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Annual Backus festival set for Nov. 30

JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Borderland shoppers can check everyone off their holiday gift list Nov. 30 at the 10th annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Festival at the Backus Community Center.

The event, which falls on Small Business Saturday, is set to begin at 10 a.m. and run until 3 p.m. Crafters, artisans and vendors from the area and around the state will offer crafts, arts, edibles and collectibles for sale. The list includes handmade crafts, jewelry, holiday decor, essential oils, wreaths, snowman posts, birdhouses, assorted wood crafts, rice bags, quilted wall hangings, mittens made from recycled sweaters, baked goods and more. Visit the Backus website — www.backusab.org — for a complete listing of vendors and items.

In addition to the shopping festivities, a soup and sandwich luncheon will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Backus. Cost for the lunch is $8. The local group, Servants of Shelter, is hosting the lunch in recognition of homelessness awareness month. Lunch proceeds will benefit the Servants of Shelter.

Tickets available for PolkaPalooza

Festival is set to return Dec. 8

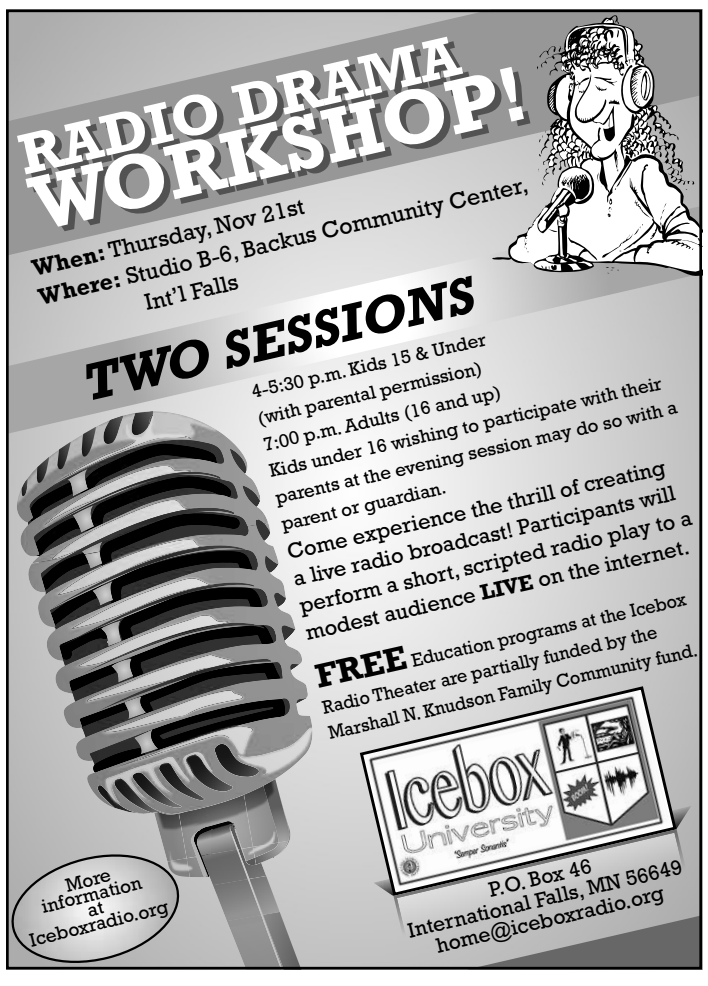
JOURNAL STAFF REPORT

Once again Polka enthusiasts will enjoy the sounds of the Singing Slovenes and The Chmielewski Funtime Band when PolkaPalooza returns to the Twin Ports Dec. 8. at the AAD Shrine building in Hermantown. This annual favorite features a cash bar, light snacks and desert, while supply lasts. The doors open at 12:30 p.m. and the music runs from 1-5 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased in advance for $8 at the 610 KDAL studios, which is located in the Tech Village in downtown Duluth. They will also be available at the door for $10. Proceeds from tickets will go to the A-L-S Association.

KDAL's Pat Cadigan, who hosts Saturday morning's The Midwest Polka Party, encourages Polka fans to take advantage of this opportunity to see both the Singing Slovenes and Chmielewskis perform on stage at the same venue. Cadigan says the AAD Shrine Building, "Is a great stage and we've always had a blast. It's the perfect way to escape a cold, winter's day. We'll see you out there."

610 KDAL is a Midwest communications radio station and has been on the air in the Twin Ports for more than 75 years. 610 KDAL features veteran broadcasters and trusted voices Pat Kelly, Cadigan, Ken Buehler, Mark Fleischer, Dave Strandberg, Mark Evans, David Kuharski and John Gilbert, who daily provide listeners with the latest news and information, entertaining talk and Northland sports. 610 KDAL's sister stations include 710 WDSM, Your Country 98.9 KTCO, 102.5 KDWZ, Rock 96 and AM 970 WGEE.



