

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



COREE TERJESON

Dean of Students at West Park Elementary

When and why did you move to Hermiston?
I actually don't live in Hermiston. I commute each day from outside of Helix.

What is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?
Taste of Thai

What do you like to do in your spare time?
I enjoy baking, crafting, traveling and spending time with my family.

What surprises you about Hermiston?
The community. Even though Hermiston seems small, there are many outreach programs and services in our area that support families in need.

What was the last book you read?
"Born on a Blue Day" by Daniel Tammet

What website or app do you use most other than Facebook?
Pinterest

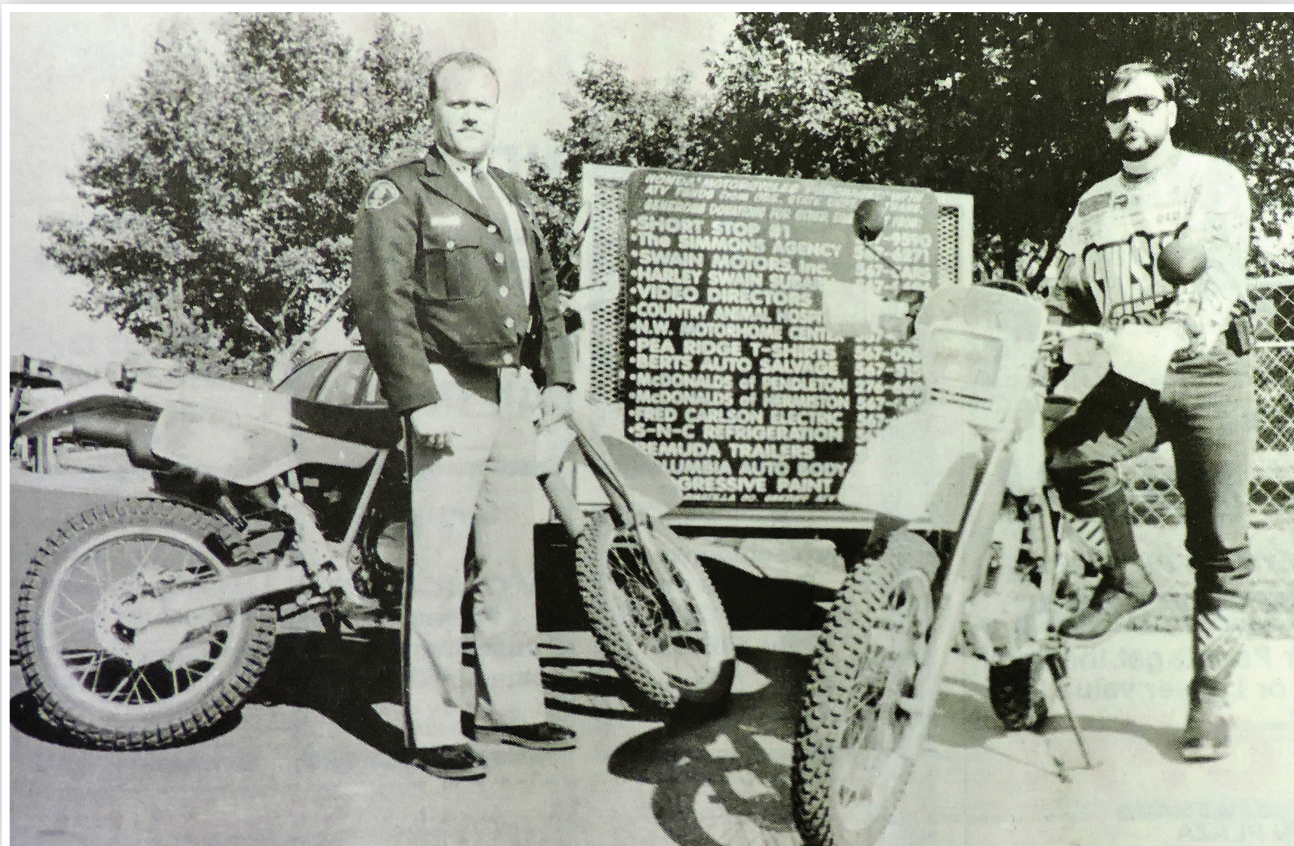
If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?
Bora Bora

What is the funniest thing that's ever happened to you?
I can't think of anything too funny in particular...

What is one of your goals for the next 12 months?
Travel and make memories with my family.

What is your proudest accomplishment?
My two children, Mazee, 7, and Jens, 4. They mean the world to me, and they are definitely my proudest accomplishment.

HERMISTON HISTORY



Undersheriff Ron Harnden, left, and Deputy Mike Boise of the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office pose with new dirt bikes purchased by the department for patrolling off-road in 1994.

