

COURTS

SENTENCES
PENDLETON — The following sentences have been imposed in Umatilla County courts:

FELONY
•Jessica Richele Banker, 26, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine: sentenced to 18 months probation, 90 sanction units, 30 maximum jail units, 80 hours community service and 6 months driver's license suspension; pleaded guilty to seven counts of Failure to Appear I: sentenced to 5 days jail, 2 years probation, 120 sanction units and 60 maximum jail units for each count; pleaded guilty to Failure to Perform Duties of Driver-property damage: sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 2 years probation, \$5,100 restitution and 3 months driver's license suspension.
•Timothy Lawrence Haberstitch, 60, Boardman, pleaded guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine: sentenced to 18 months probation, 90 sanction units, 30 maximum jail units, 80 hours community service, \$200 fine, \$2,300 fine-suspended and 6 months driver's license suspension; pleaded guilty to DUII: sentenced to 2 days jail, \$1,755 fine and 1 year driver's license suspension.
MISDEMEANOR
•David Junior Reynolds, 44, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to DUII: sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 2 years probation, 160 hours community service, \$1,255

fine, \$5,250 fine-suspended and 1 year driver's license suspension, plus court costs and fees; pleaded guilty to a second count of DUII: sentenced to 90 days jail, 90 days jail-suspended, 2 years probation, 160 hours community service, \$1,755 fine, \$4,750 fine-suspended and 3 years driver's license suspension, plus court costs and fees; pleaded guilty to two counts of Refusal to Take a Test for Intoxicants: sentenced to \$650 fine for each count; pleaded guilty to Driving While Suspended/Revoked: sentenced to \$1,000 fine; pleaded guilty to a second count of Driving While Suspended/Revoked: sentenced to \$2,000 fine; pleaded guilty to Driving Motor Vehicle While Using Mobile Electronic Device (first citation): sentenced to \$100 fine.

SUITS FILED
PENDLETON — The following suits have been filed in Umatilla County courts (interest, court costs and fees not listed):

•DNF Associates LLC vs. Evangelina Gardner: seeks \$1,234.98.
•Sally L. Salgado and Eusebio E. Salgado Garcia vs. Richard P. Spiess Jr.: seeks \$484,614.28.
•Evergreen Financial Services Inc. vs. Stacie Bates of Hermiston: seeks \$2,964.02.
•Midland Funding LLC vs. Juan Ruiz: seeks \$3,177.17.
•Midland Funding LLC vs. Angel Sanchez: seeks \$1,696.86.

JUDGMENTS

PENDLETON — The following judgments have been rendered in Umatilla County courts (interest, court costs and fees not listed):

•Capital One Bank vs. James C. Burrus of Hermiston: judgment for \$7,718.29.
•Atlas Financial Services vs. Davia Dianna Caldera of Hermiston: judgment for \$922.
•Credits Inc. vs. Carmen L. and Exodus Ramos of Echo: judgment for \$2,136.89.
•Bonneville Billing & Collections Inc. vs. Franda Sham and Savinus Londow of Hermiston: judgment for \$212.77.
•Credits Inc. vs. Jesse A. Salisbury of Irrigon: judgment for \$403.80.
•Credits Inc. vs. Lori and Steven Goucher of Hermiston: judgment for \$549.72.
•TDA Bank USA vs. Jeffery A. Townsend of Hermiston: judgment for \$828.72.
•Credits Inc. vs. Regina Aguilera (Rodriguez) and Sergio Aguilera of Umatilla: judgment for \$5,652.60.
•Petrocard Inc. vs. Bernard S. Lind dba Lind's Concessions of Umatilla: judgment for \$3,436.26.
•Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC vs. Inez Tenorio of Hermiston: judgment for \$2,428.44.
DIVORCES
PENDLETON — Divorce decrees were signed in Umatilla County Courts for:
Esteban M. Ramos and Annette Marie Ramos of Hermiston.

BIRTHS

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston
NOV. 27, 2018

HIGH — Nichole High and Cody High of Heppner: a girl, Reiley RaeLynn High.

DEC. 4, 2018

FLORES — Kylee Flores and Whitnee Arias of Hermiston: a boy, Asher Monte Lee Flores.

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton
NOV. 26, 2018

BARTZ — Abby L. J. Vasquez and Zachary L. Bartz of Umatilla: a boy, Jettie Dare Lucky Bartz.

POLICE

TUESDAY, DEC. 4

7:33 a.m. — An armed subject was reported on South Highway 395.
9:44 a.m. — A fight was reported at South First Street.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 5

8:14 a.m. — A woman on Southwest Sixth Street stabbed a male with a small fork. He declined medical attention.
9:27 p.m. — A missing person was reported at Northwest Overlook Drive.

FRIDAY, DEC. 7

11:34 a.m. — A suicidal subject was reported at West Beebe Avenue.
10:48 p.m. — Shots fired were reported at Vista Trailer Park, Northeast 10th Street.

