

OR health coverage enrollment sees slight decrease

More than 145,000 Oregonians signed up for health plans for 2020 through HealthCare.gov. This year's enrollment of 145,264 Oregonians is a two percent decrease from last year's 148,180.

During the 45-day-long open enrollment period in November and December, people can buy health insurance for the upcoming year, and many receive subsidies, through HealthCare.gov

established by the Affordable Care Act.

Oregon's uninsured rate has dropped almost 11 percent since 2009. About 94 percent of Oregonians and 98 percent of Oregon children have health insurance.

"In many cases, Oregonians whose health and future might have been in jeopardy because they did not have access to insurance find that the plans and subsidies available through

HealthCare.gov help make insurance more affordable for them," said Chiqui Flowers, administrator of the Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace, the state-level partner to HealthCare.gov.

"Oregonians will receive the care they need and live longer, better lives because of the work done by the Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace," said Lou Savage, Director of the Department of Consumer

and Business Services, the state's largest consumer protection and business regulatory agency, of which the Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace is a part.

For those who helped Oregonians find health insurance through the Marketplace this year, their job is not complete.

"Our focus now that open enrollment is over is to remind Oregonians who signed up for coverage that

they must pay their premium when they receive their January bill in order to make their coverage effective," said Flowers. "In addition, though open enrollment for 2020 is now closed, Oregonians who experience life changes such as losing job-covered insurance or Medicaid, becoming pregnant, or getting married may qualify for a special enrollment period."

The Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace helps

Oregonians get coverage and financial assistance through HealthCare.gov. It is a division of the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS). For more information, go to OregonHealthCare.gov. The Department of Consumer and Business Services is Oregon's largest business regulatory and consumer protection agency. For more information, go to www.dpbs.oregon.gov.

FOR THE RECORD

EDITOR'S NOTE: All individuals arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

ACCIDENTS

The Dalles City

Jan. 10, 6:54 p.m. - Two vehicle, non-injury crash, 1200 block of West 6th Street. One driver was cited for following too close. A report was taken.

Oregon State Police

Jan. 12, 7:31 a.m. - Single vehicle, non-injury crash, Interstate 84 westbound, milepost 148. Semi driver advised he swerved to avoid hitting a deer and took out a section of guardrail. A report was taken.

Jan. 12, 4:15 p.m. - Two vehicle, non-injury crash, Highway 97 northbound, milepost 56. Semi heading north lost control of the vehicle and trailer attempting to negotiate a curve, causing the trailer to jackknife. Another semi heading south clipped the trailer and also jack knifed. A report was taken.

FIRE

Mid-Columbia Fire & Rescue

The agency responded to eight calls for emergency medical services on Jan. 9, four on Jan. 10, six on Jan. 11, and three on Jan. 12.

POLICE REPORTS

The Dalles City

A theft report was taken Jan. 9 from the 2600 block of East 10th Street after a victim reported his vehicle had been entered and had some items stolen from within.

A theft report was taken Jan. 9 from the 1800 block of West 2nd Street after a victim reported his storage unit was broken into.

A theft report was taken Jan. 9 from the 400 block of Mt. Hood Street after staff reported a male suspect fled with unpaid merchandise.

A hit and run report was taken Jan. 9 from East 15th and G streets after a power pole was

struck.

Gustavo Adolfo Cervantes Castro, 25, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 9 in the 2100 block of West 10th Street and is accused of third-degree theft.

Robert Alan Davidson, 33, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 9 in the 400 block of East 8th Street and is accused of two counts of probation violation. Leticia Maria Perez, 29, The Dalles, was also arrested and is accused of probation violation.

A theft report was taken Jan. 10 from the 700 block of East Scenic Drive after a victim reported some items were stolen from his vehicle.

A theft report was taken Jan. 10 from the 700 block of Hostetler Street after a victim reported some mail was stolen.

Gustavo Adolfo Cervantes Castro, 25, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 10 in the 2100 block of West 10th Street on a warrant for second-degree failure to appear.

Anthony Wayne Porter, 39, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 10 in the 1800 block of East 12th Street and is accused of two counts of post-prison violations.

Colton Little Eagle Redcloud, 28, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 10 during a traffic stop in the 300 block of Lone Pine Drive and is accused of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

A found property report was taken Jan. 11 from East 3rd and Court streets after a drivers license was found in the area.

An agency assist report was taken Jan. 11 from the 2300 block of West 14th Street after assisting state police with a traffic stop.

Police responded to the 2400 block of West 10th Street Jan. 12 after a caller reported her ex-boyfriend punched holes in the walls of her apartment during an altercation. A report was taken.

Deputy made contact with three juvenile subjects Jan. 13 at Sorosis Park. All three were cited for curfew violation and warned of trespassing after hours in the park. A report was taken.

Wasco County

Deputy responded to Wamic Jan. 9 on a report of shots fired in the area. An informational

report was taken.

A driver was cited for driving uninsured during a traffic stop Jan. 9 in the 2400 block of East 2nd Street.

A death report was taken Jan. 9 from Antelope.

Deputy responded to Fivemile Road near Pleasant Ridge Road Jan. 10 on a report of an illegal dump site. A report was taken.

Deputy responded to the 4100 block of Chenoweth Creek Road Jan. 10 on a report of a domestic dispute. A report was taken.

Deputy responded to the 1800 block of West 10th Street Jan. 11 after a caller reported she awoke at a location other than her home. Subject was taken to the hospital voluntarily for an evaluation.

Deputy responded to Maupin Jan. 11 after staff reported someone attempted to break into the laundry machines to get to the coins. A report was taken.

