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Dallas debuts challenging, lesser known tale from Anne Frank

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

Most audiences within the theater and literary world are familiar with the tale of Anne Frank thanks to her diaries that survived World War II that went on to detail a normal teenager's life before and during occupied Nazi Germany.

However, few have heard the tale as told by her two best friends. Dallas High School's Theater Program is bringing that story to its stage this week with "And Then They Come For Me: Remembering the World of Anne Frank" by James Still.

"We've wanted to do this play for a really long time. I think I saw this play 15 years ago at the Oregon State Thespian Conference performed by Ashland High School. It took my breath away," said Blair Cromwell, DHS theater program director.

In 1996 producers filmed interviews with two holocaust survivors, both with connections to Anne Frank - Ed Silverberg, Anne's boyfriend who she nicknamed Hello, and Ava Schloss, both survived the holocaust. During the war, Cromwell explained, the three were all just friends, 15-year-olds, hanging out.

The interviews were transformed into a play, interspersed with video footage of the survivors speaking.

"Then as they're telling the story of what it was like in that part of



The cast of Dallas High School's theater program rehearse a scene from "And Then They Come For Me: Remembering the World of Anne Frank" debuting this week.

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history, the play takes off. We see those stories with the actors. It keeps going back and forth between the two," Cromwell said.

She said the Dallas theater program has wanted to do it for a long time, but couldn't due to a limitation in the school's ability to deal with some technological demands.

"You have to have all this video footage, and you've got to time it and have to have the right projection system," Cromwell.

In addition, it took a confluence of the right technology and a troupe

of actors who had leveled up their skills to take on the serious story set amidst the holocaust.

Sophomores Jayden Chancery portrays Ava and Eli Nunez is Ed during their younger years.

Chancery said it took a lot of research by the cast and personally to properly bring the true story of the three youths and their families to the stage.

"I think everything about her (Eva) is fascinating. She's incredibly strong. It's really impressive to hear her talk about it and realize

she went through so much trauma and was still able to talk about it, not scared. She's ready to tell her story, make it known," Chancery said.

Nunez said the audience should really enjoy the production as it will leave them something to think about when it's over.

"I think it is a little bit tricky, obviously because it covers a very hard subject. So it is a very

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Homelessness count highlights urgent challenge, clear signs of progress

Staff REPORT

The Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance has released results from the 2025 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count, offering a detailed snapshot of homelessness across Marion and Polk Counties — and showing both rising need and real gains in housing outcomes.

This year's count identified 2,166 individuals experiencing homelessness, including 953 unsheltered residents. One of the most urgent findings: 47% of those counted were experiencing homelessness for the first time, underscoring the growing pressure on working families, youth, and seniors amid a housing market that continues to strain household budgets and community resources.

Yet despite these challenges, the region has made substantial progress. In the past year alone, over 600 households have

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Sun shines down on second year of Dallas Farmers Market

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

What a difference a year makes for the Dallas Farmers Market. Last year, it debuted during a downpour of rain and blustery winds. This year, the sun was out with only a hint of cool breeze to greet a wider selection of vendors stretched down the courthouse square.

"It's so exciting. There's sunshine. You can actually see shadows. I'm very much looking forward to having to wash our produce in the sink rather than before we get it back in the car," said Mikayla Slawosky, Dallas community development coordinator. She was decked

out in a sugar pea costume, because "Pretty Peas, we want people to come to the market."

For the kickoff on May 3, there were 17 vendors, six new, which Slawosky plans to keep consistent throughout the season. She said they're keeping the application process open throughout the season as there's plenty of space to expand for more vendors.

Overall, the Dallas Farmers Market will have 12 new vendors joining as the season progresses, including some local farms.

"Last year, people were really excited, they were just hoping to see some more veggies,"

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Rick Ogle pitches his locally churned Cream Honey to potential buyers at the Dallas Farmers Market that saw its second season kick off May 3.



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Nikita Vincent and Monmouth Mayor Cecilia Koontz cut the ribbon May 3 at Main Street Park to kick off the inaugural Cultural Harvest Collective, a farmers market catering to BIPOC vendors.

Monmouth's Cultural Harvest Collective debuts new home for BIPOC vendors

By DAVID HAYES

I-O Editor

Nikita Vincent, raised by her grandmother, a business teacher, remembers growing up in church.

"For me, I grew up in Tigard and Tualatin, there was this feeling every Sunday of getting out of church and being with community," Vincent said.

She wanted to recreate that sense of community within her latest project, Cultural Harvest Collective, that debuted May 4 at Main Street Park in Monmouth. It's a vendor's market designed to attract underrepresented people of color a place to sell their wares.

"That's why I wanted to do a BIPOC (black, indigenous, people of color) vendor market

because I really feel when I moved down here to the Mid Willamette Valley that there was really good opportunity to get people of color in the area we could all gather and all come together in a community on a Sunday," Vincent said.

The Cultural Harvest Collective kicked off with a ribbon cutting with Vincent and Monmouth Mayor Cecilia Koontz holding the oversized scissors.

Koontz said it was great to see the inaugural event after a test run of "pop up" events last year.

"Last year, (Vincent) did a pilot just to see how it would go. A small group but really

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MARKET

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Slawosky said. "We heard that, and today we have about five vendors selling produce.

Eden Olsen of Lucky Grow Farm, out of Monmouth, was one of the local farmers to answer to call for more veggie options.

"I had heard there was a need for vegetables. So I joined to provide that to our county," Olsen said. Her specialty? "You name one, I've got it."

She expects her salad mix, heirloom tomatoes and carrots to go the fastest.

Other vendors were back, including Oregon Cream Honey, Norris Bread Company, which features

sourdough bread and cookies, Double E Ranch with edible plant starts and Frankie Farm Goat Milk Soap, to name a few.

"Most of our vendors are local to Polk County. We have Tapestry Hills Nursery based out of Canby. But for the most part, it is Rickreall, Independence, Monmouth and Dallas here filling up," Slawosky said.

Tiffany Unverdruss wanted to open a stall last season, but being "very pregnant" upset the timing of the hope baking venture going public at the market. But that didn't stop her from attending.

"It was great. I loved being able to get the honey, get the bread, flowers. It was a lot of fun," Unverdruss said.

For her business, Simply Joyful Cookies, she specializes in custom sugar cookies. But for the market's debut, she featured drop cookies, including larger

snickerdoodles, peanut butter and butter cream sugar and lemon drop.

Returning for his second year is Rick Ogle's Oregon Cream Honey who's home churned, unique blend of honey is processed just 10 miles outside Dallas. He said Dallas quickly became one of their favorite markets.

"This is one of our favorite markets, to be honest. It's one of the smallest markets we do, but we really enjoy it. I mean the town is so, I mean, you're right outside the historic courthouse. It's beautiful," Ogle said, adding they also attend farmers markets in McMinnville, Independence during the summer and the casino's Health and Wellness fair once a year. "And people in Dallas, if you're from around here, you know they're all good folks."

The farmers market runs through Oct. 18, every first

and third Saturday of the month.

For those shoppers looking for alternative shopping methods, Slawosky said there are vendors who accept SNAP and Double Up Food Buck, and accept Farm Direct Nutrition Food Vouchers.

"We're open for ideas. We really hope that people see their requests reflected in the market. We hoping it's a good community event that continues to grow," Slawosky said.

The city of Dallas runs the farmers market for now with the aid of the Dallas Downtown Association and Chamber of Commerce. Slawosky said the DDA and the CoC have reached an agreement to team up to take over running it next year.

To keep track of the market, go to the Dallas Oregon Farmers Market Facebook or go to www.dallasdowntownassociation.org/dallasfarmersmarket.

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BIPOC

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committed vendors. The key was Nikita's big vision," Koontz said. "The community is ready to do this, support this and make this happen."

Vincent knows the struggles of being a small farmer trying to find an outlet for home-grown edibles.

"It definitely has been a big aspiration of mine. Being a small food farmer trying to get into market places that feel, you know, different maybe, create something a little more focused, for black and brown, people of color and small businesses, small entrepreneurship," Vincent said, a little flower and fruit farmer out of West Salem. "Not being a big scale farmer, it's really difficult to obtain land when you're a small farmer."

She's tried to link up with other farmers and find space to run her own micro farm. Then she came upon the idea of a collective and found a gracious host in the city of Monmouth.

"There's all sorts of stuff happening down here in Willamette Valley. We just saw that Monmouth had a great opportunity with Western Oregon University there. And just the city in general."

The community loved the pop ups last year. That's why we decided to go full seasonal. We had nothing but welcoming arms and a lot of openness to the concept," she said.

Last year, the Cultural Harvest Collective began with seven vendors that participated in two pop ups. That's grown to 10 at this year's kickoff. And they're leaving the application process open throughout the season to allow

people to come in and get a feel for being in Monmouth."

The response from the vendors was positive at the enthusiastic first weekend.

Krysten Adachi, who brought her business Dachi out from Salem to offer Hawaiian desserts, based on her childhood favorites.

"I think it's really cool how everybody can come together from different places and share an experience," Adachi said.

The Cultural Harvest Collective will be every Sunday through Oct. 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Main Street Park. Vincent plans to add other activities throughout the season, including car meets and a skate parade. She said they're still looking for artists and fresh produce vendors. To apply for a vendor's table at the market, go to Cultural Harvest Collective's Instagram page and click on the link for the application.

DEBUTS

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emotionally intense play," Nunez said. "As a whole it is going to be an enjoyable experience, even in the little moments there is happiness or they're able to make joy out of a situation."

One snag Cromwell said they had to overcome was converting the original interview footage from CD format to the digital age.

"The projection and sound students have just done a phenomenal job with that. That's the exciting piece of the play for us was we

were able to finally do that," Cromwell said.

Then another sign the timing was right was in January they learned 2025 was the 80th anniversary of the liberation of the infamous concentration camp Auschwitz. Then two weeks ago was the 80th anniversary of Bergen-Belsen and this week is the liberation of Mauthausen.

"So, all through spring was the anniversary of liberation of these concentration camps, and we wanted to honor that," Cromwell added. "And because it's a story of people who are largely high school aged, it really resonates with our actors and population."

"And Then They Come For Me" has a cast of 12 with another 12 technicians for stage management and technology.

"It's a tale of these families who try to figure out the best way to survive," Cromwell said. "There are these conversations between families about how do we navigate ever changing circumstances in this world."

"And Then They Come For Me" starts at 6:30 p.m. May 7-10 with a 2 p.m. matinee May 10 and has a runtime of 75 minutes with no intermission. For tickets or more information, go to www.dhs-theatre.org/buy-tickets.

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Falls City receives LOC's Excellence Award

Resource Center Project highlighted

The League of Oregon Cities presented its 2025 Award for Excellence to the city of Falls City for the Falls City Resource Center project. The award, which recognizes progressive and innovative city operations and services, was presented to co-recipients, with the cities of Scappoose and Oregon City also winning, during its 2025 local government spring conference May 2.

