the stadium costs. There's also strong organized opposition from neighbors. / SPORTS, COMMUNITY, CHILDREN, FAMILIES, DEVELOPMENT: Fundraising continues for the next phase of Civic Park. Leaders of the Eugene Civic Alliance are looking to add a 2,500-seat stadium to the facility in South Eugene, which is used by Kidsports and the community. The \$30 million "first phase" paid for construction of the Kidsports fieldhouse, playing fields and turf, along with the nearby parking area and landscaping. Phase Two is raising \$18 million for the stadium, which will include locker rooms, a small press box, a concourse for food trucks, and ADA-compliant restrooms. Coordinators say the expansion will allow Eugene and Civic Park to host large-scale sporting and cultural events. The Eugene Civic Alliance recently was awarded \$5 million dollars by state lawmakers in the form of Oregon Lottery-backed bonds and also received a \$1 million gift from a local family. Along with two other recent gifts, officials say they have \$13 million in hand and need only \$5 million more to complete the project. learn more and donate at <a href="https://eugene-civicalliance.org/">https://eugene-civicalliance.org/</a> Since it opened, officials say Civic Park has welcomed more than 300,000 visitors to the Kidsports Fieldhouse and the Market of Choice Turf Field. They say it provides a place for 30,000 kids each year to</p>

play, develop, and have fun. / **SAFETY:** All models of Onewheel self-balancing electric skateboards are being recalled after at least four deaths and multiple injuries. Federal regulators say the recalled skateboards, manufactured by Future Motion, can stop balancing a rider if the boards' limits are exceeded — leading to a risk of a serious crash. Officials with the Consumer Product Safety Commission say 300,000 Onewheels are affected. See details at <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2023/Future-Motion-Recalls-Onewheel-Self-Balancing-Electric-Skateboards-Due-to-Crash-Hazard-Four-Deaths-Reported> Company officials say they'll push out a firmware update for Onewheel GT, Pint X, Pint and XR boards in the coming weeks. But the original Onewheel and Onewheel+ boards are not able to receive that firmware update. Those with the early models instead can receive a refund in the form of a prorated store credit. / **ELECTIONS:** Ballots must be returned by 8 p.m. this evening or to an official dropbox for voters in Eugene's House District 8. Democratic State Representative Paul Holvey faces a recall. It comes after the United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555 collected signatures to place the issue on a special elections ballot. The group complained made several claims, including that Holvey took anti-labor stances during the legislative session and did not do enough to help cannabis workers unionize. Holvey, a former carpenters' union representative, says he was surprised by the recall effort and calls the group's claims reckless and misleading. / **SPORTS:** Former Oregon quarterback Justin Herbert is not expected to miss any playing time despite having a broken middle finger on his non-throwing hand. The Los Angeles Chargers QB fractured the middle finger on his left hand Sunday late in the third quarter after it got caught in the helmet of a Las Vegas Raiders defender. Herbert wore a split on the hand during the fourth quarter. He still ended up completing two of his three pass attempts in the fourth quarter, including one for 51 yards late in the fourth quarter to seal a 24-17 victory and improve Los Angeles' record to 2-2. ; Former NFL tight end Russ Francis—who played for Pleasant Hill High and the University of Oregon—died Sunday afternoon along with another aviation enthusiast when their single-engine plane crashed shortly after takeoff from the airport at Lake Placid, New York. The 70-year-old Francis was a first-round pick in the 1975 NFL draft and played with the New England Patriots and the San Francisco 49ers, where he was on the team that won the 1984 Super Bowl. / **BUSINESS:** The cannabis company Tilray expanded its position in the craft brew industry, completing the acquisition of eight beer brands from Anheuser-Busch that it had announced over the summer. Included in the deal are well known labels like Shock Top, Breckenridge Brewery, Blue Point Brewing Company, 10 Barrel Brewing Company, Redhook Brewery, Widmer Brothers Brewing, Square Mile Cider Company, and HiBall Energy. The acquisition comes with breweries and brewpubs associated with the labels. The companies did not disclose financial details of the deal, but Tilray said earlier this month when it announced the acquisition that it would be paying cash. /



## PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING FORM

DATE OF BROADCAST	10/04/23
TIME OF BROADCAST	5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM
NAME OF PROGRAM	Morning News
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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>DISASTERS, SAFETY: The message will read, "THIS IS ONLY A TEST." If all goes according to plan, at 11:20 this morning your smartphone and others across the U.S. will sound an alert, vibrate, and show a message on your screen. The same thing might happen on your television or radio. The federal government is conducting a test of our nationwide emergency alert system. These are the same types of alerts used to warn of earthquakes, wildfires, floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, and other disasters. Federal law requires the systems be tested at least once every three years. The last nationwide test was in 2021. Mobile phone users whose phones are on and within range of an active cell tower will receive the national test, called the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System. While wireless providers will transmit the test for 30 minutes, your phone should receive the alert just once and it should last only seconds, according to federal officials. An accompanying text message on your phone will say, "THIS IS A TEST of the National Wireless Emergency Alert System. No action is needed." If you are on the phone at the time of the test, it will not interrupt your call. / ELECTIONS: State Representative Paul Holvey easily weathered a recall vote yesterday in his Eugene district. The Democrat from House District 8 received votes of support from 90 percent of those casting ballots. Holvey was targeted by the United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555, which claimed he took anti-labor stances during the legislative session. Holvey, a former carpenters' union representative, said he was surprised by the recall effort and called the group's claims reckless and misleading. / LABOR, HEALTH: Close to 4,000 workers with Kaiser-Permanente in Oregon and Southwest Washington are on strike today. They're part of a larger, 75,000-worker walkout across five states and the District of Columbia. The strike does not include physicians, but it affects support positions represented by the Service Workers International Union Local 49. That includes vocational nurses, therapists, and nursing assistants; imaging technicians, phlebotomists, and behavioral health workers; home health aides, medical assistants, and others. A separate bargaining group of Kaiser pharmacists and pharmacy techs went on strike on Sunday, 400 of whom are in Oregon. The bulk of the twin strikes affect the Portland and Salem metro areas. Kaiser-Permanente has a smaller footprint in Eugene-Springfield, including medical offices off Garden Way and a dental office at Valley River. This is the latest in a series of walkouts in</p>

the healthcare field. Workers are pushing for increased staffing in the wake of the pandemic. But their employers say they are facing a growing financial crunch. /

**CRIME, SAFETY, HEALTH:** Monday morning in Portland, first responders rushed to treat and resuscitate eight people after they ingested what appeared to be a powder laced with fentanyl. The Oregonian and OregonLive report that the eight were discovered at a Northwest Portland park. Four were taken to hospitals. Four others were treated at the scene. Officials say those who overdosed appeared to be in their "late teens and early twenties." Portland firefighters treated the eight people with naloxone, an opioid overdose reversal drug. All are expected to survive. The incident marks the highest number of overdoses in a single response in the fire agency's history. /

**RECREATION, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** A big road repair project is closing an 18-mile stretch of a scenic route between Westfir and Blue River for the next couple of weeks. Crews are working to resurface the road and repair slope failures along Forest Road 19 in the Willamette National Forest, which is also known as the Aufderheide Drive. The closure runs from Milepost 32 to Milepost 50.5. But while it will be in effect through October 19, crews will keep the entire route open this Sunday (Oct. 9) and Friday through Sunday of next weekend (Oct. 13-15). The closure area will include Terwilliger Hot Springs south to Box Canyon. The hot springs will remain open but will only be accessible from the north on most days, and visitors should expect heavy truck traffic. The following recreation sites will not be accessible during the closure: Cougar Crossing Campground, French Pete Trailhead, Rebel Creek Trailhead, Frissell Crossing Trailhead, Ollalie Trailhead, and Roaring River Ridge South Trailhead. Aufderheide Drive is part of the West Cascades National Scenic Byway, connecting the McKenzie River Ranger District and Middle Fork Ranger District. /

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EVENTS: The Powerball jackpot has climbed to \$1.4 billion after no one matched all six numbers last night. Your next shot at the top prize is Saturday night. No matter how large the prize grows the odds stay the same: 1 in 292 million. The \$1.4 billion jackpot is for a winner who takes an annuity, paid annually over 30 years. If you choose the cash option, you will receive an estimated \$643.7 million, before taxes. State lotteries immediately deduct 24 percent of jackpot winnings for federal taxes, and additional federal taxes may be required when filing federal tax returns. State taxes vary, as some states don't tax lottery winnings at all, and others tax the money at different rates. Players who buy winning grand prize tickets in a state other than where they live must pay taxes based on where they bought the ticket. / FAMILY, FINANCES, CHILDREN: For the first time in two years, close to 220,000 childcare providers across the U.S. are no longer receiving checks from the federal government. They were participants in a pandemic-era program to help cover the cost of services. The funding that started in 2021 and ended Saturday was meant to stabilize the industry during the COVID-19 pandemic. Providers say ending it puts at risk millions of children and their families. The program provides staff retention bonuses, assists with paying utility bills, and covers rent or curriculum costs. The payments ranged from a few hundred dollars to tens of thousands of dollars. Providers say the program was a lifeline for their industry. For years, they have raised the alarm about high costs that leave centers with razor-thin profit margins. They say the loss of federal support could lead some providers to close their doors or result in a general decrease in the quality of early education services. Rural providers that serve lower-income children are expected to be hit the hardest. / GOVERNMENT, ECONOMY: The Oregonian and OregonLive report that a poor investment performance has created a funding deficit in the state's public employee pension system. The gap grew by a whopping \$8 billion last year, its worst investment performance in more than a decade. Reporter Ted Sickinger notes that potentially sets the stage for a bigger strain on government employers in the years ahead. The Oregon Public Employees Retirement System ended last year with \$28 billion in unfunded liabilities. Cutting the PERS (say: purrs) deficit would require some combination of higher investment returns or raising the amount of money contributed by employers like schools, libraries, and local governments. But if

governments and other public agencies wind up having to put more money into the PERS system, it will mean less money for current programs and staff. / WILDFIRES: Wildfire season is not over yet. That was a four-acre brush fire late yesterday afternoon on the west side of town. Crews say it started near the bike path off Terry Street and was spread by afternoon winds. Its cause is being investigated. / HEALTH, PANDEMIC: Say goodbye to the COVID-19 vaccination card. The CDC has stopped printing them. The once-critical white COVID-19 vaccination cards are being phased out. Vaccines are not being distributed by the federal government anymore, so the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has stopped printing new cards. You may still get proof of vaccination from a doctor or state health department. Some states have online options that create a QR code. Health officials recommend keeping your card in a safe place if you still have one. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: The first season of an 18-team, bicoastal Big Ten Conference will include Oregon hosting Ohio State, Michigan State, Washington, Illinois, and Maryland at Autzen Stadium in 2024. The Ducks will be on the road at Michigan, Wisconsin, Purdue, and UCLA. The Big Ten yesterday released five seasons' worth of football opponents for each of its schools—including its new members from the Pac-12. The conference is adding Oregon, Washington, USC, and UCLA next year to a league that otherwise is based in the Eastern and Central time zones. No game dates yet, but they're expected to be released by the end of this month. The schedules include 12 annual protected rivalry games—including Oregon-Washington—and no more than one trip to the West Coast for any of the league's Eastern and Central time zone members. The four West Coast schools will not face each other every season. In 2024, for example, Oregon and USC do not have a match-up. Also still unknown, whether the Ducks will use some of their non-conference dates for traditional opponents such as Oregon State. Big Ten officials say they worked to weigh competitive balance, traditional rivalries, television ratings, and the challenge of some very long road trips. They said that involved considering 262 versions of a football schedule for the conference's soon-to-be 18 members. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION, GOVERNMENT: The U.S. government appears poised to order a recall of millions of air bag inflators due to a manufacturing flaw that could send metal shrapnel rocketing through a car interior. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration held a public hearing Thursday on air bags made by ARC Automotive of Tennessee. At least 25 million vehicles containing ARC-made air bags could be affected. ARC has refused to issue a full-scale recall, setting the stage for the possible court fight. / GOVERNMENT, UTILITIES, ENVIRONMENT, FISHERIES: President Biden made it official yesterday, directing federal agencies to use all available authority and resources to restore, quote, "healthy and abundant" salmon runs in the Columbia River Basin. Biden's formal order on Thursday stops short of calling for the removal of four hydroelectric dams on the Lower Snake River in Washington state. That's an action that tribes and conservation groups have long urged to save threatened fish populations. Removal of the dams would require congressional approval and could raise electric rates for millions of customers in the Northwest who rely on hydropower. / ECONOMY: The nation's employers</p>

added 336,000 jobs in September, an unexpectedly strong gain that suggests many companies remain confident enough to keep hiring despite high interest rates and a hazy outlook for the economy. Job growth in the United States has remained resilient for the past 2 1/2 years even after high inflation flared and the Federal Reserve jacked up interest rates at the fastest pace in four decades. Additional threats to the economy have emerged in recent weeks, including much higher long-term interest rates, rising energy prices, the resumption of student loan payments, widening labor strikes and the ongoing threat of a government shutdown. ; The Powerball jackpot for Saturday night's drawing is \$1.4 billion. The \$1.4 billion jackpot is for a winner who takes an annuity, paid annually over 30 years. If you choose the cash option, you will receive an estimated \$643.7 million. Tonight's Mega Millions jackpot is \$350 million. Saturday's MegaBucks jackpot is \$3.7 million. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: Oregon remains at No. 8 in the college football rankings coming off its "bye" week. Oregon State holds at No. 15 after defeating Cal in Berkeley. The Ducks head to Seattle on Saturday for a Top 10 clash with the No. 7 Washington Huskies at 12:30 p.m. on ABC. Both teams are 5-0. ESPN College GameDay will broadcast live from Seattle Saturday morning. The Beavs host UCLA Saturday at Reser Stadium in Corvallis. Kickoff is at 5 p.m. on FOX. / HEALTH, BUSINESS: Take a dose of patience when you visit U.S. pharmacy counters this fall. Autumn is the busiest season for pharmacies with students' return to school, the onset of cold and flu season, and demand for a wide variety of vaccine doses. Staffing and prescription drug shortages are still with us. Managing insurance billing remains complex. Some pharmacies are working to add employees during their busiest hours. But experts say many locations are still struggling to manage the workload. / ECONOMY, FINANCES, RECREATION: The Powerball jackpot for tonight's drawing is \$1.55 billion. The top prize is for a winner who gets all six numbers correct and opts for an annuity, paid annually for 30 years. If you choose the cash option, you will receive an estimated \$679 million. Tuesday's Mega Millions jackpot is \$20 million. Today's MegaBucks jackpot is \$3.8 million. /</p>

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>ECONOMY, GOVERNMENT, FINANCES: If you're an Oregon taxpayer, you're probably due a little bit of money. Oregon's record \$5.6 billion revenue surplus will be returned to taxpayers in the form of an income tax credit known as a "kicker." Officials say it is the largest in state history. It will be credited next year when you file your 2023 state personal income taxes. A typical Oregon taxpayer is expected to receive a \$980 credit, according to state economists. You may claim the kicker if you filed a 2022 tax return and had tax due before applying any tax credits. Under Oregon law, the kicker is triggered when actual revenues exceed official projections by at least two percent. / EDUCATION, FINANCES, GOVERNMENT: President Biden's second attempt at student loan cancellation is moving forward as a group of negotiators meets to debate what a new proposal might look like. Fourteen people chosen by the Biden administration will meet today for the first of three hearings on student loan relief. The negotiators all come from outside the federal government and include students, college leaders, loan servicers, state officials, and advocates from groups including the NAACP. They're looking for a way forward after the U.S. Supreme Court blocked the administration's original efforts. It's unclear who would be eligible for forgiveness under the new plan or how much relief they might receive. Republicans oppose the effort, saying it is an unfair burden for taxpayers who did not attend college—or those who did and have already paid off their student loans. / SAFETY, AGRICULTURE: Another big hay fire in the mid-Willamette Valley. This one was spotted around 2 a.m. yesterday just west of Albany, near Riverside and Bryant Drives. It's a massive hay pile—about 300 feet long and 50-70 feet wide. And it will burn and smolder for days. Loren from KVAL-TV checked in this morning and says you can still see the flames and the smoke if you're nearby. Firefighters say because of nearby power transmission lines, they can't really use a lot of hoses. Instead, they're ensuring the blaze does not spread as it burns itself out. The cause is being investigated. Just last month, a fire in a hay barn just off Interstate 5 near Brownsville sent smoke into the air for days. / HEALTH, BUSINESS: More changes being planned in our local healthcare landscape: PeaceHealth officials say that in December they're moving the staff and services of their West Eugene Urgent Care Clinic from its location off West 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue near Seneca Road. They'll relocate into PeaceHealth's medical building at 12<sup>th</sup> and Hilyard Streets—</p>



across the street from its University District Medical Center. Just last month, PeaceHealth officials said they're beginning to wind down operations at their University District hospital. In this week's news release, they say shifting the urgent care clinic from West Eugene will provide walk-in care closer to downtown and the University of Oregon campus. Last month's announcement of the planned closure of PeaceHealth's University District medical Center has triggered strong opposition from local residents and officials, along with employee groups. /

**ECONOMY, RECREATION, FINANCES:** The Powerball jackpot is climbing again. Nobody selected all six correct numbers last night, so the top prize is up to \$1.725 billion on Wednesday evening. Should you guess every number, you could opt for an annuity paid annually for 30 years. Or you could choose the cash option and receive an estimated \$756 million. State lotteries immediately deduct 24 percent of jackpot winnings for federal taxes, and additional federal taxes may be required when filing federal tax returns. State taxes vary, as some states don't tax lottery winnings at all, and others tax the money at different rates. Players who buy winning grand prize tickets in a state other than where they live must pay taxes based on where they bought the ticket. Tonight's Mega Millions jackpot is \$20 million. Wednesday's MegaBucks jackpot is \$3.9 million. /

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EDUCATION, COMMUNITY, DEVELOPMENT: It takes a lot of work and a lot of people to build a new school. The work on the new North Eugene High School is first-class. Last night, thousands toured the new facility. The building opened for classes last month for the start of Fall Term and its getting rave reviews from students and staff. It can serve up to 1,200 students in grades 9-12. The building alone covers 212,000 square feet on a ten-and-a-half acre site. The new North Eugene High features updated classrooms and labs, top-notch wood and metal shops, a terrific new main gym, a state-of-the-art auditorium, and a comfortable and modern library. Students say they like the small group study areas and the large cafeteria and socializing area known as "The Commons," and the expansive inner courtyard. Teachers say the modern classrooms have better lighting and acoustics, making it a lot easier for students to focus and learn. Plus, there are wide hallways and staircases, making it easier to get around. In 2018, Eugene School District voters approved a bond issue that paid for this and several other new schools. We haven't had a new high school built in Eugene in more than half a century—since 1966. Now that the new North Eugene High is open on Silver Lane, plans are moving forward to dismantle the old school and turn the acreage into open space. That includes construction of a pair of grass fields that could be used for soccer and other activities. / ECONOMY, RECREATION, FINANCES: After 35 straight drawings without a big winner, Powerball players will have a shot today at a near-record jackpot worth an estimated \$1.73 billion. It would be the second largest of any lottery prize ever, topped only by the \$2.04 billion Powerball won by a player in California last November. If you get every number correct and win, you may opt for an annuity paid annually for 30 years or the cash option of an estimated \$756 million. Powerball's odds of winning the jackpot are 1 in 292. Oregon Lottery officials say last Wednesday's drawing included a \$1 million ticket sold in Mill City. Monday's drawing included a ticket sold in Eugene worth \$50,000. / ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION, EVENTS, WEATHER: Will Saturday's big solar eclipse be blocked by clouds here in Oregon? Tens of millions in the Americas will have front-row seats for the rare "ring of fire" eclipse of the sun. But the weather for its path across Oregon is looking increasingly cloudy. This will be what's known as an annular solar eclipse — better known as a "Ring of Fire." Unlike a total solar eclipse, the moon is a bit farther from Earth so it

won't completely cover the sun. Instead, the sun's outer edge will appear as a blazing border. But you'll still need to use eclipse glass or a shadow box or other safe device to protect your eyesight. The "Ring of Fire" eclipse will briefly dim the skies over parts of the western U.S. and Central and South America. The rest of the Western Hemisphere will see a partial solar eclipse. In Oregon, the peak shadow from annular eclipse will arrive across the Central Coast and sweep over Eugene-Springfield and other parts of the Western Oregon around 9:16 a.m. Saturday and last for anywhere from two- to four-and-a-half minutes. The peak eclipse region stretches roughly between Corvallis to just north of Grants Pass, and reaches across South-Central Oregon before heading for points south and east. / GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS, FINANCES: The Federal Trade Commission on Wednesday proposed a rule to ban any hidden and bogus junk fees, which can mask the total cost of concert tickets, hotel rooms and utility bills. President Biden has made the removal of these fees a priority of his administration. Administration officials say the additional costs inflate prices and waste people's time. The FTC proposal, touted as "honest pricing," is being coupled with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau announcing that it will block large banks from charging junk fees to provide basic customer services. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>FINANCES, OLDER ADULTS, HEALTH, ECONOMY: Millions of Social Security recipients will receive a 3.2 percent increase in their benefits in 2024. That's far less than this year's historic boost of 8.7 percent and reflects slowing inflation and moderating consumer prices. The Social Security Administration says recipients will get the additional money starting in January. About 71 million people including retirees, people with disabilities, and some children receive Social Security benefits. Social Security is financed by payroll taxes collected from workers and their employers. The maximum amount of earnings subject to Social Security payroll taxes will be \$168,600 for 2024, up from \$160,200 for 2023. The cost-of-living increase is calculated according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index, or CPI. But there are calls for the agency to instead use a different index, the CPI-E, which measures price changes based on the spending patterns of the elderly, like health care, food and medicine costs. Any change to the calculation would require congressional approval. But with decades of inaction on Social Security and with the U.S. House at a standstill after the ouster of Speaker Kevin McCarthy, seniors and their advocates say they don't have confidence any sort of change will be approved soon. The annual Social Security and Medicare trustees report released in March said the program's trust fund will be unable to pay full benefits beginning in 2033. If the trust fund is depleted, the government will be able to pay only 77 percent of scheduled benefits, the report said. There have been legislative proposals to shore up Social Security, but they have not made it past committee hearings. / ECONOMY, BUSINESS,</p> <p>FINANCES: Inflation remained steady last month, but it's still a lot lower than it was this time last year. Over a 12-month period from September 2022 to last month, prices rose 3.7 percent, driven largely by higher gasoline and housing costs. That's much better than last year, when inflation was spiking to 40-year highs. Among the things driving September's monthly inflation rate of four-tenths of one percent: hiring, which surged unexpectedly in September. That continues to fuel consumer spending, the principal driver of the economy. But wage growth slowed a bit. Analysts think that might help ease inflationary pressures over the long run. Officials with the Federal Reserve have been raising interest rates since March of 2022 in an effort to slow economic growth and bring inflation under control—and price increases have been slowing for months, increasing hopes the</p>

central bank might be finished hiking interest rates. ; Someone who purchased a ticket in California has won the \$1.765 billion Powerball jackpot, ending a long stretch without a winner of the top prize. The winning numbers drawn Wednesday night were: 22, 24, 40, 52, 64 and the Powerball 10. The jackpot is the second largest in the world, topped only by the \$2.04 billion Powerball prize won by a player in California last November. The \$1.765 billion is for a winner who elects to be paid through an annuity over 30 years. Winners almost always choose the cash payout option, which for Wednesday night's drawing was \$774.1 million. / BUSINESS, EMPLOYMENT: Demand is climbing for skilled workers in a number of trade professions. Among them: plumbers. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Oregon plumbers had the sixth highest average wage for plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters in the nation in 2022. The Oregon Employment Department estimates half of all Oregon plumbers, pipefitters, and steamfitters earned more than \$39.71 per hour. / GOVERNMENT, FAMILY, HEALTH, SAFETY: We're now more than five weeks into the official rollout of Paid Leave Oregon. Already, state officials say they've paid \$21 million in benefits and approved more than 13,000 applications. Officials say they are receiving more than 400 new claims per day and are processing slightly more than that each day. While the Oregon Employment department has worked to streamline online access and applications to Paid Leave Oregon, they say anyone having difficulty may call their customer service lines. They say most callers are on hold for less than 15 minutes. Program managers say the category for which they've received the most applications are from those who are new parents—whether they've had, adopted, or fostered a child. Paid Leave Oregon also allows workers across Oregon to apply to benefits if they're dealing with a serious health issue, caring for a family member with a serious health issue, or if they or their child experience sexual assault, domestic violence, harassment, or stalking. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>EVENTS, WEATHER, ENVIRONMENT: Don't know whether we'll have enough of a break in the clouds to see Saturday morning's annular "Ring of Fire" eclipse, but fingers crossed! At its peak, the path of the maximum eclipse stretches from Lincoln Beach to Bandon on the coast, from just south of Corvallis to just north of Grants Pass, across Crater Lake National Park, and over La Pine in Central Oregon, Klamath Falls in Southern Oregon, and then Lakeview. And please wear eye protection. Even an annular eclipse on a cloudy day can permanently damage your vision if viewed directly or in reflections of water or other surfaces. Pull out your eclipse glasses from a few years ago, build a pinhole projector or attend an eclipse-viewing event. / EVENTS: Someone in California won Wednesday's big Powerball prize. But Oregon Lottery officials say a ticket sold in Eugene is worth \$100,000, presumably from matching four numbers plus the Powerball and purchasing the Power Play option for an extra dollar. / LAW ENFORCEMENT, CRIME: The district attorney says a Lane County Sheriff's Deputy's actions were justified when he shot and killed a suspect who had grabbed an officer's gun during a scuffle with several members of law enforcement, including State Police and Coburg Police. It happened on September 14, when officials say the suspect, 18-year-old Lucas Jansma, was spotted in Coburg in a stolen vehicle and fled a traffic stop, speeding down Coburg Road in the car at up to 90 miles per hour. The chase ended in the parking lot of a condominium complex off Coburg Road near Harlow Road. Officers from multiple agencies said that during efforts to arrest Jansma he grabbed a Coburg Police officer's firearm from the officer's belt, firing one shot which struck the officer in the buttock. During a scuffle with several other law enforcement officers, LCSO Sergeant Ryan Lane told investigators he feared one of the officers might be shot and killed. Lane fired two shots, one of which struck Jansma in the head. A review from the district attorney's office noted that it was unfortunate officers were placed in the dangerous situation, but concluded the use of deadly force was justified. / HEALTH, MEDICINE, DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMY: Opponents of PeaceHealth's plan to shutter Eugene's University District Medical Center are staging another protest today. They say a coalition of frontline nurses and health care workers, union leaders, elected leaders, students, and community advocates will hold a "die-in" to highlight their concerns</p>

about the potential loss of life should Eugene lose its only hospital. PeaceHealth announced in August it plans to shift the bulk of its University District operations to its Riverbend Medical Center in Springfield. But opponents fear that will lead to longer waits and slower emergency response times. / **HEALTH, LABOR:** Unions representing 75,000 health care workers who recently held a three-day walkout in five states, including Oregon, have a tentative agreement with health industry giant Kaiser Permanente. Officials with Service Workers International Union Local 49 says the 4,000 Oregon workers include vocational nurses, therapists, and nursing assistants; imaging technicians, phlebotomists, and behavioral health workers; home health aides, medical assistants, and others. Kaiser is mostly in the Portland and Salem metro areas, but has a smaller footprint in Eugene-Springfield, including medical offices off Garden Way and a dental office at Valley River. / **ECONOMY, FINANCES:** Home loan borrowing costs rose for the fifth straight week, keeping the average long-term U.S. mortgage rate at its highest level in more than two decades and taking another bite out of prospective homebuyers' purchasing power. The average rate on the benchmark 30-year home loan rose to 7.57 percent from 7.49 percent last week, mortgage buyer Freddie Mac said Thursday. A year ago, the rate averaged 6.92 percent. High rates can add hundreds of dollars a month in costs for borrowers, limiting how much they can afford in a market already out of reach for many Americans. / **COMMUNITY, WILDFIRE RECOVERY, DEVELOPMENT:** The rebuilding of the community of Blue River continues. Three years after the Holiday Farm Fire swept through town, destroying most buildings, there was a groundbreaking ceremony yesterday for the new McKenzie Valley Wellness Clinic, operated by Orchid Health. The clinic opened in a temporary building a few miles east off Highway 126 to serve the Upper McKenzie Valley. But the site that's under construction brings the clinic's mix of prevention and wellness care, assessment, treatment, diagnostic testing, and behavioral health to the heart of Blue River. It comes as other rebuilding efforts continue in the town, including neighborhoods, the business district, and a replacement fire station. / **FAMILY, HEALTH, EMPLOYMENT, GOVERNMENT:** We're now more than five weeks into the official rollout of Paid Leave Oregon. Already, state officials say they've paid \$21 million in benefits and approved more than 13,000 applications. Officials say they are receiving more than 400 new claims per day and are processing slightly more than that each day. While the Oregon Employment Department has worked to streamline online access and applications to Paid Leave Oregon, they say anyone having difficulty may call their customer service lines. They say most callers are on hold for less than 15 minutes. Program managers say the category for which they've received the most applications are from those who are new parents—whether they've had, adopted, or fostered a child. Paid Leave Oregon also allows workers across Oregon to apply to benefits if they're dealing with a serious health issue, caring for a family member with a serious health issue, or if they or their child experience sexual assault, domestic violence, harassment, or stalking. / **SPORTS:** No. 8 Oregon visits No. 7 Washington for a Top-10 showdown. The game kicks off at 12:30 p.m. on ABC. ESPN College GameDay is broadcasting live from Seattle on Saturday morning. No. 15 Oregon State hosts UCLA Saturday at Reser Stadium in Corvallis. Kickoff is at 5 p.m. on FOX. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: You know, some said it was the best college football contest so far this year. But Oregon coach Dan Lanning says he's going to reassess some of his decisions after the Ducks failed on three fourth down attempts, which became a deciding factor in their loss to Washington. The Huskies climbed to No. 5. Oregon slipped three notches to Number 11 in the latest Associated Press Top 25 College football poll. As for Oregon State, they're up to No. 12 after their win over UCLA, which fell to No. 25. / ECONOMY, BUSINESS: No word yet on whether it will affect locations in Oregon, but it's another big shake-up in the retail landscape. Major U.S. pharmacy chain Rite Aid says it's filed for bankruptcy protection. And while it's received some fresh financing, it is planning to close some of its 2,100 stores in 17 states. No details on that yet. One of the big reasons for the bankruptcy filing, Rite-Aid is coping with years of falling sales and with lawsuits alleging that the drugstore chain helped fuel the nation's opioid epidemic by unlawfully filling prescriptions for the painkillers. In 2022, Rite Aid settled for up to \$30 million to resolve some suits alleging pharmacies contributed to an oversupply of prescription opioids—it was) one of several major pharmacy chains to face a series of lawsuits related to the addictive drugs. / EVENTS, WEATHER, ENVIRONMENT: Clouds blocked much of the view here in Oregon. But blue skies fueled cheers and shouts of joy elsewhere as a rare "ring of fire" eclipse of the sun made its way across the Americas. Unlike during a total solar eclipse, the moon doesn't completely cover the sun during a ring of fire eclipse. When the moon lines up between Earth and the sun, it leaves a bright, blazing border. Saturday's eclipse followed a narrow path from Oregon to Texas and then into parts of Central and South America. In New Mexico, tens of thousands of people attending an international balloon fiesta got a double treat—the eclipse and a "balloon glow," where pilots keep their hot-air balloons on the ground but hit their jets in the darkness to illuminate the colorful balloon envelopes. /</p>