Deputy responded to Frog Lake campground Jan. 11 after it was reported a subject had a tree fall and strike her face. A report was taken.

Nicholas Dwight Freeman, 34, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 11 in the 2100 block of Dry Hollow Road on a warrant for second-degree failure to appear.

A burglary report was taken Jan. 11 from the 1900 block of Paradise Ridge Road.

A theft report was taken Jan. 11 from the 4400 block of Mill Creek Road after a victim reported some packages were stolen.

An agency assist report was taken Jan. 11 from the 2300 block of West 14th Street after assisting state police with a traffic stop which resulted in the use of force.

A criminal mischief report was taken Jan. 12 from the 2400 block of Steele Road.

Oregon State Police

A failure to register as a sex offender report was taken Jan. 10 from the state patrol office after a male offender came in to register after his deadline. Suspect advised he was sick and unable to make in prior to the deadline. The report will be forwarded to the district attorney.

Steven Lloyd Yale, 28, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 11

during a traffic stop in the 2300 block of West 14th Street and is accused of driving under the influence of intoxicants and resisting arrest.

A hit and run report was taken Jan. 12 from Interstate 84 westbound, milepost 87, after it was reported a semi had jackknifed on the on ramp. The semi was gone prior to arrival and damage was found to a concrete barrier. The semi was located by city police near West 2nd and Webber streets. The incident is under investigation.

Bernard Leon Predeek, 42, White Salmon, Wash., was arrested Jan. 12 during a traffic stop on Highway 197 near Bret Clodfelter Way and is accused of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

A female driver was cited and released for a Linn County warrant during a traffic stop Jan. 13 near West 10th and Chenoweth Loop streets. A report was taken.

Sherman County

Shayleen Dawn Pine, 28, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 10 during a traffic stop on Interstate 84 westbound, milepost 88, and is accused of menacing, harassment, and second-degree criminal mischief.

Parole & Probation

Donovan Darbie Grant, 45, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 9 in the community corrections office and is accused of probation violation.

John Richard Bradley, 41, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 9 in the community corrections office and is accused of post-prison violations.

Michael Emerson Mayfield, 28, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 9 in the community corrections office and is accused of five counts of post-prison violations.

Cody James Woodruff, 26, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 9 in the community corrections office and is accused of three counts of probation violation.

Albert Chico Cervantes, 31, The Dalles, was arrested Jan. 10 in the community corrections office and is accused of three counts of probation violation.

OBITUARIES

Thomas Dean Svendsen

September 24, 1953 ~ January 4, 2020

Thomas Dean Svendsen, 66, a longtime resident of Goldendale, Washington, passed away January 4, 2020, after losing his battle with Pulmonary Fibrosis. Tom was born September 24, 1953, at Fort Lawton Hospital while his father served in Korea.

Mr. Svendsen was raised in Seattle and graduated from the University of Washington -- Go Huskies! -- with a degree in Electrical Engineering in 1976. He married his college sweetheart Debi Thorlakson soon after he moved to Goldendale to take a position as an engineer at the Klickitat PUD, enjoying a 33-year career before retiring in 2009 as General Manager. Tom was a champion of renewable energy and worked diligently on the building of the HW Hill landfill gas to energy project, wind projects in Klickitat County starting with the first large scale wind project in the nation, the Goodnoe Hills Mod II project, and continuing on through the White Creek Wind project. Tom was also integral on biomass generation and the beginnings of the planned pumped-storage project.

Tom also stayed involved with in his community, first as a member of the Goldendale Jaycees and as a longtime member of the Goldendale Golf Club, serving as club president for six years, and was honored for his contributions to the Jaycees and his community by being awarded a JCI Senatorship for his years of service to his community. Senatorship was established to honor and recognize outstanding achievements and service of Jaycees members worldwide. Tom's efforts were instrumental, along with all members of the Goldendale chapter of the Jaycees, with the development of Goldendale's E'Kone Park and numerous community-oriented projects throughout his community.

As a family Tom and Debi enjoyed entertaining friends and family at their Goldendale home and their cabin along the slopes of Mt. Hood, near Parkdale, Ore., and RV'ing with close friends. They traveled extensively and were veterans of cruises and touring. Tom and Debi also enjoyed their winters in Kona and with family in Yuma, Arizona.

Tom is survived by his wife Debi, his parents Ed and Frances Svendsen of Seattle, brother Ted (Charlotte), also of Seattle, daughter Kristi (Chuck) Herron, of Ridgefield, Washington, and son Kevin (Jennifer) Svendsen of Spokane and, especially, grandchildren Paddy and Keegan Herron and Austin and Payten Svendsen. He was preceded in death by his sister Cathy and grandparents Clara and Jacob Lambrecht and Chester and Ann Svendsen.

A celebration of life will be held at the Goldendale Golf Club on Saturday, January 25, 2020, from 1-3 p.m.

Call 541-296-2141 to place an obituary

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DEATHS

Richard M. Hamilton, 95, a resident of The Dalles, Ore., died at home on Jan. 7, 2020. Spencer, Libby and Powell Funeral Home in care of arrangements.

Larry Smith, 76, a resident of Antelope, Ore., died at home Jan. 9, 2020. Spencer, Libby and Powell Funeral Home in care of arrangements.

Dennis Carter, 69, died Jan. 9, 2020, at his home

in Hood River, Ore. He was born March 30, 1950. Celebration of Life with potluck reception will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 25, at the Community Building at Hood River Fairgrounds, 3020 Wyeast Rd, Hood River. Arrangements under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center, 1401 Belmont Avenue, Hood River, Ore. Visit www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com to leave a note of condolence for the family.

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