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'The next big accomplishment'



Tanner Faris poses in front of a "U.S. Port of Entry" sign in Blaine, Washington. PROVIDED BY TANNER FARIS

Eugene teacher bikes Pacific Coast from Canada to Mexico in 7 days

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The distance from the Canada border to the Mexico border of the United States along the Pacific Coast is around 1,650 miles. The route features an elevation gain and loss of nearly 80,000 feet. • Lifelong cyclist and Eugene middle school teacher Tanner Faris was unfazed. • He set his sights on smashing the fastest known time on the route — nine days and 14 hours by Tyler Pearce at the time of his decision — and to do it by himself with no material support. **See BIKING, Page 6A**

'Skyline 7' members sentenced to prison

Four men plead guilty, get minimum one year

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After pleading guilty to plotting to burglarize the homes of Asian American and Pacific Islander community members in Oregon and Washington, four men were sentenced to at least one year in prison.

The men, identified as Derinson Martinez-Grandas, John Alexander Quintero, Steven Alexander Quiroga-Solano and William Estivien Rodriguez-Gaviria, were all members of an organized crime group deemed the "Skyline 7" by local law enforcement. Three members of the group remain at large and are wanted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Quiroga-Solano was sentenced to 21 months in prison, Martinez-Grandas was sentenced to 12 months and one day in prison, Quintero-Cadena was sentenced to 18 months in prison, and Rodriguez-Gaviria was sentenced to 12 months and one day in prison at the U.S. District Courthouse in Eugene on June 7. All will be deported from the U.S. upon their release.

In conjunction with the federal prosecution, the Lane County District Attorney's Office agreed to recommend that any sentence resulting from state charges run concurrently to the federal sentence.

The suspects are Colombian nationals and members of a burglary ring that terrorized not only the Eugene-Springfield communities, but several others across the Pacific Northwest since 2023. Burglaries linked to the criminal enterprise still occur to this day. At least 30 burglaries have been reported locally within the last three years. Since the start of June, at least two cameras monitoring the homes of local Asian business owners have been found hidden in shrubbery.

In sentencing memorandums

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After police raid, neighbors talk about Black Lotus Tattoo

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The prominent green-and-purple structure of Whiteaker neighborhood's Black Lotus Tattoo at 1011 W. Sixth Ave.

is in view of several businesses in the area. The activities taking place there, said one business manager, affected some guests' perceptions of safety.

The studio was raided June 25 by the Eugene Police Street Crimes Unit and Eugene SWAT officers, who were exe-

cuting a search warrant related to the March 11 armed robbery of a guest staying at Express Inn across the street. The masked suspects fled to the tattoo parlor, police said. Police reported finding 10 people living on the property, as well as fentanyl and a firearm. The building

is now boarded up.

The alleyway on the property is also "known for heavy foot traffic and hand to hand exchange drug dealing," a press release from EPD stated.

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