

BRIEFLY

Brass Fire announces local shows

Brass Fire, a regional horn band, has a pair of upcoming shows.

All ages are welcome to attend Saturday, May 21 from 6-8 p.m. at Sweet Productions, 233 N. Main St., Heppner.

The Saturday, June 4 show is for ages 21 and over. It's from 7-10 p.m. at the Red Lion, 304 S.E. Nye Ave., Pendleton. There is no cover charge.

The group performs jazz, funk, blues, rock and swing. For more about the group, contact Brad Rozema at 541-314-5416, brassfireband@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/brassfire.

Museums celebrate Dayton Days

DAYTON, Wash. — A full day of art-related activities is featured during Dayton Days.

The public is invited to visit all four of the museums in Dayton, Washington, and participate in activities. Admission is free during the event, which is Saturday, May 28. Highlights include:

- Dayton Historic Depot, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., artists demonstrating and selling their work. Includes ukulele music.

- Smith Hollow School, 1:15-2:45 p.m., a spelling bee and math bee. Also, throughout the day there will be children's games, including marbles, blackboard art, jacks, pick-up-sticks and checkers.

- Palus Museum, 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3 p.m., artisans on hand demonstrating weaving and bead work

- Boldman House Museum, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., learn about daily life from the early 20th century with old-time tools and washboard wringers, and plant flowers in the garden.

For more information, contact 509-382-2026, info@daytonhistoricdepot.org or visit www.historicdayton.com.

Symphony fundraiser features cartoon fun

MISSION — A tribute to Saturday morning cartoon classics is featured during a concert fundraiser for the Oregon East Symphony.

The 35+ piece orchestra will perform the "Young at Heart" show, including Rossini's "Barber of Seville Overture," Beethoven's "Symphony No. 5," Strauss's "Blue Danube," Brahms's "Hungarian Dance No. 5," Anderson's "Chicken Reel" and, of course, the "Looney Tunes Theme."

The event is Saturday, June 11 at 8 p.m. in the Rivers Event Center at Wildhorse Resort & Casino, located off Interstate 84 at Exit 216, Mission. Premium tickets are \$45 and regular tickets are \$25. All ages are welcome

Also, a concert, dinner, auction and gift ticket package is available for \$75. The dinner and auction is at 6 p.m. in Cayuse Hall. The meal includes Speedy Gonzales' Three Bean Salad, Pan Seared Rosemary Daffy Duck Breast, Braised Bugs Bunny Rabbit, Porky Pig Roasted Red Potatoes, dinner rolls and dessert. A no-host bar will be available for dinner and during the concert.

For tickets, visit www.wildhorseresort.yapsody.com or stop by the Wildhorse gift shop. For more information, call 800-654-9453.

Eric Clapton lays down the blues on 'I Still Do'

(AP) — Not as if there were any doubt, but Eric Clapton knows how to play the blues.

And on the aptly titled "I Still Do," the 71-year-old music legend proves it all over again with a smooth, sonically soothing mix of covers with a couple originals thrown in. He's not breaking any new ground here, or tearing the roof off with scorching guitar solos, but that's OK.

Clapton reunites with famed producer Glyn Johns, who was also behind Clapton's most popular record "Slowhand." And the songs on "I Still Do" — with purring female backup singers and an economy of gently rollicking guitar licks — almost sound like outtakes from that 1977 classic that spawned "Wonderful Tonight" and "Lay Down Sally."

Clapton closes with his cover of the standard "I'll Be Seeing You," which hopefully is a hint of more to come and not a farewell.

Music in the Parks tunes up with Dallin Puzey

By TAMMY MALGESINI
East Oregonian

A free summer outdoor music festival kicks off its 10-concert season with entertainment by Dallin Puzey of Hermiston.

The homegrown musician plays familiar folk and classic country songs by the likes of Johnny Cash, Tom Petty, Hank Williams and Creedence Clearwater Revival, as well as his own original tunes.

During performances Puzey plays acoustic guitar, as well as strapping on a harmonica. He's been known to bust out nice renditions of "Stand By Me," "Ain't No Sunshine" and "Midnight Special." Puzey will perform during the 2016 season opener of Music in the Parks Monday, June 13 at 7 p.m. at Boardman Marina Park. The concert venue alternates each week between Boardman and Irrigon marina parks. People are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy the music with the Columbia River as a backdrop.

"We have a really exciting lineup with lots of new faces," said Tami Sherer, one of the event organizers. "All of our performances are family-friendly and they are free — so that's another plus."

Everyone from senior citizens to young children gather to enjoy the free shows, Sherer said. The parks provide large shade trees that help shield concert-goers from the sun. In addition, Sherer said both parks have play areas that



Staff photo by Tammy Malgesini

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provide space for children to enjoy themselves.

"It's a great place for the parents to come and listen to music and let their kids play," she said.

