

Easter fun hops into the region with egg hunts, bunny hugs

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Area churches and organizations are getting a jump start on the Easter bunny, offering fun weekend activities to celebrate Easter. Participation is free, unless otherwise noted. Events include:

PENDLETON
Eagles Easter Egg Hunt
•Saturday, 8 a.m. at Til Taylor Park, 700 S.E. Dorion Ave. and at Roy Raley Park, 1205 S.W. Court Ave.

The Pendleton Eagles are taking flight while hiding eggs for area youngsters. Kids from 0-6 years old will hunt at Til Taylor, while ages 6-10 will gather at Roy Raley. Those finding special "golden eggs" will receive an Easter basket. (541-278-2828)

Pendleton Free Methodist Church
•1711 S.W. 44th St.
•Saturday, 10-11 a.m.

A short Easter program will be presented, followed by a community Easter egg hunt. Hunting areas will be designated by age groups, including 0-3, 4-7 and 8-12. Features prizes and lots of candy. (541-276-6015)

HERMISTON
Butte Park
•1245 N.W. Seventh St.
•Friday, 8:15 p.m.

The Easter bunny will hop over to Butte Park for the annual Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt. Sponsored by the Simmons Agency, thousands of filled eggs will be hidden in the dark. Children 10-and-under are invited to bring a flashlight and gather eggs. (541-667-5018).

United Methodist Church

•191 E. Gladys Ave.
•Saturday, 7:30-10:30 a.m.
Hop on over for the 32nd annual Peter Rabbit Breakfast. The all-you-can-eat meal features pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee and juice for \$5 (children under 5 are free). In addition, there will be face painting, crafts, an egg hunt and a visit by Peter Rabbit. Money raised goes to Methodist church camp scholarships and Made to Thrive. (541-567-3002).

Hermiston Church of the Nazarene
•1520 W. Orchard Ave.
•Saturday, 10 a.m.

Families with special needs are invited to an Easter egg hunt. The event, which is wheelchair accessible, is designed to offer fun in a supportive environment where parents, siblings and friends may assist. (541-567-3677)

BOARDMAN
Boardman Marina Park

•1 Marine Drive, N.E.
•Saturday, 9:15 a.m.

The event begins with a meet-and-greet with the Easter bunny, face painting and bouncy houses. Bring your smiles for photos with the Easter bunny. There is a suggested donation of \$5 for pictures, which helps buy specialized equipment for the Boardman Rural Fire Protection District. The egg hunt starts at 10:30 a.m. and features thousands of eggs hidden in the park. (541-481-3014).

ECHO
Community Easter Egg Hunts



Staff photo by Tammy Malgesini
Seth Grigsby, 2, participates in a special Easter egg hunt last year at Hermiston Church of the Nazarene.

•Downtown Echo
•Saturday, 9 a.m.

The Echo Community Church and Echo Volunteer Fire Department are teaming up to organize Easter egg hunts for different age groups. The hunts are divided up by age groups with infants through age 4 at the church (21 N. Bonanza); ages 5-7 at George Park (North Dupont Street) and ages 8-12 on the Echo High School football field (600 Germone St.) (541-376-8108)

HEPPNER
Market Fresh Foods
•238 N. Main St.
•Saturday, 8 a.m.

Entries for the Easter coloring contest are due Friday. First place prizes \$10 gift cards, which will be awarded in several age groups from preschool to sixth grade. Also, children ages 12-and-under can participate in the Saturday Easter egg hunt. Coloring contest prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of the hunt. (541-676-9614)

Heppner City Park
•500 block N. Main St.
•Saturday, 9 a.m.
Children 12-and-under are invited to an Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Heppner Elks Lodge. The Easter

bunny arrives at 9 a.m. and the hunt begins at 10 a.m. (541-676-9181)

IONE
Ione City Park
•West Main Street
•Saturday, 10 a.m.

A community Easter egg hunt for ages 0 through fourth grade are invited to participate. (541-422-7414)

IRRIGON
Irrigon Marina Park
•430 Eighth St. N.E.
•Saturday, 11 a.m.

The Community Easter EGGtravaganza offers fun for infants and children up through fifth grade. (541-922-3054)

MILTON-FREEWATER

Yantis Park
•Second and DeHaven streets
•Saturday, 9 a.m.

Children are invited to an Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Milton Freewater Rotary and Kiwanis clubs. It's open to ages 0 to 10.

PILOT ROCK
Community Easter Egg Hunts

•Saturday, 9 a.m.
The Pilot Rock Downtown Association is hosting egg hunts for four age groups, including babes in arms, ages 2-4, 5-7 and 8-10. People should gather at Pilot Rock Elementary School, 200 Vern McGowan Drive, and at the nearby City Park. (541-443-2811)

STANFIELD
Coe Park
•West Coe Avenue
•Saturday, 10 a.m.

