

PENDLETON

BRIEFLY

Father injured sledding with kids

Spaghetti dinner, raffle, silent auction on Saturday

By TAMMY MALGESINI
East Oregonian

A number of area business and individuals have donated items and services for a fundraiser to benefit Ryan Jokinen and his family.

The Pendleton man was injured recently while sledding with his kids. Josh English said Jokinen hit a metal pole, which resulted in shattering his lower leg. He was transported by air ambulance to Oregon Health & Science University in Portland, where he underwent surgery. English said Jokinen is facing multiple surgeries while on the mend.



A spaghetti dinner, raffle and silent auction is Saturday from 5-7:30 p.m. at the First Assembly of God Church, 1911 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton. The cost is \$5, which includes the meal, dessert and a raffle ticket.

Among the items being raffled off and up for bid are a four-person walleye trip in 2017 by Stahl's Guide Service LLC, taxidermy services from Uplanders Taxidermy, Pendleton Round-Up tickets, a shotgun cleaning kit from Blagg Rifles LLC, an embroidered hooded sweatshirt from Pea Ridge Embroidery & Signs, a guided Eagle Cap backpacking excursion for two, a scarf and jewelry from Tedde's Beadbox, 18 holes of golf and a cart at Wildhorse Resort & Casino and a one-day ski package at Anthony Lakes that includes a private lesson, equipment rental and transportation.

Jokinen, who works as a technician at Zeigler Transmission & Auto Repair, will reportedly be off work for at least three months. His wife, Laura, is a full-time student at Eastern Oregon University. They also have three children.

"We are trying to come together as a community and help this family get through this time without having the

A spaghetti dinner and silent auction fundraiser, which is Saturday at the First Assembly of God Church, will benefit Ryan Jokinen and his family. The Pendleton man was injured while sledding with his kids.

Photo contributed by Josh English

stress of finances added to the rest of the things they have to try and take care of right now," English said.

In addition to the fundraising event, an account is set up at U.S. Bank. People may make a donation in the name of Ryan and Laura Jokinen.

fundraiser or to make a donation, contact English at josh@wtechlink.us, 541-969-9989 or visit www.facebook.com/events/1640791232894081.

Contact Community Editor Tammy Malgesini at tmalgesini@eastoregonian.com or 541-564-4539

Noisy parties keep Pendleton police busy

By PHIL WRIGHT
East Oregonian

Pendleton police shut down three loud parties Saturday night and early Sunday. Police Chief Stuart Roberts said the activity was outside the norm.

Police at about 11:40 p.m. Saturday responded to a large party at home on Southwest 33rd Street. Officers found college students living there invited a couple of friends over.

"Much to their dismay, people they did not even know started to arrive, things

got loud and they did not know what to do," Roberts reported. "We assisted with dispersal."

A rental house on Southwest Zeta Court was the site of a party early Sunday. Witnesses at about 1 a.m. reported as many as a dozen people were outside the back of the house and making a racket. Roberts said based on the information he had, "officers again encouraged responsible persons to shut down the gathering, or be subject to citation."

The last complaint came at 2:22 a.m. Sunday about

a party with several people at a house on Northwest Bailey Avenue. People were drinking, Roberts reported, but they were all 21 or 22 years old.

"That is not to say that minors were not present before or as the officers arrived," the chief said. "It merely states once the officers were legally able to get inside, minors were nowhere to be found."

Police shut down the party, he said, and evaluated drivers for impairment.

Pendleton officers and medics at about 3:10 a.m.

responded to the Pendleton Family Aquatic Center, 1901 N.W. Carden Ave. on a report of a very intoxicated 19-year-old. At least one person from the party on Bailey Avenue was there as well, Roberts said, but he did not know if the incidents were connected.

Roberts said years ago Pendleton had much more of this type of activity.

"However, for the last several years, minor parties are almost unheard of," he stated, "meaning we probably respond to half a dozen or less."

COMING EVENTS

TUESDAY, FEB. 7
ADULT OPEN GYM, 6 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Half-court basketball. Adults only.

WALKING FOR WELLNESS, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. (541-276-8100)

TERRIFICALLY FREE TUESDAY, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon, 400 S. Main St., Pendleton. Free admission all day. (541-276-1066)

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME, 10:30-11 a.m., Stanfield Public Library, 180 W. Coe Ave., Stanfield. (541-449-1254)

SENSORY EXPLORATION, 11 a.m., Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon, 400 S. Main St., Pendleton. For ages 0-3. Sensory Bins provide endless ways for little ones to experience new things with all of their senses and boost essential skills. (541-276-1066)

BOARDMAN SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St., Boardman. Cost is \$4 for seniors 55 and over or \$5 for adults. (541-481-3257)

HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. Cost is \$4 for adults, free for children 10 and under, \$4 for Meals on Wheels. Extra 50 cents for utensils/dishes. Bus service to Senior Center by donation. (541-567-3582)

