

## PLENTY OF NEW



Photos by Kirby Neumann-Rea

Visitors to Hood River County for Blossom Week, or locals just in need of a refresher: here are five samples of new things in the community, be they permanent or temporary. Above, the State Street public restrooms were completed in March and are open, during daylight hours, at Third Street. The facility was the last major piece of the 18-month Urban Renewal Project that transformed State Street from Front to Sixth streets. At top, a farm scene from Cathleen Rehfeld, one of a large slate of artists whose work is in the "Yellow," exhibit this month at Columbia Center for the Arts. At left, the ribbons you see on Oak Street trees are part of the Blue Ribbon Campaign to observe National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Below, a windsurfer skims past the new launch ramp built this spring by the Port of Hood River at the end of The Hook. At left, community volunteers installed a new playground at Mt. Hood Town Hall, near Parkdale.



Photos by LisaAnn Kawachi

### Alpha Gamma seeks recipients for Pistil hats

Pistil recently donated four boxes of merchandise with the intent that Alpha Gamma distribute the hats to those in need. In the past, Alpha Gamma has delivered Pistil hats, scarves, and gloves to local schools, the Warming Shelter, and women/children

shelters Audrey Price of Alpha Gamma donated two boxes to Helping Hands Against Violence.

If an organization is in need of this gear, contact Alpha Gamma's Service Coordinator, Suzanna Titus-Israels [swtitus@gorge.net](mailto:swtitus@gorge.net)

### HR Saturday Market finds new home

Hood River city manager Steve Wheeler announced Monday that the Hood River Saturday Market association has found a new home for the 2015 season: Fourth and Oak

in the parking lot of Horse and Hound pub.

The market will resume June 6 at the new location, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

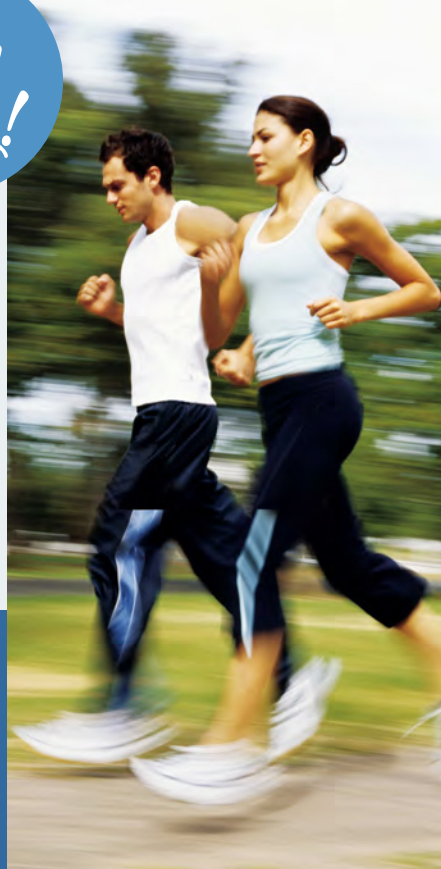
The Thursday Farmers

Market resumes May 7 at Hood River Middle School. In May and early June, the market starts at 5 p.m.; once school is out for the summer, it will start at 4 p.m.

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