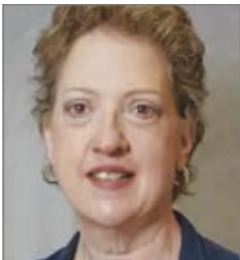


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Ghost stories by night



Derek Ham (center) channels the spirit of Hamilton Lines, Independence’s judge and undertaker from 1869, who supplied the local community with caskets, hearses, and professional care for burials. The ghostly history was shared during the city’s annual Ghost Walk Oct. 3 in downtown. For more images from the event, see page A8.

PHOTO BY DAVID HAYES

Charlie Mitchell
to retire after
30-year career
milestone



Charlie Mitchell

BY THE CITY OF DALLAS

October marks 30 years since Charlie Mitchell embarked on his professional economic development career, which began in Grants Pass, Oregon, in 1996 and wraps up in Dallas at the end of this month. Mitchell has announced his retirement from full-time work, when he leaves his position as Economic & Community Development Director for the city of Dallas. Upon completing three decades of service, Mitchell now has the opportunity to reflect on his accomplishments and look ahead. He has lived and worked in Southern Oregon, Northeast Oregon and in the mid-Willamette Valley and has been a part of many

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Dallas revises
pickleball
court plans

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

The city of Dallas’s plans to install new pickleball courts at the entrance to City Park have remained flexible since approved by the City Council in January. The latest update Jennifer Ward, Public Works Director, gave at their Sept. 21 meeting was a scaled back plan from eight courts to seven due to site size constraints. “As I recall, there was a preferable site because of its proximity to downtown and that it had high visibility and as people use the courts that would also encourage them to come into our downtown space as well,” Ward said in her presentation to councilors. The initial plans, she said, was to build them in an open space on the north side

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Superhero officers prevent bullies from ruining birthday

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

In today’s world, superheroes still patrol amidst common citizens, some imaginary, others quite real. Loic Hegeman’s favorite pretend superhero is Batman. His favorite superhero in the family is his grandfather, Pops. “My dad had cancer,” said Loic’s mom Leandra. “He had non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma, and he was diagnosed a week before Loic was born. And Loic’s hair fell out as a baby, just like his baby’s hair typically does. My dad’s hair fell out from the chemo at the same time. They have been growing their hair out ever since together.” To celebrate his seventh birthday Sept. 19, the Hegemans threw a Superman themed party at Monmouth City Park. After the 20 or so friends were starting to depart, that’s when the story’s real villains entered the stage uninvited. “The party had already wrapped up. Yeah, there were a couple kids that came over and were making fun of Loic



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Loic Hegeman, 7, (center left) and his sister Ellevieve, 5, get a photo with their heroes Sgt. Braden Smith (left) and Officer Collin Daniel of the Monmouth Police Department.

for having long hair. His hair has quite a significance in our home,” Loic’s father Eric said. The teasing escalated quickly to bullying, shoving Loic and a friend to the ground and even kicking Loic in the ribs. Being from the Midwest, his parents’ take charge attitude kicked in. “So when you see your kid on the ground, you kind of go, ‘What the heck?’ right. He got shoved hard enough that both feet came up off the ground. He landed on his head. And he

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News Briefs

WESTERN OREGON UNIVERSITY POOL CLOSES FOR REPAIRS
The swimming pool at Western Oregon University closed last week for structural repairs. The work is expected to take around eight months, with reopening anticipated in late spring/early summer 2027.

The project includes:
- Repairing the pool’s concrete shell
- Replacing the gutter coping
- Expanding the vinyl liner system
- Addressing cracks and expansion joints in the pool deck
“The WOU pool is a

place where students build healthy habits, where our community learns to swim, and where people of all ages come together,” said Rip Horsey, Director of Campus Recreation. “Protecting that resource means taking care of it, and these repairs will ensure the pool remains

safe and welcoming for generations of Wolves and neighbors to come. We look forward to reopening in the spring.”
Questions may be directed to campusrec@wou.edu and project updates can be found on <https://wou.edu/campusrec/aquatics-center>.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER, UPDATE VOTER REGISTRATION IS OCT. 13
The last day to register or to update your voter registration is Oct. 13. Residents who have changed their address or name need to make an update. Register or update your information at the

Polk County Clerk’s office, open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1-5 p.m. Or go to the “My Vote Oregon” website www.oregonvotes.gov. Review your voter registration anytime online.

OAMR honors Kim Herring with President’s Award of Distinction

By OAMR
The Oregon Association of Municipal Recordors (OAMR) presented Dallas City Recorder Kim Herring with its 2026 President’s Award of Distinction. Herring received the award at the association’s annual banquet held at Chinook Winds Casino in Lincoln City on Sept. 24. This President’s Award of Distinction is awarded to a member of the association who has contributed greatly to a committee or has performed exceptional work



Kim Herring

for OAMR. Nominations for this award are accepted only from OAMR members. Some areas considered might be in leadership, OAMR

committee work, lifetime achievement, OAMR programs, or education development.
President Scott Stauffer announced his winner for the award.
“This year’s PAD recipient is, by some standards, not yet a long-time member, but has already proven to be an invaluable member and leader of OAMR. Critically, this person stepped into a crucial leadership position at the conference last year and within days of taking office the board saw immediate action

to reconcile, record and right the OAMR ship,” Stauffer said.
“From diving deep into years of old records, untangling complex data, and completely auditing and reorganizing accounts to seeking absolute accuracy and excellence this individual has sought and found the right answers for OAMR.
“Not only has this person taken on a critical leadership position they have jumped in with both feet into chairing or co-chairing multiple committees and always providing insightful observations and helpful notes. They are helpful, resourceful, willing, responsive, and kind. Because of this individual, OAMR is in a strong, more sustainable position.
“Personally, I want to thank this year’s PAD recipient for their work on behalf of our association and for coming along at the right time for my presidency! You are the definition of an organizational lifesaver.”
Herring has been an active member of OAMR since 2023. Not only does she serve as the OAMR treasurer she is also on the Events & Fundraising Committee, Strategic Planning Group, Bylaws Committee and Budget Committee. She is actively pursuing the Certified Municipal Clerk designation from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.
Herring began working for the city of Dallas in 2023.
OAMR is a professional organization dedicated to promoting governmental relationships and providing educational and training opportunities for over 200 Oregon city recorders statewide.

Monmouth launches new police activity tracker Civic Informer

The Monmouth Police Department has partnered with Civic Informer to launch a new public resource for following police activity in Monmouth. Residents, students, and businesses can now view weekly reports of Monmouth Police Department activity, explore where the department responds, and subscribe to a free weekly email delivered every Monday. Civic Informer is a public safety information platform

that collaborates with police departments and other public safety agencies to make public records accessible and easy to follow.
For Monmouth, Civic Informer publishes event data provided by the Monmouth Police Department as a weekly report, an interactive map, and a Monday email. Each report also shows how events started – through 911, by phone, or by officers in the field.

Civic Informer is an additional resource for the community. It does not replace the Monmouth Police Department’s existing communication channels, emergency notifications, or public records processes.
The site is available at www.civicinformer.com/monmouth. From there, residents can:
· Read the weekly report, published every Monday, which summarizes the previous seven days of Monmouth

Police Department events and compares them to the week before.
· Review how events started, with each report showing how many came through 911, came in by phone, or were initiated by officers.
· Use the interactive map to see where the Monmouth Police Department responds. Locations are generalized to the block or nearest intersection, never an exact address.

· Review past reports to follow trends in Monmouth over time.
The Monmouth weekly email delivers a summary of each published report directly to subscribers’ inboxes every Monday, with links back to Civic Informer for the full report, the map, and details on individual events. The email is free, and subscribers can stay informed without needing to check the site each week.

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'Charles Dickens Writes A Christmas Carol' opens Nov. 20 at Pentacle Theatre

This holiday season, audiences are invited behind the velvet curtain of literary history in Pentacle Theater's "Charles Dickens Writes A Christmas Carol", an inventive and high-energy adaptation by acclaimed playwright Scott Palmer. Blending historical biography with the timeless story of Ebenezer Scrooge, this festive production offers a hilarious, heartwarming, and fast-paced look at the chaotic genius behind the world's most famous holiday ghost story.

Directed at Pentacle Theatre by Chris Davidson, the story of "Charles Dickens Writes A Christmas Carol" is set in the frantic winter of 1843, the play follows a passionate, theatrical, and downright childish Charles Dickens as he races against the clock to pen his masterpiece. Driven by a handful of mischievous "muses," Dickens's imagination bursts to life on stage. In a dazzling display of theatrical versatility, a nimble ensemble of actor-singers dynamically transforms from Dickens's real-life contemporaries into the iconic spirits of Christmas Past, Present, and Yet to Come.

"This isn't just the story of Scrooge; it's the story of how Scrooge came to be," said Palmer. "We wanted to capture the boundless enthusiasm and urgent social passion of Dickens himself. It's



a joyful, musical, and deeply human ride that reminds us exactly why we fall in love with this story year after year."

By weaving the author's real-life quest for social justice together with Scrooge's classic journey from bitterness to redemption, "Charles Dickens Writes A Christmas Carol" delivers a fresh yet faithful holiday experience perfect for theatergoers of all ages.

The cast includes:
Dickens – Henry Mainwaring
Scrooge – Ron Drake
Actor 1 – Robin Elliott
Actor 2 – Chris Benham
Actor 3 – Allen Drake
Actor 4 – Sara LeDuc
Actor 5 – Claudia

Lawrey
"Charles Dickens Writes A Christmas Carol" runs Nov. 20 - Dec. 12 at Pentacle Theatre, 324 52nd Ave. NW, off Highway 22, with evening performances at 7:30 p.m. and matinee performances at 2 p.m.
Tickets range from \$20 to \$41 and are available online at www.tickets.penacletheatre.org or by calling (503) 485-4300. Students and people who hold an Oregon Trail Card are eligible for a 50 percent discount in select seating areas when buying tickets in person at the Pentacle Theatre ticket office, 197 Liberty St. SE, in downtown Salem.

West Valley Hospital plans \$75 million emergency department upgrade

STAFF REPORT

West Valley Hospital is investing \$75 million in an expansion project that will create a 15,000 square foot emergency department, a new space for MRI and CT scans, expanded laboratory space, an upgraded kitchen and a new entrance.

Construction is currently underway for the new MRI space.

The next big change took place Oct. 1 with the temporarily closing the north entrance on Southeast Washington Street for construction. During this time, traffic can enter the parking lots on the east side, via Southeast Miller and Southeast Uglow Avenues, or on the south side, via Southeast Clay Street. A temporary entrance is located on the east side of the building.

Patients visiting the emergency department will still enter the hospital on the west end of Southeast Clay Street.

Work on the new emergency department is scheduled to begin in March of 2027, with the remaining work to follow. The entire project is expected to wrap up in 2030.

"Salem Health is investing in our communities as they grow," said Cheryl Nester Wolfe, MSN, RN, President and CEO of Salem Health Hospitals & Clinics. "In the last few years, we've expanded services in West Valley by adding hospital beds, staff and specialty care services. This work is just getting started."

West Valley's emergency department sees more than 21,000 patient visits per year and its limited space consists

of mostly small, double rooms. According to hospital officials, the new space will add about 15,000 square feet to include single-patient rooms and more support spaces.

The current project comes in the wake of a \$25 million project in 2022 where 19 new hospital beds and more than 80 full-time positions were added at West Valley Hospital.

The hospital will continue to operate as usual while construction is underway. Be sure to check West Valley's website (www.salemhealth.org/services/salem-health-west-valley/west-valley-hospital) and social media (www.facebook.com/salemhealth) for updates on how this work may impact your visit.

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Investigating the Bible: The Bible is honest about lies

By **DAVID CARLSON**
PASTOR

Some teased Lyndon Baines Johnson with the nickname “Landslide Lyndon” because he won his 1949 Senate election by a mere 87 votes of questionable validity. He was usually sensitive on the subject, but Sen. Bob Dole once heard him tell this story:

After Johnson’s victory, a man saw a Hispanic boy crying in a south Texas village.

“Why are you crying, Pepe?” he asked.

“My father came to town yesterday, but didn’t come to see me,” said the child.

The man gently reminded him, “But Pepe, you know your father has been dead for two years.”

The boy replied, “Yes,

but my father came to town to vote for Lyndon Johnson; why didn’t he come to see me?”

Dishonesty is honestly admitted in the Bible. The saints were not always saintly, which gives hope to those of us who may struggle.

“Now the Lord said to Abram, ‘Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.’” (Genesis 12:1-2, English Standard Version used throughout).

Soon famine forced Abram to travel with his family to Egypt for food. Fear led him to weave a lie.

“When he was about

to enter Egypt, he said to Sarai his wife, ‘I know that you are a woman beautiful in appearance, and when the Egyptians see you, they will say, ‘This is his wife.’ Then they will kill me, but they will let you live. Say you are my sister, that it may go well with me because of you, and that my life may be spared for your sake.’” (Genesis 12:11-13).

So Pharaoh took Sarai as his wife. However, the deception was discovered when “...the Lord afflicted Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram’s wife.” (Genesis 12:17).

God spared Abram from deadly retribution by Pharaoh, who said, “... sent him away with his wife and all that he had.” (Genesis 12:20).

Abram later had his name changed to Abraham, meaning the father of many. God blessed him with a son, Isaac, born by Sarah in her old age. Then God harshly tested Abraham, telling him to sacrifice teenaged Isaac on an altar. When he started to obey, God intervened and provided a ram. Abraham believed “...that God was able even to raise [Isaac] from the dead.” (Hebrews 11:19). He had matured into a man of remarkable faith.

Before Ben Carson was a gifted neurosurgeon and active in public service, he was a very poor Yale college student. He was then as now, a man of faith. So, when he ran out of money, he prayed.

