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Dallas resident sounds the alarm on cougar population

By DAVID HAYES
I/O Editor

Tina Smith's 18-acre property off Southwest Illihe Road abuts Rickreall Creek, which itself flows through the center of Dallas.

When she and her husband, Bruce, bought the property in 1991, the neighbors told them to beware of the wildlife. While her undeveloped property does attract a lot of wildlife, including deer, turkeys, coyotes and even the occasional bobcat, it's the cougars that has her most worried.

"So, basically, the city is on the other side of that creek," Smith said, pointing down the hill from her back porch.

It was last fall while sitting in her rocking chair on said back porch, enjoying dusk setting in, when she heard the tell-tail signs of a nearby cougar momma.

Because they didn't develop the land, raise any livestock, or sell off pieces to pay for their two daughters to attend college, the undeveloped acreage became fertile roaming ground for cougars.

"I was sitting out here one dusk, waiting for a thunder and lighting storm," Smith recalled. "So, it was



PHOTO BY DAVID HAYES

Dallas resident Tina Smith regularly sees and hears from her back porch signs of cougars passing her property on Illihe Road.

quite, nice, warm, when I hear 'raaawr.'"

At first, she chocked it up to a funny sounding owl. Then she heard it again not 20 yards away.

"Then I began thinking, that's not even a bobcat. That's a cougar. A mom, talking to her kids," she said.

An ODFW biologist would later find tracks about 20 yards down the hill from her back porch, belonging both to a huge adult female and

several smaller ones confirming a pack of cubs.

She has since set up motion sensors that light up the paths around her house and four trail cams around her property, that somehow, the cougars have avoided being captured on so far.

Also so far, Smith said the cougars have avoided the smaller prey on her property, including her pet duck Bob, her two goats and one

sheep, which she keeps locked up safely in the barn at night. She has seen a couple deer carcasses killed and left behind by hungry cougars. Smith said the danger for pet owners who leave their dogs or cats outside at night, especially those who live along Rickreall Creek.

"The wildlife biologist told me, if you're within 100 yards of the

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Polk IO moving out of its city owned building

Staff

The Polk County Itemizer-Observer is moving out of the office it leases from the City of Dallas due to the city's need to expand its police department.

The newspaper will continue to be published each Wednesday, although beginning May 1 its employees will be working remotely from home offices or from other Country Media locations.

Country Media is the parent company of the Itemizer-Observer and based in downtown Salem.

"Far fewer of our customers are coming into our local offices to do business," said Country Media's chief executive, Joe Warren. "Classified advertising and legal notices, obituaries and subscriptions increasingly are being placed online."

Country Media owns nine community newspapers in Oregon and one in Northern California.

"Within our group of newspapers, we're beginning to create a small number of hub locations where we can produce multiple publications," Warren said. "In Tillamook, for example, we oversee news reporting and ad sales not only for the *Headlight Herald*, but also for our newspapers in Cannon Beach and Manzanita."

Meantime, allowing certain numbers of its employees to work remotely "will make it easier for Country Media to recruit new workers and also to share resources within the company," said Warren.

"It's increasingly hard to recruit new employees and independent contractors to the small towns where we're located," Warren said. "Many of them now want to work remotely from home."

"As it is, all of the company's accounting, circulation and human resources functions already are going through our central office in Salem, so this move will be of little disruption to our readers and advertising customers."

Dallas grad returns to open chiropractic clinic

By DAVID HAYES
I/O Editor

Dr. Kyle Padilla may not wear his religious devotion on his sleeve. But he does have it in the name of his new practice in Dallas - Imago Dei, Latin for Image of God.

"It comes from the idea that humans have been made in the image of God," Padilla explained. "So for me, it carries with it this beautiful understanding that humans have potential and worth and value. And that's the kind of care I'll bring to my practice. Helping people thrive through drug free chiropractic care."

The community welcomed his new practice April 12 when Padilla and his wife cut the ribbon to officially open the doors to his clinic, located at 289 Ellendale Avenue, Suite 701.

Padilla, 33, said it was quite the winding journey that led him back to his hometown to start a practice he originally never set out to pursue.

He graduated from Dallas High School in 2009, earning his degree through homeschooling, before



PHOTO BY DAVID HAYES

Kyle Padilla cuts the ribbon at the grand opening of his chiropractic clinic Imago Dei in Dallas on April 12.

working in the family landscaping business for a long time. While he loved working with his family, he knew it wasn't for him, longterm.

So he pursued his next passion, the fire service. After stints as a volunteer firefighter in Falls City and as an EMT for Dallas Fire & EMT, he went off to college to earn a degree in paramedic medicine.

"But after a number of years, I realized I don't like getting up in the middle of the night," Padilla said.

His dad was diagnosed with terminal cancer at that time, so he chose to pursue chiropractic instead.

After graduating from Life University in Marietta, Georgia, he returned to the Pacific Northwest to

work in a practice in the Beaverton area.

Having served in the paramedic community, and experiencing their trials and tribulations first hand, Padilla looks forward to offering his services to their members now that he's here in Dallas.

"I grew up being adjusted. I was a lifelong chiropractic patient. Had a deep respect for the profession. I knew I loved working with people. When I knew I didn't want to pursue paramedic medicine any more, chiropractic was the natural choice for me," he said.

Padilla gives the most credit to his completing chiropractic school to his wife, Savannah, who worked full time while he studied.

"She is a party planner and organizer. She has been instrumental in putting events like this together," Padilla said.

He explained his new practice, Imago Dei, joins about six others within the Dallas area. But he's placed his shingle out at the right

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Police Beat

Albany man receives prison sentence after Polk County Jail altercation

Ivan Rosalio Mendez-Perez, 30, has been sentenced to serve 2 ½ years in prison for his actions in initiating a verbal and physical altercation within the Polk County Jail with multiple corrections deputies.

Mendez-Perez, of Albany, was sentenced April 14 by Polk County Circuit Judge Rafael A. Caso after a jury found him guilty of multiple crimes, including assaulting a public safety officer, two counts of attempting to assault a public safety officer, sex abuse 3, and bias crime 2. Mendez-Perez will also be required to serve a two year

term of post-prison supervision upon his release.

Mendez-Perez was already serving a term of incarceration and Caso ordered that the sentence be served consecutively to that existing sentence.

During the trial, the District Attorney's Office presented evidence that during the altercation, Mendez-Perez grabbed the intimate part of a female deputy and repeatedly made sexualized comments towards her. Mendez-Perez also struck another deputy in the face, injuring him.

The case was investigated by the Polk County Sheriff's Office and prosecuted by Polk County Chief Deputy District Attorney Matt Wilson.

Independence man sentenced to prison for attack on multiple police officers

Francisco Javier Morales-Hernandez, 39, has been sentenced to serve 18 months in prison for assaulting three Monmouth police officers as they were taking him into custody for outstanding felony warrants.

Morales-Hernandez, was sentenced by Polk County Circuit Judge Rafael A. Caso, after a jury found him guilty of two counts of assaulting a public safety officer, assault 4, and resisting arrest. At the District Attorney's request, Caso ordered Morales-Hernandez to serve an enhanced sentence. He will also be required to serve a

two-year term of post-prison supervision.

The case was investigated by the Monmouth Police Department and prosecuted by Polk County Deputy District Attorney Garrett Lewellen.

Traffic stop leads to arrest of armed felon

On April 7, the Dallas Police Department responded to a report of a male driver traveling at a high rate of speed in the area of Southwest Church Street. The vehicle was located and stopped by officers, and the driver initially claimed to be out of gas. The reporting party noted that the male exhibited signs of alcohol impairment.

A DUII (driving under the influence of intoxicants)

investigation was initiated based on signs of intoxication of the driver. During the search, officers located a loaded .45 caliber handgun, controlled substances and alcohol.

The driver, identified as Jesse Shelton of Mapleton, Oregon, was found to have multiple prior felony convictions. He was arrested and lodged at the Polk County Jail on the following charges:

- DUII
- Felon in possession of a firearm
- Felon in possession of a restricted weapon
- Reckless driving
- Two counts of reckless endangering
- Two counts of furnishing alcohol to a minor

Two juvenile females, who were not related to Shelton, were also in the vehicle at the time of the stop. The two juveniles were safely returned to their families with the assistance of the Polk County Sheriff's Office.

"This incident underscores the critical role DUII enforcement plays in uncovering broader criminal activity. It also highlights the strong working relationships between Dallas Police and Polk County Sheriffs," the city of Dallas said in a press release. "The Dallas Police Department remains committed to proactive enforcement efforts that protect the safety and well-being of our community and beyond."

Dallas Library hosts storyteller William Kennedy Hornyak

The Dallas Library presents master storyteller William Kennedy Hornyak performing "On the Rocky Road: Stories of Wanderers, Itinerants and Exiles in Irish Myth, Legend and Lore" at 7 p.m. April 25. From wandering scholars and itinerant peddlers to landless outcasts and banished poets, Hornyak recounts tales and songs of Ireland's long history on the rocky road of exile.

Hornyak weaves a wide web of oral traditions into

thoughtful, engaging and beautifully crafted performances. "On the Rocky Road" is a free performance for mature audiences 14 and older. This free event will be held in the Grace Scatterday Room at the Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St. For more information, contact the Dallas Library at (503) 623-2633 or visit their Facebook page at facebook.com/dallaslibraryoregon.

Give blood during Celebrate National Volunteer Month to receive free T-shirt

During National Volunteer Month in April, the American Red Cross asks donors to help keep the blood supply stable by making an appointment to give blood or platelets now. Type O blood and platelets are especially needed to ensure hospitals are fully stocked with lifesaving blood products this spring.

The Red Cross depends on thousands of volunteer donors to collect more than 12,000 blood donations and about 3,000 platelet donations every single day. Blood drives and

donation centers also depend on the generosity and valuable time of those who make it possible for the Red Cross to help people in need.

As spring travel and activities fill calendars, volunteer blood donations remain essential to critical medical care. Book a time to give blood or platelets now by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS or by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

All who come to give through April 30 will get an

exclusive Red Cross T-shirt, while supplies last, plus be automatically entered for a chance to win a \$5,000 prize. There will be three winners. See RedCrossBlood.org/Hope.

All who come to give May 1-18 will get a \$20 e-gift card to a merchant of choice. Plus, throughout May, those who come to give will be automatically entered to win a U.S. trip of choice for two. For details, visit RedCrossBlood.org/May.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities in Polk County

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Randi Storch appointed Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Randi Storch, Ph.D., has been selected as the new Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Western Oregon University, effective June 30. Storch has experience in history education, collective bargaining and faculty development, having taught at SUNY Cortland, where she was promoted to Distinguished Teaching Professor.

Storch holds a Ph.D. from the University of Illinois and has been recognized for her commitment to innovative teaching methods. She has received eight grants from the National Endowment for

the Humanities to train K-12 teachers and faculty in place-based teaching and historical approaches to the Gilded Age and Progressive Era.

In addition to her teaching achievements, Storch is an American Council on Education fellow, a distinction that highlights her leadership and dedication to higher education.

"Dr. Storch is a seasoned higher education leader with nine years of experience as a department chair, 19 years as a member of the collective bargaining unit's labor-management team, and one year as an executive leadership

advisor," said Provost Jose Coll. "We are thrilled to welcome her to Western. Her extensive background in history and commitment to educational excellence will greatly benefit our college and its students."

Storch said she looks forward to championing the diverse talents and achievements of WOU students, faculty, and staff.

"Together, we will elevate and innovate our academic programs while fostering a vibrant community rooted in creativity, inquiry, and academic excellence," Storch said.

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time as a number of them are approaching retirement.

"As you know, there's a growing number of people moving to Dallas. But on average, only 10 percent of

the population sees a chiropractor. So, there is so much opportunity and so much need that pain is one of the leading causes of disability and absences from work. So, if I can be a part of preventing that, it would be my honor," Padilla said.

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COUGAR

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creek, that's the red zone for the cougar," she said. "Take that advice all through town, because the creek goes all through town."

Smith added that Dallas is not a city. Rather it's a rural town that has a population of cougars that have always been here.

"Deer are always their first choice. But, if they come strolling by your house and see a chicken, or a dog or a duck, they're going to take it," Smith warned.

After the most recent snow, Smith said her son in law had to sit out on the back porch with her, armed with a weapon because so many cougars were growling, calling out to each other.

"So, after that, I got one of those bear horns, and I told all the grandkids you do not go outside of the yard without it," Smith said.

She passed the information on to Polk County Sheriff Mark Garton about the week-long hyperactivity that had even local neighborhood dogs barking spooked.

Other Dallas residents have reported cougar sightings along Rickreall Creek, some even nearby the Aquatic Center. However, Garton confirmed the sightings have been on the decline.

"We have received less and less (reports) over the past several years, because people seem to just put it on social media so others can be aware and it doesn't always make its way to law enforcement," Garton said. "We probably see four to five complaints/

postings a year or so. Most times we will just transfer those calls directly to OSP (Oregon State Police), unless there is some kind of urgency to the situation."