Kids up to age 12 are invited to a community Easter egg hunt. Coordinated by Stanfield Moose Lodge #920, the event features lots of eggs and some special prizes. Volunteer opportunities are still available. (541-449-3304)

UMATILLA
Nugent Park
•725 Eighth St.
•Friday, 8 p.m.

A Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt will offer kids ages 12-and-under a chance to search in the dark. Be sure to bring a flashlight and an Easter basket. (541-922-3226).

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BRIEFLY

Movie event buzzes into SAGE Center

BOARDMAN — A pair of screenings of "Bumblebee" will help raise money for the Riverside Jr/Sr High School KidWind nationals team.

The SAGE Movie Events are Friday at 7:15 p.m. or Saturday at 2:15 p.m. at the SAGE Center, 101 Olson Road, Boardman. The cost is \$3 per person. Admission includes free popcorn; also water and concessions are available with cash purchases.

The action/adventure film was released in December 2018. It's rated PG-13.

For more information, call the SAGE Center at 541-481-7243 or visit www.visitsage.com.

Jenga fundraiser stacks up for PAWS

BOARDMAN — For a fun time with friends, including laughter, skill and a little luck, head to Ordinance Brewing for a Jenga tournament to benefit the Pendleton Animal Welfare Shelter.

Jenga Madness for PAWS is Saturday from 4-7 p.m. at Ordinance Brew-

ing, 405 N. Olson Road, Boardman. The cost is \$3 per team — money raised will help support PAWS in providing services and community outreach.

For more information about the event, call 541-314-8720. For more about PAWS, call 541-276-0181 or search Facebook.

Happy Canyon Hall of Fame celebrates 50 years

PENDLETON — The Pendleton Round-Up and Happy Canyon Hall of Fame is throwing open its doors in celebration of its 50th anniversary.

An open house is planned Tuesday, April 23 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at 1114 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton. The event will include refreshments, trivia, a treasure hunt and prizes. In addition, admission is free throughout 2019.

The hall of fame preserves the history of 100-plus years of Round-Up and Happy Canyon. Founded in 1969, the museum exhibits feature everything from Warpaint, one of the most famous bucking horses of all time, and a full-sized teepee to delicate beadwork and historical queen and court wear from different eras. In 2011, it received an honorable mention in the

True West Magazine Top Western Museums.

For more information, call 541-278-0815 or visit www.pendletonhalloffame.com.

Resource fair provides information, lunch, raffles

IONE — Seniors, veterans and people with disabilities are invited to a Wellness, Safety, Resource Fair.

The free event is Friday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Ione American Legion Hall, 325 W. Second St. Lunch will be available for purchase. Also, several raffles will be held.

Those who attend can obtain information about support and services available. Also, government and private nonprofit agencies are recruiting for in-home support services. The event is sponsored by Ione Area Seniors in partnership with Ione Community Church and Ione American Legion and Auxiliary Post #95.

For more information, contact Taranna Patton at tarannap@gmail.com or 541-571-1620. Rides are available through The Loop by calling 541-676-5667.

COMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, APRIL 18


PENDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT ART SHOW, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate, Pendleton. Event displays a piece of artwork by every student in the district. Free. (Chris Fritsch 541-276-6711)

HOLY THURSDAY PILGRIMAGE, 9 a.m., Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Bus leaves the church at 9 a.m. to visit 7 area Catholic churches. A lunch stop is included in the trip. Tickets are \$25 per person, which includes lunch, limited to 54 seats, available at the church office. (Mark Gomolski 773-580-3253)

ARTS AND CULTURE FESTIVAL: SENSE OF PLACE, 12-8 p.m., Blue Mountain Community College, 2411 N.W. Carden Ave., Pendleton. Speakers, artists, photographers, documentarists, creative writers, humanities lectures and more. (Alison Timmons 541-289-2832)

FIRST DRAFT WRITERS' SERIES, 7-9 p.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St., Pendleton. Vince Wixon will read from his work. Open mic slots of 3-5 minutes available following main presentation. Free. (541-278-9201)

HOLY WEEK OBSERVANCE, 7-8:30 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, 241 S.E. Second St., Pendleton. Join us for Holy Week, with events Thursday through the Easter Vigil on Saturday, which includes the First Eucharist of Easter. Free. (Charlotte Wells 541-276-3809)

LENT 
Friday Meals

Dinner served April 19th
from 5pm to 7pm
@ the St. Anthony
Blue Mountain Café

Cedar Wrapped Salmon
\$7.50 Adults
\$7.00 Seniors & Children
Served with a baked potato
and vegetable of the day

Clam Chowder Bread Bowl
\$4.25 - Single Cup \$1.50

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