

Music in the Parks wraps up with Cruise Control in Irrigon



Cruise Control

The 2023 Music in the Parks series will wrap up with Cruise Control in Irrigon on August 14.

Cruise Control is a 50s, 60s, 70s and 80s cover band that plays rock, pop, and country rock music. Together with their unique blend of voices, they play everything from hard drivin' rock and roll to the softer melodies that bring back memories of special occasions and invite the listener to reminisce over experiences that used to be so clear.

From time to time the band provides an open mic

for people in the audience to display their talents or fulfill their dream of singing with a rock band. The band is versatile and will often take requests from the era they cover.

The concerts are free to the public and begin at 7 p.m. on Monday nights. In the event of inclement weather, the performance will be held at the Irrigon Senior Center. Visitors are encouraged to bring chairs and blankets. The series is funded by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District and sponsored by the North Morrow Community Foundation.

Electric Co-op accepting board nominations

Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative has announced that nominations are open for board of director positions in zones 3 and 4. Nominees must be members of CBEC and must live and receive electric service in the zone in which they're running. Both positions are three-year terms.

Zone 3 includes Lexington and the surrounding area. The position is

currently held by Todd Lindsay.

Zone 4 includes Ione and the surrounding area. The position is currently held by Stacie Ekstrom.

Members of the nominating committee are Jill Martin of Lexington, 541-989-8480, and Jim Swanson of Ione, 541-561-4314. They will accept nominations through the last day of August.

Neighborhood Center to hold food drive

The Neighborhood Center of South Morrow County will hold a food drive Aug. 14-28 to resupply its food pantry. The center will accept donations of canned goods, non-perishable food items, bread

and produce to help those in need within the community.

Donations may be dropped off at the Neighborhood Center or the Heppner Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call 541-676-5024.

Quilt entries needed for the fair

Morrow County Fair is right around the corner, and quilters from around the county are invited to exhibit their handiwork.

Quilts of all sizes, from wall hangings to king-sized, and of all kinds of materials—cotton, minky, flannel, denim, you name it—will be accepted at the quilt exhibit area at the fairgrounds

on Monday, Aug. 14, from 1-8 p.m.

Check out the fair premium book on pages 34-36 for more information on quilt divisions.

Judging will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 15, and the exhibit hall will be open to the public Wednesday, Aug. 16.

Over the Tee Cup

The nine Willow Creek Country Club ladies who participated in the ladies play day Tuesday, Aug. 1, were greeted with warm and sunny weather for their weekly golf outing. Virginia Grant had low gross of the field. Sharon Harrison and Tiffany Clement tied for low net of the field. Lorraine Montgomery had least putts.

Pat Dougherty had low gross for flight A, while Shirley Martin had low gross for flight B.

On flight C, Jackie Allstott had low gross, Kris Lindner low net and Karen Smith-Griffith least putts.

Virginia Grant had a chip-in on hole 17.

Eight ladies showed up for another warm day on Aug. 8. Virginia Grant had

the low gross of the field, and Tiffany Clement had low net. Sharon Harrison had the least putts.

Pat Dougherty had low gross for flight A. Shirley Martin had low gross for flight B.

For flight C, Kris Lindner had low gross, Karen Smith-Griffith low net and Jackie Allstott least putts.

Tiffany Clement had a chip-in and a birdie on hole 13. Karen Smith-Griffith had a chip-in on hole 17.

In other special events, Karen Smith-Griffith had the hole redo.

Ladies golf takes place every Tuesday at 8 a.m. The club championship will take place August 29-30 with tee times at 8 a.m. or 5 p.m. each day.

Catholic church to hold Mexican dinner fundraiser

Saint Patrick's Catholic Church will host a Mexican dinner fundraiser on August 13 from noon until 3 p.m. in the church parish hall.

The proceeds will be used to build closets and shelving for the many, many costumes from Fr. Gerry Condon's dramas. The plans also include some space for a few of his special belongings, such as a golf trophy and the trunk he brought with him in 1954 on his first trip to the United States.

The meal, prepared by

Mary Ann Elguezabal and friends, will be \$10 a plate. There will also be flour tortillas and salsa for sale to take home. Dora Collins, Claudia Guerra and Paola Macias will each be making six pints of salsa for sale.

Meals can be delivered, or take-out accommodations are available.

Kilkenny Ranches will be donating the meat. Hometown Tacos is donating the salsa for the dinner. If anyone has any questions, call Mary Ann Elguezabal at 209-404-9072.

Seniors Matter menus for August

South Morrow County Seniors Matter has announced the following menus for the month of August:

Aug. 15: Pork Roast, mashed potatoes, carrots, dinner roll and dessert.