He added residents can call the PCSO and to be referred to the right place. Or people can call OSP directly by dialing *OSP or *677 to report cougar sightings as well.

The ODFW has a webpage dedicated to living with cougars, both in the wildlife and within city limits. For more information, go to www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/living_with/cougars.asp.

"You have to be aware," Smith added. "It's like, here I was, sitting on the porch, not paying attention, and it was right there. It was dark. Who knows how long it had been there."



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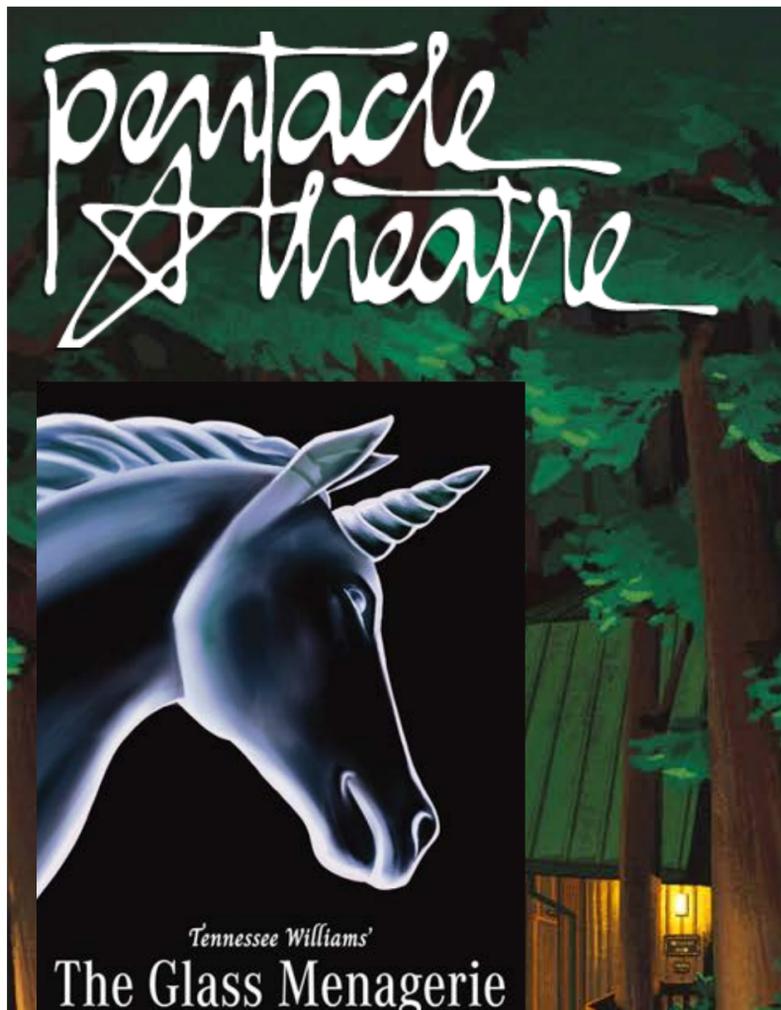
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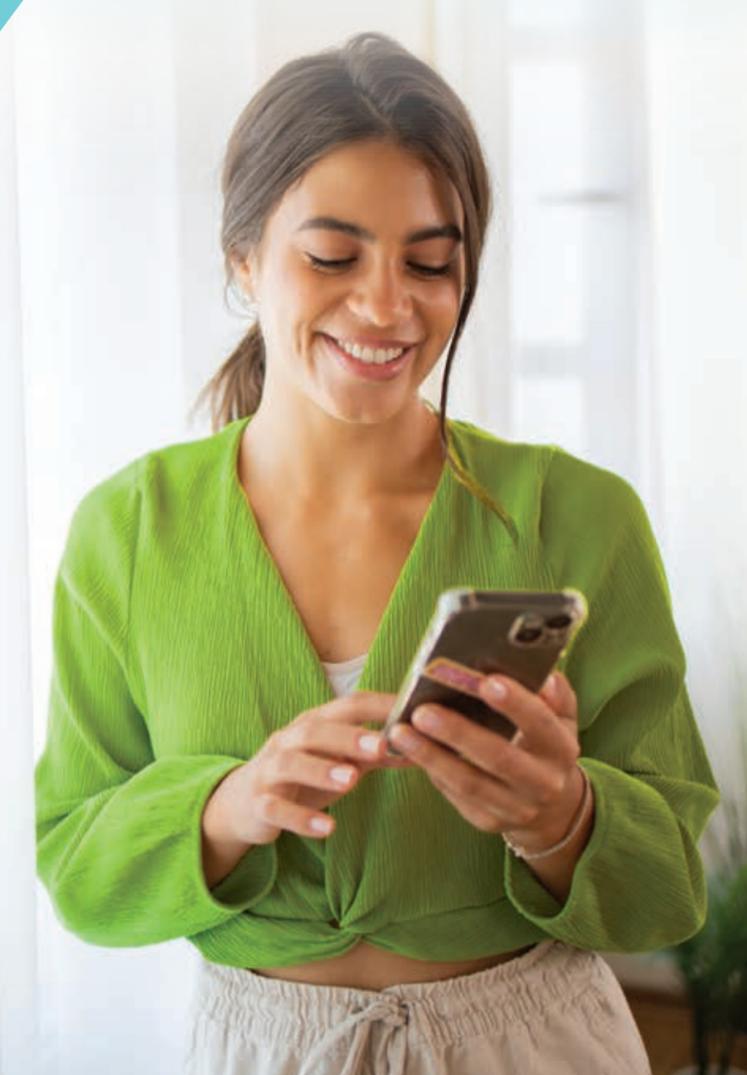
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OBITUARIES



Kurt Dugan

May 24, 1953 - April 12, 2025

Kurt Dugan, born on May 24, 1953, passed away on April 12, 2025, in Lincoln City, Oregon, at the age of 71 after a long battle with cancer. He leaves behind a loving family who will forever cherish his memory, including his wife Sandy Dugan; his daughter Sarah Davenport; his stepson Chris McFetridge; and his sisters Kim Chambers and Kellie Riesen. He was also a proud grandfather to five grandchildren and held a special place in the hearts of his extended family.

A proud veteran of the U.S. Army, Kurt served in Germany from 1971-74 with the 8th Infantry Division (mechanized) and 1-509 Airborne paratroopers. With more than 30 jumps under his belt, he often joked that he had gone up in more planes than he had landed in — a testament to both his bravery and his sense of humor.

A gifted fiddle player, he shared his love for Appalachian and Celtic music with audiences across Oregon. His monthly radio show, Up in the Hollar, aired on three community radio stations and became a beloved fixture for folk music enthusiasts.

May his memory bring comfort and continue to inspire acts of kindness.

A celebration of Kurt's life will be held at a later date.



Jane Bailey Allm

May 3, 1943 - April 9, 2025

Jane Bailey Allm passed away peacefully in her sleep on April 9 in her West Salem, Oregon, home at the age of 81.

Jane was born in Forest Grove, Oregon, to the late Gordon and Gloria (Coulter) Bailey on May 3, 1943. She grew up in Hillsboro, Oregon, and Santa Barbara, California, before her parents settled down in Yamhill, Oregon, in 1953.

After graduating from Yamhill Carlton High School, Jane attended Linfield College then earned her R.N. and Bachelor of Nursing degree at the OSHU School of Nursing in 1966.

She was married to the love of her life Richard "Dick" Allm on June 3, 1967. He built a home for them in West Salem in his father's peach orchard where they raised their three boys, Rich, Dave, and Jim. They lived happily together for 43 years before his passing on May 26, 2011.

Jane was a registered nurse for many years at the Salem Clinic while she raised her boys. She also worked at Regence Blue Cross leading the Case Management Department before retiring. Most vacations were spent helping her husband realize

his dream of being a commercial fisherman. While they were married, he built and fished three dory boats out of Pacific City, a 29-foot bartender, and his 40-foot prize the "Lady Jane" launched in 1997 out of Garibaldi. They spent a lot of time in Rockaway Beach, where Dick built their beach cabin, chasing the summer commercial salmon seasons.

Jane was a very independent, strong-willed woman who loved spending time with her family and friends. She lived a very selfless life, loved her church, and regularly volunteered at the Wilson House and Salem Hospital. She enjoyed traveling, family dinners, playing games, wine tasting with her friends, taking tap dance and jazzercise classes, and spending time with her grandkids.

Jane is survived by her children Richard (Kristi), David, and James (Jennifer) Allm; grandchildren Paige, Ryan and Samantha Allm; and siblings David (Jackie) Bailey, Anne (Michael) Shepard and Susan Hiranandani.

Niche-side services will be held at Restlawn Mausoleum in West Salem, Oregon on May 6, 2025 at 11:00am. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Morningside Methodist Church, of which Jane was a member.

Jessie Lee Rice

Sept. 15, 1962 - April 14, 2025

Jessie Lee Rice, 62, of Dallas, Oregon, passed away in her home on April 14, 2025.

She was born on Sept. 15, 1962, in Brownwood, Texas. She is survived by her wife, companion and best friend of 32 years, Tina Marie Smith; three stepchildren Jerry, Scott and Stephanie Smith; as well as two granddaughters, Alivia and Arley Smith.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jessie Armstead and Georgiana Rice; her brother, Sam Rice; and sister, Bonnie Rice.

Jessie enjoyed music, reading, crosswords and had a deep love of animals.

Memorial contributions can be made in her honor to the Oregon Humane Society.

Bollman's Tribute Center is caring for the family.



Lawrence James Guy

March 27, 1927 - April 10, 2025

Lawrence James Guy, 98, of Salem, Oregon, born March 27, 1927, passed away on Thursday, April 10, 2025.

A native of Dallas, he was the son of Lester Guy and Francis Green. Larry was drafted during his senior year at Dallas High School, class of 1946. He served as a military policeman in the Army during WWII stationed at Camp Richardson in Alaska. His service record included a Victory Medal as well as a Meritorious Unit Award with Star.

Larry worked many years as the sawyer for Godsey Lumber Company. He then worked for Stan Benge, a classmate from 1946, on the construction of I-5. He moved to Salem where he was a truck driver for Western Farmers, then drove for Suburban Propane until he retired in 1982.

Larry is survived by his sons Gregory (Heidi) and Steven; grandchildren Ryan, Tyler, Marissa, and Ashley; and great-grandchildren Jordan, Cassidy, Taytum, Matthew, Jovia and Vanadis.

Larry (Bonka) will always be remembered.

Graveside service will be on Thursday, April 24, 2025, at 2 p.m. at Dallas Cemetery, 2065 SW Fairview Ave, Dallas, Oregon. The service is open to the public.

Bollman's Tribute Center is caring for the family.



Pauline Parmenter

Nov. 19, 1926 - March 28, 2025

Pauline Parmenter died March 28, 2025. A Celebration of Life is at 11 a.m. Saturday April 26, 2025, at Independence First Baptist Church.

www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/salem-or/pauline-parmenter-12312334.

Death Notice

Shirley Rempel

March 28, 1939 - April 8, 2025

Shirely Rempel, 86, a resident of Dallas, Oregon, passed away April 8, 2025. A memorial service is Wednesday, April 23 at 3 p.m. at the Evangelical Bible Church in Dallas, Oregon.

WOU Rainbow Dance Theatre takes center stage

Western Oregon University's Darryl Thomas, professor of dance, is the co-artistic director, alongside Valerie Bergman, of the local professional dance company Rainbow Dance Theatre.

The dance company is associated with Western and local to Polk County, offering world-class choreography and cutting-edge technology. The shows feature extraordinary performances, including wearable electronic costumes, props and puppets. These performances aim to ignite excitement and curiosity about the technological components of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) learning and push the boundaries of what is possible in contemporary dance.

"Rainbow Dance Theatre provides an unparalleled bridge between academic training and the real demands of professional performance for WOU's dance majors and alumni," Thomas said. "By offering hands-on internships, potential job openings and exposure to professional expectations, we empower emerging dancers to refine their craft and gain confidence, while enriching the



PHOTO PROVIDED

Rainbow Dance Theatre provides and unparalleled bridge between academic training and the real demands of professional performance.

Monmouth community by showcasing its homegrown talent."

Their latest performance, "The Princess and the Wind," was April 13, which highlighted exceptional talent, including Western alumni

Madison Malveaux, Moises Martinez Trejo, Tessa Rosenau, Seth Ellingsworth, and Alanna Volk, alongside current dance majors Christine Anders and Olivia Robbins.

Audiences experienced Rainbow Dance Theatre's signature lyrically athletic choreography and dynamic non-traditional partnering. Additional performance highlights include a mesmerizing duet on hoverboards,

a breathtaking aerial solo performed on Lyra, and dazzling LED costuming, all woven together beautifully by the haunting live musical accompaniment of the Salem Symphonic Winds.

"Being involved with Rainbow Dance Theater has provided me with new experiences in diverse dance styles such as Partnering, African, and various Modern techniques," said Christine Anders, a current business and dance major. "We are encouraged to take original phrases of movement and adapt them according to the vision of our rehearsal director. As a student, these collaborative and creative problem-solving skills will be useful in my later career, whether that be in a dance space or the business field."

