

# M-F man jailed for bashing beer bottle over woman's head

MILTON-FREEWASER — Milton-Freewater police reported they arrested a man for smashing a 40-ounce beer bottle over a woman's head.

Gerardo Robles, 22, faces charges stemming from the attack.

Milton-Freewater police Chief Doug Boedigheimer in a written statement reported Robles and Julisa Emelina Reyes, 21, were at a party at 522 Rose St., Milton-Freewater. They got into an argument a little after 1 a.m. Tuesday, according to Boedigheimer, and Robles

broke the 40-ouncer over Reyes' head.

The shattered remains of the neck of the bottle cut the left side of Reyes' face, requiring 12 stitches at Providence St. Mary Medical Center, Walla Walla. She also received a cut to the top left area of her head.

Police investigated, and Thursday a Milton-Freewater detective contacted Robles at his home at 546 Elzora Loop. Robles agreed to go back to the police department for an interview regarding

the assault. Boedigheimer stated police arrested Robles after that interview and booked him into the Umatilla County Jail, Pendleton.

State court records show the Umatilla County District Attorney's Office on Friday charged Robles with three counts: unlawful use of weapon, third-degree assault and second-degree assault. He remains in the jail in lieu of \$50,000 bail. The case has a probable cause hearing April 12 before Circuit Judge Daniel Hill.

## BRIEFLY

### Pendleton to host homebuyer and renter convention

In an attempt to further stimulate Pendleton's housing market, the city is hosting a homebuyer and renter convention at the Pendleton Convention Center May 6.

According to the city, the convention provides "an A-Z overview" of how to find a new home and will cover topics like qualifying for a home, credit management, budgeting, housing stock updates, and financing availability.

The event, which runs from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on May 6, is free and includes light beverages and food. For more information, contact Kaitlyn Cook at 541-966-0258.

### Yogurt serves up support to Altrusa

PENDLETON — A portion of sales at The Yogurt Shoppe will be donated to Altrusa International of Pendleton's Feed the Child program.

The public is invited to enjoy tasty treats while helping provide food for needy students through the Altrusa project. The fundraiser is Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. at 1803 S.W. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton.

During the 2017-18 school year, Altrusans distributed 8,887 bags of food to students in kindergarten through 12th grade who might otherwise not have access to food on the weekends. More than 250 children and youths benefited from the project. In addition, 83 people volunteered approximately 523 hours to assist with the effort.

An international organization, Altrusa's main focuses include literacy, education and environmental concerns. Also, each club takes on projects and support programs, both in their individual communities and beyond. For more information, contact altrusapend@gmail.com, visit www.districttwelve.altrusa.org or search Facebook.

### Newspaper publisher to share at luncheon

PENDLETON — Chris Rush, the *East Oregonian* regional publisher and revenue director, will address the upcoming meeting of the Round Up Republican Women.

Rush will discuss the decision-making process regarding media coverage, as well as successes and difficulties in serving the community. The public is invited to the no-host luncheon meeting, which is Thursday, April 11 at 11:45 a.m. at the Red Lion, 304 S.E. Nye Ave., Pendleton. The meal costs \$11. Those who plan to attend are asked to register in advance.

To RSVP, to submit questions or for more information, contact 541-969-2677 or rounduprw@gmail.com.

# Monday's council meeting moved to Hermiston Municipal Airport

By JADE MCDOWELL  
East Oregonian

The Hermiston City Council will hold their next council meeting at the Hermiston Municipal Airport.

The meeting will begin with a 6 p.m. work session for the council to tour the airport, followed by a 7 p.m. business meeting in the airport's terminal at 1600 E. Airport Way.

During the 7 p.m. meeting the council will discuss

a resolution that would set policy for adjusting water and sewer bills for customers with a leak in their lines. Currently the city does not have a clear policy, according to a memo by assistant city manager Mark Morgan, and the resolution "formalizes many practices which have taken place."

The policy being considered by the council would allow a customer who had a verifiable leak and can show the leak has

been fixed to receive a credit for 50 percent of the wasted water. For example, if a customer usually uses 5,000 gallons of water and a leak causes them to use 15,000 instead, they could receive a credit for half of the excess 10,000 used.

The city's new "smart meters" can detect leaks, and if a customer is notified of a leak by the city's billing department they will have 30 days to repair the leak or have a plan in

place to repair the leak in order to receive the credit.

Monday's council meeting will also include updates from city committees, an update from the Hermiston School District and an update on progress at the Eastern Oregon Trade and Event Center. The mayor will also read a proclamation in support of participation in the 2020 U.S. Census.

For a full agenda packet, visit [hermiston.or.us/meetings](http://hermiston.or.us/meetings).

## COMING EVENTS

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6**  
**FLEA MARKET**, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Black Acre Farm, 71634 Baseline Lane, Lexington. More than 25 vendors offering antiques, vintage, jewelry, second-hand items and much more. Locally roasted coffee, homemade baked goods and taco truck in the afternoon. (Andrea Nelson 541-720-4399)  
**SATURDAY SPIN-IN**, 1-4 p.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St., Pendleton. For spinners, knitters, weavers, felters, fiber enthusiasts and folks who are just fiber-curious. Drop-ins welcome. (Roberta Lavadour 541-278-9201)  
**OREGON HUNTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL BANQUET AND RAFFLE**, 5-10 p.m., Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate, Pendleton. Dinner, general and other raffles, including the Wall of Guns, live and silent auctions. Ticket packages available. (Terry Bechtold 541-231-4384)  
**BLUE MOUNTAIN OLD TIME FIDDLERS**, 5-8 p.m., Hermiston Senior Center, 255 N.E. Second St., Hermiston. Fundraiser includes spaghetti dinner with sides, beverage and dessert for \$5 per person beginning at 5 p.m., and live music beginning at 6 p.m. For seniors 60+ only. Tickets available at the senior center front counter. (Judy Fordice 541-567-3582)  
**CHOCOLATE DERBY SILENT AUCTION AND BENEFIT**, 6:30 p.m., Hamley Slickfork Saloon, 8 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton. Enjoy a variety of chocolate desserts and a silent auction and support a great cause. Kentucky Derby attire suggested, but not required. Cost is \$30 per person or \$225 per table of 8, adults only. (Morgan 541-377-1479)  
**OLDIES NIGHT: 1960S INSTRUMENTALS**, 7-10 p.m., Wesley United Methodist



**Chocolate (quilt raffle)**

Raffle tickets for this quilt finished and quilted by Colleen Blackwood will be available for purchase during the April 6 Chocolate Derby at Hamley Slickfork Saloon. The fundraising event benefits Dream Catcher Therapeutics.

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Church fellowship hall, 816 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater. BJ the DJ will spin instrumentals from the '60s, including selections by Herb Alpert, Booker T & the MGs, Percy Faith, the Ventures, and foreign artists including Bert Kaempfert, Paul Mauriat, Hugh Masekela, The Tornados and more. Free admission, family-friendly. (Bob Jones 541-938-7028)

Church of the Nazarene, 1520 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. World Help's Children of the World International Children's Choir, made up of orphaned and disadvantaged kids from Nepal, Philippines and Uganda, will entertain through song, dance, spoken word and creative media. Free. (Gabrielle

Fritz 541-567-3677)  
**MISSIONARY PRESENTATION AND POTLUCK**, 10:45 a.m., First Christian Church, 518 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater. Missionaries Ken and Sherry Miles will talk about their work in Indonesia. A potluck will follow the service, ham provided, bring a dish to share. (Janet Collins 541-938-3854)  
**SPECIAL NEEDS OPEN GYM**, 12:30-1 p.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Free for special needs children and families. (Casey Brown 541-276-8100)  
**MONDAY, APRIL 8**  
**WALKING FOR WELLNESS**, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Get some exercise even when the weather is bad. Free. (Casey Brown 541-276-8100)  
**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**, 12-1 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. (Tori Bowman 541-276-5073)  
**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)

**TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL**, 4 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. All teens welcome. Snacks will be provided. (541-567-2882)  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 9**  
**WALKING FOR WELLNESS**, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Get some exercise even when the weather is bad. Free. (Casey Brown 541-276-8100)  
**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**, 12-1 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. (Tori Bowman 541-276-5073)  
**HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE**, 12 p.m., Harknider Center, 255 N.E. Second St., 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 available by donation. (541-567-3582)  
**SKILLS FOR LIFE**, 3 p.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Gym activities at 3 p.m., life skills at 4 p.m. for middle

and high school students. Registration requested. (Suzanne Moore 541-276-3987)  
**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)  
**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)

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