Tan while standing

By SEAN HART Staff Writer

A tanning salon in Hermiston offers quick solutions for darker skin, and customers

don't even have to lie down. Belinda Selleck and David Hamill opened The Tannery & Boutique at 1565 N. First St., Suite 7, May 11, and a grand opening is planned for 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21.

Chili, cornbread and dessert will be served at the celebration, and people can enter a door prize drawing to win a month of free tanning.

Selleck formerly had a tanning salon in Montana, and she said she thought that type of business would do

"We felt like Hermiston needed a good tanning salon with really good beds," she said. "We have the only standup (booth) in town. It seems to be the most popular."

The stand-up tanning booth is also the quickest, she said. People usually start with five-minute sessions, she said, and some work their way up to the maximum 11 minutes. She said people who buy a package deal for the stand-up booth can also use the other tanning beds for some of their sessions. The business features two 12-minute beds and one 20-minute bed.

'Some people may come in three times a week, twice in the stand-up, and one time a week they just lie down," Hamill said.

Selleck said, although the primary business is tanning, the store also sells quality



The Tannery & Boutique owners Belinda Selleck and David Hamill opened the store in May at 1565 N. First St., Suite 7, Hermiston. A grand opening is planned at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, featuring chili, cornbread, dessert and a door prize drawing for a month of free tanning.

The Tannery & **Boutique**

Who: Belinda Selleck and David

What: Tanning and lotions When: From 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and

from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays Where: 1565 N. First St., Suite 7, near Quiznos, in Hermiston Grand opening: 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, featuring chili, cornbread, dessert and a door prize drawing for a month of free tanning

tanning lotions, clothing and other items. The summer inventory is almost sold out, she said, and the winter wear will soon be featured.

Business has been going well so far, Selleck said, with 110 customers served in the first five months. "We get a lot of people

that will start in spring so they won't burn for summer or at the end of summer when they're starting to lose their summer tan," Hamill said.

Selleck said many custom-

ers also try to get tan before traveling to prevent sunburns.

"A lot of times, they come in too late," she said. "They want to hurry up and get tanned in a week, but it's not possible to get tanned in a week."

Selleck recommended tanning for at least a month before a sunny vacation for the best possible results. She said the ultraviolet rays also provide vitamin D, which can be beneficial for a variety of

Water rights the next hurdle for depot development

By JADE McDOWELL Staff Writer

Negotiations for water rights are the next hurdle the Columbia Development Authority is facing in the process to transfer the former Umatilla Chemical Depot land from the U.S. Army to the local reuse authority.

Greg Smith, executive director of the development authority, told the board that the Army's Base Realignment and Closure staff have proposed giving the authority the use of two wells, totaling about 25 percent of the site's water capacity.

"That is not going to get us where we want to be," he

Smith said he had expected an offer closer to 50 percent, based on a water study indicating that amount would not encroach on the National Guard's water needs for its portion of the depot land. He told the board he thanked the BRAC office for opening the conversation about water but was firm that the two wells would not be enough to make it worthwhile for the reuse authority to take the land off of the federal government's hands.

'You've made it very clear to me that we want to be very professional and consensus-minded, but also that you need the land to be free, need it clean and need it with water," he said.

Smith said the Army had heard about the water funding package the state legislature passed to provide more water to the Umatilla Basin and assumed that some of that water could be used for the site. He said he explained that the water was already committed to much more attractive agricultural projects and wasn't available for the development authority's use.

During Thursday's meeting Smith also broached the question of applying an en-

tions of the depot site zoned for industrial use. Port of Morrow director Gary Neal said an enterprise zone which gives developers a break on property taxes for the first few years of a project — was a must, considering any developer shopping for a site would be offered a tax break at other potential locations in the state.

"I think if you're not going to have one, you're not going to be in the game," he said.

The question that remained unanswered during the meeting was whether the Columbia Development Authority would apply to the state for an enterprise zone, keeping in mind that the authority was expected to last seven years after the land transfer, or if something should be cobbled together from Umatilla County, Morrow County and Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation enterprise zones.

The meeting took place in the Stafford Hansell Government Building in Hermiston, signifying the change from administrative functions being housed by the Port of Morrow to being under the umbrella of Umatilla County. Smith said the change was suggested because up to 80 percent of the future economic development on the depot land is expected to take place on the Umatilla County side of the line.

When Smith was hired as executive director he opted to work as a contractor instead of an employee because he already had a benefits package from his other iob as a state representative. When the federal Office of Economic Adjustment recently renewed the grant that funds the Columbia Development Authority, however, it said that Smith must be an employee and the money for benefits was a "use it or lose it" situation in which

be able to offer benefits to potential future executive directors if it didn't start offering them to Smith.

