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Madelyn Nieves, 16, and American quarter horse Sydney and Solo take a tight turn in the barrel race en route to place first at the Dallas OHSET team's debut at the Polk County Fair Aug. 7.

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Equestrian club showcases bond between rider and horse

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

The day after the Hells on Hooves Rodeo ran roughshod over the Polk County Fairgrounds arena, another group of equestrians showcased their skills honed in a club growing in popularity around the region.

Members of the Dallas and Perrydale OHSET (Oregon High School Equestrian Team) highlighted two events that test rider and horse – barrel racing and pole bending. In the first,

riders maneuver their horses in a cloverleaf pattern around three barrels. In the latter, riders weave between a line of poles. Fastest times win.

Madelyn Nieves, a 16-year-old homeschooler from Monmouth, said it was a natural progression of being involved in equestrian activities starting with 4-H that led her to competing in OHSET.

“I had a few friends that rode, it seemed kind of fun,” Nieves said. “I worked at a mustang ranch and at Acres of Hope, which made me

want to find lessons to ride on my own.”

She traded working at the ranch for lessons, and she’s now competed in barrel racing for three years. She and her American quarter horse, Sydney and Solo, took first place in the barrel races, with a time of 15.986. Nieves said that her horse’s heart, however, is in pole bending.

“I’ve had two years in September. When I bought her she’d never done pole before,” Nieves said. “We didn’t have the best run Friday, but it’s

definitely her thing. She’s good at barrels, you can see where her heart is. She is literally more into pole bending.”

The competition was also a fundraising event to help pay for club expenses. Jeremy Anderson, Dallas OHSET board member and team treasurer, said the Friday night event raised a little over \$4,000. With about 22 of its own members, Anderson said their event drew 35 total competitors from OHSET teams in Amity, Yamhill and Central.

“The Dallas numbers are better than before,” Anderson said of the growing program. “Next year, Perrydale’s six members will likely split off into their own team. Dallas will retain about 18-20. So, OHSET is growing overall.”

Anderson attributes the program’s growth to coaches and leadership focusing on developing the kids’ skills, rather than just meeting and doing fun stuff. All of the participants in the Dallas

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Indy honors
Marylin Morton's
passing, legacy



Marylin Morton

The city of Independence on Aug. 11 honored the life, service and legacy of Councilor Marilyn Morton, who died suddenly on July 27. Mayor Katie Schwarzler read into the record a proclamation detailing Morton’s long contributions to the city and community of Independence.

We reprint it here in full:

“WHEREAS, the City of Independence mourns the passing of Councilor Marilyn Morton, whose remarkable dedication to public service and unwavering commitment to the people of Independence enriched the community for decades; and

WHEREAS, Councilor Morton faithfully served the citizens of Independence as a member of the City Council beginning in 2002, including serving as Council President, providing thoughtful leadership, steady guidance, and a deep commitment to responsible local government; and

WHEREAS, Councilor

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History teacher takes summer tour through time

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

Usually, teachers assign their students writing prompts to detail what they achieved over the summer break. The tables will be turned on Benjamin Shown.

A social studies teacher at Dallas High School, Shown taught U.S. History last year, but will be offering instruction this year in world history and Greek and Roman psychology. He can’t wait to share how he spent his summer break experiencing the history firsthand once only available by book.

The Center for Geography Oregon, once affiliated with the

National Geographic branch in the state, got funding to continue their program through the Gray Family Foundation. Shown said the non-profit funds a host of events for teachers throughout the year.

“So they do a trip every year ... somewhere across the globe with Oregon teachers specifically. And I got the opportunity to go on one of those paid trips this summer and it was amazing,” Shown said.

The 10-day trip July 5-15 had stops in Albania, North Macedonia, and Kosovo. Previous years the organization had trips to Vietnam and Cuba. But it was this particular jaunt through European



Benjamin Shown

locales that drew Shown’s attention.

“It’s a part of the world I never would have went to without a free opportunity,” he said. “It’s such an important part of the world historically. Like the Byzantine Empire, Roman Empire, Ottoman

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Benjamin Shown's trip with the Center for Geography in July through Albania, North Macedonia and Kosovo gave him access to ancient ruins normally found in history books.

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News Briefs



Jacob Tunget

DALLAS MAN SENTENCED FOR 2024 RAPE

Jacob Tunget, 28, was sentenced today to serve 100 months (8.3 years) in prison for first degree rape arising out of a 2024 incident which occurred behind the Safeway supermarket in Dallas. Tunget, a Dallas area transient, was sentenced after pleading no contest to the single charge before Polk County Circuit Judge Rafael A. Caso. Tunget will not be eligible for any form of early release or sentence reduction. He will also be required to serve a 140 month term of Post-Prison Supervision upon his release and register as a sex offender. Tunget’s ultimate apprehension and prosecution was based on evidence developed through DNA samples obtained from

the victim during the investigation. That DNA was linked to a positive match with a sample of the defendant’s DNA that was located in the FBI’s nationwide CODIS DNA bank of convicted felons. The case was investigated by the Dallas Police Department and prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Shannon Clausen of the Polk County District Attorney’s Office.

CITY OF DALLAS LAUNCHES HISTORIC DISTRICT SELF-GUIDED TOUR

Dallas residents now can easily access and learn more about the history of the city’s historic downtown, thanks to funding from the state of Oregon and work completed by the Dallas Historic Preservation Commission. In 2024, Downtown Dallas was designated as a National Historic District. The district is comprised of 32 historic buildings that reflect the varying stages of Dallas’ history. In 2025, the city of Dallas received a Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant from the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office. The city used this grant funding to create a free, self-guided tour of the historic downtown

district. Visitors and residents can access this tour online at www.historicdallas.org, or by visiting downtown and beginning the tour using the QR codes found on each of the stops along the tour. Questions about the tour can be sent to tyler.fer-rari@dallasor.gov



Chance Grooms

MAN SENTENCED MONMOUTH SEX ABUSE CASE

Chance Grooms, 25, has been sentenced to serve 75 months (6 years, 3 months) in prison for first degree sex abuse arising out of a 2025 incident involving a special needs adult under his care. Grooms, of Stayton, was sentenced after pleading guilty to the single charge before Polk County

Circuit Judge Monte S. Campbell. Grooms will not be eligible for any form of early release or sentence reduction. He will also be required to serve a 45-month term of post-prison supervision upon his release and register as a sex offender. Grooms has no prior criminal history. The case was investigated by the Monmouth and Stayton Police Departments. It was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney Shannon Clausen of the Polk County District Attorney’s Office.

INDEPENDENCE POLICE WRAP UP JULY SPEED ENFORCEMENT

Independence police wrapped up a focused speed enforcement blitz in July, joining law enforcement agencies across Oregon to encourage safer driving and reduce speed-related crashes. During the enforcement effort, Independence police issued 9 speeding tickets and 16 written warnings. Officers also issued warnings and citations for 12 other traffic violations during the enforcement period. The enforcement effort is part of the ongoing traffic safety work conducted by Independence police throughout the year.

Grant-funded enforcement efforts focus on a variety of roadway safety concerns, including speeding, seatbelt and car seat use, pedestrian safety, DUII and distracted driving. Independence police remind drivers that speeding can increase the risk and severity of crashes, injuries and fatalities. Please slow down, stay alert and drive for the conditions.



Jeremy Tish

WILLAMINA MAN ARRESTED FOR ONLINE CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION CRIMES

A Willamina man was arrested Aug. 10 on charges related to online child sexual exploitation crimes. In the spring of 2026, Yamhill County Sheriff’s Office’s Special Investigations Unit

initiated an investigation into online child sexual exploitation crimes that occurred in rural Willamina. Detectives determined that in February, Jeremy Tish allegedly contacted a minor for the purposes of sexual exploitation. On Aug. 10, deputies located and arrested Tish outside of Willamina. He was booked into the Yamhill County Correctional Facility where he was charged with luring a minor and attempted using a child in display of sexually explicit conduct. During the investigation, detectives learned that Tish has potentially been involved in Future Farmers of America events in the Polk County area and may have had additional online contact with minors. Due to the nature of the allegations and his possible online access to minors, investigators are concerned there may be additional victims. Anyone with information related to this case, or other potential incidents involving Jeremy Tish, is urged to contact Yamhill County Sheriff’s Office’s Special Investigations Unit at (503) 474-4920 (Det. Z. Rodriguez) and reference case 26YC0694.

Willamette Health Council receives funding for Polk County initiatives

The Willamette Health Council (WHC) has been awarded funding for two major initiatives through the Oregon Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP) Catalyst Awards. The projects, which will be implemented in partnership with several local healthcare, county, emergency service, community-based, and Tribal

partners, are designed to improve access to health services and strengthen the healthcare workforce across rural communities in Marion and Polk counties. The two funded projects, “Traditional Health Worker Alliance Expansion into Rural Marion-Polk” and “Rural Marion-Polk Mobile

Health Pilot,” align with objectives in the 2026-30 Marion-Polk Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) and represent significant investments of over \$6 million in addressing healthcare access barriers facing rural residents. “Receiving the RHTP Catalyst Award is a tremendous honor for

WHC and reflects the strength of collaboration across Marion and Polk counties,” said Josie Silverman-Méndez, Deputy Director of WHC. “This investment will directly expand access to healthcare, address barriers to care, and improve health outcomes for rural residents over the next two years.” Building on the success of WHC’s Traditional Health Worker (THW) Alliance, the Traditional Health Worker Alliance Expansion into Rural Marion-Polk project will expand workforce development and workplace readiness services to rural communities throughout Marion and Polk counties. Among the four local sub-awardee partners, Polk County Family and Community Outreach will

develop a rural-focused THW training program, including technical assistance, continuing education, and a new CHW training curriculum. WHC’s second awarded project, the Rural Marion-Polk Mobile Health Pilot, will launch an innovative multidisciplinary mobile health model serving residents in the Santiam Canyon and rural Polk County. Three Polk County organizations were among the five local sub-awardee partners. Polk County Fire District No.1 and The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Emergency Services Department will co-lead the Polk County Community Paramedicine Consortium, providing prevention-focused care, in-home assessments,

follow-up services, chronic disease management, and connections to healthcare and social service resources. Polk County Family and Community Outreach will embed Resource Navigators across partner organizations to provide case management, healthcare referrals, primary care connection, and assistance accessing social supports. Together, the two projects bring healthcare organizations, local governments, emergency service providers, Tribal partners, and community-based organizations together around a shared vision: ensuring that rural residents have equitable access to the healthcare services, support systems, and workforce resources they need to thrive.

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Salem Symphonic Winds presents Broadway Uncorked at Youngberg Hill

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The Salem Symphonic Winds, featuring musicians from Polk and Marion counties perform under the direction of Artistic Director John Skelton, present Broadway Uncorked from 5-7 p.m. Aug. 23 at the Youngberg Hill, located at 10660 SW Youngberg Hill Road, in McMinnville.

Set amid the rolling vineyards of Oregon wine country, this outdoor summer concert will feature guest vocalists Nathalie Reid-Holbrook and Noah Miller, along with featured saxophone soloist Seth Wollam. The program includes beloved music from Wicked, Les Misérables, Fiddler on the Roof, Chess, and the music of Stephen Sondheim, as well as selections by John Williams and other celebrated composers.

Guests are encouraged to bring blankets or low lawn chairs for lawn seating. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for youth. Guests may also pre-order a catered gourmet meal from Roth’s Fresh Catering for \$25, with meal orders required by August 17. Wine, beer, and soft drinks will be available for purchase at the event.

Tickets are available at the event or online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/broadway-uncorked-tickets-1991949702181?aff=oddtcreator>.

Organizations host school supply events

Several organizations are offering back-to-school supply events. Here’s a look at what’s planned in Polk County:

Central School District Back 2 School Bash
Aug 23-25, Life Center Foursquare Church, 437 D St., Independence
You will need to register for a time slot on one of the three days to pick up your items. Each time slot is limited to 50 kids to help make your experience enjoyable.
<https://monmouthcc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3781769>
<https://www.polkb2sb.com>

Falls City - Back to School Bash
Aug. 25, 5 p.m. at Falls City High School, 111 N. Main St.
No need to register - just show up.
www.polkb2sb.com/falls-city [https://www.](https://www.polkb2sb.com)

West Salem - Boys & Girls Club Back to School Backpack Giveaway
Aug. 15, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., 1395 Summer St. NE, West Salem <https://bgc-salem.org/calendar/filter-by/event/back-to-school-backpack-give-away/84> Stop by to receive backpacks with school supplies, toothbrush kits and water bottles, and Family Resource Kits.
All supplies will be given away for free to students in grades K-12, while supplies last. Walk-up only. The child must be present. One backpack per student.

Salem
The Willamette Valley Sisterhood will also run its own back-to-school event on the second floor of the Reed Opera House, 189 Liberty St. NE, in Salem on Aug. 29 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event offers free school supplies, hygiene kits, face-painting and haircuts.

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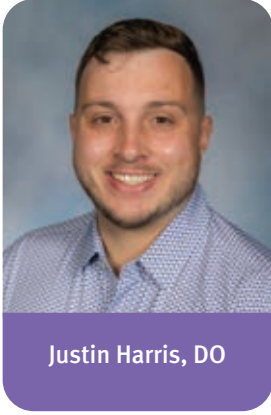
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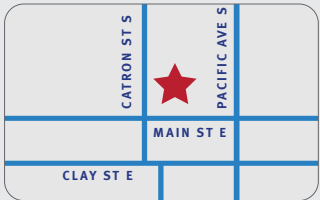
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Good Folk in Polk: Dallas City Fire & EMS

By DAVID CARLSON PASTOR

Twenty-four hours every day of the year, six to nine staff who are both firefighters and EMT-trained, live on-call next to Dallas Fire & EMS (Emergency Medical Services) at 915 SE Shelton St., which is three blocks west of Salem Health West Valley Hospital. They are ready to respond immediately for emergencies. Last year, in addition to hundreds of other rescue efforts, they worked together with volunteers, citizens and other medical personnel to resuscitate four people.

Before 2015, Dallas had an all-volunteer fire department. Now, full-time staff are dual trained for firefighting and medical traumas. Their service area covers the city of Dallas and an additional 111.2 square miles of ambulance service area in Bridgeport and Falls City. They also provide mutual aid fire support as needed for the SW Polk Fire District and other fire districts in Polk County. Calls to 9-1-1 are forwarded by operators to the appropriate emergency

response teams.

