

MI TOWN



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Columnist

County the opportunity to clean basements and garages and safely dispose of all old aerosol containers, paint cans and other items no longer needed. Thank you to the workers and volunteers who helped us keep so many hazardous chemicals and materials out of our landfills and recycling centers. After a busy summer of home improvement and yard projects, many of us were grateful for this chance to clear out so many items.

Now that we've finished clearing out our garages and basements, how about mov-

ing on to the bookcases and shelves full of books we always promised we would read — but didn't take either the time or inclination to follow through. Those gifts of books from well-meaning friends and family members and the old movie DVDs and videos that you don't really need can certainly be of interest to somebody, and you'll have more space for other things. The Friends of the Monmouth Library are making preparations for an upcoming book sale and would be grateful for donations of gently used books. Please bring donations by the Monmouth Public Library during the hours of operation. Thank you so much.

Mark your calendars for Friday, Oct. 21, when Brian Doyle, editor of Portland Magazine and author of

several novels "Mink River," "The Plover" and "Martin Marten," will be a special guest at the Virginia Gillis Memorial Evening at the Monmouth Public Library. Gillis was the first librarian in Monmouth and was instrumental in making our library an important feature in the community. Please call the library at 503 838-1932 to make a reservation for this free event.

The community forums in MI Town and all over Polk County as well as profiles of candidates for mayor and city councilors have given us all valuable information on the upcoming election. Please take the time to learn all you can about the candidates and the issues, and remember that internet postings and advertising aren't as accurate as they could be. Do register and vote.

This past weekend was a busy one for all of us interested in fall sports, at Central High School, with the Panthers traveling to Crescent Valley for football Friday evening and Central's cross country teams participating in the Ash Creek Invitational both Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. Western Oregon University hosted Simon Fraser at McArthur Stadium for a football game on a crisp, autumn afternoon where the stands were filled with students and families and fans of all ages. On October 9, the WOU women's soccer team met Central Washington in a noontime game on campus.

The Hazardous Waste Clean-up at Riverfront Park in Independence last Saturday gave everyone in MI Town and all over Polk

PEDEE NEWS



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1 for their annual UFO (Un-Finished Object) day. Most of the women worked on quilting projects, but some scrapbooked, sewed Christmas gifts, or just visited. Donna Wernz came from Philomath, Jan Andrews McKirdie came from Corvallis, and two were there from Salem, Suzanne's sister, Lorraine Odell, and her friend Julie Strauss.

A small quilt went missing at the Pedee Women's Club quilt show in September. They're betting it got shuffled into a stack of quilts that went home with some-

one. So if you haven't put your quilts away yet, can you take a look? It is a pink baby quilt with embroidered Sun Bonnet Sue designs on it.

Club members are now planning for their big holiday fair on Nov. 12, but group candy-making is out this year as it's such a chore. Individual members will still be making their specialties for sale, though. And the club will still have its soup and pie lunch, with large selections of each at the fair.

Tony Rodriguez celebrated his 50th birthday at the Pedee Church Thursday night dinner last week, and planned to keep on celebrating with family and friends the rest of the week. The first of a series of videos on Christian "Apologetics" also started on Thursday at 7

p.m., at the church and will continue for 11 more weeks. Definition of apologetics: A reasoned argument or writings in justification of a theory or religious doctrine.

Don't forget, Dancing Oaks Perennial Nursery's last day of regular retail hours is Oct. 30. Never fear, though, you can contact them November through February if you'd like to visit the nursery then.

This year we planted our usual 400 feet of zinnias (four 100-foot rows) along the driveway for all to pick and enjoy, but this weather is close to wiping them out now, so hope everyone has picked all they want. We like them because they are colorful, the deer won't touch them, and they don't need to be watered. Can't get better than that.

BIRTHS

Lyman

Ashton Noel Lyman was born to Kelsey Thompson and Drake Lyman, of Dallas, on Sept. 30, in Salem. He weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces.

Grandparents are Angela Day and Steve Thompson, of Dallas; Krista Luker, of Dallas; and Joel Lyman, of Salem.

Birdsall

Marshall "Mars" Harlan Birdsall was born to Amanda Bonds and Mark Birdsall, of Portland, on Sept. 21, at Providence Hospital in Portland.

He was 7 pounds, 15 ounces. Grandparents are Ann and Gary Bonds, of Dallas; and Jim and Sandy Birdsall, of Beaver Island, Mich.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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WEDNESDAY, OCT. 19

• **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.

• **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.

