

WHAT'S HAPPENING

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 10
Flowing with Grace Yoga: 4 p.m. The Place in Joseph. Alignment focused Hatha Yoga with Esther Petrocine. All ages and abilities welcome. Fee. First class free. Yoga mats and props available free.



Mellica McIntire

Qigong Meditation: 2 p.m. Josephy Center, 403 North Main, Joseph. Emei Qigong Meditation is an ancient Chinese tradition of gentle movements designed to reunite individuals with the "limitless" emptiness from where all things originate.

Food Giveaway: Noon 204 Second St., Wallowa, sponsored by Wallowa Fresh Food Alliance. Perishable food available.

Adult Clay Class with Mellica McIntire: 3 p.m. Josephy Center, 403 Main St, Joseph. josephy.org

Wallowa County Rotary Club: Noon at Burnaugh Building, 107 N. River St. The club will tour the building. Meeting is open to the public.

THURSDAY, Jan. 11
The Future of Hays Century Farm: 7 p.m. Wallowology Nat-

ural History Discovery Center, Joseph. What's to become of Kirk and Mary Hayes' farm at the edge of Joseph? Informational meeting. Light refreshments.

Open Level Ballet Classes: 5 p.m. The Place in Joseph Ages 10 and above. No experience necessary. Instructor Hanna Brandt. salutationsstudio.com.

Chess Club: 4 p.m. Josephy Center, 403 Main St., Joseph.

FRIDAY, Jan. 12
Strengthening Families: 8:30 a.m. Building Healthy Families, 207 NE Park St., Enterprise. Breakfast followed by a class

teaching science-based parenting skills, children's life skills and family life skills specifically designed for families with teens.

Food Giveaway: Noon 204 Second St., Wallowa, sponsored by Wallowa Fresh Food Alliance. Perishable food available.

Youth Dance Classes: 2:15 p.m. The Place in Joseph. Fusion of Jazz and Hip Hop with Foundations of Ballet for children 5-8. Classes for children 9-13 at 3:30 p.m. Taught by Kellee Sheehy. salutationsstudio.com.

Adult Drawing and Painting Classes: 2-4 p.m. Josephy Center, 403 Main St, Joseph. Jennifer Klimsza instructor. josephy.org.

Josephy Center Youth Art Friday: Josephy Center, 403 Main St, Joseph. Mornings with Mary for 5-8 year olds, 10-11 a.m.; Drama with Morgan for 5-8 year olds, 9-10 a.m.; Ceramics and drawing with Mellica for 7-11 year olds, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; Ceramics and drawing with Mellica for 11-16 year olds 12:30-2 p.m.; Drawing from fundamentals in the studio for 7-12 year-olds, 3-5 p.m.; Drama with Morgan for 9-12 year olds, 12:15-1:15 p.m.; Drawing and Painting with Jenny for age 13 to adult, 2-4 p.m.; Drama with Morgan for teens 11 a.m. to noon. josephy.org

Parent-Child Playgroups: 9:30 a.m. Building Healthy Families, Enterprise. Songs, stories, snacks and activities focusing on developing kindergarten readiness skills.

SATURDAY, Jan. 13
Breakfast is Served: 7-10 a.m. Hurricane Creek Grange outside Joseph. Pancakes, biscuits and gravy, eggs cooked to order, sausage and beverages.

Wallowa County Pomona Grange No. 22 Quarterly Meeting: 10 a.m. Hurricane Creek Grange. Installation of officers is planned.

Everyday Movement Dance Classes: 10 a.m. The Place in Joseph. Basic introductory level dance technique for all ages. salutationsstudio.com.

Tunesmith Night: 6 p.m. The Gold Room at the Jennings Hotel, 1009 N. Main, Joseph. Bourbon



Kory Quinn

Bill Rockwell, James Dean Kin-dle and Kory Quinn will perform. Sponsored by Wallowa Valley Music Alliance.

MONDAY, Jan. 15
Exploring Science: 3:45 p.m. Wallowa County Library, Enterprise. For pre-K students and their parents. Activities include science, literacy, math and art. Free.

Adult Clay Class with Mellica McIntire: 9 a.m. to noon Josephy Center, 403 Main St, Joseph. josephy.org



Lauren Guthridge

TUESDAY, Jan. 16
Brown Bag Luncheon: Noon at Josephy Center, 403 Main St., Joseph. A musical interlude with Lauren Guthridge, an oboe and English horn player, who plays with the Eastern Oregon symphony. She will talk about making reeds for her oboe, which she does herself. josephy.org

Adult Drawing and Painting Classes: 9-11 a.m. Josephy Center, 403 Main St, Joseph. Jennifer Klimsza instructor. josephy.org.

Story time: 10 a.m. Wallowa County Library, 207 W Logan St., Enterprise. Circle time, story time and activity for children 0-5.

Twigs and Tails Story Hour: Noon Wallowology 508 N. Main St., Joseph. Hosted by Wallowa County Library.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 17
Making Parenting a Pleasure: 5:30 p.m. Building Healthy Families, 207 NE Park St., Enterprise. Free dinner followed by class, an opportunity to support parents with strategies around communication, challenging behavior, stress management and more. Free childcare.

Wallowa County Rotary Club: Noon Catholic Church of St. Katherine, 301 E. Garfield, Enterprise.

PUBLIC MEETINGS
Jan. 15 — Wallowa County Commissioners: 9 a.m., Wallowa County Courthouse, 101 S. River St., Enterprise.

Jan. 16 — Wallowa County Weed Board: 5 p.m., 401 NE First St., Enterprise.

