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17th ANNUAL HAUNTED PALOUSE – Benefit Event for the Palouse Community Center, the Palouse Skatepark and Tony Kettel Skate Gardens, the Roy M. Chatters Newspaper and Printing Museum, and the Garfield Palouse Athletic Club (GPAC), Gar-Pal FFA, SciBorgs Palouse Area Robotics Team (4H), and Palouse Chamber of Commerce.

Palouse, WA – September 17, 2018. The Palouse Chamber of Commerce announces HAUNTED PALOUSE, a special Halloween haunting to benefit the Palouse Community Center, Palouse Skatepark and Tony Kettel Skate Gardens, SciBorgs Palouse Area Robotics Team (4H), the Roy M. Chatters Newspaper and Printing Museum, Garfield Palouse Athletic Club, Gar-Pal FFA, and the Palouse Chamber of Commerce. A chilling fog with eerie sounds will cast its spell over Palouse, making it difficult to see the Running Bones and other things that Go Bump in the Dark.

Haunted Palouse rated in The Daily Evergreen among “200 things every Cougar absolutely, positively, without a doubt must do before graduation” - **Go to haunted house in Palouse. Hold hands.**

HAUNTED PALOUSE runs for 4 nights in October – Friday and Saturday, October 19th and 20th and again Friday and Saturday, October 26th and October 27th.

For those brave enough (12 and up), the Two Haunted Buildings will wind the unsuspecting through the Newspaper and Printing Museum and the Old City Fire Station for an authentic Night of Fright. Continuing this year will be the Haunted Hay Ride. The Two Haunted Buildings will creak and howl from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM (ticket sales close at 10 PM, event continues for ticketed patrons). With a \$20 admission fee the soon-to-be-scared (12 and older) get into both buildings, the haunted hay ride. Freaky Food Vendors will be available. The ever-popular fortune telling continues! **Returning this year is “20 for 20” group sales for the first night. For groups of 20 or more there is a 20% discount for tickets sold in a bundle with prior arrangements. Call (509) 595-1129.**

If you still have your wits about you, visit one of the Freaky Food Vendors and enjoy hearty witch cider potions, hairy scary hamburgers, and sickly sweet treats.

More than 30 years ago a group of community minded citizens formed the Palouse Community Center Board. With help from Haunted Palouse proceeds, after many years of working and planning, the grand opening of the Community Center was held in the spring of 2012. A focal point of the Palouse Community Center Board is to provide a welcoming and accessible place for community members of all ages to gather for the person-to-person connection that truly makes a community a community.

The Roy M. Chatters Newspaper and Printing Museum houses much of the equipment used to print pioneer newspapers, including the 2 ¼ ton flatbed press purchased by the Palouse Republic in 1890. There is a nearly complete set of Palouse newspapers dating back to the 1880s. The collection includes newspapers from Endicott, Rosalia, Tekoa, Palouse, LaCrosse, St. John, Uniontown, Garfield and Colton.

The Garfield Palouse Athletic Club (GPAC) supports and sponsors a variety of local youth sports. Gar-Pal FFA has a proud tradition of preparing and training students through a wide range of leadership activities. The Palouse Skatepark, professionally designed to challenge skateboard enthusiasts of all abilities, held its GRAND OPENING the first Saturday in June of this year to an enthusiastic crowd. The Tony Kettel Skate Garden, connected to the Skatepark, brings many generations of people together by creating beautiful gathering spaces and horticultural education opportunities. The SciBorgs Palouse Area Robotics Team (4H), representing students at schools from around The Palouse, promotes and encourages the sport of Science and Technology through F.I.R.S.T. competitions, and supports interest in STEM education.

For more information about this event go to www.visitpalouse.com/haunted-palouse/