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**Walla Walla Skate Park Association
Receives \$42,000.00 from the Sherwood Trust**

The Walla Walla Skate Park Association is pleased to announce with much appreciation a generous grant of \$42,000.00 from the Donald & Virginia Sherwood Trust. These funds will be used along with other funds already donated to complete an intermediate/advanced skate park facility. While additional fundraising continues, funding from the Sherwood Trust provides the financial support to complete this project for the Walla Walla community.

The new skate park facility will be located in the Sports Complex located on Tausick Way. Originally, the new facility was to be developed alongside the existing skate park located in the Fort Walla Walla Park. However, this left the skate park user group on the East side of Walla Walla underserved [particularly youth that are not of driving age]. The decision was made to locate the new intermediate/advanced facility at the Sports Complex, as well as a beginners area. Having both beginners and intermediate/advanced areas in one location will appeal widely to the skateboarding user group the facility will serve. While the intermediate/advanced facility is funded, the WWSPA is currently fundraising for the beginners area.

A tentative timeline to break ground on the new facility is set for September or October 2008. Construction of the new skate park facility will be completed by Dreamland Skate Parks of Portland, Oregon. Dreamland is widely thought of as one of the top skate park builders in the world.

**To learn more about this project, make donations, see design concepts or to volunteer visit:
www.skatewallawalla.org**

About the Walla Walla Skate Park Association:

The WWSPA was formed before the first public meeting in May 1997. From the beginning the goal was to provide the youth of Walla Walla with a quality skateboard facility that would address the needs of the growing skateboard community. WWSPA also strives to provide a safe positive social environment for Walla Walla youth. All donations are tax deductible, WWSPA is a 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization.