

Cowboy group to perform in Oakley

Riders in the Sky will present its holiday show, "Christmas, the Cowboy Way," at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Oakley High School Auditorium.

For 32 years, Riders in the Sky have been keepers of the flame passed on by the Sons of the Pioneers, Gene Autry and Roy Rogers, reviving and revitalizing the cowboy music genre.

While remaining true to the integrity of Western music, they have their own wacky humor and way-out Western wit, and encouraging buckaroos and buckettes to live life "The Cowboy Way."

Riders in the Sky are exceptional not just in the sense that their music is so good — they are the only Western artists to have won a Grammy, and the Riders have won two — but by the fact that their accomplishments are an exception to the rule as well.

As a cowboy quartet, Riders have chalked up over 5,400 concert appearances in all 50 states and 10 countries, appearing everywhere from the Nashville National Guard Armory to Carnegie Hall, and from county fairs to the Hollywood Bowl. They landed their own weekly show on TNN, as well as a Saturday morning series on CBS.

But the animated character that history will most certainly link to Riders In The Sky is the lovable



Riders in the Sky have performed for 32 years around the world.

cowboy Woody, as Riders performed "Woody's Round Up" in "Toy Story 2," with the album of the same name garnering the group their first Grammy Award in 2001 for "Best Musical Album for Children." Two years later, Riders roped their second Grammy in the same category, for "Monsters Inc. — Scream Factory Favorites," the companion CD to Pixar's award-winning movie.

The holiday show in Oakley is sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association. Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association season ticket or at the door, \$20 for adults, and \$10 for students.

Special news affects plans

Aries (March 21 – April 20)
Your situation looks good. Some actions have to be postponed due to news of special interest. Employees gain seniors' favor. You need to sign paperwork. These in love need to care for their health.

Taurus (April 21 – May 21)
You can't afford to take finances lightly, so spend prudently. You see positive changes at work. Take friends into your confidence in making decisions. It is time you took care of your family.

Gemini (May 22 – June 21)
Concentrate on professional growth. Avoid hasty decisions. Introspection is key. If you want change, redecorate your home to give it new life. Start working towards a goal. Maintain good relations with family.

Cancer (June 22 – July 22)
Celebrate success, but avoid overdoing it. Things at work get stressful, so don't lose your cool. Be practical. Singles are likely to meet that someone special. You maintain a sound financial position.

Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22)
Your perseverance will be rewarded. Change in perspective benefits projects. Pay extra attention to your demeanor. Appreciate your situation and enjoy others' support. Take finances seriously.

Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)
You are full of enthusiasm. You are more financially stable than expected, with an approach to responsibilities that impresses seniors. Avoid quarreling with colleagues, but rely on them. Focus and work hard to achieve goals.

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• Weekly Horoscope



Libra (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)
Move forward with strategic planning. Persevere, your situation is bound to change. Problems are dealt with easily. Things happen fast this week. Get friends and family together.

Scorpio (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)
Share ideas for success with others. Inspire colleagues to work hard. Don't avoid approaching superiors with problems. Be concerned about others for success in your ventures.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)
Those with specialized skills reap financial benefits. Though you have concerns about money, finances are good. Indulge yourself a bit as a reward for hard work. Relationships or finances grow.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)
Your life is set for a positive change — a good time for new ventures, special tasks and acting on ideas. At work you are appreciated. You are in a romantic mood. Be sociable and bring new friends and contacts into your life. Abandon past ties causing unforeseen disruptions.

Aquarius (Jan. 21 – Feb. 19)
Pay attention to your career rather than other things. Aim for promotion. Your company or boss is considering a boost in your income.

Pisces (Feb. 20 – March 20)
Chances of travel are very high, especially for business. You might meet someone helpful to career growth. If you speculate, you will make money. Your domestic atmosphere is peaceful.

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