

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



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Lash tech and permanent makeup artist, waitress at Nookie's and assistant softball coach at Hermiston High School

When and why did you move to Hermiston?

I moved to Hermiston last year when I finished school and softball in Portland. My boyfriend is from here and when we were doing long distance I visited here a few times and liked the area. I'm originally from Pendleton so it's not a huge change by any means.

Where is your favorite place to eat in Hermiston?

My favorite place to eat in Hermiston is probably Nookie's or Ixtapa.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I like to do some sort of physical activity just to stay active, like the gym or hiking or going on a walk with my pup Avery. But she doesn't usually make it too far because she's a chubby little thing.

What surprises you about Hermiston?

I guess one thing that surprises me about Hermiston is the rate that it's growing. So many people have been moving here lately it's insane.

What was the last book you read?

The last book that I read was "Lovely Bones" by Alice Sebold, but I didn't end up finishing it, which shows why I don't read much because I get side-tracked easily.

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

I probably use Tik Tok the most out of all of my apps. I don't post, but I can literally get stuck on there for hours, it's crazy!

If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

If I could travel anywhere it would either be somewhere on the Oregon Coast or Iceland, because there are some really beautiful places there that I want to visit, along with seeing the northern lights.

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

I can't be sure what the funniest thing that's ever happened to me is, I'm sure it's something embarrassing that happened to me. One memory I can think of is when I was playing softball at Portland State and we were getting announced to go out on the field, and I managed to bust my ankle while high-fiving my teammates and it was on TV and everything at the time and I hurt it so bad that I couldn't play on it for a while and ended having terrible bruising and the rehab for it sucked. So yeah, it wasn't even doing anything cool, it was just while getting announced before a game.

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

Two of my goals for the next 12 months is to grow my business and get confident in my craft, while also getting to know the girls that I'm going to be coaching with Amy (Stone) and gaining their respect to the point that they can trust me and trust that I know what I'm doing.

HERMISTON HISTORY

Nalley's Potato Chip Plant burns



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Hermiston residents attend a kickoff banquet for the Bazaar of Values in 1971.

25 YEARS AGO

July 9, 1996

Firefighters were on the scene for over 14 hours Wednesday, putting out — and keeping out — a fire that destroyed the processing building of the Nalley's Potato Chip Plant.

The plant, in operation barely a week, caught fire at 5 a.m. Wednesday.

Hermiston Fire Marshal Pat Ward said the Hermiston Fire Department got the call around 5:30 a.m. Wednesday. Ward said the fire had died sufficiently by 3 p.m., although some firefighters remained on the scene until 7:30 p.m.

The massive fire caused the building's roof to collapse.

"It was a big fire," said Ward. "When we got there it hadn't gone through the roof yet."

The roof of the metal building was one reason it took firefighters until the evening to put the fire out entirely.

"The tin roof falls, making it harder to get the to smoldering underneath," he said.

50 YEARS AGO

July 8, 1971

John Walchli, Hermiston potato grower and one of five Oregon members serving on the Oregon-California potato marketing committee, said this week that a check with his broker indicated that the potato market has strengthened somewhat in the past few days.

The California potato harvest, he said, is running several weeks late.

"Their crop is usually all on the market by July 4," he said. "With all of those California potatoes hitting the market late, it's bound to affect prices."

He said the price for No. 1 potatoes F.O.B. in California is around \$40 a ton.

75 YEARS AGO

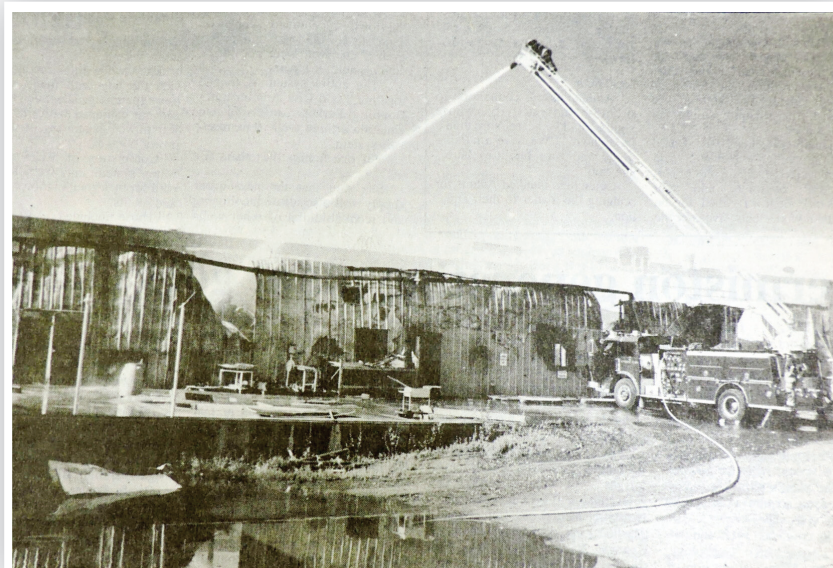
July 4, 1946

The new Umatilla dial telephone exchange will be placed in operation by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company Wednesday, July 10, according to B.F. Pickett, district manager for the company.

Telephone crews are busy installing telephones for the some 80 customers who initially will be connected with the new exchange, and Western Electric company installers are putting the final touches on the new dial central office.

