

**PUBLIC SAFETY LOG**

**MONDAY**

2:32 p.m. - Theft was reported by a resident of West Hermiston Avenue, Hermiston.  
 3:36 p.m. - Umatilla County Fire District responded to a grease fire inside an oven at a home on Southwest Sixth Street, Hermiston.

**TUESDAY**

8:50 a.m. - A resident of Eastside Road, Milton-Freewater, reported a hit-and-run to the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office.  
 8:54 a.m. - Hermiston police took a report for the theft of money from a business on South First Street.  
 10:32 a.m. - A woman stopped in at the Hermiston police station to request assistance from an officer. She said she had the locks changed on her residence on East Gladys Avenue and now her keys won't work.  
 10:53 a.m. - A vehicle parked at the Red Lion Inn, 304 S.E. Nye Ave., Pendleton, was broken into.  
 2:04 p.m. - All four tires were slashed on a vehicle in the 100 block of Sykes Boulevard, Milton-Freewater.  
 2:41 p.m. - The Hermiston Cinema turned over a large assortment of items left at the theater to Hermiston police.  
 2:48 p.m. - A resident of the 100 block of Pittman Avenue, Milton-Freewater, reported a window in his house has been broken.  
 3:11 p.m. - A 65-year-old woman driving in the 100 block of West Broadway Street, Milton-Freewater, struck a juvenile on a bicycle with her vehicle. The juvenile was taken to St. Mary Medical Center in Walla Walla for treatment.  
 4:14 p.m. - A wallet was reported stolen from a location on South Highway 395, Hermiston.  
 4:45 p.m. - Pendleton police received a report of fraud/forgery at Community Bank, 157 S. Main St., Pendleton.  
 4:51 p.m. - A woman called Hermiston police to report the license plate was stolen from her vehicle sometime between 1-2 p.m. Monday.  
 5:15 p.m. - Four locations on North First Street, Hermiston, reported thefts to Hermiston police between 5:15 and 6:46 p.m.  
 5:28 p.m. - A fight with yelling and screaming was reported at the Eighth Street Bridge, Southeast Eighth Street and Southeast Byers Avenue, Pendleton, but officers were unable to locate any combatants.  
 6:04 p.m. - Theft was reported at the Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave.  
 6:39 p.m. - Pendleton police and emergency services were called to the Pendleton River Parkway at Southeast Second Street for a juvenile who had been involved in a bicycle accident.  
 7:10 p.m. - An assault was reported at Walker's Furniture, 1907 S.W. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton.  
 7:37 p.m. - Two bags of chips were reported stolen from the 400 block of North Columbia Street, Milton-Freewater.

**WEDNESDAY**

2:47 a.m. - A prowler was reported at a residence on Southwest Isaac Avenue, Pendleton, but police were unable to locate a suspect.  
 5:24 a.m. - The Umatilla police were called to Crossroads Truck Stop, 2020 E. Highway 730, to roust a man sleeping on the bathroom floor with the stall door locked.  
**ARRESTS, CITATIONS**  
 •Mary Ellen Prevo, 46, Baker City, was arrested by Hermiston police for possession of methamphetamine and third-degree theft.

**OBITUARIES**

**Sergio Gutierrez**

**Hermiston**  
**February 24, 1955 - January 14, 2018**

Sergio was born in Huazamota, Durango, Mexico on February 24, 1955. He moved to the United States when he was 18 years old.

Sergio's love for music started when he was a kid. He didn't just want to listen to music, he wanted to play music. Music was his second language. Sergio later joined a couple of local bands that had the same heart and passion for music as he did. The two bands he joined were Los Rebeldes del Valle and Los Cunados del Norte. Sergio played a wide range of instruments that included bajosexto, bajoquinto, bass guitar, acoustic



**Gutierrez**

guitar, accordion and the tololoche. Sergio passed his love and passion for music to his children.

Sergio is survived by his spouse Lupe, his children Orlando, Miguel, Luis, David, Sandra and Belinda, and his nine grandchildren.

The Gutierrez would like to thank family and friends for all the love and support given during this time of

grieving. Service will be held at Lady of Angels Catholic Church on Thursday, Jan. 18 at 10 a.m. A graveside service will follow. All are welcome to attend.

**UPCOMING SERVICES**

**THURSDAY, JAN. 18**

**CANTU, ROSIE** — Recitation of the rosary at 5 p.m. in the chapel at Burns Mortuary, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston.  
**GUTIERREZ, SERGIO** — Mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery.

**FRIDAY, JAN. 19**

**CANTU, ROSIE** — Mass of Christian burial at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery.

**OBITUARY POLICY**

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**DEATH NOTICES**

**William L. 'Bill' Flatt**

**Vancouver, Wash.**  
**April 26, 1929 - Jan. 16, 2018**

Longtime Condon resident William L. "Bill" Flatt, 88, died Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, in Vancouver, Wash. He was born April 26, 1929, in Moro, Ore. A memorial service is planned for March. Sweeney Mortuary of Condon is in care of arrangements.

