

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



**NANCY LAUCK**

Retired educator

**When and why did you move to Hermiston?**  
*I moved to Hermiston in 1982. Long story. Let's just say I was able to get a teaching job here.*

**Where is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?**  
*I love Lawan's Thai Garden and Delish Bistro. I like lots of places in the Hermiston area. There are lots of great Mexican places and Broken Barrel in Stanfield is great.*

**What do you like to do in your spare time?**  
*I like to play tennis and pickleball, visit with friends, travel with my husband (or without him), read, and volunteer with Altrusa and my church.*

**What surprises you about Hermiston?**  
*I was surprised at how progressive the Hermiston School District was and continues to be. The standards were high and the school district really respected their teachers. I believe they still do.*

**What was the last book you read?**  
*"Little Fires Everywhere" by Celeste Ng. Now I'm reading "Just Mercy" by Bryan Stevenson.*

**What website or app do you use most other than Facebook?**  
*Weather App, and I'm always looking up recipes because I like to cook.*

**What is the funniest thing that's ever happened to you?**  
*Well, lots of funny things have happened to me. I see a lot of humor in different situations. I guess one that comes to mind is this: When my husband and I were traveling in China (before coronavirus), we had some free time to walk around a lake and beautiful gardens. A large group of women from China who were traveling together all of a sudden descended on me and wanted turns taking my picture because I was a blonde American. I guess there is status for Chinese to show pictures of people they've met that fit my description. So many women wanted their picture with me. I told my husband that, for a moment, I felt like a ROCKSTAR!*

**What is one of your goals for the next 12 months?**  
*My goals are to learn to play the piano that my husband bought me a year or so ago, and to figure out how to sew again. I should have lots of time now to make those goals happen.*

**What is your proudest accomplishment?**  
*I feel good about helping others.*

HERMISTON HISTORY



HH file photo

Jennifer Oliver, 10, checks out Echo's new fire engine in 1995.

Unknown shooter targets police

25 YEARS AGO  
 March 21, 1995

Hermiston police officer Chris Huffman said he is puzzled as to why a gunman would fire a single round at him and Oregon State Police Trooper Alan Muhs.

However, he can make lots of guesses, he said.

"Some people don't like the Hermiston Police or the Oregon State Police because they arrest them on a regular basis," he said.

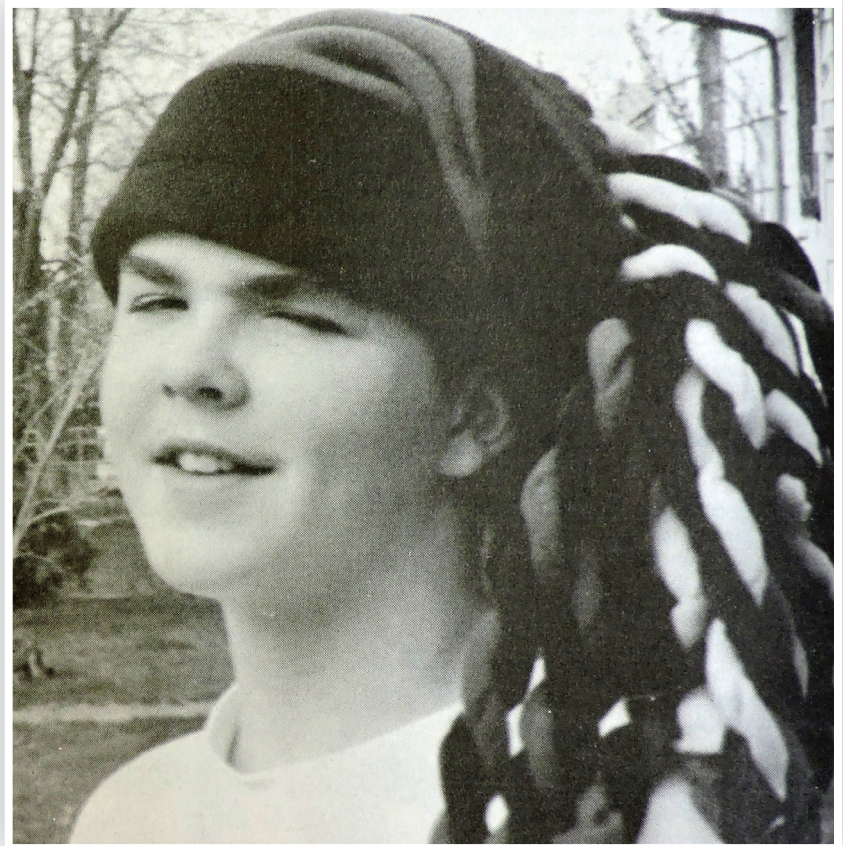
The motive, like the shooter's identity, remains unknown.

