

Weather forecast for Today through Tuesday. Today: High 77°, Low 43°. Tomorrow: High 73°, Low 38°. Tuesday: High 61°, Low 34°.

ALMANAC: Bend Municipal Airport through 5 p.m. yesterday. TEMPERATURE: Yesterday 75°, Normal 63°, Record 90°. PRECIPITATION: 0.00". SUN, MOON AND PLANETS: Rise/Set times for Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Uranus.

OREGON WEATHER: Map of Oregon showing today's weather. Highs and lows for various cities like Astoria, Portland, Medford, and Bend.

TRAVEL WEATHER: NATIONAL table showing weather for various cities like Abilene, Albany, Albuquerque, etc.

UV INDEX TODAY: 5. POLLEN COUNT: Grasses, Trees, Weeds. WATER REPORT: Reservoir levels like Crane Prairie, Wickiup, Crescent Lake.

NATIONAL WEATHER: Map of the United States showing weather systems and precipitation. Includes a table of weather conditions for various regions.

INTERNATIONAL: Table showing weather for cities like Amsterdam, Athens, Auckland, Baghdad, etc.

SKI REPORT: Mt. Bachelor, Mt. Hood Meadows, Timberline Lodge. Source: OnTheSnow.com

Space

Continued from A11. Richard Branson's Virgin Galactic aims to kick off tourist flights next year, just as soon as he straps into his space-skimming, plane-launched rocket ship for a test run from the New Mexico base.



Reporters and officials at the Mission Control Center outside Moscow watch space tourist Dennis Tito, a California businessman, speaking from inside the International Space Station in May 2001.

Second in space

Shepard was actually the second person in space — the Soviet Union launched cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin three weeks earlier, to Shepard's everlasting dismay. The 37-year-old Mercury astronaut and Navy test pilot cut a slick sci-fi figure in his silver spacesuit as he stood in the pre-dawn darkness at Cape Canaveral, looking up at his Redstone rocket.

space person," NASA's human spaceflight chief, Kathy Lueders said following the recent splashdown of a SpaceX capsule with four astronauts. "We're very excited to see it starting to take off."

Twenty years ago, NASA clashed with Russian space officials over the flight of the world's first space tourist. California businessman Dennis Tito paid \$20 million to visit the space station, launching atop a Russian rocket. Virginia-based Space Adventures arranged Tito's weeklong trip, which ended May 6, 2001, as well as seven more tourist flights that followed.

Seed

Continued from A11. Investigators later determined the company mislabeled 161 seed lots as K-31, totaling 207 infractions. Each lot equals up to 55,000 pounds of seed. False labeling is a violation of both the Federal Seed Act and Oregon seed laws, regulating the sale and commerce of agricultural seed crops.

Following in his footsteps

Since Gagarin and Shepard's pioneering flights, 579 people have rocketed into space or reached its fringes, according to NASA. Nearly two-thirds are American and just over 20% Soviet or Russian.

The cost

While no fan of human spaceflight — he prefers robotic explorers — Duke University emeritus history professor Alex Roland acknowledges the emergence of spaceflight companies might be "the most significant change in the last 60 years."

Rent

Continued from A11. Congress also passed two rounds of federal assistance for renters, the latest round approved in March. Oregon's senators announced May 10 that the state will be in line for \$222.5 million from President Joe Biden's pandemic recovery plan, which became law in March.

"Our goal is one day that everyone's

It takes the romance and excitement of going to space," Logsdon said in an email this week. Instead of the dawn of a new era like so many have proclaimed, it's "more like the end of the era when space flight was special. I guess that is progress."