

# Facebook CEO will give away most of his money

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Talk about birth announcements: Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg and his wife say they'll devote nearly all their wealth — roughly \$45 billion — to solving the world's problems in celebration of their new baby daughter, Max.



Mark Zuckerberg via AP

**In this undated photo provided by Mark Zuckerberg, Max Chan Zuckerberg is held by her parents, Mark Zuckerberg and Priscilla Chan Zuckerberg.**

Zuckerberg's wife, Priscilla Chan, gave birth to a 7-pound, 8-ounce daughter last week. But the couple didn't put out the news until Tuesday, when Zuckerberg posted it on Facebook, of course.

In the same post, Zuckerberg said he and Chan will, over time, commit 99 percent of their Facebook stockholdings to such causes as fighting disease, improving education and "building strong communities." The couple had previously pledged to give away at least half their assets during their lifetime, but hadn't provided specifics.

They are forming a new organization, called the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, that will pursue those goals through a combination of charitable donations, private investment and promotion of government-policy reform.

"Like all parents, we want you to grow up in a world better than ours today," the 31-year-old social media mogul and his wife wrote in a letter to their daughter, which they also posted on Facebook.

The announcement stunned the charity world. "It's incredibly impressive

and an enormous commitment that really eclipses anything that we've seen in terms of size," said Phil Buchanan, president of the nonprofit Center for Effective Philanthropy.

By comparison, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has an endowment of just over \$41 billion, which includes wealth donated by the Microsoft founder and his friend, the businessman Warren Buffett.

The new initiative will be organized as a limited liability company, however, rather than as a nonprofit foundation. "They want the most flexibility and they are going to use a wide variety of activities to achieve their mission," Rachael Horwitz, a Facebook spokeswoman, said via email. "So in that way this is not a foundation nor is it entirely charitable."

The notion of investing money in companies that

tackle social issues isn't new, but it has gained more currency among a younger generation of philanthropists, particularly in the tech world.

Zuckerberg has also shown a previous interest in influencing public policy. He led other prominent Silicon Valley figures in forming a group, FWD.us, that lobbied and gave donations to congressional candidates in an unsuccessful effort to promote immigration reforms. Depending on how much of the new effort is devoted to lobbying, it could raise new questions about the influence of money in today's politics, some experts said.

In the letter to their daughter, Zuckerberg and Chan described their goals as "advancing human potential and promoting equality." They added: "We must make long term investments over 25, 50 or even 100 years. The greatest challenges require

very long time horizons and cannot be solved by short term thinking."

While Zuckerberg promised to release more details in the future, he said the couple will transfer most of their wealth to the initiative "during our lives." The couple will be in charge of the initiative, although Zuckerberg won't be quitting his day job.

"I have a full time job running Facebook," he told The Associated Press in an interview last month, during which he discussed the couple's approach to philanthropy. Of his job at the social network, he added, "I'm going to be doing this for long time."

The Facebook co-founder is one of the world's wealthiest men. He and Chan, a 30-year-old pediatrician, have previously donated \$100 million to public schools in Newark, New Jersey, and pledged \$120 million to schools in poor communities of the San Francisco Bay Area. They've also given \$75 million to the Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, where Chan did her medical training.

In a statement, Facebook said the couple's plan to transfer their shares over time won't affect his status as controlling shareholder of the company. The company said Zuckerberg has committed to dispose of no more than \$1 billion of Facebook stock every year for the next three years.

## BRIEFLY

### Scientists push for pot pesticide testing before rules

PORTLAND (AP) — Though marijuana products sold in Oregon will have to undergo testing for pesticides beginning this spring, some scientists are pushing for testing in the interim.

Until the new rules take effect, the state plans to allow the marijuana industry to continue to operate as it does now. In June, tougher regulations will require marijuana to be tested for nearly 60 pesticides, *The Oregonian* reports.

The Oregon Health Authority has signaled it is willing to consider tightening current regulations. Scientist Mowgli Holmes, who owns Phylos Bioscience, spoke to the authority on Monday asking that they increase the number of chemicals marijuana is currently tested for from four to 10 or 12.

"The problem is these pesticide testing rules don't make any sense and can't be followed," Holmes said. "Stuff is going onto the shelves and it looks like they have been testing for pesticides and it hasn't been tested for pesticides."

Health authority encouraged Holmes to submit his proposed changes to the state for review. Officials are in the process of drafting rules for medical marijuana dispensaries, grow sites, labeling and testing, among other things.

The June rule requiring marijuana products to be tested is a radical shift in how the state is dealing with the pot industry. Labs that perform tests will have to be accredited by the state, a rigorous process designed to ensure they are using appropriate equipment and methods.