The center is the realization of a vision to bring medical and wellness resources to a rural

community that lacked these services for years. For residents, one of the biggest ongoing barriers to healthcare had been the distance between Falls City and available medical facilities. An initial partner in the project was the Willamette Health Council, which pledged financial backing for a facility that would house regular service providers on site.

Another partner, Polk County Family & Community Outreach, provided coordination staff to

help with client scheduling and facility management. The city donated the land, and last September, the facility opened its doors. Since then, the Resource Center has serviced nearly 200 individuals per month. From the initial planning conversations in the spring of 2022, to the opening ceremony, this public/private partnership was fully executed in just over two years, proving that when there's a need in a community, partners will step up and rise to the challenge.



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Falls City Manager AJ Foscoli and City Councilor Amy Houghtaling accept the League of Oregon Cities 2025 Award for Excellence.

Dallas Library presents Celtic harpists concert and workshop

The Dallas Library will host a free musical performance by Celtic Harpists and Instrumentalists Lisa Lynne & Aryeh Frankfurter at 7 p.m. May 8 at the Dallas Event Center, 939 Main St. Lynne and Frankfurter perform with Celtic harps, the rare Swedish Nyckelharpa, Ukrainian Bandura, Cittern and more. The audience will hear traditional instrumental music from Sweden and

Ireland as well as original compositions blended with stories of humor and adventure.

They both share a background as progressive rock musicians who later discovered a love for Celtic, Renaissance and Swedish music on unique acoustic instruments. They tour extensively playing performing arts centers, theaters and intimate venues around the US and Europe.

Lynne is widely acclaimed for composing memorable and heartwarming melodies on the Windham Hill/Sony music labels. Frankfurter is a renowned Celtic harper who went from virtuosic progressive rock violin to intricate Swedish folk and Celtic Music.

Lynne also hosts a free pre-concert Celtic harp workshop at 2 p.m. at the Dallas Library, 950 Main

St. Lynne's pioneering "Hands-on-harps" workshops are a unique interactive musical event. Lisa provides 20 beautiful Celtic harps. Participants are shown how easy it is to create music on this beginner friendly instrument. Together they learn some well-known melodies and how to freely improvise their own music. Her "Hands-on-Harps" programs have gained national recognition from NBC, CNN, and numerous newspaper and magazine articles including Wall Street Journal. This workshop is limited to 20 participants. Advanced signups are required.

Contact the library for further information at (503) 623-2633 or check facebook.com/dallaslibraryoregon.



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OPINION

Letters to the Editor

Why vote yes on the Dallas Police Station Bond

My husband and I have lived in Polk County all our lives and have been involved with law enforcement for over 30 years. We are committed to the safety of Dallas police officers and citizens. Our town lacks a police station, making conditions difficult and unsafe for both officers and citizens. Sensitive interviews occur in hallways without privacy. Officers process evidence, including hazardous materials, fentanyl and meth, on tables used for briefings and meals. The current building has minimal security, is not ADA compliant and could collapse during an earthquake, burying equipment and evidence.

There have been inquiries regarding why we are demolishing the Itemizer-Observer building to construct the police station instead of remodeling it to fit the needs of our officers. Upon inspection, the building is found to be in a deplorable condition and poses health risks. The cost of retrofitting this building would exceed the expenses associated with tearing it down and constructing a new facility.

The city councilors and manager, with support from Dallas citizens, are ensuring efficient use of tax dollars to build a new police station. For most Dallas residents, this investment in the community and its police will cost less than \$9 a month. If you have any doubts, please tour the current police department or attend a forum to ask questions and learn more. For more information, go to www.dallasor.gov/policestationbond.

Vote YES on this important bond.

*Sue Dunham
Dallas*

Thank you for generous donation to senior all night party

On behalf of parents of seniors of Central High School, we'd like to thank the Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund (STCCF) for their generous donation of \$1,000 towards the Senior All Night Party after graduation.

The Senior All Night Party is a time for seniors to gather with their classmates to celebrate their success. This is a drug/alcohol free event.



The donation from STCCF is being used towards the cost of the venue hosting the party. We are greatly appreciative of their generous donation and wish the class of 2025 the best!

*Angie Gilbert
Monmouth*

Support your city, police by voting yes on bond

Dallas is a wonderful city to live in. Dallas is our city. I am writing in support of the proposed police station.

Our city hall is inadequate and inefficient for police work. It also does not meet current earthquake codes. The new station is designed to meet those codes. We need to support our city and our

police so that they will be there for our calls for service.

Please vote yes on the bond.

*Gary Weis
Dallas*

I look back at the prayer George Washington shared with his constituents when he first tried to retire from service in 1783. The closing remarks read:

"I now make it my earnest prayer, that God would have you and the State over which you preside, in his holy protection that he would incline the hearts of the Citizens to cultivate a spirit

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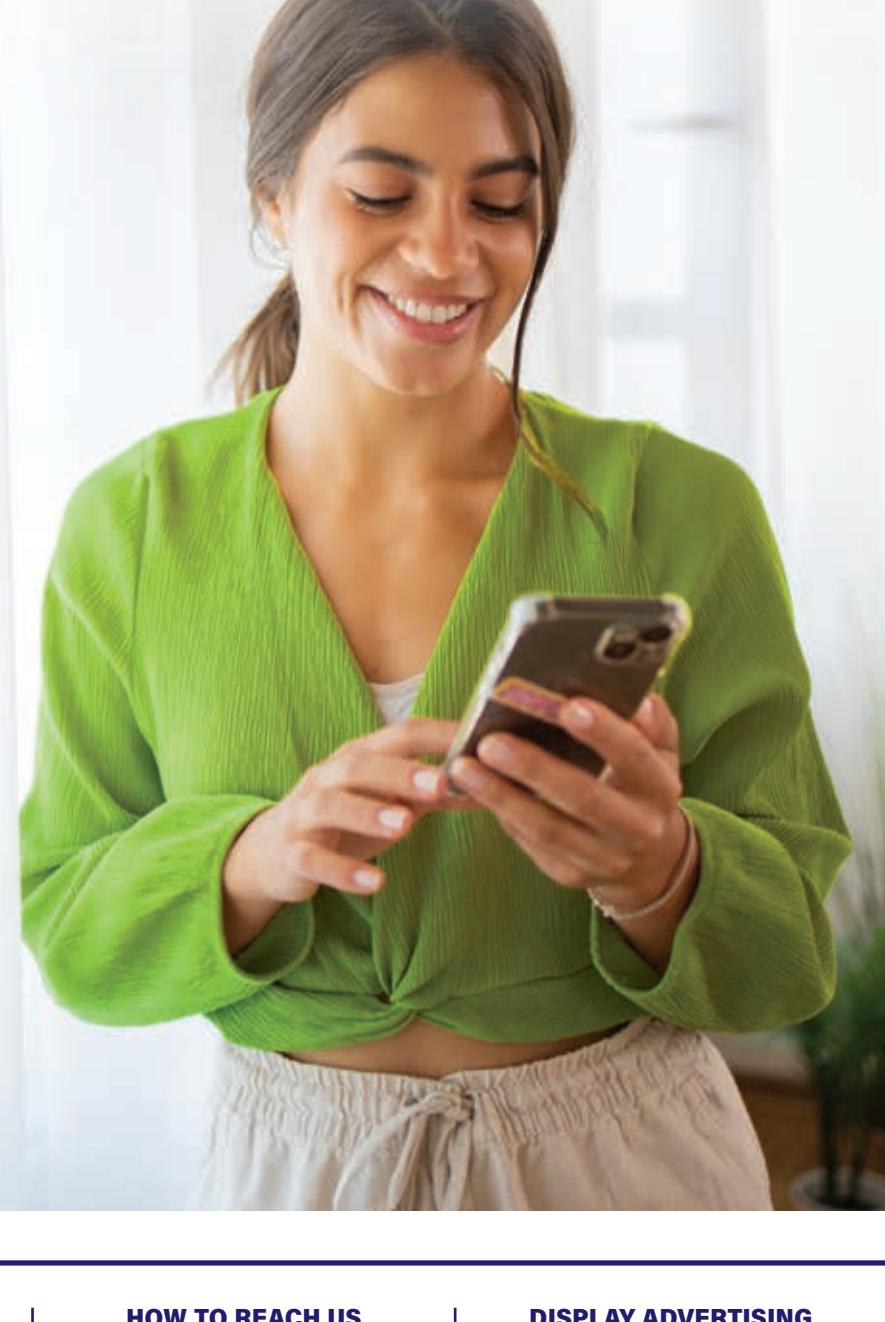
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
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Out on a Limb



Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



Americanisms

Mother is a verb.
 It's something you do.
 Not just who you are."

— Cheryl Lacey Donovan

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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: F equals N

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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Moments in time

• On May 19, 1536, Anne Boleyn, the unfortunate second wife of England's King Henry VIII, was beheaded at the Tower of London on charges including adultery, incest and conspiracy against the king, after just three years of marriage.

• On May 20, 1992, in an attempt to end the blight of graffiti vandalism, the Chicago City Council passed an ordinance banning the retail sale of spray paint and large markers within city limits, describing them as "weapons of terror."

• On May 21, 1758, 10-year-old Mary Campbell was abducted from her home in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, by members of the Lenape tribe and ended up becoming an icon of the French and Indian War. At age 16, she was returned to a European settlement in the captive release orchestrated by Colonel Henry Bouquet at the conclusion of Pontiac's War.

• On May 22, 1802, Martha Dandridge Custis Washington, widow of President George Washington, died of a "severe fever" at her Mount Vernon home at the age of 70. Though she was a devoted wife, she did not entirely enjoy her role as "Lady Washington" and once confessed that she felt "more like a state prisoner than anything else."

• On May 23, 1979, rocker Tom Petty declared bankruptcy in an effort to free himself from his contract with Shelter Records.

• On May 24, 1964, a referee's call in the last minutes of a close soccer match between Peru and Argentina at the National Stadium in Lima, Peru, sparked a riot that resulted in the deaths of more than 300 fans. Another 500 people were injured.

• On May 25, 2020, George Floyd was killed by Derek Chauvin, a white Minneapolis policeman who knelt on his neck for nearly 10 minutes. Floyd's death was recorded by bystanders and incited nationwide protests resulting in the imposition of curfews in more than 200 American cities and the activation of the National Guard throughout half the country. Chauvin was arrested on multiple charges and eventually sentenced to more than two decades in prison.

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. U.S. STATES: Which state is last, alphabetically?

2. MOVIES: What does the acronym S.H.I.E.L.D. stand for in movies about Marvel characters?

3. LITERATURE: Who wrote the short story "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty"?

4. GAMES: How many cards are in a standard deck?

5. TELEVISION: On which sitcom did the character Harry the Hat appear?

6. BUSINESS: When did the first Kentucky Fried Chicken franchise open?

7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many Nobel prizes are awarded every year?

8. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president was the shortest at 5 foot 4 inches tall?

9. ASTRONOMY: Who was the first woman to travel into space?

10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a baby platypus called?

Answers

1. Wyoming.

2. Strategic Homeland Intervention, Enforcement and Logistics Division.

3. James Thurber.

4. 52.

