

Area communities blast into Fourth of July

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Parades, park activities and fireworks shows are featured in area towns to help celebrate Wednesday's Fourth of July holiday.

While some communities offer only a couple of activities, many are going all-out with full day or multiple day festivals. Unless otherwise noted, admission to the events are free, although food and some activities cost to participate. Independence Day events occur on Wednesday, July 4 unless otherwise noted. Websites addresses and/or contact information to obtain additional information about events in local communities include:

PENDLETON

Salute to Freedom 4th of July Parade

• 10 a.m.
• Downtown Pendleton
Free. Starts at Pendleton City Hall, travels east on Dorion Avenue to Main Street, then west on Court Avenue to the Pendleton Convention Center. Awards will be presented in 14 categories and Pendleton VFW Let "er Buck Post 922 will present a "Patriot Trophy" to the entrant with the most judge's votes at noon at Hamley's Park on Main Street. (Fred Bradbury, fbradbury@yahoo.com or 541-377-7474).

Pendleton Fireworks

• Dusk
• Launch site, property west of Wal-Mart

Free. After a one-year hiatus due to fizzling fundraising, efforts for the 2018 fireworks show flourished when Devan Driskell, an eighth-grader at Sunridge Middle School, ponied up \$1,000 of his hard-earned money. That inspired Jerry Imsland of the Pendleton Rotary Club meeting to get involved to help revive the Pendleton's Fourth of July fireworks display. Imsland said the group raised more than its \$1,000 goal and promises a bigger and better show than in past years.

HERMISTON

Stars & Stripes Celebration

• 1-10:30 p.m.
• Butte Park, 1245 N.W. Seventh St.
www.hermistonrecreation.com

Free admission. The family-friendly event features games, entertainment, bouncy houses, live music, local youth performances,



Staff photo by Tammy Malgesini

An explosion of color fills the night sky above the Hermiston Butte during the 2017 Fourth of July fireworks display.

vendors, food booths, magic shows, Bubble Soccer balloon animals, face painting and more. The event crescendos with a fireworks show at dusk, which will be shot off from the Hermiston Butte. (541-667-5018, parksandrec@hermiston.or.us).

Stars and Stripes Pool Party

• 7-10:30 p.m.
• Hermiston Family Aquatic Center, 879 W. Elm Ave.
www.hermistonpool.com/events

\$14/ages 15 and older; \$10/ages 2-14; free/ages 0-2. Pool party, barbecue (catered by Dickey's Barbecue Pit), live music, games and a front row seat to fireworks display. Must purchase tickets in advance at the pool. (541-289-7665).

MILTON-FREEWATER

Old-Fashioned Independence Day Celebration

• Saturday, July 7; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
• Yantis Park, 200 Dehaven St.
www.facebook.com/events/184239605764578

Free admission. Vendor booths, kids' games, program with MC Coyote Joe, national anthem, color guard and reading of The Declaration of Independence (10 a.m.), square dancers, apple pie contest, strawberry shortcake, ice cream and free hot dogs (while they last). (541-938-3731). Also, registration for the Kiwanis Color Me Freedom 5K run/

STANFIELD

Stanfield Fourth of July

• 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
• Bard Park, off Highway 395 between Harding and Roosevelt avenues
www.facebook.com/Stanfield4thofJuly

Free admission. Firemen's breakfast (at community center), 3-on-3 tournament (9 a.m.), parade (10 a.m.), entertainment, Cash Vault, vendors, pie baking contest (turn by 11 a.m.), duck race (12:30 p.m.), and raffle drawings. Park activities end at 3 p.m., but fireworks will be shot off at dusk. Also, Tuesday night 6-9 p.m., Fourth of July Fundraising Steak Feed; \$20/steak; \$10/kid's hamburger. Includes beer garden and music by The Hired Guns. Tickets are available at Main Street Market. (541-449-3831, sandy@cityofstanfield.com).

