

Christmas Express is full steam ahead despite the pandemic

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For the Hermiston Police Department, it's not too early to be thinking about Christmas.

School closures for COVID-19 have had to make the department rethink the annual Christmas Express. The program — in its 51st year — provides boxes of food and gifts for families in need each December.

Usually, schools help out the police department with canned food drives that raise a significant portion of the food distributed each year. But Hermiston Police Chief Jason Edmiston said this year, with school mostly taking place online, the department will be setting up a drop-off location instead.

From Nov. 30 to Dec. 11,



Hermiston City Recorder Lily Alarcon-Strong wraps gifts for Christmas Express with other city staff and their families in December 2019.

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people will be able to drop off canned food (no glass items) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hermiston Community Center, 415 S. Highway 395. Edmiston said police department staff will be there to take donations and sort them by type of food.

When the time gets closer, there will also be information available about where in the community people can drop off Christmas gifts for community

members in need as well. Edmiston said it's hard to predict how the haul at the community center will compare to when classes are competing against each other to collect the most canned food for their schools. But he has faith that the department will be able to provide 500 boxes of food for Agape House to give away as usual. "Hermiston has historically been a can-do community when it comes to fund-

raising," he said. The department also uses cash donations to buy a turkey for each box and fill in the gaps in supplies to reach 500 fully stocked boxes, and Edmiston said they have a "cushion" of money saved up that will be able to compensate if less food than usual comes in this year.

City of Hermiston staff and their family members will help put together the boxes of food as usual.

Police used to drop off the boxes for families nominated to receive one, but in recent years has switched to having volunteers call people to notify them they are on the list to be able to pick up a box from the Agape House, 500 W. Harper Road, in Hermiston. Edmiston said that will be the case again this year.

Republican women hold Trump rally



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A parade in support of President Donald Trump and law enforcement officers enters Hermiston on Saturday, Oct. 24, 2020. The parade, organized by the Greater Hermiston Republican Women, wound through Umatilla County from Milton-Freewater to Umatilla by way of Weston, Athena, Adams, Pendleton, Echo, Stanfield and Hermiston.



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A car, carrying a variety of flags, passes through Hermiston as a part of a parade on Saturday, Oct. 24, 2020. At left, Sandy, left, and Don Marlett wear masks of Melania and Donald Trump during a rally in support of law enforcement and President Trump in Umatilla



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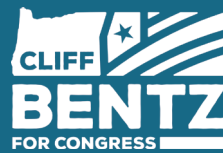
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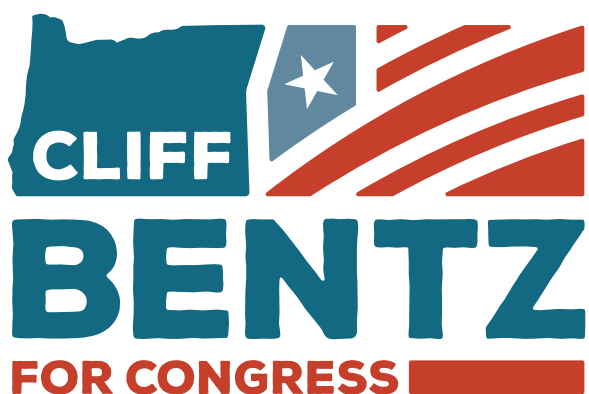


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Thanksgiving Fellowship Dinner makes adjustments for COVID

HERMISTON HERALD

As with many of Umatilla County's annual events, Hermiston's free dinner provided each Thanksgiving Day has made accommodations to continue in a COVID-safe manner for all involved.

Instead of the usual sit-down dinner, the Community Fellowship Dinner will be provided as a drive-thru heat-and-serve box meal available on Thursday, Nov. 26, at Hermiston High School's parking lot, 600 N. First St. The meal of turkey, cornbread stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, roll and dessert will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for anyone wanting a meal. Those receiving meals are required to stay in their vehicles and wear face coverings.

Limited food delivery also will be available, but must be scheduled prior to Thanksgiving Day. And volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs, some involving being outside. Donations are always welcome.