A special excerpt of this performance will be showcased at Western's Annual Spring Dance concert May 8-10. For tickets, go to <https://bit.ly/42dGFSm>.

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Guest Column

Your Environment: The EPA's new mission, explained

By PHILIP S. WENZ

When I was a boy, my grandfather told me that if you pay attention, you can learn something new every day. I took that to heart, and have tried to be mindful of everything around me. One benefit of this effort was that I discovered life is full of surprises, many of them pleasant...but some less so.

Imagine my surprise, for example, when Lee Zeldin, Donald Trump's recently appointed head of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) explained upon taking office that organization's function. It is, he said in a two-minute video he posted on X to introduce himself and his policies to the public, "to lower the cost of buying a car, heating a home and running a business."

Silly me. Ever since the EPA was established in 1970, I've thought its purpose was to protect the environment and, by extension, protect the American people from environmental hazards. I thought the Agency was supposed to enforce the Clean Air Act and regulate airborne pollutants; monitor and curb chemical contamination from asbestos, formaldehyde, lead and pesticides; set drinking water safety and quality standards; ensure environmentally sound waste disposal and oversee the cleanup of contaminated sites, including Superfund sites.

But Zeldin didn't mention any of those things in his video. Instead, he explained, "from Day 1 [of his current term] Mr. Trump has delivered on his promise to unleash energy dominance and lower the cost of living. We at the EPA will do our part to power the great American comeback."

By "energy," I assume Zeldin means fossil fuels,

since no other energy source has been promoted by the Administration. However, due to my limited understanding of policy nuances, evidenced by the fact that I didn't know what the EPA's actual purpose is, I'll leave it to the reader to decipher what he meant by "lower the cost of living."

Pursuing these objectives, Zeldin, in his video, outlined a series of measures he boasted comprises "the largest deregulatory announcement in U.S. History," adding, "today the green new scam ends."

The new policies loosen or eliminate more than two dozen protections against air and water pollution, including those on carcinogenic smokestack soot, the neurotoxin mercury and smog. He plans to eliminate the "good neighbor rule," that requires states to control their own pollution when winds carry it to neighboring states or countries, such as when, in the 1990s, acid rain generated by U.S. factories devastated forests in eastern Canada. Also, environmental regulations protecting poor and minority communities will no longer be enforced.

Additionally, the damage done by climate-change exacerbated events such as floods, wildfires, and droughts will not be considered in policy making. And in what is perhaps the most far-reaching, long-term change, Zeldin's agency will attempt to eliminate the EPA's mandate to regulate greenhouse gases by rejecting the science that shows global warming is detrimental to society, claiming this to be "the holy grail of the climate change religion."

Funny, I never knew that accepting the scientific findings that greenhouse gases cause climate change was a

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Letters to the Editor

Support new police station, not the flawed campaign

As a conservative and longtime supporter of public safety, I want to be clear: my opposition to the Dallas police station bond isn't about disrespecting officers — it's about holding our city leaders and their political partners accountable for the way they've handled this process.

Micky Garus, the chair of the pro-bond PAC, is not a resident of Dallas. He is a polarizing figure known for spreading misinformation about his political opponents after a failed commissioner campaign, bullying community members online, and making inflammatory statements — including past remarks threatening violence against LGBTQ youth while serving as a counselor. This is not leadership. This is one of the reasons Dallas struggles with its reputation.

Instead of building trust, Garus has attacked and shamed people for asking questions. That's not transparency — it's intimidation. And it's disappointing that the city

has chosen to align itself with someone so toxic to the public conversation. Even worse, city staff are involved in running the PAC, which further blurs ethical lines.

If this bond were truly about accountability and good government, its champions would be

bringing the community together, not vilifying residents with legitimate concerns.

I agree Dallas needs a new police facility — but this plan is too expensive, poorly presented, and led by the wrong people. The city must do better. Dallas deserves a bond proposal

rooted in respect, trust, and honest leadership — not divisive politics and personal agendas.

Start over. Let elected leaders lead. And build

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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: **B** equals **W**

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Moments in time

- On **May 5, 1945**, Elsie Mitchell and five neighborhood children were killed while attempting to drag a Japanese balloon out of the woods. The balloon was armed and exploded soon after they began tinkering with it. They were the only known American civilians to be killed in the continental United States during World War II.
- On **May 6, 2013**, Michelle Knight, Amanda Berry and Gina DeJesus were rescued from a Cleveland, Ohio, house where they'd been held captive for years by their abductor, Ariel Castro. Also rescued from the house was Berry's 6-year-old daughter, who was fathered by Castro.
- On **May 7, 1824**, Ludwig van Beethoven's Ninth Symphony premiered in Vienna even as the composer was suffering from severe hearing loss. The performance earned him five standing ovations and also caused a stir with its use of voices during "Ode to Joy" in its final movement.
- On **May 8, 1886**, the first-ever serving of Coca-Cola, created by Dr. John Pemberton, advertised as a health tonic and originally including coca leaf extract, made its debut at Jacob's Pharmacy in Atlanta, Georgia. While it originally sold at the rate of about nine glasses per day, by its 50th anniversary it had become an American icon.
- On **May 9, 1671**, Thomas "Colonel" Blood, disguised as a priest, was captured while attempting to steal the Crown Jewels from the Tower of London. Remarkably, King Charles II was impressed enough by Blood's nerve that he restored the would-be thief's Irish estates and even made him a member of the royal court, with an annual pension.
- On **May 10, 1970**, Boston Bruins star Bobby Orr slipped the winning goal past St. Louis Blues goaltender Glenn Hall during Game 4 of the Stanley Cup final, then leaped into the air before landing flat and sliding into the embrace of his teammates — a moment immortalized by photographer Ray Lussier, whose image remains one of the most famous sports photographs in history.
- On **May 11, 1987**, Klaus Barbie, former Nazi Gestapo chief of German-occupied Lyon, France, went on trial in Lyon and was charged with 177 crimes against humanity. Convicted two months later, he died of cancer in a prison hospital in 1991.

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

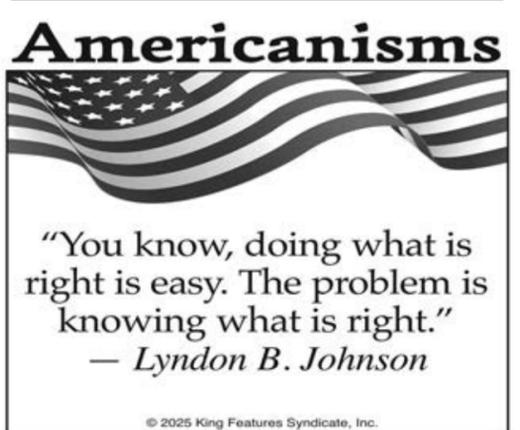
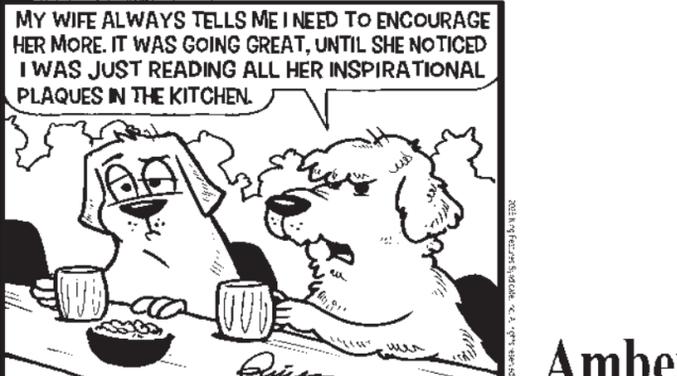
- MOVIES:** Which animated movie was the first to be nominated for a Best Picture Academy Award?
 - GEOGRAPHY:** Interior and exterior film shots of Alnwick Castle in England are featured in the first two movies of which film series?
 - TELEVISION:** What was the last name of the family in the sitcom "Married ... With Children"?
 - LITERATURE:** For which category is the Caldecott Medal awarded?
 - GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Also known as a double eagle, what is the golf term for scoring three under par on a hole?
 - ANATOMY:** What is the protein that carries oxygen in the blood?
 - U.S. PRESIDENTS:** Which president was the first to name a woman as a Cabinet member?
 - ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a baby toad called?
 - FOOD & DRINK:** Which fast-food chain's secret ingredient is 11 herbs and spices?
 - ASTRONOMY:** How many moons does Mars have?
- Answers**
- "Beauty and the Beast"
 - "Harry Potter."
 - Bundy.
 - Outstanding children's picture books.
 - Albatross.
 - Hemoglobin.
 - Franklin D. Roosevelt named Frances Perkins as Labor Secretary.
 - Tadpole.
 - Kentucky Fried Chicken.
 - Two: Phobos and Deimos.

Puzzle answers on page B2

Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas



Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



Amber Waves



City councilors overcome rumors to promote new police station project

By **DAVID HAYES**
I-O Editor

When promoting a large project that needs voter approval to get funded, such as the proposed \$17 million police station going before voters in May, often the message gets muddled by naysayers and opponents repeating rumors and misinformation.

City Council President Larry Briggs and Michael Schilling, both have been on council for six years and are in their second terms. Getting

a new home for the police department has been at the top of the council's priority list since before they started.

This has not been the first effort to pay for one. Schilling said in 1992, the city put forth to voters a \$7 million bond to pay for a combined police and fire station that ultimately failed.

Then the city was working to try again in 2019 with a \$20 million bond.

"But then COVID hit and it was just not a great time to do that," Schilling said.

During the budget stabilization period when the city was making sure the general fund was stabilized, a top priority became going out again for a bond to pay for a new police station.

"They go, 'We need a police station. But we want to vote on it, because we want to support our police.'" Schilling recalled.

While there is plenty of support in the community this go around for a \$17 million proposal, and despite all the information about the project a click away online at Friends of Dallas PD PAC's Facebook page, the city councilors are having to reinforce their message against a lot of misinformation and rumors circulating within the same community.

Briggs brought up one of the most mentioned - if the city is seeking money for a new police station, why is it spending it on all these new ADA compliant curb construction?

"That's not our money," Briggs simply said.

The curb project is being paid throughout the state by ODOT. In the latest round, ODOT is spending \$12 million, as part of its statewide transportation improvement program, on over 260 curb ramps in various locations along Highways 223 and 99W to bring them up to current ADA standards. These include locations in downtown Dallas and Rickreall.

The next big concern Schilling said residents have expressed is going over the allotted \$17 million budget.

He answers those concerns by pointing to the sewer project on Hawthorne. The project estimates came in at \$2.1 million. But the bid accepted was \$1.7 million.

"So that project is going is below budget and is coming in under budget. That is what we want to do with the police station," Schilling said.

Working with an architecture firm and taking public input through a combined 60 meetings, he said they hope to include only what is needed.

Briggs added the city has worked to remain fairly debt free, comparatively speaking to cities around Dallas. He

highlights the new police station project was kickstarted with a federal grant to purchase the former Itemizer-Observer building at no cost to the citizens.

"We all agree that with the costs rising every year, we can never catch up to where it's going, so we should go out and ask today," Briggs said.

Another rumor circulating he wanted to address is the homeless issue, specifically, the Dallas police are not doing enough to help.

"I think, the citizens need to understand that our police officers are doing everything they are allowed to do within the law of the state of Oregon," Briggs said. "The state of Oregon, quite frankly, has our police officers' hands tied when it comes to drug use and homelessness."

He said they could do more if the state legislature codified the recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling rather than keep its policy under Martin/Boisy Act, which would allow more flexibility in handling those illegally camped on city property.

"Homeless people are people. We're compassionate about making sure they're handled with care. But we also need to keep our town safe and clean," Briggs said.

Schilling added the city has great partnership with Polk County, which supplies mental health personnel and resources to new homeless that come to Dallas.

Another issue circulating on social media is why doesn't the city reverse its ban on dispensaries and create a new taxable revenue source to pull from rather than another bond issue?

Schilling explained that Dallas already receives a large portion of funds generated by

most all cities that do have dispensaries.

"So, not having dispensaries doesn't gain us a lot more. We already receive funds from all around because they pay into the tax system. The amount we gain from dispensaries doesn't offset ... by having one in town. I would think we would get half a percent more. It's a very small amount of revenue we would collect from having it in," Schilling said.

Helping to get their message out, the Friends of Dallas PD PAC has more than 20 volunteers in six committees creating a multi-front informational base, including a sign committee, letter writing committee, presentation committee, a door-to-door team, social media team and media advertising team.

"There's actually a large community of volunteers who are very excited about (the project) trying to get the education out why this building is needed," Schilling said.

He said his favorite talking point is the city spends up to \$200,000 to bring a new officer on board. A new facility will go a long way to keeping them on the force when other jurisdictions can offer a higher pay.

"Dallas is a great place for a police officer, because the community does support the police," Schilling said.

Briggs added the current facility isn't indicative of that support.

"They deserve better. I think if we give them better, they'll stay longer and stay for their career," he said.

For more information on the proposed \$17 million police station project, go to www.facebook.com/people/Friends-of-Dallas-PD-PAC/61573221834609/?_rdr.

