

HAPPENINGS

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ON STAGE

■ **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 — I Carried a Watermelon: A Dirty Dancing Story**, 8-9:30 p.m. at Columbia Center for the Arts. By TriptheDark Dance Co. of Portland. Tickets \$10-18. More info at 541-387-8877.

■ **April 17-18 — Lions Folies**, 7:30 p.m. in the Hood River Middle School Auditorium. "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 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. Thursday mornings.

■ **New Parent Services Playgroups**

For parents and their children ages newborn to 5; for more info contact Nancy Johanson Paul at 541-436-0319 or nancy@nextdoorinc.org.

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Cascade Locks City Hall gym.

Tuesdays, 9-10:30 a.m. at Hood River Alliance Church, 2650 Montello Ave. (Contact the church at 541-386-2812 for details.)

Fridays, 10-11:30 a.m. at HR Early Childhood Center (former Pine Grove School), bilingual, with developmental specialists available (follows school calendar). For more info call 541-386-4919.

■ **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 21 — Shoe box stage craft**, 2:30-5 p.m. at the Hood River Library. In celebration of Shakespeare's birthday. Assemble your own shoe box theater.

■ **April 22 — Shakespeare matinee for kids**, 3 p.m. at the Hood River Library. Enjoy 3 classic tales in stop-animation. Drawings for prizes.

EXHIBITS

■ **Through April 30 — Clink! A Taste of Oregon Wine exhibit**, The History Museum, 300 Port Marina Dr. Traces history of Oregon wines; stories of some of the individuals and institutions that propelled Oregon wine onto the national and international stage. More info at 541-386-6772.

■ **April 3-25 — Guardians of the Columbia: Landscape Photography of Adams, Hood and Mt. St. Helens**, Camas Public Library, 625 NE 4th Ave. A retrospective 1972-2015, by Hood River photographer Darryl Lloyd. Special artist

reception April 3 from 5-8 p.m. Gallery open Mon. thru Wed., 10-6 and Thurs. thru Sun., 10-6.

■ **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 — Art of the Gorge Weekend** at the Columbia Gorge Hotel, 4000 Westcliff Dr. Free admission. Art show Sat. 1-5; artists' reception 5-7. Art show Sun. 9-2.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

■ **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 13-17 — Sweet Pea Project blanket drive** at Providence Hood River Memorial Hospital. For the Family Birth Center's perinatal loss program. New, unused blankets will be given to parents who have experienced the death of their baby. No crocheted or knitted blankets; hand-made blankets ok but must be made from flannel, fleece, cotton or similar fabric.

■ **April 15 — 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 15 — Annual "all you can eat" pizza feed**, 4:30-7:30 p.m. at Spooky's Pizza in The Dalles. Fundraiser for Columbia Gorge Habitat for Humanity. \$12 adults, \$7 kids 7-12, kids under 6 \$4. All proceeds go to building Habitat houses.

■ **April 15 — Child Abuse Prevention training**, 6-8:30 p.m. at the Hood River County Library. Free; for 18+. Columbia Gorge Children's Advocacy Center is offering Darkness to Light's Stewards of Children child abuse prevention training. Space is limited; to register call Michelle Tremblay, 541-806-0901.

■ **April 16 — Hood River Art Club weekly session**, 10-11 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 16 — Recipe Tasting and Testing**, 2-3 p.m. in the Hawks Ridge Cola Room. With cookbook author Karin Duncker.

■ **April 16 — School funding "road show" event**, 7-8:30 p.m. at Mt. Hood Community College, Gresham. Presented by the Oregon Joint Ways & Means Committee; closest meeting to HR. State your school funding opinion in person to the Committee. Carpool/caravan leaves SW corner of Walmart parking lot at 5 p.m.

■ **April 17 — 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 columbiaarts.org or 541-387-8877, ext. 114.

■ **April 17 — Friday Fun Lunch with The Simcoe Boys**, 11-1:30 p.m. at HR Valley Adult Center, 2010 Sterling Place, off Brookside Drive on the Heights. Dancers and listeners welcome.

■ **April 17 — 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 17 — Hood River Saddle Club annual spaghetti feed**, 5-8 p.m. at the Saddle Club, corner of Country Club and

Belmont. All you can eat spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, beverage and dessert. \$8 adults, \$5 ages 6-12. Raises money to support Mt. Hood Pony Club and high school scholarships.

■ **April 18 — Earth Day Weeding and Clean-up at HR Waterfront Park**, 9-1 p.m. Volunteers and families invited to join. Small shovels and hand trowels, work gloves, large shovels and water bottles recommended. No pets. More info at waterfrontpark@gmail.com.

■ **April 18 — Indian Creek Stewards Earth Day event**, 9-1 p.m. Come anytime! Help restore a section of riparian vegetation along Indian Creek. Bring work gloves, wheelbarrows, rakes, and/or shovels. More info at megan@hoodriverswcd.org.

■ **April 18 — Lavender-Sheep Open Studio Day**, 10-4 p.m., 1844 Rebecca Ave. Hand painted yarn and spinning fibers. Crafting circles indoors and out, weather permitting. Free.

■ **April 18 — Parkdale Garden Club annual fundraiser**, 10-4 p.m. at the Parkdale Grange Hall. Plants, crafts, baked goods.

■ **April 18 — Flora in Focus workshop**, Columbia Gorge Discovery Center, The Dalles. Session 1, 12-1 p.m. ("Virtual Tour along the Riverfront Trail"), free; session 2, 1-5 p.m. ("Wildflower Photo Workshop"), \$30. Register online at www.gorgediscovery.org or call 541-296-8600 ext. 201.

