

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

MONDAY, APRIL 13

- On Southwest 10th Street, a caller reported receiving a scam phone call that showed a Hermiston Police Department number.
- A caller from a business on North First Street reported he needed an officer to remove a disgruntled customer from the property and said, "You better hurry up and get here before he gets a whoopin'."
- A female reported a male was harassing her on Southwest 11th Street.
- Packages were reportedly stolen from a mailbox on Col Jordan Road.
- An attempted burglary was reported on Sixth Street in Umatilla.
- An irrigation pipe was reportedly stolen on Canal Road in Stanfield.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

- A caller reported a female stole items from a business on East Cornell Place.
- A caller reported someone had information about bicycles stolen on Southeast Sixth Street.
- A caller reported a rifle was stolen on East Newport Avenue.
- On Third Street in Umatilla, a male reported he was on probation, had been drinking, had a pocket full of drugs and wanted to go to jail.
- Someone reportedly smashed a back window of a residence on John Day Street in Umatilla and stole approximately \$1,200 in cash and jewelry.

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

- A female reported a male had been threatening her on West Hermiston Avenue.
- A vehicle fuel line was reportedly cut on West Hermiston Avenue.
- A caller reported someone stole a pistol on Walker Road and that he received a notice someone filed a tax return in his name.
- A house on East Willow Street in Echo was reportedly egged.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

- Two vehicles were reportedly broken into on Southeast Carter Drive, and a cell phone, golf clubs and a hunting backpack were stolen.
- A caller reported finding a pile of items including a sound mixer that appeared to be left or stolen on East Hurlburt Avenue.
- Three bicycles were reportedly stolen from a patio on Southeast Sixth Street.
- Graffiti was reported on Northwest Seventh Street.
- A caller reported two boys were counting money in front of a residence on West Quince Avenue and appeared to be buying drugs.
- Cans were reportedly stolen from a yard on Northeast Sixth.
- An Xbox and games were reportedly stolen during the week on East Sandstone Avenue.
- A customer reportedly deposited fraudulent checks at a bank on North First Street and withdrew the money.
- A male was reportedly assaulted on East Main Street by a person who left the scene on a black motorcycle.
- A caller reported packages were stolen from a mailbox on Col Jordan Road.
- A caller reported finding a small .22 pistol on Umatilla River.
- A caller reported seeing a stolen vehicle on Cliff Street.

ARRESTS

- Wendy Lynn Long, 44: failure to pay fines.
- Jason Paul Broyles, 35: failure to appear, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia.
- James Jeffery Nelson, 49: Hermiston Municipal Court warrant — failure to pay fines.
- Isidro Ambriz Mendoza, 23: failure to pay fines.
- Richard Tyron Ruiz, 44: Hermiston Municipal Court warrant — failure to pay fines.
- German Garcia, 48: failure to appear.
- Leon Glenn Wagoner, 49: failure to appear, failure to pay fines, driving under the influence of intoxicants, driving while license suspended or revoked, driving uninsured.
- Daniel Gene Boyer, 29: parole violation, possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Jacob Carson Royce Barthel, 20: second-degree burglary, second-degree theft, unauthorized entry of a motor vehicle.
- Ceira Rachelle Hendon, 21: failure to appear.
- Randy Scott Neely, 42: driving while license suspended or revoked.

Agape House

hosting parking lot sale

Agape House is hosting a parking lot sale from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday at the business, 500 Harper Road, Hermiston. Clothing will cost \$1 for three items, books are three for \$1, furniture is priced as marked and people can name their price for knick-knacks. Donations are welcome through Friday.

Proceeds help Agape House serve the needs of low-income residents in the community.

Call Dave at Agape House, 541-567-8774, for more information.

Drama class to present

'Beauty and The Beast Jr.'

Disney's "Beauty And The Beast Jr." will be presented by the drama class of Hermiston Parks & Recreation. The classic story tells of Belle, a

young woman, and the Beast, who is really a young prince trapped under a spell. The young performers have been rehearsing for a pair of performances. The play will take place at 6:30 p.m. April 27 and April 28 at the Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Highway 395. Tickets reserved in advance are \$2 each. Tickets at the door are \$3.

To purchase tickets or for more information, call 541-667-5018, or stop by the parks office at 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston.

Altrusa names scholarship recipients

The Altrusa International of Hermiston Vocational Services Committee has selected two recipients for the Dorothy Juve Memorial Educational Scholarship: Brett Kane and Janelle Davis, both of Hermiston. Each student will receive \$1,500 to assist with their education. Kane currently attends University of

Oregon. Davis attends Western Oregon University.

The Dorothy Juve Memorial Educational Scholarship is Altrusa's annual spring scholarship. It was named in honor of Dorothy Juve, who was dedicated to children and teaching; it was her life's passion.

This scholarship is awarded to a student who is approximately two thirds of the way through a post-secondary program. It is intended to help the student attain the final credits needed, in order to move into the job market.

Candidate forum announced

The Eastern Oregon Women's Coalition and Hermiston Government Affairs team invites the public to attend a candidate forum for Port of Umatilla Commissioner Position No. 1 at 6 p.m. Monday at the Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Hwy 395. The port commissioner race is between Joseph Franell and Jerry Insland.

