

The Hermiston Herald publishes a list of coming events as space allows. All items are assumed free, nonprofit and open to the public unless otherwise noted. Coming events items should be submitted well in advance to calendar c/o Hermiston Herald, 333 E. Main St., Hermiston, OR 97838 or community@hermistonherald.com.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14
BABY BOOGIE & TAPPIN' TODDLERS, 10-10:45 a.m. Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston (541-567-2882).

STANFIELD SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m. Cost is \$3.50 for seniors, \$6 for others. Stanfield Community Center, 225 W. Roosevelt, Stanfield (541-449-1332).

STORY TIME, 11:15 a.m. Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston (541-567-2882).

THURSDAY, DEC. 15
THE ARC UMATILLA COUNTY BINGO, 6-10 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m., seats may be held until 6:30 p.m., then all seats first come, first served; games begin at 7 p.m. Proceeds benefit Umatilla County citizens with developmental disabilities. 18 years or older, must have proof of age and photo I.D. Basic pot \$20, prizes range from \$20-\$750. The Arc Building, 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston (541-567-7615).

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FIDDLERS NIGHT, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Enjoy light refreshments, listen to some favorite oldies or join in the jam session. All ages welcome. Brookdale Assisted Living, 980 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston (541-567-3141).

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SENSORY STORY TIME, 12:30 p.m. For children from birth to age 4. Boardman Public Library, 200 S. Main St., Boardman (541-481-2665).

FRIDAY, DEC. 16
STORY AND CRAFT TIME, 2 p.m. Echo Public Library, 20 S. Bonanza, Echo (541-376-8411).

THE STORY OF EBENEZER SCROOGE: A CHRISTMAS CAROL, 6 p.m. The classic tale of a miser's redemption will be performed by the Traveling Lantern Theatre Company. Enjoy crafts, cookie decorating and letters to Santa following the performance. Free. Stanfield Public Library, 180 W. Coe Ave., Stanfield (Cecili Longhorn 541-449-1254).

STORY TIME, 10:15 a.m. Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston (541-567-2882).

VFW BINGO, 6 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m., games begin at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. Hermiston VFW, 45 W. Cherry St., Hermiston (541-567-6219).

SATURDAY, DEC. 17
SATURDAY CRAFT TIME, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Free craft projects for children in 5th grade and younger. Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston (541-567-2882).

SUNDAY, DEC. 18
"SHEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE" KIDS' CHRISTMAS DRAMA, 10:30 a.m. Everyone welcome. Hermiston Church of the Nazarene, 1520 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston (Gabrielle Fritz 541-567-3677).

TUESDAY, DEC. 20
BINGO, 5 p.m. Doors open at 5 p.m., games begin at 6:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston (541-567-3582).

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Hermiston Herald

A look back at this week in history as reported in the archives of the Hermiston Herald.

25 years ago

FROM THE DEC. 17, 1991 ISSUE OF THE HERMISTON HERALD:

- Hermiston City Manager Ed Brookshier announced the hiring of Grant Asher as police chief to succeed Bob Shannon, who retired Jun 28, 1991. Asher was hired to oversee a 22-person department, including 16 office and six dispatchers. Asher started with the department in 1966. "The city has changed a lot since he started in 1966. It now has 10,000 people, plenty of convenience stores and the sidewalks don't roll up at dusk," according to the front page article.

- Construction has started on a new freeway interchange on Interstate 84. The project, about seven miles east of Boardman, would allow freeway access to Paterson Ferry Road.

- Plans were announced for the proposed construction of a new food processing plant in Boardman at the Port of Morrow. A company called Boardman Foods plans to build a 10,000 square-foot processing plant for frozen and fresh onions, which would employ about 60 people with an annual payroll of about \$750,000. The company said it selected Boardman due to its proximity to farming, transportation services and pro-business attitude.

- A \$7 million fish hatchery has started raising 1 million Umatilla River spring chinook salmon. The new facility, near the Irrigon fish hatchery, is co-managed by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Bonneville Power Administration. Ground was broken on the facility in May 1990.

- In Sports, an early-season Intermountain Conference meeting between the Hermiston and Pendleton girls basketball teams was previewed. Both teams were off to 4-1 starts and remained undefeated in league play. The Bucks went on to win the contest, 83-47.



HERALD ARCHIVES

An advertisement from the Dec. 11, 1941 issue of the Hermiston Herald touts Chevy trucks at Hermiston Auto Co. (the precursor to Sherrell Chevrolet) for farms businesses and national defense, just four days after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor drew the United States into World War II.

