

# Slippery Gulch

Tekoa, Wa

## *Grand Marshals - George & Debbie Dean*

This years shirt was designed again by Mish Ink, with a theme that supports our local history.

You can purchase them for \$15 for adult sizes and \$10 for youth.

Purchase yours before Slippery Gulch at Eclairs or the Tekoa Market.

On Saturday, June 15th they will be at the chamber breakfast and then available at lower park and back at Eclairs.



After leaving the Marines as an ammunition ordinance supply specialist. George and Debbie moved to Tekoa in 1975. Debbie started out working at the Elementary School as a paraprofessional and George started working for Bill Duncan. George then worked for Beger Plate, later, moved on to the Whitman County Road Department for 27 years. Debbie left Tekoa Elementary to get her degree in Education which brought her to Plummer where she worked for 8 years before returning to Tekoa as a teacher and then Principle for 30 more years. She was a wonderful teacher, principal and nurturer of children. She continues to volunteer at the school helping when she can.

Deb volunteered in the Slippery Gulch show for many years as a writer and performer. She has written and produced numerous Tekoa Elementary Christmas plays/programs. Deb has been involved in Beta Sigma Phi, by picking up litter, helping with Tree of Sharing in Tekoa, and organizing the annual garage sale that allows the group to donate



hundreds of dollars back into our community.

George is known for helping with town snow removal, general labor and working for farmers who need an extra hand.

After retiring she cofacilitated the Girls Circle, an organization for grade school girls that teaches friendship and interpersonal skills; kids do fun activities and begin to get involved in our community.

George and Deb come to the school each year in the spring to plant pumpkin seeds. George transfers the seedlings to the garden, and in October, there is a pumpkin for each student in the elementary. Students come out to the pumpkin patch to

choose their pumpkin to take home.

Together they also plant and raise a ginormous garden, not just for themselves, but for anyone who needs fresh produce. They love to camp in the summer; George builds a great campfire. They are also season ticket holder to Gonzaga Women's Basketball.

They have a daughter Sheri who graduated from Tekoa High School, who now currently lives in Montana. Grandson Mike and daughter-in-law Michelle live in Minnesota. And a Great Grandson Tony will be 8 in July!

## *Fishing Derby*



The annual fishing derby starts on Saturday, June 8 and ends on Friday, June 14, at 5pm. The boundaries for the derby are between the Washington / Idaho border and to the Fairbanks road north of Tekoa.

Age groups are: 0 to 3, 4 to 6, 7 to 9, and 10 to

12. Also there is a parent / child division.

Here are the rules:

1. Once you have entered a fish, the same fish cannot be entered into another division.
2. Once you have entered a fish in a division you cannot enter another fish in that same division.

3. Measuring will be Thursday afternoon and Friday all day at the Tekoa Hardware Store.

The photos of each fish entry will be located at the Tekoa Hardware Store window.

**Awards will be announced after the parade.**

## *Free Throw Contest*



Friday June 14th at 4:30pm at the Lower Park Court, Tekoa Booster Club will be hosting a Free Throw Competition.

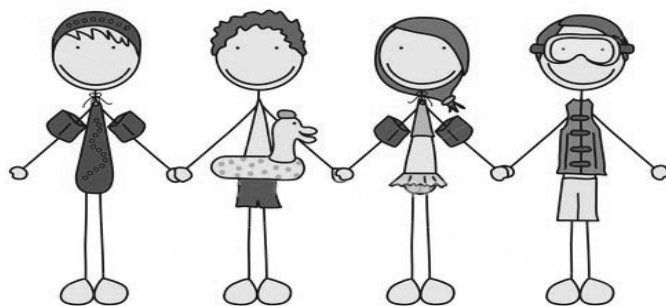
Participants are from grades 2 thru 12th. Lo-

cal gift certificate prices for grade 2 thru 5. 1st place is a large pizza from C&D's, 2nd place is a milkshake from The Feeding Station, and 3rd place is an Ice Cream Cone from Eclairs.