The board voted to give Smith an unspecified amount of cash in lieu of benefits so that they would not lose the funding in case something happened to Smith and a new executive director was needed.

At the end of the meeting the board listened to a short presentation from Northeast Oregon Water Association director J.R. Cook. He noted that the association was now able to move "fairly fast" on its flagship water project after the Umatilla Basin funding package was approved by the legislature and needed a final design completed by February

He said if the association was given permission to run a 42-inch pipeline inside the east fence at the depot it would be much easier than trying to get easements from nine different property owners on the other side of the fence.

"There will be a trench, we'll put the pipe in, put the sand back over it and in a year you won't even know it's there," Cook said.

Smith encouraged the board to sign a letter in support of asking the Army for the easement before the land is officially transferred over to the Columbia Development Authority.

"I think this is a great opportunity for us to help a partner," he said.

The board voted unanimously to sign the letter.

In other business the board also reviewed the completed survey by Ferguson Surveying and Engineering and discussed the process of updating the master lease with the Army that is allowing the authority to make some revenue by renting out the cement igloos on the site to the Walla Walla Foundry and other entities.

Oxbow Trail entrance arch dedicated in spirit of giving

By JADE McDOWELL Staff Writer

A new arch marking the entrance to the Oxbow Trail was highlighted as an example of Hermiston's collaborative spirit during a

ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday, Oct. 15. The large wooden arch, benches and landscaping was an Altrusa International project supported by sev-

eral local partners. Greg Smith

(R-Heppner) likened the project to a group of people moving a grand piano.

"So many partners came together and lifted where they stood ... that's what makes Hermiston so successful," he said.

In-kind donations, labor, money and expertise were donated by Altrusa, the city of Hermiston, Shepherd Com-Good munity Health Foundation, Hermiston Irrigation District, ConAgra Foods, Larry Ables of B.D. Ables Construction and Hector Ceniceros of C&C Construction Services.

The arch, which reads "May Peace Prevail on Earth," is on Good Shepherd Medical Center land and the city has agreed to maintain the arch and surrounding landscaping. A drinking fountain donated by ConAgra Foods will be installed in the spring.

Columbia Grange sets special meeting

A meeting of the Columbia Grange is set for Friday. The gathering begins with dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the grange hall, 32339 Diagonal Blvd., Hermiston.

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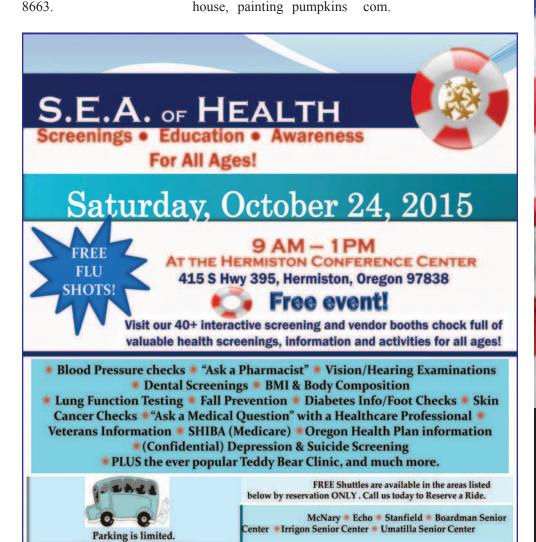
Guardian Angel Homes hosts Fall Festival

Cash prizes, a free dinner and loads of fun are planned for the Guardian

Angel Homes Fall Festival. The free event is Friday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at 540 N.W. 12th St., Hermiston. The event includes face painting, a freaky feeling room, a maze, a bouncy house, painting pumpkins and cupcake decorating.

Money and prizes will be awarded for the scariest, prettiest, most original and most outrageous costumes. The meal includes chili, hot dogs, cornbread and dessert. Also, pressed apple cider, cotton candy and popcorn will be available.

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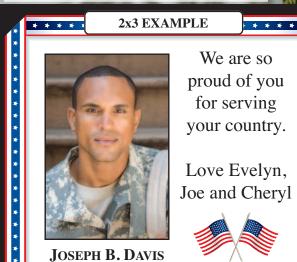
Join us for Veterans Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2015 in the East Oregonian and Hermiston Herald, as we honor the men and women of the U.S. Military. Their courage, hard work and sacrifice are the backbone of our nation, protecting freedom, liberty, justice and all we hold dear.

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