

## ENTERTAINMENT Update

### Russian folk music in The Dalles

The St. Petersburg Men's Ensemble will present selections from Rachmaninoff's "All Night Vigil" and Russian folk songs on June 9 at St. Peter's Landmark in The Dalles. The concert begins at 7 p.m. Admission is a donation at the door.

### Baughner, Rodgers play Cascade Cliffs June 5

Join Spruce Baughner and Darrin Rodgers for live music on "your First Friday loopy-do," at Cascade Cliffs tasting room, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

### Mark Daley performs at White Buffalo

Mark Daley plays the White Buffalo June 11. Mark, outstanding guitarist, vocalist and master of the groove, will lure you to the dance floor with rocking, heartfelt originals. Quenett Winery will be pouring. White Buffalo Wine Bar & Bistro is at 4040 Westcliff Dr. Hood River 541-386-5534.

### Emporium 'pop up' begins this weekend

The monthly Emporium pop-up gallery comes to at Butler Bank Building, 301 Oak St., June 5-6. Emporium will happen at Butler Bank each First Friday through summer, for 21 and over. Numerous local artisans will display and sell their creations, and there will be live music and beverages for sale from 5-8 p.m.

Emporium will be open for all ages from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

### Saturday Market settles into new home

Hood River Saturday Market starts its 25th year at a new location, the Oak Street Pub (formerly Horse and Hound), 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### The Moth Lounge holds grand opening

The Moth Lounge (formerly Pint Shack) hosts a grand opening June 5, with a dunk tank featuring Gorge Roller Girls, DJ Elive and more.

### Look to the skies Sunday night

On June 7 comes a unique opportunity to learn from one of the Gorge's astronomy experts, Paul Kuiper of Mosier. His class, "Our Solar System and Our Galaxy," happens at 7 p.m. Sunday at Coe Building, with later classes in the series moving to Goldendale observatory. Cost is \$50 per person and \$60 per family. For details call Community Education at 541-386-2055 or go to hrcommunityed.org (page 5 in the printed catalog). Walk-ins also welcome.

### What's playing at The Pines tasting room

In a rare solo performance, Chic Preston will be sharing his own songs which have drawn comparison to those of Dave Carter and Dave Frishberg. Preston performs June 5, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Ryan Kolberg and Anderson Gould will perform at The Pines on June 12, 6-9 p.m.,

### Trellis and Neff Designs host Green Drinks

Planning an event, looking to update your home's interior, or interested in learning about what's new in the White Salmon business district? Join Gorge Owned and Neff Designs for Green Drinks at Trellis Fresh Flowers and Gifts, 165 E Jewett Blvd, White Salmon, on June 10 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Sample beer from Everybody's Brewing, wine from Major Creek Cellars, and food from Pioneer Pizza as you browse Trellis' inventory of home furnishings and gifts. Plus, learn tips for summer home and garden decorating from Ashley Neff, owner of Neff Designs, a local interior designer of both residential and commercial projects.

Brought to you by Gorge Owned and member businesses, Green Drinks is a monthly networking event that aims to raise awareness about environmentally friendly business practices while providing a quality networking opportunity for members of the community.

Suggested donation of \$5; free for GO! members. For more information, visit gorgeowned.org/green-drinks. Gorge Owned is a 501.c.3 member-supported organization with a mission to help people invest in a strong local economy, healthy environment and vibrant community in the Columbia River Gorge.

### Husum Riverside B and B opens

Husum Riverside Bed and Breakfast and Icehouse Patio Café is about to open at 866 Highway 141, Husum, courtesy of the Nice family. Call (509) 281-1181

### Gorge Winds presents dual concert June 14

The Gorge Winds Concert Band will hold a combined concert with the Tualatin Valley Community Band on June 14, beginning at 3 p.m. in the Wy'east Middle School Performing Arts Center.

The Gorge Winds Concert Band, founded in 2000, is a volunteer organization comprised of over 50 men and women in the Mid-Columbia Gorge area and performs in many venues throughout the Gorge, including Hood River, The Dalles, Trout Lake and Goldendale.

The concert band meets every Thursday at The Dalles Middle School, 1100 E. 12th Street, The Dalles, from 7-9 p.m. For more information, contact Sam Grotte, Music Director, at 509-493-1082.

### Climate Action Network hosts Dana Lyons June 20

Singer Dana Lyons will give a benefit show June 20 for the Columbia Gorge Climate Action Network, at 7:15 p.m. at Riverside Community Church. Donations are encouraged at \$15. Proceeds go to Dana Lyons and the Climate Action Network. Also, local businesses are donating dishes to be a part of a dinner open to the public. The dinner will start at 6 p.m. for all who are interested in coming early to share a meal before the concert.

### Cedar Creek Alpacas hosts 'open farm'

Join Cedar Creek Alpacas of Cook, Wash., for some summer fun on the farm June 13-14, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Come meet the newest members of the herd while enjoying live music by long-time Gorge musicians Scot Bergeron and Rebecca Stonestreet, Saturday at noon. Enjoy a picnic lunch of hot dogs and chips or bring your own if you wish.

