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Blue Tattoo is hosting a Rock and Roll Revival New Year's Eve Classic Rock Masquerade Thursday at the Hermiston Conference Center.

# Blue Tattoo cranks things up for New Year's Eve

#### **By TAMMY MALGESINI** Community Editor

A familiar Hermiston-based classic rock cover band will ring in the new year during a Rock and Roll Revival Classic Rock Masquerade.

Kelly Nobles, Blue Tattoo founder and drummer, said the band has been playing out of the area a lot recently and it was time to come home.

"And what better way to ring in the new year than a rock revival," he said.

The New Year's Eve event is Thursday from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Highway 395. Advance tickets for the 21-and-older event are \$25/couple or \$15/single. They are available at www.facebook.com/ events/566329666854525, the conference center or by calling 541-571-2588. Tickets purchased at the door are \$20 each.

The event also features TroubleMaker, a classic rock band from the Tri-Cities. The ticket price includes party favors, prizes for best rock and roll costumes, best tattoo and best air guitar.

**COMING EVENTS** 

Also, food and a no-host bar is being handled by Stuart Rice of The Midway Tavern

Gene Miller, the group's lead singer, is hoping people will get into the masquerade and come dressed as their favorite musicians.

Blue Tattoo has been performing since 2007. They kicked things up a notch after winning the inaugural Battle of the Bands during the 2011 Umatilla County Fair.

Since then, they have been hobnobbing with a number of well-known bands. This summer they hung out with the likes of Queensryche, Twisted Sister, Jefferson Starship, April Wine and Fran Cosmo, former lead singer of Boston, while performing at the 15th annual Rockin' the Rivers music festival in Montana.

Also, the band has brought a number of performers to town to play, including Frank Hannon, guitarist for Tesla, and RAIL, who Nobles also plays drums with.

Nobles said Blue Tattoo audiences are treated to some awesome vocals with Miller as lead singer. His vocal range, Nobles said, is among the best. The rest of the band, Nobles said, also possesses a lot of talent.

They include Johnny Jagger (keyboards and backing vocals) Juaquin Esparza (lead/backing guitars and vocals) Paul Inserra (bass guitar and backing vocals) and Lee Oswald (lead/backing guitars, backing vocals).

Although the average age of the band members is around 50, the boys can rock, Nobles said.

"The guys all get out and sell it and we have a crown jewel with Gene," Nobles said. "He's all over the stage. He's very charismatic."

Miller said the band is like a family and they enjoy what they do. In addition, he said the crowds seem to like them, too.

"We play a lot of the music people want to hear," Miller said.

If the event goes well, Nobles and Miller said it could become a yearly tradition.

For more information about the band, visit www.bluetattooband.com www.facebook.com/ or bluetattoorockband.

# **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30 WILLOW RUN LADIES GOLF CLUB, 8 a m rain or shine at the

Willow Run Golf Course. Boardman. Participants do not need to be a member to play with the club. (541-481-4381).

- HERMISTON KIWANIS CLUB, noon, Desert Lanes restaurant conference room, 1545 N. First St., Hermiston, (Doug Barak 541-567-6728).
- **OREGON GRASS ROOTS CRIBBAGE** CLUB NO. 2, 6:30 p.m., Desert Lanes Bowling Alley, 1545 N. First St., Hermiston. All levels of players welcome. (541-567-6594).

THURSDAY, DEC. 31

**TUMBLEWEED TOASTMASTERS,** 6:45 a.m., Conference Room 3&4, Good Shepherd Medical Center, 610 N.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Visitors welcome. (541-567-4349).

**ARTS AND CRAFTS FROM THE** DRY SIDE, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., basement of Assembly of God Church, 730 East Hurlburt Ave., Hermiston. Use the Seventh Street entrance. (541-567-4446).

UMATILLA DOG WALKING CLUB, 10 a.m., 630 Switzler St. at the dog wash in front of Umatilla High School.

**ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL OF** HERMISTON, noon, ARC of Umatilla County, 215 W. Orchard Ave.

HERMISTON ROTARY CLUB, noon, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church Parish Hall, Fifth Street and Locust Ave.