CRAFTERNOONS, 4:15 p.m., Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Drop in for a group or individual craft project. All ages. (541-966-0380)

BINGO, 5 p.m., Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. Doors open at 5 p.m., games begin at 6:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. (541-567-3582)

INSIDE OUTSIDE THE LINES ADULT COLORING, 6-7:30 p.m., Irrigon Public Library, 490 N.E. Main St., Irrigon. Materials provided. Bring snacks to share. (541-922-0138)

PENDLETON KNITTING GROUP, 6 p.m., Prodigal Son Brewery & Pub, 230 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton. (541-966-0380)

PENDLETON EAGLES TACOS AND BINGO, 6 p.m., Pendleton Eagles Lodge, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Regular packet \$10, special packet \$5. Proceeds donated to local charities. Public welcome. (541-278-2828)

STORY AND CRAFT TIME, 6:30 p.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave., Milton-Freewater. For elementary school-age children. (541-938-8247)

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 8
ADULT OPEN GYM, 6 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Half-court basketball. Adults only.

WALKING FOR WELLNESS, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. (541-276-8100)

STANFIELD SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Stanfield Community Center, 225 W. Roosevelt, Stanfield. Cost is \$3.50 for seniors, \$6 for others. (541-449-1332)

PENDLETON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Pendleton Senior Center, 510 S.W. 10th St., Pendleton. Costs \$3.50 or \$6 for those under 60. Pool, puzzles, crafts, snacks, Second Time Around thrift store 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For Meals on Wheels, call 541-276-1926. (541-276-7101)

BOARDMAN SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St., Boardman. Cost is \$4 for seniors 55 and over or \$5 for adults. (541-481-3257)

HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. Cost is \$4 for adults, free for children 10 and under, \$4 for Meals on Wheels. Extra 50 cents for utensils/dishes. Bus service to Senior Center by donation. (541-567-3582)

CRAFTERNOONS, 4:15 p.m., Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Drop in for a group or individual craft project. All ages. (541-966-0380)

STANFIELD SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Stanfield Community Center, 225 W. Roosevelt, Stanfield. Cost is \$3.50 for seniors, \$6 for others. (541-449-1332)

PENDLETON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Pendleton Senior Center, 510 S.W. 10th St., Pendleton. Costs \$3.50 or \$6 for those under 60. Pool, puzzles, crafts, snacks, Second Time Around thrift store 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For Meals on Wheels, call 541-276-1926. (541-276-7101)

ADULT BEGINNERS' COMPUTERS, 3-4 p.m., Pendleton Public Library meeting room, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Registration is required. Classes tailored to the needs of the attendees. (541-966-0380)

VEGAN/SUSTAINABLE LIVING POTLUCK SUPPER, 7 p.m., location varies, location varies, Pendleton. Bring a vegan dish and recipe. Gluten-free friendly group. Call to RSVP and for driving directions. (541-969-3057)

THURSDAY, FEB. 9
ADULT OPEN GYM, 6 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Half-court basketball. Adults only.

WALKING FOR WELLNESS, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. (541-276-8100)

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME, 10:15-11 a.m., Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Stories and activities for young children. (541-966-0380)

PRESCHOOL STORY AND CRAFT TIME, 10:30 a.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave., Milton-Freewater. For elementary school-age children. (541-938-8247)

ARTIST'S RECEPTION: WHITNEY MINTHORN, 5:30-7 p.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St., Pendleton. Meet Whitney Minthorn and view his artwork and commercial projects in the East Oregonian Gallery. Refreshments available by donation. Free admission. (Robert Lavador 541-278-9201)

Hermiston High student dies

HERMISTON — The Hermiston community is mourning the death of student Brok Palmer, which was reported to the school district Monday morning.

Palmer was a senior at Hermiston High School and had played on the high school basketball team. He has siblings at Desert View Elementary School and Armand Larive Middle School.

The district is providing support for staff and students at the high school and middle school.

Hermiston police chief Jason Edmiston said Palmer died sometime between 8:30 Sunday night and Monday morning. He said the death was an isolated incident, there is no threat to the community, and the department is handling the investigation.

The police department believes to know the cause of death, but will not release it until the county medical examiner has an opportunity to weigh in.

Edmiston also said a police chaplain is providing support to the family.

asked for a ride. "When the victim arrived at the agreed upon meeting place, the suspect was in the company of another male the victim did not know," Roberts said.

The two males entered the car, but as the victim began to drive, one suspect allegedly produced two knives, according to Roberts, and threatened to harm the victim if he did not drive to Interstate 84 and hand over his cellphone.

"The victim complied with all demands," according to Roberts. "However, as the victim entered the interstate, he jumped from the moving car before running to Dean's Deli and calling police."

