

Buffalo jump



Patrick Webb/For EO Media Group

Drake Smith assembles a kite featuring a design by Blackfeet artist John Cadotte at the Washington State International Kite Festival in Long Beach Wednesday. He and his partner, Terry Lee Zee, of SkyWindWorld of Billings, Mont., have traveled the world in the last five years promoting Native American art through kites. They celebrate the old tradition of the buffalo jump, which pre-dates the introduction of the horse. The fastest runner in the tribe was selected to wear a buffalo skin and lead a herd toward and over a cliff, where the meat, hooves and hides were harvested. Several hundred buffalo jump sites have been discovered in the Western states and Canada. The 14 kites will be flying during the festival on the beach at the far west end of the Bolstad Avenue approach. The festival concludes Sunday.

Trio takes aim at Oregon’s suicide-prevention gun law

Associated Press

BEND — Three Republican politicians hope to overturn a new Oregon law that makes it easier to take guns away from people considered at risk of suicide.

The Bend Bulletin reports a proposed referendum to overturn the law was filed Tuesday. The posting on the Secretary of State’s website lists the chief petitioners as Republican

House members Mike Nearman of Independence and Bill Post of Keizer, along with Teri Grier, a Coos County Republican who lost a race for a House seat.


The bill signed into law last week allows police or an immediate family member to seek an “extreme risk protection order” for someone who they believe is a suicide risk. If a judge grants the order, the person must surrender his or her guns.

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Richardson ends speculation, will not run for governor

Buehler, others prepare to take on Gov. Brown

By PARIS ACHEN
Capital Bureau

SALEM — Secretary of State Dennis Richardson confirmed Wednesday that he will not seek the Republican nomination for governor in 2018.

Despite having raised no campaign funds, Richardson drew political speculation that he might run for the state’s highest office, building on momentum from 2016 when he became the first Republican to win statewide office since 2002.

“I am serious about being the best secretary of state I can be and keeping my promise to voters to provide transparency and accountability and restore trust in government, and that is where my focus is,” Richardson said in a phone interview with the EO Media Group/Pamplin Media Group Capital Bureau.

By putting the rumors to rest, Richardson opens the way for other Republican candidates to consolidate support. The campaign for state Rep. Knute Buehler, a moderate Republican from Bend who declared his bid for governor earlier this month, declined comment on Richardson’s announcement. Happy Valley Mayor Lori Chavez-DeRemer has said she also may enter the GOP primary for a chance to challenge incumbent Democrat Gov. Kate Brown.

DeRemer said she is focused on making the “best decision for the people, the investors and the state as a whole” on whether to enter the race.

“No announcement about who is or isn’t running takes us off our overall strategy,” she said.

Brown has been fundraising and campaigning since shortly after her election in November but has yet to officially announce a reelection bid. Her campaign did not immediately respond Wednesday to requests for comment.

Richardson, a former lawmaker from Central Point, lost a challenge to former Gov. John Kitzhaber in 2014. Kitzhaber stepped down as governor less than four months later in the midst of an influence-peddling scandal involving him and first lady Sylvia Hayes. A federal investigation of the couple ended without charges, but the former governor and first lady remain under investigation by the Oregon Ethics Commission.

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