

## ENTERTAINMENT Update



Photo by Jim Drake

### 'BEACH BASH' JUNE 26

Local band Smoke on the Water opens for violinist Tim Snider (pictured above) in the "Beach Bash" free concert June 26 at Hood River Waterfront Park amphitheater, 6-10 p.m., presented by 10 Barrel Brewing and supported by Naked Winery. Beer, wine, and local food trucks will be on hand. The event is free and open to all ages. More details on A14.

### Take a walk downtown . . .

Downtown Hood River is filled with fascinating history — and you can learn about in a one-hour tour: The Historic Downtown Walking Tours provided by the History Museum of Hood River County offers an architectural and cultural history of downtown buildings and sites. Come learn about the lady who fell through glass, Mt. Hood Railroad in 1942, The Butler Bank and so much more. There's even an activity to keep kids entertained.

Tours will be every Tuesday at 10 a.m. and Saturday at 4 p.m. starting June 23 through July 28. Tours will start at Overlook Park on State and Second streets.

A \$5 donation is suggested. Join knowledgeable museum staff as you learn about the architecture and cultural importance of many of the city's historic sites. You must be able to stand and walk for one hour. Comfortable shoes are recommended. Call for more information call 541-386-6772.

### Open mic at Good Medicine

The Good Medicine Lounge on the Heights announces a weekly open mic on Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. The tea house hopes that the music can "become a popular gathering for the neighborhood that focuses on well-being and is accessible to all ages." The Good Medicine Lounge, 1029 May St., Hood River, (541) 436-2540.

### 'Artists Create' submissions needed July 15-31

"Gorge Artists Create" is the annual open juried show held each summer at The Dalles Art Center. The theme this year is "Fruits Of Our Labor." Artists are encouraged to be creative and asked to explain how their artwork relates to the theme upon submission. Works in all media are welcome. This show is open to the Mid-Columbia area and is very popular with local artists. Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place as well as People's Choice will be awarded. Submission will be accepted July 15 - 31 during regular gallery hours: Tuesday - Saturday 11-5 p.m. Artists may submit up to three pieces. There is a \$20 non-refundable entry fee for the first piece, then \$10 per subsequent entry. The Dalles Art Center, 229 E. 4th St., The Dalles, 541-296-4759.

### Blues Cabaret June 21

The Griffin House presents an original theatrical Broadway-blues performance by The Blues Cabaret, featuring Northwest artists Dave Fleschner, Earl Thomas, Billy Mixer, and Jimmy Wilcox on Sunday, June 21. Critics say, "The Blues Cabaret is a dynamic new song cycle about a wistful musician who finally walks the road not taken — years too late. It's told through sixteen-plus songs, four soulful singers and one swinging band." Doors open at 6 p.m.; show starts at 7 p.m.

Tickets available at Eventbrite.com; search for "Blues Cabaret." A portion of the proceeds benefits FISH.

### The Hazelnuts at Sandbar Café

Sandbar Café hosts The Hazelnuts, featuring Crazy Pete and Gary Reed, 5-8 p.m. June 20. Food is available on the dock. Catch the music and take in the view of the Columbia River; Sandbar Café is located at the Event Site on the waterfront.

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# Sternwheeler Days returns with familiar activities, new twists

The Columbia Gorge Lions Club presents the 40th annual Sternwheeler Days Festival, a fun filled weekend in the heart of the Columbia River Gorge. This year's event takes place June 26, 27, 28, celebrating the Gorge by showcasing vendors from our local area and surrounding regions. Event times are Friday noon - 9 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. - 9 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The rendezvous of the Mountain Men here on Thunder Island will be back, depicting fur trading camps of the 1830s and '40s. There will be live demonstrations during the event, including firing the cannon and ax throwing.

Live entertainment happens Saturday night featuring blues from The Angel Bouchet Band, food and craft vendors, and Walk on Waterballs are also planned. A dunk tank with the Hood River County Sheriff, Bingo, and the Ducky Derby — get your duck before the race Saturday afternoon — will add to the fun.

Also featured this year will be a beer garden all weekend. The parade will be Saturday morning at 11 a.m. down Wanapa, and the 5k and 10k walk/run will be at 9 a.m. Saturday morning and Church in the park at 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

The Lions club will be giving away free Sternwheeler ride tickets every two hours during the Sternwheeler Days Festival; you don't need to be present to win, sign up at the Lions information booth near the pavilion.

Overnight camping spots overlooking the Columbia River are available through the Port of Cascade Locks. Call 541-374-8619 for more information.

