

Doo-wop group, local talent to perform at BMCC

The Blue Mountain Community College Music Department will host "America's premier 'doo-wop' group", "The Alley Cats" on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m. at the Pendleton Convention Center. Opening acts for the "Cats" will be BMCC's up and coming quintet, "Second Chance," and the Pendleton High School A Capella Choir.

"The Alley Cats", from Southern California, have been entertaining audiences in venues from Disneyland, various state fairs to Las Vegas for over a decade. They have shared the stage with Chubby Checker, The Tokens, The Coasters, Rockapella, The Nylons, The Blenders, Sha Na Na and the Righteous Brothers. This will be their first appearance in northeast Oregon. "If you attended 'The Coats' sold out concert two years ago in Pendleton, you won't want to miss 'The Alley Cats,'" said a press release.

"Second Chance", a quintet from Blue Mountain Community College, has been performing extensively since their conception in the summer of 2000. Under the direction of David Miller, locals, Micah Bartron, David Bates, Jeremy Miller, Chris Moore and Kevin Tesch have already been credited with performances at the annual Main Street Cowboys Show during the Pendleton Round-Up, Pendleton's "Friday Night Alive" summer concert series and numerous local civic and private events. They also performed at Heppner's Town and Country Banquet and sang the National Anthem at a Heppner High School home game.

The Pendleton High School A Capella Choir, under the direction of William Mayclin, "has long been known for outstanding choral performances in Northeast Oregon," according to the release. The choir has sung at many state and regional events and "consistently receives superior ratings" at choral contests every year.

Tickets are on sale now for \$10 and may be purchased by calling the BMCC Music Department at 278-5890, from Armchair Books in Pendleton or any BMCC choir student.

Adelman announces retirement



Bob Adelman

Bob Adelman, who had worked for the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Heppner for over a decade, retired from NRCS effective Jan. 3 after over 33 years of service. His most recent position was district conservationist in Pendleton for the past 14 years.

Prior to his move to Pendleton, Adelman was the district conservationist in Heppner for Morrow County for several years. "Bob's years of experience and skills in agronomy will be missed by farmers in the area," said Loren Unruh, district conservationist with the NRCS in Heppner. "His institutional knowledge will be missed by the local staff, as well as producers throughout the Columbia Basin."

Adelman plans to stay in the Pendleton area with his family and help as a volunteer with his church, Habitat for Humanity and other organizations.

Boardman Chamber plans 'after hours'

The Mouse Factory Beauty Salon will host Boardman Chamber of Commerce's "After Hours" on Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 5-7 p.m., at the salon, located at 200-B N.W. First Street, Boardman. "Come and meet Boardman Chamber's newest member, owner Linda Toms, and enjoy refreshments and networking," said a spokesperson.

Chamber After Hours is held for Boardman Chamber of Commerce members and community members. Offered in different business locations each month.

MCGC News

By Sandi Day

The Morrow County Gun Club met on a sunny but chilly Sunday, Jan. 27, afternoon for a great day of shooting.

Mike Bennett was hot at the 16-yard line, shooting 24 of 25. Jeff Cutsforth, Barry Munkers and Harvey Childers split second place, each breaking 22, and third went to Curt Day, Travis Greenup and Misty Bennett with 21 each.

The 20-yard handicap event saw a four-way tie for first between Harvey Childers, Jeff Cutsforth, Mike Bennett and Misty Bennett, all breaking 21 of 25, followed by Curt Lay and Kelwayne Hagewood with 20 each. Mark Schlichting and Travis Greenup wrapped up third with 18.

Barry Munkers was "smokin' hot", winning both Annie Oakley events.

Curt Day outshot the field to win the Bushwhacker shoot.

MCGC will shoot at 10 a.m. on Sunday, February 3, instead of noon, because of the Super Bowl.

Ione scholarship seeks applicants

The Maryan L. McElligott Memorial Fund is accepting scholarship applications from Ione High School graduates for the 2002-2003 school year. The fund awards scholarships to second, third, and fourth year students attending post-secondary institutions. To be eligible, students must be attending any two or four-year public or private post secondary institution which participants in the federal Title IV student financial aid programs. Scholarships are available to students who are attending school either within Oregon or out of state.

For the school year 2001-2002 the fund awarded scholarships to Debra Parks, Miranda McElligott and Nathan Rietmann for \$750 each.

Interested persons may apply by completing the Oregon Student Assistance Commission application form for private awards, obtainable from the college Financial Aid office (Oregon Schools) or request the form from Student Assistance Commission, 1500 Valley Dr. Suite 100, Eugene, Oregon 97401. The commission must be in receipt of applications by Friday, March 1.

