

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

TUESDAY

8:10 a.m. - A woman told Hermiston police she wanted to speak to an officer about her husband interfering with her parenting time.

9:32 a.m. - The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call reporting a vehicle theft from State Street, Weston.

12:43 a.m. - A man told Hermiston police he was concerned with his ex-wife moving people into the home because only his name is on the mortgage.

1:04 p.m. - Umatilla police dealt with graffiti removal at third Street and Switzler Avenue.

1:38 p.m. - Graffiti vandals "tagged" the gazebo and back of restrooms at Victory Square Park on Southwest 10th Street, Hermiston.

1:41 p.m. - The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office opened an investigation after the discovery of purses and checkbooks at Lee Street Grade Road and Johns Lane, Pendleton.

4:16 p.m. - A Heppner resident reported a company transferred money from her business account to her personal account and she was concerned this could be a scam.

6:20 p.m. - Umatilla police received a report of a burglary in progress on Pomono Drive.

8:27 p.m. - The driver of a state vehicle reported hitting a deer on eastbound Interstate 84 near Boardman. The driver did not need medical help, but the car was not drivable.

8:46 p.m. - A Hermiston mother called emergency services for help. She said she was having issues with her children and other problems.

9:12 p.m. - Police responded to a report of domestic violence on Walla Walla Street, Umatilla.

10:44 p.m. - A 911 caller reported domestic violence at a trailer at Hat Rock Campground, 82280 Hat Rock Road, Hermiston.

WEDNESDAY

1:14 a.m. - Umatilla police took a report of graffiti at Columbia Boulevard and Pomono Drive.

3:39 a.m. - The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office received a 911 report of a crash on Stateline Road, Milton-Freewater, stemming from a car versus a cat.

ARRESTS, CITATIONS

- Morrow County Sheriff's Office arrested Jose Manuel Longoria, 27, of Umatilla, for violating probation, contempt of court, felon in possession of a weapon, carrying concealed weapons and unauthorized use of vehicle.
- Milton-Freewater police arrested Jonathan Lee McDonald, 30, of Milton-Freewater, on multiple warrants and for assault of a public safety officer, second-degree escape and resisting arrest.
- Umatilla Tribal Police arrested Richard John Elisoff, 28, of Pendleton, for assault and domestic abuse.

UPCOMING SERVICES

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

JONES, JOE — Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 800 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton, followed by graveside services and burial at Olney Cemetery, Pendleton.

PETERSON, SHIRLEY — Graveside service at 2 p.m. at Mt. View Cemetery, Walla Walla.

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

No services scheduled

Cattle Barons extend scholarship due date

PENDLETON — Pendleton Cattle Barons Weekend has extended the due date for scholarship applications to April 20, 2018.

As in previous years, Cattle Barons Weekend is seeking scholarship applications from young adults in Umatilla and Morrow counties. In 2017 the Cattle Barons organization, with a boost from its many sponsors, provided \$12,000 in scholarships to eight deserving students involved in agricultural studies. An additional \$5,000 was provided to the Pendleton Junior Livestock Show to be distributed to young adults who featured livestock in the show and sale, with \$1,000 also provided to the Pendleton Outdoor School.

Applicants for the scholarships must currently be or plan to be enrolled in undergraduate or graduate agricultural studies and be from the Eastern Oregon counties of Umatilla, Morrow, Grant, Baker, Wallowa and Union.

Applications and more information are currently available on the Cattle Barons website, <https://www.cattlebarons.net/>. Applications are due April 20, 2018, with final selection of scholarship awards made during the Cattle Barons events May 11 through 12, 2018.