Cruises on the Sternwheeler "Columbia Gorge" will be available all weekend. Call 541-374-8427, 800-643-1354 or visit [www.sternwheeler.com](http://www.sternwheeler.com). If you would like to sponsor the event, sign-up for a vendor booth, or volunteer at the Sternwheeler event please contact Samantha Verschuren at 971-258-7348.



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**MOUNTAIN MEN RENDEZVOUS** brings pieces of veritable history to Thunder Island as Northwest residents who study, practice, and often live by 19th century methods will display their clothing, wares and lore. Visitors are encouraged to talk with the Rendezvous participants.



Submitted photo

### 2015 GARDEN TOUR

"Country Gardens" Tour happens June 27 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at five locations around Parkdale, including Meadow Mountain Farm and Garden (seen in aerial view) at 6270 Miller Rd. Also included is the Parkdale Bicentennial Garden, a community project that is undergoing a facelift to restore it to its former beauty by the Parkdale Garden Club, the OSU Master Gardeners, the Grange and other community members and organizations. Tickets are \$10 at Waucoma Bookstore, Grow Organic, Good News Gardening, Hood River OSU Extension, Klindt's Bookseller in The Dalles and Dickey Farms in Bingen. Details in the June 24 Hood River News.

**Auction Sales Co.** Mark Your Calendars! June 27th & 28th!

**Design Structures Construction Yard & Shop Auction**

The Dalles Location will sell all **Construction Equipment, Tools, Building Materials & Hardware Inventory.**

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541-386-3940  
Stonehedge Gardens

Destiny Theatres Fri - Wed, June 19 - June 24, 2015  
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**Columbia Cinemas**  
2727 W. 7th St., The Dalles - 296-8081

INSIDE OUT (PG)  
INSIDIOUS CHAPTER 3 (PG-13)  
SPY (R-17)  
JURASSIC WORLD (PG-13)

Showtimes are online!

**BARGAIN TUESDAYS\***  
[www.MoviesInTheDalles.com](http://www.MoviesInTheDalles.com)

# Gorge Restaurant Guide

#### APPLE VALLEY BBQ

Cherry wood smoked pulled pork, meatloaf, pork ribs, chicken, burgers, awesome salads & vegetarian options. Smoked Prime Rib on Friday & Saturday night! Local draft beers, wine and hard cider. Full service catering available! Full menu online!

Open Wed-Sun: 11-8  
4956 Baseline Dr, Parkdale  
541-352-3554 • AppleValleyBBQ.com

#### GRACE SU'S CHINA GORGE RESTAURANT

Serving the best Szechuan and Hunan Chinese food in the Gorge. Healthy dining. All food prepared fresh, no MSG added. Lunch and dinner. Dine in or take out. Beautiful view & convenient parking.

2680 Old Columbia River Dr, Hood River  
541-386-5331

#### HOOD RIVER RESTAURANT

Chinese and American dishes. Golden Rose Lounge with our Famous Scorpion! Try our lunch specials and great dinner combinations! Banquet facilities available.

Open Every Day: 11:30 am to 10 pm  
108 Second St., Hood River;  
541-386-3966 • VISA, MasterCard

#### HOOD RIVER TAQUERIA MEXICAN RESTAURANT

Featuring fine authentic Mexican food and cocktails. Spacious outdoor seating.

Open seven days a week:  
Sun. - Thurs. 9:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.,  
Fri. - Sat. 9:30 am to 11 pm  
1210 13th St., on the Heights, Hood River  
541-387-3300

#### RIVERSIDE AT THE HOOD RIVER INN

Enjoy panoramic river views and casual dining from Chef Mark DeResta's menus featuring fresh, all-natural ingredients for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Live weekend entertainment and happiest hours in town, Mon. - Fri., 4-6pm at Cebu Lounge.

**BEST WESTERN PLUS Hood River Inn**  
1108 E. Marina Way, Hood River  
541-386-4410  
Open every day 6 am to 9 pm

#### VINTAGE GRILLE

Combining Southern soul food and Northwest cuisine. Whether it is craw-fish etouffee or fresh local salmon, it will not disappoint. With a great martini bar and some of the best bread pudding in Hood River, we are quickly becoming 'the place to go in the gorge.'

Open 11:30-9 pm Sun. & Tue.- Thurs  
11:30-10 pm Fri. & Sat.  
102 Oak St., Hood River, inside the Hood River Hotel  
541-288-8264