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# Stars align for opening Cosmos Tabletop Gaming

By DAVID HAYES  
I-O Editor

Married couple Logan and Krystal Beck share more than their love for each other that have gone into risking their latest adventure together.

They both have extensive histories working in retail, the last three in banking for Krystal.

“So I know more of the financial side, which helps,” Krystal said. “Retail (experience) helps with customer service.”

Growing up, Logan has worked in his grandparents’ store, has worked in several tree lots, and as an overnight manager, ordering supplies and restocking shelves.

“I’ve kind of not really wanted to be in stores my whole life, and ended up doing it anyway,” Logan said.

He shared this insight just before the grand opening Saturday of the couple’s store, Cosmos Tabletop Games. Now they’re sharing their love of nerd culture with the community of Dallas. Krystal even wore at the event a replica Evanstar Pendant Arwen presented to Aragorn, in “Lord of the Rings.”

When the couple wanted to open a store that centered on selling board and card games while at the same time offering a location to a shared playing space with said games, not even they knew how big a niche they were tapping into.

When they opened the doors to Cosmos for business, located at 135 SE Mill St. about mid block (and two doors down from Parkside Self Defense), the line of shoppers waiting to enter stretched nearly around the corner onto Main Street.

Lorne Johnston, of Dallas, was one of the first customers to walk out with a bag full of newly purchased box games.

“It was nice to see things outside the Monopoly range,” he said. “Finally, a store that’s local that sells modern games.”

Logan, a veteran of many a board game campaign, said he’s well known with most of the groups he plays with as the go-to person when you need an arbiter of the rules or a suggestion in gameplay.

“So it kind of fit naturally there,” he said about opening a game store.

Additionally, the Becks were always limited by their tiny

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## Break out the bubbles



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Amy Lemco Jaramillo takes aim with a foam machine to start the party as more than 100 youth line up July 15 at Monmouth Main Street Park to join in a public bubble bath, minus the bath. A Monmouth Parks and Rec grant paid for the rental of the foam machine from Portland based Lucky Duck. Jaramillo said she hopes to turn the inaugural event into a yearly tradition. For more photos of the festivities, see page B8.

# Former mayor helps rechristen park to honor Mark O. Hatfield

I-O STAFF REPORT

Former Dallas mayor Ken Woods stepped out of retirement to perform one more official duty July 16 to help christen the renaming of Birch Park to Mark O. Hatfield Park.

Woods started this project last year as he wanted to dedicate the park in Hatfield’s name to honor him and his legacy.

“Most of you may not know, but Mark Hatfield and my dad were childhood friends who grew up just a few blocks from where we stand now,” Woods said at the ceremony. “That personal connection makes today even more meaningful for me and I imagine for many in our community who still remember the Hatfield family’s roots here in Dallas.”

Woods shared that Mark Odom Hatfield, born in Dallas on July 12, 1922, lived a life of service and principle.

“The son of a blacksmith and a schoolteacher, he went from our small town to the global stage. Earning degrees from Willamette and Stanford, serving in the Navy during WWII, and returning home to teach before launching a remarkable political career,” Woods said.

Hatfield was elected to the Oregon House in 1950, the Senate in 1954,



PHOTO COURTESY CITY OF DALLAS

Former Dallas Mayor Ken Woods cuts the ribbon to rename Birch Park to Mark O. Hatfield Park to honor the legacy of the longtime Oregon politician.

became the youngest Secretary of State in 1956, and in 1959, was elected governor. He went on to serve 30 years in the U.S. Senate, the longest of any Oregonian, “always guided by a deep commitment to public service,” Woods said.

He added that beyond politics, Hatfield remained an educator, a mentor, and a humble public servant until his passing.

“Today, by dedicating this space as Mark O. Hatfield Park, we honor not just a statesman, but one of our

own. May this park be a place where his legacy inspires generations to come,” Woods said.

Dallas Public Works installed two new signs to coincide with the ceremony - one proclaiming the space as Mark O Hatfield Park, in bold blue and white lettering. The other was for visitors to read about Hatfield, from his early life, lengthy political career and lasting legacy.

The play equipment, swings, field, and small basketball court remain the same.

He co-wrote the 2025 Nebula-award-winning game A Death in Hyperspace and the Nebula-nominated game The Bread Must Rise. Born in England, Stewart now lives in Oregon.

There is no registration required. You can find details about the event at [www.facebook.com/dallaslibrary-oregon](http://www.facebook.com/dallaslibrary-oregon) or by calling (503) 623-2633.

## Dallas library offers free teen workshop

The Dallas Library will host a free short story workshop for teens at 3:30 p.m July 25. What makes a short story work? Come find out from published sci-fi and 2025 Nebula award winning author Stewart C Baker. You’ll learn about conflict and character, and figure out the most important pieces of a story you’ll write yourself.

The workshop is geared for ages 12-18. Paper and pencils or pens will be provided for the audience to write with (or participants can use their phone, laptop, notebook, etc.)

Baker is an academic librarian and author of speculative fiction, including The Butterfly Disjunct: And Other Stories (Interstellar Flight Press), poetry, and games.

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# MoTown merchants turn to Trekkin’ to boost sales

By LANCE MASTERSON  
For The Itemizer-Observer

Keep on Trekkin’, MoTown.

MoTown Trekker Passport program, as it’s known formally, was designed by Monmouth Business Association (MBA), with support from the city of Monmouth, to drive foot traffic to local shops during the summer.

“We’re trying to get people into our downtown, into our businesses, so they know what’s here,” said Tori Stutzman of the MBA. “People tend to go to their favorites, which we love, but this program gives them a reason to try something new.”

Trekkers pick up their MoTown Trekker Passport at city hall or any participating business. A task is assigned by each specific business, and upon completion, a sticker is earned.

Collect and turn in 14 stickers and receive special seating at the MoTown party tent during the Music in the Park finale Aug. 27, with local favorite Coming Up Threes performing.

Turn in 21 stickers and the Trekker earns a chance at winning MBA gift cards totaling more than \$200.

Passports can be turned into city hall or at the MBA table at Music in the Park concerts.

Some tasks involve purchases, but most are simple no-cost interactions, like signing up for a business’s email list or posting a photo on social media.

At Sunny’s Coffee and Plants, for example, the task is to join their mailing list. At the Monmouth Library, the task is to share the title of a favorite book or movie. At MINET, Trekkers are asked to snap a photo of the painted utility boxes.

Organizers are thrilled with the response, as 27 businesses have signed up. A number that easily exceeded expectations.

“We hoped to get maybe a dozen,” Stutzman said. “It’s been amazing to see how many businesses wanted to take part, and they have been really proactive, promoting (the program) on their own social media, getting excited about it.”

Social media plays a big role in the program, with several tasks encouraging Trekkers to share images and tag businesses online. Such exposure helps expand the reach of local shops beyond the walk-in experience.

The name “MoTown Trekker” is the result of brainstorming, with nods to Monmouth (“Mo”) and the idea of moving from business to business.

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Polk County organizations receive Pacific Power Foundation Education, stem grants

Polk County’s Acres of Hope Youth Ranch and the United Way of the Mid-Willamette Valley-WiseMind Education Services were among 89 nonprofits and community organizations to receive Pacific Power Foundation’s education and STEM program grants. The grants are expanding access to quality STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education and strengthening learning opportunities in the communities that Pacific Power serves.

“The foundation is delighted to support local organizations that uplift the next generation of STEM professionals,” said Ryan Flynn, director of the Pacific Power Foundation and president of Pacific Power. “We are truly inspired by the communities’ efforts in opening doors for the next generation of innovators, problem-solvers and leaders.”

These education and STEM grants are made through one of four grant cycles offered by the Pacific Power Foundation each year. The foundation supports a wide range of organizations within the communities served by Pacific Power.

The two Polk County community organizations were among those awarded grants totaling \$313,000. Acres of Hope Youth Ranch grant goes to support their mentoring program, which provides free equine therapy sessions for youth impacted by trauma.

United Way of the Mid-Willamette Valley-WiseMind Education Services’ grant goes to support the training of 13 school-based mental health providers who provide one-on-one support to 800 students annually.

BPA West Salem substation listed in national register of historic places

The Salem Substation Historic District is among Oregon’s latest additions to the National Register of Historic Places. Recommended for listing by the State Advisory Committee on Historic Preservation (SACHP) at its February 2025 meeting, the substation is recognized for its significance as an integral component of the Bonneville Power Administration’s (BPA) Master Grid Development period (1938-1945). Furthermore, the substation’s Control House is individually recognized as an outstanding example of the Streamline Moderne architectural style. The National Park Service, which maintains the National Register of Historic Places, listed the substation in spring 2025.

Located on the Salem/Dallas Highway (OR 22) in West Salem, the district includes six built resources, three of which are contributing: the Control House, Switchyard, and Transfer Track. The Control House, completed in 1942, exemplifies the Streamline Moderne architectural style with its smooth surfaces, rounded edges, and use of aluminum, stucco, and chrome. It is one of the few remaining examples of this architectural style that was used by BPA during its Master Grid Development period.

As a unit, the district was pivotal in distributing hydroelectric power from the Columbia River dams to rural communities and industrial operations in the Willamette Valley during World War II, fulfilling the increasing energy demands of the era.

To explore historic images of the substation and its architectural features, visit the Salem Substation photo collection at [river.bpa.gov/portals/Salem-Substation-OR](http://river.bpa.gov/portals/Salem-Substation-OR).

The National Register is maintained by the National Park Service under the authority of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. Properties listed in the National Register are:

- Recognized as significant to the nation, state, or community;
- Considered in the planning of federal or federally-assisted projects;
- Eligible for federal tax benefits;
- Qualify for historic preservation grants when funds are available;
- Eligible for leniency in meeting certain building code requirements;
- Subject to local laws pertaining to the conservation and protection of historic resources.

State law in Oregon requires local governments to offer a minimal level of protection for properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places; the decisions about how to accomplish that goal reside with local governments, which also have the authority to create and regulate local historic districts and landmarks.

More information about the National Register and recent Oregon listings are online at [oregonheritage.org](http://oregonheritage.org) (under the heading “Designate”).

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space, as were all their friends with tiny spaces.

“So, we need a space to play. Everybody else needs a space to play. So let’s do it,” Logan said.

They stocked their shelves with the latest in card sets, boxed sets, miniatures, RPG tombes, and accompanying toys and puzzles.

“Inventory is partially our interests but it’s also knowing the interests of other people we know,” Krystal said. “We go to a lot of, what we call, nerd stores. So, we kind of get the basics of how those run. And we kind of took bits and pieces of stores we like and combined them into our own store.”

So they set up Cosmos to offer a retail sales area up front, and at the back third of the store are tables to open up the games to play upon. In addition, a book shelf is crammed with classic games that can be cheaply rented and played with others.

“We are always looking for used games, because we’d like to be able to have more games for people to be able to play,” Logan said. “If we can’t fit it, then we want somebody else to play it.”

After the grand opening, one customer returned to donate a stack of board games to add to the collectible shelves.

Logan attributes a surge in people playing more games out of a box rather than on a computer, due to the pandemic.

“During the pandemic, the population rediscovered the board game when they were forced to be isolated indoors from everyone else,” Logan said. “People are huge on fun, complex board games, for the family or the diehards, because there are some really dense games.”

For example, he pointed to his and Krystal’s latest



PHOTO BY DAVID HAYES  
Logan and Krystal Beck cut the ribbon at the grand opening to their store, Cosmos Tabletop Games in Dallas.

obsession from a box - Powergrid.

“Powergrid is such a fun game. You look at the game and you’re like why would someone make a game about this?” Logan said. “You build power grids, buy resources, auction for power plants, build connections. It is a game that constantly feeds itself with fun.”

Cosmos is the fourth game and collectible store to open in Dallas recently, including Everything Blaine Likes, Mythic Finds and Kujo’s Collectibles.

Joining their ranks was actually a goal of the Becks.

“We want to turn Dallas into a place that is actually known as a place that is actually fun,” Logan said. “Everybody that we’ve talked to used to say, ‘Oh, it’s the weekend? Let’s go to Salem and have fun.’ If we can keep the fun here in Dallas and actually make this a game community, that would be fantastic.”

And the best part of their store’s attraction is you don’t have to come in with someone else to play a game. Logan is willing to join in to ensure customers have a memorable experience.

“It’s one thing to have an area to sell things. It’s another to actually include the community and have them play along with you,” Krystal said. “It’s a love of games that we want to share with the community.”

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As for “Trekker,” it reportedly reflects the mobile, interactive nature of the events, as passport holders are asked to walk or take the city’s trolley to explore a wide range of destinations.

There’s a chance organizers could bring the program back.

“We always want to improve, and if the businesses find it worthwhile, we’d love to expand it,” Stutzman said. “Something that encourages people to come downtown during the holidays would be great, especially with the weather being colder and wetter.”

Some participating merchants, such as Sunny’s and MiNet, are outside the downtown area. Go to <https://mbamonmouth.com/passport>.

# My Attic Home

**By GARY DEROWITSCH**

*Part One*

*The story is derived from real places, like the Victorian home and experiences throughout my life growing up in Independence. Some reflections are of real life events and some of thoughts and dreams I created, dreams that quench a very thirsty place in my soul.*

I have never been much for large spacious homes even though I lived in my share of them. My idea of an ideal living space would be a small Attic dwelling. Nothing fancy, just small and quaint, just big enough to enjoy with a little extra elbow room.

Now, in my later years, I set out to find such a place and after many days of searching I did just that. A beautiful Victorian two story home with just such an attic. I knocked on the front door and being met by an elderly woman I inquired about the

attic. To my delight she said it was prepared as a rental space.

I was delighted to be met with such good news, and even more so an invitation to check it out. After viewing the space I asked if it was available to rent? She said yes. Incredibly excited, I agreed to sign a lease and move in.

The stairs that lead up to my room are old, crafted of hard wood that creek and groan with every step. Inside I have a fairly large space, with the ceiling being strips of wood the shingles are nailed to. The walls are wood panels running horizontal.

The smell was of old lumber, you might say even of history. Such a smell you would find in an old wood shed, or pantry. There is no insulation which is fine with me because the attic comes with a wood stove. My dad used to say a house without isolation is a house that can breath, a healthier place to live which I tend to agree.

The wood stove would more than make up for the airiness of the room. The owners allowed me to cut as much wood as needed from the many trees on their property. I spend a lot of time sawing and splitting wood for the fire, something I derive a lot pleasure doing. Hard work, the smell of trees, and cold crisp air.

My home is equipped with a stand up shower, bathroom, and small kitchen.

I have a very comfortable chair, with a lamp stand of vintage Victorian design. The wood stove is located at the back end of the room with a stove pipe that curves into a brick chimney built up and through the room as opposed to being hidden inside the walls. This adds a very old and rustic feel to the space. Small yes, but very cozy and warm even through cold winter days.

In fact, sometimes even in the dead of winter I have to crack a window open for



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**The MaMere's Guest House in Monmouth is an example of the Victorian home that inspired Gary Derowitsch in his youth.**

relief from the heat. Speaking of windows, I have two. One is of clear glass, rectangular in shape and the other is circular, constructed of stained glass. The design is that of a yellow sun in the middle, with various colors radiating

like spokes of a bicycle wheel from the center circle to the outer rim. The window is quite large and when the sun shines it creates a beautiful tapestry of color on my floor and adjoining wall. The clear window allows me a view

of the front yard, sidewalks, streets and homes in the neighborhood.

