# Symphony tunes up with summer strings camp

### Register by July 5 for discount

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PENDLETON — A weeklong day camp, which offers music instruction to strings players of all ages, is accepting registrations.

The Summer Strings Music Camp is presented by the Oregon East Symphony. J.D. Kindle, executive director, said the camp provides a wonderful opportunity for students to grow in their musical abilities while having fun and meeting new friends.

The camp is July 22-26 at Peace Lutheran Church, 210 N.W. Ninth St., Pendleton. Participants must be able to read music at an



Photo contributed by J.D. Kindle

Participants of the 2018 Summer Strings Music Camp are all smiles. The Oregon East Symphony is accepting registrations for this year's camp, which is July 22-26 in Pendleton. A \$20 discount is offered to those who register by July 5.

elementary level.

The weeklong camp costs \$100. Those who register by Friday, July 5 will

receive a \$20 discount. Also, financial assistance is available for students who qualify for free or

reduced lunches.

The camp is directed by Zach Banks, an OES strings instructor, principal cellist, and conductor of the Grande Ronde Symphony Orchestra. The program teaching staff features experienced professional musicians and music educators, including Viet Block, OES assistant concertmaster and symphony strings instructor; Emily Muller-Cary, OES principal viola and Pendleton School District director of orchestras; Melinda Preludes Tovey, OES Orchestra conductor and symphony strings instructor; and Heidi Haug, OES violinist and symphony strings teacher.

In addition, Chris Fotinakis is a guest instructor. He's a section violinist with OES, teacher with the BRAVO Youth Orchestra

and music director at Trinity Christian Academy, both in Portland.

For more information or registration forms, contact the symphony office at info@oregonEastSymphony.org, 541-276-0320 or stop by the symphony office Monday through Thursday between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 345 S.W. Fourth St., Pendleton. In addition, representatives from the Oregon East Symphony will be in a booth during the Wiener Dog Race on Friday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the 400 block of South Main Street, Pendleton.

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# Altrusans help turn page on literacy

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PENDLETON — Kids have a chance to win a book as Altrusa International of Pendleton hosts a game booth during the annual Wiener Dog Race.

A fundraiser for the Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon, the family-friendly event includes a variety of activities prior to the dog race heats, which start at 5:30 p.m.

The Wiener Dog Race festivities begin Friday at 4:30 p.m. in the 400 block of South Main Street, Pendleton. Altrusa's literacy committee is sponsoring a "Throw a Bone, Get a Book" booth from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Altrusa's bean bag toss game features kids taking aim at dog dishes. During last year's event, the service club distributed 202 books, said Altrusan Darcey Ridgway.

"Children and parents enjoy this activity," she said. "Combined with additional activities from other community groups, this is a very popular event."

Altrusa International was founded in 1917 with a goal of creating better communities. The Pendleton service club was chartered in 1938. The group's literacy commit-



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Altrusa International of Pendleton hosts a bean bag toss game with winners receiving a book during the 2018 Wiener Dog Race. The service club is again offering the popular activity Friday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on Main Street, Pendleton.

tee supports a variety of projects, including the donation of books, book distribution events and providing monetary donations to schools and libraries to purchase books.

For more information about other Altrusa www.cmeo.org.

activities or projects, conaltrusapend@gmail. com, visit www.districttwelve.altrusa.org or search Facebook. For more about Wiener Dog Race, call 541-276-1066 or visit

# **COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

### Oregon celebrates cider week

MILTON-FREEWATER — All things cider are being celebrated during Oregon Cider Week.

In its eighth year, the 11-day event highlights cidermakers from Medford to Milton-Freewater. The event runs from June 20-30, with various activities including festivals, tastings, live music, meet and greets, special releases and more — at cider venues across the state. Milton-Freewater venues include Blue Mountain Cider, 235 E. Broadway Ave. (541-938-5575); and Freewater Cider Co., 525 N. Elizabeth St. (509-499-7368).

For more information about locations that have registered with the event, visit www.oregonciderweek.com.

### **Local Little League pitches** district tournament

HERMISTON — The District 3 Little League All Stars Tournament is being hosted by Hermiston Little League.

Organizers encourage local people and businesses to roll out the red carpet and welcome visitors to town. The event runs Saturday, June 22 through Thursday, June 27. There are 41 teams in seven age divisions that are participating in the double-elimination tournament. The majority of the scheduled 66 games will be played Saturday through Monday at the Field of and East Hooker Road, Hermiston.

In addition to welcoming people with signage and readerboards, there are volunteer opportunities to help with the event. For more information, contact hermistonlittleleague@hotmail.com, visit www. hermistonlittleleague.com or Facebook.

### What's that in the sky

PASCO — The Eastern Washington State Mutual UFO Network invites people to share about their experiences and sightings.

Dan Nims, Washington MUFON chief investigator, said the state of Washington has been a hotspot for UFO activity. He will share about intriguing sightings in eastern Washington during the upcoming MUFON meeting.

Anyone interested in UFOs is invited to attend to learn more about the group and share their experiences. The gathering is Saturday from 6-8 p.m. at the Sleep Inn, 9930 Bedford St., Pasco.

MUFON is a nonprofit organization founded in 1969. Organizers indicate it's the world's oldest and largest UFO investigative and research organization. It's goal is to investigate UFO sightings, collect data, promote research on UFOs and to educate the public.