MEETINGS

- THURSDAY, APRIL 5**
ADAMS PLANNING COMMISSION, 6:30 p.m., Adams City Hall, 190 N. Main St., Adams. (541-566-9380)
- FRIDAY, APRIL 6**
No meetings scheduled
- MONDAY, APRIL 9**
IRRIGON FIRE DISTRICT, 7 a.m., Irrigon Fire Department, 705 N.E. Main Ave., Irrigon. (541-922-3133)
- OREGON WHEAT COMMISSION,** 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman. (Diana Thompson 503-467-2161)
- PENDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT,** 6 p.m., Pendleton School District office, 107 N.W. 10th St., Pendleton. (541-276-6711)
- HERMISTON SCHOOL DISTRICT,** 6:30 p.m., district office, 502 W. Standard Ave., Hermiston. (541-667-6000)
- MILTON-FREEWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT,** 6:30 p.m., Central Middle School, 306 S.W. Second St., Milton-Freewater. (541-938-3551)
- ADAMS CITY COUNCIL,** 7 p.m., Adams City Hall, 190 N. Main St., Adams. (541-566-9380)
- HEPPNER CITY COUNCIL,** 7 p.m., Heppner City Hall, 111 N. Main St., Heppner. (541-676-9618)
- MILTON-FREEWATER CITY COUNCIL,** 7 p.m., Mil-
- ton-Freewater Public Library Albee Room, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave., Milton-Freewater. (541-938-5531)
- PILOT ROCK FIRE DISTRICT,** 7 p.m., Pilot Rock Fire Department, 415 N.E. Elm St., Pilot Rock. (541-443-4522)
- HERMISTON CITY COUNCIL,** 7 p.m., Hermiston City Hall council chambers, 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston. (541-567-5521)
- ATHENA-WESTON SCHOOL DISTRICT,** 7 p.m., Athena Elementary School library, 375 S. Fifth St., Athena. (Kim Thul 541-566-3551)
- TUESDAY, APRIL 10**
PENDLETON PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION, 12 p.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 500 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. (541-276-8100)
- PORT OF UMATILLA COMMISSION,** 1 p.m., Port of Umatilla offices, 505 Willamette Ave., Umatilla. (541-922-3224)
- PENDLETON FARMERS MARKET BOARD,** 5:30 p.m., Pendleton Early Learning Center, 455 S.W. 13th St., Pendleton. (541-969-9466)
- WESTON CEMETERY BOARD,** 6 p.m., Memorial Hall, 210 E. Main St., Weston. (541-566-3313)
- PENDLETON LIBRARY BOARD,** 6 p.m., Pendleton Public Library meeting room, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave, Pendle-

TOWN HALLS: ‘I think the assault weapon issue is complicated’

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Wyden said he'd like to ban bump stocks, a modification that allows a semi-automatic weapon to fire as an automatic, and lift restrictions that prevent research from being conducted on gun violence. Finally, he said he'd like to ensure that people can't have military-style weapons on the street.

"Those four things I described can be done within the Second Amendment," he said.

A student suggested that schools conduct a mental evaluation for each student each year.

"That might be a little hard to operate," Wyden said. But he said that getting protective orders should be easier, if a family member or teacher notices that a student is showing signs of a problem.

"In the case of the shooter in Florida, everyone in town knew there was a problem," Wyden said. "But they didn't put the pieces of the puzzle together."

Wyden also proclaimed his support for increased funding for mental health services and law enforcement in schools.

Aden Cappello, a Umatilla junior, said there are a lot of false statistics about gun violence.

"I don't think the focus should be on assault weapons," he said. "Anything can be turned into an assault weapon."

Cappello said the problem lies more with assaults and murders committed every day with regular guns. "How do you suggest we fix that instead of going after assault rifles?"

Cappello noted that he agrees with the policy of background checks, and would like to see them conducted every year.

Wyden reviewed his gun policy with Cappello, commending him for doing his research.

"I think the assault weapon issue is complicated," Wyden



Staff photos by E.J. Harris

U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden visits with the McNary Heights Elementary School fourth/fifth grade robotics team Tuesday after a town hall at Umatilla High School.



Senior Maria Moreno, senior project manager of the Umatilla High School robotics team, thanks U.S. Sen. Wyden for coming to speak at the school during a town hall Tuesday at Umatilla High School.

said. "What I feel strongly about, and which is backed by the police of this country, is that these military-style assault weapons are clearly not used for sport."

Though gun violence was a prevailing topic, Wyden fielded questions from both students and adults on several issues.

At Riverside High School, many asked Wyden about his support for DACA and what he would do for undocumented workers.

The senator expressed his support for the program, which protects those brought to the U.S. as children.

"I think if we can get

justice for Dreamers, we can go on to broader immigration reform," he said.

