

President pardons ex-sheriff convicted of defying judge's order

By ERIC TUCKER
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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Friday pardoned former sheriff Joe Arpaio, the retired Arizona lawman who was convicted for intentionally disobeying a judge's order in an immigration case.

The White House said the 85-year-old ex-sheriff of Arizona's Maricopa County was a "worthy candidate" for a presidential pardon.

The action came several days after Trump, at a rally in downtown Phoenix, strongly hinted that he intended to issue a pardon.

"So was Sheriff Joe was convicted for doing his job?" Trump asked supporters. "I'll make a prediction. I think he's going to be just fine, OK."

Arpaio, who became linked to Trump during the campaign for their hardline immigration views, was convicted of a misdemeanor for intentionally defying a judge's order to stop his traffic patrols that targeted immigrants.

Both politicians questioned the authenticity of then-President Barack Obama's birth certificate and have a similar history in sparring with judges.



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In this Jan. 26, 2016 file photo, then-Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump is joined by Joe Arpaio, the sheriff of metro Phoenix, at a campaign event in Marshalltown, Iowa. President Donald Trump has pardoned former sheriff Joe Arpaio following his conviction for intentionally disobeying a judge's order in an immigration case.

In the statement Friday night, the White House said, "Throughout his time as Sheriff, Arpaio continued his life's work of protecting the public from the scourges of crime and illegal

immigration. Sheriff Joe Arpaio is now eighty-five years old, and after more than fifty years of admirable service to our Nation, he is (a) worthy candidate for a Presidential pardon."

Woman charged with murder of friend in Portland apartment

Suspect recently lived in Pendleton

By SAMANTHA MATSUMOTO

The Oregonian/Oregonlive

A woman strangled her friend to death, then stabbed him before she turned herself into police Tuesday afternoon in Portland, according to court records.

Paris James McConville told police she killed Ryan D. Thompson in self-defense during a fight at Thompson's Southwest Portland apartment Monday evening, according to a probable cause affidavit written by Deputy District Attorney Bumjoon Park

and filed in Multnomah County Circuit Court on Wednesday.

McConville, 34, went to the Portland Police Station shortly after 3 p.m. Tuesday. McConville told police she "killed Mr. Thompson and deserved to be punished," the affidavit said. She had no visible injuries.

Earlier court records identified McConville as male, but the affidavit identified McConville as a woman. A Multnomah County sheriff's spokesman said Wednesday McConville is being held in a gender-neutral jail cell. McConville



McConville

had only recently moved to Portland from Pendleton, according to court records.

McConville said she and Thompson had been friends for a decade, but they fought frequently, the affidavit said.

During a fight Monday, McConville told police she strangled Thompson, then stabbed him, according to the affidavit. She told police at one point during the fight, she texted Thompson to tell him she had a knife.

Using a key McConville gave them, officers went to Thompson's apartment in the 700 block of S.W.

St. Clair Ave. Inside, they found Thompson's body in a bathtub. His belongings, including his wallet, were in the bathroom sink. Long strips of packing tape were found on Thompson's hands.

McConville later told police she killed Thompson by a bed, then moved his body to the bathroom, put his belongings in the sink and taped Thompson's hands.

The medical examiner later determined Thompson was strangled to death. He also had a stab wound on his arm and had been hit on the back of his head, the affidavit said.

McConville is charged with murder and unlawful use of a weapon.

COMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27 FIDDLER'S NIGHT, 2 p.m., Brookdale Assisted Living, 980 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston. Join the jam session or just listen. (541-567-3141)

ADULT OPEN GYM, 6:30 p.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Half-court basketball. Adults only.

MONDAY, AUGUST 28 TOT TIME, 10 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. For children ages 0-5.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME, 10:30 a.m., Athena Public Library, 418 E. Main St., Athena. For ages birth to 6. (541-566-2470)

PENDLETON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Pendleton Senior Center, 510 S.W. 10th St., Pendleton. Costs \$3.50 or \$6 for those under 60. Pool, puzzles, crafts, snacks. Second Time Around thrift store 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For Meals On Wheels, call 541-276-1926. (541-276-7101)

ART STUDIO, 4-5:30 p.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St., Pendleton. Free class for ages 7-12 to develop skills and encourage art exploration. (Roberta Lavadour 541-278-9201)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29 PRESCHOOL STORY TIME, 10:30-11 a.m., Stanfield Public Library, 180 W. Coe Ave., Stanfield. (541-449-1254)

BOARDMAN SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St., Boardman. Cost is \$4 for seniors 55 and over or \$5 for adults. (541-481-3257)

PENDLETON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Pendleton Senior Center, 510 S.W. 10th St., Pendleton. Costs \$3.50 or \$6 for those under 60. Pool, puzzles, crafts, snacks. Second Time Around thrift store 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For Meals On Wheels, call 541-276-1926. (541-276-7101)

HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church parish hall, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Cost is \$4 for adults, free for children 10 and under, \$4 for Meals on Wheels. Extra 50 cents for utensils/dishes. Bus service to parish hall by donation. (541-567-3582)

