Oregon flu cases on rise; inoculations suggested

Reports of laboratory-confirmed flu cases in Oregon more than doubled last week, and public health officials in the Oregon Dept. of Human Services (DHS) are encouraging people to get vaccinated.

The number of lab-confirmed cases rose from 18 Dec. 10 to 45 Dec. 17.

"Annual influenza is definitely here," said Dr. Susan Allan, state public health director in DHS. "We don't expect flu season to be in full swing for several weeks, so we want people to know there is still time to get a flu shot."

Flu season in Oregon typically peaks in late January or February, and may continue into April or May.

Allan said that Oregon is also monitoring for avian influenza, although no human or bird cases of the H5N1 virus have been identified in North America.

"Avian flu does not currently present any risk of creating human outbreaks," she said. "But 'regular' influenza should be taken seriously, with estimates that it causes up to 36,000 deaths each year in the United States."

Allan said it is especially important that any person in one of the following high-priority groups get a flu shot:

*Children 6-23 months.

*Adults 65 and older.

*Residents of nursing homes and long-term care facilities.

*Anyone 2-64 with underlying medical conditions.

*Pregnant women.

*Health-care workers in direct patient care.

*Care-givers and household contacts of children under 6 months of age.

Live attenuated vaccine (LAIV), the nasal spray marketed as FluMist, is a good choice for healthy people between 5 and 49 who want to be protected against influenza, said Allan.

This includes health-care workers and those who have contacts with infants, according to Allan. Research has shown it to be at least as safe and effective as the injected vaccine, according to Allan.

Pregnancy Center's Lenahan offers insightful help

Jolene Lenahan, who completed the CareNet "Serving with Care and Integrity" course in November, is a new client advocate at Pregnancy Center of the Illinois Valley.

She has been familiar with the work that the Pregnancy Center does for years, and is at a point in her life where she could join the team.

One of her goals is to help people "overcome a lot of the false information related to crisis pregnancy centers and abortion."

She watched as a young teen-ager she knew went through a crisis pregnancy. There were pressures from almost every side for that friend to have an abortion.

"I was really scared for her," sand Lenahan, and "felt so secure knowing that she had people to give her support, encouragement and help."

Lenahan said that "when I found out I was pregnant last year, I went through the Bridges Program and made friends with the staff."

"I have since graduated from the program, and I want to give something back to the ministry which has blessed me in so many ways," she said. She added that that she has seen first-hand how the center has helped many people in the community.

"There are many other services that this community needs," and she would like to help the ministry as it expands and continues to help women and families.

Young women face many challenges and concerns when they think they may be pregnant. "We know that not everyone will be excited about the possibility of being pregnant -- we are here to help all women get the information that they need," Lenahan said.

JOLENE & SOPHIE LENAHAN

Man found dead in GP motel

Michael Shane Shipley, 35, from Sutherlin, apparently committed suicide in a Downtown Grants Pass motel, reported the city public safety department.

Officers were called to the motel Monday morning, Dec. 26 because the tenant had not been seen or heard from for two days.

An autopsy will be conducted, according to Grants Pass Police.

If you drink -- Don't drive

Tales from the Police Blotter

(Editor's Note: Factual information for 'Blotter' is provided by official law enforcement agencies. All persons listed are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Charges can be amended or dismissed.)

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Thursday, Dec. 15

*Separated from her husband, a woman complained that he was taking mail from their shared Cave Junction mailbox. She was advised of her options.

*While attempting to take possession of a vehicle in the 17000 block of Redwood Hwy., a "repo man" encountered resistance, and the belligerent party threatened to loose the dogs on him. A civil compromise was reached.

*Charles Perry Case, 67, was cited on a charge of speeding on Redwood Hwy. at Eight Dollar Mountain Road at 11 a.m.

*Robert James Harrison, 37, was cited on a charge of driving while suspended (DWS), and warned about a defective taillight and expired tags on Rockydale Road at quarter to noon. He and his passenger were advised to find an alternate way home, and the vehicle was left behind.

*Two students were said to have been in an altercation at Illinois Valley High School, but the aggressor fled before the deputy arrived, and the other did not wish to pursue charges.

*Elizabeth Matthews, 41, was cited at 1:10 p.m. on a charge of DWS, and her vehicle was towed from Downtown Cave Junction.

*Extra patrol occurred on BLM property on Westside Road near 5 p.m.

*A Happy Camp Road tenant received eviction issue advice around 9 p.m.

