



HAST REGONIAN FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2018

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142nd Year, No. 62

WINNER OF THE 2017 ONPA GENERAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

One dollar

Your Weekend



- **Cabin Fever Concert** in Hermiston Saturday
- Dancing with your **Hermiston Stars**
- **Rev. Deacon Chuck Barnes Ordination**

For times and places see Coming Events, 5A

Catch a movie



Warner Bros. Pictures via AF

A hyperintelligent bear who spreads joy and marmalade hunts down a book thief that threatens to ruin his aunt's 100th birthday in "Paddington 2."

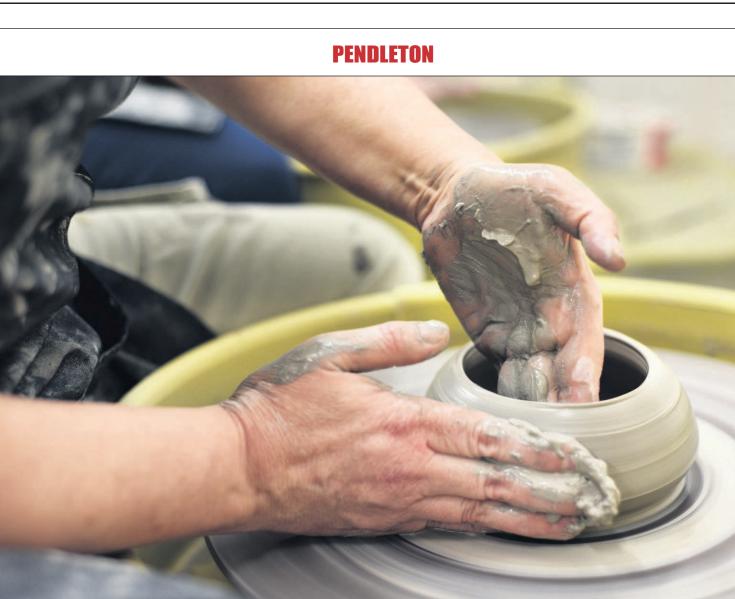
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Weekend Weather

Fri Sat Sun



Camp Umatilla training



Taking a spin on the wheel

ABOVE: Erika Anuca's hands are covered in wet clay as she uses her fingers to build up the sides of a piece of pottery while taking a beginning wheel throwing pottery class Thursday at the Pendleton Center for the Arts. Anuca said she found an old notebook with notes in it from the last time she



center to get \$25M upgrade

East Oregonian

With about 7,500 acres of former Umatilla Chemical Depot land now in the hands of the Oregon National Guard, the Oregon Military Department is planning to invest \$25 million to improve the facilities.

According to a report Thursday from the public affairs office of the Oregon National Guard, the new training center west of Hermiston will be used for weekend and annual training requirements for the Guard and other military branches. It will also house the 249th

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took a pottery class 20 years ago

RIGHT: Instructor Marie Pratuch demonstrates how to start the walls of a pot while teaching a be-ginning wheel throwing pottery class. This is the eighth time Pratuch has taught this class at the arts center and she said there was so much interest in it she had to open a second class.

Staff photos by E.J. Harris

EO file photo

Parking lot attendant direct traffic at the 2017 Umatilla County Fair in Hermiston.

Planning commission questions EOTEC's failure to meet conditions

By JADE MCDOWELL East Oregonian

The Eastern Oregon Trade and Event Center has been directed to report to the Hermiston Planning Commission each month leading up to the next Umatilla County Fair after failing to meet multiple conditions of a parking variance granted by the city.

Commissioners said during a meeting Wednesday that they supported the

fair and the Farm-City Pro Rodeo and wanted those events to succeed, but they couldn't turn a blind eye to the infractions committed during the 2017 Umatilla County Fair.

"We can't make EOTEC above everyone else in the city we have a responsibility for," Phil Hamm said. The EOTEC board had

obtained a variance from the planning commis-sion in 2017 allowing some parking and traffic

requirements to be waived during large events with more than 2,000 people in exchange for meeting certain conditions. But most of the six conditions were not met during the 2017 fair and rodeo, including requirements to notify neighbors and to submit an event permit application, a lighting plan, an overflow parking plan and shuttle ridership count. The events

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Officers become experts in spotting drug impairment

Two-week course reviews cannabis, prescription drugs, meth and cocaine

training

By JAYATI RAMAKRISHNAN East Oregonian

become certified. When a car swerves off the road but a Breath-

alyzer shows the driver has no alcohol in their bloodstream, police have to determine if the person is under influence the something of else and what is causing the impairment.

То answer these questions, most agencies have trained drug recognition experts, officers who use а 12-step protocol at a hospital or police station recognize to

when someone is impaired by a substance other than alcohol.

Sgt. Josh Roberts, one of two such experts for the Umatilla County Sheriff's

After applying to the position, candidates spend a few days dedicated to basics. "We make sure the candi-

Office, said officers have

to go through a lengthy

program to

dates can appropriately do and interpret field sobriety tests,' Roberts said. Through two-week

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a person's brain

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