Cash prizes will be awarded in grades 6 thru 12. 1st place wins \$50, 2nd place wins \$30 and 3rd place wins \$20.

**Awards will be announced after the parade.**

## *Teen Pool Party*



Teen Lock-In is at the Tekoa Swimming Pool on Friday, June 14th from 8-11. It is for students ages 13-18. Come join us for swimming, games,

music and snacks. Admission is Free.

**Sponsored by  
HEALTHY Tekoa  
Coalition.**

## Merchants, Food, and Games

There are over 25 vendors signed up offering a great variety of items ranging from kids' games, Mexican food, hand crafted tables, delicious home baked goods and jams, sand carved stones, greeting cards etc.

Among the new vendors this year is author of delightful children's' books, Verla Kay.

This year the vendors will be at four locations.

Open Friday 1pm to 7pm and Saturday 9am to 4pm in the newly remodeled Community Center, and

across the street at S 103 S. Crosby.

The at the Gymkhana Grounds (Lower Park), and across from the Feeding Station will be available Saturday 9am to 4pm.

Please call Sandy with any questions (509) 284-2313.



## Photo Contest

There is no charge for entry. Entries can be submitted in digital or hard copy format. If you are submitting in person please drop off your 5x7 matted entry(s) at the Tekoa Library. If you would like to submit the photo digitally you can

email them to Sara Chase at Chasephotographytekoa@gmail.com Please no larger than 8MB. The theme remains the same, for anything and everything related to Tekoa.

All entries are due by Fri-

day June 7th. The age categories are 6 to 12, 13 to 18 and 19 and older. There will be awards for each age category and a grand prize winner.

**Awards will be announced after the parade.**



## Slippery Gulch Raffle - Chance to Win

After a couple years of paperwork Slippery Gulch is back to having a raffle to support some of the day's events.

You can purchase your raffle tickets at Tekoa Pharmacy, and Eclairs. Diane Harp and Mary Marsh also have tickets.

Tickets are one dollar each. Must be 18 and older to purchase/win. You

do not need to be present to win, and the drawing will be after the parade around noon.

Items to win this year include:

Pool Party, - 4 Tickets to the local production of Annie. Family pass to Tekoa Pool, sun shade, floaties and other pool toys.



Patio Set, - Two wicker cushioned chairs with quick dry foam and a table with storage shelf.

Fire Table - Burn propane to take off the chill of the evening air.







## Chamber Breakfast

The annual Slippery Gulch Breakfast, sponsored by the Tekoa Chamber of Commerce, will be Saturday morning, June 15th in the multi-purpose room of Tekoa High School.

The breakfast will be open from 7:30am-10am.

The menu includes: pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, maple bars, fresh fruit, juice and Tobra coffee.

Prices are:

Adults-\$8,

Kids under 12-\$6,

Kids under 3-FREE.

We hope to see you there!

## Royalty and Float



This year's royalty is Queen Madison Kalmes and Princess Avery McFarling.

The float won 2nd place in its division this year in the Torch Light Parade at the Lilac Festival.

Meet the royalty court starting at the Chamber breakfast and see them throughout the day at

all the Slippery Gulch events. They will also be representing our

community in many other events this summer.



## Little Parade and Grand Parade



The kiddie parade line up begins at 10am at Banner Bank. Kids will march at 10:45 down the parade route.

The National Anthem will be sung by a group from the local play Annie.

The Grand Parade will start at 11am, with our returning emcee's Chris and Liz Smith.

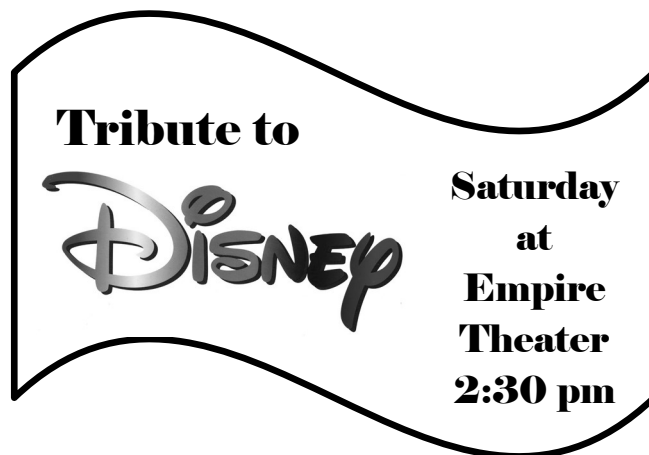
## Egg Toss

This year's egg toss will again be sponsored by Tekoa's Banner Bank. They provide the eggs along with the winning cash prize of \$100 to the team holding the last unbro-



