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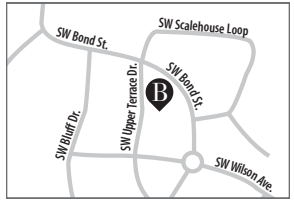
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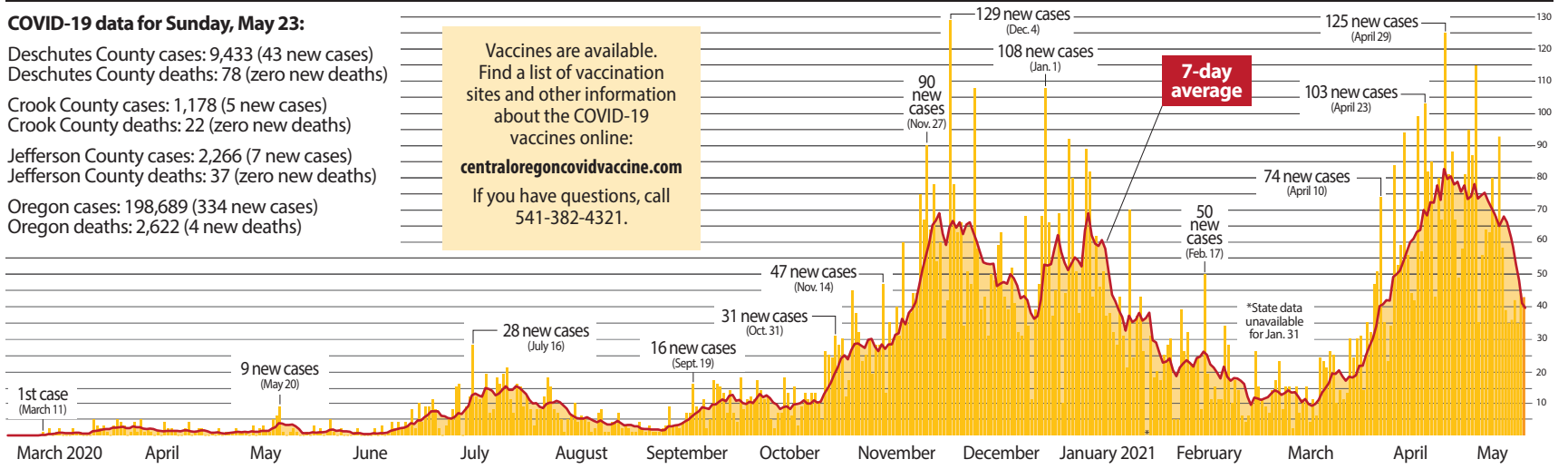
## DESCHUTES COUNTY New COVID-19 cases per day

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

### COVID-19 data for Sunday, May 23:

Deschutes County cases: 9,433 (43 new cases)  
Deschutes County deaths: 78 (zero new deaths)  
Crook County cases: 1,178 (5 new cases)  
Crook County deaths: 22 (zero new deaths)  
Jefferson County cases: 2,266 (7 new cases)  
Jefferson County deaths: 37 (zero new deaths)  
Oregon cases: 198,689 (334 new cases)  
Oregon deaths: 2,622 (4 new deaths)

Vaccines are available. Find a list of vaccination sites and other information about the COVID-19 vaccines online: [centraloregoncovidvaccine.com](http://centraloregoncovidvaccine.com) If you have questions, call 541-382-4321.



# They're baaack

## Goats return to clean up Umatilla River levee

East Oregonian  
An annual spring tradition is set to return to the Pendleton levee system and river parkway.

For the 10th year, as many as 700 goats will be herded throughout the riparian area by the Umatilla River to graze on riverside vegetation, clearing away potentially flammable brush in the process, according to a press release from the public works department.

According to the press release, the goats are in town on another city-owned property and will be moved to the levee soon.

The goats will start at the upriver end of the levee at the end of SE Byers Avenue near the Ken Melton Little League Park. They will work their way from the east end of the levee through town and make a second pass before



leaving town, the release said. The goats are typically on the levee for four to six weeks.

The goats will be penned in by an electric fence and guided by trained dogs or goat-herds. Pedestrians with dogs are urged to keep their pets leashed and under control.



A herd of goats eats its way east along the north bank of the Umatilla River in May 2020. The goats are returning to the Pendleton levee system and river parkway.

Kathy Aney/East Oregonian file

### STATE BRIEFING

#### Hillsboro Police arrest man suspected of killing roommate who disappeared in 1999

A Tennessee man has been arrested on suspicion of killing his former roommate more than two decades after the roommate was first reported missing to Hillsboro Police.

Kenneth Todd Gipson was arrested May 3 at his home in Del Rio, Tennessee, on suspicion of killing Anthony "Tony" Kennedy, who was last seen alive in July 1999.

The two men were roommates in Hillsboro at the time of Kennedy's disappearance, according to Hillsboro Police, and Kennedy's vehicle was also reported missing at the time. The car was later found abandoned in a parking lot near their home. Kennedy was 22 at the time of his disappearance.

Hillsboro Police said they began reexamining Kennedy's case in 2018 but did not specify what prompted them to reopen the investigation or how they connected Gipson to Kennedy's disappearance. Police also did not specify whether Kennedy's body has been found or say when they think he was killed.

Gipson is being held in a Tennessee jail and is awaiting extradition to Oregon. He is expected to arrive in Oregon on June 5.

#### Portland bus driver shot while driving passengers

A TriMet bus driver was shot Saturday night while driving passengers, the Portland Police Bureau told local media.

A bullet hole was found in the windshield, and the driver was being treated at a nearby hospital for what appeared to be a gunshot wound to the shoulder. The incident happened shortly after 7 p.m.

There were no reports of injuries to passengers on the bus. Police are investigating.

"We are shocked and saddened to have one of our coworkers hurt while serving our community," TriMet said in a statement. "Our thoughts are with our operator, and we pray he will make a full recovery."

#### Black community leaders draw crowd for Portland march

More than 100 people gathered in Portland on Saturday for a rally and march against gun violence organized by a group of Black faith and community leaders. The "March Against Murder" drew speakers from across the city, all of them Black men and one woman who has lost two sons to gun violence. Their message: that government officials and the community need to step up to curb the epidemic of gun violence that's swept through the city.

Portland has had 33 homicides in 2021, including four in the past week and a half alone. That puts the city on track to surpass its annual record for homicides of 70, set in 1987.

Royal Harris, a Multnomah County Health Department employee and former gang outreach coordinator for the city, organized Saturday's event. "This is about the community," Harris told the crowd. "This is about people who talk about this all the time."

In a speech that drew on his pastoral experience, Portland school board member-elect Herman Greene urged the crowd to reach out to Black boys and men, particularly those at risk of recruitment into gangs. "I've got to talk to people nobody wants to talk to," he said. "If you want to stop shootings, you need to talk to shooters. If you want to stop the killings, you need to go where the killings are happening."

Other speakers said Black Portlanders need more institutional support. Lakayana Drury, the executive director of a nonprofit that works with at-risk youth, called on Portland Public Schools to hire 100 Black teachers over the next 10 years.

—Bulletin wire reports

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