**Stanley Schuldt**

**Pendleton**  
**April 20, 1936 - Jan. 16, 2018**

Stanley Schuldt, 81, of Pendleton died Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2018, at a local hospital. He was born April 20, 1936, in Decorah, Iowa. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of arrangements. Sign the online condolence book at www.burnsmortuary.com

**Nathaniel 'Nathan' TenEyck**

**Portland**  
**Jan. 8, 1991 - Jan. 15, 2018**

Former Umatilla resident Nathaniel "Nathan" TenEyck, 27, of Portland died Monday, Jan. 15, 2018, in a Portland hospital from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He was born Jan. 8, 1991, in Hermiston. Services will be announced at a later date. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of final arrangements.

**R.G. Watkins**

**Heppner**  
**April 10, 1930 - Jan. 11, 2018**

R.G. Watkins, 88, of Heppner died Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018, in Heppner. He was born April 10, 1930, in North Wilkesboro, N.C. At his request, no service will be held. Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in care of arrangements.

**HONORS**

**Helix School names honor roll students**

HELIX — Second quarter honor roll students for the 2017-18 academic year at Helix Middle School and Griswold High School were:

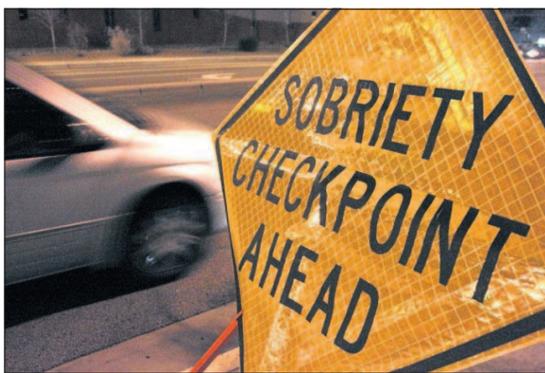
**Helix Middle School: 4.0 gpa:** Dean Boland, Ainsley Curtiss, Brooke Harley, Blake Harper, Alexandria Krol, Anna Schatzlein and David Shaw; **3.75-3.99 gpa:** Ailie Carlson, Chase Fehrenbacher, Addie Hayes, Darla Holden, Samuel Kubishta, Anitohi Mercer, Ashton Miller, Bailey Moore, Caleb Sprenger and MayaBella Texidor; **3.25-3.74 gpa:** Kolby Ash, Karsten Bracher, Kuper Bracher, Caleb Greenhalgh, Zoie Johnson, Victoria Keene, Cody Kinnaman,

Lexie Mize, Aries Myrick, Pace Raymond, Rachel Shaw, Gabriella Taylor-Mendez, Lexi Thompson and Emma Ward.

**Griswold High School: 4.0 gpa:** Charmayne Bennett, Lucy Case, Hannah Christman, Kaylee Cope, Julianne Davis, Bryce Fairchild, Emma Fehrenbacher, Autumn Harris, Arianna Krol, Alexis Leake, Colton Reynolds, Elijah Sprenger, Sadie Wilson and Annie Wood; **3.25-3.74 gpa:** Lynne Ashby, Preston Brower, Kierra Carlson, Sam Carlson, Kyla Harper, Alyssa Keene, Kailey Mize, Gavin Newton, Kyleen Stahancyk and Ryann Stahancyk.

**Science panel backs lower drunken driving threshold**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most women would need to draw the line at two drinks, and men at two or three if states follow a blueprint by a prestigious scientific panel for eliminating the "entirely preventable" 10,000 alcohol-impaired driving deaths in the United States each year.



AP Photo/Susan Montoya Bryan

**A prestigious scientific panel is recommending that states significantly lower their drunken driving thresholds as part of a blueprint to eliminate the "entirely preventable" 10,000 alcohol-impaired driving deaths in the United States each year.**

The U.S. government-commissioned report by a panel of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine made multiple recommendations, including significantly lowering drunken driving thresholds. It calls for lowering the blood-alcohol concentration threshold from 0.08 to 0.05. All states have 0.08 thresholds. A Utah law passed last year that lowers the state's threshold to 0.05 doesn't go into effect until Dec. 30.

The amount of alcohol required to reach 0.05 would depend on several factors, including the person's size and whether the person has recently eaten. The report cites studies indicating most women over 120 pounds would reach 0.05 after two drinks. Men weighing up to about 160 pounds would likely reach the lower threshold at two, and those over 180 pounds at three.

The panel, in its 489-page report, also recommended

that states significantly increase alcohol taxes and make alcohol less conveniently available, including reducing the hours and days alcohol is sold in stores, bars and restaurants. Research suggests a doubling of alcohol taxes could lead to an 11 percent reduction in traffic crash deaths, the report said.

It also calls for cracking down on sales to people under 21 or who are already intoxicated to discourage binge drinking, and putting limits on alcohol marketing while funding anti-alcohol campaigns similar to those against smoking.

