

HAPPENINGS

Happenings may be edited for length. Listings may also be found online at hoodrivernews.com; click the Events tab.

ON STAGE

■ **April 10-11, 17-18 — Lions Follies**, 7:30 p.m. in the Hood River Middle School Auditorium. Special 2 p.m. matinee April 12. "A Ma and Pa Kettle Story." General admission \$10, \$9 presale; call 541-386-2763 or tallmantru@gmail.com. Presented for the Oregon Lions Site and Hearing Foundation.

■ **April 16 — HRVHS Spring Fashion Show**, 7 p.m. in the HRVHS Bowe Theater. Fundraiser for Lila May Schow. Tickets \$10. Gala Fashion Show Fringe Fashion Camp and Tutus and Tyvek Fashion Camp participants invited, too. For more information or to sign up, contact Jennifer Farrow at jenniferann1997@gmail.com or by phone at 541-645-0176.

■ **April 17-18 — Student Directed One Act Festival**, 7 p.m. at the HRVHS Bowe Theater. World debuts, sneak preview of a Fringe Theatre production as well as some Ives standards; a night of theatre in the round at its Hood River best. Donations accepted/encouraged.

FOR CHILDREN

■ **Story Time at Hood River Library**: Baby/Toddler story time and Big Kids story time, 10:30 a.m. Thurs. morning.

■ **Wednesdays through April — Munchkins at the Museum**, 10-11 a.m. at the History Museum of Hood River County, 300 E. Marina Drive. \$5 for each parent/child pair; \$1 for museum members. Each child must have adult present to help with activity. Program teaches letters, numbers, colors, play dough art and history. Preregistration encouraged at 541-386-6772 or email thmeducation@gmail.com.

■ **April 11 — Tutus and Tyvek Fashion Camp**, 10-1 p.m. at HRV High. Students will model creations during the HRVHS Fashion Club spring fashion show April 16. \$40; all proceeds to Lila May Schow for expenses related to cancer treatments. For more info or to register, contact Jennifer Farrow at jenniferann1997@gmail.com or 541-645-0176.

EXHIBITS

■ **April 10-12 — Ninth Annual Gorge Artists open studios**, 10-6 p.m. Free. 38 artists showing original art. Maps can be downloaded at www.gorgeartists.org/guide or picked up in Hood River at Columbia Center for the Arts, HR Chamber of Commerce, Waucoma Books and Best Western Plus Hood River Inn, in The Dalles at The Dalles Chamber and Klindts Bookstore, and in White Salmon at The Inn of White Salmon.

■ **April 10-12 — HR Art Club art show**, 10-5 p.m. at the Gorge White House on Hwy. 35. Club members painting on

premises using various media and subjects, for demos and sales.

■ **April 18-19 — HR Art Club art show**, 10-5 p.m. at the Hood River County Fairgrounds. Part of Blossom Fest weekend.

■ **April 25-26 — "Women in Motion" international women's art and cultural show**, Lorang Fine Art, Cascade Locks. Featuring artists from four countries, along with some of the Gorge's own internationally known artists. Lectures, demonstrations, music. More info at lorangfineart.com.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

■ **Through April — Columbia Gorge Wine Passport Month**, beginning at 11 a.m. at wineries throughout the Gorge. Purchased passport is pass to exclusive offers, discounts and experiences at 24 Gorge wineries and three special weekend events. \$25; can be purchased at participating wineries or gorgewine.com.

■ **Now through May 2 — Little Feet Cooperative Preschool 2015 Plant Sale Fundraiser**. Pre-order plants online at littlefeetpreschool.org. Collection May 2, 11-3 p.m. at Westside Elementary parking lot.

■ **April 8 — Gentle Yoga** for beginning seniors 50 and over, 10-11 a.m. at the HR Care Center, 729 Henderson Rd. Free. Taught by certified yoga instructor Christine Shannon. Wear loose, comfortable clothing; bring yoga mat and water bottle; some mats available onsite. No experience necessary.

■ **April 8 — Free car seat check**, 11-1 p.m. at HR Fire Station, 1785 Meyer Parkway. Expectant parents, grandparents and parents of children under 4 feet 9 inches are encouraged to attend to have seat installations checked by car seat technician Elizabeth Stillwell. Second Wednesday of each month.

■ **April 8 — The Mellow Guitar of Bill Davis**, 11:30-12:30 p.m. at HR Valley Adult Center, 2010 Sterling Place, off Brookside Drive on the Heights.

■ **April 8 — Breastfeeding Support Group**, 12-1 p.m., Riverside Church, Fourth & State. Mother-to-mother support led by Columbia Gorge Breastfeeding Coalition & facilitated by a Certified Lactation Consultant. For more info call Jennifer McCauley, RN, IBCLC, 541-387-6344.

