

ENTERTAINMENT *Update*

SmudgePot at Volcanic May 23

SmudgePot — the rock and roll based improvisational quartet featuring Nevis Plummer, Chris Reed, Eric Skutch, and Abe Stevens — is playing at Volcanic Bottle Shoppe on Saturday, May 23, at 8 p.m. SmudgePot is Volcanic Bottle Shoppe, 1410 12th St., Hood River; 541-436-1226.

Kit Garoutte at Griffin House



Kit Garoutte

Get ready for Kit Garoutte's "Finger Dancing Tour," making a stop at the Griffin House in Hood River on Sunday, May 24. The new CD by fingerstyle guitarist Kit Garoutte features original songs and Kit's arrangements of works by artists as diverse as Michael Hedges, Tommy Emmanuel and the Allman Brothers. There's a pre-concert workshop and ticket options for attending the class and/or concert are available. Email info@thegriffinhouse.com for more information.

Dancehall Days at CEBU

This week at CEBU:
Friday, May 22 - Dedric Clark & The Social Animals, 9:30 p.m. Americana Rock.
Saturday, May 23 - Dancehall Days, 9:30 p.m. Dance Party Cover Band. Best Western Plus Hood River Inn, 1108 E. Marina Way; 541-386-2200.

Music at Maryhill features Matt Brown, 'Signatures'

Guests can help kick off Maryhill Winery's summer season with wine tastings and free live music from 1-5 p.m. all weekend long featuring Matt Brown (unique blues/soul on Saturday), Signatures ('40s style groups, pop and free jazz vocalizing on Sunday) and Laura Ivancie and Tim Snider (vocals, violin, guitar on Monday). Maryhill Winery, 9774 Hwy. 14, Goldendale, Wash.; 877-627-9445.

'Going to Dogs' benefit May 30

Hood River Adopt A Dog is holding its Annual "Goin' to the Dogs" Rummage Sale on Friday, May 29, from 11-6 p.m., Saturday, May 30, and Sunday, May 31 from 9-3 p.m. both days. The sale will be inside the Cody Fruit Stand in Odell, at the intersection of Davis (Hwy 282) and Graves Rd - easy access from Hwy 35 at the Odell exit. Proceeds will help fund HRAAD's mission of caring for and re-homing lost and abandoned dogs at the Hukari Shelter.

Entertainment listings can be e-mailed to jdake@hoodrivernews.com

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Sunset magazine names Hood River 'Best Adventure Town'

Sunset Magazine has named Hood River Best Adventure Town in its 2015 travel awards.

The designation appears in the June issue of the national publication.

The award entry was spearheaded by the Hood River County Chamber of Commerce as part of its mission to promote the economic prosperity and livability of Hood River County, according to Mike Glover, Chamber director.

"We're thrilled that Sunset Travel Awards has recognized Hood River as the best adventure town in the West," Glover said. "Not only do we have this amazing natural setting with tons of outdoor opportunities, but we also have great specialty stores, rentals and lessons to support visiting adventurers. Our outstanding breweries, restaurants, shops and accommodations, plus welcoming small-town ambiance, seal the deal for visitors of all kinds."

Chosen by a panel of noted travel experts over numerous other entries from 13 Western states and British Columbia, Hood River stood out as a five-star destination for adventure seekers.

"The scenic setting, in the shadow of snow-capped Mt. Hood and the meeting of the Columbia and Hood Rivers, resonated with our judges, as did the startling breadth of experiences possible in this Oregon town - hiking, biking, fishing, rafting, skiing, paddle-boarding, and the

West's best windsurfing. The apres-adventure crafter beers had fans, too," states the article.

Highlighted are the Pacific Crest Trail, White Salmon River, full Sail brewing and Big Winds, plus timberline Lodge and ski area.

Sunset's article was its second about Hood River in three months. The April edition profiled Hood River and the Fruit Loop as a destination, describing the city as "surrounded by pear, apple and peach orchards" and the Fruit Loop as "a 35-mile stretch of road dotted with fruit stands and lavender farms". It added that, "In May this Columbia gorge town hits its stride: the river begins to warm, breweries open their patios, and the new waterfront park fills with picnickers."



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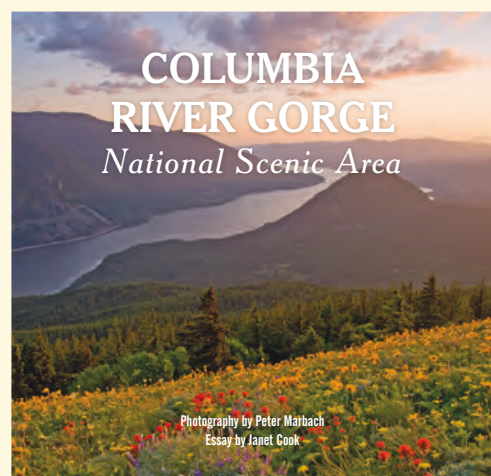
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The mission of Outdoor Adventures with Military Heroes (OAMH) is to provide an opportunity to introduce wounded combat veterans to the outdoors. Over the past two years the organization made up largely of local fire and law enforcement personnel provided equipment and supplies, along with help from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, local land owners and others the necessary recourses to provide outdoor hunting, camping and fishing experiences to wounded veterans from The Gorge. Tonkin Subaru is pleased to support the efforts of these dedicated community volunteers.

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