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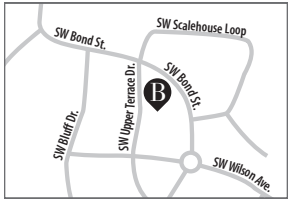
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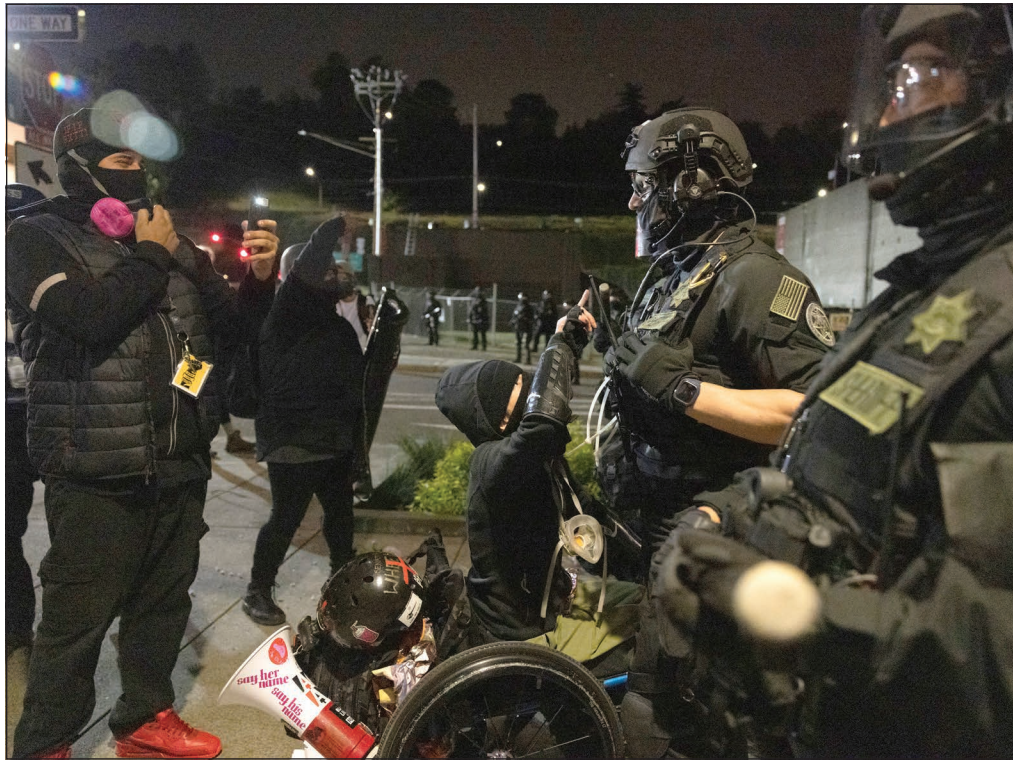
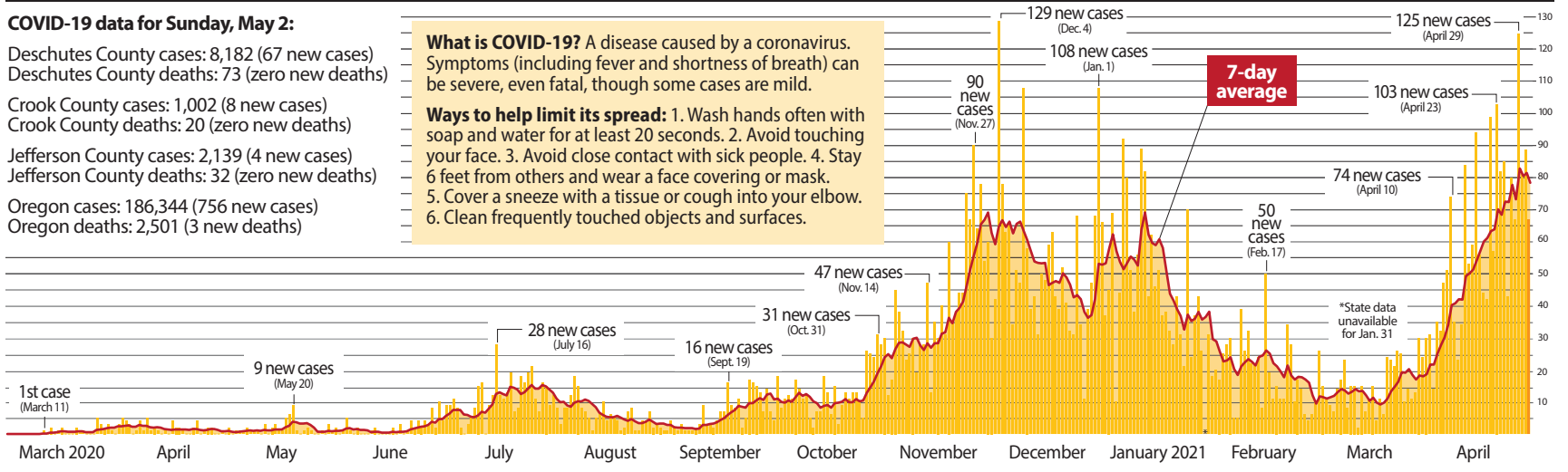
DESCHUTES COUNTY New COVID-19 cases per day

SOURCES: OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY, DESCHUTES COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES, BULLETIN GRAPHIC

COVID-19 data for Sunday, May 2:

Deschutes County cases: 8,182 (67 new cases)
Deschutes County deaths: 73 (zero new deaths)
Crook County cases: 1,002 (8 new cases)
Crook County deaths: 20 (zero new deaths)
Jefferson County cases: 2,139 (4 new cases)
Jefferson County deaths: 32 (zero new deaths)
Oregon cases: 186,344 (756 new cases)
Oregon deaths: 2,501 (3 new deaths)

What is COVID-19? A disease caused by a coronavirus. Symptoms (including fever and shortness of breath) can be severe, even fatal, though some cases are mild.
Ways to help limit its spread: 1. Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. 2. Avoid touching your face. 3. Avoid close contact with sick people. 4. Stay 6 feet from others and wear a face covering or mask. 5. Cover a sneeze with a tissue or cough into your elbow. 6. Clean frequently touched objects and surfaces.



