

PENDLETON

# City reserves old St. Anthony lot for fire hall site

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**An excavator moves scrap metal during the demolition of the old St. Anthony Hospital site in September 2014. The city of Pendleton has placed a \$1,000 hold on the property pending the passage of a bond to build a fire station on the site.**

"We're not going to get gouged and they've made it clear that they want fair market value," he said.

With the election date set and a deal in place to reserve property, Ciraulo said the next step is to publish voter

material explaining the cost and impact of the bond.

Although he and his staff are barred from taking a position, Ciraulo said a political action committee has formed to put together a campaign.

Other issues at the discussed at the meeting include:

- The members of the council have always thought the industrial area west of the Eastern Oregon Regional Airport as significant, but on Tuesday night they made it official.

The council approved turning the lands into a Regionally Significant Industrial Area, a state designation that will allow the city to apply to previously inaccessible grant programs and expedite the state's site review process.

The industrial area has received attention and investment from the city in recent years, including the Airport Road extension, extending utilities for a possible data center and applying for loans to expand utilities further.

- The council approved an ordinance that forms the Housing and Neighborhood

Improvement Advisory Committee.

Rather than create a completely new committee, mayor-elect John Turner, the chairman of a housing study committee, said the ordinance expands the Restore Pendleton Committee to include both blight abatement and housing development.

Councilor Chuck Wood said the committee would also add a financier, real estate agent and Round-Up City Development Corp. representative as dedicated members.

- The council met as the Pendleton Development Commission earlier in the evening, where members set new restrictions for people who receive grants as a part of the Jump Start loan program.

New or expanding businesses that utilize the program can receive \$1,000 from the commission for

every full-time job they add.

The new rules cap the total grant at \$5,000 and require businesses to calculate full-time jobs based on a 40-hour work week and submit their grant applications within 90 days of their first anniversary of opening or expansion.

The only business to receive a grant from the Jump Start program was the Pendleton Coffee Bean & Bistro, which received \$10,360.

- Due to the impending departure of Wood, the commission needed to nominate a new chair for 2017.

The commission nominated and confirmed Councilor Paul Chalmers as the new chairman and councilor-elect Scott Fairley as the vice-chair. Councilor Becky Marks previously served as the vice-chair.

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BRIEFLY

**Burke bronze to be unveiled Saturday**

PENDLETON — The last Pendleton Main Street statue, at least for the time being, will be unveiled Saturday.

The city will reveal a bronze of Clarence Burke, the longtime co-chief of the Round-Up Indian Village, at a ceremony at 1 p.m. on the 100 block of Main Street, according to Pendleton Arts Committee chairman Keith May.

The Burke bronze will complete the sometimes controversial series of Main Street statues, with the arts committee now looking to support other forms of public art.

**Guitarist Johnny A. to shred at the SAGE Center**

BOARDMAN — Johnny A. (John Antonopoulos), who has played with the likes of Peter Wolf of the J. Geils Band, will perform in Boardman.

A more than capable musician, Johnny A. earned the rare honor of having his name placed on a signature Gibson guitar. Performing with a variety of artists over the years, Johnny A. recently released his fourth solo project, "Driven."

The Massachusetts-based guitarist and bandleader has performed everywhere from working-class bars to international amphitheaters — and every sort of venue in between. Catch him Friday at 7 p.m. in the theater at the SAGE Center, 101 Olson Road, Boardman. A reception starts at 5:30 p.m. tickets are \$49.99, which includes the concert, the preceding reception, two drinks and appetizers.

For ticket information, call 541-376-5055 or 541-561-5356. For more about Johnny A., visit [www.johnnya.com](http://www.johnnya.com).

**Libraries celebrate International Games Day**

Special gaming programs and events for the whole family are planned during International Games Day@Your Library.

Libraries in Pendleton and Hermiston invite people of all ages to celebrate the popularity and power of games and play. The family-friendly events are Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave.; and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. There is

no admission charge. For more information, call 541-966-0380 or 541-567-2882. For more about the history of the event, visit <http://igd.ala.org>.

**Echo serves early holiday dinner**

ECHO — The community is invited to celebrate the season with a traditional Thanksgiving meal in Echo.