In 2021, Dallas Fire & EMS received 4,781 emergency calls requiring a response. In 2025, they received 5,600 calls, a 17% increase over the five years and more than 15 calls per day. The responses vary from medical transports to Salem, which average four per day, to automobile accidents, home injuries, cardiac failures, and even the unusual ones, like extricating a German Shepherd puppy’s head from a dryer vent or a kitten in a storm drain.

Chief April Wallace leads a department of 16 full-time firefighters/EMTs, 20 part-time firefighters, four volunteer chaplains, and 20 volunteer firefighters or support services workers. After 17 years in law enforcement as a police officer, in 2014 Wallace began a five-year transition of extensive training to join the Dallas City Fire department. In 2023, she became the first female chief for Dallas.

“We’re grateful for Chief Wallace and her compassionate leadership for our community and Dallas City Fire and EMS,” said Brian Latta, her

supervisor and city manager.

Wallace and her staff appreciate the many words of encouragement given by the people of Dallas.

“We feel strong community support from citizens in our city when we give station tours, at local school presentations, when training on the use of AEDs,” Wallace said, “at the Dallas Retirement Center where we give training for avoiding slips, trips, and falls, and even at the grocery store when on-call staff purchase supplies.”

The department is equipped with three fire trucks, one with a ladder extending 85 feet, three ambulances, and one brush truck for wildfires. Fire trucks carry anywhere from 350 to 1,500 gallons of water to fight fires away from hydrants. Their hydraulic-powered extrication tools have been replaced by lighter and more portable battery-operated devices.

Next to the station are two large storage units, one for supplies, and the other converted into a training structure, with framing for a variably pitched

roof made of pressboard. It is used to practice safe methods of chainsaw cutting through roofs. Before safely burning down the home, staff receive realistic training when a local home is donated, by breaching doors, penetrating roofs, and even carrying out a person acting as a victim.

Also inside the station are antique fire engines, including the first motorized fire truck built in 1924. There’s a 1948 fire truck, which last pumped water three days straight in 1989. Mounted on a wall is an 1889 laddered wagon, which was either pulled by horses or humans. Water provided by a leather bucket brigade.

Volunteers are a vital part of the team. Volunteer firefighters include those interested in gaining experience and entry into a professional firefighting career. The department also needs volunteers who provide support at fires, such as keeping firefighters hydrated and well enough to safely continue at an extended blaze. Some volunteers help at community events hosted by the department.

There’s always a need for more volunteers and the department provides training. If you are interested in learning about how you might help, please call (503) 831-3533.

Also, use this number for questions about Fire-Med coverage, to request a tour of the fire station, or to request fire-related and other emergency training for your school or group. For fires and for all other emergencies like chest pain, difficulty breathing, falls, injuries, serious automobile accidents, and anything life-threatening always call 9-1-1.

A final safety reminder: Hot summer days always raise the risk of fire. No backyard or agricultural burning is currently allowed. The Polk County Burn line number is (503) 838-2020. Barbecue safely with the appropriate equipment and keep a fire extinguisher nearby.

[Brief bio: Mr. Pastor lives in and writes about people, organizations, and businesses in Polk County, Oregon. Send an email to recommend someone or some group to the editor, dhayes@polkio.com]

OBITUARIES



William “Bill” Dennis Schierling
Aug. 29, 1953 - Aug. 6, 2026

William “Bill” Dennis Schierling entered eternity on Aug. 6, 2026, at the age of 72 with his family by his side. He is now with his Savior, Jesus Christ. He fought a battle with Parkinson’s for six years. He was able to stay in the home he built 45 years ago for his

growing family.

Bill was born on August 29, 1953, at the old Bartell Hospital in Dallas, Oregon, to Abram and LaNora Schierling, the sixth of seven children. His childhood was full of adventure with his closest brother John, and his cousin, Ken. He was happy to have a bicycle and rode it even though it was missing a seat. Bill graduated from

Dallas High School in 1971. He was hired as an apprentice and became a Journeyman in the Millman & Cabinetmaker trade in 1974. On Sept. 5, 1975, Bill married Jeannie Domes at Grace Mennonite Church in Dallas, Oregon. Between 1979 and 1989, they had five children.

At the age of 40, Bill opened his own business as a residential specialty

contractor under the name Schierling Cabinets. For over 25 years, Bill built custom cabinets for homes in Polk County. God gave him an amazing skill, and his customers loved his work.

Bill loved raising White-faced Hereford cattle until his Parkinson’s made it too hard to make hay and to care for newborn calves.

Bill will be

remembered for his smile, his sparkling eyes when he had a witty response, and his readiness to tell a good story. Bill shared his faith with AWANA boys for over 30 years. His illness with Parkinson’s has been a testimony of enduring suffering while living with hope.

Bill is survived by his wife, Jeannie, of 50 years and their children - Melanie (Brian) Julian, Tammy (Jeff) White, Bethany Perry, Timothy (Haylee) Schierling, and Angela (Guy) Jones. Bailey (Asher) Lawrence has also been in their family since she was three years old. Bill is also survived by his 24 grandchildren and his siblings - Eleanor Uppendahl, Ed Schierling, and Al Schierling. Bill was preceded in death by his parents, brothers John and Bob, and sister Marjorie Smith.

Please join us for a Celebration of Life honoring Bill on Saturday, Aug. 29, at Evangelical Bible Church at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Weekday Bible School, PO Box 315, Dallas, OR or online at weekdaybible.com.

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NEWS & VIEWS

Independence Tabloid and the Male Ego

By BARBARA WILSON

On Aug. 7, Trammart News Service — an Independence-area, tabloid-style outlet that appears to be written, financed and edited by Salem resident Anne Scheck — published a “special report” portraying former city managers David Clyne and Greg Ellis as the would-be rescuers of the city’s parks, library and museum. It reads less like reporting than a campaign broadside against current city leaders.

The supposed Clyne-Ellis plan was not publicly available when Trammart promoted it, leaving readers unable to

examine its assumptions. Nevertheless, the article presented the plan as the answer and city officials as the obstacle. That is sensationalism, not responsible reporting.

The article also gets key facts wrong. The proposed service fees total \$19.65, but a \$7 reduction in the public-safety fee makes the net increase \$12.65. It conflates “personnel services” with salary increases, although that category also includes benefits and accounting allocations. It mischaracterizes Ashland’s ballot measure and implies that Independence would be unusual in employing an in-house attorney,

although Newport already does so. It portrays contingency planning as an order to close facilities. It also falsely claims that Corvallis did not place fees on utility bills without a vote.

Clyne and Ellis are free to propose alternatives from the armchair. They are not entitled to historical amnesia. They and Scheck are threatening the civic fabric of Independence.

City records show that the Water Fund — an enterprise financed primarily through customer charges — carried a \$4.17 million receivable for advances made to MINET to cover prior-year shortfalls. The

city eventually classified the entire receivable as doubtful. That decision exposed a utility enterprise, and potentially its ratepayers, to MINET’s financial risk, although published records do not trace those advances directly to monthly water-bill payments.

The 2017 Independence Landing loan also originated during Clyne’s tenure.

The councils approved these actions and shared responsibility for them. But the former managers helped administer and present those decisions. They cannot now pose as detached saviors arriving to repair a crisis with which they had no

involvement.

It is also difficult to ignore the gendered dynamic: two former male managers publicly insisting that they know better than Kenna West, the female city manager now confronting the city’s structural problems. West is a lawyer, an experienced administrator and a statewide municipal leader whose administration has earned recognition. Against that record, Clyne’s error-filled certainty comes across as less authoritative than patronizing — a familiar savior posture directed at the woman doing the work.

Ellis, meanwhile, is running for City Council.

Trammart buries that relevant conflict near the end of its article.

Independence deserves vigorous debate, accurate numbers and accountability across every administration. It does not deserve character attacks, campaign theater or nostalgia repackaged as news. Current leaders are trying to preserve critical services while addressing problems that developed, at least in part, under Clyne and Ellis.

Retire already, gentlemen.

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Investigating the Bible: Fighting Evil

By DAVID CARLSON PASTOR

These days evil can be non-partisan. On one side of the political aisle, people say President Trump should be imprisoned for the things he has done or allegedly done. On the other side, some say New York Senator Chuck Schumer should be behind bars for standing on the steps of the Supreme Court and shouting that two justices would “pay the price” and “won’t know what hit you” if they ruled against abortion rights.

And then there is evil on which all agree.

In 2010, 7-year-old Kyron Horman attended Portland’s Skyline Elementary school Science Fair. There’s a picture of

him there, bespectacled and with a big smile. One hour later he left the school and disappeared, never to be hugged by his parents again. In spite of repeated investigations, no one has been arrested and he is still missing. If you pray, pray for a joyful reunion, and if not that, closure.

Jesus lived in an ancient world full of evil. He died at the hands of evil men. The prayer he gave his disciples, which we call “The Lord’s Prayer”, begins and ends with a holy battle cry against evil. In that prayer, he gave his disciples two valuable weapons in this struggle.

THE WEAPON OF GOD’S POWERFUL HAND

“Our Father, who art

in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.” (Matthew 6:9-10, King James Version used throughout).

Jesus promised to return. This Son of God, who calmed a raging sea with a word and raised the dead, will wave his hand and dismantle evil from the earth.

“And I saw a new heaven and a new earth... And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away.” (Revelation 21:1,4).

Jesus told his disciples to pray for that day and to place their hope in it.

THE WEAPON OF TRUSTING IN GOD

“And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.” (Matthew 6:13).

A note on the text: The translators of the King James version also added at the end of the prayer, “For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.”

When they published their elegant new translation in 1611, many of the older Greek texts of the New Testament had not yet been discovered. They relied on later Greek versions, many dating to the ninth century. The best manuscripts here date back to the fourth century and these omit the positive ending. Scholars reason that the words were added to give the prayer a more

uplifting ending.

So, why would a person ask God to not lead them into temptation? The answer is in asking and answering a reversed question: Why would anyone ask God to lead them into temptation? Because that person has the prideful belief of having enough self-control to defeat it. The prayer to not be walked into a place of temptation is the humble prayer of someone who realizes only God has the power to defeat evil and so they ask for deliverance.

The apostle Paul, through whom God performed many miracles, said, “Therefore, I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ’s

sake; for when I am weak, then am I strong. (2 Corinthians 12:10).

The prayer Jesus gave his disciples instructs them to avoid places of temptation. King David wrote, “Blessed is the man who walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.” (Psalm 1:1).

Martin Luther established what became the Lutheran Church. He said in the 1500s: “You cannot keep birds from flying over your head, but you can keep them from building a nest in your hair.”

[Brief bio: Mr. Pastor (yes, that is his last name, not his profession) lives in Oregon and is a graduate of Bethel Theological Seminary in Minnesota.]



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Americanisms



“The two things you can’t
fake are good food and
good music.”
— *Etta James*

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Moments in time

• On **Aug. 31, 2005**, the World Music Awards honored Destiny's Child as the best-selling female group of all time, having sold more than 50 million records globally, including four No. 1 hits and 10 top-10 songs on the Billboard Top 100.

• **On Sept. 1, 1917**, American soldier Stull Holt wrote a letter home in which he described some of his battlefield experiences on the Western Front in Verdun, France. The most arresting part of his missive recounted being struck by a shell containing poisonous gas, which he likened to "the extreme terror of the man who goes under in the water and will clutch at a straw."

• On Sept. 2, 1945, Vietnamese communist Ho Chi Minh declared Vietnam's independence from France hours after Japan's surrender in World War II, though it would take another 30 years for his vision of a united communist Vietnam to become a reality.

• On **Sept. 3, 1935**, professional bowler **Andrew Varipapa**, considered by many "the greatest one-man bowling show on Earth" for his trick shot artistry still emulated by modern bowlers, set a record of 2,652 points in 10 games.

• On Sept. 4, 476 A.D., Romulus Augustulus, the last emperor of the Western Roman Empire, was deposed by Odoacer, a German barbarian who declared himself the king of Italy, presaging what many historians consider the fall of the Roman Empire.

• On **Sept. 5, 1957**, New York Times writer Gilbert Millstein delivered a rave review for "On the Road," the second novel by a Columbia University dropout Jack Kerouac. As his girlfriend, writer Joyce Johnson, quipped to a reporter, "Jack went to bed obscure and woke up famous." Though he wrote a total of more than 25 books, "On the Road" remains his most noteworthy.

• **On Sept. 6, 1651**, King Charles II of England, after losing the Battle of Worcester and his attempt to reclaim the British throne, disguised himself by cutting his hair, staining his skin with walnut oil, donning peasant clothes, and spending a day hiding in an oak tree while searchers passed beneath him, before eventually making a successful escape to France.

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Super Crossword

TOOTNIN' MAD

ACROSS

1 Lie down in rest

7 Pedometer unit

11 Trial fig.

14 Pig in a kids' series

19 A bit coarse, as humor

20 — sapiens

21 Informal talks

23 Personae non — (unwelcome sorts)

24 At the summit

25 Nielsens, e.g.

26 Start of a riddle

29 Granola bit

30 Goose of Hawaii

31 Many a craft brew, in brief

32 — center (play area)

33 Thru. follower

36 "That's — blow!"

38 Riddle, part 2

41 Suffix with billion

45 High-IQ crew

46 Harp

47 Uncouth sorts

50 Ortiz of "Ugly Betty"

52 City near Seattle

56 Riddle, part 3

62 Hat for Indiana Jones

63 Either of "Good Times"

64 China's Chou En- —

65 Uncertainties

68 Very last part

70 Opus

72 Freaks out

75 Gore, Roker and Pacino

76 Relative of edu or .org

78 Base for head hair

80 Like many Coast Guard rescues

81 Riddle, part 4

86 Feature of the word "jol"

87 Excess' mag

88 Idea sources

89 Skylit lobbies

92 Project deals

96 James of "Alien Nation"

98 End of the riddle

103 Pirate's drink

107 Bunch

108 "Deck the Halls" contraction

109 Mined stuff

110 Egyptian canal

112 Year, in Brazil

113 Riddle's answer

119 Like the work of insurance risk calculators

121 Bye-bye!"

122 Walk really quietly

123 Lambastes

124 Pre-'91 empire

125 7 Rings' singer

126 Applesauce brand

127 "Fancy that!"

