

THREE MINUTES WITH ...



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Hermiston, Oregon

Your mom says you are a “typical teenager.”

Do you think she is right?

I'd say I'm in between being a typical teenager; I do some stuff that most teens do, but sometimes I can act like a 20-year-old.

Have you ever gotten into a physical fight with anyone?

I never have got into a physical fight, but if I ever do, it will always be self-defense.

Why do you think people fight?

I think they fight because of drama and being posted on social media talking stuff about them.

How do you prefer to resolve conflicts?

My way to solve or prevent a fight is probably speaking to someone like an adult so they are aware.

What are your favorite hobbies?

My favorite hobbies are probably having friends over, going on car rides at night, being on my phone and playing games late at night with my family and some friends — mostly card games.

Could you explain TikTok to me? I don't get it.

TikTok is an app you can make videos, watch other people's videos that they post publicly. You have a choice to private the videos so certain people can see or post it publicly.

How do you feel about the end of mask mandates?

Free. I feel free after wearing a mask for at least two years.

Will you continue to wear masks anywhere?

If I come back to school after being sick, I might wear it a few days or around someone that possibly just came back from having COVID.

What have you learned during the pandemic?

I don't know. Maybe after for so long about being in a pandemic, it doesn't feel the same anymore.

Could you tell me about your family?

I love my family more than anything in the world, some of them can be annoying but it's OK.

What do you like to do with your family?

I just like family gatherings mostly, only if it doesn't turn into a disaster.

What do you like to do with your friends?

Just mostly hanging out with them, I like it mostly when we like go places in a group or something.

What do you think you will be doing when you are an adult?

I don't know for sure, but I really want to be an artist when I grow up, I love painting and drawing now so I feel like when I'm older that's the only thing I'm going to want to do.

HERMISTON HISTORY

'Leaders of Tomorrow' logo nets award for students 25 years ago

25 YEARS AGO
March 18, 1997

Three Hermiston High School students recently placed first at the Hispanic Youth Leadership Conference with their logo design, “Leaders of Tomorrow.”

Entries from all over the state were submitted for the contest, which was held in Pendleton. It took just two weeks for students Jose Gutierrez, Oscar Mendez and Chevy Olivas to create their design, which became the conference's theme and was placed on T-shirts. For their creativity and efforts, the students received free T-shirts, award certificates and plaques.

“Everyone is real proud of them, the whole school is,” said teacher Arliah Cole. “They are very proud of themselves, but they are all very shy about the recognition they are receiving.”

As shown by this impressive accomplishment, and agreed to by Cole, these students have great potential to pursue careers in the art world.



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Chevy Olivas, Jose Gutierrez and Oscar Mendez pose with their winning design 25 years ago.

50 YEARS AGO
March 16, 1972

There are two candidates competing for a spot on the Hermiston School Board, a former teacher and retired government employee.

Carol Cox, 37, was born in Illinois and taught art for five years in elementary and secondary schools in Iowa before moving to Hermiston with her husband in 1961. Since then, she had taught homemaking at Stanfield and Hermiston schools, but isn't actively teaching at the moment.

She claims that her children — a son, 10, and daughter, 8 — motivate her to join the school board.

“My primary concern is for every tax dollar spent that the student receives a dollar's worth of the best education ... I'm running as a parent and member of the community.”

The competition, James P. Delaney, doesn't possess a background in education, but rather one filled with experiences.

A Wellesley, Massachusetts, native, Delaney began his federal government career in 1936 with the Department of the Interior. He was then transferred to the Department of the Navy before WWII and spent four years on active duty with the end rank of Lieutenant.

Between his discharge and transfer to the Umatilla Army Depot in 1962, he was in the Naval Reserve, served as a civilian personnel in Washington, D.C. and was a member of the Veterans Association.

When asked why he is running for this position, Delaney replied, “I feel that this is a responsible position, and there should be more than one person running.”

75 YEARS AGO
March 20, 1947

Hermiston is about to see some major improvements, with the annual clean-up day approaching and other programs planned to proceed.

At a recent City Council meeting, Mayor Quiring designated March 31 as the annual city clean-up day. This won't just include sweeping of sidewalks and pruning hedges, but safety measures as well.

According to Police Chief Bert



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It appears Ryan Dougherty, 1, would rather be with his parents than this leprechaun at the Heppner St. Patrick's Day Celebration 25 years ago.

Nation, many alleys throughout the town are a great fire hazard with much trash and combustible items piled up. Residents of Hermiston are urged to cooperate with officials and help reduce this fire threat by collecting and placing such trash in the correct containers to be disposed of.

Road quality will be addressed too. City Attorney John E. Walker was appointed by the council to prepare a notice of curbing, oil surfacing and securing of sidewalks to occur in the Northeast Sixth Street

and Easy Ridgeway Avenue vicinity.

Lastly, the council has begun the processes of outlining steps and securing the proper financial procedure for doubling the capacity of the current sewer system.