Sled dogs find their way into county classrooms

By Kathleen Ellyn
 Wallowa County Chieftain

Wallowa County residents of all ages celebrate the Eagle Cap Extreme Sled Dog Races Jan. 17-20. Dog lovers from kindergarten to senior citizens are priming their minds for the enjoyment by doing a little sled-dog pre-study.

Elementary school teachers have lesson plans organized that will combine math, geology, natural history, art and language studies in one of the most fun ways possible as students prepare to enjoy the excitement of the race.

At Enterprise Elementary School, Tori Christman's third grade is looking forward to a visit from Wallowa County's own youth musher, Morgan Anderson.

"The kids love it when Morgan comes in, and they get to pet the dog and make a local connection to what they are learning," Christman said.

Her class is also decorating the "drop bags" of supplies that await the racing teams at the Ollokot 50-mile checkpoint.

Elementary class can hike down to Enterprise Main Street (or Joseph Main Street) Jan. 17 and meet the mushers and dogs at the pre-race veterinary check.

And then, there's the race.

At Enterprise Grade School, third, fourth and six grade students are planning to attend the start of the race at Ferguson Ski Ridge.



Chieftain file photo

Listen to me, kid. I'm going to win this thing, see.

"Last year the kids loved it," said Christman. "They were sliding down the hills at Fergi waiting for the start of the race."

They were also working as journalists: interviewing, observing and taking notes. Once they get back to the classroom, they'll write their stories and the best of them will be published on the race website. Last year six stories made the cut.

Homeschool students are not left out of the learning opportunity, as famous Alaskan musher Pam Dixon has

created an activity and teacher's guide to accompany her children's book, "Big-Enough Anna: The Little Sled Dog Who Braved the Arctic." The guide incorporates reading, writing and language arts, science and natural history, geography, math and art. It is available for download at goo.gl/Etkj3.

Copies of "Big-Enough Anna" are available at The Bookloft in Enterprise.

"I carry a whole assortment of books and put up a display for the sled dog races each

REGISTRATION NUMBERS MATCH LAST YEAR

We're up to the same number of competitors as last year, with 24 registered teams for the 2018 Eagle Cap Extreme. There is still time for late entries. There are no youth entries.

200-Mile Race (8-12 dogs)

- Jake Mccowan of Priest River, Idaho
- Clayton Perry (2017 100-mile winner) of Power, Mont.
- Josi Thyrd of Cataldo, Idaho
- Brett Bruggeman (Winner in 2015 and 2016 and second place by one second behind his second team run by Bryce Mumford of Huntsville, Utah in 2017 of Great Falls, Mont.
- Skinny Leg Sleddogs Team No. 2; 2016 Iditarod finisher Miriam Oredkar of Fairfield, Mont.
- Laura Neese of McMillan, Mich.
- Laurie Warren of Council, Idaho.
- Ed Stielstra (7 Iditarod finishes) of McMillan, Mich.
- Jereld Rice of Enterprise.
- Skinny Leg Sleddogs Team No. 3; James Pilcher of Fairfield, Mont.

100-Mile Race (7-8 dogs)

- Hugo Antonucci of Adin, Calif.
- April Cox (2017 second place) of Adin, Calif.
- Christina Gibson (16-year-old with an "experience" waiver; headed for Junior Iditarod) of Carlton, Wash.
- Connie Starr of Cle Elum, Wash.
- Bino Fowler (2017 second place by two seconds) of Bend, Ore.
- Trevor Warren (14-year old with an "experience" waiver) of Council, Idaho
- Rex Mumford (another rookie) of Huntsville, Utah
- Gabe Dunham of Bend, Ore.

31-Mile, 2-Day Race (31 miles per day/5-6 dogs)

- Dina Lund of Okanogan, Wash.
- Morgan Anderson (2017 pot race winner) of Enterprise.
- Larry Roxby of Cle Elum, Wash.
- Sheryl O'Roarke of La Pine, Ore.
- Jane Devlin of Bend, Ore.
- Susan Parraga of Joseph.

year," said The Bookloft owner Mary Swanson.

"Big-Enough Anna" is written by Pam Flowers with Ann Dixon. Flowers is the first woman to make the 2,500-mile trek from Barrow, Alaska to Repulse Bay, Canada.

Flowers also wrote an adult book about her experience, "Alone Across the Arctic,"

available at Pamflowers.com

Swanson also recommends, "Winterdance: The Fine Madness of Running the Iditarod" by Gary Paulsen.

With a team of "problem dogs," inexperienced musher Gary Paulsen of Minnesota decides to run his first Iditarod, 1,180 miles in 17 days. His vertical learning curve

includes many wrecks that leave him stranded as the dogs simply lope home dragging the sled, an encounter with a skunk that results in his sleeping with the dogs and many more misadventures.

"That's a great one," said Swanson. The book is suitable for both adults and teen readers and Swanson has several copies.

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HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA PROGRAM

Initial Meeting: Jan. 16 @5

The Josephy Center for Arts and Culture is launching a drama club for all high school students in Wallowa County for the spring semester. The program will be led by Morgan Green, drama teacher at the Josephy Center, who will be teaching students how to create a production and directing a play that will be chosen by the students. Plays on the shortlist to be chosen include You Can't Take it With You, A Midsummer Night's Dream, and Alice in Wonderland. This is a great opportunity for students who have wanted a drama program in their schools and to be a part of a production county-wide. The program is free and will be limited to students from 8th grade to 12th.

JOSEPHY CENTER for Arts and Culture

Public Meeting: Thursday, Jan. 11, 7-9pm

The Future of Hayes Century Farm

What's to become of Kirk & Mary's farm at the edge of Joseph?

Join us for an informational meeting with neighbors & local farmers
 Light Refreshments

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 Natural History Discovery Center
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