QUICK TAKES

Learn to make cards with linoleum blocks

BAKER CITY — Ginger Rembold will teach a class on linoleum block printing on Thursday, April 29, from 6-8 p.m. at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, 2020 Auburn Ave., Baker City.

Students will learn how to cut a unique linoleum/rubber block to make a personalized card. All tools are provided. Once a block is cut, participants can make prints. Bring pattern ideas to fit a space of 4 inches by 5 inches. Other patterns will be available.

Cost is \$16 members, \$24 nonmembers. There is also a \$5 supply fee. Class size is limited to six participants.

Register, at www.crossroads-arts. org (click on "Classes)."



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Make prints like this from linoleum blocks at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center April 29.

Annual spring cleaning set for April 23-24

BAKER CITY — The Baker City community is invited to help spruce up the downtown area during the second annual Spring Clean event on April 23 and 24.

Those interested in helping can meet at 9 a.m. at Court Plaza (Main and Court streets) to get assigned an area and task.

Chores will include touching up

paint, sweeping sidewalks, sprucing up benches and flower boxes, cleaning tree wells and around garbage receptacles, pulling weeds, planting flowers and washing windows.

There will be a contest to see who has the best "before and after" photo. Volunteers may send photos to witmcknight@gmail.com.

Bring gloves and, if you prefer, favorite tools (mostly brooms).

Garbage bags will be provided. Flowers and planting soil donations are always appreciated. Any specific questions can be answered by Kate at Royal Artisan: 541-465-4547 or katephill843@gmail.com.

Get ready for summer — festivals and fairs return

UNION COUNTY — So far, word has reached GO! Magazine that the following Union County events are planning to go ahead with this summer's events — of course, it will depend on the state of the COVID-19 pandemic. The show must go on, but only if it is safe to do so.

- Eastern Oregon Livestock Show, Union, June 10-13
- Elgin Riverfest, June 19
- Fourth of July Fireworks, Union, July 4
- Elgin Stampede, July 7-10
- North Powder Huckleberry Festival, July 31
- Union County Fair, La Grande, Aug. 4-7
- Grassroots Festival, Union,
- Eastern Oregon Beer Festival, La Grande, Aug. 14
- Cove Cherry Fair, Aug. 21

Sadly, Hog Wild Days will not happen this June, for the second year in a row, due to concerns about enforcing public safety guidelines at the well-attended event. The piggy train will ride again — we hope.

GO! will update the list as summer nears. If you have news on events, please let us know.

Native First Foods web series begins tomorrow

WALLOWA — Biscuit root is blooming in the Nez Perce Wallowa Homeland, setting the stage for an online lecture series celebrating Native First Foods.

Linda Sampson will present the second lecture virtually on Friday, April 16, at 1 p.m. Sampson is a teacher and gatherer who will take participants through the seasons of "A Gatherer's Year."

Registration for the series is required so attendees can be sent a link to the first lecture, a prequel presentation by Wenix Red Elk of the Department of Natural Resources of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.

A third session on May 7 at 1 p.m. will feature Brosnan Spencer and Bobby Fossek presenting "Caretakers of the Land."

The series is sponsored by Nez Perce

Wallowa Homeland and Slow Food Wallowas. Register at https://bit.ly/2PJ2vuy or on the Slow Food Wallowas Facebook page. It's free and open to everyone. For more information, email info@wallowanezperce.org.