128 Chinese dog, in brief

129 Became taut

DOWN

1 Singer Belle or Spektor

2 Lengthy reprimand

3 Beseech reverently

4 Preminger of film

5 Former teen idol Cassidy

5 Glasses and contacts

7 Unselfish sort

8 Carry around

9 Like a theatrical behavior

10 Appear like a jack-in-the-box

11 Last part of some plays

12 Satoon

13 Castle tower

14 Org. against leather

15 Estrada of "CHiPs"

16 Miss terribly

17 Tent stake

18 Hoofed

22 Nickname for Louis Armstrong

27 Make beloved

28 Sculling tools

34 Comic Issa

35 SSNs, e.g.

37 Artist Andy

39 Iconic

"Dragnet" line

40 Granola bits

41 Often-tickled Muppet

42 With 48-Down, "Barry Lyndon" star

44 French river or department

47 U.K.'s counterpart to an Oscar

48 See 42-Down

49 A bit strange

51 Neither's partner

53 Ocean east of Ga.

54 Mined stuff

55 Columbus citizen

57 Mexican general

58 Donovan of "Cleopatra"

59 Decade (to)

60 Decompose

61 "— Cousins" (Elvis Presley film)

66 Grazing area

67 Doesn't leave

69 Mail slot spot

71 Plaza Hotel girl

73 Rho follower

74 Bothing

77 "Rocky III" co-star

79 Wordplay bit

82 "That so?"

83 Persian ruler for cash

84 Like a snoop

85 Build up, as interest

89 Piercing tool

90 Even if, in brief

91 Snare drum sound

93 Inadequate

94 Annual basketball contest on the Continent

95 Silk nightdress

97 Proficient in

99 Pong maker

100 Clamping down

101 Lolly home

102 Beachward

104 Believers in Jah, informally

105 Common soccer score

106 Conk out, as a machine

111 Old name of the Congo

114 "Hooper" star Reynolds

115 Junior miss

116 Big ice mass

117 Bit of work

118 Revolve

119 It's pressed for cash

120 Co. big shot

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: L equals Y

EXFSXFHIG AF EXLA MKXM'Q

XJJFAZHEXMGPL KXPTOXL

MAOXFV HMQ GZJHFXMHAI

VXMG: EHVVPG-XSG QJFGXV.

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is **LONGFEEL**

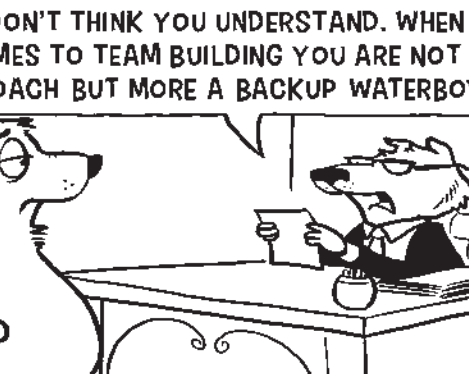
One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for three L's, **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

KHYU HU WDD UGDCW WD
LHUU DXW DP WGO
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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps

I DON'T THINK YOU UNDERSTAND. WHEN IT COMES TO TEAM BUILDING YOU ARE NOT THE COACH BUT MORE A BACKUP WATERBOY.



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

POWER WALKING
WITH THE BICHONS,
PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

YIP YIP YIP
YIP YIP YIP

KEBRAJ

Amber Waves

GERALD, DEAR, YOU ONLY EAT
MAC & CHEESE AND FISH STICKS.
TRY THIS CASSEROLE I MADE.

MMPHH...

by Dave T. Phipps

**GULP!
CHOAK!
ACKK!**

YEAH, MY TASTE BUDS HAVE A STRICT "2-INGREDIENT POLICY."

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Answers



Trivia

test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. TELEVISION: Which musical instrument does Leonard play in "The Big Bang Theory"?
2. MUSIC: In what year did the Woodstock music festival take place?
3. MOVIES: Which horror movie features a character named Ellen Ripley?
4. HISTORY: When did the French Revolution begin?
5. FOOD & DRINK: What is carpaccio?
6. U.S. STATES: How many states border Mexico?
7. GAMES: How many wooden blocks are in the game of Jenga?
8. GEOGRAPHY: What is the longest mountain chain in the world?
9. ART: Who painted the "Mona Lisa"?
10. MATH: How many sides does a hexagon have?

Answers

1. Cello.
2. 1969.
3. "Alien."
4. 1789.
5. Thinly sliced raw meat or fish.
6. Four: California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.
7. 54.
8. The Andes in South America.
9. Leonardo da Vinci.
10. Six.

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HORSE
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OHSET team were funneled into there from the county’s 4-H programs, he added.

OHSET offers a wide variety of individual and team equines. Anderson said they chose to feature the two more “crowd pleasing” events of barrel racing and pole bending. Some of the skills riders and horses test their skills in are less engaging, but are no less demanding for participants, from dressage and showmanship to roping and even driving a horse and cart in solo competitions. Team events include drill events with five or more riders performing in tandem to freestyle, where horse and riders actually perform to music.

The debut event at the Polk County Fairgrounds

drew competitors from many OHSET teams. Lexie Pickering, an Oregon State University sophomore, riding Blame it on Honor Roots, placed first in pole bending, with a time of 22.217 and third in barrel racing at 16.391. Having been involved in OHSET since her freshman year at South Umpqua High School, Pickering was excited to be a part of the debut event at the Polk County Fair and actually perform well.

“I was really happy with those results, especially getting first in poles. I’ve competed in several different events through OHSET,” Pickering said, “but barrel racing and pole bending have always been my favorites since rodeo is a huge part of my life. I’ve spent a lot of time competing in both, so it was really exciting to see that pay off.”



PHOTO BY SMY PHOTOGRAPHY

Lexie Pickering, an Oregon State University sophomore, rides Blame it on Honor Roots to a third place finish in the barrel race. They would rebound to take first in the pole bending competition.

Pickering added she thought the event was a really cool addition to the fairgrounds. “It was exciting to see OHSET have its first event there, and I thought the

team worked really well to keep the competition running smoothly,” she said. “Overall, I was really happy with how everything came together.” Anderson said overall,

he’d consider their first year at Polk County a success. “We had an adequate number of riders, more than we’d hoped actually. We had a good crowd

turnout, too. The only thing missing was the rodeo-sized crowd. We’ll put the work in and it’ll happen next time,” he said. “We’d love to see corporate sponsors next time or throughout the season. And we’re always looking for fundraisers to help the team out.”

For there to be a next time, the club members wait anxiously to see if voters will pass an operations levy in November to help pay to keep the Polk County Fairgrounds and Event Center open after 2026.

“I definitely hope the fair stays around,” Nieves said. “If we lose our fair, we lose the opportunity to show in FFA and 4-H. But if we can keep the community coming out, and with the good job Jeremy did Friday night, it will continue to be a good way to get our name out there.”

Worship Directory

DALLAS

Bahá’í Faith — Building a Better World: “Ye are the fruits of one tree, and the leaves of one branch. Deal ye one with another with the utmost love and harmony, with friendliness and fellowship.” — Bahá’u’lláh. All are warmly invited to an interfaith gathering on the last Sunday of each month at 2:00. You are encouraged to share any quotations, prayers, poems, and songs related to the theme for the month. For details call 971-804-5943 or 503-269-3333. (Please leave a message for call back.) More about the Bahá’í Faith: www.bahai.org or www.bahaisofsaalem.org

Dallas Church — PO Box 462, Dallas, OR 97338, 503-623-2711. Worship Gatherings: Sundays 9am & 10:30am. Meeting at 450 SE Washington St., Dallas OR 97338. Atmosphere is relaxed, families and children welcome, come as you are, current music & relevant teaching about Jesus. Pastor: Ben Bauman. www.dallaschurch.org

Dallas Church of Christ — 691 NE Kings Valley Hwy, Dallas, 503-623-8791. Sundays: 9:30am Bible Classes for all, 10:30am Worship, 2:00pm Group Bible Talk, Wednesdays: 6:30pm Bible Study. Come to any, come to them all! Individual Bible studies gladly made by appointment. Web:dallaschurchofchrist.com.

Dallas Evangelical Church -- A place of Hope and Healing:783 SW Church Street, Dallas Oregon, across from the Post Office. Join us on Sundays! We worship in a contemporary, casual format. Sunday Services: Bible Study 9AM; Worship Service 10AM; Celebrate Recovery (a Christ Based 12 Step Program) Dinner at 5PM, Large Group 6PM; Small Groups 7pm. The Community Clothing Closet hours: Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat 9AM to Noon; Thurs nights 7pm-9pm. Celebrate Recovery Step-Studies are often starting or ending during the year, and those meeting times are set by the Step Study Group. Message Phone 503-623-3778. Find us at www.dallasec.org, on Facebook: DallasEC or join MyDallasEC Friends. You can email Pastor Dave: pastor.dave@dallasec.org

Dallas Foursquare Church — Located at 976 SW Hayter St., on the corner of Washington and Hayter. Senior Pastor: Darrin Hausler. Worship Gatherings: Sundays at 10:00 a.m., Youth Home Groups: Sunday evenings from 6-8:00 p.m. Please call for locations. We are a multi-generational church with a heart for our community. Our mission is to Love God and Love People to Extend His Kingdom. For more info call us at 503-623-8277 or visit us online at dallasfour.com.

Evangelical Bible Church — 1175 S.E. Howe St., Dallas 503-623-2331. Senior Pastor Troy Bassham, Youth Pastor Andrew Wheeler, Sunday services 9:00am & 10:30am. Awana 6:30pm Wednesday. Weekly Prayer meeting 6:30pm Wednesday. Women’s Bible Study Thursday 9:30 am & 6:30 pm. Men’s Bible Study Thursday 6:30pm. Compass Middle School Youth Group Thursday 6:30pm. Forged High School Youth Group Tuesday 6:30pm. Live Streamed services via facebook and youtube @EBCDallas.

Grace Community Church — 598 E. Ellendale Ave. Dallas, 503-623-4961. Lead Pastor- Dave Bertolini, Sunday Worship Gatherings 9:00am, with Nursery-5th Grade programs, Youth Life Groups, and scheduled Sunday School Classes running concurrently & 10:45am, with Nursery-5th Grade programs, and scheduled Sunday School Classes, running concurrently. Live Stream our 10:45am service at www.graceindallas.online.church

Visit our Website at www.graceindallas.org for office hours, sermon downloads, event information, and more!

House of His Presence — House of His Presence, located at 177 SW Oak St. in Dallas, welcomes all who are seeking to know God intimately and live life abundantly. We believe God transforms us into the image of Jesus Christ as we encounter His Holiness, Righteousness and Truth through His manifested presence, worship and the Word of God. Sunday morning service at 10:30 am, visit the website for ongoing ministries during the week. For more information call 503-420-4612 Website www.houseofhispresence.net

Living Word Faith Fellowship — 830 SE Shelton Street, Dallas, 503-623-9062. Pastor Ray Huff. Sunday Prayer 9:30am, Worship 10:00am, Children’s Church (during service, nursery provided). Wednesday Prayer 6:30pm, Worship 7:00pm. Men’s fellowship second Saturday, Pastor Ray Huff is in charge of men’s fellowship. Call for info 503-623-9062.

Salt Creek Baptist Church — 15075 Salt Creek Rd, Dallas, 503-623-2976. Interim Pastor John Dotson, Family Pastor Josiah Buhler. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday morning Worship Gathering 10:50am. Nursery provided for worship services. Classes for all ages. Wednesday Middle and High School youth at 6:30pm. Please call for information about other meetings or visit our website at www.saltcreekchurch.org.

Seventh-Day Adventist Church — 589 SW Birch St PO Box 450 Dallas, Or 97338 503-623-5872 Pastor Ted Perry, Services on Saturday: Sabbath School 9:30 am, Worship Service 11 am Study and Prayer Wednesday 7pm Office hours: Wed, Thurs & Friday 9-12 . Community Services for food and clothing Wednesday 10am to 1pm.

St. Philip Catholic Church — Fr. Michael P. Johnston, Pastor
Pastor Email: mpjiinpdx@yahoo.com | 825 S.W. Mill Street, Dallas, OR 97338
Phone: (503) 623.2440 - www.stphil.org.org.
Liturgical Schedule
Monday- Wednesday - 5:30 p.m. Mass
Thursday - 8:00 a.m. (No Mass on Friday)
Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Masses - 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
Coffee and Donuts will be served after Sunday services

St. Thomas Episcopal Church — Welcome! Our church is located at 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. Our phone number is 503-623-5822 . Everyone is welcome to come and be a part of our congregation on Sundays for the 10 a.m. service or find us live on Facebook and updates. Join us for coffee after our service. Our services are as follows: 1st and 3rd Sundays are Morning Prayer. 2nd and 4th Sundays are Holy Eucharist. Blessings!

Trinity Lutheran Church — 320 SE Fir Villa Rd, Dallas. All are welcome! Pastor Jody Becker and Pastor Johathan Thompson, Adult Sunday Bible Study 8:45, Sunday Worship Service 10 am coffee hour with treats after service. Wednesday Worship Service noon. Nursery available for parents to use. Play area for small children in sanctuary during worship service. Youth Group HS/MS 11:30 am Sundays. Weekly Bible Studies. Contact us at 503-623-2233 or at questionsdallatluc@gmail.com.

Online at dallatluc.org. Check it out! Office open Mon.-Thur. 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, Fri. 9:00 am to Noon. Because God first loved us, we celebrate the gifts of Christ through worship, service, and community.

United Methodist Church — a church with Open Hearts, Open Minds & Open Doors, 565 SE LaCreole Dr, Dallas, 503-623-2481. Pastor Rev. Ruth Marsh. In-person Sunday morning worship at 10 a.m. Go to the website at: dallasoregonumc.org for additional information.

Valley Life Center (Assemblies of God) — 1795 SE Miller Ave., Dallas. Lead Pastor: Chris Barker; Youth: Jeff Anderson; Children: Crystal Barker; Worship/Media: Jesse Ceballos. Sunday Service is at 10:00 am and online streaming at 10:00 am (www.valleylife.love.) On Wednesdays at 6:30 pm, there is Men’s Bible Study, Ladies Bible Study, Ignite Youth, Rangers Boys Club, Mpact Girls Club, Rainbows, and nursery care. For more information, contact us at www.valleylife.love, info@valleylifecenter.com or 503-623-4116.

FALLS CITY

Seventh-Day Adventist Church — 205 N. Main, Falls City 97344, 503-787-3907. Services on Saturday: Sabbath School 10:00am; Worship Service 11:10am. Community Service Center Food Bank: Second Wednesday, 11am-3pm, Fourth Sunday, 11am-3pm.

INDEPENDENCE

Christ The King Church — Service on Sundays 10 am, 580 S 9 St., (Corner of S 9 St. and F street) Independence OR 97351 . 503-551-9516 or visit us at www.ctkindependence.com.