■ **April 18 — 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 18 — Parkdale Fire Department 22nd annual Casino Night**, 5:30 p.m., 4895 Baseline Dr., Parkdale. 21 and over. Gift cards and prizes; \$20 entry fee includes \$50 starting chips, entrance to beer gardens and dinner. Free local rids home available.

■ **April 18-19 — Blossom Craft Show and Blossom Fest Quilt Show**, 10-5 p.m. at the Hood River County Fairgrounds, 3020 Wy'east Rd. Odell Garden Club plant sale Sat., Gorge Strings Sun. More info at www.hoodriverfair.org.

■ **April 18-19 — Parkdale Grange Blossom Dinner**. 11-5 p.m. at 7375 Clear Creek Road, Parkdale. Chuck-wagon dinner featuring steak or ham with all the trimmings, and a selection of desserts. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 4-12 years, and free for children 3 and under. More info at 541 352-6691.

■ **April 18-19 — Apple Valley Blossom Festival and Desert Party**, 9-5 p.m. at Apple Valley, 2363 Tucker Road. Free admission. Fresh baked pies, cobblers and crisps. 50 different varieties of jams, syrups, pepper jellies and pie fillings. Country BBQ will be served at the store featuring cherry wood smoked ribs, pulled pork and chicken sandwiches and our pear coleslaw and cider baked beans.

■ **April 18-19 — Gorge Grapes Weekend at 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 columbi-agorgewine.com/passport-month.

■ **April 19 — West Side Fire District All You Can Eat Breakfast**, 7-11 a.m. at Fire Station No. 1, 4250 Barrett

PICK OF THE WEEK



Hood River County Reads presents movie matinee of 'The Magnificent Seven'

The Friends of the Library will be showing the movie "The Magnificent Seven" on April 19 at 2 p.m. at the Hood River Library. "The Magnificent Seven" is an American western film directed by John Sturges and starring Yul Brynner, Eli Wallach and Steve McQueen. The picture is an Old West-style remake of Akira Kuro-

sawa's Japanese-language film Seven Samurai.

The film is the inspiration for the characters journey North in the 2015 Hood River County Reads selection, "Into the Beautiful North" by Luis Alberto Urrea.

This year, there are two books in Hood River Reads: "Into the Beautiful North" by Luis Alber-

to Urrea, and "Becoming Naomi León" by Pam Muñoz Ryan. Both books are available in English and Spanish.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact the Hood River County Library District at 5 4 1 - 3 8 6 - 2 5 3 5 , info@hoodriverlibrary.org, or visit their website at hoodriverlibrary.org.

Road. Ham and eggs, coffee, juice and milk. \$7 adults, \$6 seniors, \$5 children. All proceeds benefit the volunteer fire department Neighbor Helping Neighbor program. More info at 541-386-1550.

■ **April 19 — HR County Reads Movie**, "The Magnificent Seven," 2 p.m. at the Hood River Library meeting room.

■ **April 20 — Tai Chi for Balance**, 1-2 p.m. in the Mount Hood Town Hall's Mount Hood Room. Classes are free and for any level. No experience necessary; donations accepted.

■ **April 20 — Grave Matters discussion series**: Death across Borders/Death across Cultures, 5:30 p.m. at the Hood River Library. Free. Informal discussion facilitated by Anna Lim, PhD, cultural anthropology. Part of a new monthly discussion series on death, dying and end-of-life issues sponsored by the Hood River Library.

More info at 541-386-2535, info@hoodriverlibrary.org, or hoodriverlibrary.org.

■ **April 21 — Senior meals**, noon at the Lyle Lions Community Center, 5th and Hwy. 14. Everyone welcome.

■ **April 21 — Unit 20, Oregon Retired Educators meeting**, noon in the Parish Hall, Wasco. Sandy Macnab, Ex-

tension Agent, will present "Remembering the Flood of 1964." All persons interested in education from Hood River, Wasco and Sherman Counties are invited to attend. Contact Unit 20 President Tom Greenough, 541-386-3580, for luncheon reservations.

■ **April 21 — Eating with Intention**, 2-3 p.m. in the Hawks Ridge dining room. With Certified Health Coach Tim Saur. How not to overeat.

■ **April 21 — Big Bingo** at the HR Valley Adult Center, 2010 Sterling Place, off Brookside Drive. Doors open and food available at 5 p.m.; games begin promptly at 6 p.m. Funds raised support the Meals on Wheels program.

■ **April 21 — Folklife in Your Community**, 6 p.m. at the Hood River Library. With Folklorist Nancy Nusz. Learn about folklife and the people who practice traditional crafts or skills. Free. More info 541-386-2535.

■ **April 21-25 — Celebrate Shakespeare's birthday** at the Hood River Library. Children who memorize a famous Shakespeare quote will receive a free book. Adults can test their Bard knowledge for prizes. Get thee to the library!

■ **April 22 — 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 22 — Breastfeeding Support Group**, 12-1 p.m. at Riverside Church, Fourth and State. Mother-to-mother support led by Columbia Gorge Breastfeeding Coalition and facilitated by a Certified Lactation Consultant. For more info call Jennifer McCauley, RN, IBCLC, 541-387-6344.

■ **April 23 — Hood River Art Club weekly session**, 10-11 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 23 — Shakespeare birthday bash**, 6 p.m. at the Hood River Library. Celebrate with Portland's Original Practice Shakespeare Festival as they perform A Comedy of Errors, the famous farce of twins separated at birth. Come dressed as a twin (with a friend) for prizes. Birthday cake served.

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