He and 150 other students received notice

that they would need to retake their psychology class final, because the tests taken the day before had been inadvertently destroyed. In class, his professor distributed new tests, then she quickly left.

As they began, he heard a groan from a student behind him. It was not the same test they had taken two days before. This one was impossibly hard, asking for a level of knowledge that would challenge a practicing psychiatrist. But Carson kept working, trying to do what he could.

Soon some students left, saying, “Forget it! Let’s say we didn’t see the notice and go study.”

Gradually, students left one by one, until after 30 minutes, Carson was the only student in the room. Suddenly the door of the

classroom swung open, and the professor walked up to Carson with a photographer from the Yale Daily News.

“What’s going on?” he asked.

“A hoax,” the teacher said with a smile. “We wanted to see who was the most honest student in the class. That’s you!” And then, she did something even better. She handed him a \$10 bill.

[Mr. Pastor graduated from Bethel Theological Seminary in Minnesota. He responds to questions about the Bible every Sunday, 5 PM, courtesy of a room at Faith Lutheran Church, 200 Monmouth-Independence Hwy. It’s non-denominational, one hour long, and interactive.]

GOOD FOLK IN POLK:

Campaigning the Old-Fashioned Way

By **DAVID CARLSON**
PASTOR

Who would work 40-plus hours each week to knock on doors and walk miles to get a job that pays nothing, has two long evening meetings every month that require preparation by reading more than 150 pages of technical material, and has all day, unpaid Saturday work sessions? Those persons would be two new candidates for positions on Monmouth’s city council.

Incumbents always have the significant advantage of name recognition. The only retired incumbent looking for re-election to a city council seat, Jon Carey, explained that he has not yet done any door-to-door canvassing, though he hasn’t ruled it

out.

Without the advantage of incumbency, retirees Belinda Strouth for mayor and Susanna Knight for a seat on the City Council, have been out meeting citizens 5-plus days per week.

In Monmouth, two people are running for mayor while six are vying for the three opening city council positions. The top three vote-getters will take the vacating city council seats. Of this group of eight, only three are retired.

All elected city positions are considered non-partisan and local politics are for local issues. This article is not about issues for Monmouth, though there are several that have raised concerns: The city’s proposed change to the 50-year-old Urban Growth Boundary, the increased presence of the unsheltered, questions about Monmouth’s unclosed financial statements in 2025, and others.

For candidate opinions on issues for both Monmouth and Independence, the Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce has organized two city candidate forums – Oct. 7, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Oct. 8, from 6-8 p.m. Both will be at The Gate Youth Center, 1501 Monmouth St., in Independence.

The retiree running for mayor, Belinda Strouth, has lived in Monmouth for 24 years. She worked 35 years in administrative



Belinda Strouth

management positions with the U.S. government, mainly as a civil servant with the Department of Army. After that, she worked for five years on the administrative support staff at First Baptist Church. In her professional work, she was always the person staff would gravitate to for assistance. One of her bosses used to tease that she should put up the sign on her desk like Lucy in the Peanuts cartoon, “Advice, 5¢.”

Strouth explained the reason she is running for mayor is because Monmouth is her home.

“I moved here because of its small town character and that’s changing significantly. I

believe the residents of Monmouth, in all neighborhoods, should not be just heard,

but listened to,” Strouth said. “On the city council, I will bring a fresh look at the concerns of citizens. I

care deeply about the people of our town and think that elected officials must work to build positive relationships.”

In Strouth’s door-to-door work, she’s heard many say they moved to Monmouth because they love a small town, and they have questions about city decisions.

“People were surprised to actually see a ‘politician’ at their door, doing old-fashioned, grassroots kind of campaigning,” she said.

One lady invited her inside and they talked while she made a blueberry buckle. She’s found the warmth of the people of Monmouth motivating and hopes she will have the opportunity to serve.

If your Monmouth door knocker is wearing a golden track spike shoe, it’s probably Susanna Knight. She’s lived in Monmouth for over 35 years. For the majority of those years, she was the



Susanna Knight

woman behind the very successful track and field coach, John Knight, who finished his 40-plus year career at Western Oregon University. The golden shoe was a gift to John Knight when he was the 100 yard sprint champion his junior year of high school. Now Susanna wears it as a special remembrance of him after his death in June from dementia.

Knight’s love of Oregon began in the fourth grade when she memorized the Oregon state song. She was active in high school government and was named Future First Citizen of Benton County in her senior year of high school.

She has retired from more than 20 years of government work, finishing as the administrator for the State Board of Geologist Examiners and the State Board of Landscape Architects. Along the way, she taught

school, was a mom, owned a used clothing store, and is still active in her church.

Now she’s knocking on doors, leaving cards, and hoping voters give her an opportunity to have a fourth career, working as a volunteer City Council member for Monmouth.

At this writing, Strouth and Knight and a few friends have knocked on the doors of nearly 3,000 Monmouth homes. And they plan to continue through the month. So, if a lady, with a handful of pamphlets and cards knocks at your door, it will likely be Belinda Strouth or Susanna Knight, and they will say thanks for listening.

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

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DEATH NOTICES



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Passed away after a battle with brain cancer. A service to celebrate Don’s life will be held on Oct 13 2026 at 1 p.m. at the Polk County Fairgrounds.

Elvis Franklin Keen
May 08, 1939 - Sept. 26, 2026

Funeral Arrangements, TBD

NEWS & VIEWS

Save the Polk County Fairgrounds for our youth

By DON SCHELLENBERG

I remember the days when a skinny red headed kid stopped playing with two of my cousins on the family farm and ran down to the pig pen to train my Chester white pig to stop, turn left, turn right and go. I was training my pig so I could enter the 4-H Showman Ship contest at the Polk County Fair, for the third time in a row. I had won the last two years and if I won this year I could keep the trophy. I did, and went on to win the Showmanship trophy at the Oregon State Fair. Two years later, now

in Dallas High School and a member of the FFA organization, I decided to show a pig at the County Fair again, only this time I would show a butcher hog and the judge would just look at the pig's frame to determine whose hog had the best meat to fat ratio for the dinner table. I won the Polk County Trophy so decided to take the pig to the State Fair where it also won the title of Oregon State Fair Championship fat hog, another trophy on the shelf. Today, making my way through the Polk County Fairgrounds, I was amazed at the many opportunities

that are available for Polk County youth to participate and win prizes at this yearly event. My tour of the fairgrounds included entries of everything from sewing garments, to photography, painting, and the care of all of the various breeds of pigs, cattle, sheep, chickens and rabbits, just to mention a few. What do all of these activities have in common? They allow Polk County youth the opportunity to be involved in good, wholesome activities which helps them learn important life skills and personal responsibility. Why is this possible?

Because there are two great non-profit organizations that the youth can join. One is the 4-H Club, where the motto is "Head-Heart-Hands and Health". These clubs are geared for kids ages 9 through high school. Here they learn the basics of their chosen interest, be it animal care or sewing. They can advance in this program potentially through high school. The second organization is available when the youth enroll in high school – Future Farmers of America, or FFA. Originally, until the latter 60s or so, it was boys who learned all of the technical skills and

other information it takes to successfully operate a farm. For instance, how do you determine the butterfat content of a cow's milk? That is important because the price of the milk sold to the creamery is based on butterfat content which can be altered by what is fed to cows. Another facet of operating your own farm is being able to deal with the political issues of life. For that you learn "parliamentary procedure", or how to run a meeting. Somewhere along the line (probably in 4-H) some girls became interested in "agriculture" and now are a significant

portion of many high school FFA organizations. The bottom line is if the small proposed increase in the Polk County Fairgrounds property tax base is not approved, students in these programs will have nowhere to showcase their accomplishments for the year and will potentially remove any incentive to learn life's important skills for success. Please vote YES to increase the small Property Tax increase for the Fair Grounds and our youth. Don Schellenberg is a member of the Polk County Farm Bureau.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

COMMISSIONER JEREMY GORDON IS A PROVEN LEADER
Please join me in supporting Jeremy Gordon for County Commissioner. We are lucky to have a candidate with Jeremy's character and credentials. He's built a solid record of leadership and service in Polk County that has gained regional and state-wide recognition. Jeremy has been elected by his county commissioner peers across the state to lead the Association of Oregon Counties. He is vice-chair of Oregon Broadband Council, which distributes hundreds of millions of dollars in federal broadband funding. He is a leader in housing and rural healthcare, securing state and federal funds to keep seniors and families in their homes, and establishing the CARES center in Dallas for crisis response and

walk-in mental health resources. Jeremy worked with the Bureau of Land Management to obtain federal funds for a new bridge to reopen access to Valley of the Giants and to protect hunting access in the Gooseneck/Mill Creek area. I serve with Jeremy on the board of Polk Community Development Corporation, where I have seen firsthand his leadership and compassionate commitment to provide low-income and special needs housing to residents of Polk County. Jeremy shows up for Polk County and has earned our trust through hard work and unrelenting focus on serving the people. I am pleased to vote for Jeremy Gordon and urge others to join me. Lane Shetterly, Dallas

REELECT JEREMY GORDON TO CONTINUE IMPRESSIVE WORK AS COUNTY COMMISSIONER
I plan to vote for Jeremy Gordon, who is running for

reelection as Polk County Commissioner. Since getting on the Board of Commissioners in 2021, Jeremy has worked hard for the people of Polk County. He's a tireless advocate for bettering the lives of those he serves and has supported a number of important improvements in the county, including affordable housing, mental health services, and public safety projects. Commissioner Gordon is also fiscally smart and has worked with the other commissioners to accomplish improvements while maintaining a balanced budget. Over the years, I have had the opportunity to watch Commissioner Gordon work on several projects. I was impressed by his ability to bring people together to solve complex issues. He is a leader in addressing the county's homelessness crisis, ensuring people now have places to access appropriate support. In particular, many people experiencing homelessness in our community

are veterans, and Commissioner Gordon has been instrumental in improving the Veteran Services Office for those who have served our country. Like every election, this November is important for Polk County voters. Commissioner Gordon has been there for us for the past 5 years as a leader who listens and cares for everyone in the county. He deserves your vote so he can continue to serve our community. Carol McKiel Monmouth City Council member

VOTE FOR NEW LEADERSHIP IN INDEPENDENCE
Independence is facing a choice — not just about a fee, but about how our city is governed going forward. Our parks have closed, the Heritage Museum has closed, and the library is facing a formal closure process. Whatever your position on the Community Services & Parks Fee, I believe voters should look closely at

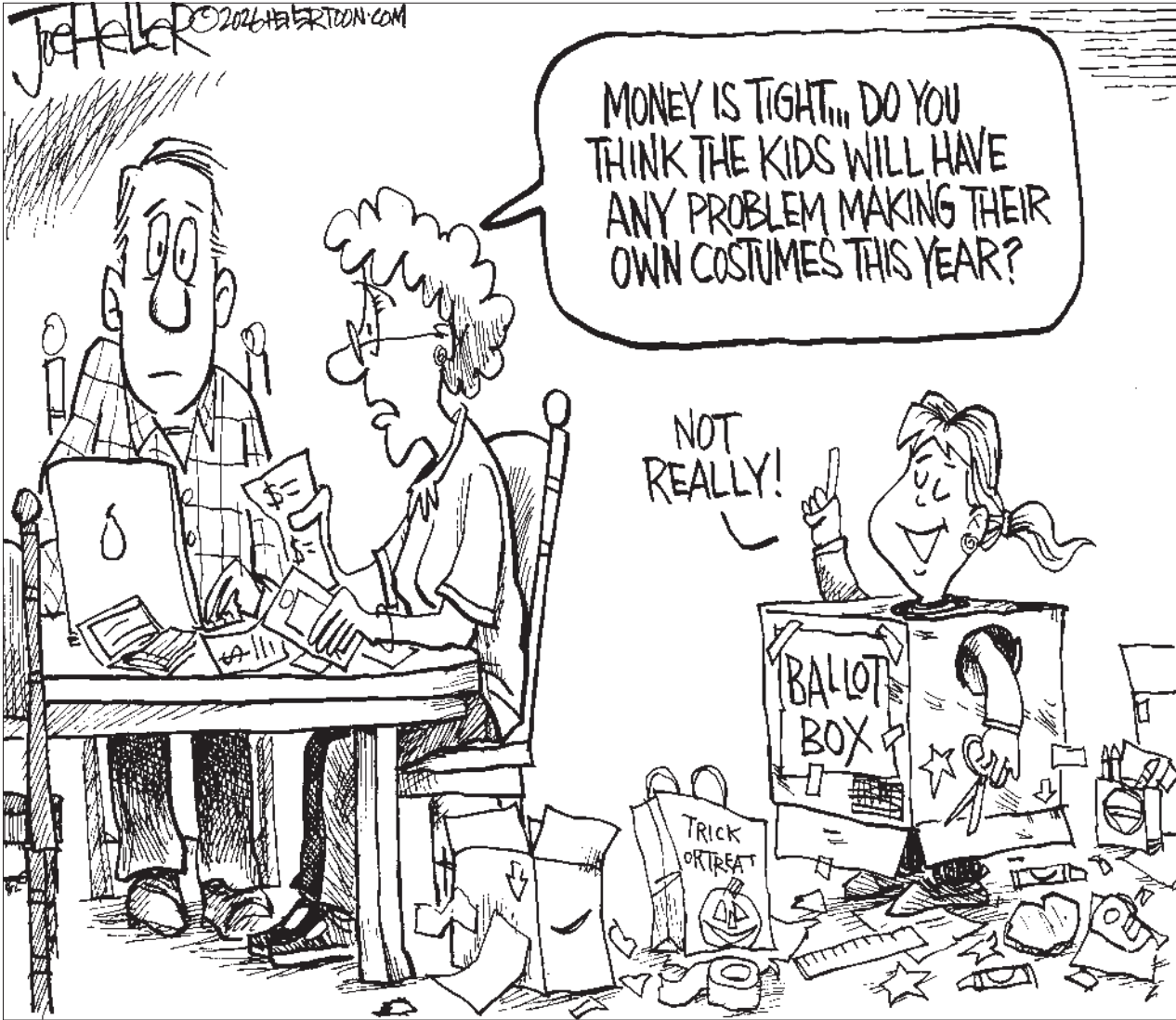
the decisions that brought us here. We need councilors who will independently examine the numbers, challenge assumptions, ask difficult questions, consider alternatives, and stand up for taxpayers and essential community services. We also need leaders willing to take responsibility for the decisions that got us here. The November referendum and City Council election are separate decisions. Voters can decide how they feel about the fee while also deciding who they believe will best represent Independence. I believe debate is good. I don't expect everyone to agree with me, and I don't agree with everyone. I talk to everyone, listen to all sides, and sometimes ultimately choose a different direction. That is what serving on council should be about. For these reasons, I am voting for change: Barrett Nutsch for Mayor Greg Ellis for Position #1

