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PRESIDENT TRUMP

By **JULIE PACE**

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WASHINGTON — Pledging emphatically to empower America's "forgotten men and women," Donald Trump was sworn in as the 45th president of the United States Friday, taking command of a riven nation facing an unpredictable era under his assertive but untested leadership.

Under cloudy, threatening skies at the West Front of the U.S. Capitol, Trump painted a bleak picture of the America he now leads, declaring as he had throughout the election campaign that it is beset by crime, poverty and a lack of bold action. The billionaire businessman and reality television star — the first president who had never held political office or high military rank — promised to stir a "new national pride" and protect America from the "ravages" of countries he says have stolen U.S. jobs.

"This American carnage stops right here," Trump declared. In a warning to the world, he said, "From this day forward, a new vision will

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Donald Trump is sworn in as the 45th president of the United States by Chief Justice John Roberts as Melania Trump looks on during the 58th Presidential Inauguration at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, Friday.

Local reactions

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Larry B. Moore, the chairman of the Umatilla County Republican Party, called the inaugural speech "vintage Trump."

He felt the newly elected leader took his usual blunt approach in his first presidential address, which certainly appealed to his "dyed in the wool supporters" but didn't mend divisions.

"It's hard to feel invited to the table when you have a stick in your eye," Moore said.

Moore, who lives in Milton-Freewater and has been the county's GOP chair for about four years, said his goal is to bring the entire county together. He said Democrats are not the opposition.

While Trump wasn't

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Pendleton honors its finest

Hill Meat business of the year

By **ANTONIO SIERRA**

East Oregonian

Judy Wilkins and Dean Fouquette weren't named Pendleton's man and woman of the year just because they are good sports, but also because what they've done for Pendleton athletics.

Their contributions to Pendleton sports were highlighted at the Pendleton First Citizens Banquet at the Wildhorse Resort & Casino Friday evening.

Wilkins moved with her family to Pendleton in 1979 and has been involved in local athletics ever since.

She coached junior high basketball and volunteered at Pendleton wrestling events, golf and tennis tournaments and the state 2A basketball tournament.

She also lent her time to bigger picture issues.

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Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Judy Wilkins makes her acceptance speech after being named the woman of the year at the Pendleton Chamber of Commerce's First Citizens Banquet on Friday at Wildhorse Resort & Casino in Mission.



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Dean Fouquette raises a bouquet of flowers after his acceptance speech after being named man of the year at the Pendleton Chamber of Commerce's First Citizens Banquet on Friday at Wildhorse Resort & Casino in Mission.

Wildlife bills in lawmakers' crosshairs

Proposals target cougar hunting, roadkill, urban deer

By **GEORGE PLAVEN**

East Oregonian

State Sen. Bill Hansell (R-Athena) and Rep. Greg Barreto (R-Cove) are sponsoring a trio of bills in the legislature taking aim at urban deer, cougars and the ability to salvage roadkill animals.

Senate Bill 371 revives the debate over hunting cougars with dogs, a practice that was banned in Oregon by a 1994 ballot measure. SB 371 would exempt individual counties from the ban, if voters approve an initiative to do so.

Similar bills failed to pass the Senate in 2013 and 2015, but Hansell said he's not giving up.

"It gives them an option at the local level," Hansell said. "Right now, there's just not a very effective way to control this predator population."

As of October 2015, Oregon has more than 6,200 cougars statewide. The Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife allows for year-round cougar hunting, but establishes hunt quotas by zone. The state quota is 970 cougars, including 270 in the Blue Mountains.

Chuck Becktold, chapter president for the Oregon Hunters Association, said it is very difficult to hunt cougars without dogs, since the predators tend to be solitary and nocturnal. Last year, 540 cougars were killed in Oregon — just 55 percent of the overall quota.

Cougars tend to be hard on deer and elk populations, lowering the cow-calf ratios where predator density is high, Becktold said.

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