*Luey Magic Glenn, 16, was arrested on a warrant charging parole violation and transported to Josephine County Juvenile Justice Center in Grants Pass.

*On Dick George Road a woman said that someone entered a vacant residence, ransacked the building, tore up wood flooring, removed a heater and broke things. Also, VIN tags were stolen from one of her vehicles.

Friday, Dec. 16

*Flashlights could be seen just after midnight inside a Finch Road residence which was supposed to be empty. A witness then saw someone exit the back of the residence, carrying a suitcase. No one could be located, but a report of burglary was filed.

*In what turned out to be a civil matter pertaining to an easement issue, a woman on Crooks Creek Road said that her neighbor intentionally tried to run her vehicle off the road on her own driveway. The complaint was deemed unfounded.

*A residence on Caves Avenue appeared to have been burgled overnight, a man reported at 9:30 a.m.

*Some $1,500 damage occurred when, according to a witness, the driver of a small white pickup truck struck a bottle redemption machine at Selma Select Market at 10:15 a.m. The driver, who did not leave a name, was later contacted, and the matter is under investigation.

*Robin Rhodes Gasser, 39, was arrested with a BAC of 0.13, and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants.

*William A. Sampley, 58, was cited on charges of DWS and driving uninsured on S. Old Stage Road. His vehicle was impounded.

*Bruce Lyle Smith, 46, was arrested on a warrant charging contempt of court and lodged in Josephine County Jail after a complaint that he appeared to be stalking a woman on N. Redwood Hwy.

*Entering a locked Caves Avenue residence via a broken window, thieves took a television, DVD/VCR, two pieces of scrimshaw, various change and some prescription medications.

*Her boyfriend came home intoxicated and she wanted him to leave, said a woman on S. Old Stage Road. He agreed to spend the night someplace else and was given a ride there.

Saturday, Dec. 17

*A noisy guest at the Junction Inn advised that she had been yelling at her kids earlier, but that everything was OK at 12:30 a.m.

*Though a man on McMullen Creek Road believed that "at least" four men were standing around outside his residence with shotguns planning to kill him, no one could be located when a deputy checked. The deputy recommended a urine analysis for the complainant.

*Although he was seen intentionally running in front of vehicles on Redwood Hwy. in Downtown Cave Junction, a 30-odd-year-old transient was not located when a deputy checked around 10:30 a.m.

*On Old Stage Road and E. River Street, an "Stop" sign was down, causing a traffic hazard.

*Two porch lights valued at $40 apiece were broken, and the glass globe from a parking lot light stolen overnight, said an apartment manager on W. Lister Street.

*People in camouflage clothing were on his roof, and they were there to kill him, said a man on McMullen Creek Road. No deputies would respond this time, as the complainant appeared to be suffering from "meth issues."

*A group of students enjoying movie night at IVHS inadvertently set off a motion alarm in the counseling center at 4:43 p.m.

*A mother on S. Junction Avenue said that her son was beyond her control, was not attending school and was disrespectful. She was advised of her options.

*Heard but not seen, someone was believed to be speeding in and out of traffic, revving the engine and burning rubber in and around Schumacher Street and S. Sawyer Avenue around 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 18

*Some 30 tires were dumped on what may be U.S. Forest Service land off Lone Mountain Road, a caller reported. He believed that the dumper was driving a Ford pickup truck.

*Suspicious, early morning activity near a rock quarry several miles up Deer Creek Road prompted a call from a resident who also mentioned the presence of some kind and quantity of chemicals at that location.

Monday, Dec. 19

*A digital camera, memory cards and case -- in total valued at $400 -- were removed from a McMullen Creek Road residence sometime in the preceding three weeks, it was reported.

*Some really clever person phoned 911 from a public telephone at Illinois Valley High School at 7 p.m. and then disconnected the line.

Tuesday, Dec. 20

*Found outside the sliding back door of a residence on S. Old Stage Road at 1:41 a.m., an intoxicated man was held at gunpoint by one resident until a deputy arrived. The man said he was only looking for a place to sleep, and was transported to his own home.

*It was believed that the people who smashed a window at Donary's Pizza & Mary's Mini-Mart in Selma may have been attempting to burgle the place, but left with nothing after causing an estimated $500 damage.

*On Rockydale at Waldo Road, a "Stop" sign was down, and county public works was notified.

*Six large, black garbage bags filled with women's clothing were dumped at a property on Deer Creek Road. The complainant was advised that the sheriff's office lacked resources to seize the items.

*Somebody stole a mailbox and post valued at $100 from a residence on Westside Road.

