

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



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When and why did you move to Hermiston?
My family moved here in 1961. Been here ever since. Moved here to be closer to family.

What is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?
La Palma

What do you like to do in your spare time?
Go to the mountains, cut wood, shed hunt, mushroom hunt, look at wildlife

What surprises you about Hermiston?
The growth

What was the last book you read or are currently reading?
Bugle magazines

What app or website do you use most often?
Accuweather — I don't really use apps, maybe Schooldude for work.

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?
Canada or Alaska

What is the funniest thing that's happened to you?
I can't really think of anything, but my grandson thinking I was Papa Smurf and comparing was kinda comical.

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

What is your proudest accomplishment?
My family

HERMISTON HISTORY



HH file photo
Andi Baumgart, right, and Nicole Brown proudly display pueblos in fourth grade teacher Juli Hutchins' class in 1994.

25 YEARS AGO
April 19, 1994

Witnesses broke up a fight between two teenage girls Wednesday after one student cut the other girl's face.

Umatilla Police Chief Travis Eynon said details of the incident were unclear, but it appeared to have been spurred by rivalry over a boy.

Witnesses said one girl began to harass the other, who had a small hunting knife in her pocket. As the girls struggled, the one with the knife pulled it out and cut a superficial wound above her assailant's eye.

A man spotting the incident from his parked car split the two girls apart and took the girl with the knife into McNary Heights Elementary directly across the street.

2) The city's Community Center Committee is getting ready to kick off a major fundraising drive to finance the remodeling of the new center.

Tim Mabry, coordinator of the fund-raising project, said the group plans to raise between \$400,000 and \$500,000 for the project.

Remodeling should begin in late summer, city administrator Ed Brookshier said. He said he has an ambitious schedule in mind for the opening of the community center.

50 YEARS AGO
April 17, 1969

A veritable bombshell was dropped in the closing minutes of the Hermiston City Council last Monday night as council members were advised by city manager Tom Harper that three Hermiston junior high girls were rushed to Good Shepherd late Monday afternoon by city police officers after they had apparently taken an overdose of barbiturates reportedly furnished by another junior high student.

Hermiston City Police Chief Bob Adams said that school officials advised the police department of the peculiar condition of the three girls around 3 p.m., suspecting drug use, and the children were then rushed to the hospital for treatment.

A junior high boy, reportedly in possession of some of the dangerous drugs, was brought to the police station, then taken to the hospital for treatment after it was discovered that



HH file photo
Celina Alder, Devin Alder, Brielle Medoza, Anton Alder and Matthew Gibson take a turn riding an elephant at the Shriner Circus in Hermiston in 1994.

75 YEARS AGO
April 20, 1944

Only 12 units of a total of 83 now remain unoccupied at Victory Square, according to Mrs. Florence Olmstead, acting manager.

The 12 units are one-bedroom houses and are renting for \$27.50 per month. This includes stoves, water heater and water. Mrs. Olmstead stated that workers at the huge Hanford project were inquiring about the houses and that some had already moved in.

Victory Square is now a pleasant little spot with green grass, wide streets, concrete sidewalks and other facilities.

100 YEARS AGO
April 19, 1919

Efforts are being made to carry

out some of the plans suggested by Miss Lorene Parker on her recent visits here in the interests of the anti-fly campaign.

There is a herd law to keep your neighbor's cattle from your fields, but we can appeal only to your sense of justice and your civic pride to keep the flies that swarm and breed in filthy places on your place or your neighbor's, from promenading across babies' food, leaving in their wake typhoid, tuberculosis, cholera, dysentery and "summer complaint."

The fly-swatter, even a folded paper, brings sure and sudden death to the fly you stalk from place to place but this method is messy and often a squashed fly falls in unseemly places. There are easier and cleaner methods.

A flyless town is possible. Flies are attracted to your door by cooking odors. Place a fly trap there. They are drawn to your tin can heap. Place a fly trap there and rinse each can before throwing it out.

Hermiston has always gone "over the top" in all she undertakes. You gave three cheers and a tiger for the women of the Civic Club at the Father and Sons' banquet. Give them such willing and effective support in this crusade.

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An Adult Easter Egg Hunt will help raise money for Echo Girl Scout Troop 10298.

The event is Friday, April 26 at 6 p.m. in George Park on North Dupont Street, located behind Echo City Hall. Tickets are \$25 each. Prizes include baked goods, gift certificates, hand crafted items, candy and more. Proceeds from the event will help support Girl Scouts bronze and silver projects.

For more information or to buy tickets, call Jamie Wiseman at 541-701-4138.

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The Tom Denchel Ford Country.Com Shootout helps drive youth fundraisers. In its ninth year, the April 6-7 tournament at Big River Golf Course in Umatilla included a number of area golfers. Flight winners for the ninth annual

event included:

Horse Race: (1) Noe Rodriguez & Ryan Hosek, (2) Mike Webb & Rick Jewett, (3) Glen Phillips & Craig Engbretson, (4) Kurt Massey & Tim Gilbert. Mule Race: (1) Don Obrist & Leo Karnowski, (2) Terry Rowan & Pat Kerrigan, (3) Jorge Pantoja & Bob Barton.

Megan Olsen, Big River general manager, expressed special thanks to the Umatilla County Fair court, who volunteered their time and cooked for the golfers. In addition, hole sponsors included American Pacific Mortgage & Melisa Webb, BBSI & Mike Engelbrecht, Bendixen Law Offices, M&M Potato, Columbia Auto Body, Schroth Financial Services, Premier Northwest & Aitor Irusta and O So Kleen.

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People are invited to turn a page or two at the Echo Public Library, as recent donations continue to bolster the collection. During

the month of March, several people contributed books, including Bonnie Berry (4), Jessica Holben (4), Jonny Moreno (7), Bob Tolar (19), Kent & Laura Madison (36), and William Gatchel & Gayle Weatherson (3 boxes).

Other donations reported by the city include Dick Snow Memorial (\$100 for public art), Bob Tolar (African honorary native clothing to the Echo Museum) and Kent & Laura Madison (\$500 for public art).

With spring in the air, library staff especially encourage people to check out books and materials about trees and gardening. The library is located at 20 Bonanza St. For questions, call 541-376-8411.

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The March 18 American Red Cross blood drive at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston collected 24 units.

Volunteer Patti Perkins was excited to share that Rosaura Madrigal of

Hermiston was a first time donor. In addition, Perkins expressed appreciation to the Hermiston Emblem Club for providing the canteen for the collection event.

Perkins encourages people to consider becoming blood donors. She said each donation can help save three patient's lives.

For dates and times of upcoming donation drives, visit www.redcross.org. To make an appointment, call 1-800-448-3543.

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The menu for the Har-kenrider Senior Activity Center for Thursday is ham and yams, vegetable, salad and dessert. The menu for Tuesday is hot dogs, sauerkraut, baked beans, potato salad and dessert.

The senior center will start serving lunch five days a week in April 29.

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