50 years ago

DEC. 15, 1966

- E. Lynch, business manager for Moore and Ripley Revall Drug, announced plans to rebuild the Main Street store, which was destroyed by fire Dec. 5. "Preference will be given to the site at 131 Main, which the store occupied for many years prior to the fire..." The drug store was operating out of a temporary location at 246 E. Main after the fire, which also damaged the Pacific Power and Light building, but fire did not spread to other adjacent buildings like the Hermiston Hotel (where Banner Bank is now located) or the Pheasant Cafe.

- More entries were sought for the annual Christmas lighting contest for the Chamber of Commerce. Categories include residential outside, residential window, commercial and church displays.

- An ad in the issue announced that A&W Root Beer Drive-In would be closing for the winter season on Dec. 18. Duane and Olga Alexander wished customers a very merry Christmas, a happy new year. "We are looking forward to serving you again in 1967!"

- In sports, the Echo Cougars defeated Umapine, 67-55 in the Umatilla-Morrow league opener in basketball. Joe Rosenberg let the Cougars with 30 points and 9 rebounds.

- A feature in the society section of the paper, called "New Residents" welcomed eight new families to the area, including "Mr. and Mrs. Jason E Long from Richey, Mont., who have purchased the Snappy Shack Cafe."

75 years ago

DEC. 11, 1941

- "These United States are in another World War. This fact was brought home by a sudden, brutal attack by Japanese bombers on Pearl Harbor, Honolulu last Sunday morning. Without warning, without declaration and without any thought of fair play, a country which the United States has befriended and aided in recent years, struck while our backs were turned."

- Several items in the issue related to the Dec. 7 attack on Pearl Harbor and the country's entrance into World War II, including a small story with the headline "Charles Hodge Jr. at Pearl Harbor." The story says Charles Hodge Sr. and his wife were anxiously awaiting word about their son who was stationed at Pearl Harbor aboard the U.S.S. Henley.

- The annual Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the Hermiston Garden Club was canceled for the year, according to club president Mrs. F.B. Belt. "Due to war conditions it is felt that money usually spent in this project should go toward Red Cross and other war funds."

- The editorial in that week's issue called on farmers to keep up agriculture production. "The men at the fighting front will have to be fed and fed well, and a larger army in the fields of war materials and equipment will be taken from ranch and factory to supply the needs of battling legions."

- The editorial also addresses the state of

readiness at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot, which is "fortunately ready and powder for units stationed from the Aleutian Islands to San Francisco will be available. With a hard driving force and favorable circumstances 1,000 igloos are in completed condition for storage."

99 years ago

DEC. 15, 1917

- News in the Dec. 15, 1917 edition of the Hermiston Herald was largely dominated by the U.S. involvement in another war, World War I. A front page story urged residents to write to young men in uniform, serving in the armed forces. A list of 28 names, many with addresses for ships, military bases and training schools accompanied the article under the headline "Write These Boys a Christmas Letter."

- The front page also featured the full proclamation by Mayor F.C. McKenzie of Hermiston calling on all citizens to join the Red Cross. "Every man and woman in Hermiston must become a member of the American Red Cross during the week named (Dec. 17-24) to fulfill this patriotic obligation."

- There were also calls for farmers, rural and city residents to raise poultry for the coming year, seeking to double poultry production.

- "To prevent the hoarding of sugar by short sighted or unpatriotic individuals, Acting Federal Feed Administrator W. K. Newell has issued instruction to all the retail grocers of Oregon, restricting the sale of sugar."

- An ad by Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. said that due to government requests to conserve freight cars for the transport of necessary commodities, "we have deemed it advisable to depart from our usual custom of shipping in Christmas trees." The ad goes on to say it trusts that friends of the business will approve.

Editor's note: We are missing bound copies of the 1916 editions of the Hermiston Herald. If anyone is aware of where a copy of that book can be found, please contact us at editor@hermistonherald.com or by calling 541-567-6457.

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KNOW YOUR NUMBERS, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Free blood pressure checks and health information at the Hermiston and Stanfield senior centers to encourage everyone to know their blood pressure numbers. Take advantage of the

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SUNDAY, DEC. 25
COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP DINNER, 1-4 p.m. Free traditional Christmas meal features ham (and limited turkey) and all the fixings. For meal delivery or a ride, call 541-567-3013 through Friday, Dec. 23. On Christmas, call the senior center at 541-567-3582. To volunteer, call 541-303-5886. Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston (541-303-5886).

FIDDLER'S NIGHT, 2 p.m. Join the jam session or just listen. Brookdale Assisted Living, 980 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston (541-567-3141).

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INSIDE OUTSIDE THE LINES ADULT COLORING, 6-7:30 p.m. Materials provided. Bring snacks to share. Irrigon Public Library, 490 N.E. Main St., Irrigon (541-922-0138).

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