

Ridgefield Events – July 14, 2011

Confluence Winery's second annual **Arists in the Vineyard** will be this week-end, Saturday and Sunday, July 16 and 17, from noon to 6. Farrar's Bistor and Grill will once again have food, and there will be music both days. Saturday will feature Eric John Kaiser, the "French Troubador", and Sunday will be Ruby Hill with Matt Brown. Young artist Rikki Horner will open both days. Information: 866-1304.

Ridgefield Nazarene Church is offering a **Summer Vacation Reading Journey** every Tuesday through July & August at 9:30-10:30 am in the upstairs Hospitality Room. Each session will start with a small story for small kids and finish with a reading from the "Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe." Come enjoy the journey, juice, a donut and coffee or milk. Information: 887-3576.

'Creature Feature' will be the theme at the **Ridgefield library** next Tuesday, July 19 at 2 pm. Bring your young kids to enjoy a fun afternoon at the library. Information: 887-8281.

Possible traffic tie-ups in the Salmon Creek area at 134th -

A busy section of Interstate 5 is scheduled to get some much-needed congestion relief and safety improvements beginning this month as crews start the third stage of construction on the Salmon Creek Interchange Project, according to the Washington State Department of Transportation.

New lanes will be added to both directions of I-5 between Northeast 139th and 179th streets. Crews also will add a new exit lane on northbound Interstate 205 at the off-ramp to Northeast 134th Street. The ramp often backs up onto I-5, especially during the afternoon commute. A new exit lane will help improve traffic flow and help prevent high-speed, rear-end collisions, according to traffic officials.

The next Biggest Loser Weight Loss Challenge will be a **fund raiser** for the **Ridgefield Public Schools Foundation**. **Northwest Wellness and Nutrition Club** has now given money to the Foundation two times and is going for three.

Join a 12 week challenge to raise money for the Ridgefield Public Schools Foundation. The challenge starts July 20. Information: 904-6019.

LOOKING AHEAD

The 5th annual **Saddle Up Car Show** is coming up at Ridgefield High School on September 18. The show helps kids on the equestrian team pay for their stalls at district meets. The show features muscle cars, antiques as well as trucks. There will be 24 awards in various categories as well as raffle prizes.

The Ridgefield Equestrian Team parents will have concessions, dash plaques and goodie bags. They are looking for donations to raffle off. Call Sheri at 904-1443 if you can help.

Cost to register a vehicle is \$15, and the show is from 1 – 5 pm.

The **Mercantile** – Gifts and Specialty Foods - will have their **Grand Opening Celebration** August 5th and 6th. Formerly the Dancing Rabbit, the Merc will have an expanded inventory including food. Come and see for yourself!

The **Beach Boys** will be at the Sleep Country **Amphitheater** on Friday, August 5th. Tickets are \$27.45 to \$54.25. Information: [800-745-3000](tel:800-745-3000).

Same date – our very own **Sons of the American Legion** will present a **Cruise In** here in old-town Ridgefield, 4-8 pm. Cost to enter a car is \$12, cost to visitors is nothing. Which is the better buy?

Also on the same date – stores in old town Ridgefield will be open until 8:00 with **specials for First Friday**. Come down and see what your town has to offer.

Clark County Fair is August 5-14 - put the date on your calendar. Enjoy an old-time county fair, with exhibits, rides, animals, food, fairway fun. To me, this is a Must-Do event every summer. The Ridgefield Lions Club serves delicious food in their booth at the fair, and the money they raise goes to support their many charitable activities here in Ridgefield.