ken egg. Banner Bank also gives 1 dollar coins for all those participating under 10 years old.

Downtown after the parade we will start lining up.



## Honored Veterans John Heaton and Jequetta Lucki



### John Heaton

- 1988 graduated from Tekoa High School
- 1992 graduated from WSU in political science
- 1997 Enlisted in the United States Marine Corps
- 1998-2002 served with Battery P, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 14 Marines in Spokane, Washington in the United States Marine Corps Reserve as a Field Artillery Cannonier
- 2004-2005 Out of the

Marine Corps, but hearing his old unit has been activated for Operation Iraqi Freedom John rejoined the United States Marine Corps and Sgt. Heaton served in Iraq for 7 months as a provisional rifleman operating out of the al Asad airbase in Western Iraq.

- John Currently, farms with his family and manages Stateline Processors, Inc, the family owned local grain warehouse.

### Jequetta Lucki

Graduated at THS in 1993

Joined Active Duty Coast Guard in 1993

Stationed in

Hi-93-97

Mi-97-02

Ak-02-08

Al-08-10

Co-10-14

Ak-14-17

Retired Active Duty in 2017

- Highlights of Service!  
Being Underway on the beautiful salty deep blue.
- Working Aids to Navigation throughout the various islands of Hawaii.
- Being 'lowered' from a helicopter.
- Drug Intradiction ~ scary but exciting.
- Cold water survival

training (smack in the middle of the Arctic Circle) "shamoo" & his fam were there too! (No joke!).

- Weapons training at Black Water.
- Search & Rescue.
- Migrant Ops ~ a bit sad but so important. There have been some other wonderful humans who also joined the CG to help others.



## Events at Lower Park

Come down to check out the vendors. There will be food and kids events.

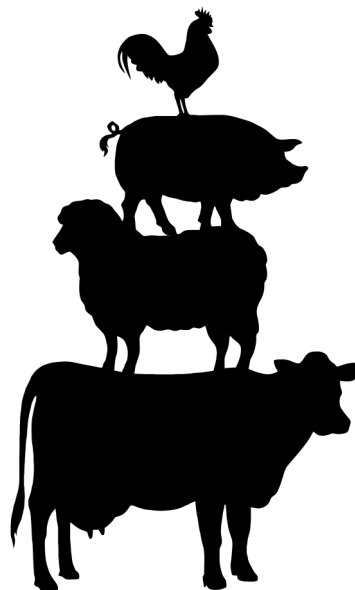
The bubble guy will be back with a bouncy castle.

Kids ages 13 and under can compete in friendly competition during the kid's games set to start at 1pm.

Starting with the 5 and under nickel toss.

Then the races begin with age groups of 6 - 7, 8 - 10 and 11 - 13, girls and boys will compete together in the three legged race, wheel barrow, leap frog, forward-backward, sack races and so much more.

There will be a basketball scramble at the court where you can scrimmage with your friends for the bragging rights.



## Softball

It's a Slippery Gulch tradition come down to the softball field and relive your glory days. Game starts at 4pm, you don't need a team to play.

## Fun Run

The fun run is a 2 or 5 mile distance race. Check in is at the high school at 7:30am. The race starts at 8am.

The top male and female competitors in the five mile race will receive ribbons.

The two mile event, will go out Highway 274 to the one mile mark and return to the high school.

There is \$3 dollar entry fee. **Awards will be announced after the parade.**

## 21 and over

This year on Friday night The Event Center will be presenting a comedy night, followed by music by DJ Donavon.