Cornerstone Church of God — 4395 Independence Hwy, Independence, 503-838-5119. Sunday Service and Children’s Church 9:30am Nursery available. Wednesday Kids Klubs 6:30pm. Thursday Adult Bible Study 6:30pm

First Baptist Church — A warm friendly church that cares about you! Located at 1505 Monmouth St, Independence (across from Central High School); 503-838-1001. Senior Pastor Michael Parks. Sundays: Worship Service 11 am, Wednesdays: AWANA 5:30 pm dinner, 6:00 pm clubs; Youth Group 7:30 pm. Join us for small groups for Men, Women, and Couples throughout the week. Check us out at www.independencefirstbaptist.com

MONMOUTH

Monmouth Christian Church — 969 Church St W, Monmouth 97361. Office hours M-T 9a-4p. Phone: 503-838-1145. Join us for services on Sundays, 9am & 11am. Live ONLINE Service 11am. Please visit our website for more info or on how to join our online service. WWW.MYMCC.CCSt. Hilda’s Episcopal Church — 245 Main St. West, Monmouth. Contact Information: sthildaschurch1@gmail.com. Sunday Worship (Eucharist) 10:00 AM followed by fellowship. Our church services are reverent and relaxed. Our purpose is God’s worship. 7:00 PM Wednesday, Evening Prayer online, contact us thru the email address above for access codes. Walk our labyrinth – behind the parking lot, it’s still in development, but it works. Follow us on our Facebook page; St Hilda’s Episcopal Church, Monmouth Or.

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RICKREALL

Oak Grove Community Church (non denominational) - 2701 Oak Grove Rd Rickreall. PO Box 191 Rickreall, OR 97371. Mark Clarke, Pastor. Country Church with traditional music (hymns) and Bible based preaching/teaching. Sundays at 11:00 am. Unstaffed nursery available.



Tour

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Empire.”
On this whirlwind excursion of Eastern Europe, Shown was not joined by the typical tourist; rather, he was accompanied by 14 other scholars from many educational levels.

“I would explain it like a cruise on land. So like every day or two you’re moving to a new city or a new country. And you are go, go, go,” Shown explained.

Landing at midnight in Albania, his group awoke at 8 a.m. and it was non-stop from there.

“We only had one day in Albania which was unfortunate. But half of the group went to the beach. The other half of us stayed and went to the museums in the capital. But yeah, it was go, go, go,” Shown said.

Then it was on to three-days in Macedonia, with the final two or three in Kosovo. They hopped between two cities in Macedonia and two cities in Kosovo, covering a lot of ground and territory, traipsing through history. So it was a lot for Shown’s first time out of America.

“So I’m 24 and it’s definitely a unique place to go for your first time out of the U.S. It’s an interesting place with their modern history. Because of all the crazy stuff that happened in the 90s. With the wars with Serbia and then the fall of Yugoslavia,” he said. “So it’s like, I don’t know how I would

describe it over there. Other than like you look around and it feels like you step back to the 90s. ... Like you look at a picture of the 90s in the United States. Like the building style. That’s almost exactly what you see.”

To help make their exploration more than a touristy stop in each city’s museum, Shown said their tour guide was a local archaeologist who supplemented his income with these tours.

“And so when he’s not doing archaeological digs, he’s doing these tours. And so he took us to an ancient Roman site. He took us to local landmarks. And there are some landmarks over there that have been there for thousands and thousands of years. One of them we went to in Kosovo.”

The guide took them to the Prizren Fortress.

“So literally this fortress has been there for longer than recorded history. But like the second they started writing about it. They’re like well it’s been here for probably a thousand years. We don’t know exactly when. So that was really cool,” Shown said.

The trip wasn’t all fun and games. Getting a tour of historical Europe came with some strings attached that tied back into the classroom.

The tour is only for members of the Center for Geography, Oregon in its Cooperative Teacher program. It required Shown to attend a professional development course, which he took in 2023.



Some of the ruins Benjamin Shown got to visit were contained within parks in the center of metropolitan cities.

Once back from the trip, he and the others are expected to craft a “bulletin board” of everything they saw and that in turn will be put together by Portland State University students into a story map. This will be used by other educators in their lesson plans.

“It will go through on a map. And you can click around the map and see where we went and all the pictures and stories. So we were working on that,” Shown said. “... So if another teacher is trying to teach about the Balkans. And since we’ve been there and we’ve seen it. And we’ve kind of seen the artifacts. Talked to local historians and been to museums. We kind of have the perspective to put it into a lesson that makes a little more sense than you know.”

Shown said the tour group actually included some familiar faces. One was a professor he

attended the professional development course at Western with. The other, a blast from his own past.

“I did know that selected in the group was also my sixth grade homeroom teacher. So, from where I went to high school and middle school over in Jefferson, Oregon. So, that was kind of an interesting experience traveling the

world with my sixth grade homeroom teacher,” he said.

While Shown’s not required to create anything from the paid trip to incorporate into his own classroom, he said the most valuable thing he can bring his students now is perspective.

“So, I’m teaching world history. That’s coming

here. And I’m teaching about the Ottoman Empire, the Byzantine Empire, and the Roman Empire, and the ancient Greek religion. And seeing artifacts firsthand and being in the places gave me a completely different perspective,” Shown said.

For example his archaeological tour guide took them to a Roman city dig site which had been excavated in the last 10-15 years, and are still digging through.

“And he walked us through this town, and the foundations of these Roman era buildings from 200 B.C. are still standing. I had a completely different perspective on what it would mean to live in this place,” he said. “And it’s like stepping back in time, almost. So, I think back is going to be invaluable when I’m teaching these things, because I have a brand new perspective. And hearing the perspective of the locals.”



Honors

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Morton believed that strong communities are built through service and generously devoted countless hours to civic, educational, historical, cultural, and business organizations, including serving as Treasurer and Board Member of the Independence Downtown Association; President of the Heritage Museum Society; board member of the Friends of the Independence Library; former Treasurer and member of the Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce; former President of the Central High School Band Booster Club; former Guardian, parent volunteer, and pianist for Job’s Daughters; and participating in organizations such as the Youth Business Academy, the Ash Creek Arts Center, the Ash Creek Water Control District; and the PTA; and WHEREAS, Councilor Morton worked tirelessly

to preserve and celebrate the unique history and character of Independence, founding and coordinating the annual Ghost Walk, co-founding and serving as Vendor Coordinator for the Hop & Heritage Festival, authoring Haunted Independence, Oregon, preparing the 2 Cities, 1 Community (2C1C) newsletter, co-founding the community Read-a thon, teaching piano to generations of community members, and volunteering her time to countless community events, leaving a lasting legacy of civic pride, education, and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, through every role she accepted, Councilor Morton demonstrated generosity, integrity, leadership, and an enduring belief that every act of service—large or small—could strengthen the community and improve the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to express its profound gratitude for Councilor Morton’s

extraordinary contributions to the City of Independence and extends its heartfelt condolences to her family, friends, colleagues, and all whose lives were touched by her compassion, leadership, and friendship

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the City Council of the City of Independence hereby honors the life and legacy of Councilor Marilyn Morton, recognizes her decades of dedicated public service and volunteerism, and expresses the community’s sincere appreciation for her immeasurable contributions to the City of Independence.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that this proclamation be entered into the official records of the City of Independence as a lasting tribute to Councilor Marilyn Morton, whose legacy of service, leadership, and love for her community will continue to inspire future generations.

DATED this 11th day of August 2026.”

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Cruise-In Captivates

Classic cars of all sorts were on display in River Front park in Independence on Saturday for the annual Central Lions Club Cruise-In Car Show. Here's a look at some of the images captured during the event.



Expect the unexpected with DTW

By LANCE MASTERSON
For The Itemizer-Observer

Music lovers can expect the unexpected when DTW lets loose Aug. 26 at the season finale for the Music in the Park concert series. DTW is a Portland-based horn band dedicated to bringing funk and more to the masses. Delivering the good news is an ensemble featuring up to 10 musicians, including as many as seven on horns. Trombonist Ed Propst is band director at Central High School. The set includes original tunes and cover songs. But it's what they do with some of their covers that will surprise.



PHOTO FROM THE DTW WEBSITE

DTW performs Aug. 26 at 6:30 p.m., at the Main Street Park amphitheater, Monmouth. Admission is free, though donations are accepted.

"Expect to hear some classics that are jazz, funk, rhythm and blues, soul and rock," bassist Justin "Shep" Schepige said. "Classics that are

typical of a horn band, like Tower of Power or James Brown. Or a re-imagination of how a horn band might approach a tune by

Credence Clearwater Revival or Dire Straits." And there's also a trip to bayou country on the itinerary. "Since we'll have our

tuba player, expect some New Orleans style horn band and traditional jazz music," Schepige said. So far DTW's playlist includes originals, covers, re-imagined covers and music direct from the Big Easy. So what's missing? "Expect some iconic movie and video game themes mixed in as well," Schepige said. "Themes from movies or games like Harry Potter and Mario are fun for the whole family." Having no less than five horns provides DTW with flexibility. "The five-horn basic lineup we have has been the minimum needed to play the material we want to perform, and this

has been determined over years of trial and error," Schepige said. "At one point we had seven horns, and for certain special shows we still use that many." Back in 2013, when the band first formed, it featured five musicians. That's no longer the case, and it doesn't appear a more minimalist approach is in DTW's future. "More people is more fun. I love making music with other great musicians," Schepige said. "So at a base level, having more people in the mix is a fun time." There's another factor to consider. See DTW, page B8

Possibly Irish guarantees a good time in return to Dallas

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

Possibly Irish may be making just their second appearance locally as part of Dallas Nights Sounds Of Summer Concert series Aug. 21. However, regulars at Enchanted Forest, just south of Salem, have long enjoyed the sounds of the amusement park's house band. "We travel performing around the Northwest. We were asked to perform this season in Dallas and we were happy to oblige," said founding member Susan Vaslev. Not only is Vaslev a founding member, her father built the park itself and she's been involved in one role or another since she was 14. "I think I started directing theater when I was 17. I've been there over 50 years now. It's been my life," Vaslev said. "Joy is having something you want to do, and you

can do it. All you have to do is say, 'Let's create a band.' You don't have to sell (the idea) to anybody. We were lucky to hit it right off the bat." Possibly Irish began in July 2015 when Vaslev, still the park's theatre director, discovered several actors warming up with Irish songs. Just back from a trip to Ireland herself, she saw an opportunity. A band was quickly formed from the theatre staff. By 2016, a second band was created to meet the growing demand. Eventually, the two groups merged in January of 2017, becoming the Possibly Irish audiences know and love today. Vaslev describes their songs as Irish pub music, that are semi traditional, with a mix of celtic fusion and modern flair, giving them their own take on the classics. In addition to Vaslev on accordion and hammered dulcimer, the band lineup these days



PHOTO COURTESY POSSIBLY IRISH

Possibly Irish, which got its start 10 years ago performing for audiences at Enchanted Forest, returns to Dallas Nights Summer Concerts at 6 p.m. Aug. 21.

include: Timothy Ward – Guitar Devin Desmond – Mandolin, bass, bodhran drum Delin Ruhl – Irish whistle, small pipes Cadence Schuerger – bodhrán drum, accordion Elana Gaten - fiddle (newest member to join June 2025) "We are very blessed to be hired by Enchanted

Forest," Vaslev said. "It's made it easy to stay together while being gainfully employed and earning a steady income." The Enchanted Forest theater holds about 90 seats with Possibly Irish performing three times a day. They've since spread beyond the forest walls to perform throughout the Willamette Valley, from Corvallis to Portland, and

Dallas Sounds of Summer Concert Series
Possibly Irish
6 p.m. Aug. 21
Dallas Rotary
Performing Arts Stage

beyond. They're planning a tour in November that will hit locales in Washington, Idaho and Montana. The group also just released their fifth CD of newest music, "Voyage Home." Vaslev said it features songs from sea shanties to homesick ballads, with many Irish tunes about the joys and perils of sailing the open oceans. Among other songs, this album highlights some of the band's favorites in the sea-faring genre such as "Wellerman" and "Drunken Sailor," as well as original sea shanties written just for this album. Vaslev said with six members who share lead

vocals throughout their performances, each got to chose two or three of their favorite songs to contribute to the new album. A sea-related theme emerged from the selections which led nicely to naming the album "Voyage Home." For their inaugural performance at the Dallas Rotary Performing Arts Stage, Vaslev was told to expect a crowd of 500. She's already scouted the venue, attending the last season's first performance by the Tuesday String Band, another veteran of Enchanted Forest's own stage. "The audiences are really good. Extremely energetic. I didn't think it would be like that," Vaslev said. "For us, people usually think of Irish music as soft, celtic. But this is the energetic side of pub music, with the audience clapping along. We won't be surprised if there's some dancing that normally gets involved."

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WEDNESDAY, AUG. 20, 1986

Mill workers approve pact

The mill is back on “run”. Willamette Industries’ first strike since 1954 has ended.

Unions voted Monday to accept the company’s latest offer. The 300 Dallas millworkers returned to work Monday and Tuesday after being on strike since July 22.

The Lumber Production and Industrial Workers of America voted Sunday to accept the contract, by a 3-to-1 margin. The LPIW represents workers in Dallas, Sweet Home and other plants. The International Woodworkers of America voted Monday to accept the contract.

The main impact of the two-year contract is reduced wages for employees. The contract also reduced vacations by a total of five days.

Polk Jail ‘trusty’ commits suicide

A Polk County Jail “trusty” was found dead in the jail laundry on the evening of Aug. 8.

George Alford Canida, 33, committed suicide by hanging himself, according to Sheriff Ray Steele.

Steel said an autopsy was performed Friday and Canida’s body was released to Bollman’s Funeral Home. Results of the autopsy were not available at press time, but Steel said foul play has been ruled out. A suicide note “with the usual goodbyes” was found in Canida’s pocket, Steet said. Deputy Ken Burch found Canida hanging in

the laundry after Canida had torn a bedsheet and used it as a rope.

Fall City firefighters obtain new truck

Firefighters will be racing to fires this fall in a new fire truck, with a 600-gallon water tank and 1,250 gallon-per-minute pumping capacity.

At a special Thursday night meeting, the City Council voted unanimously to purchase the new fire truck, pending the outcome of a supplemental budget meeting on Sept. 9 when the funds for the purchase are expected to be appropriated.

The fire truck ... is a 1963 model FWD Pumper Truck. The fire truck had belonged to the Seaside Fire Department, but Falls City is purchasing it through Western States Fire Apparatus Co., a regional fire fighting equipment dealer.

50 YEARS AGO

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 18, 1976

Annual Palms to Pines to end in Independence

The Seventh Annual Palms to Pines Women’s Air Race will be entered in books as one of national significance according to Al Cosovich, chairman of this year’s race from Santa Monica, Cal., to Independence. Sanctioned by the Bicentennial Commission of Oregon, the 816 mile, two-day event will be entered in the national archives as a special activity of the Bicentennial.

