Police: March 4 murder believed to be gang related

Victim not suspected to have been engaged in criminal activity

BY SEAN HART **HERMISTON HERALD**

Police believe Alonso Madrigal was shot and killed earlier this month by someone affiliated with a gang from outside of the Hermiston area.

According to a press release from Hermiston Police Chief Jason Edmiston Monday evening, members of the Umatilla-Morrow County Major Crime Team continue to investigate the homicide of the Umatilla man that occurred late March 4 near the 11th

Street Market, 425 N.W. 11th St., Hermiston.

"Because we believe the person or persons responsible for the death of Alonso are affiliated with a gang or gangs from outside the Hermiston area, the investigation is very difficult due to a code of silence that is obviously in play," he said. "Though speculative at this time, we do not believe Alonso was targeted for criminal activity typically associated with gang behavior such as territoriality, drug trade, etc. Based on what we know, we believe Alonso was murdered as a result of an ongoing dispute, and it is our belief Alonso was not engaged in such criminal activity typically associated with gang behavior."

Edmiston said the shooting was "not a random act

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

BABY BOOGIE & TAPPIN' TODDLERS, 10-10:45 a.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. (541-567- 2882). STORY TIME, 11:15 a.m. to

noon, Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. (541-567-2882).

STANFIELD SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 noon, Stanfield Community Center, 225 W. Roosevelt. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors, \$6 for those under 65.

VEGAN/SUSTAINABLE LIV-ING POTLUCK SUPPER, 7 p.m., call 541-969-3057 to RSVP and for driving directions. Bring a vegan dish and recipe. New vegans welcome. Gluten-free friendly group.

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

LEGISLATIVE **TELECON-**FERENCE, 7 a.m., Blue Mountain Community College Pioneer Hall boardroom, 2411 N.W. Carden Ave., Pendleton. Join Sen. Bill Hansell and Rep. Greg Barreto for information on the happenings in Salem. Everyone welcome

BENEFITS VETERANS ROUNDTABLE, 10 a.m., Stokes Landing Senior Center, 195 N.W. Opal Place, Irrigon. Information about changes in veterans burial benefits. survivor benefits and government markers. All veterans welcome. (541-922-6420).

COMING EVENTS p.m., Hermiston Terrace Assisted Living, 980 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston. Join jam session or just listen. Refreshments served. (541-

567-3141). MARIJUANA REGULATIONS OPEN HOUSE, 7 p.m., Pendleton City Hall council chambers, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave. Pendleton City Council and Planning Commission members will accept public input on marijuana regulations for the city and engage in discussion, but no decisions will be discussed or made. Everyone welcome. (Evan MacKenzie 541-966-0261).

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

STORY & CRAFT TIME, 2 p.m., Echo Public Library, 20 Bonanza St. NIGHT AT THE CHILDREN'S

MUSEUM, 5-8:30 p.m., Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon, 400 S. Main St., Pendleton, Parents get a night out and kids get dinner, games, crafts and a movie. Costs \$20 members/\$25 non-members, \$10 for each additional child. Preregistration required. (541-276-1066)VFW BINGO, doors open at 6

p.m., games start at 7 p.m., Hermiston VFW, 45 W. Cherry St

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY WIND ENSEMBLE, 7 p.m., Hermiston High School auditorium, 600 S. First St. Free concert, but a freeof violence" and that investigators are "confident there is a contingent of people' who know what happened.

"I stand firm in saying those responsible should be dealt with swiftly and firmly," he said. "Hermiston is attractive because of our relatively low violent crime rate and our acceptance of diversity," he said. "This does not mean we have to cower to thugs who come to our city from other cities and commit crime. Members of the Hermiston Police Department are committed to aggressively seeking out those who engage in abhorrent behavior and hold them accountable."

Edmiston said anyone with information about what occurred should contact Capt. Travis Eynon, 541-667-5103.

shops on researching family history presented at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Jeanette Byers 541-667-7046).

MOUNTAIN ELK ROCKY FOUNDATION BANQUET, 4:30 p.m. doors open, Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate. Dinner; more than \$45,000 in raffles and games, including 23 guns; live and silent auctions including a 2015 Oregon state elk tag good for any unit in Oregon from Sept. 1 through Nov. 30; ladies raffle table and more. Ticket packages vary and some raffles are limited; purchase online in advance at events.rmef. org (www.pendletonrmef.org).

