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These are some issues the KSHO Staff deemed as important for the listening audience:

An Oregon State University student on the Corvallis campus has been diagnosed with Meningococcal disease. The disease is highly contagious.

The health department is running tests to determine the strain of meningococcal disease. Medical professionals are working to identify anyone who had close contact with the ill Students and to provide them with preventive antibiotics.

Aired on KSHO 10/29

Officials at Oregon State University confirmed another undergraduate student in Corvallis is Being treated for meningococcal disease. The student is in good condition. The university is working diligently with local and state health officials to respond to this case And prevent further spread of the illness.

Aired on KSHO 11/26

Oregon State University is redoubling its efforts to make sure incoming students are vaccinated for meningococcal disease. According to OSU Vice President Steve Clark, approximately 2,500 students are on academic hold until they can show they've had all their shots. OSU has held several mass vaccination clinics to immunize students.

Oregon State will require all student 25 and younger to be vaccinated by Feb. 15 2018, after the sixth case of meningococcal disease in a year. The most recent case a 21 year old undergraduate Was hospitalized Dec. 17.

Aired on KSHO 12/20

Distracted driving law:

Starting Oct.1 drivers could no longer use their cleephones while driving in Oregon. Statewide, Oregon State Police issued 207 distracted driving citations during October. Marion County Sheriff's deputies wrote 59 citations, Polk County issued 12 warnings. Salem Police recorded 33 citations in October.

Officers have seen a trend in drivers not having the proper equipment to comply with the hands free law like a cellphone mount on the window, dashboard, or console.

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Some new laws will take effect for Oregon drivers starting January 1st.

Drivers will no longer have to report a fender bender if the damage is less than \$2500. Currently, the law requires you to report if it's \$1500.

People will no longer need to take a driving test to get an endorsement on their license to drive three-wheeled motorcycles. The surcharge for Crater Lake license plates will now be \$15.

Aired on KSHO 12/14

New laws taking effect January 1st

Transportation Tax- Gas tax will increase by 4 cents and then 2 cent increase every two years. Car title and registration fees will go up by \$13 next year. \$15 tax on bicycle sales that costs \$200 or more.

Move Over Law- The Move Over Law doesn't just apply to emergency vehicles anymore, but to all vehicles. By law, you'll need to change lanes.

Tabacco Age Increase- You have to be at least 21 years old in order to buy cigarettes, vapes, or any product with nicotine or tobacco.

Aired on KSHO 12/28

Oak Grove School to be replaced

The original plan had been to build and eight-classroom wing and a cafeteria at Oak Grove in Albany. But as architects worked on designs, they found it would be easier to just start from scratch. Greater Albany Public Schools plans to break ground this summer and be ready for occupancy by fall 2019. 280 students will have to be relocated for the 2018-19 school year.

Aired on KSHO 11/21

City Hires New Finance Director in Lebanon.

City Manager Gary Marks is pleased to announce the hiring of Matthew Apken as the new Finance Director for the City of Lebanon. His start date is Dec. 18th.

Mr. Apken is a licensed municipal auditor with the state of Oregon and is well versed in City budgets and accounting standards required for Oregon cities.

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Air Stagnation

Air stagnation is descending on the Eugene-Springfield area, and it looks to last for days, likely fouling the air with a buildup of wood stove smoke.

The region-wide stagnation warning is in effect for the central and southern Willamette Valley. The air stagnation is due to a ridge of high pressure settling over Western Oregon, keeping our moist, warmer air that otherwise would sweep into the region from the Pacific Ocean and wash out wood stove smoke.

The inversion, typically is accompanied by fog as well as the accumulation of smoky air.

Aired on KSHO 12/4 12/5

Music Festival could move next year.

The Bi-Mart Willamette Country Music Festival could relocate to Jefferson next year.

The festival is working with Marion County on permits.

Some residents in Jefferson say the festival could hurt local farmers. People are also concerned about the miles long traffic backups, increase theft, vandalism, litter, accidents and harm to wildlife.

Aired on KSHO 11/2