

OBITUARIES

Dr. Kenneth Dean Peterson
Hermiston
June 28, 1925 — March 9, 2020

Dr. Kenneth Dean Peterson of Hermiston, Oregon, was born on June 28, 1925, in Denton, Montana, to Martin and Carolina Peterson. He died on March 9, 2020, in Hermiston, Oregon, at the age of 94.



Peterson



Dean, as he was called by his family, was the last of eight children. He grew up in Montana and graduated in 1943 from Fergus High School in Lewistown. He worked on his parents' wheat farm until he was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1945 and served in Italy until his honorable discharge in 1946.

While attending college Kenneth was married to JoAnne Spaulding on November 19, 1950, in Portland, Oregon. He graduated from Western States Chiropractic College in 1951 with his doctorates in chiropractic and naturopathic medicine. He received advanced training in phytology and radiology in Chicago, Illinois.

Ken and JoAnne moved to Hermiston, Oregon, in 1953 where he opened his natural health clinic and together they raised their six children. In 1985 the new Peterson Clinic was built and opened. Dr. Ken enjoyed working with his son Dr. Kris for 36 years in the clinic. Dr. Ken was honored as a Living Legend in 2010 by the National College of Natural Medicine, where he had provided critical support when the institution was founded. He retired in 2017 after 64 years of practice.

Kenneth was a member of the American Legion, the Oregon Chiropractic Association and the Lions Club. He and JoAnne enjoyed worldwide travel, including adventures to China (where they climbed the Great Wall), a mission to India, Norway (his ancestral home), Ireland, Iceland, Russia, Australia, Peru, and many cruises to Alaska. In 2018 he invited his entire

family on his last Alaskan cruise. Only the African safari was left in his bucket list of travels.

Kenneth was a lifelong student of expanding his knowledge for the benefit of his patients, cherished time with his family, and valued his Christian faith.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years, JoAnne Peterson, Hermiston, Oregon; children Ken Peterson, Jr. (Claudia), Camas, Washington, Dr. Kim Peterson (Maria), Hermiston, Oregon, Dr. Kris Peterson (Tina), Hermiston, Oregon, Dr. Caroline Peterson, Portland, Oregon, Kip Peterson (Tanya), Camas, Washington, and Kenda Peterson (Danny), Salem, Oregon; grandchildren Kimberly (Skye), Timothy (April), Emily (Ron), Jennifer, Erik, Joshua, Caitlyn, Natalie, Nicholas and Caleb; great-grandchildren Annaliese and Elijah; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents, Martin and Carolina Peterson, and seven siblings: Esther, Alvin, Olga, Mildred, Clifford, Orin and Delores.

A graveside service with military honors will be held at the Hermiston Cemetery on Saturday, July 11, at 10 a.m. There will also be a memorial service at the Eastern Oregon Trade & Event Center (Umatilla County Fairgrounds), 1705 E. Airport Road, Hermiston, later that day at 1 p.m. Doors will open at noon.

Due to the statewide order, masks are required at both events.

We intend to provide a live stream of both services. Please check the Burns Mortuary page for instructions.

Please share memories of Kenneth with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston

Fire crews kept busy during holiday

By NADA SEWIDAN
STAFF WRITER

Umatilla County Fire District #1 firefighters responded to 25 total calls for service during Fourth of July.

Four out of the 25 calls were fireworks related, all of which were grass fires that caused minimal damage. Compared to last year, calls were up 12%, according to a Umatilla County Fire District #1 Facebook post.

There were no structural damages related to fireworks fires this year, compared to last year when a home caught on fire due to improperly disposed fireworks.

The department stated that the remaining calls were mostly medical related, with one call in response to a motor vehicle accident.

Fire Marshal Scott Goff said all the fires were small and residents who released fireworks appeared to be prepared with garden hoses. No serious injuries were reported.

“We had four small grass fires, limited to no damage, no burn injuries or anything like that,” he said.

The fire department sent out six vehicles to cover the Stanfield fireworks display, and the Hermiston fireworks display was monitored by on-duty staff.

“It was a pretty quiet Fourth of July as far as I’m concerned,” Goff said.

In preparation for the fireworks display on the Hermiston Butte, UCFD conducted a controlled burn on the butte to burn off grass that could catch fire during the show.

Hermiston Kiwanis award scholarships

HERMISTON HERALD

The Hermiston Noon Kiwanis Club has recently awarded three \$1,000 scholarships to Hermiston High students Carla Medel, Jazlyn Romero and Emily Wadkins.

Carla, a 2017 graduate of Hermiston High School, is a student at Oregon State University.

Jazlyn and Emily are 2020 graduates of Hermiston High School who plan to attend university in the fall.

In addition, Jazlyn Romero was awarded the Circle of Excellence Award after a poll of the staff of Hermiston High School, which is a scholarship in the amount of \$1,200. This award is also funded by the Hermiston Noon Kiwanis Club.



