

HAPPENINGS

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CALL FOR ARTISTS

■ **July 15-31** — “Gorge Artists Create” annual open juried show, The Dalles Art Center. Theme “Fruits of Our Labor.” Artists encouraged to be creative and explain how work relates to theme upon submission. All media welcome. Cash prizes. Submissions accepted Tues. thru Sat., 11-5 p.m. May submit up to three pieces. \$20 entry fee first, \$10 subsequent pieces. More at www.thedallesartcenter.org.

ON STAGE

■ **July 10-11, 17-18, 23-25** — Next to Normal, 7:30 p.m. at Columbia Center for the Arts. Matinee July 19 at 2 p.m. Directed by Mark Steighner. \$18 adults, \$12 groups of 10 or more. Tickets available at Columbia Art Gallery and Waucoma Bookstore.

FOR CHILDREN

■ **Story Time at Hood River Library:** Baby/Toddler 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 nancyp@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.

■ **July 8 — Leapin’ Louie’s Western Comedy Show,** 5:30 p.m. at the Hood River Library. Lasso spinning, whip cracking, stunt juggling entertainment for buckaroos of all ages. Free.

■ **July 9 — Crafternoon,** 2 p.m. at the Hood River Library. Come in and cool off with a fun, free craft project.

■ **July 11 — Cub Scout Pack 378 fishing event,** 11 a.m. at Laurence Lake. Boys must be accompanied by a parent; bring pole and bait. Prize for biggest fish caught. Hot dogs, refreshments provided. More info at 541-354-1323.

■ **July 13-17 — Summer art experiences** at Columbia Center for the Arts, 1-4 p.m. Shakespeare for teens. Ages 13-18. \$150. Scholarships available. More at columbiaarts.org/SummerArtExperiences

■ **July 13-17 — Summer art experiences** at Columbia Center for the Arts, 9-noon. Costume and soft sculpture with Megan Mesloh, Wildcraft Studio School. Ages 7+. \$90. Scholarships available. More at columbiaarts.org/SummerArtExperiences

EXHIBITS

■ **July 10-18 — Hood River Art Club exhibit** to celebrate its 66th year at the Hood River County Historical Museum, 11-4 p.m. daily. Artists reception July 18 from 1-4. Refreshments, exhibits and short program by Gayle Weisfield at 3. More info at 541-386-6772, thehistorymuseum@hrcn.net.

■ **Through Aug. 2 — Best of the Gorge** at the Columbia Center for the Arts. Showcasing 2D and 3D media, including drawing, painting, photography, glass, ceramics, sculpture, and mixed, by Mid-Columbia artists. Juried by Jennifer Zika.

■ **Through Aug. 29 — Outdoor Recreation:** The Heart of Hood River County, The History Museum of Hood River County. Featuring “The Darby Board,” Newman Darby’s iconic “wind sailing” invention, how HR

County’s trails were formed, how Timberline was built, what to pack for a hike and more.

■ **Through Aug. 31 — Sorcha Meek** at the Hood River Library. Small and large oil paintings. More info at 541-490-7691 or www.sorchameek.com; contact the library at 541-386-2535, info@hoodriverlibrary.org, or hoodriverlibrary.org.

REUNIONS

■ **Aug. 21-22 — HRVHS Class of 1995** will hold their 20 year reunion. Pre-registration begins June 1. Those interested in attending or know how to contact classmates are asked to email hrvhs1995@gmail.com to be added to the mailing list.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

■ **July 8 — Free car seat check,** 11-1 p.m. at HR Fire Station, 1785 Meyer Parkway. Expectant parents, grandparents and parents of children under 4 feet 9 inches are encouraged to attend to have seat installations checked by car seat technician Elizabeth Stillwell. Second Wednesday of each month.

■ **July 8 — The Mellow Guitar of Bill Davis,** 11:30-12:30 at HR Valley Adult Center, 2010 Sterling Place, off Brookside Drive.

■ **July 8 — Forests Born of Fire: Nature’s Phoenix,** 6-8 p.m. at the Hood River Library. With Dr. Dominick DellaSala, Chief Scientist of the GEOS Institute (Ashland). Conservation needs of burned forest, how to live safely in fire country and more.

