

# DINNER:

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be packaged for pick-up for those unable to attend the dinner.

The menu features ham and all the fixings. There is a limited amount of turkey for those that can't eat ham. Also, there will be cookies and pies.

Volunteer shifts are still available during the meal. People can help with everything from meal set-up and serving to greeting and meal delivery service.

While the meals are free, financial donations to help with the Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners can be given to local churches, dropped in a donation basket at the meal or mailed to CFD, P.O. Box 1551, Hermiston, OR 97838.

For meal delivery service or a ride, call 541-303-5886. On Christmas Day, call the senior center at 541-567-3582 or 541-303-5886.



Joe Svatonsky bags up a to-go order during the 2015 Community Fellowship Dinner. The free meal is open to everyone on Christmas Day at the Hermiston Senior Center.

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McKenna Seaton, left, waits for Harmony Blake, right, to use a purple pen while working on craft projects Saturday during Pancakes with Santa at the Hermiston Conference Center. Also pictured is Athena Huffman-Martin.

# CHEER:

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HHS Key Club president Kellie Zepeda and Vanessa Ambriz, vice president, said it was great to see people happy and having a good time. The event, Zepeda said, was all about spreading Christmas joy.

Seaton liked the arrangement, which encouraged families to interact.

"I like having our own tables," Karen Seaton said. "Then, you can also get up and mingle with other people."

The Seaton's 6-year-old daughter, McKenna, was happy spending time with some of her West Park Ele-

mentary School classmates. "Because school has been out, they've been needing their friend fix," Karen said.

McKenna, along with Athena Huffman-Martin and Harmony Blake, both 6, were busy creating crafts. The trio showed off their gingerbread men and reindeer ornaments. Besides making ornaments and coloring holiday-themed pictures, the girls agreed they missed visiting with each other since snowy weather resulted in school closures.

"My favorite part is being with my friends," Harmony said.

Santa Claus posed for photos and listened as ea-

ger youngsters shared their Christmas wish lists. In addition, some kids had some important business to attend to — including the pressing question of the day.

"He wanted to know if he was on the naughty list," Tiffany Rettkowski said about her younger son, Justin.

The 5-year-old is hoping the jolly ol' elf will deliver a drone during his Christmas Eve flight. His 10-year-old brother, Ryan, who has his heart set on a LEGO set, enthusiastically summed up Pancakes with Santa.

"We had fun, more fun and even more fun," he said while grinning from ear to ear.

# LOG:

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Ott and East Punkin Center roads, Hermiston.

11:08 a.m. - Hermiston police responded to a home on Southwest 11th Street after a caller reported a male wearing black gloves and a black hood tried to open her front door. Police found no suspect.

1:25 p.m. - A caller told Hermiston police someone stole the battery out of her car on Northwest 13th Street, and the day before someone stole fuel from the car.

2:31 p.m. - A Umatilla resident on Columbia Boulevard asked for police help to deal with the people stealing from her apartment. So far, they took a light bulb, three ice chests, two barbecue grills and laundry.

8:18 p.m. - A caller on East Beech Avenue, Hermiston, reported a man stole more than \$1,000 cash from her. She knew his first name, she said, but not his last or where he lives.

9:12 p.m. - The driver of a white sedan spun cookies near La Palma Restaurant, 231 E. Hurlburt Ave., Hermiston, until the car became high centered.

9:19 p.m. - The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office received a report of a truck driver punching a man on Interstate 84 near Hermiston.

10:14 p.m. - A Hermiston woman reported her ex-husband keeps harassing her with calls and texts, but she has no protection order against him.

## TUESDAY

7:41 a.m. - A Hermiston mother at Viewcrest Apartments, 525 S.W. 13th Place, told police the neighbor below her stopped her son, yelled at him and threatened him from her window.

8:08 a.m. - A caller reported the theft of a flatbed trailer from the construction site near Vadata, 3200 Beach Access Road, Umatilla.

10:21 a.m. - Hermiston police received a report of a cougar behind Safeway at the Hermiston Plaza Shopping Center at East Highland Avenue and Highway 395. Police did not find any big cat.

1:56 p.m. - Umatilla police looked into complaints of dogs out in the cold at a home on D Street.

2:51 p.m. - A Hermiston resident told police she arrived home on Northeast Willow Court and a silver Chevrolet Silverado pickup with Washington plates

sped off from in front of her residence. She said there were footprints around the house and a broken screen in the back.

3:53 p.m. - Hermiston police responded to Sandstone Middle School, Hermiston, on a report of a juvenile with marijuana.

4:18 p.m. - A manager at the Umatilla Port of Entry, Umatilla, reported a former employee is poaching clients and fraudulently claiming to work for the port.