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SUNDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON — **JANUARY 1, 2006**

		6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
2	WTBS	Movie: ★★½ "Dennis the Menace Strikes Again" (1998) Don Rickles.			Movie: ★★★ "The Birdcage" (1996) Robin Williams. A son's engagement throws a kink into a gay couple's life.					Movie: ★★ "Encino Man" (1992) Two suburban California teens unearth a Cro-Magnon man.				Movie: "Zoolander" (2001) A disgraced male model is brainwashed to become an assassin.				Movie: "Tommy Boy" (1995) An underachiever struggles to save his father's company.				Movie: ★★★ "The Mask" (1994) (PA) A mask transforms a milquetoast into a mighty man.			
3	FOXFAM	Paid Program	Amazing Facts	Digimon-Digital	X-Men	Spider-Man	Dragon Booster	Get Ed "Torch"	Kong-Series	Power Rangers	Super Robot	Spider-Man	W.I.T.C.H. "The Key"	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition		Extreme Makeover: Home Edition		Extreme Makeover: Home Edition		Extreme Makeover: Home Edition		Extreme Makeover: Home Edition		Extreme Makeover: Home Edition	
4	FOX	Fox News Sunday With Chris Wallace		Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Fox NFL Sunday (In Stereo Live)		NFL Football: Regional Coverage -- Ariz. at Indianapolis, Carolina at Atlanta, Detroit at Pittsburgh, N.O. at T.B. or Seattle at Green Bay.						NFL Football: Regional Coverage -- Chicago Bears at Minnesota Vikings or Washington Redskins at Philadelphia Eagles. (In Stereo Live)						The OT (N) (In Stereo)		Movie: ★★½ "Vertical Limit" (2000, Action)	
5	KOBI	Paid Program	Paid Program	Today (In Stereo)		Meet the Press		Tutenstein	Time Warp Trio	Paid Program	Paid Program	TBA	U.S. Olympic Hall of Fame Induction (N)			Brian Boitano Skating Spectacular From Las Vegas. (N) (In Stereo)				Paid Program	Paid Program	Da Vinci's Inquest "Known to the Ministry"		Chris Matthews	NBC News
6	ESPN	Sports-Center	Outside the Lines	Sports Reporters	Sports-Center	Sunday NFL Countdown (Live)				Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	Strongest Man	World's Strongest Man Competition (N)		Sports-Center	NFL Primetime (Live)		NFL Football
7	KSYS	Angelina Ballerina	Jakers!-Winks	George Shrinks	Thomas & Friends	Mustard Pancakes	Dragon-flyTV	Crater Lake: The Mirror of Heaven		Andre Rieu: The Flying Dutchman Andre Rieu and the Johann Strauss Orchestra perform.				Window to the Sea (In Stereo)		Roger Payne: A Life Among Whales		McLaugh-lin Group	Religion-Ethics	BBC World	European Journal	Boomers!-Life	PC World's	Oregon Art Beat	Field Guide
8	TBN	Jentezen Franklin	Dr. David Jeremiah	Kenneth Hagin Jr.	Pastor Ed Young Sr.	The Coral Ridge Hour		Love Worth Finding		Bishop Evans	It Is Written	Bayless Conley	Paula White	The King Is Coming	Bishop P.	Cornerstone		Rod Parsley	Gregory Dickow	Bishop T.D. Jakes	Joyce Meyer	Michael Youssef	Jack Hayford	Joel Osteen	Taking Authority
9	LIFE	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Robert Schuller: Hour of Power		Paid Program	Paid Program	Movie: ★★ "The Money Pit" (1986) A bargain mansion proves to be a financial black hole.				Movie: ★★★ "A League of Their Own" (1992) Geena Davis. Based on the story of the all-girl baseball league of 1943.				Movie: "Emma's Wish" (1998, Fantasy) Joanna Kerns, Della Reese. Premiere.				Movie: ★ "His Bodyguard" (1998, Suspense) Mitzi Kapture.			
10	KTVL	Paid Program	American Latino TV	CBS News Sunday Morning (In Stereo)			Face the Nation	NFL Today Host Greg Gumbel. (Live)		NFL Football: Cincinnati Bengals at Kansas City Chiefs. Arrowhead Stadium. (Live)						NFL Postgame (N)		Skiing: Jeep King of the Mountain.		Paid Program	Outdoors-man	Paid Program	Paid Program	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	