*Look for Part 2 next week. Gary Derowitsch is a retired Postal worker who lives in Monmouth.*

## Cultivating future leaders: Robust program for aspiring academic officers

**Story by WOU**

Two Western Oregon University staff members were selected to participate in the Western Academic Leadership Academy - Chelle Batchelor, dean of the Library and Academic Innovation, and Judy Sylva, associate provost of Academic Effectiveness and Accreditation Liaison Officer.

The leadership academy is a year-long professional development program for

academic leaders aspiring to become chief academic officers in the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education region's post secondary sector. The academy, sponsored by the Western Academic Leadership Forum and the Western Alliance of Community College Academic Leaders, aims to nurture the talents of the next generation of Western chief academic officers by developing the knowledge and skills of

academic leaders poised to advance to that level.

The academy's faculty members share their expertise on the unique roles and responsibilities a chief academic officer assumes at a two or four-year institution and systems. They focus specifically on developing practical skills within academic affairs, fiscal affairs, student affairs, and external relationships, with a special sensitivity to the culture and

environment of the West's higher education community.

"I'm excited about the Western Academic Leadership Forum because it's all about tackling the big challenges in higher ed by working together," said Sylva. "That's how I've always approached leadership – building strong teams, making decisions based on what we care about, and making sure everyone has a seat at the table."

She added that this forum will be a great opportunity to

connect with other leaders and make a difference at Western Oregon University and in the region.

The program includes a summer seminar, followed by opportunities for cohort members to connect with faculty mentors and colleagues at national meetings or virtually throughout the year for personalized career consultations. Additionally, there will be an intensive three-day, in-person seminar at WICHE's headquarters in Boulder, Colorado.

Batchelor said she is thrilled and honored to have been selected for the Western Academic Leadership Academy.

"This is a fantastic opportunity to deepen my understanding of academic leadership and learn from experienced colleagues. I am interested in gaining new perspectives and skills that will empower me to better serve our students and the WOU community," Batchelor said.

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OBITUARIES



**James Sharp**  
Aug. 11, 1943 - June 17, 2025

James Sharp, of Dallas, Oregon. left to be with our Lord and Savior on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, due to an almost six-year battle with pancreatic cancer. He is preceded in death by his father, John M. Sharp Sr., of Raytown, Missouri. and his mother Ruth E. Jackson, of Kansas City, Missouri.

James is survived by his wife, Joyce Sharp, 76; his daughter Amanda Glines and son-in-law Bruce Glines of California; and his sister-in-law, Naomi Shadwick of Alsea, Oregon.

James has an older brother, John M. Sharp Jr. of Pennsylvania; younger sister, Jean Anch of Kansas City; and two younger brothers, Bob Mike Ford of Kansas City, and Patrick Ford of Kansas City. James also had many nieces and nephews.

James was born on Aug. 11, 1943, in Kansas City, Kansas. He and his family then moved to Kansas City, Missouri when he was young. James graduated from Northeast High School in 1961. During his high school years, he held many jobs before deciding to enlist in the USAF. He was stationed at Lakeland Air Force base in Texas. After basic training, he was then transferred to Hamilton Air Force base in California.

James spent his four years working on aircraft recip engines. This is when he met his wife of 59 years. through a mutual friend. After his four years of active duty, he transferred to McClellan Air Force base and did two years of active reserves. He and his wife moved to Gridley, California. for a couple of years, moved to the Yuba/Sutter area for 30+ years before settling in Dallas, Oregon. for nine years. He worked for Wheeler Olds, Art Mele (Yuba City Honda) before retiring from Don McCullough Dodge. He received many awards and was a Certified ASE Master Automotive Technician.

James was a very active person. He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, fishing and water skiing. His favorite

hobby was his model trains, especially the “N” scale. He was also active in the community. He volunteered with the YCPD, CHP and The American Legion Stephen M. Brammer Post 705 as adjutant.

James will surely be missed by all who knew him.



**Douglas Johnson**  
Aug. 22, 1942 - July 10, 2025

Douglas Richard Johnson passed away peacefully on July 10, 2025, at the age of 82. Born to Phillip Boyce Johnson and Iva Enola Crum, Doug was also preceded in death by his brother Dean Johnson and his beloved wife of 54 years, Georgetta Johnson.

Doug is survived by his children Tami (Russ Wyatt) Johnson, Kelli (Kenny) Moffett, and Larry (Stacey) Johnson; grandchildren Ari (Jeff) Quesenberry, Carson Wyatt, Ethan Johnson, Tyler Johnson, and Kenzie Johnson; step-grandson Ronny Moffett; and great-grandson Wyatt Quesenberry.

A dedicated teacher and coach, Doug taught for many years at the Dallas School District and served proudly as a captain in the Dallas Fire Department. He was an avid whitewater rafter and a devoted dog lover who treasured time with family above all.

Doug’s legacy is one of service, strength, and love. He will be deeply missed.

Please join us in celebration of his life on Aug. 23, 2025, from 2-4 p.m. at Washington Street Steakhouse in Dallas, Oregon. All are welcome.

Donations in memory can be sent to SafeHaven Humane Society in Tangent, Oregon.

**Marvelle B. Kaltenbach (Johnson)**  
April 29, 1939 - June 18, 2025

MarVelle Kaltenbach passed away peacefully in the evening hours of Wednesday, June 18, 2025, surrounded by family members. MarVelle died quietly as she was known throughout her life. One of her high school teachers said in her 1956 senior yearbook, “It sure is nice to have one nice, quiet young lady in the crowd.”

MarVelle Bernice Johnson, the daughter of Theodore and Bernice Johnson, was born April 29, 1939, in



Stromsburg, Nebraska. She was the only girl born between six brothers: Merle, Waldine, Roger, MarVelle, DeVerne, Arlette and Royal. All were raised on the family farm, approximately five miles west of Osceola, Nebraska. All seven siblings were confirmed in the Swede Home Lutheran Church.

Upon graduation from Osceola High School, MarVelle moved to Lincoln, Nebraska. She worked at the Cornhusker Hotel where she met Eugene E. McCarron. They married in 1960 and had three boys, Kevin, Terrance and Daniel.

MarVelle married Philip E. Kaltenbach in Cheyenne, Wyoming, in 1973. Philip was a father to two boys, Richard and Jay. The result was a family of seven and the sum of the two families completed each other. The whole being much better than the two parts.

Philip retired from the Air Force in 1974 and the family settled in Dallas, Oregon. MarVelle took a job with Polk County where she worked for 15 years until retirement. Philip went to work building spray buggies at DeJong Farms in Balston, Oregon. MarVelle helped Philip with his studies to become a realtor. Philip became a realtor in 1975 and one of the purchases he made was the family home in Rickreall, Oregon, in 1976. The family had outgrown the home in Dallas the day they moved in. All five boys graduated from Dallas High School while living in Rickreall.

Annual family camping trips to Clear Lake, Suttle Lake and Loon Lake are fondly remembered as were annual ski trips to Mt. Bachelor/ Sun River with all five boys, their spouses and grandchildren. Nothing made Mom glow more than when we were all together sharing. For three years we competed (including Mom) in the annual Pole Pedal Paddle relay at Mt. Bachelor. Those are memories that none of us will ever forget.

Mom also loved family get-togethers at all the big holidays. Mom was a great baker and cook. Taco soup, fruit soup, pies, coconut-oatmeal cookies, graham cracker crust cherry cheesecake, Swedish rye bread, and her fried chicken were just a few of the specialties she was known for.

Another favorite activity the family enjoyed was playing a card game known as 6-point Pitch or Cutthroat Pitch, a Midwest game loved by Nebraskans and taught to us by Mom. As soon as the table was cleared, and the dishes were done (in one of our homes or on a picnic table while camping) the cards came out and we were playing. Ribbing each other and getting animated more than a few times while camping, the Campground Host would have to stop by after quiet hours to remind us to keep our voices down as people were trying to sleep. Playing by lantern light are memories that will forever be etched in our memories.

After retiring, Phil and MarVelle were snowbirds in Yuma, Arizona, for approximately 20 years with several friends from Oregon.

This family is bound together by humor, laughter and a true love and respect for each other. Mom showed us the way. Love one another.

MarVelle is survived by sons Rick (Jamie), Jay (Donna), Kevin (Mary), Terry (Laurie) and Daniel (Cathy); and daughter Gwen. She is also survived by 16 grandchildren - Emily, Audrey, Rick, Nicole, Max, Gabe, Jacob, Sally, Maggie, Kylie, Katelin, DJ, Cole, Caitlyn, Spencer, Nathan and Petra; and several great-grandchildren. She has two surviving brothers, Arlette (Jane) and DeVerne (Geri).

Mom leaves behind a legacy of love, togetherness, stoicism and Midwest prairie toughness.

MarVelle’s ashes will be interred in a private family ceremony at the Trinity Lutheran Church Columbarium in Dallas, Oregon. Her family would like to welcome you to a Celebration of Life on Saturday, Sept. 13 at 1 p.m. at the Bollman’s Tribute Center, 287 SW Washington St., Dallas OR 7338. Reception to follow.

Kari Lyell



Oct. 31, 1976 - June 23, 2025

Prologue

This is a love story, the brave protagonist in this beautiful tale is Kari Jean Lyell and this story is dedicated to her.

Chapter 1

In the small eastern Oregon town of LaGrande, Kari was born on Oct. 31, 1976, to Steve and Jean Lyell.

Halloween, forever became a celebration of Kari. Her addition completed their family of five, joining sisters, Kiva and Kimberly. Everyone was overjoyed with the new addition. Nita and Everett Baker, Fern Hutchison and Fern’s mother, Grandma Broomfield showered her with love and attention. The sisters were a triple threat and spent their days living life with the understanding of how special a sister is.

Chapter 2

The Lyell family soon started out on an adventure to Dallas, Oregon, in August 1977. In the Willamette Valley, the family built a life full of precious shared moments with friends and family. In middle school, Kari met a couple of girls that would walk into her life and never leave, so much so that they became a part of the sisterhood, Jodi and Terese.

Chapter 3

Kari made it through middle and high school and went on to college at Chemeketa and Western Oregon University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Social Sciences. She especially loved researching genealogy, frequently collaborating with her Aunt, Holly Vonderhoe. Kari cherished her family, which included cousins, aunts, uncles and brother-in-laws, Kiva’s husband, Brian Gaither, Kim’s husband, Paul Dieke, Aunt Holly’s husband, Steve Vonderhoe, and the newest addition of Rylie’s husband, Tyler Vaughn. Kari welcomed all into her world.

Chapter 4

In 1997, Kari became an Auntie for the first time, Raymond Byrd IV, and soon saw her true calling as she became her nieces and nephews second Mom, the Auntie Mom. In 1999, her first niece was born, Rylie Gaither-Lyell. Nephew #2 soon followed in 2000 as Ian Gaither-Lyell. Followed by Katelynn Byrd in 2001. Then by Havalah Gaither-Lyell in 2002. Finally, Nephew #3, the youngest, Everett Byrd, joined in 2004. Kari was pivotal in helping shape them into the people they are today. She loved sharing life with them and she always said it was one of her greatest treasures being their Auntie, but we really know it was the other way around.

Chapter 5

In 2006, Kari’s heart grew somehow even bigger, as she began her journey caring for Elise Marsh at six months old. This was her career, working as a direct care professional. It was Kari’s emotional depth that was the magic she brought to her 19 years career of loving Elise. She also became an honorary Auntie to Terese and Kevin’s son, Quinlan in 2010 and Lisa Diaz’s daughter, Isabella in 2011. The title of Auntie was her favorite hat to wear.

Chapter 6

Life in the past few years did not go as expected for our brave heroine and some days were downright brutal but Kari never stopped loving through it all. This is not how her story will end. Her life is a never-ending story and will continue to be shared through our connections with others and goes on as we remember the precious moments we spent together. She was a beacon of light through the laughter and tears. The next chapter is yours to write, and we hope that you will think about the best aspects of Kari Lyell and share those with the world. We’ll call this the Kari Effect and through that we shall live happily ever after.

Author’s note

Kari’s family wishes to thank the healthcare providers

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OPINION

Letters to the Editor

Lyndon Johnson was a president with a real legacy

Name the President who gave Americans:

- The best-ever government-sponsored medical care. (Medicare and Medicaid)
- An opportunity for poor Americans to get educated and trained for well-paying careers. (Job Corps)
- Who allowed people of color equal rights for vocation, education, housing, public rest rooms and a place at the soda fountain. (Civil Rights Act of 1964)
- Oh yes, and the right to vote in all elections. (Voting Rights Act of 1965)
- Who offered low-income families the benefits of pre-school and kindergarten to their youngsters. (Head Start)
- Who was elected, winning 48 of 50 states. A real mandate. Almost as good as George Washington's unanimous electoral vote.

Give up?

It was "accidental president" Lyndon Johnson who became President with the assassination of President Kennedy.

This southern president from Texas declared a "War

on Poverty" and set out to win the war.

David Weston  
Dallas

Join Indivisible in pro-democracy campaign

I do not consider myself a political activist but I am concerned about what is happening in the United States.

I was delighted to discover a non-partisan group called Indivisible that is not pro-Republican nor pro-Democrat – it is pro-democracy. Indivisible is a people-powered movement of thousands of local groups in red, blue, and purple states, and in urban, suburban, and rural areas including Polk County.

If you are interested in joining like-minded people, you can start by going to the Indivisible website at indivisible.org, emailing polk.co.or.indivisible@gmail.com, or visiting the Indivisible booth during Dallas Days on July 25 - 26 and the Polk County Fair from Aug. 6 - 9.

Kathy Mrowka  
Independence



Legislature fails to fund ODOT

I am writing about the failure to pass either ODOT House Bills 2025 and 3402. The public will soon realize this incompetence on the part of the legislature and take note that this was a delayed and evening vote.

This was an important bill to pass which will greatly impact all of Oregon and the

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R E P O O C N O L B C K J I S

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: NAVIGATION INSTRUMENT

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Biscuit

Boat

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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: Z equals P

EG MUJ ZAJZOA KWA ZOKIIEIP

K VJIXZEWKVT UDEOA PJOGEIP,

KWA MDAT JI K VJOOSXEJI

VJSWXA?

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Super Crossword

“WHERE’S THE BEEF?”

ACROSS

1 Predicaments

9 Metallic car rims

16 Spooky German cars

20 Cosmos

21 What a flustered person has

22 Uncommon

23 Start of a riddle

26 Advance, as money

27 Japanese pond fish

28 Bad with musical pitches

29 Letter-shaped glider

33 Feared fly

37 Wine barrels

38 Riddle, part 2

44 Before now

45 Indelible keys

46 Poodle, e.g.

47 Org. fighting trafficking

48 Particular mag. edition

51 Letter following 36-Down

52 Supports for broken arms

55 Supersonic speed unit

57 Scissor cut

58 Fetuses-to-be

60 Riddle, part 3

64 BLT offerer

65 Listen (to)

67 Post-workout discomfort

68 Swelled head

70 Queued up

72 Comedic pore

73 Like the soap

77 Traitoria, rice dish

80 Wee bits

83 Riddle, part 4

86 Ottawa’s province

87 Seoul soldiers

88 “A little dabb’l —”

89 Noisy napper

91 Marina — Rey

92 Corrosive cleanser

93 Place to input a PIN

94 Frat party dispenser

97 Language of Pakistan

98 Fridays (restaurant)

99 End of the riddle

104 Father of Hector and Paris

107 Ready to go, as a car

108 Actor Dick Van —

112 Spunk

114 Use a keypad

118 Riddle’s answer

125 Boof cut

126 Attacked with a jump

127 Refrigeration slows it down

128 Paquin of “The Piano”

129 Interviewists

130 Tinkered (with)

DOWN

1 Two-in-one

2 Facts or stats

3 — fire under (roused)

4 No matter whether

5 Sea, to Jules

6 “Rocky III” actor

7 Bat wood

8 Try to find

9 Sailing outing

10 “You! Look over here!”