Free youth fishing event planned April 18

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and its local partners will host a free youth and family fishing event Saturday at the McNary Channel Ponds in Umatilla.

The event begins at 10 a.m., when children 12 and younger will have the first chance to catch one of the hundreds of trout to be stocked for the event. The ponds will open for families to fish beginning at noon.

ODFW will have loaner fishing rods and reels, as well

as tackle and bait, for people who do not have their own gear. Staff and volunteers will also be on site to show people how to bait a hook, cast a rod and land a fish.

"It's so easy to participate — we provide all the gear and instruction — that it's a great way to introduce kids and their families to fishing," ODFW fish biologist Bill Duke said in a press release.

The event is open to the public, and pre-registration is not required. Children 13

and younger can fish for free, but 14- to 17-year-olds must possess a \$9 juvenile angling license. Licenses must be purchased in advance and will not be sold on site during the event.

In addition to ODFW, Hermiston Parks and Recreation Department and Tom Denchel Ford are sponsors of the event.

The McNary Channel Ponds are a family fishing destination and will be stocked several more times

throughout the spring. To get to the ponds from Highway 730 in Umatilla, turn north onto Brownell Boulevard just west of Interstate 82; proceed to West Third Street; turn right on Third Street; and proceed through the I-82 underpass. The ponds are north of Third Street, between I-82 and McNary Dam. Signs point to several vehicle access points.

For more information about the event, call Duke, 541-276-2344.

Community gardeners



JESSICA KELLER PHOTO

Rikki Higgins, left, and Lillee Ruiz, Girl Scouts in Troop No. 51425, scoop up wood chips to apply to the Hermiston Community Garden at a community garden work party Saturday. Girl Scout troop members participated for their Earth Day project. Community garden work party organizer Chelle Hankinson said the work day was a success, drawing in the most volunteers ever, including people from Lifeways group, youth from the Umatilla County Juvenile Detention Services, master gardeners and plot owners. Hankinson said about a dozen garden work plots are available. People should call her at 541-564-6878 for more information.

GRADUATION:

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the letter stated. "The extra seating to watch the ceremony on the TV screen in the auditorium is nice, but it is not the same experience as being there.

Parent Lori Davis said the parent group was mostly concerned about seating, including handicap access, and tickets for families.

She said moving the venue to the stadium would also be a nice way to showcase the field and the community's efforts in helping to build the facility.

To respond to parents' concerns, school district officials compiled a report analyzing the graduation sites, considering 12 points, including seating, weather and climate, viewing, logistics and sound.

Mike Kay, district operations director, said the stadium has 248 more seats available than the gym, but there were other factors to consider, including weather and cost.

Kay said, on a nice day, with the average graduation day temperature of about 70 degrees, sitting on met-

al seats can become very uncomfortable, and robed graduates would feel even warmer. He said there is also a 25 percent probability of rain, based on historical weather reports. Of those days, 68 percent of the time, a light rain fell. He said wind is also a concern.

Maiocco said, when he was assistant superintendent of the Richland School District, he'd have to make the decision as to whether graduation ceremonies would take place at Richland High School's Fran Risch Stadium or be moved indoors, often on short notice. When the event did take place inside, the high school had to have everything set up ahead of time to accommodate the move, and that would be no different at Hermiston High School.

"We'd still have to have a fallback for the inclement weather," Maiocco said.

Kay said the district would still have to have all the seating and the sound

system arranged indoors, even while things were set up for graduation ceremonies at Kennison.

The district would also have to rent additional seating to accommodate an outside ceremony, as well as indoor.

District officials were also told that hosting a ceremony at Kennison Field could jeopardize the warranty for the new track, where some seating would be situated. The company recommended, if the school district hosts something other than an athletic event, 3/4-inch plywood be placed on the surface. Kay said, based on the measurements of seating placement in the gymnasium, the district would have to put down about 350 sheets of plywood, which would cost about \$21,000.

Additionally, the district would have to pay more for the sound system because the company that provides the service would need different equipment for cere-

monies in the stadium, plus the standard sound system would still have to be set up in the gymnasium. There would also be added costs for additional seating and increased security for the outdoor location.

Maiocco said cost was a big concern for him.

"Twenty thousand is just the tip of the iceberg," he said of the cost. "I don't have any of these expenses programmed into our budget, currently."

School Board Chairwoman Karen Sherman said she was most concerned about the weather and was curious if the peti-

tion really represented how local parents felt. She said people as far away as Sweden and Illinois signed the petition.

Other board members wanted to know if anybody other than the parents approached the school district about a venue change. Maiocco said no staff or student leadership requested the move.

School Board member Greg Harris said, regardless of where the event takes place this year, the analysis

was helpful because, as the school district continues to grow, the graduation site will become more of an issue.

"It's something we haven't talked about as a board," he said.

In other action, the School Board recognized the 2014-15 wrestling team for another successful season and state championship.

It also passed a motion to support the proposed Blue Mountain Community College bond effort.

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