



Umatilla County Fair



NEWS RELEASE

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2006 Festival of Lights

Parade entries and bazaar vendors being sought

Hermiston, Ore. – Calling all lighted parade participants and bazaar vendors... the 8th Annual Festival of Lights returns to the Umatilla County Fairgrounds in Hermiston, Oregon November 24 through December 17, 2006. Festival hours will be 5 to 9 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 5 to 8 p.m. on Sundays.

The festival kicks off with a lighted parade at 6 p.m. on Friday, November 24th. The parade is open to lighted animal drawn vehicles, trucks, automobiles, floats and even lighted walkers. “Only one entry will be authorized to have Santa on board,” reminds Spike Piersol, parade chairman. This rule was implemented several years ago at the request of parents whose children were confused at seeing multiple Santas in the same parade.

Parade applications must be turned into the Fair Office no later than 5 p.m. on November 22nd.

Applications are also being accepted for vendors who are interested in showing their wares at the festival bazaar. The cost for a table is \$15 per weekend or \$50 for all 12 nights. The deadline to submit a vendor application is November 17th.

For more information or to get a parade or bazaar vendor application contact the Umatilla County Fair office at (541) 567-6121 or by email at fair@co.umatilla.or.us. They are located at 515 West Orchard Avenue. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Copies of this news release, the parade application and the bazaar vendor application will be posted to <http://www.co.umatilla.or.us>. Click on “news releases”.

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BACKGROUNDER



8th Annual Festival of Lights UMATILLA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Hermiston, Oregon

November 24, 2006 - December 17, 2006



Title sponsor: KUMA 107.7 FM

Hours

Friday & Saturdays - 5 to 9 pm
Sundays - 5 to 8 pm
(Weather permitting)

Cost: Donations gladly accepted so we can continue this event in the future.

More festival fun!

Holiday Bazaar in Thompson Hall
Performances by Choirs and Musical Groups
On-Site Pictures with Santa
By: Hermiston High School Photography Class
Carriage Rides \$3.00 per person
Train Rides \$2.00 per person

Special events / dates

November 24 (Friday) Lighted Christmas Parade

Line-up at 5:30pm
Parade starts at 6:00 pm.
See map right for parade route.

November 30 (Thursday) Special Citizens Evening

Annual event for those with special needs.
Reservations required.
Contact the Fair office for more information.

Other dates of note

- November 17-- Bazaar applications due
- November 22 – Lighted parade applications due