11 Nutrition fig.

12 Frequently, poetically

13 Lusterless photo surfaces

14 Cave sound

15 Not hidden

16 Like many white gowns

17 Features of zebras’ necks

18 Inflict, as havoc

19 Medieval menials

24 Cousin of emo

25 Joe causing no joll

30 Itsy- —

31 Like a clock with hands

32 Giovanni of “Avatar”

34 Roush of baseball

35 Albeit, for short

36 18th Greek letter

38 Abhorred actor

39 Best competitive effort, slangily

40 Surprised second look

41 IRS datum

42 Like Popeye and Rambo

43 Former anesthetic

48 Apropos of

49 Knights, e.g.

50 1974 CIA spoof flick

53 Pop’s Stefani

54 Big scissors

56 “Plus” point

57 Hyundai model

59 The “R” of ERA

61 College “Eli”

62 Bracelet sites

63 Hem, e.g.

66 French spa city

69 “Nice one!”

71 Twelve p.m.

73 Key near All

74 Cry on a ship

75 Samsung or LG product

76 “Where — from ...”

78 Really hot

79 In the future

81 San — Padres

82 Not at all iffy

84 Made of a certain sturdy wood

86 Place for a car jack

90 “— Lips Are Sealed”

93 “Bibleman” star Willie

95 Nest nugget

96 “Aw, shucks!”

99 Cuban capital

100 Sight-related

101 Simple puts

102 Greek Mars

103 In line — (doing well)

104 Big city in Penna.

105 Betray by blabbing

106 Novelist Shaw

110 Store lure

111 Subsequently

113 “You! Look over here!”

115 Calendar unit

116 Calendar unit

117 — out a living (barely scraped by)

119 H.S. transcript stat

120 & so forth

121 “The Simpsons” tavern keeper

122 Fed. cleanup group

123 Del. use of “Silent Movie”

124 Drink a little

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GO FIGURE!

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

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| 8 | 5 | 9 | 6 |   | 1 |   |   |   |   |   |
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate

♦♦ Challenging

♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Moments in time

• On Aug. 4, 2012, in London, Oscar Pistorius of South Africa became the first amputee to compete at the Olympic Games. He finished second out of five runners in the opening heat and went on to the semifinals, where he finished eighth out of eight runners.

• On Aug. 5, 1951, 38-year-old Canadian daredevil William “Red” Hill Jr. attempted to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel made of 13 rubber innertubes, canvas webbing and fish netting that he dubbed “the Thing.” It broke apart under the high water pressure two hours after he set out, but his badly injured body was not recovered until the next morning.

• On Aug. 6, 1975, The New York Times printed a front-page obituary for Agatha Christie’s Belgian sleuth Hercule Poirot — quite the honor for a fictional character! Christie had announced her decision to dispose of him in her next book; indeed, as the Times noted, “The news of his death, given by Dame Agatha, was not unexpected. Word that he was near death reached here last May.”

• On Aug. 7, 1967, the U.S. Congress overwhelmingly approved the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution, giving President Lyndon B. Johnson nearly unlimited power to oppose “communist aggression” in Southeast Asia and marking the beginning of America’s expanded military role in the battlefields of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia.

• On Aug. 8, 1942, six German saboteurs who’d secretly entered the United States on a mission to attack its civil infrastructure were executed by electric chair for spying. Two others who notified the FBI of the plot and aided authorities in their manhunt for the collaborators were imprisoned but freed six years later on President Harry Truman’s orders, and returned to Germany.

• On Aug. 9, 1995, legendary Grateful Dead guitarist Jerry Garcia died of a heart attack in a California residential drug-treatment facility at age 53.

• On Aug. 10, 1927, President Calvin Coolidge arrived in South Dakota on horseback wearing a cowboy hat to dedicate Mount Rushmore two months before its carving began and presented sculptor Gutzon Borglum with a set of steel drill bits.

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. MOVIES: How many dream levels does the crew enter in the film “Inception”?

2. U.S. STATES: Which state’s nickname is “Treasure State”?

3. LITERATURE: Which 1969 novel begins with the line, “All this happened, more or less”?

4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a baby horse called?

5. ACRONYMS: What does the acronym GIF stand for?

6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president served the shortest term?

7. TELEVISION: In which fictional town is “Buffy the Vampire Slayer” set?

8. GEOGRAPHY: What international city’s nickname is “The Eternal City”?

9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many time zones exist on Earth?

10. SCIENCE: Who is known as the father of medicine?

Answers

1. Five (four dream levels and limbo).

2. Montana.

3. “Slaughterhouse-Five” by Kurt Vonnegut.

4. A foal.

5. Graphics Interchange Format.

6. William Henry Harrison, who died 32 days after taking office.

7. Sunnydale.

8. Rome, Italy.

9. 24.

10. Greek physician Hippocrates.

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Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

FARMER KOP'S Summer Pickle and Olives!!!

TODAY: COLOR-BY-CUCUMBER PAINTING!

I CALL IT... "PICKLES FROM OUTER SPACE"

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

IN POKER I SAID IT'S OK TO BLUFF, BUT I'M PRETTY SURE USING “WOMEN’S INTUITION” IS UNFAIR.

Americanisms

“Struggle is a never ending process. Freedom is never really won; you earn it and win it in every generation.”

— Coretta Scott King

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

UGH, WHY THE HECK DOES MY TEACHER EXPECT US TO ALWAYS READ SO MUCH?

I’LL BET MY DAD DOESN’T EVEN REMEMBER THIS STUFF.

HEY, DAD, WHO WAS THE 5TH PRESIDENT?

IF I TOLD YOU THEN YOU WOULDN’T LEARN.

HE’S GOOD.

Puzzle answers on page B2

# Cherriots earns top marks in federal, state transit oversight reviews

**Provided by CHERRIOTS**

Cherriots is proud to announce that it received zero findings in two major oversight reviews recently completed by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). These results reflect Cherriot’s ongoing commitment to fiscal responsibility, regulatory compliance, and delivering high-quality public

transportation to the Mid-Willamette Valley.

The FTA Triennial Review, which occurs every three years, assesses how agencies receiving Urbanized Area Formula Program funds manage grants and comply with federal requirements in up to 23 critical areas. For Cherriots, that included areas such as financial management, procurement, maintenance, civil rights compliance, ADA accessibility,

safety, and others. The independent review team found Cherriots to have no deficiencies in any area of its operations.

According to the FTA, only about 20 percent of agencies nationwide receive zero findings during a Triennial Review, making the results Cherriots received particularly notable.

The ODOT Compliance Review, which focuses on agency compliance with

both federal and state transportation program requirements, also resulted in a clean report. Areas reviewed included the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF), Special Transportation Fund (STF), financial management, ADA compliance, and oversight of grant subrecipients. Cherriots received no findings or corrective actions from ODOT’s review. Notably, Cherriots

also had zero deficiencies in ODOT’s 2021 review.

“These outstanding results are a direct reflection of the professionalism and diligence of our staff,” said Allan Pollock, General Manager of Cherriots. “Earning zero findings in both reviews is a significant accomplishment for Cherriots and demonstrates our strong internal processes and commitment to serving the public with transparency and excellence.”

Oversight reviews ensure that public transportation agencies manage taxpayer dollars responsibly, maintain compliance with complex regulations, and provide safe, equitable, and effective service. Strong performance in these reviews also helps agencies remain eligible for future federal and state funding opportunities.

# Oregon launches new program to streamline recycling statewide

**By RECYCLEON OREGON**

This month, Oregon is starting to roll out a major statewide initiative to expand access to recycling and bring greater clarity and consistency to communities across the state. Backed by the Plastic Pollution and Recycling Modernization Act (RMA), RecycleOn Oregon is a new public awareness campaign that will help Oregonians stay informed, recycle correctly and prepare for the most significant recycling system upgrade the state has seen in decades.

The RMA, passed by the Oregon Legislature in 2021, brings together brands that make and sell products in paper and packaging, local governments and recycling companies to modernize how materials are collected, sorted and recycled. It establishes a shared responsibility model where brands will begin helping fund upgrades to Oregon’s recycling infrastructure with changes rolling out now and continuing over the next few years.

To lead implementation of this work, the

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) selected Circular Action Alliance (CAA), a nonprofit Producer Responsibility Organization, an entity that helps brands meet recycling and waste reduction requirements. CAA is leading the RecycleOn Oregon campaign and is working with local partners to help communities prepare for the changes ahead.

“Oregonians have always taken recycling seriously, but until now, the system hasn’t always made it easy to

do the right thing,” said Kim Holmes, Oregon Executive Director at CAA. “RecycleOn Oregon aims to simplify recycling across the state. Over the next few years Oregonians will have access to clearer information, more consistent services and a stronger system that reduces waste and keeps more materials out of the landfill.”

**What’s Changing**

Oregon currently generates an estimated 2.2 million pounds of recyclable material each day that never gets recycled, largely due to limited

access to recycling services, gaps in infrastructure or confusion about what can be recycled. RecycleOn Oregon aims to address these challenges through targeted investments and statewide coordination.

Over the next few years, key improvements will include:

- Moving toward a single statewide recycling list so that Oregonians—whether urban or rural—can recycle the same core materials.
- Expanded access to recycling services, including curbside recycling

for more than 150,000 additional households and nearly 100 new recycling trucks to support collection.

- Updated recycling education with clear, consistent instructions on what can and cannot go in home and business recycling bins.
- New RecycleOn Centers opening in phases through 2027 will provide drop-off options for materials that don’t belong in recycling bins, like plastic bags, plastic lids and other tricky-to-sort items.

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## LETTERS

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lives and families of 600-700 people who will be laid off from their jobs. This will also increase the state’s unemployment roles. This is a huge layoff of skilled road crews, engineers and management.

Not passing either of these bills will affect our state in the some of the following ways:

- Possible loss of lives due to diminished improvements and maintenance of roadways and bridges by experienced

staff members and their support teams.

- Safety will be reduced in our state as the roadways decline and ODOT’s ability to respond to maintenance and major issues will be diminished.
- Our economy and commerce will suffer as there will be higher unemployment and unsafe roadways. This will negatively impact our transportation, tourism, business sectors and Oregon’s reputation.

I urge you to support and obtain a special legislative

session to remedy this ridiculous situation that has been caused due to the ODOT bill’s non passage by your state Representatives.

**Pam Serra-Wenz**  
*Monmouth*

### Vandals ruin more than public property

I would like to tell you about two dogs that I walk at the Aquatic Center in Dallas. Plus mention the damage done when people I don’t know

were damaged when my dogs and their cement was laid. I can’t believe how heartless it is for grieving families. Thank goodness some people still care.

A couple that walks there every day stopped to clean up the wet cement. Someone had written in the wet cement the F and N words. The husband took his hand and smoothed the cement. Fortunately my dogs bench didn’t get harmed that day. That came later after my dog passed away on May 1.

Reno was my kind golden retriever. Frankie is a 12 year old chihuahua cross mix. He wouldn’t leave Reno the day Reno left us. I watched Frankie battle cancer twice. and Reno battle a tumor and a little toe removed. Until he had it in his lungs. But through it all the guys had fun and lived every minute to go places and sharing. Frankie won’t use a smaller water bowl. That has always been their bowl.

Finally Frankie and I saw their bench and we both sat on it. A few days later

someone had taken a screw and scratched the whole plank. I reported it to Jennifer Ward’s office. But she was promoted and not available. I took the plank off and brought it home. I am going to get a new one that clearly states they are two dogs.

Meanwhile I am still dealing with the loss of Reno. Plus walking Frankie twice everyday.

**Carol Miller**  
*Dallas*

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OBITUARIES

and doctors that provided care for her, especially at Salem Hospital.

Owen Sanks  
Sept. 3, 1953 – June 13, 2025



Owen Winfield Sanks, Jr. 71, born to Owen, Sr. and Darlene (Starks) on Sept. 3, 1953, in Salem, Oregon, peacefully passed away on June 13, 2025, in Salem.

Owen was preceded in death by both parents, as well as two sisters Goldie and Bernice.

He is survived by sister Charlotte, daughter Jessica Fern, grandchildren Jacob and Maggie, and great granddaughter Lulu, all of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Owen loved his family, friends, church, country, and his Lord. He was a great storyteller, especially his tales of his vast travels across the US.

He proudly served his country in the Army and was honorably discharged after five years overseas. He

never aspired for greatness by the world’s standard, but he was a jack of all trades and master of none and spent his life doing odd jobs.

Special thanks to his niece Jenni Winter, who assisted Owen navigating his final journeys.

Owen’s remains will be placed in Hilltop Cemetery in Independence, Oregon, joining both of his parents.

Jack Moothart  
Aug. 7 1965 - June 6, 2025



John Leo (Jack) Moothart Jr., 59, of Milwaukie, Oregon, passed June 6, 2025. Jack was born Aug. 7, 1965, to John Leo (Jack) Moothart Sr. and Laura Moothart in Longview, Washington. The family moved to Independence, Oregon, in 1970, when Jack Sr. purchased the IGA store, which later became Moothart’s Market. As a youngster, Jack was a fixture at the store, stocking shelves, counting bottle returns, and learning the grocery trade.

Jack attended Independence Elementary, Henry Hill Elementary, Talmadge Junior High, and graduated with honors from Central High School in 1984. Always popular among his classmates and teachers, Jack was selected by his classmates to speak at Central’s

1984 commencement ceremony. His infectious personality, quick wit, and quirky sense of humor left lasting impressions on all those he encountered in his life.

Jack was also an accomplished athlete in his youth, winning a 1978 MIKI baseball championship and playing running back and defensive back in MIKI football. He was known to ride his bike down to the annual Independence Day Celebration on the Willamette River — which his father founded as mayor of Independence from 1972 to 1976 — and bring home a pocketful of ribbons as a competitor in several events. Jack played basketball, football, baseball and ran cross country at Talmadge. He also competed in junior bowling leagues at Pioneer Lanes and was an avid golfer. Jack earned three varsity letters in baseball at Central.

Jack graduated from the University of Oregon in 1989 with a B.S. in Psychology. He was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, where he held offices as alumni chairman, vice president and controller (finance officer). He also was a member of the Intra Fraternity Council and competed in intramural sports.

Jack enjoyed a highly successful, 25-year career as a surgical sales specialist. He was known for fostering excellent rapport with surgeons, hospital staff, and purchasing personnel. His record of achievement included Western Sales Representative of the Year and National Sales Representative of the Year.

Jack married Amy White in 1993. They had two children, Maddie and Jackie. Jack later married Dawn Rogenkamp in 2004 and they had

two children, Tyler and Declan. In addition to his children, Jack is survived by his mother Laura Moothart of Independence and siblings Dian Wolfe (Don) and Bob Moothart (Janine).

He was preceded in death by his sister Debby; his father Jack Sr.; and nephews Eric and Nick. Jack is also survived by a host of friends who were an integral part of his life and are left with fond childhood memories of the endless Whiffle Ball games in the street, his spontaneous Mick Jagger dance moves, all those Bantam bowling trophies on the shelf in his bedroom, that Bruce Lee poster of his, and of course all the awesome summer swim parties at his house.

Jack Moothart was the King of Kings to his C Street Posse. Donations can be made in Jack’s name to St. Patrick Catholic Church, 1275 E Street in Independence; Central Youth Sports (centrallyouthsportsboard@gmail.com); or a charity of your choice.



step-great-grandchildren. She also had several “grand-dogs” and ‘great-grand dogs’ that she held dear.

