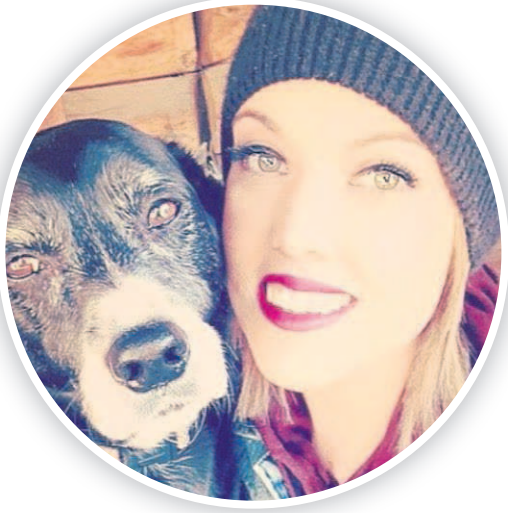


THREE MINUTES WITH ...



TARA LEDDON

ASSISTANT STORE MANAGER, BELLINGER FARMS

When and why did you move to Hermiston?

I moved to Hermiston when I was 14 years old from California. My dad got a job with the Union Pacific Railroad.

What is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?

My favorite place to eat is Texas Roadhouse. They have good food and the atmosphere is fun especially when the wait staff dances!

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I enjoy going on hikes with my dog or taking a drive to the mountains with friends. I also love going to cheer on the Tri-City Americans hockey team.

What was the last book you read?

I am currently reading Candle in the Darkness by Lynn Austin. It's one of those books that's hard to put down!

What app or website do you use most often other than Facebook?

One of my favorite apps is Instagram. I use it more than Facebook. I like getting to know people through their pictures and explore photos from all over the world.

What surprises you about Hermiston?

What surprises me about Hermiston is the growth. I have only been living here for about 14 years and a lot has changed. Many new businesses and schools, which brings more opportunities/ideas to make our community great!

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

Australia! I have seen pictures and heard stories. Hopefully I will one day get the chance to go visit!

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

Last month on a Leadership Hermiston day trip I went to the bathroom and my group left to go to the next place on the agenda and forgot about me! It was only our second time getting together and it made everyone laugh. All the other stops they made sure I was on the bus!

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

My goal for the next 12 months is to go back to college and finish my studies.

What is your proudest accomplishment?

Losing 100 pounds six years ago and being promoted to assistant store manager at Bellinger Farms!

DOG COSTUME CONTEST

The Echo Corn Maze broke its "no dogs" rule Monday and opened its doors for a canine costume contest. Pups from Pendleton, Hermiston and surrounding areas showed up, and could play on the grounds and attempt the maze with their owners. Participants included a lab in a masquerade mask and tutu, two golden retrievers dressed like angels, and two Saint Bernards pulling a covered wagon.



Abby Caswell, 7, poses with Suki, dressed as an angel.



Reba Lynne poses in her masquerade mask and tutu at the Echo Corn Maze, during the dog costume contest on Monday.



The Caswells of Pendleton pose with Suki, right and Harley, dressed for the dog costume contest at the Echo Corn Maze.

HERMISTON HISTORY



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Beverly Harkenrider adjusts princess costumes she and her son-in-law, Manuel Cardenas, made for her granddaughters Kelly Cardenas, 5, left, and Kacie Cardenas, 3, for Halloween in 1992.

25 Years AGO

NOVEMBER 3, 1992

• Bob Hoeffel is coming out of retirement to help the Greater Hermiston Chamber of Commerce during the transition that follows the resignation of Executive Director Diane Sparks. The Chamber decided to appoint Hoeffel to the position on an interim basis while applications were sought for Spark's full-time replacement. Sparks announced earlier this month that she has accepted a position with the Oregon City Chamber of Commerce and will be leaving November 13th. "We wanted to reassure our members of the continuity of good leadership," said Chamber President Don Armstrong, while announcing the appointment.

• The Hermiston High Marching Band had a stellar week, winning first place in their division at the University of Oregon Festival of the Bands and getting an invitation to the 1994 Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, Calif. The competition in Eugene took place this last weekend in soaking rain and the cavernous spaces of Autzen Stadium. Hermiston competed in the AA division against about six other bands and received a standing ovation. Yesterday the band also got its official invitation to the Portland Rose Festival Parade.

