# Port Report





## 4<sup>th</sup> of July

4<sup>th</sup> of July is just around the corner with many festivities taking place in the Marine Park. This event would not be possible without the generous donations that came in this year. The Port would like to give a special thanks to our supporting sponsors; Portland Spirit and Let's Truck. This year's event will feature a classic rock band that was made possible by sponsorship of the Cascade Locks Downtown Business Association. We would like to thank all of our sponsors; Griffith Motors, Tenneson Engineering Corp., SML Trucking, Bear Mountain Forest Products, Ridgeline Plumbing, Friends of the Columbia Gorge, Run with Paula Events, Nestle Waters, Green Living Journal, Cable Huston, Columbia Gorge Lions Club, Bridgeside Restaurant/Best Western & Columbia Bank. With your help and participation we may continue this wonderful event for our community.

#### Reminder: New Bridge Tolls in July

Don't forget; new Bridge of the Gods tolls go into effect on July 1, 2016. Local residents, (residents of Wasco, Hood River, Skamania and Klickitat Counties, Warrendale and Dodson) can pick up a local sticker or purchase a new coupon book and cross the bridge for \$1 each way. 2 axle vehicles without the local sticker or a coupon book will pay \$2 to cross the Bridge each way. The stickers are issued at either the Skamania County Chamber of Commerce office in downtown Stevenson, or the Port office in Marine Park in Cascade Locks. New tolls are effective also for trucks, pedestrians and bicycles. Current coupons will be honored until they are used up. Coupon books may be purchased by anyone regardless of place of residence. Everyone is encouraged to get the local sticker or purchase a coupon book. The Port of Cascade Locks, owner of the Bridge of the Gods is operating within a 10 Year Maintenance and Preservation Plan for the BOG. The 10 Year Plan calls for the Port to spend over \$3 million dollars over the ten years to keep the Bridge at its current 80,000 pound weight limit. The Port Commission has made a long term commitment to the operation and safety of the Bridge for all who would use it. Federal and State assistance will be required.

## **Update from the Museum**

The Cascade Locks Historical Museum will have Membership Annual Wednesday evening, July 27, at 7:00 p.m. If the evening is warm, the meeting will be in the shade of the trees south of the Museum building. There will be election of Board Chairman and Secretary. a short presentation, and light refreshments. Your annual membership can be purchased that evening. Two Columbia Gorge Sternwheeler tickets will be offered when a family membership is purchased at this meeting only; the cost of a family membership is \$35.00. Single and senior memberships are also available for purchase (no Sternwheeler tickets given, however). Mark your calendar for the Magical History Tour event for Friday evening, October 7, 2016.



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#### Thank You

Commissioner David Lipps has resigned his position on the Commission to be able to focus more attention to his business; Thunder Island Brewing Company. David served almost one full year and is in the process of moving his business onto Wa Na Pa Street. David brought new ideas, lots of energy and contributed greatly to the current successes at the Port. We wish him well in his future endeavors! The Port Commission will be accepting letters of interest from citizens within the Port District for the remainder of the term through June of 2017.



## New Ramp at the Beach in Marine Park

A new, wider, gently sloped ramp is near completion at the beach. This will allow easier access to the river for patrons and small vessel sailing. The Port would like to thank the Columbia River Gorge Racing Association, Bussard Engineering and Summit Excavation for their partnership on this project.

# **Upcoming Community Events**

Details: www.portofcascadelocks.org/events

#### July

**4** Fourth of July, Marine Park

5-10 WIND Youth Clinic, Beach

8 Movies in the Park: Minions, Marine Park

**9** REI Mtn Biking Workshop, EasyCLIMB Trail

7-11 Gem & Mineral Show, Marine Park

**16-19** Laser Performance Clinic, Beach

**29** Movies in the Park: Inside Out, Marine Park

**29** Gorge Family Fun Camp Out, Marine Park

29-31 CGOD Race, Beach

## **August**

**5-7** Bridge of the Gods Run, Marine Park

5-6 Double Dammed Race, Beach

**12** Movies in the Park: Up, Marine Park

**13-14** RS Aero NA Championship, Beach

**19-21** PCT Days, Marine Park

**26** Movies in the Park: Labyrinth, Marine Park

27 REI Mtn Biking Workshop, EasyCLIMB Trail

#### September

- 2 Movies in the Park: Cinderella (2015), Marine Park
- 3 Cascade Locks School Alumni Dinner, Pavilion
- 4 Old Timers Picnic, Marine Park

#### LOCAL TRIVIA QUIZ FOR PRIZES

Be one of the first three people to correctly answer this question (spelling counts) by email to: rare@portofcascadelocks.org, and win a gift certificate to a local business!

**Adults:** Name 2 of the lakes in the Cascade Mountain Range behind Cascade Locks.

**Youth (Under 18):** What's the name of the famous sturgeon at Bonneville Dam Fish Hatchery?