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BMCC to present play 'Antigone'

College Community Theatre's winter production of "Antigone" by Jean Anouilh, will open February 8 and play through February 16 at the Pioneer Theatre on the BMCC Pendleton campus.

"Antigone" is a modern language version of the Greek myth of Oedipus' daughter, Antigone, who defied her state government in burying her brother. This classic of world theatre was first written by Sophocles in approximately 400 B.C., and deals with the clash between what is required of us as citizens, versus what our personal conscience dictates. "Antigone also raises the question of what is the meaning of any human life, and how we actively or passively chose the purpose of life," according to a BMCC news release.

"The cast is a strong combination of community talent and BMCC Theatre students," said the release. In the role of Creon is David Mitzimberg. Antigone is played by Emmony Raw, the Nurse is June Kononen, the Chorus is Carl Merkle, Ismene is Melissa Resner, Haemon is Chris Prowant, Terry Gray is Jonas, First Guard, Chris McClellan is the Messenger, the Guards are Stephan Zacharias and Adam Schwarz, Sam Epstein is the page and Alice English is Eurydice. The play is directed by Joanna Goff, BMCC theatre arts instructor.

The cost is \$4 for students, \$7 for seniors, and \$8 for adults. Tickets can be held over the phone, or may be picked up in person at the CCT box office, beginning Jan. 28, Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1-4 p.m. For tickets and information call the CCT box office at 278-5953.

Musicians plan Young Artists Competition

Inland Northwest Musicians announces its second annual Young Artists Competition on Sunday, March 10, at the Vert Club Room in Pendleton.

This competition is open to young musicians in four categories: Elementary Division (through fifth grade), Junior Division (grades 6-8), Senior Division (grades 9-12), and Young Adult Division (through age 25). Instrumentalists and singers will perform for a panel of adjudicators. All participants will receive critique sheets and winners will be chosen from each division. All winners will receive \$100 cash prizes and some winners may be selected to perform with the Inland Northwest Orchestra on its October 2002 concert. The entry fee for the competition is \$20.

Deadline for application is Monday, Feb. 25. For more information and application materials, contact Alice Massey, Young Artists Competition chairman, at 276-7340.

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School Calendar

Heppner Elementary School

Friday, Feb. 1-no school;
Monday, Feb. 4-site council meeting, 6:30 p.m., parent/teacher club meeting, 7:30 p.m.;

Wednesday, Feb. 6-advisory committee meeting at Heppner Elementary School, 7 p.m.;

Friday, Feb. 8-no school;
Monday, Feb. 11-school board meeting at Sam Boardman Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.;

Friday, Feb. 15-no school;
Monday, Feb. 18-President's Day, no school;

Tuesday, Feb. 19-magazine sale begins;

Friday, Feb. 22-Freaky Friday, "slip" through the day by wearing slippers;

Tuesday, Feb. 25-student assembly, 12:50 p.m.

Heppner High School

Friday, Feb. 1-National Wild Turkey Fed. Scholarship application due, high school basketball at Umatilla, 3 p.m., junior high girls' basketball at Columbia Middle School, 3 p.m.;

Saturday, Feb. 2-high school basketball vs. Sherman County, 1 p.m., junior high girls' basketball vs. Stanfield, 9:30 a.m.;

Tuesday, Feb. 5-boys' and girls' "C" teams basketball vs. Ione, 5:30 p.m.;

Wednesday, Feb. 6-advisory meeting in the high school library, 7 p.m.;

Thursday, Feb. 7-junior high dance, 7:30-9:30 p.m.;

Friday, Feb. 8-high school basketball at Weston-McEwen, 3 p.m., junior high girls' basketball at Athena-Weston, 3 p.m.;

Saturday, Feb. 9-high school basketball vs. Stanfield, 1 p.m., junior high girls' basketball vs. Pilot Rock, 9:30 a.m.;

Monday, Feb. 11-boys' and girls' "C" teams basketball at Umatilla, 5 p.m., Morrow County School Board meeting at Sam Boardman Elementary School, 7 p.m.;

Tuesday, Feb. 12-high school basketball at Pilot Rock, 3 p.m.;

Wednesday, Feb. 13-site council meeting in the high school library, 6 p.m.;

Thursday, Feb. 14-Valentine's Day, boys' and girls' "C" teams basketball vs. Riverside, 5:30 p.m.;

Friday, Feb. 15-high school basketball vs. Wahtonka, 3 p.m., junior high girls' basketball vs. Umatilla, 1 p.m.;