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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>HEALTH, BUSINESS: Looking to get your seasonal flu or COVID shot, or the latest RSV or pneumonia vaccine? Practice your patience. Appointments have filled up quickly at pharmacies across the region. And waits for drop-in vaccinations can run up to two hours. There are several factors fueling the crunch: Not only are there a number of new and updated vaccines, but the school year is getting underway, and many primary care practices no longer offer vaccination doses during patient visits. For many, that means waiting until next month to grab an appointment at the local pharmacy or health department—or setting aside a bit more time than usual to stand in the drop-in appointment line. Hey, and be nice to the pharmacy staff when you're there: They are slammed and working to assist as many people as they can while still performing their other jobs. / SPORTS: The No. 11 Oregon Football team hosts Washington State Saturday at Eugene's Autzen Stadium. Kick-off is shortly after 12:30 p.m. on ABC (KEZI-TV). No. 12 Oregon State has the week off. /</p>

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>YOUTH, SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION, FAMILIES: If you have a teen driver in the household, you want to make sure that they're safe when they're behind the wheel. The good news is that crash and fatality rates among drivers under age 21 have fallen dramatically over the past two decades, according to a new report. Crashes and fatalities climbed a bit for older drivers. But the study notes young drivers remain the riskiest group behind the wheel. The analysis from the Governors Highway Safety Association points to several factors in reducing the teen and young adult crash and fatality rates. One is potentially surprising: Young people are driving less than they were 20 years ago. Some parents say that's not completely unexpected if they have a teen who's not in a big hurry to get their license or even their learner's permit. But other key factors include state programs that phase in driving privileges, often by restricting or banning certain activities. That might include not allowing teens to drive at night or prohibiting driving with other teens in the vehicle. The study also recommends enhancing parents' participation in their child's driving education. / CRIME: We're 3-1/2 years past the start of the pandemic that created all sorts of social turmoil, including a big spike in crime. But new data released by the FBI shows violent crime incidents now have fallen back to their pre-pandemic levels. It's part of the FBI's annual "Crime in the Nation" report. The study found significant decreases in murder and non-negligent manslaughter, rape and aggravated assault. But there was a slight increase in robberies. And property crimes jumped 7.1 percent. Leading the way: Motor vehicle theft climbed by close to 11 percent. / TRANSPORTATION, FINANCES: Fuel prices have fallen dramatically over the past week here in Eugene-Springfield. This morning's average price for a gallon of regular unleaded is \$4.34. That's 15 cents per gallon lower than one week ago. It's also 93 cents per gallon lower than one year ago. Diesel prices average \$4.93 per gallon this morning. That's down about seven cents from last week. / DISASTERS, SAFETY, COMMUNITY, FAMILY, EDUCATION: Earthquakes can strike any time without warning. When the earth starts to shake, you need to know how to protect yourself. Tomorrow's Great Oregon ShakeOut is part of a global drill for people to practice how to stay safe during an earthquake. Already, more than 600,000 Oregonians have registered at <a href="https://www.shakeout.org/oregon/">https://www.shakeout.org/oregon/</a> to take part in the drill at 10:20 a.m. on Thursday, October 19. They've pledged to Drop, Cover</p>

and Hold On for at least 60 seconds, to simulate how they'd react if a major earthquake were occurring. You can do it at work, at school, at home, wherever and whenever is most convenient. The important thing is to take part, think about how you can your family can stay safe, and review your emergency preparations. Oregon averages close to 70 earthquakes a year; 15 of those are large enough to be felt. Most are crustal quakes that occur at relatively shallow depths. The Cascadia Subduction Zone – a 600-mile fault located off the Pacific coast shoreline – puts Oregon at risk for a 9.0+ magnitude earthquake. A Cascadia quake could cause up to four minutes of shaking or rolling, followed by a tsunami of up to 100 feet in height that will impact the state's coastal areas. But there are simple and effective free and low-cost steps you can take to prepare for an earthquake. They include identifying hazards and securing moveable items, signing up to receive local emergency alerts at <https://oralert.gov/>, and enabling Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) on your cellphones and other mobile devices. If you live in Oregon, Washington, or California, WEA earthquake early warnings notifications for temblors magnitude 4.5 or greater can offer critical seconds of warning. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>CRIME: Eugene Police arrested three people Tuesday evening during a retail theft crackdown at outdoor store REI. Members of EPD's Property and Financial Crimes Unit conducted a four-hour sting operation at the store at 3rd and Lawrence Streets. 41-year-old Bryan Michael Sexson, 56-year-old Tina Gayle Kramer, and 29-year-old Jesse Alan Rook face Second-Degree Theft charges. Investigators say Rook also was wanted on earlier warrants, including Theft, Burglary, and being a Felon in Possession of a Weapon. Police say there were several other theft attempts during the operation, but that the suspects became nervous, abandoned the property they had acquired, and left the store empty-handed. / EMPLOYMENT, BUSINESS: Oregon employers continued to add jobs last month—8,100 of them, according to new numbers from the state employment department. Oregon's unemployment rate was 3.5 percent in September, up just a tick from 3.4 percent in August. That remains below the U.S. unemployment rate of 3.8 percent. The largest gains in the construction field, which added a net 3,200 jobs, followed by professional and business services, and leisure and hospitality. Construction employment has been a bright light the past year across the state. It accounts for 119,900 total jobs and has expanded by two percent over the last 12 months. Analysts say the leisure and hospitality sector has expanded rapidly and consistently over the past 24 months, adding close to 24,000 jobs during that time. But those employers still are recovering from the pandemic-caused recession. The combined number of jobs in Leisure and Hospitality remains about 5,700 jobs below its pre-recession peak. / YOUTH, EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION: A big grant to help underserved young people pick up some important job skills and get on-track to a future career. Connected Lane County was just awarded \$1.4 million dollars from a workforce-ready program managed by the state's Higher Education Coordinating Commission. Connected Lane County supports youth between the ages of 14 and 24 by helping them stay in school while learning valuable job skills. Without it, officials say some students would have to have drop out of school and go to work to make ends meet. This grant expands the group's Manufacturing, Technology, and Health Excelerators, providing Connected Lane County participants with 250 hours of paid training, followed by a paid internship with local employers. The grant funds will cover youth wages and payroll taxes, and support services</p>

including transportation, clothing, shoes, and food. Last year, Connected Lane County served more than 3,000 teens and young adults. / WILDFIRES, WILDFIRE RECOVERY: Now that temperatures are cooler and rains have returned, officials with the Oregon Department of Forestry say our 2023 wildfire season has officially ended. That means lifting restrictions on the 16 million acres of private, county, state, and federal forest and grazing lands protected by the agency. It was another busy year: There were 975 fires on ODF-protected lands affecting close to 18,000 acres. That's in addition to fires that burned across federally protected lands in Oregon. When you add those in, the totals jump to more than 1,900 fires across more than 190,000 acres. Many blazes were sparked by lightning, but a number were human-caused and preventable. But crews got on many of those blazes quickly, dousing 94 percent of the fire starts before they grew beyond ten acres. That helped keep the overall acreage burned well below the ten-year average. The Oregon Department of Forestry also assisted other agencies, deploying firefighters to shore up lines on the Willamette National Forest and taking part in a mutual-aid operation in Alberta, Canada. As fire season ends, crews are shifting their attention from wildfire protection and response to clean-up and mitigation. They are working with landowners on clearing vegetation, creating defensible space around homes, and safely burning debris piles. / ENERGY, UTILITIES, DISASTERS, GOVERNMENT: The Biden administration yesterday announced \$3.5 billion for 58 projects across the country to strengthen electric grid resilience as extreme weather events such as the deadly Maui and California wildfires continue to strain the nation's aging transmission systems. Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm says it was the largest federal investment ever in grid infrastructure, supporting projects that will harden electric systems and improve energy reliability and affordability. She adds that the federal spending, combined with money promised by private partners, could result in up to \$8 billion in investments nationally to upgrade the grid. Western utility PacificCorp is receiving \$150 million to upgrade its regional grid, decrease outages, and reduce wildfire damage in Oregon, California, and four other states. Those upgrades include installing fire-resistant utility poles and covered conductors, and upgrading wildfire forecasting and detection systems. East of the Cascades, \$250 million will go to the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation and Portland General Electric. The money will help the tribes expand their solar and wind generation arrays across their sprawling reservation in North Central Oregon, which is an ideal location for such renewable resources. The effort includes funding to upgrade storage and transmission capacity, so much of that power may be sold to PGE customers in the Willamette Valley. The project also includes service improvements across the reservation. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>WEATHER, SAFETY: Oregon will see a warmer-than-usual winter with the possibility of a mild drought, according to federal forecasters. The scientists are working to predict the effects of the arriving El Nino weather cycle. They say most northern states will be warmer than usual this winter—meaning potentially less snowpack—while southern states see some extra storms. El Nino is a natural periodic warming of parts of the Pacific Ocean that alters weather patterns worldwide and generally heats up global temperatures. It has its strongest effects during the winter. That's when it sends the jet stream, which propels storm systems, on an unusual path as the warmer and wetter Pacific air moves south. The forecasters say climate change is a factor in their forecast, especially since wintertime is when people across the Northern Hemisphere burn more coal, oil, and natural gas for heating. / TRANSPORTATION: Owners of Toyota and Lexus electric vehicles in North America will be able to charge on Tesla's network starting in 2025, and the Japanese automaker also will start using Tesla's EV connector. Existing Toyota EVs with the Combined Charging System plug will be able to use an adapter to charge at Tesla stations, also starting in 2025. Toyota's agreement with Tesla gives EV owners access to more than 12,000 Tesla plugs in North America. Tesla's Supercharger network is coveted by other automakers because it has more direct current fast-charging plugs in the U.S. than any other network, and its stations are in prime locations along freeway travel corridors. / YOUTH, HEALTH, GOVERNMENT, COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT: Communities across the U.S. are confronting a new vaping problem: how to get rid of millions of disposable e-cigarettes that are considered hazardous waste. The devices contain nicotine, lithium and other materials that cannot easily be reused or recycled. But under federal law they also aren't supposed to go in the trash. Some local officials are finding their ways to dispose of e-cigarettes collected from schools, colleges and vape shops. But it can be labor-intensive and expensive. Some ship the e-cigs by the thousands to industrial incinerators—sometimes hundreds of miles away. Vaping critics say the industry has skirted responsibility for the environmental impact of its products. / ECONOMY, HOUSING: Sales of previously occupied U.S. homes fell for the fourth month in a row in September, held back by surging mortgage rates and a limited supply of properties on the market. Existing home sales fell 2 percent from August,</p>

according to the National Association of Realtors. Sales are down 15.4 percent compared with the same time last year. The realtors' group says the national median sales price rose a bit—by 2.8 percent over the past 12 months—to \$394,300. ; Rite Aid officials announced this month they plan to close about seven percent of their stores initially, as the drugstore chain makes its way through a Chapter 11 bankruptcy restructuring. The company yesterday submitted a list of the first 154 stores in a court filing. So far, only one is in Oregon—a Rite-Aid in Northeast Portland. There's more of an impact in Washington state and California. Rite Aid operates more than 2,200 locations in 17 states. /

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CRIME: A man was jailed on multiple charges Saturday after Eugene Police say he fired a splatter ball gun into a crowd of protesters. It happened during a march related to the war between Israel and Hamas. The estimated 200 protesters—some holding pro-Palestinian signs—were marching southbound on Pearl Street near 8th Avenue when investigators say a man identified as 51-year-old Jonathan James Wisbey stopped his pickup and blocked the crowd. Police say there was a verbal altercation and members of the protest slashed one of the truck's tires. Officials say Wisbey got out of his truck and shot a splatter ball gun into the crowd. A couple of protestors armed with handguns drew their weapons. Eugene Police say they quickly challenge the armed subjects, detaining them without further issues. It came amid concerns that other armed subjects had been seen in the crowd, including one who had an AK-47. Wisbey faces charges of Menacing, Disorderly Conduct in the Second Degree, and Bias Crime in the First Degree. / ECONOMY, HOUSING, GOVERNMENT: It's that time of year again. Property tax statements went in the mail last week and are arriving in the mailboxes of Lane County taxpayers. The first payments are due on November 15th. Lane County's Assessment and Taxation Department collects property taxes on behalf of 85 separate taxing districts. They include cities, schools, and education service districts, along with water, rural fire, and urban renewal districts. There are also parks and recreation, library, and ambulance districts. Oregon's constitution limits the increase in the maximum assessed value of each property to three percent per year, unless there have been changes made to the property—such as new construction or additions. / SPORTS: Maybe Lee Corso will put on the Duck head this time. ESPN College GameDay is heading for Salt Lake City on Saturday to preview No. 8 Oregon Football's game at No. 13 Utah. The high-profile Top-25 matchup has implications for the Pac-12 Championship and College Football Playoff races. The 12:30 p.m. game will air on FOX. It's the second time this season ESPN's College GameDay has featured the Ducks. Earlier this month, the show was in Seattle ahead of the Oregon-Washington showdown. As for No. 11 Oregon State, the Beavers are coming off their week off and visit Arizona on Saturday. That game kicks off at 7:30 p.m. on ESPN. / GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT, BUSINESS: The Biden administration is designating 31 technology hubs in Oregon and 31 states, along with Puerto Rico. The intent is to



help spur innovation and create jobs in the industries concentrated in those areas. President Biden is set to announce the hubs later today at the White House with Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo. The winners of the tech hub designations were chosen from among 400 applications and will receive a share of \$500 million in grants to cities. The money came from Congress in last year's CHIPS and Science Act. The goal is to stimulate investments in new technologies such as artificial intelligence, quantum computing, and biotech. Part of the push is to expand tech investment that is largely concentrated around a few U.S. cities — such as Austin, Texas; Boston; New York; San Francisco; and Seattle — to the rest of the country. / EDUCATION, LABOR: Teachers in Portland have voted to go on strike, their union announced Friday, in another sign of a growing national organized labor movement that's seen thousands of workers in various sectors walk off the job this year. The Portland Association of Teachers' strike would start Nov. 1 unless an agreement with the school district is reached before then. The union said nearly 99 percent of teachers voted in favor of the strike, with 93 percent of its members participating in the ballot. Teachers have cited large class sizes, salaries that have not kept up with inflation and a lack of resources as key concerns. The union has been bargaining for months with the district for a new contract, which expired in June. If a walkout occurs, Portland schools will close and there will be no classroom or online instruction if the strike takes place, according to the district. The Portland School have the state's largest attendance, with roughly 45,000 students. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>CRIME, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, MENTAL HEALTH: He's facing 83 counts each of attempted murder and reckless endangerment, as well as one count of endangering an aircraft. Today, he'll be arraigned by a federal judge in Portland. On Sunday evening, an off-duty Alaska Airlines pilot riding in the cockpit "jump seat" of a Horizon Air passenger jet tried to shut down the engines mid-flight. He was subdued by the crew, left the cockpit, and spent the rest of the flight handcuffed at the back of the plane. The aircraft was bound from Everett, Washinton, to San Francisco. But it diverted to Portland where 44-year-old Joseph Emerson was arrested. The FBI office in Portland is leading the investigation. The Seattle Times reports Emerson has been a commercial pilot since 2001 and flown for Alaska since 2016. In a statement, the Seattle-based airline—which owns regional air carrier Horizon—said that the captain and co-pilot responded quickly, that engine power was not lost, and that the crew secured the aircraft without incident. Law enforcement sources do not believe there is any connection to terrorism or the events in the Middle East. But the Federal Aviation Administration yesterday issued an alert to all airlines and crews to, quote, maintain vigilance and situational awareness. ; Oregon State Police have released the name of a Lane County man who died on Saturday in a vehicle versus pedestrian crash on Interstate 5 near Woodburn. They say 28-year-old Elvin Miranda Martinez of Junction City was the driver of a southbound Toyota Corolla that was the subject of several driving complaints and earlier crashed in the center median near Tigard. But as state police responded to that earlier crash, witnesses said the vehicle left the scene and continued southbound at high speeds, striking the median again before it eventually became undriveable. One concerned motorist stopped to check on the suspect but said Martinex attempted to take their keys. As law enforcement officers arrived, they say Martinez fled on foot across the northbound lanes of I-5 and was struck by a Honda CR-V. Martinez was rushed to a nearby hospital but did not survive. The driver of the Honda was uninjured and cooperated with investigators. / SPORTS: ESPN College GameDay is heading for Salt Lake City on Saturday to preview No. 8 Oregon Football's game at No. 13 Utah. The high-profile Top-25 matchup has implications for the Pac-12 Championship and College Football Playoff races. The 12:30 p.m. game will air on FOX. It's the second time this season ESPN's College</p>

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>CRIME, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, MENTAL HEALTH: He told investigators he had been struggling with depression, was dehydrated, had not slept in 40 hours, and had taken hallucinogenic mushrooms two days earlier. According to documents filed by prosecutors on Tuesday, that off-duty Alaska Airlines pilot who was riding in that extra cockpit "jump seat" seat on a Horizon Air flight said, "I'm not OK," just before trying to cut the engines at cruising altitude. State prosecutors in Portland yesterday filed 83 counts of attempted murder against 44-year-old Alaska Airlines pilot Joseph David Emerson. He appeared in court to enter "not guilty" pleas. Federal prosecutors, meanwhile, charged Emerson with interfering with a flight crew—which can carry up to 20 years in prison. Emerson, an Alaska Airlines pilot from California, was arrested Sunday night after the flight crew reported that he attempted to shut down the engines on a Horizon Air flight from Everett, Washington, to San Francisco while riding in the fold-down "jump seat" in the cockpit. The plane diverted to Portland, where it landed safely with more than 80 people on board. After what the flight crew described as a brief struggle, lasting only about 30 seconds, Emerson left the cockpit, the FBI said. The affidavit says Emerson walked calmly to the back of the aircraft and told a flight attendant he needed to be handcuffed or, quote, "it's going to be bad." They used wrist restraints to place him in a flight attendant seat. As the plane descended, they said he tried to grab the handle of an emergency exit. A flight attendant stopped him by placing her hands on top of his. / HEALTH, COMMUNITY, DEVELOPMENT: December 1. That's when leaders of PeaceHealth say they plan to close their emergency department at Sacred Heart Medical Center – University District in Eugene. Officials with the Northwest hospital chain say the emergency department will cease operations at 7 a.m. on Friday, December 1. After that time, PeaceHealth says all emergency department operations will be located in Springfield at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center at RiverBend. Other local emergency rooms are at McKenzie-Willamette Medical Center in Springfield, and at PeaceHealth's Cottage Grove Community Medical Center. PeaceHealth in August announced plans to shift the bulk of its University District operations to its Riverbend. Leaders of the healthcare system say the facility is underused and is losing money—about \$2 million per month. But opponents fear that will lead to longer waits and slower emergency response</p>

times. / YOUTH, MENTAL HEALTH: Oregon is one of dozens of U.S. states suing Meta Platforms this week. They accuse the parent company of Facebook and Instagram of harming young people and contributing to the youth mental health crises by knowingly and deliberately designing features that are addictive to children. The lawsuit claims that Meta routinely collects data on children under age 13 without their parents' consent, violating federal law. The suit claims the company's motive is to make a profit and maximize its financial gain, while misleading the public about the dangers of its social media platforms. In a statement, Meta said it shares the attorneys generals' commitments to providing teens with safe, positive experiences online, and has already introduced more than 30 tools to support teens and their families. The legal action by state and federal litigators comes after The Wall Street Journal and others reported in 2021 on the Meta's own research, which found that the company knew about the harm Instagram can cause teenagers — especially teen girls — when it comes to mental health and body image issues. One internal study noted that close to one in eight teen girls said Instagram makes thoughts of suicide worse and more than one in six said it made their eating disorders worse. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>TRANSPORTATION, GOVERNMENT: So how are you liking pumping your own gasoline? Some folks are fans, others not so sure. One of the state's largest labor unions is spearheading an effort to bring back Oregon's ban on self-service gas. Leaders of the United Food &amp; Commercial Workers' Local 555 say the new law is costing jobs, increasing hazards at the pump, and making fueling more difficult for people with disabilities. The labor union has filed an initiative petition in hopes of getting the repeal before Oregon voters. State lawmakers approved self-serve fueling over the summer. But even as she signed it into law, the governor acknowledged that Oregonians remain divided over the issue. Under the law, gas stations must still provide attended pumps and cannot charge a different price per gallon for self-serve. / HEALTH, DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT: State regulators and Oregon's governor say they do not have the power to prevent PeaceHealth from closing its hospital in Eugene. But they say they can ensure the transition of services to Springfield and to other health care entities goes as smoothly as possible. Officials with the Oregon Health Authority yesterday approved a waiver request from PeaceHealth that will enables the healthcare giant to close its Eugene emergency department on December 1 and consolidate operations at Riverbend Medical Center in Springfield. At the same time, PeaceHealth will continue to operate behavioral health beds at its Sacred Heart University District Hospital under a modified hospital license. That will include 27 acute rehabilitation beds. The intent is to continue delivering mental health care in Eugene until other entities, including Lane County, can take over. PeaceHealth in August announced plans to shift the bulk of its University District operations to its Riverbend. Leaders of the healthcare system say the facility is underused and is losing money—about \$2 million per month. They are gradually shuttering and relocating all Eugene-based inpatient rehabilitation, emergency services, and related medical services to Springfield. But opponents fear that will lead to longer waits and slower emergency response times. And state leaders were concerned about the impact the closure would have on local mental health treatment capacity. PeaceHealth officials also have indicated they will open and operate an urgent care center in downtown Eugene and earlier announced plans to move its West Eugene urgent care center closer to the heart of town. / HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, EDUCATION, COMMUNITY: After more than a decade of planning, the</p>

Community Health Centers of Lane County are holding a groundbreaking ceremony later today for the planned South Lane Clinic in Cottage Grove. The facility, part of Lane County Health & Human Services, will expand critical health care and behavioral health care services to the area. Officials say that when it opens, the clinic will fill some glaring healthcare gaps. The South Lane Clinic will offer medical, dental, and integrated behavioral health care to more than 5,000 residents per year. Its partnerships with Lane Community College, the South Lane School District, and others also means it will provide training for local students interested in health care careers. / EDUCATION: The pandemic might be over, but students' academic performance continues to lag. New numbers from the Oregon Department of Education find youngsters continuing to struggle with basic English and math proficiencies as attendance remains lackluster. Officials say some numbers are nearing their pre-pandemic totals. But not all of the statistics were that great in 2019. Officials say they're working to turn things around but it's not going to happen overnight. Across Oregon, the average school attendance rate is 62 percent. That means the other 38 percent missed at least three weeks of school each academic year. In the Eugene, Bethel, and Springfield Districts, third graders struggled to meet English Language Arts proficiencies, with the number meeting expectations ranging from 32 to 47 percent. Among eighth graders studying mathematics in the metro districts, only between 15 to 33 percent by district were meeting expectations. Even older students are struggling. About four in five local high schoolers are on track to graduate, but some will need an extra year to satisfy their full academic requirements. College enrollments also declined. / EDUCATION, LABOR: There's a new union taking shape in town. It'll represent undergraduate workers at the University of Oregon. The Daily Emerald is reporting that six months after filing a petition to unionize, more than 3,000 student workers at the U-of-O voted to form a union—with 97 percent of those casting ballots voting "yes." Assuming it's certified by the Oregon Employment Relations Board next month, this would be one of the largest undergraduate student worker bargaining units in the country. The unit would cover a wide range of campus jobs, not just those in classrooms and labs. The U-of-O's graduate teaching fellows already have union representation—and recently declared an impasse in their bargaining. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>EDUCATION, PANDEMIC: The pandemic might be over, but students' academic performance continues to lag. New numbers from the Oregon Department of Education find youngsters continuing to struggle with basic English and math proficiencies as attendance remains lackluster. Officials say some numbers are nearing their pre-pandemic totals. But not all of the statistics were that great in 2019. Officials say they're working to turn things around but it's not going to happen overnight. Across Oregon, the average school attendance rate is 62 percent. That means the other 38 percent missed at least three weeks of school each academic year. In the Eugene, Bethel, and Springfield Districts, third graders struggled to meet English Language Arts proficiencies, with the number meeting expectations ranging from 32 to 47 percent. Among eighth graders studying mathematics in the metro districts, only between 15 to 33 percent by district were meeting expectations. Even older students are struggling. About four in five local high schoolers are on track to graduate, but some will need an extra year to satisfy their full academic requirements. College enrollments also declined. / BUSINESS, SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, HOMELESSNESS: They're an eyesore that cuts into businesses' bottom lines and raises prices for all of us. When people steal and later abandon shopping carts, they often create safety hazards when they block parts of streets, sidewalks, and bike lanes, cluttering the landscape, even winding up in parks and waterways. But City of Eugene officials say an expanded partnership with a company called Glide Rite is working to recover and return many of those shopping carts to stores. The carts are often picked up by public works crews. Each week, Glide Rite workers retrieve carts for their clients—which include Whole Foods, Walmart, Home Depot, and WinCo. The Glide Rite employees also recover discarded carts from neighborhoods within a one-mile to two-mile radius of those stores. When possible, Glide Rite workers repairs and sanitizes the carts and helps retailers reclaim their equipment. In cases where the group recovers carts that are not part of Glide Rite's program, salvaged metal parts are recycled. / WINTER, SAFETY: This week's wintry weather in the Cascades caught some outdoor enthusiasts by surprise. The Oregon Army National Guard deployed a Blackhawk helicopter team to assist Marion County crews on a pair of rescues. In one, a mountain biker from Australia had texted his father that he was stranded in snowdrifts along a</p>



trail near Hawk Mountain. In the second incident, a female hiker along the Pacific Crest Trail got caught in whiteout conditions for two days, with her path blocked by snowdrifts and downed trees near the Jefferson Park wilderness. The helicopter crew rescued both during the same mission. Officials say it's another reminder that the warmer, drier days of fall are behind us, and more wintry conditions are here. / CRIME: Officials say fast work on Tuesday by employees at the Veneta Chamber of Commerce protected the building from major damage after a man walked inside, interacted with workers, then intentionally set some furniture on fire. One witness told KEZI-TV she saw the suspect throw hand sanitizer on a chair before setting it aflame. She moved several burning chairs outside and extinguished the flames. Lane County Sheriff's investigators say the suspect, identified as David Houston, was arrested on Arson and Reckless Endangering charges while he was trying to start another fire nearby. / CRIME, EDUCATION: Eugene Police say they took one person into custody after an unverified threat prompted an early-afternoon lockdown at Shasta Middle School, off Barger Drive in West Eugene. As a precaution, two nearby schools went into lock-out mode during the investigation. Not a lot of details yet, but police say they took the person into custody without incident about an hour-and-a-half later at a location on Valley River Way. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: A stretch of Oregon Highway 58 along Dexter Reservoir closed for much of the night while crews worked to recover a semi-truck that earlier crashed into the slough near Lowell. It reopened around 5:30 this morning. State transportation crews closed the highway in both directions to allow specialized equipment to remove the damaged truck and trailer from the slough. / HEALTH: So much for herd immunity. One month after federal officials recommended new versions of COVID-19 vaccines, only seven percent of U.S. adults and two percent of children have received the updated doses. One expert calls the rates "abysmal." CDC researchers shared the numbers yesterday, noting that among Americans who participated in a national survey, about 40 percent of adults said they probably or definitely will not get the shot. A similar percentage of parents said they did not plan to vaccinate their children. Health experts say the vaccines protect against newer versions of COVID. Locally, many primary care practices are not offering the vaccinations this season, sending patients to already busy pharmacies. / FINANCES, ECONOMY: So how's your budget looking these days? About two in three Americans surveyed say their household expenses have risen over the last year. But only about one in four say their income has increased during the same period. The new poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research finds many participants expressing concern about their financial futures. For most Americans, household debt is rising or staying at persistently high levels. About half of those surveyed say they are carrying credit card debt. Four in ten have auto loans and about one in four are paying off medical debt. Only 15 percent of Americans say their household savings increased over the last year. /

