

**PUBLIC SAFETY LOG**

**MONDAY**

6:18 a.m. - A window was broken out in a vehicle on East Beech Avenue in Hermiston. The stereo was ripped out but left behind.

7:38 a.m. - A Milton-Freewater woman reported the theft of her vehicle from the 100 block of Northeast 13th Avenue.

8:08 a.m. - Umatilla police received a tip about a possible illegal marijuana grow and is investigating.

8:10 a.m. - Umatilla police began an investigation into a guest room break-in at the Quality Inn, 705 Willamette St., Umatilla, and theft of a TV.

9:34 a.m. - A Umatilla woman on B Street reported that Sunday night around 10:30 p.m. she caught a white female near her husband's car with the door wide open. She said she did not report it at the time because she did not know she could make the report at night.

She added strange people started showing up at her house Sunday night after someone pushed a white car there during the weekend. That vehicle was still in front of her house, she said.

11:23 a.m. - A mother asked Pendleton police to check on the welfare of her two children, ages 8 and 10, who have been living with her estranged husband in a home without electricity since February.

11:35 a.m. - A vehicle drove through the chain link fence in the garden department at the Hermiston Wal-Mart. One store worker was struck and injured.

12:37 p.m. - A worker at the Port of Umatilla on Launch Lane and Roxbury Road, Umatilla, reported they were unloading box cars when the smell of ammonia became so strong it was nauseating. The caller asked police to check it out because he did not think anyone at the port would do anything about it.

12:59 p.m. - Two men parked a red Nissan pickup at a house on Sagebrush Road, Hermiston, then stood on a county road to cast fishing lines over a fence and into a pond on private property. That landowner said they were rude when he talked to them and asked for law enforcement to call.

1 p.m. - A man reported the theft of his binoculars from his vehicle on East Main Street, Ukiah. He said he locked it but left the windows down for his dogs.

2:35 p.m. - A resident on South Washington Street, Weston, drove their backhoe over their neighbor's yard, leaving marks.

4:05 p.m. - The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office received a report of an Athena man that abuses his dogs.

5:46 p.m. - Pendleton police responded to a report of an assault on Southwest First Street.

8:02 p.m. - A man wearing a DirecTV shirt and claiming to be from DirecTV knocked on a door to a home on East Jennie Avenue, Hermiston. The man had no badge or documentation, and the resident described him as "strange." He left in a green van with "Genesis" on the side, but cops were unable to find the man.

9:38 p.m. - The manager of Vista Village, 2801 S.W. Houtama Road, Pendleton, told police a resident banged on the door and yelled for him to come out and was becoming belligerent and wanted the owner's phone number.

10:09 p.m. - A caller told Pendleton police that two 15-year-old boys were trying to get money out of a man suffering from Alzheimer's disease.

11:39 p.m. - A Milton-Freewater caller on Phillips Road reported a female showed up on his property, she appeared distraught and confused and had no shoes. She also refused to leave. The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office reported arresting her but did not identify her or reveal any charges.

**ARRESTS, CITATIONS**

\*Stanfield police arrested Roberto Carlos Rivera, 44, address not provided, for unauthorized use of a vehicle.

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Henry 'Bruce' Putman  
McNary, Ore.  
April 14, 1956-April 23, 2016**

Henry "Bruce" Putman, 60, of McNary, Ore., died Saturday, April 23, 2016, in Portland. He was born April 14, 1956. A celebration of life will be held Saturday, May 7 at 3 p.m. at 12505 N.E. 151st St., Brush Prairie, Wash. Crown Memorial Center of Portland handled arrangements.

**Robert S. Zaklan  
Fruitland, Idaho  
April 29, 2016**

Former Pendleton resident Robert S. Zaklan, 56, of Fruitland, Idaho, died Friday, April 29, 2016, at his home. A celebration of life will be held Saturday, May 7 at 2 p.m. at Bible Baptist Church, 118 S. Main St., Payette, Idaho. Bowman Funeral Directors in Garden City, Idaho, handled arrangements.

**UPCOMING SERVICES**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 4**

**BILLING, ESTIE** — Recitation of the rosary at 7 p.m. at Burns Mortuary, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston.

**THURSDAY, MAY 5**

**BILLING, ESTIE** — Mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston, followed by a graveside memorial service at the Echo Cemetery. A meal will be provided for family and friends at the church parish hall following burial services.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 4**  
**HERMISTON BREAKFAST KIWANIS 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).

