

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



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When and why did you move to Hermiston?
I moved to Umatilla in 2010, and then lived in Hermiston from 2011-18 until moving back to Umatilla. My career allows me to work from home and cover my territory of Oregon and Washington, so I moved to Umatilla to be closer to my daughter and her family.

Where is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?
La Palma Mexican Restaurant, the best chili relleños and guacamole fresca!

What do you like to do in your spare time??
Love to cook and spend time with my family and friends, escape to the golf course as often as possible, play frisbee golf at the course at the dam, lots of time with my Border Collie running the trails and playing fetch at the river; time with my Arab mare and I love to garden.

What surprises you about Hermiston?
I appreciate the willingness of people to help others; the local seasonal produce is amazing — I especially love the melons; appreciate the support by the community of programs for our students and the abundance of parks and walking trails.

What was the last book you read?
“The Green Platform,” by Declan Coyle

What website or app do you use most other than Facebook?
LinkedIn, Twitter, Instagram

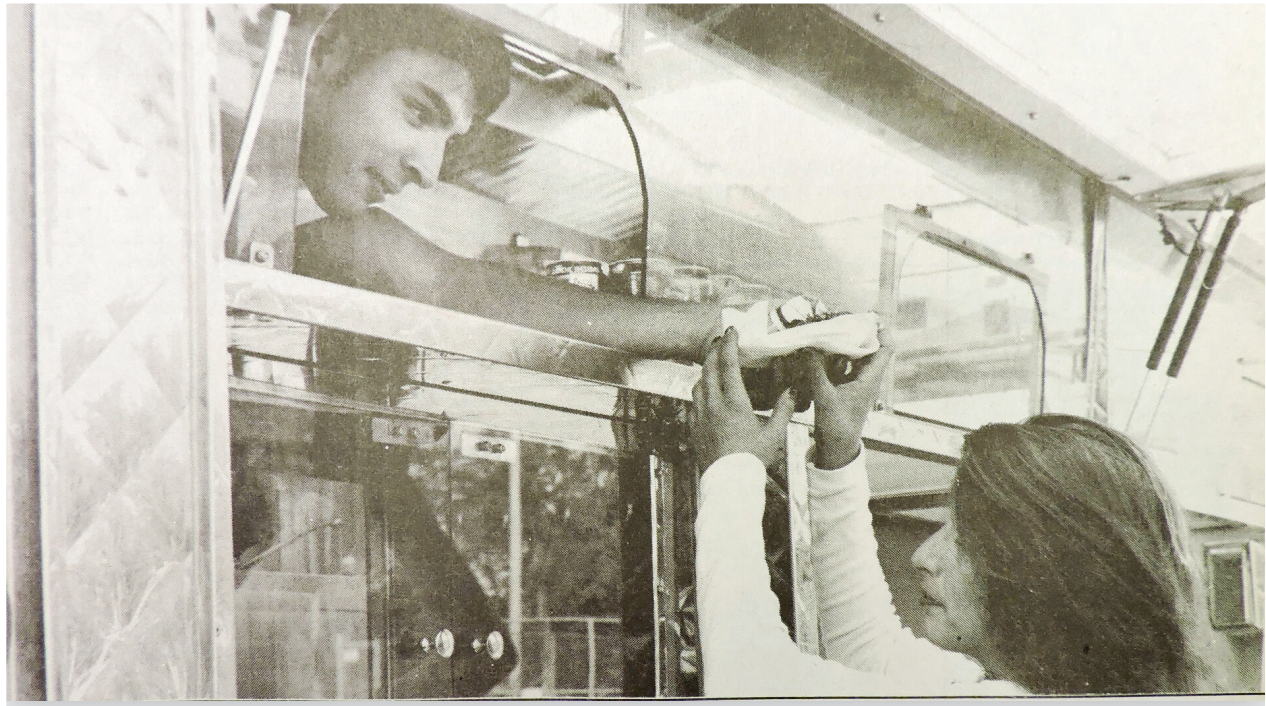
If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?
Back to Germany to see my great-nephew, age 3, and his parents again.