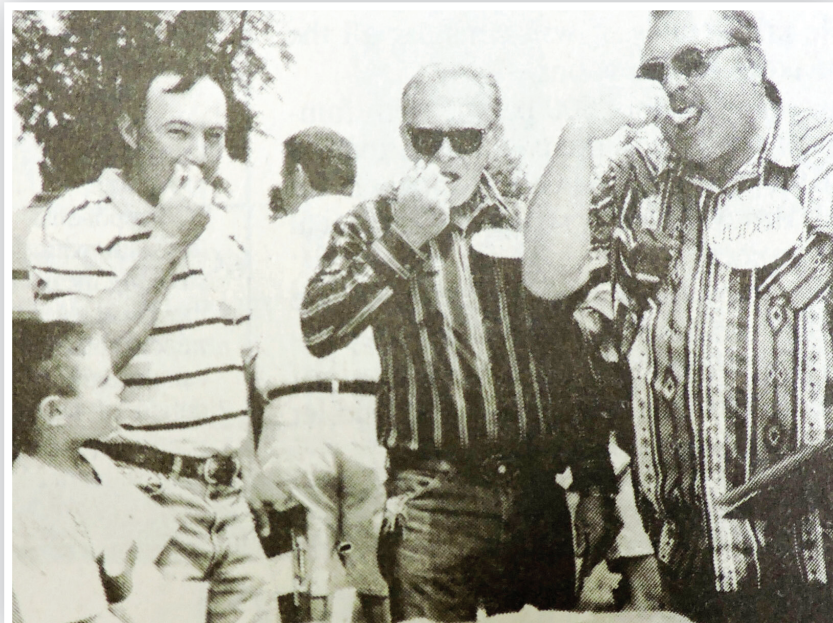
"Present plans are to make the cut-over, as telephone people call it, about 11 a.m. on Wednesday," Pickett said.

The placing in operation of the new Umatilla telephone exchange



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Firefighters work to put out a fire that gutted the Nalley's Chip plant in Hermiston in 1996.



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Marvin Mills, left, Stanfield Mayor Tom McCann and Stanfield Volunteer Fire Department Chief Jim Whelan judge a pie eating contest in Stanfield in 1996.

will signalize the completion of an \$80,000 project for the Umatilla area. A new one-story brick and frame building, located on Seventh street between I and J, was built to house the new dial central office.

100 YEARS AGO

July 8, 1921

Farm women are more and more taking advantage of opportunities not open to city women, to earn their own spending money in the various enterprises possible to conduct on the farm. Ways of doing this are taught by the home demonstration agents, whose special duty it is to establish helpful contact with families in their respective districts. Some of the stories told by the home demonstration agents in their reports to the United States Department of Agriculture are very human recitals.

There probably is no busier woman than a certain Mrs. Vallentine, living on a farm in Jackson County, Ark. Mrs. Vallentine raised 2 acres of garlic in 1918, 8 acres in 1919, and 10 acres in 1920. She sells the buttons, or roots, for planting and the tops, or sets, for seasoning to the chili factories.

2) The Old Fashioned Fourth of July celebration is giving way to recreational parties and picnics such as Hermiston folks enjoyed this year.

The local lodge of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and friends held a big picnic on the river at which over 150 were present. In the forenoon a short snappy program held the attention of the crowd until dinner was announced. Northing was lacking, from fried chicken and pickles to ice cream and cake, and many lamentations were heard that capacities were limited.

BY THE WAY

Gas prices continue to rise across the state

Oregon gas prices have risen 5.1 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.61 per gallon as of Tuesday, July 6, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 1,307 stations in Oregon. Gas prices in Oregon are 23 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand \$1.05 more per gallon than a year ago. Prices in Hermiston are about \$3.47

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Oregon is priced at \$3.23 while the most expensive is \$4.39, a difference of \$1.16. The national average price of gasoline is unchanged in the last week, averaging \$3.12. The national average is up 7.9 cents per gallon from a month ago.

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Run, bounce, jump, dive and slide through Hermiston's first **Inflatable 5K Fun Run**.

The event features inflatable obstacle courses, slip 'n' slides, agility nets and more. People are invited to conquer the inflatables with their family, friends and teammates while making epic memories.

Bouncin' Bins Inflatable 5k Fun Run & Color Wars is

Saturday, July 10, from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Butte Park, 1245 N.W. Seventh St., Hermiston. All ages are welcome.

To register, go to bit.ly/hermistonrecreation and click on "Special Events." The cost for individuals is \$25 each or teams of up to six people for \$100. Children under 4 are free with a registered adult.

Participants will be assigned into starting waves with their group/family. Be sure to check your time slot and arrive at least 30 minutes early.

Also, volunteers are needed to help along the route. Those who give of their time can run the course for free. Sign-up to volunteer on the registration page.

The color wars offer a sort of glorified pillow fight with powdered color. Participants are invited to go at it and make a mess.

If you still want to play after the race, family fun features bounce houses, laser tag, a dunk tank and more. The pay-for-play entertainment wristbands will be available for unlimited play for \$20 each.

For more information, contact **Hermiston Parks &**

Recreation at 541-667-5018 or parksandrec@hermiston.or.us.

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Trying to fill some positions at a business? The **UEC Business Resource Center** has a webinar to provide guidance on navigating through the hiring process. Learn more about some of the current factors.

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The **Harkenrider Senior Activity Center** menu for Thursday, July 8, is meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, veggie and dessert. The menu for Tuesday, July 13, is three tacos, refried beans and fruit.

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 11:30 a.m. and noon.

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