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TIME OF BROADCAST	5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM
NAME OF PROGRAM	Morning News
LENGTH OF PROGRAM	30 Seconds
ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: Oregon Football moved up two spots, to No. 6, in this week's Associated Press Top 25 rankings after the weekend's decisive win at Utah, The Ducks host Cal on Saturday at Eugene's Autzen Stadium. Kick-off is 2:30 p.m. on the Pac-12 Network. ; Oregon State slipped five spots, to No. 16, in this week's college football rankings after Saturday's loss at Arizona. The Beavs are on the road again this week at Colorado. Kick-off in Boulder is at 7 p.m. Saturday on ESPN. / EVENTS, FINANCES: Halloween is a huge retail spending holiday, right behind Christmas, in fact. But for the second year in a row, shoppers have seen double-digit inflation on the candy aisle. Candy and gum prices are up an average of 13 percent this month compared to a year ago. That's on top of last year's increase of 14 percent. Weather is the main culprit. Cocoa prices, for example, are trading at 44-year highs after heavy rains in West Africa. Global sugar prices are at 12-year highs. Even décor is more expensive. Some pumpkin farmers in the West, particularly wholesalers in places like Colorado and New Mexico, say they're feeling the effects of drought. / ANIMALS, FAMILY, COMMUNITY, SAFETY, EVENTS: Pet adoptions and Halloween precautions: The folks at Greenhill Humane Society are holding a big adoption promotion through tomorrow. They also have tips on keeping your pets calm and happy on Halloween. Stash candy safely away. Several holiday favorites are toxic to pets so it's best to keep candy out of reach. If your pet ingests candy, especially chocolate, contact your veterinarian right away. Make sure pet costumes are the right fit. Check to make sure the costume does not limit their ability to walk, breath, bark or meow. Any extra fabric may cause a choking hazard if chewed on. Wearing costumes can also increase your dog's feeling of discomfort and make them more stressed and anxious. If your pet looks uncomfortable or stressed while wearing the costume, it's best to keep them in their birthday suit for the night. Watch out for decorative plants and candles. Curious pets may knock over a lit jack-o-lantern or candle and start a fire or get burned. It's better to keep these decorations away from pets, especially corn cobs which can be a choking hazard to dogs. Don't leave glow sticks out. Pets (especially cats) tend to love these and often bite into them, leaving a bitter taste in their mouth that can cause severe drooling. Keep your pets in a safe place indoors, including outdoor cats. Halloween can be stressful for dogs and cats due to strange masks and noises.</p>

Keep your pets in a closed room where they can relax away from the front door. This will not only help them remain calm, but also prevent them from darting out the door. If your animals are outside, make sure they are properly secured, have collars, tags and are microchipped. If you have lost or found a pet, in addition to contacting Greenhill Humane Society, contact your local animal control office. /

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LENGTH OF PROGRAM	30 Seconds
ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>HEALTH, SAFETY, CHILDREN: Two big recalls to tell you about this morning: The Food and Drug Administration says if you have some, stop using them. More than two dozen varieties of over-the-counter eye drops are potentially contaminated and carry a risk of infections that could lead to blindness. These are store brands, but they were produced at the same facility. The lubricating and “dry eye” drops were sold by six retail chains, including Target, Rite-Aid and CVS Health. And federal health officials are warning parents and caregivers that pouches of WanaBana apple-cinnamon fruit puree might contain dangerous levels of lead. They were sold nationally, including through Amazon, and at Dollar Tree and Walmart stores. Children who might have eaten the products should be tested to check lead levels in their blood. Excessive lead levels can affect youngsters’ brain development. / WILDFIRE RECOVERY, ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, GOVERNMENT, HOUSING; When you think about the last several summers for residents in the Oakridge-Westfir area, they’ve seen more than their share of wildfire smoke. Now, some additional federal money is coming to town to help better protect homes and the health of residents. The Lane Regional Air Protection Agency is receiving close to \$1 million from the EPA that will help upgrade 30 homes in some of the higher-risk areas of Oakridge and Westfir. The money will pay for things like better sealing of windows and doors, installation of air filters and purifiers, and other fire-resistant upgrades. There’s also money to improve communication and coordination between federal, state and local governments, as well as public health partners. The goal: better informing residents before and during wildfire incidents. ; A big summit on wildfire recovery in Oregon wraps up today at the University of Oregon. It’s bringing together government leaders and others across Lane County and other parts of the state affected in recent years by devastating blazes. They’re sharing efforts to build more wildfire-resistant communities and help residents be better prepared. Some of the sessions focus on innovative ways to create and restore housing; community recovery from the trauma of wildfire disasters; and improving coordination and recovery capacity across the state. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, WILDLIFE: Hey, if you are driving in rural parts of the state this fall, you want to watch for wildlife because vehicle collisions with deer and elk tend to peak in October and November. That’s when migration and the breeding season put</p>

them on the move means they're more likely to cross roads. And they often they do it in the darkness or in weather that reduces driver visibility. Oregon Department of Transportation crews say they remove about 6,000 carcasses of deer each year that have been struck and killed by vehicles on state highways. Many more die on county and local and private roads. There has been an effort underway over the last few years to create wildlife crossings or under crossings. The goal? Keep animals off highways, create safer environments for them and for drivers. / SAFETY: A 22-year-old Cottage Grove man was hospitalized with what are being described as "significant injuries" following an explosion in Corvallis. It happened yesterday afternoon at McNary Field, a park on the east side of the Oregon State University campus. Corvallis Police say the man was not an OSU student. They have not yet said what triggered the explosion but say there is no threat ongoing to the public. / CRIME: Eugene Police on Saturday morning arrested a suspect in a murder case out of Arkansas. A police officer headed for a call spotted a vehicle in a parking lot near 2nd and High Streets associated with the suspect. In addition to being sought for murder, 23-year-old Rickey Lamont Howard, Jr., was also wanted for an alleged terroristic act and aggravated robbery. Multiple police units surrounded the vehicle, as officers used a loudspeaker and a distraction device to awaken Howard and take him into custody. ; An unsettling incident early Friday morning, when Eugene Police say a resident of the Tiffany Building at 8th and Willamette Streets reportedly pulled a fire alarm, later smashed a hole in his unit's door while wearing a costume with horns and screaming, ran at a maintenance employee while wielding a framing hammer, and later smashed an electronic call-access box for tenants along with activating more fire alarms. Officials say there was no fire. After a brief pursuit up and down the building's stairs, police took 39-year-old Dane Patrick Mentzer into custody. He faces charges of Menacing, Unlawful Use of Weapon, Disorderly Conduct, and Criminal Mischief. / COMMUNITY, WEATHER: After a couple of big autumn rainstorms, officials in Junction City yesterday said they are ending requests for up to 30 percent reductions in water usage. The restrictions went into place in mid-July as water levels in municipal storage tanks and wells fell to alarmingly low levels. City officials say they're working to add a pair of new wells and repair and upgrade older ones. / EDUCATION, LABOR: Bargainers are working to avert a Wednesday strike by members of the union representing Portland Public School teachers. But the two sides remain apart on a number of key issues. Yesterday, Oregon Governor Tina Kotek urged the teachers' union to delay the walkout and remain at the table, saying a strike now is not in the best interest of Portland students and families. The Portland Association of Teachers represents nearly 4,500 teachers and coaches. Their previous contract expired in June. Teachers say schools need more mental health services for students, less standardized testing, expanded restorative justice policies and practices, and safer, healthier building conditions. District bargainers say they want to fund many of those proposals but are facing steep budget cuts and simply do not have the money. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: Ohio State, Georgia, Michigan, and Florida State sat atop the season's first College Football Playoff rankings, with unbeaten Washington at Number Five and Oregon at Number Six. Washington (8-0) beat Oregon (7-1) earlier this season and both still have ranked opponents—USC and Oregon State—on their schedules as the Pac-12 schools work to snap a six-year playoff drought. These are the first weekly rankings. Five more will be released during November, with the final rankings set to be unveiled on December 3, after the conference championship games. The top four schools will form the four-team playoff field. The College Football Playoff semifinal games will be at the Rose Bowl and the Sugar Bowl, with the national championship game set for January 8 in Houston. This is the final season before the College Football Playoff format expands to 12 teams for the 2024 season. / EDUCATION, LABOR: Portland's 81 public schools are closed this morning as that district experiences its first-ever teachers' strike. The walkout is leaving many parents scrambling to find childcare. The Portland Association of Teachers represents nearly 4,500 teachers and coaches. Their previous contract expired in June. Teachers say schools need more mental health services for students, less standardized testing, and safer, healthier building conditions. District bargainers say they want to fund many of those proposals but are facing steep budget cuts and simply do not have the money. Earlier this week, Oregon Governor Tina Kotek urged the teachers' union to delay the walkout and remain at the table, saying a strike now is not in the best interest of Portland students and families. / LABOR, HEALTH: Today is the final day of a nationwide walkout by pharmacy staff from CVS, Walgreens, and Rite Aid. The workers are protesting what they call harsh conditions, long hours, and high workloads that they say put both employees and patients at risk. Many of the workers call in sick to highlight what they say is a lack of employer support. Representatives of Walgreens and CVS Health said yesterday the companies have seen little to no disruption of services. But the workers' representatives say at least hundreds of pharmacists and technicians are participating. / ECONOMY: The Federal Reserve today is set to keep its key short-term interest rate unchanged for a second straight policy meeting — the clearest sign to date that the central bank is edging closer to the end of its campaign of interest rate-hikes to cool inflation. But even though inflation has slowed, consumer spending remains robust. That's good for</p>

the economy short-term, but there are concerns that more Americans are making their purchases with credit cards and loans, which could eventually fuel a recession. / COMMUNITY, SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Spooky streets might be all right for Halloween, but they're not so great when you're walking, bicycling, or driving. There are more than 4,500 streetlights in the city of Springfield and in recent years crews have been converting them to lower-energy LED fixtures as the original fixtures reached their end of life and money was available. Now, the effort's getting a big jump-start in the form of Congressional funding through the pandemic-era American Rescue Plan. Springfield officials say the money will cover the replacement of the remaining 3,100-plus lights. Crews with contractor McKinstry and RiverLine Power are coordinating the effort. Officials say LED lighting is up to 70 percent more energy-efficient, lasts 4-5 times longer, and allows for better control of light output. / EDUCATION, DEVELOPMENT: Bushnell University, a private Christian university in Eugene, is in the midst of a major upgrade of its campus buildings. Bushnell officials said yesterday that despite higher construction costs, generous gifts to their "Venture Forward" campaign have almost completely funded six major projects with a combined price tag of \$18 million. The efforts included transforming the former Phoenix Inn at East Broadway and Alder Streets into a residence hall; completing the Beacon's 1,900-seat football stadium at Hamlin Middle School; and renovating the interior of Goodrich Hall, a key campus building at East 11th and Alder Streets. That renovation includes adding a bell tower, bathrooms, bells, and a cross. Construction begins next year on Duke Commons, a multipurpose student center and dining hall. And on the academic side, Bushnell is expanding its honors program and has launched its accelerated nursing program. / SAFETY, WOMEN, CRIME, HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH: More than one-third of all Oregon adults experience domestic violence during their lifetimes and there needs to be an integrated, statewide approach to reducing the problem and assisting survivors. That's the upshot of a report this week from the Oregon Secretary of State's office, which took a closer look at statistics and programs across the state. Domestic violence can include physical, sexual, and emotional abuse, as well as threats and economic control. And because the abuse is so wide-ranging, the report calls for expansion and better integration of things emergency housing, legal aid, childcare, mental health care, and more. The housing element is critical. Many victims and survivors say the lack of available housing is the main reason either feel unable to leave or decide to return to their abuser. Coming off the pandemic, experts say they're also seeing increased trauma and isolation, as well as more mental health and addiction challenges. / HEALTH, YOUTH, FAMILY: Hey, while you're helping the kids manage their post-Halloween candy consumption—and you're not eating that, are you?—thought we'd offer a bit of perspective. Yes, Halloween candy is a big source of added sugar and you and the youngsters probably should not be dropping big amounts of it into your system. But the largest source of added sugar in most Americans' diets does not come from candy, but from soda and other sweetened drinks. In a typical day, those beverages account for close to one-quarter of the added sugar in our diets. Another 20 percent is found in any desserts and sweet snacks you consume. And there are smaller percentages in sweetened coffee and tea, in candy, and in breakfast cereals and breakfast bars. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>WILDLIFE, SAFETY: If you store things like bird seed, pet food, and food scraps in your garbage outdoors, and you live at the edge of bear habitat, it might be time to rethink those storage options. State wildlife experts say bears are in the midst of preparing for hibernation, and they're hungry. If you leave your garbage cans or other food sources accessible and unsecured, they're going to get into it. This is the time of year when bears spend up to 20 hours a day foraging for food as they're preparing for their winter's rest. Your trash and other tempting food sources? They're what wildlife scientists refer to as "attractants." Bears become accustomed to feeding on human food, even know where to go for refills. And they'll even pass that knowledge down to their young. Officials add that if you see bear activity in your neighborhood, alert your neighbors and contact your local office of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. / COMMUNITY, WILDFIRE RECOVERY, DEVELOPMENT: The rebuilding continues up the McKenzie Valley in the wake of 2020's devastating wildfire. Next Wednesday, Lane County officials will share drafts of a long-term plan to rebuild and restore the community of Blue River. Blue River's business district and most of its homes were wiped out by the Holiday Farm Fire. As residents work to rebuild, there's a sustained local effort to create a new downtown that is walkable, serves as a natural gathering place, and includes access to everything from workplaces and shops to school and recreational offerings. Blue River residents have shared their thoughts throughout the process and the project is taking shape in coordination with other recovery efforts. The November 8 session will take place from 6-8 p.m. at McKenzie High School's New Gym at 51187 Blue River Drive. For those unable to attend, Lane County is offering a virtual workshop online from Tuesday of next week through Monday, November 20. Those who go to <a href="http://www.LaneCountyOR.gov/BlueRiverCommunityPlan">www.LaneCountyOR.gov/BlueRiverCommunityPlan</a> on November 7 or later will be able to review the draft plan alternatives, along with maps, diagrams, and handouts. They'll also be able to provide their thoughts and feedback for county planners to consider. / HEALTH: An additional five million Americans who smoke or used to smoke should undergo annual screenings for lung cancer — the Number One cancer killer in the United States — according to an updated guideline issued Wednesday by the American Cancer Society. In the biggest change, the new guideline recommends that people continue to get annual scans</p>



even if they stopped smoking more than 15 years ago. The previous recommendation, issued a decade ago, said people should discontinue screening 15 years after quitting smoking. Under the new guidance, those who stopped getting scans after 15 years should resume getting screened, the cancer society said. The broadened recommendations apply to about 19 million people who the cancer group said would benefit from yearly low-dose computed tomography or “CT” scans. CT scans provide detailed images of the lungs, allowing for improved cancer detection at an earlier stage, when the disease is more treatable. /

**ECONOMY:** Customers opened their wallets for Starbucks’ fall menu, helping the company achieve record revenue with Pumpkin Spice Lattes and apple croissants during its fiscal fourth quarter. But Starbucks leaders say sales growth could slow over the next 12 months as the company faces an uncertain global economy. Still, the Seattle-based coffee giant saw revenues for the July-September period rise 11 percent to \$9.4 billion. That surpassed Wall Street’s expectations. Among other improvements, Starbucks officials say new equipment in U.S. stores is shortening wait times. /

**SPORTS, WOMEN:** Women’s basketball fans were hoping this would be the year the WNBA would announce an expansion team in Portland, perhaps attracting the likes of Sabrina Ionescu and other top players. But league officials said yesterday the expansion is being shelved—for now. A letter from WNBA Commissioner Cathy Engelbert notes there is uncertainty about the scope of renovations needed at the Moda Center, where the team would play. The league has been working with a potential local ownership group, as well as city and state officials, and U.S. Senator Ron Wyden. The Portland Trail Blazers ownership group already was planning to renovate the facility in advance of the NCAA Women’s Final Four in 2030. But the concern is that the work would occur during the summer months, when the bulk of the WNBA season takes place. /

**HEALTH, GOVERNMENT, FINANCES, ELDERS:** Open enrollment is underway for Medicare Advantage and “Part D” prescription drug plans. Medicare plans and coverage for prescription drugs change each year, so it is important if you’re enrolled in Medicare to evaluate your plan options and make any changes during open enrollment. Open enrollment for the 2024 Medicare plan year continues through December 7. The Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA – say “sheeba”) program with the Oregon Department of Human Services is available to help you understand your Medicare options and benefits, provide enrollment guidance, and answer any questions related to Medicare benefits. Local SHIBA counselors are available to help and can be found by visiting [SHIBA.Oregon.gov](https://SHIBA.Oregon.gov) or calling (800) 722-4134 (toll-free). SHIBA counselors provide telephone and limited in-person support. SHIBA’s Oregon Guide to Medicare Insurance Plans is available on [SHIBA.Oregon.gov](https://SHIBA.Oregon.gov) in the coming days. ; If you do not receive health insurance through your workplace and do not qualify for the Oregon Health Plan or other programs, you can still get coverage for yourself and your family through the Oregon Healthcare Marketplace. This is “open enrollment” time. Oregonians who enroll by December 15 will receive coverage starting on January 1, 2024. Those who enroll by January 16, 2024, will receive coverage starting on February 1, 2024. The Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace offers quality health plans designed to meet basic needs and more. Many options are available, and the Marketplace offers free, local support for comparing and choosing. Experts also can help you identify and apply for financial assistance and other savings. Officials say 96 percent of Oregonians

have health insurance, and 80 percent of people who applied for financial help qualified in 2023. You can, too. Get started at [OregonHealthCare.gov](https://OregonHealthCare.gov) These insurance plans might even be more affordable than employer-provided coverage. To determine your eligibility for a more affordable plan through the Marketplace, visit [orhim.info/EScoverage/](https://orhim.info/EScoverage/)

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NAME OF PROGRAM	Morning News
LENGTH OF PROGRAM	30 Seconds
ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: It's possible they might be looking at a preseason date—which would require the Ducks to buy out an already-scheduled opponent. But at this point, there won't be any "rivalry" game next year with the Beavers—unless they meet in the postseason. Instead, the Oregon Ducks will close out their 2024 regular football season with a game on Nov. 30 with the Washington Huskies. The Big Ten Conference yesterday released more details on the 2024 schedules of its 18 member schools—including new additions Oregon, Washington, USC, and UCLA. Oregon will play 13 regular-season games next year, one more than this year. Eight are home games, including Michigan State, Ohio State, and Washington. The only other soon-to-be-former Pac-12 school on Oregon's schedule is an away game at UCLA in late September. The Ducks will not meet USC next year. Oregon's road games in November 2024 include Michigan and Wisconsin—which might mean encountering some wintry conditions. Oregon and Oregon State have played 121 games, dating back to 1894. Oregon won 66 of those meetings, OSU 45, and there have been 10 ties—including the infamous 0-0 "Toilet Bowl" in 1983. / YOUTH, HEALTH: Fewer high school students are vaping these days. That's according to a new government report. It finds only about one in ten high school students using electronic cigarettes in the previous month, down from 14 percent from a year earlier. Why the drop? Health officials believe a number of factors could be contributing, including efforts to raise prices and a push to limit sales to kids by raising the legal vaping age to 21. But among those students who currently use e-cigarettes, about one-quarter say they use them every day. Nearly 90 percent of students who vape use flavored products with fruit and candy flavors topping the list. Health officials say those flavors, combined with big doses of nicotine, are fueling vaping addictions among some teens and young adults. In 2020, FDA regulators banned those teen-preferred flavors from reusable e-cigarettes like Juul and Vuse, which are now only sold in menthol and tobacco. But the flavor restriction didn't apply to disposable products, and companies like Elf Bar and Esco Bar quickly stepped in to fill the gap. The growing variety in flavors like gummy bear and watermelon has been almost entirely driven by cheap, disposable devices imported from China, which the FDA considers illegal. Those products now account for more than half of U.S. vaping sales, according to government figures. / CRIME, SAFETY, LEGAL: Three passengers yesterday</p>

sued Alaska Airlines and regional carrier Horizon Air, saying they suffered emotional distress during that incident last month when an off-duty pilot allegedly tried to shut down the engines of a jet while catching a ride in the cockpit from Washington state to San Francisco. The flight safely diverted to Portland and 44-year-old Alaska Airlines pilot Joseph Emerson was arrested on state and federal charges. The passenger legal complaint claims Emerson should never have been allowed in the cockpit because he was suffering from depression and a lack of sleep. The plaintiffs say they've suffered anxiety, insomnia, fear of flying, and other emotional effects in the wake of the incident. The lawsuit also seeks class-action status on behalf of the other passengers. It is a common practice for off-duty pilots to catch rides in jump seats, and in some rare emergencies they have pitched in to help, even saving lives. Emerson has pleaded not guilty to attempted murder charges in Oregon state court and faces arraignment later this month on a federal charge of interfering with a flight crew. / COMMUNITY, HEALTH, SAFETY, EVENTS: On Sunday, we're "falling back" to Standard Time until March 10. Turn your clocks back one hour when you go to bed Saturday night. The time change happens Sunday morning at 2 a.m. Most of your digital devices should make the transition automatically, but double-check things like kitchen appliances. The clock change has some wondering why we're still doing this. Wasn't there a move to switch to permanent Daylight Saving Time? Nearly a dozen states across the U.S.—including Oregon—have already approved permanent Daylight Saving Time. But they cannot make the change until it is approved at the federal level. There was an effort to do that in Congress last year, but the bill stalled amid discussion of whether permanent Standard Time makes more sense. Here in the northern states, it would mean less winter darkness when children head to school each morning. Daylight Saving Time was adopted as a wartime measure in 1942. But similar actions had been proposed for centuries, first as a way to save on candles as daylight hours shifted, later as a way to save on energy. Supporters say making Daylight Saving Time permanent would have a positive impact on sleep habits, health, driving safety, and more. Standard Time supporters make the same arguments. Currently, 48 states observe Daylight Saving Time—the exceptions being most of Arizona and all of the state of Hawaii. ; Traffic safety advocates warn that changes to sleeping patterns—including the switch to Standard Time—can result in drowsy driving. That can be fatal for anyone using the transportation system, whether in a car, on foot, riding, or rolling. Unlike drunken driving, driving drowsy is not a behavior people readily recognize as dangerous. Around one-third of American drivers have admitted falling asleep at the wheel, and more than half (60 percent) said they have driven while drowsy, according to a National Sleep Foundation poll. But like impaired driving, the consequences of drowsy driving can be tragic. And like impaired driving, it's preventable. The best way to do that: Invest in a good night's sleep so your body more quickly adapts to the new schedule. ; If you struggle with the switch back to standard time, sleep experts suggest easing the transition. It's better for your schedule and your health. Many of our organs have internal clocks. Younger, healthier people may adjust more quickly. But for older people, or those with medical conditions that affect their sleep, it's a much harder task. Experts suggest a gradual shift and a commitment to a good night's sleep while you adjust. Between tonight and Saturday night, for example, try shifting your bedtime by 10 minutes or so each night. Don't get up too early on Sunday. That will also help

you fall asleep easier at night. Light exposure makes a difference. Make sure you have lights on when you awaken and try taking a walk once the sun is up. Coffee can help you stay alert, but experts suggest you only drink it early in the day to avoid disrupting sleep cycles. Alcohol also can interrupt your sleep in the middle of the night. Limit your nighttime exposure to “blue screens,” such as computers, phones, and tablets. And remember, what works for adults also works for kids. This is a good chance for parents to help their youngsters establish good sleep habits. / CRIME: An officer told him not to drive. But he did—and he was arrested for DUI, Reckless Driving, and a host of other charges. Eugene Police say it happened early Wednesday morning near East 15th Avenue and Mill Street. An officer writing a report on a dispute noted that one of the people involved appeared intoxicated. But because there was no probable cause for a crime, the officer instead warned 23-year-old Benjamin Charles Krenicky multiple times not to get behind the wheel. But police say Krenicky ignored that advice, got in a car, and sped past the officer’s vehicle. That led to a high-speed pursuit—including the wrong way down a one-way street—and Krenicky’s arrest near 15th and Patterson Streets. In addition to DUI and Reckless Driving, Krenicky was charged with Eluding, Harrassment, Unlawful Possession of Cocaine, and a host of other traffic offenses. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: Oregon remains at No. 6 in the Associated Press Top 25 College Football poll after the weekend win over Cal. The Ducks host USC on Saturday at Autzen Stadium. It's a night game, with the kick-off set for 7:30 p.m. on FOX. ; Oregon State moved up four spots to No. 12 in the Associated Press Top 25 College Football poll after defeating Colorado over the weekend in Boulder. The Beavs host Stanford Saturday in Corvallis. Kickoff at Reser Stadium is 2:30 p.m. on the Pac-12 Network. ; Congratulations to our local teams that won top honors in the weekend's high school sports playoffs: The Marist Volleyball squad, your Class 4A State Champions. Marist won the title with a 3-2 win over Marshfield in Saturday's finals. The Pleasant Hill volleyball squad took runner-up honors in Class 3A. Lowell earned 4th Place in the Class 2A Volleyball playoffs. Also, congratulations to Carter Bengtson, a junior at Cottage Grove High School, who took the individual title at the Boys Class 4A Cross-Country Championships. /</p> <p>ECONOMY, FINANCES, BUSINESS: What does the holiday season hold for the nations' retailers? They have some collective anxiety about it. All signs point to a relatively solid season here in the U.S., and retailers have customers to thank for that: Americans kept up their spending over the summer and well into the last couple of months. But consumers increasingly seem pessimistic about their finances. In turn, retailers fear that consumers have run through their pandemic savings might cut back this holiday season or shop online again after years of supporting local businesses. /</p> <p>TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Oregon is one of many states that generally allows drivers to make a right turn on a red light. Almost every major city in the U.S. does, but that might be changing. The last few years have seen a dramatic rise in automobile crashes that kill or injure pedestrians and bicyclists. The debate over whether to ban "right on red" is sparking some intense sentiments on both sides, though. "Right on red" has never been allowed in much of New York City. Washington, DC, will see a ban take effect in 2025. Chicago, San Francisco, and Seattle are considering restrictions, too. "Right on red" became a popular rule during the Energy Crisis of the 1970s. It was aimed at conserving energy by reducing the amount of time cars spent idling at stoplights. There are no recent, nationwide studies of how many people are hurt or killed by right-turning drivers. According to a national report by the Governors Highway Safety Association, more than 7,500 people</p>

walking were struck and killed by automobiles in 2022, the highest number since 1981. The spike, which included all accidents — not just those involving right turns on red, was attributed in part to an increase in larger vehicles such as SUVs and pickup trucks on the road. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety found that the odds a pedestrian would be killed when struck by an automobile turning right were 89 percent higher when the vehicle was a pickup and 63% higher when it was an SUV, due to larger blind spots and the deadlier force associated with heavier models. / CRIME, LEGAL: The U.S. Supreme Court tomorrow hears arguments in a challenge to a 1994 law that prohibits people facing domestic violence restraining orders from having guns. The case is the first involving firearms to reach the justices since last year's landmark decision expanding gun rights. Firearms are the most common weapon used in homicides of spouses, intimate partners, children, or relatives in recent years, according to data from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Guns were used in 57 percent of those killings in 2020, as reports of domestic violence increased during the pandemic. A spokesperson with the gun-violence prevention group, Brady, says the law has blocked more than 77,000 firearms sales over the last 25 years. ; The high court on Friday agreed to decide whether a ban on bump stocks is legal. Bump stocks were used by the gunman in the 2017 Las Vegas Country Music festival shootings. Investigators say the shooter used bump stocks to fire more than one thousand rounds in 11 minutes, killing 60 people. Federal appeals courts disagree over whether defining a bump stock as a machine gun is consistent with federal law. / PANDEMIC, BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY: How long will it take for the country and the world to get past its supply-chain snarls? A shortage of half-pint milk cartons is affecting school meals in cafeterias across the U.S. School officials are scrambling for backup options after the major supplier of cartons said demand has outstripped supply. Dairy suppliers and state officials say the problem is not a shortage of milk itself, but the cardboard cartons used to serve it. Some schools may limit the types of milk they offer, pour milk into cups, or serve other options—such as water. Officials say the shortage could last until 2024. The carton shortage also could affect milk and juice served in hospitals, nursing homes, and prisons. Milk is required to be served with school meals, but officials with the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service issued a memo late last month allowing districts to serve different types or sizes of milk during the supply shortage — or to skip milk altogether. /

