

PENDLETON

Police recover load of missing Indian regalia

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East Oregonian

Pendleton and Umatilla tribal police recovered most of the American Indian regalia and artifacts stolen from an unlocked storage shed.

Pendleton Police Chief Stuart Roberts said officers found about 60-65 percent of the items, including many irreplaceable and the "big ticket" pieces. Police also found a saddle the owners did not know was missing.

The family that owns the regalia and artifacts reported the theft on May 31 from an unsecured storage unit on 200 block of Southeast Frazer Avenue.

Roberts said they had not been to the shed for several weeks, so police don't know when the theft occurred. Pendleton police on June 2 issued a bulletin notifying the media and public about the thefts. Roberts said that notice "caused quite a stir."

That included a lot of tips to

police, most of which did not help. Still, Roberts said, they followed up on each and one panned out.

Monday evening police found the majority of the items at a business not far from the shed, Roberts said, but whether or not the people there are linked to the theft remains a question. Officers got some hemming and hawing when talking to people at the business, Roberts said, but they also uttered names of local offenders police know well.

"We have what I would characterize as 'loose suspects' at this time," he said.

Not all the items turned out to be missing from the storage theft. Roberts said family members reported they had some of the items.

The Pendleton chief also said storage unit thefts can be tough to crack. People sometimes pack stuff in a unit and won't check it again for weeks, months or even years. And plenty of storage facilities lack surveillance cameras.



Photos courtesy of The Pendleton Police Department
Pendleton and Umatilla tribal police recovered about 60-65 percent of the American Indian regalia and artifacts stolen May 31 from an unlocked storage shed in Pendleton.

BRIEFLY

Cyclist vs vehicle, woman sustains minor injuries

HERMISTON — A woman riding her bicycle was struck by a small pickup truck at the intersection of East 5th and Main streets in Hermiston around 6:45 p.m. Wednesday.

The woman was not wearing a helmet, and had some blood streaming down her face. She was conscious after the accident. She was examined by paramedics at the site and taken to the hospital for some minor head injuries.

Four trees being removed from Hat Rock State Park

Four large cottonwood trees are being removed from Hat Rock State Park after being deemed hazardous.

The trees are dead or dying and in locations where visitors spend time. They are expected to be removed before the end of the week by Kelsy Garton Trees Service of Pendleton, along with some other work on park vegetation for a total cost of \$8,500.

During the work, portions of the park will be cordoned off for safety. Visitors are asked to respect all safety barriers and instructions from park staff or contractors.

Library kicks off reading program

ECHO — A sign-up and kick-off event for the Echo Summer Reading Program is Friday at 2 p.m. at the Old VFW Hall.

All kids who register for the program will receive a free book. The theme is "Build A Better World." The program is each Friday at 2 p.m. through Aug. 4.

For more information, call 541-376-8411 or stop by the Echo Public Library at 20 Bonanza St.

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PDC to work with river property conservationists

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The clock is officially ticking on a group of Pendleton residents trying to preserve a piece of land north of the Umatilla River.

At a meeting Tuesday, the Pendleton Development Commission unanimously agreed to remove the half-acre property from its surplus inventory and begin working with a committee on alternatives to selling the property for development.

The commission's advisory committee has recommended that the newly formed committee will have until the end of the year to create a plan for the property, which could include the commission selling the land to a conservation group.

The conservation group came out in force at the commission's May meeting, filling the council chambers to request that the commission start working toward preserving the small parcel south of Northwest Seventh Street instead of marketing it to housing developers as had been planned.

The contingent was smaller at Tuesday's meeting, but two conservation group members that were at both meetings — Paul Daniello and Casey Brown — vocalized

their support for the commission's decision.

The new committee will be comprised of members of the conservation group and the commission.

The commission also approved the creation of the Fresh Start program, which awards up to \$100,000 or 10 percent of the cost of building a new structure in the urban renewal district.

The grant is paid on a reimbursed basis and in thirds — the first third when the foundation is set, the second third when two-thirds of the contractor's expenses are paid by the building owner and the final third when the building obtains an occupancy permit.

Councilor Becky Marks was the only member of the commission to vote against creating the program.

After the commission meeting concluded, its members met as the Pendleton City Council. The council discussed several issues, including:

- The council unanimously approved amending the lease with Boutique Air so the airline can begin offering car rentals from the airport.