• **Day-2-Day Diabetes Support Group** — 3 to 4 p.m., West Valley Hospital (main conference room inside main entrance), 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. 503-623-7323.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES


These Polk County groups would welcome individuals who have time or expertise to volunteer. Organizations that would like to be added to this list should call 503-623-2373 or email lonews@polkio.com.

- AARP Foundation Tax-Aide — 503-930-7636
- After DARC — 503-623-9501
- Arc of Polk County — 541-223-3261
- Central School District — 503-838-0030
- City of Dallas — 503-831-3502
- City of Independence — 503-838-1212
- City of Monmouth — 503-751-0145
- Crime Victims Assistance Program — 503-623-9268
- Dallas Area Chamber of Commerce — 503-623-2564
- Dallas Fire Department — 503-831-3532
- Dallas Food Bank — 503-623-3578
- Dallas Kids, Inc. — 503-623-6419
- Dallas Police Department — 503-831-3582
- Dallas Public Library — 503-623-2633
- Dallas Retirement Village — 503-623-5581
- Dallas School District — 503-623-5594
- Delbert Hunter Arboretum — 503-623-7359
- Girl Scouts of Southwest Washington and Oregon — 503-581-2451
- Ella Curran Food Bank — 503-838-1276
- Falls City Arts Center — 503-559-6291
- Falls City School District — 503-787-3531
- H-2-O — 503-831-4736
- HART (Horses Adaptive Riding and Therapy) — 971-301-4278
- HandsOn Mid-Willamette Valley — 503-363-1651
- Heron Pointe Assisted Living — 503-838-6850
- Independence Health and Rehabilitation — 503-838-0001
- Independence Public Library — 503-838-1811
- Kings Valley Charter School — 541-929-2134
- Luckiamute Watershed Council — 503-837-0237
- Luckiamute Valley Charter School — 503-623-4837
- Meals on Wheels — 503-838-2084
- Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce — 503-838-4268
- Monmouth-Independence YMCA — 503-838-4042
- Monmouth Public Library — 503-838-1932
- Northwest Human Services — 503-588-5828
- Oregon Child Development Coalition — 503-838-2745
- OSU Extension Service - Polk County — 503-623-8395
- Perrydale School District — 503-623-2040
- Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Polk County Inc. — 503-623-8473
- Polk Community Development Corporation — 503-831-3173
- Polk County Community Emergency Response Team — 503-623-9396
- Polk County Museum — 503-623-6251
- Polk County Public Health — 503-623-8175
- Polk County Resource Center — 503-623-8429
- Polk Soil and Water Conservation District — 503-623-9680
- Reading for All — 503-623-9664
- Relief Nursery Classroom — 503-566-2132
- SABLE House — 503-623-6703
- Salvation Army — 503-798-4783
- SMART (Start Making A Reader Today) — 503-391-8423
- Salem Health West Valley Hospital — 503-623-8301
- Willamette Valley Hospice — 503-588-3600

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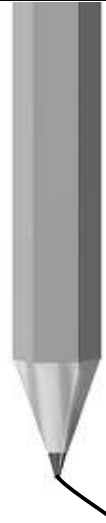
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<p>CONNECTIONS TO KEEP YOUR MIND SANE IN A 24/7 WORLD</p> <p>Tuesday, October 18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core scheduling challenges • Insights and methods to stay focused • Daily Method of Operations (DMO) • Personal workstyle assessment <p> Scott Weaver Arise2 LLC Owner of management consulting business. President of the Business Enterprise Center.</p>	<p>EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS & PARTNERSHIPS</p> <p>Tuesday, November 15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing partnerships with non-profits • Meeting business goals through giving and service • Low-cost ways to support great causes <p> Ashley Erb Shangri-La Multi-County Community engagement and volunteer program manager. President of Mid-Valley Volunteer Managers Association.</p>	<p>UNFORGETTABLE YOU: 4 SIMPLE WAYS TO CONNECT AND BE REMEMBERED</p> <p>Wednesday, December 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define who you are in the marketplace • Tactics for getting yourself known • Tools to be remembered in a beneficial way • Deepen your existing business relationships <p> Adrienne Fritze, M4S Over 3 decades experience in product development, brand building, client management, event creation, fundraising and business development.</p>
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All workshops 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM • Henry Hill Education Support Center (750 S 5th St., Indep.)
Cost per workshop: \$15 for MICC Members • \$20 for Non-Members (Includes lunch from Critelli Sweets)
Register: www.micc-or.org • 503-838-4268
 Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center



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