Also, Judy's Chuckwagon will be on hand each week at both venues. People can purchase hamburgers, hot dogs and cold

drinks. In addition, they are trying to secure a snow-cone machine, Sherer said.

The concert series continues each Monday — except July 4 — through Aug. 22.

The first concert of the season in Irrigon — Monday, June 20 — features 98% Angels. The duo of

Music in the Parks

June 13: Dallin Puzey (B)
June 20: 98% Angels (I)
June 27: Zac Grooms (B)
July 11: Bram Brata (I)
July 18: JuggleMania (B)
July 25: 7-Wheel Drive (I)
Aug. 1: Brass Fire, (B)
Aug. 8: Dakota Brown Band (I)
Aug. 15: Jamie Nasario (B)
Aug. 22: Fallout (I)

(B)=Boardman, (I)=Irrigon

Marie Rose and Renate Meakins began singing together in 1998 while attending Blue Mountain Community College. They perform everything from 1930s standards and Big Band music to hits of the '50s and '60s and popular contemporary and country tunes.

An "early bird" show prior to the July 11 performance in Irrigon will highlight education birds from Blue Mountain Wildlife at 6 p.m. Then Bram Brata, a steel drum band from the Tri-Cities will take the stage.

The following week — on July 18 in Boardman — a juggling workshop will be offered at 6 p.m. for people that are interested in learning how to toss a few items around. That night's entertainment features JuggleMania, with Rhys Thomas' clean comedy, amazing tricks and interactive shenanigans.

For more information, call Tami Sherer at 541-571-0844 or Renee Couchman at 922-1560.

WHAT TO DO

Festivals

Heart of the Country Rodeo

•Saturday, May 28; 12:30 p.m.

•Quantum 9 Arena, Helix
www.helixrodeo.org
\$10/adults, \$5/ages 5-12, free/under 4. Features rodeo action and activities for kids (barrel racing/12 and under, stick horse racing/6 and under, mutton bustin'/ages 4-8 and 55 pounds and under. Calcutta to bid on favorite rough stock rider Friday, May 27 at 7 p.m. at the Helix Pub. Live music in the beer garden after the rodeo with Tyler Bushman & the Train Robbers.

Century Ride of the Centuries

•May 28-30
•Base: Wildhorse Resort & Casino
www.cyclependleton.com
\$195/all-inclusive, \$155/ages 13-17, \$130/under 12, \$75/non-riders (special events and meals). Registration deadline May 23. From rolling wet fields and century farms to the picturesque Blue Mountains, the ride offers routes for novices to veteran cyclists.

Art & Museums

21st Anniversary Party

•Saturday, May 21; 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

•Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center, 990 S.W. Rock Creek Drive, Stevenson, Wash.
www.columbiagorge.org
Free. Features live music, demonstrations, a guest speaker and food available for purchase.

"Central Dreams"

•Saturdays/Sundays; noon-5 p.m.

•Arts Portal Gallery, 508 N. Main St., Milton-Freewater
www.facebook.com/artsportalgallery
Free. Exhibit features Central Middle School student-created artwork communicating their hopes and dreams for themselves, their families and community. Also includes adult artists.

"Book Sort"

•Monday-Thursdays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

•Friday-Saturdays; 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

•Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave.

www.pendletonlibrary.weebly.com

Free. Exhibit featuring more than two dozen documentary photographs by Teresa Rae. Runs through June 30. An artist's reception to be scheduled.

All-Campus Juried Student Exhibition

•Monday-Fridays; noon-4 p.m.

•Nightingale Gallery, Loso Hall

•Eastern Oregon University, La Grande

www.eou.edu/art/nightingale-gallery

Free. Features artwork of EOU students from all disciplines. Runs through June 9.

Open Regional Photography Exhibit

•Tuesday-Fridays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

•Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St.

www.pendletonarts.org

Free. Features amateur and professional photographers from across the region. Visitors can cast votes for the \$200 Jacqueline Brown People's Choice Award. Runs through May 27.

Explore Evolution

•Monday-Saturdays; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

•Támastlíkt Cultural Institute, near Wildhorse Resort & Casino.

www.tamastlikt.org

\$10/adults, \$9/senior citizens, \$6/youths, free/5 and under or \$25/family of four. The exhibit features the work of scientists who are making leading discoveries about the evolution of life. The interactive displays provide visitors with an opportunity to experience how scientists conduct research on evolution. Runs through May 28.

Music

Brass Fire Band

•Saturday, May 21; 6-8 p.m.

•Sweet Productions Restaurant & Bakery, 233 N. Main St., Heppner

No cover. All ages event features regional brass band.

Hillfolk Noir

•Saturday, May 21; 8 p.m. All ages. No cover.

•Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St., Pendleton

Funk Factory

•Saturday, May 21; 8 p.m.

No cover

•Wildhorse Sports Bar, Wildhorse Resort & Casino, off I-84

Exit 216, Mission.