Brent DeHart for Position #2 Anthony Johnson for Position #4 I did not ask any of these candidates to approve this statement. This is my opinion and my choice. I am fighting for the future of Independence. I believe it is time for new voices, greater transparency, and a Council that puts Independence first. Dawn Roden, Independence

VOTE JEREMY GORDON TO CONTINUE HIS HARD WORK
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SEPT. 28 - 73	42 0.00
SEPT. 29 - 73	51 0.00
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TOTAL SEPT. 28 - OCT. 4: 0.00	
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What is your favorite Fall seasonal activity?
- Visiting a pumpkin patch with the kids - 8.3%
- Taking a scenic hike under the leaves changing colors - 33.3%
- Building a backyard fire and making s'mores - 33.3%
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Super crossword

JOURNALISTIC SET

ACROSS

- 1 Principal part of a ship's rigging
- 9 Glucose and dextrose
- 15 Want greatly
- 20 Phrase before a memoir co-author
- 21 Result of iron deficiency
- 22 Opponent
- 23 Question to someone barking orders
- 26 Wriggly fish
- 27 Extinct bird
- 28 Swerving billiards shot
- 29 Teeny
- 30 Suspenseful NFL periods
- 33 CIA worker
- 36 PC fixer, e.g.
- 37 "Hey, amigo"
- 39 Highest price customers are amenable to paying
- 47 "Less killing" Miller beer
- 48 Prelix similar to "ecut"
- 49 Vaccination fluids
- 50 Neighbor of Monterey Park, Calif.
- 51 Connections

- 53 Maximum
- 56 Rustic hotel
- 58 Lean— (simple huts)
- 59 Time to steel oneself and power through
- 66 Congregated
- 67 Goes past the time limit
- 68 Cold shoulder preventer?
- 69 A humidifier moistens it
- 71 Suddenly blazing stars
- 73 Pungent salad veggie
- 77 Lhasa — (small dogs)
- 80 Official assisting a referee
- 83 "Rapa- —" (1994 Esai Morales film)
- 84 Classic Maurice Sendak book
- 89 Cabinet dept. focused on culpas
- 90 "— culpa"
- 91 Wedge for filling a gap
- 92 Show fatigue reflexively
- 93 Mother on "Bewitched"
- 97 Aruba, e.g.
- 100 Steal from

- 102 Medicine bottle
- 104 Jesus' words after "My God, my God," in Matthew
- 109 "You bet!" in Baja
- 110 Favorite cereal of a "silly rabbit"
- 111 "I'm — loss for words"
- 112 Pub barrel
- 113 La-la" lead-in
- 116 "Jay — Garage"
- 119 Best draft status
- 121 Business mag
- 123 Response upon hearing about an astonishing feat
- 130 "Aida," e.g.
- 131 Dogs from Japan
- 132 They often get mashed
- 133 Stowatch button
- 134 Despotically ruler
- 135 They begin this puzzle's long answers

- 2 Fire residue
- 3 Figure skater Midori
- 4 Central point
- 5 Superlatively sneaky
- 6 University on Long Island
- 7 "— be an honor"
- 8 Put freight in
- 9 Less happy
- 10 Opens with a key
- 11 "Well, I'll be!" letters toggle
- 13 Actress
- 14 Gives a quick greeting
- 15 Disney villainess
- De Vil
- 16 Chest bone
- 17 State boldly
- 18 Rose holder
- 19 Otherwise
- 24 — bene
- 25 "— Mio"
- 30 Hooting bird
- 31 Toward there
- 32 Feeling of fullness
- 34 Sycophantic guys
- 36 Bray syllable
- 38 Crunches tone them

- 41 Some rock band synth-sizers
- 42 Calc prereq
- 43 Subsidies
- 44 Caesar's final reproach
- 45 Bump on —
- 46 Unduly quick feature
- 52 Zebra
- 54 Shorty
- 55 Resort town near Rome
- 57 High degree
- 59 H-bomb, e.g.
- 60 "Lunimox" author Fannie
- 61 A Town Like Alice author Shute
- 62 Large pianos
- 63 Clingy wrap
- 64 Like a banjo's sound
- 65 On in years
- 70 Bern's river
- 72 Comic Rogen
- 74 Very shortly
- 75 "Smith" is the commonest one in the United States
- 76 Hasten
- 78 Resistance unit
- 79 Understand the point
- 81 Bake, as an egg
- 82 Brunch cocktail
- 84 "Close call!"
- 85 "Come again?"
- 86 Water swirl
- 87 Do laundry
- 88 Goalie's goal
- 94 Elle King's "Ex's & —"
- 95 Lambastes
- 96 Valuable trait
- 98 Auction unit
- 99 Former Volkswagen seven-seater
- 101 Freedom singer Jan
- 103 Shin's place
- 105 Soldier's helmet
- 106 Best in quality
- 107 Yaks, e.g.
- 114 Lasso, e.g.
- 113 Thunder god
- 115 Stupefics
- 117 Tasting of wood, as wine
- 118 Move a bit
- 120 Session with a dr., e.g.
- 122 — field (Mrs. Met's home)
- 124 Deep anger
- 125 Greek vowel
- 126 La-la" lead-in
- 127 Fight like Ali
- 128 Actor Ayres
- 129 Snaky letter

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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.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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CryptoQuip

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

Clue: T equals M

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JYG REXQKZJG NYQNQBEJG
NEICO QR NEXG-CVGBBZIS
CVEKRU? JQQJUZG JKQBBU.

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is **LONGFELLOW**

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

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ET QGV JVBRQ RNBZV.
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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Hepps

I GOT THE RECIPE FOR MY DOG FROM MY FELLOW CATS. HE COULDN'T REMEMBER SOME INGREDIENTS SO I JUST ADDED BUTTER AND SALT.



Out on a Limb

BIG MIKE THE
MOB GUY TAKES
HIS CAR IN
FOR REPAIRS

by Gary Kopervas

A cartoon illustration by Gary Kopervas. On the left, two men in trench coats and fedoras are standing next to a car. The man in the foreground is speaking, and a speech bubble contains the text: "IT MAKES A THUD SOUND A KA-THUD, KA-THUD, THUMP, THUMP NEAR THE TRUNK. HEY, WAIT A MINUTE...". The car's license plate reads "NEW YORK 716-763". On the right, a man in a uniform with a name tag that says "BERRY" is holding a clipboard and looking towards the car. The background is simple, with some vertical lines suggesting a wall or fence. The artist's signature "KOPERVAS" is in the bottom right corner.

Amber Waves

I GIVE UP. I THINK WE'VE DONE JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING THERE IS TO DO AROUND HERE.

I'M UP SO

A black and white cartoon by Peter Dinkley. Two young boys are sitting on a wooden porch with a railing. The boy on the left, wearing glasses and a t-shirt, looks dejected and says, "I GIVE UP. I THINK WE'VE DONE JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING THERE IS TO DO AROUND HERE." The boy on the right, wearing a dark shirt, looks up and says, "I'M UP SO". The cartoon is signed "Dinkley" in the bottom right corner.

by Dave T. Phipps

...ORED. WE NEED TO DRUM UP SOME EXCITEMENT AROUND HERE.

MOM, I SAY YOU STOP FIDDLING ABOUT, GO GET YOUR WALLET AND TAKE US TO TOWN PRONTO.

OK, TOO MUCH EXCITEMENT!!

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PICKLEBALL
From Page A1

of Brandvold Drive. However, planners ran into an unexcavated old pool to build the courts there.

“We would have had to excavate that pool and so it came with a pool and with a \$480,000 price tag,” she said, ballooning the overall construction price well above \$1 million.

So, they reexamined the South Side of Brandvoldt and determined placing the eight courts there where existing basketball courts were already were cut the project price in half.

Their initial plans for



the location were for eight courts. But, again, planners ran into a snag. “It turned out that we were going to need to add fill to the west side of the

site which was going to again add cost and also environmental impact to the project,” Ward said. “To add the eight courts we were going to need to add additional asphalt to the south side of the site there and in the midst of the summer, managing multiple construction projects during the busy summertime.”

Essentially, the city ran out of time and space to add that this season, Ward explained.

“So in the interest of trying to provide the public with pickleball courts this season, we said well, how many courts can we get on the site? As is, the answer was five,” Ward continued. “But ultimately we revisited

that we came up with a plan for seven courts on the site.”

She said four of them are under construction currently and will be completed this fall. Then the other three will be completed next year after they’ve laid the additional asphalt.

“So we anticipate a total of seven new pickleball courts there at the entrance to City Park to be used in addition to the four that we currently have over by Roger Jordan,” Ward said.

She added the cost now for the seven courts with the extra expense of adding the fill to the plans is about the same as the original eight courts, just over \$500,000.

BULLIES
From Page A1

had a red spot on his ribs, and was clearly upset,” Eric said.

They learned the two bullies’ parents were nearby on the other side of the food trucks, out of the line of sight of the incident.

But when they came over, Leandra was surprised they were confrontational rather than reconciliatory.

“So we clearly knew what kind of people we were dealing with, right? That’s probably why the kids bullied our kids, you know, because they

probably get bullied at home,” she speculated.

So she and Eric gathered the kids and left the area. But for them it wasn’t over.

“I thought it was going to be a good idea to probably go ahead and at least notify the police about what happened,” she said.

They called the non-emergency number to report the incident. And at the end of her conversation, Leandra asked if Loic’s other favorite superhero was in, Patrol Sergeant Braden Smith.

“Loic has developed a little friendship with him because he’s seen him at the library, seen him at the Touch-a-Truck events,

right, all the events in the community,” Leandra said.

“It’s fun to watch him and Officer Smith interact because Officer Smith likes to play with his whimsy,” Eric added. “Loic, he’s a big Batman fan, so every time he sees Officer Smith he’s like, have you talked to Commissioner Gordon yet? Every time. Every time he says, ‘I haven’t heard from him yet, but I’ve reached out to him.’”

Lucky for Loic, Smith was on duty that night.

In between police (and hero) duties at the moment, Smith was ready to jump into action to help save the day.

“My initial reaction to receiving this call had more of a human element, regarding the feelings of the child and his family, than just responding to a call for service as a police officer,” Smith said.

He even brought backup, like any good super hero, sidekick Officer Collin Daniel.

When they arrived at the park, Smith could see the family, including Loic’s sister Ellevieve, 5, were very excited.

“They were originally only expecting me but saw another officer had joined in. I made a light-hearted joke to their son about how I brought back up and we were ready

to celebrate his seventh birthday,” he said.

“He came up to me and talked to me about the bullying,” Smith added. “I explained how I wished these types of things didn’t happen, but I could tell he was strong. He gave me a big high five and we agreed to not let others take this special day away from him.”

After talking some more about super heroes and taking some photos together, Smith said it was gratifying to help end their birthday party on what appeared to be on much happier terms.

“It was very rewarding to not only see how happy he was, but to see

it on his younger sibling and the parents, who just wanted them to have a fun birthday,” Smith said.

“It was a really heart-felt interaction,” Leandra confirmed. “Loic really respects Officer Smith and then met another officer and he gave him the little sticker badges. They were very generous with their time.”

When they got home, the family FaceTimed with their Nan and Pops back in Kansas.

“They told them about how the officers came to their birthday party. And, you know, it was really a great experience at the end of the day,” she added.

RETIRE
From Page A1

transformative initiatives.

“First off, I accomplished very little all on my own,” Mitchell insisted. “Mostly, I was fortunate to be a part of some really great teams of wonderful people, and together we accomplished some wonderful things that positively impacted many people, communities and businesses. I’m most proud of contributing in three distinct parts of Oregon and of the

meaningful relationships I’ve been blessed with along the way.”

Mitchell has worked for three Oregon cities, two federally-recognized economic development districts and two higher education institutions. In addition to serving on numerous government and non-profit boards and committees over the years, he has served as the president of the Oregon Economic Development Association (OEDA), president of the Corvallis Chamber of Commerce and president

of the Greater Corvallis Rotary Club.

A native Oregonian and a US Navy veteran who served in Operation Desert Storm, Mitchell holds bachelors and masters degrees from Southern Oregon University. He has earned the rigorous Certified Economic Developer (CEcD) designation from the International Economic Development Council (IEDC) and received a Master Practitioner certificate from the Advanced Economic Development

Leadership (AEDL) program, developed by a consortium of some of the country’s top universities, including TCU and Alabama.

Mitchell has been married to Julie for over 31 years. The couple lives outside of Corvallis in rural Benton County with their two cats. They have two adult children who live in the Portland area.

When asked what’s next, Mitchell, a long-time avid motorcyclist, said he has a heart for service.