Roberts also said the victim refused medical attention for the "outwardly minor injuries" he suffered jumping from the car.

"We are actively looking for the suspects who have been identified," the chief stated.

Police arrest burglary suspect at rest area

BOARDMAN — State and local law enforcement Friday afternoon swarmed the Boardman rest area to capture a burglary suspect.

Alan Samuel Mansell, 31, now is in the Umatilla County Jail, Pendleton.

Oregon State Police Sgt. Seth Cooney said Mansell is the suspect in a burglary in Prosser, Washington, about 22 miles north of Boardman as the crow flies. Cooney said he did not have the details about how police learned Mansell was at the local rest area, but Friday around 1:30 p.m. members of state police, the Morrow County Sheriff's Office and the Boardman Police Department surrounded the rest stop.

State police advised other agencies the suspect may have been armed, according to police call logs. Cooney said Mansell did not put up a fight, and state police arrested him on probable cause for the burglary.

Mansell in February 2012 in Boise kidnapped a former girlfriend at gun point and threatened to kill her, according to a news story from KOB-TV, Boise. She escaped after about six hours, when Mansell was taking a shower.

Deputies from the Ada County Sheriff's Office found Mansell hiding in a crawl space, and a police dog bit him during that apprehension.

Pendleton police are looking for two suspects who robbed a man of his dark blue 1992 Subaru Legacy at knife point. The victim reported the crime Sunday at 2:30 p.m. from Dean's Market & Deli, 412 S.W. 20th St., Pendleton.

Stuart Roberts, Pendleton police chief, said in an email an acquaintance of the victim

Turner to address Republican women's meeting

PENDLETON — Mayor John Turner will provide his outlook and vision for the city of Pendleton, new business development and other area news during the Round Up Republican Women's meeting.

Everyone is invited to the no-host event, which is Thursday at 11:45 a.m. at the Red Lion, 304 S.E. Nye Ave., Pendleton. The cost is \$11 for members and \$13 for non-members. Those who plan to attend are asked to register by Wednesday morning. In addition, people are reminded that membership dues are \$20 for members and \$10 for associate members.

To RSVP or to submit questions for Turner, contact rounduprepublicanwomen@hushmail.com or 541-276-1206.

SAGE Saturday offers animal fun

BOARDMAN — Creating farm animal Valentine portraits is the featured activity during the February SAGE Saturday.

The free event is Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the SAGE Center, 101 Olson Road, Boardman. Free admission and activities are for children and their parents.

For more information call 541-481-7243 or go to www.visitsage.com.

Calling all artists

IRRIGON — The Irrigon Watermelon Festival is holding a contest for an event logo for its 33rd annual event.

The creator of the winning logo will receive a \$25 gift certificate. Entries must include the name, "Irrigon Watermelon Festival," the date July 29, 2017 and "Belling Farms."

Entries must be submitted by Wednesday, March 1 to Dave Cooley at dlcooley61@gmail.com or Irrigon Watermelon Festival, P.O. Box 386, Irrigon, OR 97844.

Briefs are compiled from staff and wire reports, and press releases. Email press_releases_to_news@eastoregonian.com

Need to Protect Your Patio? We can help!

Patio Covers
Pergolas · Sunrooms
Retractable Awnings
Screen Rooms
Sun/Solar Shades
& More!

Backyard By Design, LLC
FREE estimates!
541-720-0772
Visit our showroom:
102 E Columbia Dr.
Kennewick, WA 99336
www.mybackyardbydesign.com

BUCKAROO BOOSTER CLUB FUNDRAISER

Dinner & Auction

Over \$30,000 in auction items up for bid!

Cracked Crab · Baked Salmon Tri-Tip Steak · Complimentary Beer

Wednesday · February 15th · \$25 Per Person

DINNER: 5:30-7pm · AUCTION: 6:30pm

Pendleton Convention Center

Limited to first 500 tickets sold

Tickets available at Big John's Pizza, Pendleton Athletic and Dave's Food Mart. Must be 21 & over to attend.

Dr. Robert Alan Pratt, DMD PC
Gordon's Electric, Inc.
Hill Meat Company
Wildhorse Resort & Casino
Wheatland Insurance · Thews Sheet Metal · Papa Murphy's Pizza
McLaughlin Landscaping · McDonald's of Pendleton
Dean's Pendleton Athletic · D.A. Davidson & Co. · Amerititle

The Place for Lovebirds

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Valentine Dinner Specials

Bleu Cheese Topped Sirloin - \$29.95

Fire Roasted Salmon with Mango Salsa - \$26

Special Homemade Valentine Desserts by Pastry Chef Rory

CALL FOR RESERVATIONS 541.278.1100
Saloon Opens at 4PM · Dinner beginning at 5PM

HAMLEY STEAKHOUSE
COURT & MAIN · DOWNTOWN PENDLETON