Holmes said because the

new rules don't take effect for so long, pesticide-laced products are entering the medical marijuana market.

### Winnebago opening plant in Lane County

EUGENE (AP) — Winnebago Industries on Tuesday announced plans to open a manufacturing facility in Lane County.

The Iowa-based recreational vehicle maker will move into the former Country Coach RV manufacturing plant in Junction City, *The Register-Guard* reported.

The plant would hire 200 employees initially and likely expand. Winnebago estimates wages would range from \$45,000 to \$125,000, good money in a county where the average annual wage is \$38,000.

"Winnebago is helping to breathe life into an industry that was largely lost during the Great Recession," county Commissioner Jay Bozviech said in a statement. "Lane County has many skilled and talented workers in need of living-wage manufacturing jobs to sustain themselves and their families."

The factory is expected to open in 2016. Commissioners voted Tuesday to spend up to \$100,000 of video lottery funds to help pay for the infrastructure improvements necessary to open the plant.

Video lottery funds are distributed by state and must be targeted for economic development activities. Tuesday's action leaves just under \$60,000 for other projects through next summer.

Winnebago is among the market leaders in several different RV classifications. The Junction City plant would be the company's first manufacturing center on the West Coast.

# U.S. sending new special ops force to fight IS

WASHINGTON — The U.S. military will deploy a new special operations force to Iraq to step up the fight against Islamic State militants who are unleashing violence and are determined to hold territory they have seized in Iraq and Syria, Defense Secretary Ash Carter told Congress.

The introduction of the assault force puts U.S. combat troops on the ground in a more permanent role in Iraq and Syria for the first time in the year-plus fight against IS. It comes as Republicans have called

for more U.S. boots on the ground, while war-weary Americans stand divided about the prospect of greater military involvement.

Carter, who testified alongside Gen. Joseph Dunford, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, faced skeptical lawmakers who argued that the U.S. needs to be more forceful in countering the threat from IS, credited with attacks in Paris and Beirut and downing a Russian airliner.

Carter told the House Armed Services Committee that over time, the special

operations force will be able to conduct raids, free hostages, gather intelligence and capture IS leaders. Carter said that will improve intelligence and generate more targets for attacks.

There currently are about 3,300 U.S. troops in Iraq, and President Barack Obama had previously announced he was sending fewer than 50 special operations forces to Syria.

Carter said the number in the new expeditionary force will be "larger" than 50. He said it will be a "standing" force, meaning it will be

stationed in Iraq. He said it would focus on helping Iraq defend its borders and build its security forces, but also would be in position to conduct unilateral operations into Syria.

## Corrections

An article in the Nov. 24 edition of the *East Oregonian* incorrectly stated the number of coal trains that arrive to the Boardman Coal Plant. Approximately three trains per week deliver coal to the facility, though that frequency varies with plant operations, according to a spokesman with Portland General Electric.

Also, the AAUW meeting listed in Tuesday's *EO* will be held Thursday, Dec. 3. The day was omitted in the brief on page 8A.

The *East Oregonian* works hard to be accurate and sincerely regrets any errors. If you notice a mistake in the paper, please call 541-966-0818.

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TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
A bit of ice this morning	Cloudy, showers around; windy	Mostly cloudy with a shower	Considerable cloudiness	Cloudy and mild with a shower

### PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

35°	30°	45°	38°	48°	33°	49°	45°	51°	41°
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### HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

35°	32°	42°	38°	49°	31°	48°	42°	52°	38°
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#### PENDLETON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	25°	21°
Normals	42°	29°
Records	66° (1926)	-6° (1985)

#### PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"  
Month to date 0.00"  
Normal month to date 0.05"  
Year to date 7.81"  
Last year to date 10.45"  
Normal year to date 11.52"

#### HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	31°	25°
Normals	43°	30°
Records	64° (1951)	-7° (1985)

#### PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"  
Month to date 0.00"  
Normal month to date 0.06"  
Year to date 5.39"  
Last year to date 6.26"  
Normal year to date 8.53"

