

# COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

## Create skeleton masks at art class

Ash Creek Arts Center will host Second Saturday Family Art Class from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday at its building, 311 S. Monmouth St., Independence.

The class will teach children and their families how to make spooky skeleton masks. Children should be old enough to manage scissors, glue, tape and other art supplies. All family art classes are free.

Registration is not required.

## Diabetes class at Flaming Medical

A six-week workshop on practical skills for living with diabetes will begin Thursday at Flaming Medical Center, 1000 SE Uglov Ave., Dallas.

The class will be from 9 to 11:30 a.m. through Nov. 12.

Self-management skills taught include working with a health care team, managing symptoms and medications, problem solving, setting weekly goals, getting support from family and friends, and learning how to be active and eat well.

The workshop is designed to complement and enhance medical treatment. Class materials are provided at no charge for this free workshop.

To register or for more information: 503-587-5129.

## Celebrate upcoming expansion of center

An open house from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday will be held at the Monmouth Senior Center to thank the community for its dedication to seeing the expansion project completed.

Because of fundraising efforts by the Friends of the Monmouth Senior Center, donations from the community, contributions from the city of Monmouth, and grants from the Collins Foundation, Oregon Community Fund, Meyer Memorial Trust and Ford Family Foundation, the senior center has raised enough money to be able to pay for the expansion.

Refreshments will be served.

For more information: 503-838-5678.

## Apple festival at Brunk House

The Polk County Historical Society will host a pressing apple cider event at 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday at the historic Brunk House, 5705 Salem-Dallas Highway NW (22W).

The event is free. Donations will be accepted. Fresh apple cider will be sold for \$5 a gallon. Apple desserts will be sold. Tours of the home and Century Farm will be given.

For more information: 503-838-6603 or 503-623-6251.

## Pink tea raises money for ACS

The Pink House, 242 D St., Independence, will host its seventh annual pink tea and silent auction from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday.

The event raises awareness for the need for early detection of women's cancers.

Tickets are \$10 each.



SMITH FINE ARTS SERIES/for the Itemizer-Observer  
**3 Leg Torso promises an eclectic synthesis of chamber music, tango, klezmer, latin and Roma (Gypsy) music. The group performs Oct. 9 at Rice Auditorium.**

## 3 Leg Torso to perform modern chamber music

**Itemizer-Observer staff report**  
 MONMOUTH – 3 Leg Torso will perform at 7:30 p.m. on Friday at Western Oregon University's Rice Auditorium, the second act of the Smith Fine Arts Series.

3 Leg Torso formed in 1996 as violin, cello and accordion trio with the mission of creating original modern chamber music for their unique instrumentation. Over the following years, the ensemble has expanded both its musical mission and its size to become a quintet that now performs original compositions based on an eclectic synthesis of chamber music, tango, klezmer, latin, and Roma (Gypsy) music.

As principal composers, founding members Béla R. Balogh (violin and trumpet) and Courtney Von Drehle (accordion) provide the core of 3 Leg Torso's sound. They

### If You Go ...

**Who:** Smith Fine Arts Series presents 3 Leg Torso  
**When:** Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Rice Auditorium, Western Oregon University, 345 N. Monmouth Ave., Monmouth.  
**Admission:** Adults, \$25 in advance, \$28 at the door; \$11 students. It is not too late to purchase season tickets for the five remaining shows. Season tickets for five shows are \$99.

are joined by veteran percussionist/mallet player Gary Irvine, the consummate mallets/percussion of T.J. Arko, and the gentleman of the acoustic bass, Mike Murphy.

The ensemble's history began with street per-

formances, which they titled "Meesterling", and has led to their releasing three award winning instrumental albums (3 Leg Torso, Astor in Paris, and Animals & Cannibals), East Coast and West Coast tours, performances with symphony orchestras and a profile on National Public Radio's "All Things Considered."

3 Leg Torso has a full concert set of arrangements for symphony orchestra which has brought them together for sold out performances with the Central Oregon Symphony, Pacific Crest Wind Symphony, Portland Festival Symphony, and the Metropolitan Youth Symphony. Composers Balogh and Von Drehle were commissioned to write a full-length piece, Sinfonia Misteriosa, to celebrate the Metropolitan Youth Symphony's 35th anniversary gala concert.

Seating is limited to 50. Proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.

For more information, or to donate to the silent auction: Jolene Hall, 503-838-2851, or email pearlygirly52@gmail.com.

## Do-si-do your partner at Guthrie

The Guthrie Park Community Center will host its second Saturday old-time square dance from 7 to 10 p.m. on Saturday at the center, 4320 Kings Valley Highway, Dallas.

Admission is \$5 per person, \$15 for a family of four or more. Children younger than 12 are free.

No experience is necessary to dance old-time squares, big circles, longway sets and waltzes. All dances are taught. Live music will be by Cash & Company. Sarah Headings will be the caller.

