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**‘SUMMER SOUNDS AT THE BEACH’ FREE OUTDOOR CONCERT SERIES
BEGINS JULY 11th**

The City of Federal Way Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Department is proud to present its 2007 *Summer Sounds at the Beach* concert series at Steel Lake Park. The Wednesday evening events showcase live bands from across the Puget Sound area, bringing an eclectic entertainment line-up to the community throughout the summer.

This year’s concert series is sponsored by the Federal Way Arts Commission, 4 Culture, Washington Mutual Home Loans, Eagle Tire & Automotive, Windermere Real Estate, Columbia Bank, Keller Williams Realty, Ball Chiropractic Center, and American Family Insurance.

The 2007 Concert Series line-up is as follows:

Wednesday, July 11	Wooden O Theatre Company (<i>Shakespearean Plays</i>)
Wednesday, July 18	The Islanders (<i>Tropical Sounds</i>)
Wednesday, July 25	Lewis/Lane (<i>Classical Guitar</i>)
Wednesday, August 1	Buck and Elizabeth (<i>Children’s</i>)
Wednesday, August 8	Fiesta Mexicana (<i>Mariachi</i>)
Wednesday, August 15	Broken Trail (<i>Country</i>)
Wednesday, August 23	Expertease (<i>Top 40</i>)

Where: Steel Lake Park
2410 S. 312th St., Federal Way

When: July 11, 18, and 25
August 1, 8, 15, and 22

Time: Music from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (July 11 performance at 6:30 p.m.)

The concerts are free of charge and suitable for everyone. Feel free to bring lawn chairs and blankets to the park.

In the event of inclement weather, concerts will be re-located to:

Federal Way Community Center
876 S. 333rd St., Federal Way
Call 253-835-6900 in advance to confirm location.

Featured Bands:

July 11

Wooden O Theatre Company (*Shakespearean Plays*)

Wooden O Theatre presents *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, a delightful romp through a series of outrageous situations and shenanigans. The characters come to life as the ill-mannered Sir John Falstaff falls prey to the antics of two clever women. The mischievous women use Falstaff's attentions as a means to teach their husbands, as well as the foolish Falstaff, a few lessons. Come and watch the drama unfold, in one of Shakespeare's masterworks.

Cast includes: Eric Ray Anderson as Sir John Falstaff; Amber Wolfe as Mistress Quickly; Heather Hawkins as Mistress Ford; Vanessa Miller as Mistress Page; David Goldstein as Dr. Caius; Amy Berryman as Anne Page; Shawn Law as Sir Hugh Evans; Jon Lutyens as Slender; Enzo Gattucio as Robin; Dru Johnson as Nym; Lincoln Grismer as Pistol; Rick May as Justice Shallow; Frank Kohel as Master Ford; Walter Baker as Master Page; and John Bartley as Fenton.

July 18

The Islanders (*Tropical Sounds*)

The Islanders deliver authentic Caribbean music with a Bob Marley Sound. One you hear that mesmerizing island beat, it's hard to sit still. The vibrant, fiery calypsos take you to a tropical place, with such tunes as the ever-favorite "Under the Sea".

Robert Quarless – vocalist; Obe Quarless & Dan Quarless – steel drums; Ja-Ja Quarless – percussion.

July 25

Lewis/Lane (*Classical Guitar*)

Lewis/Lane is an acoustic guitar and vocal duo that plays consistently throughout the South Puget Sound area and beyond, with a repertoire that includes the Beatles, Steely Dan, Peter & Gordon, the Wallflowers, CCR, Toad the Wet Sprocket, and more. Come and listen to the array of crisp harmonies full of rich guitars and great songs you know and love.

Sean Lewis and Ron Lane Wiley – acoustic guitar and vocals.

August 1

Buck and Elizabeth (*Children's*)

The perfect recipe for successful family fun, Buck & Elizabeth bring a dash of comedy and a handful of dancing, ventriloquism, and audience participation to their performances. This high-energy act uses music and entertainment to educate children with positive messages on topics such as

teamwork, self esteem, safety, history, and cultural diversity. A great time for the whole family.

Cowboy Buck – guitar & vocals; Elizabeth – vocals; Peter – puppet.

August 8

Fiesta Mexicana (*Mariachi*)

Fiesta Mexicana is a four-piece band that began in Mexico in 1988. Their instrumentation is typical of mariachis. The group plays music from all over Mexico and has been featured at festivals, clubs, concerts, and private parties throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Francisco Garay – vihuela (small guitar) & vocals; Gabino Garita – violin & vocals; Jose Garnica – trumpet & vocals; Andrews LePe – guitarron (bass guitar) and vocals.

August 15

Broken Trail (*Country*)

This high-energy, kickin' country band has played Top 40 and classic country music for over 10 years. Born in 1996 out of a love for live music, the band fights to save the honky-tonks, rejuvenating the country style within casinos, clubs, and at fairs and rodeos. Broken Trail is one of the most popular country bands in the Northwest, with a large fan base that continues to grow.

Mark Medalen – lead vocals & guitar; Barry Bernier – drums, percussion, & harmony vocals; Andy Vance – lead vocals & guitar; Mike Anderson – bass & harmony vocals.

August 22

Expertease (*Top 40*)

Over the last decade, Expertease worked its way into becoming one of Western Washington's elite pop, dance/rock cover bands. It has withstood the test of time, steadily performing in clubs, casinos, festivals, and at corporate events. This seasoned and entertaining band appeals to all age groups with their unique interpretation of Top 40 hits.

Michelle Taylor – lead vocals & percussion; Norm Wolff – guitar, keys, & vocals; Dan Putman – bass, guitar, & vocals; Mike Carlson – drums & vocals.

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