

Life *in the* Valley

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While Aug. 21's eclipse is something to see, it is not safe to look at the sun unaided. Instead, make your own eclipse viewer. To use your viewer, stand outside with your back toward the sun. Look in the bottom hole in your box lid, and position your box so that the sunlight is coming through the foil hole and is centered on the white paper inside. During the eclipse, you will be able to see a dark circle (the moon) move to cover the bright light circle.

Keeping a safe eye on the eclipse

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Have you heard? There is a solar eclipse coming Aug. 21. While it is definitely something to see, it is not safe to look at the sun. Making an eclipse viewer is super simple and will allow you to see the moon as it moves to cover the sun.

DIY Eclipse Viewer

Materials

Cereal Box
White Paper
Aluminum Foil
Scissors
Tape
Colored paper and glue (optional)

Instructions

Cut a strip of white paper that will fit on the bottom inside of your cereal box. Tape or glue this piece of paper down inside of your box. It will act as your viewing screen for the eclipse.

Cut the two short topside flaps out of the cereal box. Cut 2 or 3 inches off either side of the center of the remaining flaps, and tape them in the center.

Tape a piece of aluminum foil on one side of your lid. Poke a small round hole in the center of the foil.

You can stop here if you like. Your viewer is

completely functional. But the eclipse isn't until August, so you've got time to decorate your box.

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Festival

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shops, a make and wear costume station, collaborative sculptures, and face painting to the hands-on art projects."

Given the anticipation of enlarged, eclipse-driven visitation numbers, this may well be an opportune time for many of those added features.

Silverton Arts Association is also partnering with the Oregon Garden and Silverton Chamber of Commerce to accommodate visitors with shuttle services around town. Hopes are this will relieve what many predict to be a congestive nightmare bunched about the path of totality -- often illustrated as a diagonal sash across a map of the U.S. -- which drapes directly over the area, including Silverton.

"It may be good to mention that due to the eclipse weekend and the influx of people to the area we have added parking sites and the shuttle service is provided by the Oregon Garden," Mallory emphasized. "The parking and shuttle stops can be found on our website: silvertonarts.org and are being updated frequently."

A couple of noted parking areas to catch shuttles are the Silver Falls District Office at 612 Schlador St., and the Forest River Manufacturing grounds at 1204 Mill St. Shuttles are scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. In addition to the park and Oregon Garden, shuttle stops include Robert Frost Elementary School, 201 Westfield St. and Citizen Bank downtown, 100 S. Second St.

The shuttle service may also facilitate visitation to other Silverton features that Mallory and her fellow SFAF Committee members -- Bob Foster, For-



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Artist Gary L McGuire of Woodburn sits across from his booth, which features wood art, during the 16th annual Silverton Fine Arts Festival on Aug. 20, 2016.

rest Freed, Carole DeMar, Gary Watkins, Mackenzie Stevens, Jan Prowse and Meghan McIntire -- would like to see people take in.

One salient one is an informal walking tour of the Silverton's collection of murals, sampling the town's history portrayed within those illustrations; strolling through the Oregon Gardens' 80 acres of lush verdure is another.

Of course, downtown Silverton's shops and scenic creek-side setting can be treats in and of themselves.

The festival committee also lined up entertainment to complement the park's visual backdrop. Saturday's slate includes successively: folk dancing Cherry City Cloggers; classic 60s, 70s, and 80s music from Highwater Johnny; toe-tapping acoustical and Western music from Next of Kin; more acoustical delights from Thom Dudley; five-piece rock cover band Thunder Road.

The Cloggers return for an encore at

17th Annual Silverton Fine Arts Festival

When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 20

Where: Silverton's Coolidge-McClaine Park

What: 90-plus fine artists, art activities, food booths and entertainment

Notable: SFAF takes place the weekend of the Great American Eclipse. SAA organizers said the group plans to partner with Oregon Garden and the Silverton Chamber of Commerce to offer free shuttles around town to accommodate an anticipated influx of visitors.

Web: www.silvertonarts.org

midday Sunday, followed by Michael Husser & the Adventures Band, Edge and Department of R&B.

Silverton area businesses adjust hours on eclipse day

Information provided by the Silverton Chamber of Commerce.

Alpacas at Marquam Hill Ranch: Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Monday 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Books-N-Time: Closed until 11 a.m.

Citizens Bank: Closed until 11 a.m.

City parking meters: Parking times enforced.

Chemeketa Community College: Closed all day.

Creekside Grill: Open at 10:30 a.m.

Edward Jones: Tim Yount: Closed all day.

Frank Lloyd Wright Gordon House: Closed for tours August 18 - 20. Tours are full for Aug. 21. To add your name to the waiting list, call 503-874-6006.

Gear Up Espresso: Friday 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Sunday 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Monday 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Holland Collision: -- Closed all day Friday and Monday.

Lunaria Gallery: Open at 11 a.m.

Maps Credit Union: Closed all day.

SACA: Closed all day.

Seven Brides Brewing: Open all weekend including Monday.

Silverton Beverage: Open

Silverton Hospital Gift Shop: Closed until 1 p.m.

Somewhere in Time: Closed until 1 p.m.

The Next Treasure: Open

Whimsy Etc.: Closed until 11 a.m.

Willamette Valley Bank: Closed until 1 p.m.