



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Firefighters extinguish shop fire

Pendleton firefighters respond to a shop fire at 112 S.E. 19th Street on Tuesday in Pendleton. Firefighters quickly extinguished the blaze that was reported as an acetylene tank fire.

BOARDMAN \$2M grant submitted for migrant and seasonal Head Start preschool

By **GEORGE PLAVERN**
East Oregonian

The Oregon Child Development Coalition will submit its final application for a \$2 million Community Development Block Grant to build a new migrant and seasonal Head Start preschool in Boardman.

Boardman City Council held a public hearing Monday night on the application, which drew no comments. The council already agreed to sponsor OCDC's request last year.

OCDC is a nonprofit organization based in Wilsonville that operates migrant, seasonal and early Head Start programs around the state, including Hermiston and Milton-Freewater. Rod Walker, senior facilities manager, said the new Boardman school would serve up to 100 children in the community.

According to a 2014 OCDC assessment, there are an estimated 1,265 migrant and seasonal children living in Morrow County — a 200 percent increase compared

to 2002. Another 184 children also meet the low-income requirement for Early Head Start.

As it is, Walker said about 50 children from Boardman — including toddlers and infants — ride the bus one hour each way to Hermiston, and 26 kids are stuck on the program's waiting list.

Umatilla Morrow Head Start does have a program in Boardman, though Walker said they aren't able to serve every child. The new migrant and seasonal Head Start would help fill the growing need.

Head Start is managed under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and targets school readiness for children of low-income families. Programs include nutrition, language skills, literacy and socialization.

Migrant and seasonal Head Start is done in conjunction with the agricultural growing season to accommodate farmworkers and food processors, a major source of jobs and industries at the nearby Port

of Morrow.

If their grant is approved, Walker said they could break ground on a new Boardman facility by next summer and have the school open by early 2017. OCDC is in talks with the Umatilla County Housing Authority to buy land next to Boardman's Castle Rock Apartments.

"It's a competitive process," Walker said. "Right now, all we can do is get our application in and keep our fingers crossed."

City Manager Karen Pettigrew said the city would administer the grant and retain the deed to the property for five years before turning it over to OCDC.

Pettigrew said it is important to have child care services available for migrant and seasonal workers in the community.

"I think most people can see the benefit of having a facility right in our community to serve those kids," Pettigrew said.

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PENDLETON

Traffic stop hauls in driver, 11 lbs of pot

By **PHIL WRIGHT**
East Oregonian

A Wilsonville man who claims he was not driving impaired faces charges after an Oregon State Police trooper found 11 pounds of marijuana in his vehicle in Pendleton.

The trooper arrested Gene Lee Allen, 44, for possession of more than 32 ounces of pot as well as for driving under the influence of intoxicants, in this case a controlled substance. Allen now is in the Umatilla County Jail, Pendleton.

The arrest happened after the trooper tried to stop a blue Honda Accord at 11:41 p.m. Monday at the Exit 209 offramp from westbound Interstate 84, according to state police. The Honda continued to

the stop light on Southgate Drive/Highway 395, then turned right and entered the parking lot of Burger King, 601 Southgate.

Allen had a freshly lit cigarette, the trooper noted, "but was unable to mask the overwhelming odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle."

Allen told the trooper he was coming from Wilsonville and heading to Ontario to see his brother, according to state police. The trooper asked Allen about his driving, and he said he was not impaired and stated he would take a sobriety test.

State police reported Allen failed that test.

Then, according to state police, the trooper searched the Accord and found approximately 11 pounds of marijuana in packages in the cab and trunk. Under the new Oregon law, a person is allowed to carry no more than an ounce of marijuana outside of their residence.

The trooper took Allen to the Umatilla County Jail, Pendleton, where he blew 0 percent on an alcohol intoxication level breath test and provided a sample of urine. State police also reported Allen refused a drug evaluation.

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Allen

PENDLETON

Christmas Eve shooter going to prison

By **PHIL WRIGHT**
East Oregonian

The man who shot another man in Pendleton on Christmas Eve in 2014 pleaded guilty to felony weapons charges. Umatilla County Circuit Court records show Anthony Michael Sabin, 26, of Pendleton, received a prison sentence of five years for his crimes.

Sabin pleaded guilty Friday in circuit court in Hermiston to one count each of unlawful use of a weapon, unlawful discharge of a weapon and felon in possession of a weapon. Each is a felony that carries a maximum of five years in prison.

Senior Judge Rick Roll presided over the hearing

and sentenced Sabin to five years together on the unlawful use and discharge counts, and another 2.5 years on the possession charge.

Court records also show Sabin will be under state supervision for two years after he gets out.

Sabin in an unrelated case also pleaded guilty Friday to third-degree robbery. He will serve time for that concurrent with the other case.

Pendleton police Chief Stuart Roberts identified Sabin as the man who pistol-whipped Brandon Valera, 25, of Pendleton,

during a confrontation at about midnight Dec. 24 in a garage at 723 S.W. 28th St., Pendleton, and then fired the bullet that struck Valera in his side. Valera required surgery at a Seattle trauma center.

Roll retired in 2010 as circuit judge in Tillamook County, which qualified him under Oregon law for tempo-

rary court assignments. Umatilla County Circuit Court trial coordinator Roy Blaine said Roll is filling in for Judge Daniel Hill, who Gov. Kate Brown appointed in July to head up the legal office for the Oregon National Guard.