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boys' soccer tournament: Cottage Grove hosts The Dalles today at 6 p.m. in a Class 4A semifinal match. Some of the area's top Girls' Soccer squads are in tournament action today: The combined squad from North Eugene and Triangle Lake is on the road to take on Caldera High School in Bend in a Class 5A semifinal. The match is at 4 p.m. The Marist Girls host Hidden Valley / New Hope Christian at 6 p.m. in Class 4A semifinal play. / YOUTH, EDUCATION, RECREATION, SAFETY, HEALTH: Helping more than 50,000 students stay safe around water over the past six decades is no small feat. Willamalane and the Springfield Public Schools are celebrating their 60-year partnership to bring free swim lessons to all the district's elementary schools. The fourth-grade swim program provides the youngsters with free transportation and swim lessons at Willamalane Park Swim Center or Splash! at Lively Park. Experts say fourth grade is a pivotal time in a child's life. They're more independent and self-aware and need to learn life-saving swim skills. The free lessons during school hours save families time and expense. The fourth-grade swim lessons teach the basics of swimming, such as breath control, floating, kicking, and various swim strokes. The program also covers critical river safety knowledge. In fact, at the pools instructors provide the students with the opportunity to practice water safety by simulating recovery techniques from rafts and kayaks. / GOVERNMENT, HEALTH: The incoming director of the Oregon Health Authority is a physician with years of experience leading health policy efforts in New Jersey and prior to that served as a White House public health advisor. Dr. Sejal Hathi also founded two non-profits focused on developing leadership among women and girls. She takes the helm in Oregon on January 16. As a board-certified attending physician, she also held joint faculty appointments at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and the Bloomberg School of Public Health. During the pandemic, Dr. Hathi cared for COVID-19 patients as a resident physician at Massachusetts General Hospital and a faculty clinical fellow at Harvard Medical School. / ELECTIONS: This is Election Day in Oregon. Not every voter has a candidate race or ballot measure in their area. But for those of you who do, you either need to deliver your ballot by 8 p.m. to an official drop box or mail it so that it is postmarked today and is received by your local elections' office by November 14. Here in Lane County, the only voters with ballots are those deciding on the Ward Seven seat for Eugene City Council, or on renewing levies for the Siuslaw Schools or the River Road Parks district. There also are several measures dealing with the Pleasant Hill, Goshen, and the proposed Pleasant Hill-Goshen Rural Fire Protection Districts. / HOMELESSNESS, SOCIAL SERVICE, WEATHER: Winter and colder weather is on the way. Catholic Community Services of Lane County is creating a new Family Shelter Community at its Springfield Community Service Center. State funding is paying for four new emergency pallet shelters and a single shower-and-bath unit that will serve unhoused families who have children too young for typical shelters. CCS' regular shelter program assisted more than 50 unhoused families last season. The effort goes beyond basic emergency shelter, providing case managers and connections to community resources, along with access to laundry facilities, showers, restrooms, and a kitchen. By providing emergency shelter and services, the hope is to start the unhoused families on the path to finding permanent residences. ; Last week, Catholic Community Services of Lane County launched its first ever Cold Weather Shelter Drive with help from a network of close to one-dozen churches and organizations. Throughout November,

December, and January, participating drop-off locations will be accepting donations of tents, tarps, sleeping bags and blankets. Catholic Community Services of Lane County will distribute to most vulnerable members of the community. CCS also is accepting donations to its Cold Weather Shelter Drive online. Those funds are used to provide emergency vouchers at participating motels for unhoused families with minor children. A full list of donation drop-off locations and a portal to donate online can be found at [www.ccslc.org/cwsd](http://www.ccslc.org/cwsd) /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>ELECTIONS: Tuesday was Election Day in Oregon. Not every voter had a candidate race or ballot measure in their area. But for those who did, Interim Eugene City Council member Lyndsie Leech appears headed for election in the Ward Seven runoff; Voters are approving extensions of the five-year levies for the Siuslaw Schools and River Road Parks; And voters in the Pleasant Hill and Goshen Rural Fire Protection Districts are giving their approval to dissolving those districts to form a combined one. / ELECTIONS, POLITICS: Republican state senators in Oregon who boycotted the Legislature for a record six weeks earlier this year have filed a federal lawsuit as part of their efforts to seek reelection despite a recent voter-approved measure aimed at preventing such walkouts. The senators are challenging an amendment to the state constitution approved by voters last year that bars lawmakers from reelection if they have 10 or more unexcused absences. The measure passed by a wide margin following GOP walkouts in the Legislature in 2019, 2020 and 2021. But confusion over its wording has sparked a debate over whether it affects those who walked out this year. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, WEATHER, RECREATION: It was a challenging effort, but teams from Lane County Search and Rescue this week rescued a missing mushroom picker after she became separated from her boyfriend on an outing several days earlier. The man had been lost in the woods in the area of Herman Peak Road, northeast of Florence, but eventually hiked out of the woods to a house in the Mercer Lake area. That was around 2:30 Monday afternoon, when the Sheriff's Office was notified. The woman was located late Monday evening. She had fallen in the woods—in an area that was very difficult to access. Officials say she was hypothermic, very disoriented, and difficult to move. The US Coast Guard dispatched a helicopter crew but were unable to hoist her out due because a heavy fog had settled over the area. Rescuers made the decision to stabilize the woman and remain with her through the night until they could attempt to hike out yesterday morning. Around 5:30 a.m. Tuesday, they got her to the nearest roadway and into an ambulance. She was transported to an area hospital for treatment. / CRIME: The investigation is continuing after Eugene Police say a wanted suspect led officers on a brief pursuit late yesterday morning, then died from an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound. The suspect's name is being withheld until relatives are notified. Officials say the person was being</p>

sought in connection with a case in another jurisdiction. Police say they attempted a traffic stop near 11<sup>th</sup> and Garfield Streets and that the suspect fled two blocks and apparently shot himself as officers and SWAT team members closed in. /

**LABOR, EDUCATION:** Graduate teaching fellows at the University of Oregon are preparing for a possible walkout at the end of the month. The GTFs, who teach classes, work in labs, and perform other academic duties late last week authorized a strike. The vote won with 97 percent backing from the union membership. Bargainers for the Graduate Teaching Fellows Foundation and the U-of-O exchanged their final offers at the end of October, followed by a mediation session. /

**EDUCATION:** Record enrollment numbers this fall for the state's largest university. Officials at Oregon State said yesterday that more than 36,000 students are taking courses at the campuses in Corvallis, Bend, and online. Lane Community College last week reported a big surge in Fall Term enrollment, a ten-percent increase. The increased enrollment means a boost in tuition revenue and state funding, which is easing a projected budget deficit. Last month, leaders at Western Oregon University in Monmouth said they saw enrollment climb five percent to more than 3,900 students. It was the first substantial increase in more than a decade. /

**TRANSPORTATION, WEATHER, RECREATION, SAFETY:** It closed a couple of weeks ago on its Western end. Oregon Department of Transportation officials say the remainder of the Old McKenzie Highway—also known as Highway 242—will close for winter tomorrow. McKenzie Pass is a secondary, scenic highway. Weather, costs, and logistics make it impractical to maintain for travel year-round. When the highway is closed, it is closed to all users and is not maintained. Travelers going past locked gates and closure signs could encounter hazards and working equipment on the road. There are no services or cell coverage. Also, a quick note: As a part of a federal grant, the east side of the Old McKenzie Highway will be repaved in 2024. The timing of paving will depend on the weather. Crews will start as soon as they are able. This means the east side of the highway will be completely inaccessible until the paving is complete. Crews say they are looking forward to making this route smoother and safer for everyone. /

**SPORTS:** Oregon Football remains at No. 6 in this week's College Football Playoff rankings. The Ducks host USC on Saturday at Autzen Stadium. Kick-off is set for 7:30 p.m. on FOX. Oregon State is up to No. 12 in the College Football Playoff rankings and hoping to earn a berth to a New Years Day bowl game. The Beavs host Stanford on Saturday afternoon in Corvallis. Kickoff is at 2:30 p.m. on the Pac-12 Network. ; Ohio State remains No. 1 in the College Football Playoff rankings, with Georgia, Michigan and Florida State following the Buckeyes, as the selection committee stood pat with its top eight teams. Washington was fifth, followed by Pac-12 rival Oregon, Texas, and Alabama at eighth. Only one of the top 11 teams in last week's first CFP rankings lost last weekend. Oklahoma dropped from ninth to 17th after losing to Oklahoma State. The Cowboys moved up to 15th. ; All three local teams have advanced to the finals of their respective Oregon High School State Soccer Championships after big semifinal wins yesterday: The combined girls' squad from North Eugene and Triangle Lake will meet Wilsonville at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Sherwood High School in the Class 5A championship match. The Marist girls meet North Marion on Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Class 4A championship at Liberty High School in Hillsboro. The Cottage Grove boys will meet the combined squad from Newport-

Waldport on Saturday at 6 p.m. at Liberty High School in Hillsboro to determine the Class 4A champion. /

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other locations, but leaders earlier acknowledged there will be some layoffs. / ENVIRONMENT, DISASTERS, SAFETY: It had an explosive eruption back in 1980, and more than 400 earthquakes have been detected in recent months beneath Washington State's Mount Saint Helens. But scientists with the U.S. Geological Survey say there are no signs of an imminent eruption. Most of the quakes over the past three months were less than magnitude 1.0—too small to be felt on the surface. Generally, those small magnitude quakes mean magma is flowing deep beneath the volcano. Similar swarms occurred in the late 1980s and early 1990s, but none directly led to volcanic eruptions. / ENVIRONMENT, WEATHER: The last 12 months were the hottest Earth has ever recorded, according to a new report by Climate Central, a nonprofit science research group. The study found that over the course of the past year, 7.3 billion people—90 percent of humanity—endured at least 10 days of high temperatures. The group says increased heat in the future is at least three times more likely because of climate change, including human activities including the burning gasoline, coal, natural gas, and other fossil fuels. At least 383 people died in U.S. extreme weather events, including 93 deaths related to the Maui wildfire. The scientists say as intense as the heat was during the past 12 months, it was tempered by the planet's oceans—which absorbed much of the overall increase. But the group warns even the oceans are reaching their limit. / ENVIRONMENT, BUSINESS: The 13 largest U.S. tire manufacturers are facing a lawsuit from a pair of California commercial fishing organizations that could force the companies to stop using a chemical added to almost every tire. The suit claims the chemical kills migrating salmon. The rubber preservative 6PPD also is found in footwear, synthetic turf, and playground equipment. It's been used in tires for 60 years. But as tires wear, tiny particles of rubber are left behind on roads and parking lots, breaking down into a byproduct that biologists say is deadly to salmon, steelhead, and other aquatic wildlife when it's washed into rivers. / VETERANS, EVENTS, COMMUNITY, RECREATION: Saturday is Veterans Day in Oregon. Among the events: One of the nation's largest parades takes place in Albany. The Linn County Veterans Day Parade begins at 11 a.m. Saturday and winds through parts of downtown. It is preceded by an 8:30 a.m. memorial ceremony at Timber-Linn Park. In Douglas County, the annual Veterans Day Parade in Roseburg begins at 11 a.m. on Saturday. It is the area's 68th annual event. Here in Lane County, there's a Veterans Day Parade on Saturday at 1 p.m. in Florence. It's sponsored by the Oregon Coast Military Museum and many other local organizations. Other events in Lane County include a Veterans Day breakfast on Saturday morning from 9-11 a.m. at the Goldson Grange in Cheshire and a Veterans Day dinner at the Junction City Moose Lodge at 4 p.m. The Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs will host a ceremony Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Oregon State Capitol Park in Salem. It includes a flyover, color guard, singing of the national anthem, laying of a wreath, and the playing of "Taps." Speakers include Oregon State Senator James Manning of Eugene, who chairs a legislative committee on veterans' issues and is a veteran, himself. The event is open to the public and will be streamed on the Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs Facebook page. ; On Saturday, the federal Bureau of Land Management is waiving recreation day-use fees for all visitors in celebration of Veterans Day. The free day-use on Saturday includes popular spots such as the Alsea Falls, Shotgun Creek, and Loon Lake recreation sites; the Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area; and the Cape

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you through social media and then move the conversation to other messaging apps such as WhatsApp or Google Chat. What starts as a simple conversation turns into a sudden romantic connection. But then the person asks for money because something happened in their lives and they need help, or they say they can help you invest your savings, it's time to be suspicious. It's a common practice for scammers to make victims feel like they need to act right away, which makes them more vulnerable to falling for a story that might not seem plausible if they weren't under pressure. If you're having a conversation about scams with your family members, it's important to highlight the rushing aspect of scam practices.

/ WILDLIFE: We have so many amazing wildlife artists in our state. The winning artwork was selected for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's 2024 Waterfowl, Upland Game Bird, and Habitat Conservation stamp art competitions. First Place in the Habitat Conservation category went to Buck Spencer of Junction City, who depicted a Short-eared Owl. First Place in the Upland Game Bird category, featuring Gray Partridges, went to Roberta Wise of Bandon. The contest event attracted some out-of-state entries. First Place in the Waterfowl category, a Trumpeter Swan, went to Richard Clifton of Milford, Delaware. First place artists each receive a prize award of \$2,000. These and other winning artworks will be the face of 2024 collector stamps and other promotional items that benefit Oregon's wildlife and their habitats. The proceeds from product sales are used for habitat improvement, research, surveys, and conservation projects.

/ SPORTS: The No. 6 Oregon Ducks look to keep alive their hopes for a Pac-12 title and possibly a shot at a College Football Playoff berth when they host USC on Saturday night at Autzen Stadium. The Trojans haven't visited Eugene since 2015. USC is coming off a 52-42 loss at home to No. 5 Washington, which sits atop the Pac-12 standings. The Huskies and Oregon are the top two teams in the league. The Ducks defeated California 63-19 last weekend. Kick-off at Autzen Stadium is set for 7:30 p.m. The game is being broadcast on FOX. ; The No. 12 Oregon State Beavers host Stanford on Saturday at Reser Stadium. After that, it's a game at home against No. 5 Washington before visiting No. 6 Oregon over Thanksgiving weekend. Oregon State is a three-touchdown favorite over the Cardinal as fans calculate the permutations for reaching the Pac-12 title game. The Beavers came away with a 26-19 victory on the road against Colorado last weekend. Stanford is coming off a 10-7 victory on the road at Washington State. Kickoff in Corvallis is at 2:30 p.m. on the Pac-12 Network.

/ SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Oregon State Police yesterday released the name of the passenger who died in Wednesday afternoon's two-vehicle crash on Highway 58 about eight miles east of Oakridge. Investigators say a California woman driving an eastbound Toyota Camry attempted to pass in a "no passing" zone and an eastbound pickup truck. The woman's 59-year-old passenger died from his injuries. The driver and another passenger were seriously injured, as was the driver of the pickup, 33-year-old Justin Kazutaka Fabrick of Eugene. The crash and investigation closed the highway for close to five hours.

/ LABOR, HEALTH: Tens of thousands of health care workers have ratified a new four-year contract with industry giant Kaiser Permanente following a strike over wages and staffing levels. The parties announced the contract's approval on Thursday. Of the 85,000 members in the Coalition of Kaiser Permanente Unions, 98.5 percent voted to ratify the deal. It runs retroactively from Oct. 1 through September 2027. Oakland, California-based Kaiser has

hospitals and clinics that serve nearly 13 million Americans. Union members say understaffing is boosting the hospital system's profits but hurting patients. Both sides say they prioritized patient health care during their talks. The three-day strike last month involved 75,000 workers in California, Colorado, Oregon, and Washington. The strikers include licensed vocational nurses, home health aides and ultrasound sonographers, as well as technicians in the radiology, X-ray, surgical, pharmacy and emergency departments. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: Rarely have Oregon Duck football fans cheered so fervently for Oregon State. But they'll be doing that on Saturday. The Beavs will take on the No. 5 Washington Huskies in Corvallis in a 4:30 p.m. game broadcast on ABC and KEZI-TV. An OSU win would open the door for the Ducks to move up a notch in the College Football Playoff standings. Currently at No. 6, Oregon needs to better its case to be one of the top four teams selected. The Beavers had another strong outing against Stanford and leapt to No. 10 in the national polls—their first time back in the Top Ten since October of 2012. The Ducks, who defeated USC, visit Arizona State on Saturday with a 1:00 p.m. kickoff on Fox. ; Our three local prep soccer squads had to settle for runner-up honors in their Saturday state championship matches: The combined girls' squad from North Eugene and Triangle Lake lost to Wilsonville 2-0 in Class 5A in the finals. The Marist girls were edged 2-1 by North Marion 2-1 in the Class 4A championship. And the Cottage Grove boys lost 2-1 to the combined squad from Newport-Waldport in the Class 4A finals. / GOVERNMENT, POLITICS, ECONOMY: We're five days away from a possible federal government shutdown. It would halt many government services, along with paychecks for millions of federal workers and military personnel. It comes as the U.S. House remains divided over stopgap funding. The new speaker, Mike Johnson of Louisiana, is trying to unify his divided Republicans. On Saturday, he unveiled a proposal that would extend government funding for some agencies and programs until mid-January and for others until early February. But the packages of legislation exclude funding requested by the president for Israel, Ukraine, and the U.S. border with Mexico. ; The credit rating agency Moody's Investors Service has lowered its outlook on the U.S. government's debt to "negative" from "stable." In a statement Friday, the agency cited the cost of rising interest rates and political polarization in Congress for its move. Moody's retained its top triple-A credit rating on U.S. government debt, though it is the last of the three major credit rating agencies to do so. Fitch Ratings lowered its rating to AA+ from AAA in August, and Standard &amp; Poor's downgraded the U.S. in 2011. A reduced outlook, however, raises the risk that Moody's could eventually strip its triple-A rating from the U.S. as well. / LABOR, EDUCATION: Portland teachers remain on strike today, canceling classes in the state's largest district for a seventh day. Bargainers for the two sides exchanged proposals on Sunday and</p>

say they made some progress. With schools closed, parents of close to 44,000 students continue to scramble for childcare or adjust their schedules to work from home. The union wants better pay, smaller class sizes, and other improvements. Portland School District officials say they are facing steep budget cuts, and their options are limited. / AGRICULTURE, WEATHER, CLIMATE CHANGE: — In the face of human-caused climate change impacting water access and weather patterns in the Willamette Valley — a region known for hops growing — farmers are using all the new strategies they can get to stay afloat and provide for large and small breweries alike. Some hops and barley growers in the U.S. say they've already seen their crops impacted by extreme heat, drought, and unpredictable growing seasons. Researchers, including some at Oregon State University, are working with growers to develop new hop varieties that can withstand drought and by adding winter barley crops to the mix. The challenge lies not only in creating climate-resilient crops, but ones that provide large yields and a satisfying taste. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>ECONOMY, FINANCES: Prices for rent, groceries and more are still a lot higher than before the pandemic started. But the latest numbers from the U.S. government show inflation eased last month. That, as the Fed continues its push to slow our overheated economy. The latest data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics shows prices rose 3.2 percent over the past 12 months. That's down half a point from September and August, but still above what Federal Reserve policy managers consider the normal rate. That said, inflation overall looks much better than it did in 2022, when prices were soaring to 40 year highs and threatening the entire U.S. economy. Even so, analysts note that prices for things like rent, healthcare, groceries, and more are still higher than they were before the pandemic started. That's not only affecting people's budgets, it's affecting their perceptions of what's an otherwise strong economy. ; Stocks are surging after a report on U.S. inflation sent waves of relief through Wall Street. The S&amp;P 500 was 2 percent higher Tuesday and near its best level in two months. The Dow rose 510 points, and the Nasdaq composite rallied 2.3 percent. The highly anticipated report showed inflation slowed last month, bolstering bets among traders that the Federal Reserve is finally done with its market-crunching hikes to interest rates. Technology and other high-growth stocks led the way higher. Stocks of smaller companies also got a particularly big boost on hopes that financial conditions won't tighten further. Treasury yields tumbled. / SPORTS: Oregon head football coach Dan Lanning says he's not going anywhere. That includes Texas A&amp;M. Days ago, A&amp;M fired head coach Jimbo Fisher and speculation has swirled around Lanning and a handful of other successful coaches as possible replacements. But in remarks to reporters on Monday, Lanning said there's "zero chance" he would be coaching anywhere other than in Eugene. He says there's a lot he wants to accomplish at Oregon and that the athletic department is providing the tools and resources to do that. Lanning also says he likes being able to live and raise a family here. Oregon Athletics and Lanning agreed to a one-year contract extension in July that keeps him as Duck head football coach through January of 2029. The deal includes performance bonuses and \$1 million per year in deferred compensation. The Oregonian and OregonLive note that Lanning has five years and \$38 million of guaranteed salary due to him and can earn an additional year extension worth \$8.2 million if Oregon wins either of its next two</p>

games. His buyout to leave UO is \$20 million through the duration of the contract. ; Oregon State University and Washington State University are seeking a preliminary legal injunction, claiming the ten departing members of the Pac-12 Conference relinquished their rights to decide the league's long-term future when they announced they were leaving. But attorneys for ten departing schools argue they should have a say in running the conference until they officially depart in August. A hearing in the schools' lawsuit takes place today. At stake is control of conference assets and revenues, including money the league will earn in 2023-24. Officials from OSU and WSU have said they would like to rebuild the Pac-12. They are trying to assess the conference's assets — which are likely in the tens of millions of dollars — and liabilities. The Pacific Northwest schools took the conference and Commissioner George Kliavkoff to court in September over who gets to sit on the board of directors and vote on Pac-12 business. In September, a judge in Washington state granted a request by OSU and WSU for a temporary restraining order to prevent Pac-12 leaders from convening a conference board meeting that includes any of the 10 departing members. The judge did allow the conference to conduct day-to-day business, saying any decisions need to be made by unanimous vote. / HEALTH, YOUTH, SAFETY: U.S. health officials continue to warn doctors to be on the lookout for possible cases of lead poisoning in children. At least 22 toddlers in 14 states have been sickened by lead that's linked to tainted pouches of cinnamon apple puree and applesauce. Cases were reported in children ages 1 to 3 years old. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says at least one child showed a blood lead level eight times higher than the level that raises concern. The illnesses are linked to recalled WanaBana, Schnucks and Weis brand cinnamon applesauce pouches. / WILDFIRES, ECONOMY: A new study from Oregon State University finds that wildfires and drought have led to \$11.2 billion in damages to privately held timberland in Oregon, Washington, and California over the past two decades. That represents about a 10 percent reduction in the value of private timberland across the region. Based on a range of evidence, the authors of the study attribute about half of the economic damage to climate change. For the study, OSU natural resource economist David Lewis and postdoctoral scholar Yuhan Wang, who led the work, analyzed sales of privately-owned timberland, then linked the transactions with data on small and large wildfires and data on drought stress. They found that across the three states recent increases in drought stress reduced the economic value of timberland by one percent on average while increases in large wildfires have reduced timberland values by an additional 8.7 percent over the past two decades. The research also showed that the bulk of large wildfire-induced losses (nearly 7.4 percent of the 8.7 percent) were not due to direct burning of private timberland, but instead related to increasingly frequent neighboring fires that have altered landowners' expectations of fire arrival and increased risk of investing in private timberland, the authors say. In Oregon west of the Cascades, drought stress losses were 1.6 percent, and large wildfire losses were 7.7 percent. East of the Cascades, drought stress dropped to 1.1 percent, and large wildfire loss declined to 6 percent. The difference between east and west of the Cascades in Oregon is in large part because there is more private timberland west of the Cascades that has been in close proximity to large wildfires in recent years. ; Wildfire season might be over here in Oregon, but it's ramping up in some of the southeastern states. Earlier this month, the Oregon Department of Forestry sent

68 firefighters to Kentucky and 10 firefighters to North Carolina. More are expected to deploy to those states this week to assist local crews. It's part of a mutual assistance network in which firefighting organizations send personnel and equipment when demand is low at home. During our 2023 wildfire season, more than 80 out-of-state personnel came to Oregon to assist the Oregon Department of Forestry in its battle to suppress the Tyee Ridge complex of fires. Similar mutual assistance agreements are in place with other Western states, including Alaska, as well as some Canadian provinces and territories. / CRIME: Officials are not saying what type of case they're investigating, what evidence was seized, or whether anyone was taken into custody. Investigators from the Lane County Sheriff's Office did confirm they served a search warrant at a property in the Noti area yesterday morning. A news release notes that the Sheriff's Office's Special Response Team assisted in securing the property based on safety information obtained prior to the warrant being served. ; Springfield Police say that on Sunday officers arrested the suspect in a robbery one week earlier at a local deli. They say 45-year-old James Joshua Crabtree allegedly entered Patty's Deli in the 2300 block of Olympic Street shortly after 11:15 on the night of November 5th, approached an employee, revealed he had a handgun, demanded money, and fled. Detectives say they identified Crabtree based on video surveillance and witness accounts. They say they located him at a motel in the 500 block of Highway 99 in Eugene and took him into custody after a short foot chase. Investigators say detectives recovered approximately one pound of methamphetamine in his room. /



