

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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JANUARY

Saturday, January 25
FAMILY MOVIE: YouthThink free family movie at Columbia Cinema, 10 a.m., doors open 9:15 a.m. Doors close at 10:10 a.m., or earlier if the maximum of 400 people has already arrived. YouthThink volunteers will be collecting free-will donations for the local food bank and Back Pack program.

COSPLAY: Cosplay Club meets 3 to 5 p.m. at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library, 722 Court St., The Dalles.

Tuesday, January 28
FARM SERVICE: Wasco and Sherman County Farm Service Agency will host an informational meeting for the current CRP and ARCPLC programs 10 a.m. Jan. 28 at the Sherman County Fairgrounds pavilion, 66147 Lone Rock Rd. in Moro.

COFFEE CONNECTIONS: Coffee Connections, 7 to 8:30 a.m. at Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 1001 W. 6th St., The Dalles.

YARN SPIRATION: Finish up those half-finished projects in your closet. Free, noon to 2 p.m. at the Salvation Army Fellowship Hall, 623 E. Third St., The Dalles.

Wednesday, January 29
TEEN PLAY: Teen open console play, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at The

Dalles-Wasco County Public Library, 722 Court St., The Dalles.

Thursday, January 30
FARM SERVICE: Wasco and Sherman County Farm Service Agency offices will host an informational meetings for the current CRP and ARCPLC programs 10 a.m. at We 3 Coffee & Deli, 576 NE 5th St. in Dufur.

DIVERSITY TRAINING: Diversity training 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Hampton Inn and Suites in Hood River. RSVP to maryellen@hoodriver.org maximum 20 people. Free for members, \$75 non members.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS: Government affairs 7 to 8 a.m. at The Barbecue, 1013 W. 6th St., The Dalles. Open to the public.

TEEN JEWELRY: Teen mini book jewelry, 3:30 to 5 p.m. at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library, 722 Court St., The Dalles. You can leave it as a tiny book or make them into jewelry pieces.

RECYCLED ARTS: Adult recycled arts with Marwan Hahlé, 6 to 8 p.m. at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library, 722 Court St., The Dalles.

Friday, January 31
PRE-SCHOOL YOGA: Preschool Yoga, 10 a.m. at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library, 722 Court St., The Dalles.

TEEN PINATA: Teen Piñata craft, 3 to 5 p.m. at The Dalles-Wasco County Public Library, 722 Court St., The Dalles. Join us for a group project and come back on Valentine's Day to bust it open.



This bird by Natalia Salazar is one of the many artworks that will make up the elementary art show at The Dalles Art Center. The exhibit, which features the work of elementary school in the Gorge, is scheduled to run through Feb. 8. A closing celebration is planned at the center 3 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8.

Mark B. Gibson photo

NEWS IN BRIEF

E. Scenic Drive closure planned

Beginning 7 a.m. Monday, Jan. 27, E. Scenic Drive will be closed for for approximately 14 days as Crestline Construction begins work on the E. Scenic Drive Stabilization, Phase 2 Project for the City of The Dalles.

Work will take place on E. Scenic Drive approximately 300 feet east of Jefferson Street, between E. 16th Street and Jefferson Street. Work days will be Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., but the road will remain closed for the duration of the project.

This section of the road will be closed to all motorists for approximately 14 days, with local access only provided to residents.

Detour routes to get to Columbia Gorge Community College and Sorosis Park will be marked from Dry Hollow Road to 19th Street and then on 18th Street to Jefferson Street. This project is scheduled to end approximately Feb. 12. Motorists are encouraged to be alert to the traffic control signs and drive with caution for the safety of the utility workers, local residents, pedestrians and other motorists.

Walden applauds new waterway definition

Representative Greg Walden (R-Hood River) released a statement Jan. 23 applauding the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for providing a new definition of "Waters of the United States" (WOTUS).

Since the Obama Administration's 2015 WOTUS ruling, Walden said he has heard concerns from rural Oregonians that the rule was burdensome and would harm their work. The Obama-era ruling significantly expanded the EPA's jurisdiction over land use decisions. The previous WOTUS definition enabled the EPA to potentially regulate bodies of water like drain ditches on farmland, which resulted in farmers and ranchers facing uncertainty as to who might face litigation or onerous permit requirements.

"For years, farmers and ranchers across Oregon have expressed their concerns to me about the heavy-handed Obama-era definition of WOTUS," said Walden. "They stressed that their intermittent stream or irrigation ditch would be subject to the burden of overreaching federal regulation. The EPA's new definition of WOTUS will protect both our environment and our rural communities. Today's announcement is welcome news for rural Oregon. I applaud President Trump and his administration for listening to the concerns of America's farmers and ranchers and delivering on the promise to revise WOTUS."