Sabin

Corrections

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TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Mostly sunny and delightful	Partly sunny and nice	Partly sunny and pleasant	Nice with clouds and sunshine	Sunshine

PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

75°	47°	79°	50°	77°	48°	76°	48°	73°	37°
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HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

78°	43°	81°	51°	80°	49°	78°	47°	76°	39°
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PENDLETON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	70°	46°
Normals	75°	48°
Records	91° (1975)	31° (1902)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 0.81"
Normal month to date 0.37"
Year to date 5.82"
Last year to date 8.53"
Normal year to date 8.75"

HERMISTON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	69°	46°
Normals	76°	46°
Records	96° (1967)	31° (1932)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 0.22"
Normal month to date 0.29"
Year to date 3.48"
Last year to date 4.98"
Normal year to date 6.41"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	6:43 a.m.
Sunset tonight	6:52 p.m.
Moonrise today	4:06 p.m.
Moonset today	1:17 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
Sept 27	Oct 4	Oct 12	Oct 20

REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Partly sunny today, except more clouds across the north. Patchy clouds tonight.	Eastern Washington: Partly sunny today. Mainly clear tonight. Partial sunshine tomorrow.
Eastern and Central Oregon: Mostly sunny and beautiful today. Partly cloudy tonight. Mostly sunny tomorrow.	Cascades: Mostly sunny today, except some clouds across the north. Patchy clouds tonight.
Western Washington: Times of clouds and sun today. Partly cloudy tonight; a passing shower at the coast.	Northern California: Low clouds followed by sunshine at the coast today; mostly sunny elsewhere.

REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	68	53	c	69	53	c
Baker City	79	36	s	82	38	s
Bend	73	44	s	78	46	pc
Brookings	68	51	pc	68	53	pc
Burns	78	37	s	81	36	s
Enterprise	75	44	s	80	47	s
Eugene	78	47	pc	80	51	pc
Heppner	74	43	s	79	45	pc
Hermiston	78	43	s	81	51	pc
John Day	77	48	s	81	53	s
Klamath Falls	77	36	s	79	38	s
La Grande	75	39	s	81	43	s
Meacham	69	32	s	76	35	s
Medford	82	50	s	87	50	s
Newport	65	51	pc	65	53	pc
North Bend	67	52	pc	69	54	pc
Ontario	84	47	s	84	47	s
Pasco	79	43	pc	81	48	pc
Pendleton	75	47	s	79	50	pc
Portland	75	53	pc	80	56	pc
Redmond	77	37	s	82	39	pc
Salem	76	50	pc	80	54	pc
Spokane	71	45	pc	78	52	pc
Ukiah	73	37	s	80	39	s
Vancouver	73	51	pc	78	56	pc
Walla Walla	77	52	s	82	56	pc
Yakima	78	45	pc	81	51	pc

WORLD CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	82	60	pc	83	59	t
Hong Kong	90	81	pc	90	81	t
Jerusalem	89	68	s	87	68	pc
London	64	55	pc	63	48	sh
Mexico City	75	50	t	75	53	pc
Moscow	69	54	pc	75	55	s
Paris	63	48	pc	65	52	pc
Rome	75	55	sh	70	53	sh
Seoul	80	63	c	84	63	pc
Sydney	60	51	sh	61	56	sh
Tokyo	77	66	s	73	67	c

WINDS

(in mph)	Today	Thursday
Boardman	SW 4-8	ENE 2-4
Pendleton	W 4-8	N 4-8

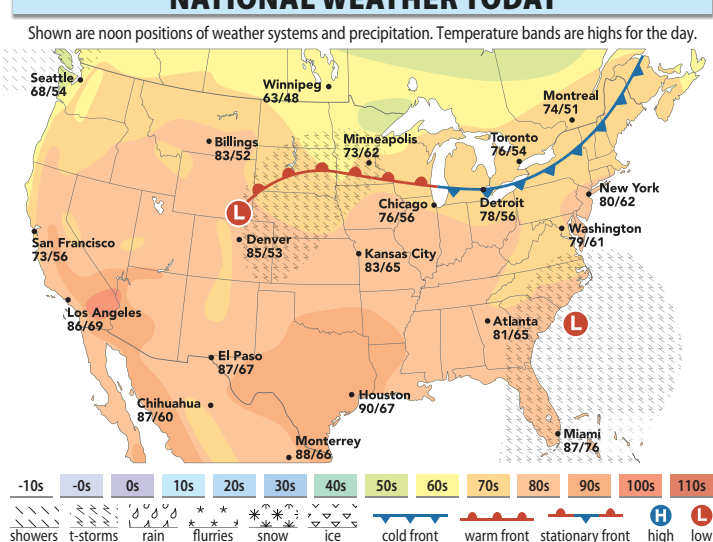
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8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.
0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme
The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thur.				Today			Thur.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	79	59	pc	83	59	pc	Louisville	84	61	s	86	61	s
Atlanta	81	65	pc	79	63	c	Miami	88	67	s	89	66	pc
Atlanta City	75	62	s	76	66	pc	Minneapolis	87	76	pc	85	75	t
Baltimore	78	54	s	80	59	pc	Millwaukee	74	56	pc	71	57	s
Billings	83	52	s	85	55	s	Minneapolis	73	62	r	74	58	c
Birmingham	84	66	pc	83	65	pc	Nashville	86	61	s	86	62	s
Boise	83	55	s	87	57	s	New Orleans	86	75	sh	87	74	pc
Boston	71	58	s	70	55	s	New York City	80	62	s	81	63	pc
Charleston, SC	80	67	c	80	68	r	Oklahoma City	87	64	pc	83	64	pc
Charleston, WV	81	55	s	81	54	s	Omaha	79	64	r	76	64	t
Chicago	76	56	s	75	57	s	Philadelphia	80	59	s	82	64	pc
Cleveland	76	56	s	77	57	s	Phoenix	94	78	pc	103	81	s
Dallas	93	70	s	91	71	s	Portland, ME	76	52	pc	71	47	s
Denver	85	53	pc										