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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>CRIME: At one point yesterday afternoon, he was fleeing police in a stolen car with a flat tire and driving the wrong way on portions of Eugene's Delta Highway and Interstate 105. Fortunately, no one was hurt. Moments later, the suspect got out of the vehicle, stood on a ledge on the Washington-Jefferson Street Bridge where it crosses 5th Avenue and threatened to jump. He didn't and police took him into custody about 90 minutes later. But the situation snarled traffic until just before the evening commute. Police say the suspect, 23-year-old Cameron Ray Garvin, was first spotted in the stolen Toyota Corolla cruising slowly through a parking lot near Green Acres Road and Delta Highway and looking into vehicles. By the time things wrapped up, he was facing a handful of charges and investigators said he was wanted on seven earlier warrants. ; Lane County Sheriff's investigators say three people were arrested earlier this week in connection with last year's discovery of a body found by hunters in the forest outside Noti. Detectives say one man—Timothy Bryce Shafer—is charged with Murder 2. He and two other suspects— Timothy Leon Shafer and Anna Mariateres Glica—are charged with Abuse of a Corpse 2, Tampering with Physical Evidence, and Hindering prosecution. The body was discovered in November of last year and officials said 37-year-old <i>Sean Lee Wilkins of Swisshome was a victim of homicide</i>. Sheriff's officials say detectives worked diligently on the case in partnership with Oregon State Police and OSP's Crime Lab. They also thanked community members for their tips that helped them identify the suspects. / SPORTS: Georgia has moved up to No. 1 in the College Football Playoff rankings, nudging past Ohio State, with third-place Michigan and fourth-place Florida State holding their spots in the top four. Washington was fifth again, followed by Oregon, Texas, and Alabama. Missouri at nine and Louisville were new to the top 10 this week. Oregon State is No. 11. ; A big win yesterday for Oregon State and Washington State in their legal battle with departing members of the Pac-12 athletics conference. A judge granted the two schools a preliminary injunction Tuesday, giving them control of the conference and millions of dollars in assets. OSU and WSU claimed that the ten departing members of the conference relinquished their rights to decide the league's long-term future when they announced they were leaving. Attorneys for the departing schools argue they should have a vote until they officially leave in August. They intend to appeal. At</p>

stake is control of conference assets and revenues, including money the league will earn in 2023-24. Officials from Oregon State and Washington State have said they would like to rebuild the Pac-12. They are trying to assess the conference's assets — which are likely in the tens of millions of dollars — and its liabilities. / SAFETY: A bit of excitement last night at the Lane County Courthouse and Public Service Building at 8th and Oak Streets in Eugene. Eugene Springfield Fire crews responded to a report from sheriff's deputies about a strong smell of smoke in the building. Fire crews say an HVAC unit on the roof had malfunctioned. Fortunately, there was no damage to the building, no injuries, and the courthouse remains operational. / GOVERNMENT, ECONOMY: The U.S. House has voted overwhelmingly to prevent a government shutdown. New Republican Speaker Mike Johnson was forced to reach across the aisle to Democrats when hard-right conservatives revolted against his plan. Johnson's proposal to temporarily fund the government into the new year passed on a bipartisan 336-95 tally, with 93 Republicans voting against it. He showed a willingness to leave his right-flank Republicans behind and work with Democrats — the same political move that cost the last House speaker, Kevin McCarthy, his job just weeks ago. Johnson's approach, which the Senate is expected to approve by week's end, effectively pushes a final showdown over government funding to the new year. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>TRANSPORTATION, FINANCES: Planning a trip out of town during Thanksgiving week? Fuel prices have been falling and are lower than this time last year. Here in Eugene-Springfield, prices at the pump are averaging less than four dollars for a gallon of regular-grade fuel. They're down to \$3.92 this morning. That's 45 cents cheaper than one month ago and 73 cents less than this time last year. Diesel's morning price average is \$4.62, which is 87 cents per gallon less than it was 12 months ago. ; An increase in the number of people expected to travel more than 50 miles out of town during the Thanksgiving holiday week. Analysts with AAA predict more than 55.4 million of us will travel 50 miles or more from home—a 2.3 percent increase over last year. It is the third-highest Thanksgiving forecast since the auto club began tracking holiday travel in 2000. Travel demand has been strong all year. Most Thanksgiving travelers are expected to drive to their destinations. INRIX, a provider of transportation data and insights, expects Wednesday will be the busiest day on the roads, with average travel times as high as 80 percent higher than normal in some metro areas. Experts suggest that if you need to drive on Wednesday, do so first thing in the morning or after 6 p.m. to avoid congestion. ; If you're flying during Thanksgiving week, you'll have plenty of company. AAA predicts there will be 4.7 million people filling passenger seats on commercial flights, up 6.6 percent over last year. Tuesday and Wednesday before Thanksgiving are the busiest air travel days ahead of the holiday and the most expensive. The Sunday after the holiday is typically the busiest day to return home. / GOVERNMENT, ECONOMY: There will be no shutdown of the federal government at the end of the day Friday. Congress has pushed that threat to after the holidays. The U.S. Senate last night gave final approval to a temporary government funding that earlier cleared the House and sent it to President Joe Biden for his signature. The spending package keeps government funding levels at current levels for roughly two more months while a long-term package is negotiated. But the spending bill does not include the White House's nearly \$106 billion request for wartime aid for Israel and Ukraine, as well as humanitarian funding for Palestinians and other supplemental requests. Lawmakers are likely to turn their attention more fully to that request after the Thanksgiving holiday. / CRIME: How extensive is illegal drug trafficking in Oregon? Authorities yesterday announced the takedown of a major drug trafficking group based in Southern</p>

Oregon. Law enforcement leaders from federal, state. And local jurisdictions said they made two dozen arrests as part of the 18-month investigation. State Police said officers seized 37 guns, 4.4 pounds of meth, 1.4 pounds of fentanyl pills, more than one-tenth of a pound of fentanyl, and varying amounts of cocaine, marijuana, and illegal mushrooms. David Reames, the special agent in charge of the DEA's Seattle division, says the amount of fentanyl seized has the potential to yield more than 144,000 lethal doses. According to the DEA, just 2 milligrams of fentanyl can be deadly. In an unrelated case, a suspected drug trafficker is facing federal charges after he was arrested in Southern Oregon while allegedly transporting more than 100 pounds of fentanyl. The 20-year-old Portland man was stopped while driving on Highway 97 near Chiloquin. Investigators say they recovered heat-sealed bricks of fentanyl totaling 117 pounds, along with a satchel containing a semi-automatic pistol. / EMPLOYMENT, ECONOMY: A slowing of employment in Oregon last month. Analysts say the state's nonfarm payroll declined by a net 4,600 jobs—causing Oregon's unemployment rate to tick up a notch from 3.5 to 3.6 percent. That's still low, but two key sectors—professional and business services, and leisure and hospitality—were among those trimming jobs. Among the specific industries that saw net job losses were manufacturing; retail trade; and health care and social assistance. The only industry growing substantially in October was construction, which added 1,500 jobs. / RECREATION, HEALTH: Looking for a way to enjoy the day after Thanksgiving? Oregon Parks and Recreation Department once again is offering free day-use parking at its two dozen locations that normally charge an entrance fee. "Green Friday" on November 24 encourages individuals and families to head outdoors to hike, see the sights, learn about Oregon history, and just relax. Parking is free year-round at almost all state parks; the waiver applies to the parks that charge \$5 daily for parking. Fee parks include Honeyman State Park south of Florence and Heceta Lighthouse State Park north of Florence. There's also Shore Acres State Park near Charleston, and Jasper State Recreation Area near Pleasant Hill and Jasper. Other popular destinations across Oregon include Fort Stevens, Cape Lookout, Silver Falls, Champoeg, L.L. Stub Stewart, Smith Rock, and Milo McIver. The fee waiver applies from open to close on Nov. 24, except at Shore Acres State Park, where it expires at 4 p.m. for the Holiday Lights event that runs Thanksgiving through New Year's Eve. / RECREATION, FISHERIES: Two days of free fishing, clamming and crabbing, coming right up! The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is holding a pair of Free Fishing Days on Friday and Saturday of Thanksgiving Weekend. Oregon residents and nonresidents can fish for free. You don't need tags or licenses. Just obey the basic rules on where to fish, clam, or crab, and observe the closure, size, and bag limits./

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>CRIME, BUSINESS: Some people call it the “five-finger discount,” but whether you call it that, shoplifting, or flat-out stealing, retail theft is a huge issue. It not only increases costs for stores, it increases prices for us as consumers. Springfield Police say they've arrested four people after a four-hour operation this week that targeted retail theft. Investigators say the effort took place at the Target store on Gateway. Police said the suspects allegedly stole items including electronics, clothing, and housewares. None made any attempt to pay for the items they had taken from inside the store. Additionally, investigators contacted a person believed to be selling stolen merchandise. Police say that suspect had multiple pieces of construction equipment from a local hardware store and multiple warrants for their arrest. / HEALTH, SAFETY, CHILDREN: It was a scary recall when we heard about the cases in other states, but now there are six that have been discovered in Oregon. We're talking about a recall of a nationally distributed applesauce: WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree. State and local health officials say they've identified multiple children with elevated blood lead levels after they ate the contents of those applesauce pouches. The Oregon children live in Lincoln, Multnomah, Washington, and Lake counties. WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Puree is distributed nationwide through retailers including Dollar Tree, Amazon, and other online stores. The company is recalling all the product pouches regardless of their expiration dates. But officials are concerned some still might be in homes and pantries. If you find them in your home, throw them away. Contact your primary care provider or county health department about getting a blood test for your child. / SPORTS: No. 6 Oregon tries to keep its Pac-12 Championship Game and College Football Playoff hopes alive with a win against Arizona State on Saturday. The Ducks have won four straight games and have the nation's highest scoring offense. Fifth-year quarterback Bo Nix has thrown for 3,135 yards, 29 touchdowns and just two interceptions, jumping into the Heisman Trophy conversation. Arizona State has recovered from a rough start to the season by winning two of its past three games, including last weekend's 17-7 win over UCLA. Kick-off in Tempe is at 1 p.m. on FOX. Oregon's Bo Nix has become one of the best quarterbacks in the country this season and has legitimate Heisman Trophy aspirations after leading the nation's most prolific offense. Arizona State's coach Kenny Dillingham deserves a big chunk of the</p>

credit. Dillingham was the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Auburn in 2019 and at Oregon in 2022, working with Nix as he developed into a one of the country's premier quarterbacks. ; Tenth-ranked Oregon State plays its final home game of the season against No. 5 Washington. Kick-off in Corvallis is 4:30 p.m. on ABC / KEZI-TV. The two teams have never met with both ranked in the top 10 before. Oregon State has won nine straight home games, most for the Beavers since 1999-00. Washington is 10-0 for the second time in school history. Oregon State has a 97 percent success rate in the red zone, second-best in the nation. Oregon State's defense has 19 sacks over the last four games. Washington is undefeated and appears to be rolling through the Pac-12 into the conference championship game — and maybe even a spot in the College Football Playoff. But first, the Huskies need to get by Oregon State, which also has hopes of a berth in the Pac-12 title game. The Beavers meet the No. 6 Oregon Ducks in the regular season finale next weekend. ; Future opponents might include Air Force, Boise State, Colorado State, Fresno State, Hawaii, New Mexico, Nevada, UNLV, Utah State, San Diego State, San Jose State, and Wyoming. There's word Oregon State and Washington State are moving toward keeping the Pac-12 alive as a two-team conference for as long as two years while entering into an agreement with the Mountain West Conference that will allow OSU and WSU to fill out their sports schedules. The agreement could set the stage for a long-term deal between the schools being dubbed the "Pac-2" and the Mountain West. Sources say that under any deal, the Mountain West would receive a payout from the schools and alignment with programs that have been competitive at the Power Five level. If an agreement with the Mountain West cannot be reached, sources say Oregon State and Washington State would be comfortable operating as a two-team conference after next summer, but know that filling out schedules for more than a dozen sports would be challenging. Oregon State and Washington State won a significant legal victory earlier this week when a judge ruled they have sole control of the Pac-12 and potentially hundreds of millions in assets, paving the way for them to move forward on clarifying their future plans for conference affiliation. / CRIME: Eugene Police say they've arrested a local woman after she allegedly crashed her vehicle into a traffic signal, then walked away. It happened around 11:30 on Wednesday night. Police say they received calls about the crash involving a Honda Odyssey on West 18th Avenue at Oak Patch Road that had damaged and disabled the traffic and crosswalk signals. Bystanders said the driver left on foot. Officers say they located the suspect, 38-year-old Mary Ruth Grimes, walking a short distance away off Oak Patch Road in Acorn Park. She was arrested for DUII, Reckless Driving, and Failure to Perform the Duties of a Driver. Public works crews repaired the traffic and crosswalk signal. / COMMUNITY, CHARITY, EVENT, LOW-INCOME: Lane County's largest food drive takes place on Saturday—right at your mailbox. Last year, the Letter Carriers' Food Drive collected tens of thousands of pounds for individuals and families struggling to put food on the table. The need remains great. The event is coordinated by FOOD for Lane County and your local letter carriers: You place your donation right by your mailbox on Saturday and your letter carrier collects it. The donation and collection effort provides much of the non-perishable food that our local food bank distributes to its pantries and community partners during the winter months. Organizers of the food drive are asking for non-perishable, shelf-stable food. That

might include foods like tuna, peanut butter, and tomato products. Other possibilities include canned meats, peanut butter, beans, soups, canned fruits, cooking oils, and spices. Gluten free, low-sodium and no sugar foods are always appreciated. If you miss the food drive, you may still take your donation to FOOD for Lane County or your local food pantry. / LABOR, BUSINESS: Workers at more than 200 U.S. Starbucks locations, including in Oregon, walked off the job Thursday in what organizers said was the largest strike yet in the 2-year-old effort to unionize the company's stores. The Workers United union chose Starbucks' annual Red Cup Day to stage the walkout since it's usually one of the busiest days of the year. Starbucks expects to give away thousands of reusable cups Thursday to customers who order holiday drinks. Thursday's strike was the fifth major labor action by Starbucks workers since a store in Buffalo, New York, became the first to unionize in late 2021. But the strikes have had little impact on Starbucks' sales. For its 2023 fiscal year, which ended Oct. 1, Starbucks reported its revenue rose 12 percent to a record \$36.0 billion. Starbucks said Thursday that many of the stores with striking workers remained open, staffed by supervisors, managers and employees who chose not to strike or visited from nearby stores to pick up additional hours. / ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE, FORESTRY, ENVIRONMENT: Researchers say the Pacific Northwest's iconic Western red cedars and other tree species in the Pacific Northwest have been dying because of climate-induced drought. In recent years, at least 15 native tree species in the region have experienced growth declines and die-offs, with ten linked to drought and warming temperatures, according to recent studies and reports. Many researchers in Oregon and elsewhere in the region say these drought-driven die-offs are the beginning of a much larger and long-predicted shift in tree growing ranges due to climate change. Trees have growing ranges largely determined by climate factors, namely moisture and temperature. Trees, and plants generally, have growing ranges that are largely determined by climate factors, namely moisture and temperature. For decades, scientists have argued that as atmospheric warming continues, growing ranges in the Northern Hemisphere will shift upslope in elevation and farther north, leaving many trees stranded in a warmer, drier world. As climate mismatch sets in, trees are expected to die-off and not grow back, according to predictions. According to tree-range predictions, climate-induced die-offs are expected to start at the edges of growing ranges, including at lower-elevation locations that are predicted to become too warm and dry for many species. Scientists have also observed a similar pattern for Douglas fir, the region's leading commercial timber species. Douglas fir is currently experiencing a 720-square-mile die-off, the majority in the Klamath Mountains near the southern Oregon cities of Ashland and Medford. The die-off is limited to the lower elevations but is likely to move uphill as temperatures warm in the coming decades, according to a study in the Journal of Forestry. But whereas red cedar is believed to be dying from drought alone, the true fir and Douglas fir die-offs have been linked to a combination of drought weakening trees and insect pests moving in for the kill. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: No. 6 Oregon meets No. 15 Oregon State at Autzen Stadium on Friday at 5:30 p.m. The rivalry game is being broadcast on FOX. A win would put the Ducks in the Pac-12 Championship Game with a rematch against the Washington Huskies. If the Beavers win and No. 19 Arizona beats Arizona State, the Wildcats will play in the conference title game. On Saturday in Tempe, Bo Nix threw for 404 yards and a career-high six touchdowns, Patrick Herbert and Troy Franklin both caught two touchdown passes and rolled to a 49-13 win over Arizona State. The Ducks buried the Sun Devils with an avalanche of offense. The pace slowed considerably after the halftime break, but the Ducks still cruised to victory. Oregon finished with 603 total yards and averaged nearly nine yards per play. For Oregon State on Saturday in Corvallis, it was a heartbreaker. The Beavs lost to Washington, 22-20. The win moved the Huskies up to No. 4 in the AP Top 25 and dropped OSU to No. 15. The loss, in near-constant rain, also snapped a nine-game winning streak for Oregon State at home. It was the final Pac-12 game at Reser Stadium. ; Washington and Washington State have agreed in principle to a five-year extension of their historic rivalry game, the Apple Cup, ensuring it will continue through at least 2028. The schools announced the agreement on Sunday, six days before playing for the final time with both as members of the Pac-12 Conference. There was uncertainty whether the game would continue, with Washington moving to the Big Ten starting next season and Washington State yet to find a permanent home for its athletics programs. Next year's game will be played on Sept. 14 at Lumen Field, home of the Seattle Seahawks. After that, the matchup will return to the home campuses. ; Two local teams are preparing for weekend championships in the Oregon Prep Football Playoffs: Lowell meets the combined squad from Weston-McEwen / Griswold on Saturday at 2 p.m. at Hillsboro Stadium for their Class 2A football final. Marist meets Henley on Saturday at 5 p.m. at Caldera High in Bend for their Class 4A football championship. ; Sixth-ranked Oregon Volleyball hosts USC Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. The match will stream on the Pac-12 Insider. / GOVERNMENT, POLITICS, LEGAL, HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, CRIME, SAFETY: The discussion continues over possible changes to Oregon's pioneering drug decriminalization law. The law's been facing a backlash amid a surge in public drug use fueled by fentanyl and an increase in synthetic opioid overdose deaths. The debate over</p>



revisions to the measure will be among the top issues when the new legislative session gets underway in February. Oregon's first-in-the-nation law, enacted in early 2021, decriminalized the possession of small amounts of drugs and directed the state's cannabis tax revenue toward addiction treatment services. But Federal data shows Oregon saw the biggest increase in synthetic opioid deaths since 2019 among states that have reported their numbers. Republicans have proposed reimposing criminal penalties for drug possession. Even top Democrats who back the law now say they're open to amending it. / ELECTIONS, SAFETY, CRIME, HEALTH: Election officials around the country are stocking up on the overdose reversal medication naloxone after a series of suspicious mailings — some containing traces of fentanyl — were sent to voting centers or government buildings in six states. The letters were delivered or intercepted this month at elections offices in Lane County, and at several locations in Washington state, California, Nevada, Georgia, and Kansas. In some cases, the discovery of the mailings prompted evacuations and delayed vote counting. Experts say there is little risk from incidental contact with the synthetic opioid, but officials outraged about the continued threats to election workers say they need to do everything they can to make the offices safe. The FBI and U.S. Postal Inspection Service are investigating the letters. Lane County officials say they are providing naloxone kits and train elections staff on administering it. / HEALTH, GOVERNMENT; Americans can order four free COVID-19 tests again online. Anyone who did not order a batch of four COVID-19 tests in September can secure up to eight of them beginning today at [covidtests.gov](https://covidtests.gov) The government is offering to mail the COVID-19 tests for free as the flu season kicks off and a spike in RSV cases has been reported in some spots around the country. The U.S. Postal Service will deliver the tests. COVID-19 hospitalizations were on the rise this fall but have stayed steady in recent weeks. Immunity from previous vaccinations and infections has kept case counts lower compared with other years. / ANIMALS, FAMILY, HEALTH: Veterinary laboratories in several states are investigating an unusual respiratory illness in dogs, and encouraging people to take basic precautions to keep their pets healthy as veterinarians try to pin down what's making the animals sick. Oregon, Colorado, and New Hampshire are among the states that have seen cases of the illness, which has caused lasting respiratory disease and pneumonia and does not respond to antibiotics. Symptoms of respiratory illness in dogs include coughing, sneezing, nasal or eye discharge, and lethargy. Some cases of pneumonia progress quickly, making dogs very sick within 24 to 36 hours. The Oregon Department of Agriculture has documented more than 200 cases of the disease since mid-August. It has encouraged pet owners to contact their vet if their dog is sick and told state veterinarians to report cases as soon as possible. The agency is working with state researchers and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Veterinary Services Laboratory to find out what is causing the illnesses. But Kurt Williams, director of the Oregon Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory at Oregon State University, says that without a clear way to define the disease or test for it, he said it's hard to put a number on how many died from the severe form of the infection. Williams has a simple message for dog owners: "Don't panic." He also says dog owners should make sure that their pets are up to date on vaccines, including those that protect against various respiratory illnesses. Labs across the country have been sharing their findings as they try to pinpoint the culprit. / BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE, EVENTS: The Thanksgiving

holiday weekend is traditionally a big time for Oregon's wineries. The Wine Country Weekend draws tens of thousands of visitors who sample and purchase Oregon vintages. Oregon's wineries often spread their Thanksgiving Wine Country Weekend over several weekends to try to attract more revenue. /

LABOR, EDUCATION: Lots of bargaining but still no contract agreement in the Portland Teachers' Strike. That means no classes again today for close to 43,000 students in Oregon's largest district. It's been 20 days since educators walked out in the dispute over pay, class sizes, planning time, and other issues. The two sides say they moved a bit closer on some key issues during their weekend negotiations, but without an agreement this will be the 12th day that Portland students are not in class. That leaves many families scrambling to find childcare and some parents either working from home or taking time off the job. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, FINANCES, EVENTS, HOLIDAYS: The rush is on as Americans head out of town for Thanksgiving week. Expect an increase in the number of people expected to travel more than 50 miles out of town during the Thanksgiving holiday week. Analysts with AAA predict more than 55.4 million of us will travel 50 miles or more from home—a 2.3 percent increase over last year. It is the third-highest Thanksgiving forecast since the auto club began tracking holiday travel in 2000. Travel demand has been strong all year. Most Thanksgiving travelers are expected to drive to their destinations. A lot of folks are heading out today. But tomorrow will be the busiest day on the roads. Experts suggest that if you need to drive on Wednesday, leave before 11 a.m. or after 6 p.m. to avoid congestion. One company that analyzes driving data says travelers should be cautious if returning home on Sunday, because there's been an increase in speeding drivers on that day. Many law enforcement agencies are planning holiday week safety patrols. If you are planning a trip out of town during Thanksgiving week, fuel prices have been falling and are lower than this time last year. Here in Eugene-Springfield, they're down to \$3.85 per gallon this morning, down eight cents from last week. That's 74 cents cheaper than this time last year. Diesel's morning price average is \$4.54, which is 87 cents per gallon less than it was 12 months ago. ; If you're flying during Thanksgiving week, you'll have plenty of company. The Transportation Security Administration expects to screen 2.6 million passengers today and 2.7 million passengers tomorrow. Sunday will draw the largest crowds with an estimated 2.9 million passengers, which would break a single-day record set earlier this summer. Flying out of Eugene's airport this holiday week? Keep an eye out for some wagging tails. Local members of the F.E.T.C.H. program have four volunteers and their dogs taking shifts in the terminal. It's an opportunity to reduce your stress level by petting a friendly pooch—and they always delight the kids. Amtrak's trains and buses also are expecting large holiday crowds. Arrive early to check any large bags. /</p> <p>FISHERIES, BUSINESS, HOLIDAY: One thing that won't be on holiday tables this Thanksgiving is commercially harvested local Dungeness crab. The season is delayed this year in Oregon, Washington state and Northern California after preseason testing showed low levels of meat in the crabs. Fisheries managers hope to open the season on December 1. California and Washington are delaying</p>

their seasons until at least mid-December. / **HEALTH, EVENTS:** Holiday meals may be changing for millions of Americans struggling with obesity and taking a new generation of weight-loss drugs. Medical experts and consumers say the drugs are shifting not only what users eat, but also the way they think about food. Some users welcome greater control over what they eat during the holidays. say it saps the enjoyment from social situations, including traditionally food-centric holidays like Thanksgiving, Passover, and Christmas. Others might lose their appetites entirely. The new obesity drugs, originally designed to treat diabetes, include semaglutide, used in Ozempic and Wegovy, and tirzepatide, used in Mounjaro and recently approved as Zepbound. Now aimed at weight loss, too, the drugs delivered as weekly injections work far differently than any diet. They mimic powerful hormones that kick in after people eat to regulate appetite and the feeling of fullness communicated between the gut and the brain. Users can lose as much as 15 percent to 25 percent of their body weight, studies show. But others on the drugs lose their appetites entirely or suffer side effects — nausea, vomiting, diarrhea — that undermine the pleasure of any food. When people stop taking the drugs, their appetites return and they regain weight, often faster than they lost it, studies show. One early analysis found that two-thirds of patients who started taking weight-loss drugs were no longer using them a year later. Part of that may be due to high cost and ongoing supply shortages. But there's also the larger question of what it means to alter a basic human drive like appetite. / **SPORTS:** The final season of Pac-12 football is coming down to a thrilling conclusion. The conference wraps up regular season play this week before the title game in Las Vegas on Dec. 1. Oregon and Washington still have hopes of getting the Pac-12 its first College Football Playoff berth since 2016. No. 6 Oregon meets No. 15 Oregon State at Autzen Stadium on Friday at 5:30 p.m. The rivalry game is being broadcast on FOX. A win would put the Ducks in the Pac-12 Championship Game with a rematch against the Washington Huskies. If the Beavers win and No. 19 Arizona beats Arizona State, the Wildcats will play in the conference title game. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>TRANSPORTATION: Busy, busy day yesterday at America's airports. And it's going to be busy today, as well. About 2.7 million people are expected to board flights today ahead of Thanksgiving. Airline officials say they're confident they can avoid the kind of massive disruptions that marred past holiday seasons. Many have added thousands of employees and even purchased additional winter equipment to keep planes moving during sub-freezing temperatures. But heavy rain and snow showers along the East Coast could cause delays. The National Weather Service was predicting accumulating snow in northern New England Wednesday, including up to 8 inches of snowfall in northern Maine. Snow was also expected to hit the northern Rocky Mountains on Thanksgiving Day, bringing up to 1 foot of snow to parts of Wyoming by Friday. So far this morning, U.S. airports are reporting 47 flight cancellations and 1,068 flight delays, according to FlightAware. Only one of those delays was out of Eugene's airport. The holiday will also test the Federal Aviation Administration, which still faces shortages of air traffic controllers. But as big as today's travel day is, it's nothing compared to Sunday. The forecast is for a record 2.9 million air travelers. That would set an all-time record. / BUSINESS, FINANCES, ECONOMY: For many, the day after Turkey Day is "Shopping Day." Black Friday is almost upon us, and retailers are kicking off their holiday season with offers meant to lure shoppers and get them in the spending mood. Many stores are closed on Thanksgiving but are reopening on Friday. Black Friday used to be retailers' biggest single shopping day, but it's really morphed into something that now lasts a month or more. Many people shop online. But local merchants hope that you'll instead do your holiday shopping locally to support small businesses—and shop small businesses every day. They say it's critically important, because it keeps your dollars in your community and supports local merchants and local jobs. Small Business Saturday started in 2010. According to numbers from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, spending at independent retailers and restaurants on over the past 13 years of Small Business Saturday totals more than \$184 billion. The Census Bureau in 2021 compiled data on the nation's 8.1 million small businesses of all types. It says retail to manufacturing firms employed more than 128-million people with a combined annual payroll of \$8.2 billion. / ELECTIONS, LEGAL: Oregon's much-debated Measure 114 remains on hold. A judge in Southeastern Oregon's Harney</p>

County said yesterday that the voter-approved gun control law violates the state constitution. Measure 114 is one of the toughest in the nation. It requires people to undergo a criminal background check and complete a gun safety training course in order to obtain a permit to buy a firearm. It also bans high-capacity magazines. But the measure has been mired up in state and federal courts since it received narrow approval from Oregon voters last year. / SPORTS: The Oregon football team is holding at No. 6 in the College Football Playoff rankings for a fourth consecutive week, remaining the nation's highest-ranked one-loss team. The 10-1 Ducks are one of four Pac-12 teams still in the top 25, along with No. 4 Washington, No. 15 Arizona, and No. 16 Oregon State. Oregon host Oregon State in their Top-20 matchup Friday night at Autzen Stadium to close out the regular season. The game is being broadcast beginning at 5:40 p.m. on FOX (KLSR-TV). Oregon needs a win to reach the Pac-12 Championship Game and a rematch with Washington on Dec. 1. If the Beavers win and No. 19 Arizona beats Arizona State, the Wildcats will play in the conference title game. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: It will be a Top 5 matchup in Friday's Pac-12 Conference title game in Las Vegas. The Oregon Ducks yesterday moved to No. 5 in the national polls and the Washington Huskies climbed to No. 3. The Oregon Ducks are relishing a second chance against Washington after their 31-7 victory Friday night over Oregon State in the final scheduled matchup between the in-state rivals. The 11-1 Ducks will face Washington on Friday in Las Vegas. It will be the final Pac-12 Conference championship before 10 of the league's teams depart next season. The winner has a chance at earning a spot in the four-team College Football Playoff. Oregon has won six straight since losing at Washington earlier this season. This is the first time since 2016 that two Pac-12 teams have been ranked in the Top Five. The Beavers fell to No. 21 in the Associated Press polls. While Oregon State still has a bowl to look forward to, the program sustained an off-field hit over the weekend with news that Michigan State has hired head coach Jonathan Smith. The Spartans hope Smith can turn around their program as he did for Oregon State. / LABOR, EDUCATION: Students will be back in class today in the Portland Public Schools, after bargainers for the district and its teachers' union reached tentative agreement yesterday. That's good news for families of the close to 45,000 students, who have seen schools shuttered since the walkout began on Nov. 1. The agreement must still be ratified by union members. The two sides came to terms over issues ranging from pay to class sizes and planning time. / SAFETY: Officials say a driver on the Beltline Highway spotted flames from a house fire in a Santa Clara neighborhood shortly after 6 p.m. last night and summoned emergency crews. That was about the same time a resident at the duplex on Lea Avenue noticed that smoke was filling the second floor and also called 911. Crews contained the fire quickly. They say the occupants of the duplex all got out safely and there were no injuries. The cause of the fire is being determined. ; Local fire crews were busy earlier in the day Sunday responding to three separate blazes. They included a house fire shortly before 4 a.m. in the Fox Hollow-Amazon area that displaced six people. They were offered assistance by the local chapter of the American Red Cross; a fire set outside a business at 11th Avenue and Oak Alley that damaged a portion of the exterior of building shortly before 3 a.m. and sent smoke inside; and a fire in a dumpster behind the Eugene Hotel retirement building on East Broadway that was reported shortly after 6 a.m.</p>

and sent smoke into multiple floors of the high-rise. Residents evacuated while crews doused the fire and removed smoke from the lobby and several floors. There were no injuries during any of the blazes. Their causes are under investigation. / **ECONOMY, BUSINESS, CHARITY:** Shoppers hunting for big deals packed malls on Black Friday as retailers stepped up discounts and other perks to lure customers weighed down by inflation and sticking to tighter budgets. Consumers are seeing some financial pressures as their savings dwindle and their credit card debt grows. The National Retail Federation, the nation's largest retail trade group, forecast that U.S. holiday sales will rise 3 percent to 4 percent for November through December, compared with 5.4 percent growth a year ago. Buying also was brisk on Small Business Saturday. Local business owners remind you that every day should be Small Business Day because shopping local mean the bulk of your purchase helps support local companies and workers. Consumers are scouring the internet for online deals as they begin to cap off the five-day post-Thanksgiving shopping bonanza with Cyber Monday. Even though e-commerce is now part and parcel of our everyday lives, Cyber Monday – a term coined back in 2005 by the National Retail Federation – continues to be the biggest online shopping day of the year. Tomorrow is a time to supporting nonprofits on GivingTuesday. And this year it could have a bigger impact than usual. That's because nonprofits and industry groups say donations so far are down compared with previous years. Many organizations will be looking to make up the difference on GivingTuesday. Some run matching campaigns, meaning a supporter has pledged to double or sometimes triple the donation of other, smaller donors. A large amount of charitable giving happens at the end of the calendar year, so it's still too soon to tell if this year will follow the trend in 2022, when overall donations dropped for only the fourth time in 40 years. / **ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY:** It's another reminder about preparing for the conditions and letting someone know where you're headed and when you expect to return. On Thanksgiving, Benton County search and rescue teams located a missing mushroom hunter in the woods west of Philomath. Officials say the 77-year-old Corvallis man was reported missing late Wednesday night by a family member who said he'd failed to return from his outing. Crews from multiple jurisdictions and counties located him around 3:30 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, down a steep drainage near a creek. They said the man was weak from a recent back surgery and also unable to hear the rescuers because he was not wearing his hearing aids. He told rescuers he had tried to keep moving on Wednesday night to stay warm but was wearing wool socks with Crocs slip-on shoes. Officials say he also did not carry a whistle that would have allowed him to make emergency signals, nor did he have other essential survival gear. The man was airlifted to a Corvallis hospital for medical assessment and care. /



