

HERMISTON HISTORY

# Green flag drops on racing seasons

25 YEARS AGO

APRIL 28, 1992

• “Oregon’s First” Grassroots Cribbage Club played host to the seventh annual Greater Hermiston Open Tournament, which ran Friday through Sunday at the Hermiston Eagles Lodge. It featured a field of 144 players from the Pacific Northwest turning out to compete for more than \$4,000 in cash and prizes. Jo Evans of Richland was the big winner Friday, taking the Hi-Rollers competition. Hermiston’s Bill Hill finished in the money at fourth place overall.

• Sunday afternoon Race City, USA kicked off the 1992 racing season. Ken Bonney of Hermiston was victorious in the super stock main and Rick Townsend of Boardman was the winner in street stock and Andy Savage, Kennewick, was the winner in the mini stock. Drivers in all three classes were competing for 1-ounce gold medals.

50 YEARS AGO

APRIL 27, 1967

• A warm and sunny day was welcomed by riders and spectators as the Sage Riders held their second arena point Play-Day on April 23.



HERALD ARCHIVES

Motorcycle riders line up for the start of a race during a meeting of the Blue Mountain Motorcycle Club at the Westland oval in April of 1967.

• Sixty-five motorcycle riders and a hillside full of 250 spectators turned out for the Blue Mountain Motorcycle Club of Hermiston’s first flat track races of the season at the Westland oval Sunday afternoon. A total of 27 races were run, including heats, semis, mains and trophy dashes in each of the three classes.

day leader training school at the Columbia Hall in Hermiston. Nine leaders attending this school will assist in the making of 177 mattresses and 170 comforters in the Hermiston Center. Umatilla county has signed for 730 mattresses and 680 comforters to be made by 568 families.

100 YEARS AGO

APRIL 28, 1917

• Thursday evening the Hermiston auditorium was filled with a record crowd drawn by the announcement of a patriotic meeting. Fully 400 were present and the program from start to finish was listened to very attentively with frequent outbursts of applause as the speakers touched on the various topics. The program consisted of a number of short talks along the line of what we, as a nation, should do to help during the war by feeding the world.

• Friday afternoon of last week a branch of the Umatilla County Red Cross society was formed in this city and the earnestness of those uniting would indicate good work ahead. The Hermiston branch starts off with a membership of 27, one of the largest in the county. Officers elected to the local branch are; Mrs. J.H. Strohm, chairman; Mrs. O.G. Sapper, secretary; Mrs. J.W. Campbell, treasurer.

75 YEARS AGO

APRIL 30, 1942

• The next scheduled meeting of the Columbia Red Cross Home Nursing class will be held Wednesday, May 6, at the home of Mrs. Doris Graves. The subject of discussion will be “Infant Care.”

• The 1942 mattress program for Umatilla county opened this week with a two-

PUBLIC MEETINGS CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

**HERMISTON LIBRARY BOARD**, 4 p.m. Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston (541-567-2882).

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

**UMATILLA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**, 6:30 p.m. Umatilla County Justice Center, 4700 N.W. Pioneer Place, Pendleton (541-278-6252).

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

**EASTERN OREGON TRADE & EVENT CENTER AUTHORITY**, 7 a.m. EOTEC main building, 1705 E. Airport Road, Hermiston (541-289-9800).

MONDAY, MAY 1

**STOKES LANDING SENIOR CENTER BOARD**, 6 p.m. Stokes Landing Senior Center, 195 N.W. Opal Place, Irrigon (Karen 541-922-3137).

TUESDAY, MAY 2

**UMATILLA MORROW RADIO & DATA DISTRICT**, 1:30 p.m. Boardman City Hall, 200 City Center Circle, Boardman (Shawn Halsey 541-966-

3774).