11	NICK	Chalk-Zone	Teenage Robot	Rugrats	All Grown Up	Jimmy Neutron	Jimmy Neutron	Sponge-Bob	Sponge-Bob	Oddpar-ents	Cats-cratch	Danny Phantom	Avatar-Last Air	Teenage Robot	Chalk-Zone	Dad-Rock Star	Rugrats	Sponge-Bob	Sponge-Bob	Sponge-Bob	Sponge-Bob	Sponge-Bob	Sponge-Bob	Sponge-Bob	Sponge-Bob
13	KDRV	Rebecca's Garden	Mercury Media	The Coral Ridge Hour		Believer's Voice	Van Impe Pres	Good Morning America		This Week-George Stephanopoulos		Animal Advent.	Awesome Adv.	Thane International		American Ski Classic		Paid Program	Paid Program	Inside Stuff	Hispanics Today	House, Home	Bowl Preview	Wedding Vow Renewal	
15	USA	Monk "Mr. Monk Goes to the Carnival"		Monk		Monk "Mr. Monk Goes Back to School"		Monk "Mr. Monk Goes to the Ballgame"		Monk "Mr. Monk Goes to Mexico"		Monk "Mr. Monk & the Very, Very Old Man"		Monk "Mr. Monk Goes to the Theater"		Monk "Mr. Monk Goes to Jail"		Monk A record producer is killed.		Monk "Mr. Monk Meets the Godfather"		Monk "Mr. Monk & the Blackout"		Monk	
17	A&E	Paid Program	Paid Program	Murder, She Wrote		Breakfast With the Arts Vacation.				24 "3:00PM - 4:00PM" (In Stereo)		24 "4:00PM - 5:00PM" (In Stereo)		24 "5:00PM - 6:00PM" (In Stereo)		24 "6:00PM - 7:00PM" (In Stereo)		24 "7:00PM - 8:00PM" (In Stereo)		24 "8:00PM - 9:00PM" (In Stereo)		24 "9:00PM - 10:00PM" (In Stereo)		24 "10:00PM - 11:00PM" (In Stereo)	
18	HBO	Movie: ★½ "Campus Man" (1987, Comedy) John Dye. 'PG'			Ocean's 12	Inside the NFL (In Stereo)		Legendary Nights	Movie: ★★★½ "Ray" (2004, Biography) Jamie Foxx. Ray Charles overcomes hardships to become a legend. 'PG-13'					Movie: ★½ "House Arrest" (1996) Concerned teens lock their bickering parents in the cellar.				Movie: ★★★ "The Phantom of the Opera" (2004) A masked figure becomes jealous of a singer's romance. 'PG-13'				Movie: ★★ "Bill & Ted's Bogus Journey" (1991) Keanu Reeves.		
19	SHOW2	(4:45) Movie:	Movie: "Avalanche" (1969) Moustache.		Movie: ★★½ "August" (1996) Anthony Hopkins. A man falls in love with his brother-in-law's wife.					Movie: ★★ "Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius" (2004, Biography) Jim Caviezel. (In Stereo)			Movie: ★★½ "Staying Together" (1989, Drama) Sean Astin.			Movie: "Battleground: 21 Days on the Empire's Edge" (2004)		Movie: ★★ "Who's Harry Crumb?" (1989, Comedy) John Candy.				Movie: ★★★ "Mermaids" (1990) A teen deals with her first love and an unconventional mom.			
21	SHOW	(5:30) Movie: "Dirty Dancing"		Movie: ★★½ "Life With Mikey" (1993, Comedy) Michael J. Fox.			Movie: ★½ "D2: The Mighty Ducks" (1994, Comedy) Emilio Estevez. iTV Premiere.					Movie: ★★ "Grand Theft Parsons" (2003) Johnny Knoxville.				Movie: ★★ "Last Action Hero" (1993) A magic movie ticket plunges a boy into on-screen action.		Movie: ★★½ "It Runs in the Family" (2003, Comedy-Drama) Michael Douglas.				Movie: ★★½ "Life With Mikey" (1993, Comedy) Michael J. Fox.		"D2: Mighty D."	
22	MAX	Movie: ★★ "The Concorde: Airport '79" (1979, Suspense) Alain Delon, Susan Blakely. 'PG'				Movie: ★★ "Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed" (2004) 'PG'			Movie: ★★ "50 First Dates" (2004) Adam Sandler. 'PG-13'			Movie: ★★★★ "Titanic" (1997, Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet, Billy Zane. A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship. (In Stereo) 'PG-13'							Movie: ★½ "Surviving Christmas" (2004) Ben Affleck. 'PG-13'			Movie: ★★ "Torque" (2004) A drug dealer frames a biker for murder.		"Collat-eral" 'R'	