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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>BUSINESS, ECONOMY, CHARITY: Consumers surfed the internet yesterday for online deals as they capped off the five-day post-Thanksgiving shopping bonanza with Cyber Monday. Even though e-commerce is a regular part of everyday lives, Cyber Monday continues to be the biggest online shopping day of the year. Adobe Analytics predicted consumers would spend between \$12 billion and \$12.4 billion during the day, making it the biggest online shopping day of all time. For some major retailers, "Cyber Monday" sales began over the weekend. Economists say consumer spending during the five days between Thanksgiving and yesterday provides a strong indication of how much shoppers are willing to spend during the holidays. ; After all the consumer buying during Black Friday and Cyber Monday sales, today is "Giving Tuesday." It is a time to support nonprofits, and this year it could have a bigger impact than usual. Leaders of non-profit and industry groups say donations this year have lagged behind previous years. Many organizations are hoping to make up the difference today. Some nonprofits have matching campaigns, meaning a supporter has pledged to double or sometimes triple the donation of other, smaller donors. In 2022, overall donations dropped for only the fourth time in 40 years. What motivates people to donate to charities or causes they care about is often deeply personal. Donors name relatives or friends who have survived or died from illnesses. They recount tearful conversations with their children. They point to their aspirations for how their communities and the larger world could be improved. / CRIME: The Greenhill Humane Society is one of the local organizations seeking Giving Tuesday donations. But the lead shelter agency here in Lane County also is welcoming contributions to help it recover from an early Monday morning break-in. Staff say they arrived to find a shattered glass front door. Greenhill officials still were assessing the damage, but say no animals or humans were harmed. If you have any leads in the case, the Lane County Sheriff's Office is handling the investigation. ; Officials with the Eugene Water and Electric Board say one of the payment drop boxes at its former headquarters building on East 4th Avenue was vandalized sometime between Wednesday morning and Monday morning. They're concerned customer payments might have been stolen. The dropbox was the one built into the wall of the building, not the drive-up payment box. With no way of knowing what payments might have been inside, EWEB officials are encouraging any</p>

customers who might be affected contact their financial institution immediately and place a "stop payment" on their EWEB check. They also urge you also to follow any other suggestions for protecting your personal financial information. The vandalism occurred sometime between 9 a.m. Wednesday and 9 a.m. Monday. To confirm that your payment was received and credited to your account, please login to your online EWEB account at [myaccount.eweb.org](http://myaccount.eweb.org) or call the utility's customer service line at 541-685-7000. No other forms of payment were affected, and neither were customers who used payment methods other than the drop box attached to the former headquarters building. If you have any leads in the case, please contact the Eugene Police Department. / SPORTS: The four-team College Football Playoff is going out with the most crowded field of contenders and the most consequential championship weekend in the 10-year history of the system. Eight teams have at least a glimmer of hope to make the field. The penultimate CFP rankings will be released tonight. The field for the playoff will be announced Sunday. In the polls, this week's Top Four are Georgia, Michigan, Washington, and Florida State. But Oregon sits at No. 5 and would appear to have a clear path if the Ducks beat Washington in the Pac-12 title game in Las Vegas. The Friday game is set for 5 p.m. at Allegiant Stadium and will be broadcast on ABC / KEZI-TV. / HOMELESSNESS, SAFETY, WEATHER: With more cold weather in the forecast, the Egan Warming Centers will operate their emergency shelters again tonight. Warming center sites include: Springfield Memorial Building, 765 A St, Springfield (Site is accessible and animals are welcome), Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; Transportation Hub at First Christian Church, 1166 Oak Street, Eugene (Site is accessible and animals are welcome), Shuttles will run from 6:00 p.m. to Midnight; Trinity United Methodist Church, 440 Maxwell Road, Eugene (Site is accessible and animals are welcome), Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; South Hills at the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, 3925 Hilyard St, Eugene (Site is accessible and animals are welcome), Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; and the Wheeler Pavilion at Lane Events Center, 796 W 13th Ave, Eugene (Site is accessible and animals are welcome), Doors open at 10 p.m. (late opening) /

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SPORTS: There is a new man at the helm for Oregon State football. OSU's promoted defensive coordinator Trent Bray to head coach of the Beavs, quickly replacing Jonathan Smith after he left for Michigan State. Bray, a former OSU player, served as the Beavers defensive coordinator for more than two years under Smith. Smith was named Michigan State's new head coach on Saturday, just one day after the Beavers lost to rival Oregon in the team's regular season finale. OSU finished the season eight and four. The Beavers will be heading to a bowl game. But the program still faces an unsettled future because Oregon State and Washington State will be the only remaining schools in the Pac-12 after this season. ; The Oregon Ducks are at No. 5 in the latest College Football Playoff rankings and need a win over Washington on Friday in Las Vegas to make it into the four-team final bracket. Georgia remains No. 1, Michigan is No. 2, followed by unbeaten Washington and Florida State. The College Football Playoff finalists will be announced on Sunday. The Ducks and Huskies meet Friday evening in the Pac-12 title game in Vegas. Kickoff is shortly after 5 p.m. on ABC / KEZI-TV. / TRANSPORTATION, FINANCES: It's not just you. Across the U.S., prices at the pump have felt milder in recent months. Gas prices have fallen or remained steady since September 19 — marking about a 70-day trajectory of decline. That's according to automobile association AAA. Experts point to recent declines in oil prices and a seasonal dip in demand, which is projected to continue in the coming months. A change in trajectory is always possible of course — particularly if there are shifts in the larger global market. This morning in Eugene-Springfield, the average price for a gallon of regular unleaded is \$3.79. That is down 38 cents per gallon from one month ago and down 66 cents per gallon from this time last year. The average price this morning for a gallon of diesel is \$4.48, down 86 cents from 12 months ago. / CRIME: Springfield Police say they've arrested a Springfield School District employee and charged him in connection with having an inappropriate relationship with a student. Detectives say they received information in the case earlier this month. The suspect, 23-year-old Cyrus Ullmann, faces two counts of Sex Abuse II. / SAFETY: Plenty of standing water for a time yesterday morning on Silver Lane near North Eugene High School. Eugene-Springfield Fire officials say a minivan struck a fire hydrant, breaking a water main and flooding the roadway. That sent water coursing into nearby

streets. It forced utility crews to shut off water to some nearby customers while repairs were underway. Officials say icy morning roads might have contributed to the crash. ; Eugene Police closed Amazon Parkway at East 24th Avenue for several hours yesterday morning. It came after a person spotted a body in an area near some trees. The roadway was reopened mid-afternoon. No other details yet from investigators. / EMPLOYMENT, BUSINESS: Now that you've done all that online holiday shopping, give it up for the package delivery companies that get them to your door. Last year across Oregon, during the holidays, those postal, courier, and messenger companies added more than 3,100 workers to handle seasonal demand. State employment analysts say that coincides with retailers adding 3,700 jobs during their 2022 "holiday buildup." Often, seasonal workers are laid off after the rush ends. But with labor shortages persisting again this year, it's possible some might find permanent positions. / EMPLOYMENT, CHARITY: Yesterday was Giving Tuesday, a time to support nonprofits with much-needed donations. Some smaller nonprofits are largely volunteer operations. But Oregon has more than 10,000 nonprofits with payroll employees—more than 189,000 jobs. In 2022, that accounted for ten percent of Oregon's public and private employment, about the same amount as Oregon's manufacturing industry. Close to two-thirds of those jobs are in the fields of health care and social assistance. Close to three-quarters of Oregon's nonprofit jobs pay more than \$20 per hour. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>WEATHER, TRANSPORTATION: Up to 7 inches today, another 7 inches tonight, a foot-and-a-half possible on Friday, another ten inches Friday night, and a foot during the day on Saturday. We're talking about forecasted snowfall over the next 72 hours on Willamette Pass. The accumulation could be a bit heavier on Santiam Pass. What does this mean? Plan ahead if you're driving over the mountains. That means carrying tire chains and/or traction tires. Carry warm clothing, snacks, maybe some basic emergency supplies, and pack a little bit of patience too. Could take a little extra time getting over the mountain passes for the next few days. / ECONOMY, FINANCES: More encouraging signs that inflation is cooling. So-called "core prices" stayed flat last month and were up three percent from October of last year. That's led to some morning enthusiasm on Wall Street, as the Dow jumped almost 300 points to a new high for the year amid hopes the Federal Reserve might be done raising interest rates. Fuel prices also continue to fall at the pump, as the U.S. boosts its production and OPEC members remain split over whether to cut their output. But with mortgage rates around 7.3 percent, the National Association of Realtors reports pending home sales—which track signed contracts on sales of existing homes—dropped 1.5 percent last month. They fell to their lowest level since 2001. Sales were down 8.5 percent from October of last year, driven both by the higher interest rates and low numbers of homes on the market. / LABOR, HEALTH, BUSINESS: It's the latest labor action in the healthcare sector. A group of local nurses, healthcare providers, elected officials, and other supporters rallied yesterday in Eugene. It comes as bargaining continues between the Oregon Nurses Association and Peace Health Sacred Heart Home Care Services. Home health and hospice nurses say they're dealing with high workloads and seeing many trained caregivers leaving either the area or the profession. PeaceHealth also is continuing to wind down its operations at its Eugene University District campus. Tomorrow, the healthcare giant will close its Eugene emergency department and consolidate operations at Riverbend Medical Center in Springfield. The Eugene inpatient rehabilitation unit closes December 15th to relocate to Springfield. When the inpatient rehab unit closes, the PeaceHealth University District Hospital tower in Eugene will be shuttered. / HEALTH, COMMUNITY, BUSINESS: PeaceHealth is continuing to wind down its operations at its Eugene University District campus.</p>

Tomorrow, the healthcare giant will close its Eugene emergency department and consolidate operations at Riverbend Medical Center in Springfield.

The inpatient rehabilitation unit at the Sacred Heart University District Medical Center will close on December 15 and relocate to Springfield. When the inpatient rehab unit closes, PeaceHealth's University District hospital tower in Eugene will be shuttered. Officials with the healthcare provider say many University District caregivers have accepted new positions at other locations, but leaders earlier acknowledged there will be some layoffs. Leaders of the healthcare system say the facility is underused and is losing money—about \$2 million per month. But opponents—including residents, emergency responders, and local political leaders—the closing of the Eugene hospital and emergency department will lead to longer waits and slower emergency response times. / BUSINESS, HEALTH: Here's another indication of Americans changing diet. Kraft Heinz is bringing dairy-free macaroni and cheese to the US for the first time. The company says the new recipe has the same creamy texture and flavor as the beloved 85-year-old original. But it replaces dairy with ingredients like fava bean protein and coconut oil powder. "Kraft Not Mac and Cheese" will be rolled out to U.S. stores over the next few months. Kraft also formed a joint venture last year that developed plant-based cheese slices and mayonnaise. / ENERGY, GOVERNMENT, UTILITIES, TRIBES, FISHERIES: The U.S. government is willing to help build enough new clean energy projects in the Pacific Northwest to replace the hydropower generated by four controversial dams on the Snake River. That's according to a leaked Biden administration document being hailed by conservationists who have long sought the removal of the dams as a key to restoring depleted salmon runs. The document is a draft agreement to uphold 168-year-old treaties with four tribes in the Pacific Northwest that preserved their right to harvest fish in the river, among other things. But Congress would have to agree before any of the Lower Snake River dams in Washington state are removed, and that's unlikely to happen in the near future. The Columbia River Basin was once the greatest salmon-producing river system in the world, with at least 16 stocks of salmon and steelhead. But today, four are extinct and seven are listed under the Endangered Species Act. Conservation groups and tribes sued the federal government over the struggling fisheries issue, saying the dams are largely to blame. But utility and business groups call the plan the "greatest threat" for the region, saying that dam breaching would hurt the region's ports and farmers and could raise electricity prices. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>HEALTH, BUSINESS, COMMUNITY: This morning, PeaceHealth permanently closed the Emergency Department at its Eugene University District campus at 13th and Hilyard Streets. Operations are being consolidated at Riverbend Medical Center in Springfield. That means if you're having an emergency, do not go to the old Sacred Heart Medical Center emergency room in Eugene. Instead, head for Riverbend, the emergency department at McKenzie-Willamette Medical Center, or at PeaceHealth Cottage Grove Community Medical Center. Eugene-Springfield Fire and EMS officials told KEZI-TV this week they are preparing to add an additional transport ambulance to handle any Eugene patient needs and also will staff an additional squad with medical gear for triage. This is part of the progressive shutdown of PeaceHealth's Eugene hospital. Sacred Heart's inpatient rehabilitation unit closes December 15th and relocates to Springfield. Once the inpatient rehab unit closes, the PeaceHealth University District Hospital tower in Eugene will be shuttered. Leaders of PeaceHealth say the Eugene University District facility is underused and losing money—to the tune of about \$2 million per month. But opponents—including residents, emergency responders, and local political leaders—say the closing of the Eugene hospital and emergency department will lead to longer waits and slower emergency response times. /</p> <p>HOUSING, LOW-INCOME, DEVELOPMENT: It's part of a continued effort to create more affordable housing in our community. A busy open house yesterday, as leaders of SquareOne Villages gave hundreds of community members and clients a closer look at their new Peace Village development off River Road in the Santa Clara area. The 70 owner-occupied units will provide permanent housing for qualifying residents making 60 percent of the area's median income or less. SquareOne retains ownership of the land, but residents collectively own their housing units. They build equity through monthly payments and volunteer work on the 3.6-acre site. The development is at the site of the former Peace Presbyterian Church and was funded by public and private moneys and donations. The former church buildings are being converted into common spaces, with a community kitchen, meeting rooms, a laundry room, and secure bicycle parking. /</p> <p>WEATHER, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Snowy, windy conditions with reduced driving visibility continue at least through Saturday on the Cascade mountain passes, followed by periods of heavy rain on Sunday. Plan ahead if</p>

you're driving over the mountains. Carrying tire chains, even if your vehicle is equipped with traction tires. Carry warm clothing, snacks, basic emergency supplies, and allow extra time for your travels. / SPORTS: The Oregon volleyball squad swept Southeastern Louisiana last night in the opening round of the NCAA Women's Volleyball Tournament. The Ducks meet Hawaii in Second Round action today at 7 p.m. at Eugene's Matthew Knight Arena. ; The No. 5 Oregon Ducks take on No. 3 Washington this evening in a game that will determine which squad advances to the four-team College Football Playoff. The Ducks and Huskies meet in the Pac-12 title game at Allegiant Stadium in Las Vegas. Kickoff is shortly after 5 p.m. on ABC / KEZI-TV. ; Oregon State quarterback DJ Uiagalelei is entering the transfer portal. He made the announcement yesterday on social media. The junior transferred to OSU for the 2023 season after spending three years at Clemson. This season with the Beavers, he threw for 2,638 yards, with 21 touchdowns and seven interceptions. By entering the transfer portal, Uiagalelei could decide to enter the NFL Draft or move to another college team for one more year to refine his skills and burnish his stats for the pro scouts. / SPORTS, CRIME: Corvallis police say Oregon State running back Damien Martinez was charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants, reckless driving, reckless endangerment, and being a minor in possession of marijuana. Police say the 19-year-old Martinez ran a red light in Corvallis, leading to a traffic stop. He was cited and released. OSU Athletic Director Scott Barnes says Martinez will not play in the Beavs' post-season bowl game. / CRIME, ANIMALS: Oregon State Police troopers on Thanksgiving Day rescued 15 dogs, including several puppies, from an abandoned rental truck at a Klamath Falls truck stop. They say the animals are being quarantined and nursed back to health. One tested positive for canine parvo. Once they are medically cleared, the dogs will be available for adoption. Officials at the Klamath Falls animal shelter say they already have received dozens of adoption applications for the animals. Investigators say witnesses told them the truck had been abandoned at least since Monday. When troopers arrived, they said they could hear barking inside the truck. Two people from Klamath Falls, a 50-year-old man and a 39-year-old woman, have been arrested and charged in connection with the case. / HEALTH, SAFETY: Do not eat pre-cut cantaloupe if you don't know the source. That's the word from the CDC as health experts continue to investigate an outbreak of salmonella that has sickened at least 117 people in 34 states. Two of the cases are in Oregon. Nationwide, 61 people have been hospitalized and two died. Officials and the distributor of the tainted melons are still working to determine their source. The cut cantaloupe was shipped to various grocery chains. Health experts say the number of people sickened is likely much higher than what's been reported and might involve additional states. It typically takes three to four weeks to determine whether a sick person is part of an outbreak. Most people infected with salmonella develop diarrhea, fever and stomach cramps within six hours to six days after consuming contaminated food. Illnesses typically last four to seven days. Vulnerable people, including children, people older than 65 and those with weakened immune systems may develop severe illnesses from the bacteria that require medical care or hospitalization. /



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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: No. 8 Oregon will take on undefeated No. 23 Liberty at the Fiesta Bowl on New Year's Day. It comes after the Ducks had a stellar season with quarterback Bo Nix at the helm but couldn't get past Washington in Friday's conference championship game and lost 34-31. Dejected after the Ducks' loss in the Pac-12 title game, Nix was noncommittal on whether he would play in a bowl game or skip it to prepare for the NFL draft. But Head Coach Dan Lanning said Nix is all-in for the Fiesta Bowl. ; Duck fans are preparing to head for sunny Arizona on New Year's Day when No. 8 Oregon takes on undefeated No. 23 Liberty in the Fiesta Bowl. It comes after the Ducks couldn't get past Washington in Friday's Pac-12 Conference championship game. After yesterday's bowl matchup was announced, the Oregon Athletic department sent emails to season ticket holders and Duck Athletic Fund members with ticket presale information. Tickets for the general public go on sale Tuesday morning at nine a.m. Prices range from \$67 to more than \$600, plus fees. As for #21 Oregon State, the Beavs are going bowling in El Paso on December 29 and will face #15 Notre Dame in the Sun Bowl. ; The College Football Playoff field is set. The four teams are Michigan, Washington, Texas and Alabama. Michigan will meet Alabama in the Rose Bowl. The No. 2-seeded Washington Huskies will play Texas in the Sugar Bowl. Both games are on January 1st. The winners play in the national championship game on January 8th in Houston, Texas. The most disgruntled teams in college football this morning? That would be Florida State and Georgia. The undefeated Seminoles were left out of the CFP, as was Georgia after losing to Alabama in the SEC Championship. The two teams instead will settle for a meeting in the Orange Bowl. ; Oregon State, Washington State, and the Mountain West Conference have announced a football scheduling agreement for the 2024 season. It gives the two schools six opponents each and keeps open the possibility that they will operate as a two-team conference for at least a year. All 12 Mountain West schools will be involved, and Oregon State and Washington State will each play three homes games and three road games against members of the conference. The Mountain West will play a seven-game conference schedule and the games against Oregon State and Washington State will not count against the conference standings. ; The sixth-ranked Oregon volleyball team swept Hawai'i Friday night at Matthew Knight Arena to advance to the</p>

Sweet 16 for the ninth time in program history. The Ducks, now 28-5 this season, meet Purdue on Dec. 7 at 6:30 p.m. / BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION: After the weekend's rain—a combined close to three inches here in Eugene-Springfield—how does a flight to Hawaii sound? Alaska Airlines yesterday announced it's buying Hawaiian Airlines for \$1.9 billion. Officials from the companies say combining the two carriers will result in few overlapping routes and allow both to better compete with the nation's Big Four: American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Southwest Airlines and United Airlines. But the deal might face opposition from federal antitrust regulators amid worries about reduced combinations of flights and higher fares. The combined company would maintain both airlines' brands, an unusual move in an industry where waves of acquisitions have led to the disappearance of some longtime airline names. / SPORTS, LEGAL: Thirty-two female athletes filed a lawsuit against the University of Oregon on Friday that alleges the school is violating Title IX. The plaintiffs, who are all either on the varsity beach volleyball team or the club rowing team, are accusing the school of "depriving women of equal treatment and benefits, equal athletic aid, and equal opportunities to participate in varsity intercollegiate athletics." The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Eugene, seeks correction of the alleged violations and unspecified damages. The beach volleyball players say they do not have facilities for practicing or competing. Instead, the team must practice and compete at a public park with inadequate facilities. They say that includes bathrooms with no doors on the stalls, in a building frequently littered with feces, drug paraphernalia, and other discarded items. The suit alleges that, quote, "No men's team faces anything remotely similar." A representative for the team said it could not practice last week at the park because someone had died there. Oregon released a statement that said an on-campus facility for beach volleyball is currently in the development stage. It also said Oregon is "committed to providing a quality, positive experience for all our student-athletes." Many of Oregon's men's teams, including the fifth-ranked Ducks football team, have state-of-the-art facilities, take chartered flights to games, eat catered food, and have other amenities. Of the 20 varsity sports at Oregon, only beach volleyball does not provide scholarships, although NCAA rules allow the school to give the equivalent of six full athletic scholarships to the team. Players say they wear hand-me-down uniforms and are not provided with any name, image, and likeness support. In its statement, Oregon said it provides "all student-athletes, including our female athletes, with academic support, tutoring, student-athlete development, medical care, mental health support, meals and snacks, and nutrition and sports training." The school also said it has previously committed to increasing scholarships. / SAFETY: Crews on Saturday responded to a house fire at 8th and B Streets near downtown Springfield. Investigators say the blaze sparked in an outbuilding near a house and spread to the home's attic. Officials say a quick response helped minimize damage to the interior. Fire crews also thanked Springfield Police for helping them navigate around the Springfield Christmas parade during their response. The cause of the blaze is being investigated. ; Officials with the Lane County Sheriff's Office say a Thursday evening crash on Crow Road near Milepost 7 took the life of a pickup truck's driver. It happened just before 6 p.m. Investigators say the victim was the vehicle's sole occupant. Deputies said the 2023 Ram pickup had left the roadway and struck some trees. The victim's name has not been released. Excessive speed is being investigated as a possible factor

in the crash. Anyone with information about the incident is asked to contact the Lane County Sheriff's Office at 541-682-4150 and select Option 1. / WEATHER: Thousands of people woke up in homes without electricity in the greater Seattle area after a night of rain and wind. As of late Saturday morning, Seattle City Light's outage map showed 17 outages affecting more than 1,700 customers. Puget Sound Energy said more than 4,700 of its customers were impacted. The Seattle Times reported that the outages stretched from Seattle to Kitsap County and south to the state capital in Olympia. Some outages in Seattle were caused by fallen trees as the winter weather dropped up to a foot of snow in parts of the Cascades in Washington and Oregon. In Oregon, more than 2,000 customers in the Portland area also lost power, outage maps from Portland General Electric and Pacific Power showed. In the Cascades, the Mt. Bachelor ski resort near Bend hosted its opening day Saturday after receiving roughly a foot of snow in the previous 24 hours. Timberline on Mount Hood reported similar snow fall over the same period and had expected to open its chair lifts but had to postpone until Sunday because of high winds, the resort said in an Instagram post. Mount Bachelor said it was also experiencing high winds. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: Oregon quarterback Bo Nix was one of four finalists for the Heisman Trophy when they were announced yesterday. The other nominees are Washington quarterback Michael Penix Jr., LSU quarterback Jayden Daniels, and Ohio State receiver Marvin Harrison Jr. The Heisman has been given to the nation's most outstanding college football players since 1935. This year's winner is going to be announced Saturday in New York. With Nix and Penix, the Pac-12 has two Heisman finalists for the first time since 2010. Nix arrived in Eugene as a transfer from Auburn in 2022, and led the eighth-ranked Ducks to an 11-2 record this season. ; Quick reminder for Duck football fans considering a New Year's Day trip to Arizona: Tickets for the general public go on sale at nine this morning for seats at the Fiesta Bowl. No. 8 Oregon will take on No. 23 Liberty. Go to the ticket area of <a href="http://www.GoDucks.com">www.GoDucks.com</a> Prices range from \$67 to more than \$600, plus fees. No. 21 Oregon State will be in El Paso on December 29 to face #15 Notre Dame in the Sun Bowl. Go to the OSU Beavers website for ticket details and to purchase. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, GOVERNMENT: There will be no cutbacks in winter maintenance on Oregon's highways. Our state's governor and legislative leaders announced yesterday they're committing \$19 million to the Oregon Department of Transportation. ODOT had been making cuts because of anticipated shortfalls in the State Highway Fund and higher prices for equipment and supplies. Half the money being allocated will pay for things like additional shipments of deicer and help lift an overtime restriction. There also are funds to patch deteriorating pavement and fill potholes on some highways that are hit hard by the winter freeze and thaw cycle. Another four \$4 million will replace 10 trucks primarily used for snowplowing. ODOT has about 400 such trucks, but many are past their recommended service life. That's increased costs for repairs and reduced the vehicles' winter reliability. / SAFETY, WEATHER: A missing Lowell couple has been located and reunited with family yesterday afternoon. Officials with the Lane County Sheriff's Office say it's a reminder of the importance of using caution when traveling in the mountains in winter—and letting someone know where you're headed and when you expect to return. 71-year-old Linda Chappell and 65-year-old Don Chappell left their residence on Sunday afternoon around 4 p.m. and were reported missing after failing to return that night. It was believed they had driven into the mountains in their Jeep Grand Cherokee to find</p>