Airport Manager Steve Chrisman said Hertz terminated its lease at the airport when SeaPort Airlines declared bankruptcy. Pendleton's Eastern Oregon Regional Airport has

been without the service since that time.

Chrisman said Boutique will operate its own car rental service, starting with a fleet of two cars with the intention of building it to 10.

The lease will initially charge Boutique \$250 per month for use of a parking lot and will rise to \$750 per month on Sept. 1 or the fleet grows to 10 cars, whichever comes first.

- Phillip Houk, Pendleton's former mayor and a risk manager for Union Pacific Railroad, presented the council with a \$10,000 check from Union Pacific for a future art project.

Mayor John Turner said the money would likely go toward a planned veterans memorial near the corner of Highway 11 and Southeast Court Avenue.

- The council unanimously approved selling \$10 million in bonds as a part of the ballot measure voters approved in May.

The bond sale is a part of early work on buying the equipment and building a new fire station on Southeast Court Avenue that was promised during the campaign.

The city is already negotiating with the Mackenzie group of Portland to provide final architectural designs and engineering and still

needs to purchase the property from St. Anthony Hospital.

- The council unanimously approved \$848,894 in professional engineering services from Murraysmith Inc. for water and sewer projects.

Murraysmith will design 10 utility projects that are a part of \$3.9 million in outsourced work.

- The council unanimously approved a change order with Kerry Fuller Enterprises of Bend to do \$108,000 in crack seal work.

- After meeting behind closed doors, the council unanimously agreed to begin the process of donating a building at 1103 S.E. Court Place to Domestic Violence Services.

The nonprofit already uses the building and wants to own it outright to access a broader variety of grants, City Attorney Nancy Kerns said.

- The council was set to consider an ordinance establishing food vendor regulations, but staff pulled it from the agenda to clarify some of the language. It will be considered at the council's next meeting.

The council canceled its meeting scheduled for July 4 and will instead hold a special meeting June 27 at 7 p.m.

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TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Sunny; beautiful this afternoon	Mostly sunny and pleasant	Plenty of sunshine	Blazing sunshine and hot	Mostly sunny and hot
79° 51°	86° 55°	92° 59°	96° 69°	97° 61°
PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
79° 51°	86° 55°	92° 59°	96° 69°	97° 61°
HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
85° 50°	91° 53°	97° 56°	101° 70°	102° 63°

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PENDLETON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE

HIGH	LOW
80°	54°
Normals	80° 53°
Records	102° (1973) 34° (1893)

PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	1.05"
Normal month to date	0.93"
Year to date	10.20"
Last year to date	6.45"
Normal year to date	7.44"

HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE

HIGH	LOW
83°	59°
Normals	81° 54°
Records	100° (1970) 41° (2014)

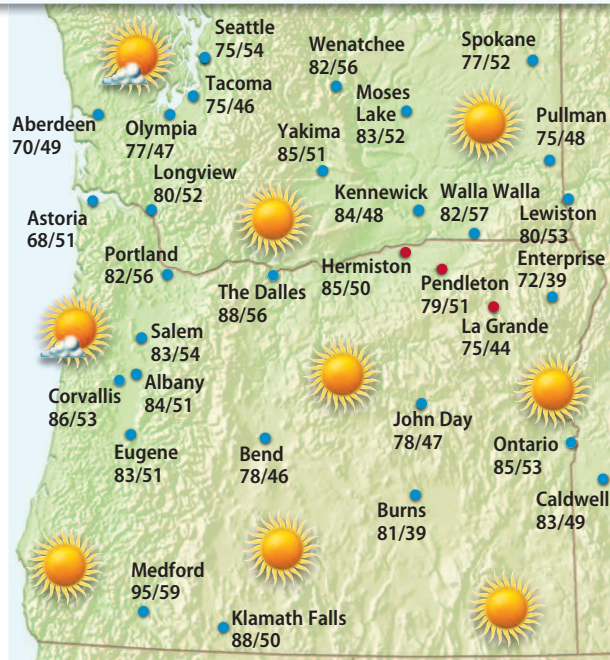
PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 3 p.m.	0.00"
Month to date	0.28"
Normal month to date	0.46"
Year to date	6.59"
Last year to date	4.64"
Normal year to date	5.57"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	5:06 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:48 p.m.
Moonrise today	4:09 a.m.
Moonset today	7:14 p.m.

