

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



ALISSA LINDEMAN

Teacher at Rocky Heights Elementary School

When and why did you move to Hermiston?

I moved to Hermiston about six years ago. I moved from a smaller town looking for some of the amenities provided by the larger school district and recreation programs for myself and my kids.

Where is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?

I love both Shiki and Veg Out.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I joined the local clogging program and really enjoy that. I also love walks, a good road trip, and getting out to explore as much as possible. At home, I like reading, podcasts and jigsaw puzzles.

What surprises you about Hermiston?

I love that Hermiston has a bigger city feel with all the services and shopping I need. However, it also has a cozy small town feel where I can get to know people and enjoy social connections.

What was the last book you read?

I am about half-way through the book "Spineless: The Science of Jellyfish and the Art of Growing a Backbone" by Juli Berwald. It is her own story intertwined with history, facts and stories about jellyfish. It is fascinating to learn so much about jellyfish. Their simple appearance and slower movements are deceiving. They are very complex with a long history of making a real impact in the ocean.

What website or app do you use most other than Facebook?

Amazon. I don't like shopping, so I do as much of it as I can from the comfort of my own home.

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

I am a big dreamer when it comes to travel and change my mind all the time. Currently, I have Italy on my mind as a travel destination. I was there once a long time ago, and I'd like to get back and see it again.

What is the funniest thing that's ever happened to you?

Nothing really funny comes to mind. I did once surprise my children on vacation by winning a silly parents Nickelodeon competition involving hula hoop obstacles and slime. I can be very competitive!

What is one of your goals for the next 12 months?

I hope to get out and start traveling again. I am generally content at home and haven't really minded staying home so much this past year. However, it has made me appreciate freedom of movement and yearn to see and do more.

What is your proudest accomplishment?

This past year, I made a pivot in career to teach at the elementary level, and I also returned to college to update my qualifications for the change. It's been an intense year and a lot of work. I'm proud of myself for embracing change and new challenges. Plus, I am really enjoying my new job.

HERMISTON HISTORY

Potato chip company announces plans



Matt Wesenan, 11, had a surprise when his 450-pound pet Durox sow, Curly Sue, gave birth to 14 piglets in 1996.

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25 YEARS AGO

March 5, 1996

It's in the bag. Nalley's Canada Limited and the Hermiston Development Corporation announced Monday that Nalley's intends to use Lamb Weston's Hermiston Plant No. 2 to make potato chips in Hermiston.

Hermiston beat out two other sites, one in Pasco, Wash., and the other in Salem, for the plant.

Nalley's chairman Patrick Lindenbach told the state's economic development department that the company and Lamb Weston have reached an "agreement in principal" to lease the facility.

Nalley's said they hope to begin operations in June.

2) Dennis Doherty, a Hermiston attorney, wants to be Umatilla County's new commissioner.

"I've been interested in public office ever since my district attorney days," Doherty said.

Commission Chairman Glenn Youngman announced last year that he would not seek another term on the commission. His absence could leave Hermiston and the West End of Umatilla County without representation on the three-member commission.

50 YEARS AGO

March 11, 1971

Ron Stevenson announced this week he will open a stationery and office equipment and furnishings store at the former location of Knox's Variety Store at 157 Main Street.

Cameras and supplies as well as various other items will be stocked.

He has approximately 3,000 square feet of space available and plans to be in operation about the middle of April.

2) Stanfield's police and fire chief Tuesday night submitted his resignation from both positions, effective April 15 or upon the appointment of a successor or successors.

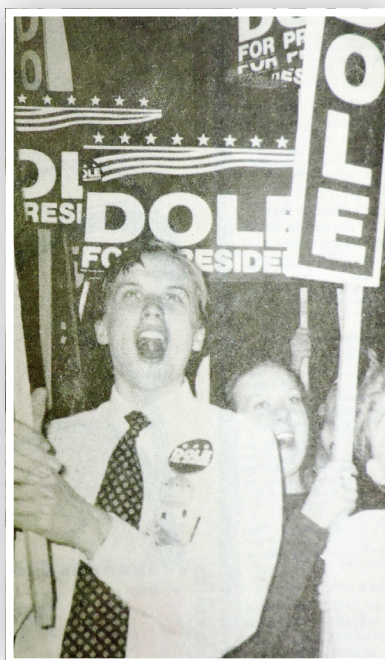
Wayne Strong told the City Council, meeting that night, that he had personal reasons for wishing to seek other employment.