“So I’ll continue to be

involved in Rotary and seek other new ways I can volunteer in my community and beyond,” he said. “I plan to simply enjoy life, focusing on myself and my family

and friends. Julie and I have some travel plans. And, of course, I hope to be logging lots of miles on my motorcycle. I look forward to this next chapter.”

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Ghostly tales attract the adventurous

Photos by David Hayes

Downtown Independence was transformed Saturday night into a walking tour of guest speakers sharing ghostly tales from the city’s spooky history. Here’s a look at some of the night’s adventures.



Lora Kagle, with husband Eric, carries on her mother Marilyn Morton's tradition of hosting the annual Ghost Walk.



John Young channels the former C.W. Irvine pointing out haunted architecture at the former Farmers State Bank.



Visitors try to take photos of ghosts that might be around the guest speaker at the Mason’s Lodge.



State Rep. Paul Evans speaks to a group about local ghosts.



Kat Bloom, Heritage Museum secretary, channels a lady from the 1880s in her ghostly tales.



A family gets a photo with a “monster” hearse on loan for the Ghost Walk.



Former Mayor John McArdle chats with Ghost Walkers outside the Brew Coffee & Tap House.



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Panthers blank Molalla for second straight shutout

By LANCE MASTERSON
For The Itemizer-Observer

Central scored three first-quarter touchdowns on its way to a 42-0 win over Molalla last week.

The Panthers earned their second straight win via shutout since losing to Cascade in the conference opener.

Braden O’Sullivan rushed for 96 yards and two touchdowns on 11 carries. Quarterback Hunter Holestine completed 14 of 16 passes for three touchdowns.

Ryan Perkins opened the scoring with a 7-yard run. O’Sullivan followed with a 9-yard touchdown run, and Isaiah Taufassau caught a 16-yard scoring pass for a 21-0 lead after one quarter.

O’Sullivan’s 32-yard touchdown run and Tyler Olafson’s 18-yard scoring reception pushed the lead to 35-0 at halftime.

Jacob Bancroft then capped the scoring with a 5-yard touchdown catch in the third quarter.

Perkins led Central’s receivers with three catches for 59 yards. Olafson caught



FILE PHOTO BY LANCE MASTERSON

Centrals’ defense, seen here Sept. 4 ganging up to tackle the Dallas’ Max Pittman, posted its second straight shutout Oct. 2 with a 42-0 win against Molalla. earlier contest against Dallas.

five passes for 24 yards, and Bancroft added two catches for 27 yards.

Asher Baker led the defense with seven tackles. Josiah Vela had four tackles and three assists. Sawyer Herbert added three tackles, four assists and a tackle for loss. Easton Herbert had two tackles, three assists, a sack and a tackle for loss. Aiden Dunnigan intercepted a pass.

Bancroft also converted all six extra-point attempts and

averaged 45 yards on five kickoffs.

Seventh-ranked Central travels to Stayton on Friday. Kickoff is at 7 p.m.

Ground game sets tone in Pirates’ homecoming route

By LANCE MASTERSON
For The Itemizer-Observer

Broden Ferguson ran untouched for about 50 yards on Perrydale’s first play, setting the tone for a 44-0 homecoming blanking of Camas Valley Oct. 2.

“My line did a great job on that play,” Ferguson said. “I had a wide-open lane. Great blocking and a great fake by the quarterback.”

The 1-34 counter is a staple of Perrydale’s offense. Ferguson expected the play to work, but not necessarily as well as it did. By the 20-yard line, he knew the Hornets couldn’t catch him.

“It is probably one of the best feelings ever,” he said. “Just excitement. You don’t



PHOTO BY LANCE MASTERSON

Perrydale’s Broden Ferguson dashes for a big gain against Camas Valley, en route to finishing with 120 yards rushing, helping the Pirates win 44-0 Oct. 2.

really notice being tired. ... It’s the reason why we play.”

Ferguson finished with 120 yards on seven carries. Landon Eichler and Braydon Leslie combined for another 213 yards and six touchdowns on 16 carries, according to team stats.

Coach Steve Mabry credited improved blocking up front for the Pirates’ success.

“We blocked at the point of attack way better than we did the prior two weeks,” Mabry said.

When Camas Valley tried to shut down the inside run, Perrydale responded with blocking adjustments refined in practice.

“Our work is starting to

See **PIRATES**, page B8

Dallas’ winning streak ends

By LANCE MASTERSON
For The Itemizer-Observer

West Albany ended Dallas’ four-game winning streak with a 41-21 victory last week.

Quarterback Thomas Hess scored all three Dragons touchdowns, rushing for 96 yards on 20 carries. He completed 8 of 13 passes for 87 yards.

Aidan Galusha rushed for 131 yards on 15 carries and led Dallas receivers with five catches for 49 yards.

Carson Langford led the defense with 11 tackles, including two for losses. Peter Nicol and Galusha combined for 15 tackles, including three for losses, and a fumble recovery.

Dallas (2-1 league, 4-1 overall) travels to Class 6A Glencoe on Friday. Kickoff for this non-league contest is at 7 p.m.



PHOTO BY SMY PHOTOGRAPHY

Dallas quarterback Thomas Hess (9) scrambles for a gain as he’s pursued by West Albany’s Pena Moors (11), while Thomas Loughary (8) gets in position to block Jackson Snippen (22).

PREP SCOREBOARD

SEPT. 26
Girls Soccer
Dallas 7, Taft 0

SEPT. 29
Volleyball
Corvallis 3, Dallas 0
Stayton 3, Central 0
Perrydale 3, Chemawa 0
Falls City 3, Livingstone Adventist 0
Girls Soccer
Stayton 8, Central 0
Boys Soccer
Stayton 8, Central 0

OCT. 1
Volleyball
Central 3, Taft 2
Willamette Valley 3, Perrydale 1
C.S. Lewis 3, Falls City 2
Girls Soccer
Taft 3, Central 1

Boys Soccer
Central 1, Taft 0

OCT. 2
Football
West Albany 41, Dallas 21
Central 42, Molalla 0
Perrydale 44, Camas Valley 0
Eddyville Charter 43, Falls City 42

OCT. 3
Volleyball
Dallas vs Springfield (results not posted before deadline)
Central at Mt. Hood Invite (results not posted before deadline)

Prep Calendar

OCT. 7
Cross County
Central at Lebanon Open, 4 p.m.

OCT. 8
Volleyball
Dallas at South Albany, 6:30 p.m.
Newport vs. Central, 6 p.m.
Falls City at Jewell, 6 p.m.
Girls Soccer
Lebanon at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Newport vs. Central, 6:30 p.m.
Boys Soccer
Central at Newport, 7 p.m.

OCT. 9
Football

Glencoe vs Dallas, 7 p.m.
Central at Stayton, 7 p.m.
Perrydale vs. Mohawk, 7 p.m.
Siletz Valley vs. Falls City, 7 p.m.
Cross Country
Dallas at Champoeg, TBD

OCT. 13
Volleyball
West Albany vs. Dallas, 6:30 p.m.
Cascade at Central, 6 p.m.
Perrydale at C.S. Lewis, 6 p.m.
Willamette Valley vs. Falls City, 6 p.m.
Girls Soccer
Dallas at South Albany, 7 p.m.
Cascade vs Central, 6:30 p.m.
Boys Soccer
Central at Cascade, 4:30 p.m.

Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Coffee with a Cop, The Sippery, 169 Main St., Monmouth
10 a.m. - Strong People, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10:30 a.m. - Little Bitty Story Time, Dallas Public Library
10:30 a.m. - Storytime, for ages 2-6, Independence Public Library
11 a.m. - Lunch w/Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Chair Yoga w/ Winnie, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.
11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Walking Group, Dallas Area Senior Center
1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Wii bowling, Dallas Area Senior Center
2 p.m. - WRAP Class, Monmouth Senior Community Center
4 p.m. - Connecting Loose Threads for Charity, Monmouth Senior Community Center
4 p.m. - Kids’ Coding, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.
6 p.m. - Open Mic Night, Brew Coffee & Tap House
7 p.m. - Monmouth Planning Commission Meeting, City Hall, 151 Main St. W.
7:10 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Newcomers Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas

THURSDAY, OCT. 8

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:15 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:30 a.m. - Children’s Storytime, for ages 0-5, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.

10:30 a.m. - Bounces and Rhymes: Spring Series, for ages 0-2, Monmouth Public Library
11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
11:30 a.m. - Lunch Bunch, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Pinochle/Watch repair & knife sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
12 p.m. - Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center
6 p.m. - Name That Tune Music Trivia with Sam, West Valley Taphouse, 957 Main St., Dallas
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. - Live Music: The Edge Band, Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Back to Basics, Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas

FRIDAY, OCT. 9

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Stretch exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Art Workshop/CardsTable Games/6 Handed Pinochle, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Writer’s Workshop, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Gardening Class, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Strong People, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10:30 a.m. - Storytime, Independence Public Library
11 a.m. - Jewelry Making, Monmouth Senior Community Center
12 p.m. - Watch repair clinic, Dallas Area Senior Center
1 p.m. - Tai Chi with Chery/ Munchies and Melodies, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Fall Fest, featuring pumpkin decorating, games and kids’ crafts, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St.
1:30 p.m. - 10-Minute Writing, Dallas Area Senior

Center
6:30 p.m. - Live Music: Rowdy Rumlbers, Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
6:30 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Friday Night Meeting, Salt Creek Baptist Church, Dallas
6:30 p.m. - Acoustic Music Jam, Guthrie Park, 4320 Kings Valley Highway S.
7:30 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Speaker Meeting, Dallas Church, 450 SE Washington St.

SATURDAY, OCT. 10

9 a.m. - Independence Riverview Farmers Market, top of Riverview Park
9 a.m. - Yoga in the Park, Riverview Park, Independence, free
9 a.m. - Independence Farmers Market, Umpqua Bank parking lot, 302 S. Main St.
1 p.m. - Bingo at the Independence Elks Lodge, 289 S. Main St.
5 p.m. - Live Music: Dynasonix, tickets \$10, Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Saturday Night Live, Faith Lutheran Church, 200 Monmouth-Independence Highway, Monmouth

SUNDAY, OCT. 11

1 p.m. - Live Music: Angelic Noise, Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Monmouth Big Book Study, Faith Lutheran Church, 200 Monmouth-Independence Highway, Monmouth

MONDAY, OCT. 12

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

10 a.m. - Hand & Foot/Cribbage, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Grief Support Group, Dallas Area Senior Center
11 a.m. - Lunch w/Meals On Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
12 p.m. - Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Noon Step Study, Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E Ellendale Ave., Dallas
12:30 p.m. - Cornhole, Dallas Area Senior Center
1 p.m. - Bunko/Tai Chi with Cheryl/Technology Help with Ian, Monmouth Senior Community Center
4 p.m. - Karaoke, Dallas Area Senior Center
5:30 p.m. - Historic Preservation Commission meeting, City Hall, 55 S Main St.
6 p.m. - Trivia Nights, Forest Pass Brewing, 735 SW Maple St., Dallas
6 p.m. - Live Music: New Horizons Orchestra Concert, Monmouth Senior Community Center
7:30 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Old Guthrie Park, Guthrie Park Community Center

TUESDAY, OCT. 13

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Chair Yoga/Wii Bowling, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Age Café, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10:15 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:30 a.m. - Circle of Friends, Dallas Area Senior Center
10:30 a.m. - Children’s Storytime, ages 5 and under, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
11 a.m. - Scrabble - Dallas Area Senior Center
11 a.m. - Chair Yoga w/ Winnie, Independence Public Library
11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Pinochle, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Darts, Dallas Area

Senior Center
6 p.m. - Trivia Night, West Valley Taphouse, 957 S Main St., Dallas
6:30 p.m. - Independence City Council meeting, City Hall, 55 S Main St.
7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Tuesday Grace, Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E Ellendale Ave., Dallas

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 14

7 a.m. - Monmouth Library Board meeting, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St.
8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
10 a.m. - Strong People, Monmouth Senior Community Center
10:30 a.m. - Little Bitty Story Time, Dallas Public Library
10:30 a.m. - Storytime, for ages 2-6, Independence Public Library
11 a.m. - Lunch w/Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
11 a.m. - Chair Yoga w/ Winnie, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.
11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center
12 p.m. - Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Walking Group, Dallas Area Senior Center
1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center
1 p.m. - Wii bowling, Dallas Area Senior Center
2 p.m. - WRAP Class, Monmouth Senior Community Center
2 p.m. - Dallas Historic Preservation Commission meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.
4 p.m. - Kids’ Coding, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.
5:30 a.m. - Heritage Museum Advisory Board meeting, City Hall, 55 S Main St.
6 p.m. - Open Mic Night, Brew Coffee & Tap House
7:10 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Newcomers Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas

Community Briefs

KARMA COFFEE BAR HOSTS COFFEE WITH A COP OCT. 7

Karma Coffee Bar and Bakery and the Polk County Sheriff’s Office presents Coffee with a Cop from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Oct. 7 at 1062 Main St, in Dallas. Stop by or hit the drive thru window to chat with a deputy.

FRIENDS OF POLK COUNTY HOSTS FORUM ON LAND USE ZONING PROPOSAL

The Friends of Polk County presents a free informational forum on Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) proposed rule changes that would allow the rezoning of rural farmland and forestland for housing, commercial, and light industrial uses. The forum is from 7-8 p.m. Oct. 8 at the Willow & Briar Venue, 305 Nesmith Road, in Rickreall. It features speaker Robert Liberty, a consultant and attorney for land use matters in Oregon and Montana. For more info go to www.FriendsOfPolkCounty.org.

STOMP BY CROFT VINEYARDS HOSTS TRIVIA NIGHT OCT. 8

Stomp presents Trivia Night from 6-8 p.m. Oct. 8 at Croft Vineyards, 5475 River Road S., in West Salem. There is a 6 person group maximum per table. RVSP to <https://www>.

croftvineyards.com/reservation.