BOARDMAN

Boardman Thunder 4th of July Celebration

• 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.
• Riverside High School, downtown, pool/recreation center & Boardman Marina Park
www.boardmanchamber.org

Free admission. Boy Scout breakfast (7 a.m.), color run (\$10-\$30, 8 a.m., RHS), parade (11 a.m.), tournaments (3-3 basketball, horseshoes, youth soccer), park activities includes food/craft vendors, kids games (12:30-5 p.m.), music with DJ Kora, live music with Cruise Control (6:30-9:30 p.m.) and fireworks at dusk. (541-481-3014 or info@boardman-chamber.org).

IONE

Ione Fourth of July Celebration

• 7 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.
• Ione City Park, Ione Fire Hall and American Legion Hall
www.cityofioneoregon.com/fourthofjuly

Free admission. Firemen's breakfast (7 a.m.), Creative Care PreSchool 5K run/walk (7:30 a.m.), vendor booths, horseshoe and 3-on-3 tournaments, games, parade featuring grand marshals Gregg and Shelly Rietmann (1 p.m.), talent show (3:30 p.m.), Game On! featuring video games and laser tag (5-8 p.m.) and auction/raffle drawings (8 p.m.) Featured entertainment includes Wade Aylett (2 p.m.), Cory Peterson Band (4:30 p.m.), James Marlin Band (6:30 p.m.) and Brewer's Grade Band (8:30 p.m.), followed by fireworks at dusk. The celebration also features activities Saturday (bingo and poker tournament, Movie in the Park: "Ghostbusters"), Sunday (volleyball tournament) and Tuesday (golf tournament and Ione High School all alumni get together). (541-422-7414).

CONDON

Condon's Fabulous 4th of July

• 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
• Downtown Condon, city park, Memorial Hall
www.condonchamber.org

Free admission. Community breakfast, Windmill Classic 5K Run/Walk (8 a.m.), program with flag ceremony and introduction of grand marshals Kevin and Eileen Potter (9 a.m.) contests, book sale, beer/wine garden, barbecue, parade (noon), 25th annual Soap Box Derby, sidewalk chalk art, free swimming, kids games, Artisans Market in the Park (4-7 p.m.), raffle drawings (6:30 p.m.), live music with Hyatus (7 p.m.) and fireworks at dusk. The celebration also includes activities Friday through Sunday. (541-384-7777).

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BRIEFLY

West Nile virus detected east of Hermiston

HERMISTON — Umatilla County officials detected West Nile virus in three samples collected along the south bank of the Cold Springs Reservoir, according to a press release from the West Umatilla Mosquito Control District.

Residents living in the area can expect an ultra low volume of insecticide spraying from trucks running after sunset when mosquitoes are most active.

People infected with West Nile experience mild flu-like symptoms such as fever, headache, body aches, and occasionally swollen lymph glands or a rash. More extreme cases can cause inflammation of the brain.

Horses are also susceptible to West Nile, although a vaccine is available.

Report mosquito infestations or dead birds to the district 541-567-5201

Kayak Public Transit adds Echo stop

ECHO — Kayak Public Transit will be making stops in Echo starting July 1.

The free public bus system run by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation will make multiple stops per day at City Park between Bridge and Dupont streets.

Echo residents can take the Hermiston Hopper into Stanfield, Hermiston, Umatilla, McNary or Irrigon in the morning and return in the afternoon. They can also take the bus into Pendleton, with connections to La Grande and Walla Walla.

Susan Johnson, manager of Kayak, said people can find the full schedule at ctuir.org/tribal-services/planning/kayak-public-transit and encouraged riders to call dispatch at 541-429-7519 with questions.

"Our dispatchers are here to help people plan their trips," she said. "It can be confusing for riders to figure out the schedule, but they are very helpful."

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TODAY

Partly sunny and pleasant

SUNDAY

Partly sunny; breezy, pleasant

MONDAY

Clouds and sun; breezy, nice

TUESDAY

Partly sunny and nice

WEDNESDAY

Mostly sunny and beautiful

PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
Today	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
85° 60°	82° 53°	75° 48°	73° 49°	87° 55°
HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
Today	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
89° 62°	87° 54°	80° 51°	78° 50°	90° 52°

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PENDLETON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	79°	53°
Normals	84°	55°
Records	102° (2008)	37° (1898)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m.: 0.00"
Month to date: 0.42"
Normal month to date: 1.05"
Year to date: 6.49"
Last year to date: 11.30"
Normal year to date: 7.56"

HERMISTON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	84°	58°
Normals	84°	56°
Records	105° (2008)	44° (1964)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m.: 0.00"
Month to date: 0.14"
Normal month to date: 0.58"
Year to date: 5.10"
Last year to date: 6.59"
Normal year to date: 5.69"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	5:09 a.m.
Sunset tonight	8:48 p.m.
Moonrise today	10:34 p.m.
Moonset today	7:26 a.m.