**HERMISTON HORSESHOE CLUB,** 5 p.m., Weber Field, 600 S. First St., Hermiston, (Rick Rebman 541-720-6402).

ARC OF UMATILLA COUNTY BINGO, 6 p.m. doors open, bingo starts at 7 p.m. 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. (541-567-7615).

HERMISTON ELKS, 7 p.m., 480 E. Main St.

PENDLETON KIWANIS CLUB, 7 p.m., venue varies, Pendleton. Guests welcome. ((541-278-5785)

FRIDAY, JAN. 1 No meetings scheduled

SATURDAY, JAN. 2 MORROW UMATILLA RETIRED **EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION,** 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Roosters Restaurant, 1515 Southgate.

# SUNDAY, JAN. 3

**HERMISTON EAGLES BREAKFAST.** 8-11 a.m., 160 N.W. Second St. Members and guests welcome.

MONDAY, JAN. 4 **PARKINSON'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP OF HERMISTON,** 1 p.m., Desert Lanes Bowling Alley meeting room, 1545

N. First St., Hermiston. People with Parkinson's Disease, their care partners, family, friends and others affected by the disease are encouraged to attend. (Carol Clupny 541-720-4265).

**IRRIGON MOOSE LODGE TACOS AND** BINGO, 6-9 p.m., tacos; 6:30-

9 p.m., bingo. Bingo open to the public, 220 N.E. Third St. (541-922-1802 from noon to 8 p.m.)

**UMATILLA-MORROW HEAD** START, 6:30-8:30 p.m., 110 N.E. Fourth St., Hermiston, (Leanna 541-564-6878).

**GREATER HERMISTON AREA TEA** PARTY, 7 p.m., Stafford Hansell Government Center 915 S.F. Columbia Ave., Hermiston, (rob@ greaterhermiston areateaparty.com).

HERMISTON CLASSICS CAR CLUB. 7 p.m., 31120 Baggett Lane, Hermiston. (541-571-5960 or 541-571-3252).

HEPPNER GARDEN CLUB, 7 p.m., St. Patrick's Senior Center, 525 N. Gale St.

# TUESDAY, JAN. 5

ECHO QUARTERBACK CLUB, 6 a.m., Home Economics Room, Echo High School, 610 Gerone St. (541-376-8214).

**GREENFIELD GRANGE PINOCHLE,** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at The Hall, 209 N.W. First St., Boardman.

STUDYING THE MIRACLES OF JESUS, 4-6 p.m., Good Samaritan Ministries, 319 W. Locust Ave., Hermiston. (541-564-1041).

HERMISTON EAGLES BINGO, 6 p.m. doors open, games begin at 7 p.m. 160 N.W. Second St. Members and their quests welcome.

HERMISTON MASONIC LODGE NO. 138. AF and AM. 7:30 p.m., at The Hall, 200 W. Orchard Ave.

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# **ARTS AND CRAFTS FROM THE**

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Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. (541-567-2882).

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IRDAY CRAFT TIME, 11 a.m.

allows. All items are assumed free, nonprofit and open to the public unless otherwise noted. Coming events items should be submitted well in advance to calendar c/o Hermiston Herald, 333 E. Main St., Hermiston, OR 97838 or community@hermistonherald.com.

#### WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30 **BABY BOOGIE & TAPPIN' TODDLERS,**

10-10:45 a.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. (541-567-2882).

STORY TIME, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. (541-567-2882).

STANFIELD SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, noon, Stanfield Community Center, 225 W. Roosevelt. Costs \$3.50 for seniors, \$6 for others.

# ADULT BEGINNING COMPUTER

COURSE, 3 p.m., Pendleton Public Library meeting room, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave. Free, but registration required. (541-966-0380).

# THURSDAY, DEC. 31 **BOARDMAN SENIOR MEAL SERVICE,**

noon, Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St. Costs \$4 for seniors or \$5 for adults. (541-481-3257).

#### HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE,

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- FIDDLER'S NIGHT, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Hermiston Terrace Assisted Living, 980 W. Highland Ave. Join iam session or just listen. (541-567-3141).