All the proposals are

likely to draw fierce opposition from the alcohol and restaurant industries. The American Beverage Institute took out full-page newspaper ads opposing Utah's new law that featured a fake mugshot under a large headline reading, "Utah: Come for vacation, leave on probation."

The recommendation in the academies' report for lowering the blood-alcohol threshold would "do nothing to deter" repeat offenders and drivers with high blood-alcohol levels, who represent the "vast majority" of alcohol-impaired driving deaths, the Distilled Spirits Council said in a statement.

The council said it also doesn't support the report's recommendations for "tax increases and advertising bans, which will have little or no impact on traffic safety."

The report points out that "alcohol-impaired driving remains the deadliest and costliest danger on U.S. roads," accounting for 28 percent of traffic deaths. Each day, 29 people in the U.S. die in alcohol-related crashes and many more are injured. Forty percent of those killed are people other than the drunken driver.

Rural areas are disproportionately affected. In 2015, 48 percent of drunken driving fatalities occurred in rural areas.

The report says many strategies have been effective to prevent drunken driving, but "a coordinated multilevel approach across multiple sectors will be required to accelerate change."

"The problem isn't intractable," the report said.

From the early 1980s to the early 2000s, there was significant progress as the result of an increase in the drinking age to 21, decreases in the blood-alcohol threshold, and other measures, the report said. But since then, progress has stagnated and recently has begun to reverse.

**MEETINGS**

For a complete listing of regional events, visit [easternoregonevents.com](http://easternoregonevents.com)

**THURSDAY, JAN. 18**  
**ECHO CITY COUNCIL**, 4 p.m., Old VFW Hall, 210 W. Bridge St., Echo. (541-376-8411)  
**HERMISTON IRRIGATION DISTRICT**, 4 p.m., Hermiston Irrigation District office conference room, 366 E. Hurlbut Ave., Hermiston. (541-567-3024)

**UMATILLA COUNTY SPECIAL LIBRARY DISTRICT**, 5:15 p.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts boardroom, 214 N. Main St., Pendleton. (Erin McCusker 541-276-6449)

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

**FRIDAY, JAN. 19**  
*No meetings scheduled*

**MONDAY, JAN. 22**  
**NIXYAAWII COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD**, 4:30 p.m., Nixyaawii Community School, 73300 July Grounds Lane, Mission. (541-966-2680)

**UMATILLA BASIN WATERSHED COUNCIL**, 6 p.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton. (Michael T. Ward 541-276-2190)

**MILTON-FREEWATER CITY COUNCIL**, 7 p.m., Milton-Freewater

Public Library Albee Room, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave., Milton-Freewater. (541-938-5531)

**HERMISTON CITY COUNCIL**, 7 p.m., Hermiston City Hall council chambers, 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston. (541-567-5521)

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

**MORROW COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT**, 7 p.m., Lexington Town Hall, 425 F St., Lexington. (541-676-9133)

**TUESDAY, JAN. 23**  
**OREGON WATER COALITION ANNUAL MEETING**, 7:30 a.m.-12 p.m., Hermiston Agricultural Research & Extension Center, 2121 S. First Street, Hermiston. Annual meeting will feature updates on local water issues as well as a two-hour "water rights bootcamp" led by attorney Laura A. Schroeder of Schroeder Law Offices. (Marika Sitz 541-969-8938)

**IONE SCHOOL DISTRICT**, 3:30 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)

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 24**  
**MORROW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**, 9 a.m., Bartholomew Government Building upper conference room, 110 N. Court St., Heppner. (Roberta Lutcher 541-676-9061)

**Cellphone jamming system tested at Maryland prison**

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Federal prisons officials on Wednesday tested a jamming technology inside the walls of a federal prison, a rare move that authorities said they hope will help combat the danger posed by inmates with cellphones.

The test was conducted over several hours Wednesday morning at a federal prison in Cumberland, Maryland, Assistant Attorney General Beth Williams told The Associated Press as the testing took place. Williams didn't

give specifics of how the test worked but said it marks a step in the fight to cut down on inmates' ability to communicate unsupervised and carry on with criminal efforts.

Similar tests occurred in 2010, but Williams said Wednesday's effort was significant because jamming technology has evolved, as have inmates' efforts to smuggle in the devices. Such tests, she said, could lead to the broader use of technologies like jamming inside prisons to immobilize inmate

phones, which officials across the country have described as their No. 1 security threat.

"Today is a big step, and the reason really is that, as criminals increase their capacity to commit crimes behind bars, we have to increase our capacity to stop them," Williams told AP.

The renewed interest in jamming within federal facilities follows an announcement by Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein, who told a national meeting of corrections officials that federal

prisons would start testing the technology anew.

"That is a major safety issue," he said in his speech. "Cellphones are used to run criminal enterprises, facilitate the commission of violent crimes and thwart law enforcement."

The federal Bureau of Prisons, which houses 185,000 inmates, confiscated more than 5,000 cellphones from inmates in 2016, Williams said, and preliminary figures show that number rose last year.

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