CLIMATE GROUP SPEAKER SERIES CONTINUES OCT. 8

Join the Monmouth-Independence Climate Group for their next Climate Speaker Series from 7-8:30 p.m. Oct. 8 at the Monmouth Senior/Event Center. The speaker is Brooke Edmunds, PhD, Community Horticulture, Oregon State University Extension Service for Marion and Polk Counties. Edmunds’s topic will focus on “What’s Your Garden Future.”

DALLAS GLOW RUN 5K RETURNS OCT. 10

The Dallas Glow Run 5K and costume contest fundraiser is from 5-7 p.m. Oct. 10 at 182 SW Academy St. In-Person registration is from 5-6:30 p.m. The kids’ dash is at 6:30 p.m. The costume winners will be announced at 6:45 p.m. The run starts at 7 p.m. Fifty percent of proceeds will support Dallas High School athletics, providing scholarships to students who face financial barriers to participating in sports. The remaining 50 percent will benefit Dallas Christmas Cheer, a local nonprofit that provides food and support to families in need during the holiday season.

COURT STREET PUB HOSTS HALLOWEEN DRAG SHOW OCT. 10

Join Tanera Bread and Bussy Syrup for Halloween Drag

Show, a spooktacular show benefiting the charities of Reign 48, at 5 p.m. Oct. 10 at Court Street Pub & Grub, 186 SW Court St., Dallas. There is a \$10 suggested donation. It is an open call show with preference going to title holders. Send music to msgen-drpdx@gmail.com and include “Halloween Show on 10/10” and your drag name.

LORA MICHELE DANCE STUDIO HOSTS BOARD GAME NIGHT FUNDRAISER OCT. 10

Lora Michele Dance Studio presents Dallas Community Board Game Night, from 5-10 p.m. Oct. 10. Join in for an all-ages, all experience level game night at the Dallas Event Center, at 939 Main St. Bring your favorite games and friends or find new friends and games. Suggested entry fee is \$5 with all proceeds going to the Lora Michele Veterans Dance Program.

READING NEST HOSTS MYSTERY IN THE NEST FUNDRAISER OCT. 10

The Reading Nest presents Mystery in the Nest, an evening of music, mystery and giving, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Oct. 10 at the Independence Elks Lodge, No. 1950, at 289 S Main St. Pull on your boots for a lively night of music, five rounds of small bites, hidden clues,

a silent auction, and a mystery that unfolds all evening. Gather your team, follow the trail, and see if you can solve it before the final reveal. Tickets are available online at www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/mystery-in-the-nest.

SW POLK FIRE HOSTS SPAGHETTI DINNER OCT. 17

The Southwest Polk Fire District invites the community to share a meal of spaghetti and meatballs, with salad and desserts, from 4:30-7 p.m. Oct. 17 at 15455 Salt Creek Road. The meal is free. Donations will be accepted.

TWO WOLVES TAPROOM HOSTS KILLER HAUS DRAG SHOW OCT. 17

The Two Wolves Taproom presents The Killer Haus, a Halloween Drag Show, from 8:30-11:30 p.m. on Oct. 17 at 171 SW Court St., in Dallas. Adults only. Tickets are available online at <https://bit.ly/3T2rsC0>.

ROTARY HOSTS FUNDRAISER TO FIGHT POLIO PURPLE PINKIES, PINTS & BINGO OCT. 20

The Rotary Club of Dallas is partnering with Two Wolves Taproom to present Purple Pinkies, Pints & Bingo event to raise funds to End Polio. Festivities begin at 6 p.m. Oct. 20 at 171 SW Court St.

Pay-to-play activities include pinkie painting, 50/50 cash prize bingo, and food and drink purchases. Donations of \$1 or more will be accepted for pinkie nail painting that represents a child that has received the polio vaccine. Bingo card packs will be sold for \$15. A portion of drink sales also will be contributed to the cause.

PANTHER CLUB HOSTS FUNDRAISER DINNER, AUCTION OCT. 24

The Central Panther Club hosts the annual Panther Club Auction from 5-10 p.m. Oct. 24 at the Panther Pit, 1530 Monmouth St., in Independence. This is their annual auction that supports Central High School student athletes and athletic programs. Tickets start at \$44.52 and are available online at <https://bit.ly/4rLfGp>.

FRIENDS OF THE FAIR HOST BENEFIT DINNER, AUCTION OCT. 24

Polk County Friends of the Fair Present Apple Pies & Family Ties, a benefit dinner and auction Oct. 24 at the Polk County Fairgrounds and Event Center, 520 S. Pacific Highway W., Rickreall. Appetizers, social hour and silent auction opens at 5 p.m. Dinner and dessert auction at 6 p.m. Live auction starts at 7 p.m. Featuring a

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PUBLIC SALE Public Sale at Godsey Secure Storage, LLC, 1360 SE Godsey Road, Dallas, OR 10:30AM Saturday, OCTOBER 17, 2026. All sales CASH, VISA or MASTER CARD ONLY. Units will be sold as a whole. Call (503) 831-0234 for details. Dixon, John, F335 , Fowler, Josh, E255, Garinger, Deanna, A012, Hamilton, Bethany, C170 , Hogan, Errin, A016, Hutchinson , Ashley, C122, Larson, Virginia, E228,E314, Latdrick, Martin, F327, McEwan, Jenni, E301, Villarreal, Rusty, C166, Yeager, Jennifer , E297, Zierle-Sparks, Krystynah, A026 09/30/26, 10/07/26, 10/14/26

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HOMES FOR SALE



THIS WEEK'S FEATURED HOMES



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PRICE IMPROVED! Take a look at this CUTE clean move in ready home in Monmouth! 4bd/2 bath. New roof and exterior paint in 2025. New sewer line and range in 2026. Updated bathroom and flooring. Enjoy the big fenced yard and covered deck. This is a great rental or first home. **\$342,000.00** (#841228)



Great location in a 55+ community. Great home, affordable price. Southern facing that provides nice light. 3bd/2 bath. Home has a nice flow with the primary suite separate from bedrooms 2 & 3. Laundry room off the kitchen. Electric furnace. **\$65,000.00** (#840156)



Bring your ideas for this solid bones home!! This value-added home can sparkle once again with fresh interior paint, floor covering and completion of bathroom remodel. The classic floor plan offers generous sized rooms and functionality in this 2bd/2bath home. **\$52,500.00** (#819751)



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PCIO26-412 Notice of Permit Amendment T-14717 T-14717 filed by the City of Monmouth, c/o Rochelle Anderson, 151 West Main St Monmouth, OR 97361, proposes additional points of appropriation under Permit G-12976. The permit allows the use of 6.0 cubic feet per second from two wells in Sects. 3 and 10, T9S, R4W, W.M. for Municipal Use within the City of Monmouth service area. The applicant proposes three additional points of appropriation in Sects. 28 and 33, T8S, R4W WM. The Water Resources Department has concluded that the proposed permit amendment appears to be consistent with the requirements of ORS 537.211. The last date of newspaper publication is 10/14/2026. 10/07/26, 10/14/26

PCIO26-409 Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice Downtown Storage and Warehouse located at 889 Liberty St NE Salem OR 97301 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.bid13.com on 10/22/2026 at 10:00AM. Margaret R Hall unit #A3054; Teddie Rohme unit #A3160; Daniel Molodyh unit #A4109. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. 10/07/26, 10/14/26

PCIO26-402 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.storage treasures.com on 10/21/2026 at 10:00AM. Paul Perrin unit #038; Jesse Harrington unit #181; Anders Cozart unit #192. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. 09/30/26, 10/07/26

PCIO26-403 Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice IN Self Storage - Salem West located at 2401 Salem Dallas Hwy 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.storage treasures.com on 10/21/2026 at 10:00AM. Jean Butler unit #062; Max Hill unit #238; Shawn Everette / Shawn E Everette unit #400. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. 09/30/26, 10/07/26

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PCIO26-405 PUBLIC SALE Public Sale at Godsey Secure Storage, LLC, 1360 SE Godsey Road, Dallas, OR 10:30AM Saturday, OCTOBER 17, 2026. All sales CASH, VISA or MASTER CARD ONLY. Units will be sold as a whole. Call (503) 831-0234 for details. Dixon, John, F335 , Fowler, Josh, E255, Garinger, Deanna, A012, Hamilton, Bethany, C170 , Hogan, Errin, A016, Hutchinson , Ashley, C122, Larson, Virginia, E228,E314, Latdrick, Martin, F327, McEwan, Jenni, E301, Villarreal, Rusty, C166, Yeager, Jennifer , E297, Zierle-Sparks, Krystynah, A026 09/30/26, 10/07/26, 10/14/26

PCIO26-394 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS NO.: 25-73826 Reference is made to that certain Deed of Trust (hereinafter referred as the Trust Deed) made by JENNIFER JAY RICKEY, A MARRIED PERSON as Grantor to FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as designated nominee for VILLAGE CAPITAL & INVESTMENT LLC., beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as Beneficiary, dated 7/15/2022, recorded 8/1/2022, as Instrument No. 2022-008986, in mortgage records of Polk County, Oregon covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to-wit: LOT 29, BLOCK 2, LOWELL ESTATES SUBDIVISION, IN THE CITY OF SALEM, COUNTY OF POLK AND STATE OF OREGON. The street address or other common designation, if any for the real property described above is purported to be: 2321 WESTFARTHING WAY NORTHWEST, SALEM, OREGON 97304 The Tax Assessor's Account ID for the Real Property is purported to be: 359151 / 07320-AB-09500 Both the beneficiary and the trustee, ZBS Law, LLP have elected to foreclose the above referenced Trust Deed and sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and a Notice of Default and Election to Sell has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). All right, title, and interest in the said described property which the grantors had, or had power to convey, at the time of execution of the Trust Deed, together with any interest the grantors or their successors in interest acquired after execution of the Trust Deed shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and the expenses of sale, including the compensation of the trustee as provided by law, and the reasonable fees of trustee's attorneys. The default for which the foreclosure is made is: The monthly installment of principal and interest which became due on 11/1/2024, late charges, and all subsequent monthly installments of principal and interest. You are responsible to pay all payments and charges due under the terms and conditions of the loan documents which come due

subsequent to the date of this notice, including, but not limited to, foreclosure trustee fees and costs, advances and late charges. Furthermore, as a condition to bring your account in good standing, you must provide the undersigned with written proof that you are not in default on any senior encumbrance and provide proof of insurance. Nothing in this notice should be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the beneficiary under the deed of trust, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the loan documents. The amount required to cure the default in payments to date is calculated as follows: From: 11/1/2024 Total of past due payments: \$62,583.58 Late Charges: \$1,761.11 Additional charges (Taxes, Insurance, Corporate Advances, Other Fees): \$8,730.55 Trustee's Fees and Costs: \$1,256.00 Total necessary to cure: \$74,331.24 Please note the amounts stated herein are subject to confirmation and review and are likely to change during the next 30 days. Please contact the successor trustee ZBS Law, LLP, to obtain a "reinstatement" and or "payoff" quote prior to remitting funds. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the Trust Deed due and payable. The amount required to discharge this lien in its entirety to date is: \$429,252.70 Said sale shall be held at the hour of 11:00 AM on 12/4/2026 in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 187.110, and pursuant to ORS 86.771(7) shall occur at the following designated place: At the front entrance of the Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR 97338 Other than as shown of record, neither the said beneficiary nor the said trustee have any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the Trust Deed, or of any successor(s) in interest to the grantors or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: NONE Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation(s) of the Trust Deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Trust Deed, together with the trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by ORS 86.778. The mailing address of the trustee is: ZBS Law, LLP 5 Centerpointe Dr., Suite 400, Lake Oswego, OR 97035 (503) 946-6558 In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective

successors in interest, if any. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. IMPORTANT NOTICE: Starting March 1, 2026, Federal Law may prohibit ZBS Law from issuing a Trustee's Deed Upon Sale in connection with this trustee's sale until information about the winning bidder is reported to the U.S. Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.? See, 31 CFR § 1031.320 (<https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-31/subtitle-B/chapter-X/part-1031/subpart-C/section-1031.320>).? If this trustee's sale qualifies as a "reportable transfer" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(b), and you, as buyer, qualify as a "transferee entity" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(1) or "transferee trust" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(2), you will be obligated to provide information about the Beneficial Owner(s) of the transferee to ZBS Law or ZBS Law's designated representative.? If you qualify as an exempt entity or trust under 31 CFR § 1031.320(n) (10-11), you may be required to provide evidence of the exemption supported by a declaration under penalty of perjury.? If the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale cannot be issued due to a qualified transferee's failure or inability to provide the necessary reporting information, the qualified transferee will be responsible for all fees and costs to re-notice the trustee's sale. Dated: 7/23/2026 ZBS Law, LLP By: Dirk Schouten, OSB#115153 ZBS Law, LLP Authorized to sign on behalf of the trustee EPP 48741 Pub Dates 09/23, 09/30, 10/07, 10/14/2026

PCIO26-395 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS NO.: 25-76727 Reference is made to that certain Deed of Trust (hereinafter referred as the Trust Deed) made by TRAVIS WAYNE ARP and LYNZEY ARP, AS TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETY as Grantor to TICOR TITLE COMPANY OF OREGON, as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as designated nominee for CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as Beneficiary, dated 6/24/2021, recorded 7/2/2021, as Instrument No. 2021-010915, in mortgage records of Polk County, Oregon covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to-wit: PARCEL 1: A TRIANGULAR TRACT OF LAND IN SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN IN POLK COUNTY, OREGON, AND BEING THAT CERTAIN OF LAND CONVEYED TO GEORGE IRVEN SHARR, BY DEED RECORDED JULY 9, 1941, IN BOOK 109, PAGE 61, DEED RECORDS FOR POLK COUNTY, OREGON; MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT WHICH IS 220 RODS SOUTH, 240 RODS EAST, 80 RODS NORTH AND 80 RODS EAST FROM THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE DONATION LAND CLAIM OF FIELDEN M. THORP, NO. 40 SAID POINT