For more information: guthriepark@gmail.com.

## Bambinos benefit is this Saturday

Bambinos will host its eighth annual silent auction and authentic Asian dinner fundraiser Saturday at 6 p.m., in support of the Bam-

binos ministry.

The auction and dinner event will be held at Eola Hills Wine Cellars in Rickreall, 501 South Pacific Highway (99W). The \$20 ticket includes dinner and non-alcoholic beverages. No-host wine and beer available.

The mission of Bambinos is to serve families in need throughout the Dallas area by providing basic supplies and emotional and spiritual support.

For more information: Beth, 503-508-6043.

## Find a creative side at Boondocks

The Boondocks will host painting workshops Wednesday (today) and Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. at its location, 318 N. Main St., Falls City.

The workshops are \$30 and include professional instruction, a cocktail and snack, a canvas and all the supplies needed to create a personal masterpiece.

For more information: 503-871-6527.

## Register now for teen aviation event

Registration is due Thursday for the Teen Aviation Weekend, sponsored by Ex-

perimental Aviation Association Chapter 292, in Independence.

The weekend, which runs Oct. 17 and 18, is free for youths. The two-day workshop includes a brief look at aviation history, as well as what makes an airplane fly, navigation and weather, building airplanes, flying the simulator, careers in aerospace and a Young Eagles flight, weather permitting.

Participants are encouraged to bring a brown bag lunch each day.

For more information: Michael Ryer, 503-364-3619; David Ullman, 541-760-2338; Marcia Noell, 503-931-5127.

## Breakfast Sunday at Buell Grange

Buell Grange will host breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. on Sunday at the grange, 5970 Mill Creek Road, just off Highway 22 northwest of Dallas.

Pancakes, sausage and eggs; hash browns, sausage and eggs; or French toast and sausage are on the menu for \$6. Coffee, juice or tea is included.

For more information: 503-623-8462 or 503-843-4703.



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community Calendar is a listing of upcoming events taking place in Polk County that are open to the public. To submit an event for calendar consideration, please send it at least two weeks before the actual event date to the Itemizer-Observer via fax (503-623-2395) or email (ionews@polkio.com).

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7

- **Willamette Valley Food Assistance Program Food Bank** — 1:30 to 6:30 p.m., 888 Monmouth Cutoff Road, Building E, Dallas. Weekly distribution for eligible community members. 503-831-5634.
- **Scrabble with Betty** — 1 p.m., Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St., Independence. Scrabble games first Wednesday of every month. Free; refreshments and prizes available. 503-551-7687 or 503-838-1811.
- **Yarning for Others** — 3 to 5 p.m., St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. Knitters and crocheters gather to make clothing and accessories for those in need on the first Wednesday of every month. 503-689-7222.
- **Helping Hands Emergency Food Bank** — 10 a.m. to noon, Monmouth Christian Church, 959 Church St. W., Monmouth. For eligible community members; available every Wednesday. 541-404-6517.
- **Brew and BS** — 7 p.m., St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. Free. Bring your own brew — beer, coffee, tea, cider, wine. Moderated discussions on topics of religion and science. 503-831-5593.

### THURSDAY, OCT. 8

- **James2 Community Kitchen Meal** — 4:30 to 6 p.m., Dallas United Methodist Church, 565 SE LaCreole Drive, Dallas. Free; everyone welcome. 503-623-8429.
- **Monmouth-Independence Rotary Club** — Noon, First Baptist Church, 1505 Monmouth St., Independence. Visiting Rotarians, guests and prospective Rotarians are welcome to these luncheon meetings. Free. 503-838-4884.
- **Dementia Support Group** — 9:30 a.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. A group for people coping with a loved one with Alzheimer's or dementia. 503-838-5678.
- **Young Professionals Networking** — 5:30 to 7 p.m., Home Comfort, 1827 S. Main St., Dallas. After-hours social event for Polk County young professionals, aged 21-45. 503-623-2564.

### FRIDAY, OCT. 9

- **Altered Attitudes Alcoholics Anonymous** — Noon, Dallas United Methodist Church, 565 SE LaCreole Drive, Dallas. 503-399-0599.
- **Guthrie Park Acoustic Music Jam Session** — 7 to 10 p.m., Guthrie Park Community Center, 4320 Kings Valley Highway, Dallas. Free (donations accepted). 503-623-0809.
- **Arc of Polk County Dance and Karaoke Night** — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Academy Building, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Admission: \$3 (staffers and providers admitted free). Snacks available for purchase. 503-949-5552.

### SATURDAY, OCT. 10

- **The Original Independence Farmers Market** — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Umpqua Bank parking lot, 302 S. Main St., Independence. 503-881-9950.
- **Independence Riverview Market** — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Riverview Park and Amphitheater, 50 C St., Independence. 503-910-8193.
- **Guthrie Park Old-time Square Dance** — 7 to 10 p.m., Guthrie Park Community Center, 4320 Kings Valley Highway, Dallas. Admission: \$5 per person; \$15 immediate family rate; children 12 and younger free. 503-623-0809.