**MASTERS**, 6:45 a.m., Eastern Oregon Higher Education Center room 134, 975 S.E. Columbia Dr., Hermiston. Visitors welcome. (541-567-3360).  
**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 Switzer St. at the dog wash in front of Umatilla High School.  
**MORROW-UMATILLA RETIRED EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION**, 11 a.m. no-host lunch, Mac's Bar & Grill, 1400 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Guest speaker: Ron Martin of Pendleton Pioneer Chapel will present "Putting Your House In Order." Everyone welcome. (Bill Mayclin 541-276-4540).  
**ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL OF HERMISTON**, 12 noon, ARC of Umatilla County, 215 W. Orchard Ave.  
**HERMISTON ROTARY CLUB**, 12 noon, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Parish Hall, Fifth Street and Locust Avenue.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 4 • 5-7P**

*Wine Tasting*

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Specials BY THE GLASS & BOTTLE

**Melvin L. 'Mel' Brady**

**Milton-Freewater  
March 27, 1923-April 21, 2016**

Melvin L. "Mel" Brady of Milton-Freewater passed away April 21, 2016, at Whitman Place in Walla Walla at the age of 93 years.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 30, 2016, at 2 p.m. at the Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home in Milton-Freewater. Concluding services and interment followed in the Milton-Freewater Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Wounded Warriors through the funeral home. A reception was held at Grace Presbyterian Church, 703 S. Main, Milton-Freewater, immediately following the committal service.

A first-generation American, Mel was born March 27, 1923, in Lone, Ore., the son of Patrick and Marie Peterson Brady. He attended school in Lone and graduated from Lone High School. After his graduation, he joined the U.S. Navy and served in the South Pacific on the USS Colorado during WW II. After his discharge from the Navy he returned to Lone, then moved to Arlington, Ore., in 1947.

Mel worked for the Bank of Oregon for 7 1/2 years, then operated a bread truck for 7 1/2 years. He moved to

Pendleton for a time and to Milton-Freewater in 1964. On Aug. 1, 1968, he married Peggy Ringering in College Place. Peggy preceded him in death on Dec. 22, 1993.

He owned and operated the Union 76 Oil Distribution for 25 years, retiring in 1988. On April 27, 1997, he married Jeanne Wilhelm in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Mel was a member of American Legion Post #24, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #4567, the USS Colorado Alumni, and a life member of BPOE #2146.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanne Brady, at the home; daughters Shannon Brady and her husband Kevin Harper, and Kelly Brady; stepdaughters Nancy Brogan, Norene Carey, Phyllis Mow, Jane Briggs, Susan Alien, Linda Walker and Lisa Troxel; stepsons Jeff Frazier and Mike Wilhelm; a grandson, Kristopher Harper; and numerous stepgrandchildren, stepgreat-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was the best Dad and stepdad and loved by all.

He was preceded in death by two sisters and a grandson, Kian Harper.



**Brady**

**Robert A. Wahl**

**Fossil  
September 28, 1948-January 1, 2016**

Robert A. Wahl, born September 28, 1948, to Alvin and Ellen Palmer Wahl, passed away January 1, 2016. Robert, a long time resident of Fossil, Ore., was born and raised in the Walla Walla, Wash., area.

Robert spent many years enjoying the outdoors as a wild-land firefighter, logger and ranch hand. He spent a number of years as a dispatcher for Jack Gray Transport and CSU Transportation in Arlington, Ore. An excellent marksman and horseman, Robert loved hunting, fishing, trapping, and viewing new countryside.



**Wahl**

Robert is survived by his daughter Amy Wahl Kuchenreuther, granddaughter Hayley Nelson, longtime companion and friend Della Thunderbird, brother Stephen Wahl, and sister Alice Tellefson. Other family members include three aunts and many loving nieces and nephews, as well as extended family throughout the western states.

**LOTTERY**

**Monday, May 2**

**Megabucks**  
06-11-14-22-28-36  
Estimated jackpot: \$3 million

**Lucky Lines**

01-07-11-16-FREE-20-24-25-30  
Estimated jackpot: \$51,000

**Win for Life**

15-20-38-66  
**Pick 4**  
1 p.m.: 3-5-8-5  
4 p.m.: 6-8-4-9  
7 p.m.: 3-5-7-2  
10 p.m.: 3-1-2-2

**Tuesday, May 3**

**Pick 4**  
1 p.m.: 7-8-0-3

**OBITUARY POLICY**

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**OBITUARIES**

**Bettyjane Bruner**

**Hermiston  
May 25, 1933-April 16, 2016**

Bettyjane Bruner was born May 25, 1933, at Detroit, Michigan, to parents Edwin and Dolly (Zimmer) Gilpin. She died Monday, April 16, 2016, in Hermiston, Oregon, at the age of 82.

She was raised in Camas, Washington, and graduated from high school in Washougal, Washington. She moved to Hermiston in 1950. She worked at the Crossroads Truck Stop as a cook and there she met the love of her life, Vernon Bruner, who was also a cook. They soon married and Bettyjane returned to school to become an accountant.

They managed an apartment complex in Walla Walla, Washington, for many years. They returned to Hermiston and lived at Sun Terrace Assisted Living Facility. She enjoyed attending church functions for the Baptist church. She was a quiet person who liked spending time with her friends. Bettyjane enjoyed playing bingo, crocheting, cross stitching and knitting



**Bruner**

afghans, but she dearly loved her family and their gatherings, especially during the holidays.