Portland Police confront May Day protesters at the Immigration and Customs Enforcement facility on Saturday in Portland. Across the Northwest, May Day demonstrators took to the streets. Paula Bronstein/AP photos

May Day gatherings give way to vandalism, conflict and arrests

Oregon Public Broadcasting
Portland Police declared a riot and made arrests at May Day activities Saturday night, following a day of mostly peaceful marches and rallies. The Portland Police Bureau made just one arrest at a dayside march downtown, charging a 26-year-old man with menacing and disorderly conduct. Other daylight gatherings, which aimed to express worker rights and other political views, were held without incident. They took place at Peninsula Park, Shemanski Park and on a march from inner-Southeast Portland across the Tilikum Crossing bridge to the U.S. Customs and Immigration facility.

For more than a century, organized labor and the political left have used May Day to commemorate fallen union advocates and to push for worker rights and other causes. Nonetheless, Saturday's gatherings included a gun-rights rally that drew members of the far-right Proud Boys in Salem's Riverfront Park.

What was a largely peaceful May Day during daylight hours involved several incidents of after-dark conflict between activists and the Portland Police Bureau. Two gatherings described as "autonomous" protests in social media posts drew a combined 150 people. One was at the ICE facility in south Portland and the other, at Shemanski Park, led to a march into downtown



Paul Roblyer from Portland holds a flag with an image of former President Donald Trump as a few hundred people attend a Second Amendment rally at Riverfront Park on Saturday in Salem.



Police confront May Day protesters at the Immigration and Customs Enforcement facility in Portland on Saturday.

Portland. Police say they issued the riot declaration and began breaking up the gatherings after windows were broken, buildings were spray-painted and acts of arson, assault, vandalism and theft were

committed. Police said they arrested six people. Charges included criminal mischief, resisting arrest and menacing officers. More than a dozen arrests were also reported in Seattle.

Multnomah sheriff lowers jail booking criteria

Associated Press
PORTLAND — Multnomah County Sheriff Mike Reese has sent out a special order to deputies permitting people arrested for misdemeanor crimes to be booked into jail. Previously, police officers issued a citation for misdemeanor

crimes including reckless burning and criminal mischief and ordered the person to appear in court later, KGW reported. The change in booking criteria took effect on April 23, according to a memo signed by the sheriff. Sheriff's office spokesperson

Chris Liedle said the changes were in the "interest of public safety" and will have little to no impact on the corrections system. The special order comes after recent violent demonstrations in Portland in which several businesses and public buildings were vandalized.

Wyden, students talk gun violence and reform efforts

BY ELIZABETH MILLER

Oregon Public Broadcasting
Over the past month, high school students from across Oregon met virtually to hear from speakers and talk with each other about ending gun violence.

It's the second year for the Youth Leadership Academy to End Gun Violence, a program hosted by Lift Every Voice Oregon.

On Saturday, several students joined U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden to discuss the issue.

"The bottom line here for me, is that these young Oregonians deserve a new and safer normal," said Wyden, an Oregon Democrat.

Wyden shared an update on federal gun legislation, including a background check bill, and said he would support legislation for safe gun storage.

"We need standards for firearms locks and firearm sales," Wyden said.

Wyden also expressed support for more mental health services, citing a recent Government Accountability Office report that found access to mental health services have decreased during the COVID-19 pandemic.

One of the participants was a Portland high schooler who helped start the leadership academy last year as a way to involve students in Oregon and nationally in the gun violence conversation and learn about activism.

"Gun deaths and injuries do not have to happen, and we're here to do something about it," said the student, Ben. Like all students participating in Saturday's event, he was only identified by a first name for privacy reasons. "This is a solvable problem if we can just overcome political divisions and use common sense."

Matreya is a Portland high school student who helps lead her high school's gun control advocacy club.

"It's really important that no one is afraid to go to school, no one is afraid to go to church, or go to synagogue, no one is afraid to just be in

their community because of this fear of guns," Matreya said.

"As youth inheriting this world, it's important that our voices are heard in this matter."

In the past week, Lift Every Voice Oregon filed petitions for two potential Oregon ballot initiatives related to gun reform. One would ban semi-automatic firearms and large-capacity magazines, the other would require a permit and training to purchase firearms. The text for the initiatives is similar to the 2019 bills the group introduced in the Oregon Legislature.

Ben said students will be on board to help the initiatives move forward and he hopes they will qualify for the 2022 general election ballot.

"We're excited as youth to help with those efforts to get those passed, gathering signatures, building a network through social media," Ben said.

When asked about Oregon Senate Bill 554, which would allow school districts to enact firearms, Ben said it's a step, but it's not enough.

"Those are good starting steps, and we really need good, comprehensive gun reform laws to be able to see real change on these issues," he said. "So it's important, but we still have a long way to go."

Chloe, a student in Nevada who participated in the event, said Oregon's group is something that could be replicated in other states.

"It is a national issue, and we need more organizations working on grassroots campaigns that can really make a difference," she said.

Wyden thanked and praised the students for their advocacy, particularly in rural areas of the state. He said students' advocacy can help move their parents and other voters to support gun reform.

"Some of them may not vote for a few years," he said. "But they're watching their elected officials and they're going to hold them accountable."



Wyden

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