### SUNDAY, OCT. 11

- **Buell Grange Breakfast** — 8 to 11 a.m., Buell Grange Hall, 5970 Mill Creek Road, just off Highway 22 northwest of Dallas. 56. 503-623-8462 or 503-843-4703.

### MONDAY, OCT. 12

- **Central Lions Club** — Noon, Independence Elks Lodge 1950 Dining Room, 289 S. Main St., Independence. 503-606-2150.
- **Willamette Valley New Horizons Orchestra** — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Central High School band room, 1530 Monmouth St., Independence. Local orchestra for beginning through intermediate musicians. Meets every Monday. Players of all levels welcome. \$25 monthly fee to cover expenses. 503-838-4884.

### TUESDAY, OCT. 13

- **Caregivers Support Group** — 2 to 3:30 p.m., West Valley Hospital (Quiet Room, entrance through Emergency Department on Clay Street), 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. Meets on the second Tuesday of the month. Free. 503-831-5593.
- **James2 Community Kitchen Meal** — 4:30 to 6 p.m., St. Philip Catholic Church, 825 SW Mill St., Dallas. Free; everyone welcome. 503-623-8429.

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 14

- **Willamette Valley Food Assistance Program Food Bank** — 1:30 to 6:30 p.m., 888 Monmouth Cutoff Road, Building E, Dallas. Weekly distribution for eligible community members. 503-831-5634.
- **Polk County Republican Women** — 11:30 a.m., Oak Knoll Golf Course, 6335 Highway 22, Independence. No-host lunch available; everyone welcome. 503-623-5759.
- **Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce Lunch Forum** — Noon, Rogue Farms Conference Center, 3590 Wigrich Road, Independence. Complimentary refreshments provided. 503-838-4268.
- **Free Blood Pressure Check Clinic** — 2 to 3 p.m., West Valley Hospital (surgery admitting area), 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. 503-623-7323.
- **Monmouth Senior Center Music Jam** — 6:30 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. Open to the public; musicians of all types welcome. 503-838-5678.
- **Dallas American Legion Post No. 20** — 7 p.m., Academy Building, Room 108, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. 503-831-3971.
- **Helping Hands Emergency Food Bank** — 10 a.m. to noon, Monmouth Christian Church, 959 Church St. W., Monmouth. For eligible community members; available every Wednesday. 541-404-6517.
- **Polk County Republican Women** — 11:30 a.m., Oak Knoll Golf Course, 6335 Highway 22, Independence. No-host lunch available; everyone welcome. 503-623-5759.
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## LIBRARY CALENDAR

**DALLAS**  
 950 Main St.  
 503-623-2633  
[www.ci.dallas.or.us/library](http://www.ci.dallas.or.us/library)  
 • Thursday, Oct. 8, 11:15 a.m. — Storytime.  
 • Saturday, Oct. 10, noon — Lego your Saturday.  
 • Tuesday, Oct. 13, 11:15 a.m. — Morning storytime.  
 • Tuesday Oct. 13, 3:30 p.m. — Afternoon storytime.

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**INDEPENDENCE**  
 175 Monmouth St.  
 503-838-1811  
[www.ci.independence.or.us/library](http://www.ci.independence.or.us/library)  
 • Wednesday, Oct. 7, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.

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 • Wednesday, Oct. 7, 5:30 p.m. — Cuéntos in Español.  
 • Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1 p.m. — Scrabble with Betty (adults).  
 • Thursday, Oct. 8, 4:30 p.m. — Chess Club.  
 • Tuesday, Oct. 13, 4 p.m. — Fall Fun Club, fall crafts.  
 • Wednesday, Oct. 14, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.  
 • Wednesday, Oct. 14, 5:30 p.m. — Cuéntos in Español.

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**MONMOUTH**  
 168 S. Ecols St.  
 503-751-0182  
[www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library](http://www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library)

• Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2:30 p.m. — Builders club (K-5)  
 • Thursday, Oct. 8, 10:15 a.m. — Preschool storytime (2.5 to 5 years).  
 • Friday, Oct. 9, 2 p.m. — Magic Show.  
 • Saturday, Oct. 10, 11 a.m. — Putting your garden to bed for the winter.  
 • Tuesday, Oct. 13, 10:15 a.m. — Tales for tots (story time for babies and toddlers).

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**WAGNER COMMUNITY LIBRARY**  
 111 N. Main St., Falls City  
 503-787-3521, ext. 319  
[www.facebook.com/WagnerCommunityLibrary/timeline](http://www.facebook.com/WagnerCommunityLibrary/timeline)  
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