

TODAY

Today is Wednesday, June 9, the 160th day of 2021. There are 205 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On **June 9, 1969**, the Senate confirmed Warren Burger to be the new chief justice of the United States, succeeding Earl Warren. In **1870**, author Charles Dickens died in Gad's Hill Place, England. In **1940**, during World War II, Norway decided to surrender to the Nazis, effective at midnight. In **1943**, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Current Tax Payment Act of 1943, which reintroduced federal income tax withholding from paychecks. In **1954**, during the Senate Army-McCarthy hearings, Army special counsel Joseph N. Welch berated Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis., asking: "Have you no sense of decency, sir? At long last, have you left no sense of decency?"

In **1973**, Secretariat won the Belmont Stakes, becoming horse racing's first Triple Crown winner in 25 years.

In **1978**, leaders of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints struck down a 148-year-old policy of excluding black men from the Mormon priesthood.

In **1980**, comedian Richard Pryor suffered almost fatal burns at his San Fernando Valley, California, home while freebasing cocaine.

In **1983**, Britain's Conservatives, led by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, won a decisive election victory.

In **2004**, the body of Ronald Reagan arrived in Washington to lie in state in the U.S. Capitol Rotunda before the 40th president's funeral.

In **2008**, retail gas prices rose above \$4 per gallon.

Ten years ago: The entire top echelon of Newt Gingrich's presidential campaign resigned in a mass exodus that left his bid for the Republican nomination in tatters; the former House speaker vowed defiantly to remain a candidate.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama endorsed Hillary Clinton to succeed him.

One year ago: Hundreds of mourners packed a Houston church for the funeral of George Floyd, a Black man whose death during a Minneapolis arrest inspired a worldwide reckoning over racial injustice. The Senate unanimously confirmed Gen. Charles Brown Jr. as chief of staff of the U.S. Air Force, making him the first Black officer to lead one of the nation's military services. The Paramount Network said it was dropping the long-running reality series "Cops" after 33 seasons on the air.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian Jackie Mason is 93. Former baseball manager and player Bill Virdon is 90. Sports commentator Dick Vitale is 82. Author Letty Cottin Pogrebin is 82. Retired MLB All-Star Dave Parker is 70. Film composer James Newton Howard is 70. Mystery author Patricia Cornwell is 65. Actor Michael J. Fox is 60. Writer-producer Aaron Sorkin is 60. Actor Johnny Depp is 58. Actor Gloria Reuben is 57. Rock musician Dean Felber (Hootie & the Blowfish) is 54. Actor Keesha Sharp is 48. Actor Natalie Portman is 40. Actor Mae Whitman is 33. Actor Lucien Laviscount is 29.

—Associated Press



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Tony Wahlberg, from left, Robyn Mickelsen and Bob Mickelsen load pieces of bunk beds into a trailer before heading out Friday to deliver beds to local families.

Nonprofit

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For three years her kids slept in her bed, on a mattress on the floor or on the couch. For a long time, they didn't have their own beds, she said.

"This is the first time the kids have bunk beds in their own rooms," said Anderson, 30. "Ever since the beds got

set up, they've all been in their room. It's been life changing for us."

Helping families by giving children a bed is a critical element for them to develop independence, especially if a family is coming from experiencing homelessness, said Frankie DiDomenico, NeighborImpact housing stabilization coordinator.

"This new group is going to be

providing a service that could potentially help support a lot of families that would otherwise go without due to this being such a hard topic to talk about," DiDomenico said. "Not many people are willing to openly admit that they are struggling to provide basics like a bed for their kid."

For the new bed frame, mattress and linens, the cost is about \$250.

Public defense

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"It's a tough thing to try to explain," Kimble said. "To say to someone, I know you have staff and bills to pay and you have a family to support. And even though you're Constitutionally mandated and even though you have a contract with the state, you might not get paid until July."

Kimble said as a small consortium, any financial hit is a big hit.

"At least we know we're going to get paid eventually," she said. "It's not the end of the world. It's just frustrating. Someone should have been able to see that this was coming and we should have been able to avert it."

The Office of Public Defense Services is housed in the Oregon Judicial Department and overseen by a seven-member commission. For the 2019-21 biennium, which closes June 30, it was allocated \$344 million by the Legislature.