5. "Cheers."

6. 1952 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

7. Six.

8. James Madison.

9. Valentina Tereshkova.

10. A platypus or puggle.

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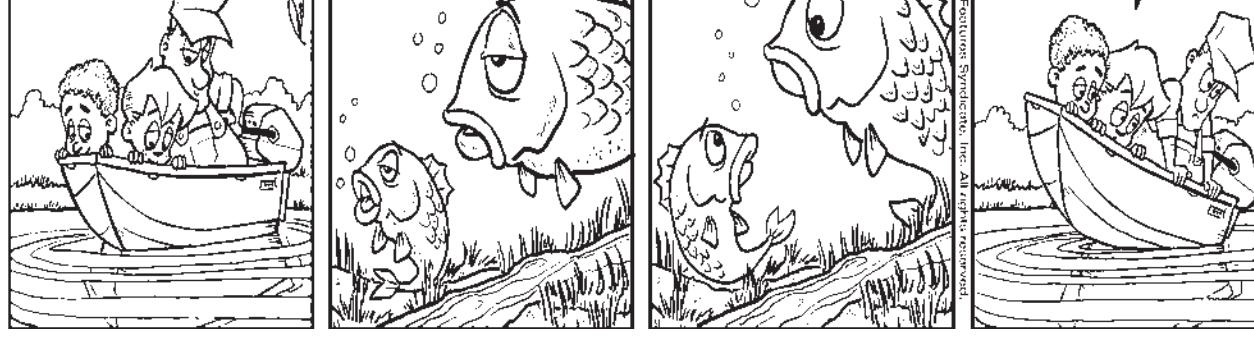
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Amber Waves

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 THERE ARE TWO MORE FISH
 RIGHT BELOW THE BOAT.

MUST BE WEIRD BEING A
 FISH. THEY'RE ALWAYS DOING
 EVERYTHING SIDE BY SIDE.

THEY SWIM, EAT, SLEEP...HECK
 EVEN GO TO THE BATHROOM
 NEXT TO EACH OTHER.



Differences: 1. Name tag is missing. 2. Planters is different. 3. Chair is missing. 4. Table is wider. 5. Planters is different. 6. Stripe is added to towel.

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INVESTIGATING THE BIBLE:**A Mother-in-law's love****By DAVID
CARLSON PASTOR****M**ay 11 this year we honor mothers. However, mothers-in-law often get bad press.

Marjorie Manson Telford wrote in the Reader's Digest about a visit to her parents with her new husband, who was a frogman in the Navy. During their visit, her husband took her aside and said, "I don't think your mother likes me. I explained to her that I can't wear my wedding ring when I dive in the ocean because barracudas are attracted to shiny things and might bite off my finger. Your mother said, 'Well can't you wear it on a chain around your neck?'"

In the Bible, one mother-in-law was a woman of great love.

Ancient Israel suffered a famine and many Jews left their homeland for food. Elimelech, who lived in Bethlehem, traveled southeast to Moab with his wife Naomi and two sons. While there, Elimelech died. Naomi "... was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth." (Ruth 1:3-4, English Standard Version used throughout.)

Tragedy came again to the widow Naomi when her two sons died.

Naomi heard the famine had ended in Israel, so she planned her return. She told her daughters-in-law

to remain in Moab to find husbands.

"Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept." (Ruth 1:9).

Both Orpah and Ruth insisted on returning with their mother-in-law. Naomi protested, lovingly calling these young women her own: "...Have I yet sons in my womb, that they may become your husbands. Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband...And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her." (Ruth 1:11-12, 14).

Ruth told Naomi, "... where you go I will go, ... Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and

there will I be buried." (Ruth 1:16-17).

In Israel, the two women had no income, so Ruth gleaned leftover barley and wheat from harvested fields. A man named Boaz noticed her and he "... said to Ruth, 'Now, listen, my daughter, do not go to glean in another field or leave this one, but keep close to my young women...And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink what the young men have drawn.' Then she fell down on her face, bowing to the ground, and said to him, 'Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?'"...Boaz answered her, 'All that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband

has been fully told to me, and how you left your father and mother and your native land and came to a people that you did not know before.'" (Ruth 2:8-11).

Boaz and Ruth later married and she gave birth to a son who became the grandfather of David, King of Israel. Ruth is one of only four women named in Jesus' genealogy. (Matthew 1:5).

Another mother named Ruth labored in love for her son George. George's father was a lawyer, the profession he planned for his son. However, this boy's heroes were soldiers, like his grandfather, a general in the Civil War.

His mother supported his dream; she read to him stories of Alexander the Great

and others because George could not read or write until he was twelve years old. She taught him to ride a horse. He grew to be six feet, a muscular athlete. He received an appointment to West Point. He became a highly skilled cavalryman. He won fifth place in the pentathlon of the 1912 Summer Olympics.

In World War I he received a Purple Heart and his command of troops and tanks in World War II led to the defeat of the Nazi's. Ruth Wilson Patton was the mother of General George S. Patton.

*[Mr. Pastor (yes, that is his last name, not his profession) is a Polk County, Oregon resident and graduate of Bethel Theological Seminary in Minnesota (M.Div., M.Th.).]***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.bahaisofsalem.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. 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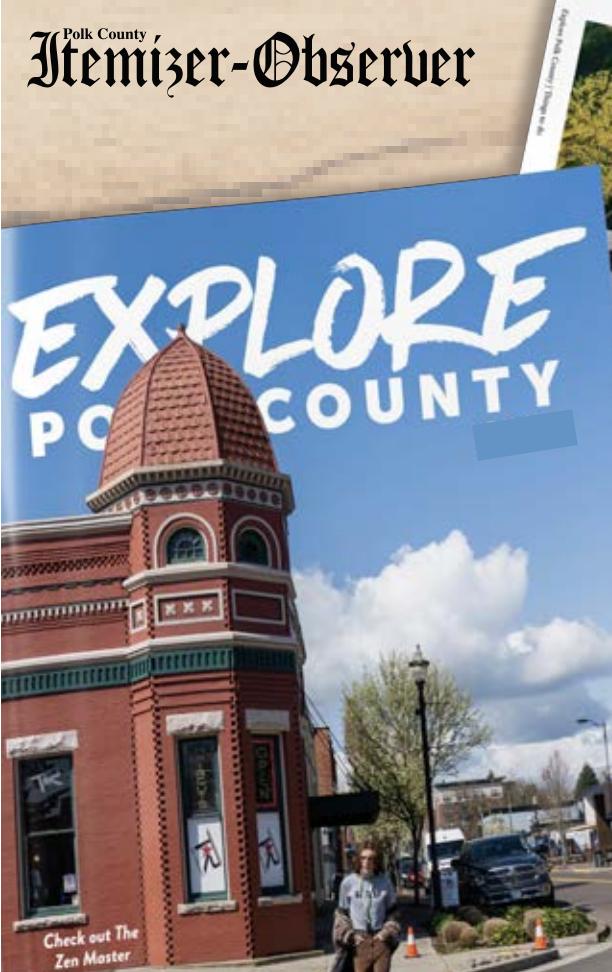
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SPORTS CALENDAR

May 7-13

Baseball
May 7
 Dallas at Crescent Valley, 4 p.m.
May 9
 Central at Corvallis, 4:30 p.m.
 Dallas at McKay, 4:30 p.m.
May 12
 Corvallis at Central, 5 p.m.
 McKay at Dallas, 5 p.m.

Softball
May 7
 Central at Woodburn (JV) 4:30 p.m.
 Dallas at Crescent Valley, 5 p.m.

Perrydale at Yamhill-Carlton, 4:30 p.m.
May 9
 South Albany at Central, 5 p.m.

West Albany at Dallas, 4:30 p.m.
 Kennedy at Perrydale, 4:30 p.m.
May 12
 St. Paul at Perrydale double header, 3&5 p.m.

Central at McKay, 4:30 p.m.
 Dallas at Crescent Valley, 5 p.m.

Track & Field
May 8
 Central at Woodburn
May 9
 Falls City at Kennedy Twilight

Kennedy High School, Mt. Angel, 4 p.m.
May 10

Perrydale, Falls City at Watchmen Invitational George Fox University, Newberg, 2 p.m.
May 13

Lebanon, South Albany at Central Falls City at Austin Smith Thrower's Invite, St. Paul

Golf
May 12-13
 Boys, Girls at District Finals
 Pine Ridge Golf Club, Springfield

Red hot Dragons roll past Panthers

County rivals tied for first in MWC

By LANCE MASTERSON
 For The Itemizer-Observer

This one was over early. The Dragons (7-1, 12-5 overall) scored seven runs in the second inning en route to a 12-2 win over Central in varsity softball May 1.

The Dragons have now won seven straight games. None of which have been close, as Dallas has outscored their opponents 81-8 during this stretch.

The loss ended the Panthers' own win-streak at nine games. Central was undefeated in conference play heading into last week's contest.

At 7-1, the teams are tied for first place in the Mid-Willamette Conference.

Heading into the week, six games remained on the conference schedule. The Dragons are at Corvallis today (May 7) at 4 p.m. and host West Albany Friday at 4:30 p.m.

This marked the second game between the two teams, with Central edging the Dragons 6-3 in the conference opener.

The day before the Polk County schools met, the Panthers edged defending league champion Silverton, 1-0, in a nail-biter.

"We were coming off an emotional win over Silverton the night before and there was