■ **April 8 — Are you ready for Medicare?**, 1-3 p.m. at the CGCC Hood River Campus. Free community event. Learn how to get Medicare, important deadlines, avoiding penalties, how to enroll in prescription drug coverage and more. Register at 541-308-8211.

■ **April 9 — Hood River Art Club weekly session**, 10-1 p.m., Alliance Church, 2650 Montello (corner of Rand and Montello) in the modular building. Paint, share information, critique others' work. Open to everyone in all skill levels and all media. Bring art project, supplies, lunch and \$1 donation to

cover coffee.

■ **April 9 — Community Cultural Meeting**, 11 a.m. at HR Extension Office classroom. Learn about Middle East politics, culture and religion. Part of Extension Service Family and Community Education study groups. More info at 541-386-3343.

■ **April 9 — Roundtable presentation and discussion** on immigration issues in the Gorge, 11-1 p.m. at Asbury Our Redeemer Partnership, 1140 Tucker Rd. Bring sack lunch. Guest speakers will provide overview of current laws and policies and highlight impact on local families. All welcome.

■ **April 9 — AARP Tax preparation**, 2-7 p.m. at the HR Valley Adult Center, 2010 Sterling Place, off Brookside Drive on the Heights.

■ **April 10 — Life & portrait drawing labs**, 9-noon at the Columbia Center for the Arts Studio. Every Friday. \$20 drop in; package discounts available. More info at columbiarts.org or 541-387-8877, ext. 114.

■ **April 10 — Friday Fun Lunch with Jack Shepherd & Friends**, 11-1:30 p.m. at HR Valley Adult Center, 2010 Sterling Place, off Brookside Drive on the Heights. Dancers and listeners welcome.

■ **April 10 — Museum wine tastings**, 5-7 p.m. at The History Museum of Hood River County. Part of the Clink! exhibit on the history of Oregon wine. \$15 admission gets special wine glass to sample local wines and admission to the museum. \$10 museum members.

■ **April 10 — Opportunity Connections 48th anniversary taco dinner**, 5-7 p.m. at the Mid-Columbia Senior Center, 1112 W. 9th, The Dalles. Music by DJ Bill. Silent auction, raffle. Honoring outstanding members who help in the mission to "Maximize potential for people with disabilities." \$5-\$10.

■ **April 10 — "How We Got the Bible,"** 7-8:30 p.m. at Tucker Road Baptist Church, 1455 Tucker Rd. With speaker Dr. Mike Kuykendall.

■ **April 11 — WAAAM mini-car show** featuring Dodge Bros. autos Restoration shop open for tours 1 p.m.

■ **April 11 — Hard Pressed Cider Fest**, 12-7 p.m. at 3315 Stadelman Dr. More than 20 cideries will be participating, with more than 30 ciders on tap. Also features local food vendors, produce and arts vendors, a kid's area and a line-up of local music. \$5 entry (free 14 and under); \$5 for cider glass and 4 drink tokens. For all ages.

■ **April 11 — Wild Bill's Bingo at the Elks Lodge**, fundraiser for Elks scholarship programs, 7 p.m. Open to the community.

Minimum \$250 progressive blackout each week. Hosted by the Elks and the Mid-Columbia Knights of Columbus. Dinners, starting at \$8.50, are available from 5-7 p.m.