She is survived by her children Richard (Gloria) Ross of Hermiston, Ore., Debra (Gary) Maxey of Hermiston, Ore., and Nona Ross of Lebanon, Ore.; 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Vernon; parents Edwin and Dolly Gilpin; and brother Keal Marson.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2016, at 3:00 p.m. at Living

Faith Church, 1611 Diagonal Blvd., Hermiston, OR 97838.

Memorial contributions may be made to Vange John Memorial Hospice Education Fund, 645 W. Orchard Ave., Suite 300, Hermiston, OR 97838.

Please send condolences at [burnsmortuaryhermiston.com](http://burnsmortuaryhermiston.com)

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon, is in care of arrangements.

**Verna (Palensky) Dittus**

**Pilot Rock  
July 13, 1929-April 19, 2016**

Verna (Palensky) Dittus was born July 13, 1929, to James and Leah Palensky in Fredonia, North Dakota.

Verna Dittus passed away April 19, 2016, at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton, Oregon.

Verna Dittus was born at Fredonia, North Dakota, in the farm home of her grandparents, August and Christine Kusler. Verna grew up in North Dakota. She attended various schools there and graduated from high school in Milnor, North Dakota. After graduation she attended Ellendale Normal School and attained a teaching certificate. She taught for 13 years, teaching all eight grades in a county school.

Verna married Clifford Dittus in Fredonia, N.D., October 18, 1953. They continued to farm on his family's farm in North Dakota until 1981. At this time they sold the family farm to a niece and her husband, and moved to Pilot Rock, Oregon. They

joined her parents, her sister and brother-in-law in Pilot Rock.

Her husband Clifford passed way in 2010. She continued to reside at home until her death. Her parents also preceded her in death.

She is survived by her sister and brother-in-law, Mary Lue and Raymond Slabik of Pilot Rock. She is also survived by cousins on the Palensky side of the family as well as several nieces and nephews on the Dittus side of the family.

Verna was a member of the Nazarene Church in Pilot Rock, Oregon. The family suggests any memorial contributions in honor of Verna Dittus be directed to the Nazarene Church of Pilot Rock, PO Box 853, Pilot Rock, OR, 97868.

Sign the online condolence book at [www.burnsmortuary.com](http://www.burnsmortuary.com). Burns Mortuary of Pendleton handled arrangements.



**Dittus**

**MEETINGS**

**TEE**, 6 p.m., Irrigon Public Library, 490 N.E. Main St. (Kathy Street 541-481-3365).

**CONDON CITY COUNCIL**, 7 p.m., Condon City Hall, 128 S. Main St.

**UMATILLA RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**, 7 p.m., 305 Willamette Ave., Umatilla (McNary).

**HELIX SCHOOL BOARD**, 7:30, Helix School library, 120 Main St.

**THURSDAY, MAY 5**  
**PENDLETON DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION**, 7 a.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave.

**ADAMS PLANNING COMMISSION**, 6:30 p.m., Adams City Hall, 190 N. Main St.

**PENDLETON PLANNING COMMISSION**, 7 p.m., Pendleton City Hall council chambers, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave.

**FRIDAY, MAY 6**  
*No meetings scheduled*

**MONDAY, MAY 9**  
**BLUE MOUNTAIN EARLY LEARNING HUB GOVERNANCE BOARD**, 10 a.m., Inter-Mountain ESD, 2001 S.W. Nye Ave., Pendleton. (Sue Daggett 541-564-6878).

**PENDLETON SCHOOL BOARD**, 6 p.m., Pendleton Early Learning Center, 1308 S.W. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton.

**HERMISTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**, 6:30 p.m., district office, 502 W. Standard Ave.

**MILTON-FREEWATER SCHOOL BOARD**, 6:30 p.m., Central Middle School, 306 S.W. Second St.

**ATHENA-WESTON SCHOOL BOARD**, 7 p.m., Athena Elementary School library, 375 S. Fifth St.

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

**Lennox Lewis**  
*Nixyaawii Community School*

We, the staff at Nixyaawii Community School, recognize Lennox Lewis for Outstanding Student of the Month. Lennox will be officially graduating this May, but he has already earned his credits towards and met his essential skills for graduation. He has been interning since March in the CTUIR Communications Department hoping to pursue a degree in Multimedia Arts. He was also part of the boys' basketball team that placed third in state, the cross-country team and is currently on the golf team. Lennox is an inspiration for other young Native students with his involvement on the CTUIR Youth Leadership Council where he displays commitment and enthusiasm for bringing about change in Indian Country. We will miss his smile and winning personality.

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3D: 9:40

**KEANU (R)**  
4:30 6:50 9:20

**HUNTSMAN: THE WINTER'S WAR (PG13)**  
4:20 7:00 9:50

**MOTHERS DAY (PG13)**  
4:00 6:40 9:30

**THE BOSS (R)**  
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