Last years comedy acts were hilarious, so look forward to this year. Starting at 7pm this event

will be for 21 and over. Cover cost is \$7.

Then on Saturday night, the 21 + adult dance will be held at the Event Center with Jam Shack performing. Cost for this event is also \$7 dollars.

## Tractor Show

After the parade head down to Kane's pasture across from Lower Park to see all manufacturers antique trucks, tractors and equipment restored or not, pre 1988 with

items showcased equipment from the 1930s.



## Wagon Rides

For the third year, Tekoa Ambulance is sponsoring carriage rides from a local gentleman, Bruce Spencer. Rides will be available in the morning from the high school during breakfast down

to the parade route. There will also be rides after the parade along a set route around town, loading locations will be downtown in front of the park, and at the lower park.

## 50th Year Class

Shirley Smith	Tom Wall
Steve Gossett	John Carter
Carl Thompson	Dave Jester
Ron Kimble	Bob Bohara
Dan Lawhead	Clarene Chase
Diana Thaves	Robert Kramer
Penny Petow	Pegi Primmer
Bob Horlacher	

## 60th Year Class

Torchy Gordon	Larry Heaton
Bob Hester	Stan Hawk
Ann Fischer	Bonita Byrum
Jim Kappel	Chester Staley
Donna Currier	Barbara Crabb
Less Cummings	Patricia Clem
John Kennedy	Betty Tanner
Maxine Jester	Dayton Vercoe
Bob Scott	Lynne McGreevy
Nancy Buerger	Patricia Sweet
Judy Lockard	Ann Krell



### 10 Year (2009)

Jody Frost  
Jonathan Hill  
Lanna Colley  
Bryton Baker  
Alyson Mahoe  
Anthony McBride  
Casey Cook  
Rachel Haynes  
Susannah Scaroni  
Ashley Wilson  
James Gordon  
Rebecca Groom  
Shelby Puckett  
Jordyn Huttom  
Brad VanSlyke  
Richard Terry  
Kelly Cook  
Sara Mason

### 20 Year (1999)

Jenny Bowring  
Kenny Gossett  
Mark Johnson  
Heather Cox  
Robert Currier  
Christine Mantsch  
Samantha Marsh  
Chad Gatherer  
Mathew Mengel  
Keith Patrick  
Sarah Taylor  
James Thompson  
Desi Underwood  
Paris Underwood  
Amy Sienknecht  
Russell Sienknecht  
Eric Smith  
Stephanie Smith  
Erin Wise  
Janice Calvert

### 30 Year (1989)

Brenda Babb  
Chuck Cooke  
Colleen Malich  
Steve Knopes  
Todd St. John  
Mary Jane Willard  
Richard Rasmussen  
Chris Cummings  
Darcie Leonard  
Chad Rose  
Jami Jaeger  
Andrea Heaton  
Greg Kammerzell  
Sarah Schuman  
Andy Hunter  
Heribeth Briceno

### 40 Year (1979)

Rich Abramson  
Mike Adkins  
Lynn Bartlett  
Debbie Fuchs  
Duane Groom  
Bill Johnston  
Greg Kendall  
Bev Krell  
Kim Berger  
Bobby Borth  
John Lawhead  
Michele Clay  
Beth Daniels  
Stacey Gumm  
Theresa Harvey  
Liz McCurdy  
Deb Rose  
Greg Smith  
Julie Towne  
Alan Vanvoorhis  
Gayle Krell