snow. The two were located by Lane County Search and Rescue personnel yesterday afternoon. Their vehicle had become stuck in the snow on a forest road between Oakridge and Cottage Grove. ; On Sunday, amid heavy rains, a landslide closed Forest Service Road 19, the Aufderheide Drive, near Cougar Dam. Crews reopened one lane of the roadway but say repair work is continuing and there's the possibility of additional rockfall. That section of the Aufderheide has been prone to landslides and rockfall for years and seen a number of closures—including for several months in 2017. While Terwilliger Hot Springs remains open, it now is very difficult to access. Forest Service managers remind you that Forest Road 19 is not maintained for snow and ice, and sections might not be passable in winter. Call the McKenzie River Ranger Station at (541) 822-3381 for the latest conditions. Additionally, officials with the Willamette National Forest say they're still assessing damage and debris on roads and trails from the recent stormy weather. If you choose to drive or hike in the mountains, always check conditions first, ensure your vehicle has a full battery charge or full tank of gas, and carry some basic provisions such as food and water. Some areas have no cell service, so let someone know where you're heading, when you expect to return, and understand the challenges you might face while traveling. ; Our series of heavy rainstorms and warming temperatures are sending precipitation and snowmelt into many rivers and streams. While some of the most challenging conditions are in the Northern Coast Range and parts of Southwest Washington, we've seen rising river levels and some local flooding in a few parts of the Willamette Valley. Benton County, as well as the cities of Corvallis and Philomath, have set up sandbag stations where residents may pick up free bags and—provided they bring their own shovels—may fill them from sand hauled to the locations. The National Weather Service has Flood Watches and Advisories posted through early Thursday morning, after which most rivers and streams will have crested. / SAFETY: Lane County Sheriff's investigators are investigating a fatal crash in the mountains south of Cottage Grove on Saturday evening. They say a 1995 Toyota pickup traveling along Cougar Bend Road off Big River Road crashed and possibly rolled. A passenger in the vehicle died. Their identity has not been released. If you have information about the crash, Sheriff's investigators would like to hear from you at 541-682-4150, Option 1. ; Eugene Police yesterday released the name of the bicyclist who died from his injuries following a crash with a vehicle. It happened on Saturday afternoon, shortly after 4 p.m., on River Road at Ferndale Drive. Investigators say the bicyclist, 69-year-old Dale William Fuller of Eugene, was riding southbound in the River Road bike lane when he turned left into the path of a vehicle heading the same direction. The driver of that vehicle, a woman in her late 20s, was taken to the hospital for evaluation. / HEALTH, SAFETY: As we approach the first holiday season with Narcan (Naloxone) available over the counter, experts at Kaiser Permanente and other medical groups are encouraging people to learn more about how it can be used to prevent many overdose deaths. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the holidays are the most dangerous time of the year for drug-and-alcohol-related deaths. CDC analysts say deaths related to opioid use climb during times of increased stress, emotional triggers, and social gatherings where substances are readily available. The CDC reports nearly 40 percent of opioid and stimulant overdose deaths occurred while a bystander was present. Narcan, or Naloxone, is a nasal spray device that contains medicine that reverses the

effects of an opioid overdose. Administering it is fairly simple. You hold the nasal spray with your thumb on the bottom of the plunger and your first and middle fingers on either side of the nozzle, gently insert the tip of the nozzle into one nostril, then press the plunger firmly. Signs of an opioid emergency include having slow, shallow, or stopped breathing, pinpoint pupils, blue or purple lips or fingertips, or no response when you ask questions, shake the person, or rub the person's breastbone with your knuckles. If you believe someone has overdosed on an opioid, administer Narcan, then call 911. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>CRIME: Eugene Police yesterday released details on Monday's evening series of incidents at Valley River Center. They say a 32-year-old man is the suspect in the case and that he was arrested after being detained by a group of onlookers—one of whom punched him, knocked him unconscious, and disarmed him. Investigators say Cody Allen Fisher is charged with Menacing, Sex Abuse, Carjacking, Unlawful Use of a Weapon, and Assault. Officials say the first reports were about a man who touched a pre-teen girl at the Texas Roadhouse restaurant, then menaced a manager with a knife and walked across the mall's parking lot. There, they say he stabbed a 24-year-old Eugene woman next to her parked car in an attempt to steal her vehicle. The victim fled to the nearby Macy's department store. Her injuries are non-life threatening, Police say Fisher had been followed by a group and was surrounded. He reportedly was still holding a knife. One man in the group punched Fisher, knocking him unconscious, and took away the knife. The police arrived, took Fisher to the hospital for treatment, and then to the Lane County Jail. ; The charges have been reduced—slightly—for the former Alaska Airlines pilot accused of trying to cut the engines of a Horizon Air flight. Joseph Emerson is no longer charged with attempted murder. But a grand jury has indicted him on 83 charges of recklessly endangering another person and one charge of endangering an aircraft. Emerson will arraigned tomorrow. Prosecutors accused Emerson of trying to cut the engines of a Horizon Air flight in October while he was riding in the cockpit jump seat as an off-duty pilot. After what the flight crew described as a brief struggle, Emerson left the cockpit and flight attendants placed him in wrist restraints and seated Emerson in the rear of the aircraft. Emerson told Port of Portland police following his arrest that he had been struggling with depression, that a friend had recently died, and that he had taken psychedelic mushrooms about 48 hours before he attempted to cut the engines. Emerson also said he had not slept in more than 40 hours. / WEATHER, SAFETY: The Coast Guard rescued five people from flooded areas in Washington state yesterday as an atmospheric river brought heavy rain, flooding and unseasonably warm temperatures to the Pacific Northwest. On the northern Oregon Coast, parts of Highway 101 were closed because of high water, including stretches near Tillamook and Seaside. Near Newport, the highway remained open, but drivers were cautioned about standing water on the should of</p>

the roadway. At least three school districts along the Oregon coast shuttered for the day because of flooding and road closures. It was caused by a long plume of moisture known as an “atmospheric river.” Sometimes known as a “Pineapple Express,” the storms carry warm, subtropical moisture across the Pacific from near Hawaii, and can deliver enormous amounts of rain. At the edge of the atmospheric river, temperatures were warmer than normal. Eugene set a record high for the date of 64 degrees, which the National Weather Service noted was as warm as some parts of Florida and Mexico. Rainfall varied widely. Eugene-Springfield was at the southern edge of the storm and didn’t see any significant rain until the evening. Tuesday’s rainfall total was a mere 0.13 of an inch. By comparison, Astoria—which received rain for most of the day—recorded a record 2.52 inches. The warm rain also eroded snowpack in the Cascades, adding to the storm runoff and raising levels on streams and rivers. Forecasters say rain will continue throughout the week. And while it might not be as heavy a rain as the past few days, runoff could continue to affect some roadways—especially on the coast and in the northwest corner of the state. A landslide blocked a portion of the main line between Portland and Seattle, forcing Amtrak to bus some passengers around the closure and freight trains to wait in rail yards and sidings or divert. In the Portland area, officials say one person drowned in a fast-moving creek and a body was recovered from another waterway. It’s believed at least one of the victims might have been homeless and camping nearby, or was trying to assist those who were camping in the area. / HEALTH, SAFETY, EDUCATION: Amid a surge in opioid overdoses and deaths, state officials say they’re boosting naloxone availability in Oregon’s high schools, middle schools and higher education institutions. The Oregon Health Authority is handling distribution. The Oregon Department of Education last week notified school district leaders about the availability of naloxone for schools. So far, more than 500 schools, colleges, and universities have requested the overdose reversal kits. Officials say the opioid epidemic and overdose crisis are impacting every community in Oregon. They add that while overdose events on school property are rare, schools should be prepared to respond to such emergencies. Every middle and high school is eligible to receive up to three opioid overdose reversal kits. The kits contain a wall mounted naloxone box, instructions, emergency medical supplies, and eight doses of the opioid antagonist, naloxone nasal spray. Naloxone, often sold under the name Narcan, is an opioid overdose reversal medication that can restore a victim’s breathing while you’re waiting for emergency medical services to arrive. The program is open to all public, private, charter schools, colleges and universities or tribal communities located in Oregon. / WILDFIRE RECOVERY, LEGAL, UTILITIES: The Oregonian and Oregon Live are reporting that electricity provider PacifiCorp has agreed to pay \$299 million to victims of the 2020 Archie Creek Wildfire in Douglas County. The settlement ends a lawsuit brought by close to 220 families and individuals and comes after PacifiCorp lost a similar lawsuit in June for wildfires in other parts of the state. Reporter Ted Sickinger writes that yesterday’s settlement comes after three years of legal wrangling that has left many fire victims in financial and emotional limbo, unable to rebuild or move on from the devastation. The Archie Creek fire devastated communities along the North Umpqua River east of Roseburg, one of several massive blazes that broke out statewide amid the historic Labor Day 2020 windstorm. For PacifiCorp, the agreement avoids a consolidated trial set for late January filed by the victims and



seven timber companies. It also shields the company from potentially far larger jury awards that could have included non-economic and punitive damages. /

**COMMUNITY, DEVELOPMENT, GROWTH:** The goal is to keep up to 80,000 tons of waste per year out of the landfill. Members of the Lane County Board of County Commissioners voted 3-2 yesterday to go forward with plans for an Integrated Materials & Energy Recovery Facility in Goshen. Backers say the waste processing facility will be the most advanced of this kind of technology in the country. It will be designed and built by a locally based Bulk Handling Systems. The facility will sort and process residential garbage, commingled recycling, and organic waste. The raw waste will be processed to produce marketable recycling commodities and biogas for use in transportation. Over two decades, the facility is expected to divert enough material to extend the life of the landfill an additional 20 years. The project comes with a \$150 million price tag. Bulk Handling Systems will pay \$100 million of that to build the structure and install the sorting equipment. Lane County will be responsible for the remaining \$50 million, but a \$15-million-tax credit will reduce the local cost to \$35 million. Additional grants and outside funding might reduce the cost further. Lane County will increase solid waste disposal fees to help fund a portion of the project. For the average residential customer, the total increase in cost related to this facility would be approximately \$2.30 per month phased in over a four-year period. /

**FISHERIES, EVENTS:** Some good news for fans of fresh Oregon Dungeness crab: The commercial Dungeness crab fishery opens December 16 from an area just south of Depoe Bay to the California border. The start of the season was delayed more than two weeks after testing determined the crabs did not have enough meat in their shells. The fishery remains closed off the north coast, between Cape Foulweather and the Washington border, until the meat yield on those crabs improves. But biologists with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife hope the next round of testing will clear the way for opening in that region on December 31. /

**SPORTS:** More honors yesterday for Oregon Quarterback Bo Nix. He was named the recipient of the Campbell Trophy, a national award known as the “academic Heisman” that recognizes excellence in academics, athletics, and leadership. Nix also was named the Pac-12 Offensive Player of the Year. On Saturday, he’s in New York City as one of four finalists for the Heisman Trophy. ;

NCAA President Charlie Baker wants to create a new tier of Division I where college athletes can be paid directly by their schools. Under the proposal, the new subdivision could offer unlimited educational benefits, allow schools to enter into name, image, and likeness partnerships with athletes, and compensate the players through a trust fund. The NCAA’s president says the disparity in resources between the wealthiest schools in the Football Bowl Subdivision and other Division I members — along with hundreds of Division II and III schools, is standing in the way of reforming college athletics. /

**ECONOMY:** U.S. employers posted 8.7 million job openings in October, the fewest since March 2021, in a sign that hiring is cooling in the face of higher interest rates yet remains at a still-healthy pace. Openings were down significantly from 9.4 million in September. Hiring is slowing from the breakneck pace of the past two years. Still, employers have added a solid 239,000 jobs a month this year. And the unemployment rate has come in below 4 percent for 21 straight months, the longest such streak since the 1960s. The job market has shown surprising resilience even as the Federal

Reserve has raised its benchmark interest rate 11 times since March 2022 to fight high inflation./

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SPORTS: Great news for Duck and Beaver traditionalists, because it looks like Oregon and Oregon State are now one step closer to preserving their football rivalry. Longtime sports columnist John Canzano reports that the two schools are close to announcing details of an Oregon-Oregon State matchup for 2024 and beyond. According to Canzano, the Ducks will travel to Corvallis to play the Beavers on September 14th of next season, continuing the alternating home and home series that started in 1894. In 2025, Oregon will host Oregon State at Autzen Stadium. Clearing the schedules for the games was not easy. Oregon and Oregon State had to work with other schools already on the schedule, including Boise State and Texas Tech. But it's good news for folks who enjoy those fall matchups in Eugene and Corvallis. / Great news for last-minute campers: Come January 1, visitors will be able to book same-day stays online with Oregon State Parks. Seventeen of the popular campgrounds were part of this year's pilot program. Come 2024, there will be 40 participating parks. Procrastinators, rejoice! Some parks switch tent and RV campsites to first-come-first served during the winter and those sites will start offering same-day online reservations in the spring. Eleven campgrounds will remain first-come-first served year-round. Starting January 1, tent and RV campers can make a same-day online reservation up until 11:59 p.m. on the day they arrive by visiting <a href="https://oregonstateparks.reserveamerica.com">https://oregonstateparks.reserveamerica.com</a>. Yurt and cabin reservations must be made before 6 p.m. on the day of arrival due to the staffing required to assist with keys or codes. All visitors can make reservations by calling (800) 452-5687 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Visitors can also make same-day online reservations at parks statewide using mobile devices where they have cell reception or where Oregon State Parks' free, limited Wi-Fi is available. Since internet connectivity varies by park, it's best to reserve campsites before arrival. Visitors can still pay with cash or checks at the park by finding a ranger or following posted instructions, which could include using self-registration envelopes only if instructed to do so. Ranger availability is limited depending on time and location. Oregon Parks and Recreation will waive the \$8 reservation fee for all same-day reservations. / SAFETY, WEATHER: Have you seen him or his vehicle? The Lane County Sheriff's Office and Eugene Police Department are looking for 63-year-old Joseph James Bucher. Bucher's vehicle was located by an</p>

Oregon State Police Trooper on Monday in a wooded area near Forest Road 5824. That's off Highway 58 between Westfir and Lowell. Family members say they have not heard from Bucher since last Thursday. Bucher is described as a white male adult standing approximately five-foot-eleven and weighing about 250 pounds. He has gray hair and blue eyes and it's believed he also currently has a beard. If you have information about Bucher's whereabouts, please contact the Lane County Sheriff's Office at 541-682-4150. When prompted on your phone, select Option 1. Or contact the Eugene Police Department at 541-682-5111. ; Officials with the Lane County Sheriff's Office have released the name of the driver who died last Thursday evening in a crash on Crow Road near Milepost 7. Investigators say the 2023 Ram pickup left the roadway and struck some trees, killing 63-year-old Allan Robert Wooster of the Veneta area. He was the vehicle's only occupant. Officials are investigating whether excessive speed was a factor in the crash. Anyone with information about the incident is asked to contact the Lane County Sheriff's Office at 541-682-4150 and select Option 1. / CRIME: Some alarming incidents during the past five weeks in Linn County. Investigators believe the same person or persons are behind a series reports of bullets striking moving vehicles. The first of the apparently random acts occurred on Highway 20, just east of Albany. Four incidents in the past two weeks occurred at locations of Highway 22-E near Mill City; on Highway 20 near Highway 226; on Highway 226, south of Scio; and again on Highway 20 near Highway 226. Drivers of the vehicles all were traveling along the highways at the time of the incidents and some reported hearing a "pop." No one has been injured but vehicles have been damaged by the projectiles. Oregon State Police are adding extra patrols in the area to enhance public safety. And are seeking tips in the case. They'd also like to hear from any drivers who think their vehicle was targeted in one of the attacks. Contact the Oregon State Police at 1-800-442-2068 or dial OSP (677) on your mobile device. ; He cannot board an aircraft or take any controlled substances. Those are the terms of release for former Alaska Airlines Joseph Emerson while he awaits a federal trial in Portland on charges he tried in October to shut down the engines of a Horizon Air commercial flight. But the Oregonian and OregonLive report Emerson remains in custody in a Portland jail awaiting arraignment on a grand jury indictment that was returned this week. It's expected he might be released in the next day or so and that his wife will drive from California to return him home. Emerson is no longer charged with attempted murder. But the grand jury has indicted him on 83 charges of recklessly endangering another person and one charge of endangering an aircraft. Emerson will be arraigned tomorrow. Prosecutors accused Emerson of trying to cut the engines of a Horizon Air flight in October while he was riding in the cockpit jump seat as an off-duty pilot. After a brief struggle, Emerson left the cockpit and flight attendants placed him in wrist restraints and seated Emerson in the rear of the aircraft. Emerson told Port of Portland police following his arrest that he had been struggling with depression, that a friend had recently died, and that he had taken psychedelic mushrooms about 48 hours before he attempted to cut the engines. Emerson also said he had not slept in more than 40 hours. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>HEALTH, DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY: It was a big day Saturday for the Eugene Family YMCA, which held a ribbon-cutting ceremony and open house at its new facility. The property is located at 24th and Hilyard Streets—the former home of Roosevelt Middle School before the school was rebuilt on an adjacent parcel. The new \$47.6 million dollar, 75,000 square-foot fitness, wellness, and learning facility includes a fully ADA-accessible, flexible floor plan; activity centers for academic tutoring, maker spaces and learning labs; a teaching kitchen for families and individuals to gain nutritional knowledge. There's also an expanded Health &amp; Wellness Center that includes an indoor track and cycle room; an expanded Aquatics Center to teach youth safety skills, support rehabilitation and preventative care, and a splash pad for introducing water to toddlers; along with the addition of programs like Parkinson's and Alzheimer's support and Fall Prevention. / HEALTH, YOUTH: A new study adds to evidence that severe obesity is becoming more common in young children. A report published today in the journal Pediatrics shows the severe obesity rate among two- to four-year-olds rose to two percent in 2020. The increase echoes national data, which suggests around 2.5 percent of all preschool-aged children are severely obese. Experts say severe obesity at a very early age is nearly irreversible and is strongly associated with chronic health problems and an early death. The study looked at children ages 2 to 4 enrolled in the Women, Infants and Children program, which provides healthy foods and other services to preschool-aged children in low-income families. It's not clear why the increase occurred. But researchers speculate that the daily hardships that families face living in poverty might be harder today than they were 10 years ago, affecting how much healthy food they can purchase and how much time can be devoted to health and wellness. Some small studies have suggested a marked increase in childhood obesity — especially during the pandemic, when kids were kept home from schools, eating and bedtime routines were disrupted and physical activity decreased. / HEALTH, SAFETY: Quaker Oats on Friday recalled several of its granola products, including granola bars and cereals, saying the foods could be contaminated with salmonella. Salmonella infections can cause fever, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting and stomach pain. Quaker said in a news release that the company has not received any reports of salmonella infections related to the recalled granola products. The full list of</p>

recalled foods includes granola oats cereals and Quaker Chewy Bars, which are also sold in parent company PepsiCo's snack mixes. The products were sold in all 50 U.S. states and U.S. territories. Customers with recalled products are asked to throw them away and contact Quaker Oats' customer support line or visit the recall website for more information and reimbursement. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT: A big infusion of funding was announced on Friday as part of the continuing effort to replace the aging Interstate 5 bridge over the Columbia River that links Oregon and Washington. The bridge, which runs between Portland's Jantzen Beach area into Vancouver, Washington, will receive \$600 million in federal transportation funds. Members of the state's Congressional delegation and others lobbied for the money, saying the bridge is a critical link for transportation and commerce. The close to 100-year-old bridge is heavily traveled, seeing more than 130,000 passengers vehicles and commercial trucks crossing it every day. But the aging bridge is at risk of collapse should a major earthquake strike. The money will come from the federal National Infrastructure Project Assistance program, which was created by the 2021 bipartisan infrastructure law. Also known as the Mega program, it supports projects that are too large or complex for traditional funding programs. Oregon U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley described the funding as a "game changer." The \$600 million will cover between eight and 12 percent of the total estimated bridge replacement costs, which could reach \$7.5 billion. Officials in Oregon and Washington already have allocated hundreds of millions in funding, plus made commitments for bond sales to cover much of the remaining cost. / BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION, LEGAL: Southwest Airlines will pay a \$35 million fine—part of a \$140 million agreement to settle a federal investigation into its winter travel meltdown at the end of last year. Thousands of flight cancellations in December 2022 stranded more than two million travelers over the holidays. Most of the settlement will go toward compensating future passengers. Officials with the U.S. Department of Transportation say they consider that a strong incentive for Southwest to avoid repeating last winter's mess. Government officials say the assessment is the largest it has ever imposed on an airline for violating consumer protection laws. Southwest officials say they have learned from the event and improved their systems. Nearly 17,000 flights were canceled when a winter storm in December of last year paralyzed Southwest operations in Denver and Chicago. The problem snowballed when a crew rescheduling system couldn't keep up with the chaos. / FISHERIES, EVENTS: Good news for fans of fresh Oregon Dungeness crab: The commercial Dungeness crab fishery opened on Saturday from an area just south of Depoe Bay to the California border. That means fresh Dungeness crab is now in local stores. The start of the season was delayed more than two weeks after testing determined the crabs did not have enough meat in their shells. The fishery remains closed off the north coast, between Cape Foulweather and the Washington border, until the meat yield on those crabs improves. Biologists with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife hope the next round of testing will clear the way for opening in that region on December 31. / POLITICS, ELECTIONS, LEGAL: The legal battle continues: A federal judge last week rejected a request from Oregon Republican state senators who boycotted the Legislature to be allowed on the ballot after their terms end. State Sens. Dennis Linthicum, Brian Boquist and Cedric Hayden were among the plaintiffs who filed the federal lawsuit to challenge their disqualification from running for

reelection under Measure 113. The voter-approved constitutional amendment, which passed by a wide margin last year, bars legislators from seeking reelection after 10 or more unexcused absences. Each of the three senators racked up more than 10 absences during a record six-week walkout that paralyzed the 2023 legislative session. The boycott stemmed from bills on abortion, transgender health care and guns. The lawmakers sought, among other things, a preliminary injunction to prevent the secretary of state's office from enforcing their disqualification from the ballot. The office in September disqualified Linthicum and Boquist from the 2024 ballot, court filings show. Hayden's term ends in January 2027. The senators argued that walkouts are a form of political protest protected by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. But U.S. District Court Judge Ann Aiken disagreed, writing that, "...these walkouts were not simply protests — they were an exercise of the Senator Plaintiffs' official power and were meant to deprive the legislature of the power to conduct business." Aiken wrote that the lawmakers' subsequent disqualification is the effect of Measure 113 working as intended by Oregon voters. / SPORTS, LEGAL: Oregon State and Washington State Universities remain in control of the Pac-12 Conference and its assets, at least for now. On Friday, the Washington state Supreme Court declined to review an appeal from the conference's ten departing schools. They argue that OSU and WSU should not have full control of the conference and potentially hundreds of millions in assets. But a lower court and now the Washington Supreme Court say otherwise. The decision keeps in place a legal victory for the league's two remaining schools over its 10 departing members. Last month, a superior court judge in Whitman County, Washington, granted the two remaining Pac-12 schools a preliminary injunction. That ruling said 10 departing schools relinquished their right to be part of the conference's decision-making board when they announced they were joining new leagues. The 10 departing schools have said they are concerned that Oregon State and Washington State could deny them 2023-24 revenues from media rights contracts and postseason football and basketball participation that usually would be shared with the entire conference. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>CRIME, BUSINESS, PRIVACY, SAFETY: Comcast, the largest cable operator in the U.S., said personal data for approximately 35.9 million customers of its Xfinity services might have been illegally accessed by hackers in a security breach that occurred in October. Yesterday, Comcast began notifying customers of the hack. In a statement to Variety, a Comcast spokesperson said they are not aware of any customer data being leaked anywhere, nor of any attacks on our customers. But the cable and internet giant is requiring our customers to reset their passwords the next time they log in and strongly recommends that they enable two-factor or multifactor authentication. Comcast officials say one of their software providers, cloud-computing company Citrix, announced a vulnerability in one of its products used by Xfinity and a number of other companies. Comcast concluded that the information accessed included usernames and hashed passwords. For some Xfinity customers, other information was compromised, including names, contact information, the last four digits of Social Security numbers, dates of birth and/or secret questions and answers. / HEALTH, SAFETY, CHILDREN: U.S. food inspectors found "extremely high" levels of lead in cinnamon at a plant in Ecuador that made applesauce pouches tainted with the metal. The Food and Drug Administration said the recalled WanaBana pouches have been linked to dozens of illnesses in U.S. kids. FDA officials say cinnamon tested from the plant had lead levels more than 2,000 times higher than a maximum level proposed by the FDA. The lead has not been detected in WanaBana products made without cinnamon and sold in the U.S. At least 125 children from 22 states may have been sickened by lead poisoning since late October, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Investigators suspect lead was added to the cinnamon either to enhance its reddish color or add weight to bulk shipments. / TRANSPORTATION, BUSINESS, GOVERNMENT: They began showing up around the area in April but now they're going away. The company that was at the heart of Eugene's one-year eScooter rental pilot program is closing its doors, bringing an early end to what officials say was a popular offering. Officials say Superpedestrian, which operates in 60 cities across the globe, owns the scooters and the software used to run the program. The company cited "financial reasons" for the closure but didn't offer details. In Eugene, the eScooter program is administered by Cascadia Mobility and saw more than 220,000 scooter rides in</p>



the first eight months of the program. Cascadia will be removing scooters from city streets this week. You still may use any scooter displaying a green light until then. Staff with the City of Eugene and Cascadia Mobility say they are exploring options for another e-scooter equipment provider. In the meantime, Cascadia Mobility is shifting its efforts to expanding the PeaceHealth Rides bike share. A partnership between the University of Oregon, LTD, and Cascadia Mobility, PeaceHealth Rides manages 350 rental bicycles in Eugene. One-hundred more bikes and expanded service areas are coming early next year. / WILDFIRE RECOVERY, BUSINESS, LEGAL: Northwest utility PacifiCorp has agreed to pay \$250 million to ten timber companies affected by the 2020 Archie Creek fire in Douglas County. That settlement is in addition to the close to \$300 million that the company agreed to pay earlier this month to hundreds of individuals who lost homes and property in the same fire. PacifiCorp made the disclosure yesterday in a federal regulatory filing. It comes after three years of legal wrangling and avoids a potentially more costly court trial. The Archie Creek fire devastated communities along the North Umpqua River east of Roseburg, one of several massive blazes that broke out statewide amid the historic Labor Day 2020 windstorm. In June, PacifiCorp lost a similar lawsuit related to some other Labor Day 2020 blazes in the Cascades. That suit, like this one, claimed the utility ignored warnings from the National Weather Service and continued to operate its equipment rather than powering down. The suit also claimed the company failed to trim hazard trees and other vegetation that could have sparked power lines during the high winds. PacificCorp also has received notice of hundreds of millions of dollars in additional claims by state and federal agencies related to the Archie Creek Fire. The agencies are asking for reimbursement for the costs of fire suppression, sheltering survivors, and cleaning up and rehabilitating the damaged burn zones that include forests, roads, and government facilities. / WILDFIRE RECOVERY, GOVERNMENT: More assistance is on the way for those who lost their homes in the Labor Day 2020 wildfires and still are struggling to repair, rebuild, or replace their homes. A new state program is offering \$422 million dollars to low- and moderate-income homeowners. It might also include reimbursement for those who have already completed some work, if funds are available in a future phase. Locally, the Homeowner Assistance and Reconstruction Program—or HARP—will be administered by the McKenzie Valley Long Term Recovery Group in Lane County and the organization Glide Revitalization in Douglas County. Once the online portal is up and running, applications for financial assistance will be accepted through the end of March. If you're interested in applying, you'll need to provide proof that you owned the damaged or destroyed home, and it was your primary residence. You'll also need to submit records of damage from the 2020 Labor Day fires, proof of your current income, a record of any insurance or other recovery funds you received. / WILDLIFE: Wildlife officials have released five gray wolves into a remote forest in Colorado. They were captured over the weekend in Oregon. It's the start of a wolf reintroduction program that was approved by Colorado voters. The wolves were set free in a remote part of the Rocky Mountains in an undisclosed location to protect the predators. The effort is the most ambitious in the U.S. in almost three decades. The plan was embraced in the state's mostly Democratic urban corridor but staunchly opposed by conservative voters in rural communities where ranchers worry about the predators attacking livestock. To allay livestock industry fears, ranchers who lose

livestock or herding and guard animals to wolf attacks will be paid fair market value, up to \$15,000 per animal. Hunting groups also have raised concerns that wolves will reduce the size of elk herds and other big game animals that the predators eat. Colorado officials anticipate releasing 30 to 50 wolves within the next five years in hopes the program starts to fill in one of the last remaining major gaps in the western U.S. for the species. Gray wolves historically ranged from northern Canada to the desert southwest. / CRIME: On Sunday, the Lane County Sheriff's Office received the report of burglary in which two service trucks full of tools were taken from a property in the Fall Creek area. Surveillance video depicted two suspects entering a shop and loading numerous tools into the service trucks before departing in them. The value of the stolen tools was over \$20,000. While deputies were on scene, one of the service trucks was located abandoned off Peninsula Road. The second service truck was located abandoned a short time later on a BLM Road off of Eagles Rest Road in Dexter. The tools had been removed from both trucks prior to them being abandoned. Deputies identified the suspects as 23-year-old Johnathon Wesley Needham and 33-year-old Jesse William Keith Shaw. Investigators located Needham and Shaw at a residence in the Dexter area a short time later and recovered a vehicle full of stolen tools. Officials say Shaw was detained without incident, but that Needham fled into a nearby wooded area, he was located—partially submerged in a pond—with the help of a sheriff's K9 and a drone. Needham was evaluated by medics before being taken to the Lane County Jail. / BUSINESS, CHARITY: A pair of rare Nike sneakers donated to an Oregon homeless shelter in Portland sold for nearly \$51,000 at auction on Monday. The shoes designed in 2019 for filmmaker Spike Lee sold for nearly double the high end of the predicted sale price. The gold Air Jordan 3s were anonymously dropped in the donation chute at the Portland Rescue Mission this spring. A man in its long-term shelter program found them while sorting through donations and told the staff. Lee wore his pair when he accepted an Oscar for his "BlacKkKlansman" screenplay. The donated sneakers weren't Lee's personal pair, but were among a few made for him to give out to his inner circle, the Portland Rescue Mission said. The auction proceeds will benefit the homeless shelter. / SPORTS: One year later than originally expected, Dante Moore is set to be an Oregon Duck. The former UCLA quarterback committed to Oregon on Monday. It was the second time Moore, a five-star prospect in the class of 2023, committed to UO, having flipped his commitment to UCLA last December. Moore completed 53.5 percent of his passes for 1,610 yards with 11 touchdowns and nine interceptions in nine games as a true freshman this season. He has three years of eligibility remaining and immediately becomes the favorite to take over for Oklahoma transfer Dillon Gabriel in 2025. /