OF BEGINNING ALSO BEING THE EASTERLY SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THAT TRACT OF LAND CONVEYED TO K.L WILLIAMS, ET UX, BY DEED RECORDED JULY 11, 1929, IN BOOK 89, PAGE 529, DEED RECORDS FOR POLK COUNTY, OREGON; THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTHERLY SOUTH LINE OF SAID WILLIAMS TRACT A DISTANCE OF 200 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF THE INDEPENDENCE-BUENA VISTA ROAD; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE INDEPENDENCE-BUENA VISTA COUNTY ROAD A DISTANCE OF 930 FEET TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE NORTHERLY EAST LINE OF SAID WILLIAMS TRACT; THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE NORTHERLY EAST LINE OF WILLIAMS TRACT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PARCEL II: BEGINNING ON THE WESTERLY LINE OF DAVID JOHNSON DONATION LAND CLAIM NO. 41 IN SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN IN POLK COUNTY, OREGON, SAID POINT ALSO BEING ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE ON BUENA VISTA ROAD AND THE MOST NORTHERLY CORNER OF A 2.24 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND CONVEYED TO FAY A. ROOT BY WARRANTY DEED RECORDED ON FEBRUARY 27, 1985, IN VOLUME 185, PAGE 96, BOOK OF RECORDS FOR POLK COUNTY, OREGON; WHICH IS 551.73 FEET SOUTH 0°05'10" WEST FROM THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID JOHNSON CLAIM; THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE, SOUTH 89°43'40" EAST 40.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0°05'10" WEST 821.90 FEET TO THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF A PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 135, PAGE 1150, BOOK OF RECORDS FOR POLK COUNTY, OREGON AND AS DELINEATED ON CS 11185-A; THENCE, ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY LINE, NORTHERLY 89°43'40" WEST 40.00 FEET TO THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID PARCEL AND THE WESTERLY LINE OF THE DAVID JOHNSON DONATION LAND CLAIM NO. 41; THENCE ALONG SAID WESTERLY LINE, NORTH 0°05'10" EAST 821.90 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. The street address or other common designation, if any for the real property described above is purported to be: 8100 BUENA VISTA RD, INDEPENDENCE, OREGON 97351-9789 The Tax Assessor's Account ID for the Real Property is purported to be: 09403-00-00600 / 211673 & 09402-00-00302 / 522942 Both the beneficiary and the trustee, ZBS Law, LLP have elected to foreclose the above referenced Trust Deed and sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and a Notice of Default and Election to Sell has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). All right, title, and interest in the said described property which the grantors had, or had power to convey, at the time of execution of the Trust Deed, together with any interest the grantors or their successors in interest acquired after execution of the Trust Deed shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and the expenses of sale, including the compensation of the trustee as provided by law, and the reasonable fees of trustee's attorneys. The default for which the foreclosure is made is: The monthly installment of principal and interest which became due on 5/1/2025, late charges, and all subsequent monthly installments of principal and interest. You are responsible to pay all payments and charges due under the terms and conditions of the loan documents which come due subsequent to the date of this notice, including, but not limited to, foreclosure trustee fees and costs, advances and late charges. Furthermore, as a condition to bring your account in good standing, you must provide the undersigned with written proof that you are not in default on any senior encumbrance and provide proof of insurance. Nothing in this notice should be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the beneficiary under the deed of trust, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the loan documents. The amount required to cure the default in payments to date is calculated as follows: From: 5/1/2025 Total of past due payments: \$45,634.41 Late Charges: \$250.23 Additional charges (Taxes, Insurance, Corporate Advances, Other Fees): \$5,752.50 Unapplied

Funds: (\$125.20) Trustee's Fees and Costs: \$867.00 Total necessary to cure: \$52,378.94 Please note the amounts stated herein are subject to confirmation and review and are likely to change during the next 30 days. Please contact the successor trustee ZBS Law, LLP, to obtain a "reinstatement" and or "payoff" quote prior to remitting funds. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the Trust Deed due and payable. The amount required to discharge this lien in its entirety to date is: \$521,555.91 Said sale shall be held at the hour of 11:00 AM on 12/4/2026 in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 187.110, and pursuant to ORS 86.771(7) shall occur at the following designated place: At the front entrance of the Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR 97338 Other than as shown of record, neither the said beneficiary nor the said trustee have any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the Trust Deed, or of any successor(s) in interest to the grantors or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: NONE Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation(s) of the Trust Deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Trust Deed, together with the trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by ORS 86.778. The mailing address of the trustee is: ZBS Law, LLP 5 Centerpointe Dr., Suite 400, Lake Oswego, OR 97035 (503) 946-6558 In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. IMPORTANT NOTICE: Starting March 1, 2026, Federal Law may prohibit ZBS Law from issuing a Trustee's Deed Upon Sale in connection with this trustee's sale until information about the winning bidder is reported to the U.S. Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.? See, 31 CFR § 1031.320 (<https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-31/subtitle-B/chapter-X/part-1031/subpart-C/section-1031.320>).? If this trustee's sale qualifies as a "reportable transfer" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(b), and you, as buyer, qualify as a "transferee entity" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(1) or "transferee trust" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(2), you will be obligated to provide information about the Beneficial Owner(s) of the transferee to ZBS Law or ZBS Law's designated representative.? If you qualify as an exempt entity or trust under 31 CFR § 1031.320(n) (10-11), you may be required to provide evidence of the exemption supported by a declaration under penalty of perjury.? If the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale cannot be issued due to a qualified transferee's failure or inability to provide the necessary reporting information, the qualified transferee will be responsible for all fees and costs to re-notice the trustee's sale. Dated: 7/23/2026 ZBS Law, LLP By: Dirk Schouten, OSB#115153 ZBS Law, LLP Authorized to sign on behalf of the trustee EPP 48749 Pu Dates 09/23, 09/30, 10/07, 10/14/2026

NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET HEARING

PCIO26-413

- For supplemental budgets proposing a change in any fund’s expenditures by more than 10 percent.

A public hearing on a proposed supplemental budget for **Falls City School District** for the current fiscal year will be held at Falls City High School, 111 N Main Street, Falls City, OR. The hearing will take place on **October 19th** at 6:30 pm, prior to the previously scheduled school board meeting. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the supplemental budget with interested persons. A copy of the supplemental budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after **Thursday, October 15th**, at the Falls City High School or on the school district's website.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BUDGET CHANGES

AMOUNTS SHOWN ARE REVISED TOTALS IN THOSE FUNDS BEING MODIFIED

Fund: 400 Capital Projects			
Requirements	Original Budget	Supplemental Increase	Amended Amount
Resources- 5200 Interfund Transfer	\$100,000.00	\$91,203.00	\$191,203.00
Requirements- 5000 Other Uses	\$100,000.00	\$91,203.00	\$191,203.00

The supplemental budget is proposed to amend the adopted budget for the Fund 400- Capital Projects to recognize an additional \$91,203 in interfund Transfer revenue from the General Fund and to increase the related appropriation of long-term debt services.

The supplemental budget will increase the 5000 Other Uses (Interagency/Fund Transactions and Debt Service) appropriation by \$91,203, resulting in a total appropriation of \$191,203 for related long-term debt service expenditures.

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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, SEPT. 24

At 4:12 a.m., an officer removed a large tonneau cover from the lane of travel on Oakdale Road.

At 8:52 a.m., a motorist reported a road rage incident where another driver followed her into the Walmart parking lot and flipped her off and yelled at her. The suspect was gone upon an officer's arrival. No crimes were committed.

At 10:02 a.m., a resident on Cooper Street reported he thought another subject scratched his van while parking next to it in the driveway. This was a scuff mark that an officer was able to scrape off. No crimes were committed.

At 2 p.m., a motorist from Independence was cited for speeding 39 mph in a 20-mph school zone on Miller Avenue.

At 11:01 p.m., an officer drove by and saw a trunk open on a vehicle on Augustus Avenue with various items inside. The owner verified nothing was stolen.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 25

At 3:22 a.m., officers investigated a report of a male subject on a white bike, backpack and AR style rifle on his back. The subject “eluded” an officer on West Ellendale Avenue. He was coming from out of town and officers lost him in the park area.

At 7:05 a.m., Elvira Ramos was arrested on Log Cabin Street and was charged with three counts of forgery 2, three counts of criminal possession of a forged instrument 2, and giving false information about liability insurance. She was lodged at Polk County Jail.

At 8:53 a.m., Alisha New was arrested and lodged at Polk County Jail on an outstanding failure to appear warrant out of Dallas Municipal.

At 11:25 a.m., a late report of a theft at Walmart.

At 6:19 p.m., officers provided a law enforcement presence at the Dallas High School football game. The Dragons won, 55-0!

At 10:50 p.m., a motorist on Main Street was cited for speeding 40 mph in a 20-mph zone.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 26

At 1:45 a.m., an officer responded to a report of a hit and run on Clay Street. The officer contacted the involved motorist who returned to the scene and fixed a stop sign. There were no signs of intoxication and no damage to city property only to the vehicle.

At 2:05 p.m., a report of the theft of times from H2O on Maple Street.

At 4:54 p.m., an officer responded to a report of a buck in the area of Miller Avenue with fabric stuck on its antlers but was unable to locate the buck.

At 5:43 p.m., an officer cited and released Flores Espinoza on Court Street

on charges of theft 3.

At 9:43 p.m., an officer located a pile of bags and miscellaneous items stacked up near the electrical boxes at Polk County Crisis building.

At 10:06 p.m., an officer contacted a juvenile on Jefferson Street on an electric bike with no helmet on. The officer advised the juvenile of the helmet law and gave him a verbal warning for no helmet. The juvenile stated he would get a helmet.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 27

At 10:34 p.m., an officer responded to a report of a subject loitering out front of a location on Ellendale Avenue. The subject left as the officer was arriving and the complainant no longer wanted to report him. However, the complainant advised if the subject came back then they would consider trespassing charges.

At 10:46 p.m., an officer came across a subject taking a power nap in a park off Walnut Avenue. The officer advised him to not park in the park. He understood and left.

MONDAY, SEPT. 28

At 7:52 a.m., Kaden Willems was arrested on Court Street and lodged at Polk County Jail on probable cause for violation of a restraining order.

At 8:57 a.m., an officer investigated a report of a subject digging through trash on Davis Street. He was contacted and advised to stop. He left shortly after.

At 2:13 p.m., a motorist on Miller Avenue was cited for Speeding 44 mph in a 20-mph zone and for driving while suspended - violation.

At 4:26 p.m., a 1989 Cadillac Deville was repossessed on Walnut Avenue.

At 5 p.m., three subjects were formally trespassed from a location on Main Street by the property owner.

At 5:52 p.m., a subject was trespassed from a location on Ash Street.

At 7:38 p.m., a juvenile was stopped on a gas powered pit bike, with no lights, on La Creole Drive. The officer advised the youth of the laws regarding operating motor vehicles on the roadways and how this vehicle is not allowed. A guardian was contacted who stated she would come pick him up.

At 5:54 p.m., a report of loud music coming from Kings Valley Highway from an unknown space. An officer arrived late due to other calls and heard nothing on arrival.

At 8:35 p.m., Takielea Young was cited and released on Washington Street on an outstanding Albany Municipal Warrant.

At 9:30 p.m., Dalton Gosen was arrested on Court Street and charged with contempt /violation of restraining order and was lodged at Polk County Jail.

At 5:54 p.m., a report of loud music coming from Kings Valley Highway from an unknown space. An officer arrived late due to other calls and heard nothing on arrival.

At 8:35 p.m., Takielea Young was cited and released on Washington Street on an outstanding Albany Municipal Warrant.

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TUESDAY, SEPT. 29

At 11:53 a.m., a report of a speeding pickup truck on Ash Street with kids in the bed. Due to a time delay an officer was unable to locate the vehicle in the area.

At 1:29 p.m., Jaime Decaney was cited and released on an outstanding Dallas Municipal warrant.

At 4:42 p.m., a report

of a two-vehicle crash on Ellendale Avenue with no injuries.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30

At 3 a.m., a motorist from Falls City was cited for speeding 79 mph in a 45-mph zone on Kings Valley Highway.

At 9:15 a.m., a report that a B & G logging truck hit several lines on Bridlewood Drive and also pulled a Spectrum line down. The truck was located at Ellendale/Oakdale and handled by Oregon State Police. Officers and Dallas Public Works took care of traffic control while waiting for Spectrum to show up for a downed line.

At 10:02 a.m., a complainant thought a baby was left in a vehicle at the food bank on Main Street. An officer was unable to locate the vehicle.

At 10:28 a.m., Chantal Amador was arrested on Kings Valley Highway and charged with giving false information, trespass 1, criminal mischief 2 and theft 3. She was also cited and released on two outstanding warrants from Clackamas County.

At 1:20 p.m., a report of a late theft from Walmart.

At 8:16 a.m., a resident on Kings Valley Highway reported her neighbor's dog bit her dog. She had already reported it to animal control yesterday.

At 4:30 p.m., an officer returned stolen clothing from an earlier theft.

At 5:41 p.m., a report of a late theft from Walmart.

At 8:16 a.m., a resident on Kings Valley Highway reported her neighbor's dog bit her dog. She had already reported it to animal control yesterday.

At 4:30 p.m., an officer returned stolen clothing from an earlier theft.

At 5:41 p.m., a report of a late theft from Walmart.