Aug. 22: Quiche, hash-browns, peaches, coffee cake and dessert.

Aug. 29: Meatloaf with garlic mashed potatoes, corn, salad and dessert.

Meals are served at 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday at St. Patrick's Senior Center in Heppner. Seniors 60 and above may donate what they can toward the cost of the meal. Those 60 and younger are asked for a suggested donation of \$5.

No to-go plates or delivery are offered at this time, but diners may bring empty containers for a portion to take home.

East beats West in 2023 Shrine game



Bryce Rollins



Ty Boor



Tucker Ashbeck

of the Shrine steer racked up \$27,000 as supporters bought and then donated back the steer multiple times. Dallee Bingham, a 2023 Powder Valley High School graduate, raised this year's steer.

Also auctioned off at halftime were footballs autographed by each team, as well as a helmet signed by both teams. Each football went for \$500, and the helmet was auctioned for \$1,600.

In the third quarter, the East finally took the lead when Shaw Stork of Henley made the first touchdown of the game. The game ended the third with East in the lead 8-0.

The West almost caught up early in the fourth quarter. Waylon Riedel of Estacada made a touchdown, but the two-point conversion failed. The East still led, 8-6.

The West had one final chance in the last quarter. However, a fumble led to an East touchdown by Vale's Owen Crane in the final second. The game ended 14-6 in favor of the East.

The annual East-West Shrine All-Star Football Game took place in Baker City Saturday, July 29, with an impressive 14-6 win by the East team. The game is a major fundraiser for the Shriners Children's Hospital in Portland.

On the East team roster from South Morrow were Tucker Ashbeck as offensive lineman and defensive lineman and Tyler Boor as running back and offensive linebacker.

Bryce Rollins of Ione was selected as an East team alternate for tight end/receiver and defensive end.

Kickoff was at 7 p.m. July 29 at Baker Bulldog Memorial Stadium. Competition between the teams was fierce, and the scoreboard stayed at zero for the entire first half.

The halftime auction

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School districts to practice relocation, reunification at safety summit

InterMountain ESD (IMESD) and the School Safety and Emergency Management (SSEM) program in Oregon are sponsoring a School Safety Summit in Pendleton on August 7 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Pendleton Convention Center.

The event is for school districts and will focus on relocation and reunification, the portion of an emergency response where students are evacuated from a school building and are reunited with their families at an alternative, secure location.

The free summit will include school district administrators, school staff, regional law enforcement staff, bus company personnel and emergency management professionals. The intention is for school district leadership to bring their emergency plans, maps of relocation sites and reunification kits to learn best practices for relocation and reunification and to collaborate with their local law enforcement representatives.

IMESD Superintendent Dr. Mark Mulvihill said offering opportunities to discuss safety protocols for schools and to strengthen collaboration between districts and the law enforcement agencies that serve them is always helpful.

"We are pleased to sponsor our fourth safety summit. Our regional educators and first responders are committed to best practices in student safety. The summit is a great opportunity to network with one another and prepare for the start of the school year,"

Mulvihill said.

Dave Williams, IMESD's Director of School Improvement, helped plan this year's event.

"With school safety, good is simply not good enough; we need to do everything we can to ensure our schools are equipped and prepared to keep students and staff safe in all situations. We're really excited to partner with School Safety and Emergency Management to provide this training," Williams said.

SSEM is part of the Oregon Department of Education. SSEM's mission is to support the development and implementation of emergency operations plans (EOPs) in schools across the state to help improve the safety and security for all students and staff. The resources provided by SSEM and through its education service district (ESD) partners help Oregon schools plan for, train for and respond to emergencies affecting their students and staff.

"We're excited to be out in Pendleton supporting IMESD and the school districts it serves, investing in emergency management to better prepare districts and schools for before, during and after emergencies," said Claire Ranit, SSEM Emergency Preparedness Consultant (Northeast Oregon region). "We hope emergencies never happen, but it's important to be prepared just in case. Holding these events helps improve collaboration, communication, and coordination within and between districts, schools and key community safety agencies."

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For Thomas G Martin

**A remembrance will be held
at 1:00 pm, August 19th at
the Willow Creek Country
Club, Heppner - No flowers
needed. If you would like
to make a donation to the
country club
it would be great.
Tommy loved this
golf course. Come for a
great visit.**

**Hopeful Saints
Movie in the Parking Lot**

Saturday August 5th & August 12th!

Corner of Gale & Church Street in Heppner

**Movies will start at
8:30 weather permitting.**

This is a free community event thanks to Morrow County Unified Recreation District.
Any questions contact Cody High 541-256-0847