# Craft sale benefits fair trade artisans



Judy Wilkins/Contributed Photo

Sharon Simons and Alice Hepburn, of the First Presbyterian Church of Pendleton, show some of the artisan crafts that will be available for purchase Friday and Saturday, Nov. 5-6, 2021, during the Fair Trade Sale at the church.

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PENDLETON — People can get a jump start on their Christmas list by shopping at the Fair Trade Sale, hosted by the First Presbyterian Church of Pendleton, 201 S.W. Dorion Ave.

Featuring a large assortment of unique and beautiful holiday gift ideas, the sale kicks off Friday, Nov. 5, 5-7 p.m. in the church's Rogers Fellowship Room. It continues Saturday, Nov. 6, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Shoppers are reminded to wear a mask.

The fundraiser supports the mission outreach of Presbyterian Women, an organization within the church. The money benefits fair trade organizations that are committed to improving the livelihood of artisans in developing countries across the globe. Many of the handmade items — including jewelry, toys, ornaments, baskets, home decor and Nativity scenes — are upcycled or made from materials local to the artist's region. In addition, a selection of coffee, chocolate, olive oil and more will be available.

"Shopping for these items is a great way to add a deeper meaning to the gifts you buy this year," Judy Wilkins said in a written statement. "Supporting living wage organizations brings hope and health to those who need it most."

Wilkins, primary director of the Fair Trade Sale, said in a typical year, the event is held in conjunction with the Presbyterian Women's annual Soup Supper. The special dinner, which marked its 36th year in 2019, usually draws several hundred people, Wilkins said.

With an abundance of caution, she said the dinner

has been canceled for the second year in a row because of the coronavirus pandemic. However, for those having a hankering for the women's homemade noodles, they will be dried, packaged and available for purchase — allowing people to make their own delicious soup at home. Also, homemade cookies will be packaged and sold.

"We miss doing the Soup Supper so much, but for now we will stick to less risky fundraisers," Alison Moses said, the church's office manager.

For more information, contact the church at 541-276-7681, fpcp@pendletonpresbyterian.com, visit www. pendletonpresbyterian.com or search Facebook.

Contact community writer Tammy Malgesini at tmalgesini@eastoregonian.com or 541-564-4532.

#### Tune in with Jam Night at arts center

PENDLETON — A low-key and fun get-together offers a chance for musicians of all experience levels to tune up and jump in.

People are invited to grab their guitars, bongos, banjos, mandolins or whatever they have and join the Jam Night. The free event is the first Thursday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m. at Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St.

Blues, rock, folk, county, pop and more will fill the air as participants experiment with sound. For more information, visit www. pendletonarts.org or call 541-278-9201.

### Women's AA meeting changes locations

HERMISTON — A local women's group of Alcoholics Anonymous is changing meeting locations.

The Herd Women's Meeting will gather Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. at the Hermiston First United Methodist Church, 191 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. Those attending should enter through the side door on Northeast Second Street next to the Harkenrider Senior Activity Center. Masks are required.

As an open meeting, women who have a desire to stop drinking are invited to attend, as well as community members who wish to learn more about AA.

For information about other meetings in the region, visit www. district3aa.org.

For questions, or if you just need to talk, call the AA hotline at 800-410-5953.

#### Library friends turn page with bazaar

IRRIGON — The Friends of the Irrigon Library are preparing to host its annual Holiday Bazaar.

In its third year, the sale kicks off Friday, Nov. 5, noon to 4 p.m. at 490 N.E. Main Ave., Irrigon. It continues Saturday, Nov. 6, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In addition to a variety of vendors, a raffle offers a chance to win great prizes, including a 43-inch Samsung TV, a small patio

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With bazaar season gaining steam in the next few weeks, Go! Magazine plans to include a list of events throughout the region. To provide details about your bazaar, email — including date, time, place, contact information and if there's an admission fee — to editor@goeasternoregon.com or community@eastoregonian.com.

set, a Hoover carpet cleaner and more.

For questions, call the library at 541-922-0138 or email gkdavid@ bmi.net.

## Pendleton rounds up leather show, contest

PENDLETON — All things leather are featured — a trade show, competitions and classes — during the annual Pendleton Leather Show. The event is Friday, Nov. 5. and Saturday, Nov. 6, both days from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate.



Nevada Watt of Frenchglen demonstrates how to use a metal engraving tool to Glen Adams at the GRS Equipment booth during the 2017 Pendleton Leather Show. This year's event is Friday and Saturday, Nov. 5-6, 2021, at the Pendleton Convention Center.

Exhibitors travel from across the United States to display a diverse selection of goods, including leather, hardware, saddle trees, stirrups, fancy conchos, saddlery tools, dyes and much more. And everything is available for purchase. Also, this year's event will feature the inaugural Northwest Leather Masters Competition.

In addition, instructional classes cover a wide range of topics, includ-

ing a free build your own ornament session and Kids Learning Leather. Other classes include a fee with materials provided and attendees needing to bring some of their own items.

For more information about the show, including available classes, visit www.pendletonleathershow. com. For questions, contact pendletonleathershow@gmail.com or 435-201-2534.



## Join Us Virtually for Good Shepherd Health Care System's FOURTH ANNUAL Community Meeting





Learn about the Good Shepherd Experience and our accomplishments this past year from CEO Brian Sims and Board of Trustees Chair Sue Daggett.

Video presentation goes LIVE from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 3, 20201 via Good Shepherd's Facebook Page @GSHCSNews Website www.gshealth.org/AnnualCommunityMeeting For More Information visit gshealth.org



