



STAFF PHOTO BY JAYATI RAMAKRISHNAN

Firefighters respond to a fire at Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston, on Thursday morning.

Construction equipment sparks fire at Good Shepherd

HERMISTON HERALD

A fire broke out at Good Shepherd Medical Center on Thursday, April 26 around 11 a.m., causing occupants to evacuate the building. No one was injured.

Good Shepherd spokesman Nick Bejarano said the fire started when some contractors were doing concrete work in the basement, trying to lay fiber optic cable.

He said they struck a piece of conduit behind the concrete, which threw a spark and caused a piece of equipment to catch on fire.

The fire set off the alarm and sprinklers, Bejarano said, and sent smoke

billowing through the basement.

Bejarano said only occupants of the basement had to evacuate, including the surgery department and administration. He said a couple of patients had to leave, but they had not yet gone in for surgery.

Bejarano said employees who work on that floor were sent home for the day because of smoke in the basement, and because sprinklers went off.

UCFD crews responded to the incident, as well as Hermiston police. Echo and Umatilla rural fire departments were called to the scene, as well.

POLICE LOG

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

6:34 a.m. — A suicidal subject was reported at East Beebe Avenue, Hermiston.

2:15 p.m. — A woman is at the Hermiston Police Department lobby saying someone called her claiming to be an officer, and said that if she doesn't pay \$600 in the next three hours they will send an officer to her house. She said she hadn't given any money.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

12:42 a.m. — A burglary was reported at Southwest Desert Oak Drive, Hermiston.

11:07 a.m. — A suicidal subject was reported at Northwest 13th Street, Hermiston.

7:51 p.m. — An armed subject was reported at Northeast Aspen Drive. A Hermiston officer was unable to locate the person.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

1:42 p.m. — An assault was reported at East Diagonal Boulevard, Hermiston.

2:43 p.m. — An assault was reported at East Main Street, Hermiston.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

1:29 p.m. — A fight was reported at East Main Street, Hermiston.

5:35 p.m. — Child neglect was reported at South First Street, Hermiston.

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

12:30 a.m. — A prowler was reported on the porch of a home

at Northwest Geer Road in Hermiston. The caller said their husband had a gun.

5:00 a.m. — Police conducted a death investigation at North First Street, Hermiston. The subject was not breathing.

2:57 p.m. — A fight was reported at North First Street, Hermiston.

11:18 p.m. — A female was assaulted at East Main Street, Hermiston.

11:50 p.m. — Possible child abuse was reported at North First Street, Hermiston.

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

2:14 a.m. — Shots fired were reported at South Highway 395, Hermiston.

2:56 p.m. — An assault was reported at Northwest 11th Street, Hermiston.

4:26 p.m. — A woman just showed up on West Hartley Avenue, having a panic attack and crying. The caller did not know who she is.

5:02 p.m. — A caller reported a dog in the car with the windows up, at East Highland Avenue and South Highway 395.

5:22 p.m. — A caller on West Hartley Avenue reported an unauthorized entry into a vehicle — a woman wearing a white hat and a blue shirt.

6:24 p.m. — A runaway was reported at Northeast Quail Court, Hermiston.

10:54 p.m. — An assault was reported at North First Street, Hermiston.

Arlington hosts Jackpot Rodeo

The Arlington Jackpot Rodeo kicks off its 71st year this weekend in Arlington.

The event begins 10 a.m. Saturday with a parade. Rodeo action starts at 12:30 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. General admission rodeo tickets are \$6 or \$4 for those 12 and under. The two-day pass prices are \$9 and \$6.

The cook shack will be serving food both days. In addition, a cowboy breakfast is Sunday from 7-10

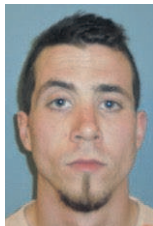
a.m. at Arlington Masonic Lodge, 50 Shane Drive.

Arena action will feature traditional rodeo events, including bull riding and ranch bronc riding. Money will be added each day, except for specialty events, which include junior and pee wee barrel racing, mutton bustin' and mini bulls. The Don Anderson Memorial buckle will be awarded to the all-around cowboy or cowgirl.

For information, call 541-454-2509.

Colorado fugitive arrested

A Colorado man was arrested in Hermiston Thursday and is awaiting extradition. Officers got a tip that Mathia Moses, 23, a fugitive from Denver, was in the 300 block of West Harper Road. Moses is alleged to have committed a sexual assault in Colorado. After confirming the warrant, officers chased him on foot and arrested him.



Moses

Moses is not currently a registered sex offender, and is not being investigated locally. He is lodged in the Umatilla County Jail.

AN OPEN LETTER TO VOTERS UMATILLA AND MORROW COUNTIES FROM ROB COLLINS CANDIDATE FOR CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

April 21, 2018

I am running for the position of Circuit Court Judge. I am writing this letter directly to you, as I feel the time constraints of candidates' fairs and general campaign contacts, limit my ability to fully present the message I would like to share. I am very excited to be your candidate for Circuit Court Judge and look forward to continuing to serve my community.

