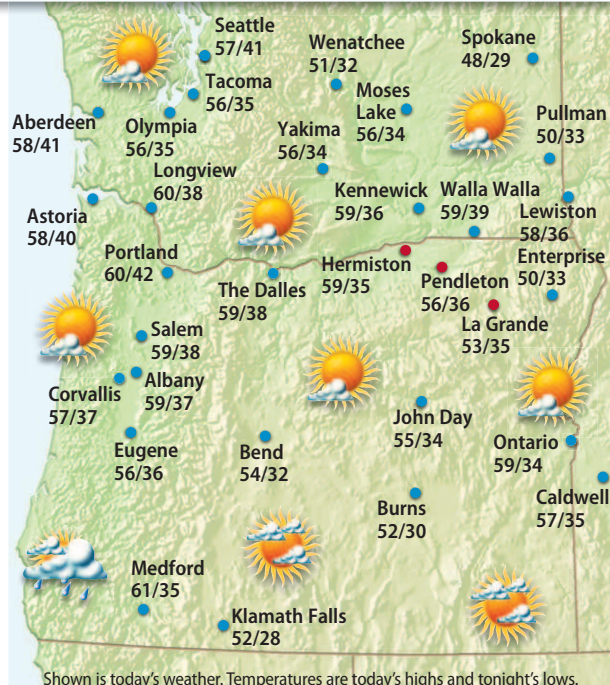


AccuWeather Forecast
 TODAY SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY
 Mostly sunny Mostly sunny Plenty of sun A few showers in the afternoon Mostly cloudy with a little rain
 PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST
 56° 36° 57° 35° 63° 46° 64° 41° 54° 33°
 HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST
 59° 35° 60° 34° 62° 41° 65° 43° 58° 32°

ALMANAC
PENDELTON
 through 3 p.m. yesterday
TEMPERATURE
 HIGH LOW
 Yesterday 56° 42°
 Normals 53° 34°
 Records 77° (1916) 21° (1933)
PRECIPITATION
 24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.01"
 Month to date 0.52"
 Normal month to date 0.33"
 Year to date 2.85"
 Last year to date 4.61"
 Normal year to date 2.84"

HERMISTON
 through 3 p.m. yesterday
TEMPERATURE
 HIGH LOW
 Yesterday 58° 46°
 Normals 56° 33°
 Records 76° (2005) 16° (1933)
PRECIPITATION
 24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
 Month to date 0.12"
 Normal month to date 0.29"
 Year to date 1.75"
 Last year to date 3.74"
 Normal year to date 2.53"

SUN AND MOON
 Sunrise today 6:18 a.m.
 Sunset tonight 5:54 p.m.
 Moonrise today 2:11 a.m.
 Moonset today 11:34 a.m.
 New First Full Last
 Mar 17 Mar 24 Mar 31 Apr 8



REGIONAL FORECAST
Coastal Oregon: A brief shower today; times of clouds and sun, except sunnier across the north.
Eastern and Central Oregon: Sunny to partly cloudy today, except increasing cloudiness near the Cascades.
Western Washington: Sunny to partly cloudy today. Mostly cloudy tonight. Mostly sunny tomorrow.
Eastern Washington: Mostly sunny today. A passing shower across the south and toward the Cascades tonight.
Cascades: A shower in the south today; turning cloudy in central parts. Mostly sunny across the north.
Northern California: Mostly cloudy today. A bit of snow in the interior mountains tonight.

REGIONAL CITIES

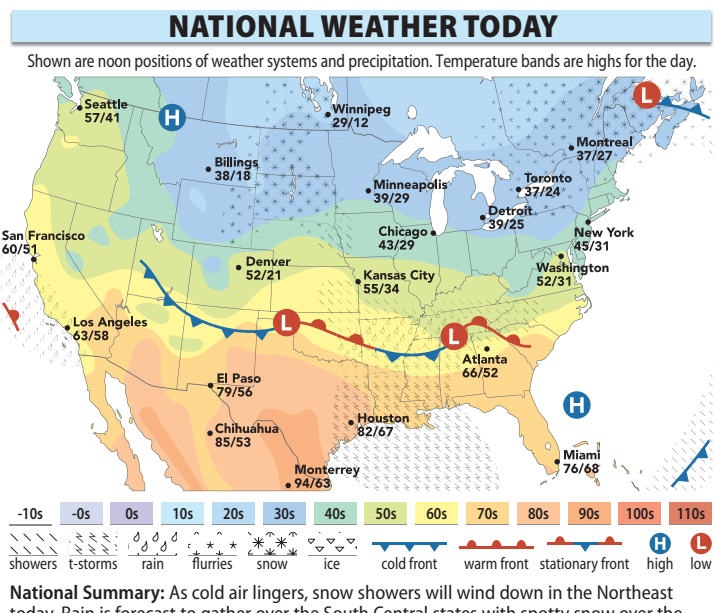
	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	58	40	s	62	45	pc
Baker City	54	31	s	56	29	s
Bend	54	32	pc	59	34	s
Brookings	57	43	pc	60	46	pc
Burns	52	30	s	55	30	s
Enterprise	50	33	s	53	31	s
Eugene	56	36	r	63	39	pc
Heppner	53	34	s	56	34	s
Hermiston	59	35	s	60	34	s
John Day	55	34	s	58	35	s
Klamath Falls	52	28	pc	59	33	pc
La Grande	53	35	s	56	34	s
Meacham	50	32	s	54	32	s
Medford	61	35	pc	68	41	pc
Newport	57	41	s	60	45	pc
North Bend	57	42	pc	60	45	pc
Ontario	59	34	s	59	33	s
Pasco	59	33	s	60	32	s
Pendleton	56	36	s	57	35	s
Portland	60	42	s	66	46	s
Redmond	57	29	s	61	35	s
Salem	59	38	s	66	41	s
Spokane	48	29	s	51	31	s
Ukiah	51	30	s	55	31	s
Vancouver	60	39	s	65	44	s
Walla Walla	59	39	s	58	39	s
Yakima	56	34	s	60	33	s

