

A person dressed as a gorilla, wearing a brown furry suit and a mask, stands in the middle of a paved street. They are holding up a prosthetic white hand with fingers spread. To the left, a red classic car is parked. A crowd of people is gathered on the sidewalks, watching the parade. The background shows trees and a building.

Photos by Philip L. Watness

Bigfoot was seen during the Skamania County Fair Parade Saturday.



Boys 10-14 axe throw competition, Timber Carnival, Friday, Aug. 14.



U.S. Rep. Marie Gluesenkamp Perez competes in the axe throwing contest at the Timber Carnival on Friday, Aug. 14.



WSU Cooperative Extension Director Hannah Brause milks a dairy goat raised by Alizee Alonzo-Bledso with Four Seasons 4H of Camas.



Josey Adkinson with Two River 4H of Camas pauses for a photo while sweeping the livestock barn.



Twyla Newman of Four Seasons 4H of Camas tends to her Alpine milk goat on Friday, Aug. 14.



U.S. military veterans (from left) Ralph Hatfield, Mike Baker and Lonnie Gates are joined by Greta Lundberg of Stabler in a Weapons Transport Vehicle for the Skamania County Fair Parade on Saturday.



Olie Higley, dressed as Woody from “Toy Story” and his Nigerian Dwarf goat earned Best Costume ribbon on Friday, Aug. 14, at the Skamania County Fair.



Emery Short of Washougal smiles at the photographer as her brother, Eamon Short, and Zephyr Warren also play during the Sunflower Hour at the Skamania County Fair on Friday, Aug. 14.

Polish those skates and flex that spandex

There are no upcoming Open Gym dates, but there are a ton of new Skate Night dates now posted on the website (underwoodcommunity.org). Skate Night is an all-ages event where the Community Center gym turns into a roller rink.

Bring your own gear.
\$3 per skater. 16 and under will need an adult present.

Tell your neighbors. Invite your friends. Bring your own skates or roller-blades and a water bottle. If roads get bad due to winter conditions, events will not run. Contact coordinator Tammara Tippel with any questions.

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Don't forget to mark your calendars for Sunday, Sept. 13, 3 to 6 p.m. for Underwood's annual community picnic. Join friends and neighbors for this fun annual event. Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks provided. Please bring a side to share and a dessert for the always-popular dessert auction. Feel free to bring any outdoor games, too. Last year's event was the biggest so far; let's beat that number. Hope to see you at the picnic. All proceeds from the dessert auction will go towards resurfacing the tennis and basketball courts.

Farmers Market loves its vendors

Last week the Stevenson Farmers Market celebrated National Farmers Market Week, so they'd like to tell you a little more about why they love their vendors.

It takes a real can-do attitude, creativity and commitment to run a small business. Add in the travel, booth set up, working rain or shine and no two days are alike.

Farmers markets are a great way to get a business started and learn how things work. It's also fun to see vendors who return every season. State-wide, nearly 40 percent have been selling for more than 10 years.

That's dedication. What keeps them coming back? You. And building relationships with customers. Providing your community with healthy food. And being able to

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1909	First race is held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.
1953	CIA-assisted coup overthrows government of Iran.
1964	The Beatles kick off first U.S. tour at San Francisco's Cow Palace.