

Blogging about Stillwaters every week gives me an opportunity to write about many different things. It has now been five years of writing this blog and though the topics are wide ranging I never tire of showing off our beautiful flowers and nature found here.

This week as I was wandering around the neighborhood I found some flowers and flower baskets to highlight - ones that have survived our recent heat wave.



We also have resident deer that spend quiet afternoons snoozing in backyards and munching on local fauna.



Twin babies



Watchful Mama


We live in such a beautiful area - get out and enjoy the many activities going on this weekend (see below) in the community. The heat is now abated and we can all come out of our shady (and hopefully cooler) homes to join in the fun.

Quote of the week:

Look up at the stars and not down at your feet. Try to make sense of what you see, and wonder about what makes the universe exist. Be curious. – Stephen Hawking

Happenings this week:

Saturday: Seattle to Portland Bike Ride – Just be aware it is in town and likely about 8,000 of the riders will be overnighing in Centralia/Chehalis area. The Centralia College Campus hosts many of the riders on Saturday night – with music, food and fun. The public is welcome to join the festivities all day Saturday.

 **Saturday: Toledo Cheese Days** kick off Saturday, July 11th with a car and motorcycle show at the *Toledo Middle School* all day from 7 to 5. Don't miss breakfast at the senior center, the parade at 11, kid's carnival, silent auction, big raffle, cheddar challenge, wine, beer, and cheese tasting! Entry fee for the car show is \$20. For more information, contact Ron Smith at 360-864-4391.

Saturday: 'Father of the Bride' to Be Shown at Fox Theatre Historic Fox Theatre Restorations will screen the next film in its 2015 Movie Series, the 1950 comedy/romance film "Father of the Bride," at 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday at the Fox Theatre in downtown Centralia. per person, \$7 for members and \$20 per family (three to four persons). Presale tickets are available at Book 'n' Brush in Chehalis, at Holley's Place, HUBBUB, Santa Lucia Coffee and PostNet in Centralia or online at [http:// www.brownpapertickets.com/ event/1761372](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/1761372). For more information, contact the Fox Theatre at (360) 623-1103. All proceeds from the event benefit the restoration of the Fox Theatre.

Sunday: The 10th annual Pioneer Pie Social will be at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the historic Claquato Church. A musical performance will be offered by “Rosie and the Posers.” Also, there will be chicken bingo, an ongoing candy scramble for the kids and a water balloon toss. For additional information call: (360) 304-8536 or (360)- 520-4732.

Thursday, July 16: Movie Night at Stillwaters Estates. This month our selection is “The Imitation Game” starring Benedict Cumberbatch and Keira Knightly. Ice cream is served at 5:45 and movie starts at 6:00 p.m.

 Enjoy the week ahead!