ATHENA TUESDAY MARKET, 4-7 p.m., Dugger Park, Main Street, Athena. Local vendors featuring food, crafts and more. Vendor spaces are free. (April McKenna or Katie Zmuda 541-310-9557)

CRAFTERNOONS, 4:15 p.m., Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Drop in for a group or individual craft project. All ages. (541-966-0380)

KARATE OPEN GYM, 5-6 p.m., Pendleton Recreation Center gym, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Lars Hansen will lead this all-ages class. Wear comfortable clothes. No experience necessary. (Casey Brown 541-276-8100)

PENDLETON EAGLES TACOS AND BINGO, 6 p.m., Pendleton Eagles Lodge, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Regular packet \$10, special packet \$5. Proceeds donated to local charities. Public welcome. (541-278-2828)

INSIDE OUTSIDE THE LINES ADULT COLORING, 6-7:30 p.m., Irrigon Public Library, 490 N.E. Main St., Irrigon. Materials provided. Bring snacks to share. (541-922-0138)

PENDLETON KNITTING GROUP, 6 p.m., Prodigal Son Brewery & Pub, 230 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton. (541-966-0380)

STORY AND CRAFT TIME, 6:30 p.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave., Milton-Freewater. For elementary school-age children. (541-938-8247)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30 BABY & ME LEARN & PLAY, 10-10:45 a.m., Hermiston Public Library back entrance, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. Engaging children and getting them excited about music, improving motor skills and sparking creativity while supporting early literacy development. For children ages newborn to 4 years and parent/guardian. (541-567-2882)

STORY TIME, 11:15 a.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. (541-567-2882)

STANFIELD SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Stanfield Community Center, 225 W. Roosevelt, Stanfield. Cost is \$3.50 for seniors, \$6 for others. (541-449-1332)

PENDLETON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Pendleton Senior Center, 510 S.W. 10th St., Pendleton. Costs \$3.50 or \$6 for those under 60. Pool, puzzles, crafts, snacks, Second Time Around thrift store 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For Meals On Wheels, call 541-276-1926. (541-276-7101)

ADULT BEGINNERS' COMPUTERS, 3-4 p.m., Pendleton Public Library meeting room, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Registration is required. Classes tailored to the needs of the attendees. (541-966-0380)

MID-WEEK MARKET, 4-8 p.m., Village Square Park, across from Umatilla Library, Sixth Street and H Avenue, Umatilla. Special guest musician Pamela Thomas-Martin will play Aug. 16 from 6-8 p.m. (541-922-3226)

ACHIEVING YOUR GOALS, 5:30 p.m., Pendleton Public Library National Parks Program area, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Theresa Peasley, healthy living director, will explain how to consistently meet your goals. Free. (Heather Culley 541-966-0380)

KIDS CLUB, 6:30-8 p.m., Hermiston Christian Center, 1825 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston. For ages 5-12. Includes open gym, games, prizes, snacks music, puppets and more. Transportation available. (Joanna Hayden 541-561-5573)

VEGAN/SUSTAINABLE LIVING POTLUCK SUPPER, 7 p.m., location varies, location varies, Pendleton. Bring a vegan dish and recipe. Gluten-free friendly group. Call to RSVP and for driving directions. (541-969-3057)

DEATH NOTICES

Ralph Edmondson

Athena

March 17, 1932 - Aug. 23, 2017

Ralph Edmondson, 85, of Athena died Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2017, at his home. He was born March 17, 1932. Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home in Milton-Freewater is in charge of arrangements.

Robert F. 'Bob' Hubbard

Ione

Jan. 23, 1938 - Aug. 18, 2017

Robert F. "Bob" Hubbard, 79, of Ione died Friday, Aug. 18, 2017, in Ione. He was born Jan. 23, 1938, in Dayton, Wash. A celebration of life will be held Saturday, Sept. 2 at 2 p.m. at the Ione American Legion Hall. Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in care of arrangements.

Mark R. Seltmann

Athena

Aug. 20, 1959 - Aug. 24, 2017

Mark R. Seltmann, 58, of Athena died Thursday, Aug. 24, 2017, in Spokane, Wash. He was born Aug. 20, 1959, in Portland. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of arrangements. Sign the online condolence book at www.burnsmortuary.com

UPCOMING SERVICES

SATURDAY, AUG. 26

BARKER, LYNN — Graveside service at 9 a.m. at the Athena Cemetery. A memorial service will follow at 10:30 a.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church, 703 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater.

GROSSMILLER, JABUDAH — Celebration of life at 11 a.m. at Stanfield Baptist Church, 310 N.E. Wheeler Ave.

HAYES, EVELYN — Celebration of life from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at McKenzie Park, 320 S. First St., Hermiston.

LAMBIER, BETTE — Funeral service at 1 p.m. in the chapel at Burns Mortuary, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery.

