

# 'Ordinary Elephant' to play at Cottage Events Venue



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**Pete and Crystal Damore of "Ordinary Elephant," will perform tomorrow, Aug. 22, at the Cottage Events Venue. The award-winning duo sings to a mixture of folk guitar, banjo and harmonies.**

The Cottage Events Venue will host Ordinary Elephant for an evening of folk music on Thursday, Aug. 22, at 7 p.m.

Awarded International Folk Music Awards Artist of the Year in 2017, Ordinary Elephant performs emotionally powerful and vulnerable songs.

The collaboration of husband and wife Pete and Crystal Damore,

their connection and their influences (such as Gillian Welch, Guy Clark, Anais Mitchell) all meet on stage.

"Two become one, in song. Stripped down, intertwined clawhammer banjo and guitar, and hand-in-glove harmonies surprise the listener with focused intensity and musical mastery," says Mary Gauthier.

The Associated Press is calling their latest album, 'Honest,' "...one of the best Americana albums of the year."

"Honest" is currently ranked third on the Folk DJ and NACC Folk Charts.

Admission is a suggested \$15-\$20 at the door. Beverages and fresh baked pie will be available for purchase at intermis-

sion. The Cottage Events Venue is located at 2915 Row River Rd. in Cottage Grove.

For more concert information, contact Kim Still at 541-942-6888 or visit [cottageevents.com](http://cottageevents.com).

For more about the artists, see [www.ordinaryelephant.net](http://www.ordinaryelephant.net).



## Pet Tips 'n' Tales

By Mary Ellen  
"Angel Scribe"

### Mr. Bean, the TV addict



**Joanne's dog, Mr. Bean, rates TV shows according to dog content.**

Joanne was looking at three Standard Poodle puppies on the internet when she "heard" her recently passed dog, Cooper, excitedly announce, "Get that one!"

Out of curiosity, she and her husband, Charlie, drove over to just look at the puppies. They made a pact that they would not spontaneously take a puppy home — unless one chose them.

They held two bi-colored, seven-week-old pups and their little chocolate-colored brother, Kona, who Cooper had chosen for them. When Joanne was about to tell the breeder which puppy she wanted, Kona toddled from across the room, laid down at Joanne's feet and fell asleep. The amazed breeder said, "I have never seen a puppy do that."

"Kona was named after Hawaiian coffee beans but when we called him, he didn't respond," said Joanne. "In frustration, Charlie exclaimed 'Well, that's a bean' and the puppy turned his head towards Charlie. So, we re-named our new family member Mr. Bean."

Cooper had deeply loved Amber, their rescued brown-and-white German shorthaired pointer with amber-colored eyes.

When the couple arrived home with their little brown bean, Amber excitedly greeted them at the door. Mr. Bean mysteriously and instantly appeared to recognize his doggy-sister. They were bonded from moment one. Cooper obviously wanted his family loved and taken care of after his departure, so he chose the paw-fect fur baby for them.

"It is surreal how much Mr. Bean is like Cooper," said Joanne. "Cooper would walk through our legs for us to pet his rear end and Mr. Bean does the same thing. Mr. Bean is also addicted to one thing: Television. His favorite movie is 'Lawrence of Arabia' because he likes watching the camels. His favorite TV show is 'Lucky Dog.' When we announce 'Lucky Dog is on,' he runs into the living room, jumps on the love seat and props his head on the armrest to watch his favorite show from his favorite location. He also enjoys watching the Westminster Kennel Club's dogs as they parade on the show and all veterinarian shows. Once, when they had a dog laying under a drape prior to surgery, Mr. Bean went over to the set and started whimpering. We wondered if he was comforting the animal or telling us he was deeply concerned about its injuries."

Joanne said Mr. Bean is just like people. In addition to TV shows, he also has his favorite commercials. When he hears the music from his favorites, he runs into the living room and stands in front of the TV waiting to see the dog that he knows is in the commercial.

Mr. Bean is a local celebrity. When we are out walking, his personality and good looks stop residents and tourists alike, so they can love on and pet him. He's a major hit at the care home too, where he takes his pup-ularity in stride. One has to wonder if Mr. Bean paw-sibly thinks that he is a TV movie star too?

#### TIPS:

- "Researchers have found that second-hand smoke is harmful to pets," said Janetta Overholser, president of the Humane Society of Cottage Grove. "Exposure to tobacco smoke is associated with certain cancers, allergies, eye and skin diseases and respiratory problems in our pets. One reason cats are so susceptible to second-hand smoke is because of their grooming habits. Cats constantly lick themselves while grooming, therefore they lick up the cancer-causing carcinogens that accumulate on their fur." <https://www.facebook.com/humanesocietycg>.

- Fleas use animals' armpits as nesting areas. Regularly trimming underarm fur prevents masses of knotted fur later. Always put your fingers, or a metal comb, next to the pet's skin when cutting a fur ball and place the scissors on top of your fingers/comb to prevent clipping their skin.

- Donations needed at most pet shelters: Food, beds, leashes, toys, towels, your time or finances. Also, cookies, chocolate or tea for the workers and volunteers are greatly appreciated! Check their websites for their other needs.

Share your fur-avorite pet memory or adventure at [angelscribe@msn.com](mailto:angelscribe@msn.com). Visit Pet Tips 'n' Tales on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/PetTipsandTales](https://www.facebook.com/PetTipsandTales) Humane Society for Neuter/Spay Assistance Program. 541-942-2789

## Next Science Pub to discuss aquatic invasive species

"Aquatic Invasive Species of the Coast Fork Willamette Watershed" will be the topic of the August Science Pub, Tuesday, Aug. 27, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Doug Garletts, professional fish biologist in the Willamette River basin for over 20 years, will provide an overview of invasive reptiles, fish and mammals in

our watershed and in Oregon including some species that could pose future problems.

The Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council (CFWWC) hosts a family-friendly monthly public meeting series called the Coast Fork Science Pub on the fourth Tuesday of each month from 5 to 7 p.m.

at the Axe & Fiddle, 657 E. Main Street in Cottage Grove.

The event begins with informal socializing, trivia and updates about the watershed and watershed council during the first hour.

The Science Pub presentation begins at 6 p.m. CFWWC receives 10 percent

of all sales from the evening between 5 to 7:30 p.m.

The event is free to the public, with a \$5 donation suggested.

For more information, visit Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council on Facebook or at [www.coast-fork.org](http://www.coast-fork.org).

### LORANE NEWS

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- CAL schools begin Tuesday, Sept. 3, at the regular time. Call the district office (541-935-2100) for information on registration, bus schedules, and/or sports practices prior to school beginning. The district has a new superintendent/Applegate Elementary principal, and a new high school principal. You might want to check, but there is still Pre-K across from Applegate Elementary. If you know of any new

students to the area, please share this information because we have a great school district with small class sizes and dedicated staff.

- Lorane Grange meets again Thursday, Sept. 5, at 7 p.m. They hope to resume spaghetti and bingo evenings later in the month.

- The ladies of the church will hold another bake sale on Saturday, Sept. 7, in front of the Lorane Family Store.

- Students, enjoy your last week and a half of summer vacation!

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<b>THURSDAY</b> 79°   53° Partly Cloudy	<b>FRIDAY</b> 85°   54° Partly Cloudy
<b>SATURDAY</b> 86°   57° Sunny	<b>SUNDAY</b> 85°   56° Sunny
<b>MONDAY</b> 85°   56° Sunny	<b>TUESDAY</b> 89°   59° Sunny

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