

RAVEN A PUB Karaoke—9pm

SAM BOND'S GARAGE Trudy Bauchery Variety Show—9:30pm; Burlesque, \$8

SPRINGFIELD VFW Mckenzie Express—7pm; n/c

TAYLOR'S BAR & GRILLE DJ Crown—10:30pm; Hip hop, dance, n/c

TRACKSTIRS Karaoke—9pm; n/c

TRAVELERS COVE The Peter Giri Trio—6pm; n/c

TSUNAMI BOOKS Mitsuki Dazai & Jade Stewart—7pm; Benefit for No Industrial Pisgah, \$5-\$10

WANDERING GOAT Dark Confidant, Deiphagist, Septic Burial—8pm; Thrash, death metal, don.

WESTEND TAVERN Karaoke—9pm; n/c

WHITE HORSE SALOON Karaoke; Code Red—9pm; n/c

WILDISH THEATER "Christmas at the Movies" w/Rose Children's Theatre—2pm & 7pm; \$12

SUNDAY 12/21

AGATE ALLEY BISTRO Karaoke—9pm; n/c

COWFISH Just Listen w/DJ Qamron Parq & Guests—9pm; Soul, deep house, n/c

CUSH Open Mic & Jam—7pm; Variety, n/c

DEXTER LAKE CLUB Jam Night—6pm; Open mic, n/c

EUGENE GARDEN CLUB Holiday Shape Note Sing-Along w/ Eugene Sacred Harp Singers—7pm; n/c

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Messiah Sing—4pm; Community concert, \$10

GRANARY Green Mt. Bluegrass Band—6pm; n/c

JUNCTION CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Christmas Festival Chorale—3:30pm; don.

PLANK TOWN Cuban Salsa Winter Warmer w/Eugene Casineros—7:30pm; n/c

SAM'S Open Mic Night—7pm; n/c

SPRINGFIELD VFW Mckenzie Express—7pm; n/c

TRAVELER'S COVE Paul Biondi Quartet—6pm; Variety, n/c

VILLAGE GREEN Dave Boch—7pm; Guitar, n/c

THE WEBFOOT Karaoke—9pm

WILDISH THEATER "Christmas at the Movies" w/Rose Children's Theatre—2pm; \$12

WOW HALL Keep-It-in-The-Fam Holiday Show w/Cascadia All-Stars—7pm; Bluegrass, \$15 adv., \$18 door

MONDAY 12/22

BLACK FOREST Karaoke—9pm

BUGSY'S MondayBug—7pm; Acoustic, n/c

COWFISH Inclusion w/Aaron Jackson & Guests—9pm; House, EDM, n/c

HOP VALLEY Nestler & Hawtin, Lonesome Randall—6pm; Singer/songwriter, n/c

MAC'S Hank Shreve & Friends—6pm; Blues, n/c

PORKY'S PALACE Karaoke—8pm

VILLAGE GREEN Neil Johnson—7pm; Solo guitar, n/c

WANDERING GOAT Open Mic—7pm; Originals only, n/c

TUESDAY 12/23

5TH ST. CORNUCOPIA Jesse Meade w/Eric Rowen—9:30pm; n/c

THE CITY iPod Night—6pm; n/c

COWFISH Work-Nite Vbin' w/ Stephen Rose & Derek Trackback & Guests—9pm; House, electro, n/c

EMBERS Ladies' Night Dance Party w/DJ Victor—8pm; n/c

GRANARY Chris Stubbs—6pm; Piano, n/c

THE GREEN ROOM Karaoke—9pm

GOODFELLA'S Karaoke—9pm; n/c

HOP VALLEY Bluegrass Jam—7pm; n/c

HOT MAMA'S WINGS Open Mic—8pm; n/c

LEVEL UP Ninkasi Karaoke Night w/KJ B-Ross—9pm; n/c

MAC'S Roosters Blues Jam—7pm; n/c

THE O BAR Karaoke—9pm

ROARING RAPIDS PIZZA Joe Manis Trio—7pm; Jazz, n/c

SAM BOND'S GARAGE Bluegrass Jam—9pm; n/c

VILLAGE GREEN Neil Johnson—7pm; Solo guitar; n/c

WEDNESDAY 12/24

5TH ST. CORNUCOPIA Karaoke—9pm

BLACK FOREST Karaoke—9pm

THE BLIND PIG Karaoke w/Jim Jim—9pm

THE COOLER Hump Night Trivia w/DR Dumass—7pm; n/c

COWFISH "Hump Night" w/ Connor J, Club Bangers—9pm; n/c

DEXTER LAKE CLUB Acoustic Sessions w/Morin, Sorseth & Peter Giri—7pm; Acoustic, n/c

GRANARY Mama Jan's Blues Jam w/Brian Chevalier—8pm; n/c

THE GREEN ROOM Karaoke—9pm; n/c

JERSEY'S Karaoke—8pm; Ladies night, n/c

MAX'S Lonesome Randall—7pm; Rock & roll historian, n/c

MULLIGAN'S Open Mic—8:30pm; Variety, n/c

OLD PAD Trivia Night—9pm; n/c

POUR HOUSE Karaoke—9pm

TAYLOR'S BAR & GRILLE DJ Crown—10:30pm; Hip hop, top 40, dance, n/c

TINY TAVERN Comedy Night w/Mac Chase—9pm; n/c

VILLAGE GREEN RESORT Natty "O" & Gaye Lee Russell—7pm; Easy listening, n/c

CORVALLIS
(AND SURROUNDING AREAS)

FIREWORKS RESTAURANT
MO Southtown Open Mic—9pm; n/c

MAJESTIC THEATRE
FR Miracle on 2nd St.—7pm; Holiday concert, \$5-\$10
SU Winterdance w/Molly's Revenge, Christa Burch, The Murray Irish Dancers—8pm; Celtic holiday, \$18-\$20

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
FR Jubilate!—6pm & 8pm; Women's choir, \$12



PHOTO BY BEN MOON

FANTASY FOLK-STEP

The concept behind 2013's *The Clear Blue Pearl* from Portland band **Morning Ritual** sounds more like a sci-fi-fantasy movie than a pop record, complete with a devastating drought, an epic journey and a mysterious "blue pearl."

Sample the music and you'll hear cool, pulsating, futuristic R&B, featuring vocals from popular folk-pop duo and twin sisters Katelyn and Laurie Shook, aka **The Shook Twins**. **Ben Darwish**, Morning Ritual's visionary and primary songwriter, calls the band's sound: "sophisticated pop, fantasy folk and hypnotic R&B."

Darwish says he met The Shook Twins at a house party in Portland and "the rest is history," adding that the concept behind *Pearl* came from a month-long residency at Caldera, an arts education center aimed at underserved kids located near Sisters, Oregon.

This year, Morning Ritual is back with "So Cold," a contemporary soul tune as chilled-out and sensual as an illicit love affair at a Swiss Alps ski resort (check out the ethereal music video to match). "'So Cold' will be released on an upcoming EP along with several other songs," Darwish explains, adding that "the songs are connected but in a less literal sense [than *Clear Blue Pearl*]."

Morning Ritual plays 8:30 pm Friday, Dec. 19, at Axe & Fiddle, Cottage Grove; \$10, 21-plus. Morning Ritual plays again the following night 7:30 pm Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Majestic Theatre, Corvallis; \$20.

— William Kennedy

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