Family meant everything to Margie. She was deeply proud of her children and grandchildren and never missed a chance to share in their lives and accomplishments. After reconnecting with Bill at their 40th high school reunion, they married and built a life together in Oregon, where they spent three decades filled with love, laughter and shared memories.

Her family would like to offer special thanks to Bill for his unwavering love and care, especially during Margie’s illness. His dedication brought her comfort and strength in her final years.

Margie’s kindness, warmth and quiet strength will be remembered by all who knew her. She leaves behind a legacy of love and deep connection that will live on in the hearts of her family and friends.

Memorial donations may be made to Paws Animal Shelter.

Death Notice

Howard Pope  
1937 - 2025

A Celebration of Life will be on Sunday, July 27, 2025 from 2-5 p.m. at Green Villa Barn, 3215 Independence Highway, Independence, OR 97351. Please stop in to share your memories anytime between 2 and 5.

OREGON  
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**What to Expect**  
Starting this month, some Oregonians will see immediate changes to what’s accepted in their home or business

recycling bins. Others, particularly in the Portland Metro area, will notice little difference at first. Over time, updates will roll out statewide, with the goal of 95% of Oregonians living within 15 miles of a RecycleOn Center by the end of 2027. Additionally, new

investments will upgrade recycling sorting facilities and improve transportation from rural areas, helping more collected materials reach the markets where they can become new products.

To help residents and businesses navigate this transition, local

governments and recycling providers will also share timely and area-specific updates.

Recycling plays an important role in conserving natural resources, reducing pollution and supporting local jobs—and more than 80% of Oregonians say it’s

important. These updates help turn that belief into real impact by making recycling easier, more accessible and ultimately more effective.

To learn more about the Recycling Modernization Act and what to expect, visit RecycleOn.org/Oregon.

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## New bistro brings taste of Paris to Monmouth

**By LANCE MASTERSON**  
For The Itemizer-Observer

Cafe Iula may serve French cuisine, but the new Monmouth restaurant is firmly planted in Oregon soil. Caitlin and Nick Iula source produce from Lucky Crow Farm in Polk County, pork from Carlton Farms in Carlton, and beef from Painted Hills Natural Beef in Fossil. French wine and cheeses are their only major imports.

“We don’t like to make a big deal out of it; that’s how it should be,” Nick said of his commitment to sourcing locally. “You cook what’s around you.”

Their menu accentuates this freshness by emphasizing seasonal fare. In summer, this might mean lamb shank with white beans, or filet mignon. In winter, this might mean heavier dishes like cassoulet and duck confit.

The Iulas opened their cafe seven weeks ago. But their culinary journey began years ago in Portland kitchens. Then continued across the globe to Paris, before touching down in the downtown area.

Cafe Iula specializes in serving authentic French dishes in a welcoming environment.

“We want it to feel like a real neighborhood cafe - good food, simply done, and without the fuss,” said Nick, a tradesman-turned-chef.

“There’s nothing on the plate that doesn’t need to be there.”

Nick honed his skills under an Italian chef in Portland during the height of the pandemic. But it was the rustic charm of Parisian bistros, and their chalkboard menus, seasonal dishes and no-frills plating, that fanned his passion so much he enrolled in

the famed Le Cordon Bleu in Paris.

Caitlin, who had been working as a nurse, would later enroll in the school’s baking course. She relies on her Parisian training to produce breads that compliment Nick’s dishes.

“Bread is just as important as anything else on the plate,” he said. “It’s fifth-fifty with the meals.”

Caitlin said the secret to baking is to connect with your dough.

“Every day is different. Humidity. Temperature. Activity,” she added. “You learn to feel it, love it and adapt.”

Connecting with the community is essential as well. That’s one reason why they sought out a small town.

“There’s a beauty in a place where you know exactly who’s cooking your food,” Caitlin said. “We want to be consistent, part of the community, and not lose that personal touch.”

Word of mouth has been their strongest marketing tool. With it, they’ve been able to build a base of loyal customers from throughout the area. These customers are obviously drawn to the Iulas’ mission.

“We’re not trying to be fancy,” Nick said. “This is about serving a good meal, in a relaxed space, where you feel welcome.”

Monmouth wasn’t the couple’s first choice. The Iulas initially considered Bend, and were scouting locations in that city, when they happened across a listing for restaurant space in Monmouth. One three-hour drive later and they discovered their destiny.

“We just fell in love with the space and the town,” Nick said. “It reminded



PHOTO BY LANCE MASTERSON

**Caitlin and Nick Iula have opened a French bistro in Monmouth. Cafe Iula opened seven weeks ago on Main Street.**

us of where we grew up - Healdsburg, in my case - a small town (in California) with amazing food and vineyards all around it.”

They searched through thrift stores when decorating the cafe’s interior. With help from shops like H20 in Dallas, they blended vintage charm with French aesthetics. There is one exception,

but one only a knowing eye would recognize. On the east wall, there’s a mural painted by Western Oregon students. The mountains which might look like they’re the French Alps or Pyrenees, are instead Oregon’s own Three Sisters.

During their journey, the Iulas owned and operated their own pop-up for a while. Success at this level,

which included borrowing a Portland cafe, convinced them to open their own restaurant.

“We loved cooking out of this tiny space, and people just kept coming back,” Caitlin said. “That gave us the confidence to go for it.”

**Cafe Iula**  
157 Main St. W.,  
Monmouth  
Hours: 5-9 p.m.,  
Wednesday through Saturday  
Reservations are not  
accepted at this time.  
Call (503) 798-6649 or  
go to cafeiula.com for more  
information.

## Possibly Irish guarantees a good time at Sounds of Summer debut

**By DAVID HAYES**  
I-O Editor

A new band is making their debut Thursday as part of Dallas’ Sounds of Summer Concert series. However, regulars at Enchanted Forest, just south of Salem, have long enjoyed the sounds of the amusement park’s house band, Possibly Irish.

“We travel performing around the Northwest. We were asked to perform this season in Dallas and we were happy to oblige,” said founding member Susan Vaslev.

Not only is Vaslev a founding member, her father built the park itself and she’s been involved in one role or another since she was 14.

“I think I started directing theater when I was 17. I’ve been there over 50 years now. It’s been my life,” Vaslev said. “Joy is having something you want to do, and you can do it. All you have to do is say, ‘Let’s create a band.’ You don’t have to sell (the idea) to anybody. We were lucky to hit it right off the bat.”

Possibly Irish began in July 2015 when Vaslev, still the park’s theatre director, discovered several actors warming up with Irish songs. Just back from a trip to Ireland herself, she saw an opportunity. A band was quickly formed from the theatre staff.



PHOTO COURTESY POSSIBLY IRISH

**Possibly Irish, which got its start 10 years ago performing for audiences at Enchanted Forest, make their debut July at the Dallas Sounds of Summer concert series at 7 p.m.**

By 2016, a second band was created to meet the growing demand. Eventually, the two groups merged in January of 2017, becoming the Possibly Irish audiences know and love today.

Vaslev describes their songs as Irish pub music, that are semi traditional, with a mix of celtic fusion and modern flair, giving them their own take on the classics. In addition to Vaslev on accordion and

hammered dulcimer, the band lineup these days include:

- Timothy Ward – Guitar
- Devin Desmond – Mandolin, bass, bodhran drum
- Delin Ruhl – Irish whistle, small pipes
- Cadence Schuerger – bodhrán drum, accordion
- Elana Gatten - fiddle (newest member to join June 2025)

“We are very blessed to be hired by Enchanted Forest,”

Vaslev said. “It’s made it easy to stay together while being gainfully employed and earning a steady income.”

The Enchanted Forest theater holds about 90 seats with Possibly Irish performing three times a day. They’ve since spread beyond the forest walls to perform throughout the Willamette Valley, from Corvallis to Portland, and beyond. They’re planning a tour in November that will hit

locales in Washington, Idaho and Montana.

The group also just released their fifth CD of newest music, “Voyage Home.” Vaslev said it features songs from sea shanties to homesick ballads, with many Irish tunes about the joys and perils of sailing the open oceans. Among other songs, this album highlights some of the band’s favorites in the sea-faring genre such

as “Wellerman” and “Drunken Sailor,” as well as original sea shanties written just for this album.

Vaslev said with six members who share lead vocals throughout their performances, each got to chose two or three of their favorite songs to contribute to the new album. A sea-related theme emerged from the selections which led nicely to naming the album “Voyage Home.”

For their inaugural performance at the Dallas Rotary Performing Arts Stage, Vaslev was told to expect a crowd of 500. She’s already scouted the venue, attending the last season’s first performance by the Tuesday String Band, another veteran of Enchanted Forest’s own stage.

“The audiences are really good. Extremely energetic. I didn’t think it would be like that,” Vaslev said. “For us, people usually think of Irish music as soft, celtic. But this is the energetic side of pub music, with the audience clapping along. We won’t be surprised if there’s some dancing that normally gets involved.”

**Week three of the Dallas Sounds of Summer Concert Series**  
Possibly Irish  
7 p.m. July 24  
Dallas Rotary Performing Arts Stage

# PAGES OF THE PAST

50 years ago

July 23, 1975

### Highland found guilty; handed 5-year sentence

Eighteen-year-old Marion Arthur Highland, found guilty Friday of attempted manslaughter by a Polk County Circuit Court jury, was sentenced by Judge Darrell Williams to five years in the Oregon State Correctional Institution on Monday. He received the maximum penalty.

Highland was accused of a March 28 sniping incident in which he fired a rifle from the second floor of the Evangelical Church. The Dallas man was accused of endangering the life of Dallas Patrolman Lee Snowden.

### County approves project to drill for natural gas

The Polk County Commissioners gave final approval Tuesday to the Reichhold Chemical Company to drill an exploratory natural gas well near the Perrydale area. The Commissioners upheld an earlier recommendation by the Polk County Planning Commission to allow the company to explore for natural gas.

The land the company will drill on is owned by Ryder Finn.

### Stones set pool records at Salem YWCA

The Blue Dolphin Swim Team participated in a dual swim meet with Salem YWCA Saturday, July 19. Although the team lost the competition 165 to 382, the meet was highlighted by Larry Stone

setting a new 40 yard backstroke Salem YWCA pool record for 9 and 10 year old boys and Beth Stone setting a new pool record in the 100 yard freestyle for 11 & 12 year old girls.

### 40 Years Ago July 24, 1985

#### Water use could be cut

Dallas residents probably didn't have to worry about conserving water during this

## FLASHBACK



This week's Flashback is from July 23, 1975 - SPRING TOURNEY GOLF WINNERS: Several members of the Oak Knoll Women's Golf Club were rewarded with trophies for golf play during the club's annual Spring Handicap Tournament, held in May. Winners presented trophies July 9 by tournament chairman Pauline Harris are (from left) Gail Payette; Joan Carpenter, Judy Crichton, Marilvn Patterson, Sandy Jones, Phyllis Graham and Kay Brockhaus.

hot, dry spell, but the same can't be said for residents in the Monmouth-Independence area.

If no rain falls for the next two to three weeks, some water rights in the Monmouth-Independence area will either be shut off or curtailed, according to District 18 Watermaster Mike Ladd.

### New sheriff police blends patrol, jail duties

Patrol and corrections officers in the Polk County Sheriff's Office will eventually be able to switch duties as the need arises under a new policy instituted recently, Polk County Sheriff Ray Steele said last week.

The new policy encourages current officers below the rank of sergeant in the sheriff's office to obtain dual certification from the Bureau of Police Standards and Training. All

employees ranked sergeant or above must obtain dual certification under the policy, Steele said.

### Hurricanes sweep to post-season play

Four wins in five games propelled Pacific Marquis into the state American Legion baseball playoffs last week. The Hurricanes, who own a 14-2 league mark and 34-5 season record at press time, stumbled only once.

## Community Achievement

### Local students graduate from Clackamas Community College

Clackamas Community College celebrated the achievements of the Class of 2025 at its commencement ceremony held on June 13 at the college's Oregon City campus. This year, more than 1,000 students earned degrees and certificates. The youngest student was 17 and the oldest was 70.

#### Dallas

Crystal Parsons, Associate in Early Childhood Education and Family Studies

Rebecca Saavadra Sanchez, Associate in Early Childhood Education and Family Studies

#### Independence

Nancy Nunez Manzo, Associate in Early Childhood Education and Family Studies

Sanjuana Vidal Oretaga, Associate in Early Childhood Education and Family Studies

#### Monmouth

Alejandra Aguirre, Associate in Early Childhood Education and Family Studies

Monica Ramirez Dominguez, Associate in Early Childhood Education and Family Studies

Martha Gallardo, Associate in Early Childhood Education and Family Studies

### Local students receive Oregon State Credit Union \$2,500 scholarships

Three students from Polk County were among 10 the Oregon State Credit Union has awarded \$2,500 college scholarships in recognition of their academic achievements, community involvement, extracurricular activities, and work experiences.

Members with teen checking accounts, who are graduating from high school and plan to attend a two- or four-year Oregon college or university in the fall, are eligible for the credit union's Tomorrow's Leaders Today scholarships each year. This year's winners have shown academic success, played sports, led school clubs, worked a variety of jobs, and volunteered in churches, food pantries, summer camps, animal rescue organizations, and other community groups.

The 2025-26 scholarship winners include:

- Emma Moore, Dallas High School, attending

Chemeketa Community College

- Ariel Cooper, Falls City High School, attending Western Oregon University
- Emma Anderson, West Salem High School, attending Chemeketa Community College

### Local students make Linfield University Spring 2025 Dean's List

Several local students were among 604 to make Linfield University Dean's List honors during the spring 2025 academic term.

The Dean's List identifies undergraduate students who earned a GPA at least equivalent to a cum laude (3.65) while taking at least 12 credits.

Local students include:

#### Dallas

• Marco Miller, a senior earning a bachelor's degree in nursing.

• Dylan Renfro, a senior earning a bachelor's degree in nursing.

#### Independence

• Moana Andrew, a senior earning a bachelor's degree in nursing.

• Lucas Bjorklund, a senior earning a bachelor's degree in nursing.

• Sage Henke, a senior majoring in environmental studies - science focus and philosophy.

#### Monmouth

• Jayden Taylor, a junior majoring in mathematics and physics.

#### West Salem

• Cougar Bailey, a first-year student majoring in exercise science.

• Trace Benner, a first-year student majoring in sport management.

• Aliyah Gardner, a senior earning a bachelor's degree in nursing.

• Rana Gerges, a senior majoring in psychology and law, rights and justice.

• Olivia Greiner, a sophomore majoring in biochemistry and molecular biology.

• Jadey Holcomb, a junior majoring in creative writing.

• Andrew O'Dell, a first-year student majoring in an undeclared field.

• Maison Searle, a senior earning a bachelor's degree in nursing.

• Kelsey Young, a senior earning a bachelor's degree

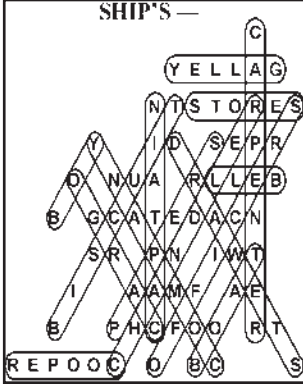
## CryptoQuip answer

If two people are planning a conspiracy while golfing, are they on a collusion course?

