DEATH NOTICES

Robert James Berecz

McMinnville

Aug. 12, 1940 — June 7, 2022

Robert (Bob) James Berecz, 81, of McMinnville, died June 7, 2022, in McMinnville. He was born Aug. 12, 1940, in Chicago. A private memorial service will be held at a date still to be determined. To leave online condolences, visit www.macyandson.com.

Pauline Lucille Dalton

Hermiston July 6, 2022

Pauline Lucille Dalton, of Hermiston, died July 6, 2022, in Eugene. She will be laid to rest with her husband July 21, 1 p.m. at Willamette National Cemetery, Portland. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Leave an online condolence at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Katherine Ann Martin

Lexington

Sept. 19, 1945 — July 3, 2022

Katherine Ann Martin, 76, of Lexington, died July 3, 2022, in Missoula, Montana. She was born Sept. 19, 1945, in Ione. A funeral service was held July 9, 2022 at the Ione Community Church, Ione, followed by a burial at High View Cemetery, Ione. Arrangements are with Sweeney Mortuary.

L. Ruth Mason

Umatilla

Feb. 22, 1931 — July 4, 2022

L. Ruth Mason, 91, of Umatilla, died July 4, 2022, at her home. She was born Feb. 22, 1931, in Mount Morris, Pennsylvania. A private family burial will be held. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Carol Lee McIntosh

Hermiston March 3, 1941 — June 24, 2022

Carol Lee McIntosh, 81, of Hermiston, died June 24, 2022, at her home. She was born March 3, 1941, in Los Angeles. A family gathering will be held. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

William 'Bill' Meade

Hermiston Dec. 18, 1937 — July 9, 2022

William "Bill" Meade, 84, of Hermiston, died July 9, 2022, in Pendleton. He was born Dec. 18, 1937, in Stanfield. A graveside service will be July 16, 10 a.m. at Pleasant View Cemetery, Stanfield. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Bonnie Jean Schuster

Hermiston April 28, 1940 — July 1, 2022

Bonnie Jean Schuster, 82, of Hermiston, died July 1, 2022, in Portland. She was born April 28, 1940, in Malad, Idaho. In lieu of services, Bonnie and her late husband George have requested their ashes be joined together in a celebration of life.

Joe Taylor

Heppner Dec. 17, 1932 — June 22, 2022

Joe Taylor, 89, of Heppner, died June 22, 2022, in Portland. He was born Dec. 17, 1932, in Filer, Idaho. A celebration of life will be July 21, 1 p.m. at the Heppner Elks Lodge, 142 N. Main St., Heppner. A potluck will follow.

Christopher John Tompkins

March 19, 1968 — July 7, 2022

Christopher John Tompkins, 54, of La Pine, formerly of Hermiston, died July 7, 2022, in Bend. He was born March 19, 1968, in Hermiston. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

Mark E. Wickersham

Sept. 24, 1952 — June 29, 2022

Mark E. Wickersham, 69, of Hermiston, died June 29, 2022, at his home. He was born Sept. 24, 1952, in Portland. A graveside service will be July 30, 10 a.m. at Pleasant View Cemetery, Stanfield. A celebration of life gathering will follow at noon at McKenzie Park, Hermiston. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Jason 'Butch' Wilson

Hermiston March 27, 1970 — July 11, 2022

Jason "Butch" Wilson, 52, formerly of Pilot Rock, died July 11, 2022, at his home in Hermiston. He was born March 27, 1970, in Atwater, California. Arrangements are with Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop. Online condolences may be shared at www. pioneerchapel.com.

Hermiston City Council discusses psilocybin prohibition

BY ANTONIO ARREDONDO

Hermiston Herald

Although Oregon plans to make psilocybin legal statewide in 2023, Hermiston may be voting to prohibit the drug.

Hermiston City Council at its meeting Monday, July 11, discussed a ballot measure that would give Hermiston residents a vote on whether or not to make therapeutic psilocybin legal in town.

The ballot is in response to Measure 109, a statewide measure voters passed in 2020 that allows those 21 and older to

take psychedelic mushrooms in a therapeutic setting. Psilocybin still will not be available for retail sale.

With the measure, though, comes another option: Cities that do not want legal mushrooms can opt out in November 2022.

"This is basically a use it or lose it opt-out option," Hermiston Planning Director Clint Spencer said to the council. "This is the one opportunity

that we have to pass a prohibition otherwise it becomes legal effective Jan. 2."

Spencer referenced the voting history of the city often during his presentation. Hermiston voted against marijuana legalization in 2015 and still prohibits the sale or distribution of medical and recreational marijuana in the city.