At 6:19 p.m., a motorist on Main Street was cited for speeding 35 mph in a 20-mph zone.

At 9:25 p.m., a motorist on Jefferson Street was cited for failure to carry and present a license.

At 9:31 p.m., Jeremy Wright was arrested on Main Street and charged with disorderly conduct 2 and offensive littering. He was lodged at Polk County Jail.

Independence Police Department

MONDAY, SEPT. 21

A woman reported that she'd left her purse at a restaurant in the 1300 block of Monmouth Street. When reviewing the video surveillance the officer observed a child pick up the purse, look to her parent, then hastily exit the restaurant. The officer recognized the parent as Armando Perez Jr. and upon contacting Perez several days later he produced the victim's identification, purse, wallet and a bracelet. Perez was cited for theft 2 - purse snatching.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 25

At 12:47 p.m., multiple callers complained of a motorist's reckless driving on Gun Club Road. Officers were unable to locate the suspect vehicle.

At 4:27 p.m., a late report of a hit and run on 16th Street.

At 5:38 p.m., a teacher at Talmadge Middle School reported a student said her mother was beating her.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 26

At 1:12 a.m., an officer contacted an intoxicated male subject stumbling around on 5th Street.

At 12:39 p.m., an officer responded to a report

of a dementia patient who got out on Stryker Road while her husband was away. The officer got them reunited.

A motorist was stopped in the 400 block of South 2nd Street for using their cell phone while driving. The officer discovered the driver, Johnathan Bennett, was driving while suspended - misdemeanor with an ignition interlock device requirement. After his parole officer issued a detainer, Bennett was arrested and transported to jail.

At 7:38 p.m., officers responded to a report of a female subject screaming for help on 7th Street. They found an emotionally disturbed subject who was the subject of several calls this week. She was not in need of services and was reunited with her husband. They talked about potential services.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 27

Erik Jacobsen was arrested in the 600 block of Tylers Place and was charged with assault 4 (misdemeanor level) following an argument with his domestic partner where he reportedly slammed her into a counter.

MONDAY, SEPT. 28

At 5:01 p.m., a parent on E Street his son has medical issues and was complaining of difficulty breathing. Medics responded and transported him to Salem Hospital.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 29

At 5:26 a.m., a male subject was arrested on Hoffmann Road and charged with theft 2.

At 3:18 p.m., a report that a bear statue was stolen sometime overnight from the front of a home on 10th Street.

Monmouth Police Department

THURSDAY, SEPT. 24

Suspicious Activity: A caller reported a suspicious vehicle following a student. An officer checked on contractors at the location and found no issues.

Harassment: A student reported ongoing harassment and unwanted text messages from an individual at a previous school. An officer planned to follow up with the previous institution.

Information: A senior center representative requested extra patrol due to an individual sleeping near the building.

Information: A resident reported speeding vehicles and requested increased traffic patrol in the area.

Driving Complaint: Officers received complaints about unlicensed mini bikes. An officer contacted residents and spoke with individuals regarding street-legal regulations and a previous incident involving law enforcement.

Information: A senior center representative requested extra patrol due to an individual sleeping near the building.

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of an intoxicated individual being escorted into a building was handled by campus security, who confirmed the person was safe.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 25

Trespassing: A report of a trespasser violating a restraining order prompted a multi-agency response and a search with a drone, but the suspect was unlocated.

Suspicious Activity: A resident reported a disturbing overseas conversation regarding a family member and wanted to provide a recording.

Traffic Crash: A two-vehicle non-injury crash occurred. Exchange forms were provided and a report was prepared for the department of motor vehicles.

Suspicious Person: Church members reported concerns regarding camper activity and drug use. Officers monitored the area and communicated a timeline for departure.

Citizen Contact: A resident expressed concern about camp activity. Officers noted ongoing efforts to address it.

Follow-Up: A resident provided home security footage regarding a trespassing suspect.

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SATURDAY, SEPT. 26

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Noise Complaint: A report of a loud party resulted in an area check with no noise detected.

Suspicious Activity: A resident reported being approached and followed by an individual. Officers noted plans to keep watch.

Suspicious Person: A resident reported a person yelling outside a residence. The individual left without incident when confronted.

Prowling: A report of a person looking into vehicles and acting aggressively resulted in an area check with negative results.

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Follow-Up: A juvenile was referred for eluding law enforcement on a mini bike.

Driving Complaint: An area check for mini bikes yielded negative results.

Harassment: A resident reported long-term harassment and being watched by a neighbor. No contact was requested at this time.

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checking a location for a vehicle linked to a theft.

Noise Complaint: A report of vehicle drifting and loud exhausts resulted in increased patrol plans.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 27

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Trespassing: An individual with an active warrant and probable cause was located and arrested for theft and trespassing.

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Found Property: An abandoned bicycle that was recovered and logged matched the description of one ridden by a previously arrested individual.

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MONDAY, SEPT. 28

Area Check: An individual sleeping near the senior center entrance was asked to move along.

Emotionally Disturbed Person: Police contacted a caller reporting a disturbance was contacted. She experienced mental health distress and was provided crisis resources.

Animal Complaint: Officers investigated a report of a dog left in a vehicle. The dog was not in distress but the owners were counseled.

Traffic Crash: A rear-end collision involving two vehicles resulted in property damage exceeding \$2,500, requiring vehicle towing and report documentation.

Theft: A retail theft attempt of meat products was interrupted by a manager. The suspect fled in a vehicle and footage was

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secured for charges.

Follow-Up: Police investigated a report of a juvenile physical altercation. A suspect was referred for assault and strangulation charges.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 29

Driving Complaint: An officer stopped a reported swerving vehicle. The driver showed no impairment signs but had visible prohibited items, and parole officers were updated.

Assistance to Other Agency: Officers assisted another agency in returning a trespassing individual to her residence.

Premises Check: A senior center check showed the return of bedding items from an individual previously asked to move.

Area Check: A wooded area check for vehicle break-ins revealed a hammock and a well-defined footpath, prompting increased patrols.

Suspicious Activity: A trash odor complaint was checked with negative results.

Citizen Contact: A resident reported accidentally retaining an identification card and was advised on drop-off options.

Trespassing: A business requested a formal trespassing warning for an individual threatening staff.

Trespassing: An individual was removed from a church property. His personal items were stored, and emergency shelter coordination was attempted.

Harassment: A parent reported online bullying between family members. A message was left for follow-up.

Welfare Check: A welfare check was initiated after a caller made concerning statements about family members. The individual was contacted and assessed.

Suspicious Activity: A reported suspicious taped box was inspected and found to be an empty container.

Emotionally Disturbed Person: An individual experiencing a mental health crisis and expressing distress was provided resource information.

Arrest: An individual was arrested on an active municipal warrant.

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Domestic Disturbance / Suspicious Activity: A noise complaint of yelling was investigated and found to be calm; however, a resident documented a prior concerning interaction involving children.

Animal Complaint: A report of loose dogs in an area resulted in an area check with negative results.

Noise Complaint: An officer investigated a report of barking dogs inside a residence but had to leave a warning hanger since occupants were unreachable.

Theft: A stolen phone and wallet left at a gaming location were tracked. A suspect was located, arrested and charged with theft.

Citizen Contact: A dispute over withheld medication due to safety concerns was mediated, and arrangements were made for its return.

Emotionally Disturbed Person: An individual threatening self-harm was located after sending concerning messages and

transported for emergency mental health evaluation.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30

Alarm: An interior motion alarm at a business was checked and confirmed secure by the manager.

Noise and Animal Complaint: Officers responded to an anonymous complaint regarding incessantly barking dogs at a residence. They left an ordinance warning, and coordinated with family members to check on the animals.

Intoxication: Public works reported an intoxicated individual passed out on the ground. Officers checked on him and assisted him in returning home.

Disturbance: A report of yelling and banging noises in an apartment was investigated. A resident was found alone watching shows with a sound system, and no suspicious activity was observed.

Driving Complaint: A report of mini bikes in an area resulted in an officer check with negative results.

Theft: A resident reported that a road bicycle was stolen from a garage overnight, and investigation steps were initiated.

Trespassing: A property representative reported an intoxicated individual wandering around. Officers contacted the subject, issued a formal trespassing warning, and the individual departed.

Assistance to Another Agency: Officers provided cover for another agency conducting an impaired driving investigation.

Polk County Sheriff's Office

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23

At 6:34 a.m., a deputy responded to a large barn fire on Liberty Road. The deputy spoke to male on the scene who said he and his wife lived in the barn as they were building a house on the property. The subject stated there was a generator in the barn which may have caused fire but he wasn't sure. Sounds like there was a lot of hay in the barn as well. The deputy cleared once fire fighters arrived and started tending the fire.

At 6:48 a.m., a resident on Gooseneck Road reported a car on her property with people sleeping in it. The deputy found the car was legally parked on the shoulder of the road, occupied by a male and female. They told the deputy their serpentine belt broke and their boss is on his way to bring a new one.

At 8:53 a.m., a juvenile motorist was stopped on Barberry Avenue for speeding 30 mph in a 20-mph zone. The driver had a valid permit but no valid passenger with a driver's license in the vehicle with her. She also had no insurance. She was cited for no insurance and warned for the other two violations.

At 10:30 a.m., a resident on Perrydale Road who had fruit stolen from his farm stand on July 12 and Sept. 1 caught the perpetrators on a security camera and also tracked them down via a check they used to pay for some other fruit. He contacted them to get them to pay what they owe. One of the suspects initially responded with an agreement to pay but

then stopped responding to his messages. A deputy confirmed the identity of the two suspects and developed probable cause for theft 2 and criminal mischief 2 for both.

At 11:52 a.m., deputies responded to a report of a fight under the dog park bridge on Juniper Avenue. They arrived to find no disturbance.

At 12:21 p.m., a deputy used his vehicle for traffic control due to a broken down vehicle needing a tow on Falls City Road. The deputy stayed while the tow company removed the vehicle from the roadway.

At 3:50 p.m., Candace Green came to the Sheriff's Office to be issued a court date on her cite and release warrant out of Clackamas County.

At 9:48 p.m., deputies responded to a report of someone using a laser pointer at passing cars on Highway 22 but were unable to locate any suspects.

At 11:41 p.m., a deputy investigated a report of a female wandering around the road on Polk Street in Independence saying help me. The deputy located the female and returned her home to her husband. The deputy learned from the husband that his wife has dementia.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 24

At 7:58 a.m., a resident on Salt Creek Road reported a vehicle parked with someone slumped over in the driver's seat. He stated the vehicle had been here for about 24 hours. A deputy remembered seeing the vehicle there yesterday as well. The driver was fine and stated he had stopped here yesterday when he got tired. He left to go to an appointment in Salem and was on his way back to the coast but got tired again and chose the same spot to sleep.

At 8:08 a.m., a deputy dispatched a deer that was struck by a vehicle on Ellendale Avenue then dragged it out of the roadway. Community development set up a time for the garbage company to come pick it up, most likely tomorrow.

At 12:53 p.m., a deer got hit on Pacific Highway and broke its rear legs. A deputy dispatched it. The reporting subject had a friend on the way to salvage the meat.

At 5:13 p.m., a deputy responded to a report of a pickup truck in a ditch on Buena Vista Road with its hazard lights on. The deputy was unable to contact the registered owner. The deputy placed yellow hazard tape around it and planned to call a tow later.

At 10:26 p.m., a deputy responded to a report of a tree down on Farmer Road. The deputy located a large tree branch across the road and moved it off to the side.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 25

At 1:12 a.m., a resident on Bentley Street reported a male subject was in her garage. Deputies arrived and made a game plan with Monmouth Police due to officer safety issues. They searched the residence but were unable to locate the suspect. They had probable cause on the male suspect for burglary and contempt of court from another case.

At 10:34 a.m., a deputy observed a gray Honda parked at the Weyerhaeuser property turnout at Josiah Willis Road. The vehicle was

surrounded by trash, food items, and a fire pit. After being uncooperative, the driver was cited for criminal trespass 2. She was advised to clean up and leave the area.

At 11:32 a.m., an administrator at Collaborative Living LLC in Dallas, came into PCSO to turn in a small ziploc bag with white residue inside. The bag was found in one of their residential homes in Lebanon and brought to Dallas. Rather than return with it to the jurisdiction in Lebanon, it was brought to PCSO for destruction.

At 12:02 p.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 83 mph in a 55-mph zone and for driving uninsured.

At 11:39 a.m., a resident on Salt Creek Road reported a male dog with a collar and no tags was on her property. The resident didn't know who the dog belonged to and it was not aggressive. It was gone by the time deputies arrived and they were unable to locate it.

At 4:23 p.m., a report of a two vehicle non injury, non-blocking crash on Hopewell Road.

At 7:22 p.m., a report of several vehicles trespassing outside and approximately 10 gun shots at Holiday Tree Farm/Eagle Crest Overlook off Eagle Crest Road. The reported vehicles were gone upon deputies' arrival. They were also unable to locate any subjects down the gravel road. This reported location is notorious for vehicles parking near the red gate in an ongoing issue.

At 9:57 p.m., Quinton Detzer was arrested on a P.O. detainer after it was reported he approached four employees on 34th Avenue (a treatment center) with a saw. He was also charged with four counts of menacing and four counts of unauthorized use of a weapon. Detzer was lodged at Polk County Jail.

At 11:59 p.m., a deputy assisted a tribal officer with Spanish translations at a DUII traffic stop. The driver was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicant.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 26

At 1:45 a.m., deputies investigated a report of a hit and run accident on Clay Street in Dallas. A male subject returned to the scene and fixed the stop sign. There were no signs of intoxication and no damage to city property, only to his vehicle. Meanwhile, a female walked up, saying she had been the driver of the involved vehicle. She had been at the bar and drinking and the deputy could smell an odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from her. Dispatch ran her through LEDS and I learned she was a corrections offender with no alcohol / intoxicants conditions. She was arrested for parole violation and lodged at Polk County Jail.