Romero



Wadkins

DEATH NOTICES

Brian D. Gray
Hermiston

Aug. 3, 1949 — June 29, 2020

Brian D. Gray, 70, of Hermiston, died Monday, June 29, 2020, at his home. He was born Aug. 3, 1949, in Spokane, Washington. A private family gathering will be held. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories with the family at www.burnsmortuary-hermiston.com.

Virginia Maudeen ‘Mama Deen’ Spinden
Hermiston

March 2, 1941 — March 4, 2020

Virginia Maudeen “Mama Deen” Spinden, 79, of Hermiston, died Wednesday, March 4, 2020, at her home. She was born March 2, 1941, in St. Helens, Oregon. A celebration of life planned for Saturday, July 11 at McNary Dam’s West Park has been postponed due to the COVID-19 closure of the park. A new date and time will be announced when conditions improve. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories with the family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Jordan Delano Crandall
Hermiston

Aug. 7, 1991 — March 18, 2020

Jordan Delano Crandall, 28, of Hermiston, died Wednesday, March 18, 2020, in Hermiston. He was born Aug. 7, 1991, in Hermiston. A celebration of life will be held Saturday, July 18 at 1 p.m. at the Maxwell Siding Pavilion in Hermiston. Friends and family are welcome, and casual attire is requested.

Margret Karen Hodgert
Portland

May 8, 1950 — March 9, 2020

Former Hermiston resident Margret Karen Hodgert, 69, of Portland, died Monday, March 9, 2020, in Portland. She was born May 8, 1950, in Hermiston. A celebration of her life and urn placement will be held Saturday, July 11 at Echo Memorial Cemetery. A reception will follow at Snow Road Winery in Echo. Arrangements by Springer and Son Aloha Funeral Home.

COURTS

SENTENCES

PENDLETON — The following sentences have been imposed in Umatilla County courts:

FELONY

•Moises Josue Medrano, 41, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Delivery of Methamphetamine: sentenced to 20 months Oregon Dept. of Corrections (DOC), 3 years post-prison supervision and \$200 fine; pleaded guilty to a second count of Delivery of Methamphetamine: sentenced to 22 months Oregon DOC, 3 years post-prison supervision and \$200 fine.

MISDEMEANOR

•Isidro Ambriz Mendoza, 29, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine: sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 18 months probation, 80 hours community service, \$1,000 fine, \$1,000 fine-suspended and \$650 restitution; pleaded guilty to two counts of Theft II: sentenced to restitution to be determined (sentences discharged); pleaded guilty to Unlawful Entry into Motor Vehicle and Failure to Appear II: sentences to discharge.

•Alton Kent Helton, 53, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Giving False Information to Police in Connection With Citation/Warrant: sentence to discharge.

SUITS FILED

PENDLETON — The following suits have been filed in Umatilla County courts (interest, court costs and fees not listed):

•LVNV Funding LLC vs. Ayerim Gonzalez Gomez of Umatilla: seeks \$2,385.38.

•LVNV Funding LLC vs. Jose Reymundo of Stanfield: seeks \$1,231.54.

•LVNV Funding LLC vs. Jamin Harris of Umatilla: seeks \$895.43.

•OneMain Financial Group LLC vs. Flint A. Collinsworth: seeks \$7,718.04.

•OneMain Financial Group LLC vs. Catherine E. Brennan: seeks \$4,539.82.

•OneMain Financial Group LLC vs. Jose J. Hurtado: seeks \$4,384.62.

•OneMain Financial Group LLC vs. Martin Molina: seeks \$6,744.15.

•OneMain Financial Group LLC vs. Angela Scroggins: seeks \$3,855.68.

•OneMain Financial Group LLC vs. Tammy L. Crago and Brenda L. Lundquist: seeks \$8,260.82.

•Credits Inc. vs. Bethany N. Benage of Hermiston: seeks \$428.56.

•Credits Inc. vs. Lynnea A. Kennedy of Umatilla: seeks \$3,787.95.

•Credits Inc. vs. Martin and Brenda Montoya of Umatilla: seeks \$3,110.39.

•Credits Inc. vs. Mallory E. Murr of Umatilla: seeks \$6,081.68.

•Credits Inc. vs. Elizabeth L. and Philip Wheeler of Hermiston: seeks \$1,185.75.

MARRIAGES

PENDLETON — Marriage licenses have been registered in Umatilla County for:

Miguel Angel Archila Jr., 45, and Rene Danaile Weber, 42, both of Hermiston.

Jeremy Paul Manning, 43, and Misty Marie Sturdevant, 35, both of Hermiston.

Monica Reyna Bernal, 26, and Felipe Corcuera Resendiz Jr. 22, both of Umatilla.

Kalene Elizabeth Wheeler, 23, and Jacob Neal Flyg, 24, both of Umatilla.

POLICE LOG

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

10:48 a.m. — A motor vehicle accident was reported on North First Street.

11:39 a.m. — A burglary was reported on East Jennie Avenue.