First I would like to suggest that in selecting the right candidate to fill this position on the Circuit Court that you need to consider the current composition of the judges in the Pendleton Courthouse. There are three judicial positions in Pendleton. Mr. Breiling and I are running to fill the position created by Judge Hampton's retirement. Before assuming a judicial position, both Judge Brauer and Judge Lieuallen had legal backgrounds focused in criminal law. Judge Hampton had more civil law background, and since Judge Pahl's retirement, has served primarily as a domestic relations judge, handled other types of civil litigation, plus dependency and delinquency cases involving minors. We can expect that the new judge assuming Judge Hampton's position should be a judge with a very strong family law and civil law litigation background, and I am the candidate who best fills that need.

Mr. Breiling has campaigned primarily on the focus of his career as a criminal law defense attorney, which is why he has the large number of court appearances last year (483) that he highlights. Any second year criminal prosecutor or public defender could tout the same level of court appearances, if not more. Right now we have a young criminal prosecutor in Hermiston that recently made over 550 court appearances in just one month. But this does not make anyone qualified to be a judge. Multiple criminal arraignments, changes of plea, status hearings and other repetitive and brief court appearances in a single day add up, but tell you nothing about the individual's insight into the correct application of law, their commitment to justice, or their ability to interpret, analyze and apply the law to the facts of a case. That is the job a judge must fulfill. And I am the candidate best qualified to supply the broad legal knowledge and experience expected of an effective judge.

In the last few years I have been practicing with a focus in areas other than criminal law that require fewer court appearances, but are very important to the resolution of cases in Circuit Court. We already have two judges in Pendleton with very similar criminal law backgrounds, both comparable to Mr. Breiling's experience in that they had a criminal focus before taking the bench. I practiced criminal law for years, dealt with criminal matters as a judge in Municipal Court over the past 18 years, and am certainly proficient in that arena but have an even stronger background and experience in a variety of civil law areas including family law, probate, guardianship, conservatorship, adoption, real estate, contract disputes and agriculture related and general business law matters than does my opponent. These are the areas of experience most needed for this position, along with a deeply held respect for the law and the process of justice. I believe a recognition of my qualifications and my commitment to enforcing the law, is the reason I am the candidate who received the endorsement of the Oregon State Bar poll of all judges and attorneys in Umatilla and Morrow counties by a 60% majority vote, and the endorsement of Crime Victims United of Oregon.

I also want to respond to recent suggestions that I am seeking this position as a sort of retirement. This position is for a six year term, and six years is all that anyone elected to this position has the certainty of serving. That may be the last six years of my career, as I won't have a practice to return to after six years on the bench. I have every intention of serving that full term, and working diligently for the citizens of Umatilla and Morrow Counties. If I was interested in retiring, I would stay in my law practice and simply start reducing my work load. That is not my intention.

The role of a Circuit Court Judge is a service position, and I see this as the best way I can use both my legal and personal skills to continue the commitment of service that has been a focus of my life since I returned home to Eastern Oregon after completing law school. There has never been a time during my adult life in Pendleton that I have not been involved in some form of service work for my community, starting with serving on the Red Cross Board of Directors and the Umatilla-Morrow County Housing Authority Board shortly after I came back to Pendleton, and most recently by serving the region as a Pendleton Round-Up Director for the past seven years. I will complete my eighth and final year in September of this year. In between I have worked hard in service roles with a variety of other organizations including the Pendleton Rotary Club that I have supported for 37 years.

I have worked long hours in my profession to serve my clients, often spending evenings and weekends at my office, but I also made time to volunteer both personally and professionally. I intend to dedicate myself 100% to being the best judge I can be for the people of Umatilla and Morrow Counties as long as I have the privilege to serve. I am asking for your votes.

You deserve the best possible judge over the next six years, and for these reasons I believe I am the best candidate for this position. Thank you to my supporters who have written so many letters to the editor and assisted in and supported my campaign. I am honored and humbled by your efforts, and grateful for the journey.

Sincerely,

Rob Collins

Please visit us on Facebook at Rob Collins for Circuit Court Judge.

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PHOTO BY OREGON STATE POLICE

A Stanfield man died Thursday when his vehicle tumbled down an embankment into the North Fork John Day River.

Stanfield man killed after crashing into ravine

HERMISTON HERALD

A Stanfield man was killed Thursday when he drove off a cliff into the North Fork John Day River.

According to Oregon State Police, Randy Jones, 53, was traveling westbound Thursday morning on the gravel Texas Bar Road when his vehicle left the road for an unknown reason. It tumbled down into a roughly 400-foot ravine before

coming to rest on its top in the North Fork John Day River. Jones was killed in the crash.

According to OSP, he was wearing a seatbelt and was not ejected. Speed is being considered as a possible factor. The vehicle was removed from the river and no environmental impact was noted.

The Texas Bar Road is located about six miles up Forest Service Road 55, which connects to Highway 395 near Dale.

WORSHIP COMMUNITY

NEW BEGINNINGS

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Worship Service 10:30 AM
Sunday School 9:00 AM
Pastor J.C. Barnett
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P.O. Box 933
Hermiston, Oregon
541-567-8441

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Worship Gathering 10:30 am
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235 SW 3rd
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Rev. Ed Baker - Rev. Nina Baker

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Worship.....11:00 am
Evening Service.....7:00 pm
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1 Pet. 5:7

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SATURDAY:.....English 5:00 pm
.....Spanish 7:00 pm
SUNDAY:.....English 9:00 am
.....Bilingual 11:00 am
.....Spanish 1:00 pm
Office.....567-5812

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Pastor David Dever

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Sun. Evening Worship.....6:00pm
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567-9497

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