

UPS delivers holiday packages

Mike and Barbara Morehead want to give a shout out to those hard-working employees at United Parcel Service.

They were recently unloading airport pickup packages and distributing to the appropriate

delivery trucks for their final local destinations.

"They are swamped at Christmas time," said Barbara Morehead. "Service people deserve our thanks this time of year."

Markle boys thank first responders

Jeanine Younes of Pendleton shared about a project the children of Ashleah and Clinton Markle did to help make the holidays brighter for local first responders.

The boys distributed bags with candy and homemade Christmas ornaments to local law enforce-

ment officers, dispatchers and firefighters.

"You are the role models of our youth today," Ashleah Markle wrote on her Facebook post. "And we are so thankful to the amazing crews we do have in Pendleton and Umatilla County."

Lutheran church gives to ministries

Faith Lutheran Church is making the holiday season brighter for six local and international ministries.

The council for the Pendleton church recently voted to give each \$400, for a total of \$2,400.

Those receiving funds include **The Salvation Army Pendleton Corps; Young Life of Pendleton; Lost & Found Youth Outreach** via **Danny Bane;**

Gideons of Pendleton; Samaritan's Purse; and Compassion International.

Faith Lutheran Church meets each Sunday for a 9 a.m. Bible study and 10:30 a.m. worship service in the Oregon Trail Room at the Red Lion, 304 S.E. Nye Ave., Pendleton.

Everyone is welcome. For more information, call **Bob Wright** at 541-276-6549.



Photo contributed by Leah Johnson

Community Bank distributes part of the money raised from its annual Holiday Charity Drive. Pictured are Chris Clemons, board chairman/executive director; Rande Bronson, vice president/branch manager of Pendleton Community Bank; and Dwight Johnson, treasurer of Neighbor 2 Neighbor.

THANK YOU

Angel turns in lost wallet

Recently while shopping I lost my wallet. It was not until the next morning that I discovered it was missing. After searching the house and car to see if it had fallen out of my purse, I drove to town and started checking stores I had been to the day before.

I went to Wal-Mart's lost and found and gave them my name and a description of my wallet. But I had some serious doubts that anyone would turn it in. I was wrong! Some kind honest

person had found it and turned it in to lost and found.

Words can't begin to describe how relieved I am. Unfortunately, I do not have any way to contact and thank this "angel." I can only hope they read this and see my thank you.

There are honest people in this world. But sadly we only seem to hear about the ones who are not. Merry Christmas to this person and thank you for helping to make mine a whole lot happier.

Beverly Stoddard
Echo

Community Bank gives during holiday season

More than \$24,000 was distributed during **Community Bank's** annual Charity Drive.

Held during from November through December 18, the program collects donations in branches to benefit charities in that same community. This season a grand total of \$24,116.03 in donations and bank matches were dispersed to charities assisting local citizens in need.

The bank matches up to \$500 per branch at 50 cents on the dollar. The project included 13 participating branches. Amounts and the charity donations given to organizations in Umatilla and Morrow counties included:

•**Milton-Freewater City Light and Power Energy Assistance Program** through **The Salvation Army** (Milton-Freewater branch), \$1,975.

•**Neighborhood Center Food Bank** (Heppner branch), \$790.

•**Neighbor 2 Neighbor Warming Station** (Pendleton branch), \$525.

•**Martha's House** (Hermiston branch), \$510.

Since 2010, the Community Bank Charity Drive has provided more than \$119,000 to charities in the region.

Community Bank thanks all the people and clubs that donated to the fundraising efforts.

ENGAGEMENT



Madison Garcia and Bryce Pollock

Garcia-Pollock

Madison Garcia and Bryce Pollock of Hermiston have announced their engagement.

Madison is the daughter of Joe Garcia and Sherri Garcia, both of Hermiston. She is a 2010 graduate of Hermiston High School and a 2014 graduate of Oregon Institute of Technology in Klamath Falls. She works as a dental hygienist for Dr. Robert Carr DMD in Umatilla and for Hayden Dental in Hermiston.

Bryce is the son of Sam and Tracey Pollock of Hermiston. He graduated from HHS in 2011 and from Blue Mountain Community College in 2013. He works for Pollock & Son Inc. in Hermiston.

Madison and Bryce will exchange vows March 19, 2016, in Hermiston.

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

DEC. 21, 2015

THOMPSON — Jennifer M. Thompson and James M. Thompson of Pendleton; a boy, Ethan Gregory Thompson.

DEC. 22, 2015

ESPINOZA — Catherine Moyer and Tino Espinoza of Fossil; a boy, Clancy Shane Espinoza.

KREBS — Kayla A. Krebs and Heath H. Krebs of Pendleton; a girl, Zoe Joy Ann Krebs.

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

DEC. 23, 2015

MORALES GUTIERREZ — Yolanda Gutierrez Munoz and Alberto R. Morales Martines of Hermiston; a girl, Yolanda Morales Gutierrez.

DEC. 25, 2015

CAMPOS — Ofelia R. Cisneros and Luis Campos of Irrigon; a boy, Izan Luis Campos.

