

COMMUNITY

Man wanted in Washington arrested for failing to register as a sex offender

Police discover meth during arrest

BY SEAN HART
HERMISTON HERALD

A man was arrested Wednesday morning in Hermiston on an outstanding warrant for failing to register as a sex offender. According to a report

from Hermiston Police Department Officer Mike Ellwood, at 9:48 a.m., officers received a tip David Michael Kreienbrink, 33, a.k.a. David M. Kreienbrink, was possibly staying in Hermiston with an outstanding warrant from the Washington State Department of Corrections. Ellwood said officers responded to the 700 block of West Ridgeway Ave-



nue, and the resident stated Kreienbrink was inside and gave consent for the officers to enter. He said Kreienbrink was taken into custody without incident. Prior to placing the arrestee into his patrol car, Ellwood performed an inventory of his personal property.

“I asked Kreienbrink if he had anything on him I should know of, (and) Kreienbrink replied no,” Ellwood said in the report. “In Kreienbrink’s front right pocket of his shorts, I located a small plastic bag containing another plastic bindle inside of it. The bags contained a white crystal substance based on my training and experience to be (methamphetamine). I

asked Kreienbrink about the bag, (and) he said, ‘I forgot that was in my pocket.’” Kreienbrink was cited for possession of methamphetamine and later transported to the Umatilla County Jail on the Washington DOC warrant from Benton County for failing to register as a felony sex offender. According to a Tri-City

Herald article from 2011, Kreienbrink was convicted of second-degree rape of a child in 1999, stemming from a case in Pierce County, Washington, involving a pre-teen girl. Umatilla County court records indicate Kreienbrink was arrested in 2001 and convicted in 2002 for felony unauthorized use of a vehicle and unauthorized entry of a motor vehicle.

Umatilla adopts 2015-16 budget

BY SEAN HART
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The Umatilla City Council completed its budget process for the fiscal year beginning in July at the meeting Tuesday. The council unanimously passed a series of resolutions to amend the current fiscal year budget and adopt the final version and levy taxes for 2015-16. Finance Director Melissa Ince said a supplemental budget of \$387,500 for the current fiscal year was necessary to account primarily for revenues that exceeded projections. The additional revenue was appropriated between the general fund, the water fund and the refuse fund. A total of \$30,000 from four different funds was also appropriated to cover personnel costs that were higher than originally anticipated.

The \$12,279,000 2015-16 budget was officially adopted, and the funds were appropriated between various city funds. The council also approved the permanent tax rate of \$2.9191 per \$1,000 of assessed property value for all taxable property within the city. In other City Council news: • A nonexclusive franchise agreement was approved with Stericycle, which currently handles the contract for medical waste disposal at Two Rivers Correctional Institution. Ince said the business is one of several bidding on the next contract, and the companies must secure a franchise agreement prior to bidding. The city also approved a similar agreement with Waste-Pro in January, she said. • Public Works Director

Russ Pelleberg said the city has received the signs stating it is illegal to transfer items to or from a vehicle on highways within the city. He said he is working with the state to install them. Umatilla Police Chief Darla Huxel said no citations have been given to panhandlers or people giving them money yet, but warnings have been issued. • Pelleberg said city crews and personnel from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers installed a bench in memory of former Mayor Pat Lafferty along the bank of the Columbia River in the McNary Wildlife Reserve. • The council agreed to donate \$500 to the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation Department of Natural Resources’ First Foods Festival and Race, formerly known as the Salmon Walk, which will take place Aug. 1.

Company declares a ‘Community Day’

Staff of Simmons Insurance Group clears weeds, plants flowers downtown

BY GARY L. WEST
HERMISTON HERALD

Visitors to Main Street on Friday were greeted by a small army of people in neon green shirts who were helping to make downtown a little prettier. The neon-clad landscapers pulled weeds, planted flowers and spread bark mulch in sidewalk planters in the downtown core. “We just decided to do a community day,” said Jacob Neighbors, co-owner of Simmons Insurance. He said the employees wanted to give something



KIM LA PLANT PHOTO
Employees from Simmons Insurance Group clear weeds from a planter box Friday on Main Street.

back to the community and to Main Street. Thirty-eight employees and members of their families — 63 people in total — took part in what the Neighbors said they intend to become an annual event. On Friday, they closed the office to business, put down the pens and forms and picked up shovels and garden tools.