SUNDAY, AUG. 27

ENGLAND, JOHNNIE — Celebration of life service at 2 p.m. at New Beginnings Christian Fellowship, 700 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston.

HOWARD, BUD — Celebration of life service at 3 p.m. at Stanfield Baptist Church, 310 N.E. Wheeler Ave.

MONDAY, AUG. 28

No services scheduled.

TUESDAY, AUG. 29

No services scheduled.

OBITUARY POLICY

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MEETINGS

MONDAY, AUGUST 28 LOWER UMATILLA COUNTY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA COMMITTEE, 2 p.m., Stafford Hansell Government Center, 915 S.E. Columbia Drive, Hermiston. (Janet Greenup 541-676-5452 ext. 109)

NIXYAAWII COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD, 4:30 p.m., Nixyaawii Community School, 73300 July Grounds Lane, Mission. (541-966-2680)

UMATILLA BASIN WATER-SHED COUNCIL, 6 p.m., Eastern Oregon Higher Education Center, 975 S.E. Columbia Drive, Hermiston. (Michael T. Ward 541-276-2190)

MORROW COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT, 6 p.m., Pioneer Medical Clinic conference room, 130 Thompson St., Heppner. Provider dinner at 6 p.m. followed by regular meeting. (541-676-9133)

HERMISTON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Hermiston City Hall council chambers, 180 N.E. Sec-

ond St., Hermiston. (541-567-5521)

MILTON-FREEWATER CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library Albee Room, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave., Milton-Freewater. (541-938-5531)

IRRIGON COMMUNITY PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT, 7 p.m., Irrigon Fire Station, 705 N. Main St., Irrigon. (541-922-3047)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29 UMATILLA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING, 9 a.m., Umatilla County Courthouse room 316, 216 S.E. Fourth St., Pendleton. (Doug Olsen 541-278-6208)

IONE SCHOOL DISTRICT, 4:30 p.m., Ione Community School, 445 Spring St., Ione. (541-422-7131)

MORROW COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman. (Stephanie Loving 541-922-4624)

For a complete listing of regional events, visit eastoregonian.com

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

PENDLETON ON WHEELS RELAXED BIKE RIDE, 7 a.m., Chamber of Commerce Parking Lot, 501 S. Main St., Pendleton. Weekly casual ride. Meet with those taking a longer ride, but take a shorter route that matches participant interests that day. Usually in the 10 to 20 mile ride as participants desire. (Pete Wells 541-379-2180)

POW SATURDAY BIKE RIDE, 7 a.m.-1 p.m., Information kiosk at Museum Park, 108 S.W. Frazier Ave., Pendleton. Weekly bike ride by Pendleton on Wheels. Rides are open to the public, as far and at a speed comfortable for you. (Pete Wells 541-379-2180)

IMAC FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST, 7:30-10:30 a.m., Stokes Landing Senior Center, 150 Columbia Lane, Irrigon. Supports Irrigon Multicultural Arts Center project to preserve 1921 building and create regional art center. Costs \$4.50. (Peggy price 541-567-3806)

HERMISTON FARMERS MARKET, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Festival Plaza, Northeast Second Street and Main, Hermiston. Local produce, baked goods, crafts, jewelry, art, live music, food vendors and more.

FREE FOR ALL, 9:30-10:15 a.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St., Pendleton. Free art classes for children up to age 12. Children under 8 should be accompanied by an adult. (Roberta Lavadour 541-278-9201)

FAMILY HISTORY WORKSHOPS, 10 a.m., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 850 S.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Workshops, photo scanning and more. (Stephanie Blackburn 541-567-6251)

YARN CLUB, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. (541-567-2882)

DRIVE 4 UR SCHOOL FUNDRAISER, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Hermiston High School parking lot, 600 S. First St., Hermiston. Ford will donate \$20, up to \$6,000, for every test drive by a licensed driver. Proceeds benefit the Hermiston High School choir program. (Maria Duron 541-667-6036)

HIP & HANDMADE, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St., Pendleton. Free drop-in project class for adults. (Roberta Lavadour 541-278-9201)

GOLF "FORE" LIFE TOURNA-MENT, 1 p.m., Echo Hills Golf Course, 400 Golf Course Road, Echo. Annual fundraiser begins with 1 p.m. sign-in, 2 p.m. shotgun start, catered dinner at 4:30 p.m. \$60 per person, \$240 for 4-member team, includes greens fees, cart and dinner. Sponsorships available, donations welcome. Register online at www.pregnancycareservices.com, by phone or email, or fill out a registration form at the Pendleton or Hermiston locations. (Phyllis 541-276-5757 or 541-567-3393)

LOTTERY

Thursday, Aug. 24

Lucky Lines

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Estimated jackpot:

\$41,000

Pick 4

1 p.m.: 4-7-0-1

4 p.m.: 8-3-7-0

7 p.m.: 7-9-7-3

10 p.m.: 1-9-8-9

Friday, Aug. 25

Pick 4

1 p.m.: 7-0-9-4



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