

CATCHING BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



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Claire, age 7, left, and Arya, 3, smile as Santa Claus visits their table Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021, during Pancakes with Santa at the Hermiston Community Center.



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Hermiston High School student Renna Gorham serves sausage Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021, during Pancakes with Santa at the Hermiston Community Center.



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Andy, 5, gets a serving of sausage Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021, during Pancakes with Santa at the Hermiston Community Center.

MEETINGS

Tuesday, Dec. 14
Port of Morrow Commission, 3 p.m., Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman. Special executive session. (Brandy Warburton 541-481-7678)

Echo School District Board, 5:15 p.m., district conference room, 600 Gerone St. Emergency meeting. (541-376-8436)

Wednesday, Dec. 15
Stanfield Irrigation District, noon, district

office, 100 W. Coe Ave. Call for the teleconference number, to request agenda or to be added to the agenda. (541-449-3272)

Intermountain Education Service District, 4 p.m., district office, 2001 S.W. Nye Ave., Pendleton. (Danielle Sackett 541-966-3102)

Umatilla Hospital District, 6 p.m., Umatilla Medical Clinic, 1890 Seventh St. (541-922-3104)

Oregon Trail Library

District, 6:30 p.m., district office, 200 S. Main St., Boardman. Call for Zoom login info. (Kathy Street 541-481-3365)

Thursday, Dec. 16
West Extension Irrigation District, 9 a.m., Columbia Improvement District, 501 E. Columbia Ave., Boardman. An executive session may be called to discuss legal issues. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, call in advance to arrange

attendance. (Lisa Baum 541-922-3814)

Umatilla County Special Library District Board, 5:30 p.m., district office, 425 S. Main St., Pendleton, via Zoom or by calling 971-247-1195; visit www.ucsl.org for login information. (Erin McCusker 541-276-6449)

East Umatilla County Ambulance Area Health District, 7 p.m., district office, 431 E. Main St., Athena. (541-566-3813)

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Wheatland Insurance hosts annual food

HEPPNER — There's still time to donate to the food drive hosted by Wheatland Insurance, 294 N. Main St, Heppner. The annual effort runs through Wednesday, Dec. 15, 5 p.m.

People can donate nonperishable food items, which will be distributed to locals in need through the Neighborhood Center Food Bank. For more information, call 541-676-9113.

Altrusa seeks children's book donations

HERMISTON — Altrusa International of Hermiston is hosting a book collection event. Held in conjunction with the opening day of the animated movie "Sing 2" — Wednesday, Dec. 22 — at the Hermiston Cinema, 355 W. Theater Lane. Members of the service club will be available in the lobby during the afternoon matinees. Families attending the movie are encouraged to donate a new or gently used children's book.

Books collected during the event will help stock three Little Free Libraries that Altrusa maintains in Hermiston neighborhoods.

"We look forward to seeing you and to gathering wonderful books that will be shared with all of the community's children," Altrusa member Nancy Lauck said in a press release.

A nonprofit organization, Altrusa works toward making local communities better through leadership, partnership and service. Clubs undertake a variety of service, literacy, fundraising and international projects each year.

For more information, email Lauck at nancylauck1@gmail.com.

The Bistro welcomes Dallin Puzey

UMATILLA — Local musician Dallin Puzey will perform in Umatilla. The free show is Saturday, Dec. 18, 7-9 p.m. at The Bridge Bistro & Brews, 1501 Sixth St., Umatilla.

The mostly self-taught musician plays guitar, piano and harmonica. In addition to his original tunes, including U-Co. Blues, Puzey plays familiar hits of Hank Williams, Johnny Cash, Tom Petty, Creedence Clearwater Revival and more.

For more information about the event, call 541-922-4112.



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Dallin Puzey performs Oct. 5, 2019, at the Morrow County Harvest Festival in Boardman. The local musician will play a free show Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021, at The Bridge Bistro & Brews, Umatilla.

FIELD TEST Candidates Wanted

URGENT NOTICE: You may be qualified to participate in a special Field Test of new hearing instrument technology being held at a local test site.

An industry leader in digital hearing devices is sponsoring a product field test in your area next week and they have asked us to select up to 15 qualified candidates to participate. They are interested in determining the benefits of GENIUS™ 4.0 Technology in eliminating the difficulty hearing aid users experience in difficult environments, such as those with background noise or multiple talkers.

Candidates in other test areas have reported very positive feedback so far.

We are looking for additional candidates in the Hermiston, Pendleton and the surrounding areas.

HERMISTON: 955 SE 4th St. Suite B, Hermiston, OR 97838 • 541-716-5092
PENDLETON: 29 Southwest Dorian Ave. Pendleton OR 97801 • 541-224-8661

EXPIRATION DATE
December 17, 2021

In an effort to accurately demonstrate the incredible performance of these devices, specially trained representatives will be conducting testing and demonstrations during this special event.

In addition to an audiometric hearing evaluation, candidates will receive a fiber-optic otoscope exam, a painless procedure that could reveal common hearing problems such as excessive wax or damage to the eardrum, as well as other common causes of hearing deficiencies.

Qualified Field Test Candidates:

- Live in Hermiston, Pendleton or the surrounding area
- Are at least 55 years of age or older
- Have experienced some level of hearing difficulty, or currently wear hearing aids
- Don't currently work for a market research company



FIELD TEST PARTICIPANTS

Will be tested and selected same-day.

We have a limited supply of the GENIUS™ 4.0 test product currently on hand and ready for testing. We have also been authorized to offer significant discounts if you decide to take the hearing instruments home. If you choose not to keep them, there's no risk or obligation of any kind.†

TO PARTICIPATE:

- 1) You must be one of the first 15 people to call our office
Mention Code: 21DecField
- 2) You will be required to have your hearing tested in our office, FREE OF CHARGE, to determine candidacy.
- 3) Report your results with the hearing instruments to the Hearing Care Specialist over a three week test period.

Qualified candidates will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis **so please call us TODAY to secure your spot in the Product Field Test.**

Participants who qualify and complete the product test will receive a **FREE \$100 Restaurant.com Gift Card*** as a token of our thanks.

AVOID WAITING – CALL AND MENTION CODE: 21DecField

*One per household. Must be 55 or older and bring loved one for familiar voice test. Must complete a hearing test. Not valid with prior test/purchase in last 6 months. While supplies last. Free gift card may be used toward the purchase of food at participating restaurants where a minimum purchase may also be required. See restaurant.com for details. Not redeemable for cash. Promotional offer available during special event dates only. †Pursuant to terms of your purchase agreement, the aids may be returned for a full refund within 30 days of the completion of fitting, in satisfactory condition. See store for details.