### Go Figure!

answers

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### Super Crossword

Answers

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Learn, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>1 p.m. - Birthday Party, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>1:30 p.m. - Jewelry Making, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>2 p.m. - Free Movie: “Dog Man”, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.</p> <p>3:30 p.m. - Teen Sci-Fi Workshop with Author Stewart Baker, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.</p> <p>4 p.m. - Youth Coding League, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.</p> <p>5:30 p.m. - Bingo Hotdogs, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>6 p.m. - Rivers Edge Summer Concert Series: Opening Act - Idle Poets (pop jazz); Headliner - Who’s Bad (Michael Jackson tribute); \$5 at the gate</p> <p>6 p.m. - Bingo, open to the public, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>6:30 p.m. - Acoustic Music Jam, Guthrie Park, 4320 Kings Valley Highway S.</p> <p><b>Saturday, July 26</b></p> <p>9 a.m. - Independence Farmers Market, Umpqua Bank parking lot</p> | <p>10 a.m. - Brunk Farmstead Tours, 5705 Salem Dallas Highway NW</p> <p>2 p.m. - Live Music: The Spry Band, Salt Creek Cider House, 14500 Salt Creek Cider Road, Dallas</p> <p>6 p.m. - Live Music: Myrtle Brown &amp; The Executive Grove, Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence</p> <p><b>Sunday, July 27</b></p> <p>8 a.m. - Yoga in the Park, Main Street Park, 120 Main St. E., Monmouth</p> <p>10 a.m. - Cultural Harvest Collective Market, Main Street Park, 120 Main St. E.</p> <p>2 p.m. - Live Music: Kevin Hansen, Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence</p> <p>3 p.m. - Live Music: ACT 2 Duo, Salt Creek Cider House, 14500 Salt Creek Road, Dallas</p> <p><b>Monday, July 28</b></p> <p>8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>9 a.m. - Coffee with a Cop, Riverview Park</p> <p>10 a.m. - Cards/table games/5 Crowns Game, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>10 a.m. - Cribbage/ASL Class/Card Making with Jen/Lunch with Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>11 a.m. - Card Making w/Jen, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>11 a.m. - Lunch w/Meals On Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>12 p.m. - Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>12 p.m. - Movie Matinee: “Bye, Bye Birdie”, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>1 p.m. - Tai Chi with Cheryl/Technology Help</p> | <p>with Ian, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>4 p.m. - Karaoke, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>4 p.m. - Youth Coding League, Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St.</p> <p>4 p.m. - Dallas Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.</p> <p>5 p.m. - Independence Library Board meeting, Independence Library, 175 Monmouth St.</p> <p>6:30 p.m. - New Horizons Orchestra, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p><b>Tuesday, July 29</b></p> <p>8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>9 a.m. - Wii Bowling, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>9 a.m. - Meet volunteers from Friends of Delbert Hunter Arboretum at the Arboretum Center to maintain arboretum grounds, coffee break at 10:30 a.m., Dallas City Park</p> <p>9:30 a.m. - Walking Club, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>10 a.m. - Financial Education, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>10 a.m. - Grand Activity Days, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>10 a.m. - Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>10:15 a.m., - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>10:30 a.m. - Children’s Storytime, for ages 5 and under, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.</p> <p>10:30 a.m. - Family Storytime, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols Street S</p> <p>10:30 a.m. - Circle of Friends, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>12 p.m. - Pinochle, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>1 p.m. - Healthy Soul, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p><b>Wednesday, July 30</b></p> <p>8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>8:30 a.m. - Mayor of Independence Office Hours, stop by and share your thoughts, ideas, and questions, City Hall, 555 South Main St.</p> <p>9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>10 a.m. - Tai Chi with John, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>10:30 a.m. - Little Bitty Storytime, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.</p> <p>10:30 a.m. - Story Time with Miss Jo, Independence Library, 175 Monmouth St.</p> <p>11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center</p> <p>11 a.m. - Lunch with Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>11:30 a.m. - Yeates Academy of Irish Dance, Dallas City Park, Seibert-Fredrickson Memorial Shelter</p> <p>12 p.m. - Watch Repair &amp; Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>2 p.m. - Coding and Circuit Crafting, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.</p> <p>4 p.m. - Connecting Loose Threads for Charity, Monmouth Senior Community Center</p> <p>5:30 p.m. - Municipal Court Arraignments, City Hall, 555 South Main St., Independence</p> <p>6:30 p.m. - Music in the Park: Pachanga, Main Street Park, 120 Main St. E., Monmouth</p> |
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| <p><b>Queen, princess applicants sought for IM Community Fiesta</b></p> <p>Applicants are being sought to be IM Community Fiesta Queen and Princesses. Due to a generous sponsorship from Jenny Renner at Alatorre State Farm, the queen will win \$500 and two princesses will win \$250 each. All will get \$100 towards their formal dress and be in the 2026 4th of July Parade. Application forms are available online at <a href="https://form.jotform.com/251368543165157">https://form.jotform.com/251368543165157</a>.</p> <p>Candidates should be good students, involved in helping others through school or community events or programs, and 14-18 years old. Winners will debut at Fiesta de da Cumumidad Aug. 22-24 at Independence Riverview Park. They will then represent the fiesta at various community events throughout the year.</p> <p>The deadline to apply is Aug. 13.</p> <p><b>Library hosts family activity Power Play for the Planet July 23</b></p> <p>The Monmouth Public Library presents Power Play for the Planet, from 2-3 p.m. July 23 at 168 Ecols St. S. play games, solve puzzles, and tackle wacky challenges. The whole family will enjoy</p> | <p>designing solutions and imagining a brighter future.</p> <p><b>Pickleball club offers free summer lessons</b></p> <p>The Dallas Pickleball Club is offering free lessons on Tuesdays through August. To sign up for lessons go to <a href="https://signup.com/go/nvYprMa">https://signup.com/go/nvYprMa</a>. For more information go to <a href="https://www.dal-laspickleballclub.net/lessons">https://www.dal-laspickleballclub.net/lessons</a>.</p> <p><b>Heron Pointe hosts Alzheimer's fundraiser July 23</b></p> <p>Heron Pointe Senior Living presents a car wash, BBQ fundraiser for Alzheimer’s Association from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. July 23 at 504 Gwinn St E, in Monmouth. Get a hamburger or hot dog, one side, a cookie and a drink for \$7. Car washes will be by donations.</p> <p><b>Dallas library hosts Sci-Fi writing workshop July 25</b></p> <p>The Dallas Public Library presents a Teen Sci-Fi Workshop with author Stewart Baker from 3:30-4:30 p.m. July 25 at 950 Main St. In this interactive and engaging workshop, Stewart will share his expertise and guide teens through the process of writing a compelling Sci-Fi story. For</p> | <p>more information, call (503) 623-2633.</p> <p><b>Senior center offers strawberry shortcake curing Dallas Days July 26</b></p> <p>Dallas Oregon Area Senior Center presents \$1 strawberry shortcake during Dallas Days, 10:30 a.m - 1 p.m. July 26 at 817 SW Church St.</p> <p><b>Dallas Days Sunday in the Park Car Show is July 27</b></p> <p>The Annual Dallas Days/ Sunday in the Park Car Show returns July 27 at Dallas City Park from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Registration fee is \$20 per vehicle and starts at 7 a.m. The trophy presentation at noon.</p> <p><b>Breakfast in the Park tickets now on sale</b></p> <p>Tickets for Dallas Rotary Club’s signature Breakfast in the Park fundraising event are now available. The event is July 27 from 7-11 a.m. at Dallas City Park. Proceeds benefit club community projects, grants to local nonprofits and student scholarships. Enjoy scrambled eggs, sausage, pancakes, coffee and juice at the picnic tables under the canopy of trees at Dallas City Park, 690 SW Brandvold</p> | <p>Dr. Adults can save \$2 per ticket by purchasing tickets by Saturday, July 27. Ticket prices are \$11 in advance and \$13 at the gate for adults (13+ years old), \$6 for children (6-12 years old), and ages five and younger are free. There will also be a family ticket for two adults and three children for \$30 advance or \$32 at the gate.</p> <p>Purchase tickets online at <a href="http://www.dallasoregonrotary.org">www.dallasoregonrotary.org</a>. Other Dallas ticket outlets are Citizens Bank, Oregon State Credit Union and Les Schwab Tire Center. Tickets will also be available at the Sounds of Summer and Dallas Days community events.</p> <p><b>Polk County Democrats host Dallas Days booth July 25-27</b></p> <p>The Polk County Democrats will be sponsoring a booth at the “Dallas Days” celebration on July 25-26, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Come by and visit, where you’ll find pins, posters, and yard signs for sale. Voter information and lively conversation are free.</p> | <p><b>OSU offers free nitrate screening at farmers market July 27</b></p> <p>The Oregon State University Small Farms Program presents free nitrate screening at the Cultural Harvest Farmers Market from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. July 27 at Main Street Park, 161 Warren St N, Monmouth. Bring half a cup of well water in a clean cup to be tested. Testing takes about 10 minutes. Nitrate has been linked to various health conditions, including blue-baby syndrome. For questions, contact Chrissy Lucas at</p> <p><b>Dallas Library hosts Yeates Academy of Irish Dance June 30</b></p> <p>The Dallas Public Library presents a performance of the Yeates Academy of Irish Dance, at 11:30 a.m. June 30 at the Dallas City Park Seibert-Fredrickson Memorial Shelter. The Yeates Academy Performance Dancers are recognized for their professional</p> <p>See <b>BRIEFS</b>, page B8</p> <div><div><div>MONMOUTH INDEPENDENCE<br/>CHAMBER OF COMMERCE<br/>Building Business. Building Community.</div></div><div><div>Polk County<br/>Itemizer-Observer</div></div></div> |
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### Make Slow-Cooker Oatmeal for an Easy Morning Routine

It would be an apt description to call my husband a "musher" even though he has never trained, led or raced a dog team of huskies. Simply put, he likes to wake up in the morning to a hot pot of coffee and prepare a big, steaming bowl of homemade oatmeal, or what our family has called it for generations — "mush." He makes the "mush" by dumping a cup of steel-cut oatmeal that we buy for only 25 cents per cup in bulk at our neighborhood store into a cooking pot on the stove. He adds water, raisins, and chopped fresh fruit such as an apple or a pear, then tosses in a pinch of salt and cinnamon. It's ready to eat in about 30 minutes, just as he opens the sports section of the morning paper.

His has been a fine and dandy routine for years until he recently started a new job as an assistant superintendent of a school that starts in the wee hours of the morning and is located on the opposite end of town from our home. The new early wake-up call prompted a happy discovery: slow-cooker oatmeal. Now he tosses the ingredients in our slow cooker the night before and sets it on low so that the healthy "mush" is hot and ready to enjoy the moment he wakes up. It's a "musher's" dream come true!

If your family knows and likes their oats, give this easy and super cheap ver-

sion a try. For about 4 servings, you'll need:

- 1 cup steel-cut oats (not quick-cooking or instant oats)
- 3 cups water
- A pinch of salt
- Dried fruit to taste such as apricots, raisins and cranberries
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh fruit such as an apple or a pear
- Cinnamon to taste (optional)

Here's the fun: Let your kids measure and pour ingredients in the slow cooker before they go to bed. Stir, cover and set cooker at low heat. In the morning, stir and serve. Vary toppings from day to day such as brown sugar, cinnamon sugar, honey, nuts or chopped banana. Add milk if you wish.



### ALTERNATIVE IDEA

Try this recipe with your rice cooker if it has a porridge or cereal function that cooks oatmeal. Place ingredients in a bowl and refrigerate the night before. Pour contents into the cooker in the morning, then turn it on. It will cook on its own for about 25 minutes while the family gets dressed.

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**NEW LISTING!** This 2bd/2 bath home has been BEAUTIFULLY updated. Kitchen was remodeled with new countertops, cabinets, flooring and appliances. Bathrooms have new vanities, flooring and fixtures. Living space is open with vaulted ceilings. New front porch and landscaping. **\$195,000.00** (#831376)

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# PUBLIC NOTICES

PCIO25-1286 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DALE WAYNE CORESON, DECEASED, POLK COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CASE NO. 25PB05657, NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present their claim to the Personal Representative, Nicholas Coreson, within four months after the first publication date of this notice, or they may be barred. The address for claims is: Nicholas Coreson, c/o Attorney Brittany D. Nicot of Weatherford Thompson, 130 W. First Ave., PO Box 667, Albany, OR 97321. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative or the attorney named above. Date of publication: July 23, 2025.

PCIO25-1285 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK Probate Department In the Matter of the Estate of TIMOTHY JAMES BRANAMAN, Deceased. No. 25PB05800 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lawrence W. Andrews has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the above Estate. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present these claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative in care of Lawrence W. Andrews PC, Lawyer, 494 State Street, Suite #230, Salem, Oregon 97301-3654, or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative or the lawyer for the Personal Representative. DATED AND PUBLISHED: July 23, 2025. LAWRENCE W. ANDREWS PC, OSB #871520 Lawyer for Personal Representative

PCIO25-1283 LLG 23-129190 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE A default has occurred under the terms of a trust deed made by Terry A. Smith and Mary M. Smith, husband and wife, whose address is 17925 / 17930 Brown Road, Dallas, OR 97338 as grantor to First American Title, as Trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Rocket Mortgage, LLC, fka Quicken Loans, LLC, its successors and assigns, as named Beneficiary, dated February 1, 2022, recorded February 8, 2022, in the mortgage records of Polk County, Oregon, as Instrument No. 2022-001754, Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC is the present Beneficiary as defined by ORS 86.705(2), as covering the following described real property: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 7, RANGE 6 WEST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN IN POLK COUNTY, OREGON; RUNNING THENCE SOUTH 18.5 CHAINS; THENCE WEST 20 CHAINS; THENCE NORTH 18.5 CHAINS; THENCE EAST 20 CHAINS, TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 17925 / 17930 Brown Road, Dallas, OR 97338. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and a notice of default has been recorded pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 86.752(3); the default for which the foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: Delinquent Monthly payments from May 1, 2022 in the sum of \$87,578.48, and monthly payments in the amount of \$2,448.91 from July 1, 2025 plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$162.38, together with all costs, disbursements, and/or fees incurred or paid by the beneficiary and/or trustee, their employees, agents or assigns. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation that the trust deed secures immediately due and payable, said sum being the following, to-wit: \$529,965.90, together with accrued interest in the sum of \$36,694.92 through June 12, 2025, together with interest thereon at the rate of 2.25% per annum from June 13, 2025, plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$162.38, plus the sum of \$10,151.83 for advances, together with all costs, disbursements, and/or fees incurred or paid by the beneficiary and/or trustee, their employees, agents or assigns. WHEREFORE, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee will on November 4, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 AM PT, in accord with the standard time established by ORS 187.110, inside the new lobby at the Jefferson Street entrance of the Polk County Courthouse, located at 850 Main Street, in the City of Dallas, OR, County of Polk, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor has or had power to convey at the time of the execution of 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 to any person

named in ORS 86.778 that the right exists, at any time that is not later than five days before the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by paying to the beneficiary of the entire amount due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligations or trust deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and trust deed, together with trustee's fees and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by said ORS 86.778. Notice is further given that reinstatement or payoff quotes requested pursuant to ORS 86.786 and ORS 86.789 must be timely communicated in a written request that complies with that statute, addressed to the trustee's "Reinstatements/ Payoffs - ORS 86.786" either by personal delivery or by first class, certified mail, return receipt requested, to the trustee's address shown below. Due to potential conflicts with federal law, persons having no record legal or equitable interest in the subject property will only receive information concerning the lender's estimated or actual bid. Lender bid information is also available at the trustee's website, www.logs.com. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Also, please be advised that pursuant to the terms stated on the Deed of Trust and Note, the beneficiary is allowed to conduct property inspections while property is in default. This shall serve as notice that the beneficiary shall be conducting property inspections on the said referenced property. 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. The Fair Debt Collection Practice Act requires that we state the following: This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If a discharge has been obtained by any party through bankruptcy proceedings: This shall not be construed to be an attempt to collect the outstanding indebtedness or hold you personally liable for the debt. Dated: 6/17/2025 LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP, Successor Trustee 1499 SE Tech Center Place, Suite 255 Vancouver, WA 98683 www.logs.com Telephone: (360) 260-2253 Toll-free: 1-800-970-5647 LLG 23-129190 NPP0475803 To: POLK COUNTY ITEMIZER-OBSERVER 07/23/2025, 07/30/2025, 08/06/2025, 08/13/2025