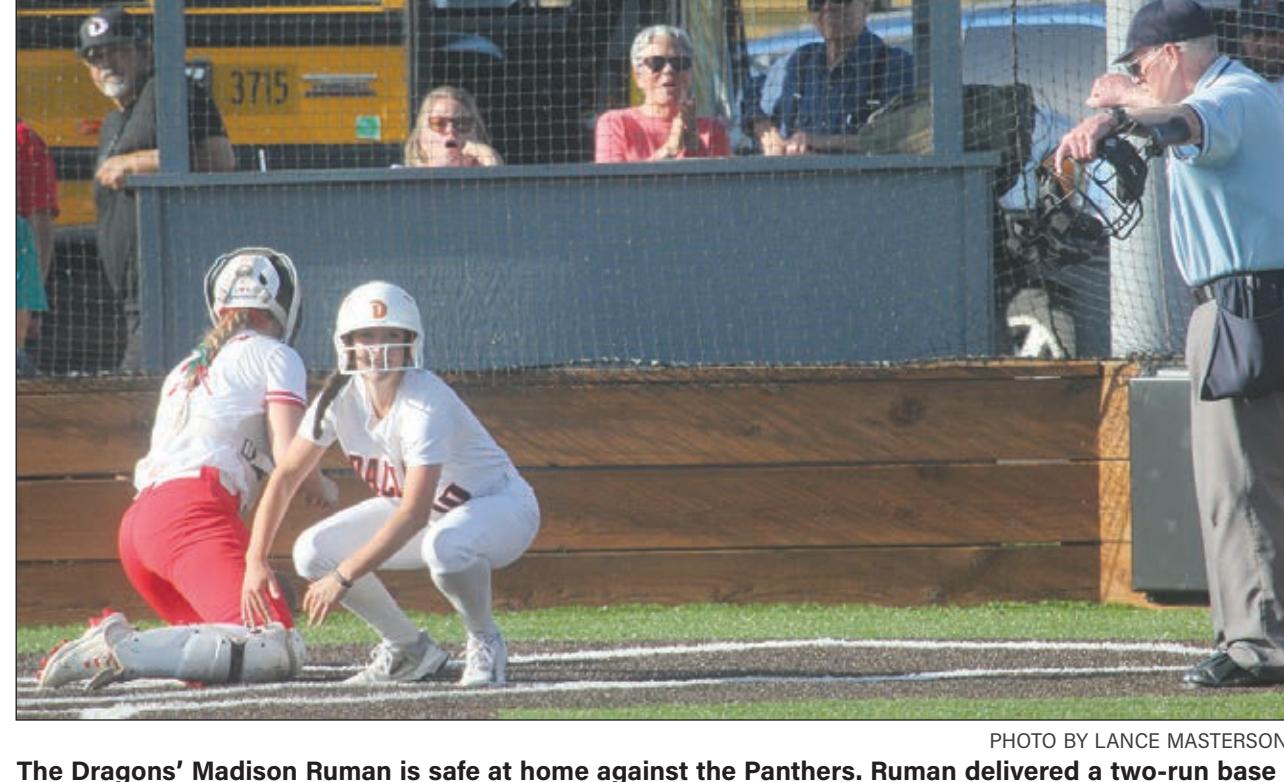


PHOTO BY LANCE MASTERSON

The Dragons' Madison Ruman is safe at home against the Panthers. Ruman delivered a two-run base hit in the pivotal second inning, en route to her team's 12-2 victory. The teams were tied for first place in the Mid-Willamette Conference standings as of Thursday. Also pictured: Panthers catcher Kayden Pairan.

some obvious fatigue from that game," Panthers coach Wesley Seidel said.

His starting pitcher, Lily McCormick, didn't have her usual stuff.

"Lily was fighting an illness ... and we did not help her by making a couple of uncharacteristic errors," Seidel added. "Dallas was ready to play and (Madison) Ruman pitched better than

anyone we had seen so far this year."

Ruman also delivered one of the game's bigger hits, as she circled the bases and drove in two runs on an inside-the-park liner in the second inning.

The loss shouldn't derail the Panthers' express, Seidel said.

"I think that we have some big goals for the year and I was very impressed with our

team's ability to keep their energy and focus even in a game that we struggled," he added. "This will be big for us as we move forward in the league season and hopefully into the playoffs."

Seidel expects a return to form as his squad positions itself for a playoff berth.

"I hope to see our team continue to play with emotion and energy. I want to see our players settle back into the

rhythm of hitting and continue to concentrate on making solid contact and moving our runners around the bases," Seidel said. "We want to continue to do the little things that will put us in a place to compete no matter who the opponent is."

The Panthers (7-1, 12-5) are at Woodburn JV today (Wednesday), host South Albany Friday at 5 p.m., and are at McKay on Monday.

King tabbed as Dragons new varsity boys basketball coach

By LANCE MASTERSON
 For The Itemizer-Observer

Alex King is the new head coach of the Dallas High School varsity boys basketball team. It's a title he hopes to hold onto for years, if not a couple decades.

King's confidence is buoyed by the fact he sees the position as a perfect fit.

"I've always wanted to have my own program, and ever since I married my wife, I wanted it to be in Dallas. She went to high school here. We knew we were going to live here," he said.

King's wife is the former Amanda Dankenbring. The family lives in Dallas, where he is a physical education teacher at LaCreole Middle School.

"I want to be that 20-year head coach, and I thought Dallas was the perfect job for that," he said. "The community of Dallas seems like the perfect fit for being that guy, the head coach that wants to be here a while."

Former coach Ray Williams was never going to be that



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Alex King is the new varsity boys basketball coach at Dallas High School. King is pictured here coaching the Gervais basketball team.

guy, having already put in his time. He was hired here after some 30 years in the coaching ranks, and coached the Dragons for less than two years. He abruptly stepped

away from the program earlier this year.

The timing of Williams' decision has the program playing catch-up. One of King's first tasks is to salvage

what he can of the sport's spring and summer seasons.

"My plan is to get a full summer league schedule for the varsity and junior varsity teams. So, yes, I'm working the phone lines, trying to find out what tournaments are available, or what team camps are still open," he said. "Trying to get as many games in as we can get in. Just to get the kids in the gym together. So I can build a relationship with them."

Poor timing isn't helping him. Team camps and summer league schedules are usually finalized by April. So, King immediately finds himself at a disadvantage.

"I'm just trying to get whatever I can; whatever's best for the kids," he said.

Any time he has with his players is valuable, especially given the newness of their relationship. As to what they'll work on this pre-season: "... shooting fundamentals. Learning a new system, offensively and defensively. Building camaraderie," King said.

Dallas will field two junior varsity teams if they have enough players. Coach and players met for the first time Friday. It's the first indication as to how much interest there is in the program.

King was varsity head coach at Gervais High School for one year. He coached another five or so years in other capacities. He took last year off following the birth of his daughter, but still made his way to the gym as a fan.

"I got to know what the players were like playing, and just chatting with the community members at the games, and just seeing how they interacted at games. The support they gave their athletes, no matter if they were winning or losing," King said. "So I'd say I know the program quite well."

Last year's Dallas squad went 0-18 in the Mid-Willamette Conference, 1-24 overall. A core of four freshmen - Lukas Lawless, Griffin Brown, Tristan Porter

See COACH B6

CHS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

George Chavez-Perez



George is a Junior on the Central Boys Tennis team. He has been making steady progress and working hard. He is kind to his teammates and a friend to all. He picked up a two set win against Lebanon (6-3, 6-4)

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DHS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Nerea Acosta-Ruiz



Nerea Acosta-Ruiz is our Athlete of the week. She finished 2nd in the Mid-Willamette Conference as an individual and earned an automatic bid into the State Tournament. Nerea is a visiting foreign exchange student from Spain!

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8:30 a.m. - Mayor of Independence Office Hours, stop by and share your thoughts, ideas, and questions, City Hall, 555 South Main St.
9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Tai Chi with John, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:30 a.m. - Little Bitty Storytime, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
10:30 a.m. - Story Time with Miss Jo, Independence Library, 175 Monmouth St.
11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center
11 a.m. - Lunch with Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
12 p.m. Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center
4 p.m. - Volunteer Appreciation Dessert, Monmouth Senior Community Center
5:30 p.m. - Municipal Court Arraignments, City Hall, 555 South Main St., Independence
6:30 p.m. - Independence Budget Committee meeting, Heritage Room, Event Center, City Hall, 555 South Main St.
7 p.m. - Monmouth Planning Commission meeting, City Hall, 151 Main St. W

Thursday, May 8

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Cards/table games, Dallas Area Senior Center

Friday, May 9

10 a.m. - Age Cafe, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Calvary Chapel Dallas Sewing and Craft group meeting, 628 SE Jefferson St.
10:15 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:30 a.m. - Bounces and Rhymes, ages 2 and under, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
10:30 a.m. - Children's Storytime, for ages 5 and under, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Pinochle, Monmouth Senior Community Center
12 p.m. - 10-Minute Writing/Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center
1 p.m. - Needle Craft Group, Monmouth Senior Community Center
2 p.m. - Celtic Harp Workshop with Celtic harpists and instrumentalists Lisa Lynne & Aryeh Frankfurter (sign ups required), Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
3 p.m. - Succulent Suncatcher for ages 6-18, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
6 p.m. - Dallas Planning Commission meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.
6:30 p.m. - Connecting Loose Threads, Monmouth Senior Community Center
6:30 p.m. - Independence Independence Days Commission meeting, City Hall
555 South Main St.
7 p.m. - Live Music: Friends of the Dallas Public Library present a free concert by Celtic harpists and instrumentalists Lisa Lynne & Aryeh Frankfurter, Dallas Event Center, 939 Main St.

Saturday, May 10

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Stretch exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Polk County Master Gardener Association Plant Sale, Polk County Fairgrounds
10 a.m. - Brunk Farmstead Tours, 5705 Salem Dallas Hwy NW
10 a.m. - Six handed Pinocchle/Art Workshop/Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Writer's Workshop/Drawing for Fun, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Tai Chi with Cheryl/Lunch & Learn, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1:30 p.m. - Jewelry Making, Monmouth Senior Community Center
4 p.m. - Youth Coding League, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.
6:30 p.m. - Acoustic Music Jam, Guthrie Park, 4320 Kings Valley Highway S.
6:30 p.m. - Unbelievable: Rockets, Scallywags, and a Fish, an evening with storyteller Alton Takiyama-Chung, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
9 a.m. - Dallas Farmers Market, County Courthouse Square
9 a.m. - Polk County Master Gardener Association Plant Sale, Polk County Fairgrounds
9 a.m. - Independence Farmers Market, Umpqua Bank parking lot
9 a.m. - Touch-a-Truck, Riverview Park, Independence, admission is free, but food donations accepted for the Ella Curran Food Bank
10 a.m. - Brunk Farmstead Tours, 5705 Salem Dallas Highway NW

Sunday, May 11

11 a.m. - New Horizons Willamette Valley Orchestra: Stories of Our Streets, Monmouth City Hall, 151 Main St. W.
6 p.m. - Live Music: Northwest Tranxit Authority, Red Gate Winery, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
7 p.m. - Live Music: Jessie O'Neill, Golden Hop Saloon, 133 C. St., Independence

Monday, May 12

10 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Cards/table games/5 Crowns Game, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Cribbage/ASL Class/Card Making with Jen/Lunch with Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Card Making w/Jen, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Lunch w/Meals On Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
12 p.m. - Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center

Tuesday, May 13

4 p.m. - Youth Coding League, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.
6 p.m. - Dallas Budget Committee meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.
6:30 p.m. - New Horizons Orchestra, Monmouth Senior Community Center
7 p.m. - Live music: Seventh Day Slumber: The Variety Tour, 1795 SE Miller Ave., Dallas

Wednesday, May 14

7 a.m. - Monmouth Library Board Meeting, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
8:30 a.m. - Mayor of Independence Office Hours, stop by and share your thoughts, ideas, and questions, City Hall, 555 South Main St.
9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Tai Chi with John, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:30 a.m. - Little Bitty Storytime, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
10:30 a.m. - Story Time with Miss Jo, Independence Library, 175 Monmouth St.
11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center
11 a.m. - Lunch with Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
12 p.m. Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center
5:30 p.m. - Municipal Court Arraignments, City Hall, 555 South Main St., Independence
5:30 p.m. - Heritage Museum Advisory Board meeting, Heritage Museum, 281 S 2nd St.
6 p.m. - Monmouth Parks & Recreation Board Meeting, Monmouth Public Works, 401 Hogan Road
6 p.m. - Dallas Budget Committee meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.
6:30 p.m. - Independence Budget Committee meeting, Heritage Room, Event Center, City Hall, 555 South Main St.