Without making a definite recommendation as to a replacement, Strong suggested the possibility that the city hire as police chief William Bartel, 32, an armed forces veteran who Strong said has worked at Umatilla Army Depot and is experienced in police and investigatory work. The chief had no comment regarding possibilities of a new fire chief.



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Ken and Betty Capper sharpen their cribbage skills before the Washington State Open Tournament in 1996.



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Hermiston students rally for presidential candidate Bob Dole at a high school model convention in 1996.

75 YEARS AGO

March 7, 1946

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Peverley have opened a new business under the firm name of "Tiptop Laundry" now in operation at their home in the Columbia district until such time as they can erect a building in town.

Mrs. Peverley advises they will do all types of laundry but will specialize in men's dress shirts. Also, they will have pickup and delivery service in Hermiston for the time being. After they get well organized they expect to extend service to surrounding towns.

2) The Victory Garden campaign has been reconverted into the 1946 home garden program, with leadership and assistance planned to encourage every Oregon family that has suitable land available, announces W.L. Teutsch, assistant director of the O.S.C. Extension service.

The objective of the program this year will be to raise enough vegetables for fresh use and preserving to meet the family requirements for good nutrition and health, says Teutsch. While the wartime conditions have changed, the world food situation is such as to emphasize the need to produce and conserve all the garden food possible again this year.

100 YEARS AGO

March 11, 1921

Ordinance No. 36 providing for the licensing and taxing of dogs within the corporate limits of the City of Hermiston, is about to be enforced.

Beginning next week, March 21, the dog catcher will begin his duties of impounding any dogs the owners of which have not secured a license there for for the year 1921.

The cost of a license is \$1.00 for males and \$3.00 for females. If the dog catcher impounds your dog you will have to pay a fee of \$1.00 to the dog catcher and then have to pay \$1.00 or \$3.00 as the case may be to the recorder for the dog license.

If you value your mutts get busy. Get your license. Otherwise the dog catcher will get 'em if you don't watch out.

BY THE WAY

Daylight Saving Time begins on March 14

Daylight Saving Time for 2021 begins on Sunday, March 14, at 2 a.m. Set your clocks forward an hour before going to bed on Saturday night.

The **Oregon Legislature** did pass a bill in 2019 to keep Oregon on Daylight Saving Time year-round, but the change won't be triggered unless Washington and California adopt the same change, and Congress must give its approval.

Washington has passed a law, but California's is stuck in the state Senate and Congress has not yet signed off.

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The **ShakeAlert Earthquake Early Warning System**, an earthquake detection tool operated by the U.S. Geological Survey, goes live in Oregon on Thursday, March 11.

No sign up is required to receive ShakeAlert notifications, and the only action needed is to enable

emergency alerts through a cell phone's settings (most phones come with the alerts automatically turned on).

The technology is used to detect significant earthquakes quickly and send a real time alert to people via their cell phone before shaking arrives at their location, according to a news release.

The alerts will make a distinctive sound and display a text message that reads, "Earthquake detected! Drop, cover, hold on. Protect yourself."

The message will be available in Spanish to those who have their phone set to that language.

Learn more at ORShakeAlert.us.

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Oregon and Washington school sports teams have started their fall sports seasons, including **Hermiston High School's** first football game of the 2020-21 school year that took place on Friday, March 5, with a

win over the **Hanford Falcons**.

For coverage of local sports, subscribe to the **East Oregonian** or visit www.eastoregonian.com/sports.

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The **Harkenrider Senior Activity Center** menu for Thursday, March 11, is baked chicken, stuffing and gravy, corn and dessert.

The menu for Tuesday, March 16, is corned beef and cabbage, red potatoes, carrots, biscuit and dessert.

For a **Meals on Wheels** delivery in Hermiston, 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.

The **Boardman Senior Center** is now providing meal delivery. Meals are \$4 paid upon delivery. Call 541-481-3257 to order.