What is the funniest thing that’s ever happened to you?
Age 9 going head-first down an outhouse at our cabin to recover the flashlight I dropped and getting stuck upside down until my mom came to see why I was taking so long. Imagine the look on her face when she opened the door and only saw my lower legs and feet.

What is one of your goals for the next 12 months?
Be a positive role model and uplift others.

What is your proudest accomplishment?
Raising my children to be beautiful humans and great assets to their careers and community.

HERMISTON HISTORY



HH file photo

Danny Perez serves customer Jennifer Albert two tacos from his family’s truck in Hermiston in 1995.

An ode to the American worker

25 YEARS AGO
Sept. 5, 1995

For a casual lunch, take time out for a taco.

Assistant girl’s soccer coach for Hermiston High School and a reserve police officer for the Stanfield Police Department, Danny Perez, helps run his family owned taco stand El Tapatio.

“This is the stand I always go to,” said Jennifer Albert, as she picked up two beef tacos.

Danny’s father, Benito Perez, began four years ago selling from his taco stand located on the lot behind Bob’s Red Apple. Bob Severson, owner of the grocery store, doesn’t charge the Perez family rent.

“We have an agreement,” Danny said. “We can park here if we buy our produce from Bob.”

Danny enjoys his job.

“I get to meet different people, help people and make friends,” he said, adding, “Sometimes it’s hard to keep up with all the customers.”

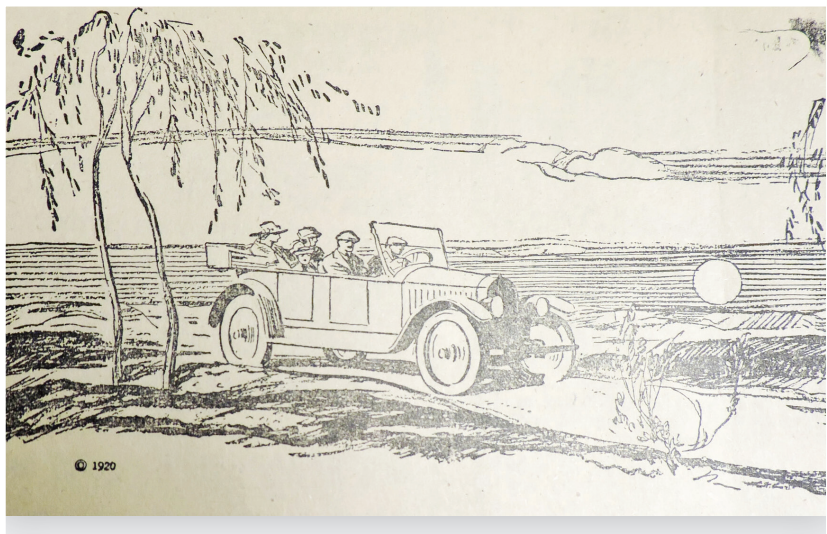
50 YEARS AGO
Sept. 3, 1970

Labor Day has historically served as an occasion for putting into perspective the progress of the American worker. Perspective requires examination of where we have been, where we are, and where we are trying to go. Although William B. Wilson, the first Secretary of Labor in his first Labor Day statement, characterized the labor movement broadly as “humanity itself,” it is doubtful that even he could have imagined the impact that the march of American Labor would have on the social and economic history of the United States.

Progress has been real and dramatic. This progress could not have been achieved without the personal commitment of thousands of enlightened men and women of widely varied backgrounds who not only believed in a better way, but in their obligation to help bring it about. As has so often marked the course of human events, removal of one set of barriers to progress has revealed the existence of yet other obstacles hidden only by earlier pre-occupations. In improving the lot of the American worker we clearly have not run out of challenges.

75 YEARS AGO
Sept. 6, 1945

From an advertisement in the



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An illustration in a 1920 Hermiston Herald demonstrates the possibilities for family vacations for a family that owns an automobile.

Hermiston Herald:

Shell’s new gasoline — Capable of more power than your car has ever known.

Now released!

