The Hermiston Herald publishes a list of coming events as space 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. 7 CHRISTMAS BAKE AND CRAFT SALE, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Good Shepherd Medical Center pharmacy lobby, 610 N.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Proceeds support medical field scholarships and medical equipment on the hospital wish

BABY BOOGIE & TAPPIN' TODDLERS, 10-10:45 a.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E Gladys Ave, Hermiston. (541-567-2882)

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

STANFIELD SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Stanfield Community Center, 225 W. Roosevelt, Stanfield. Cost is \$3.50 for seniors, \$6 for others. (541-449-1332)

HEALTH INSURANCE OPEN

HOUSE, 3-6 p.m., Boardman Public Library, 200 S. Main St., Boardman. Apply or renew for the Oregon Health Plan or get assistance shopping the federal insurance marketplace. Free; Spanish translation available. (Sarah Nunez 541-481-7212 ext. 210)

THURSDAY, DEC. 8

BOARDMAN SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, noon, Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St. Costs \$4 for seniors or \$5 for others. (541-481-3257).

HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE,

noon, Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave. Costs \$4, free for children under 10. Extra 50 cents for utensils/dishes. Meals on Wheels available. Transportation arranged by donation. (541-567-3582).

SENSORY STORY TIME, 12:30 p.m., Boardman Public Library, 200 S. Main St. For children from birth to age 4. (541-481-2665).

THE ARC UMATILLA COUNTY BINGO, 6 p.m. doors open, bingo starts

at 7 p.m. 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. (541-567-7615).

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

WILLIAMS AND REE, 7 p.m., Wildhorse Resort & Casino, 46510 Wildhorse Blvd., Pendleton. Politically incorrect and proud of it, one of the longest-running and successful comedy-music duos will perform their signature act. Tickets on sale Nov. 18: premium "Stick A Fork In Me" seats \$29, includes barbecue gift, regular seating \$19, all seats at round tables, reserved on purchase. 21 and older only, no-host bar available. (www.wildhorseresort. com)

Hermiston Union High School class of 1942



There were 47 seniors who graduated in 1942 from the Hermiston Union High School. The five remaining class members met for their 74th class reunion Oct. 22 at Owen Anson's home in Hermiston. They are: (back) Owen Anson, Archie Isensee; (front) Patty Emert Pettyjohn, Thelma Holmquist Lindner and William Jones, the class valedictorian.

THURSDAY, DEC. 15

CELEBRATE HEPPNER CHRISTMAS, 6

74473 Highway 74, Heppner.

Catered meal, drawing for

676-5563).

p.m., Morrow County Fairgrounds,

rewards cards, photos with Santa.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 16

Echo Community Center, 20 S.

and chorale concert featuring

Inland Northwest Musicians

ensembles. Free admission.

Bonanza, Combined symphony

"HANDEL'S MESSIAH," 7 p.m.,

SATURDAY, DEC. 10

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St. Includes breakfast, Santa, crafts and activities, and horse-drawn wagon rides. Free. (541-481-3257)

DOWNTOWN HERMISTON CHRISTMAS

BAZAAR, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Grace and Mercy Lutheran Church, 164 E. Main St., Hermiston. Craft vendors and hourly door prize drawings. Proceeds benefit Grace and Mercy Lutheran Church. (moon_stars49@yahoo.com) SAGE SATURDAY, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., SAGE Center, 101 Olson Road, Boardman. Make a winter-

- SAGE Center, 101 Olson Road, Boardman. Make a winterthemed craft from materials supplied by the center. Free. (541-481-7243).
- SATURDAY CRAFT TIME, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. Free craft projects for children in 5th grade and younger.
- **"THE CANARY EFFECT,**" 1-2:30 p.m., Tamastslikt (ultural Institute

performing arts auditorium, 600 S. First St. Hermiston's own Kelly Kuo and Ron Blessinger will perform classical music. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for students in advance, \$5 more at the door, available at Hermiston Parks office, Hermiston Chamber of Commerce or www. desertartscouncil.com.

TUESDAY, DEC. 13 PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB OPEN HOUSE, 5:30 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. Anyone interested in the Hermiston Photography Club is encouraged to attend. Light refreshments.

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but reservations are highly recommended. (541-289-4696, inwm@machmedia.net).

SATURDAY, DEC. 17

- PANCAKES WITH SANTA, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Highway 395. Breakfast, photos with Santa and holiday story shared by library staff. Tickets (\$8 child 2-15; \$10 adults; \$30 family of 4) must be purchased in advance. (541-667-5018).
- "HANDEL'S MESSIAH," 4 p.m., Echo Community Center, 20 S. Bonanza. Combined symphony and chorale concert featuring Inland Northwest Musicians ensembles. Free admission, but reservations are highly recommended. (541-289-4696, inwm@machmedia.net).

LIVING NATIVITY, 6-8 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 191 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. Experience the Nativity, featuring live animals and characters. Warm drinks and cookies will be served following the tour. Desert Aire Dulcimers will provide live music on Saturday. All ages. (Becky Hunt 541-314-5797). Aire Dulcimers will provide live music on Saturday. All ages. (Becky Hunt 541-314-5797).

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 21

TEEN ORNAMENT HUNT, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. Drop by and find all 10 ornaments and win a prize. Teens only. Free. (541-567-2882).