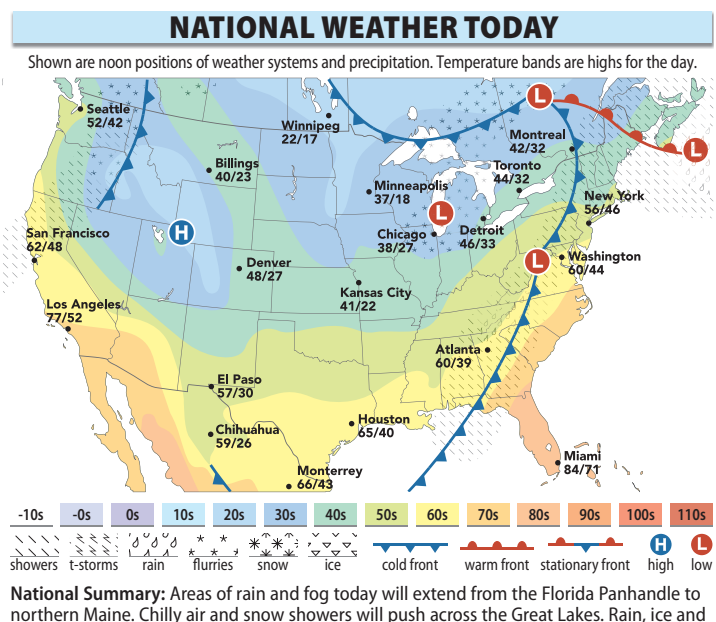
### SUN AND MOON

	Last	New	First	Full
Sunrise today		7:16 a.m.		
Sunset tonight		4:13 p.m.		
Moonrise today		11:29 p.m.		
Moonset today		12:06 p.m.		

Dec 2   Dec 11   Dec 18   Dec 25

### REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	54	48	c	54	44	r
Baker City	29	26	sf	36	30	c
Bend	42	36	r	46	33	c
Brookings	58	52	r	56	47	r
Burns	27	19	sf	38	25	c
Enterprise	36	27	c	41	32	c
Eugene	54	45	c	53	42	r
Heppner	36	30	i	44	36	sh
Hermiston	35	32	i	42	38	sh
John Day	42	30	sf	50	34	sh
Klamath Falls	43	37	c	43	30	r
La Grande	36	32	sf	44	36	c
Meacham	35	32	sf	43	34	c
Medford	53	41	r	53	38	r
Newport	55	48	c	53	44	r
North Bend	60	51	sh	58	45	r
Ontario	29	27	sf	40	31	c
Pasco	32	30	c	39	36	sh
Pendleton	35	30	i	45	38	sh
Portland	47	41	c	52	43	r
Redmond	39	29	i	46	31	c
Salem	51	42	c	53	43	r
Spokane	34	29	sn	43	34	sh
Ukiah	38	29	sf	44	33	c
Vancouver	47	41	c	51	44	r
Walla Walla	34	31	sn	45	39	sh
Yakima	34	29	c	37	33	sh



### WORLD CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	36	24	s	35	24	s
Hong Kong	80	63	pc	70	62	c
Jerusalem	58	47	pc	56	42	sh
London	56	52	pc	57	47	r
Mexico City	75	53	pc	63	48	c
Moscow	32	22	sn	28	23	pc
Paris	51	41	s	51	44	pc
Rome	62	44	pc	60	44	pc
Seoul	51	32	r	37	28	sf
Sydney	72	63	pc	72	61	pc
Tokyo	54	50	r	64	48	r

### WINDS

(in mph)	Today	Thursday
Boardman	NNE 3-6	N 3-6
Pendleton	SE 4-8	SSE 12-25

### UV INDEX TODAY

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8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.

0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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### NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thur.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	48	24	s	53	28	s
Atlanta	60	39	r	55	37	s
Atlanta City	60	48	r	52	40	pc
Baltimore	58	41	r	52	34	pc
Billings	40	23	s	44	36	pc
Birmingham	60	37	pc	56	34	c
Boise	28	27	sf	44	35	c
Boston	50	45	r	49	37	r
Charleston, SC	77	51	sh	63	41	c
Charleston, WV	58	35	sh	45	28	c
Chicago	38	27	sf	41	27	pc
Cleveland	49	34	pc	44	31	sf
Dallas	58	36	s	59	36	c
Denver	48	27	c	49	25	s
Detroit	46	33	c	45	31	pc
El Paso	57	30	s	60	34	s
Fairbanks	0	-6	c	-4	-13	pc
Fargo	30	15	pc	37	20	s
Honolulu	83	74	pc	84	73	pc
Houston	65	40	pc	61	37	c
Indianapolis	42	28	sn	42	29	s
Jacksonville	83	55	c	67	51	c
Kansas City	41	22	pc	49	27	c
Las Vegas	59	39	s	61	41	pc
Little Rock	55	33	s	53	33	s
Los Angeles	77	52	s	75	52	pc
Louisville	50	31	pc	46	31	s
Memphis	54	33	s	55	32	s
Miami	84	71	pc	81	70	r
Milwaukee	39	29	sf	41	28	pc
Minneapolis	37	18	c	34	20	pc
Nashville	56	32	s	49	29	s
New Orleans	65	48	c	60	46	pc
New York City	56					