The company provided the manpower and purchased the flowers, and the city of Hermiston supplied the bark mulch. “We wanted to give back to Main Street,” Neighbors said. “We are a Main Street business.” Simmons Insurance Group is co-owned by Justin Simmons and has been in business since 1974.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Group seeking names of living WWII vets

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and Umatilla County have joined forces to honor the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II. This monumental event will be celebrated on Wednesday, Nov. 11, with a special ceremony. In planning for the ceremony, the sponsors are seeking to learn the names of all living World War II veterans in Umatilla County. Each veteran will be honored with a special certificate recognizing their service. Those unable to participate will still be honored in an appropriate manner. Anyone knowing a World War II veteran living in Umatilla County is encouraged to contact Melinda Slatt at 541-278-6204.

Ninth Jackpot Steer show slated for June 20

The event will be held behind the Northwest Farm Supply Store, 80411 Highway 395 N., Hermiston. Entries have been received from nearly 50 youth, ages 9-19, from eight counties in Oregon and Washington, according to Mike Countryman of Northwest Farm Supply. The judge will be Samee Charriere from Pomeroy, Washington. Weigh in begins at 7 a.m. Conformation judging will begin at 9:30 a.m., followed by showmanship. The top four steers in conformation will win \$400, \$300, \$200 and \$100. Showmanship prizes are \$250, \$150 and \$50 for each of the three classes — junior, senior and rookie. Concessions will be available by the North

Morrow FFA Alumni Association.

Bike camp for people with disabilities needs volunteers, riders

The iCan Bike program is looking for riders and volunteers for its upcoming bicycle camp this summer in Hermiston. iCan Shine is a non-profit organization that teaches individuals with disabilities to ride a conventional two-wheel bicycle through its iCan Bike program. This five-day camp, requiring riders to attend only one 75-minute session per day, will take place June 21 through June 26 at Armand Larive Middle School in Hermiston. iCan Shine/iCan Bike collaborates with local or-

ganizations to host camps in their communities. This camp is being hosted by the Hermiston School District, Hermiston Kiwanis and InterMountain ESD. The program uses adapted equipment, trained professionals and volunteers. With 75 minutes of instruction over five days, more than 80 percent of riders learn to ride a conventional bicycle independently by the end of camp. To be eligible to enroll, riders must be at least 8 years old, have a disability and be able to walk without an assistive device such as a walker or cane. Riders must be able to side-step quickly to both sides and must have a minimum inseam measurement of 20 inches and weigh no more than 220 pounds. Cost of the camp is \$99. The camp is open to all individuals who meet

registration requirements, regardless of where they live. To register, visit www.imesd.k12.or.us/iCanBike to download the registration form and learn more about the iCan Bike program. For additional information, email icanbikeeo@msn.com.

Stanfield School District launches mobile app

The Stanfield School District recently launched a free mobile app, which parents, students, staff and community members can download to gain instant access to school calendars, school lunch payments, student grades, news, a full directory and contact information for each school. The mobile app pulls information from the district’s website into

a mobile-friendly format. The app was developed by School Messenger — the district’s parent notification system — in coordination with InterMountain Education Service District. Parents will also be able to receive “push notifications” from the Stanfield School District with the app and receive instant alerts on their mobile devices when important information about school — such as a closure or delay due to inclement weather — is released. The app will be updated frequently all year, so users will always have the latest information about Stanfield schools and activities. The free app is available on both Apple and Android mobile devices, including cell phones and tablets, by searching for “Stanfield SD” in the app store.

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