WORLD CITIES

	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	57	23	s	53	32	s
Hong Kong	69	60	s	70	65	s
Jerusalem	60	45	pc	61	46	s
London	56	43	c	55	46	t
Mexico City	81	53	pc	83	53	pc
Moscow	21	15	sn	23	17	sn
Paris	62	49	t	61	46	t
Rome	60	51	pc	62	49	t
Seoul	47	31	s	50	31	pc
Sydney	77	63	pc	80	63	s
Tokyo	51	43	pc	56	44	pc

WINDS
 (in mph)
Boardman NE 6-12 NE 4-8
Pendleton NNE 6-12 N 6-12

UV INDEX TODAY
 1 3 4 3 1 0
 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
 The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.
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NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	69	39	pc	47	34	sh
Atlanta	66	52	pc	61	43	r
Atlantic City	47	30	s	46	33	pc
Baltimore	48	26	s	46	30	pc
Billings	38	18	pc	36	25	s
Birmingham	65	55	t	67	38	r
Boise	56	35	s	57	35	s
Boston	44	31	pc	46	30	s
Charleston, SC	72	51	pc	71	54	r
Charleston, WV	48	28	pc	47	29	c
Chicago	43	29	pc	41	28	pc
Cleveland	36	21	pc	38	25	pc
Dallas	80	56	t	62	41	pc
Denver	52	21	c	50	21	s
Detroit	39	25	s	41	24	s
El Paso	79	56	s	61	42	c
Fairbanks	29	4	pc	27	8	pc
Fargo	35	21	c	32	11	pc
Honolulu	79	67	s	80	68	c
Houston	82	67	t	74	48	c
Indianapolis	45	28	pc	43	26	c
Jacksonville	74	51	pc	77	58	r
Kansas City	55	34	c	43	27	sn
Las Vegas	68	56	pc	69	57	c
Little Rock	67	51	r	61	36	sh
Los Angeles	63	58	r	69	58	c
Louisville	53	34	c	49	30	r
Memphis	63	50	r	59	36	r
Miami	76	68	sh	82	70	t
Milwaukee	40	28	pc	39	29	pc
Minneapolis	39	29	c	40	24	c
Nashville	58	47	r	56	34	r
New Orleans	77	63	t	80	52	sh
New York City	45	31	s	45	31	s
Oklahoma City	69	42	c	55	31	pc
Omaha	50	31	c	40	25	c
Philadelphia	45	28	s	45	31	pc
Phoenix	80	63	pc	77	62	c
Portland, ME	42	29	c	44	26	pc
Providence	44	29	pc	48	30	s
Raleigh	56	41	c	46	33	r
Rapid City	38	16	sf	36	16	s
Reno	56	34	c	62	38	c
Sacramento	64	45	c	69	52	pc
St. Louis	54	36	c	41	29	sh
Salt Lake City	55	37	pc	56	38	c
San Diego	66	60	r	71	59	c
San Francisco	60	51	c	67	54	pc
Seattle	57	41	s	62	43	s
Tucson	81	57	pc	76	56	c
Washington, DC	52	31	s	48	35	r
Wichita	71	35	c	50	29	pc

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Bledsoe passes on advice to local business community

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Drew Bledsoe said it was a blessing to grow up in the inland Northwest, a small enough place that there was an inevitable Pendleton connection.

During the Q & A portion of Bledsoe's speech, Jerry Baker stood up toward the back of the audience at the Wildhorse Resort & Casino ballroom, and asked if he remembered a trip to the Bar M Ranch near Adams when the Walla Walla High School stand-out was still in eighth grade, where the pair met.

Bledsoe said that he remembered his trip to Bar M, but hardly anyone would mistake him for a Pro Bowl quarterback at that time, saying he was all "knees and elbows" as a young teen.

Bledsoe eventually grew into his body, which led to an exemplary career as the Washington State University quarterback, becoming the first overall draft pick in the 1993 draft, a 13-year playing career in the NFL, four trips to the Pro Bowl and a Super Bowl ring.