12:17 p.m. — Someone in the police department lobby reported he had been assaulted on June 27 and had just gotten out of the hospital, and now wants to press charges.

7:35 p.m. — A drunken driver was reported on North First Street.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

12:41 a.m. — A drunken driver was reported on West Highland Avenue.

3:55 a.m. — Police completed a death investigation on Northeast Second Place.

7:23 a.m. — A noninjury motor vehicle accident was reported at West Orchard Avenue and Southwest 13th Place, and a citation was issued.

1:22 p.m. — A vehicle theft was reported on North First Street.

1:59 p.m. — A motor vehicle accident was reported on West Hermiston Avenue.

8:20 p.m. — A report of child abuse or neglect was taken on North First Street.

THURSDAY, JULY 2

1:13 a.m. — A disturbance was reported on North First Street.

10:16 a.m. — A caller asked if it would be legal to stand in front of a business holding up a sign saying the business is not complying with the rule requiring face masks.

10:40 a.m. — A vehicle theft was reported on Northwest 15th Street.

12:36 p.m. — Child abuse or neglect was reported on Northeast Fourth Street.

4:17 p.m. — A two-vehicle, noninjury motor vehicle accident was reported on South Highway 395.

6:30 p.m. — A hit-and-run was reported on Northwest 11th Street, and the caller said the offender was a red Chevy pickup.

FRIDAY, JULY 3

3:18 p.m. — An assault was reported on South Highway 395.

3:53 p.m. — An assault was reported on Southwest 13th Place.

4:26 p.m. — A person was reported missing from the Oxbow Trail.

4:29 p.m. — An assault was reported on West Orchard Avenue and Southwest 10th Street.

4:28 p.m. — A person was reported missing on Sunland Avenue.

7:48 p.m. — A noninjury motor vehicle accident was reported on South First Street.

8:29 p.m. — A disturbance was reported on Southwest Seventh Street.

9:26 p.m. — A motor vehicle accident was reported on West Ridgeway.

10:15 p.m. — A fight was reported on North First Street.

SATURDAY, JULY 4

12 a.m. — A fight was reported on East Main Street.

12:47 p.m. — Child abuse or neglect was reported on North First Street.

1:05 p.m. — A domestic disturbance was reported on West Hermiston Avenue.

2:08 p.m. — A disturbance involving two men yelling at each other was reported on West Quince Avenue.

10:10 p.m. — A disturbance was reported on North First Street.

9:59 p.m. — A small grass fire was reported at West Hermiston Avenue and Northwest 11th Street.

SUNDAY, JULY 5

12:43 a.m. — A drunken driver was reported on East Beebe Avenue.

11:18 a.m. — A disturbance was reported on Southwest 11th Street.

11:33 a.m. — A caller reported a baby had been left alone in a running vehicle on West Theater Lane.

12:16 p.m. — A motor vehicle accident was reported on South Highway 395.

12:31 p.m. — A child was reported left alone in a car on North First Street.

5:15 p.m. — A motor vehicle accident was reported on West Hartley Avenue.

6:25 p.m. — A fight was reported on Southeast Fourth Street and South Highway 395.

Editor’s note: Hermiston Police Department received 16 calls from June 30 to July 6 complaining about illegal fireworks, and took several dogs running loose to the animal shelter on July 4.

BIRTHS

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston
JUNE 24, 2020

MEEKS — Olivia D. Banda and Nickolas J. Meeks of Hermiston: a boy, Oliver James Jared Meeks.

JUNE 27, 2020

HELFRICHT — Riley Litzsinger and Keenan Helfrecht of Hermiston: a boy, Wyatt Carter Helfrecht.

SOLORIO-MORENO — Savanna Moreno-Hernandez and Julio Moreno-Hernandez of Hermiston: a girl, Isabella Marie Solorio-Moreno.

School registration now open for fall

By NADA SEWIDAN
STAFF WRITER

Online registration has officially opened, as of July 1, for the Hermiston School District.

A letter will be sent to parents and students, including a code called snapcode. Each student will have a snapcode specific to them to use for online registration through their student account portal. Parents can also use the snapcode to update information, such as the student’s address or emergency contact as needed.

Families who prefer online learning opportunities can choose Hermiston Online! as part of the registration process. Parents can



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Online registration is available now for all Hermiston School District locations.

also pay fees online, including lunch fees and registration fees, or at the district offices.

New students need to register online and provide records, transcriptions

and other verification documents in-person by August. Documents required are:

- A record of the student’s birth, such as a passport, birth certificate or baptismal certificate

- Proof of the student’s residence and physical address

- Immunization records
- Any previous report cards or transcripts to complete the process

Parents or guardians should also bring copies of any relevant legal documents regarding custody or guardianship that the school may need.

Incoming kindergarten students must have been born on or before Sept. 1, 2015.

The online registration portal is available at hermiston.k12.or.us/apps/pages/registration.

For more information, families can contact Hermiston School District office at 541-667-6000.