Saturday, Feb. 16-seventh grade basketball tournament at Athena-Weston, 9 a.m., eighth grade basketball tournament at Pilot Rock, 9 a.m., benefit for the Matheny family at the Hermiston Community Center starting at 5:30 p.m., prime rib/salmon dinner and auction;

Monday, Feb. 18-President's Day, no school;

Wednesday, Feb. 20-mid-terms;

Friday, Feb. 22-district basketball tournaments at Pendleton, VG/VB, time TBA;

Saturday, Feb. 23-district basketball tournaments at Pendleton, VG/VB, time TBA;

Tuesday, Feb. 26-state 2A basketball tournaments at Pendleton, VG/VB, time TBA;

Wednesday, Feb. 27-state 2A basketball tournaments at Pendleton, VG/VB, time TBA;

Thursday, Feb. 28-St. Charles Medical Center Scholarship for Nursing due in early March.

Ione-Lexington Advisory recommends Ione School floor plan

After much deliberation at their Jan. 24 meeting, the Ione-Lexington Advisory Committee recommended a floor plan for configuration of classrooms for the construction of the new Ione elementary School and the remodeling of the Ione High School.

The committee approved the architect's concept #5 with modifications. According to Todd Turner, architect with Barber Barrett Turner Architects Inc., Bend, the plan the committee approved was similar to concept #4 which had been previously considered by the committee. Committee member Ralph Morter was the sole opponent to the recommendation of concept #5.

Concept #5 calls for one centrally located library, with two separate, but adjoining computer labs, which would be used by elementary, middle school and high school students. The committee recommended a modification to the library/computer lab plan which would include access to bathroom facilities from inside the library.

Morter expressed his frustration at the Morrow County School Board and asked why a previous plan, which called for two separate libraries, one in the elementary school and one in the high school, had not been given any consideration by the board. "I hadn't seen anywhere where the superintendent had the authority to make changes on the plan," said Morter. "We've beaten our heads against the wall, because you don't like what we came up with," said Morter, who added that he felt the board was holding out until "we (the advisory committee) cave in." "If you (the school board) are not going to listen to us, then take it away from us," he said. School board member John Rietmann, who was in attendance at the committee meeting, replied that, "The design was not going to be approved, so the board tabled it and sent it back to the advisory committee." The cost of building two libraries was determined to be cost-prohibitive.

The modifications of concept #5 approved by the committee include placing the administrative office in the space designated as a seventh-grade classroom in the elementary building, so that administration is more centrally located, to facilitate greater supervision over the younger children and easier access for them. The middle school/junior high classroom, in turn, would be situated in the area designated in concept #5 as administration.

The committee debated extensively whether the middle school/junior high school classrooms should be placed in the elementary school or at the high school. Committee members expressed their desire to continue to maintain the middle school's identity. Concerns raised about possible adverse effects on elementary and junior high school students who will be in the library which also serves high school students. Some in the audience were concerned about the younger students attending class in close proximity to high school students, although others in the audience commented that the students are already commingled in many instances with few adverse effects.

The committee also discussed placement of the tennis courts which will be dislocated when the new elementary school is built. Possible options for relocation of the courts discussed at the meeting include on the drain field, across the street, at the bus barn site and at the city park, with the drain field site preferred.

In other business, the committee heard that the Ione School had received an "excellent" rating for the second year in a row on the state school report card. It was announced that Heppner High School also received an excellent rating this year.

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MORROW COUNTY GRAIN GROWERS WINTER GROWER MEETING



Date: Friday, February 8th

Location: Willows Grange Hall in Ione

Time: 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

MEETING AGENDA:

- 7:30-8:00 a.m. Coffee and Doughnuts
- 8:00-8:30 a.m. Jim Benson, Agrilliance: Herbicide Update; Phenoxys Surfactants & Adjuvants.
- 8:35-9:30 a.m. Clint Adamson, Agrilliance: Crop Protection Update; Herbicide & Insecticide Trial Updates.
- 9:33-9:55 a.m. BREAK
- 10:00-10:35 a.m. Sam Thornton, Syngenta: Seed Treatment/Insecticide Update.
- 10:40-11:10 a.m. Greg Kvistad, FMC: Herbicide Update; Spartan & Aim.
- 11:15-12:00 p.m. Larry Lutchter, OSU Extension, Heppner: Chemical Fallow Management.
- 12:05-12:20 p.m. Jim Swanson, Wheatland Insurance: Insurance Information Update.
- 12:30 p.m. LUNCH, served by Willows Grange

(Oregon Recertification credits have been applied for.)