

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



TANYA KENNEDY

Dean of students at Desert View Elementary School

When and why did you move to Hermiston?
I moved to Hermiston in 2012 after my husband and I got married. We moved from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with the hopes to live in Portland. However, we landed in Hermiston with the support of his parents.

What is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?
Ixtapa

What do you like to do in your spare time?
I like to spend time with my husband and kids as well as craft.

What surprises you about Hermiston?
The people. The people in Hermiston are amazing! They are kind and respectful. The city also surprises me and a lot of people back east! It is very hard to explain how small Hermiston is yet so big at the same time!

What was the last book you read?
"Lead Fearlessly, Love Hard" by Linda Cliatt-Wayman

What website or app do you use most other than Facebook?
I have a few games that I like to play daily on my phone.

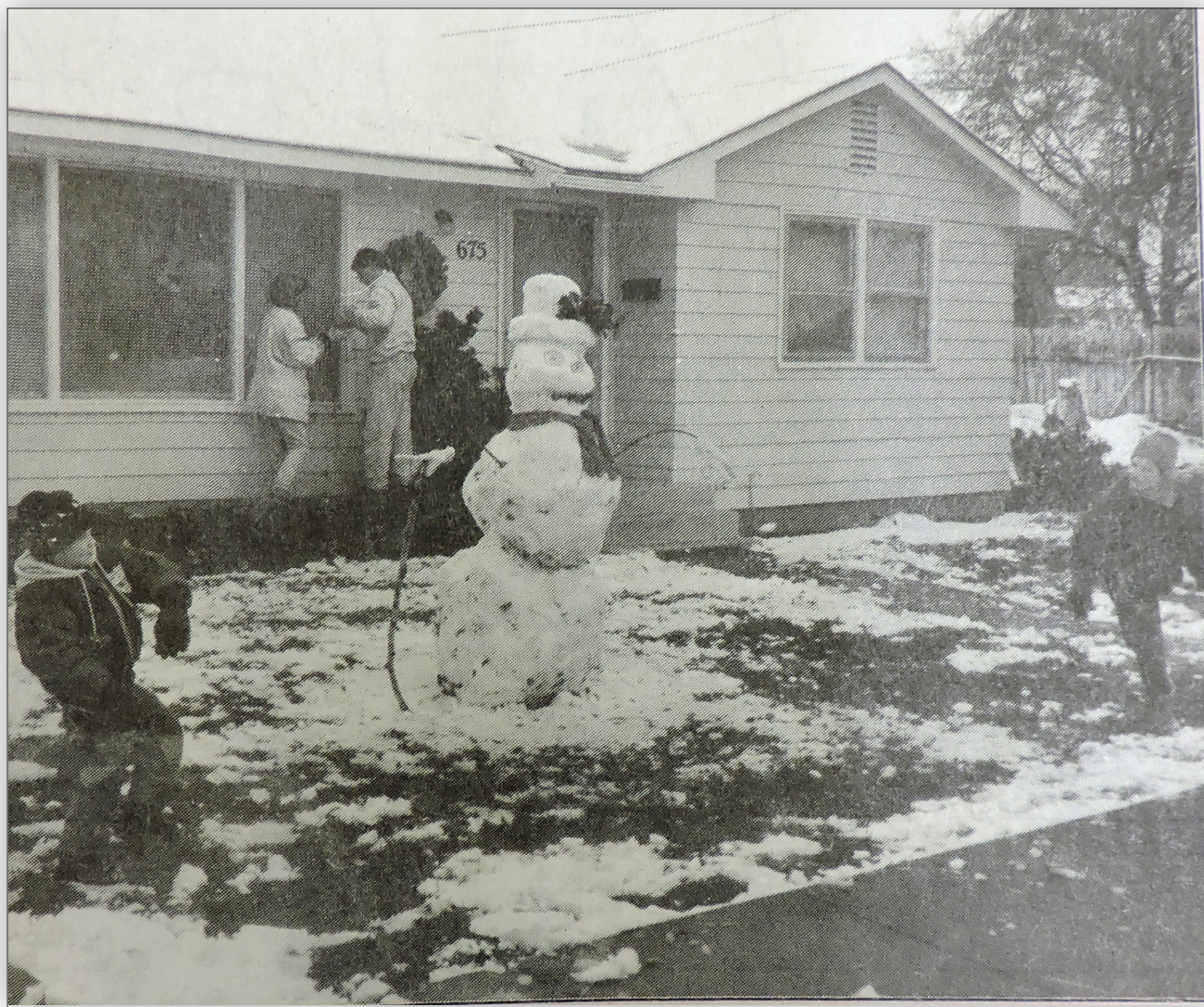
If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?
Germany! I studied German in both high school and college and it has always been my dream to visit.

What is the funniest thing that's ever happened to you?
Hmm... that is tough. I'm not really sure.

What is one of your goals for the next 12 months?
Work on the last few steps of getting my administrative license.

What is your proudest accomplishment?
My two kids, Ryker and Kiya.

HERMISTON HISTORY



HH file photo

Brothers Morgan Russell, left, and Joshua Russell have a snowball fight in front of their house in 1994.

25 YEARS AGO
 DEC. 13, 1994

An Army bomb squad removed a homemade explosive from the parking lot of a north Hermiston supermarket Thursday.