**IRRIGON PLANNING COMMISSION**, 6 p.m. Irrigon City Hall, 500 N.E. Main St., Irrigon (541-922-3047).

**STANFIELD CITY COUNCIL**, 7 p.m. Stanfield City Hall council chambers, 160 S. Main St., Stanfield (541-449-3831).

**UMATILLA CITY COUNCIL**, 7 p.m. Umatilla City Hall council chambers, 700 Sixth St., Umatilla (541-922-3226).

**BOARDMAN CITY COUNCIL**, 7 p.m. Boardman City Hall, 200 City Center Circle, Boardman (541-481-9252).

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

**HERMISTON AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, 4 p.m. Hermiston Airport lounge, 1600 Airport Way, Hermiston (541-567-5521).

**UMATILLA RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**, 7 p.m. Umatilla Fire Department, 305 Willamette St., Umatilla (541-922-2770).

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



## WILLIAM QUINTANA

Owner at Prestige Championship Wrestling

**When and why did you move to Hermiston?**  
*Moved to Hermiston in 2006 when my father relocated for a job!*

**What’s your favorite place to eat?**  
*Delish Bistro, 100 percent. Best food and service in Hermiston.*

**What is your favorite activity in your free time?**  
*Working, haha. Progressing the future of my professional wrestling company and building on what we’ve already accomplished.*

**What’s the last book you read?**  
*After I left Van’s Warped tour last summer I was stuck at an airport in Chicago for two days and read Chris Jericho’s most recent autobiography!*

**What app or website do you use most often, other than Facebook?**  
*Twitter, great tool for businesses.*

**What surprises you about Hermiston?**  
*How much it has grown since I moved here in 2006. And how much it continues to grow every year.*

**If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?**  
*I’ve been to every state in the U.S. except Hawaii and Alaska, so I wanna knock those 2 off the list to have all 50!*

**Describe the funniest thing that’s ever happened to you.**  
*Far too many things to pick just one here, lots of wild stuff has happened from touring in bands and traveling the U.S.!*

**Name one of your goals for the next 12 months.**  
*To expand Prestige Championship Wrestling and become even bigger. Bring in more nationally recognized talent and help bring Pacific Northwest wrestling and Hermiston to the forefront.*

**What is your proudest accomplishment?**  
*Running Prestige Championship Wrestling’s first event. We drew 300 people and everyone had a wonderful time and said they’d be returning for Prestige 2 on 6/23! Really glad we could put smiles on people’s faces and give everyone an amazing show, ya know?*

IN BRIEF

### Echo announces Kindergarten Roundup

The annual Kindergarten Roundup for Echo Elementary School is Tuesday at 5 p.m. at the school, 600 Gerone St.

Children who will be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2017, and their parents are encouraged to attend. Beth Gehrke,

Echo Schools registrar, said the event offers a great opportunity for children to meet their teacher and classmates and see their new school. Parents should bring their child’s official birth certificate and immunization records.

For more information, contact Gehrke at 541-376-8436 or beth.gehrke@echo.k12.or.us.

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Gage Harwood  
 McLoughlin High School

Gage Harwood is a senior at Mac-Hi. He has held a class office all four years. This year Gage is ASB Vice President. He is a member of Varsity Club and our Leadership class. Gage spends many hours doing community service for our school and community. He volunteers his time to DJ Jr. Hi dances with his Officers. Gage has been a mentor in our Elementary schools.

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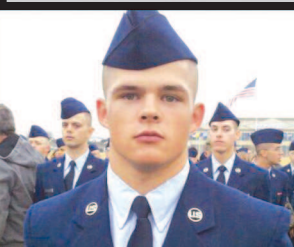


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### The family of Austin Bieren THANK YOU!



To the local communities, Patriot Guard & Burns Mortuary for the all the love & support we have received during our difficult time.



Tracy, Jody, Rachel, Brianne, Jaren & Jordan

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# BUTTE CHALLENGE

## SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2017

**5K Run, 5K Walk, 10K Run, Kid's Butte Scoot**

All races begin & end at Hermiston's Butte Park

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Online registration & race information at  
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