PCIO25-1284 LLG 25-130285 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE A default has occurred under the terms of a trust deed made by Kimberly S Morasch and Robert Reiber, as tenants by the entirety, whose address is 1308 Southwest 8th Street, Dallas, OR 97338 as grantor to AmeriTitle, as Trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Homebridge Financial Services, Inc., its successors and assigns, as named Beneficiary, dated January 19, 2022, recorded January 20, 2022, in the mortgage records of Polk County, Oregon, as Instrument No. 2022-000873, Selene Finance LP is the present Beneficiary as defined by ORS 86.705(2), as covering the following described real property: Lot 1, Block 3, CITY VIEW ADDITION, in the City of Dallas, County of Polk, and State of Oregon. COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 1308 Southwest 8th Street, Dallas, OR 97338. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and a notice of default has been recorded pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 86.752(3); the default for which the foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: Delinquent Monthly payments from September 1, 2024 in the sum of \$15,482.12, and monthly payments in the amount of \$1,470.10 from July 1, 2025 plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$154.74, plus the sum of \$150.00 for advances, together with all costs, disbursements, and/or fees incurred or paid by the beneficiary and/or trustee, their employees, agents or assigns. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation that the trust deed secures immediately due and payable, said sum being the following, to-wit: \$289,544.70, together with accrued interest in the sum of \$7,407.82 through June 11, 2025,

together with interest thereon at the rate of 3% per annum from June 12, 2025, plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$154.74, plus the sum of \$908.56 for advances, together with all costs, disbursements, and/or fees incurred or paid by the beneficiary and/or trustee, their employees, agents or assigns. WHEREFORE, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee will on November 4, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 AM PT, in accord with the standard time established by ORS 187.110, inside the new lobby at the Jefferson Street entrance of the Polk County Courthouse, located at 850 Main Street, in the City of Dallas, OR, County of Polk, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor has or had power to convey at the time of the execution of 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 to any person named in ORS 86.778 that the right exists, at any time that is not later than five days before the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by paying to the beneficiary of the entire amount due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligations or trust deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and trust deed, together with trustee's fees and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by said ORS 86.778. Notice is further given that reinstatement or payoff quotes requested pursuant to ORS 86.786 and ORS 86.789 must be timely communicated in a written request that complies with that statute, addressed to the trustee's "Reinstatements/ Payoffs - ORS 86.786" either by personal delivery or by first class, certified mail, return receipt requested, to the trustee's address shown below. Due to potential conflicts with federal law, persons having no record legal or equitable interest in the subject property will only receive information concerning the lender's estimated or actual bid. Lender bid information is also available at the trustee's website, www.logs.com. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Also, please be advised that pursuant to the terms stated on the Deed of Trust and Note, the beneficiary is allowed to conduct property inspections while property is in default. This shall serve as notice that the beneficiary shall be conducting property inspections on the said referenced property. 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. The Fair Debt Collection Practice Act requires that we state the following: This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If a discharge has been obtained by any party through bankruptcy proceedings: This shall not be construed to be an attempt to collect the outstanding indebtedness or hold you personally liable for the debt. Dated: 6/12/2025 LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP, Successor Trustee 1499 SE Tech Center Place, Suite 255 Vancouver, WA 98683 www.logs.com Telephone: (360) 260-2253 Toll-free: 1-800-970-5647 LLG 25-130285 NPP0475678 To: POLK COUNTY ITEMIZER-OBSERVER 07/23/2025, 07/30/2025, 08/06/2025, 08/13/2025

PCIO25-1287 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS ESTATE OF DENNIS NEIL WILLIAMS POLK COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CASE NO. 25PB05752 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Matthew Scott Williams has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with written evidence thereof attached, to the personal representative, c/o Mark M. Williams, Attorney at Law, 180 West Sixth Avenue, Junction City, Oregon 97448. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four months after the date of first publication of this notice to the Personal Representative at the address stated above

for the presentation of claims or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court or the Personal Representative, named above. Dated and first published July 23, 2025. Personal Representative: Matthew Scott Williams c/o Mark M. Williams, OSB#821404 180 West Sixth Avenue Junction City, Oregon 97448

PCIO25-1288 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK Probate Department In the Matter of the Estate of ANN RENEE KATAFIAS, Decedent. Case No. 25PB05318 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS Notice is hereby given that Jennifer Luna has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with proper vouchers attached, to the personal representative or her attorney, DONALD M. KELLEY, at law offices of KELLEY KELLEY, 110 North Second Street, Silverton, OR 97381, 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. Dated and published on July 23, 2025. Jennifer Luna Personal Representative

PCIO25-1280 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF HARNEY FARM CREDIT SERVICES OF AMERICA, P.C.A., DBA AGDIRECT, Plaintiff, vs. BERNARD M. HANSON, Defendant. Case No.: 25CV21712 SUMMONS TO: Bernard M. Hanson IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled cause within 30 days from the date of service of this summons on you. If you fail to appear and defend, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To appear you must file with the court a legal paper called a motion or answer. The motion or answer must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's lawyer or, if the plaintiff does not have a lawyer, proof of service on the plaintiff. The complaint and the demand for relief seek a judgment and money award for the accelerated balance of a retail instalment purchase agreement in the sum of \$62,770.82 plus interest at 15.00% from May 24, 2025, until paid; a judgment directing the Sheriff of Harney County Oregon to seize and deliver the collateral, a Valley Center Pivot Irrigation System, Model 7000, Serial No 11423865, in foreclosure of Plaintiff's perfected security interest; and judgment for costs and attorney fees, plus interest on such judgment for costs and attorney fees at the rate of 9.00% per annum from the date of entry, until paid. The motion or answer or reply must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days of the date of first publication specified herein along with the required filing fee." The published summons must also contain the date of the first publication of the summons. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You may be liable for attorney fees in this case. Should plaintiff in this case not prevail, a judgment for reasonable attorney fees may be entered against you, as provided by the agreement to which defendant alleges you are a party. You must "appear" to protect your rights in this matter. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal document called a "motion" or "reply." The "motion" or "reply" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the defendant's attorney or, if the defendant does not have an attorney, proof of service on the defendant. If you have questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at www.oregonstatebar.org or by calling (503) 684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free elsewhere in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. If you have any questions, you should see a lawyer immediately. If you need help in finding a lawyer, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at 503-684-3763 or toll-free in Oregon at 800-452-7636. DATED: April 4, 2025 Service address: Bernard M. Hanson 9350 Clow Corner Rd. Independence, OR 97351 Date of first publication: July 16, 2025. /s/ Mark B. Comstock Mark B. Comstock OSB no.811930 Comstock Law & Consulting P.C. P.O. Box 3136 Salem, OR 97302-0136 Tel. (503) 991-5653 mark@comstocklawpc.com Attorney for Plaintiff

PCIO25-1278 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED JURISDICTION TRANSFER OF VEARIOUS COUNTY ROADWAYS TO THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE NOTICE IS GIVEN OF A PUBLIC HEARING before the Polk County Board of Commissioners on August 13th, 2025 at 9:00 am, Board of Commissioners conference room, Polk County Courthouse, Dallas, Oregon to hear testimony and receive evidence with regard to the proposed jurisdictional transfer of various roadways to the City of Independence, Polk County, Oregon as more particularly described as follows: All that portion of Talmadge Road as described in the exhibits contained in the City of Independence Ordinance No. 1619 dated October 22, 2024. Also, all those portions of Corvallis Road, Hoffman Road and unimproved 6th Street as described in the exhibits contained in the City of Independence Ordinance No. 1623 dated May 27, 2025. This notice is provided under ORS 373.270. A Public Hearing before the Polk County Board of Commissioners will be held on August 13th, 2025 at 9:00 am. The hearing will be held in the Board of Commissioners conference room, Polk County Courthouse, Dallas, Oregon. Any person desiring to speak may do so in person or by attorney at the public hearing. Written comments may be filed with the Board of Commissioners, Room 102, Polk County Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon, 97338. Written comments must be received by 5:00 PM August 12th, 2025. POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS If you have questions or would like a copy of Ordinance No. 1619 or Ordinance No. 1623 as noted above please call Polk County Surveyors Office at 503-623-9287.

PCIO25-1277 Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice Downtown Storage and Warehouse located at 889 Liberty St NE Salem OR 97301 intends to hold a sale to sell the property stored at the Facility by the below list of Occupants whom are in default at an Auction. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.bid13.com on 8/5/2025 at 10:00AM. Preston Hill units #A1100 & #A1112; Carl Roberts unit #A1120; Alex Brouwer unit #A2033; David J Noyes units #A2085 & #A2095; Carl Dingman unit #A3014; Alfred Caudle unit #A3113; Jacqueline Alvarado unit #A4279. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. PCIO25-1276 Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice West Salem Storage located at 650 2nd St NW Salem OR 97304 intends to hold a sale to sell the property stored at the Facility by the below list of Occupants whom are in default at an Auction. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.bid13.com on 8/5/2025 at 10:00AM. Uriel Nevarez unit #103; Brandon Mann unit #167. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply.

PCIO25-1272 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK Gayle Theresa Farrelly, Settlor, Deceased No. 25PB05851 - Probate Notice to Claimants Pioneer Trust Bank, N.A., Trustee under The Gayle Farrelly Trust dated 12/10/2024, has petitioned the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County under Probate No. 25PB05851 to determine the claims of the creditors of trust Settlor, Gayle Theresa Farrelly, who now is deceased. All persons having claims against the trust estate are required to present such claims to Steve Spencer, CTFA, Asst. Vice President & Trust Officer, Pioneer Trust Bank, N.A., 109 Commercial St. NE, Salem, OR 97301, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. Dated and first published July 9, 2025. Isl Steve Spencer, CTFA, Asst. Vice President & Trust Officer Pioneer Trust Bank, N.A., Trustee Garret Ramsay, OSB #224741 Heltzel Williams PC P.O. Box 1048 Salem, OR 97308-1048 Attorneys for Trustee

PCIO25-1259 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS NO.: 25-73386 Reference is made to that certain Deed of Trust (hereinafter referred as the Trust Deed) made by JEFFERY WOOSLEY as Grantor to TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as designated nominee for UMPQUA BANK, ITS SUCCESSORS AND/OR ASSIGNS, beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as Beneficiary, dated 12/15/2009, recorded 12/21/2009, as Instrument No. 2009-014421, in mortgage records of Polk County, Oregon covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to-wit: LOT 21, BLOCK 3, KINGSBOROUGH PHASE 1, IN THE CITY OF DALLAS, COUNTY OF POLK AND STATE OF OREGON. The street address or other common designation, if any for the real property described above is purported to be: 518 SW SHEILA STREET DALLAS, OREGON 97338 The Tax Assessor's Account ID for the Real Property is purported to be: 401322 / 07532-BB-04800

Both the beneficiary and the trustee, ZBS Law, LLP have elected to foreclose the above referenced Trust Deed and sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and a Notice of Default and Election to Sell has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). All right, title, and interest in the said described property which the grantors had, or had power to convey, at the time of execution of the Trust Deed, together with any interest the grantors or their successors in interest acquired after execution of the Trust Deed shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and the expenses of sale, including the compensation of the trustee as provided by law, and the reasonable fees of trustee's attorneys. The default for which the foreclosure is made is: The monthly installment of principal and interest which became due on 1 11/2024, late charges, and all subsequent monthly installments of principal and interest. You are responsible to pay all payments and charges due under the terms and conditions of the loan documents which come due subsequent to the date of this notice, including, but not limited to, foreclosure trustee fees and costs, advances and late charges. Furthermore, as a condition to bring your account in good standing, you must provide the undersigned with written proof that you are not in default on any senior encumbrance and provide proof of insurance. Nothing in this notice should be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the beneficiary under the deed of trust, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the loan documents. The amount required to cure the default in payments to date is calculated as follows: From: 11/1/2024 Total of past due payments: \$7,492.03 Additional charges (Taxes, Insurance, Corporate Advances, Other Fees): \$1,373.88 Unapplied Funds: (\$461.87) Trustee's Fees and Costs: \$2,310.00 Total necessary to cure: \$10,714.04 Please note the amounts stated herein are subject to confirmation and review and are likely to change during the next 30 days. Please contact the successor trustee ZBS Law, LLP, to obtain a "reinstatement" and or "payoff" quote prior to remitting funds. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the Trust Deed due and payable. The amount required to discharge this lien in its entirety to date is: \$113,861.26 Said sale shall be held at the hour of 1:00 PM on 9/12/2025 in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 187.1 10, and pursuant to ORS 86.771(7) shall occur at the following designated place: Inside the new lobby at the Jefferson Street entrance of the Polk County Courthouse, 850 Main St, Dallas, OR 97338 Other than as shown of record, neither the said beneficiary nor the said trustee have any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the Trust Deed, or of any successor(s) in interest to the grantors or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: NONE Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation(s) of the Trust Deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Trust Deed, together with the trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by ORS 86.778. The mailing address of the trustee is: ZBS Law, LLP 5 Centerpointe Dr., Suite 400 Lake Oswego, OR 97035 (503) 946-6558 In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. Dated: 5/2/2025 ZBS Law, LLP Dirk Schouten, OSB# 115153 ZBS Law, LLP Authorized to sign on behalf of the trustee A-4842840 07/02/2025, 07/09/2025, 07/16/2025, 07/23/2025

# 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, July 10

At 5:05 a.m., a motorist on Fairview Avenue was cited for speeding 40 mph in a 25-mph zone.

At 5:55 a.m., a motorist on Miller Avenue was cited for speeding 46 mph in a 25-mph zone and for failure to carry and present an operator's license.

At 9:33 a.m., an officer provided a bus pass to an individual that had just been released from Polk County Jail and wanted to get to Salem.

At 9:43 a.m., an officer followed up on a case and the suspect was trespassed from Walmart.

At 11:31 a.m., a report of a suspicious person on Washington Street. The individual was fixing a torch, not smoking drugs and there was no damage to the mailboxes nearby.

At 12:01 p.m., a report of fraud on 13th Street. The individual had supplied personal information to a scam caller.

At 12:46 p.m., an individual was cited for trespassing on Kings Valley Highway.

At 1:45 p.m., a subject was cited and released for a warrant out of Salem.

At 2:23 p.m., a report of a theft of a Big Gulp on Washington Street.

At 2:37 p.m., a subject was arrested on outstanding warrants and booked at Polk County Jail.

At 2:39 p.m., a motorist was cited for driving uninsured and was given a written warning for failure to obey a traffic control device.

At 4:59 p.m., a report of possible mail theft on Brookside Avenue.

At 6:27 p.m., a report of loud music on Davis Street. The music was off when an officer arrived.

At 7:44 p.m., a motorist was cited for illegal display of license plates and failure to provide proof of financial responsibility. The driver was given a written warning for operating without proper lighting equipment.

