

On The Record

Work continues on area bridges along Hwy 101

A project is underway to repair and install corrosion protection on three bridges, including Devil's Lake Outlet, Schooner Creek and Siltcoos River bridges. Closures and work are weather dependent.

- Devil's Lake Outlet: The western bridge rail is being replaced and the sidewalk is closed during construction.
- Schooner Creek and Siltcoos River bridges: The western bridge rail and portions of the sidewalk are being removed, and new sidewalk and rail will be installed in several phases.
- Occasional night lane

closures occur when concrete pours are needed. The western sidewalk is closed while the bridge rail is replaced. Expect minor delays. Project website is at www.oregon.gov/odot/projects/pages/project-details.aspx?project=18599.

CORRECTION

In the Siuslaw News story "‘Ravens,’ Deer Alight In Historic Old Town" published Sept. 26, artist Steve Tyree was said to be a resident of Seattle. Tyree is from Amity, Ore. Siuslaw News regrets the error. The correction has been made in the online version.

WEATHER DATA

DATE	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Sept. 29	80	53	0.00
Sept. 30	62	52	0.00
Oct. 1	62	55	0.00
Oct. 2	63	52	0.01
Oct. 3	64	52	0.00
Oct. 4	65	51	0.00
Oct. 5	68	48	0.00

Rainfall Week: 0.01"
Month: 0.01" Year: 45.86"

Courtesy of Roger Cunningham

OHA launches behavior health hotline

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) announced the launch of a behavioral health outreach and education effort and new helpline for Oregonians.

These new resources will help support increased behavioral health needs in our communities due to the broad impacts of COVID-19 and the once-in-a-lifetime wildfire season.

"The ongoing pandemic along with multiple other stressors are affecting Oregonians' mental health," said OHA Director Patrick Allen. "Over the past seven months, we have seen incredible resilience from communities across the state, as we have come together to support each other in powerful ways."

Portland-based nonprofit Lines for Life and OHA have launched the Safe + Strong Helpline at 800-923-4357 (800-923-HELP). The line offers free, 24-7 emotional support and resource referral to anyone who needs it — not only those experiencing a mental health crisis.

The Safe + Strong Helpline is a response to needs for emotional support around disasters like COVID-19 and wildfires and was funded by the CARES Act.

Callers are routed to a counselor who can provide emotional support, mental health triage, drug and alcohol counseling, crisis counseling or just connection.

"This line is for anyone who doesn't know who to turn to, or who might be wavering about what type of support they need," said Dwight Holton, CEO of Lines for Life. "Data shows that warmlines help people who feel isolated or overwhelmed get back to their lives and reduce the need for emergency services. By talking through it, we can keep this need from turning into a crisis."

OHA has also expanded its Safe + Strong education and outreach campaign to include behavioral health resources. Safe + Strong is a statewide outreach effort in 12 languages aimed at reaching communities most impacted by health disparities with culturally relevant, linguistically responsive resources.

A behavioral health landing page at www.safestrongoregon.org offers mental and emotional support information and resources as well as guidance for how to have conversations with loved ones who may be struggling.

OHA will also launch digital, print, radio and community outreach to ensure as many Oregonians as possible know that help is available for them.

Target audiences for the campaign include Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) communities, LGBTQIA+ communities and families with young children, with messaging and materials developed in partnership with community-based organizations.

Resources:

- Safe + Strong Helpline: 800-923-4357 (HELP).
- Safe + Strong: www.safestrongoregon.org.
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 800-273-8255.

COUNTY COVID-19 STATS

Lane County Public Health (LCPH) —
(As of Oct. 6 at 10:30 a.m.)

Lane County Public Health (LCPH) was notified of 54 additional positive cases of COVID-19, along with 1 new death. This makes a total of 1,570 positive cases. (Note: This includes confirmed and presumptive.)

Of the cases:

- Hospitalized: 10 (+6)
- Deaths: 21 (+1)
- Infectious: 262 (+26)
- Cases reported within the 97439 zip code: 24 (+1)

The latest death was

A 94-year-old female from the Eugene/Springfield area who passed Oct. 4 due to complications associated with COVID-19.

She was not hospitalized at the time of her death. No further information will be released at this time.



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ENTREE
Steakhouse Shepherd's Pie - \$29

DESSERT
Bourbon les Peches a la Mode- \$8



Blue Bills
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