Community Briefs

Polk County Democrats meet via Zoom May 8

The Polk County Democrats meet at 6:15 p.m. via Zoom on May 8 for an informative and educational meeting. The specific agenda will be announced here next week. To receive the link to this meeting and be put on their email announcements list for future events, go to: www.polkdem.org. Scroll down to sign up under "Newsletter."

CHS performing arts presents "The Lightning Thief" May 8-17

The Central High School Performing Arts Center presents "The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical" at 7 p.m. May 8-10 and 15-17 and 2 p.m. May 10 and 17. Tickets are \$10 for adults, and \$5 for students under age 18 and area available at chspolformingarts.net. The Performing Arts Center is located at 1530 Monmouth St, Independence. For more information, contact CentralPABC2@gmail.com.

Monmouth Library hosts storyteller Alton Takiyama-Chung May 9

The Monmouth Public Library presents Unbelievable: Rockets,

Scallywags and a Fish, a night new tales created by award-winning storyteller Alton Takiyama-Chung, at 6:30 p.m., May 9, at 168 Ecols St S.

Master gardeners host plant sale May 9-10

The Polk County Master Gardener Association hosts a plant sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 9 and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 10 at the Polk County Fairgrounds. There will be lots of annual flowers and hanging baskets. Kids can pot up a marigold and collect a packet of seeds. The first marigold is free, additional pots are \$1 each.

The Gate hosts annual gala May 9

The Gate Community Youth Center's annual Gala Event is from 5:45 - 8 p.m. May 9. Join their largest fundraising event of the year as staff recaps the past year and take a look at future projects and clubs.

New Horizons orchestra performs May 10

The New Horizons Willamette Valley Orchestra presents "Stories of Our Streets: Introducing the History of Southwest Heights," from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Monmouth City Hall, 151 Main St. W.

The performance features selections from the 1970s and 80s movie soundtracks and an assortment of classical favorites. Admission is free.

Friends of the Delbert Hunter Arboretum seeks volunteers May 10

Friends of the Delbert Hunter Arboretum invites volunteers to help maintain the arboretum grounds from 8 a.m. to noon May 10. Join in a variety of tasks, big and small, and stay for as long as you want. Meet at the arboretum center on Park Street.

Touch a Truck event returns to Independence May 10

Touch-a-Truck is rolling back into Riverview Park from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 10. Get up close and personal with all your favorite vehicles, from construction behemoths to emergency service heroes. You'll even be able to see a helicopter land in the park. The city of Independence will be offering a quiet hour sensory (no horns or sirens) from 1 - 2 p.m. for anyone with sensory sensitivities. Admission is free, but attendees are encouraged to bring food donations for the Ella Curran Food Bank.

4-H Polk County hosts Livestock Learning Day May 10

Oregon 4-H Polk County presents Livestock Learning Day at 9 a.m. May 10 at the Polk County Fairgrounds 520 S. Pacific Highway.

The event, for 4-H members and non-4-H youth, offers more than 30 sessions to teach participants about all things' livestock, such as meat grading, wool evaluation, cheese making, Q & A with a vet, mock swine showmanship, nutrition and feed, and more. Pre-registration and day of registration available. For registration, schedule, and more information go to <https://bit.ly/4jbE2GL>.

Elks Lodge hosts pro wrestling May 11

The Independence Elks Lodge hosts DOA Wrestling's "Mama Said Knock You Out" event May 11 at 280 S. Main St. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. with first bell at 5 p.m. VIP row tickets (which include early access meet & greet plus an event poster) are \$30. General admission is \$20. For more information, go to www.doaprowrestling.com.

Dallas Library hosts plant sale fundraiser May 16-17

The Rounds Farm presents a Dallas Public

Library plant sale fundraiser from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 16-17 at 950 Main St. Plant starts will include a wide variety

of flowers, herbs, tomatoes, squashes, melons, cucumbers, hot and sweet peppers, and more. Please bring your own box if possible to carry plants home.

All plant sales will be donated to the library. If you can't make it during that time, come directly to their self-serve farm stand anytime, located at 1935 S. Church St. in Dallas.

Dallas Community Food Drive is May 17

Dallas Rotary Club will be collecting food and funds for Dallas Food Bank during its Saturday, May 17, Epic Day of Service.

4-H Polk County hosts Trotting into Summer Tack Sale May 17

The Polk County 4-H Horse Advisory Committee presents the second annual Trotting into Summer Tack Sale, at 9 a.m. May 17 at the Polk County Fairgrounds, 520 Pacific Highway, Rickreall. Proceeds from the sale of Horse Tack, livestock tack, Western wear, Jewelry, and Art goes toward the Polk County 4-H Youth Equestrians. Reach out to Jeremy Anderson at

and3rs45@gmail.com for questions.

In the Garden Faire returns May 17

The Dallas Garden Club's fifth annual In The Garden Faire is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 17 at 1175 SE Howe St. Proceeds of the vendor fees go back into the Dallas community. We have supported the Kindness Club, provided 4H scholarships for their Jr Master Gardener Program, provided prize money for junior flower/gardening county fair entries, and more.

Dallas Rotary seeks volunteers for food bank benefit

The Dallas Rotary Club is seeking volunteers for their Epic Day of Service, a community-wide food and funds drive from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 17 to benefit the Dallas Food Bank.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Rotarians and Dallas Food Bank volunteers will be outside Grocery Outlet, Safeway, Walmart and the Dallas Les Schwab Tire Center to accept donations. Most needed non-perishable foods include canned fish, meats, fruits and

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PCIO25-1162 Public Auction, being sold to highest bidder to help satisfy a towing and storage debt. Auction commences at 8 AM on 04/26/25. Closes 05/21/2025 at 8 AM. Minimum reserve 1999 Peterbilt 385 Dump Truck, opening bid \$20,000.00. 2000 Talbert Heavy Equipment trailer opening bid \$5,000.00. Asphalt Spreader opening bid \$4,000.00. Asphalt Roller opening bid \$4,000.00. Items will be available to view at 12815 Westview DR, Dallas, OR 97338 upon request. 503-269-6619

PCIO25-1169 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING Oregon Department of Revenue Form OR-LB-NBC A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Fir Crest Cemetery Maintenance District, Polk County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, will be held in the conference room at 401 N. Hogan Rd., Monmouth, Oregon. The meeting will take place on May 21, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 20, 2025, by calling (503)485-2446, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

PCIO25-1174 Notice of Regular Meeting Community Advisory Council Thursday, May 15, 2025 1:00 - 3:00 pm The Willamette Health Council is the community governance body for PacificSource Community Solutions, Marion County and Polk County Coordinated Care Organization (Marion-Polk CCO). The Community Advisory Council advises the Marion-Polk CCO on how to be responsive to Oregon Health Plan members' needs and preferences and is a chartered committee of the Willamette Health Council. The CAC is scheduled to meet on Thursday, May 15, 2025, from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. The meeting is open to the public and will take place at the Willamette Health Council office (1701 Liberty Street SE, Salem, OR, 97302) as well as online via Zoom video/conference call. For additional meeting information, visit <https://willamettehealthcouncil.org/more/meetings-events/>. A request for accommodation for persons with disabilities, or for interpreter services, should be made at least 24 hours before the meeting to jbennett@willamettehealthcouncil.org. Bethany Wilt, Community Advisory Council Manager (503) 584-1303 /bwilt@willamettehealthcouncil.org

PCIO25-1164 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Monmouth Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., to consider amendments to the Monmouth City Code. Legislative Amendment 25-01 would amend Title 18: Zoning of the Monmouth City Code, the Comprehensive Plan, and adopt the findings of the Economic Opportunities Analysis.

These amendments are an update to the Economic Opportunities analysis last conducted in 2007. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the Monmouth City Council regarding the adoption. The City Council then makes the final decision. A second public hearing will be scheduled before the Monmouth City Council to consider this request. That public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19th, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. Individuals may attend the meeting virtually or in person. Additional information regarding how to attend the meeting will be posted with the agenda on the City's website at: www.ci.monmouth.or.us. The public hearings will be conducted in a manner that permits testimony from interested parties. Any person desiring to speak either for or against the proposal may do so in person or by authorized representative at the public hearing. Written comments may also be submitted prior to the hearing. Written comments must be received by the City 48 hours in advance of the meeting and may be submitted by mail (151 Main St. E., Monmouth, OR 97361), or email to: ccraig@ci.monmouth.or.us. A copy of the amendment is available for inspection at City Hall. For more information, contact Carter Craig at (503) 751-0148.

PCIO25-1165 Notice of City of Dallas Budget Committee Meeting A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, to discuss the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, will be held at Dallas City Hall, 187 SE Court Street, Dallas, OR. The meeting will take place on Monday, May 12, 2025, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and receive comment from the public on the budget and state revenue sharing. All testimony is electronically streamed and recorded via the City of Dallas YouTube Channel: <https://www.dallasor.gov/community/page/dallasyoutube>. To submit public comment by live telephone, please call: +1 253 215 8782 Meeting ID: 213 855 0622 This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may participate in the public hearing and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. A copy of the budget document may be obtained from the City Manager's Office by calling 503-831-3502 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday or viewed on the City's website at www.dallasor.gov. The document will be available on May 6, 2025. Dallas City Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to the City Manager's Office, 503-831-3502. Published May 7, 2025. BRIAN LATTA City Manager & Budget Officer

PCIO25-1172 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the SW Polk Fire District, Polk County of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, will be held at the SW Polk Fire District Salt Creek Station, 15455

Salt Creek Road, Dallas, Oregon. The meeting will take place on May 15, 2025, at 6:00pm. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comments from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Virtual attendance for this meeting is available. Please contact the district office 24 hours in advance at 503-925-4275. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained on or after May 22, 2025, at the district office located at 15455 Salt Creek Road, Dallas, Oregon, between the hours of 8am to 4:30pm, or online at www.swpolkfd.org.

