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 Project Playground on the Run

July 15, 2005

**Creswell Road Race to Benefit Holt Park**

Project Playground's big summer fundraising event promises to bring hundreds of runners and walkers to scenic Creswell on Saturday, July 23. Managed by The Good Race, a local provider of professional race management services, the race consists of a 5k (roughly 3 miles) or 8k (about 5 miles) course through scenic country roads. The race begins at 8 a.m., and starts and finishes at Holt Park.

Families are encouraged to participate, and children under 8 can enter for free. Entrants receive a finish time and a commemorative T-shirt (T-shirts for kids under 8 are available for \$10), with ribbon awards for division winners. A random prize drawing will be held.

All proceeds benefit Creswell's Project Playground, organized by a group of Creswell moms raising funds for new playground equipment at Holt Park "We hope to see area runners and Creswell residents all out in force at this event," says Project Playground Chair Juli McLennan, the primary event organizer. "What a great way to spend a morning--meeting your neighbors and supporting our park!"

Entrants can register online via credit card through www.goodrace.com, or in person at several locations, including Creswell City Hall, The Natural Path, and several running stores in Eugene. Fliers containing detailed information are also available locally at numerous establishments, and can be downloaded from the Project Playground Web site: <http://home.centurytel.net/playground>.

"We are incredibly grateful to all of our event sponsors, and everyone else who has supported this effort in some way, for their faith in our project," says Deb Jolda, Project Playground co-chair.

"Businesses in our community are clearly stepping forward to demonstrate their concern for the future of our children."

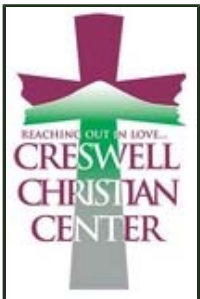
Sponsors include Foster Farms (title sponsor) and T-shirt sponsors Advantage Timber Cutters, LLC, Cascade Home Center, Creswell Chiropractic, Figaro's Pizza, Los Cabos Mexican Restaurant, Marquess Timber Management, Inc., Ray's Food Place, Ross Murry, Sears Ranch, Siuslaw Bank, South Willamette Veterinary Clinic, The Natural Path, The Rocket-In, and Windermere.

Volunteers of all abilities are needed for the event. Interested parties are encouraged to call Juli at 895-3089 or e-mail playground@centurytel.net for more information about the event or about Project Playground. The Web site also contains detailed information about the project and upcoming fundraisers, including a local horse gaming event on August 20.



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