He was invited to speak at the Pendleton Chamber of Commerce annual economic outlook event Friday night not only for his football accolades but for his success as the owner of Doubleback Winery in Walla Walla.

He had more than a few fans in the crowd and on stage, including Umatilla County Commissioner George Murdock, a vocal Washington State alum who said he's known the quarterback since he was a kid and collected his memorabilia.

Bledsoe based his speech around the similarities between business and football, which he said both involve work ethic, perseverance and flexibility.

He also stressed the importance of Pendleton's current business community using some of their time to pass on their wisdom to the next generation.

Pendleton Economic Development Director Steve Chrisman talked about confi-



Staff photo by E.J. Harris
Charles Denight, Pendleton Development Commission associate director, talks about the urban renewal plan for the city while sitting on a panel at the Pendleton Chamber of Commerce Economic Outlook Event on Friday at Wildhorse Resort & Casino in Mission.

dence, a quality he wasn't lacking during an earlier presentation.

Chrisman talked about the five things Pendleton needs to succeed economically, including tourism, housing, riverfront property development, a Pendleton sports complex and a hotel at the Pendleton Convention Center.

For the latter two, Chrisman shared renderings that showed a sports complex with several baseball fields, soccer fields and a football field. The hotel concept had multiple stories added to the existing convention center and a skyway leading straight to the Round-Up arena.

"These things are going to happen," he said. "It's not a matter of if, but when."

But the main attraction remained Bledsoe, who gave a shout out to Hamley SteakHouse and extolled the quality of the Milton-Freewater grapes he uses in most of his wines.

"We're a Walla Walla winery, but we use Oregon grapes," he said, later adding that he thought it was a shame that Milton-Freewater didn't get more credit for its contributions. "I think it's really important to note and I really appreciate it."

Joseph Hull, McCormack Construction's director of business development and operations, met Bledsoe previously at a conference

in Seattle and suggested bringing him in when the chamber considered revamping its economic outlook event.

Before Bledsoe had to leave for another engagement, Hull joked that Pendleton was adopting Bledsoe as its own. A coach at Summit High School in Bend, Bledsoe said he couldn't give himself fully to Pendleton, but he would root for the Buckaroos the other 364 days of the year.

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Meet-and-greet for Desert View principal candidates on Tuesday

East Oregonian

Hermiston residents will be able to meet some of the finalists for the Desert View Elementary School principal job next week, when the district hosts a meet-and-greet at the school's library. The event, from 4:45 to 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, will allow the community to meet the candidates and provide feedback about them through anonymous comment cards.

According to a press release from the district, finalists for the position are Mona Berry, Dan Greenough, Paul Grimaud and Bruce Neil. Greenough and Neil, who live in the region, will be at the event, while Berry and Grimaud, who

live out of the area, will be absent.

Berry is currently a director of curriculum and instruction in Michigan, and has worked as a principal. She is currently getting her doctorate in instructional leadership at Northcentral University, an online, for-profit program.

Greenough is currently the principal of Pendleton High School, and in February announced his intent to resign that position at the end of this school year. He was a principal at Weston-McEwen High School and at Onalaska High School in Washington before coming to Pendleton.

Grimaud is the vice principal of the American Creativity Academy in

Kuwait. He has a master's degree in elementary education from the University of Bridgeport.

Neil has served as the interim principal of Ferndale Elementary School for the past year.

Before that, he was the superintendent and elementary school principal in the Cove School District, and has served as the dean of students and assistant principal at Central Middle School in Milton-Freewater.

Former Desert View principal Laura Jacobsma resigned in December, in the middle of her first year with the district. Assistant superintendent Bryn Browning is serving as the interim principal for the remainder of the school year.

Leaders say they'll consider bills to protect gun retailers

Capital Bureau

PORTLAND — Oregon legislative leaders say they are willing to change Oregon law to protect retailers that voluntarily restrict gun and ammunition sales to customers 21 and older.

Under state and federal law, Oregonians 18 and older can buy rifles and shotguns, and the ammunition for those firearms. You must be

at least 21 to buy a handgun and handgun ammunition.

Oregon Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian has concluded gun retailers that have stopped selling to customers younger than 21 in the wake of recent mass shootings could be violating the state's anti-discrimination laws.

The decision could be challenged at the Bureau of Labor and Industries or

in a civil court complaint.

Oregon law has made exemptions to the anti-discrimination law for the sales of alcohol and marijuana, in which case retailers are required to refuse to sell those products to people younger than 21. In order to raise the minimum age to buy firearms, state lawmakers would need to enact an exemption next legislative session.

Corrections
 The East Oregonian works hard to be accurate and sincerely regrets any errors. If you notice a mistake in the paper, please call 541-966-0818.

NOTICE OF CANDIDATES' FORUM
 Political forum involving the 7 candidates running in the May 2018 congressional primary. The Winner of the primary will serve as the candidate from the Democratic Party who will run against incumbent Republican Greg Walden for the seat in the US Congress representing the Second Congressional District of Oregon.

Date: Friday, March 23, 2018
Time: 6-8 p.m.
Location: Bob Clapp Theatre on the BMCC campus, Pendleton, OR
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