

Downtown District rolls out art event

Event will also include live entertainment, painting class

By TAMMY MALGESINI
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People are encouraged to mark their calendars for the 2022 Art Festival.

Presented by the Hermiston Downtown District, the event is Saturday, May 14, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. In addition to booths on Festival Street, artists will be set up in a number of Main Street businesses. People are invited to take a stroll along the Art Walk to view and shop for a variety of artwork.

As space is available, professional artists can still register to show and sell their

work. All media, two or three dimensional is eligible, including paintings, sculpture, jewelry, woodcarving, airbrush, mixed media, drawings, photography, printmaking, metal sculpture and ceramics. Also, special space is reserved for student art.

There is a \$25 registration fee for artists. Forms may be delivered or mailed to Lucky Endz Gifts, 239 E. Main St., Hermiston.

Professional artists will be judged based on their body of work presented during the Art Festival. Cash prizes will be awarded, including a Gold Award (\$250), Silver Award (\$100) and Bronze Award (\$50). A People's Choice Award of \$50 also will be presented. Student art

(kindergarten through 12th grade) will be judged separately and five awards of \$20 each, along with other prizes, will be awarded.

The event also features live entertainment on Festival Street, a storytime presented by The Next Chapter Bookstore, balloon art and a gift basket drawing. Also, adults and kids inspired by the event can participate in a painting class offered by Michelle Walchli — registration and payment is available onsite.

For more information, including a link to the artist registration form, search www.hermistonchamber.com/hermiston-live. For questions, email Mary Corp at mary.corp@oregonstate.edu.



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Artwork filled downtown businesses during a past art festival in Hermiston. The Hermiston Downtown District is hosting the 2022 Art Festival from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on May 14, 2022, on Festival Street and Main Street businesses.

'Aggressive play' causes damage to equipment at Funland Playground



Hermiston Parks and Recreation/Contributed Photo

A picture from Hermiston Parks and Recreation on April 27, shows damage done to Funland Playground.

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The Orbit Spinner at Funland Playground is broken.

Hermiston Parks and Recreation blamed "aggressive usage by a few teenagers" for the damage.

It was detached from its base and was removed from the playground.

"We are in contact with the manufacturer to work on a repair," the department stated in a Tuesday, April 26, Facebook post. It

also asked the public not to play on the base, "as it is a hazard."

In addition, Parks and Rec asks people to use playground equipment for what it is intended for. Visitors are asked to keep food and drinks outside the play area, keep animals off the play surface and report anything out of the ordinary.

The playground is open dawn to dusk, according to the post, and it is not safe for nighttime use.

IN BRIEF

Faith community hosts prayer event

An ecumenical effort to pray for local, state and national leaders as well as school board members, chamber of commerce board members and to lift up the many concerns facing our nation is planned in Hermiston.

Held in conjunction with the National Day of Prayer, people of all faiths are invited to join together for the event. The all-day gathering is Thursday, May 5, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Living Faith Church, 1611 Diagonal Blvd., Hermiston. Everyone is welcome to drop in at any time and join the prayer.

For more information, including the schedule, visit bit.ly/3vD2xq2. For questions, contact Amy Palmer, event coordinator, at amy.palmer500@gmail.com or 509-201-2481.

Irrigon chamber hosts community yard sale

For an opportunity to find some treasures, be sure to attend the Community Wide Yard Sale in Irrigon.

In addition, vendors will be set up at the Irrigon Pavilion, Northeast Main Avenue. A map of area yard sales is available at the pavilion.

The event is Saturday, May 7, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. To reserve vendor space (\$15), contact the Irrigon Chamber

of Commerce at 541-626-2045, irrigonchamberofcommerce@outlook.com or stop by the chamber office Tuesday through Thursday, 1-3 p.m. at 420 N.E. Main Ave.

Dallin Puzey to perform at The Bridge

The Bridge Bistro & Brews welcomes Dallin Puzey back to the stage.

The local musician will perform Saturday, May 7, 7-10 p.m. in The Bridge's dining room, 1501 Sixth St., Umatilla. There is no cover charge.

A mostly self-taught musician, Puzey plays guitar, piano and harmonica. In addition to his original tunes, he plays familiar hits of Johnny Cash, Tom Petty, Creedence Clearwater Revival, Marty Robbins and more.

For more information about the event, call 541-922-4112.

Time to tune up for Sing United

The United Way of the Blue Mountains is excited to announce the return of its virtual singing competition. Sing United: Clash of the Blue Mountain Beats will celebrate and recognize great musical talent in area counties while helping the community grow stronger through the

efforts of United Way.

The virtual singing competition and fundraiser is for local bands and musicians. The grand prize winner will receive \$2,500 and an opportunity for live headline performances. Additional prizes will be announced. Money raised during tournament voting will support United Way in the fight for the health, education and financial stability of community members throughout the region.

Sing United is a single-elimination bracket tournament organized by a selection committee. Musicians/bands must submit registration no later than May 16, 8 a.m.

The competition bracket and first round match-up dates will be announced soon after. The winner of each match-up is based on the number of votes in the United Way Sing United fundraiser. Each \$1 contributed counts as one vote.

To enter the tournament and further details, visit www.uwbluemt.org/sing. For questions, contact Monica Boyle, director of development, at 509-529-1183 or monica@uwbluemt.org.

Chocolate Derby rides into region

Don your best Kentucky Derby attire and get ready to indulge in chocolate.

Dream Catcher Therapeutic Riding Center is hosting its Chocolate Derby benefit event.

In its fourth year, the fundraiser is Saturday, May 14, 7 p.m. at the Pendleton Convention Center 1601 Westgate. Tickets are \$30 each or \$180 for a table.

In addition to tasting a variety of delectable chocolate, the event features a horse racing game and silent and live auctions.

A nonprofit organization, Dream Catcher provides people with physical, emotional and developmental challenges an opportunity to discover their abilities and stir up hope through equine activities. Participants engage in riding, grooming and bonding with horses.

For more information, contact Morgan Matteson at 541-377-1479, morgan@dreamcatchertc.org or search www.facebook.com/DCTpendleton.

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Regency Hermiston/Contributed Photo

Helen Gannon celebrates her 100th birthday at Regency Hermiston on April 26, 2022.

Happy birthday, Helen!

By ALLISON LINDLEY
& REGENCY STAFF

Special to the Hermiston Herald

Hermiston resident Helen Gannon recently shared insights from her long life.

She said a person should "work hard and laugh as often as you can."

She celebrated her 100th birthday with a party at Regency Hermiston on April 26.

The centenarian was born April 26, 1922, in Rock Island, Illinois. She has two children, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. A Hermiston resident since 2016, she moved to town to live with her daughter.

Her achievements include working for a telephone company for 39 years and being the

first woman in Oregon to sell yellow page advertising. She worked real estate for 22 years and retired at 86.

Helen came to Regency for short term recovery and left Regency the day of her birthday after completing therapy.

One of her fondest childhood memories was when she was 16 years old and was able to drive her grandfather's Model A.

When asked what's your plan when you return home, she responded "I am going to enjoy a cup of coffee with cream and relax."

Also, she shared a couple of things for which she was appreciative.

"I am grateful for my family and that I still have all my marbles after 100 years," she said.

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