

Sheehy to star in Elgin play

A young Wallowa thespian, 10-year-old Hannah-Kate Sheehy, is playing the lead role in the Elgin Opera House production of "A Little Princess."

The play is the story of a little girl, Sara Crewe, portrayed by Hannah-Kate, and her struggle to survive in a London boarding school during World War II. After her father, Captain Crewe, is off to war, Sara is left to face the fact that she may never see him again. The conniving Miss Minchin schemes to steal Captain Crewe's fortune and leave little Sara alone and destitute.

According to her bio, Hannah-Kate has been acting, directing and designing costumes for backyard plays since before she could write. Her first major play, a limited run

IF YOU GO
 "A Little Princess" plays 7:30 p.m. Dec. 8-9 and Dec. 15-16 at the Elgin Opera House in Elgin. Matinee performances are 2:30 p.m. Dec. 9 and Dec. 16. Tickets are available online at elginoperahouse.com or at the door. Info: 541-663-6324

of the nativity scene held in her front yard in April 2013, threatened to end her career before it began when the angel Gabriel (played by her little brother) took center stage in a Buzz Lightyear costume and made the rest of the cast giggle.

The lack of professionalism exhibited by her fellow actors (mainly neighbors under the age of six) caused the young director overwhelming embar-

assment and forced her to cancel the play midscene. In time, however, she recovered and emerged with a greater understanding of why "the show must go on."

Today, when she's not directing or performing, the fifth-grader enjoys reading, singing, dancing, drawing and baking. She is a top academic student at Enterprise Elementary School who daydreams about traveling the world, owning her own zoo and helping others in need.

Raised in Southern California, Hannah-Kate is a beach girl who traded in her surfboard for a snowboard when her family moved to Oregon last year. While she misses her friends, she is glad to be living close to her family —

especially her grandparents, Marcie and Dennis Sheehy of Wallowa.

Securing the part of Sara Crewe in "A Little Princess" is a dream come true for Hannah-Kate.

"I have so many things in common with Sara," she said. "Both our dads have gone off to war, and we both love India."

Hannah-Kate's parents, Ryan and Kellee Sheehy, are advocates of local cultural programs and are grateful that their daughter is receiving the opportunity to learn from an outstanding group of professionals.



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Sara Crewe, played by Hannah-Kate Sheehy, hopes for the return of her father after he has gone missing in action and Sara has been forced to be a servant for Miss Minchin in the Elgin Opera House Production of "A Little Princess" at the theatre in downtown Elgin.

Enterprise Winterfest celebrates 'Home for the Holidays'

The 18th annual Enterprise Winterfest Celebration and Parade will be Friday and Saturday, Dec. 8-9. Shop all day on Main Street and throughout the business district. This year's theme is "Home for the Holidays."

In addition to store discounts and drawings, there will be a variety of events.

Ice skating in the park will be held both days 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (weather permitting). A wonderland Pop Up Market will appear at the Burnaugh Building downtown both days 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. featuring handmade, artisan goods and tasty snacks.

Avail yourself of the opportunity to snap a selfie with Santa and Mrs. Claus at Wild

Carrot Herbals 2-4:30 p.m. (also Saturday) and take in the movie, "It's a Wonderful Life," 6 p.m. at OK Theatre.

Saturday at 9 a.m. is the deadline for dropping off entries in the fudge-making contest at Bee Charmed Market Place. North Pole Barrel Train rides are offered noon to 5 p.m. The Enterprise Volunteer Fire Department's famous four-alarm chili feed at the corner of First and Main kicks off at 3:30 p.m. along with Christmas karaoke with Tom Hyatt.