At 11:16 p.m., a noise complaint on Oakdale Avenue. The residents agreed to quiet down.

**Saturday, July 12**

At 12:31 a.m., a noise complaint on Walnut Avenue. An officer advised the residents of the noise ordinance and no more fireworks.

At 12:39 a.m., a report of a suspicious vehicle on Allgood Street. A vehicle was parked in the grass and the driver was advised to move it back to the street.

At 2:09 a.m., a homeless person was found sleeping in the amphitheater and was woken up and asked to move along.

At 3:00 p.m., Danny Fierro was lodged at Polk County Jail and charged with possession of meth and trespassing at the city park.

At 10:10 p.m., a noise complaint on Holman Avenue. The residence was outside of city limits but the homeowner was warned for setting off illegal fireworks.

At 10:49 p.m., an officer encountered two individuals in the median divide by the Welcome to Dallas sign.

They were recording a video and checking the lighting.

### Sunday, July 13

At 1:52 a.m., an officer encountered a juvenile out after curfew pushing a dirt bike home. The parents were contacted.

At 3:39 a.m., a homeless person was sleeping in a car on Allgood Street. The subject was advised of the park hours and given information on resources for shelter assistance.

At 10:58 a.m., a motorist on Clow Corner Road was cited for speeding 54 mph in a 40-mph zone.

At 11:02 a.m., officers responded to a fire on Ellendale Avenue. A burn pile got out of control.

At 11:50 a.m., a report of a disturbance on Ellendale Avenue. An officer assisted with information exchange to help prevent further argument.

At 8:08 p.m., a report of a hit and run accident on Main Street.

At 10:14 p.m., two individuals were seen swinging at the park on Uglow Avenue. They were warned for park hours.

At 10:55 p.m., a motorist on Monmouth Cutoff was cited for speeding 56 mph in a 40-mph zone.

At 11:41 p.m., a report of fireworks being lit in the Dallas High School parking lot. The subjects apologized and cleaned up the garbage.

**Monday, July 14**

At 1:54 p.m., a report that a bottle of wine was stolen on Ellendale Avenue.

At 2:20 a.m., an open door to a house was seen on Stump Street. The resident was in the process of moving out.

At 8:31 a.m., Isaac Velzquez Trejo was lodged at Polk County Jail and charged with driving while suspended.

At 3:27 p.m., a report of a burglary in progress on Davis Street. It was determined the subjects were scammed to rent the apartment.

At 10:05 p.m., an officer contacted several individuals hanging out by the arboretum on Brandvold Drive. They were advised of park hours.

**Tuesday, July 15**

At 12:33 a.m., a report of a prowler at Dallas Mini Storage. The individual was removing personal items from a unit and did not wish to speak to law enforcement.

At 9:30 a.m., an officer contacted an individual who was concerned about a white substance on cash from an atm. The field test kits produced negative results.

At 11:09 a.m., a subject was cited and released on a Dallas warrant.

At 2:26 p.m., a subject was lodged at Polk County Jail on a parole board detainee.

Numerous verbal warnings were given for failure to obey the new stop sign on Miller Avenue and La Creole Drive.

At 9:26 p.m., a motorist on Levens Street was cited for driving with no insurance.

At 9:36 p.m., a report of a theft on Kings Valley Highway.

At 10:35 p.m., a report of harassment on Evergreen Court. It was a dispute between neighbors.

**Wednesday, July 16**

At 4:31 p.m., a report of a property dispute on Ellendale Avenue. One of the individuals was warned for disorderly conduct after making comments about damaging property.

At 8:42 a.m., a report of suspicious activity on Brookside Avenue. The subject was formally trespassed from the location.

At 11:28 a.m., a motorist was cited for driving while using a mobile device on Washington Street.

At 12:14 p.m., a report of a hit and run on Hillcrest Drive. A vehicle rolled out of the driveway and hit a mail receptacle.

At 2:11 p.m., a report of suspicious activity on Brandvold Drive. Two subjects were talked to about profanity and arguing with teenagers at the park.

At 3:37 p.m., a report of registration tags removed from a vehicle on Fern Avenue.

At 5:29 p.m., an individual on Washington Street was cited and released on a failure to appear warrant.

At 7:59 p.m., an individual was lodged at Polk County Jail on a failure to appear warrant from 2011.

## Monmouth Police Department

### Thursday, July 10

**Check Welfare:** Report of a male sleeping in his running vehicle. The individual stated he was fine and sleeping. He appeared to be living out of his vehicle and left the area after contact.

**Hit and Run:** A report of a vehicle's mirror hitting a parked car on a street between 9 and 9:25 a.m. July 6. The area was checked for previous calls or reports of vehicle damage or a hit and run, but none were found. No damage was located at the described location.

**Crime:** After two additional messages were reported received by an individual in June and early July, a subject was arrested on July 9 and charged with violating a release agreement.

**Animal:** A report of a dog left in a black vehicle in a parking lot.. The outside temperature was 78 degrees. The vehicle was not located.

**Found Property:** A pipe and a container with cannabis were found at an intersection. The owner was unknown, and the items were collected for destruction.

**Overdose:** An individual took a large amount of an over-the-counter medication to get high. The individual was transported to an emergency room, and their mother was notified.

**Suspicious Activity:** A caller reported that someone in another state had hacked into their social media account, and they could not log in. The caller had not lost any money and had already frozen their credit card. The caller was advised to contact social media support and change important account passwords.

**Arrest:** An individual was arrested and lodged at a county jail in relation to a harassment call from the previous night.

**Animal:** A resident complained a neighbor had multiple dogs barking excessively. The resident went to talk to the neighbor, and a male at that residence approached him yelling and cursing. The incident was documented, and an animal control officer was notified.

**Fireworks:** A resident reported hearing six loud "shots" east of their location with a delay. Officers in the area heard aerial fireworks where reported and planned to patrol the area.

**Suspicious Activity:** Callers reported hearing loud bangs. While checking the area, another loud bang was heard with no visible signs of fireworks. An officer was flagged down by a male who said he chased off some juveniles lighting fireworks. The area was checked,

but the juveniles were not located.

### Friday, July 11

**Animal:** A report of a loose dog. The dog, a German shepherd/Malinois, was found and claimed by its owner. The owner had been previously contacted regarding the dog being loose on July 10. The owner was informed about the loose dog ordinance and asked to improve their methods of keeping the dog from getting loose.

**Noise:** A resident complained about their neighbor playing music outside. The music was audible from the complainant's residence, and the neighbor was asked to turn it down, which they did immediately.

**Suspicious Person:** A report of a male standing next to his vehicle, holding a shotgun in one hand and his dog in another. This occurred outside a human services building that had been previously threatened. The area was checked, but the individual was not located. No crimes were found.

**Hang-up:** An individual accidentally dialed 911 while mowing. No further action was needed.

**Suspicious Activity:** A resident called about juveniles riding scooters by her fence and was concerned about more graffiti. No juveniles were located.

**Saturday, July 12**

**Disturbance:** Staff reported two males trying to fight. They had both left when officers arrived. It sounded like one individual was trying to fight another individual about taking a female home. No further action.

**Assistance to Agency:** Covered an individual screaming in a bathroom who would not identify themselves. The assisting agency chose not to push it as the individual was not cooperative.

**Alarm:** A report of a silent alarm notification in a bank lobby. The perimeter and all doors were checked, and everything appeared secure. The reporting party stated they had heating, ventilation and air conditioning issues that could trigger the sensors due to the heat.

**Assistance to Agency:** An assisting agency had a hit and run crash, with the located vehicle being a maroon sport utility vehicle with damage to the front, passenger side corner. Officers were unable to locate it. There were no injuries. A suspect was later located and referred for hit and run.

**Animal:** A report of a loose small dog wandering around. Response was delayed due to priority calls, and the dog was unable to be located.

**Citizen Contact:** Contact was made with an individual regarding their birthday party. Their roommates had previously informed officers that the individual was planning a party with underage drinking. The individual was informed that officers were aware of the party, and if there were any complaints, citations would be issued.

**Driving:** A caller reported a white pickup truck driving through a stop sign and nearly hitting the caller's 17-year-old daughter in the crosswalk before driving into a mobile home park. The callers were unsure if the driver or truck belonged to the mobile home park and said they did not recognize it and did not have any further description of the vehicle. Officers were unable to locate the truck.

### Sunday, July 13

**Arrest:** An individual was arrested and lodged at the county jail on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

**Noise:** A caller complained of people outside making noise with toy cars. Two males were just sitting in the parking lot with two remote-control cars. They were advised of the complaint and said they would move along. No further action was taken.

**Assistance to Agency:** A report of a male grabbing a female while walking on a bridge. Officers responded as cover, and upon making contact with the male, he was recognized. The male was arrested on outstanding warrants by the Polk County Sheriff's Office.

**Domestic Disturbance:** A physical domestic incident occurred between two individuals. One individual was reported to be intoxicated and had pushed and headbutted the other. The other individual defended themselves, putting the intoxicated individual in a rear-naked choke and getting them onto the ground. The intoxicated individual left and broke the window to their grandmother's car. Nobody wanted to pursue charges, and there was no probable cause for mandatory arrest crimes. Officers were unable to locate the intoxicated individual. They were called but did not want to speak.

**Driving:** A report of a green and black motorcycle speeding over 100 miles per hour, turning onto one street then eventually onto another. Officers were unable to locate the vehicle.

**Suspicious Activity:** A caller reported that her neighbors were harassing her and she thought they wanted her out. She said they were loud, had made comments about knowing where she was in her home, had cameras, and had blocked her camera. No crimes were reported.

**Noise:** A caller complained of ongoing dog barking. The owner was called, who said their daughter accidentally left the dog outside and their girlfriend had already brought it in. The owner was warned for excessive barking. No further action was taken.

**Monday, July 14**

Jordan Hoover, 31, was arrested on two outstanding warrants.

**Suspicious Vehicle:** A report of a vehicle with the doors open. Officers responded and contacted an individual who was fine and planned on leaving later.

**Animal:** A found cattle dog was caught. The dog was retrieved, and the owner came and picked it up.

**Animal:** A small white dog was turned into the police department. The owner came and retrieved it as officers were transporting it to kennels later in the day.

**Animal:** A German shepherd type dog was found running around. The dog was retrieved and is in the kennels, and posted in the vestibule and on social media. The dog was returned to its owner, who stated it is licensed. Information is being forwarded to the PCSO for a license check.

**Animal:** A female tan and white pointer dog was found. The dog is in the kennels.

**Arrest:** An individual was arrested on outstanding warrants from two different jurisdictions. The individual was transported and lodged at Polk County Jail.

**Theft:** An individual reported that his rear plate on their vehicle had been stolen sometime this past

week. There was no exact time frame, as the vehicle had been parked for several weeks before he drove it. He did not want to pursue charges nor did he want it entered as stolen.

### Tuesday, July 15

**Crash:** Two vehicles were involved in a crash after one vehicle rear-ended another, pushing it into a third vehicle. The driver who caused the accident was cited for using a cell phone.

**Fraud:** A credit union reported that an individual fraudulently transferred funds from an account and would not return them, claiming the money had been spent.

**Assisting Other Agency:** A Spanish-speaking caller reported an intoxicated male causing issues at her house, but hung up before providing a specific address. Officers searched the area but were unable to locate the individual.

**Citizen Contact:** A complaint about an RV parked in violation of a parking ordinance. A community service officer investigated the issue.

**Stalking:** A restaurant manager reported ongoing harassment from a male. The male had previously approached her on the street, then came into her workplace, and later spoke to her in the parking lot, repeatedly asking her on a date. He also texted her phone, but the texts stopped when she got a new number. The individual's phone number was reportedly given to him by another person who later apologized. Video footage was being sought. The behavior was deemed inappropriate and rising to the level of stalking.

**Driving Complaint:** A report of a silver SUV speeding and passing unsafely. Officers located the vehicle and spoke with the occupants, who claimed the reporting party was driving slowly and brake-checking them. The occupants were advised of the dangers of such driving behavior.

**Trespass:** Employees at a restaurant reported a male going behind the counter and attempting to access the cash register. He initially refused to leave but eventually departed without taking anything. The suspect was later identified and trespassed from the property.

**Theft:** An employee at a convenience store reported that three teenage girls stole three large items. Camera footage was to be reviewed the following morning.

**Assisting Other Agency:** Law enforcement agencies were involved in a pursuit with a vehicle. The suspect eluded, spiked his vehicle, and then attempted to enter a house on foot, where he was tased due to being extremely resistant. He was apprehended and transported to a detention center.

**Wednesday, July 16**

Dakota W Winkler, 24, was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

John Hoy, 34, was arrested and charged with unlawful possession of methamphetamine.

**Crash:** A two-vehicle crash occurred where one driver, blinded by the sun, failed to yield and hit another vehicle. One of the passengers was eight months pregnant. Information was exchanged, and the at-fault driver received a written warning.

**Theft:** An individual reported that five bags of cans were stolen from her back porch.

# BLOTTER

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**Citizen Contact:** An individual was contacted regarding a blackmail scam where someone was demanding money after he sent them photos on a dating app. He was advised not to send any money.

**Animal Incident:** A caller reported her two large dogs were locked in her bathroom. Officers were able to unlock the door, and the dogs were found to be okay.

**Warrant Arrest:** An individual was arrested and lodged on a felony warrant.

**Found Property:** Employees at a store reported a red kids' bike had been at the store for several months. A check of the serial number and reports did not indicate it was stolen.

**Intoxicated Person:** An officer spoke with an individual who was intoxicated and yelling while pacing in the middle of the road. He was warned that continued actions would lead to arrest for disorderly conduct, and he stated he understood and would leave.

**Alarm:** A false alarm occurred at a building. It was noted that the alarm company would likely need to be contacted.

**Elude:** An attempt to stop a driver for careless driving led to an elude. The driver fled into a parking lot with one entrance, then bailed on foot. Several units established a perimeter, and the driver was apprehended after a brief foot pursuit. He stated he ran to avoid more traffic tickets and showed signs of impairment. A search warrant was granted, and his BAC was 0.11%. He was charged with felony elude, misdemeanor elude, reckless driving, driving under the influence, and misrepresentation of age due to a fake identification. He was lodged at Polk County Jail.

## Polk County Sheriff's Office

### Wednesday, July 9

At 12:05 a.m., a deputy stopped a bicyclist on Taggart Drive for not having the proper lighting equipment.

At 1:04 a.m., a deputy observed a vehicle driving on Wallace Road and over the bridge into downtown Salem. He stopped the vehicle on Commercial Street for expired registration. The driver, Timothy McCants, was arrested for driving while suspended - misdemeanor.

At 6:24 a.m., a resident on Orrs Corner road reported a male subject trespassing on her property and was "worshipping the sun" in the driveway. A deputy contacted the male who advised he was recently released from jail. He was given a verbal warning for trespassing.

At 7:58 a.m., a motorist on Highway 22 was cited for speeding 78 mph in a 55-mph zone.

At 9:46 a.m., a deputy contacted a male subject in a camp on private property. He was given 24 hours to pack up and leave. The deputy had warned him about this before.

At 1:17 p.m., Polk County Fire District requested PCSO block eastbound Old Fort Road from Highway 99 due to a small field fire caused by downed power lines. The downed power lines was caused by other lines becoming entangled on farm equipment entering the field. When the other wires broke, it took the power lines down too.

At 5:32 p.m., a report of a family locked behind a gate at Rickreall Creek Road. A deputy responded and unlocked the gate, then

waited for the family to get on the other side of the gate and then locked it behind them.

