Okanogan Highlands Alliance Presents

Landscape photo by George Thornton

All events November through April take place at the Community Cultural Center of Tonasket, 411 S Western Ave
5:15 pm: Dinner benefitting the CCC 6:30 pm: Presentation with tea, coffee and desserts

November 1, 2019: Why Floodplains Matter and what we are doing locally to restore them with John Crandall

Why do floodplains and wetlands matter? What services do they provide, not only for fish and wildlife, but for humans too? What can we do to bring them back into a healthy condition? John Crandall will help answer these questions and share about a variety of local projects that are working to restore floodplain processes and make our wetland ecosystems healthier.

January 3, 2020: The Evolutionary Story of the Earth and of the Life on It, in One Hour with Dana Visalli

It was once thought that the Earth was static and unchanging, but we now know the opposite is true. Both the Earth and the life on it are dynamic and ever-changing. This is the scientific story of evolution; it borders on the spiritual, and is meaningful to our own lives.

February 7, 2020: Native Stink Bugs and Their Plant Hosts with Jim Hepler

Come and learn more than you ever thought you would about eastern Washington's local, native stink bugs and the plants they rely on. WSU entomologist and charismatic speaker, Jim Hepler, will share his passion and knowledge — and, if you don't love stink bugs now, by the end of the night, well — you will at least have an increased respect for their place in our ecosystems.

March 6, 2020: Landscapes and Landforms of the Okanogan Highlands with Karl Lilquist

The Okanogan Higlands are characterized by rolling uplands punctuated by a diverse array of valleys. Over time, this landscape has been shaped by various tectonic, weathering, landslide, stream, glacier, and wind-related processes. Most important of these was glaciation by the Okanogan Lobe of the Cordilleran Icesheet. With a focus on glaciation, we will explore the origins and evolution of landscapes and landforms in the Okanogan Highlands over time.

April 3, 2020: The Beaver Believers: a feature documentary by Sarah Koenigsberg

The Beaver Believers is a feature documentary that tells the urgent yet whimsical story of an unlikely cadre of activists - a biologist, a hydrologist, a botanist, an ecologist, a psychologist, and a hairdresser - who share a common vision: restoring the North American Beaver, the most industrious, ingenious, bucktoothed little engineer, to the watersheds of the American West.

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