

BOARDMAN

Truck rollover sends woman to hospital

East Oregonian

A woman was transported to the hospital Monday afternoon following a water truck rollover at the Portland General Electric plant in Boardman.

PGE spokesperson Steve Corson said at about 3 p.m. a female employed by a contractor, Boral Industries, was driving on the access road between the plant and an ash disposal area when the truck rolled.

“The driver sustained some injuries, so they called the ambulance and the driver was transported,” he said. “My understanding is the injuries were not life threatening of any sort.”

Corson said the driver was on her way to spray down the ash disposal area to hold down the dust. He said he was unaware of any similar incidents at the plant but that PGE would review the crash to try to prevent future occurrences.

“Whenever we have any incident like this, we will do an internal review to determine exactly what led to this and what, if anything, we can do to reduce the chance of this happening in the future,” he said. “We want everyone working at the plant to go home safely at the end of their shift.”

BRIEFLY

Junior academy continues student registration

PENDLETON — Harris Junior Academy school board members have spent several months redefining its church school and are excited about the upcoming school year.

Registration for classes began Monday and continues Tuesday from 4-7 p.m. at 3121 S.W. Hailey Ave., Pendleton. Classes start Monday, Aug. 24. Tuition scholarships are available.

Seeking to stay true to its mission of “Education for Eternity-Not Only College Bound but Heaven Bound,” the school offers a Christ-centered curriculum in a small, rural setting. Each student is encouraged to reach their full potential in all areas of their lives including, academic, social, emotional and spiritual.

Shannon Whidden recently accepted the position of principal/head teacher and is excited to begin her adventure in Pendleton. Graduating from Walla Walla University in 1997, Whidden has more than 15 years experience teaching and serving as a principal. Her interests include painting, writing and drawing.

The academy’s Home School Connection program offers home schooled students options to participate in classes such as physical education, shop and music to enhance their educational experience. Entrance to these programs provides free attendance to activities, including worship assemblies, week of prayer and school field trips.

New for 2015-16 school year is the Student Exchange Connection, an on-site supervised program allowing students

in grades 9-12 completing their education online to participate in a classroom setting with other online students.

For more information, contact 541--276-0615, s.whidden@harrisjunioracademy.org or visit www.harrisjunioracademy.org.

Online school sets information meeting

HERMISTON — Students and their families interested in tuition-free online public education are invited to an informational meeting.

Hosted by Oregon Connections Academy, the gathering is Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Highway 395. Parents and students can learn about the school’s curriculum, as well as ask questions.

ORCA is the largest online public school in the state. It serves students in kindergarten through 12th grade.

For more information, contact 800-382-6010, ldlillon@connectionseducation.com or visit www.oregonconnectionsacademy.com.

Retired educators to hold meeting

PENDLETON — The Morrow-Umatilla Retired Educators Association will hold its first meeting of the new school year.

Open to anyone interested in education, the gathering is Monday, Aug. 24 at 9 a.m. in the Pendleton City Hall community room, 500 S.W. Dorion Ave. A brief business meeting will be followed by a presentation of the coming year’s programs.

For more information, call Bill Mayclin at 541-276-4540.

PENDLETON

Demolition begins on training center

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Staff photo by E.J. Harris
An excavator with 3 Kings Environmental Excavations out of Battle Ground, Wash., removes debris while demolishing one of the structures at Pendleton Cottage on Monday in Pendleton.

Along with the Blue Mountain Recovery Center, the Eastern Oregon Training Center will become a thing of the past.

Demolition crews are already dismantling the former mental health facility, which Oregon Department of Administrative Services spokesman Matt Shelby said will be demolished in full.

The Legislature appropriated more than \$1 million last year to fund the demolition of both BMRC and the training center.

Demolition of the properties will continue through the summer, with the project expected to be completed by the end of October.

The state will turn over the properties to the city of Pendleton on Jan. 1, 2016. The city plans to use the BMRC property north of Westgate to attract industrial development and the training center property south of Westgate for housing.

HEPPNER

County fair party moves to Morrow Co.

By TAMMY MALGESINI
East Oregonian

Four fun-filled days for the entire family await fair-goers in Morrow County.

Summer Days & Country Ways is the theme for the 102nd annual Morrow County Fair. It kicks off Wednesday with the gates opening at 8 a.m., and runs daily through Saturday. The fairgrounds are located at 74473 Highway 74, Heppner. Tickets are \$3 per person or \$1 for children ages 6-12.

Showcasing 4-H, FFA and citizen projects, the fair offers viewing of animals as well as the creativity of Morrow County residents with displays of arts and crafts and hobbies.

“I like seeing what the community members do,” said Ann Jones, fair secretary. “I like going around and looking at all the stuff they bring to show at the fair.”

In addition, Jones is excited about new activities at this year’s event, including exotic animals, a mechanical bull, inflatable structures and zippy cars.

“We’re trying to get more things for kids to do this year,” she said.