• After three near misses, The Umatilla County Fair has won the top award, earning a gold merit rating from the state fair judge. "This is the first gold we've gotten and everyone is real pleased," said Carrie Schmidt, fair administrator. "I'm glad that we've finally made it over the hump."

• Several juveniles were reported stealing candy from small children on Halloween night. One child was reportedly beaten and chased home early in the evening, while another was pushed down before having his candy stolen.

50 YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 2, 1967

• Echo had the unique experience this past weekend, Oct. 28-29, of hosting 30 young college students from foreign lands, all of whom attend Portland State College and are enrolled in the Center for English as a Second Language. Twenty-seven of the students were young men from Saudi Arabia; two girls were from Venezuela. All were guests in homes in Echo and Stanfield. The young men from Saudi Arabia are studying engineering at Portland State and en-



HH FILE PHOTO.

The Hermiston Marching Band performs at halftime during homecoming in 1992. Afterward the band won first place in the AA division at the University of Oregon Festival of the Bands.

rolled in English 110, a class taught by Robert Tolar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tolar, a graduate of the 1958 class of Echo High School. Tolar accompanied his students to Echo in a chartered bus. They were served sandwiches and coffee at the Veterans of Foreign Wars post 4943 hall. On Sunday morning all the students attended the service at the Methodist Community Church where they were served a potluck dinner in the church hall. Tolar introduced Mashary Belghonaim, who thanked the community for its wonderful hospitality and said, "Within a week 30 homes far away in our countries will know of the kindness the people of Echo have shown to us."

• Lee Urbauer, 44, Burwell, Neb., has been selected as new administrator of Good Shepherd hospital in Hermiston, it was announced by Richard L. Earnheart, temporary administrator since Sept. 20. Urbauer has been administrator at Burwell hospital for the past 5 years. He was selected for the position at a special meeting of the executive committee of the board of trustees at Good Shepherd hospital. Earnheart and Roy Skarlocken, both members of the executive committee, interviewed Urbauer.

• Robert Bernard Adams, 37, has accepted a position as Chief of Police in Hermiston, City Manager Tom Harper announced Wednesday. He will report for work Nov. 15. Adams was among several applicants

interviewed for the vacant position that was caused by the resignation of Chief of Police James Pollard. He has been with the Vancouver, Wash., police department during the past 10 1/2 years and attended Clark College, where he majored in criminology.

75 YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 5, 1942

• As has been the usual custom in former years, business houses in Hermiston will close next Wednesday, November 11, which is Armistice day. Although the world is again at war, the heroes of the first conflict have not and will not be forgotten. Mayor F.C. McKenzie made notice of the closure of business houses.

• A.C. Ebert was elected mayor of Echo on Tuesday by virtue of 32 written-in votes, with Dr. C.L. Gray next in line. A total of 12 names were written in due to the fact that the ballot appeared without a candidate. Mrs. Nona McFaul was elected secretary. The new councilmen elected were M.E. Coe, C.L. Gray and Joe Middleton. Holdover councilmen are Murl Berry, John Oliver and Edward Liesegang.

• Claude Van Arsdale, who for some years has farmed on the old Tillamook ranch six miles south of Hermiston on the Butter Creek highway, has decided to sell his stock and equipment at auction Thursday, November 12. He recently has purchased the Pheasant Cafe here on Main Street. Included in the auction will be 37 cows, 35 heifers and steers over one year and 15 heifers and steers under one year, two Holstein bulls, hogs, horses, farm machinery and other items. V.R. Runnion is the auctioneer and B.I. Whitney, clerk.

• One of the first trials by jury for drunken driving in recent months was tried before Justice of the Peace E. P. Dodd Wednesday afternoon in the Carpenters' local hall. Don George Hower was found "guilty as charged" for driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. Upon receiving the verdict of guilty, Hower was fined \$150.00 and all court costs by Mr. Dodd. A.C. McIntyre, county district attorney, represented the state while Homer Watts and Bud Peterson of Pendleton represented the defendant. Witnesses for the state were state officers McConnell and Thouvenel and local officers. Witnesses for Mr. Hower were Mrs. Hower, Fred Hensel and Mrs. Greeley of Pendleton.

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