For information, more contact mufon.investigates@gmail.com or visit www.mufon.com.

# **THURSDAY, JUNE 20**

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME, 10:15-11 a.m., Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave. (541-966-0380)

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME, 10:15 a.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. For ages 3-6. (541-567-2882)

PRESCHOOL STORY AND CRAFT TIME, 10:30 a.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave. (Lili Schmidt 541-938-8247) PENDLETON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE,

12-1 p.m., Pendleton Senior Center, 510 S.W. 10th St., Pendleton. Costs \$3.50 or \$6 for those under 60. Pool, puzzles, crafts, snacks, Second Time Around thrift store 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For Meals On Wheels, call 541-276-1926. (Tori Bowman 541-276-5073)

# **BOARDMAN SENIOR MEAL SERVICE,**

12 p.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St., Boardman. Cost is \$4 for seniors 55 and over or \$5 for adults. (541-481-3257)

# HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE,

12 p.m., Harkenrider Center, 255 N.E. Second St., Hermiston. Cost is \$4 for adults, free for children 10 and under, \$4 for Meals on Wheels. Extra 50 cents for utensils/dishes. Bus service available by donation. (541-567-3582)

SENSORY STORY TIME, 12:30 p.m., Boardman Public Library, 200 S. Main St., Boardman. For children from birth to age 4. (541-481-2665) YARN CLUB, 5:30 p.m., Hermiston Public

### Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. (541-567-2882) THE ARC UMATILLA COUNTY BINGO,

6-10 p.m., The Arc Building, 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. Doors open at 6 p.m.; games begin at 7 p.m. Benefits citizens with developmental disabilities. Age 18+, must have photo I.D. Basic pot \$20, prizes range from \$20-\$750. (541-567-7615)

FIDDLER'S NIGHT, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Avamere Assisted Living, 980 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston. Enjoy light refreshments, listen to music or join jam session. All ages welcome. (Lori 541-567-3141)

**RED CROSS DISASTER SERVICES VOLUN-**TEER RESPONSE TRAINING, 6:30-7:30 p.m., private business, 214 S.E. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton. Volunteers learn how they can help in disasters. (Don Tombleson 541-276-9222) FIRST DRAFT WRITERS' SERIES, 7-9 p.m.,

Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St. Kirsten Rian will read from her work. Open mic follows. (Roberta Lavadour 541-278-9201)

# **FRIDAY, JUNE 21**

TODDLER STORY TIME, 10:15-11 a.m., Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave. (541-966-0380)

FREE FRIDAY LUNCH, 12 p.m., Echo Community Church, 21 N. Bonanza St. HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE,

12 p.m., Harkenrider Center, 255 N.E. Second

St., Hermiston. Cost is \$4 for adults, free for children 10 and under, \$4 for Meals on Wheels. Extra 50 cents for utensils/dishes. Bus service available by donation. (541-567-3582)

STORY AND CRAFT TIME, 2 p.m., Echo Public Library, 20 S. Bonanza. (541-376-8411) WEINER DOG RACES, 4:30-10 p.m., 400 block,

South Main Street, Pendleton. Kids' activities, beer garden, silent auction begin at 4:30 p.m., with Mo Phillips & the Thunder Bubbles (4:45 p.m., 6 p.m.), all-breed costume contest and dachshund racing at 5:30 p.m. No cover. (541-276-1066)

LANDING DAYS 2019, 6-11 p.m., Umatilla Marina and RV Park. Celebrate with live music, beer garden and more. Free admission. (Kacie Evans 541-922-4825)

VFW BINGO, 6 p.m., Hermiston VFW, 45 W. Cherry St., Hermiston. Doors open at 6 p.m., games begin at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. (541-567-6219)

# **SATURDAY, JUNE 22**

KICK'N CANCER GOLF CLASSIC, 9 a.m., Wildhorse Resort Golf Course, 46510 Wildhorse Blvd., Pendleton. Info to come

**LANDING DAYS 2019**, 9:30 a.m.-11 p.m., (downtown parade at 10 a.m.) then event moves to Umatilla Marina and RV Park. Features games, live music, vendor booths, fireworks and more. Free admission; \$5 parking fee. (Kacie Evans 541-922-4825)

FREE FOR ALL, 9:30-10:15 a.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St. Classes for children up to age 12; those under 8 should be accompanied by an adult. (Roberta Lavadour 541-278-9201) YARN CLUB, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Hermiston Public

Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. (541-567-2882) FAMILY HISTORY WORKSHOPS, 10 a.m., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 850

S.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Workshops, photo scanning and more. (Stephanie Blackburn 541-567-6251)

RABIES CLINIC, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Boardman City Park pavilion, 1 Marine Drive, Boardman. Low-cost rabies vaccinations (\$20 each) for dogs and cats. Residents can license their dogs free of charge. (Jose Fernandez 541-481-9252)

HIP & HANDMADE, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St. Free drop-in project class for adults. (Roberta Lavadour 541-278-9201)

WILD WEST BEERFEST, 12-9 p.m., Roy Raley Park, 1205 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton. Beer, food, music and fun serves as scholarships fundraiser through Pendleton Parks & Recreation. Entry \$15-\$20. (541-276-8100)

IRRIGON FARMERS MARKET, 6-9 p.m., Irrigon Public Library west lawn, 490 N.E. Main Ave. (Aaron Palmquist 541-922-3047)