Walden was one of the first critics of the 2015 Obama-era ruling and has since pressed Congress to revise it. When the Trump Administration first announced their decision to revise WOTUS, Walden shared his strong approval.

Gorge horse enthusiasts sought

The Hood River Saddle Club has extended an invitation to folks throughout the Gorge to join them on Tuesday, Feb. 4, and meet Dr. Kayla Shepherd, DVM, who will be the club's guest speaker.

At the Saddle Club meeting, Dr. Shepherd will present information on proper equine nutrition, which is the foundation for happy, healthy horses, enabling them to perform to the best of their ability. Attendees will gain a better understanding of the value and importance good nutrition, helping everyone make the best decisions about proper diet for their horses. HRSC is located at 4384 Belmont Drive (corner of Belmont and Country Club Road). The meeting will begin with a potluck at 6 p.m. Dr. Shepherd's presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m. and last approximately one hour. For more information, contact HRSC president Neal Thornton at 541-705-5580.

WSU conference brings women in ag together

On Saturday, Jan. 25, the 2020 Women in Agriculture Conference will offer women in Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, Alaska and Hawaii a unique opportunity to gather in three different locations for a one-day event featuring knowledgeable speakers, inspiring stories, networking with other producers and practical advice for learning new skills.

Locally, the conference will be held at Northwest Farm Credit - 3591 Klindt Dr. Suite 110, The Dalles, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Visit www.womeninag.wsu.edu for details about the conference and registration.

This year's event, "Healthy Farms," covers the topic of cultivating personal resiliency to handle all the "ups and downs" as a women farmer. It is no secret that things can be tough for farmers, with both problems that can be controlled and issues farmers try to control when they can't, according to WSU Douglas & Chelan County Extension Director and conference

Margaret Viebrock. The stress in farming has always existed, but the levels soar during times of high costs and low returns.

The interactive and engaging conference will motivate women in agriculture to develop a self-care plan and realize the connection between a healthy person and a healthy farm. The format of this conference "enables us to offer our headline speakers at all locations, while still tailoring the conference content for each region," Viebrock added.

"Last year, nearly 500 women attended," said Viebrock. "Many attendees reported it is the best conference for women producers because it presents practical information they can use right away."

The lineup for the day includes Brenda Mack, a third-generation farmer in Minnesota who is also a behavior and wellness professor with Bemidji State University, and Shauna Reitmeier, also a third-generation farmer, who specializes in behavioral

health with the Northwest Mental Health Center in Minnesota. Together they will help women farmers strengthen their personal health care to reduce the effects of stress, worry and exhaustion.

Sue Schneider, Colorado State University Extension, will teach women how to make mindful farming and personal decisions without reacting to negative thoughts, emotions and judgements.

Each location will have a local panel of women farmers who will explain how they have developed their own self-care plan to deal with day-to-day events and make mindful decisions that helped them be successful in farming.

Gabrielle McNally, who represents the Women for the Land: American Farmland Trust's Initiative, will explain the program, which engages women farmers on topics of conservation, farmland preservation and land access. A partnership with this Initiative can implement

peer-to-peer learning circles in local areas.

This conference is designed for women who are farming, as well as new and aspiring farmers. Supporting spouses, students, interns or people who own an agriculture-related business are also welcome.

The conference registration fee is \$35. The conference registration fee includes the workshop, light breakfast, lunch and conference materials.

Contact Margaret Viebrock, 509-745-8531 or viebrock@wsu.edu for more.

PRINTING Traditional, 3D printing continue

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structure of a part. Cooling channels, for example, can be incorporated into a part while maintaining its strength, a technique that makes the process valuable in the space industry. Printing a part can

also create a single piece that would have required several if made traditionally, which results in a stronger part. "Instead of multiple parts, a bike hub, for example, can be printed as one piece for greater strength," Mercado explained.

Mercado said the entire manufacturing process is a closed loop, and excess powder is collected and re-used or recycled. Air filtering is also in use.

"The technology, and what can be done with it, is wide open," Mercado said. Reusable rockets, gun components and other uses have grown. He said traditional metal working will continue into the future, however. "Traditional methods and 3D metal printing will continue together," he predicted.

The I3DMFG factory in The Dalles was established in the Port of The Dalles in 2014.

group fitness works

meet Erin

"I always feel like I get a better workout when I'm alongside friends who are working toward a similar goal."

— Erin Peters

IN BRIEF:
 FULL TIME 3RD GRADE TEACHER IN THE DALLES | OSU GRADUATE
 HOBBIES INCLUDE: HIKING | TRAVELING | BARRE





Erin started group fitness a couple years ago when she felt she could be more fit. She enjoyed Barre classes and when GAC did not offer an afternoon class, she decided to get certified to teach. Erin enjoys getting to know her class members and watching their progress. She encourages new people to not be afraid to be a beginner - people are surprised by how much they can do!



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