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What: GO! Solar Launch Party
When: Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2015, 6-8 p.m.
Where: Full Sail Brew Pub, 506 Columbia St.

'Solarize' campaign starts with launch party Feb. 3

Gorge Owned, local contractors offer incentives

With support from Northwest Solar Communities, Gorge Owned (GO!) is working with local solar

contractors to offer discounted, bulk rates on solar panel installations to Gorge homeowners in Klickitat, Skamania, Wasco and Hood River counties.

GO! Solar is a community "solarize" initiative aimed at helping Columbia River Gorge homeowners overcome the barriers asso-

ciated with investing in solar power. Local contractors and suppliers are working together to offer a simplified process and unbeatable prices. In addition to state, federal and local incentives, GO! Solar can reduce total project cost by up to 20 percent. The catch: Homeowners have to sign

up for the program no later than March 30, 2015 to guarantee the bulk discounts.

"Going solar pays off in a number of ways," said Amanda Lawrence, Gorge Owned Membership and Program Director. "It reduces your monthly utility bills, increases your home

value, reduces your dependence on fossil fuel and, if done through GO! Solar, supports the local economy."

At Feb. 3 kickoff, learn about financial incentives for solar, meet the local contractors delivering the program and have your questions about solar an-

swered by regional experts. Participants can also enjoy light appetizers and beer courtesy of Full Sail.

Gorge Owned is planning additional events in Klickitat and Wasco Counties in February. Details will be announced at gorge-owned.org.



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STATE STREET RESTROOM

Peterson Brothers Concrete crew pours the shell for the new public restroom facility at State and Third streets, part of the Urban Renewal Project that started in September 2013. The view at left, taken February 2014, is from the same vantage point, the County Courthouse driveway, looking north down Third street. The restroom and plaza are the last major piece of the \$5.4 million project, which has seen new streets, sidewalks, underground utilities, and amenities including benches, drinking fountains, and light poles. Chuck Peterson of Peterson Brothers said that his crew used mallets to tap the plywood frame, in order to aid settling of the concrete. Normally, long devices known as "stingers" are inserted into the still-liquid concrete to help settle it, but this was not possible because of an interior insulation layer, according to Peterson. The frame is due to come off by mid-week, and then Crestline Construction can install the roof and interior plumbing, tile, lighting, and more. Peterson Brothers put down a brushed concrete surface inside, and Schuepbach Construction will do the plaza surrounding the restroom. The facility will also hold public art, bike racks, and information kiosks.

POLICE LOG

Jan. 19 to 25

All calls were responded to within the City of Hood River.

■ Assaults, harassment, menacing and domestic violence:

Jan. 25 — Oak Street — Two females were arrested for assault IV and lodged at NORCOR.

■ Controlled substance violations (non-DUII):

Jan. 19 — Hood River — A Lincoln City, Ore., resident was arrested on the charge of possession of methampheta-

mine and additionally cited for possession of less than one ounce of marijuana and violation driving while uninsured, and lodged at NORCOR. During the same incident, a Smeltonville, Idaho, resident was arrested on the charges of possession of methamphetamine and possession of schedule II oxycodone, and additionally cited for possession of less than one ounce of marijuana, and also lodged at NORCOR.

Jan. 24 — Hood River —

Morrow, Ore., resident arrested for unlawful possession of methamphetamine and failure to carry and present a driver's license, and lodged at NORCOR. The resident was additionally cited for possession of less than one ounce of marijuana, violation driving while suspended, and driving uninsured.

Jan. 24 — Hood River — Hood River resident arrested for driving under the influence of a controlled substance and additionally cited for possession of less than

one ounce of marijuana and failure to signal within 100 feet of a turn.

■ Disorderly conduct, mischief, criminal trespass and vandalism:

Jan. 24 — Oak Street, 100 block — Officer responded to a possible domestic violence assault. One male from Milwaukie, Ore., was arrested on the charge of disorderly conduct II and lodged at NORCOR.

■ Driving under the influence of intoxicants:

None reported

■ Identity theft or bank/credit card fraud:

Jan. 21 — Marian Street, 800 block — Financial fraud reported.