Another student asked Wyden if he was concerned that business interests would begin to supersede states' rights when it comes to environmental issues.

Wyden denounced the trend, and said he anticipated there would be some major changes at the EPA if director Scott Pruitt was removed from his position.

"If you call for drilling on the Oregon Coast, you've used all of our land, air and water — you're not going to get them back," he said.

Audience members spoke

to Wyden about college costs, veteran's services, irrigation, farming and disability services.

The final question in Umatilla came from another student, who asked what could be done to protect children from exploitation on the internet.

"We have online reporting, but it almost seems like it's ignored," he said.

The student noted a time that his friend had tried to report a site that posted explicit images of minors, but did not get a response, and the site was not taken down.

"There are millions of kids online. We need to keep them safe," he said.

Wyden said technology has long been a priority for him, and that with its benefits come risks.

"My sense is that we have to overhaul privacy rules," he said.

Throughout the meeting, Wyden asked many students who spoke if his staff could keep in touch with them, so they could continue to give their input on the issues they'd discussed.

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SENIOR CENTER: ‘I really don’t know what’s going to happen to us’

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The facility itself is owned and operated by the Active Senior Center Board of Directors.

While CAPECO is still serving seniors through its home-delivered meals program, Muller said the nonprofit was forced to suspend the congregate meals program when its cook resigned.

Muller said it's difficult finding people to fill the cook position, a part-time job with demanding responsibilities. CAPECO provided similar reasons when it shuttered the program for a month last summer.

Senior center board pres-

ident Imagene Norris said the senior center relies on the revenue from CAPECO's rental fees and thrift store sales to stay afloat, and with less revenue coming in, the facility is losing money.

Without lunch services, Norris said the senior center is only open two days per week for a few hours to distribute bread donated from Safeway.

"The seniors have nowhere to go to have camaraderie," she said.

Janet Haddock of Pilot Rock patronizes the Pendleton senior center thrift store and said the facility was more than just a place to grab lunch. She often witnessed visitors playing pool or socializing.

"It was a happy place,"

she said.

Norris said when she first started visiting the senior center 12 years ago, the cooks used to have a dishwasher. But cooks now have to wash their own dishes, and she thinks the cooks need to be paid more to keep them around.

Until the cook situation is resolved, Norris said the senior center's future is uncertain.

"I really don't know what's going to happen to us," she said.

Muller said she hopes to keep their next cook for longer, but it's difficult to hold onto them once they're offered a job they feel is better.

During the 2017 lunch program suspension, CAPECO looked into contracting senior center cooking services to the St. Anthony Hospital kitchen.

Muller said CAPECO is no longer talking with St. Anthony about such an arrangement, but is still interested in contracting out cooking services.

She said there are senior centers who have found success through contracting, but viable cooking contractors are harder to find in Eastern Oregon than in the more urban parts of the state.

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SOLAR FARMS: No timeline has been set to start construction

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The Boardman coal plant is the only coal-burning plant in Oregon, and is slated to close in 2020.

Comments for the Carty solar facility can be sent to Wood at maxwell.woods@oregon.gov before 5 p.m. on

April 6.

The Boardman Solar Farm is a different facility, which is scheduled for development along Interstate 84 and near the Morrow-Gilliam county line. The facility will be contained within Morrow County, but will have a transmission line into

Gilliam, Woods said.

Woods said the facility was proposed by Chicago company Invenery, which has several other energy facilities in the west, including a wind farm in Gilliam County and a solar farm in Nevada.

He said the Energy

Facility Siting Council approved construction of the facility at a meeting in February, but no timeline has been set to start construction. That facility, he said, is estimated to produce 75 megawatts, and the property marked for the facility is 798 acres.

LOTTERY

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

Mega Millions
04-29-39-42-62
Mega Ball: 14
Megaplier: 2
Estimated jackpot: \$40 million

Lucky Lines
04-08-09-15-FREE-18-24-26-31
Estimated jackpot: \$14,000

Pick 4
1 p.m.: 6-3-9-2
4 p.m.: 7-0-2-5
7 p.m.: 5-1-3-2
10 p.m.: 1-6-6-0

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

Pick 4
1 p.m.: 9-3-4-1

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