


The importance of a welcome, a handshake or just to say “glad you are here” cannot be overstated. Today, as I watched our volunteer Welcome Basket coordinator for Stillwaters put together baskets for new residents, I am thinking about how nice that little touch of “welcome” is.

With all the uncertainty, chaos and just plain newness about a new house and neighborhood, it is important to recognize what a nice touch it is to have a “Welcome” sign awaiting you in your new house. With each new resident Stillwaters puts paper towels, toilet tissue, soaps and a welcome folder in the home. After the new resident moves in a Welcome Basket is delivered by another volunteer from the neighborhood. 

Stillwaters welcome baskets include all sorts of local information on services, tourist attractions, maps and helpful hints for the neighborhood. We hope this goes a long ways to provide information and tips that will smooth that move into a new home. There is even a little local mint treat in each bag to sooth those moving nerves!


When you have a chance to see your new neighbors – add your “Welcome” to the list!


Quote of the Day:

Reflect upon your present blessings of which every man has many – not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some. – Charles Dickens

Happenings this Week:

Today through Sunday, August 9th: Don't miss a Lewis County Favorite **The Morton Loggers' Jubilee** August 6-9. Events include the 2015 Jubilee Logging Show, lawnmower races, flea market, Lion's Club Loggers' Breakfast, Jubilee Grand Parade, bed races, and much more. Call 360-523-4049 for more information.

Friday, August 7th through Monday, August 10th: The Mt. St. Helens Bluegrass Festival is coming up August 7-10 at Toledo High School's Outdoor Amphitheatre. **Phillip Steinmetz and his Sunny Tennesseans** headline, with the best bluegrass mountain music. For more information, call 520-4524. 

 **Saturday, August 8th: Saturday, August 8th:** The Fox Theatre presents the silent film "The General". This famous silent film starring Buster Keaton takes place during the civil war and the story about Keaton as a southern railroad engineer provides the perfect vehicle for his physical comedy. This is a classic film that you don't want to miss. What makes it even better is the movie will be accompanied by pianist Nick Nicolai playing the original score to the movie. After touring with many jazz swing bands, including Louis Armstrong, Paul Desmond and other big-band musicians, Nicolai made his home base on Whidbey Island in the '70s. Don't miss this treat! \$8 per person at the door or call the Fox Theatre at (360) 623-1103 for more information.

Thursday, August 13: Movie Night at Stillwaters! McFarland, USA is the film, starring Kevin Costner. McFarland, USA is the story of a track coach who finds a home in California's Central Valley and forms an unforgettable track team in a largely Latino student body. A heartwarming Disney movie. Ice Cream is



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served at 5:45 and the movie starts promptly at 6 p.m.

Weather:

☒ Cooler temperatures this week have been a nice relief. The temperature should not get much above 80 today and in the high 70s through the weekend. We even have a chance of rain on Saturday and Monday. With temperatures in the high 70s and rain this might feel a little tropical. Enjoy!