



# OYSTER RIDGE OUTLOOK



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### How to Register

Come in and fill out a registration form or go online to [www.westernwyoming.edu](http://www.westernwyoming.edu) or call the outreach office at 877-6958 Monday - Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

The Computer Lab at the BOCES is available for WWCC Students and is open from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.

### HiSET/ABE/ELA

Will start September 5, 2017.



Join us for the twenty-third Oyster Ridge Music Festival at Triangle Park, July 28, 29, & 30.

Watch for July's ORO to read the rest of the band biographies.



### Bearheart



College was the formative time for Bearheart. It's been many years since then, but co-founders Matthew Leonhardt and Chris Barrett have taken the years since to continue crafting this vivacious band. Blending folk instrumentation with alt-country and indie rock forms, Leonhardt's voice brings genuine emotion and feeling to each song, backed by powerful percussion from Barrett.

With years of writing and shows under their belts, Bearheart brings maturity and perspective beyond their years. Various members have helped cultivate the sound of Bearheart over the years, contributing banjo, fiddle, and mandolin, among others, with Barrett and Leonhardt maintaining the core of Bearheart, pushing their sights higher every year.

Since releasing their debut self-titled EP in September 2013, they have been featured on Brite Revolution's weekly sampler, featured on American Songwriter's Daily Discovery page, and were selected as one of Nashville's top 32 bands to participate in Lightning 100's Music City Mayhem 2014. Following the band's second release, Glass Half Full, Bearheart received a feature on Nashville's Lightning 100 Artist of the Week, and made their way once again into the Music City Mayhem in 2015.

Through interchanges of both musicians and instruments, Bearheart returns in 2017 to continue their writing and performance in shows and music festivals, with a fresh outlook on their sound.

### J Shogren Shanghai'd

J Shogren Shanghai'd from Centennial, Wyoming (population 100, 4 bars) have a singular vision of what they are doing musically-Roots and folk music filtered through a contemporary dissonant transmitter.

Shogren's backstory is kinda wild...musician trapper economist who worked for the King of Sweden and President Clinton, was a party to the Nobel Peace prize with VP Al Gore....and writes songs about Salvation and Lutefisk...wild.



They call their music "catawampus American music". Shogren shows up with a lived-in rasp of voice, acoustic guitars, a mandolin and a batch of his own songs and some well-traveled numbers by cohorts from another time. Shogren has released numerous albums over the last decade, played all over the Rocky Mtn region and Europe, and International Blue Challenge in Memphis.

Shogren was a finalist in the 2016 NewSong Music, held at the Lincoln Center in NYC in Dec 2016.

### Good Old War

Good Old War will release their fourth studio album and first on Nettwerk Records, *Broken Into Better Shape* on June 30. Produced by Jason Lehning (Mat Kearney, Dolly Parton), and featuring lead single "Tell Me What You Want From Me," it follows critically acclaimed *Come Back As Rain*, which debuted at #1 on Billboard's Heatseekers, and led to national TV performances on Jimmy Kimmel Live! and Conan. Good Old War has earned the loyalty of an ever-expanding fan base thanks to their captivating



live shows touring along side a diverse group of artists including Alison Krauss, Guster, Brandi Carlile and Dr. Dog. KeithGood win is a singer/songwriter/multi-instrumentalist who owns a cat named King and a dog named Jet. He's a middle child with two children of his own. Keith writes at least one idea for a song each day and is known for unique stage dancing.

Dan Schwartz is a music-obsessed Sagittarius with a bike riding habit the size of Philadelphia. He is also a coffee enthusiast and an avid reader who doesn't need a movie to be "good" to like it. He enjoys a game of dominos and a shot of whiskey with friends. Most of all, Dan is a guitar player, songwriter, and harmony singer.



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## The Way Down Wanderers

Equal parts fast-paced and soulful, 5-piece modern-folk Americana act, The Way Down Wanderers, draw listeners in with energy, originality and soulful generosity. Playing, performing and writing together for just 3 short years, the Wanderers have built an enthusiastic and fast-growing following. Youthful and professionally trained, these young men captivate audiences with soaring instrumentals, foot stomping sing-alongs and a lively stage show and have created a buzz for themselves with their unplugged, off-stage encores and propensity for performing self-titled, "restSTOMPS" - free acoustic sets at rest & truck stops along their tour routes. The band's debut, self-titled album, produced by Mike Marsh of the Avett Brothers and recorded at Sonic Ranch in El Paso, TX, is now available wherever music is sold. International Song Writing Competition finalist, "Dead Birds," is available on Spotify, iTunes and wherever digital music is sold. Front-men and founders, Austin and Collin, met in their hometown of Peoria, IL when they joined the same folk band and embarked on their first tour at the ages of 14 and 18 years old. The two became fast friends and soon began writing music together, ultimately forming The Way Down Wanderers when Collin was 16 and Austin, 20 years old.



**Kemmerer High School  
Graduation is June 3.  
Congratulation Seniors!!!**

## National Parks

We began making music in Provo, Utah in early 2013. In September of that year we released our first album, Young, and we saw more success than we could have expected for a debut launched with little-to-no idea of what it took to get our music out beyond our local scene.

Our experience playing in front of crowds factored into the development of our second album, Until I Live, in a very serious way. We released Until I Live in September 2015 and were once again blown away as the album climbed charts. We were thrilled to hear in April 2016 that "Monsters of the North," a lead single from Until I Live, was announced as a finalist in the International Songwriting Competition. We've now settled into a dynamic 5-piece group with Brady Parks, Sydney Macfarlane, John Hancock, Doug Patterson, and Megan Taylor each contributing in a variety of ways to make our live shows sound as full and complete as the recordings.



## The Libby Creek Original

The Libby Creek Original is a mainstay of the Wyoming music scene. Singer/songwriter Patrick Harrington and mandolinist Jackson Clarendon met in a basement in early 2012, and haven't quit singing together since. Early on they added Lucas Woodbury on bass, Ryan Bell on drums, and Collin Ingram on electric guitar. And with that they take their music to the picture-perfect Wyoming skies and landscapes they so often sing about. Taking their name from their backyard playground in the Snowy Range Mountains, the Libby Creek Original has a deep connection to the mountains and the rivers that flow from their peaks. Their time in the woods become introspective songs about rivers, mountains, and high country plains that tell the story of wild Wyoming living, while energetic arrangements propel dancers to their feet.



## WWCC:

To apply to Western Wyoming Community College just log on to [www.westernwyoming.edu](http://www.westernwyoming.edu) Then click on apply now, it just takes a few minutes to apply. It's not too late to register for Summer 2017 classes. Come in and visit with our advisor Jennifer, to discuss your future educational goals. To ensure class availability come in now. Please make an appointment ahead of time to discuss and register for your classes. It is never too late to get started on a new career or just take a few classes for fun.

## **JUST A REMINDER...**

- \* **Summer 2017 Classes start June 5!**
- \* **We have Fall 2017 class schedules, come pick up yours today!**
- \* **Registration is currently underway for the Summer 2017 and Fall 2017 semesters.**
- \* **Do you want to earn your high school equivalency (HiSET/ ABE)? Please give us a call.**

*\* We are happy to help you. Please call 877-6958.*

**The Oyster Ridge Music Festival  
will be July 28, 29 and 30th.**

