

Appeal Tribune

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022 | SILVERTONAPPEAL.COM

PART OF THE USA TODAY NETWORK

Senior Folies for Father's Day

Geoff Parks
Special to the Statesman Journal

The Silverton Senior Center's Candace "Cande" Pressnall started her theater-acting career with just five words in a production in a playhouse in Coos Bay, and her one movie role was a brief appearance in a horror movie featuring Frankie Avalon.

But today, she finds herself wrangling a couple dozen older local citizens into a three-day performance extravaganza called the Senior Folies at Silverton High School over the Father's Day weekend.

"I've been in a lot of plays since Coos Bay and knew that the Senior Folies they held there was a huge success," Pressnall said. "So I just came in here one day and asked Dodie (Brockamp, Senior Center director) if we could do a Folies here and she bit."

Attendees will be treated to a wildly esoteric revue that includes a man who claims proficiency on the mandolin, harmonica, banjo, acoustic and electric guitars — as well as singing and telling jokes.

A belly dancer is on tap as well, though for propriety's sake she has termed the performance "Middle



Jo Aerne, Terry Kaye and Annette Ripplinger (left to right) practice their rendition of "Pearly Shells" in the courtyard of the Silverton Senior Center. They were practicing for the upcoming Silverton Senior Folies.

Geoff Parks / Special to the Statesman Journal

See **FOLIES**, Page 2A



Silverton fire chief Bill Miles honors fallen Silverton firefighter, Captain Harry E. Klopfenstein, during the Fallen Firefighters Memorial Ceremony on Thursday, June 9, 2022 in Salem.

Abigail Dollins / Statesman Journal

Hundreds honor firefighters who died in the line of duty

Bill Poehler
Salem Statesman Journal
USA TODAY NETWORK

Harry Klopfenstein recognized that time was critical.

A volunteer firefighter for the Silverton Fire District for 33 years, Klopfenstein got a call that two cars had crashed on Cascade Highway south of Silverton on Sept. 24, 2021.

Klopfenstein was at his farm about a mile away. Instead of driving to the district's remote Victor Point station miles away to get firefighting gear, Klopfenstein went directly to the acci-

dent so he could help the people quicker.

A day later, he was again helping someone. This time, he was helping a neighbor pick grapes.

Klopfenstein collapsed and was taken to Silverton Hospital, where he died of cardiac complications. He was 67 years old.

"We lost the best person in the entire world when he passed," said Ed Grambusch, the assistant fire chief for Silverton. "And there is a void that will be there forever. No memorial is too good for him and his family."

See **HONOR**, Page 2A

Oregon DMV temporarily shuts 10% of field offices

ASSOCIATED PRESS

PORTLAND — The Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles says it is temporarily closing 10% of its field offices for the next three months because it doesn't have enough employees to keep them open.

The agency is grappling with a staffing shortage, OPB reports.

To ensure more predictable service, the DMV plans to transfer workers to higher-demand loca-

tions, even if that means shutting some less frequented offices entirely in the short term.

The six offices that will close this summer are located in Lebanon, Redmond, Stayton, Sandy, Ashland and Cave Junction.

Another 10 field offices will have reduced hours: Astoria, Canyonville, Downtown Portland, Heppner, Hermiston, Junction City, Klamath Falls, Lake Oswego, Lincoln City and Milton-Freewater.

Strawberry fields

Where to pick your own strawberries near Silverton

Claire Withycombe
Salem Statesman Journal
USA TODAY NETWORK

Strawberry season is dawning in the Willamette Valley as a very wet spring lingers. Some farms already are open to pick your own.

Here's a list of which farms are open -- or planning to be soon -- in alphabetical order by location. Before you go, double-check the farm's website or Facebook page to make sure they're open and that strawberries are still available.

What to bring:

- **Containers** - While many farms have buckets to pick into and containers to buy, you'll save money if you remember to bring your own. Kitchen containers (like Tupperware) are great for berries because they're lightweight, easy to carry and, once you get home, they can go straight into the fridge. Shallow is better than deep to prevent bruising. Remember to have your container weighed before you start picking and bring more than you think you need because you'll often end up using them.

- **Sunscreen & Hat** - Picking berries often means standing in the full sun. Prepare accordingly and your picking experience will be much more comfortable.

- **Water & Snacks** - Few farmers would begrudge someone snacking on a few berries in the field, but it's rude to treat a U-Pick excursion as though it's a snack bar. Bring snacks, especially for kids, and plenty of water for everyone.

- **Bug Spray** - In case flies or mosquitoes are biting.

- **Long Sleeves** - Having sleeves on is helpful when you're picking strawberries as the leaves are covered in micro hairs that irritate some people's skin.

- **Sturdy Shoes** - Farms can be muddy places. Skip the sandals and opt for closed-toed shoes.

- **Cooler & Ice** - If you've got a bit of a drive home, having a cooler at the ready will help keep your berries from starting to turn to jam on the way back.

- **Cash** - Some farms take credit/debit cards, but many, especially smaller ones, do not. Bring cash and/or a checkbook.

What not to bring:

- **Pets** - It's tempting to bring your pup along with you, but many farms have livestock who might be perturbed by canine visitors. Always call ahead to check with a specific farm on what their policy is on dogs.

CANBY

South Barlow Berries

Where: 29190 South Barlow Road, Canby

Phone: (503) 266-3193

Strawberry u-pick season starts: June 4

Open: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8

See **STRAWBERRIES**, Page 4A



Sharon Kadell and granddaughter Ella Johnson, then 9, pick strawberries at Fordyce Farm in Salem, Oregon, in July 2020. Kadell wanted to show Johnson where berries come from. Brian Hayes / Statesman Journal

Online at SilvertonAppeal.com

News updates: • Breaking news • Get updates from the Silverton area

Photos: • Photo galleries

Vol. 141, No. 26

Serving the Silverton Area Since 1880
A Unique Edition of the Statesman Journal