Sixty-two planes had been entered by early last week with more expected

before the race starts in Santa Monica on Friday morning (Aug. 20). The race has grown steadily since its inception in 1970 when 39 pilots competed for the first place trophy. Last year, 62 competitors completed the race.

Dallas to explore new lunch program approach

Students in the Dallas School District will be experiencing a new approach to the hot lunch program when they return to school in September. The school district has hired ARA, a food service management company.

The idea behind bringing in ARA is to help the local lunch program reconcile the financial responsibility of the meals, which the district has been ending up in the

red for the past several years. The program will utilize the same facilities, but increase the efficiency and output of kitchens. A type A lunch as required by the state will be served on the elementary level, a selected menu served at the junior high schools and the selected menu with a varied ala carte section being made available at high school.

Golfers grab fairway honors

A lot of golf has been in play during recent weeks for members of the Oak Knoll Women’s Club. And the group has been pleased to see several new members taking an active interest and participating during the summer.

Qualifying rounds are starting Aug. 18

for the Fall Match Play Tournament for and Captain’s Trophy.

On July 14, there were four winners for fewest fairway shots: Phyllis Graham, class A; Pauline Harris, class B; Marilyn Weisner, class C; and

Liz King, class D. A one day inter-club team tournament was held July 21 with Team 6, Kay Brockhaus and Georgia Gorrigan winning first, and Team 4, Freda Carr and Donna Brennan, placing second.

FLASHBACK



This week’s Flashback is from Wednesday, Aug. 18, 1976 UNEXPECTED VISITOR - These young men along with the help of a friend were able to capture this wild goose who dropped by for a visit at the Avery Shipley residence in Dallas. The Shipley’s already have seven domestic geese and felt that is why he flew in. Holding the goose is (from left) Lane Shipley, John Shipley and Matt Evans, assisting and not pictured was Rich Evans. (File I-O photo.)

Go Figure!
answers

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CryptoQuip
answer
Margarine or mayo that's approximately halfway toward its expiration date: middle-age spread.

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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MEASURED WORDS

Super Crossword

Answers

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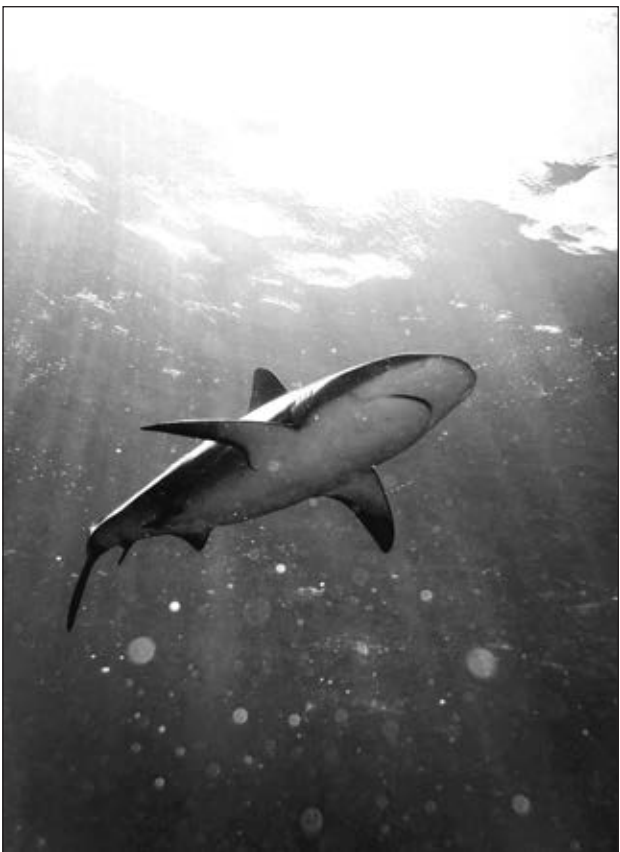
Community Achievement

WEST SALEM'S JENNA BRASSFIELD EARNS ACCOLADES FOR STUDY ABROAD PHOTOS

From vibrant coral reefs in the Bahamas to winding paths in Ireland and colorful streets in Germany, Linfield University students experienced the world through study abroad programs this year - and captured those experiences through their cameras.

Now, some of those moments have been recognized as the best of the best in the 35th Annual Study Abroad Photo Contest, organized by the International Programs Office.

Among the recognized winners was Jenna Brassfield, a student from West Salem, majoring in nursing at Linfield.



Brassfield won first place in the Judges Award

category for the photo titled “The Bahamian

Reef Shark.” The photo was taken during a January Term off-campus course in the Bahamas. She also earned second place for “Mastering Buoyancy” in the Linfield Students category and third place awards in the Architecture category for the photo “The Glorious Morningstar” and the Landscape category for “The Quiet Reef.”

The Study Abroad Photo Contest was open to all Linfield University students. Participants submitted photographs in five categories, showcasing the people, places, landscapes and experiences that made their time abroad memorable. The Linfield community then voted for its favorites, while judges selected winners for the Judges Award.

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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 19

7 a.m. - Monmouth Library Board meeting, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St.
8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Strong People, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10:30 a.m. - Little bitty story time, for babies and very young toddler, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
11 a.m. - Lunch w/ Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center
11 a.m. - Bee Amazed!, enjoy hands-on science fun and buzz worthy activities, for ages 5-18, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St.
11:30 a.m. - Summer Reading Program: Cake in the Park! Dallas City Park
11:45 a.m. - Better Together, Monmouth Senior Community Center
12 p.m. - Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Walking Group, Dallas Area Senior Center
1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Wii bowling, Dallas Area Senior Center
4 p.m. Connecting Loose Threads for Charity, Monmouth Senior Community Center
6 p.m. - Open Mic Night, Brew Coffee & Tap House
6:30 p.m. - Music Jam, Monmouth Senior Community Center
6:30 p.m. - Live Music: Music in the Park - Jujuba, Main Street Park, 120 Main St. E., Monmouth
7:10 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Newcomers Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas

THURSDAY, AUG. 20

8 a.m. - Yoga,

Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:15 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:30 a.m. - Children’s Storytime, for ages 0-5, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
10:30 a.m. - Bounces and Rhymes: Spring Series, for ages 0-2, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
11:30 a.m. - Lunch Bunch, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Pinochle, Monmouth Senior Community Center, City Hall,
12 p.m. - Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center
3 p.m. - Friends of the Monmouth Senior Center Board Meeting, Monmouth Senior Community Center
6 p.m. - Name That Tune Music Trivia with Sam, West Valley Taphouse, 957 Main St., Dallas
6 p.m. - Independence Parks Board Meeting, Event Center-Heritage Room, 555 Main St.
6:30 p.m. - Live Music: The Mojestyx (blues & classic rock), Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
6:30 p.m. - Monmouth Arts & Culture Commission Meeting, City Hall, 151 Main St. W.
6:30 p.m. - Connecting Loose Threads, Monmouth Senior Community Center
7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Back to Basics, Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas

FRIDAY, AUG. 21

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Stretch exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Art Workshop/ CardsTable Games/6 Handed Pinochle, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Writer’s Workshop, Monmouth Senior Community Center

10 a.m. - Gardening Class, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Strong People, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10:30 a.m. - Storytime, Independence Public Library
11 a.m. - Jewelry Making, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Summer Reading Wrap Party, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
12 p.m. - Watch repair clinic, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - 44th Annual Community Fiesta, Independence Riverview Park
1 p.m. - Tai Chi with Chery/Munchies and Melodies, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Sunshine Club, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Free Movie & Crafts: Dallas Library presents “IF” and Build an Imaginary Friend craft project, for kids and teens
1:30 p.m. - 10-Minute Writing, Dallas Area Senior Center
6 p.m. - Speak Easy: A Community Story, Monmouth Senior Community Center
6 p.m. - Dallas Library presents a free showing of “Project Hail Mary”, for adults
6:30 p.m. - Live Music: Eel Salad (bluegrass mixed with PNW grunge), Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
6:30 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Friday Night Meeting, Salt Creek Baptist Church, Dallas
6:30 p.m. - Acoustic Music Jam, Guthrie Park, 4320 Kings Valley Highway S.
7:30 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Speaker Meeting, Dallas Church, 450 SE Washington St.

SATURDAY, AUG. 22

7 a.m. - Wings over Willamette Fly-in & STOL WARS, Independence State Airport, 4803 Airport Road, Independence
9 a.m. - Independence Riverview Farmers Market, top of Riverview Park
9 a.m. - Yoga in the

Park, Riverview Park, Independence, free
9 a.m. - Independence Farmers Market, Umpqua Bank parking lot, 302 S. Main St.
12 p.m. - 44th Annual Community Fiesta, Independence Riverview Park
1 p.m. - Bingo at the Independence Elks Lodge, 289 S. Main St.
6 p.m. - Live Music: Lipbalm (80s & 90s dance music), tickets \$10, tickets \$20, Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Saturday Night Live, Faith Lutheran Church, 200 Monmouth-Independence Highway, Monmouth

SUNDAY, AUG. 23

7 a.m. - Wings over Willamette Fly-in & STOL WARS, Independence State Airport, 4803 Airport Road, Independence
12 p.m. - 44th Annual Community Fiesta, Independence Riverview Park
1 p.m. - Live Music: Rich Swanger (American folk), Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
1 p.m. - Live Music: Sitar and Tabla Concert with Manoj Deshpande and J.J. Gregg, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Monmouth Big Book Study, Faith Lutheran Church, 200 Monmouth-Independence Highway, Monmouth

MONDAY, AUG. 24

7 a.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Serenity at 7, Life Center Foursquare Church, 437 D St., Independence
8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Rotating Pinochle/5-Crowns Game/ Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Hand & Foot/ Cribbage, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Grief Support

Group, Dallas Area Senior Center
11 a.m. - Lunch w/ Meals On Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
12 p.m. - Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Noon Step Study, Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E Ellendale Ave., Dallas
12:30 p.m. - Cornhole, Dallas Area Senior Center
1 p.m. - Bunko/Tai Chi with Cheryl/Technology Help with Ian, Monmouth Senior Community Center
4 p.m. - Karaoke, Dallas Area Senior Center
4 p.m. - Dallas Public Safety Committee Meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.
4 p.m. - Public Works Committee Meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.
6 p.m. - Trivia Nights, Forest Pass Brewing, 735 SW Maple St., Dallas
6:30 p.m. - Live Music: New Horizons Orchestra Concert, Monmouth Senior Community Center
7:30 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Old Guthrie Park, Guthrie Park Community Center

TUESDAY, AUG. 25

7 a.m. - Hiking Club, Monmouth Senior Community Center
8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Chair Yoga/ Wii Bowling, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Age Café, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10:15 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:30 a.m. - Circle of Friends, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:30 a.m. - Summer Stories and Play, for ages 3-5, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
11 a.m. - Scrabble - Dallas Area Senior Center
11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Pinochle, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Darts, Dallas Area Senior Center

3:30 p.m. - Monmouth Senior Advisory Board Meeting, Monmouth Senior Community Center
4 p.m. - Dallas Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.
6 p.m. - Trivia Night, West Valley Taphouse, 957 S Main St., Dallas
6 p.m. - Monmouth Historic Commission meeting, City Hall, 151 Main St. W.
6 p.m. - Bingo Night, Two Wolves Taproom, 171 SW Court St., Dallas
6:30 p.m. - Independence City Council Work Study Session, City Hall, 555 Main St.
7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Tuesday Grace, Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E Ellendale Ave., Dallas

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 26

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Strong People, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Lunch w/ Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Walking Group, Dallas Area Senior Center
1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Wii bowling, Dallas Area Senior Center
4 p.m. Connecting Loose Threads for Charity, Monmouth Senior Community Center
6 p.m. - Open Mic Night, Brew Coffee & Tap House
6:30 p.m. - Live Music in the Park: DTW, Main Street Park, 120 Main St. E., Monmouth
7:10 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Newcomers Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas

Community Briefs

CHAMBERS CO-HOST GOOD MORNING POLK COUNTY AUG. 19

The Dallas Area Chamber of Commerce and the Monmouth-Independence Chamber co-present Good Morning Polk County at 8:30 a.m. Aug. 19 at the Polk County Fairgrounds and Events Center, located at 520 S. Pacific Highway West, in Rickreall. This special joint gathering brings together businesses, community leaders, and partners from across Polk County to connect, share updates, and strengthen regional collaboration. All are welcome — bring your business cards and your community spirit.

FREE CONCERT WITH LOCAL MUSICIANS PERFORM AUG. 20

Slip Kid presents a free concert starts at noon Aug. 20 at the Monmouth Main street park amphitheater featuring a triple set of powerful female artists, two of whom are stars

in the making that have placed at the Indy Days Talent Show. Cheyenne Stoddard opens the show at 12 p.m. Then Chloe Lockwood takes the stage from 1-2 p.m. Glitter & Gasoline closes the show with a great country rock performance.

XTREME DANCE COMPANY HOSTS BINGO FUNDRAISER AUG. 20

The Xtreme Dance Company hosts an Xtreme Family Bingo Night Fundraiser at 6 p.m. Aug. 20 at 976 S Main St., in Dallas. Grab your family, invite your friends, and join us for a fun night of bingo, prizes, food, and community fun.

BENEDETTO’S VINEYARDS HOSTS WEST COAST SWING DANCING AUG. 20

Lora Michele Dance Studio presents West Coast Swing at Benedetto’s Vineyards from 5-7 p.m. Aug. 20 at 939 S Main St., outside

Dallas. Get a 30-minute lesson with 90 minutes of social dancing. No registration is required.

DALLAS LIBRARY HOSTS MOVIE NIGHT AUG. 21

The Dallas Library invites adults to the free showing of “Project Hail Mary,” starring Ryan Gosling, 6 p.m. Aug. 21. The story follows Ryland Grace, a middle-school teacher who awakens aboard an interstellar spacecraft with no memory of how he got there. His mission: save the sun, and Earth, from an astrophage infection. Along the way, Grace teams up with an alien he names Rocky, and the unlikely pair work together to save their respective planets. Free popcorn will be provided and a potential prize for a lucky moviegoer. For more information, visit the Dallas Library on Facebook at facebook.com/dallaslibraryoregon, stop by the library at 950

Main St., or call (503) 623-2633.

OSU HOSTS FREE NITRATE SCREENING AT DALLAS NIGHTS AUG. 21

The Oregon State University Small Farms Program will be providing free nitrate screening for well water at the Dallas Farmers Market from 4-8 p.m. Aug. 21 at 182 SW Academy St., in Dallas. Bring half a cup of well water in a clean container to be tested. Testing takes about 10 minutes. Nitrate has been linked to long-term and short-term health conditions. For questions, contact Chrissy Lucas at well.water@oregonstate.edu.

