

## THREE MINUTES WITH ...



## GLENN PURCELL

Employee, Smoke City

**When and why did you move to Hermiston?**

*I live in Stanfield, but I moved down here last year. I was in Tri-Cities, but my wife's father passed away, and we moved in with her mom to help offset bills.*

**What is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?**

*The Golden Palace.*

**What do you like to do in your spare time?**

*I am a competitive vaper — I travel all over the Pacific Northwest and compete in cloud competitions or vape competitions. I had a friend take first place at the West Coast Vape Expo in Lincoln City. He won \$1,000 for blowing a cloud. The Expo is in Pasco this year — I'll be there.*

**What surprises you about Hermiston?**

*The community comes together pretty well. If I happen to have a question, I don't have a problem asking someone, they're pretty open. I haven't had a bad experience yet.*

**What was the last book you read, and would you recommend it?**

*Lord of the Flies for a school project 10 years ago. Most of my reading is done online.*

**What app or website do you use most often besides Facebook?**

*I use a vape tool that allows me to create my coils virtually before I make them. I also use Instagram. As a competitive vaper, I advertise for my sponsors.*

**If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?**

*The Philippines. I've been twice, and would go back.*

**What is the funniest thing that's ever happened to you?**

*While I was in the Philippines, we had a dance contest that I was forced to participate in — and I won, out of pity.*

**What is one of your goals for the next 12 months?**

*I would like to be running my own vape shop, ultimately.*

**What is one of your proudest accomplishments?**

*Becoming an Ohm trooper — it's a big network of friends and family competition vapers.*

## HERMISTON HISTORY

25 YEARS AGO  
OCTOBER 13, 1992

• Perhaps the most important trade mission in years visited both Lamb-Weston and Simplot potato processing plants last week. Organized by the Oregon Potato Commission in cooperation with the Blue Mountain Potato Growers Association, the mission included chief and senior executive officers of a number of the major fast food chains in southeast Asia. These are the 'yes' men said Billy Brewer, president of the Blue Mountain Potato Growers.

• More than \$15,000 in food, cash and other contributions will be added to the Eastern Oregon Food Caravan on Friday as it passes through Hermiston. The Desert Shrine Club, Al Kader Temple AAONMS will join the caravan for its 38th annual trek from Fruitvial, Idaho to the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children in Portland. According to Shriner Louis Clark, the local club is the largest contributor of food along the Caravan's route. More than 100 vehicles will deliver about \$60,000 in fresh, frozen and canned food, toys and cash to the hospital.

• Heppner's Tony Currin currently sits third in the all around in Columbia River Pro Rodeo Circuit standings released Oct. 8th. Curring has season winnings of more than \$15,000, trailing Mike Beers (\$23,718) of Powell Butte and Brad Goodrich (\$16,480) of Pendleton.

50 YEARS AGO  
OCTOBER 12, 1967

• Members of the Hermiston Volunteer Fire Department were guest of the Rotary club last Thursday noon. Immediately following lunch, while the members were being introduced, the fire siren blew and all the fire-



HERALD ARCHIVE

**Ten-year-old Sasha Wilson demonstrates how to exit through a window if a fire breaks out in a home or building during a fire safety training event at Hermiston Plaza put on by the West Side Fire Prevention Co-Op in 1992.**

men made a hasty exit in order to man the truck to fight a blaze. In lieu of the program, which Fire chief Bob Russel had planned to present, City Manager Tom Harper took the opportunity to praise the local volunteer firefighters in these words. "When I came here 61/2 years ago from a city which had a paid, full-time fire department, I was a bit concerned about a volunteer departments efficiency, but it took me only a few weeks to realize that these fellows probably know more about firefighting than any full time department. Any six-months member can drive and operate all the equipment of the trucks. "The department is housed in very cramped quarters.

Two trucks are stored in the old Rohrman garage. I don't know anyplace else where we can store them if that building should ever be disposed of. T

• For sale at the IGA grocery store this week are seedless grapes for 19 cents a pound. Crisp Celery 13 cents a pound, Danish Squashes 10 cents each and Valencia Oranges 7 lbs. for a dollar.

75 YEARS AGO  
OCTOBER 8, 1942

• The Hermiston Bulldogs won their second start of the season Friday by trouncing a heavier Waitsburg 11 on their own field. The Bulldogs scored early in the contest but failed to convert, making it a 6-0

lead for Hermiston. These were the only points scored during the game although there were several anxious moments for Hermiston supporters who saw the Washington lads drive to the Hermiston 6-inch line. Only the half time whistle prevented a score.

• The United States Employment Service is now recruiting women to be trained as truck drivers for the Umatilla Ordnance Depot.

• Mrs. R.G. Penney, chief clerk of the Hermiston rationing board, stated Wednesday that no more caning sugar will be granted after October 15.

100 YEARS AGO  
OCTOBER 13, 1917

• The annual proclamation of the Civic Club has been issued, and in accordance with old-time custom it has designated all next week as the time when back yards, alleys and street, both in the residence and business district, shall be expunged of all debris. It is hoped by the proclaimers of this clean-up day that all will be imbued with civic pride and see that their places are cleaned up so they will look neat during the holding of the Dairy and Hog Show. Teams will be furnished to cart away the garbage.

• Hermiston is fast making a name for herself along the line of exporting commodities to various markets. It is surprising what this valley produces when it is taken into consideration that less than a third of the land within its confines is in cultivation. Nevertheless the soil is here, and the climate and water also, and therefore it is not to be wondered at that since the first of last June 250 carloads of hay, peaches, melons, sheep, hogs, etc., were shipped out of this city over the O.W.R & N.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11**  
**MORROW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**, 9 a.m. Irrigon Public Library, 200 N.E. Main Ave., Irrigon (541-676-9061).

**STANFIELD IRRIGATION DISTRICT**, 12 p.m. district office, 100 W. Coe Ave., Stanfield (Tiffany Harrell 541-449-3272).

**PORT OF MORROW COMMISSION**, 1:30 p.m. Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman (Dori Drago 541-481-7678).

**HERMISTON CEMETERY DISTRICT**, 2 p.m. Burns Mortuary, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston.

**RIVERSIDE SITE COUNCIL**, 5:30 p.m. Riverside High School library, 210 N.E. Boardman Ave., Boardman (541-676-9128).

**HERMISTON PLANNING COMMISSION**, 7 p.m. Hermiston City Hall, 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston (541-567-5521).

**STANFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT**, 7 p.m. Stanfield School District office, 1120 N. Main St., Stanfield (541-449-3305).

**UMATILLA COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1**, 7 p.m. Fire Station 21, 320 S. First St., Hermiston (Reta Larson 541-567-8822).

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12**  
**BOARDMAN RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**, 1 p.m. Boardman Fire Department, 300 S. Wilson Lane, Boardman (541-481-3473).

**HERMISTON PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION**, 5:30 p.m. Hermiston City Hall, 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston (541-567-5521).

**UMATILLA SCHOOL DISTRICT**, 7 p.m. Umatilla School District office, 1001 Sixth St., Umatilla (541-922-6500).

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