Other highlights, Jones said, include Wednesday’s watermelon seed-spitting contest (1 p.m.), a pet show (3 p.m.) the RDO Equipment Pedal Power Tractor Pull (5 p.m.) and the Pee Wee My Favorite Outfit (6:30 p.m., followed by the 4-H Fashion Revue).

Jones said people won’t want to miss Thursday activities, including free Tillamook ice cream. The ice cream social, which is at 3 p.m., includes a visit by Emma Miller, the Oregon Dairy



EO file photo
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princess. The community talent show also starts at 3 p.m. The always popular wine and microbrew tasting runs from 6-10 p.m. In its 19th year, Murray’s Beer & Wine Tasting provides family fun with non-alcoholic beverages and the FFA Basket Auction.

Friday and Saturday nights, the music cranks up after the rodeo action. Michelle Drey & Branded will perform both nights beginning about 10 p.m., Jones said. People don’t have to have rodeo tickets to kick up their heels and enjoy the music.

The parade gets rolling Saturday at 10 a.m. in downtown Heppner. As a way to say thanks to those who support 4-H

and FFA, the Buyers Appreciation Lunch is at noon, followed by the FFA Awards Program at 1:15 p.m. Then, people can get ready to bid on market animals during the Youth Livestock Auction at 2 p.m.

“There’s a little something for everyone,” Jones said. “And it’s nice when people come out to support the hard work of the FFA and 4-H kids.”

For more information, contact Jones at 541-676-9474, mcfair@co.morrow.or.us, visit www.morrowcountyoregon.com.

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Hermiston woman out of hospital after crash

PROSSER, Wash. — A Hermiston woman is recovering after she was in a three-vehicle crash Friday near Prosser, Washington.

High winds caused a dust storm that contributed to the pileup at about 3:40 p.m. on State Route 221 about nine miles south of Prosser, according to the Washington State Patrol. Ambulances took Sergio Mendez, 51, of Mabton, Washington, and Cydney Riddle, 21, of Hermiston, to Kadlec Regional Medical Center, Richland.

A hospital spokeswoman said Riddle was treated and released the day of the crash. WSP reported the wreck totaled the silver 1999 Dodge four-door she was driving.

The blowing dust that day also prompted the closure of the road from Prosser to State Route 14 near the Columbia River.

HERMISTON

Planning commission suggests changes to city landscaping ordinance

By JADE MCDOWELL
East Oregonian

The Hermiston Planning Commission is recommending the city council make changes to a proposed landscaping ordinance after holding a public hearing.

The city council will hold its own public hearing during its Aug. 24 meeting, but city planner Clint Spencer said after the commission’s recommended changes the council could decide to continue the hearing to another date and time.

The ordinance as written requires any new development to be landscaped on 15 percent of multi-family residential property, six percent in the C-1 Commercial Zone, three percent in the C-2 Commercial Zone and three percent or 10,000 square feet of industrial land. It also lists specifications for the type of landscaping that can be used.

Spencer said after taking public comment during its meeting last week the planning commission recommended the following changes: Create incentives for landscaping, bolster enforcement provisions, increase the percentage of non-plant cover allowed to count toward the landscaping requirement and allow xeriscaping (often referred to as zero-scaping because it is meant to survive with no irrigation).

Spencer said about 20 people showed up for the planning commission’s hearing on the topic. Some business owners have complained that the requirements are too much of a burden for businesses and should be relaxed to take into account drought conditions and other special circumstances.

Spencer said the Aug. 24 hearing has already been noticed and legally must

continue even though more time will likely be needed to come up with verbiage to implement the planning commission’s proposed changes. As a result the council could take testimony Monday or could simply open the hearing and then immediately vote to continue the hearing to another date and time.

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LOTTERY

Friday, Aug. 14 Megamillions 12-15-20-52-71 Megaball: 3 Megaplier: 4 Estimated jackpot: \$30 million Lucky Lines 01-06-12-15-FREE-18-23-27-30 Estimated jackpot: \$38,000 Pick 4 1 p.m.: 0-0-9-4 4 p.m.: 9-3-2-1 7 p.m.: 8-8-7-7 10 p.m.: 6-3-2-1	Estimated jackpot: \$6 million Lucky Lines 01-07-10-13-FREE-18-21-25-32 Estimated jackpot: \$39,000 Pick 4 1 p.m.: 5-1-7-6 4 p.m.: 9-0-1-5 7 p.m.: 6-9-0-8 10 p.m.: 4-0-3-5 Win for Life 13-29-32-69
Saturday, Aug. 15 Powerball 03-13-17-42-52 Powerball: 24 Power Play: 4 Estimated jackpot: \$70 million Megabucks 14-21-23-26-34-37	Sunday, Aug. 16 Lucky Lines 01-07-11-15-FREE-20-21-26-30 Estimated jackpot: \$40,000 Pick 4 1 p.m.: 0-9-1-6 4 p.m.: 3-8-3-6 7 p.m.: 1-1-3-1 10 p.m.: 8-0-4-7
Monday, Aug. 17 Pick 4 1 p.m.: 7-3-4-6	

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