INDEPENDENCE AIRPORT HOSTS WINGS OVER WILLAMETTE AUG. 22-32

EAA Chapter 292 presents Wings Over Willamette, an annual fly-in and STOL event Aug. 22-23 at 7S5

Independence State Airport, 4803 Airport Road. The event features a variety of activities, including STOL WARS (a Short Takeoff and Landing competition), educational displays, aircraft exhibits, and more. Attendees can expect to see a range of aircraft, from vintage planes to modern marvels, and enjoy family-friendly activities throughout the weekend. There are opportunities to meet pilots, learn more about aviation, and experience the vibrant community at Independence. Admission is \$10 for adults and free for youth 18 and under. For more information go to https://wow-flyin.com.

COURT STREET PUB HOSTS MICRO BURLESQUE SHOW AUG. 27

The Court Street Pub and Grub hosts the Micro Burlesque & Talent Show NW at 7 p.m. Aug. 27 at 186 SW Court St. It’s dance, comedy, audience interaction, acting,

choreography, and larger than life personalities all wrapped up into one crazy party. The show features an all-female cast ranging from just 2’10” to 4’12”, every performer brings her own unique height and size. Tickets, which frequently sell out before show day, are available online at https://avenueticket.com/event/dallas-or-micro-maidens-short-dancers-court-street-pub-grub.

MOVIES IN THE PARK PRESENTS ‘HOPPERS’ AUG. 28

The River’s Edge Summer Series concludes with the return of Movies In the Park Aug. 38 showing of “Hoppers” at Riverfront Park in Independence. Movies in the park are free and start at dusk - around 9 p.m. “Hoppers” is about when scientists discover a way to transform human consciousness into robotic animals, Mabel

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Authorized Signatory of Trustee 08/19/26, 08/26/26, 09/02/26, 09/09/26

PCIO26-360 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS No.: 149831-OR Loan No.: *1844** Reference is made to that certain trust deed (the "Deed of Trust") executed by JAMES M WORRELL, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Grantor, to FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR GUILD MORTGAGE COMPANY LLC, BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 5/5/2023, recorded 5/11/2023, as Instrument No. 2023-003521, in the Official Records of Polk County, Oregon, which covers the following described real property situated in Polk County, Oregon: LOTS NUMBERED FIVE (5) AND SIX (6), BLOCK NUMBERED THREE (3), IN EARL J. RICHARDSON ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WILLAMINA, POLK COUNTY, OREGON. APN: 480338 / 482204 / 06701-CD-01502 Commonly known as: 931 SW BARBER AVENUE WILLAMINA, OR 97396 The current beneficiary is: GUILD MORTGAGE COMPANY LLC Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the above-described real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and notice has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is caused by the death of the borrower. TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$98,731.56 By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by the Deed of Trust immediately due and payable, including: the principal sum of \$70,599.25 together with interest thereon in the total amount of \$18,743.16, plus all accrued late charges, and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs, and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust Whereof, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee, CLEAR RECON CORP, whose address is 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225, San Diego, CA 92108, will on 12/10/2026, at the hour of 11:00 AM, standard time, as established by ORS 187.110, AT THE MAIN STREET ENTRANCE TO THE POLK COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 850 MAIN STREET, DALLAS, OR 97338, sell at public auction to the highest bidder in the form of cash equivalent (certified funds or cashier's check) the interest in the above-described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time it executed the Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of the Deed of Trust, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than the portion of principal that would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorneys' fees, and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the Deed of Trust at any time not later than five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the

Deed of Trust, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 7/28/2026 CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, CA 92108 Phone: 858-750-7777 866-931-0036 By: Name: Hamsa Uchi, Authorized Signatory of Trustee 08/19/26, 08/26/26, 09/02/26, 09/09/26

PCIO26-371 Sale of Abandoned Manufactured Home:One(1)1966FLTWD manufactured dwelling, Plate number X088305, Home identification number 170325, Manufacturer's serial number(s) NF6FS5606, with contents (if any) has been abandoned by Zeferina Jacobo Espinoza. The home is located at 573 E Ellendale Ave, Spc 45, Dallas, OR 97338. Sale shall be by private bidding, with sealed bids, and "as is" (there is no warranty relating to title, possession, quiet enjoyment or the like). Bids must be for a specific stated dollar figure and must be delivered to: Dallas Mobile Home Village at 4915 Swegle Rd NE, Salem, OR 97301, no later than the end of the day on the 31st day of August, 2026. The minimum bid shall be \$10,572.66 which represents an opening bid by Dallas Mobile Home Village and which any winning bidder must match or exceed. Upon confirmation of the winning bid, the purchaser must promptly tender full payment in secured funds, only; money order, wire transfer, or cashiers' check and promptly remove the dwelling from the manufactured home park unless a storage agreement can be promptly negotiated between the successful bidder and the Park. Future owner occupancy of the dwelling onsite would require successful application for tenancy, screening, and entry into a written rental agreement, none of which will be considered until after the sale is complete. This auction may be cancelled at any time prior to the start of bidding without notice. Please contact Jessica Sager, Community Manager for more information and/or questions at 206-900-4599. 08/19/26, 08/26/26

PCIO26-358 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS No.: 146730-OR Loan No.: ***0601** Reference is made to that certain trust deed (the "Deed of Trust") executed by ROBY T POTTER, MARRIED MAN, as Grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR MORTGAGE RESEARCH CENTER, LLC DBA VETERANS UNITED HOME LOANS, BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 11/30/2021, recorded 12/1/2021, as Instrument No. 2021-018773, in the Official Records of Polk County, Oregon, which covers the following described real property situated in Polk County, Oregon: A PORTION OF THAT TRACT CONVEYED TO JAMES A. BRIEDWELL AND T. CHRISTINE BRIEDWELL PER VOLUME 258, PAGE 1560 POLK COUNTY BOOK OF RECORDS AND A PORTION OF TRACT 2 OF THAT LAND CONVEYED TO RICKREALL FARM SUPPLY, INC. PER VOLUME 205, PAGE 312, SAID DEED RECORDS, LYING IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST, WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN., POLK COUNTY, OREGON, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: PARCEL 1, PARTITION PLAT NO. 2004-0010, POLK COUNTY, OREGON; TOGETHER WITH THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PORTION OF SAID RICKREALL FARM TRACT; BEGINNING AT A 5/8" IRON ROD AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL 1, ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE HIGHWAY 99W, THENCE ALONG THE PARCEL 1 SOUTH LINE, S 89°56'54"E 135.43 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD AT THE PARCEL 1 SOUTHEAST CORNER, THENCE S 00°00'00"E 2.77 FEET TO A STEEL FENCE POST LYING S 00°00'00"E 0.17 FEET FROM A 5/8" IRON ROD; THENCE S 87°21'37"W 74.34 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD; THENCE N

89°19'29"W 61.15 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON ROD ON SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE; THENCE ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, N 00°08'51"W 5.60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. APN: 157531 / 07430-CA-00400 Commonly known as: 260 MAIN ST RICKREALL, OR 97371 The current beneficiary is: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the above-described real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and notice has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to pay when due, the following sums: Delinquent Payments: Dates: 10/1/2025 - 7/1/2026 Total: \$18,084.33 Late Charges: \$0.00 Beneficiary Advances: \$2,209.03 Total Required to Reinstate: \$20,293.36 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$311,605.23 By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by the Deed of Trust immediately due and payable, including: the principal sum of \$302,643.07 together with interest thereon at the rate of 2.625 % per annum, from 9/1/2025 until paid, plus all accrued late charges, and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs, and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust Whereof, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee, CLEAR RECON CORP, whose address is 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225, San Diego, CA 92108, will on 12/1/2026, at the hour of 11:00 AM, standard time, as established by ORS 187.110, AT THE MAIN STREET ENTRANCE TO THE POLK COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 850 MAIN STREET, DALLAS, OR 97338, sell at public auction to the highest bidder in the form of cash equivalent (certified funds or cashier's check) the interest in the above-described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time it executed the Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of the Deed of Trust, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than the portion of principal that would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorneys' fees, and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the Deed of Trust at any time not later than five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the Deed of Trust, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 7/17/2026 CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, CA 92108 Phone: 858-750-7777 866-931-0036 Hamsa Uchi, Authorized Signatory of Trustee 08/12/26, 08/19/26, 08/26/26, 09/02/26

PCIO26-363 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK No. 26PB06838Probate In the Matter of the Arlene K. Smith Living Trust Agreement, Arlene K. Smith, Deceased NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, the Arlene K. Smith Living

2026 FORECLOSURE NOTICE						PCIO26-373	
Kathyn D'Agostini, Tax Collector of Polk County, Oregon, has prepared the following list of all properties now subject to foreclosure, hereto attached, containing the names of several persons appearing in the latest tax rolls as the respective owners of tax delinquent properties, a description of each such property as the same appears in the latest tax rolls, the year or years for which taxes, special assessments, fees or other charges are accruing interest thereon through September 15, 2026.							
Please take note that a complete and accurate legal description of the properties designated by tax lot numbers below is made a part of the application as Exhibit "A" for judgment, filed in the Polk County Circuit Court and available at the Polk County Tax office, and that each more particular descriptions are also available at the office of the Polk County Assessor.							
To all persons or parties below-named and to all persons owning or claiming to own, or having or claiming to have, any interest in any property included in the Foreclosure List:							
YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO TAKE NOTICE that Polk County, Oregon, has filed in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, an application to foreclose the lien of all taxes shown on the 2026 Polk County Tax Foreclosure List below set forth and that Polk County, as plaintiff in the application, will apply to the court for Judgment foreclosing such tax liens not less than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice.							
Notice of this foreclosure proceeding is given exclusively by one (1) publication under ORS 312.040 (1)(a) of the Foreclosure List in the Itemizer Observer, a weekly newspaper of general circulation in Polk County, Oregon, pursuant to Order 26-31 of the Board of County Commissioners for Polk County, made and entered on January 7, 2026.							
KATHY D'AGOSTINI Tax Collector Polk County, Oregon				MORGAN SMITH County Counsel Polk County, Oregon			
2026 FORECLOSURE LIST ISSUED BY POLK COUNTY							
TAX ACCT	MAILING/AGENCY NAME	CODE	PROPERTY NO.	YEARS	DELINQ TAXES	INTEREST TO 09/15/26	TOTAL DUE
48140	ANASTASIA LLC	1-1-0	06411020000	2025-26	5580.83	760.49	6,341.32
	MT JACKSON VALLEY			2025-26	4789.53	532.28	5,321.81
				2022-23	1511.87	443.96	1,955.27
						Total Amount Due	\$ 13,618.40
80290	SCOTT PANAUDI & HEIDI DANER	2-1-0	07040611000	2025-26	1236.91	271.11	1,508.02
	3475 WILLOW DR NW			2024-25	1229.18	339.61	1,568.79
	SALEM, OR 97301			2023-24	477.62	127.75	1,705.29
				2022-23	2111.28	1,041.46	3,152.74
						Total Amount Due	\$ 7,974.85
20230	CHRYSTELLE & KEVIN	1-1-0	06402001000	2025-26	6746.49	826.41	7,572.90
	7400 CLARK COUNSEL RD			2024-25	3225.18	805.60	4,030.78
	SEASIDE, OR 97138			2023-24	2075.80	542.09	2,617.89
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Trust, dated September 18, 2018 (Trust), and as Trustee has filed a Petition to Determine the Claims of Creditors of the Trust and Trustor/Settlor Arlene K. Smith, who is now deceased, in the Circuit Court of Polk County, State of Oregon, Circuit Court No.26PB06838. The Trustor/Settlor of the Trust is Arlene K. Smith. All

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claims are required to be presented to Pioneer Trust Bank, N.A., Trustee, P.O. Box 2305, Salem, Oregon 97308. Claims against the Trust estate may be barred unless presented to the Trustee at the address herein specified within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice. All persons whose rights may be affected by

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these proceedings may obtain additional information from the Trustee, from the records of the Court, or from the attorney for the trustee Dated and first published August 12, 2026. /s/ Pioneer Trust Bank, N.A., Trustee Sarah K. Rinehart, Attorney at Law OSB# 821142 117 Commercial Street NE, Suite 300 Salem, Oregon 97301 Attorney for Trustee

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08/12/26, 08/19/26, 08/26/26

PCIO26-355 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK COUNTY CASE NO. 26PB05946 In the Matter of the Estate of Marshall Edward Downs NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Rebekah Downs has

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been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned attorney for the personal representative at 925 Commercial St. SE, Ste 200, Salem, OR 97302 within four (4) months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may

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PUBLIC RECORD

Information for the report comes from law enforcement agencies. Not all calls for service are included. The status of arrests reported may change after further investigation. Individuals arrested or suspected of crimes are considered innocent until proven guilty.

Independence Police Department

THURSDAY, AUG. 6

At 9:01 a.m., a resident on Kyle Court reported being the victim of a potential scam caller that was unsuccessful. At 10:57 a.m., officers stopped a vehicle on Monmouth Street with expired tags on and suspended insurance. While the driver was warned for the traffic infractions, the vehicle was towed as a hazard for no insurance. At 12:48 p.m., an officer recognized Lorenzo Roman from a previous traffic stop and knew his driving privileges were suspended at the violation level so he initiated a traffic stop on Main Street East at Atwater Street. A failure to appear warrant out of Marion County was discovered. Roman was cited and released along with receiving traffic citations for Driving While Suspended and Driving Uninsured. At 2:09 p.m., a female subject that had been previously trespassed from a property on Monmouth-Independence Highway was again cited and released for trespassing. She was warned next time she would likely be taken to jail.

FRIDAY, AUG. 7

A 911 call was placed for two men arguing outside of a house in the 600 block of Sweet Cherry Lane. The altercation turned physical and both men received injuries from a vehicle door getting open and slammed. Marc Boswell and Kyle Hulett were criminally cited and released for physical harassment. A driving complaint on Highway 51 headed towards Independence was placed for an erratic driver who had at one point left the roadway. When Eder Acosta-Alvarez was contacted, he reasoned that he was falling asleep at the wheel. Acosta-Alvarez was not displaying any signs of intoxication. Regardless, he was arrested and lodged at the Polk County Jail where he was charged with driving while suspended - misdemeanor. At 3:15 p.m., officers responded to a report of a male subject with a rifle slung across his back near a convenience store on Independence Highway. The subject turned out to only have a BB gun and was waiting for a ride from his dad.

