

# STATE-BY-STATE

News from across the USA

**ALABAMA Montgomery:** Airports in Mobile and Montgomery will soon add flights to Florida.

**ALASKA Juneau:** State lawmakers may borrow up to \$1 billion to cover a debt owed to oil and gas companies.

**ARIZONA Apache Junction:** Two people were hurt at a rodeo when a horse-drawn stagecoach slammed into multiple vehicles last weekend.

**ARKANSAS Little Rock:** Reimbursements to state lawmakers for mileage and other expenses declined last year, while their salaries rose.

**CALIFORNIA Long Beach:** A man whose blood-alcohol level was more than twice the legal driving limit rode his horse onto a California freeway.

**COLORADO Denver:** Authorities say two people died in separate skiing and snowboarding accidents.

**CONNECTICUT Hartford:** A man was arrested after trying to run over an officer while fleeing a casino assault.

**DELAWARE Wilmington:** An ailing New Castle County police dog with seven years of service was put down.

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:** President Trump will attend Friday's funeral in Charlotte for the Rev. Billy Graham.

**FLORIDA Orlando:** A 14-year-old boy was detained after an explosion during a debate competition at Timber Creek High School. No one was hurt.

**GEORGIA Valdosta:** Student films and a documentary about giant rodents will hit the screen Friday at the South Georgia Film Festival at Valdosta State University.

**HAWAII Honolulu:** Lawmakers held a public hearing on a bill to allow terminally ill adults to end their lives with a dose of prescription drugs.

**IDAHO Boise:** Three siblings reported missing after being picked up unexpectedly by their mother are safe.

**ILLINOIS Aurora:** A new program will encourage low-income students to seek careers in technology, medicine, education and business.

**INDIANA Indianapolis:** Police will increase DUI patrols for St. Patrick's Day and the NCAA tournament.

**IOWA Des Moines:** Health officials say 157 state residents have died of flu-related illnesses since Oct. 1.

**KANSAS Topeka:** Advocates say changes to streamline applications and renewals to KanCare, the state's Medicaid program, have made it more difficult for elderly people.

**KENTUCKY Louisa:** Savage Farms will host the second annual Maple Festival on March 31.

**LOUISIANA Gretna:** The Jefferson Parish School Board hopes to appoint a superintendent next week.

**MAINE Augusta:** Opponents have filed suit over the governor's moratorium on new wind power projects.

**MARYLAND St. Mary's County:** Five people were taken to a hospital after a truck veered off a road and smashed into a home.

**MASSACHUSETTS Newton:** Two small liberal arts colleges, Mount Ida College and Lasell College, are considering merging.

**MICHIGAN Lansing:** The state has created developed a middle school curriculum for middle school sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade students called Michigan's Wondrous Wetlands and Waterfowl.

**MINNESOTA Elk River:** Authorities say a teenager walking on a track bed died Sunday after being hit by a Northstar Commuter Rail train.

**MISSISSIPPI Carrollton:** Two Mississippi Delta towns, Carrollton and North Carrollton, want legislative approval for a 2% restaurant tax.

**MISSOURI Kansas City:** Rare identical triplets were delivered last week at Truman Medical Center.

**MONTANA Billings:** Authorities are investigating reports that cattle were deprived of food and water on a ranch owned by an ex-state lawmaker who is cooperating with the probe and fired the property man-

ager, the *Billings Gazette* reports.

**NEBRASKA Seward:** The Rupert Dunklau Foundation has given Concordia University \$10 million for a science, math and business center.

**NEVADA Las Vegas:** Clark County commissioners are considering allowing salon and barbershop customers to buy beer or wine.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE Concord:** Police could no longer set up sobriety checkpoints under a bill passed by the New Hampshire House.

**NEW JERSEY Holmdel:** Authorities say a toaster oven in a breakroom sparked a fire at Bayshore Community Hospital. No one was injured.

**NEW MEXICO Albuquerque:** Those working to clean up groundwater contaminated by jet fuel at Kirtland Air Force Base hope an extraction well will halt the leak.

**NEW YORK Inwood:** Police say a man pretending to be an officer went to an apartment and demanded rent money, threatening to arrest the tenant if he didn't get it.

**NORTH CAROLINA Greenville:** Police are looking for a man who fired shots into a movie theater ceiling in a dispute over seating.

**NORTH DAKOTA Fessenden:** Former Wells County Sheriff Johnny Zip Lawson, who faces bribery and drug-dealing charges, will plead guilty to two misdemeanors.

**OHIO Cleveland:** Three men freed from prison after their murder convictions were overturned are expected to receive \$1.5 million each from Cuyahoga County.

**OKLAHOMA Oklahoma City:** Police say an officer fatally shot a man wielding a knife inside a hotel.

**OREGON Bend:** The wood products industry may be rebounding slightly, with companies expected to hire as many as 2,900 people over the next six years, *The Bulletin* reports.

**PENNSYLVANIA Clairton:** A dozen people are charged in a brawl at a