Last	New	First	Full
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REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	64	56	pc	65	52	pc
Baker City	80	52	pc	78	45	pc
Bend	83	50	pc	80	43	s
Brookings	74	56	s	72	54	s
Burns	81	48	pc	81	45	s
Enterprise	76	52	pc	74	44	pc
Eugene	82	54	pc	79	49	pc
Heppner	81	58	pc	79	50	pc
Hermiston	89	62	pc	87	54	pc
John Day	81	54	pc	79	50	pc
Klamath Falls	85	48	s	86	47	s
La Grande	80	57	pc	77	47	pc
Meacham	76	52	pc	74	45	pc
Medford	92	59	s	90	56	s
Newport	62	52	pc	62	49	pc
North Bend	67	53	pc	66	51	s
Ontario	87	59	pc	88	58	s
Pasco	89	58	pc	87	52	pc
Pendleton	85	60	pc	82	53	pc
Portland	76	60	pc	75	55	pc
Redmond	85	51	pc	82	44	s
Salem	80	58	pc	79	52	pc
Spokane	73	52	pc	76	50	pc
Ukiah	77	50	pc	74	43	pc
Vancouver	75	59	pc	73	53	pc
Walla Walla	84	62	pc	83	57	pc
Yakima	84	53	pc	81	49	pc

WORLD CITIES

	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	99	68	pc	94	71	s
Hong Kong	91	85	pc	92	83	sh
Jerusalem	81	63	s	84	65	s
London	82	62	pc	85	63	pc
Mexico City	75	53	t	75	53	t
Moscow	76	65	t	76	58	t
Paris	90	70	pc	91	66	pc
Rome	85	66	s	84	66	s
Seoul	82	69	r	76	73	r
Sydney	67	45	s	61	50	s
Tokyo	87	77	pc	86	76	pc

WINDS

(in mph)	Today	Sunday
Boardman	WSW 8-16	WSW 8-16
Pendleton	WSW 8-16	WSW 10-20

UV INDEX TODAY

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8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.
0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High;
8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

National Summary:

Sweltering heat and humidity will surge from the Central States to the Northeast today. As cooler air pours into the northern Plains, severe thunderstorms will threaten the Upper Midwest and central Plains.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 104° in Imperial, Calif. **Low 32°** in Tuolumne Meadows, Calif.

NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	93	64	pc	93	67	pc
Atlanta	89	73	t	83	70	t
Atlantic City	87	73	pc	91	71	pc
Baltimore	95	72	s	98	73	pc
Billings	75	57	c	77	56	pc
Birmingham	90	72	t	87	72	t
Boise	83	59	pc	85	58	s
Boston	93	75	s	88	67	s
Charleston, SC	89	74	t	90	74	t
Charleston, WV	94	69	s	94	72	s
Cleveland	96	78	s	100	79	s
Chester	94	73	s	95	77	pc
Cicago	96	78	s	100	79	s
Denver	76	51	t	89	56	pc
Detroit	96	75	pc	95	76	pc
El Paso	98	74	c	100	75	pc
Fairbanks	69	54	sh	70	55	c
Fargo	82	60	t	84	60	s
Honolulu	88	74	pc	88	75	pc
Houston	98	76	pc	98	76	pc
Indianapolis	92	75	pc	92	75	pc
Jacksonville	88	72	t	89	73	t
Kansas City	95	73	pc	86	69	pc
Las Vegas	103	82	s	106	85	s
Little Rock	96	74	s	99	72	s
Los Angeles	77	61	pc	77	61	pc

	Today			Sun.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W