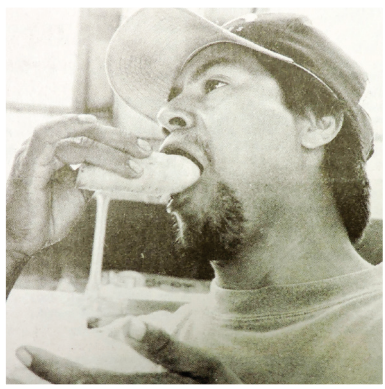
New Shell Premium Gasoline became possible the moment the Armed Forces released our stocks of aviation fuel. New Shell Premium Gasoline is the best gasoline we have ever made. Today it is in thousands of Shell pumps ...thousands more are receiving it daily. New Shell Premium grew out of Shell research — the same research that first delivered the “makings” of 100 Octane gasoline. New Shell Premium comes to you as a practical benefit of that research. And at no increase in cost.

You are invited to fill your tank with New Shell Premium today and from now on. Shell makes this invitation knowing that you have never had so much power at your command. If you are, however, a user of “regular” grade ... Shell Gasoline is also a new gasoline today — definitely improved even over the Shell Gasoline of “before the war.” Come in and try it.

100 YEARS AGO
Aug. 27, 1920

The golf bug has a sad face. He is plainly out of sorts. Something is the matter with him. He has just come from the doctor’s office where he has undergone a thorough physical examination. He is sore and depressed, but not from what the doctor found, but from what he refused to find.

“You are all right,” said the



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Santos Guardado, owner of the taco stand Pinos Real Tacos, samples a taco in 1995.

learned physician. “You are as sound as a nut.”

That was a little joke the golf bug did not enjoy.

“Are you sure that I am in first class condition?” he asked.

“Absolutely.”

“Is my blood pressure normal?”

“Perfect.”

“Heart regular?”

“Heart OK.”

“Lungs clear?”

“As a bell.”

“Liver in good working order?”

“Splendid.”

“No trace of neuritis?”

“Not a bit.”

“Am I not bordering on a nervous breakdown?”

“See no indication of it.”

“I’m sorry.”

“Sorry, man; what for?”

“I thought surely you’d dig up some good excuse for me to go away. Now I’ll have to be honest and say I’m going South simply because I want to play golf.”

BY THE WAY

Oregon gas prices holding steady ahead of Labor Day

Oregon drivers will pay the cheapest gas prices over Labor Day in four years, according to AAA.

A report from the auto club reports that while hurricanes in the Southeastern United States have pushed up gas prices there, Oregon’s prices are holding steady at an average of \$2.67 per gallon. The national average is currently \$2.23 per gallon.

According to the data from AAA, Oregon’s average gas price was \$3.04 per gallon this time last year. The state’s highest recorded average price was \$4.29 on July 3, 2008.

SNAP sees benefits boost this month

The Oregon Department of Human Services has announced that it has received approval to disburse increased food benefits in September.

This additional \$30 million for eligible Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipients will

bring the total increased benefits to \$150 million.

SNAP households will automatically receive the additional allotment in the same way they receive their current benefits, according to a news release. For most customers this is an EBT card. The additional benefit amount will be disbursed on the schedule below to all eligible SNAP households. Some recipients may not see it until the following day.

Oregonians already enrolled in SNAP do not need to take any additional action.

Office space open in Herald building

The Hermiston Herald is looking for a new neighbor. JioVanni Staffing has moved out of the office space they were previously renting inside the Herald offices at 333 E. Main St. in Hermiston, and the space is now available for lease to a new tenant.

The space is 825 square feet, with a main reception

area and two individual offices. Utilities and some use of storage space in the building included. Rent is \$825 a month.

For more information, call 541-564-4538 or email aworkman@eastoregonian.com.

Senior meals include meat loaf, tuna

The Harkenrider Senior Activity Center continues to provide takeout and delivery meals to senior citizens in the community.

The menu for Thursday, Aug. 3, is tuna bake, peas, fruit and dessert. Tuesday, Aug. 8, will be meat loaf, spinach, mashed potatoes with gravy and dessert.

For a Meals on Wheels delivery, call 541-567-3582 before 10 a.m. to place an order. To pick up a meal from the center at 255 N.E. Second St., call the same number before 11 a.m. Meals are \$4 and can be picked up between 11:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.