SATURDAY, DEC. 24 BMCC CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER,

4-6 p.m., Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate. Blue Mountain Community College student government hosts free community dinner at a new venue. Everyone welcome. (541-278-5774)

FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE,

6 p.m., Hermiston Church of the Nazarene, 1520 W. Orchard Ave. Candlelight and communion worship service for the whole family. Sign language interpretation available; contact the church to make reservations. (Gabrielle Fritz 541-567-3677).

FRIDAY, DEC. 9

STORY TIME, 10:15-11 a.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. (541-567-2882).

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

CANDY LAND HOLIDAY PARTY, 4:30-6 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. Craft projects, cookie decorating (and eating), games, activity booths and a STEAM project. For kids in the fifth grade and younger. Free. (541-567-2882). VFW BINGO, doors open at 6 p.m.,

games start at 7 p.m., Hermiston VFW, 45 W. Cherry St. 47106 Wildhorse Blvd., Pendleton. Documentary follows the abuses perpetrated on the indigenous peoples of North America and details the genocidal practices of the US government and its continuing affects on present day Indian country. Free admission. (www.tamastslikt.org)

THE ARC CHRISTMAS PARTY, 2-4

p.m., The Arc Umatilla County, 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. Enjoy refreshments, bingo, caroling, crafts and a visit from Santa. To participate in gift exchange, bring a wrapped present, \$5 limit. (541-567-7615). **"AN EVENING WITH THE CLASSICS,**"

7 p.m., Hermiston High School

This is Rosco, a male Chihuahua mix. He is current on all 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.

SUNDAY, DEC. 18 "SHEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE" KIDS' CHRISTMAS DRAMA, 10:30 a.m., Hermiston Church of the Nazarene, 1520 W. Orchard Ave. Everyone welcome. (Gabrielle Fritz 541-567-3677).

LIVING NATIVITY, 4-6 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 191 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. Experience the Nativity, featuring live animals and characters. Warm drinks and cookies will be served following the tour. Desert SUNDAY, DEC. 25 COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP DINNER, 1-4 p.m., Hermiston Senior Center, 435 W. Orchard Ave. Free traditional Christmas meal features ham (and limited turkey) and all the fixings. For meal delivery or a ride, call 541-567-3013 through Friday. Dec. 23.

On Christmas, call the senior center

at 541-567-3582. (To volunteer, call

THURSDAY, DEC. 29 TEEN HOLIDAY MOVIE, 3 p.m.,

541-303-5886).

Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave. Hang out, chow on snacks and watch a holiday movie. For teens only. Free. (541-567-2882).

Echo rings in the season with bazaars, lights and holiday concerts

By TAMMY MALGESINI Community Editor

Holiday fun is spread all over Echo — from this weekend's Christmas in Echo/Bazaar/Business Hop to encouraging residents to light up the season with decorations. Also, the annual holiday concerts of the Inland Northwest Musicians are Dec. 16-17.

People are invited to pick up a Bazaar Hop card Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Echo Parent Teacher Organization Holiday Bazaar, set up in the commons at the Echo School District, 600 Gerone St. Then, be sure to get it stamped when out and about Saturday at the Echo Community Church Bazaar, Sno Road Winery, Echo Station, Gathered Over Time, His Design Gift & Thrift and H & P Cafe. Turn in cards by 2 p.m. at the school commons for a chance to win a gift box filed with items donated by vendors, participating businesses and the city of Echo.

Also, for vendor space at the Echo PTO Bazaar, contact Ashley Harwood at 541-240-1656 or ashley.harwood5@gmail.com.

The Echo Boosters invite residents to light up the town for the Christmas season. The annual Christmas Lighting Contest features a \$75 grand prize and a \$50 runner-up prize.

To encourage newcom-



STAFF PHOTO BY TAMMY MALGESINI

Decorations featuring winter fun fills a yard during a past holiday season in Echo. The Echo Boosters encourage people to illuminate the holiday spirit by giving out a free string of Christmas lights to new residents.

ers to illuminate the holiday season, the Echo Boosters will give a free strand of Christmas lights to new homeowners or businesses. Also, the first 10 households

When they say "Winter is Here!" and you say "Look in a Mirror?" Source Former Source Hearing Center Bic Jones, Verna Taylor, Forrest Cahill, HAS Forrest Cahill, HAS Forrest Cahill, HAS Forrest Cahill, HAS State State

who stop by City Call and ask for a strand will be given free lights.

People can vote for their favorite displays by dropping off a note with their top three choices through Friday, Dec. 30, at Echo City Hall, 20 Bonanza St. The name, address or description of the display should be listed.

This season's popular holiday concerts of Inland Northwest Musicians will feature the orchestra and chorale performing Part I of Handel's "The Messiah" under the direction of R. Lee Friese. The performances will include the "Amen" and the "Hallelujah" choruses with a few members of the Hermiston High School

choir joining in.

The orchestra will include seven violins, two violas, three cellos, one bass and a harpsichord. Among the choral soloists are RaNiel Dunn and Salli Ketchersid, both of Hermiston.

The concerts are Friday, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 17, at 4 p.m. in the Echo Community Center, 20 S. Bonanza St. Although the performances are free, space is limited. People are encouraged to reserve a seat by contacting 541-289-4696 or inwm@machmedia.net.

For more information about happenings in Echo, contact 541-376-8411, ecpl@centurytel.net or visit www.echo-oregon.com.





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