■ Motor vehicle crashes, offenses and impounds:

Jan. 21 — 12th Street, 1700 block — A Hood River resident supplied information regarding a traffic collision.

■ Outstanding warrants, parole, probation or terms violations:

Jan. 20 — Wasco Street — Report was taken regarding a possible restraining order

violation.

■ Theft, burglary or robbery:

Jan. 21 — Ninth Street, 1500 block — Theft of motor vehicle reported.

Jan. 24 — Oak Street, 1600 block — Stolen vehicle reported.

■ Sex offenses:

None reported

■ Other:

Jan. 15 — Montello Avenue, 1200 block — Hood River resident turned over found property left unattended.

SHERIFF LOG

Jan. 18 to 25

All calls were responded to within the County of Hood River.

■ Assaults, harassment, menacing and domestic violence:

Jan. 18 — N.E. Forest Lane, Cascade Locks — Domestic violence assault reported. After interviewing both parties, a male subject was arrested for domestic assault IV.

■ Controlled substance violations (non-DUII):

Jan. 20 — Highway 35 at Meadowbrook — Male cited and released for unlawful possession of less than one ounce of marijuana.

Jan. 21 — Indian Creek Road, 1200 block — Juvenile cited for unlawful possession of marijuana.

■ Disorderly conduct, mischief, criminal trespass and vandalism:

Jan. 22 — Avalon Drive, 3400 block — Criminal mischief reported.

■ Driving under the influence of intoxicants:

Jan. 23 — Hood River — Female arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol following a traffic stop for failure to maintain lane, violation of the basic rule and a lighting infraction. BAC registered .16 percent.

■ Identity theft or bank/credit card fraud:

Jan. 21 — Baseline Drive, 4900 block — Deputy took a report of bad checks being issued in Parkdale.

■ Motor vehicle crashes, offenses and impounds:

Jan. 19 — Highway 35, 4700

block — Damage to a patrol vehicle sustained during a traffic stop.

Jan. 22 — Highway 35 at Glass Drive — Unattended vehicle towed because it was a hazard to motorists.

Jan. 25 — I-84 near milepost 63 — Deputy assisted a city officer who had one person in custody and was towing the vehicle that had been stopped. When another vehicle arrived to pick up the passengers, the deputy checked the driver for a valid license. She was suspended in Oregon and did not have insurance. She was also cited and her vehicle was towed.

■ Outstanding warrants, parole, probation or terms violations:

Jan. 18 — York Hill, 5100 block — Female arrested for

an outstanding warrant out of Wasco County. She was lodged at NORCOR.

Jan. 21 — Orchard Road, 1500 block — Male taken into custody for a probation violation. He was additionally charged with resisting arrest.

Jan. 22 — S.E. Hammond Avenue, 100 block, Cascade Locks — One male and one female arrested for a probation violation and a warrant.

■ Theft, burglary or robbery:

Jan. 22 — Ackerman Drive, 3900 block — Theft reported.

Jan. 22 — S.W. WaNaPa Street, 400 block, Cascade Locks — Theft of services reported.

■ Sex offenses:

None reported

■ Other:

Jan. 20 — Kingsley Reservoir — Report taken of a building being burned down.

Jan. 20 — Cascade Avenue, 2300 block — Two individuals were arrested for endangering the welfare of a minor after allowing two juveniles to smoke marijuana in their residence/RV.

Jan. 22 — Farwig Road, 3100 block — Juvenile runaway reported.

Jan. 22 — Tucker Road — Deputy investigated the death of a man who was found unconscious.

Jan. 23 — Highway 281 near milepost 13 — Deputy took possession of found property consisting of 14 total examples of very poorly copied paper monetary notes.

Jan. 23 — Highway 35, 14000 block — Unattended death reported.

Jan. 24 — AGA Road, 3300 block — Juvenile female reported missing. She later returned home.

Jan. 24 — Highway 35 — Male cited and released for throwing burning material from a vehicle.

Jan. 25 — Riordan Hill area — Three juveniles were cited for minor in possession of alcohol by consumption after deputies responded to a reported MIP party. Parents of the juveniles were contact and took custody of their children at the scene.

Jan. 25 — Highway 35, 14000 block — Search and rescue for a lost skier.