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Inmates LuRay Batterton, left, and Greg Hubbard unload a crate of donated clocks on Thursday in the clock workshop at Eastern Oregon Correction Institution in Pendleton.

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HERMISTON

EOTEC ready to begin booking

Board appoints business manager,
awards construction contract

By **JADE MCDOWELL**
East Oregonian

As the Eastern Oregon Trade and Event Center transitions from concept to reality, the project's board took the next step Friday by hiring a business development manager.

Starting March 1, Heather Cannell will handle marketing, event booking, sales and customer service for the event center, which is set to open its doors in 2016.

"She's definitely going to be our face, and it's a good one," board member Dan Dorran said.

Cannell has lived in Hermiston for four years, working as the conference center facilitator for the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce. She said her degree is in recreation and hospitality management and before moving to Hermiston for her husband's job most of her experience was in managing five star resorts.

"I want to do big stuff again, and bring in big conferences," she said.

Until she has a physical event center to run, much of Cannell's job will be marketing the EOTEC project to get it on



Cannell

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Massive gift keeps clock shop ticking

Prison trade school receives gift from clockmaker's estate

By **KATHY ANEY**
East Oregonian

Thinking about going to clockmaker school? You might have trouble getting in.

Turns out the only full-scale clock school in the country is inside Pendleton's prison. That was the surprising discovery made about a year ago by the wife of California clockmaker Henri Klein. Viviane Klein decided to give away her deceased husband's massive cache of clocks, tools and books to a school dedicated to clock making and wanted advice on which one. She called the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors in Pennsylvania and learned something startling.

"They told me there were no schools left," she said. "The only school they knew about was in a penitentiary in Pendleton. They got me in touch with Gary."

Gary was Gary Kopperud, master clockmaker and EOIC instructor who started teaching clock classes at the prison



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Inmate Michael Culpepper holds one of the oldest clocks donated to the clock making program at EOIC on Thursday in Pendleton. The clock dates from the 1850s and originated from the Black Forest region of Germany.

18 years ago. At the end of training, students receive a certificate showing mastery in the trade. Shortly after Klein's call, Kopperud received a head's up from a NAWCC representative that he was about

to receive a mother lode of clocks and parts. Kopperud, who also has a design and drafting company, telephoned Klein.

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STANFIELD

Restraining orders' constraints weighed by police

By **PHIL WRIGHT**
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A Umatilla County Circuit Court judge's hand-written entry on a restraining order has raised questions for law enforcement about due process.

The man who wants the order enforced said police should do what the judge says, while people who would have to leave their home want the court to hear their side first.

Umatilla County Sheriff Terry Rowan called the situation unique.

Marcus Jordan, 40, lived with Gina Thibodeau, 49, at the single-story house at 345 W. Wood Ave. in Stanfield, along with her ex-husband, Stacey Plummer, 45, his wife Kerry Plummer, 41, and

their three children, ages 1, 2 and 4.

Shortly before midnight on Feb. 6, Marcus Jordan and Stacey Plummer got into a physical fight. Stanfield police Chief Bryon Zumwalt said officers responded and told Jordan to leave, but he returned about two hours later and another fight ensued inside the house.

Jordan and the other adults gave different accounts of how the fights started and what happened. Zumwalt said officers arrested Jordan for misdemeanor and felony assault and booked him into the Umatilla County Jail, Pendleton, because there was evidence he used a golf club to go after Thibodeau and the Plummers.

Jordan signed a release agreement that prohibited contact with

Stacey Plummer. That also meant Jordan could not return to the home where he was living. So he said he wanted to get a restraining order to remove everyone else from the house, which he said he has plans to buy when it goes up for sale in April.

But the restraining order didn't do what Jordan expected.

Lt. Sterrin Holcomb is in charge of the civil division of the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office, which often serves restraining orders. A third party can serve the order, Holcomb said, but doing that requires stepping through a lot of hoops, including providing the court with a notarized affidavit of

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Data security audit was underway when emails leaked

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SALEM — The leak of former Gov. John Kitzhaber's emails occurred at a time when state auditors were reviewing security controls at the state data center where the emails are stored.

The routine audit, which is ongoing, was already underway when the leak occurred and it is unrelated to the criminal investigation into the release. Oregon Department of Administrative Services director Michael Jordan asked the Oregon State Police to initiate that inquiry on Feb. 18. OSP has its own information technology forensics experts to investigate the leak, Department of Administrative Services spokesman Matt Shelby has said.

The state Audits Division is part of the Oregon Secretary of State's office. Agency spokesman Tony Green said Friday that the agency conducts routine audits of the data center, usually once every two years.

"Our audit was in the field long before anyone raised this issue," Green said. "It's possible that something in the audit might be relevant to what happened, but there's no connection in terms of what started the audit, what the auditors went in looking at."

Still, the audit report could address data control issues that have come to light in the last month as state employees dealt with the leak and a request by a Kitzhaber administration staffer to delete emails from the governor's personal email account stored on state computer servers.

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