

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



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When and why did you move to the Hermiston area?

I came to the area in 1989, initially. I got out of the military, and went to work in a police capacity in the city of Umatilla.

What is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?

Probably Walker's Farm Kitchen.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I have a senior in high school, so all my spare time is preparing for graduation and college. Hobby-wise, I like outdoor sports — hunting and fishing.

What surprises you about Hermiston?

It's hard to surprise me anymore, but I'm constantly overwhelmed by how many caring, giving people there are. It's an inclusive community.

What was the last book you read?

I re-read "The One Minute Manager" by Ken Blanchard and Spencer Johnson.

What app or website do you use most often?

Amazon

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

I love to travel, and I love warm climates. Since I haven't been to the Caribbean, that's where I'd go.

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

When I was in the military, I moved onto base housing. In doing so, you can either pay to have them move you in, or you can do it yourself, and they give you money for the move — it's usually pretty lucrative. So I rented a U-Haul to move myself. When I was returning the 11-foot tall U-Haul, I didn't clear a bridge, which was 9-foot-7. I also didn't purchase the insurance, so I had to pay \$2,219.52. I told my wife I'd never forget that number — in 1988 that was a lot of money for a military guy. So I lost money on the do-it-yourself move.

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

Personally, I'm going to be assisting my kids with college, and their desires and aspirations. Professionally, I'm going to continue to do my part to grow HPD — not physically, but in terms of spiritual and personal growth.

What is your proudest accomplishment?

I think raising two great kids is definitely my proudest accomplishment.

HERMISTON HISTORY



HH file photo

Stanfield Middle School chess team members prepare for a regional tournament in February 1994. Included in the photo are (left to right) Andy Picker, advisor Dwaine Morrison, Junior Ena, Danny Martinez, Gabe Wells, Aaron McFarland and Adam Thorp.

25 YEARS AGO

MARCH 1, 1994

Members of a local commission on the demilitarization of Umatilla Army Depot don't like a report on the disposal of chemical agents, and they don't like the way the Army is dealing with public comment on it.

"The Army has little genuine interest in public opinion," a summary of the comment from the Chemical Demilitarization Citizen's Advisory Committee said. "Citizen's commissions are seen as an unnecessary distraction by the Army that must be tolerated because of a congressional mandate."

The report, released two weeks ago by the National Research Council, endorses incineration of the chemical agents and munitions. The commission sent the summary of comments on the report collected at its meeting last week. The summary will accompany the report to the Army.

The summary said the report was lacking information about steady, minute releases of agent. Such releases may come out of an incinerator smokestack. The commission is opposed to dioxin emissions from the incinerator, as well. Products released through the stacks of hazardous waste incinerators may be more toxic than previously thought, the summary said.

50 YEARS AGO

FEB. 27, 1969

Hermiston City Police report that a Hermiston man, Gerald Fisch, 27, was stabbed in the hip during an altercation outside Ole's Dine and Dance last Saturday morning at approximately 2:30 a.m.

Fisch, a helicopter pilot on leave from service in Vietnam, was treated at Good Shepherd hospital and released.

2) Hermiston School Board members of District 8R met in special session last Monday to open bids on the proposed renovation and expansion of the Senior High School swimming pool.

Only one bid was submitted, according to school superintendent Armand Larive, that bid being submitted by The Timber Company, Inc. of Hermiston for \$84,395.

The architect and the board had asked for a bid on renovation of the pool as it now exists, such renovation to include a new filter plant, chlorinator, new pipes under the existing deck, a new circulation pump and a 55-foot



HH file photo

Alto sax player Jeanne Goodwin and trumpeter John Sheeley were featured soloists in Hermiston High School's stage band concert in February 1969.

extension of the pool to accommodate additional students.

he was fined \$100 and costs and given a 60-day jail sentence.

75 YEARS AGO

MARCH 2, 1944

N.J. VanSlike of the Vigorbilt Hatchery called The Herald Thursday morning stating that his new hatcher, recently constructed by himself and Curtis Walls, is really proving successful. This week the new machine hatched out a healthy four-legged New Hampshire Red chick. More of this type of bird should aid the chicken shortage.

2) Ralph S. Wyn, 27, formerly employed at the Umatilla Ordnance Depot, caused considerable excitement last Thursday evening when he escaped from the guards and fled toward Boardman in his automobile.

According to state police, the guards first arrested Wyn on a charge of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. Deciding to turn him over to the state, they took him outside the depot gates, stepped from his car, and he started the machine, attempting to run over one of the guards as he escaped. Attempts to stop him proved futile.

State police later captured him near Boardman following a footrace. Although he resisted arrest he did not resort to weapons, according to Sgt. Louis Johnson of the state police. Wyn appeared before the Justice of the Peace E.P. Dodd Tuesday where

100 YEARS AGO

MARCH 1, 1919

Daylight saving throughout the nation will again become effective Sunday, March 30, under the Calder daylight savings law.

On that day clocks throughout the nation will be turned back one hour to jog along at the daylight saving gate until the last Sunday in October.

Under the Calder law, daylight saving is effective each year until Congress repeals the statute. The plan, congressmen say, has proved a success, and repeal of the law is unlikely.

2) The Father & Son banquet given Friday night by the Civic Club in Mack's Hall was one of the big events of Hermiston and was an unqualified success, voted so by those most able judges of all things gastronomic, father and son.

Nearly two hundred tickets were sold, and everyone came. In accordance with the patriotic spirit which prompted the celebration, the hall was gayly decorated with an abundance of flags and bunting. Potted plant were on each table with the exception of the center table where a big red, white and blue Liberty Bell held the place of honor. Tiny flags were at each plate.

The young matrons of the town served as waitresses and the kitchen was under the direction of Mrs. Gunn.

COLUMN

Don't blame social media for teen depression

If you've been paying attention to recent online conversations, you may have noticed that social media has become the popular place of blame for this generation's depression.

The same claim is being made over and over that online posts made by somebody living a more glamorous life than the viewer leaves that individual with unhealthy feelings of jealousy and depression in their own life.

So if social media has been so toxic to our youth, why is it still so popular among us?

The reality of it is that social media has given us a safe haven for self expression, a place where we can voice our strong ideas and opinions freely when we can't do so at school or at home.

At home, some of us have siblings.

How many times have you seen your sibling's share of a meal, or holiday presents, or school clothes and angrily whined, "How come they always get more than I do!?" Humans have been jealous of others' lives and belongings since the dawn of time.

At school, we have all wished we could be the beautiful one, the smart kid, or the athlete. Too many of us are so quick to blame the internet for our problems. No matter where we are, we see people who have things that we don't. It's just part of life.

Social media just makes it easier to encounter these things. But it also makes it easier to cope with them. We get to be whoever we want to, and say whatever we want to, about whatever we want to. While we are more subject to criticism online, it is excep-

tionally easier to block a harasser online than it is in person.

Social media has allowed millions of people, not just teens, to be whoever they want to be online, since they can choose who gets to see their posts. If anything, social media has brought countless teens together through mutual feelings and opinions they have voiced online. It has produced a place of unity for our youth, where we can talk about the real causes of our depression, anxieties, and insecurities with followers that we know feel the same way. It makes us feel less alone.

Bullies, fears, and mental illnesses won't go away if social media does, but at least we can talk about these things openly online when we may not get the chance to elsewhere.

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