DEC. 28, 2015

ZAMUDIO — Vanessa A. Garza Robles and Horacio Zamudio Sanchez of Hermiston; a girl, Zylah Anahi Zamudio.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, JAN. 2

MORROW UMATILLA RETIRED EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Roosters Restaurant, 1515 Southgate.

PENDLETON EAGLES STEAK AND LIVE MUSIC, 6-8 p.m. dinner, music 8 p.m. to midnight, Pendleton Eagles Lodge #28, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Open to members and guests. (541-278-2828).

SUNDAY, JAN. 3

HERMISTON EAGLES BREAKFAST, 8-11 a.m., 160 N.W. Second St. Members and guests welcome.

PENDLETON EAGLES BREAKFAST, 9 a.m. to noon, Pendleton Eagles Lodge #28, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Open to members and guests. (541-278-2828).

PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), 4 p.m. no-host late lunch, 5 p.m. monthly meeting, location varies, Pendleton. (Vicki Read 541-966-8414).

MONDAY, JAN. 4

PARKINSON'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP OF HERMISTON, 1 p.m., Desert Lanes Bowling Alley meeting room, 1545 N. First St., Hermiston. People with Parkinson's Disease, their care partners, family, friends and others affected by the disease are encouraged to attend. (Carol Clupny 541-720-4265).

IRRIGON MOOSE LODGE TACOS AND BINGO, 6-9 p.m., tacos; 6:30-9 p.m., bingo. Bingo open to the public, 220 N.E. Third St. (541-922-1802 from noon to 8 p.m.)

UMATILLA-MORROW HEAD START, 6:30-8:30 p.m., 110 N.E. Fourth St., Hermiston. (Leanna 541-564-6878).

GREATER HERMISTON AREA TEA PARTY, 7 p.m., Stafford Hansell Government Center, 915 S.E. Columbia Ave., Hermiston. (rob@greaterhermistonareateaparty.com).

HERMISTON CLASSICS CAR CLUB, 7 p.m., 31120 Baggett Lane, Hermiston. (541-571-5960 or 541-571-3252).

HEPPNER GARDEN CLUB, 7 p.m., St. Patrick's Senior Center, 525 N. Gale St.

INLAND NORTHWEST MUSICIANS CHORALE, 7 p.m., Harris Jr. Academy gym, 3121 S.W. Hailey Ave., Pendleton. (RaNiel Dunn 541-289-4696).

PENDLETON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, 7 p.m., Community Room, Pendleton City Hall, 501 S.E. Emigrant Ave. (Michael Califf 541-276-8132).

TUESDAY, JAN. 5

ECHO QUARTERBACK CLUB, 6 a.m., Home Economics Room, Echo High School, 610 Gerone St. (541-376-8214).

PENDLETON TOASTMASTERS No. 154, 6:45 a.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave. (toastmasterdarlenesue@gmail.com).

TOPS CHAPTER OR 1110, 8 a.m. weigh-in, meeting starts at 8:45 a.m., Missionary Baptist Church, 125 E. Beech St., Hermiston. (Margaret Wetterling 541-720-0276).

BIBLE STUDY, 10 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 352 S.E. Second St., Pendleton. (Rev. Jim Pierce 541-276-2616).

GREENFIELD GRANGE PINOCHLE, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at The Hall, 209 N.W. First St., Boardman.

"THE LIFE MODEL - LIVING FROM THE HEART JESUS GAVE YOU" BOOK STUDY GROUP, 1-2:30 p.m., Bowman Building, 17 S.W. Frazer, Pendleton. (Pat 541-276-6671).

BLUE MOUNTAIN GENEALOGY SOCIETY, 2 p.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave. New members welcome.

PIONEER LADIES CLUB, 2 p.m., Vert Club Room, 345 S.W. Fourth St., Pendleton. (Patsy Cratty 541-276-8252).

STUDYING THE MIRACLES OF JESUS, 4-6 p.m., Good Samaritan Ministries, 319 W. Locust Ave., Hermiston. (541-564-1041).

PENDLETON EAGLES BINGO, 6-8 p.m. tacos for members and guests only, bingo at 6:30 p.m., Pendleton Eagles Lodge #28, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Regular packet \$10, special packet \$5. Proceeds donated to local charities. (541-278-2828).

HERMISTON EAGLES BINGO, 6 p.m. doors open, games begin at 7 p.m., 160 N.W. Second St. Members and their guests welcome.

A SHARP PLAYERS ORCHESTRA, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Pendleton High School band room, 1800 N.W. Carden Ave., Pendleton. Intermediate orchestra for players of any instrument. (Oregon East Symphony 541-276-0320).

AWANA, 6:30-8 p.m., Pendleton Baptist Church, 3202 S.W. Nye Ave., Pendleton. For children ages 3 through the sixth grade. (541-276-7590).

PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB, 6:30 p.m., Great Pacific Wine and Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St, Pendleton.

PRELUDES ORCHESTRA, 6:30 p.m., Blue Mountain Community College McRae Activity Center, 2411 N.W. Carden Ave., Pendleton. For beginning strings players of all ages. (Oregon East Symphony 541-276-0320).