#### **NEW YEAR'S EVE ROCK 'N' ROLL** MASQUERADE PARTY, 7 p.m.,

Hermiston Conference Center. 415 S. Highway 395. Live music with band Blue Tattoo and Trouble Maker. Contests and giveaways, no-host bar and food. Advance tickets are \$25 per couple or \$15 per person

# HAPPY CANYON NEW YEAR'S BASH,

8 p.m., Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate. Live music and all-ages dancing with Tylor & the Train Robbers; table and card games in the rear and libations available for purchase for those 21 and older. Admission is \$5 per person; guests 21 and over will receive a complimentary \$5 gambling chip.

#### NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY, 8 p.m., Ordnance Brewing, 405 N. Olson Road, Boardman. Feed, entertainment and, of course, beer, 21 and over, (541-571-8541).

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY, 9:30 p.m., Wildhorse Resort & Casino Rivers Events Center, 46510 Wildhorse Blvd., Pendleton, DJ music, dancing, party favors and a celebratory toast at midnight. Free.

# FRIDAY, JAN. 1

FIRST DAY HIKE, 11 a.m., Hat Rock State Park boat launch, 82375 C St. (off Highway 730), Hermiston, Park rangers or volunteers will lead a moderate two-mile hike along the River Trail. Wear sturdy shoes and dress for inclement weather in layers; bring water and binoculars for wildlife viewing. Dogs are welcome but must be on a six-foot leash. Free, and day-use parking fees are waived. (541-786-2755).

# SATURDAY, JAN. 2

PANCAKE BREAKFAST, 7-10 a.m., Stanfield Community Center, 225 W. Roosevelt. Costs \$5 for full breakfast/\$3 for light meal. (541-449-1332).

FIRST SATURDAY BREAKFAST, 7:30-10:30 a.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St. Cost is \$5 per person. (541-481-3257).

SATURDAY CRAFT TIME, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. For children in 5th grade and younger.

# MONDAY, JAN. 4

SENSORY PLAY, 11 a.m., Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon, 400 S. Main St., Pendleton. For



This is Sammy, a young male Dachshund and Affenpinscher mix. He is current on all his vaccinations and is eligible for a free veterinary examination. He can be adopted for \$150 at the Humane Society of Eastern Oregon Pet Rescue. If you are interested in welcoming a pet into your home, visit Pet Rescue at 1844 N.W. Geer Road, Hermiston, or call 541-564-6222

children ages 0-3. Free with paid admission. (541-276-1066).

**TUESDAY, JAN. 5** TERRIFICALLY FREE TUESDAY, all day, Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon, 400 S. Main St., Pendleton. (541-276-1066).

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME. 10:30-11 a.m., Stanfield Public Library, 180 W. Coe Ave. (541-449-1254).

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- HELP WITH MEDICARE, 3-5 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance Office answer Medicare questions. For individual consultations, call 541-667-3507
- HERMISTON EAGLES BINGO, 7 p.m., Hermiston Eagles Lodge, 160 N.W. Second St. (541-806-4553).

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#### **BMCC FACULTY AND STAFF ART** SHOW OPENING RECEPTION,

4:30-6:30 p.m., Blue Mountain Community College Betty Feves Memorial Art Gallery, 2411 N.W. Carden Ave., Pendleton. Annual show features the artistic talent of BMCC employees. Show runs through Feb. 4. Free. (541-278-5952).

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STORY & CRAFT TIME, 2 p.m., Echo Public Library, 20 Bonanza St.

VFW BINGO, doors open at 6 p.m., games start at 7 p.m., Hermiston VFW, 45 W. Cherry St.

# SATURDAY, JAN. 9

SAGE SATURDAY, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., SAGE Center, 101 Olson Road, Boardman. Free admission and activities for children and

to 1 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. Enjoy craft projects for children ages 5th grade and younger.

# DANCING WITH YOUR HERMISTON

STARS, 6 p.m. box office opens, 6:30 p.m. doors open, Hermiston High School fine arts auditorium, 600 S. First St. Six community members will perform with professional dancers to raise money for local charities. Judges and the public (\$1 per vote) will decide the winner. The Utah Ballroom Dance Troupe also will perform, along with local youth dancers. Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$17.50 for ages 18 and under, available online at www.desertartscouncil.com, the Hermiston Chamber and Hermiston Parks & Rec office.

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