# Area churches unite for faith-based festival

## CityFest is Aug. 28 in Hermiston

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A fun-filled day of music, action sports, activities for youths and multiple oppor-

tunities to hear about Jesus Christ is featured during the Greater Hermiston CityFest with Andrew Palau.

After more than 18 months of planning, the free faithbased event is Saturday, Aug. 28, at Butte Park, 1210 N.W. Seventh St., Hermiston. Organizers urge people to bring their family, friends and neighbors. The festival is focused on serving Umatilla and Morrow counties and sharing a message of hope with the entire region.

Global evangelist Andrew Palau will share his story during the event. He is the author of "The

Secret Life of a Fool: One Man's Journey from Shame to Grace."

CityFest is being produced by the Portland-based Luis Palau Association, whose mission is to unite the church and impact cities worldwide. In addition, the event features a partnership with more than 60

area churches as well as contributions from local businesses, foundations and individuals. Mary Corp and Phil Hamm, local organizing committee co-chairs, said Hermiston has never experienced a festival

of this type and scale. "Given the recent chal-

lenges facing families and communities across the region, we believe there is a great need for people to find and feel hope even in their heartaches and hurts," said Chris Hankel, pastor of Hermiston's New Hope Community Church and CityFest pastoral committee co-chair. "There is no bet-

#### **CITYFEST SCHEDULE**

WHERE: Butte Park, Hermiston WHEN: Saturday, Aug. 28 **3:30 p.m.** — Family Fun Zone activities begin **4:30 p.m.** — Family Fun Zone stage program **5:15 p.m.** — Action Sports Demo **6:15 p.m.** — Main Stage program begins **9:30 p.m.** — Program

ter time than now for people from all different backgrounds to join together for fun and fellowship."

Palau said what started out as a small number of people has grown tremendously during the planning stages. The festival also features several contemporary Christian music artists, including Danny Gokey, We Are Messengers, George Moss and Marisol Park.

"We're all feeling the sense that the time is right for us to be gather-



Luis Palau Association/Contributed Photo

We Are Messengers are among the contemporary Christian music artists who will perform during the Greater Hermiston CityFest with Andrew Palau! The free faith-based event is Aug. 28, 2021, at Butte Park in Hermiston.

ing together in this kind of way," Palau said. "All of us at the Luis Palau Association are so grateful to have been invited to come alongside the people and churches in Hermiston to commit to sharing the good news and bringing hope to many."

In addition, multiple outreach events, strategically designed to share the love of Jesus with key groups of people in the community, will be held for business and civic leaders, women, youth, prisoners, and more. Details about those activities are available on the event website.

For more information, including how to get involved or provide support, visit www.cityfest.org. For questions, email info@ cityfest.org or call Corp at 541-720-3859.

#### **BRIEFS**

#### Rogers Toyota revs up with Show & Shine

There's still time to get your car in tip-top shape for the second annual Show & Shine car show at Rogers Toyota of Hermiston.

The event is Friday, Aug. 20, from 4-8 p.m. at the Hermiston dealership, 80364 N. Highway 395. Free registration begins at noon.

In addition to checking out all the shiny cars, the event features prize drawings and live music by the Brass Fire Band. Also, donations will be accepted for Sweet Potato's Closet.

For more information, visitwww.toyotaofhermiston. com or call 541-567-6461.

#### Children's museum celebrates with block party

The Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon is cel-25-year

anniversary.

The museum, which reopened June 1 after a 444day closure because of the global pandemic, is ready to celebrate. A block party is planned Friday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at 400 S. Main St., Pendleton.

The Children's Museum of Eastern Oregon began in 1996 with a goal of providing kids of all ages with opportunities for educational exploration and development through interactive exhibits and play. The nonprofit organization also has a museum store featuring fun and engaging items.

For more information, visit www.cmeo.org, Facebook or Instagram. For questions, call 541-276-1066.

#### **STEAM Academy visits Umatilla Saturday** Market

Umatilla's Saturday Market continues through Sept. 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Victory Square Park, located next to Umatilla City Hall on Sixth Street.