The council moved to discuss the psilocybin matter further. Hermiston Assistant City Manager Mark Morgan said all signs point toward the optout being on the ballot in November.

In other action, the council

approved a supplemental budget to staff a city information technology department.

"IT can be viable if it's turned into a quasi-enterprise," Morgan said. "For the largest city government in the area, it makes sense. We can shop the service out to other areas."

Morgan said Morrow County and Umatilla already have deals in place, and the July 11 meeting referenced Stanfield joining in.

To see a video recording of the meeting, go to www.hermiston.or.us/meetings1.

POLICE LOG

TUESDAY, JULY 5

12:49 a.m. — Hermiston police responded to East Highland Avenue on a report of a domestic disturbance.

10:52 a.m. — Hermiston police received a report of child abuse/ neglect.

2:54 p.m. — Umatilla County sheriff's deputies responded to East Punkin Center and Canal roads, Hermiston, on a report of a domestic disturbance.

5:04 p.m. — Umatilla police responded to Pik A Pop, 1010 Sixth St., on a report of a domestic disturbance.

10:37 p.m. — Boardman fire responded to Frontage Lane on a report of a grass fire and extinguished the blaze.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

12:23 p.m. — A caller in Heppner reported someone punched him in the chest over an argument about rights of way. Morrow County Sheriff's Office responded and took a report.

2:18 p.m. — A male asked to speak to a Hermiston police officer. He said on July 2 he reported his girlfriend missing out of Umatilla, and since then someone stole his phone and he wants to see if Umatilla police have tried to contact him.

7:15 p.m. — Hermiston police responded to Westview Drive and West Hartley Avenue on a report of an assault.

8:34 p.m. — Stanfield police responded to East Locust Street on a report of a domestic disturbance.

 $1\bar{0}$:33 p.m. — Umatilla police responded to Tri-Harbor Landing Apartments, 210 Klickitat St., on a report of a domestic disturbance.

THURSDAY, JULY 7

4:51 a.m. — A 911 caller at County Club Manor Apartments, 605 Umatilla Ave., reported the theft of a vehicle.

3:05 p.m. — Umatilla County sheriff's deputies responded to East Elm Avenue, Hermiston, on a report of an assault.

8:23 p.m. — A 911 caller on East Highland Avenue, Hermiston, reported a domestic disturbance. Umatilla County sheriff's deputies responded.

12:53 p.m. — A 911 caller on Wildwood Lane and Highway 730, Umatilla, reported a domestic disturbance. Umatilla County sheriff's deputies responded.

7:33 p.m. — Umatilla County sheriff's deputies responded to Warehouse Beach, Highway 730, Umatilla, on a report of harassment. Deputies issued a citation.

7:53 p.m. — A 911 caller at Vista Park Mobile Home Park, 1800 N.E. 10th St., Hermiston, reported the theft of a vehicle. Umatilla County sheriff's deputies responded.

10:31 p.m. — Umatilla County sheriff's deputies responded to Northeast Peace Lane, Hermiston, on a report of a domestic dis-10:38 p.m. — Hermiston police responded to West Madrona

Avenue on a report of a domestic disturbance.

11:21 p.m. — Stanfield police responded to Short Stop, 32553 E. Punkin Center Road, Hermiston, on a report of a domestic dis-11:39 p.m. — Hermiston police responded to Northeast Sev-

enth Street on a report of a domestic disturbance.

SATURDAY, JULY 9

 $2\,\mathrm{a.m.} - \mathrm{A}\,911$ caller on Elizabeth Drive, Stanfield, reported a child is trying to break into her house.

6:20 p.m. — Morrow County Sheriff's Office responded to the Boardman Marina, 1 Marine Drive N.E., Boardman, on a report of a woman harassing someone at the park.

11:17 p.m. — Morrow County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a vehicle rollover on Bombing Range Road, Lexington. No one was in the vehicle at the time of the call.

SUNDAY, JULY 10

mph, eastbound, on Interstate 84 near Arlington. 8:35 p.m. — Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a report regarding a donkey that was on Highway 207 near Heppner.

1:53 p.m. — Morrow County Sheriff's Office responded to a

driving complaint of two vehicles that appeared to be traveling 110

MONDAY, JULY 11

8:08 a.m. — A caller on Cherry Street, Umatilla, reported there are two or three German shepherds at large in the area.

10:04 a.m. — A caller in Ione reported a male was using a third party to gather information about a person in violation of a restraining order.

10:42 a.m. — Boardman Fire Rescue District responded to a call about a 75-year-old man in a black SUV on the westbound side of Interstate 84 at Boardman who was shocked by his defibrillator. An ambulance took him to Good Shepherd Medical Center,

2:16 p.m. — A caller asked the Morrow County Sheriff's Office to send a deputy to Two Old Hags Pizza, 111 S. Court St., Heppner, where the meeting about recalling county commissioners was happening. The caller said they have been receiving aggressive messages and were concerned the meeting could get out of hand.