LETTERS

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something the whole community can support.

Wendy Palmer
Dallas

Expanding landfill cheaper than shipping trash out of state

We make 268 million tons of trash in a year. That means we need some place for all this trash to go. Did you know that Salem and Monmouth are shutting down their main garbage disposals?

Environmentalists complained to the government that the smoke from the incinerator and gases caused by decomposition are hurting the air. I am not saying this is false; I am saying that shutting them down may be a much more harmful choice.

Monmouth's main form of trash disposal is a landfill, and it is almost full. Unfortunately, people do not want it to be expanded. With both places shutting down, jobs will be lost and there will be no place to dump our garbage.

We are not the only people who have stuff to dump; cops also use these places! Sometimes they need a place to dump things they find, and both places are perfect for this!

Shutting it down would also mean taking away power from the cops. Maybe it is not the best idea.

We might also end up paying a lot more money to get our trash shipped off. Shipping trash to another state can cost another \$10-\$50 more than we pay already! This is expensive and will cause many other problems such as illegal dumping and littering. That will hurt us a lot more than a landfill or incinerator.

If you are interested in helping with the problem, you can support the idea of reopening the incinerator and expanding the landfill.

Darla Chinnock
Monmouth

COLUMN

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religion. But maybe that's just me.

Zeldin's aspirational goals are not yet settled law or policy. To make them so, the EPA would have to conduct a

lengthy series of public hearings and justify the changes on environmental and economic grounds. Or, he can just ask President Trump's Department of Government Efficiency to fire the people who enforce the agency's current rules.

Sadly, I'm no longer sure I'll keep trying to learn

something new every day. I might not be able to handle any more surprises.

Philip S. Wenz studies environmental trends and developments. Visit his blog at Firebird Journal (firebirdjournal.com).

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Monmouth Christian Church hosted its biggest ever Easter Egg Hunt April 19 in the open fields behind the Western Oregon University sports complexes. They set out 25,000 eggs for four age groups to fill their baskets. Here's a look at the day's activities.



National volunteer recognition week is April 21 to 26



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SPORTS CALENDAR
April 23-29

CENTRAL HS
Wednesday
3:30 p.m.
Track at Dallas HS
4 p.m.
SB at Corvallis
5 p.m.
Silverton vs. BB

Thursday
4 p.m.
Boys Tennis at Corvallis
Corvallis at Girls Tennis

Friday
2 p.m.
Track at Nike/Jesuit
Twilight Relays
Jesuit HS
5 p.m.
Crescent Valley vs. BB
West Albany vs. SB

Monday
11 a.m.
Boys Golf at Lebanon
(Mallard Creek Golf Course)
11:30 a.m.
Girls Golf at Corvallis
(Corvallis Country Club)
5 p.m.
BB at Crescent Valley
SB at Crescent Valley

Tuesday
TBA
Corvallis, Crescent Valley vs. Track
Panther Stadium
4 p.m.
Lebanon at Boys Tennis
Girls Tennis at Lebanon

DALLAS HS
Wednesday
3:30 p.m.
Central, Woodburn at Track
4:30 p.m.
Woodburn vs. BB
5 p.m.
SB at Silverton

Thursday
4 p.m.
South Albany at Boys Tennis
Girls Tennis at South Albany

Friday
2 p.m.
Track at Nike/Jesuit
Twilight Relays
Jesuit HS
4:15 p.m.
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New Panthers track ready to go just in time

By LANCE MASTERSON
For The Itemizer-Observer

There was a time this season when Panthers athletes didn't have a track to call their own. So athletes and coaches improvised.

"We could still use the facilities," freshman hurdler Lyala Olsen said. "We did hurdles on concrete, which wasn't the best."

In other words, the team made do with whatever was available.

"We had three weeks where we did not have a track once the track season started. So we spent some time training on the sidewalk, running all over town, running over to Western and doing different things at practice. Pole vaulters and high jumpers weren't able to jump onto mats or anything. So we felt like we were held back a little bit," coach Eli Cirino said. "It was a big day when we finally got the opportunity to get on the track ... We've been cranking it back up after having modified workouts."

Spills and tumbles by athletes on that unforgiving surface were avoided early on. Even better, those track-less concrete-filled days are but a distant memory. As the new track at Panther Stadium is ready to go, minus a final coat of rubber which will be poured and squeegeed onto the track's surface later this year.

This final coating is to provide the track with extra

protection. Some painting remains to be done, as well.

Olsen competed on the old track three years running as a middle school athlete. So she is in position to offer a comparison.

"It's a lot better," she said of the new and improved version. "It's also better for my body."

Cirino added he's heard similar comments from other athletes.

"Oh, they love it. It's fantastic," he said. "They told us right away, as soon as they got on the surface, that it just feels ... really good on the body to be running on a new surface like that. It's a really nice, thick, rubber layer."

Early indications are it will be a fast track. Though the real test will come on hot days when the track could turn soft, thus slowing it down, Cirino said.

Improvement wasn't limited to resurfacing. The track's also been redesigned.

"It's just switched around," Olsen said. "You now have the finish line in front of the stands. So that's nice, definitely."

The change also allows fans to line the concourse leading to the stands. It's a perfect place to watch a race and cheer on athletes, given its proximity and line of sight to the finish line.

"People can stand up there and watch their kids finish," Cirino said.

Sprints were held on the far side of the track, near the



PHOTO BY LANCE MASTERSON

Amber Green (sunglasses) of Dallas High School was second in the 1500 meters at the John Oliver Invitational track meet on Friday.

visitors' bleachers for football. Away from the cheering crowds, and into the wind.

Now, sprinters will generally have the north wind behind their backs as they race toward the finish line.

"That right there will make it a faster track," Cirino said.

The former track was 15 years old and showed its

The district had "it looked at and evaluated ... and the experts said it needs to be refinished, and better sooner than later," he added. "Because once water starts seeping through the cracks and getting underneath, it can have a big impact. It can start really messing with the surface underneath, which is an asphalt layer, and it did

indeed have cracks in the asphalt underneath."

Other changes to the stadium were made as well. The discus ring was moved to the northwest corner of the track.

"Instead of throwing the discus out in the mud, they'll be throwing onto a

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Dallas athlete finds success on the ice

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

Owen Brown blames his dad for stoking his interest in hockey, traditionally a winter sport, while living in a town with no ice rink. That's why Taylor Brown says Owen's journey to the national championships in youth hockey is all the more amazing.

Taylor Brown has lived in Dallas his whole life. So, after participating in roller skating at the former Roller Zone (now the Majestic), he himself quickly transitioned from a small parquet floor to the wide-open ice rinks in Eugene and Portland areas.

But it has been Owen, a sophomore at Dallas High School, who has excelled on the slippery surface, having long traded in his football cleats for ice skates.

"I was playing soccer and baseball when he

discovered ice hockey," Owen said. "I tried football one year, but it wasn't my thing."

His obsession for "the coolest game on Earth," led Owen to tryouts with the Winterhawks' U14 (2023) and U16 (last year) teams.

Owen said what drew him to the sport was its speed and physicality.

"It's just a lot more fun. It's more fast paced than the other sports. It's on ice, a different landscape, I guess, than football or basketball," he explained.

Qualifying the Winterhawks youth squads requires passing a grueling three-day tryout, then a commitment to traveling from their "home" rink in Beaverton to tournaments in across the U.S., including Colorado, Texas, Seattle and to New Jersey for the national finals.

The Winterhawks play in the Northwest Amateur Hockey League, competing against 10 other squads from Tacoma, Seattle, Wenatchee, Boise and Utah.

"It's kinda a big, big league," Taylor said, adding it's not a cheap sport to get into, especially higher up the ranks a player makes it. "It hurts my pocketbook, too. He's broken many a stick this year, unfortunately, and those are not cheap."

High end equipment, which Owen prefers, including \$200 sticks. Then you have skates, shin guards, shoulder pads, pants, gloves, helmet and neck guard. The total can approach near \$1,000 to be fully decked out.

Due to an injury to their center, Owen was promoted to the starting spot heading into the playoffs. However, he explained,

playing center doesn't guarantee the most shots on goal, just the most faceoffs (a one-on-one break in the action to gain control of the puck back to your team, like a jump ball in basketball).

After winning the league tournament, the Winterhawks U16 team traveled east to Wayne, New Jersey, April 2-6. And promptly lost their first round-robin match. A second loss and they'd be out and heading right back home.

"Then we won the next two and were in (the semis)," Owen said. "But it's scary playing the next two because your whole season is on the line. You have to win, or you're done."

After their loss to South Dakota, 7-3, the Winterhawks then beat Utah 5-0, and beat

Vermont in a "barnburner" 7-6.

The win put them in the semifinals, where they upended heavily favored teams from Alaska (6-2), then Indiana Jr. Fuel, in the championship match.

Owen's goal proved to be the deciding goal, putting the Winterhawks up 4-1 before their defense held off a furious comeback to win the national title 4-3.

"It's pretty exciting to get a goal, everyone is cheering for you, jumping around," he said. "The parents were getting pretty rowdy in the stands, smacking the sheet metal on the walls, chanting Let's Go Hawks! It worked; it got us fired up."

Taylor explained that most other states had tournaments to send their

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DHS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Ruby Halligan



A true leader on and off the field, Ruby Halligan is a force in the Dragons' varsity lineup. Known for her consistent power at the plate, Ruby has already launched multiple home runs this season and always finds herself on base. Your hard work and leadership don't go unnoticed.

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CHS ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Shane Lovas



Shane Lovas is a freshmen and in his first three varsity golf matches he has progressed tremendously, most recently shooting an 85 at Corvallis Country.

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FLASHBACK

PAGES OF THE PAST

50 years ago

April 23, 1975

Police arrest two for illegal drugs

Two persons were arrested in Dallas this week on charges of criminal activity in drugs and second-degree burglary involving a break-in at a local pharmacy. A large quantity of illegal prescription drugs were recovered by police following the arrest.

May 1 open house set to view DHS facilities

Dallas High School faculty and students are holding an open house Thursday, May 1, to show off the new additions and renovations at the school, as well as examples of the class work carried on daily. Tours of the building will be preceded by a brief orientation session to show maps of the building, to explain the purposes of each area, and

to describe what classroom activities and displays will be on view. Committees of teachers and students are planning the events of the evening.

Junior high sports summary

8th Baseball – On April 14 the Dallas 8th grade baseball team went to Stayton and won 8-4. Roger Ediger with a triple and knocked in two runs, and Curtis Miller hit a double. Scott Lockridge did an outstanding pitching job, giving up only two hits for 10, and Stayton only got two hits out of 10.

40 years ago

April 24, 1985

Stanford may lose license, chief state examiner says

A Dallas emergency room doctor who pleaded guilty to criminally negligent

homicide last week will probably lose his license to practice medicine, according to an official of the State Board of Medical Examiners. Gary Eugene Stanford, 35, pleaded guilty April 16 after a plea-bargaining agreement reduced the original charge of manslaughter.

DHS seniors can leave mark

Dallas high school seniors will be able to leave their mark without defacing city property – at least for this year. The Dallas School Board approved Monday night a student committee's request to pour a section of sidewalk near the high school to allow seniors to imprint messages before

they graduate. City of Dallas officials had recently become concerned that the historic painting of graffiti on the city-owned street was becoming a safety problem. Under city ordinance, students were also breaking the law by defacing the street.

Dallas boys blank Newberg

It's beginning to look a lot more like a two-team race

for the Willamette Valley League title with every match the Dallas boys team plays. Sam Collins, Tim Malone and Frank Burns all won their singles matches in straight sets, holding Newberg's singles players to two games or less in each set. Malone has yet to lose a singles match this season and Collins and Burns have dropped only one each.



Today's flashback is from April 24, 1985: Girl talk in 'Grease' -- Sharing secrets in the musical "Grease are high school students (left to right) Dana Goins, Annie Kaser, Lisa Comstock, Michelle Zerbe, Deb Saunders and Dana August. The play is directed by Teacher Corby Ward.

Community Achievement

James Hawthorne makes Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

James Hawthorne of Independence, Oregon, was recently elected to membership into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor

society, at University of Louisville.

Hawthorne is among approximately 20,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi

each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate

students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Local students receive Oregon Institute of Technology honors

The following students have been named to the 2024-25 Winter Term dean's list at Oregon Institute of Technology. Inclusion on the list requires a 3.30 to 3.69 grade-point average.

- Christopher Corbett, of West Salem, mechanical engineering
- Reyah Graber, of Dallas, pre-medical imaging gen study
- Elizabeth Maina, of West Salem, dental hygiene
- Loralei Parsons, Dallas, healthcare management-admin management
- Isaiah Perez, of Independence, medical laboratory science
- The following students have been named to the 2024-25 Winter Term

president's list at Oregon Institute of Technology. Inclusion on the list requires a 3.70 grade-point average and above.

