

Columbia Chorale will present season's finale

The Columbia Chorale of Oregon (CCO) will present its final performances of the 2002-2003 season, June 7-8. The program, entitled "Cathedral Classics, is a collection of great sacred choral music composed from the 1500s through contemporary times and featuring works by Palestrina, Mendelssohn, Brahms, John Rutter, Randall Thompson and more. The Chorale will perform pieces in several languages, including Russian, German, Latin and English. The program truly has something for everyone.

The Columbia Chorale of Oregon is also pleased to be collaborating with the Portland State University Madrigal Choir (a choir also under the direction of CCO's Ryan Heller) on this program. Both choirs will perform several pieces separately and will combine on some selections. The Columbia Chorale of Oregon's Chamber Choir, a smaller ensemble composed of CCO members, will perform independently as well.

The performance on Saturday, June 7, will be at 7:30 p.m.

Senior spelling bee on Saturday

The Third Annual Spelling Bee for Seniors is coming up this Saturday, June 7, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. at the Senior Center in Vernonia.

There is only one requirement to enter the contest: You must be at least 50 years of age. You can sign up at the Senior Center but pre-registration is not necessary. You can register at any time before the event, which is free of charge.

As before, the format will be a written test of 100 words. After each 25 words, there will be a short break for refreshments. We can't promise an exciting tie-breaker round, as in last year's Bee, but it should be en-

tertaining. Spectators are also welcome!

So, all you 50-and-over citizens, it's time to brush up on your spelling and come to the Senior Center on Saturday afternoon for the annual Spelling Bee. It always promises to be a fun time for all.

The Columbia Chorale of Oregon is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, based in St. Helens, Oregon. Its mission is to promote Fine Arts performance, preservation and education. CCO has recently been honored with numerous invitations to tour nationally and internationally, including locations such as New York City, Mexico, Australia and Italy.

For more information about upcoming performances or the Chorale, see the CCO website <www.columbiachorale.org>

The Gallery, located at the intersection of Highway 30 and Columbia Boulevard (2194 Columbia Boulevard) in St. Helens, is currently featuring an exhibit entitled "Down by the Water", which includes paintings by Alan Coppock, Nancy Van Blaricom and Judy Williams; photography, cards and lamps by Jamie Gatlin; turned wood bowls by Jim Paulson; cards and paper crafts by Johneta Johnson, gourmet foods by Oregon Hill

Down by the Water at The Gallery

Farms; woodwork and pottery by Sheri Hope-Decker; watercolors, cards and magnets by Lee Pierce; and embroidered souvenir clothing by The Embroidery Hutch and NW Apparel.

The show will be on display until the end of July. Enjoy the talent of local artists. The Gallery is now open Saturdays, 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

For more information, call the St. Helens-Scappoose Chamber of Commerce at 503-397-0685.

Art with Pacific Northwest theme featured at Columbia Center

Art with a Pacific Northwest theme will be featured in the June show at The Gallery at Columbia Center. As one of the first events to celebrate the Lewis and Clark bicentennial, art of Oregon and Washington, the Columbia River and Columbia River Gorge, the Oregon Coast, Native American themes, and natural history is welcome.

Plants, animals, landscapes, rain, adventure, Native American culture, exploration, history, discovery; the list of subject matter for this show is endless. Displays from Master Gardeners, native plant organizations, school groups, and historical societies are also invited. The art will remain on display from June 3 through June 27.

Black Tie and Blue Jeans readied

The Columbia Foundation and Technology Center has announced that the organization's signature event "Black Tie and Blue Jeans" dinner, auction and summer social will be happening again this year. Friends of the Foundation and users of the Columbia Center are currently invited to donate auction items for the event. All donations must be made and delivered by July 10, 2003.

To donate auction items, re-

serve tables and tickets, or for information call (503) 397-1139 to contact Jill Hummer, ext. 212 jill@colcenter.org <mailto:jill@colcenter.org> or Anita Keltz, ext. 200 akeltz@colcenter.org <mailto:akeltz@colcenter.org>.

4-H members will hold car wash

4-H Members throughout Columbia County will hold a Car Wash on Saturday, June 7, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., as a fundraiser for Friends of the Columbia County Fair. All proceeds will be used for premiums at the fair.

Car Washes will be located at Larry's 76 gas station in Scappoose, McDonald's in St. Helens, Fiscus/Wilson Dental Clinic in Rainier, NAPA Auto Parts in Clatskanie and Bridge Street Mini Mart in Vernonia.

4-H members are selling advance tickets for \$4.00. No buses or RVs, please.

For more information, call Steven Gibson at 503-728-4675.

Swim Lessons at Cedar Ridge



Sessions start Monday, July 14.

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