29	ESPCL	College Football: 1994 Rose Bowl		College Football: 1995 Rose Bowl -- Oregon vs. Penn State. 1995 Rose Bowl.				College Football: 1996 Rose Bowl -- Northwestern vs. Southern California.				College Football: 1997 Rose Bowl -- Arizona State vs. Ohio State. 1997 Rose Bowl.				College Football: 1998 Rose Bowl -- Michigan vs. Washington State.				College Football: 1999 Rose Bowl -- UCLA vs. Wisconsin. Rose Bowl.				College Football: 2001 Rose Bowl	
30	TRAV	Outrageous Ski Homes		World's Richest Hotel Rooms		Great American Ranches		Disney Cruise Line		Millionaire Trailer Parks		Luxurious Log Homes		Grand Castles of America		Fantastic Houseboats Luxurious water craft.		Super Yachts		World's Richest RV Parks		Making Dream RVs Motor homes.		Million Dollar Yachts Floating palaces.	
34	AMC	(4:45) Movie:	Movie: ★★★ "The Glory Brigade" (1953, Drama) Victor Mature. 'NR'			Movie: ★★★ "Wing and a Prayer" (1944) Navy pilots display great courage during wartime. 'NR'				Movie: ★★★ "Von Ryan's Express" (1965) Frank Sinatra. Escaped Allied prisoners take over a train to Switzerland.					Movie: ★★★ "Merrill's Marauders" (1962) The exploits of Brig. Gen. Frank D. Merrill in Burma.			Movie: ★★★½ "To Hell and Back" (1955) Audie Murphy. The true story of war hero-turned-movie star Audie Murphy.					Movie: ★★★ "The Green Berets" (1968)	
35	TNT	(5:15) Movie: ★★★½ "Sleepless in Seattle" (1993) Tom Hanks.			Movie: ★★ "Sister Act" (1992) A Reno lounge singer poses as a nun to elude mob assassins.				Movie: ★★½ "You've Got Mail" (1998) Tom Hanks. Two bitter business rivals conduct an online love affair.					Law & Order "Angel" (In Stereo)		Law & Order "Pro Se" (In Stereo)		Law & Order "Girlfriends" (In Stereo)		Law & Order		Law & Order "Homesick" (In Stereo)		Law & Order "Matrimony" (In Stereo)	
38	DISN	The Wiggles	Bear in House	The Koala Brothers	Higgly-town	Little Einsteins	JoJo's Circus	Doodle-bops	Charlie & Lola	The Wiggles	Lilo & Stitch	Lilo & Stitch	Mr. Whiskers	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody	Zack & Cody
39	SCIFI	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	The Twilight Zone		The Twilight Zone "Miniature" (In Stereo)		Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone	The Twilight Zone "The Bard" (In Stereo)		Twilight Zone	Twilight Zone
45	DISC	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	MythBusters "Beat the Radar Detector"		MythBusters "Jaws Special" Testing Hollywood shark myths.				MythBusters "Chinese Invasion Alarm"		MythBusters "Son of a Gun"		MythBusters Building a flying machine.		MythBusters Pole-vaulting cars.		MythBusters		MythBusters "Bullet Proof Water"	
46	ANPL	The Most Extreme "Predators"		The Most Extreme		The Most Extreme "Speed"		The Most Extreme Deadly snakes.		The Most Extreme The top of the food chain.		The Most Extreme "Survivors"		The Most Extreme Dog breeds.		The Most Extreme "Killer Cats" Big cats.		The Most Extreme "Births" Extreme births.		The Most Extreme "Biters"		The Most Extreme "Killers" Deadly jelly.		The Most Extreme "Gluttons"	
47	COM	Paid Program	Paid Program	Mad TV (In Stereo)	Mad TV (In Stereo)		Movie: ★★★ "Dogma" (1999, Comedy) Ben Affleck. Two fallen angels plan to re-enter heaven and end existence.					Movie: "Beverly Hills Cop II" (1987) A Detroit cop tangles with a vicious gang in California.				Movie: ★★★ "Clueless" (1995) Spoiled Beverly Hills teens careen through the good life.				Movie: ★½ "Ringmaster" (1998, Comedy) Fans of a trashy talk show dream of being guests.				Movie: "The Sweetest Thing" (2002, Comedy)	
48	CRT	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives	Psychic Detectives