

THREE MINUTES WITH ...

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Lieutenant, Umatilla County Fire District



When and why did you move to Hermiston?

In 2008 — when the housing market crashed, I was in central Oregon, pursuing a career. A job opportunity opened up here, so that's why I moved.

What is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?

When it's here, the taco truck by the Cottage.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

Outdoor activities — hunting, fishing and boating, and spending time with my family.

What surprises you about Hermiston?

The culture. There are a lot of different ethnicities, and everyone still kind of maintains their heritage, and it's fairly well-respected.

What was the last book you read?

Extreme Ownership, by Jocko Willink and Leif Babin. It's a management book by a Naval officer.

What app or website do you use most often?

CrewSense, for work. It's a personnel management app.

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

Probably Paraguay. My uncle passed away there when he was 15 years old, on a mission trip. My grandparents were missionaries. That's where he's buried. My middle name is after him, and my son is named after him. I'd kind of like to see where they did the mission.

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

My son (age three and a half) says some pretty funny things. But at work, we were up all night one night, and we were taking pictures of each other. Then the same pictures showed up at our banquet, and it was the same night I won firefighter of the year.

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

To spend more time with family, and reprioritize things.

What is your proudest accomplishment?

Besides my son, I'd say my career. I've worked really hard, and had lots of things come in my way that I think a lot of people would have stopped and tried something else. But I kept pushing on.

HERMISTON HISTORY

25 YEARS AGO

AUG. 24, 1993

Beginning Wednesday, drivers relying on a "Fuzzbuster" may find themselves busted by an Oregon State Police trooper using a new laser-based speed measuring system.

The physically-harmless laser is invisible to both the eye and any radar detector.

The OSP recently purchased several LTI 20-20 laser speed detection devices. As he cruises around the West End, Trooper Dave Mac-Manimam will be armed with such a device.

• Potato processors are investing millions of dollars to transform millions of gallons of water from a burdensome byproduct to a valuable economic benefit.

Vegetable process water is what's left over at potato processing plants after potatoes have made their way to the fryer and become frozen french fries, hash browns, tator tots and potato wedges.

Craig Smith, vice president of Environmental Affairs of the Portland-based Northwest Food Processors Association, said vegetable process water is finding new, valuable uses as a source of farmland irrigation water and fertilization.

"French fries, hash browns and other value-added potato products are the result of a major manufacturing process," Smith said. "A major by-product of this process is water."

The effort to re-use the water is "now beginning to pay off in substantial savings to farmers because of reduced need for commercial fertilizers and lower irrigation water costs."

50 YEARS AGO

AUG. 22, 1968

Gene Palmer, Umatilla County Roadmaster, announces that one of the road department's 1968 projects for the Hermiston area is the extension of the Elm Street road across Bakers Pond, thus connecting Diagonal Road with the Hermiston-McNary Highway.

At the present time, nearly four city blocks of Elm Street is black-topped and Palmer states that plans call for a Class A gravel road this year, on the balance of the road under construction. Black-topping will take place on this stretch of road in 1969.

The Elm Street extension, nearly half a mile in length, show alleviate a lot of the truck and smaller vehicle traffic that normally flows through downtown Hermiston.

75 YEARS AGO

AUG. 26, 1943

Major Chester L.C. Johnson, son of Mrs. Rose Johnson of Pendleton, is a prisoner of the Japanese in the Philippine Islands, according to word received



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Almost 5,000 pounds of produce were loaded onto this Pendleton Grain Growers truck to take to Portland to distribute in August 1993. Pictured are Mayor Frank Harkenrider (shown kneeling) and Kris McCullough, Pat Napolitano, Jutta Haliewicz, Donna Prewitt, Coleman Devine, Mike Boise, DuWayne White, Lyle Crane and Byron Grow.

by his mother.

Major Johnson is a former Hermiston boy, having graduated from the local high school where he was very prominent in all school affairs. He later was appointed West Point by Rep. Walter Pierce.

Major Johnson had not been heard of directly since April 14, 1942 when he was stationed in the Philippines, and news that he was alive and well proved a joyous message for his mother. A postcard came from him, stating: "Health excellent. I am uninjured. Not under treatment. Am well."

• Hermiston might be a small town to many but already this little hamlet has enough men in the air corps to fly and man a 10-man bomber. Some of the first to leave for air service were Bob Follett, Harry Connor, Ted Ripley and Wayne Casseday. Others who have joined since include Bill Corpe, Vester Shaw, Tom Fraser, Gale Felthouse, Ray Hollomon, Gene Rugg and possibly others.

If it were possible that a bomber could be manned by the 10 men from the above group, the writer would be willing to vouch for it in any type of air battle.

100 YEARS AGO

AUG. 24, 1918

You all have heard about Col. Newport and his trusty Ford taking a header into the ditch one day last week as he was hurrying from his home to reach the depot to take the train to Portland. He was making good time alright, and would have reached the station in safety had it not been for being too generous in giving all of the road to a car going in the opposite direction — in fact he gave so much of the highway that he landed in the ditch and damaged the Ford to the tune of about 25 bucks. He escaped injury himself and succeeded in just making the train on foot.

When he returned from Portland he found the following letter from James Stuart of Stanfield:

"I don't know whether you know it or not, but it was me that you tried to

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