■ **April 11-12 — Passport Food & Wine Weekend** at

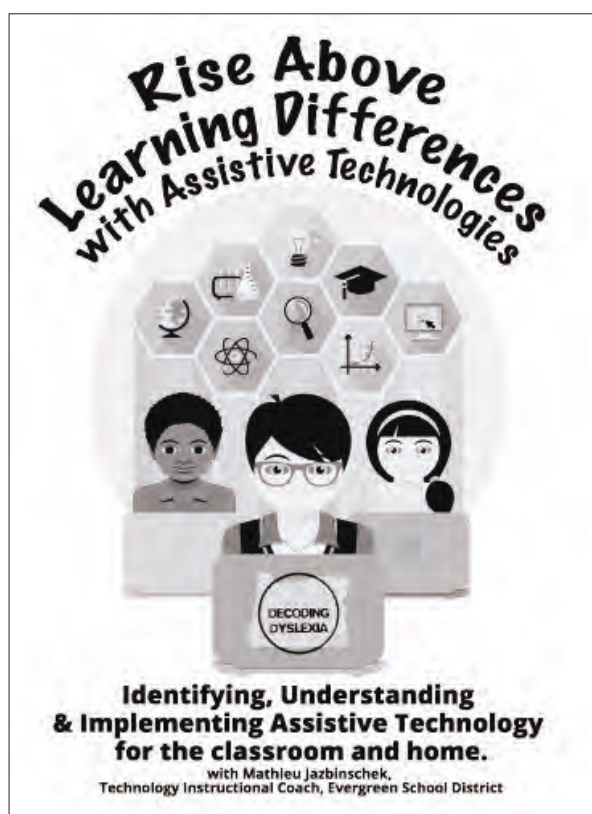
PICK OF THE WEEK

Decoding Dyslexia presentation April 14

Decoding Dyslexia-Columbia Gorge presents another free event, "Rise Above Learning Differences with Assistive Technologies: Identifying, Understanding, and Implementing Assistive Technology in the Classroom and Home," with Mathieu Jazbinschek, Technology Instructional Coach of Evergreen School District. The presentation will be held on Tuesday, April 14 with registration at 6 p.m. and the presentation running from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Hood River Hotel. Educators are able to earn 2 PDU credits from Lewis & Clark College.

Assistive technology is available to help individuals with many types of disabilities — from cognitive problems to physical impairment. This presentation will focus specifically on assistive technology for individuals with learning differences. The use of technology to enhance learning is an effective approach for many children. Additionally, students with learning differences, such as dyslexia, often experience greater success when they are allowed to use their abilities (strengths) to work around their disabilities (challenges). Assistive technology tools combine the best of both of these practices.

Assistive Technology can address many types of learning difficulties. A student who has difficulty writing can compose a school report by dictating it and having it converted to



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text by special software. A child who struggles with math can use a hand-held calculator to keep score while playing a game with a friend. And a teenager with dyslexia may benefit from assistive technology that will read aloud his employer's online training manual. There are assistive technology tools to help students who struggle with listening, math, organization, memory, reading and writing.

Decoding Dyslexia Oregon-Columbia Gorge Chapter is a grassroots movement driven by local families and educators who recognize the need for conversations with our school districts and policymakers regarding dyslexia. We strive to raise dyslexia awareness, empower families, and improve resources for students with dyslexia in Oregon public schools.

Columbia Gorge Wineries in Oregon and Washington.

Small bites, special cheeses or pop-up food carts will be available along with take-home recipes, pairing lessons and new releases at 24 participating wineries. \$25 fee; valid month of April. More info at 1-866-413-9463 columbiagorgewine.com/passport-month.

■ **April 11-26 — Abstract Fiber Trunk Show**, 11-4 p.m. at Foothills Yarn & Fiber, 4207

Sylvester Drive. Abstract Fiber yarn hand-dyed by Susan, Karen, Rachel, and Gail in their studio in Portland, Oregon.

See shawls, socks, hats, scarves, and gloves knit with this luscious yarn. Alpacas too! Free admission. More info at 541-400-0182.

■ **April 12 — Mosier Grange Cherry Blossom Buffet**, 11:30-3 p.m. at the Mosier Grange Hall (I-84 exit 69; follow signs to hall). Grilled salmon, ham, main dishes, salads and

cherry desert. Adults, \$10, 6-12 \$2, under 6 eat free. Proceeds to Grange Hall as Red Cross Emergency Shelter.

■ **April 12 — "Know Your Dirt: How to Grow Nutrient Dense Food,"** 1-3 p.m. at Grow Organic, 2035 12th St. Free. Jeff will discuss importance of testing and amending soil to get best results from gardening; Dennis Carlson, Master Gardener, will explain soil testing. Register at groworganics.org/content/know-your-dirt-workshop.

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GRAVE MATTERS DISCUSSION SERIES:

Death Across Borders/Death Across Cultures

Ideas and practices regarding death and dying can vary from culture to culture, even from region to region. Because of that, we would like to spark a discussion about how people face cultural differences tied to death and dying when they move to another locale. These differences often go beyond funerary practices, and can include how the elderly and people with illness are cared for in a society or a community, how people grieve, how families are organized and structured.

We invite you to come share your experiences at the Hood River Library on Monday, April 20, at 5:30 p.m. We also encourage you to



come hear the experiences of others. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to learn about the diversity of our own community.

Although the discussion will be facilitated by Anna Lim, who has a PhD in cultural anthropology, the discussion will remain very open and informal.

This event is being organized as part of a new monthly discussion series on death, dying and end-of-life issues sponsored by the Hood River Library. Check

the Hood River Library website for future events.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact the Hood River County Library District at 541-386-2535, info@hoodriverlibrary.org, or visit their website at hoodriverlibrary.org.



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