Mike Kellison

•Friday, May 27; 6-9 p.m.

•Nookies/Hermiston Brewing Co., 125 N. First St., Hermiston

No cover.

Cadillacs for Everyone

•Friday, May 27; Saturday, May 28, Sunday, May 29; 8 p.m.

No cover

•Wildhorse Sports Bar, Wildhorse Resort & Casino, off I-84 Exit 216, Mission.

La Luz

•Tuesday, May 31; 7:30 p.m.

•Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St., Pendleton

www.rivoli.com/fundraiser.brown-papertickets.com

\$10/advance, \$12/door. All ages fundraising event for the Rivoli Theater Restoration Coalition. Features the Seattle surf-rock-punk band La Luz. Also, James Dean Kindle & the Eastern Oregon Playboys will open the show.

Yosi Mesbah

•Thursday, June 2; 7 p.m. All ages. No cover.

•Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St., Pendleton

Brass Fire

•Saturday, June 4; 7-10 p.m.

No cover

•Red Lion, 304 S.E. Nye Ave., Pendleton

"Young at Heart"

•Saturday, June 11; 6 p.m.

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www.oregoneastysymphony.org

\$25/general, \$45/premium, \$75/concert, dinner and auction ticket. Benefit event for Oregon East Symphony (tickets available at www.wildhorseresort.com). Features Rossini's "Barber of Seville Overture," Beethoven's Symphony No. 5, Strauss's "Blue Danube," Brahms' "Hungarian Dance No. 5," Anderson's "Chicken Reel" and "The Looney Tunes Theme."

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No cover. Come dressed as your favorite element — water, fire earth or air. Prize money for best costumes. The Lucky Coyotes will perform Coyote Ugly dancing. Party also features a

live DJ, face painting and a money booth. Call 541-922-4374 for reservations.

DJ music

•Saturdays, 8 p.m.

•The Pheasant, 149 E. Main St., Hermiston

Whiskey Wednesday Game Night

•Wednesdays; 3-7 p.m.

•The Pheasant, 149 E. Main St., Hermiston

No cover. Drink specials, Xbox 360, Nintendo Wii, PlayStation 3 and Nintendo 64.

Thursday Night Comedy

•Thursdays, 8 p.m. No cover.

•Wildhorse Sports Bar, Wildhorse Resort & Casino, off I-84 Exit 216, Mission.

May 26: Alvin Williams

Digital Karaoke

•Thursdays and Fridays, 8 p.m.

•The Pheasant, 149 E. Main St., Hermiston

Folk Night

•Friday, May 20; 7-9 p.m.

•Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St.

www.pendletonarts.org

\$5/single, \$8/couple. Contra and Western-style dancing, live music and callers.

Wine tasting

•Fridays, 4-8 p.m.

•Sno Road Winery, 111 W. Main St., Echo.

Open Mic

•First/Third Friday each month, 8 p.m.-midnight

•The Packard Tavern, 118 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton

www.facebook.com/groups/pendletonopenmic

Karaoke

•Fridays 8 p.m. (9 p.m. if game on)

•Riverside Sports Bar, 1501 Sixth St., Umatilla

DJ and dancing

•Fridays, 8 p.m.

•The Pheasant, 149 E. Main St., Hermiston

Theater & film

•Saturday, May 21; 7:30 p.m.

•Sunday, May 22; 2 p.m.

•BMCC Bob Clapp Theatre, 2411 N.W. Carden Ave., Pendleton

www.bluecc.edu/community/bob-clapp-memorial-theatre-community

\$10/adults, \$5/students. (May 12 is pay-what-you-can preview night). College Community Theatre production features

seven one-act plays covering a broad range of topics and theatrical styles. The show contains some mature subject matter and language; some content is not suitable for young children.

"Mother's Day"

•May 21-22 & May 24; 7:30 p.m.

•May 21-22; 3 p.m.

•The Liberty Theater, 344 E. Main St., Dayton, Wash.

www.libertytheater.org

\$8/adults, \$7/students and seniors, \$6/12 and under; \$1 discount for matinees. Three generations come together in the week leading up to Mother's Day. The historic 1910 theater is operated by the Touchet Valley Arts Council.

"MILTON"

•June 16-19; 7 p.m.

•June 18-19; 2 p.m.

•McLoughlin High School, 120 Main St., Milton-Freewater

www.skyovermilton.com/town/milton-freewater-or

Free/Milton-Freewater residents, \$5-\$15 suggested donation from others. The story behind "MILTON," a play about five towns named Milton (and Milton-Freewater) and the constellation they create. Local presentation is presented bi-lingual in English and Spanish. Child care provided during the Sunday matinee.

Hot tickets

•Vanilla Ice and Morris Day & The Time. July 30 at Wildhorse Resort & Casino. Tickets (\$29-\$59) available via www.wildhorse.com