Guest fiber artists will be demonstrating the art of spinning and weaving. Our farm is family friendly; come check out our children's activities.

The farm store will be open with new products, including a large variety of socks, hand knit items, hand spun yarns and felted art, and raw alpaca fiber from the latest shearing.

The farm is located at 182 McNichols Rd, Cook, just four miles off Highway 14 at milepost 56; 541-604-5765, www.cedarcreekalpacas.net.

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# HRMS band serenades Salem

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From the balcony of the cavernous Oregon House chambers, eighth graders from Hood River Middle School regaled state decision makers with a fluttering, jubilant piece.

The piece was "Into the Clouds," which depicts an airplane taking off in flight—a perfect way to launch the day's legislative grind.

"The (legislators) were very appreciative," said Rebecca Nederhiser, HRMS music director. "I heard a few audience members tell me later that it was a good reminder to them about the power of keeping music in schools... they said we were one of the farthest traveling groups."

The band made the trip to the state capitol Monday morning on an invitation from Rep. Mark Johnson (R-Hood River). The HRMS band last played in Salem in



Submitted photo

**EIGHTH GRADERS** from Hood River Valley Middle School Symphonic Band provided the Oregon legislature's opening ceremony Monday morning at the capitol building in Salem.

2010—Nederhiser's first year teaching band.

Nederhiser's classes have come full circle. She said her original class of kids is graduating from Hood River Valley High School this week. The HRVHS farewell concert Wednesday, conducted by Mark Steighner, was her original group's last

concert.

Nederhiser said the new group of 21 eighth graders were "really enthusiastic" to play in Salem. "A lot of them had never been down to the capitol," she said.

While the young musicians were visiting, Johnson showed them where he works and fielded questions

about Oregon's legislative process.

Kids learned how a bill is passed, and what it's like to be a representative. Johnson explained that many representatives have full-time jobs in addition to their legislative duties—he commutes to Salem during the annual session.

# Julie Amici Trio plays Griffin House Sunday

Julie Amici Trio brings jazz and blues to The Griffin House, 4168 Westcliff Drive, Hood River, June 7 for a 7 p.m. show. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Tickets are available for \$20 at eventbrite.com; search for Julie Amici to locate the show.

Julie Amici has a strong yet sweet voice reminiscent of the '50s when female singers ruled the jazz and blues world of music. Her repertoire combines the jazz of Billie Holiday with the soul of Nina Simone and the sophisticated country of Pasty Cline.

Dean Mueller's bass playing is rooted in the blues

chops he earned playing with the finest blues legends in America and touring with the award winning international act, The In-somniacs.

For this show they will be accompanied by Chris Carlson on guitar. Carlson and Mueller have the intrinsic on-stage chemistry that comes from many years playing together in the Duffy Bishop Band. Carlson was also the initial guitarist in the Julie Amici Trio.

Griffin House provides an intimate outdoor setting for music. Local wine tasting will be available, with a portion of those proceeds going to FISH food bank.



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Dean Mueller and Julie Amici



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**DRUMMER'S VIEW** of the Skamania County Fairgrounds, during the 2014 Blues and Brews.

# Blues and Brews returns June 26-27

Stevenson's signature event returns for its 22nd year, June 26-27, when Gorge Blues and Brews Festival hits the Skamania County Fairgrounds, 650 SW Rock Creek Drive.

The festival blends music, craft brews and food.

The Friday night segment features all things local from 6 to 10 p.m. Walking Man Brewery, Backwoods Brewing and Thunder Island Brewing will be pouring brews and there will be a selection of local wine. Tasty barbecue will be available, hot off the grill, from the Stevenson Eagles Lodge and Stevenson High School Senior Parents. Bring your boogie shoes because some of the best of our home grown musicians, Johnny Lyle Dodds and Skamaniaxe, will have you on your feet all evening. Admission is free, and camping is available on-site if you want to come early and stay late. Campsites can be reserved in advance via www.tickettomato.com.

On Saturday, the festival runs from noon until 10 p.m. and features 16 regional craft breweries including the brand new Bearded Brothers of Vancouver, as well as five local wineries and cideries.

Entrees will include Greek gyros and baklava, gourmet burgers, exotic sausages, homemade pies and of course, barbecue.

Continuous live blues music will fill the air with bands on two stages; this year's line-up includes headliner Patrick Lamb and the Funkified Band. The day will be filled with the sounds of Lloyd Jones and the Struggle, Jimmy Lloyd Rea and the Switch Masters, Bill Rhoades and the Party Kings/Queens featuring D.K. Stewart, The Bottle Neck Blues Band featuring Robbie Laws, Rae Gordon and Big Monti. Closing the night with true boogie music is J.R. Sims. In between the sets on Riverview Community Bank main stage, local musicians and bands will perform on the Big River Grill stage.

Admission is open to those 21 years and over only on both Friday and Saturday; no minors will be allowed on the festival grounds. The cost for admission on Saturday is \$20 per person and includes a commemorative beer mug or wine glass.

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