- Kendall Allbritton, of West Salem, dental hygiene
- Renee Bruning, of Independence, medical laboratory science
- Mickenzie Chase, of Independence, business management option
- Elissa Colmenares, of Monmouth, medical laboratory science
- Alexa Eckhold, of Monmouth, pre-medical imaging gen study
- Kelsie Green, of West Salem, dental hygiene
- Kaia Halleman, of West Salem, medical laboratory science

- Drake Hartinger, of Dallas, business management option
- Ian Hunt, of West Salem, cybersecurity
- Kennedy Kantola, of Monmouth, dental hygiene
- Alexa Kerr, of West Salem, dental hygiene
- Alexis Luna, of Dallas, dental hygiene
- Kaylee May, of Dallas, dental hygiene
- Parker Pratt, of West Salem, data science
- Ashley Preston, of Monmouth, radiologic science
- Toby Ruston, of Dallas, mechanical engineering
- Jacob Soleil, of West Salem, software engineering tech

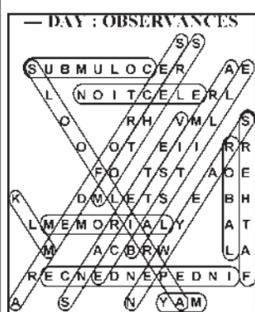
CryptoQuip answer

The two weasel-like mammals are inseparable. I think they're probably in a sable relationship.

Go Figure!

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Weekly SUDOKU

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Super Crossword

Answers

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR APRIL 23 - APRIL 30

Wednesday, April 23
 7 a.m. - Monmouth Library Board meeting, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
 8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 8:30 a.m. - Mayor of Independence Office Hours, stop by and share your thoughts, ideas, and questions, City Hall, 555 South Main St.
 9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Trip to Lincoln City, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Tai Chi with John, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10:30 a.m. - Little Bitty Storytime, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
 10:30 a.m. - Story Time with Miss Jo, Independence Library, 175 Monmouth St.
 11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center
 11 a.m. - Lunch with Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 12 p.m. Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 12:45 p.m. - Loneliness Solutions, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 3:30 p.m. - Kids Pokémon Party, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
 4 p.m. - Connecting Loose Threads for Charity, Monmouth Senior Community Center

5:30 p.m. - Municipal Court Arraignments, City Hall, 555 South Main St., Independence
 6:30 p.m. - Independence Budget Committee meeting, Event Center Heritage Room, 555 South Main St.
Thursday, April 24
 8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Cards/table games, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Friends of the Independence Library used book sale
 10 a.m. - Calvary Chapel Dallas Sewing and Craft group meeting, 628 SE Jefferson St.
 10:15 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10:30 a.m. - Bounces and Rhymes, ages 2 and under, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
 10:30 a.m. - Children's Storytime, for ages 5 and under, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
 11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
 12 p.m. - Pinochle, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 12 p.m. - 10-Minute Writing/Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center
 1 p.m. - Needle Craft Group, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 4 p.m. - Crafternoon: Fun With Felt, Independence Library, 175 Monmouth St.
 6 p.m. - Independence Park Board meeting, City Hall, 555 South Main St.
 6:30 p.m. - Connecting Loose Threads, Monmouth Senior Community Center

Friday, April 25
 8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Stretch exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Brunk Farmstead Tours, 5705 Salem Dallas Hwy NW
 10 a.m. - Six handed Pinochle/Art Workshop/Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Writer's Workshop/Drawing for Fun, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1 p.m. - Tai Chi with Cheryl/Lunch & Learn, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1:30 p.m. - Jewelry Making, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 4 p.m. - Youth Coding League, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.
 5:30 p.m. - Bingo Hot Dogs, Dallas Area Senior Center
 6 p.m. - Bingo, Dallas Area Senior Center
 6:30 p.m. - Acoustic Music Jam, Guthrie Park, 4320 Kings Valley Highway S.
 7 p.m. - Storyteller William Kennedy Hornyak presents On the Rocky Road: Exiles, Itinerants and Outcasts in Irish Myth, Legend and Lore at the Dallas Public Library
Saturday, April 26
 8 a.m. - City of Dallas Arbor Day Celebration, for schedule go to www.dallas.gov/publicworks/page/arbor-day-celebration-2025
 10 a.m. - Brunk Farmstead Tours, 5705 Salem Dallas Highway NW

1 p.m. - Friends of the Monmouth Senior Center Annual Spring Tea, Monmouth Senior Community Center, tickets required, call (503) 838-5678
 6 p.m. - Live Music: Rewind Band, Red Gate Winery, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
 7 p.m. - Live Music: Hannah Wood, Golden Hop Saloon, 133 C. St., Independence
Sunday, April 27
 2 p.m. - Live Music: Heaven Hansen, Red Gate Winery, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
Monday, April 28
 8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Trip to Woodburn Tulips, meet at Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Cards/table games/5 Crowns Game, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Cribbage/ASL Class/Card Making with Jen/Lunch with Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 11 a.m. - Card Making w/Jen, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 11 a.m. - Lunch w/Meals On Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 12 p.m. - Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center
 1 p.m. - Tai Chi with Cheryl/Technology Help with Ian, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 4 p.m. - Karaoke, Dallas Area Senior Center

4 p.m. - Dallas Public Works Committee meeting, City Hall, 187 Court St.
 4 p.m. - Youth Coding League, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.
 5 p.m. - Independence Library Board meeting, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.
 6:30 p.m. - New Horizons Orchestra, Monmouth Senior Community Center
Tuesday, April 29
 8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Wii Bowling, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9:30 a.m. - Walking Club, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Cooking Class, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10:15 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10:30 a.m. - Children's Storytime, for ages 5 and under, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
 10:30 a.m. - Circle of Friends, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10:30 a.m. - Family Storytime, for ages 3-5, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
 11 a.m. - Caring for Caregiver Workshop, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
 12 p.m. - Pinochle, Monmouth Senior Community Center

1 p.m. - Bunko, Dallas Area Senior Center
Wednesday, April 30
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 11 a.m. - Lunch with Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 12 p.m. Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 4 p.m. - Volunteer Appreciation Dessert, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 5:30 p.m. - Municipal Court Arraignments, City Hall, 555 South Main St., Independence
 6:30 p.m. - Independence Budget Committee meeting, Heritage Room, Event Center, 555 Main St.

Community Briefs

Bambinos hosts dessert, bus reveal April 25

Bambinos hosts a donor appreciation dessert and bus reveal ribbon cutting from 6:30-8:30 p.m. April 25 at the Dallas Events Center, 939 S. Main St. RSVP to <https://bambinosoregon.org/upcoming-events>.

CHS hosts cabaret show and auction fundraiser April 25

Central Performing Arts presents Music of the Night, cabaret show and auction fundraiser, at 7 p.m. April 25

in the Central High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$12 each or \$115 for a VIP table. For more information, go to www.chsperformingarts.net.

Dallas hosts Arbor Day Celebration April 26

The city of Dallas hosts an Arbor Day Celebration April 26. Festivities kick off with Ivy Removal along the Rickreall Creek Trail from 8-10 a.m. Meet in front of the Dallas Aquatic Center. Bring gloves and a water bottle. An Emerald Ash Borer Workshop with OSU Extension is from 10 a.m.

to noon. Register at www.polkswdc.com/eab-workshop.html. Read in a Tree is from 1-1:30 p.m. at the Delbert Hunter Arboretum. Bring a blanket and enjoy stories by one of our Dallas librarians reading while perched in a tree. Hammocks will be hung throughout Delbert Hunter Arboretum all day for a snooze in the shade, or to enjoy a good read, or simply gaze up at the trees and appreciate all that they do for us.

Fam Jam returns April 26

Mid Valley Parenting and Small Town Pediatrics present the return of Fam Jam: 2025, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 26 at the Polk County Fairgrounds, 520 Highway 99 West, Rickreall. This free family-fun party is a way to connect with local resources and is open to any families and those expecting children and features a new expectant parents section, snacks, games, giant ball pit and amazing giveaways.

Church hosts Balance for Life class April 26

A local physical therapist, Brent Darrington, will give a presentation from 9:30-11 a.m. April 26 at the Evangelical Bible Church, 1175 SE Howe St., in Dallas. Darrington will discuss understanding balance and fall prevention, foundations of stability, building strength and coordination and more. Attendees will learn how to self-assess balance, improve posture and core strength, seated exercises, and training

basics. This engaging and informative presentation is open to the community. Come and learn how improved balance can affect your life.

Willamina hosts fireworks fundraiser bingo night April 26

The Willamina 4th of July Committee hosts a fundraiser at 6 p.m. April 26 at the VFW 771 NE Main St. to raise funds for the annual fireworks show on July 4.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

PCIO25-1149 West Valley Housing Authority will be holding its monthly Board Meeting for April on Tuesday April 29th, 2025 beginning at 12:00 p.m. at 204 SW Walnut in Dallas, Oregon. An Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660 will be held immediately following the regular meeting, if required. If there is any alteration to the regularly scheduled meeting, an updated notice will be posted, and it will be on our website as well. The agenda for the meeting is posted on the Housing Authority website at www.wvpha.org. The location for the meeting is handicapped accessible. Please advise the West Valley Housing Authority if you need any special accommodation to attend the meeting or wish to attend via zoom. For information, please call Rachael Wolf at 503-623-8387 ext 313, VRS (877) 326-3877.

PCIO25-1148 NOTICE OF SELF STORAGE SALE Monmouth Mini Storage (503)838-0803, 555 Gwinn Street E, Monmouth, OR 97361 Units to be auctioned off verbally on May 10th at 10am. All units sold as a whole. Tiffany Hutchinson Unit 347, Rebecca Tryon Unit 215, Mike Silver Unit 288, Rachael Walsh Unit 297, Maria Durum Unit 107

PCIO25-1147 NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING Oregon Department of Revenue A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Hilltop Cemetery Maintenance District, Polk County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, will be held at Buena Vista Fire Station #40, 11350 Church Street, Buena Vista, Oregon. The meeting will take place on May 6, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 6, 2025, by calling (503)485-2446, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK Probate Department In the Matter of the Estate of CHRISTINE A. NOSBISCH, Deceased. Case No. 25PB03105 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dale K. Nosbisch has been appointed Personal Representative. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the attorney for the Personal Representative at Willamette Valley Law Group, 494 State Street, Suite 430, Salem, Oregon 97301, within four months after the date of publication of this

Notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative, Willamette Valley Law Group, 494 State Street, Suite 430, Salem, Oregon 97301. DATED AND PUBLISHED: April 23, 2025. Stephen E. Montgomery, OSB No. 153941 Attorney for Personal Representative

PCIO25-1145 CITY OF DALLAS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Public hearings will be held at 6:00 pm Thursday, May 8, 2025 on the following: Conditional Use #CUP-25-05 Operate an after-school childcare facility at the site of Dallas United Methodist Church, 565 SE La Creole Drive. Approval Criteria: DDC.4.4 Legislative Amendment #25-02 Amend the following parts of the Dallas Development Code: DDC Chapter 3.6 for the regulation of flags; and DDC Chapter 2.2 for the regulations of residential accessory structure setbacks. Approval Criteria: DDC.4.7 This meeting is being held at Dallas City Hall, 187 SE Court St. You may also participate via phone by dialing 1 253 215 8782 and entering code: 213 855 0622. The City will consider testimony which addresses the applicable criteria. Testimony may be submitted orally at the public hearing or writing the Planning Department, 187 SE Court St, Dallas, OR 97338. The staff report, the submitted application materials, and the approval criteria will be available online at least seven days prior to the hearing, at www.dallasor.gov/meetings. Copies will be provided at reasonable cost on request. Failure of an issue to be raised in a hearing, in person or by letter, or failure to provide statements or evidence sufficient for the decision maker to respond to the issue precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals. For further information call Chase Ballew, City Planner (503) 831-3570

PCIO25-1142 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Polk Case No. 25PB02786 In the Matter of the Estate of Claudia J. Layton, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Claudia J. Layton died January 30, 2025, and that by order of the above-entitled Court, the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached to the Personal Representative at 693 Chemeketa Street NE, Salem, Oregon 97301-3732 | Post Office Box 2247, Salem, Oregon 97308-2247, within four months after the date of publication of this notice, or said claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding

are advised that additional information may be obtained from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorneys for the Personal Representative. Sherman, Sherman, Johnnie & Hoyt, LLP Attorneys for the Personal Representative Mark A. Bennett Personal Representative 693 Chemeketa Street NE, Salem, Oregon 97301-3732 | Post Office Box 2247, Salem, Oregon 97308-2247 Date of publication: April 23, 2025

PCIO25-1141 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE - On 05-23-25, at 10:00 am at the Polk County Sheriff's Office, located at 850 Main St. Dallas, OR. 97338, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the real property located at 850 PIEDMONT AVE. NW SALEM, OR. 97304. The court case number is 22CV36435, where JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is plaintiff, and MARTIN GUIJOSA; THE ESTATE OF JUVENTINO GUIJOSA; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND DEVISEES OF JUVENTINO GUIJOSA; ALAN JUVENTINO GUIJOSA-CONTRERAS; OSBELIA CONTRERAS; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 850 PIEDMONT AVE NW SALEM, OR 97304 is defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand or cashier's check made out to Polk County Sheriff's Office. For more information on this sale go to <http://oregonsheriffssales.org/>

PCIO25-1140 Sale of Abandoned Manufactured Home: One (1) 1974 Flamingo manufactured dwelling, Plate number X102234, Home identification number 180801, Manufacturer's serial number(s) 1184645GC60T2K0F, with contents (if any) has been abandoned by Richard Lee Dinneer and Susanna M. Hollis. Said property is located at 101 Edwards Rd S, Spc 33, Monmouth, OR 97361. Said dwelling shall be sold by private bidding, with sealed bids, and "as is" (there is no warranty relating to title, possession, quiet enjoyment or the like). Bids must be for a specific stated dollar figure and must be delivered to Monmouth Mobile Estates at 151 Edwards Rd, Monmouth, OR 97361 by 10:00am on the 5th day of May, 2025. Upon confirmation of the winning bid, the purchaser must promptly tender full payment in cash, money order, or cashier's check and promptly remove the dwelling from the manufactured home park unless a storage agreement can be promptly negotiated between the successful bidder and the Park. Future owner occupancy of the dwelling onsite would require successful application for tenancy, screening, and entry into a written rental agreement, none of which

will be considered until after the sale is complete. This auction may be cancelled at any time prior to the start of bidding without notice. For additional information, or to ask questions, please contact Brianna Albert at 503-838-5600.