For more information, to schedule food delivery, or to volunteer, call 541-371-9772 or email cfdhermiston@gmail.com.

Courts:

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- Hermiston: seeks \$5,518.73.
 - United Finance Co. vs. John Kulisek Jr. and Shellie Edgerly of Hermiston: seeks \$3,540.98.
 - Bank of America N.A. vs. Eti Lale Ena of Stanfield: seeks \$4,441.86.
 - Bank of America N.A. vs. Jose F. Espinoza: seeks \$6,845.35 and \$13,159.25, in separate suits.
 - Financial Assistance Inc. vs. Christopher Mackey: seeks \$11,332.88.
 - Midland Credit Management Inc. vs. Cameron Haley Snook: seeks \$1,451.84.
 - Crown Asset Management LLC vs. Dennis R. Hollingsworth of Hermiston: seeks \$10,352.52.
 - Crown Asset Management LLC vs. Amelie D. Pool of Hermiston: seeks \$12,562.40.
 - Doris Larae vs. Interstate Trucking LLC fka Interstate Auto, AW Truck & Auto Repair and Arnold Lee Weaver: seeks \$817,498.54.
 - Jeffrey Ellis vs. Tyler Ryan Rock of Hermiston (or unknown motor vehicle driver): seeks \$10,000.
 - Credits Inc. vs. Ricardo Partida of Hermiston: seeks \$589.13.
 - Credits Inc. vs. Maria Rodriguez (Davalos) of Hermiston: seeks \$452.44.
 - Credits Inc. vs. John McAlister of Hermiston: seeks \$2,308.32.
- JUDGMENTS**
- PENDLETON — The following judgments have been rendered in Umatilla County courts (interest, court costs and fees not listed):**
- Midland Credit Management Inc. vs. James Anderson of Umatilla: judgment for \$1,919.96.
 - Midland Credit Management Inc. vs. Shawn White of Hermiston: judgment for \$2,285.45.
 - Midland Credit Management Inc. vs. Mindy Humbert of Hermiston: judgment for

- \$1,237.05.
- Citibank N.A. vs Lindsay A. Lloyd of Hermiston: judgment for \$4,749.98.
- Credits Inc. vs. Jose Orejel Manzo and Angelica Orejel of Irrigon: judgment for \$833.99.
- Credits Inc. vs. Diana Calvillo Laurel of Stanfield: judgment for \$2,006.71.
- Credits Inc. vs. Rachel Dean of Stanfield: judgment for \$5,917.92.
- Credits Inc. vs. Alicia Arel-lano Medrano of Umatilla: judgment for \$5,364.53.
- Credits Inc. vs. Elizabeth Stoker of Hermiston: judgment for \$2,977.51.
- Credits Inc. vs. Tyler R. Duran of Hermiston: judgment for \$1,016.32.
- Credits Inc. vs. Gricelda Hernandez Lozano of Hermiston: judgment for \$1,012.89.

MARRIAGES

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

- Marlene Madrigal Ceja, 26, and Andrew Douglas Tovey, 31, both of Hermiston.
- LeeAnn Marie Wornell, 23, and Luis Angel Zumaya, 22, both of Hermiston.
- Leticia Guerra Miranda, 30, and Edgar Armando Soto Panuco, 28, both of Stanfield.
- Jessica Lynn Jacobson, 34, and Nicholas Patrick Wallis, 38, both of Hermiston.
- Briana Hilda Reyes, 22, of Hermiston, and Mario Rodriguez Diaz, 27, of Pasco, Wash.
- Juan Pablo Madrigal, 26, and Briseida Aniela Aceves, 26, both of Stanfield.
- Whitney Kristine Johnson, 22, and Kyle Tanner Qualls, 25, both of Umatilla.
- Monica Aaliyah Aguilar, 23, and Candelario Rodriguez Gonzalez, 30, both of Hermiston.
- Nicholas Grant Ekblad, 29, and Cassidy Kiana Ventura, 31, both of Hermiston.

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1 Pet. 5:7

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