It features craft and artisan booths, food and other vendors, offering a little something for everyone. In addition, each week there are free giveaways and special activities. The upcoming markets feature:

• Aug. 21: The Umatilla STEAM Academy is featured from 9 a.m. to noon. Kids are encouraged to come out and see what it's all about.

• Aug. 28: Enjoy free drop-in bingo games from 10 a.m. to noon. Prizes include gift cards to local businesses, kids' toys, cooking items and deep clean

vacuums. For more information or to inquire about vendor space, contact hannah@umatilla-city.org, 541-922-3226 or visit www.umatilla-city.org/ parksrec.

#### Free class features balloon animals

A free class on how to twist and make balloon animals is being offered in Hermiston.

The session is Tuesday, Aug. 24, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Hermiston Community Center, 415 S. Highway 395. All ages are welcome.

Join Jim and Tanner as they teach you a fun new skill that will make you a hit at parties. In addition, participants will have a chance to win a free beginner's kit. Those who become proficient are invited to join the CityFest crew to make balloons on Saturday, Aug. 28, during the Greater Hermiston CityFest with Andrew Palau.

Although the class is free, those planning to attend need to register in advance. A link to register is available via www. hermiston.or.us/parksrec or www.facebook.com/hermistonrec. For questions, call 541-667-5018.

#### Farm Bureau seeks photos for calendar

The Oregon Farm Bureau is seeking photographs featuring all aspects of Oregon agriculture for possible inclusion in its 2022 Oregon's Bounty Calendar.

Photos can show the products, people, production and landscape — anything that depicts the beauty, technology, culture or tradition of family farming and ranching in Oregon. Everything from farmers markets and fields in bloom to ranch scenes, farmers preparing for harvest and more are appropriate. Horizontal, high-resolution images both close-ups and panoramic views — are sought of all types of agriculture in all seasons.

sions is Wednesday, Sept. 15. Photographers do not have to be members of the Farm Bureau to send an image.

Everyone who submits credit in the publication.

The award-winning calendar is mailed to more than 64,000 farm bureau members across the state and thousands more are distributed throughout the

oregonfb.org.

#### **Local students** graduate from EOU

Eastern Oregon University recently announced local graduates from spring 2021 commencement exercises. They are among 389 degrees awarded during the 2020-2021 academic year, including:

gado, BS, psychology. Echo: Elizabeth Cox,

BS, elementary education. **Hermiston:** 

Monica Aguilar, BS, elementary education; Rileigh Andreason, BS, biology; Megan MAT, Bunn, elementary education; Stephanie Duquette, MAT, secondary education; Melissa Foster, MAT, elementary education; Kody Moss, MBA, business; Edgar Navarrete Ruiz, BA, history; Cecia Palacios, BS, early child-

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an picture and provides their mailing address will receive a complimentary copy of the calendar, which is valued at \$20. Those whose photographs are selected will receive photo

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Boardman: Rosa Del-

hood education; Tori Scott, MAT, secondary education; Daisy Victorio, MAT, elementary education; Luke Walchli, BS, history.

Irrigon: Justin Lay, BS, psychology; Tiffany Locey, MAT, secondary education.

Stanfield: Coria, BS, physical activity health; Scott Goff, BS, fire services administration; Jade Martinez, BS, business administration; Tyler Watson, MAT, secondary education.

Umatilla: Yoshira Escamilla Barajas, BS, elementary education; Aleiandra Garcia Coria, MAT, secondary education; Rachelle Nycz, BS, English/writing and theatre arts.

As Oregon's Rural University, EOU serves students at its main campus in La Grande, as well as online and at 11 regional centers across the state. EOU is committed to providing a personal, student-centered experience that drives economic and cultural growth in our region and throughout the world. Visit eou.edu for more information.

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The Hansell brothers harvest wheat at their operation in Athena. The Oregon Farm Bureau is seeking photographs depicting all aspects of Oregon agriculture for its 2022 Oregon's **Bounty Calendar.** 

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www.hermistonlmbc.com

#### Hermiston Christian Center & School Sunday Gathering: 10:00 AM

This gathering is also livestreamed on our Facebook page.

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