PCIO25-1134 Notice of Central School District 13J Budget Meetings for FY 25-26 April 28, 2025 Public meetings of the Budget Committee of Central School District 13J, Polk County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, will be held in April, May, and June, if needed, in the Henry Hill Education Center Board Room, 750 S. 5th Street, Independence, Oregon. Meetings can be viewed streaming on the "Info Central 13J" YouTube channel. The FIRST public meeting of the Budget Committee, will be on April 28, 2025 at 6:00 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message. This is a public meeting where deliberations of the Budget Committee will take place. No public comment will be taken at this meeting. An additional meeting of the Budget Committee will be held at a later date to take public comment. Information on submitting public comments and participation will be provided at a later date and be available on the Central School District 13J website. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 28, 2024 at 750 S. 5th Street, Independence, Oregon, between the hours of 3:00 pm and 4:00 pm or via email request to pmcgahey@central.k12.or.us. Jennifer Kubista, Superintendent Central School District 13J <http://www.central.k12.or.us/>

PCIO25-1127 Probate court of Polk County Case # 24PB08349. To the heirs and devisees of the estate of Phyllis I Tindall. This is formal notice that Phyllis I. Tindall, the descendant, died on January 13, 2023. If you have or may have interest in Phyllis I. Tindall's estate. The following individual has been appointed as the administrator of the estate: ~ Darla Bradish 1294 NE Steele Creek Dr. Bremerton, WA. 98311 All documents or pleadings and information are on file at the Polk County courthouse 850 Main St. Dallas, OR. 97338 503-623-3154. In the event that any heir or devisee has questions or issues relating to this estate, including the distribution of assets, payments of expenses, or other administration matters, the heir or devisee may petition the court in Polk County. Executed by the administrator of the estate of Phyllis I. Tindall on April 3, 2025

PCIO25-1121 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK No. 25PB02845 Probate In the Matter of the Alicia Kannier Bonesteele Rev. Living Trust Agreement, Eveyln Alicia Kannier Bonesteele, aka Alicia K. Bonesteele, Deceased NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Pioneer Trust Bank, N.A. is serving as Trustee of the Alicia Kannier Bonesteele Rev. Living Trust, dated September 9, 1999 (Trust), and as Trustee has filed a Petition to Determine the Claims of Creditors of the Trust and Trustor/ Settlor of the Trust is Eveyln Alicia Kannier Bonesteele, aka Alicia K. Bonesteele. All claims are required to be presented to Sara Everetts, CFTA, Vice President and Trust Officer, Pioneer Trust Bank, N.A., Trustee, P.O. Box 2305, Salem, Oregon 97308.

Claims against the Trust estate may be barred unless presented to the Trustee at the address herein specified within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the Trustee, from the records of the Court, or from the attorney for the Trustee. Dated and first published April 9, 2025. /s/ Sara Everetts, CFTA Vice President and Trust Officer Pioneer Trust Bank, N.A., Trustee ATTORNEY FOR TRUSTEE Sarah K. Rinehart, OSB# 821142 117 Commercial Street NE, Suite 300 Salem, Oregon 97301

PCIO25-1098 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS No.: 129289-OR Loan No.: ***3208 Reference is made to that certain trust deed (the "Deed of Trust") executed by DAVID W. JOHNSON, A SINGLE MAN, as Grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE CO., as Trustee, in favor of JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 10/12/2021, recorded 10/25/2021, as Instrument No. 2021-016796, in the Official Records of Polk County, Oregon, which covers the following described real property situated in Polk County, Oregon: THE NORTHERLY 50 FEET OF LOT 29, BLOCK "J", WEST SALEM, IN THE CITY OF SALEM, POLK COUNTY, OREGON. APN: 259260 / 07321-DC-09300 Commonly known as: 1111 1/2 2ND ST NW SALEM, OR 97304 The current beneficiary is: Nationstar Mortgage LLC Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the above-described real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and notice has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to pay when due, the following sums: Delinquent Payments: Dates: 5/1/2023 - 3/1/2025 Total: \$9,424.71 Late Charges: \$102.45 Beneficiary Advances: \$4,946.56 Total Required to Reinstale: \$14,473.72 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$112,774.20 By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by the Deed of Trust immediately due and payable, including: the principal sum of \$103,597.16 together with interest thereon at the rate of 2.25 % per annum, from 4/1/2023 until paid, plus all accrued late charges, and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs, and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust Whereof, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee, CLEAR RECON CORP, whose address is 1915 NE Stucki Avenue, Suite 400, Hillsboro, OR 97006, will on 7/29/2025, at the hour of 9:00 AM, standard time, as established by ORS 187.110, AT THE MAIN STREET PLAZA, POLK COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 850 MAIN STREET, DALLAS, OR 97338, sell at public auction to the highest bidder in the form of cash equivalent (certified funds or cashier's check) the interest in the above-described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time it executed the Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of the Deed of Trust, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than the portion**

of principal that would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorneys' fees, and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the Deed of Trust at any time not later than five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the Deed of Trust, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 3/14/2025 CLEAR RECON CORP 1915 NE Stucki Avenue, Suite 400 Hillsboro, OR 97006 Phone: 858-750-7777 866-931-0036 Jessica Lopez, Authorized Signatory of Trustee

PCIO25-1109 TS No. OR09000055-24-1 APN 516510 TO No 240564416-OR-MSI TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by, HANNA ELIZABETH BLAY AND NORA LATRIEL THORBECK NOT AS TENANTS IN COMMON, BUT WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP as Grantor to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. as designated nominee for CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, dated as of July 23, 2021 and recorded on July 26, 2021 as Instrument No. 2021-011940 and re-recorded on August 27, 2021 as Instrument No. 2021-013798 and the beneficial interest was assigned to NewRez LLC DBA Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing and recorded January 22, 2025 as Instrument Number 2025-000413 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Polk County, Oregon to-wit: APN: 516510 REAL PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY OF POLK, STATE OF OREGON, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: PARCEL 2 OF PARTITION PLAT 1998-0025, RECORDED JUNE 16, 1998, IN VOLUME 1998, PAGE 25, POLK COUNTY, OREGON, BOOK OF PARTITION PLATS, AS FEE NO. 448225. TOGETHER WITH EASEMENTS AS SET FORTH ON PARTITION PLAT 1995-0032 AND 1998-0025. TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT FOR WELL AND PIPELINE ON PARCEL 1 OF PARTITION PLAT 1998-0025, FOR THE BENEFIT OF PARCEL 2, OF PARTITION PLAT 1998-0025, RECORDED AUGUST 17, 1998, IN BOOK 361, PAGE 337, BOOK OF RECORDS FOR POLK COUNTY, OREGON. Commonly known as: 15565 OAKDALE RD, DALLAS, OR 97338-9115 Both the Beneficiary, NewRez LLC DBA Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, and the Trustee, Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112, have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said Trust Deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. The default for which the foreclosure

Form OR-LB-NBC Notice of Budget Committee Meeting
Oregon Department of Revenue

Use this notice if public comment will be taken at this meeting.

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Polk SWCD (District name), Polk (County), State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, will be held at OSU Extension Office & Hybrid Zoom (Location), 289 E Ellendale Ave, Suite 301 (Address), May 8, 2025 (Date) at 9:00 a.m. p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 1, 2025 (Date) at 580 Main St, Ste A, Dallas (Location), between the hours of 8:00 a.m. p.m. and 4:30 a.m. p.m.

150-504-083 (Rev. 11-19-21)

FORM LB-1 Buell Red Prairie Water District - Notice of Budget Hearing

A public meeting of the Budget Committee for the Buell-Red Prairie Water District was held on April 16th, 6:30pm at the Buell-Red Prairie Water District Office located at 5818 Mill Creek Rd, Sheridan OR 97378. The purpose of this meeting was to approve the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 as presented by Budget Officer. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained after making an appointment. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year. A public Budget Hearing to adopt the budget will be held on May 13, 2025 at 6:30pm at the office 5818 Mill Creek Rd, Sheridan OR 97378

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES			
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Adopted Budget	Budget Committee Approved Budget	Proposed to Adopt
	2024-2025	2025-2026	2025-2026
Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital	337,000	313,500	313,500
Fees, Licenses, Permits, Fines, Assessments & Other Service Charges	478,894	498,491	498,491
Federal, State and all Other Grants, Gifts, Allocations and Donations	0	0	0
Revenue from Bonds and Other Debt	0	0	0
Interfund Transfers / Internal Service Reimbursements	15,000	22,000	22,000
All Other Resources Except Current Year Property Taxes	0	0	0
Current Year Property Taxes Estimated to be Received	0	0	0
Total Resources	830,894	833,991	833,991

Personnel Services	116,550	149,000	149,000
Materials and Services	263,106	229,755	229,755
Capital Outlay	22,000	42,500	42,500
Debt Service	77,238	77,236	77,236
Interfund Transfers	15,000	22,000	22,000
Contingencies	0	0	0
Special Payments	0	0	0
Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Exp	337,000	313,500	313,500
Total Requirements	830,894	833,991	833,991

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS		
LONG TERM DEBT	Outstanding Indebtedness July 1, 2024	Estimated Debt Authorized but not incurred on July 1, 2025
Other Borrowings	OECD Loan \$1,100,273	\$1,032,463

PUBLIC NOTICE

A public meeting of the Board of Directors of NorthWest Senior and Disability Services will be held on Monday, May 5th, 2025 at 3:30 p.m. at Northwest Senior & Disability conference call line 1-877-853-5247 Meeting ID: 939 7083 5127 and via zoom <https://nwsds.zoom.us/j/81655013819?pwd=ab2XSJSjAuhLxKUTYEym7Nmjrld4MV8.1>

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and adopt an amended budget for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024. A summary of the proposed amended budget is presented below. An online copy of the proposed amended budget may be obtained by contacting accounting department at accounting@nwsds.org or 503-304-3427 between the hours 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	Approved Planning Budget FY 2024/2025	Recommended Amended Budget FY 2024/2025
Anticipated Requirements		
Total Personnel Services	\$ 42,993,481	\$ 42,993,481
Total Materials and Services	\$ 7,482,840	\$ 7,770,840
Total Contract Services	\$ 4,888,957	\$ 4,963,957
Total Capital Outlay	\$ 260,000	\$ 260,000
Total Contingencies	\$ 31,857,924	\$ 39,800,786
TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	\$ 87,483,202	\$ 95,789,064
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 87,483,202	\$ 95,789,064

PUBLIC NOTICES

is made is the Grantor's failure to pay; Failed to pay payments which became due Monthly Payment(s): 10 Monthly Payment(s) from 04/01/2024 to 01/01/2025 at \$1,940.58 1 Monthly Payment(s) from 02/01/2025 to 02/01/2025 at \$1,938.51 Total Late Charge(s): Total Late Charge(s) at \$449.82 By this reason of said default the Beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to-wit: The sum of \$328,407.32 together with interest thereon at the rate of 3.12500% per

annum from March 1, 2024 until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all Trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the Beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said Trust Deed. Wherefore, notice is hereby given that, the undersigned Trustee will on July 15, 2025 at the hour of 09:00 AM, Standard of Time, as established by Section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, Main Street Plaza, Polk County Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR 97338 County of Polk, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the

said described real property which the Grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said Trust Deed, together with any interest which the Grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Trust Deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the Trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.778 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and

the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the Beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, Trustee's or attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or Trust Deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the Trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the Trustee to state

in this notice that some residential property sold at a Trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the Trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "Grantor" includes any successor in interest to the Grantor as well as

any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, the words "Trustee" and "Beneficiary" includes their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 2/27/2025 By: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 Successor Trustee Malcolm & Cisneros, A Law Corporation Attention: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 c/o TRUSTEE CORPS 17100 Gillette Ave, Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 NPP0471989 To: POLK COUNTY ITEMIZER-OBSERVER 04/02/2025, 04/09/2025, 04/16/2025,

New survey to help inform Oregon statewide trails plan runs through April 30

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) wants to better understand how residents use all land and water trails throughout Oregon and opportunities for improvement. OPRD launched an online survey at <https://bit.ly/4jGe-FwL> to collect the feedback now through April 30. The

survey is open to all trail users and potential trail users including hikers, bikers, equestrians, OHV and ATV riders, snowmobilers, boaters and paddlers who recreate on any public lands or bodies of water in Oregon, not just Oregon State Parks. The information will help inform the Oregon Statewide

Trails Plan, which provides guidance for OPRD as well as other federal, state, and local agencies and private sector partners. It outlines trends and issues, creates priorities for grant funding and recommends actions to improve trails over the next 10 years. The Oregon Statewide Trails Plan covers

non-motorized trails (hiking, biking, equestrian), motorized ATV trails, snowmobile trails, and non-motorized boating and water trails. The survey takes about 20 minutes to complete, and it's open to all Oregon residents. Those who complete the survey have the option of entering a drawing for a free

Oregon State Parks annual parking permit. "Oregon is home to amazing recreational trails. Each year, more than 80% of Oregon residents recreate on trail systems across the state. We appreciate residents' support and feedback, which will help make these systems even better in the future,"

said OPRD Statewide Trails Planner Jessica Horning. For questions about this survey or the Oregon Trails Plan, go to www.oregon.gov/oprd/prp/pages/pla-state-wide-trails.aspx or contact OPRD Statewide Trails Planner Jessica Horning at Jessica.r.horning@opr.d.oregon.gov.