The Winterfest Lights Parade down Main Street will be at 5:30 p.m. with drawings for kids gift certificates and prizes to follow. The evening will conclude with live music at The Range Rider at 7 p.m.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, Dec. 7
Bingo: 6 p.m. Wallowa Senior Center. Prizes, turkeys, children welcome. Free snacks. Sponsored by Foundation for Wallowa Schools.
Wallowa Valley Chorale Christmas Concert: 7 p.m. Enterprise Christian Church on the south edge of Enterprise. Traditional Christmas music as well as new renditions and a few surprises.
"Casablanca": 5:30 p.m. OK Theatre in downtown Enterprise. Celebrating the 75th anniversary of the classic film's release. Fundraiser for Alpenfest. Adults and teens \$10, children 12 and younger \$5.
FRIDAY, Dec. 8
Wallowology Holiday Party: 10 a.m. 508 N. Main St., Joseph. Snowflake crafts, snacks, holiday photo op in giant birds nest. Gift Shop will be open. Snowflake Science presentation by DJ Lincoln, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, Dec. 9
Chili Feed and Dessert Auction: 6 p.m. North End Grange Hall in Flora. Bring something to auction. Adults \$6, children \$3. Info: 541-828-7765.
Hurricane Creek Grange Pancake Breakfast: 7 a.m. Hurricane Creek Grange Hall, west of Joseph Airport. Bacon, eggs, biscuits and gravy, juice and coffee. Suggested donation \$8. All you can eat pancakes. Serving ends at 10 a.m.
Ski, Snowboard and Ice Skate Swap: 10 a.m. 105 NE First St., Enterprise. Skis, boots, poles, snowboards, ice skates and hockey gear. To sell your things, drop them off between 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. From 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., pick up your proceeds and unsold equipment.
Tunesmith Night: 7 p.m. Jennings Hotel, 100 North Main, Joseph. Showcase of original music presented in a round-robin format. Admission is \$10 at the door or by season

pass. Doors open at 6 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13
Enterprise Schools Concert: 7 p.m. Enterprise High School Multipurpose Room (cafeteria). Enterprise fifth- and sixth-grade band will perform, as well as junior high and high school band and high school choir.
SUNDAY, Dec. 17
Christmas Concert: 4 p.m. Josephy Center for Arts and Culture, Joseph. Produced in association with Wallowa Valley Music Alliance. Performers include Janis Carper, Bruce Coutant, Rebecca Lenahan and students, Harmony Rising, The Hobbs Family, Randy Morgan and Jesse Borg-ering, Shannon Mc Nerney, Heidi Muller and Bob Webb, Nick Porter and Gail Swart. Holiday treats served. Suggested donation \$10.

Cut your own Christmas tree? You'll need a permit

Have you been thinking about trekking into the forest this year to cut your own Christmas tree?

Christmas tree permits for the Wallowa-Whitman National Forests are available to purchase at the Forest Service office in Joseph. Permits cost \$5 each and are limited to five per household. Tree permits and forest maps are available during regular office hours.

Permits are valid on National Forest System lands only and do not authorize tree-cutting on private, state or other federally managed lands. Do not cut in active timber sale areas or areas planted with new trees. Do not cut on private land, in wilderness areas, designated campgrounds or existing tree plantations.

Do not cut trees in Hurricane Creek and Lostine drainages.

Again this year, all fourth graders are eligible for a free tree permit through the national Every Kid in a Park initiative. In order to qualify, students must present a valid paper voucher printed from the Every Kid in a Park website everykidinapark.gov.

Then, bring the paper voucher to the Forest Service office to claim the free permit. Students must be present to pick up the free permit. These free permits can only be issued through the Forest Service and will not be available through local vendors who sell permits.



OTHER RULES THAT APPLY:

- Do not cut trees in posted Old Growth Areas or within a quarter-mile of Wild and Scenic River corridors.
- Cut your tree at least 50 feet away from a road and clean up any trimmings or limbs.
- Cutting is prohibited within sight distance of state highways.
- Leave stumps no higher than 10 inches. Cut all green limbs from the stump (they can be used for decorating).
- It is illegal to "top" a tree.
- The maximum height of a tree to be cut is 20 feet with no larger than a 6 inch stump diameter.



FFA members, Les Schwab gather record amount of food

FFA members from Wallowa, Enterprise and Joseph joined the Les Schwab team to collect food to help provide more than 380,000 meals during the Drive Away Hunger event in November.

This year, the event collected more than 510,150 pounds of food, double that of the original goal in 2015.

Over the past three years, the event has raised more than 1.5 million pounds of food for those suffering from food insecurity, enough food to help nearly 3,500 Oregon families for more than a month.

"The FFA thanks all the farmers, community mem-

bers and everyone who brought food, donated time and helped give to this effort," said Kevin White, Executive Director of the Oregon FFA Foundation.

In addition to local chapter efforts, people were encouraged to drop food off at any local Les Schwab store and collection bags were distributed by the Chieftain. Bags were also available at Oregon Les Schwab and Wilco locations.

Most of the food will be distributed by the Oregon Food Bank network and end up back in the communities in which it was raised.

"It is essential for these

young people to have a partner like Les Schwab. Les Schwab employees have, for decades, served as role models to our members by serving their communities and neighbors," White said.

The Oregon FFA is part of the National FFA Organization, formerly known as the Future Oregon FFA has more than 6,000 members in 105 chapters throughout the state.

The FFA mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

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