Borg made the shortfall announcement alongside his successor, retired Judge Ed Jones, and the two fielded questions for about 45 minutes. Some speakers expressed anger the budget hadn't been more carefully considered ahead of time. Several thanked Borg for bringing up the matter as soon as he learned about it.

A call to Borg was not returned Tuesday.

In Deschutes County, three entities have state contracts to

provide public defense: the law firms Deschutes Defenders and Kollie Law Group and the consortium Bend Attorney Group.

Joel Wirtz, co-director of Deschutes Defenders, said even if the shortfall only leads to delays, that's still a form of injustice for clients.

"This risks our ability to quickly ensure our client's constitutional rights are upheld," Wirtz said. "We sincerely hope this budget crisis will be quickly resolved through legislative action so that we can continue to ensure all citizens are treated equally in court."

The Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution grants a person charged with a crime the right to an attorney.

Public defenders on Tuesday's call asked Borg and Jones why most other state agencies seem to be prioritized ahead of the Office of Public Defense Services, which is unique in providing a service guaranteed in the Constitution. Borg noted he did make a larger budget request last legislative session, but his request was shot down.

Some public defense attorneys are hopeful a new funding model championed by Borg will have a positive impact.

Prior to 2021, attorneys who

worked public defense in Oregon were paid a flat rate per case depending on the type of case — more for a murder case than a DUI, for example. But under this system, attorneys were said to have no incentive to find the best outcome for their clients, because they were paid the same for a conviction as an acquittal. Under the new system, firms are paid a flat rate per lawyer in each office, a model that also has its critics.

Underfunding of the state public defense office has led to a wide pay gap between prosecutors and public defenders

in Oregon, said Shawn Kollie, head of Kollie Law Group.

Kollie said though the current shortfall is survivable, a funding crisis still looms, notably in the area of employee turnover at public defense firms.

In Oregon, district attorneys offices are funded at the county level, while public defense firms receive funding from the state. This means public defenders receive the same payment whether they practice in metro Portland or rural Vale,

while prosecutors receive payment more in line with their region's cost of living.

"Next biennium, what are we going to do? Everyone wants more money," he said. "That's the reality of the game and OPDS has historically been low on the priority list when it comes to funding in Salem. And look, public defense has always been difficult to market, and that's too bad because it's one of the few professions that's constitutionally enshrined."

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DEATH NOTICES

June M. Brown of Bend, OR
July 4, 1930 - May 29, 2021

Arrangements: Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. 541-382-2471 Please visit the online registry for the family at www.niswonger-reynolds.com
Services: Celebration of Life at a later date with placement at sea.
Contributions may be made to: Paralyzed Veterans of America (online) or Alzheimers Disease Association 777 NW Wall St Bend OR 97703

Paula Carlson of Madras, OR

Services: Memorial to celebrate the life of Paula Carlson will be held at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Madras at 395 SE C St. at 11:00am on Sat. June 19. Service will be held in the sanctuary and will be followed by a reception and burial service at Mt. Jefferson Memorial Cemetery on Loucks Rd. at 1:30 pm.

OBITUARY DEADLINE

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SCANNING SESSIONS

Thursday, June 10 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Friday, June 11 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 12 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Saturday, June 12 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
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OBITUARY

Robert L. West

May 15, 1968 - May 13, 2021

Robert L. 'Bob' West of Tualatin, OR (previously of Redmond, OR) born May 15, 1968, died May 13, 2021. Graduate of Lutheran HS, attended Clackamas Community College - Fire Science Program. Worked as a volunteer firefighter, EMT, general contractor and professional painter. He loved the outdoors, hiking, fishing, boating and hunting .



He is survived by his parents Jerry and Sally West, Tualatin, OR; daughters Katherine 'Kate' and Yvonna 'Evie' West of Redmond, OR; sister Amy Suelzle (Darren), nieces Megan and Madison Suelzle and great niece Hayven Suelzle-Watts of Olympia, WA.

Memorial/Celebration of Life service will be Saturday, June 12, 1:00 pm at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 13401 SW Benish St., Tigard, OR 97223.