Oregon adds 7,300 jobs in March, unemployment rate highest since 2021

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Oregon's unemployment rate was 4.6% in March and 4.5% in February, after rising gradually over the past year from 4.1% in March 2024, according to the latest report from the Oregon Employment Department.

Oregon's 4.6% unemployment rate was the highest since August 2021, when the rate was 4.7%, and slightly higher than during the three years prior to the COVID recession

that started in 2020. The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.2% in March and 4.1% in February.

In March, Oregon's seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment rose by 7,300 jobs, following a revised gain of 1,600 jobs in February.

GAINS

March's gains were largest in health care and social assistance (+4,600 jobs); professional and business services (+1,000); other

services (+800); and wholesale trade (+700). None of the other major industries had a job change of more than 400 jobs.

The return of workers who were on strike at a major health care provider contributed to the one-month gain of 4,600 jobs in health care and social assistance during March. This industry has been leading private-sector job growth in Oregon over the past few years. It added 18,400 jobs, or 6.2%, in the 12

months through March, continuing a three-year streak of rapid growth.

TREND REVERSED

Professional and business services added jobs in each of the first three months of the year, with gains totaling 4,500 jobs in that time. This reversed a generally declining trend in the industry during the prior two years when it shed 5,400 jobs during the 24 months ending December 2024.

OTHER SERVICES EXPAND

Other services – an industry which includes religious organizations, membership associations, personal services, laundry services, and repair and maintenance services – has expanded steadily for more than four years. It employed 69,300 in March and is now well above its pre-pandemic high of 65,700 jobs in January 2020.

BRIEFS

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Church hosts game night April 26

The St. Thomas Episcopal Church hosts game night, from 1-3 p.m. April 26, at their Dallas location, 1485 SW Levens St. There will be snacks, card games like 5-crown and poker, board games and more.

Free Women's Self Defense Seminar offered April 27

Christina Clemons offers a free Women's Self Defense Seminar from 4:30-6:30 p.m. April 27 at 575 Southwest Ash St., in Dallas. This class is designed to provide a safe and welcoming space where individuals of all skill levels can come together, receive the benefits or movement, and master practical self-defense techniques.

Participants 14 and under welcome with a parent or legal guardian. To learn more or to sign up, go to <https://bit.ly/42dpG16>.

Church hosts blood drive April 28

The Evangelical Bible Church hosts a blood drive from noon to 5 p.m. April 28 at 1175 SE Howe St., in Dallas. To schedule an appointment, go to www.redcrossblood.org, call 1-800-733-2767, or use the Red Cross Blood Donor App. Remember, each donation impacts the life of three individuals.

Dallas Police Department educational forum is April 29

The Dallas Area Chamber of Commerce and the Friends of the Dallas PD Pac present an educational forum at 6 p.m. April 29 at the Dallas Civic Center (945 SE Jefferson St.) to discuss the bond measure to fund a new police

station for the Dallas Police Department.

New Morning Bakery celebrates 4th anniversary April 29

Come celebrate the 4th anniversary of the Dallas New Morning Bakery location at 7 a.m. April 29. There will be free birthday cake for everyone that comes in (while supplies last). We'll also have a raffle for prizes. The bakery will be open until 8 p.m. at 788 S. Main St.

Lora Michele Dance Studio hosts free family Dance May 3

The Thoughts and Gifts Project presents a free family Dance night by Lora Michele Dance Studio from 4-6 p.m. May 3 at the Dallas Events Center, 939 Main St., Dallas. Tickets available online at <https://bit.ly/3RjsB3p>.

Jeep and Java meetup is May 3

Noverlanders Cole and Salem Jeeps present a Jeeps and Java meetup from 7:30-8:30 a.m. May 3 at Bugles Espresso, 446 Pacific Ave. S., in Monmouth. This is a very informal meetup with a possible half-day trip into the Coast Range trail system. Meet Behind Bugles Coffee in the Bi-Mart parking lot.

Exploration Center LLC hosts a clothing swap fundraiser May 4

The Exploration Center LLC hosts a clothing swap fundraiser, at 3 p.m. May 4, to pay for a new dishwasher, supplies and other program improvements, at 295 W Ellendale Ave., in Dallas.

SW Polk Fire District hosts pancake feed May 4

The SW Polk Fire District hosts a pancake

feed from 7-11 a.m. May 4 at their Rickreall Station, 9105 Rickreall Road. There will also be fire engine rides. No ticket purchase is necessary. Donations will be appreciated.

Polk County Democrats meet via Zoom May 8

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

Touch a Truck event returns to Independence May 10

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

attendees are encouraged to bring food donations for the Ella Curran Food Bank.

Livestock Learning Day May 10

Oregon 4-H Polk County presents Livestock Learning Day at 9 a.m. May 10 at the Polk County Fairgrounds 520 S. Pacific Highway. The event, for 4-H members and non-4-H youth, offers more than 30 sessions to teach participants about all thing's livestock, such as meat grading, wool evaluation, cheese making, Q & A with a vet, mock swine showmanship, nutrition and feed, and more. Pre-registration and day of registration available. For registration, schedule, and more information go to <https://bit.ly/4jbe2GL>.

In the Garden Faire returns May 17

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

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PUBLIC RECORD

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

Dallas Police Department

Thursday, April 10

At 12:17 a.m., a report of an individual yelling and screaming at the Walmart bus stop. The subject was asked to leave.

At 12:29 a.m., a report of a suspicious vehicle on Orchard Drive. The driver was waiting for a relative to get off work.

At 12:55 a.m., an officer contacted individuals playing with remote control cars on La Creole Drive. They were advised of park hours.

At 12:23 p.m., a report of theft on Washington Street. Emily Freeman was arrested and charged with theft and lodged at Polk County Jail.

At 4:10 p.m., a report of four people drinking around a dumpster on Uglow Avenue. An officer was unable to locate anyone.

At 5:16 p.m., a report of theft on Ellendale Avenue. There were no crimes.

Friday, April 11

At 12:35 a.m., an officer found a homeless person digging in the dirt for rocks behind Safeway. The subject agreed to put the dirt back.

At 12:49 a.m., Kristoffer Norheim was lodged at Polk County Jail on an outstanding warrant.

At 8 a.m., a report of a two-vehicle, rear-end crash on Fairview Avenue.

At 8:32 a.m., a report of fraud on Ellendale Avenue. Someone had passed a counterfeit \$100 bill.

At 8:58 a.m., a report of an alarm on Ivy Avenue. The resident had set it off accidentally.

At 9:05 a.m., a motorist on Kings Valley Highway was cited for speeding 51 mph in a 45-mph zone and violating the move over law.

At 9:40 a.m., a suspect was cited for criminal trespass on Kings Valley Highway.

At 11:57 a.m., a report of juveniles listening to inappropriate music loudly and dancing inappropriately on Brandvold Drive. The juveniles denied both and the parents were en route to pick them up.

At 12:48 p.m., a report of a domestic disturbance on Virginia Drive. The resident declined to discuss the issue.

At 4:19 p.m., a motorist on Ellendale Avenue was cited for driving while suspended and failure to carry proof of insurance.

At 4:36 p.m., a motorist on Miller Avenue was cited for speeding 40 mph in a 25-mph zone.

At 4:55 p.m., a motorist on Mifflin Street was cited for speeding 41 mph in a 25-mph zone.

At 6:26 p.m., a report of a theft of a forklift on Brookside Avenue.

At 9:28 p.m., an officer advised multiple people that the park on Allgood Street was closed.

At 11:42 p.m., a report of a suspicious vehicle on La Creole Drive. An employee of the Aquatic Center had returned for something left at work.

Saturday, April 12

At 5:59 a.m., a verbal warning was given to a driver driving the wrong way on Jefferson Street. Their GPS had given bad directions.

At 9:35 a.m., a motorist on Ellendale Avenue was cited for speeding 47 mph in a 25-mph zone.

At 9:48 a.m., a motorist on Ellendale Avenue was cited for driving while suspended, failure to carry an operator's license and failure to install an ignition interlock device.

At 10:35 a.m., a motorist on Walnut Avenue was cited for driving without an operator's license.

At 1:27 p.m., a motorist on Dallas Drive was cited for driving uninsured.

At 6:09 p.m., a motorist on Jefferson Street was cited for driving uninsured. They were given a warning for no front license plate and failure to renew registration.

At 6:14 p.m., a report of a truck doing donuts in a parking lot on Allgood Street. The officer was unable to locate.

At 8:41 p.m., a report of an assault on Howe Street. No injury or pain was reported.

At 11:18 p.m., a motorist was stopped on Monmouth Cutoff for failure to obey a traffic control device and failure to maintain their lane. There were no signs of impairment after completing field sobriety tests.

Sunday, April 13

At 12:52 p.m., an officer noticed a garage door open in an alley. Two individuals were working on a vehicle.

At 2:06 p.m., an officer contacted an individual walking home from the bar. The subject was informed of park hours.

At 4:52 a.m., an individual was warned for operating a motorized scooter without front or rear lights.

At 6:35 a.m., a motorist on Fairview Avenue was cited for speeding 65 mph in a 45-mph zone.

At 11:04 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving uninsured and was given a written warning for speeding 36 mph in a 20-mph zone.

At 12:34 p.m., a report of a domestic disturbance on Kings Valley Highway. There was mutual harassment between family members.

At 1:08 p.m., a report of shots heard on Levens Street. It was a vehicle backfiring.

At 1:55 p.m., a motorist on Ellendale Avenue was cited for driving while suspended. The driver was given a written warning for failure to use safety belts.

At 11:30 p.m., a motorist was cited for driving while suspended and speeding 50 mph in a 35-mph zone.

At 11:49 p.m., Jeffrey Tacket was arrested and charged with assault and unlawful use of pepper spray.

Monday, April 14

At 2:25 p.m., an officer responded to an alarm on Ellendale Avenue. All doors were secure.

At 3:59 a.m., an officer contacted three individuals in the park on Allgood Street. They left when they were advised of park hours.

At 7:38 a.m., a motorist on Miller Avenue was cited for speeding 37 mph in a 25-mph zone.

At 10 a.m., a motorist on Main Street was cited for speeding 38 mph in a 20-mph zone.

At 1:41 p.m., a report of a domestic disturbance on Maple Street. It was a verbal disturbance.

At 2:31 p.m., a motorist was cited for speeding 37 mph in a 25-mph zone on Miller Avenue.

At 2:32 p.m., a report of verbal threats made on Shelton Street.

At 3:02 p.m., a report of a pit bike in the park on Brandvold Drive. The owner was informed of the laws and loaded up the bike.

At 3:43 p.m., a report of harassment by phone on River Drive.

At 9 p.m., a suspect was cited on a warrant from Albany Municipal Court.

At 11:35 p.m., a report of a suspicious vehicle on Kings Valley Highway. Joshua Corona was arrested for a Polk County warrant and was charged with possession of methamphetamine.

Tuesday, April 15

At 8:35 a.m., a report of a suspicious vehicle on Gordon Court. The owner was contacted and given the location of the vehicle. The owner did not want to pursue charges.

At 8:44 a.m., a report of criminal mischief on Holman Avenue. A vehicle's tire had been slashed.

At 11:23 a.m., a report of theft on Mulberry Avenue. The credit card being used had both people's names on it, so it was a civil matter.

At 12:24 p.m., a report of a suspicious vehicle on River Drive. The vehicle was registered to the address. The complainant was advised.