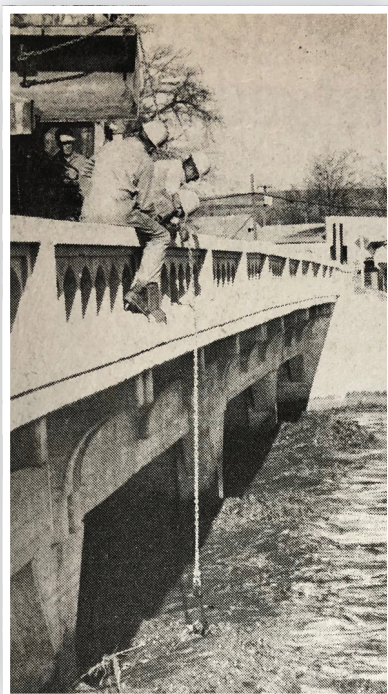
90 YEARS AGO
March 17, 1932

An operetta, “The Wishing Well,” is promised to be one of the most outstanding features of the school year.

This program will be presented by the music departments of the Hermiston schools, with Miss Eleanor Daily as the director. Lady Mary Donnell, played by Anna Martin, is the last of an old impoverished family. She lives with her niece Noreen, played by Suzanne Nye, who has become friends with gentleman Terence O'More, played by Howard Klages.

Lady Mary has to place a mortgage on her estate, a mortgage she can't pay. Sensing his friend's displeasure, Terence tells Noreen about a magic wishing well with fairies that will make any wish come true. Noreen wishes her aunt will receive a fortune sufficient to pay off the mortgage, and to her surprise, she finds a package of bank notes in the well, which Terence had actually hid. Overjoyed, Noreen delivers the money to her aunt, who is now able to keep her estate. And just like that, they all live happily ever after.

McKenzie Rose, a sophomore at Echo High School, searched Hermiston Herald archives to compile these article summaries.



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State highway crews work with a grappling hook to remove debris piles up against the Echo Bridge spanning the flooded Umatilla River 25 years ago.

BY THE WAY

Grow a green thumb with Seed to Supper gardening class

Do you want to develop a green thumb, but you do not know where to start? **Seed to Supper** is a six-week long beginner's course on low-cost vegetable gardening. It is free and open to all adults, regardless of skill level, and includes a book.

This course covers the entire process, from planning and choosing a site to start seeds and transplanting seedlings, to caring for and harvesting plants and even cooking with the produce. It is taught by **Umatilla County Master Gardeners** in partnership with **Lovin' Spadefuls Hermiston Community Garden** and will include demonstrations.

Classes begin **March 29**, 6-8 p.m. in the conference room at **Umatilla Electric Cooperative**, 750 W. Elm Ave., Hermiston. Sessions continue each Tuesday through May 3. Advance registration is required at beav.es/w8h.

For more information, contact **Amanda Woodlee**, Master Gardener program coordinator, at amanda.woodlee@oregonstate.edu or 541-567-8321.

This year's **Open Regional Exhibit at Pendleton Center for the Arts** focuses on photography. The show is open to adult amateur and professional artists who live in Eastern Oregon or southeastern Washington. Also, there is a teen category.

Photographers are encouraged to select their best shots taken within the past five years. Each shutterbug may enter two photographs and can indicate their work is for sale, with the arts center receiving a 30% commission.

The submission drop-off date is **April 2**, noon and 4 p.m. at the arts center, 214 N. Main St., Pendleton. The judge's critique and awards ceremony is **April 14**, 5 p.m. The exhibit runs **April 14 through May 27**.

For registration information, visit www.pendletonarts.org. For questions, contact 541-278-9201 or director@pendletonarts.org.

If you have been dragging your heels on registering for the 2022 season of **NFL Flag Football League**, there is good news. The **city of Umatilla** is accepting late registrations until **March 24**.

Open to youths ages 4-12, the season runs April 9 to May 21, with games on Saturdays. Register online at secure.recl.com/OR/umatilla-or/catalog.

After that date, call 541-922-3226, ext. 113 or email hannah@umatilla-city.org to be placed on a team.

Spring registration is now open at **Blue Mountain C**. The 2022-23 application for **BMCC Foundation**

Scholarships is open on the **WolfWeb Student Portal**.

To access the application, select **BMCC Foundation** on the menu and then click on **Scholarship Dashboard**.

If you have questions or need additional help, call the **scholarship coordinator** at 541-278-5762, or email ecorbett@bluecc.edu. The submission deadline is **March 31**.

The **Harkenrider Senior Activity Center** menu for **Thursday, March 17**, is corned beef and cabbage, red potatoes, carrots and dessert. The menu for **Tuesday, March 22**, is lasagna, salad, garlic bread and dessert.

In-house meals will be served from noon to 12:30 p.m. People planning to dine in are asked to call by 11 a.m.

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 before 11 a.m. Meals are \$5 and can be picked up between 11:30 a.m. and noon.

The **Boardman Senior Center** is open for dine-in lunches on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**, noon at 100 Tatone St. Meals are \$4 for seniors and \$5 for others. Take-out lunches are available by calling 541-481-3257.