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Staff photo by E.J. Harris
Paul Tice, founder of ToPa 3D of Beaverton, sets up his 3D laser scanner outside of the Rivoli theater on Tuesday in Pendleton. Tice is using the scanner to create a 3D blueprint of the historic theater.

Rivoli restoration on track



Staff photo by E.J. Harris
Hali Knight, with architect Peter Meijer's firm of Portland, takes photos on the interior of a gutted section of the Rivoli Theater on Tuesday in Pendleton.

Pendleton coalition has raised roughly 82 percent of funding for planning phase

By ANTONIO SIERRA
East Oregonian

Activity at Pendleton's Rivoli Theater is starting to heat up again. Work crews from the Umatilla County Department of Corrections did demolition work Thursday to remove flooring installed in the 1980s, volunteers came in Saturday morning to do some cleanup work and contractors are doing 3-D laser scans as a part of the planning process to reopen the Rivoli. Andrew Picken is the president of

the Rivoli Coalition, the nonprofit in charge of turning the long-abandoned cinema into a modern performing arts center. Picken said the restoration is on track, which means a newly restored Rivoli could open as soon as 2020. "We're setting goals and achieving them," he said. Although the coalition is still fundraising toward its planning phase, Picken said Opsis Architecture,

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PENDLETON

Council supports \$9.76M fire bond

Will be on Nov. ballot to build new fire station

By ANTONIO SIERRA
East Oregonian

The Pendleton City Council is ready to rekindle efforts at building a new Fire Station No. 1. By unofficial consensus, the council told Fire Chief Mike Ciraulo to return with an official resolution to put a \$9.76 million bond on the November ballot.



Ciraulo

A majority of the bond will be used to build an \$8.2 million fire station on the old St. Anthony Hospital site at 1601 S.E. Court Ave., replacing the current fire station at 911 S.W. Court Ave.

"This building would not pass our own fire inspection."

— Mike Ciraulo, fire chief, on the city's current fire station

Ciraulo listed the variety of reasons why the fire station needed to be replaced, including mold, lead paint, personnel exposure to carcinogens and the building's vulnerability to earthquakes.

"This building would not pass our own fire inspection," he said.

The rest of the bond would go to

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PILOT ROCK

City receives much needed ambulance

Vehicle comes at no cost from Clearview Disability Resource Center in Pendleton

By KATHY ANEY
East Oregonian

Sometimes the answer to a problem just comes out of the blue. Pilot Rock Fire Chief Ron Neeley had been stymied for a while about his department's undependable ambulance.

Every so often, the 1997 Chevy would just quit working.

"It has electrical problems," Neeley said. "We've been through four alternators and we can't figure out what's happening. Every time it goes out, it's down three or four days. We've been trying to figure out how to replace it."

So you can imagine his elation when someone called to donate an ambulance to the department — free of charge.

The caller was Darrin Umbarger, CEO of Clearview Disability Resource Center in Pendleton. About a year ago, the Pendleton Fire & Ambulance Service gave the vehicle to Clearview for non-emergency transports.

"We asked for the donation so we could drive bariatric patients to their doctor appointments," said Clearview CFO Carol Umbarger.

Later, however, they realized it would cost about \$20,000 to outfit the 2000 Ford F-350 with a proper bariatric lift to get obese patients into the vehicle.

"We decided to keep it moving," Darrin said. "We donated it to someone who really needs it — that's Pilot Rock."

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Staff photo by Kathy Aney
Darrin Umbarger, of Clearview Disability Resource Center, and Pilot Rock Fire Chief Ron Neeley pose in front of an ambulance gifted from Clearview to Pilot Rock this week.

PENDLETON

EO, OPB to host forest plan panel

East Oregonian

The East Oregonian and Oregon Public Broadcasting will host a forum and discussion Wednesday about the Blue Mountains Forest Plan revision, which covers 4.9 million acres of the Umatilla, Wallowa-Whitman and Malheur national forests.

A panel of representatives will be on hand to talk about the plan, what it does and how it will guide management decisions across the landscape. Featured panelists include Malheur Forest Supervisor Steve Beverlin; Eric Quaepts, director of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation's Department of Natural Resources; James Nash, rafting guide with Winding Waters River Expeditions in Enterprise; Darilyn Parry Brown, executive director of the Hells Canyon Preservation Council in La Grande; and King Williams, of Boise Cascade wood products.

The lecture will be held at Blue Mountain Community College, ST-200 Lecture Hall, in Pendleton. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., with a live recording to begin at 7 p.m.. Admission is free and open to the public.

The event will be broadcast Thursday on OPB's "Think Out Loud" from noon-1 p.m., and again from 8-9 p.m. OPB can be found on the dial at 90.9 FM in Umatilla and Morrow counties.



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