PCIO25-1166 NOTICE OF CITY OF DALLAS C O M M U N I T Y D E V E L O P M E N T C O M M I S S I O N U R B A N R E N E W A L A G E N C Y B U D G E T C O M M I T T E E M E E T I N G A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Dallas Community Development Commission Urban Renewal Agency, Polk County, Oregon, to discuss the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, will be held at Dallas City Hall, 187 SE Court Street, Dallas, OR. The meeting will take place on Monday, May 12, 2025, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and receive comment from the public on the budget and state revenue sharing. All testimony is electronically streamed and recorded via the City of Dallas YouTube Channel: <https://www.dallasor.gov/community/page/dallasyoutube>. To submit public comment by live telephone, please call: +1 253 215 8782 Meeting ID: 213 855 0622 This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may participate in the public hearing and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. A copy of the budget document may be obtained from the City Manager's Office by calling 503-831-3502 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday or viewed on the City's website at www.dallasor.gov. The document will be available on May 6, 2025. Dallas City Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to the City Manager's Office, 503-831-3502. Published May 7, 2025. BRIAN LATTA City Manager & Budget Officer

PCIO25-1167 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DANIEL LOREN ALLEN, DECEASED. CASE NO. LIMITED JUDGMENT ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE AND APPOINTING PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE WITH FULL POWERS The court accepts the petition of Wen Allen, for the probate of the Will of the abovenamed decedent and finds the allegations of the petition to be true. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED and ADJUDGED: 1. The Will dated August 16, 2016, as amended by the Codicil dated July 5, 2018, is the last Will of the decedent and is admitted to probate; 2. Wen Allen, is appointed as Personal Representative of the estate to serve without bond and with full powers; and 3. Letters Testamentary shall be issued forthwith to Wen Allen, as the Personal Representative in the manner provided by law. Submitted by: Attorney for Petitioner and Proposed Personal Representative: Hunter B. Emerick, OSB #841361 Saalfeld Griggs PC PO Box 470 Salem, OR 97308 Ph: (503) 399-1070 Fax: (503) 371-2927 Email: hemerick@sglaw.com Petitioner and Proposed Personal Representative: Wen Allen 2176 38th Avenue NW Salem, Oregon 97304 Phone: (503) 560-1831

PCIO25-1171 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Falls City, Polk County, State of Oregon to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, will be held at 111 N Main St, Falls City, OR. The meeting will take place on May 19th at 5:30 p.m. A second meeting, if needed, is scheduled for May 29th at 5:30 p.m. A third meeting, if needed, is scheduled for June 3rd at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive

from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the Attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: May 7, 2025. s/ Andrew W. Sprauer Andrew W. Sprauer Attorney for Personal Representative PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Paul Todisco 2350 Gibsonwoods Ct NW Salem OR 97304 ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Andrew W. Sprauer, OSB No. 081245 Andrew Sprauer Law PO Box 12814; Salem OR 97309 Telephone: (503) 910-2050 Email: andrew@awslawyer.com

PCIO25-3368 Notice to Interested Parties Notice is given that the Estate of Norma Jean Hawkins is now pending in the Polk County Circuit Court, Case No. 25PB02672. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the Personal Representative, Byron William Hawkins, at Pacific Elder Law, LLC, 3686, Salem, OR 97302, within four months after the date of publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. The date of the publication of this notice is May 7, 2025. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Additional Budget Committee meeting (as needed) on: Wednesday, May 28th, 2025 at 6:00 pm <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81595162235?pwd=JvXlU6f4w5zYO8av4kuYjlc8ABED0x.1> Webinar ID: 8159516 2235 Passcode: 327498 For participation by telephone, dial 1 669 4449171 You can also attend and participate by coming to the Community Center, 320 Main St. Falls City, OR, where the meeting will be held. The purpose of this meeting is to receive the proposed budget, the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. A public hearing will also be held on the use of State Revenue Sharing Funds at this meeting. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 16th, 2025, in the City Hall foyer. This is a meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. Dated: April 23, 2025

PCIO25-1156 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING FOR POLK EXTENSION SERVICE DISTRICT A public meeting of the Budget Committee for Polk Extension Service District will be held in the Main Conference Room of the County Courthouse at 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, May 14, 2025. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 and to receive the budget message and document. Time is reserved for public comment at 11:15 a.m. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 9, 2025, at the Board of Commissioners' Office, Polk County Courthouse, during regular business hours. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed budget with the Budget Committee. Dated: April 23, 2025

PCIO25-1157 Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice IN Self Storage - Salem Wallace located at 300 Musgrave Ave., NW Salem OR 97304 intends to hold a sale to sell the property stored at the Facility by the below list of Occupants whom are in default at an Auction. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagegettreasures.com on 5/21/2025 at 10:00AM. Shadi Qarmout units #007 & #176; Tommy Grider unit #137; Serena Watts unit #5001; Kimberly Brusse unit #5039. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply.

PCIO25-1163 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK PROBATE DEPARTMENT Case No. 25PB03723 In the Matter of the Estate of SUSAN M. NUETZMAN, Deceased. NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Logan Schomus has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Susan M. Nuetzman. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the Personal Representative at: PO Box 12814, Salem OR 97309, within four (4) months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Personal Representative: Jennifer L. Smith, OSB No. 214944, Pacific Elder Law LLC, PO Box 3686, Salem, OR 97302.

PCIO25-1170 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON COUNTY OF POLK IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DANIEL LOREN ALLEN, DECEASED. CASE NO. LIMITED JUDGMENT ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE AND APPOINTING PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE WITH FULL POWERS The court accepts the petition of Wen Allen, for the probate of the Will of the abovenamed decedent and finds the allegations of the petition to be true. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED and ADJUDGED: 1. The Will dated August 16, 2016, as amended by the Codicil dated July 5, 2018, is the last Will of the decedent and is admitted to probate; 2. Wen Allen, is appointed as Personal Representative of the estate to serve without bond and with full powers; and 3. Letters Testamentary shall be issued forthwith to Wen Allen, as the Personal Representative in the manner provided by law. Submitted by: Attorney for Petitioner and Proposed Personal Representative: Hunter B. Emerick, OSB #841361 Saalfeld Griggs PC PO Box 470 Salem, OR 97308 Ph: (503) 399-1070 Fax: (503) 371-2927 Email: hemerick@sglaw.com Petitioner and Proposed Personal Representative: Wen Allen 2176 38th Avenue NW Salem, Oregon 97304 Phone: (503) 560-1831

PCIO25-1171 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Falls City, Polk County, State of Oregon to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, will be held at 111 N Main St, Falls City, OR. The meeting will take place on May 19th at 5:30 p.m. A second meeting, if needed, is scheduled for May 29th at 5:30 p.m. A third meeting, if needed, is scheduled for June 3rd at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive

the budget message and comments from the public on the proposed budget. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 19th at 111 N Main St, Falls City, OR, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

PCIO25-1156 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING FOR POLK EXTENSION SERVICE DISTRICT A public meeting of the Budget Committee for Polk Extension Service District will be held in the Main Conference Room of the County Courthouse at 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, May 14, 2025. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 and to receive the budget message and document. Time is reserved for public comment at 11:15 a.m. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 9, 2025, at the Board of Commissioners' Office, Polk County Courthouse, during regular business hours. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed budget with the Budget Committee. Dated: April 23, 2025

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BRIEFS

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vegetables, soup, tomato sauce and peanut butter.

Monetary donations may also be made directly to Dallas Food Bank, an all-volunteer 501(c)3 nonprofit that has served the greater Dallas community since 1983. Tax-deductible donations may be made online at www.dallasfoodbank.com or by check mailed to 322 Main St., Ste. 180, Dallas, OR 97338 (write Epic Day on the memo line).

Sign up today to volunteer. Start collecting non-perishable food including canned fish, meats, fruits and vegetables, soup, tomato sauce and peanut butter. To sign up, go to <https://bit.ly/42sv3ev>.

Vintage motorcycle show and swap comes to county fairgrounds May 17

The Oregon Vintage Motorcyclists have secured the Polk County Fairgrounds in Rickreall, as a new venue for their annual Spring Show and Swap Meet. The venue at 520 Pacific Highway

offers ample camping, a large field for the show and swap meet, and an indoor hall in case of rain. The location ensures quieter camping and avoids traffic for the Saturday pre-show ride.

Two Wolves hosts Extravaganza Comedy Show May 17

Two Wolves Taproom, located at 171 SW Court St., in Dallas, hosts "Extravaganza Comedy Show!" from 8-10 p.m. May 17, featuring Nate Hernandez, Diva, Liam Riddell, Eleanore Ryan, Jayden Mays and Armando Santoyo.

Monmouth hosts AAPI vendor market May 17

Join the celebration of Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month by coming to the Vendor Market from 12-5 p.m. May 17 at the Main Street Park Amphitheater, corner of Jackson and Knox streets in Monmouth. Enjoy the vendors, music and dance, and free tasting from local AAPI merchants. For information, contact mckielc@gmail.com.

Talk About it Tuesday returns May 20

"Talk About It Tuesday" meets in person from

6:30-8 pm May 20. Join in for an engaging discussion on current issues, solutions and actions to take. Topic suggestions are encouraged. The group asks that anyone who comes bring their integrity and empathy. For more information and email notification options, go to www.polkdem.org and scroll down to click on the link to their Newsletter.

Mythic Finds hosts D&D convention May 25

Mythic Finds hosts a Dungeons and Dragons mini convention at 11 a.m. May 25 at their Dallas location, 643 SE Jefferson

St. There are still three tables available for vendors, free. There are also open slots for activities and presentations, so anyone who would like to share their D&D activities or show off another tabletop role-playing game. Mythic Finds is also looking for an experienced mini painter for a "learn to paint" activity. If you or someone you know is interested, call (503) 837-1347.

COACH

From Page B1

and Peter Nicol - saw varsity action. King knows some of these players from when they were in his PE class at middle school.

Not surprisingly, roster decisions and player roles have yet to be decided.

"It's still too early to tell who is going to be the fundamental players next season. I don't know who's

exactly going to be where because I haven't seen these kids in a practice," he said. "It's all gained. So I'd like to get a better feel of who's going to show up for practice and who actually wants to take that big leap as a leader. Who wants to be that person going forward."

King graduated from South Albany High School, where he also got his first coaching position. He remembers a more competitive Dragons program from

that time. His goal is to recapture the past.

"I'm not going to come here to coach just so you can have fun," he said of what his players can expect moving forward. "We're going to come in here, have fun, compete and win games. That's my goal as a head coach. So I hope that everybody is ready for that. Because when I was in high school, Dallas was a pretty good, solid program. We want to get back to that."

Athletic Director Ron Snively said a panel consisting of coaches and knowledgeable members of the community collaborated on the decision to hire King.

"I gave different perspectives of the needs, and they were able to elevate Alex as their choice, and (that decision) supported my choice as well," Snively said. "We want the best basketball coach in front of our kids. We want someone that knows the game of basketball and teaches the

fundamentals, and who also teaches through the lens of an educator."

Given the state of the program, the team's overall record won't necessarily be the priority in evaluating program success.

"We wanted to prioritize someone who really understood the well being of kids in teaching a whole kid. And right now, we acknowledge this is a rebuilding program," Snively said. "And so, someone who sold the fact that these kids are going to leave

with really sound experiences, regardless of wins and losses."

King's connection to the community also played a role in his hiring.

"I know he lives in town, and he has every intention of staying here. And regardless of this position, it's just very abundantly clear that he wants to be here. He wants to grow here. And if he wasn't able to take this position, he'd still be here," Snively said. "He's a member of our community."

LETTERS

From Page A5

spirit of subordination & obedience to Government, to entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another, for their fellow Citizens of the United States at large and particularly for their brethren who have served in the field—and finally that he would most graciously be pleas'd to dispose us all to do Justice, to love mercy and to demean ourselves, with that Charity, humility & pacific temper of mind, which were the Characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed Religion & without an humble imitation of whose example in these things, we can never hope to be a happy Nation."

