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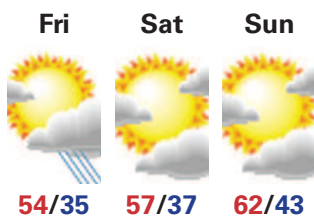


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In the eighth installment of the high-octane series, two bald, buff bros drive fast cars and teach the importance of teamwork in "The Fate of the Furious."

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Weekend Weather



Legislation could prevent some deportations of legal immigrants

By **PARIS ACHEN**
Capital Bureau

SALEM — Oregon lawmakers are considering a change to sentencing law that could help prevent the mandatory federal deportation of legal immigrants convicted of gross misdemeanors.

The proposal is in an amendment to Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum's bill to discourage racial profiling.

The change would reduce the maximum sentence for a Class A misdemeanor from 365 days to 364 days. A 365-day sentence is one of several triggers for mandatory federal deportation of green card holders, refugees and other legal noncitizens. Other triggers are violent crimes and felonies, said Stephen Manning, a Portland immigration attorney.

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Keeping the future in mind

Students get hands-on look at post-graduation career paths

By **ANTONIO SIERRA**
East Oregonian

On Thursday, roughly 50 Pendleton High School Advanced Placement biology students met George.

George is 56 years old, a smoker who donated his body to science. He is a cadaver.

As a part of a field trip meant to show students some of the career possibilities in science, a group of high school seniors viewed that cadaver, which was being dissected by the Blue Mountain Community College nursing program.

The teenagers wound their way through the BMCC Science and Tech building, receiving mini-lessons in anatomy, chemistry and microbiology.

Baylie Paul had just finished playing a game of "Microbes Against Humanity," a card game where players contracted and vaccinated themselves against infectious diseases.

Paul said she is interested in becoming a nurse, a profession she started to think seriously about during her sophomore year at Pendleton High, after she started talking with nurses when her family members were in the hospital.

Paul found the anatomy portion of the tour especially exciting.

"I really enjoyed the cadaver, as morbid as it sounds," she said.

Johnny Stuvland was pulling long, viscous strands of a synthetic nylon polymer out of a beaker during a lesson from chemistry instructor Chandra Kunapareddy when he paused for a brief interview.

Although he also wanted to pursue health studies during college, Stuvland is noncommittal about his career goals.

"A doctor as of right now," he said of the career goals. "But we'll see how that goes. We'll see if I change my mind."

Changing career paths after high school isn't uncommon, as evidenced by some of the people guiding the tour.



Staff photo by Kathy Aney

Raylee Lehnert gets an up-close look at a human brain as Baylie Paul waits her turn Thursday at Blue Mountain Community College. The girls and about 50 other PHS honors biology students visited BMCC to explore careers in science.



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Jon Jennings pulls a fragile, gooey string of synthetic polymer from a beaker as Jorge Santana looks on Thursday at Blue Mountain Community College. The boys and about 50 other PHS honors biology students visited BMCC to explore careers in science.

BMCC nursing student Jenna Bradshaw showed the students how the respiratory system works by pumping oxygen into pig lungs. Even though her mother

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— **Baylie Paul**, PHS student interested in become a nurse

was a nurse, Bradshaw said the industry wasn't on her radar until well after high school when she started looking for a more stable career field.

Since beginning the program, she's grown passionate about it.

"I'm really happy I found this," she said.

Bradshaw's younger brother, Joe Jackson, is also a BMCC nursing school student.

Jackson trained as a paramedic after high school, took a detour into finance, then became a medical technician

before deciding to move from Texas to Eastern Oregon and attend BMCC.

With her father working as a firefighter and her mother a nurse, BMCC biology instructor Sascha McKeon said she always wanted to work in the health field.

McKeon originally thought that meant being a doctor, but she eventually gravitated toward working in biological research, where she felt she would accrue less debt and impact a wider range of people.

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Ready for the worst-case scenario

Local search and rescue volunteers train for emergencies

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Search and rescue members know it better than anyone: emergencies often happen at the least opportune time.

"Normally, no one gets lost when the weather's nice and it's the middle of the day," Sgt. Dwight Johnson said with a laugh.

Johnson is the Umatilla County Search and Rescue supervisor, and, on a Wednesday night, is busy administering a monthly training to a group of volunteers.

The group of about 15 volunteers is getting certified in tying nine different kinds of knots, used for different rescue scenarios. They're also learning how to assemble and dismantle litters, which are boards which are used to transport people. These skills are part of the "core competencies" required by the Oregon State Sheriff's Association.



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Rope expert Travis Lundquist demonstrates how to tie a prusik knot to new search-and-rescue volunteer Kendra Russell on Thursday during a training session.

"Most people who join Search and Rescue like the outdoors," said Travis Lundquist, a volunteer with Umatilla County Search and Rescue for the last three years. "But they don't always know how to do things like start a fire in the winter. So in training, we teach things like

land navigation, tying knots. We're preparing for any situation."

Lundquist added that while a rescue being required, volunteers may have to bring all their skills into play.

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HERMISTON County approves new data centers

By **GEORGE PLAVERN**
East Oregonian

Online retailer Amazon has received the green light to build four new data centers west of Hermiston.

The Umatilla County Board of Commissioners approved a request Thursday to rezone approximately 120 acres of land between Westland and Cottonwood Bend roads from exclusive use farming to light industrial. That opens the door for Amazon and its subsidiary, Vadata, to develop a fourth campus in Eastern Oregon.

Vadata already operates one server farm east of

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