The free event is Saturday from noon to 2 p.m. at the Echo Community Church, 21 N. Bonanza.

For more information, call 541-376-8108 or 541-571-4419.

**WW.Friends meet at The Saddle**

PENDLETON — A no-host luncheon gathering is planned during the November WW.Friends.

The group, which is open to widows and widowers, meets monthly to share friendship and fun. It's not designed as a support group. Everyone is invited to attend Sunday, Nov. 20 at noon at The Saddle Restaurant & Lounge, 2220 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton.

For more information, call 541-276-4708 or 541-969-2450.

**Holiday meal seeks volunteers**

HERMISTON — The first of two holiday season Community Fellowship Dinners will be held Thanksgiving Day in Hermiston.

Volunteers are still needed for the event, which is Thursday, Nov. 24 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. Volunteer shifts are available between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. In addition, everyone is invited to help with the set-up party Wednesday, Nov. 23 from 1-4 p.m., also at the senior center.

Due to health issues, coordinator Laurie Ball-Kiser is participating in a limited role. For questions, call the Community Fellowship Dinner board at 541-303-5886.

The free traditional Thanksgiving meal features turkey and all the fixings. In addition to the on-site meal, delivery service and to-go meals can be packaged for pick-up for those unable to attend the dinner.

For meal delivery service or a ride, call 541-567-3013 through Wednesday, Nov. 23. On Thanksgiving Day, call the senior center at 541-567-3582.

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**Hand-crafted necklaces hang on display at a booth run by Cindy Griggs of Hermiston during a past Altrusa Bazaar. In its 41st year, this year's event is Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pendleton Convention Center.**

# Season's first bazaar

**Ninety-nine vendors slated to sell at 41st Altrusa event**

By TAMMY MALGESINI  
East Oregonian

Touted as the largest bazaar during the holiday season in Pendleton, 99 vendors have committed to sell their wares during the 41st annual Altrusa Bazaar.

The event offers a variety of unique gifts — everything from jewelry and craft items to artwork and toys.

"Since it's a holiday bazaar, there are decorations and all sorts of fun stuff," said Sofi Smith, first vice president of Altrusa International of Pendleton.

The Altrusa Bazaar is Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate. There is a \$1 admission fee. Also,



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**A variety of gift items can be found during holiday bazaars.**

lunch will be available for purchase — including homemade chicken noodle soup, a selection of sandwiches, hot dogs and homemade pie.

Pat McClintock, bazaar co-chair, said the event has grown over the years. The

first one, she said, was held in 1976 in the gymnasium at the old Hawthorne School. Although not a member of Altrusa at the time, McClintock recalls attending the event in its early days, which featured about 20 vendors.

The family-friendly event also features activities for kids, McClintock said. Santa will be on hand for photos. Also, there will be face painting, craft projects and games.

Smith and McClintock said the bazaar is the service club's largest fundraiser of the year, which typically raises \$10,000 to \$12,000. The money, Smith said, provides funding throughout the year, including for scholarships to graduating seniors, literacy programs and other Altrusa service projects in the community.

"People want to support our projects and I think we always have a good show and a variety of vendors," McClintock said regarding the event's success.

Other bazaars scheduled this weekend include:

- Ione American Legion Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 325 W. Second St. In addition to art and craft vendors, breakfast and lunch will be available for purchase. There is no admission charge.

- Lexington Grange from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 66296 Marquardt Road. Admission is \$2 per person or two canned food items. Also features a basket raffle.

To submit bazaar information for the Coming Events calendar, send information (including date, time, place, and if there's an admission fee) to: [community@eastoregonian.com](mailto:community@eastoregonian.com) or drop off to the attention of Tammy Malgesini at 333 E. Main St., Hermiston, or Renee Struthers at 211 S.E. Byers Ave., Pendleton. Call 541-564-4539 or 541-966-0818 with questions. Also, visit [www.eastoregonian.com](http://www.eastoregonian.com) to view the calendar for other upcoming events.

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**FREE THANKSGIVING MEAL**

*The Faith Center Church is offering Thanksgiving meals for families in need. Please contact the Faith Center Church office at 541-276-9569 to register.*

*Meals will be distributed to confirmed recipients Thursday, November 22 from 6-7 pm in the church foyer.*

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