ODD FELLOWS EUREKA LODGE NO. 32, 7 p.m., IOOF Hall, 19 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. (Glady's Biggerstaff 541-276-4417).

KBLU-FM COMMUNITY RADIO, 6:45 p.m., Bowman Building Suite 352, 17 S.W. Frazer Ave., Pendleton. (Vickie 541-566-2744 or Gary 541-566-0131).

HERMISTON MASONIC LODGE NO. 138, AF and AM, 7:30 p.m., at The Hall, 200 W. Orchard Ave.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 6
HERMISTON BREAKFAST KI-

WANIS CLUB, 6:30 a.m., Umatilla-Morrow Head Start Center, 110 N.E. Fourth St.

WILLOW RUN LADIES GOLF CLUB, 8 a.m., rain or shine at the Willow Run Golf Course, Boardman. Participants do not need to be a member to play with the club. (541-481-4381).

NIMBLE THIMBLES QUILTERS, 10 a.m., 435 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston.

CAY-UMA-WA TOASTMASTERS, 12 noon-1 p.m., Wildhorse Casino & Resort Birch boardroom, 46510 Wildhorse Blvd., Pendleton. Everyone welcome.

HERMISTON LION'S CLUB, 12 noon, Desert Lanes Bowling Alley.

RETIRED ST. ANTHONY HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES, 12 noon, Sunridge Retirement Community, 3234 S.W. Nye Ave., Pendleton. Luncheon \$3.50 per person (Edith 541-276-8622 for reservations).

GREENFIELD GRANGE GWA, 1 p.m., at The Hall, 209 N.W. First St., Boardman.

HERMISTON ELKS DINNER, 5:30-8 p.m., 480 E. Main St.

DOG SCOUTS OF AMERICA LET 'ER BARK TROOP #153, 6-7 p.m., D&B Supply community room, 850 Southgate, Pendleton.

OREGON GRASS ROOTS CRIBBAGE CLUB NO. 2, 6:30 p.m., Desert Lanes Bowling Alley, 1545 N. First St., Hermiston. All levels of players welcome. (541-567-6594).

ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING, 6:30 p.m., Adams City Hall, 190 N. Main St.

BLUE MOUNTAIN A'S MODEL

A FORD CLUB, 7 p.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave. Anyone interested in learning about the Model A Ford is welcome. (Jim Smootz 541-276-2858).

THURSDAY, JAN. 7

BOARDMAN KIWANIS, 6:45 a.m., Riverfront Lodge, 6 E. Marine Drive.

TUMBLEWEED TOASTMASTERS, 6:45 a.m., Conference Room 3&4, Good Shepherd Medical Center, 610 N.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Visitors welcome. (541-567-4349).

PENDLETON DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION, 7 a.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave.

PENDLETON LIONS CLUB, 7 a.m., Roosters Restaurant, 1515 Southgate, Pendleton.

ARTS AND CRAFTS FROM THE DRY SIDE, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., basement of Assembly of God Church, 730 East Hurlburt Ave., Hermiston. Use the Seventh Street entrance. Monthly business meeting at noon. (541-567-4446).

UMATILLA DOG WALKING CLUB, 10 a.m., 630 Switzler St. at the dog wash in front of Umatilla High School.

ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL OF HERMISTON, 12 noon, ARC of Umatilla County, 215 W. Orchard Ave.

HERMISTON LINEBACKER CLUB

12 noon to 1 p.m., Desert Lanes, 1545 N. First St., Hermiston. Hear HHS football coach David Faateete discuss last week's game and talk about the upcoming tilt. RSVP by Wednesday at 3 p.m. to 541-567-5215. Cost is \$11 for members, \$13 for non-members.

HERMISTON ROTARY CLUB, 12 noon, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Parish Hall, Fifth Street and Locust Avenue.

PENDLETON KIWANIS CLUB, 12 noon, Roosters Restaurant,

1515 Southgate, Pendleton. Guests welcome. ((541-278-5785).

PENDLETON LINEBACKER'S CLUB, 12 noon, Pendleton Elks Lodge; 14 S.E. Third St.; fee for lunch.

PAULINE REBEKAH LODGE NO. 13, 2 p.m., IOOF Hall, 19 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. (Glady's 541-276-4417 or Marguerite 541-276-2853).

HERMISTON HORSESHOE CLUB, 5 p.m., Weber Field, 600 S. First St., Hermiston. (Rick Rebman 541-720-6402).

Pet of the Week



Buttons

10 Year Old, Spayed, Domestic Shorthair

Buttons is a sweet senior cat who loves to sit and watch the world go by. She would love to be in a low-key home as an only kitty. While she loves attention, it must be on HER terms - go outside her boundaries and she may be prickly (she may not be the best around young children!). If adding Buttons to your household has peaked your interest, please stop by PAWS for a visit. She has been spayed, vaccinated, tested negative for FeLV and treated for worms and fleas. What more for the new year could you ask for?

Visit Buttons at the Pioneer Humane Society/PAWS
517 SE 3rd St., Pendleton, OR
541-276-0181 • pendletonpaws.org

Check out the PAWSABILITY Thrift Store

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