SATURDAY, DEC. 8

2:46 p.m. — Child abuse was reported at South Highway 395.

SUNDAY, DEC. 9

3:20 p.m. — Someone reported shoplifting in progress at North First Street.

State police courtesy ride leads to couple's arrest

By HERMISTON HERALD

Oregon State Police Sgt. Seth Cooney's act of kindness led to the arrest of two suspects in recent car thefts and high-speed chases.

Cooney said he responded Dec. 4 to a report of a male "stumbling on the road and almost falling into traffic" on Interstate 82 near Hermiston.

"As I'm looking at him, he's got blue hair," Cooney said. "That's kind of a giveaway. You don't see that very often."

The man said he was in withdrawal and sick, and Cooney agreed to give him a "courtesy transport" to his home on Frontage Road near Hermiston. Cooney said the man identified himself as David James Rushfeldt, 26, of Portland, which the cop connected to an Oct. 24 car chase

involving state police trooper John Lombardi.

Lombardi stopped to help a dark gray Subaru Outback on the eastbound side of Interstate 84 near milepost 176. While talking to the two occupants, the female driver floored the gas, and the trooper gave chase. Oregon State Police reported the Subaru exceeded 122 mph and ditched police after taking exit 177 to Frontage Road.

Rushfeldt was the passenger in that car, Cooney said, but that was not a reason to arrest him.

Cooney dropped off Rushfeldt and planned to tell Lombardi, but soon heard from Lt. Keith Kennedy with the Umatilla Police Department. Cooney said Kennedy heard the state police radio chatter about the ride and

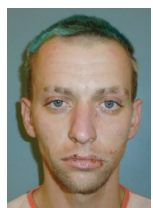
asked if he arrested Rushfeldt.

Kennedy stated Rushfeldt was the driver that got away from Trooper Mitchell Goldman during a dangerous pursuit Monday night near Umatilla. Rushfeldt took off the wrong way on Interstate 82 and almost smashed into another trooper's police car. State police reported the chase ended when the driver crashed into a fence and bolted on foot.

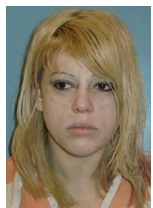
All of that was news to Cooney. "We're talking about two completely different pursuits," Cooney said. "So we finally put it together."

Cooney and senior trooper Earl Connell headed back to Rushfeldt's place. He was there, Cooney said, along with his girlfriend, Vallerie Michael Tattoed, 26, who Cooney recognized.

She was the driver that got away from Lombardi.



Rushfeldt



Tattoed

Hermiston homeowners help contain attic fire

HERMISTON — Swift work from homeowners and firefighters late Thursday kept an attic fire from spreading.

The Umatilla County Fire District at about 9:45 p.m. received the call-out for a chimney fire at 2150 N.W. Dawn Drive, Hermiston. Battalion chief Corey Gorham said en route the

emergency dispatch reported the fire may have spread to the home's attic.

Four engines and 19 fire personnel arrived and saw some flames in the attic around the chimney, and the homeowners were outside using water from a garden hose to squelch the fire.

That really helped us out a lot and slowed it down," Gorham said.

Crews attacked the attic from above and below, dousing the remaining flames and hitting hot spots. No one suffered any injuries, and the last firefighters left the scene at 11:24 p.m.

Gorham also said the cause of the fire remains under investigation, but the culprit could be material that was around the stove pipe.

DEATH NOTICES

Curtis 'Curt' Buwalda

Hermiston

Nov. 21, 1943 — Dec. 7, 2018

Curtis "Curt" Buwalda, 75, of Hermiston died Friday, Dec. 7, 2018, in Kennewick, Wash. He was born Nov. 21, 1943, in Newton, Iowa. A memorial service will be Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 1 p.m. at Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. View the full obituary or leave an online condolence for the family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

Glenna J. Morford

Umatilla

Nov. 18, 1943 — Dec. 10, 2018

Glenna J. Morford, 75, of Umatilla died Monday, Dec. 10, 2018, in Hermiston. She was born Nov. 18, 1943, in Knoxville, Tenn. A private family gathering was held. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of final arrangements.

Leslie H. 'Les' Morton

Stanfield

July 14, 1930 — Dec. 5, 2018

Leslie H. "Les" Morton, 88, of Stanfield died Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2018, in Hermiston. He was born July 14, 1930,

in Wagner, South Dakota. A private family celebration will be held. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Leave online condolences for the family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Ramon N. Perches

Hermiston

Aug. 31, 1949 — Dec. 4, 2018

Ramon N. Perches, 69, of Hermiston died Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2018, at his home. He was born Aug. 31, 1949, in Santa Rosa, Chihuahua, Mexico. Viewing will be held Saturday, Dec. 8 from 2-5 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 9 from 2-7 p.m. at Burns Mortuary chapel in Hermiston. Recitation of the rosary will be held Sunday, Dec. 9 at 6 p.m. in the chapel. Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, Dec. 10 at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church in Hermiston. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Leave online condolences for the family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

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