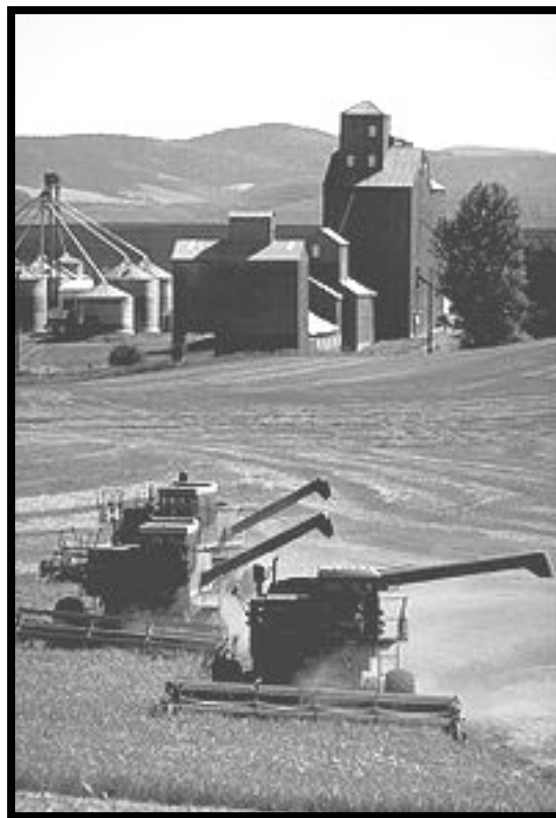
## *Fishing Derby Sponsors*

Dave's Auto Body	Joe and Becky St. John
Balloon Biz	Dave and Debi Gumm
Crossett's Food Market	Nick and Hillary Lawson
Banner Bank	Hoffman Manufacturing
Tekoa Hardware	Tobra Coffee Roasters
Tekoa Care Center	Pape
Tekoa Pharmacy	EC Hay and Sons
Stateline Processors	Larry and Joyce Hansen

*home sweet home*

## *Slippery Gulch Sponsors*

Wilbur Ellis	Panhandle Truck & Equipment	Hefty Seed
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Tobra Coffee Roasters	Northwest Farm Credit Services	Empire Disposal
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Tekoa Market	McKay Seed	GJ Family Farm
Tekoa Hardware and Supply	Marimn Health	Dalco Construction
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Pape Machinery		Ackerman Heating and Air





## *Firework Sponsors*

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 Jesus Sanchez  
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 Olivia Prince  
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 Shane & Jessica Monroy  
 Alyssa Heagy  
 Joni Hay-Smith Real Estate  
 The Feeding Station  
 John & Marge Jaeger

## *Thank you Tekoa*

The Slippery Gulch Committee would like to take a moment to say thank you to our entire community.

Thank you to our city staff and others for working towards getting the town ready for our visitors.

Thanks to the Frontier guys for putting up the Slippery Gulch flags and to the firemen and ambulance crews that cover the festivities and

help with events.

This event could not happen without our sponsors. But also there are so many people that are not listed that contribute to this event. By purchasing a t-shirt or raffle ticket you are providing support to the events that we love to offer free and provide prizes. The kiddie parade, each entry gets a gift bag, the kid games each partici-

pant has the chance to win coin prizes.

Thank you to the many volunteers that are working on each event seeing to all the details before the main event.

There are many sponsors that provide funding for prizes, awards, fireworks and other general cost.

All this, combined, provides a great celebration for the people that

live in and visit Tekoa.  
 Thank You.

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 THIS  
 FARM**

# Schedule Of Events

## All Week

## Fishing Derby

## Hangman Creek

### Friday June 14th

**1-7pm**

**Slippery Gulch Market**

**Community Center**

**4:30-6:00pm**

**Free Throw Contest**

**Lower Park Court**

**8-11pm**

**Teen Gathering**

**Tekoa Pool**

**7pm**

**Comedy & Music**

**Event Center**

### Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup>

**7:30-10am**

**Chamber Breakfast**

**High School**

**Wagon Rides**

**8am**

**Fun Run**

**9am-4pm**

**Slippery Gulch Market**

**Community Center**

**10:45am**

**Kiddie Parade**

**Downtown**

**11am**

**Grand Parade**

**Awards**

**Raffle Drawing**

**Egg Toss**

**1pm**

**Kids Games**

**Lower Park**

**Basketball Scramble**

**Wagon Rides**

**Tractor Show**

**1-5pm**

**Swimming Pool**

**Tekoa Pool**

**1-5pm**

**Tekoa Museum/Library**

**Downtown**

**2:30pm**

**Tribute to Disney**

**Empire Theater**