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## Creekside Chat

### Renovations, after school, OzCon topics at 1st talk

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What better spot to strike up a Creekside Chat than at creekside? Specifically Silver Creek Coffee House, where adjacent Silver Creek waters rustle through town and toward a contribution to the horizontal Willamette tributaries.

What better topics for the chat than the new bistro owner's renovation designs for the venerable venue, or Silverton's costumed Karyl Carlson recount-

ing her hand in bringing OzCon, a convention for fans of the books and films about "The Wizard of Oz," to Oregon for the first time?

Perhaps, a topic of passion for Sue Roessler, Judy Lowrey, Jennifer Côté and kid-among-grownups Josh Burgeson, who beamed in unison about their fledgling, yet burgeoning, After School Activities Program (ASAP) and the boon it brings to Silver Falls School District seventh and eighth graders.

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Left to right: Josh Burgeson, Jennifer Cote, Silverton Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Stacy Palmer and Sue Roessler stopped by Silver Creek Coffee House to talk about ASAP in the Silver Falls School District.

# TASTE OF GRAPES



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Views of the vineyard at King's Raven Winery in Oregon City provide a great getaway for a long weekend.

## 6 wineries for Memorial Day

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It's been quite a few years since I've visited the wineries that line the Cascade foothills east of Interstate 5, but recently, I toured all 15 wineries that make up the Cascade Foothills Winegrowers and was really amazed by the variety of great wines that they make as well as the atmosphere of the wineries that ranged from rustic and bucolic farmhouse settings to a manicured and meticulously landscaped gardenlike stone villa.

One of the cool things I discovered about these wineries collectively is that besides Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, they're also making some excellent wines that you don't see as much in the rest of the valley like Gruner Veltliner, Marechal Foch, Viognier, Leon Millot and Malbec.

So this year, instead of fighting with the hordes of wine lovers who will clog the country highways of the Willamette Valley's popular wineries, head off the beaten path to the charming wineries of the Cascade foothills.

Here are my picks for the top 6 to visit:

**6 Whiskey Hill Winery and Postlewait's Vineyards:** This Canby winery's tasting room may be rustic, but it makes up with a nice outdoor space, one of the most friendly winemakers I've run across (Chris Helbling) and delicious wines. Hits include the 2013 Whiskey Hill Pinot Gris, 2014 Postlewait's Wedding White (a semi-sweet blend of Riesling, Gewürztraminer and Muscat), 2012 Whiskey Hill Pinot Noir and 2012 Postlewait's Merlot. Open noon to 5 p.m. Friday-Monday, \$5 tasting fee waived with purchase, 29510 S Barlow Road, Canby, 503-899-2165, whiskeyhillwinery.com.

**5 Hanson Vineyards:** Take a drive out into the country and enjoy a beautiful vineyard and garden setting and the rustic feel of the tasting room. Hits include the 2014 Pinot Noir Blanc, 2014 Pi-

not Blanc and 2014 Cascadia Red Blend of Pinot Noir and Marechal Foch, with big aroma and flavors of plums and blackberry. Open noon to 5 p.m. Saturday-Monday, \$5 tasting fee waived with bottle purchase, and a special vertical tasting of library pinot noir for \$10, 34948 S Barlow Road, Woodburn, 971-338-9760, hanson-wine.com.

**4 Villa Catalana Cellars:** You'll feel like you just drove off the highway in Italy with this charming stone villa and tasting room set amidst ponds and meticulously landscaped gardens. The tasting room is set in the midst of plants in the covered villa courtyard, and you can enjoy tasting wine to the distant sound of water features in the garden. Make sure you try the 2014 Villa Catalana Pinot Gris, 2014 Pinot Noir and their blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah. Open 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday-Monday; \$10 tasting fee, \$5 refundable with purchase of wine, \$10 per plate for hors d'oeuvres, 11900 S Criteser Road, Oregon City, 503-780-6200, villacatalana.com

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## Hop farm strives for better business

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Crosby Hop Farm, a hop grower, merchant and processor in Woodburn announced this week that it is now among more than 1,700 companies globally and 68 in Oregon that are committed to using business as a force for good as a certified B Corporation.

B Corps are certified by the nonprofit B Lab to meet rigorous standards of social and environmental performance, improving the quality of life in communities through business, according to information from B Lab.

"Certified B Corporations distinguish themselves by committing to higher standards of transparency, accountability and performance, creating a better way of doing business," said Andy Fyfe of B Lab, the nonprofit behind the B Corp movement. "Crosby Hop Farm joins a bold and growing community of B Corps in the craft beer movement that values not just the beer, but the total impact of beer making. We look forward to being a platform for the leadership of Crosby Hop Farm locally and globally."

B Corp certification is essentially to sustainable business what Fair Trade certification is to coffee or USDA Organic certification is to milk. To become certified, Crosby Hop Farm had to prove the company meets stringent performance requirements outlined in the B Impact Assessment, a globally-recognized standard that looks at environmental performance, how a company treats its employees, the impact the company has on its customers and the broader community, as well as the company's accountability, governance, and transparency practices, according to Heather Sorensen in news release.

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## Gallon House Covered Bridge celebrates 100

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The Marion County Board of Commissioners will hold a rededication ceremony celebrating the 100 year anniversary of the Gallon House Bridge at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 31, at the bridge.

The commissioners will unveil new bridge signs and an information kiosk noting the anniversary. The commissioner proclaimed 2016 as the "Year of the Gallon House

Bridge." The public is welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Marion County Public Works at (503) 365-3177 or email mcdpw@co.marion.or.us.

### History

Construction of a wood covered bridge in the area is referenced as far back as the 1870s. Marion County built the Gallon House Bridge over Abiqua Creek in 1916 at a cost of \$1,310. It is the county's

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