8:17 p.m. - Law enforcement received a call about vehicles having to swerve around the "can man" in the right lane at South First Street and West Gettman Road, Hermiston.

## ARRESTS, CITATIONS

### MONDAY

• Hermiston police arrested Diane Rochelle Berecz, 43, address not provided, for delivery of methamphetamine and driving while suspended, and on a felony probation violation.

### FRIDAY

• Hermiston police arrested David Daniel Diaz, 19, of Hermiston, for domestic violence fourth-degree assault and strangulation, as well as on three misdemeanor warrants for failure to appear.

### WEDNESDAY

• Dante Lamar Marshall, 30, of Snellville, Georgia, ended up in the Umatilla County Jail, Pendleton, for domestic violence assault.

The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office around 4:40 p.m. responded to a home on Northeast 10th Street, Hermiston, after a woman there reported Marshall hit and bit her and destroyed her property. Deputies arrested Marshall and put him in jail for felony fourth-degree assault and resisting arrest.

Marshall already has a domestic violence assault case pending following his Oct. 31 arrest. Court records show he skipped his Nov. 14 court hearing to face that charge.

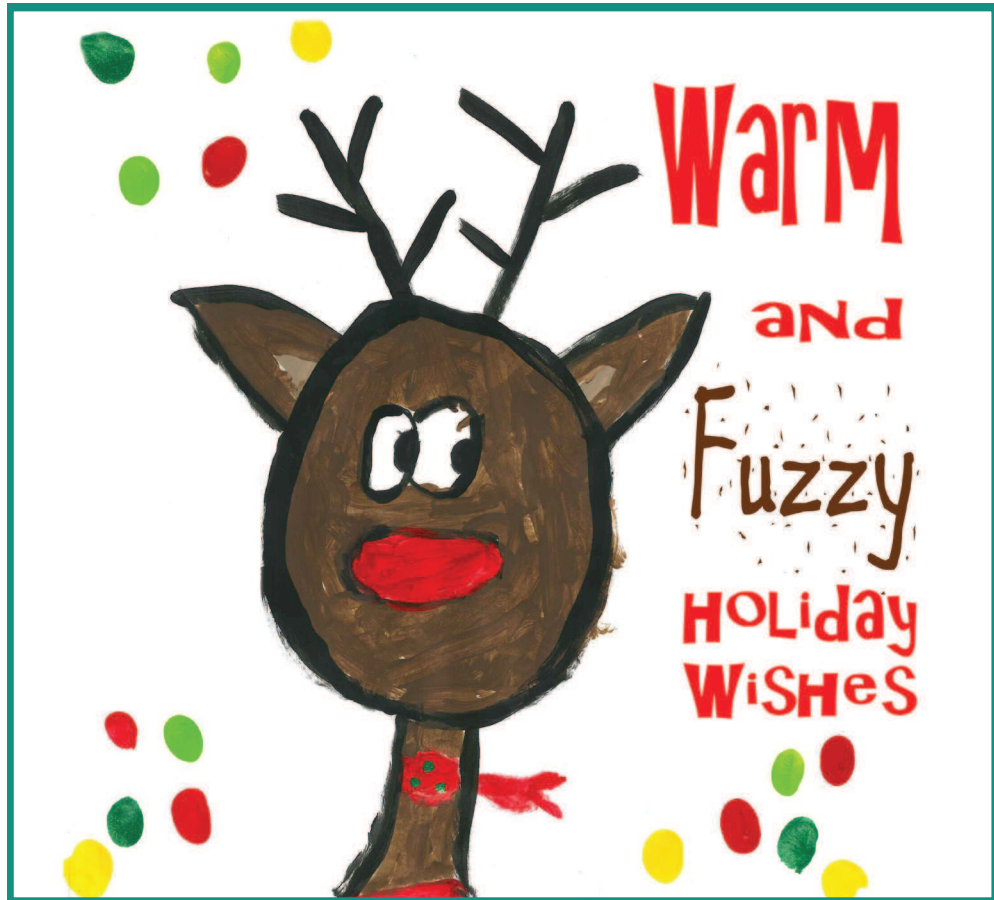
His victim was the same in both cases.

• Boardman police arrested Cynthia Ann Brown, 28, of Boardman, for fourth-degree assault.

• Boardman police arrested Tyler Maurice Messersmith, 31, no address provided, for third-degree and fourth-degree assault.

### TUESDAY

• Oregon State Police arrested Cirillo Ramos Contreras, 35, no address provided, for driving under the influence of intoxicants (alcohol).



## From Our Family To Yours!

Designed by Blayke Zimmerman, Age 5, of La Grande, OR. She was the winner of our annual Holiday Design Contest.



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