BSU music scholarship auditions set for March 1

BSU STAFF REPORT

The Bemidji State University Department of Music will conduct auditions for entrance into the program and for scholarships March 1, 2014, in the Thompson Recital Hall of the university's Bangsberg Fine Arts Complex.

Auditions are open to instrumentalists and vocalists who are interested in either entering or transfering to Bemidji State in the fall of 2014. Auditions are also open to those who wish to participate in music activities, but who are not pursuing a music degree.

Music scholarships available at Bemidji State include full-tuition scholarships for Minnesota residents, housing scholarships, a number of endowed scholarships and numerous cash awards. Students unable to be present at the auditions in March may schedule an audition at another time. Students interested in full- or partial-tuition scholarships must audition in person, but recorded auditions are accepted for all other scholarships and awards.

Scholarship recipients perform at a special concert on campus each fall. This year, more than 45 students participated in the scholarship recognition performance Sept. 19.

Bemidji State's Department of Music has a long and distinguished reputation for musical performance and academic training.

Students who would like to schedule an audition or apply for a scholarship should contact Susan Nelson at snelson@bemidjistate.edu, or 218-755-3364.

More information about Bemidji State's music department and scholarship application forms are available at the department's website.

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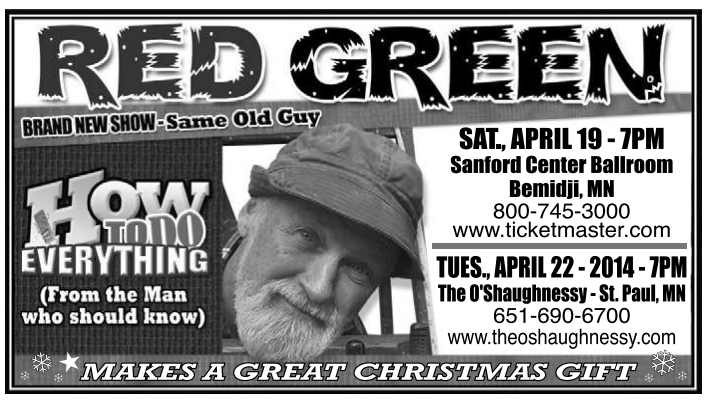

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Advanced Minnesota and Rainy River Community College Welding Course Schedule

Introduction to SMAW Welding (Stick Welding) (80-hours)
This course is to introduce the student to the fundamentals of welding, which will focus on various types of welding processes, welding machines, metallurgy and electrode selection. Students have the opportunity to develop their individual welding technique in the lab.
Day: Wednesday and Thursday (December) Wednesday (January-March)
Dates: 12/4, 12/5, 12/11, 12/12, 12/18, 12/19, 1/15/14, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26
Time: 4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
Location: RRCC, Industrial Technology Classroom and Lab
Instructor: Tom Glomske
Total: $1390.97

Blueprint Reading and Sketching (32-hours)
This course provides the foundations of blueprint reading and the importance in industry, as well as how to communicate ideas through the use of sketching.
Day: Thursday
Dates: 1/16/14, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, 2/27
Time: 4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Location: RRCC, Industrial Technology Classroom
Instructor: Tom Glomske
Total: $436.25

Advanced Welding (80-hours)
This course applies advance skill development of all aspects of welding including pressure vessel and branch and header welds. This course is based on training for entry level welder.
Days: Wednesday and Thursday
Dates: 3/12/14, 3/13, 3/19, 3/20, 3/26, 3/27, 4/2, 4/3, 4/9, 4/10, 4/16, 4/17, 4/23, 4/24
Time: 4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.
Location: RRCC, Industrial Technology Classroom and Lab
Instructor: Tom Glomske
Total: $1390.90

Welding Unlimited Bridge/Bend Test
A weld is completed on 1" thickness mild steel in the required position/s. (Normally, a vertical position and an overhead position) Bend coupons are extracted from the weld test and a side bend is applied to determine the soundness of the weld. If the weld test applicant is successful, they become qualified to weld mild steel from 1/8" thickness (minimum) up to an unlimited thickness.
Day: Friday
Date: 4/25/14
Time: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Location: RRCC, Industrial Technology Lab
Instructor: Mike O'Donnell
Total: $865.97

Low Pressure Boiler (8-hours)
2014 is specifically designed for maintenance personnel in plants, facilities, and commercial buildings. The course will cover topics such as: safe operation and maintenance of low pressure boilers, Minnesota Boiler Licensure requirements, how to troubleshoot basic boiler problems before they become boiler failures.

A Low Pressure Boiler informational meeting is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Wednesday, December 11, 2013 at RRCC.

Friday, February 7, 2014 (4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.)
Saturday, February 8, 2014 (8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)
Test: TBA
Location: RRCC, Industrial Technology Classroom
Instructor: William Parker
Tuition: $195.00
State Examination Fee: $50.00 (Candidates will complete an Individual Engineer License to reserve a seat for the exam.)

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