

Jubilee Festival finds success in new venue at lake

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Fireworks weren't the only thing happening at Wallowa Lake on the Fourth of July. The Joseph Mountain Jubilee music festival held its sixth-annual performance at the foot of the lake on the holiday.

Local musicians An American Forrest, Joey Carper, the group Jezebel's Mother and country musician Jimmy Bivens performed for hundreds gathered for the day's festivities.

The festival, previously held in various Joseph venues, opted to try the lake this year mainly because the logistics were better, according to its director Tammy Kruger. She said plans are to make the lake the festival's permanent home.

Performer Janis Carper, half of the duo Jezebel's Mother, said that the lake was an exciting change of venue for her.

"The audience was already there, and I thought it was pretty darn fun," she said. "We had a great time, and we're

still talking about how much fun it was." She also said she appreciated the dedication of a small group of volunteers who helped stage the event.

Performer Jimmy Bivens, who closed the evening amidst smoke and fireworks explosions, also enjoyed the venue change despite the challenge of playing without benefit of a bass guitar or drums.

"We were asked to warm up the crowd for the fireworks," he said. "Everyone was really happy with what came out of it. I had a great time."



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Janis Carper and her son, Joey, performed in the Joseph Mountain Jubilee music festival July Fourth on the north end of Wallowa Lake.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Rental housing topic on July 18

Wallowa County real estate agent Diane Daggett will be the moderator of a conversation, "Housing in Wallowa County," noon Tuesday, July 18, at the Josephy Center's Brown Bag lunch program.

The conversation is sparked by the rising prices and shrinking availability of rental housing in the county.

Other real estate agents, renters and rental property owners, agency and nonprofit groups who work with housing are invited.

Daggett was born in Wallowa County and has extensive experience in economic and resource issues. She once served as Wallowa County Planning Director, and was the first executive director of Wallowa Resources.

Brown Bag lunches are free and open to the public, sponsored in part by Bennett Insurance. Josephy Center is on Main Street in Joseph.

Info: 541-432-0505 or rich@josephy.org.

Quilt workshop is cancelled

The Flora School Days Quilts of Valor workshop has been cancelled due to a death in the family of the organizers. It will be rescheduled for 2018. It had been scheduled July 22-23.

The workshop is designed to make quilts for veterans to receive during various presentations.

The Flora School presents at least two during the School Days event, which is held the first Saturday in June. Info: floraschool@tds.net.

Zahm writing workshop set

Registration is open for Fishtrap's five-week writing workshop with author and teacher Amy Zahm. It begins Wednesdays Aug. 9 at Fishtrap in Enterprise.

Writers of nonfiction, poetry and fiction find memory is crucial to crafting a story.

In this generative workshop, participants will use readings, discussion and lots of writing to develop tools to help discover memories and bring them to life on the page.

Participants can expect to find a warm, supportive environment, and lively discussions in a safe space to create and share.

Zahm grew up in rural Northeastern Oregon and spends her time in the mountains, valleys and canyons of Wallowa County, either on foot or on horseback. In addition to writing, she works as an acupuncturist and yoga teacher.

Sessions are 6-8:30 p.m. Fishtrap House is at 400 E. Grant St., Enterprise. Registration is available by calling 541-426-3623 or at Fishtrap.org.

Giarrizzo featured artist at Josephy Center



Courtesy photo

"Two Boys and Their Farm" is one of the Giarrizzo paintings in the Lostine artist's show at Josephy Center in Joseph.

A solo exhibit of Gianluca Giarrizzo works has opened at Josephy Center in Joseph.

"We are very excited to have Gianluca's work on display," said center executive director Cheryl Coughlan. "It is rare to see someone at age 26 with this amount of talent. I think people will be receptive to his work."

Giarrizzo grew up in Powell, Wyo., and was inspired by the example of his father, a professor and painter. Drawing was a part of his childhood, and it always seemed that Santa just had a surplus of sketchbooks.

He attended Lewis and Clark College in Portland and studied sculpture, mentoring under professor Mike

Rathbun. Sculpture became something that captivated him right away. After graduating, he spent the summer working at Coleco Foundry in Cody, Wyo., where he learned to take sculpture through the full bronze process.

He started a visual art program at The East Harlem School in New York, an independent private school for grades 4-8.

He has spent the past few summers pursuing his own work at a studio space in Lostine, offered by Peter Ferré. His day-to-day life in art exists in his sketchbook.

The exhibit is set to run through Aug. 2.

To view more of his work visit gianlucagiarrizzo.com.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

This week's athlete of the week is archery phenom, Cole Gomes. The young archer, 15, competed at the 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships in Grand Island, Nebraska on June 25-30.

Competing against 58 youths from across the United States, Gomes took home the gold for all shooting events/ decision-making test in the hunting skills portion of the competition.

Gomes will enter Enterprise High School as a sophomore this coming fall.

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	2:00pm	Slack — Arena
	7:00pm	PRCA RODEO — Harley Tucker Memorial Arena
	9:00pm	Family Fun at the Thunder Room
THURSDAY	9:00am	Tough Enough to Wear Pink Walk
	9:00am	Steer Tripping, Three Rounds
	10:00am	Vendors off Main Street
	2:00pm	Slack — Arena
	6:00pm	Craft Beer Tasting at Thunder Room—til 9:00pm
	7:00pm	PRCA RODEO — Harley Tucker Memorial Arena
		Tough Enough to Wear Pink — Support Cancer Screening
		Barrel Racing Slack — After the Rodeo
		Music and Dancing at Thunder Room
FRIDAY	9:00pm	
	7:00am	Golf Tournament — Alpine Meadows Golf Course
	10:00am	Chief Joseph Junior Parade — Main Street
	2:00pm	Slack — Arena
	7:00pm	PRCA RODEO — Harley Tucker Memorial Arena
	9:00pm	All Teen Dance — Joseph Community Center
	9:00pm	Music and Dancing at Thunder Room
SATURDAY	6:00am	Shrine Breakfast begins
	10:00am	Grand Parade — Main Street
	12:00pm	Nez Perce Friendship Feast — Encampment Pavilion
	2:00pm	Slack — Arena
	3:00pm	Traditional Indian Dance Contest — Encampment Pavilion
	7:00pm	PRCA RODEO — Harley Tucker Memorial Arena
	9:00pm	All Teen Dance — Joseph Community Center
	9:00pm	Music and Dancing at Thunder Room
		After Rodeo — Cowboy Breakfast — Rodeo Grounds — Until 3:00am
SUNDAY	6:00am	Cowboy Breakfast—Rodeo Grounds — til 10:00am
	9:00am	Cowboy Church Service with Soul Renovation — Harley Tucker Memorial Arena

To purchase tickets and for more information call 541-432-1015 or go to www.chiefjosephdays.com