At 2:11 p.m., a report of a stolen vehicle on Sheila Street. It is under investigation.

At 2:58 p.m., a report of a crime on Academy Street. Andrew Hamilton was arrested and charged with assault and menacing.

At 5:08 p.m., a report of a domestic disturbance on Kings Valley Highway. It was a verbal disturbance.

At 5:45 p.m., a report of teenagers on a roof on Levens Street. The caller called back to let officers know they were not there anymore.

At 8:33 p.m., Rahkim Parker was lodged at Polk County Jail after being charged with harassment, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

Wednesday, April 16

At 5:16 a.m., a noise complaint of people laughing loudly on Ellendale Avenue. An officer contacted the resident and advised to keep the noise down.

At 10:53 a.m., a report of harassment on Main Street. The subject was upset with parking at the location.

At 11 a.m., a motorist on Ellendale Avenue was cited for unsafe passing and careless driving.

At 11:26 a.m., a subject was warned about being charged with disorderly conduct if she was in the road driving with chalk again.

At 11:29 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving while suspended and driving uninsured and was advised not to drive.

At 1:51 p.m., a subject was trespassed from the location on Ellendale Avenue after yelling at employees.

Monmouth Police Department

Wednesday April 9

Assist Other Agency: Assisted with handling a call involving an emotionally disturbed person (EDP) with an outstanding warrant. The subject fled and was not located. Responded to a domestic situation until another agency could respond. A male subject was trying to break a window, but no crimes or arrests were made. Responded to a reported physical domestic incident. Parties denied physical altercation and no injuries were found.

Check Welfare: Responded to a report of an unconscious runner. Subject was found to be resting and denied medical treatment. Given a courtesy ride.

Warrant: Stopped an individual for a cell phone

violation and lodged them at a jail for a misdemeanor probation violation warrant.

Emotionally Disturbed Person: The resource center reported a voicemail from an individual making concerning statements. The individual was not located after multiple attempts. An individual called making numerous EDP statements, including wanting to harm themselves. The individual was located but no contact was made.

Runaway Update: A previously reported runaway was located and the runaway status was removed.

Runaway: A 14-year-old individual was reported as a runaway again.

Citizen Contact: An individual wanted their ex to stop calling. A report was taken and the ex was contacted.

Extra Patrol: A request was made to be on the lookout for a four-wheeler driving carelessly.

Thursday April 10

Domestic Disturbance: Responded to a verbal domestic disturbance involving two sisters. One sister was reportedly trying to open the other sister's locked door. One sister was threatening to fight the other. No crimes or damage were reported. It was determined one sister instigated the issue and was in an emotional state. The sister was spoken to about her behavior and was told to leave her sister alone for the night.

Driving: Report of a vehicle speeding, passing unsafely and almost hitting vehicles. The complainant lost sight of the vehicle. Officers were unable to locate.

Check Welfare: Report of a male slumped over at a bus stop. The area was checked, but the individual was not located.

Citizen Contact: An individual called as they bought two coins online and received only one. The one they received was fake.

Civil: An individual called regarding a contract they made with a client through their video production company. The other party signed the contract but backed out. The individual was advised that it was a civil issue.

Friday April 11

Check Welfare: An individual called regarding their son, who was referred the previous day for MIP (minor in possession), believing they were under the influence. The son's address was checked, but no one answered.

Check Welfare: A caller reported they went to a market, and no one was working. When an officer arrived, a female was at the counter and said everything was fine. She was in the back cooler and sometimes cannot hear the doorbell. She had a sign on the counter stating she was in the back.

Suspicious Activity: A caller reported a female with a specific description, stating they believed the female was impaired and made the caller nervous. The female was not located.

Citizen Contact: Two individuals called to interview an officer as part of their community service through juvenile court. They talked about trespass laws.

Suspicious Activity: An individual called to report that a male went into a shared laundry room and left with laundry detergent. The individual said this is an ongoing issue and that their clothes have gone missing in the past. A video of the female was sent. The individual did not believe the laundry detergent was theirs.

Hit and Run: An individual called to report that their

vehicle was hit the previous weekend while parked in front of their residence. They noticed it on Monday morning. They are looking for camera footage.

Assist Other Agency: Officers responded to a report of an armed person. An individual was at the front door of their property with a vest, pistol, and what appeared to be a shotgun. The individual stated they were exercising their rights and protecting their property from neighbors they have been having issues with. Another officer arrived on the scene and continued the conversation. No action was taken.

Trespass: Follow up from the previous suspicious activity. An individual was spoken to about the theft of laundry detergent. The individual did not match the video, but they identified the individual in the video as their mother. The laundry detergent was found and returned.

Citizen Contact: Staff at a resource center wanted to file an informational report as they were looking into trespassing an individual. The individual made a scene in the lobby. The individual was not trespassed at this time but might be in the future.

Suspicious Activity: Report of a naked person rolling around in a park. An individual was located who was intoxicated and had their pants unbuttoned but was not fully naked. The individual stayed with officers until their mother came and picked them up.

DUII: Driving complaint of a vehicle with a male driver and two kids. The driver performed poorly on tests and was taken into custody. The driver later blew a 0.20 BAC (Blood Alcohol Content).

Domestic Disturbance: Report of a male vs. female physical domestic at a location with the mention of firearms. The male left in a truck. The male had dislocated/broken fingers and the female had a broken nose. The female refused to talk to officers and was uncooperative. The male described the female pushing/hitting him and twisting his fingers when he head-butted her while trying to pack his items and leave a hotel room.

This occurred in front of the female's 6-year-old son. The female later admitted to pushing the male before he head-butted her. The female was arrested and charged with assault 4 - felony and lodged at a jail. A family member took the child home for the night. DHS hotline notified. The child's biological father was informed of the arrest.

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Saturday April 12

Suspicious Activity: While clearing a different call, an individual rode up on their bike and said that a male at their house was not supposed to be there and hit them. They had a bruise on their stomach near their hip. Spoke with the individual's mother and other siblings. The individual's brother had a 10-year-old friend visiting that the individual did not like. They said the individual was wrestling around with the friend. They said the bruise was from falling on their bike at the park. The individual fell twice in the parking lot while officers were on scene. No further action.

CITCON (Citizen Contact): An individual called and asked if the PD could make another individual leave a

residence so the other individual could pick up belongings. There is a no-contact order stopping the individual from going to the residence or being around the other individual. The caller was told the individual needs to follow the order, get a civil standby, etc.

Theft: An individual called and said that two bikes were stolen from under the stairs at their apartment. Later, a bike that matched the description was located at another location. An individual later flagged down an officer and said that they dropped the bike they found at the PD to see if it was stolen. The victim just wanted the bike back. The individual said they would bring the other bike to the PD later.

OD (Overdose): Unconscious/OD at a location. Contacted an individual who appeared on the nod. They responded to a sternum rub and could have a conversation. They denied taking any drugs. Medics did an evaluation, and the individual denied transport.

Disturbance: Disturbance involving an individual who is developmentally disabled. They threw some items, hitting a staff member. The scene was de-escalated, and a game plan was made with staff and the individual.

Noise: Spoke with an individual regarding the noise coming from their unit. They received a warning for noise, and they were informed of noise ordinances.

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TRACK

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grass field, like most fields," Cirino said.

A new cage is coming and will complete the project once it's in position.

"We feel, overall, it's been a huge improvement," he added.

The football field/soccer pitch has also been resurfaced.

It wasn't until Friday that the Panthers track team competed on the new surface for the first time. Or just in time for the John Oliver Invitational, the largest home meet of the season. Present and accounted for were some 20 high school teams and an estimated 700 athletes.

Given the challenges early on, Cirino was pleased with his team's performance.

"It was great to see the growth from so many of our kids," he said.

According to Cirino, notable performances from the meet included Shaun

Hibbard in the 400m, Ryan Perkins in the long jump, David Rice in the 200m, Caleb Castillo in the 100m and 200m, Ryan Burgett in the 400m, Ty Cirino in the 1500m and Aiden Wending in the 200m.

The girls team was led by Anna Cole in the throws and Olsen in the hurdles.

Oliver was a longtime coach and teacher at Central High School. He was honored during the meet for his contributions over the past 50 years.

The Panthers' first win on the new track came in the boys 4X100 relay.

"It felt amazing to have our boys win that (race) the first time we got on the new track, and on the night we honored John Oliver's 50 years of service to Central High's track and field, and to our community," Cirino said.

Renovations were funded by the school district.

John Oliver Invitational Track Meet
Panther Stadium
April 18

Central High School Boys

First: Ty Cirino, 1500m; 4X100 relay, Ryan Perkins, Ryan Burgett, Jackson Stevens, Caleb Castillo; Gabriel Haines, shot put, discus.

Second: Ryan Perkins, long jump.

Third: Caleb Castillo, 100m, 200m; Ryan Burgett, 400m; Aidan Wending, 3000m.

Fourth: Shaun Hibbard, 400m.

Fifth: Ty Cirino, 800m.

Seventh: 4X400 relay, Shaun Hibbard, Lucas Haines, Ty Cirino, Ryan Burgett; Joshua Parmenter, high jump.

Eighth: Asher Baker, 110m hurdles; Caleb Castillo, long jump.

Girls

Second: Anna Cole, discus
Eighth: Lyala Olsen, 100m hurdles

Dallas High School Boys

First: Sean Ward, high jump.

Second: Sean Ward, 300m hurdles.

Third: Xander Hammill, Eric Cowart, Sean Ward, Nicholas Walker, 4X400 relay.

Fourth: Sean Ward, 110m hurdles.

Sixth: Nicholas Walker, 400m; Jordan Braziel, shot put; Bertram Latta, discus.

Girls

First: Tanya Green, 300m hurdles.

Second: Amber Green, 1500m; Kelsey Rodli, 3000m.

Third: Elizabeth Walker, Amber Green, Tanya Green, Merced Ward, 4X400m relay; Tanya Green, pole vault.

Fourth: Elizabeth Walker, 200m; Tanya Green, 100m hurdles; Merced Ward, 300m hurdles.

Fifth: Jana Deming, 300m hurdles, pole vault.

Sixth: Elizabeth Walker, high jump, Eva Casey, high jump.

Seventh: Jana Deming, 100m hurdles; Savannah Dezotell, shot put.

Eighth: Avery Hoffman, 800m.

ICE

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best team to nationals.

Oregon has a smaller pool of hockey players, so the Winterhawks have tryouts to construct two teams and the best one advances.

The Winterhawks were ranked 120th in the nation for AA heading into New Jersey.

"We got a free bye at nationals, so they didn't really have high standards for us," Owen said. "They'd come to the games thinking 'Easy win.'"

While hockey is growing at a faster rate in Washington thanks to their new pro team, the Kraken, Oregon lags behind in popularity.

"So, it was unexpected for us to go that far," Taylor said.

It was pandemonium on the ice when the Winterhawks pulled off the upset.

"As soon as the buzzer went off, we all went on the ice, threw our gloves in the air, our sticks, helmets, took them off and threw them," Owen said. "We didn't care at the moment. We just jumped on our goalie, big ole dog-pile. It was pretty fun."

Once home with championship banner and gold plate (instead of a trophy) the Winterhawks got recognition on center ice at last Wednesday's semi-pro Winterhawks' game, their image blasted on the jumbotron.

"It was pretty cool," Taylor said.

The downside to having a share in earning a national championship does not guarantee a roster spot next season. Owen has to go all through tryouts again.

"I'll just keep playing as long as I can, go as far as I can," he said.

For more information about the Northwest Amateur Hockey League, go to <https://nwahl.net>.

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PREP

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Track at Rob Allen Invitational
Lebanon HS
4:30 p.m.

Silverton vs. South Albany
5 p.m.

Lebanon vs. BB

Monday

Boys Golf at Lebanon
(Mallard Creek Golf Course)

11:30 a.m.

Girls Golf at Corvallis
(Corvallis Country Club)

4:30 p.m.

Lebanon vs. SB

5 p.m.

BB at Lebanon

Tuesday

4 p.m.

Boys Tennis at McKay

McKay at Girls Tennis

PERRYDALE HS

Monday

4:30 p.m.

Country Christian vs. SB

Thursday

4 p.m.

Track at PacWest

Willamina HS

FALLS CITY HS

Saturday

11 a.m.

Track at 21st Annual
Portland Christian Invitational

SCOREBOARD

April 13-19

CENTRAL HS

April 14: SB 19, Lebanon 1

April 14: BB 16, Woodburn 0

April 16: Woodburn (JV) 0, SB 15

April 16: Lebanon 0, BB 20

April 18: SB 9, South Albany 0

April 18: BB 10, Lebanon 6

DALLAS HS

April 14: SB 1, West Salem 11

April 14: West Albany 8, BB 1

April 16: Corvallis 0, SB 11

April 16: South Albany 6, BB 12

April 18: SB 11, West Albany 1

April 18: South Albany 10, BB 23

PERRYDALE HS

April 14: Kennedy 9, SB 15

April 15: SB 7, Salem Academy 9

April 16: Colton 10, SB 20

April 18: SB 25, Western Christian 4



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