At 12:06 p.m., a resident on Belvedere Street reported his son had hit him and caused damage to many things inside the house and several cars outside using a hammer. The son told deputies he hit several things inside the house because he was angry his parents were attempting to kick him out of the house. The son was arrested and lodged at Polk County Jail where he was charged with harassment, unlawful use of a weapon, and two counts of criminal mischief 2.

At 3:46 p.m., an unknown person dropped off a dog at West Salem Vet Clinic sometime this morning. A deputy went and picked it up and lodged it at the dog pound.

At 7:50 p.m., medics responded to a report of an injured person at a residence on May Road who had punched something and cut his hands. They then called for law enforcement backup after the resident was not answering the door and dogs present on the property. En Route, deputies learned the resident, Adam West, had an outstanding warrant. They arrived and contacted West in the ambulance and arrested him for the warrant. He was lodged at Polk County Jail.

At 11:30 p.m., deputies responded to a single vehicle accident on Ellendale Road. The driver said while reaching for a taco, he didn't see the stop sign and crashed into a ditch and fence in the 16600 block of Oakdale Road. The driver showed signs of impairment but refused to take a field sobriety test. After he was arrested on probable cause for DUII, deputies found several alcoholic beverages in the car and a vape pen on the subject's person. A blood draw through Implied consent done at West Valley Hospital. He had sustained very minor injuries and was transported to Polk County Jail where he was charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicant.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 27

At 2:51 a.m., a motorist on Salem Dallas Highway was stopped for speeding 90 mph in a 55-mph zone. The driver, Adrian Velez, showed signs of impairment and failed a field sobriety test. He was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicant and reckless driving. He was also cited for driving uninsured. At the jail, Velez blew a BAC of .17%.

At 11:38 a.m., a stolen trailer was located on large property between the power sub station and West Salem neighborhoods that can be accessed from Highway 22. Deputies found the owner and contacted them to come collect it.

At 6:41 p.m., a motorist on Highway 99 near Rickreall Road was stopped for expired tags. The driver provided a photo of some sort of Mexican identification. She was cited for no operator's license and for driving uninsured. The vehicle was towed.

At 8:21 p.m., a resident on Broadmead Road reported hearing several shots, alternating between rifles and pistols somewhere north of him but south of Ballston Road. A deputy checked the area but did not find anything suspicious nor hear more shots.

At 9:46 p.m., a resident on Black Rock Road reported hearing one to two rifle shots for the last 15 minutes. The complainant said due to living in a canyon, he couldn't tell the direction the shots were coming from. A deputy checked Blackrock Road out to Socialist Valley Road but didn't hear anything nor see anything out of the ordinary.

At 11:21 p.m., a deputy stopped Jacob Kerbs on Wallace Road for a bicycle violation. Kerbs

was carrying what looked like a handgun case. When asked about it, he opened it to show it contained methamphetamine. Kerbs admitted to being enroute to deliver drugs to someone in Wallace Park. Kerbs was arrested and lodged at Polk County Jail where he was charged with possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine and unlawful delivery of methamphetamine.

MONDAY, SEPT. 28

At 3:01 a.m., an anonymous noise complaint of loud music on Lewis Street. A deputy spoke with the property owner who said he was working on his truck, but will keep the music down for the night.

At 7:31 a.m., Kaden Willems turned himself in to the Sheriff's Office on a restraining order violation.

At 9:23 a.m., a motorist on Grand Ronde Road was stopped for not wearing a seat belt. The driver was cited for driving while suspended - violation and for driving uninsured. A passenger drove the vehicle from the location.

At 6:25 p.m., a resident on Pageant Street was seen at Salem Hospital after a physical altercation with her ex-husband and that he strangled her. After interviewing the victim, deputies developed probable cause for assault 4, strangulation and menacing. They contacted and arrested Jonathan Garinger at the residence on the charges. He was lodged at Polk County Jail. Deputies applied for a warrant to search his Ring Camera and security camera footage.

At 8:18 p.m., a resident on Highway 18 called in to turn in a revolver his wife had found in their daughter's vest in Sheridan after she had a medical episode.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 29

At 3:27 a.m., deputies investigated a report of a single vehicle crash into a ditch. The driver said he fell asleep. There were no signs of impairment and there was no damage to the truck, although the passenger and driver side door airbags deployed.

At 7:35 a.m., a motorist on Perrydale Road was cited for speeding 36 mph in a 20-mph zone.

At 7:16 p.m., a resident on Steel Bridge Road reported a male all in black was biking on his property. When a deputy arrived, the resident was standing with the suspect at the end of his driveway. He wanted the subject trespassed. The subject was formally trespassed and warned he would be arrested if he returned. He understood and left the property.

At 10:02 p.m., a motorist on Zena Road was cited for speeding 75 mph in a 55-mph zone.

At 10:23 p.m., a deputy responded to a report of a dog barking all night for multiple nights on Ellendale Avenue. The deputy parked in the area for a while but did not hear or see any dogs.

At 10:35 p.m., a deputy located an unoccupied vehicle blocking the right turn lane of Falls City Road. It had no plates, expired temporary tag, and expired insurance. The vehicle was towed.

At 11:46 p.m., a motorist was stopped for speeding. The driver was cited for no insurance.

Respiratory virus season begins with increased flu activity

Health officials say now is time for vaccinations

BY OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY

While it may seem early to talk about the fall and winter season, health officials say now is the best time for people in Oregon to get vaccinated against respiratory viruses so they are protected before gathering indoors for holidays and other celebrations.

“I’d like to remind everyone to think about loved ones, friends and neighbors as they plan ahead for the holiday season,” said Dean Sidelinger, M.D., M.S.Ed., of Oregon Health Authority’s Public Health Division. “We are still weeks away from the season’s first holiday, Halloween — which is on a Saturday, I might add — and that’s plenty of time to get vaccinated and start building immunity against these viruses, long before the many parties and events that keep us busy in the fall.”

Sidelinger, OHA’s health officer and state epidemiologist, was among three physicians

who spoke today during a media briefing to kick off the 2026-2027 respiratory virus season. Public health officials consider the first week of October to be the unofficial start of the respiratory virus season, since influenza and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) activity typically increase during this period.

A recording of the media briefing is available on OHA’s YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/live/xZjSP1-heS4).

Sidelinger underscored the importance of getting vaccinated now by noting that Oregon has seen an increase in positive flu tests in recent weeks, with percent positivity at 3.2%. He said flu transmission remains low, but “that could change quickly and we are recommending that people in Oregon seek their flu shots soon.”

A summer 2026 surge in COVID-19 activity — a pattern seen annually since 2021 — has leveled off, although it’s not clear if the increase has yet peaked. “With elevated COVID-19 spread, it is a great time to update COVID-19 protection,” Sidelinger said.

The physicians also discussed the ongoing

measles outbreak during the briefing. Sidelinger emphasized that measles is widespread in Oregon. With 58 cases in the state as of Monday, the state now has the highest number of measles cases in the state since 1991, when we had 93 cases, and since measles was declared eliminated in 2000.

That is a sobering statistic, Sidelinger said, particularly when understanding that 96% of those measles cases were in unvaccinated persons or individuals whose vaccine status was unknown.

The risk of severe disease from measles for people who are vaccinated is very low. Measles spreads rapidly in unvaccinated communities and anyone who is unvaccinated is at risk. For children, two doses of MMR vaccine given after a child’s first birthday are recommended. Adults who do not have records of getting two MMR — or measles — vaccines, can talk to their health care provider about their level of immunity, including whether they would benefit from an MMR vaccine at this time when measles is circulating in Oregon.

Dawn Nolt, M.D.,

MPH, professor of pediatric infectious diseases at OHSU’s Doernbecher Children’s Hospital, said that while every respiratory virus season brings illness, there’s an opportunity to make the 2026-2027 season less severe for children, families and communities by getting vaccinated sooner than later.

“We want our kids to be where they belong: in school, with their friends, with their families, and making memories—not in bed sick or in a hospital,” Nolt said.

Leona O’Keefe, M.D., medical director of clinical services at Jackson Care Connect in Jackson County, recalled once caring for a young father who spent weeks in the intensive care unit and hospital with flu. He was not vaccinated because, like many busy parents, he felt he didn’t have time available in his schedule.

“I’ve supported family members through fear and sadness around these preventable diseases,” O’Keefe said. “I would be devastated if one of my children was harmed by a preventable disease because I chose not to vaccinate them, whereas I would be far more able to

face myself if I gave my children incredibly safe vaccines that hold such low risks.”

O’Keefe added that prevention can be especially important in rural communities, where families may live far from hospitals or specialists and serious illness can require long travel times and cause additional stress for patients and caregivers.

As the 2026-27 respiratory virus season begins, Nolt highlighted three recommendations for families:

1. Get vaccinated and keep your family’s vaccines up to date. Vaccines against COVID-19, flu, RSV, and measles can dramatically reduce the risk of serious illness and hospitalization.
2. Take simple steps to reduce the spread of infection. Respiratory viruses spread easily, especially indoors, and measles is extraordinarily contagious. Stay home when you’re sick, wash your hands, cover your coughs and sneezes, and consider masking when respiratory viruses are circulating widely or someone in your household is particularly vulnerable.
3. Know who is most

vulnerable and act early. Everyone can get infected, but infants, older adults, and people with certain underlying health conditions are at greater risk of serious complications if they get sick. Know your family’s risks and talk with your health care provider about prevention and what to do if someone becomes sick.

O’Keefe had one more recommendation: Talk to a trusted medical provider.

“I know it can be challenging to get a doctor appointment and fit all your questions in, but whenever possible, talk to a trusted medical provider. If you don’t have a primary care physician, consider calling the assigned primary care physician or nurse advice line on the back of your insurance card. You can also call your local public health department — regardless of insurance — or go to your local pharmacy,” O’Keefe said.

People can get the COVID-19, influenza and RSV vaccines by contacting their health plan, health care provider, county public health clinic or federally qualified health center. They can also call 211 or visit www.211info.org.

PIRATES

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show,” Ferguson said of practice. “The line is coming together, the backs are reading openings more quickly and the play calls are producing less confusion.”

Mabry considered

Camas Valley to be a stronger team than Perrydale’s recent opponents.

“We executed where we needed to execute,” he said.

Preparation also paid off on defense. Mabry credited coach Mike Connor’s game plan for limiting the Hornets’

option attack and downfield passing. In a nutshell, defensive ends applied pressure while interior linemen stayed disciplined.

“We did not overplay the ball,” Mabry said. “We worked on it all week, and we’re happy to see it worked.”

Eli Eichler, Landon

Eichler and Ferguson combined for 50 tackles, including 12 for losses and six sacks. Ferguson also forced a fumble. Harrison Damrau and Jayden Brady added interceptions.

After consecutive road trips to eastern Oregon, the Pirates returned to a homecoming crowd

dotted with classmates and family.

“I think it’s great for the kids,” Mabry said.

Perrydale next visits 10th-ranked Mohawk to begin what Mabry called a four-week “gauntlet through the league.” Cutting penalties and other mistakes remains a practice priority.

As for Ferguson, he planned to spend the weekend savoring the win.

“Enjoy it till Monday, film day, and then we’re back to the grind,” he said. “Always things we can work on.”

Perrydale began the week ranked seventh by the OSAA.

BRIEFS

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no host bar provided by Salt Creek Cider House. Tickets, which include dinner and drink (water, tea or lemonade), are \$30 per person if purchased before the event and are \$40 the day of the event.

DALLAS CHURCH HOSTS DESSERT FUNDRAISER OCT. 24

The Dallas Evangelical Church hosts a dessert fundraiser at 6 p.m. Oct. 24 at 1175 Howe St. Help the congregation meet critical maintenance needs at Whitworth Chapel, replacing the roof, windows, floors and more. RSVP Joyce Padilla at (503) 576-0441.

WINDWARD EVENTS PRESENTS TWISTED WONDERLAND COSTUME BALL NOV. 7

Windward Events hosts A Twisted Wonderland Costume Ball, paying homage to Alice in Wonderland, from 7-11 p.m. Nov. 7 at the Dallas Events Center, at 939 S Main St. Costumes in Wonderland should be literary, historical, or gothic themes preferred, and absolutely no streetwear. Dress code enforced. Appetizers and desserts are provided, as well as a mocktail bar where you can purchase drink tokens. Music for dancing will begin with dark instrumentals and flow into a more fantasy rave-esque, through the evening. Tickets are available online at <https://bit.ly/4rtN9Yc>.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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

NorthWest Senior and Disability Service needs volunteers at their Dallas and Monmouth

meal sites for their Meals on Wheels program. Volunteers help prepare and package meals, assist at the meal site, and deliver meals to older adults in Dallas and Monmouth and the surrounding community. Their service provides more than nutritious meals. For more information, contact Elijah Friday at elijah.friday@nwsds.org.

Attention Rickreall, Lincoln, Buena Vista, Perrydale, Pedee and other rural communities!

Do you know?

The Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) has proposed rule changes that would allow the rezoning of rural farmland and forestland for housing, commercial, and light industrial uses.



Want to know more?

Thursday Oct. 8, 7–9 pm

Public Forum at Willow & Briar Venue

305 Nesmith Road, Rickreall

Since these rules are not yet final, Friends of Polk County is hosting an informational forum to discuss how these changes could affect our local towns, farmland, and forestland.

This is a great opportunity to get informed and make your voice heard.



Forum Speaker: Robert Liberty
Robert grew up in Oregon and has been an active participant in Oregon land use, law and policy for 45 years. Currently he is a consultant and attorney for land use matters in Oregon and Montana.



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