Nevertheless, what Huffman states was probably a .38 caliber bullet whizzed by the policemen as they were standing in front of Les Schwab Tire on North Highway 395 on Monday morning.

"The shot went over my patrol car and missed my overhead [lights] by about six inches," he said.

Huffman said from the sound of the shot, officers initially thought it came from the Sands Hotel across the highway. However, they later determined it was in Frasu's back parking lot, he said, and what they had heard was an echo. By that time, the gunman was gone.

He said where the bullet hit the building indicates to him that whoever fired the round probably knew what they were doing.



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Tyrell Hales, 13, shows off a "melon bucket," a type of hat made in Hermiston and popular with snowboarders in 1995.

50 YEARS AGO  
 March 19, 1970

Umatilla Mayor A.L. "Bud" Draper told the council in their regular session Monday evening the problem of youth on the streets late at night has calmed down.

At their last meeting the council instructed city attorney Don Morrison to draw up an ordinance preventing persons from roaming the streets late at night without cause.

The council agreed an ordinance as such would be nice to have on the books but it should not be used unless the city absolutely had to.

2) It's a groovy thing, operated by the students for the students, and is complete with loud music, food and chaperones.

The Drift Inn provides a place for kids to go on Friday night rather than drive Main Street or gather in vacant parking lots.

A board of seven directors governs the Inn and meet weekly to discuss finances, entertainment, food and chaperones for the next night of the operation.

Rich Cave, HSHS student body president and Drift Inn board president, said the main purpose of Drift

75 YEARS AGO  
 March 22, 1945

Mrs. Daisy I. Best and Mrs. Gladys S. Hale were awarded 500-hour pins by the Portland office of Price Administration this week. The awards denote 500 hours of volunteer work at the local War Price and Rationing Board office, without remuneration of any kind. Both ladies have devoted many hours to work in the office and are due a great amount of praise for their contribution, according to Harold G. Rankin, board chairman.

2) Two ardent disciples of Isaak Walton became over-anxious Wednesday and rushed the opening of the fishing season by almost a month. Consequently state police were forced to make two arrests.

Maynard F. Halsey was charged with possession of a rainbow trout caught in the A line east of Hermiston, while Milo C. Halsey was charged with illegal angling and no angling license.

100 YEARS AGO  
 March 20, 1920

Sale of low grade arsenical sprays in Oregon has been checked by publicity given by the chemistry depart-



HH file photo

Drift Inn board members look at the night's receipts in 1970.

ment of the college experiment station, through state and county newspapers.

Immense damage by burning of fruit and foliage was caused by use of low grade arsenical mixtures in the beginning. The station proved the possibility of better material, manufacturers brought out a better product, and the growers who must spray save enormous sums every year as a result. Fear of station discovery and newspaper publicity gives the low-grade dealer little chance to do business in Oregon.

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the **First United Methodist Church** in Hermiston will continue on Thursdays. **Pastor Patty Nance** said instead of coming in and sitting together to enjoy the meal, people are invited to stop by and pick up a bag lunch to take with them.

The free meals will be distributed **Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.** at the church, **191 E. Gladys Ave.**, Hermiston. For questions, contact Nance at 541-567-3002 or herfume@outlook.com.

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**Hector Hernandez** of the **Umatilla Police Department** and **Joanna**

**Lomas of the Boardman Police Department** were among a group of law enforcement officers from across the state who recently completed coursework through the **Oregon Public Safety Academy** in Salem. Presented by the **Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training**, the officers finished **Basic Police Class 396**, a 16-week course, on March 13.

Because of restrictions on public gatherings because of concerns about COVID-19, the official graduation ceremony was canceled. The public is encouraged to send a card or email words of congratulations to the officers for their dedication and hard work in completing the coursework.

For more about the safety academy, visit [www.oregon.gov/dpsst](http://www.oregon.gov/dpsst).

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**Bluewood Ski Resort** outside of Dayton, Washington, has announced the end of its season, effective immediately.

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 Most area churches are announcing they are suspending all live worship services until further notice in light of Governor Kate Brown's ban on gatherings over 25 people.

Churches that have canceled all services and canceled include **The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church** and **Hermiston Seventh-day Adventist Church**.  
**New Hope Commu-**

**nity Church** services will be held online only. **First United Methodist Church** has canceled services for March 15 and 21. As of Tuesday afternoon, **Hermiston First Christian Church** planned to have modified services. Check with your own church before planning to attend services.

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 The **Harkenrider Senior Activity Center** is closed through at least April 8. Meals are available Tuesdays and Thursday for pick-up by calling 541-567-3582 before 11 a.m. and for delivery by calling before 10 a.m.

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