Michael Atherton
Dallas

It is sorely needed (and has been for years), and it's time we step up to pay for it. It will allow our police officers an efficient place to work and enable them to treat suspects and witnesses with respect. Others have pointed out the limitations of the current situation which are many. I hope many will join me and other correspondents in voting for a new Dallas police station.

Also on the ballot will be a measure by Polk County to raise a special tax to make improvements to the fairgrounds. Not seeing any information about how much of the money will go to a new amphitheater (unnecessary in my opinion) I will vote no on that measure. If there is surplus land available at the fairgrounds it could be better used as a community garden to help offset cuts to food assistance at the federal level.

Dale Derouin
Dallas

to USA Today, in 2024, Black people were three times, and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islanders were 7.6 times, more likely to be killed by police than their White counterparts. Many of these deaths were perpetrated on unarmed people.

Violence is only one part of the problem. Homeownership secures generational wealth, but a sizable disparity still exists in homeownership between blacks and whites. In 2024, Hope Policy Institute showed a 20-point difference in mortgage denial rates between black and white applicants across income levels. This directly affects family wealth such that "for every \$100 in wealth held by white households, Black households held only \$15." (Brookings Institute, 2024) This difference comes out of centuries of discrimination against Blacks and which now persists in policies that affect mortgage application considerations.

Historical prejudices persist in other areas affecting financial stability such as getting jobs and promotions. University of Chicago (2021) found that businesses often favor white over black applicants by as much as 24%. Another 2020 study found only 3.2% of corporate senior leadership were blacks, reasons why companies began DEI work. These crippling

problems impacting the black community can only be reversed by intentional policies to help folks get caught up from generations of marginalization. It's the reason we protest every Wednesday with "Black Lives Matter in our community and across the country."

Carol McKiel
Monmouth

New police station will have a positive return on investment

Many towns in Polk County need urgent funds to replace old, deteriorating buildings, despite the troubled economic situation we consistently find ourselves in. Keeping this in mind and considering the most recent economic times, coupled with the needs/wants of the community, the question remains: How can citizens support our law enforcement community in Dallas while keeping up with the cost of living?

In my career, I've experienced two police station rebuildings during my tenure as a law enforcement officer. First with the Boston Police Department. The second was

with the Oregon State Police Salem Patrol Office.

Each police station rebuilding provided growth to the community and the law enforcement profession. The return on investment was remarkable. Calculating a return on investment (ROI) is one way to determine how the investment is performing. Essentially you would be comparing what you paid for to determine the value of the investment. With this investment, we are evaluating our police department. If the ROI is positive the investment generates a return. In this case, we are living in a safe community that affects our overall quality of life.

I respectfully urge the citizens of Dallas to support the Dallas Police Department by voting YES on the Police Station Bond. I fully believe the ROI will pay off in the future by continuing the quality of life that we enjoy in Dallas, Oregon.

Carlos J. Barrientos
City Councilor, Dallas

town" while you sit at home ordering off your computer?

Check out a new business in downtown Monmouth: Spectrum Artworx. I have driven by since it opened but thought "I don't need art supplies." I finally stopped. My oh my were my eyes opened! This business is loaded with amazing "stuff." Malia has done an incredible job stocking this store: quality art supplies in any form; art opportunities for beginners, even the old fashioned paint by number; stock that includes birthday gift items for all ages. When you need something unique for a gift, you'll be glad you investigated this new business.

I wanted wedding pictures printed and framed. I could not be more thrilled with the outcome. Jake spent hours with me as I selected from all the pictures available to me. He was so patient and helpful.

Jim helped to select a frame for the 24" x 36" picture Jake printed. Their computer placed the picture on a red wall, tried out numerous frames by style and color on the picture, counseled about possibilities and voila. The result was amazing! The computer draft looks exactly like the beautiful picture now hanging on my red wall. In addition, Jim replaced all my frames with the new pictures, matted beautifully, and finished off the backside as if the frame was purchased there.

So, I encourage you to check out Spectrum Artworx. Don't just look around and then go order online. The owners will be overjoyed to have you help them stay in business.

Susanna Knight
Monmouth

Please support local businesses

When do you enter a retail business? Is it when you need to "see" what something looks like so you can go home and order online? Think of how many little businesses come and go because could be customers only want to "have a look, see, handle, and have questions answered."

So let's get behind local businesses, established or new, and spend the money locally even if you pay a bit more. Do you want your downtown to become a "ghost

town" because no one wants to shop there? Jim helped to select a frame for the 24" x 36" picture Jake printed. Their computer placed the picture on a red wall, tried out numerous frames by style and color on the picture, counseled about possibilities and voila. The result was amazing! The computer draft looks exactly like the beautiful picture now hanging on my red wall. In addition, Jim replaced all my frames with the new pictures, matted beautifully, and finished off the backside as if the frame was purchased there.

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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.

Dallas Police Department

Thursday, April 24

At 8:14 a.m., a subject on Jefferson Street was arrested and charged with criminal mischief.

At 8:25 a.m., a runaway juvenile was located along the riverbank on Miller Avenue and returned back to school.

At 8:59 a.m., a resident on Hayter Street reported items were stolen from her deceased mother's car after it was towed to Salem. She was referred to Salem Police.

At 10:32 a.m., a business on Ellendale Avenue reported a female subject became upset after being late for an appointment for her dog and told to reschedule. The subject released the dog and left the scene. An officer was unable to locate the dog or the subject.

At 2:46 p.m., a report of a dog left in a vehicle on Kings Valley Highway. An officer was unable to locate the vehicle.

At 4:02 p.m., a report of two vehicles parked in disabled parking spots on Ellendale Avenue. An officer found both were good to park there; one person forgot to display the placard.

At 4:27 p.m., a report of two dogs at large on Juniper Avenue. Someone put them in the dog park and the owners came and got them.

At 4:51 p.m., a report of a vehicle repossessed on Osoberry Street.

At 6:49 p.m., a report of a residential window on Harder Avenue shot out, possibly by a BB gun.

At 7:38 p.m., a report of a wedding band stolen from a subject on Ellendale Avenue. The subject later called back to report it had been found.

At 7:40 p.m., a report of a 4-year-old juvenile on Washington Street found the hidden phone and called 911 because he needed help finding a charger. The parents advised they would secure the phone better.

At 11:43 p.m., an officer locked restrooms on Brandvold Drive and warned a group of people for park hours.

Friday, April 25

At 2:08 a.m., an officer found an abandoned silver Saturn on Ellendale Avenue with no plate, no temp tag, and the steering column ripped out. The vin came back clear out of Falls City.

At 12:56 p.m., a resident on Levens Street reported their car had been sideswiped early in the week.

At 6:53 p.m., a report of juveniles playing at Rotary Park and being chased by two individuals on motorcycles yelling at them.

At 9:42 p.m., an officer responded to a report of vehicle broke down exiting her residence blocking the roadway on Holman Avenue. The officer stayed on scene until a tow arrived.

Saturday, April 26

At 12:22 a.m., an officer gave a courtesy ride to a female subject and her two children from Safeway to Southwest Walnut Avenue.

At 2:15 a.m., a motorist on Maple Street was cited for driving while suspended - violation, and driving uninsured. The driver was also warned for failing to register vehicle and failure to carry a driver's license.

At 4:46 a.m., an officer came upon two subjects were sleeping on Washington Street. The officer advised them no loitering and of the posted no trespassing. They compiled and left the area.

At 9:50 a.m., officer received a welfare check request for a male subject in a wheelchair on La Creole Drive. The subject was just out enjoying the sunshine.

At 10:51 a.m., a report of a pitbull wandering in traffic on La Creole Drive. An officer located the dog and tied him back up to the owners' van. They were not present at the time.

At 9:11 p.m., a motorist on Main Street was cited for driving uninsured. The passenger, the owner of the vehicle, was cited for failing to renew registration.

Sunday, April 27

At 1:46 a.m., two subjects eating Taco Bell in City Park were warned for being in the park after hours.

At 5:47 a.m., a subject reported finding a \$10 bill on the ground while getting gas at Pacific Pride on Ellendale Avenue.

At 9:18 a.m., a report of a male subject slumped over in a vehicle on Rainbow Avenue. The male subject was awake when an officer walked up and was not happy.

At 10:42 a.m., a report of dogs that escaped from a backyard on La Creole Drive. An officer spoke to the owner and the complainant.

At 5:54 p.m., a report of a male subject who would not leave a bar on Ellendale Avenue. He was gone by the time an officer arrived.

At 6:18 p.m., a business alarm was triggered on Godsey Road. An employee said it was likely him that set it off.

At 8:18 p.m., an officer investigated a report of a suspicious vehicle on Gerlinger Lane. The officer found the vehicle but no one inside.

At 8:43 p.m., a report of a black poodle and Saint Bernard running east on Washington Street. An officer was unable to locate the dogs.

At 9:40 p.m., a report of juveniles pointing laser pointers at cars near Gala Park. An officer drove around the area but was unable to locate them.

At 10:18 p.m., a Mini Cooper was repossessed on Walnut Avenue.

At 10:39 p.m., an officer investigated a report of a vehicle crash involving a parked car. The driver was arrested for driving under the influence of an intoxicant.

Monday, April 28

At 7:55 a.m., motorist dozed off while driving / working Doordash and crashed into another vehicle on Ellendale Avenue. The driver was cited for no operators license.

At 8:24 a.m., a motorist on Miller Avenue was cited for expired registration.

At 8:43 a.m. a resident on Court Street reported a likely fraudulent check scam with the unknown scammers posing as Walmart employee's.

She is not out any money after being sent a check in the mail to initiate the scam.

At 12:04 p.m. a resident on Ellendale reported a phone being returned in the mail was lost in transit.

At 12:44 p.m., a report of people trespassing at a location on Brookside Avenue.

At 1:32 p.m., a subject on Godsey Road was arrested and charged with violating a stalking order.

At 1:44 p.m., a commercial vehicle on Miller Avenue was cited for speeding 33 mph in a 20 mph zone.

At 2:27 p.m., a subject on Kings Valley Highway was

arrested on a contempt of court warrant.

At 2:46 p.m., a resident on River Drive reported a large antique wagon wheel was stolen out of her backyard sometime overnight.

At 6:27 p.m., a resident on Dimick Street reported she thought a resident had broken a glass bottle behind her car. It ended up just being a large block of ice.

At 7:58 p.m., a report of a hit and run in the Aquatic Center parking lot.

Tuesday, April 29

At 1:14 a.m., a motorist on La Creole Drive was cited for failure to renew registration and driving uninsured.

At 8:03 a.m., police received a report of a child standing up through the sunroof while parent drove child to school on Maple Street. An officer spoke with the spouse of the driver who promised to speak with their spouse to make sure it never happens again.

At 3:09 p.m., a report of a theft at Walmart.

At 8:17 p.m. a resident on A Street reported a neighbor was playing music too loud. Upon arrival, an officer was unable to hear any music playing.

At 8:32 p.m., a motorist on Ellendale Avenue was cited for driving while using a mobile electric device.