■ **July 8 — Community Activists workshop,** 6-9 p.m. at the Stevenson Community Library. Free. A Stevenson Grange #121 2015 Resiliency Program. With Kai Huschke, from the Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund. More info at 509-427-5471 or 509-427-7153.

Make a scrapbook at the HR library

Make a handmade three ring 8 x 8 scrapbook album at the library. Decorate the album with ribbons, tags, and other various elements. The class will be held at the Hood River Library Saturday, July 25, at 2 p.m.

Local mother of two Pam Sanchez will teach the class. Sanchez has lived in the Gorge for the past 20 years. Scrapbooking is a hobby for Sanchez and she loves to preserve memories and stories.

The presentation is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact the Hood River County Library District at 541-386-2535, info@hoodriverlibrary.org, or visit their website at hoodriverlibrary.org.

■ **July 9 — Gorge Grown Farmers’ Market,** 4-7 p.m. at Hood River Middle School. Locally raised fruits and vegetables, meat, fish, cheese, eggs, bread and more, with hot food vendors, local musicians, cooking demonstrations, and children’s activities.

■ **July 9 — Community Activists workshop,** 6-9 p.m. at the White Salmon Community Library. Free. A Stevenson Grange #121 2015 Resiliency Program. With Kai Huschke, from the Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund. More info at 509-493-1132 or 509-427-7153.

■ **July 9 — Pilot safety meeting,** 6:30 p.m. at WAAAM. Topic: Managing unexpected events. Learn how to handle emergencies in your aircraft and how not to mismanage them. Free; open to public. WINGS credit is available.

■ **July 10 — Friday Fun Lunch** with Jack Shepherd & Friends, 11-1:30 p.m. at HR Valley Adult Center, 2010 Sterling Place, off Brookside Drive. Dancers and listeners welcome!

■ **July 10-12 — 9th Annual Kiteboarding 4 Cancer** at the Hood River Waterfront. Family-friendly event features live

music, a pop-up art studio, local food carts, and the KB4C Kite Derby, North America’s largest amateur kiteboarding race. All proceeds benefit Athletes 4 Cancer; helps young cancer survivors find hope and healing through outdoor adventure.

■ **July 11 — WAAAM Traffic Jam,** 8-5 p.m. at WAAAM, 1600 Air Museum Rd. Vehicles must be 30+ years old for entry. Swap meet, car show, prizes for entrants and drawings for visitors. More info at 541-308-1600 or www.waaamuseum.org.

■ **July 11 — Landscaping with Less Water,** 9 a.m. at the OSU Extension grounds. Sponsored by OSU Extension Service, Columbia Gorge Master Gardeners, HR Soil and Water Conservation District and HR Watershed Group. Series of classes; for more info call 541-386-3343. Free and open to public.

■ **July 11 — Hood River Saturday Market,** 10-2 p.m. at Oak Street Pub, 4th & Oak St. Market showcases work and products from some of the finest artisans and growers anywhere! We also feature some of the best live music!

■ **July 11 — Master Gardener program,** 1 p.m. at the Parkdale Library. How to identify insects, manage harmful insects and incorporate beneficial insects. By OSU Extension Master Gardeners.

■ **June 11 — OSU Extension Master Gardener** Ryan Fenwick presentation, 2 p.m. at the Cascade Locks Library. Topics include planning and tools to consider before putting in a garden. More info at 541-386-2535, info@hoodriverlibrary.org, or hoodriverlibrary.org.

■ **July 11 — Mercado del Valle,** 3-6 p.m. at Mid Valley Elementary. Local farmer and food producers, artisans, hot food vendors, and musicians are waiting to share the bounty of the



Photo by Kirby Neumann-Red

ESTHER KLINE, 9, of Hood River spins rubber balls with the help of juggler Curtis Carlyle in a packed July 1 performance at Hood River Library.

PICK OF THE WEEK

Summer fun at the Hood River Library

Looking for a way to beat the summer heat? The Hood River Library — which serves as a downtown cooling shelter — has a number of weekly activities for children and adults.

Free family-friendly entertainment comes to the library starting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Previous shows have included live bugs and “seriously funny juggling;” this week, enjoy a Western-themed comedy show.