3:57 p.m. — A caller on Depot Lane, Irrigon reported a relative assaulted her. Morrow County Sheriff's Office responded and took a report.

11:17 p.m. — Medics responded to a site on Boardman Avenue Northeast, Boardman, for a 15-year-old who was feeling ill after consuming mushrooms. An ambulance took the teen to Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston.

Arrests, citations

July 6

• Umatilla County Sheriff's Office arrested Fakahau Tatuo Jr., 21, for fourth-degree assault.

• Umatilla police arrested Miguel Angel Rosales Ayala, 24, for harassment and fourth-degree assault.

• Morrow County Sheriff's Office arrested Alberto Garay Varela, 30, for first-degree theft.

• Boardman police arrested Ruben Antonio De La Cruz, 28, for

driving under the influence of intoxicants. • Umatilla police arrested Jose Lepe Jr., 30, for interfering with

making a report, harassment, aggravated harassment (a felony)

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BIRTHS

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

July 4, 2022

MACK — Heather Mack and Jacob Mack of Echo: a girl, Jewells Clara Mack.

CHI St. Anthony Hospital, **Pendleton** July 5, 2022

AMES — Clara Rose Sexton-Funk and Andrew Norman Ames of Irrigon: a girl, Stella Louise Ames.



SENTENCES

The following sentences were have been filed in **Umatilla County Circuit Court (interest, court costs** and fees not listed):

Paul Stanton Pfenning, 35, of Umatilla, pleaded not guilty to 2022 charges of harassment and fourth-degree assault; sentenced to 20 days of incarceration and

two years of probation, \$400 in fines and fees. **MARRIAGES**

Marriage licenses have been registered in Umatilla **County for:**

Kammi Leann Short, 45, and Robert Micheal Englehart, 45, both of Hermiston.

Hannah Nikhole Lawson, 22, and David Matthew Bartolotta, 27, both of Hermiston.

Chelsie Marie Ayers, 32, and Tyler Freeman Beers, 38, both of Hermiston.

Stephanie Madrigal Mendoza, 24, and Edgar Navarro, 27, both of Boardman.

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Robert 'Bob' Joseph Fiocchi November 2, 1952 - July 1, 2022

Robert "Bob" Joseph Fiocchi (69) was born at Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield, California, on November 2, 1952, as the oldest son of Robert Fiocchi and Rosemary

He passed away peacefully after a family prayer with all his sons and their wives at his bed side on July 1, 2022.

Robert attended grade

school and high school in

Hull Fiocchi.

Portland, Oregon. He was a Boy Scout and Eagle Scout. In 1969, Robert joined the Marines at age 17. He graduated from basic

training in North Carolina

and attended a NATO Conference in Canada. He spent his 18th birthday on a plane to Vietnam where he was a body guard to U.S. Ambassador Ellsworth F. Bunker. Robert saved the ambassador when a grenade was thrown at him. He also saved the lives of eight fellow Marines in a burning building before being overcome with smoke. He was sent back to Travis Air Force Base for hospitalization from smoke inhalation. Robert was honorably discharged for medical reasons. Robert received medals of honor for his heroic military service.

He became a resident of Hermiston, Oregon, and attended Albany Community

College and New Hope Church. Bob worked with Local International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers for over 25 years. He worked

in Washington, Oregon, Nevada, and Utah. He retired from the Coal Fire Plant in Boardman.

Bob was a jokester and a comedian. He

was a food connoisseur and motorcycle biker who loved hunting, swimming, and history. He loved his sons, mom and family, and adored his grandchildren.

We are thankful Bob was surrounded by family and that our Heavenly Father was able to give him that final rest and peace.

Matthew 11:28, "Come to me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest."

He is survived by his mother, Rosemary Borene; his siblings, Roseann (Steve) Cotton, Virginia (Peter) Monzo, Mary (Lee) Powell, John (Mary) Fiocchi, Ellen Hartley and Dale Hartley; his sons, Rob (Elece), Matt (Danielle), and Lee (Crystal) Fiocchi; and his grandchildren, Maggie, Robbie, Delaney, Alana, Alexa and Aleah Fiocchi

2022, at the Harkenrider Senior Center in Hermiston. Bob requested to be cremated and have

A service was held Saturday July 9,

his ashes spread at his cabin near Baker City, Oregon.

In lieu of flowers to honor Robert "Bob" Fiocchi donations can be made to Colyak Bow Hunters, PO Box