At 8:50 p.m., a male subject reported a pitbull mix with no collar or tag. she found on Matney Road. A deputy told the subject the PCSO is unable to take any dogs at the moment and told him he could contact a rescue/shelter to see if the dog has a chip.

At 9:23 p.m., a report of CPR on Teal Creek Road. The patient was a 12-year-old female with Long QT (Heart rhythm disorder). The patient was suffering from difficulty breathing and a rapid heart rate. During the medical episode, the patient lost consciousness and stopped breathing. Staff and medics performed life saving measures for almost 40 minutes before the patient was declared deceased. There were no signs of foul play and next of kin was notified.

### Thursday, July 10

At 5:47 a.m., a report of a male subject lying face down on the bike path along Pacific Highway. A deputy found the man, who was just waking up after drinking too much last night. He's walking to Sheridan.

At 6:59 a.m., a deputy came across a pickup truck with two occupants asleep inside while partially blocking Lombard Street. The deputy woke them and warned them to move along.

At 7:52 a.m., a motorist on Highway 22 was cited for speeding 77 mph in a 55-mph zone. The driver said he was speeding because he was late for work.

At 8:06 a.m., the Bureau of Land Management requested PCSO assistance with clearing out the recreation area between the Gold Creek Access gate and the Gooseneck Road gate. This closure was due to BLM fire restrictions. They swept the area and found one subject camping. He left without incident. BLM employees locked both gates and hung informational signs. The deputy assisted with mounting cameras to monitor both gates before clearing.

At 12:24 p.m., a report of an older male pushing a younger female into a van and driving away on Salem Dallas Highway. The van had a number on the side, which a deputy called. The male subject answered who explained the female subject was his little sister and they were coming back from the coast and stopped to get some strawberry shortcake and he tried to hug her and she didn't want her makeup smeared, but there was no pushing or anything like that. Two other deputies located the van and confirmed the story.

At 1:14 p.m., a motorist on Highway 22 was cited for spending 72 mph in a 55 mph zone and was warned for no insurance.

At 1:20 p.m., a report of a male motionless in the ditch on Red Prairie Road. The complainant had circled back and advised someone stopped and was giving the male water. When deputies arrived the male was nowhere to be found.

At 3:19 p.m., a deputy briefly stopped traffic on Highway 22 to remove some large debris from the road.

At 3:59 p.m., Tribal Police arrested a motorist on Grand Ronde Road and arrested the driver, a mother, driving under the influence of an intoxicant - alcohol and reckless endangering since a juvenile was in the car while she was driving intoxicated.

At 4:42 p.m., a resident on Highway 22 reported an extra cow in his pasture with a yellow ear tag. A deputy believed it was a missing cow from another case. He

facilitated contact info for the resident and the owner of the missing cow.

At 8:33 p.m., a report of a suicidal female subject on Clow Corner Road on the phone with an counselor. A deputy located her and asked what was happening. She initially tried to lie about who she was talking to on the phone, but she said it was the suicide hotline. The deputy took her protective custody and transported her to the Salem Emergency Department. During the ride, she confirmed she was planning on attempting suicide.

At 10:41 p.m., a report of a two-vehicle blocking crash on Falls City Road. Driver one was attempting to pass driver two, when driver two turned left into a park and ride, colliding with the other vehicle.

### Friday, July 11

At 12:08 a.m., a report of 8 to 10 shots from a .22 in the area of Isenberg Street. A deputy went to the surrounding areas including the church and was unable to locate anyone.

At 12:52 a.m., a male subject was found resting in the police department flower bed. He left on his own after chatting for a few minutes.

At 2:56 a.m., a report of a vehicle parked on Greenwood Road. A deputy contacted two females in the vehicle. They stated they have been driving all day and were just in need of sleep. They told me they were planning on leaving at sunrise.

At 5:27 a.m., a single vehicle, non injury, non-blocking crash on Suver Road. The driver reached down for his coffee while going through the S curves, got into the gravel shoulder and got pulled down in the ditch. The driver called Dallas Towing.

At 8:05 a.m., a resident on Waymire Road reported that 3 dogs were running around inside one of her sheep pastures. No sheep were injured from the dogs, but she managed to collect one of the dogs and noticed that it had a GPS tracker on it. She advised she would put it in a kennel out at her residence for the time being until the owner could collect it. The other two dogs were still running around but she advised it appeared that they had collars on as well (possibly with similar tracking devices). A deputy requested photos of the dog that was collected to be posted to the PCSO Facebook page to assist with getting the owner notified.

At 10:04 a.m., a motorist on Highway 22 was cited for speeding 79 mph in a 55-mph zone.

At 1:31 p.m., a report of a driver on a tractor attempting to make a left turn into a driveway off Corvallis Road when a motorist in an SUV overtook the tractor and collided with the bucket. There was very minimal damage to the tractor bucket, and the fender on the SUV got a piece ripped out of it. The driver of the SUV stopped and the drivers exchanged info and then left prior to a deputy arrived.

At 3:01 p.m., a resident on Main Street in Falls City reported the theft of a laptop computer and possibly other items.

At 6:53 p.m., deputies responded to a report of a motorist on Washington Street driving recklessly, almost taking out a trash can. They found the driver, who had not been drinking; rather he was taking antibiotics for a tooth infection that may have slightly impaired his driving.

At 11:01 p.m., deputies responded to several reports of underage drinking, loud music and small fights at a residential party on Wallace Road. The deputies spoke

with the parents who stated they were supervising the kids. All the kids and parents denied drinking had taken place. The deputies did not observe any signs of drinking from the kids. There were red solo cups and beer cans around. This property is a venue though and they have lots of family parties. The juveniles credited the "fight" to a verbal argument between two groups.

### Saturday, July 12

At 1:21 a.m., deputies responded to a call for CPR at a residence on Perrydale Road. The family advised a female subject had been found face down in a pool of various fluids. There was no active CPR at any time. Dallas EMS arrived and transported her Salem Health Emergency Department.

At 2:09 a.m. a male subject was found asleep in the amphitheater area off Academy Street. He was woken up and asked to move along and reminded to not be there after hours.

At 3:13 a.m., deputies responded to a report of a hit and run crash, with multiple victims. They assisted with shutting down the roads while a Life Flight was activated and landed at Spirit Mountain Casino. The suspect vehicle, a white Honda, possibly early 2000s, hit a vehicle that was on the side of the road where multiple teens were attempting to change a flat tire. The Honda should have heavy front end damage and a hole in the front windshield due to one of the victims going through it.

At 11:41 a.m., deputies investigated a physical, domestic disturbance on Wallace Road. The female subject involved had gone to Salem Health Emergency Department to have her injured ankle x-rayed. She reported a male subject had caused the injury after she slapped him. After confirming both sides of the story, the female subject faces a charge of harassment and the male subject a charge of assault 4.

At 1:09 p.m. a deputy responded to a medical emergency on Highway 22 where a male subject overdosed on fentanyl. By the time the deputy arrived, medics had already been on scene and treated him but he refused to go to the hospital. The male subject had used fentanyl recently but he did not remember when. The deputy left two doses of Narcan, one with one of the complainants, and advised her to call 911 if resources are needed again.

At 7:48 p.m., a deputy stopped a motorist on Wallace Road for having no plate and an expired temp tag. The driver, who spoke no English and had to be communicated with through Chat GPT, admitted she had been cited for no valid operator's license just a couple weeks earlier. She was cited again and warned for the license plate and temp tag issue.

At 7:53 p.m., a motorist on Highway 99 was stopped for speeding more than 30 mph over the posted 55-mph speed limit. The driver admitted he was passing someone and trying to catch up to a Toyota Tacoma. The deputy explained that due to him being honest and apologetic, he would only cite him 10 mph over the speed limit.

At 10:12 p.m., a bicyclist on Glen Creek Road was stopped for failure to use proper lighting equipment. The bicyclist, Joshua Hillaire, had a warrant for contempt of court. He was arrested and transported to Polk County Jail.

At 11:54 p.m., a bicyclist on Glen Creek Road was stopped for failure to use proper lighting equipment.

She initially lied about her name and was arrested and charged with giving false information. When her identity was verified, she was wanted on two outstanding warrants.

At 11:56 p.m., while arresting a female subject on Glen Creek Road, the subject's boyfriend came to collect her items. However, the boyfriend was stopped for trespassing when he emerged from Wallace Marine Park. He was uncooperative, giving false names. His real name Norman Ramirez came back with a cite and release warrant out of Albany and a lodgeable warrant out of Oregon State Parole Board. At that point, he tried to flee. Eventually he was tased. Medics responded and aid was given. Ramirez was transported to Salem and then Legacy for a broken eye socket.

### Sunday, July 13

At 12:13 a.m., a motorist was stopped on College Drive for expired registration. The driver was cited for driving while suspended and driving uninsured.

At 10:04 a.m., a deputy covered an Independence Officer on a reported car break in on Deann Drive. It turned out to be the registered owner who locked herself out of the vehicle.

At 10:12 a.m., deputies made a welfare check on two subjects on the Independence Bridge on River Road. The male subject, Thomas Studer, had several outstanding warrants; he was cited and released on one, and arrested and lodged for the other two.

At 11:02 a.m., deputies responded to a fire set on private property on county land. The property owner, Joseph Barton, admitted setting a fire in a burn pit at the back of the property, against the advice of his sons. SW Polk Fire advised there was a county wide burn ban as of July 1, which Barton stated he did not even consider or know about. The fire got out of control, spreading to a large area on the property and catching the neighbor's property on fire as well. The fire was contained and put out by Dallas Fire & EMS and SW Polk Fire. Barton was arrested and charged with reckless burning and lodged at Polk County Jail.

At 3:06 p.m., a motorist was stopped on Hoffman Road for expired tags. The driver had an outstanding warrant for a weapons offense. He also had a knife concealed in his pocket. He was arrested on the warrant and also charged with carrying a concealed weapon.

At 9:11 p.m., a report of a chihuahua running down Mill Creek Road and appeared scared of humans.

### Monday, July 14

At 1:06 a.m., Salem Police were searching for carjacking suspects downtown and they were concerned they might have crossed the river into Wallace Marine Park. They asked a deputy to stop any vehicles coming out of the park. The first vehicle stopped was occupied by three people. Two of the occupants provided their ID, but the third refused to do so. The first two subjects were cited and released for trespass 2 and took the third person was taken into custody. The unidentified male gave up his name at the jail and was found to have a warrant out of Yamhill County.

At 8:01 a.m., a motorist on Highway 22 was cited for speeding 81 mph in a 55-mph zone.

At 8:48 a.m., a report of a two-vehicle, non-injury crash on Ellendale Avenue just west of Oak Villa Road. A motorist looking at a map hadn't noticed the motorist in front had stopped to make

a turn. Luckily the driver slowed to 15 mph before making contact. No one was injured and both drivers arranged for their own private tows through insurance.

At 10:36 a.m., a male subject admitted to getting a ride to his parent's house on Oak Grove road knowing they have restraining orders against him for the purpose of being arrested. He said he was not receiving the services he needed from Marion County so he wanted to be arrested. A deputy transported him to Polk County Jail.

At 4:15 p.m., a resident on Salt Creek Road reported wire fraud with no suspect information after sending a payment for \$20,230 for an excavator he saw on Facebook marketplace. The company that he was going to buy the excavator from was reportedly based out of Houston, Texas.

At 11:01 p.m., a motorist turned right onto Ellendale Avenue off Fir Villa Road without stopping, right in front of a deputy, causing him to slow down. The driver, learned through the aid of a translator, did not have a valid driver's license. He was cited and released and told he was unable to currently drive the vehicle.

### Tuesday, July 15

At 12:20 a.m., during an area check at Wallace Marine Park, a deputy located three individuals that were walking. They were stopped for trespassing due to the park closing at sunset. One of the males, Bryden Arnold, had a felony warrant from the Oregon State Parole Board. He was arrested and transported to Polk County Jail.

At 1:35 a.m., a bicyclist on Glenn Creek Road was stopped for no front white light. The rider was cited and released on three outstanding warrants out of Salem Municipal Court.

At 2:24 a.m., a motorist on Wallace Road was cited for driving uninsured.

At 2:27 a.m., a deputy patrolling Wallace Marine Park noticed a female subject who began to run across the street and up a path. Because the park was closed, she was stopped for trespassing. The female, Alyssa Allen, had a warrant for assault 4 and criminal mischief 2. She was transported to Marion County Jail.

At 3:07 a.m., a deputy conducted a welfare check on a male subject on Edgewater Street. The subject, Arthur Jones, was arrested and charged with tampering (hiding then destroying a meth pipe) and possession of a controlled substance. He was lodged at Polk County Jail.

At 6:58 p.m., a motorist was stopped for speeding 77 mph in a 55-mph safety corridor on Highway 22. The driver was in the area to visit his mother who was hospitalized as one of the stabbing victims from a Yamhill County Sheriff's Office incident. The driver did not have a valid driver's license in Oregon or Washington where he resides. He was warned for having no license and cited for the speeding.

At 9:37 p.m., a report of a vehicle versus deer accident on Zena Road. The occupants of the vehicle were uninjured, but the badly injured deer had wandered off before a deputy arrived.

At 9:54 p.m., a motorist on Wallace Road was cited for driving while suspended - violation with at least 7 prior convictions and was cited again on July 14. He was also criminally cited for failure to carry/present license. His vehicle was towed.

# The party starts when foam is flowing

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The city of Monmouth hosted its first ever foam party July 16 at Main Street Park July 16. Here's a closer look at some of the images captured during the event.



## BRIEFS

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image and unique performances. The Yeates Academy of Irish Dance is an established dance academy and

is the longest running Irish dance school in Oregon and Southwest Washington.

### Heron Pointe hosts Alzheimer's bingo fundraiser Aug. 1

Heron Pointe Senior Living hosts a bingo fundraiser for

the Alzheimer's Association from 7-8:30 p.m., Aug. 1 at 504 Gwinn St E, Monmouth. Participating must RSVP to (503) 822-7320. Cards are \$5 each, with no pre-sales. There will also be a 50/50 raffle and quilt and raffle baskets tickets for sale.

**Xtreme Dance Company hosts summer camp Aug. 1-3**  
Xtreme Dance Company hosts Xtreme Summer Dance Camp Aug. 1-3 at Dallas High School, 921 SE Ash St. Participate in three days of fun, movement and creativity. The camp is open to dancers

pre-k through 11 grade. All levels and styles are welcome. Register online at <https://bit.ly/3IMLZEP>.

**Art, Wine, and Dine returns to downtown Dallas Aug. 16**  
The Dallas Arts Association & Art in the Park, Dallas Oregon present Art, Wine, and Dine event, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Aug. 16 at Downtown Dallas locations.

**MICC Summer Taste Tour is Aug. 16**  
The Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center

present the MICC Summer Taste Tour, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Aug. 16. Taste your way through Monmouth and Independence on a delicious self-guided tour featuring 10+ local restaurants. Each stop offers a small bite or sip to showcase the best of what MI Town has to offer. Come hungry and ready to explore. Tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 for a pair and are available online at <https://bit.ly/3GJOreP>.

**MICC hosts Golden Gala Aug. 22**  
The Monmouth-Independence Chamber

of Commerce & Visitors Center presents The Golden Gala at 6 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Historic Gentle House, 855 Monmouth Ave. N, Monmouth. Enjoy dinner, dancing and prizes. The MICC is raffling off 100 exclusive GOLDEN TICKETS at \$100 each and the winner will receive \$1,000 worth of lottery scratch-offs. Golden Gala Tickets are \$40 per pair or \$25 per individual and are available online at <https://bit.ly/4ePJfml> or at the Chamber office, 355 Pacific Ave N Ste B, Monmouth.

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