SATURDAY, AUG. 8

At 3:06 a.m., officers responded to the scene of a traffic crash on Main Street at Williams

Street. They observed a power pole lying on the ground with wires across the road. A vehicle had come to rest on the front lawn of a residence after going through a fence. An officer detected signs of alcohol consumption. The driver, Miguel Pantoja Jr., was arrested and lodged at Polk County Jail where he blew a BAC of .16%. He was charged with criminal mischief, driving under the influence of intoxicants - misdemeanor, driving while suspended - misdemeanor and reckless driving. At 8:37 p.m., a resident on 11th Street reported hearing loud music in the field across from her house.

SUNDAY, AUG. 9

A man arrived at West Valley Hospital with a broken jaw. He reluctantly reported that he'd been assaulted by some men who'd threatened to go to the hospital to "finish the job". The hospital was put on lockdown and no problems were noted. It was discovered that the initial incident had occurred earlier in the evening in front of a store in the 1600 block of Monmouth Street. The three suspects were identified as Andre Limu-Terry Jr, Edward Asi and Malcom Limu, all were arrested and booked into Polk County Jail where they were charged with assault 3. It is unknown why the fight began. Officers reached out to Max Patterson after he posted disturbing statements on a community Facebook page. After speaking with Patterson in the 900 block of Wild Rose Court, the victim was contacted and filed a report of domestic violence from several days before where she'd been struck and strangled. Patterson had broken her phone during the fight so that she could not reach out for help. Patterson was arrested and charged with strangulation - felony, two counts of physical harassment, coercion and criminal mischief 2. At 10:20 p.m., several reports of residents on Osprey Lane hearing what sounded like a female screaming for help.

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MONDAY, AUG. 10

At 8:35 a.m., officers responded to a report of a license plate stolen from a vehicle at a business on Monmouth Street. The case is still under investigation.

TUESDAY, AUG. 11

At 12:04 a.m., officers investigated a report of shoplifting on Monmouth Street. At 1:07 p.m., officers responded to a single vehicle crash on Buena Vista Road. The driver admitted to driving a little fast around the curve, lost control in gravel and crashed into a metal post of a fence. The driver was cited for failure to maintain a lane. The resident that owned the fence was notified. At 1:10 p.m., officers

responded to a report of suspicious activity on Evergreen Drive. They seized a checkbook that appeared to be fraudulent. At 2:58 p.m., a female subject was arrested on Monmouth Street on outstanding warrants. She was taken into custody. At 3:14 p.m., a report of a vehicle with a damaged rear windshield on 12th Street. There were no suspects. At 6:34 p.m., a resident on Riverwood Court reported a neighbor was shooting a bow and arrow in an unsafe direction. At 8:13 p.m., officers responded to a second-hand report of a teenage male wanting to kill himself on C Street. After speaking with the mother and the teen, they learned that was not the case.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 12

At 8:27 a.m., officers responded to a report of a loose dog on 7th Street. The dog owner was warned for violation of city ordinances. While on a traffic stop in the 1500 block of Monmouth Street for a vehicle with no rear license plate, it was discovered that the driver Dominic Bass did not possess a valid operator's license after five previous convictions for driving while suspended. He was cited and released at the misdemeanor level for failing to carry/present an operator's license.

THURSDAY, AUG. 13

An officer contacted two individuals out late at night in the 1200 block of E Street. One of the subjects, Jamie Stevenson, was found to have a failure to appear warrant out of Salem Municipal Court. She was cited and released.

Monmouth Police Department

THURSDAY, AUG. 6

Welfare Check: A caller reported their partner missing. Officers were unable to make contact initially, but the individual later called to confirm they were safe. Arrest: Follow-up interview conducted at the county jail regarding a previous incident involving trespassing at a local university. Assist Other Agency: Officers assisted with a juvenile in a behavioral health crisis who had ingested a toxic substance. The juvenile was transported to a medical facility for care and placed in protective custody. Theft: Report filed regarding personal items and currency stolen from a residence. Suspects were identified by the caller. Assist Other Agency: Assisted with a wellness check on an intoxicated individual during a home visit. Medical staff evaluated the person and determined police intervention was unnecessary. Theft: Report of beverages stolen from a business. Footage of the suspect leaving the scene

is under review. Ordinance Violation: Officers followed up on a property violation. An intoxicated individual found on the premises was asked to leave and complied. Welfare Check: Officers responded to a report of a running vehicle. Upon arrival, the vehicle was turned off and unoccupied. Trespass: An individual previously prohibited from the property was found attempting to sell items. The person was cited, released, and warned of future consequences. Information: Report of individuals camping near a public building. Increased patrols were requested for the area. Assist Other Agency: Officers provided support during a reported disturbance. All parties were calmed and separated. Animal Complaint: Report of a dog in a vehicle. Officers searched the area but were unable to locate the vehicle or a distressed animal. Illegal Parking: Report of a vehicle blocking a driveway. The owner was contacted, advised of the violation, and warned that the vehicle could have been towed. Driving Complaint: Officers responded to a report of a vehicle failing to maintain its lane. The driver was stopped and cited. Emergency Hang-up: A repeated issue involving a child accessing a phone to call emergency services. Advice was provided to the parent regarding secure storage.

FRIDAY, AUG. 7

Arrest: An individual was charged with contempt of court for using unauthorized communication methods to contact a protected party. Illegal Camping: Report of an individual camping near a recreational area; officers were unable to locate the subject. Intoxicated Person: Report of an intoxicated individual in a park causing discomfort to others. The person was warned and trespassed from the park for 30 days. Illegal Parking: Officers responded to a report of a vehicle in a handicap space without a permit. The vehicle had departed prior to officer arrival. Animal Complaint: A lost dog was found and returned to its owner. The owner was warned regarding local licensing requirements. Animal Complaint: A dog reportedly attacked another animal. The owner was cited for having a dog at large and instructed to quarantine the animal. Suspicious Activity: Report of a male testing door handles at a business. No damage or suspicious items were found upon inspection. Shots Fired: Report of a loud popping sound. The area was searched, but nothing suspicious was found, and residents did not answer the door. Arrest: An individual was cited and released for

trespassing. Arrest: An individual was cited and released for failure to provide identification.

SATURDAY, AUG. 8

Driving Under the Influence: A driver was arrested after failing a field sobriety test and was charged with driving under the influence and reckless endangering. Assist Other Agency: Officers assisted at the scene of a single-vehicle crash involving a power pole. The driver was arrested and charged with driving under the influence, reckless driving, and criminal mischief. Arrest: An individual was arrested on an outstanding warrant and transported to the county jail. Civil Dispute: A resident requested assistance to retrieve items from a home after a disagreement with roommates. The dispute was mediated. Civil Dispute: Ongoing disagreement regarding residency and personal property. Officers mediated between the parties to facilitate a peaceful resolution. Attempt to Locate: Report of a vehicle stopped in the road. The caller declined to cooperate with officers. Welfare Check: Report of an individual slumped in a vehicle. The driver drove away before officers could intervene. Welfare Check: Neighbors expressed concern for a resident due to accumulated packages and odors. No response was received at the residence. Fraud: A resident reported a scam call claiming they had a warrant for missed jury duty. The resident was assured it was a scam. Civil: Parties involved in a prior vehicle crash requested documentation. Reports were unavailable at the time. Illegal Parking: Vehicle reported blocking a wheelchair ramp. The owner was contacted and asked to move the vehicle. Driving Complaint: Report of erratic driving. The driver was contacted, and no signs of impairment were observed. Crash: Officers helped exchange information between parties involved in a minor side-swipe collision in a parking lot. Domestic Disturbance: Verbal argument between family members that escalated to physical contact. No charges were requested by the involved parties.

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SUNDAY, AUG. 9

Assist Other Agency: Officers provided cover for another agency during the arrest of multiple suspects. Animal Complaint: Officers responded to a report of a bat inside a residence but were unable to locate it. Suspicious Behavior: Report of a male yelling and acting aggressively. The individual was contacted and advised to move along.

Civil Dispute: Conflict regarding the retrieval of personal property. The individual was trespassed from the residence. Behavioral Health Crisis: Report regarding allegations of hidden recording devices and stolen medical records. The situation was documented. Civil Dispute: Guidance provided to a resident regarding the legal process for evicting an occupant. Civil Dispute: Continued conflict regarding the retrieval of property. An individual was trespassed from the site. Assist Other Agency: Assisted with a vehicle involved in a crash. Ownership status was verified and updated for the other agency. Behavioral Health Crisis: Individual locked in a room exhibiting suicidal ideations. Officers were unable to make contact, but advised continued monitoring. Intoxicated Person: Report of an intoxicated individual causing a disturbance. Officers determined the subject could be arrested for violating release conditions if further consumption was observed.

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MONDAY, AUG. 10

Driving Complaint: Report of erratic driving. Officers were unable to locate the vehicle. Animal Complaint: Ongoing coordination regarding a lost dog reported by the owner. Graffiti: Graffiti discovered at a public library. Officers documented it for investigation. Graffiti: Graffiti discovered on a business building. An investigation is ongoing. Trespass: A request was made to officially trespass a former client from a law firm due to threatening communications. Animal Complaint: The owner of a lost dog reported receiving scam messages. The owner was advised on how to handle the situation. Hit and Run: A vehicle was rear-ended in traffic. The suspect fled the scene. Driving Complaint: Report of vehicles racing. Officers monitored the

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area but did not observe the behavior.

Behavioral Health Crisis: An individual experiencing a crisis left their home. The individual was later located and placed in protective custody for care.

Ordinance Violation: Complaint of an individual urinating on a tire. Officers found no criminal evidence.

TUESDAY, AUG. 11

Suspicious Activity: An individual attempted to enter a residence. The resident requested that the person be trespassed.

Driving Under the Influence: A driver that stopped for erratic driving was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicant.

Harassment: An individual was warned to stop making harassing phone calls to a former client's office.

Information: Complaint regarding a negative online review. The business owner was advised on how to address the issue.

Arrest: An individual was cited and released for the unlawful dissemination of intimate images.

Suspicious Activity: Report of suspicious door-to-door salespeople. Video of the suspects was shared with the appropriate law enforcement agency.

Crash: Records staff assisted with a request for information regarding an older case report.

Information: Dispute regarding a misdelivered package. Officers advised the parties to stop contact.

Suspicious Activity: Report of an empty package delivery. A case number was provided.

Trespass: An individual was observed urinating on a dumpster and was officially trespassed from the property.

Suspicious Activity: An unknown substance was found on a tree. Tests confirmed it was non-hazardous.

Follow-up: An individual was officially trespassed from a residence.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 12

Found Property: A lost dog was reunited with its owner.

Information: A business client was out of compliance regarding address updates. Staff were advised on proper procedures.

Information: A resident reported receiving a scam where the caller claimed to be from the police department.

Welfare Check: An inquiry is ongoing into a report of a missing parent and child.

Animal Complaint: Report of a barking dog. The area was quiet upon officer arrival.

Citation: Subject was cited and released for criminal mischief and littering.

Information: Complaint regarding solicitors. They were warned regarding city ordinances.

Suspicious Activity: Report of a motorist acting suspiciously. Officers discovered it was a food delivery driver.

Civil: Assistance provided for a subpoena pickup.

Driving Complaint: Report of erratic driving. Officers could not locate the vehicle.

Domestic Disturbance: Officers responded to a report of a verbal domestic dispute but found no crimes.

Behavioral Health Crisis: A resident in a group home self-harmed. Care staff were notified, and safety measures were implemented.

Illegal Parking: Vehicle in a handicap space without a permit was issued a warning.

Arrest: An individual was arrested on an active warrant and transported to the county jail.

Information: Officers provided guidance to an individual inquiring about turning themselves in for an out-of-state warrant.

Disturbance: Verbal disagreement between two individuals. There was no physical altercation.

Behavioral Health Crisis: Welfare check on a resident. The individual refused assistance and stated they did not intend to harm themselves.

Polk County Sheriff's Office

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 5

At 2:01 a.m., a deputy sStopped Tony Mosier on Wallace Road for a bicycle violation. Mosier gave the deputy false info about his identity. Once his identity was established, Mosier was arrested on two outstanding warrants and was lodged at Polk County Jail where he was also charged with giving false information.

At 4:28 a.m., deputies backed up Dallas Police on a burglary, shots fired call on Miller Avenue. The resident reported 3-4 people were trying to rob him and one had fired a gun. Officers spoke to the resident and learned he was very emotionally disturbed. He stated he would go to the doctor on Monday.

At 7:07 a.m., a motorist on Highway 22 near the intersection of Rickreall Road was cited for speeding 75 mph in a 55-mph zone.

At 10:01 a.m., a resident on Ecols Street called to ask why the Sheriff's Office was knocking on her door. She was informed deputies were knocking on her neighbor's door. She apologized.

At 1:01 p.m., deputies covered Independence Police on a traffic stop on Clow Corner Road. An officer enroute back to the city from an arrest spotted a white sedan with an illegally altered plate and nearly 6-year expired tags. The driver was suspended with no insurance or ignition interlock device installed and was blocking a private driveway. The driver was cited for driving while suspended

- violation, no IID, no insurance, illegal alteration of plates, and failure to register vehicle. The vehicle was also towed.

At 6 p.m., deputies responded to a three-car accident near the intersection of Ellendale and Oakvilla Road. A vehicle was stopped waiting to turn left. A second vehicle was waiting behind the first. A third vehicle didn't stop, hitting the second vehicle which then collided with the first. There were no injuries. Deputies managed traffic until Oregon State Police arrived to take over the scene.

At 7:33 p.m., deputies investigated a fight at the Polk County jail between two inmates. Joseph Wirkkala was charged with assault 4.

At 8:15 p.m., a resident on Yamhill River Road reported four males in her trailer trying to kill her with carbon monoxide. A deputy that responded smelled a faint odor of propane, but nothing to indicate a life threatening carbon monoxide leak. The resident also said the other males could hear her when she talks to T-Mobile. Medics responded at her request and transported her to the hospital. The deputy found no crimes, and it was likely EDP issues.

At 9:38 p.m., a report of an elderly man in a vehicle, unconscious or sleeping, that had been parked there for 9 hours. Oregon State Police requested medics investigate. But they were unable to locate the vehicle.

THURSDAY, AUG. 6

At 1:47 a.m., Levi North, of Monmouth, was arrested on Brandvold Drive on an outstanding warrant and was lodged at Polk County Jail, where he was also charged with possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, and possession of weapons by certain felons.

