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The Buttercreek Boys (Lou Reeves, Wynn Weston, Curt Clauton, Rusty Roe, Tom Watkins and Jim Simpson) will strum old-time favorites during their final meeting of the year Wednesday, Dec. 14 at the Chuckwagon Cafe, Hermiston.

## Buttercreek Boys wrap up 2016

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The Buttercreek Boys are spreading holiday cheer during their last rehearsal/meeting of the year.

The group will keep people's toes tappin' and hearts warm as they sing and play old favorites. The event is Wednesday (tonight) from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Chuckwagon Cafe, 81027 N. Highway 395, Hermiston.

The Buttercreek Boys feature Lou Reeves, gui-

tar; Wynn Weston, guitar; Curt Clauton, stand-up bass; Tom Watkins, violin-fiddle; Rusty Roe, saxophone; and Jim Simpson, banjo and harmonica. In addition, several of the musicians share in the vocals. They also invite the crowd to sing along, if the music moves them.

For more information about the meetings/rehearsals in the coming year, call 541-567-6329.



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Members of the Hermiston Noon Kiwanis and employees of Roger's Toyota provided a donation of kayaks for fall Outdoor School. They were recently thanked by Hermiston School District representatives and fifth grade students from Desert View, Highland Hills, Rocky Heights and Sunset elementary schools.

### IN BRIEF

#### Hermiston announces more than \$846K in energy savings

The Hermiston School District's energy savings have grown with its square footage.

According to a district press release, the district has saved \$846,075 since 2011 despite adding 27,000 square feet in recent years.

That's a 20 percent reduction in total cost per square foot, putting the district in the top 20 percent of schools in cost per student and cost per square foot, with the goal of eventually reaching the top 10 percent.

The district attributes the increased energy efficiency to a number of facility improvements, including a complete school replacement at West Park, Sunset and Armand Larive, boiler replacement, a new lighting system, new computer and communication management systems and a solar panel installation at Armand Larive.

The district highlighted the software-controlled heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, which staff made 500 programming modifications to in the past year to accommodate events outside the usual building schedule.

"This scheduling strikes a pleasant balance in being fiscally responsible while ensuring the comfort of our staff, students and patrons," the press release states.

The district will continue looking for more efficiencies, which it said will allow the school system to direct more money toward the classroom.

#### Hospice sets annual holiday memorial service

The annual memorial service sponsored by Vange John Memorial Hospice provides an opportunity for people to remember or honor a loved one during the holiday season.

The event is Thursday at 7 p.m. in the lobby at Guardian Angel Homes, 540 N.W. 12th St., Hermiston.

For more information, all 541-667-3543.

#### Christian center presents concert

A musical extravaganza is planned during an upcoming special service at the Hermiston Christian Center.

Christmas is Wonderful will feature a full hour of music — from holiday clas-

sics to new Christmas songs. People won't want to miss a rap version of "Jingle Bells" performed by Helen McAfee. The septuagenarian will even don an elf costume for the performance.

The free event is Sunday at 10 a.m. at 1825 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston. There is no admission charge.

The program also includes McAfee performing a duet with her brother, Brad Rozeema, who plays trombone with Brass Fire. Other highlights include an original version of "Mary, Did You Know?" by Jacob Looper, one of the church's worship music leaders.

Looper said a variety of soloists, duets and trios will perform — along with a larger ensemble and a brass band.

For a sneak preview, stop by Hermiston's Winter Festival Thursday, Dec. 15, at 4:30 p.m.. Part of the group will be singing carols as part of the featured entertainment

in the festival area by the city Christmas tree, 180 N.E. Second St. For more information, call 541-567-3480.

#### Healthy Fridays offer free services

Free health screenings, including blood pressure check, weigh-ins, body mass index, cholesterol and glucose testing is offered during Healthy Fridays.

The event is presented the first and third Friday of the month from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Conference Room No. 7 at Good Shepherd Medical Center, 610 N.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Those planning to have their cholesterol checked need to fast for 8-10 hours prior to the blood draw. The event also provides free flu shots. For more information, contact 541-667-3509 or healthinfo@gshealth.org.

## Outdoor School paddles away with donation

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Area fifth graders had a splashing good time during fall Outdoor School thanks to a donation from Roger's Toyota and the Hermiston Noon Kiwanis Club.

The donation included kayaks, paddles and life vests. A few of the students and organizers recently headed to Roger's Toyota to personally thank them and the Kiwanis for their generous donation.

As a pilot program, students attended Outdoor School during the fall to provide organizers an opportunity to evaluate the learning environment as compared to going in the spring time. For many

students, the program provides their first experience in learning in the outdoors.

The success of Outdoor School is made possible with the support of many organizations, including Wal-Mart, Good Shepherd Community Health Foundation, Wildhorse Foundation, Oregon Community Foundation-RAI Project and Tom Denchel Ford Country (through Drive One 4 UR School).

To find out ways to support Outdoor School, contact Maria Duron, Hermiston School District community relations specialist, at 541-667-6036 or maria.duron@hermiston.k12.or.us.

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