

**PARKDALE NEWS**

**Upgrades springing up at Mt. Hood Town Hall**

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Spring is usually the time we think about sprucing things up around our homes and the Mt. Hood Town Hall is no exception.

The latest renovations to the century-old building includes new carpet being installed, some new storage reorganization and needed kitchen renovations.

"All these projects are made possible by the community's generous donations!" said Town Hall Manager Nikki Stansel. "The community is invited to come visit the Town Hall and join us for our Annual Community Meeting board meeting to enjoy some dinner, socializing and tour the property."

The annual Community Meeting will be held on May 12 at 6 p.m. at the Mt. Hood Town Hall and residents are invited to see how they can get more involved in the ongoing projects at that time.

For more information contact Stansel at 541-645-0341 or nikki@mthoodtownhall.org.

The new Parkdale Health Fair is ramping up and gathering a lot of attention from residents in the community

with the number of businesses who will be there presenting.

This Thursday, April 23 from 6-8 p.m., everyone is invited to attend the free event being held at Parkdale Elementary School.

The Parkdale Health and Wellness Committee announced the presenters now include One Community Health, Providence Memorial Hospital, Rich Martin Pediatric MD, Hood River Health Department, Next Door Inc., Oregon State University, Parkdale Fire Department, School based OT/PT/SLP, Tim Foley Physical Therapy, Kidz Dental Zone, Little Shredders Pediatric Dentistry, Mt. Hood Town Hall, Parkdale Head Start, Home Health and Hospice, Community Education, Parkdale ExCEL Program and a yoga instructor.

There will be two 30-minute Zumba sessions open to the public held at 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., and everyone is invited to participate.

At 7 p.m. there will be a hula hoop contest and a basketball free throw competition that is open to all ages with prizes being awarded afterward.

Community members can find out more about the Oregon Health Plan, get immunization updates, learn about diabetes, stroke, asthma, sleep apnea and breast cancer, learn heart healthy habits, and get information from a lactation consultant and a dietician.

Information will be available on bike safety, bone health and food curriculum, proper tooth brushing techniques, nutrition, telemedicine and grief support.

Attendees will be able to have their vital signs taken and balance tested, have someone work with them on proper body alignment to help sitting in their office chairs at work, sign up for smoke detectors and reverse 911, and learn about the benefits of essential oils.

Information will also be available on parenting classes, and classes available to the community at the Mt. Hood Town Hall including Zumba, yoga, Tai Chi, gardening, pottery and cooking.

"There will be a lot of good information, so come join us for some fun," said organizer Alison Betzing. "The health fair is free and open to everyone! We hope to see you there!"

For more information on the event, contact Betzing at 541-370-5644.

Kindergarten Round-Up will be held May 4-8 at Parkdale Elementary School and parents who have a child who will turn five by September 1, 2015 are asked to register their children for the 2015-2016 school year that week.

Parents need to bring a copy of their child's birth certificate and current immunization record showing the required 5 Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis or DTaP, 4 Polio, 2 Measles, 1 Mumps, 1 Rubella, 3 Hepatitis B, 1 Varicella or Chicken Pox (unless your child has had the disease) and 2 Hepatitis A shots needed to register for school.

For more information contact the school office at 541-352-6255.

This is a reminder that Spring Music Program event will be held at Parkdale Elementary School on Thursday, April 30 at 7 p.m.

Parents, families and the community are invited to attend the western-themed program featuring traditional standards such as "Home on the Range," "Five Little Cowboys," "Git Along Little Doggies" and "Trail to Mexico."

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**VAN VOASTS CELEBRATE 62 YEARS**

Dick and Fern Van Voast will celebrate their 62 wedding anniversary on May 3, 2015. The couple was married in Livermore, Calif., on May 3, 1953, and have been residents of Hood River since 1987. Dick is an artist and Fern is a homemaker.

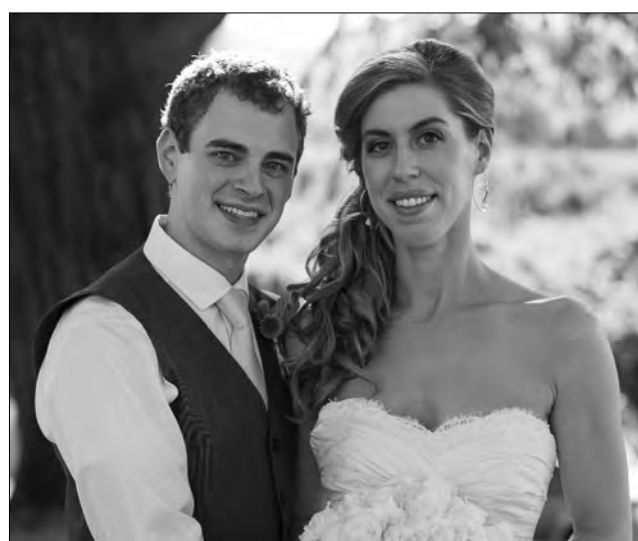


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David Rummel and Meagan Thomsen

**Meagan Thomsen and David Rummel are wed**

Meagan Thomsen and David Rummel were married Sept. 27, 2014 at the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center in The Dalles.