At 5:49 a.m., deputies responded to a residential alarm on Ballard Road. After noticing nothing outside, they knocked on the door. The resident answered, obviously having been woken up. When a deputy told him about the alarm, he thought for a second and then said he had opened the window to scare some deer from his apple tree and forgot about the sensor on the window and did not hear the alarm go off. He thanked the deputy for showing up and said how much he appreciated the PCSO.

At 6:47 a.m., a vehicle was stopped for making an illegal turn from Riddle Road onto Hoffman Road. The driver was cited for expired tags and expired insurance.

At 8:43 a.m., a motorist pulled out in front of a deputy unsafely from Riddell Road onto Clow Corner Road. The vehicle also had expired registration. The driver was cited for driving while suspended - violation.

At 10:15 a.m., a complaint that a moving truck was swerving all over the

road on Monmouth Cutoff Road. A deputy was unable to locate the truck.

At 11:34 a.m., a deputy found a trailer belonging on Valsetz Railroad Road. It appeared to have been sitting there for some time. The deputy tagged it on Aug. 6 allowing camping for 14 days.

At 4:49 p.m., a resident on Highway 18 reported finding a firearm in his daughter's house, but was unclear if it belonged to her or a boyfriend. The father wanted to know who the firearm is registered to before giving it back. A deputy advised him to get a hold of the OSP Firearm Division during business hours.

At 5:51 p.m., a female subject inquired about a rottweiler that was surrendered approximately three weeks ago. A deputy advised her the dog's 72-hour hold was up and it likely was transferred to a rescue or a private party and that she would not be able to claim ownership at this point.

At 8:10 p.m., a staff member reported a juvenile who goes to Polk Adolescent Day Treatment Center told her he was forced to receive oral sex performed on him in the bathroom that he didn't want. She didn't know who the suspect was. A deputy took the report for detectives to follow up upon.

At 7:39 p.m. a third party advised a male subject was trying to turn himself in at Polk County Jail. A deputy checked the area but was unable to locate the subject.

At 8:24 p.m., a deputy responded to a report of two subjects locked behind a gate at Martin Road / Robb Mill Road. The deputy unlocked the gate and warned them for trespassing.

At 9:47 p.m., a deputy on Edgewater Street came

upon a male sitting on the sidewalk with a shirt on his head and another male nearby on his phone. The first was an injured cyclist. The deputy called for medics due to a deep gash on the cyclist's head. He was also not aware of where he was going, the day or the name of the president. His friend took him to Salem Hospital.

At 10:52 p.m., deputies provided backup for Dallas Police on a traffic stop on Cherry Knoll Road involving a subject wanted on an outstanding Marion County warrant. The driver, Ronald Weaver of Dallas, was arrested on the outstanding warrant and was charged with failure to carry operator's license. He was also cited for driving while suspended - violation and for speeding 70 mph in a 55-mph zone.

FRIDAY, AUG. 7

At 1:28 a.m., a deputy performing a routine area check on Edgewater Street located Tom German who had a failure to appear warrant out of Marion County. The deputy cited and released German on the warrant.

At 2:25 a.m., a deputy came upon a vehicle on Eagle Crest Overlook with seven juveniles inside. The driver only had a driver's permit. The deputy learned her mother didn't know she had gone out without permission with the car. She did not have the ability to come retrieve the vehicle. The deputy allowed the juvenile to drive home, following her along the way. All the other juveniles were turned over to the driver's mom's custody and were verbally warned for trespassing. The driver was cited for no operator's license.

At 8:12 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 77 mph in a 55-mph zone.

At 8:47 a.m., deputies received an area alert for a subject who was possibly having a medical emergency on Salem Dallas Highway. They were unable to locate the subject's vehicle.

At 8:52 a.m., deputies attempted to locate a wanted subject on Glen Creek Road. They were unable to locate the subject.

At 9:01 a.m., a resident on Ash Avenue reported her neighbor's dog had gotten loose on her property again. The last time, the dog had killed one of her chickens. A deputy spoke with the neighbor and told him he needed to contain the dog on his property and if his dog/s continued to go onto other people's property he would likely be cited.

At 11:18 a.m., a report of a non-injury hit and run crash off Oak Grove Road. A deputy was nearby and checked the area but did not find the suspect vehicle. Oregon State Police took over the investigation.

At 11:29 a.m., a deputy responded to a report of an intoxicated person on Highway 22. The complainant was worried the motorist might drive. The deputy arrived and contacted the motorist sitting in the driver's seat of the listed vehicle, struggling to exist. The driver did not show signs of intoxication, but rather signs of dehydration and heat stroke. The driver wanted medics called and ultimately Dallas Medics ended up transporting the driver to West Valley Hospital.

At 4:29 p.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 85 mph in a 55-mph zone.

At 6:18 p.m., a complainant reported a male who might have been unconscious in his silver

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Polk County Itemizer-Observer

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uses the new technology to uncover mysteries of the animal world that are beyond anything she could have ever imagined.

RIVER GALLERY HOSTS ANNUAL ART EXHIBITS SEPT. 3

River Gallery, a

fixture in downtown Independence for nearly 30 years, opens its annual exhibit showcasing the work of the gallery's Associate Artists and their Window Show, "Celebrating Pottery". Both exhibits begin on Sept. 3. Meet up with your family and friends to admire the diverse and local art available the gallery, located at 184 S.

Main St. For more information, go to www.river-galleryart.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help keep Hunter Arboretum on Park Street in Dallas looking good for visitors on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Choose the work you want to do and take a break with us at 10:30. All are welcome.

DTW

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“From a business perspective, we went with the uniqueness theorem; there aren’t many large horn bands left. The ones that are around are not doing the variety of music that we do,” he added. “Since we bring a unique experience, we’ve been able to book shows and determine prices that work for us, free of competition.”

Each member has a voice in the band’s direction. That, too, is a strength. “One of the cool things about having a large band is that every member is influenced differently,” Schepige said. “I think the band’s sound represents the blending of all the individuals and their contributions, so the influences are seemingly infinite.” These contributions are needed more than ever as the band is creating a

new record. What makes this process more special, more challenging, is their level of involvement. “We are doing most of it in-house. Some of us have spent years working and learning the production side of the business. This album will reflect that,” Schepige said. “We have figured out how to capture the sound of our band. This album is not a creation, but rather a documentation.” The end result will be a musical journey unique

to DTW. “Everything is live players and full takes, like they used to do back in the day, and everything is recorded in a way such that authentically sounds like what you might experience at a live show,” he added. “When you hear our new album of original music, it’ll feel like you are sitting right there, listening to us perform it for you personally.” DTW is an acronym not etched in concrete. It’s fluid. This week,

Schepige said, DTW could stand for Dancing This Wednesday. But the band is open to suggestions. “Often we crowdsource some name ideas,” he said. “I’m sure we will find some good ones at the show.” The band’s minimum configuration is nine musicians, but a tuba player and vocalists can be added as needed. Propst isn’t DTW’s only local connection. The band’s drummer

recently moved to Dallas. Schepige is a 2009 graduate of Dallas High School. “My parents still live outside of Dallas,” he said. “I technically live in Benton County, because I’m on the south end of Kings Valley highway. I’ve spent some time traveling and living elsewhere in the US in recent years. Roots in Polk, though.” The concert starts at 6:30 p.m., and is at Main Street Park in Monmouth. Admission is free. Donations are accepted.

POLICE

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truck in the 300 block of North Pacific Highway. Southwest Polk Medics responded and informed the PCSO it was a false alarm and they could cancel. At 8:41 p.m., a deputy investigated a driving complaint of a vehicle without lights, driving slowly and swerving on Salem Dallas Highway but was unable to locate the driver. At 9:59 p.m., a Falls City juvenile was transported to Salem Hospital after taking Midol and Benadryl in a suicide attempt. A deputy checked in with the juvenile, who confirmed it had been a suicide attempt. At 10:26 p.m., deputies investigated a single vehicle non-injury crash off Falls City Road. The driver was not present. It appeared that the driver took the corner too quickly and lost control of the vehicle, leaving off the roadway by about a foot. Being a hazard, a tow was called. A deputy found two citations to the vehicle’s owner by Monmouth Police on Aug. 3.

SATURDAY, AUG. 8

At 12:05 a.m., a deputy contacted a male subject outside of the Sheriff’s Office. He was unpacking trash and placing it in front of the Sheriff’s Office’s door. The deputy told him he needs to clean it up and or he could be arrested for offensive littering. He collected his trash and left. At 1:14 a.m., a deputy parked near the old Rite Aid Pharmacy in Dallas heard what sounded like an accident occur nearby. After observing other driving violations, the deputy contacted the driver and gave him a field sobriety test. After being unable to complete the tests, the driver admitted to being on “15 different medications.” He was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicant. At 5:20 a.m., a vehicle was stopped on Madrona Avenue for no headlights. The driver showed signs of impairment and the deputy could see a mostly empty bottle of Fireball on the floorboard. The d failed a field sobriety test and was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicant. He blew a BAC of 0.11 %. He was lodged at Marion County Jail. At 6:24 a.m., a deputy stopped a motorist that was driving down the wrong way on Jefferson Street in Dallas. There was no impairment detected. The driver was from Silverton and was lost. At 11:29 a.m., a motorist was stopped on Walnut Avenue and cited for driving while suspended - violation and for driving uninsured. The vehicle was towed for no

insurance. At 12:09 p.m., deputies responded to a report of a vehicle going too fast for the corner on Red Prairie Road and went into the ditch. The deputies were unable to locate the vehicle. At 12:50 p.m., a deputy investigated a report of suspicious activity at a location on River Bend Road. A female subject was found trespassing. She was given a form trespass warning. At 1:50 p.m., deputies responded to a report of underage drinking on Pacific Highway. The juveniles had left the property by the time the deputies arrived. At 12:50 p.m., a report of a single-vehicle crash off a sharp curve and into a field off Red Prairie Road. The vehicle was occupied by a mother and four juveniles, ages 12 and under. There were minor injuries to all occupants. The mother claimed to be driving but one of the juveniles made a comment to a medic that indicated the 12-year-old was actually the driver. The mother was cited for careless driving, operation of an unsafe vehicle, and driving uninsured. At 11:36 p.m., a caller reported his daughter was one of the juveniles in the above incident. She confirmed a 12-year-old juvenile was the driver. The caller reported some kids were not seatbelted. Apparently they were driving from their home to a birthday party in McMinnville. The caller wished to press charges against his wife for endangering his kids. At 4:12 p.m., a male subject came to the PCSO with his son. The subject told a deputy his son got a DUII notice in Monmouth the night prior. The subject added that someone had called his son claiming to be a Polk County Sheriff’s Deputy and wanted his son to send \$500 at Walmart in order to get an ankle monitor. The deputy told the subject this was a scam and he thanked the deputy. At 9:59 p.m., deputies investigated a report of a single-vehicle crash off Gooseneck Road. A

Yamhill County Deputy stated he could smell the odor of an alcoholic beverage emanating from the driver who was identified as John Ripplinger. He failed a field sobriety test and was arrested for DUII. He was transported to Polk County Jail where he provided a BAC of .16%. He was charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicant. At 10:20 p.m., a resident on 13th Street complained of loud music at a neighbor’s house. After explaining the county does not have a noise ordinance, the deputy checked with the neighbor anyway. The deputy could hear a live band from about 300 yards. The resident understood the complaint, saying he would have the band off in the next few minutes. He was super appreciative of the deputy talking to him. He offered a plate of carnitas that the deputy reluctantly declined. At 10:11 p.m., a resident in the 17000 block of Highway 22 reported locating a dog on the property. A deputy talked with the resident who located the owners who live in Depoe Bay. The dog likely fell out of the vehicle on Highway 22. The dog did not appear to be injured. At 11:32 p.m., a motorist took the curve on Orrs Corner Road and crashed off the road, taking out a stop sign. He was not intoxicated. A tow was called for the car.

SUNDAY, AUG. 9

At 12:52 a.m., a deputy investigated a report of a possible DUII vehicle near Hoffman and Highway 99. The deputy found a driver and two kids sleeping in the vehicle. The driver was driving from Cannon Beach to Lebanon and had been awake since 4

a.m. So she pulled over to sleep. There were no signs of intoxication. The deputy advised her to go to the Monmouth Police parking lot where it would be more safe. At 6:43 a.m., a motorist on Highway 22 was stopped for speeding 75 mph in a 55-mph zone. The driver was cited for driving while suspended - violation. At 12:45 p.m., deputies responded to a motorcycle crash with two patients. A backpack got sucked into the rear tire and bucked the rider and passenger into the ditch. They were transported to Salem Hospital. Oregon State Police arrived a short while later and handled the investigation. At 5:37 p.m., a resident on King Road reported a black Honda parked at the end of his driveway with a male sleeping in the back seat. A deputy searched the area but was unable to locate the vehicle. At 10:53 p.m., two reports of a vehicle driving the wrong way on Highway 99. A deputy was unable to locate the vehicle. At 11:51 p.m., during an area check of K&D Sand and Gravel, a deputy located Randy Sanders and Maddalyn Wilson. Both of them had parole violation warrants. Both were arrested and lodged at Polk County Jail.

MONDAY, AUG. 10

At 8:21 a.m., a complainant reported a vehicle with its hazards on, weaving in and out of traffic and almost coming into head on traffic with another vehicle. The complainant said the vehicle had its left turn signal on to turn onto Rickreall Road. A deputy drove through the area but was unable to locate the vehicle.

At 11:40 a.m., a deputy found and removed a half a sheet of ½-inch plywood that was in the middle of Pacific Highway and will dispose of at Public Works shops. At 2:35 p.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 90 mph in a 55-mph zone. At 3:09 p.m., a tribal police officer reported a careless driver who nearly hit him head on near Highway 22 and Doaks Ferry Road. A deputy pulled the motorist over at Highway 51 and Deann Drive. The driver admitted he was messing with his phone and was having trouble driving at the same time. The driver was cited for careless driving and driving a motor vehicle while using a mobile device - first offense. At 5:38 p.m., a fight occurred at the Polk County Jail between two inmates. Stevie Simpson was charged with assault 4. At 8:19 p.m., deputies went to Shawnda Allen’s trailer on Church Street on a complaint of drug activity. Allen gave consent to search her trailer and the deputy located 24 grams of meth, a scale, a pipe, and an extremely large quantity of plastic baggies. Allen was arrested and lodged at Polk County Jail where she was charged with possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine and unlawful delivery. Allen’s parole officer also issued a detainer on her.

TUESDAY, AUG. 11

At 1:36 a.m., a motorist was stopped on Highway 99 for speeding 70 mph in a 55-mph zone. The driver was subsequently issued a citation for driving uninsured and was warned for the speeding. At 2:14 a.m., a motorist on Highway 22 near milepost 55 was cited



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