New	First	Full	Last
June 23	June 30	July 8	July 16



REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Breezy today with plenty of sunshine; pleasant in the south. A starlit sky tonight.

Eastern and Central Oregon: Plenty of sun today; nice in the afternoon. A star-studded sky tonight.

Western Washington: Mostly sunny today. Tonight: a starry night. Sunshine tomorrow.

Eastern Washington: Plenty of sunshine today. Clear to partly cloudy tonight. Mostly sunny tomorrow.

Cascades: Plenty of sunshine today; nice during the afternoon. A starlit sky tonight.

Northern California: Plenty of sun today. Hot in central parts; pleasant at the coast. Clear tonight.

REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	68	51	s	73	54	s
Baker City	76	38	s	81	42	s
Bend	78	46	s	85	50	s
Brookings	78	58	s	71	55	s
Burns	81	39	s	85	43	s
Enterprise	72	39	s	78	44	s
Eugene	83	51	s	92	52	s
Heppner	78	47	s	84	50	s
Hermiston	85	50	s	91	53	s
John Day	78	47	s	85	52	s
Klamath Falls	88	50	s	92	52	s
La Grande	75	44	s	81	48	s
Meacham	73	42	s	79	46	s
Medford	95	59	s	103	65	s
Newport	63	49	s	69	53	s
North Bend	67	54	s	72	57	s
Ontario	85	53	s	88	56	s
Pasco	84	51	s	90	54	s
Pendleton	79	51	s	86	55	s
Portland	82	56	s	90	60	s
Redmond	82	43	s	89	47	s
Salem	83	54	s	92	57	s
Spokane	77	52	s	81	57	s
Ukiah	73	40	s	80	44	s
Vancouver	80	53	s	88	58	s
Walla Walla	82	57	s	89	60	s
Yakima	85	51	s	89	56	s

WORLD CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	74	67	t	79	68	sh
Hong Kong	89	83	t	89	83	t
Jerusalem	79	60	s	80	62	s
London	79	58	pc	77	60	pc
Mexico City	82	54	pc	84	53	pc
Moscow	61	47	sh	64	47	pc
Paris	97	60	pc	83	57	s
Rome	84	66	s	84	66	pc
Seoul	82	67	pc	88	70	pc
Sydney	64	50	pc	66	49	s
Tokyo	79	69	pc	81	70	pc

WINDS

(in mph)	Today	Friday
Boardman	NNE 4-8	NE 4-8
Pendleton	NNW 4-8	NNE 4-8

UV INDEX TODAY

2	5	7	7	5	2
8 a.m.	10 a.m.	Noon	2 p.m.	4 p.m.	6 p.m.

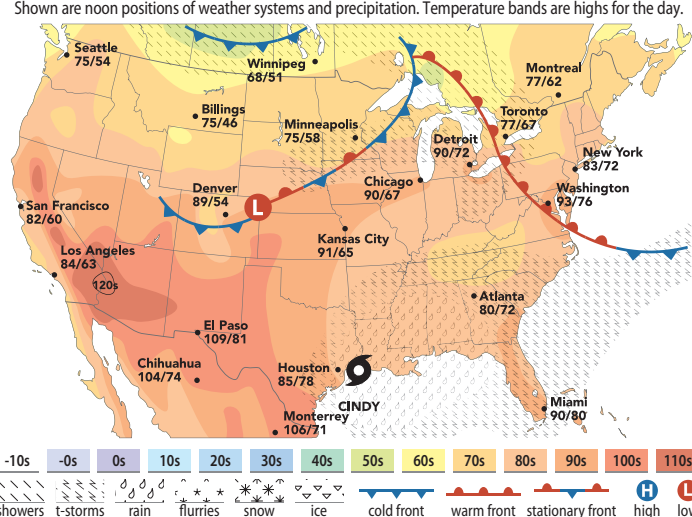
0-2, Low; 3-5, Moderate; 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.



National Summary: Torrential rain and the flood risk from Cindy will extend from Texas to Georgia and across the interior South today. Severe storms will blast the North Central states as heat continues in the Southwest.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 122° in Needles, Calif. Low 34° in Embarrass, Minn.

NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	102	69	s	97	68	pc
Atlanta	80	72	t	88	74	c
Atlanta City	81	72	pc	81	71	t
Baltimore	91	72	pc	87	71	t
Billings	75	46	s	72	48	c
Birmingham	80	74	r	85	73	c
Boise	83	52				