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FREEZE FRAME

Tia, a four-year-old German Shepherd and Belgian Malinois mix, leaps into the air to catch a flying disc for her owner Connie Macomber of Beaverton on Friday in Pendleton. Macomber used to live in Pendleton before moving west and is in the process of moving back into town.

Staff photo by E.J. Harris

BOARDMAN

PGE ponders new resources at Carty

Possibilities include gas plant, solar farm

By **GEORGE PLAVERN**
East Oregonian

Portland General Electric is chasing permits to build new power facilities in Boardman by 2020, the year the existing Boardman Coal Plant is slated to close.

Options on the table include a 315-acre solar farm near Carty Reservoir, or additional natural gas units at the recently completed Carty Generating Station on Tower Road.

The proposals are included in PGE's 2016 Integrated Resource Plan, filed Nov. 15

with the Oregon Public Utility Commission. The plan is essentially a roadmap for how PGE will satisfy future demand, and calls for increases in energy efficiency, renewable energy and "flexible capacity resources," like natural gas, that can be ramped up and down quickly.

Steve Corson, PGE spokesman, said the utility is in the process of obtaining site certificates and air quality permits for two new units at the Carty gas plant — one that would generate up to 530 megawatts, and another that would add up to 330 megawatts.

Just because they have permits in hand doesn't necessarily mean the projects would move forward, Corson said. Still,

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PENDLETON

Biz partners ready to try out city's process for pot shops

By **ANTONIO SIERRA**
East Oregonian

Pendleton history could be made at a non-descript strip mall on Court Avenue.

Brandon Krenzler, a marijuana advocate who lives in Pendleton, said he and a business partner with experience running a bar are in the process of opening a recreational marijuana shop at 1733 S.W. Court Ave.

If the owners of the store — Kind Leaf Pendleton — pass through both the state and city regulatory processes, their facility would be the

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Angie Treadwell, second from right, with the Oregon State University Extension Office, helps students measure ingredients for a pumpkin breakfast cookie recipe Tuesday during the Cooking Matters for Families cooking class in Umatilla.

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Kin in the kitchen

Class teaches families about cooking and nutrition

By **JADE MCDOWELL**
East Oregonian

Turkey tacos were on the menu for dinner Tuesday night as Jasmine Martinez and Alexia Martinez sat side by side chopping tomatoes. "Don't squish the tomato,"

Jasmine told her eight-year-old daughter, demonstrating the light grip she had on hers.

Next to the Martinez duo, other mothers and daughters grated cheese and shredded lettuce. At a nearby table children scooped balls of pumpkin raisin breakfast cookie

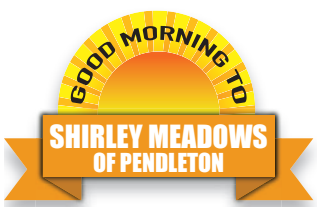
dough onto a cookie sheet, while their mothers worked on frying the ground turkey for the tacos. Another group made homemade granola and scooped out pomegranates in preparation for making yogurt parfaits.

The food was all provided by

Cooking Matters for Families, a free six-week course offered at McNary Heights Elementary School through a partnership between Umatilla School District, Umatilla Morrow County Head Start and the Oregon State University Extension.

"My daughter wants to learn how to cook," Jasmine said. "I'm

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Billy Larsen, 6, knocks fresh snow off the hat of one of two snowmen in his front yard Friday in Pendleton.

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PENDLETON

Six-year-old gets snowmen surprise

Strangers respond to mother's online plea to cheer up son

By **KATHY ANEY**
East Oregonian

A dozen-or-so strangers braved the cold Thursday night to build snowmen in Billy Larsen's front yard.

Thursday evening had been tough for six-year-old Billy, who has autism. He learned that school

was canceled the next morning because of weather and that meant his Christmas party at Sherwood Heights Elementary School wouldn't happen either. Change is often difficult for children with autism and the first-grader took it hard.

After her son and husband went to bed, Holli Larsen tried to think of ways to cheer up her son.

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