At 10:46 p.m., a report of shots heard in the area of Stone Street. Unable to locate the source of the noise.

At 10:59 p.m., officers found a 1 1/2-year-old male wandering the neighborhood on Lines Street in only a diaper. They canvassed the area and were able to reconnect the juvenile with his family.

Wednesday, April 30

At 12:42 a.m., a resident on Fairview Avenue reported hearing a loud explosion south of his residence which could have been on county property. An officer parked on Oakdale Road and didn't hear any further booms.

At 2:24 a.m., a report of a male subject on Stone Lane trying to get into vehicles.

The subject was found intoxicated and was trying to walk home, but was going the wrong way. He was given a courtesy ride home.

At 8:38 a.m., a juvenile motorist on Miller Avenue sideswiped a parked vehicle while trying to get something out of her eye.

At 12:06 p.m., police are investigating a hit and run on Ash Street. A pedestrian had minor injuries.

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BLOTTER

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At 5:47 p.m., deputies responded to a report of a t-bone motor vehicle crash on Highway 99 at Old Fort Road. Dispatch advised the vehicles were smoking and people were running all over trying to get the occupants out with one person trapped. Monmouth and Independence police officers also responded to assist. By the time the deputy arrived, the vehicles had been moved off to the side of the road. Polk County Fire District 1 was tending to two patients and handling traffic control. A couple minutes later Oregon State Police arrived and took over the scene.

At 4:09 p.m., a male subject in a mobile home trailer on Church Street was taken into custody and charged with violation of a restraining order from Thurston County. He was booked into Polk County Jail.

At 8:56 p.m., staff at the Falls City 7 Star reported a resident on Valsetz road told them she had found a runaway juvenile near her driveway. On the way to the location, the juvenile's mother

reported her missing. In addition, the family contacted the resident who facilitated in helping return the juvenile home. However, after being dropped off, she ran away again. After deputies caught up with her and she was evaluated by EMTs, she was transported to Salem Hospital Emergency Department as she had suicidal intentions.

At 9:41 p.m., a deputy responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Alvord Alley Road. It turned out to be a civil matter of one party trying to retrieve personal items. All parties separated for the night and they will try to set up something tomorrow where a female subject can get her stuff.

Thursday, April 24

At 5:42 a.m., a report of a pickup truck blocking the lane of travel on Red Prairie Road. A deputy contacted the registered owner who explained the truck had broken down and had to wait until morning to buy parts.

The owner moved the truck aside and promised to work on it sometime after 9 a.m. At 5:49 a.m., a deputy came across a semi trailer left in the northbound lane of Highway 99. A Marr Bros truck broke down and was

being towed. Another truck was on the way to take the trailer.

At 8:05 a.m., a road crew working on Broadmead Road reported having issues with people speeding through their work zone. A deputy headed out with a radar detector to work the area.

At 9:46 a.m., a deputy investigated a report of a suspicious person on North Street. The deputy found a female subject alone with a broken down car after her male companion left the scene. The two had been trespassing from the location a couple weeks ago and thought they could return to a portion of the property. The deputy clarified she was not allowed to be there.

At 9:58 a.m., a motorist on West Perrydale Road was cited for speeding 46 mph in a school zone.

At 10:31 a.m. a motorist on West Perrydale Road was stopped for speeding. However, the driver was operating a friend's car. The friend's insurance did not cover another driver operating the vehicle. The motorist was cleared of both citations after he and the deputy waited for the owner to update his insurance.

At 11:19 a.m., a deputy reported spotting a "super cool and unique looking car" on Rickreall road and talked with the owner about it for a while.

At 12:02 p.m., construction workers at roundabout site at Highway 99 and Clow Corner Road reported a vehicle drove westbound from Rogers Road/ Clow Corner Road into the construction zone at approx 60-70 mph. The foreman reported that the driver avoided where the workers were standing by driving up and over the rock formation in the roundabout catching air in the process.

He reported that the driver drove into the muddy ditch and then back onto the new asphalt before merging onto Highway 99 northbound and almost hitting a white van.

Independence police reported the vehicle had also been involved in a hit and run on Highway 51. Deputies eventually found the vehicle pulled over on Highway 22 near milepost 20.

The detained the driver. Another deputy took the driver into custody and charged him for the various crimes he committed, including driving under the influence of an intoxicant.

At 1:54 p.m., deputies received a hangup at the courthouse from a 911 only phone with a female voice saying she was "being murdered." They checked the entire courthouse on both sides and found nothing.

There have been some other spoof calls coming from this number recently apparently.

At 9:34 p.m., a deputy responded to a single vehicle crash at Morrow and Clow Corner roads.

The driver was unoccupied and very minor damage to a power pole. The vehicle was towed.

At 3:15 p.m., a resident on Zena Road reported finding six opened pieces of mail in her mailbox containing credit cards with different names on them.

A deputy collected them to see if any were mentioned in theft reports.

At 5:30 p.m., a deputy was waved down at Ellendale Avenue and La Creole Drive by a woman saying she was going into labor and needed to go to the hospital.

The deputy dispatched medics to the scene and she was transported to Salem Hospital.

At 7:16 p.m., a deputy responded to a report of a tarp in the road near Highway 99 and Smithfield Road.

The deputy located the tarp and moved a log on top of the tarp so it would not move.

Friday, April 25

At 8:37 a.m., a motorist on Highway 22 near 50th Street was warned for talking on her phone while driving.

At 10:52 a.m., a deputy came upon a vehicle on Mill Creek road with a male in the driver's seat with the door open working on the steering wheel like he was punching it.

The deputy contacted the subject, who was with a second male subject, and noted the first male had a large knife on his belt and there was a gun in the door that turned out to be fake and painted to look real.

The subjects were patted down for weapons and sat on the ground. Another deputy arrived and took over the incident.

At 12:48 p.m., a report of a two-vehicle blocking crash at the intersection of Highway 99 and Parker Road.

The four occupants of an involved sedan left the scene on foot and entered a property in the 8600 block of S Pacific Highway, possibly a barn.

Officers from Independence

and Monmouth police helped deputies search the area. Even with the use of a drone, they were unable to locate the suspects.

At 5:06 p.m., deputies responded to a report of a gunshot wound in the 16700 block of Airlie Road. When they arrived, the found a male subject in the front yard against a tree, with a handgun in his lap and self-inflicted wound to his head. He was declared deceased at the scene.

Saturday, April 26

At 12:28 a.m., deputies assisted Monmouth Police Officers on a report of a stabbing and someone with a gun at a residence on Warren Street. No one was actually hurt and the male that had guns in his car had not used them during the incident.

At 7:45 a.m., a report of a t-bone crash with minor injuries on Pacific Highway.

By the time a deputy arrived, Oregon State Police had

control of the scene. The driver of the at fault vehicle

had some warrants and was

potentially driving under the influence of an intoxicant. No

further action was taken by PCSO.

At 11:01 a.m., a report of a refrigerator and washer dumped at the corner of Clow Corner and Rodgers roads. A deputy located the items and notified Polk County Public Works for removal.

At 12:15 p.m., a citizen reported witnessing two male subjects near the gravel pull-out just south of Highway 223 and Gardner Road throw a cardboard box over someone's fence.

At 12:40 p.m., a report of a fight between two inmates at the jail. The inmate who punched the other and threw a TV remote against the wall was charged with criminal mischief 2. The other inmate was charged with harassment.

At 1:33 p.m., a report of a single-vehicle, rollover accident on Fishback Road. The driver failed to negotiate the curve and hit the ditch, resulting in her vehicle flipping on its top. The driver suffered some scrapes on her knee but the accident was otherwise non-injury.

At 1:45 a.m., a deputy pulled over a motorist who was unable to maintain a lane on Highway 22. The driver, Edgar Montiel, smelled of alcohol and showed signs of intoxication. He voluntarily submitted to a field sobriety test and failed. He was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicant. His BAC later registered at .11%.

At 4:27 p.m., a resident on Airlie Road reported six

horses loose near the road.

A deputy located the horses and

found they were on private

property approximately 200

yards away and appeared to

be behind fencing.

Monday, April 28

At 12 a.m., a motorist on Clow Corner Road was cited for speeding 79 mph in a 55-mph zone.

At 1:16 a.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 83 mph in a 55-mph safety corridor.

At 2:16 a.m., a report of a burglary of a business on Grand Ronde Road. Video tape showed two male subjects break in through the front window and steal vape items. The owner promised to get PCSO security tape and estimate of loss.

At 2:25 a.m., a deputy stopped a truck driving over the center line on Perrydale Road. The driver was cited for driving while suspended and called for a someone to come pick him up.

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Boys, Girls Tennis District Finals
Timberhill Athletic Club, Corvallis

SCOREBOARD**April 27-May 3****Softball**
April 28

Central 19, Crescent Valley 4
Dallas 15, Lebanon 0
April 29

Perrydale 20, Country Christian 10
April 30

Central 1, Silverton 0
May 1

Dallas 12, Central 2

Baseball**April 28**

Central 8, Crescent Valley 7
Dallas 11, Lebanon 8
April 30

Central 12, McKay 0
Dallas 9, Silverton 5
Salem Academy 10, Perrydale 4
May 1

Central 20, McKay 3
Dallas 3, Silverton 1
Perrydale 26, Colton 10

News Notes**Clow Corner Road west to close at roundabout**

Starting May 11, ODOT is closing Clow Corner Road to the west of the Highway 99 intersection. Clow Corner Road will now be closed on either side of the Highway 99 intersection. This includes nighttime lane closures.

ODOT reminds motorists that the speed limit is reduced to 45 mph in the work zone. Use caution and watch for workers.

Clow Corner to the east of Highway 99 will remain closed until early summer. The work requires dry

weather so ODOT's schedule may change.

While the road is closed, ODOT will rebuild the Clow Corner Road connection to Highway 99 and remove the old sections of Highway 99 that the roundabout replaced.

After the Highway 99 connection work is done, the roundabout will open to traffic. The Clow Corner Road closure to the west of OR 99W will remain in place until late summer 2025.

Independence Riverview Saturday seeks musical performers

The Original Independence Farmers

Market seeks performers Saturdays through Oct. 4 at Umpqua Bank Parking Lot.

Are you a solo artist or part of a band looking for a fun, welcoming crowd to share your music with? The Independence Riverview Saturday Market is looking for talented musicians to perform this season. Perform within a lively outdoor market atmosphere with great community vibes for a chance to gain exposure and connect with new fans.

There are several performance slots: 9:10:30 a.m., 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., 1-2:30 p.m. Whether you play folk, jazz, indie, acoustic, or anything in between, organizers want to hear from you. If interested, contact Ashley Etherton at (503) 999-5473. Follow the market on Facebook: Independence Riverview Saturday Market.

PCL seeks art for benefit auction

Partnerships in Community Living seeks donations of original art or works of art for PCL's Summer Solstice Benefit Auction.

The deadline for completing and submitting a donation form is May 31. The event will be June 21 at Eola Hills Wine Cellars in Rickreall. To access the auction donation form, go to <https://pclpartnership.org/whats-happening>.

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