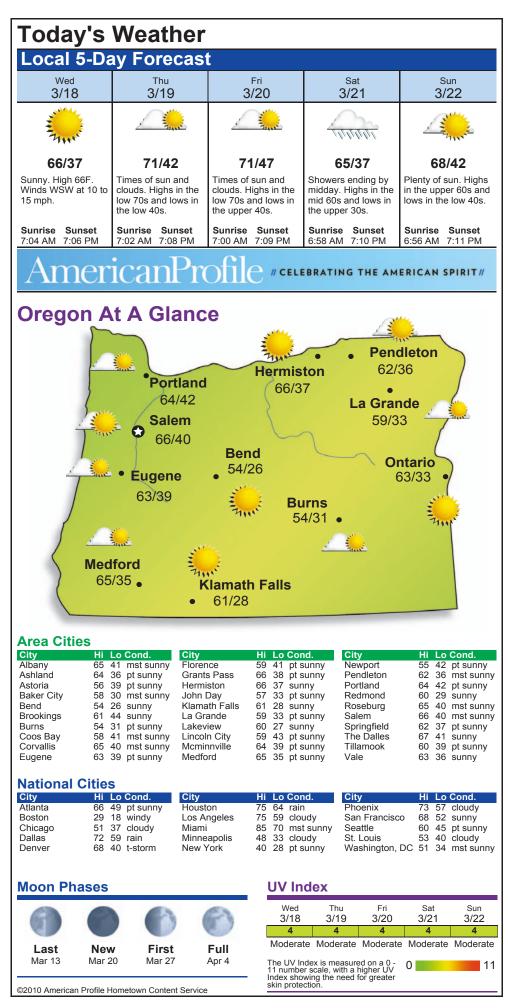
SUNDAY, MARCH 22

SPECIAL NEEDS OPEN GYM, 12 noon to 1:30 p.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave. Free for special needs children and families. (541-276-8100).

TUESDAY, MARCH 24 PRESCHOOL STORY TIME,

10:30-11 a.m., Stanfield Public Library, 180 W. Coe Ave. (541-449-1254)

HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 noon, Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave. Costs \$3.50 for seniors 50 and over, \$4 for adults under 50, \$4 for Meals on Wheels home delivery. Extra 50 cents if center provides table service. Transportation can be arranged by donation. (541-567-3582) THE ARC ACTIVITY NIGHT, 5:30-6:30 p.m., The Arc Umatilla County, 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. Games, crafts and light refreshments. Donations accepted. HOMEBUYERS WORKSHOP, 6-7 p.m., Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, 130 N.E. Second St., Hermiston. Free information for prospective homebuyers. (Bethany Winters 541-564-1979).



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THE ARC OF UMATILLA COUNTY BINGO, 6 p.m. doors

SATURDAY, MARCH 28 "THE LOST FISH" DOCU-

MENTARY AND DISCUSSION, 1 p.m., Tamastslikt Cultural Institute theater, 47106 Wildhorse Blvd., Pendleton. Pepsi Primetime @ the Museum presents "The Lost Fish: The Struggle to Save Pacific Lam-" Following the movie, Aaron Jackson will provide a Q&A session on the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation Lamprey Program. Live lamprey will be on display. Refreshments will be served. (541-429-7700 or www. tamastslikt.org). SPECIAL NEEDS FAMILY TIME, 3-6 p.m., Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon, 400 S. Main St., Pendleton. For children who may need a quieter, less crowded environment. Free for members/\$1 for non-members. Registration required. (541-276-1066).

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THE ARC UMATILLA COUNTY BINGO, 6 p.m. doors open, bingo starts at 7 p.m. 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. (541-567-7615). FIDDLER'S NIGHT, 6:30-8:30 will offering will be taken. (Madeline Turnock 503-280-8550).

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

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

FAMILY HISTORY WORK-SHOPS, 10 a.m., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 850 S.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Work-

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Durable Medical Equipment Can Keep You Independent TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 3:30PM

Durable medical equipment is any medical equipment used in the home to aid in a better quality of living. It is a benefit included through most insurance. In some cases, certain Medicare benefits may pay for them.

For more information or to RSVP, call us at (541) 276-1987 or visit us today!

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