HH file photo

25 YEARS AGO
OCT. 11, 1994

School supporters made some digs at the site of the new Hermiston middle school last week. Not criticism, mind you, but literal dirt tossing as community leaders turned out to celebrate the beginning of construction on the school. Like many groundbreaking ceremonies, though, a lot of dirt has already been moved on the corner of 10th Street and Diagonal Road. 2) Just when you thought it was not safe to go back into the water, everything seems to be OK. A decidedly ferocious-looking fish found near the Irrigon fish hatchery two weeks ago has been diagnosed as less dangerous than it looks. Although it bears a striking resemblance to the flesh-eating piranha that has spooked movie-goers for years, the fish appears to be a fruit-eating cousin. Positive identification is still lacking, but warm water biologists have tentatively tagged the toothy creature as a pacu on the basis of descriptions. Pacu are a sub-species of the piranha family that eat fruit and other plant matter that make their way into South American streams.

50 YEARS AGO
Oct. 9, 1969

Two little orphan girls, Melissa and Leanna Turk, ages 5 and 7 respectively, will be under temporary custody of an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bell, Kent, Wash., as the result of a court order by Umatilla County Circuit Judge Henry Kaye, who appointed the Bells temporary guardians for a period of 90 days. Bell is the brother of the girls' mother. The girls were cared for at Umatilla Hospital suffering from shock and exposure after they were found on the Washington side of the Columbia River after the houseboat in which they were occupants capsized Monday night, Sept. 29. They were released from the hospital last Friday. The body of their mother, Mrs. Marian Turk, washed up on the Washington side near where the girls were found. Their father, James Turk, and another man, Herbert Ramsey, who were on the house boat, are still missing. The two girls were found, clinging to rocks, by Deputy Sheriff Don



Mrs. Cephus Buck, R.N., watches as Melissa Turk, age 5, and her sister Leanna, age 7, play with dolls in their room at Umatilla Hospital while recovering from exposure after nearly drowning in the Columbia River.

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McGee and Mike Corbett, a senior at Umatilla High School. Helping in the rescue work were Deputy Sheriff Ralph Tassie and a Umatilla High School senior, Mike Kennedy.

diately, according to manager R. A. Brownson.

100 YEARS AGO
Oct. 11, 1919

Several cases of residents burning leaves and other trash in city streets have been reported. In one case a fire was built in a newly oiled block, causing considerable damage to the new oiled surface. Mayor F. C. McKenzie stated this week that all practices of burning rubbish in the streets must be stopped at once. While in a scolding mood, citizens once more are urged not to flush rags and other articles down the city sewer as this practice is causing considerable concern. 2) A greater portion of about 75 tons of coal was destroyed in an early Sunday morning fire which completely burned the Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. coal shed just north of the depot. Although the cause of the flames has not been definitely determined, it is thought that it was probably started by combustion. Although firemen and others reached the scene, very little could be done because of lack of sufficient hose to reach the flames. The shed will be rebuilt immediately,

There seems to be no surcrease to the improvement era in Hermiston that began early in the summer, and the work of constructing substantial business buildings and the laying of concrete walks in the residential and business portions goes steadily on. All this, added to the paving of Main Street, which work will soon be under way, will make Hermiston the hub of all the thriving towns in the west end of the county. 2) With each year that rolls around you celebrate a birthday, but are you positive the day in question is actually the anniversary of the day you were born? Could you go to court, say, and prove the date of your own birth except by your own or parents' verbal evidence? Is there any record of your birth except in the family Bible? It is likely there is no other record and that you could not prove the date beyond a reasonable doubt. Why? Because birth registration is comparatively new in the United States. Because your own birth is not recorded, however, is no good reason why your children should not have the benefits of birth registration.

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DHS raffle springs excitement with winners

By TAMMY MALGESINI
COMMUNITY EDITOR

A pair of local families were the recipients of a labor of love in the form of heavy-duty spring horses. The two rocking horses were awarded during a raffle to support a winter event for area foster children and their families. They were created by Marvin Hamilton and Jason Bremner, both of the Department of Human Services Child Welfare program, Bremner's son, Gavin Payne; and Lani Hamilton and Tile Poumele, members of the Firestarter Youth Group from The County Church in Hermiston. In addition, parts were donated by the Hermiston Goodwill store. On Sept. 16, Judge Eva Temple drew the two winners. They included Jessica Moreno, who planned to present the Princess Unicorn Pony to her daughter, Paloma Contreras, for her birthday. The Mini Mustang Pony was taken home by the Al and Michelle Davis family, who have three sons who will enjoy it. Hamilton said the raffle garnered a



Left, Paloma Contreras, 2, sits on the Princess Unicorn Pony, which her mother, Jessica Moreno, won during a Department of Human Services Child Welfare fundraising raffle. Right, Camden Davis, 3, enjoys a ride on the Mini Mustang Pony, which was won by the Al and Michelle Davis family.

Photos contributed by Marvin Hamilton

total of \$640. The money will be used for the "Foster Child Cabin Fever Event," which will be held in February 2020. The event, he said, will be bigger and better than the one held in 2019 — thanks to the generous support from the community. "DHS would like to thank it's local

Morrow and Umatilla county community for your continued support," Hamilton said. "Thank you for supporting your local children when there is a need." For more information or to volunteer during the Feb. 15, 2020 event, contact Hamilton at 541-564-4484 or marvin.hamilton@dhsosha.state.or.us.