"What they did was pulled the fuse, brought it back here and destroyed it," said Army spokesman Ken Cooper.

Ted Owens, manager of the Shop 'n Kart, said a customer had found a ball about four inches in diameter with what may have been a fuse sticking out of it near the store's exit doors.

Owens called the Hermiston Police Department. Police cordoned off significant portions of the lots in front of the supermarket and Coast-to-Coast Hardware next door for more than four hours.

Cooper called the device a "homemade firecracker," composed of gunpowder and a timed fuse, that was no more powerful than a M-80 firework.

2) The Stanfield Public Library has taken the on-ramp to the information superhighway.

The city council agreed to distribute money for a computer network that will allow access to the Internet, a worldwide network of computer bulletin boards and data.

For \$75 a year, the library will use the "Compass" network software and a local phone line set up by the Oregon Department of Transportation to access a computer server in Salem.

50 YEARS AGO
 DEC. 11, 1969

Many letters and telegrams have been sent to President Nixon, Governor Tom McCall and the state's Congressional delegation giving unanimous support of the Army's plan to store various types of war gases at the Umatilla Army Depot.

Leading the campaign to show support for the Army plan is the Hermiston Coordinating Council headed by Joe Burns.

The council is composed of the heads of the city's top civic organizations including the chamber of commerce, Kiwanis and Rotary clubs, junior chamber of commerce, the mayor and city manager. Each of these men had conferred with members of their groups and were all unanimous in their feeling that the storage of such materials at UAD posed no problem in this area.

"This has been done for years and it has created no problem of any kind," one council member stated. "This is what an Army depot is for."



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Michael Rupe creates marshmallow snowflakes with his teacher Joanne Crutcher at Sunset Elementary School in 1994.

75 YEARS AGO
 DEC. 14, 1944

The safe return of Lt. Leonard Keller to American lines near St. Nazaire, following his escape from the Germans, was the glad tidings received by Mrs. Keller and young son here this week. Lt. Keller, who is a pilot of a transport plane, was reported missing as of Oct. 30.

No detailed news of his escape has been received but the fact that he is safe behind American lines is quite sufficient.

2) With strict orders coming from the state War Price and Rationing office, the local board will be forced to view requests for extra fuel oil and gasoline with more concern. The board has been informed that its duty is to cut consumption, whenever humanly possible, to a minimum.

F. C. McKenzie, chief clerk here, announced Wednesday that both gas and oil are available for emergency cases but urged that no requests for extra rations be made unless absolutely necessary.

Mr. McKenzie also advises that applications for supplemental gasoline must be accompanied by mileage ration slips given with A books or they will be returned.

Also, employers who sign applications for supplemental gas for employees must state specifically the number of miles the employee must drive to work and the number of days he is employed.

100 YEARS AGO
 DEC. 13, 1919

On Monday Mrs. Isabel Kennedy was taken to Pendleton by Deputy Sheriff Joe Blakely on complaint that she was mentally unbalanced. After being examined on arrival there she was committed to the state hospital.

For several weeks the lady had been acting queerly, and her wanderings and utterances had irritated people on the West Side, where she lived with her husband and family a couple of doors west of the Auditorium building. She had hallucinations that she was some sort of a Messiah, but seemed to be harmless.

Her mental condition seemed, however, to have taken on a tragic aspect Sunday evening, for on going on one of her visits to a nearby house in order to tell the occupants who she was and what was going to happen, she drew from the folds of her dress a huge butcher knife and made a pass or two at one of the occupants who had asked her to leave.

After flourishing the deadly weapon for a moment or so, she took her departure. The next morning a complaint was filed with Justice of the Peace Dodd, and later she was taken away by the deputy.

The case is a sad one, for it leaves three small children minus a mother's care and love. The Kennedys have been here for some months, during which time Mr. Kennedy has worked on the section.

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gift certificates at several downtown businesses, as well as merchandise and services at Affordable Family Eyewear.

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If you don't have health insurance through your employer, this is your last week to sign up for coverage for 2020, and get help

paying for it, in the insurance marketplace.

People needing insurance can shop for plans, sign up and apply for a subsidy through oregonhealthcare.gov.

The deadline to apply for coverage for next year is 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 15.

For help signing up, call 1-855-268-3767 toll free.

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Nashville recording artist **Cale Moon** is swinging through town again. See next week's **Hermiston Herald** for a story about his Dec. 21 performance at **The Pheasant Blue Col-**

lar Bar & Grill. The evening crescendos with the (F)ugly Sweater Party. For questions, call The Pheasant at 541-567-3022.

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Desert View Elementary School is our final spotlight school of the year, after a year-long project to highlight local schools. See page A2 for a "Three Minutes With" feature about a Desert View staff member, and page A15 for photos from Desert View's holiday concert.

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The menu for the **Har-kenrider Senior Activity Center** on Thursday

is roast beef, corn, baked potato, fruit and birthday cake by **Sun Terrace.** Friday is chili dogs, potato salad and apple dessert. Monday is three tacos, chips and salsa and desert. Tuesday is beef stew, biscuits, fruit and dessert. Next Wednesday is chicken fried steak, pea salad, fruit and dessert. The senior center will be closed the week of Christmas and on New Years Day.

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