

Free Concerts Coming to Centralia

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Two free concerts will be held in Centralia at the beginning of December.

The first concert, the Lewis County Community band, will feature instrumental music at Corbet Theatre on Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. The band is an ensemble of brass, woodwinds and percussion instruments and is co-directed by Louie Blaser and Karl Scarborough.

Those who love classical, soundtrack or marching band music will enjoy hearing the Lewis County Community Band.

The program will include: Leonard Bernstein's "Slavia!," William Walton's "Crown Imperial," Gary Fagan's "Algorithms" and Christmas music by Gustav Holst including "A Holst Christmas: In the Bleak Midwinter," "Lullay My Liking" and excerpts from "Christmas Day."

Anyone who plays brass, woodwind or percussion instruments and is interested in joining the band should contact Louie Blaser at lewiscountycommunityband@yahoo.com or at (360) 330-7605. Ext. 6102.

The second free concert will be held on Dec. 3 as the Centralia College Choir will celebrate the season and the end of the first quarter. The concert will be at the Harrison Square Presbyterian Church, located at 1227 Harrison Ave., Centralia at 7 p.m. Although admission is free, a free will offering will be collected for the Lewis County Food Bank Coalition.

The choir, accompanied by Caroline Auvil on the piano and Laura Fairbanks on the flute, will perform newly published music as well as some well known tunes.

The Westminster Bells will provide additional accompaniment and music.

Songs include new music by Mark Hayes and Pamela Stewart, "Is There Room in Your Heart for a King" and a melody by Craig Courtney, "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night." Other songs include "What Child is This," "Good King Wenceslas," "Sussex Carol," "Masters in the Hall," "Hark! The Herald angels Sing," "The Twelve Days of Christmas," "Silent Night," "Angels We Have Heard on High," "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming," "Here We Come A-Wassailing," "The First Noel" and "O Holy Night" with "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring."