

Joseph Charter students try out dragon-boating

‘Awakening’ event and ‘Wally’ hits the water announced

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A group of 13 students from Joseph Charter School used their physical education class time May 11 to try out dragon boats.

After being introduced to “Wally” the big Kaohsiung-style dragon boat that will go to the Portland races June 9-11, the students and instructor Toby Koehn met at the foot of Wallowa Lake hoping to take one of the club’s sleek Hong Kong style race boats out for a practice run.

Unfortunately high winds prevented the trip, so the group learned the basic calls and technique from local dragons while on dry land.

“These guys learn fast,” said race organizer Michael Lockhart. “We hope to see them and other youth members from across the county out on the lake. We really want to field a youth team.”

To help youth become involved, Lockhart will arrange “work it off” opportunities for them to pay youth dues of \$75.

Adult membership dues are \$100 for the season.

Anyone interested in trying out dragon boats is wel-



Students from Joseph Charter School, along with their teacher Toby Koehn, joined the Dragons in the Wallows for a physical education class and learned the technique. Pictured: Chris Hildreth, Ronny Morello, Trey Wandschneider, Justice McQuown and Ellyse Tingelstad.

come to meet with the team at practices. Individuals must be 14 or older. “Dragons in the Wallows” competitive race team includes well-conditioned individuals older than 70 years.

The team now has four Hong Kong race boats in addition to “Wally” and paddlers can be divided into race and recreation teams as more members join. All boaters must sign a waiver.

Practices are Tuesday and Thursday at 6:15 p.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m.

To join the dragon boat club

- call 503-781-4321 or
- visit DragonsintheWallows.com

Paddles and life vests will be provided for anyone interested in trying out.

Although some team members started early, the regular practice season for dragon boats began May 13.

A traditional Awakening Ceremony for “Wally” will be held in Joseph between the Outlaw Restaurant and Embers Brew Pub 6 p.m.

May 19.

“Wally” will be launched on the lake 10 a.m. Saturday, May 20.

Members of Dragons in the Wallows race team that intend to compete in the Portland Dragon Boat Races held in conjunction with the Rose Festival in June will use “Wally” until that race has been completed.

After that, practices will be held in the sleeker Hong Kong style boats in preparation for Wallowa County’s “Seventh Wonder Cup” on Wallowa Lake the last weekend of August.



Fireworks over Wallowa Lake for "Shake the Lake."

‘Shake the Lake’ fundraising starts

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Although Memorial Day has yet to arrive, many in Wallowa County have begun contemplating Independence Day.

The “Shake the Lake” fireworks show is run on donations, which are raised by the Wallowa County Chamber of Commerce. The tab for the show comes to around \$12,000, and locals manage to raise that year after year because “the show is for everybody,” said Vicki Searle, director of the Wallowa County Chamber of Commerce.

Bruce Lawson of Home-

land Fireworks in John Day has produced the fireworks show for a number of years and enjoys his annual visit.

“For a display company and operator, Wallowa Lake, with the mountains there, with the shells going off — the acoustics are just incredible,” Lawson said. “Out of all the displays in three states, I’ve never heard acoustics like that. We can break a shell and it will continue to crack three or four times with echo. I like that.”

The display is 16 minutes of nonstop oohs and aahs.

“We will lift over a ton of shells, and that takes about 1,300 to 1,400 pounds of explosives,” Lawson said. “We will have some of our very best effects including new ones made this year for the event.”

The show starts on July 4 at dusk. Lawson says one of his favorite memories from the Wallowa Lake event was the year that one of his technicians, who had a good voice, was so moved by the event that he spontaneously began singing “The Star-Spangled Banner” from the fireworks launching barge.

“He did a really good job, and all the spectators gave him a standing ovation,” Lawson recalled. “My guys came back pretty tickled about that. Everybody we have sent up to shoot the Wallowa Lake display has had a good time.”



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JosephUMC.org

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