On Thursdays, start the morning with baby/toddler and big kid story time, both at 10 a.m., and then return with the older kids at 2 p.m. for Crafternoon — enjoy a fun, free craft project.

And now through Aug. 31, contemporary artist Sorcha Meek is showing large and small scale oil paintings from her “Together” series.

The library also has summer reading programs for children, teens and adults at all branches (Hood River, Parkdale and Cascade Locks). Kids can earn prizes as they progress towards their reading goal, teens earn prizes for hours completed, and adults will be entered into a raffle for each book read.

For more information on these and other activities, contact the library district at 541-386-2535, info@hoodriverlibrary.org, or hoodriverlibrary.org.

Library’s downstairs meeting room. The public is encouraged to attend.

■ **July 15 — 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.

■ **July 15 — Grave Matters discussion series:** Funerary practices and green burials, 5:30 p.m. at the Hood River Library. With Jodie Buller and Denise Urban from White Eagle Memorial Preserve Cemetery at Ekone Ranch. More at 541-386-2535, info@hoodriverlibrary.org, or hoodriverlibrary.org.

■ **July 16 — Gorge Grown Farmers’ Market,** 5-8 p.m. at Hood River Middle School. Locally raised fruits and vegetables, meat, fish, cheese, eggs, bread and more, with hot food vendors, local musicians, cooking demonstrations, and children’s activities.

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

■ **July 18 — Relay For Life of Columbia Gorge,** 8 a.m. to 12 a.m. at the HR Co. Fairgrounds. For more info visit www.relayforlife.org/columbiagorge or call 1-800-227-2345.

■ **July 18 — Hood River Saturday Market,** 10-2 p.m. at Oak Street Pub, 4th & Oak St. Market showcases work and products from some of the finest artisans and growers anywhere! We also feature some of the best live music!

■ **July 18 — Mercado del Valle,** 3-6 p.m. at Mid Valley Elementary. Local farmer and food producers, artisans, hot food vendors, and musicians are waiting to share the bounty of the Hood River Valley! Stop by and see what this market is about!

■ **July 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.

■ **July 14 — Hood River Democrats Monthly Meeting,** 6-7 p.m. at the Hood River

Dinners, starting at \$8.50, are available from 5-7 p.m.

■ **July 18-19 — Lavender DAZE,** 10-5 p.m. at Hood River Lavender, 3801 Straight Hill Rd. Free admission. Live music, food and wine vendors, craft classes, U-pick lavender, kids’ activities. See www.lavenderdaze.com.

■ **July 19 — Presentation by Linda Wilson,** 2-4 p.m. at Riverenza Café, 401 E. 10th St., The Dalles. On Blanche McCaughey Sammis, Wasco County Bronc rider, bull and steer roper in the early 1900s. Also: silver-smithing and saddle display. Co-sponsored by the Wasco County Historical Society, Ft. Dalles Museum and the Wasco County Original Court House, the event is free although donations are welcomed. Refreshments and a no-host bar.

■ **July 19 — Mosier Farmer’s Market,** 4-7 p.m. at The Rack and Cloth, 1104 1st Ave. Downtown Mosier. Food vendors, artists, musicians, kids’ activities & events. Come dance and chat among the veggies. For kids, oldies and anyone who eats! We accept SNAP and DEBIT card transactions.

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

■ **July 21 — Disaster Preparedness presentation,** 1 p.m. at the History Museum. Light snacks provided. Learn to prepare for natural disasters.

■ **July 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.

■ **July 22 — Green Drinks at Aniche Cellars,** 5:30-7 p.m., 71 Little Buck Creek Rd., Underwood. Meet winemaker and owners; learn about water conservation projects in the region. Suggested \$5 donation.

■ **July 22-25 — Hood River County Fair** at the fairgrounds, 3020 Wyeast Road. Gates open at noon daily; carnival rides at 1. General admission \$7 for adults Wed.-Fri. and \$10 Sat. Children 6-12 \$2. Senior Day Wed., \$5. Free parking.

■ **July 23 — “Darkness to Light:”** Free child sex abuse prevention training. Learn the steps to protect children. Class size is limited; to register contact Michelle Tremblay at 541-806-0901. Sponsored by Columbia Gorge Children’s Advocacy. Sessions planned through June 2016.

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