The bride is a 2002 graduate of Hood River Valley High School and a 2006 graduate of University of Portland School of Nursing. She works as Nurse Quality Supervisor for Providence Medical Group. Her parents are Chuck and Kristi Thomsen of Hood River.

The groom is the son of Robert and Teresa Rummel of Tacoma, Wash, and a 2005 graduate of Stadium High School. He works as Product Support Engineer for Pitney Bowes.

Officiating was Matthew Bell, cousin of the groom. Bridesmaids were sisters-in-law Nicole Rummel, and Caitlin Tukua. Ring bearers were Jack Rummel and Henry Barber, nephews of the

groom.

Mallory Libeg, the bride's sister, served as matron of honor, and Christopher Rummel, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsman was Brent Tukua, brother-in-law. The couple honeymooned in Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii, and lives on the Thomsen family orchard in Pine Grove.

The bride wore a strapless gown of ivory silk dupioni with a sweetheart lace neckline and trumpet silhouette. Wedding colors were white, silver, and aquamarine. Flowers were white hydrangeas by Lucy's Informal Flowers. The reception was catered by Antojitos Sanhuayo, and the cake was baked by the bride's cousin, Lindsey Ewald of Frosted. The wedding was photographed by Daniel and Lindsay Stark of Stark Photography.



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William Aman and Lora Weatherly

**Weatherly, Aman announce engagement**

Lora Weatherly and William Aman have announced their engagement and will be married at Faith Bible Church in Hood River on July 11, 2015.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Charles and Betty Weatherly of Hood River. She graduated from Hood River Valley High School in 1999 and received her degree from Southern Oregon University in 2003. She is currently the church

secretary at Faith Bible Church.

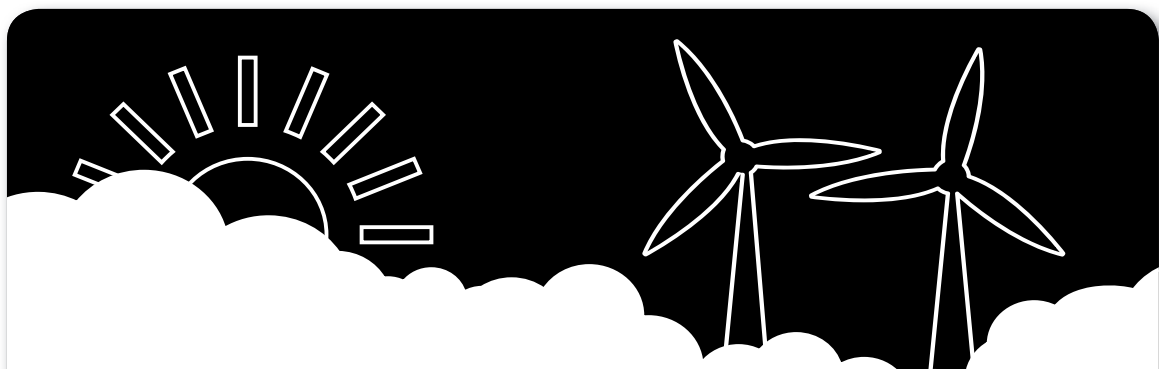
The future groom is the son of Mary Hewitt and stepson of Timothy Hewitt of Bremerton, Wash., and William L. Aman of Washington. He received his diploma from Olympic College in 1996, attending various technical schools and training before becoming a software developer for Kit-sap Credit Union in Bremerton.



Photo by Kirby Neumann-Rea

**SPECIAL ROSE DELIVERY**

Gordy Sato delivers roses to Brookside Manor Friday, a sort of Rotary Roses, part 2: Sato, a Hood River Rotarian and Parkdale orchardist, organizes the annual rose sale on the third Thursday of each April. (This year on April 16, the club distributed nearly 900 dozen, with all proceeds going to the scholarship fund.) Extra roses are ordered by Rotarians for people in the community, such as nursing home residents, Meals on Wheels recipients and, at Brookside, caregivers in the acute and memory care facility. Sato talks with Brookside resident assistants Sara Coreson, left, and Phyllis Bowers.



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