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WEATHER, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, FINANCES: Quick note if you're preparing to hit the road heading into Christmas Weekend. Gasoline prices are continuing to ease, according to AAA. This morning in Eugene-Springfield, a gallon of regular-grade fuel is selling for an average price of \$3.54 per gallon. That's down nine cents from one week ago and 32 cents from one month ago. Average local diesel prices stand at \$4.24 per gallon, down 30 cents from this time last month. Close to 104 million Americans are expected to drive more than 50 miles from home this holiday season. AAA analysts say the falling prices are a nice holiday gift for drivers and family budgets. ; We might see some wintry weather on the passes this holiday weekend, including everything from rain and sleet to freezing rain and snow. A cold front arrives early Friday morning and might bring a few inches of snow to the Cascade passes. It won't be all that cold, but there is a chance of a White Christmas in parts of the Columbia River Gorge and the Hood River area. And while the forecasters say the outlook is still a bit uncertain, there's a chance of light freezing rain in the mountains Sunday night through Monday night. Keep an eye on your forecast if you're heading over the passes, and go to [tripcheck.com](http://tripcheck.com) or dial 511 from your mobile device for Oregon highway updates. If you are traveling over the mountains for Christmas weekend, remember to allow extra travel time. Make sure you have a full tank of gas, are carrying tire chains, and have spare pieces of warm clothing and snacks for you and the kids. / CRIME, SAFETY, BUSINESS, PRIVACY: Comcast, the largest cable operator in the U.S., said personal data for approximately 35.9 million customers of its Xfinity services might have been illegally accessed by hackers in a security breach that occurred in October. Comcast officials say it comes after one of their software providers, cloud-computing company Citrix, announced a vulnerability in one of its products used by Xfinity and a number of other companies. Comcast concluded that the information accessed included usernames and hashed passwords. For some Xfinity customers, other information was compromised, including names, contact information, the last four digits of Social Security numbers, dates of birth and/or secret questions and answers. Comcast began notifying customers of the hack on Sunday. In a statement, a Comcast spokesperson said they are not aware of any customer data being leaked anywhere, nor of any cyberattacks on customers. But the cable and

internet giant is requiring customers to reset their passwords the next time they log in and strongly recommends that you enable what's known as two-factor authentication. / CRIME: Another effort to combat retail theft, another handful of arrests in just a few hours. Springfield Police say they recently worked with loss-prevention experts at both the Springfield Jerry's Home Improvement store and the Wal-Mart on Olympic Street. During a four-hour period, they arrested eight people for stealing a number of items. They say none of the suspects made any attempt to pay for the items they had taken from inside the stores. While some were cited and released pending a court appearance, several of those they arrested had outstanding arrest warrants and were taken to jail. Springfield Police say they'll be conducting more retail theft crackdowns in the near future. / HEALTH, BUSINESS, COMMUNITY: PeaceHealth might be shuttering its University District medical center, but it's going to keep at least some psychiatric care and other services in Eugene. The Oregon Health Authority has approved three satellite licenses and associated hospital licensing waivers that clear the way for the continued care. The new satellite licenses allow PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center at RiverBend in Springfield to operate off-campus satellite sites at the University District facility and another location. The Eugene satellites will include an inpatient and outpatient behavioral health unit; physical, occupational and speech therapy services; and a senior health and wellness center. A separate approval allows PeaceHealth to open an acute rehabilitation unit within its RiverBend hospital to replace the University District hospital's inpatient rehabilitation facility. Separately, PeaceHealth and Lifepoint Rehabilitation have received a proposed approval for a Certificate of Need to build a freestanding inpatient rehabilitation facility by 2026. In August, PeaceHealth announced plans to close its Sacred Heart University District hospital facility and emergency department and relocate its rehabilitation unit to Sacred Heart at RiverBend in Springfield. State officials were concerned that the closure would impact the availability of mental health treatment beds and could lead to full closure of all behavioral health services in Eugene. Oregon Governor Tina Kotek directed state health officials to take actions to preserve a behavioral health capacity for the Eugene community and secure additional resources. In addition to preserving behavioral health capacity through these licenses, state officials say PeaceHealth has committed to operating an expanded-hours urgent care for no less than nine months, with patient navigator and mental health professional on-site. / SPORTS: Conference realignment and the downfall of the Pac-12 is The Associated Press Sports Story of the Year. Over a span of six weeks this past summer, the Pac-12 was ripped apart and redistributed by its competitors. Oregon and Washington are going to the Big Ten along with Southern California and UCLA. Arizona, Arizona State, Colorado, and Utah are going to the Big 12. Stanford and California will join the Atlantic Coast Conference. College sports are heading toward a super conference era. Realignment has laid bare the importance of revenue and the bottom line. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, EVENTS: Holiday travel is expected to hit its peak right around now. Airlines are confident they can handle the crowds, but it could come down to the weather. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg says the government will be holding the airlines accountable to operate smoothly and treat passengers well if there are disruptions. Auto club AAA forecasts that 115 million people in the U.S. will go 50 miles or more from home between Saturday and New Year's Day. That's up 2 percent over last year. Most of those people will drive, and they will save a bit on gasoline, compared with a year ago. / SPORTS: It's considered a mid-major conference made up of Gonzaga, Saint Mary's, San Diego, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Loyola Marymount, Portland, Pacific, and Pepperdine. Now, Oregon State and Washington State are working on a deal to become affiliate members of the West Coast Conference for basketball and other Olympic sports for two years. They would, for now, remain as football members of what's being called the "Pac-2" and earlier this month announced a football scheduling agreement with the Mountain West Conference for next season as they work to survive the collapse of the Pac-12. Any agreement with the WCC would allow OSU and WSU to compete in conference tournaments. But for now, the potential deal does not include baseball. Oregon State's baseball program has been one of the best in the country over the last 20 years with six College World Series appearances. / CRIME: They say he fled in a vehicle from an attempted sheriff's traffic stop, running red lights in the River Road area, turning onto the Beltline Highway heading the wrong direction, then eventually reversing course before his car was forcibly stopped and he was arrested. Lane County Sheriff's investigators say 47-year-old Timothy Wayne Emra is in jail facing multiple charges after yesterday afternoon's pursuit. During the incident involving a silver Dodge Avenger, officials say Emra—who was wanted for multiple prior offenses—rear-ended at least one vehicle at the Beltline's Barger exit. There were no serious injuries. Emra's new charges include Eluding, Hit and Run, Reckless Driving, and Reckless Endangering. / SAFETY: Search and rescue teams have recovered the body of a 63-year-old Eugene man who had last been heard from by family members at the end of last month. Lane County Sheriff's officials say crews located the body of 63-year-old Joseph James Bucher on Saturday in a creekbed off Forest Road 120. Investigators are working to</p>

determine the cause of death but say there is no evidence of foul play. A state police trooper had located Bucher's vehicle earlier this month in a wooded area along a forest road off Highway 58 between Westfir and Lowell. /

GOVERNMENT, LEGAL, HEALTH, SAFETY, DRUGS: Lots of funding handed out in an effort to expand Oregon's drug treatment and recovery services under Measure 110. But so far, not enough people who need assistance have received it. That's the upshot of an audit released yesterday by the Oregon Secretary of State. It finds that while the state has issued \$261 million in grants to various organizations from July of 2022 to June of this year, only about \$95 million had been spent. Officials say it's taking longer than expected to set up treatment networks. Some of that has to do with chronic labor shortages. The audit also found that many potential clients remain largely unaware of the drug treatment and recovery services. Measure 110 decriminalized minor drug possession and redirected cannabis tax revenue to a host of services to help people experiencing drug addiction. But amid criticisms of the slow rollout of the program and low participation, Oregon lawmakers are considering changes that would be referred to voters to update the efforts. / GOVERNMENT, LEGAL, FAMILIES: Historically in Oregon, registered domestic partnerships have been used by same-sex couples to grant two people the same legal rights, benefits, and responsibilities as in a marriage. But the program is expanding with the New Year. Starting on January 1st, couples of any sex will be able to enter an Oregon Registered Domestic Partnership. State lawmakers approved the update to the program earlier this year. All adult couples age 18 and older will be able to enter into the registered domestic partnerships. They'll need to fill out a declaration form and file it with their county clerk's office. Couples who do so also may receive a commemorative certificate. / ECONOMY: Employment in Oregon dropped a bit again last month, as companies, governments, and non-profits shed a combined 7,300 jobs. The reductions were largest in professional and business services; construction; leisure and hospitality; financial activities; and information. The only industry growing substantially in November was health care and social assistance, which added 2,400 jobs. Still, Oregon's unemployment rate stands at 3.6 percent for October and November, which remains three-tenths of one percent below the U.S. jobless rate. / CHARITY, COMMUNITY, SAFETY: It's the sort of project you normally see along stretches of the Oregon Coast or popular rivers. Non-profit organization SOLVE yesterday held a cleanup event in downtown Portland. Volunteers fanned out in groups to pick up litter and beautify Portland's sidewalks and parks. It's not the first time SOLVE has targeted Portland downtown. In 2020, the group and close to 300 volunteers cleaned up after violent protests left debris on sidewalks and damaged some downtown business storefronts. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>TRANSPORTATION, EVENTS: The holiday travel rush is hitting its peak as mild weather and lower flight cancelation rates raise hopes for merrier drivers and airline passengers than last year. U.S. airlines are predicting a blockbuster holiday season and have projected confidence they can handle the crowds after hiring thousands of pilots, flight attendants and other workers, seeking to avoid the delays and suspensions that marred travel last year. Airlines have canceled just 1.2 percent of U.S. flights so far this year, the lowest in five years, but bad weather is always a threat. Heavy storms hit the West Coast in the U.S. and storm brought heavy rain and strong winds across northern Europe overnight and into today. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Honda Motor's American arm is recalling more than 2.5 million vehicles in the U.S. due to a fuel pump defect that can increase risks of engine failure or stalling while driving. According to documents published by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the fuel pump impeller used for a range of 2017-2020 Acura and Honda vehicles was improperly molded. This results in low-density impellers, which can deform the fuel pump body over time — leading to an inoperative fuel pump. Honda says it has not received any crash or injury reports related to this recall to date. The automaker added that it would replace fuel pumps for all vehicles impacted by the recall at no cost — but in a staggered approach, with owner notification letters not beginning until February. ; Toyota this week recalled 1 million vehicles over a defect that could cause airbags not to deploy, increasing the risk of injury. The recall covers a range of Toyota and Lexus vehicles with model years from 2020 to 2022. Included in the recall are Toyota Avalons, Camrys, Highlanders, RAV4s, Siennas and Corollas, plus some hybrids of those models. The Lexus models included in the recall are EX and RX models from the same years. / SPORTS: Leaders of Oregon State and Washington State Universities announced Thursday they have reached an agreement in principle with the 10 departing Pac-12 schools on revenue distribution for 2023-24. The deal ends a legal battle sparked by conference realignment. Last week, OSU and WSU were given control of the Pac-12 and assets when Washington state's Supreme Court declined to review a lower court's decision granting the schools a preliminary injunction. Financial terms of the settlement were not released, but in a joint statement the two schools said the departing members will forfeit a portion of distributions for this school</p>

year and guarantee to cover a specific portion of “potential future liabilities.” Among those: The Pac-12 is named as a defendant in an antitrust lawsuit along with the NCAA and other power conferences that could cost billions in damages. The conference, which Oregon State and Washington State intend to keep alive and hope to rebuild, will retain its assets and all future revenues. That includes control of the hundreds of millions of dollars coming into the conference in future years. But the vast majority of funds earned in 2023-24 will be distributed equally among the conference’s 12 current members. The Pac-12 was ripped apart this summer after the league’s leadership failed to land a media rights agreement that would keep it competitive with the other “Power 5” conferences. Next year, Oregon, Washington, USC, and UCLA will join the Big Ten; Arizona, Arizona State, Colorado, and Utah will join the Big 12; and Stanford and California will join the Atlantic Coast Conference. That left behind Oregon State and Washington State. The schools sued the conference and the ten departing schools in September, claiming they should be the sole board members of the Pac-12. Oregon State and Washington State said the other members relinquished their right to vote on conference business when they announced their departures. A judge in Washington state agreed. The departing schools appealed the ruling, but the Washington Supreme Court passed on hearing the appeal. Oregon State and Washington State plan to operate as a two-team conference, allowable for two years by NCAA rule, and then rebuild. They have a scheduling agreement in place with the Mountain West for football next season and are working on a deal to have an affiliation with the West Coast Conference for basketball and other Olympics sports for two years. /



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ECONOMY, BUSINESS, FINANCES: Americans were expected to spend nearly \$30 billion on gift cards this holiday, according to the National Retail Federation. Restaurant gift cards are the most popular, making up one-third of those sales. Most will be redeemed. But many gift cards—tens of (b)illions worth—wind up forgotten or unused. In a July survey, Bankrate found that 47 percent of U.S. adults had at least one unused gift card worth an average of \$187. That's a total of \$23 billion in unspent money. Under federal law, gift cards can't expire for five years after they're purchased. But experts say it's wise to use them sooner than that. Some cards — especially generic cash cards from Visa or MasterCard — start accruing inactivity fees if they're not used for a year, which eats away at their value. Inflation also makes cards less valuable over time. And if a retail store closes or goes bankrupt, a gift card could be worthless. / CRIME, SAFETY: A precautionary evacuation of some residences in the 2200 block of Eugene's Adams Street overnight while other neighbors were asked to shelter in place. It came as Eugene Police negotiated with a man who was suspected of assaulting his girlfriend. Officers had been told the man had access to firearms in the home. At one point during negotiations with the suspect, police say the man allegedly fired at officers. A police firearm also was discharged during the incident but there were no injuries to the suspect or the officers. The man was taken into custody shortly before 2:00 a.m. with the aid of a police K-9. He first was treated at a hospital for a K-9 bite and exposure to gas, then taken to jail. ; Eugene Police arrested a Sweet Home man early Sunday morning after his Jeep allegedly was speeding along the middle of Country Club Road with his headlights off, struck a pedestrian island and sheared off the sign, lodging the sign under one of his vehicle's front tires. It happened practically in front of the Eugene Police headquarters while an officer was in the parking lot speaking with a member of the public. Investigators say that when officers responded to the crash the driver and were taking the driver—identified as 40-year-old Ryan Randall Carbon—into custody, he at one point threatened officers and tried to slip out of his handcuffs. Carbon was jailed for DUII, Reckless Driving, and Criminal Mischief in the Second Degree. ; A tragic crash on Saturday evening in a popular area for Christmas-light viewing in Eugene. Police say a driver struck a 24-year-old woman pushing a stroller with her 16-month-old child as they entered a crosswalk on Gilham Road

near Elkhorn Drive. Both suffered life-threatening injuries. Police say they are investigating whether speed and impairment involving the 27-year-old male driver.

/ CRIME: A holiday shopping nightmare for one family on Christmas Eve in Springfield. A man and his wife who had been preparing to purchase Christmas gifts stopped at the McDonald's at 57th and Main. Unbeknownst to him, his wallet fell out of his pocket at the restaurant and, after they left, a man picked it up and walked off with it. The wallet contained not only the family's holiday shopping money, but their rent money. Later in the day, investigators said they had been able to locate and arrest the suspect. The wallet was recovered, although the cash was gone. Springfield Police invited the family to their department headquarters, where they provided gifts for the couple's three young children from a supply donated by community members throughout the year.

/ WILDLIFE, RECREATION: Oregon's Winter Whale Watch is back this week, drawing visitors hoping to catch a glimpse of the annual gray whale migration off the state's coastline. Starting tomorrow (Wednesday) and continuing through Sunday (Dec. 31), trained volunteers will be at 15 state parks and scenic pullouts along the coast to help you spot a few of the close to 17,000 gray whales that make the southward journey to Mexico every year. The volunteers will share information and answer questions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily. The Oregon Department of Parks and Recreation organizes the whale-watching events twice a year, in the winter for gray whales' southern migration and in the spring for their return to northern waters near Alaska. During the winter, the whales are heading south to calving lagoons near Baja, Mexico. The end of December is the peak time for their migration; roughly 30 whales pass by per hour. Oregon's central coast is also a hot spot for whale-watching from June to mid-November, when the gray whales that remained in the state's coastal waters during the summer migration come close to shore to feed. All Whale Watch Week visitors are encouraged to dress for the weather, to bring binoculars and to follow beach safety guidelines such as remaining out of fenced areas, knowing the tide schedule, and always keeping an eye on the surf.

/ SPORTS: The No. 8 Oregon Football squad heads south today to the Phoenix, Arizona, area ahead of their New Year's Day appearance in the Fiesta Bowl. Many Duck fans also are heading south during the next few days to watch the game and soak up some sunshine and warmer temperatures. Oregon takes on Liberty at the Fiesta Bowl at 1 p.m. on New Year's Day on ESPN. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SAFETY, RECREATION: There is a High Surf Advisory in place along the coast amid the risk of large breakers and possible rip currents and sneaker waves. Between now and late Thursday afternoon, National Weather Service forecasters say some breakers could reach 30 feet. Such destructive waves can wash over beaches, jetties, and other structures unexpectedly. They can sweep people off rocks and jetties, increasing the risk of drowning. Stay well back from the water's edge and be alert for exceptionally high waves. Keep away from large logs on the beach. Water running up on the beach can easily lift or roll logs which can injure or kill someone caught in their path. Minor beach erosion also is possible and might cause damage to low-lying coastal properties and buildings, as higher-than-normal water run-up is expected on beaches and shorelines. / BUSINESS, ECONOMY: Mastercard SpendingPulse said Tuesday that holiday sales rose this year. The indicator, which tracks all kinds of payments including cash and debit cards, found sales from the beginning of November through Christmas Eve climbed 3.1 percent, a slower pace than the 7.6 percent increase from a year earlier. The sales growth this year was a bit lower than the 3.7 percent increase Mastercard SpendingPulse had expected back in September. The data released Tuesday excludes the automotive industry and is not adjusted for inflation. However, it indicates consumer spending remained resilient during the critical shopping season even as shoppers deal with still stubborn inflation in some areas as well as other financial worries. / CRIME: In Benton County, officials say they conducted a successful operation to crack down on holiday "porch pirates." Those are the criminals who scoop up packages from other people's front porches. The Benton County Sheriff's Office worked with local residents and others between the period after Thanksgiving and before Christmas. They used two dozen decoy packages equipped with GPS tracking devices that were placed on doorsteps in neighborhoods and businesses identified as hotspots for recent package thefts. They arrested three people they say were involved in package thefts: 34-year-old Jerry Michael Wells of Corvallis; 64-year-old Roxanne Martinez of Albany; and 30-year-old Kayla Marie Kidd of Keizer. All faces charges of Theft, Mail Theft, and Criminal Trespass. Kidd also faces charges of Unlawful Use of a Motor Vehicle, Attempting to Elude, and Reckless Driving. / FINANCES, GOVERNMENT: Now that the excitement of the gift-giving season has come to a close, many</p>

Oregonians' thoughts will turn to the anticipation of something even bigger—claiming their share of the state's all-time record \$5.6 billion kicker tax credit. The good news is anyone who filed a 2022 Oregon income tax return is all set to claim their kicker on their 2023 return next year. The first thing taxpayers should do if they hope to claim their share of the kicker next year is to make sure they have filed a 2022 return. The department received more than 2.2 million 2022 tax returns so most taxpayers have done that, but for those who haven't, filing a 2022 tax return should be their first priority. Electronic filing is closed until late January so taxpayers who still need to file a 2022 return will need to either download and use a paper form or wait until electronic filing is open again. Until taxpayers file their 2022 return, the department can't calculate their kicker. Organized tax records make preparing a complete and accurate tax return easier and help avoid errors. For the upcoming tax season: Wait to file until you have all your tax records including: Forms W-2 from your employer(s) along with Forms 1099 from banks, issuing agencies and other payers including unemployment compensation, dividends, distributions from a pension, annuity, retirement plan, or other non-employee compensation and Forms 1099-K, 1099-MISC, 1099-NEC, or other income statement if you worked in the gig economy. And use a bank account to speed tax refunds with direct deposit. / SPORTS: The Oregon Football team arrived in Arizona yesterday. No. 8 Oregon takes on No. 23 Liberty at the Fiesta Bowl at 1 p.m. on New Year's Day on ESPN. The forecast calls for partly sunny skies and a high near 70. Oregon State's football team is in El Paso for the Sun Bowl. The contest between the No. 21 Beavers and the No. 15 Notre Dame kicks off Friday at 11 a.m. on CBS / KVAL-TV. The forecast calls for sunshine and a high near 60. / WILDLIFE, RECREATION: Oregon's Winter Whale Watch is back this week, drawing visitors hoping to catch a glimpse of the annual gray whale migration off the state's coastline. Starting today and continuing through Sunday (Dec. 31), trained volunteers will be at 15 state parks and scenic pullouts along the coast to help you spot a few of the close to 17,000 gray whales that make the southward journey to Mexico every year. The volunteers will share information and answer questions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily./

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>SAFETY, RECREATION: The National Weather Service has issued High Surf Warnings for much of the West Coast, including Oregon, through this afternoon. That means potentially dangerous large breakers, rip currents, and sneaker waves. Such waves can wash over beaches, jetties, and other structures unexpectedly. They can sweep people off rocks and jetties, increasing the risk of drowning. Stay well back from the water's edge and be alert for exceptionally high waves. Keep away from large logs on the beach. Water running up on the beach can easily lift or roll logs which can injure or kill someone caught in their path. / CRIME: Eugene Police say there is no ongoing threat to the public after reports yesterday of shots fired in the area of South Bertlesen Road, south of 13th. Officers blocked off traffic access while they checked the area with the help of police drones. Officials say they took two people into custody. ; Police yesterday released the name of the suspect in a Christmas-Day standoff at a residence in the 2200 block of Eugene's Adams Street. They say 45-year-old Jesse Paul Deloache was jailed on charges of Attempted Murder, Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Harassment, and Unlawful Direction of a Light or Laser Pointer. Deloache, who initially was suspected of assaulting his girlfriend, at one point allegedly fired at officers. The standoff led to the evacuation of some nearby homes while other neighbors were asked to shelter in place. / WILDLIFE, GOVERNMENT, ENVIRONMENT, LEGAL: Today marks the 50th anniversary of the nation's Endangered Species Act. On Dec. 28, 1973, President Richard Nixon signed it into law. The Act charged the federal government with saving every endangered plant and animal in America. It enjoyed nearly unanimous bipartisan support but soon became controversial. The United States' own national animals, the bison and the bald eagle, had been driven to near extinction. When they started to recover, Americans saw the Endangered Species Act as a success. But when animals that people had never heard of began interfering with development, it was a different story. Whether the government should try to save all species from extinction, or if not, where to draw the line, became a point of conflict that has never been fully resolved. / TRANSPORTATION, GOVERNMENT, FINANCES: You'll be paying a bit more with the New Year for your vehicle registration and to renew your Driver's license or ID card, vehicle tags, and take a driver's test. Those are among a number of Oregon Department of Motor Vehicle Services that</p>

will see increases after state lawmakers approved the hikes to help pay for DMV operations. Among the other fees that are affected: Plate transfers, replacement plates or stickers; VIN inspections; and camper, travel trailer, and motorhome registrations, and along with some dealer document fees. / WILDFIRES, BUSINESS, HOUSING: Another new law strengthens consumer protections for homeowners in the aftermath of a wildfire. If an insurance company tries to cancel a policy or increase premiums, it must outline—using property-specific characteristics—why it wants to do that. The law prohibits insurance companies from using statewide wildfire risk maps published by the Oregon Department of Forestry as a basis for canceling or declining to renew a policy or increasing premiums. It also requires insurers to allow homeowners and property owners up to 36 months to repair, rebuild, or replace damaged or lost property if it was directly related to a fire that was battled by crews mobilized under the state's Emergency Conflagration Act. / CRIME, GOVERNMENT: When 2024 arrives, it will bring with it tougher penalties for retail theft. If someone stealing merchandise from a business threatens or creates a risk of violence toward an employee, the criminal charge automatically escalates to First-Degree Theft. There also are extended timelines for calculating the value of items taken by thieves and shoplifters, which can help prosecutors make stronger cases. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>BUSINESS, CRIME: Local newspaper Eugene Weekly has been forced to lay off its entire staff after uncovering what its owners and leadership say is evidence of massive, long-term embezzlement. Some employees are still showing up at the office and working without pay to post items online. But for the first time in more than 20 years, the weekly free newspaper is not putting out a print edition. In a post on its website, Eugene Weekly's management says they've hired a team of private forensic accountants and reported the thefts to Eugene Police. They say not only were vendors unpaid, but employees learned that money they thought was going into retirement accounts never arrived. The statement says the alleged embezzlement was at the hands of someone who Eugene Weekly's managers and owners trusted. While they did not reveal details or the person's name, they say the losses in dollars add up to, quote, "thousands upon thousands." Company officials say the shortfalls were discovered as they tried to figure out why Eugene Weekly was struggling financially, even during the squad-pandemic economic recovery. The advertising-supported free newspaper normally distributes up to 30,000 free copies every Thursday in red newspaper boxes around the community. / SAFETY: Federal regulators say the company BlendJet is recalling more than 4.8 million of its portable blenders sold in the U.S. and Canada after receiving dozens of reports of injuries. That includes concerns about the risk of lacerations and fire hazards. According to a notice from the Consumer Product Safety Commission, BlendJet 2 Portable Blenders can overheat or catch fire and their blender blades can break off during use. The CPSC says there have been 329 reports so far of blades breaking during use, as well as 17 additional reports of overheating or fires that resulted in about \$150,000 of property damage claims. The company also has received 49 reports of minor burn injuries and one reported laceration. The recalled BlendJet Portable Blenders were sold between October 2020 and November 2023 online and in stores at retailers including Costco, Walmart, and Target. If you have one of the recalled BlendJet 2 portable blenders, you're urged to stop using it immediately and contact BlendJet for a free base unit replacement. The company said in a prepared statement that the recall impacts older Blender 2 blenders and that BlendJet 2 blenders now available for purchase through the company's website and retail partners that contain updated components and are not subject to the recall. / SPORTS: The No. 21 Oregon</p>

State football team meets No. 15 Notre Dame today in the Sun Bowl. Kick-off from El Paso is at 11 a.m. on CBS / KVAL-TV. The forecast calls for sunshine and a high of 56. The No. 8 Oregon Football team takes on No. 23 Liberty at the Fiesta Bowl in Glendale, Arizona (a suburb of Phoenix), at 1 p.m. on New Year's Day on ESPN. The forecast calls for partly sunny skies and a high of 65. /

POLITICS, ELECTIONS: Maine's Democratic secretary of state on Thursday removed former President Donald Trump from the state's presidential primary ballot under the Constitution's insurrection clause. In doing so, she becomes the first election official to take action unilaterally to bar Trump under the 14th Amendment. The Civil War-era clause bans those who "engaged in insurrection" from office. It's the same provision cited recently by the Colorado Supreme Court to remove Trump from the ballot in that state. The Trump campaign says it will appeal the decision to Maine's state courts, and the ruling is on hold until that court system rules. But the action in Maine—on the heels of a similar decision in Colorado—is likely to press justices on the U.S. Supreme Court to rule on whether the Constitutional provision applies to Trump and whether he is still eligible to return to the White House. Earlier this month, the Colorado Supreme Court removed Trump from the ballot there but stayed the decision until the U.S. Supreme Court makes a decision. In the wake of the decisions in Colorado and Maine, other states are reviewing legal challenges to Trump appearing on their primary ballots. Courts in Minnesota and Michigan have ruled that election officials cannot prevent the Republican Party from including Trump in their primaries. California's top elections official said late yesterday that the former president would be allowed on that state's ballot, as she faced a deadline to certify candidates for the California primary. Another court decision is expected soon here in Oregon. Oregon's secretary of state earlier declined to remove Trump from the ballot. But there's a new challenge from the same group that filed the Michigan lawsuit seeking to prevent Trump's name from appearing before Republican primary voters. /