

DEADLINES

NEWS DEADLINES
For inclusion in the Wednesday edition of the *Itemizer-Observer*:
Social news (weddings, engagements, anniversaries, births, milestones) — 4 p.m. on Thursday.
Community events — Noon on Friday for the Community Notebook, Community Calendar and Library Calendar.
School news and events — Noon on Friday.
General news submissions — 4 p.m. on Friday.
Letters to the editor — 10 a.m. on Monday.
Obituaries — 4 p.m. on Monday.
Sports news — 4 p.m. on Monday.
ADVERTISING DEADLINES
Retail display ads — 3 p.m. Friday.
Classified display ads — 11 a.m. on Monday.
Classified line ads — Noon on Monday. Classified ads are updated daily on the I-O website, www.polkio.com.
Public notices — Noon on Friday.

CORRECTIONS

The *Polk County Itemizer-Observer* is committed to publishing accurate news, feature and sports reports. If you see anything that requires a correction or clarification, call the newsroom at 503-623-2373 or send an e-mail to kholland@polkio.com.

WEBSITE

The *Polk County Itemizer-Observer* website, www.polkio.com, is updated each week by Wednesday afternoon. There, you will find nearly every story that appears in the print version of the newspaper, as well as some items, including additional photos, that do not appear in print due to space limitations. The *Itemizer-Observer* is also on Facebook and Twitter. Watch for breaking news, links to stories, sports scores updates, community event reminders and more.

WEATHER

| RECORDED | HIGH | LOW | RAIN |
|----------|------|-----|------|
| Jan. 6 | 46 | 38 | .00 |
| Jan. 7 | 44 | 40 | .00 |
| Jan. 8 | 46 | 37 | .00 |
| Jan. 9 | 49 | 33 | .00 |
| Jan. 10 | 45 | 33 | trc. |
| Jan. 11 | 48 | 43 | .07 |
| Jan. 12 | 48 | 42 | .21 |

Rainfall during Jan. — 0.21 in.
Rain through Jan. 12 — 0.21 in.



ORNSTEINCOMPTON.COM for the *Itemizer-Observer*
Lisa Ornstein and Dan Compton are the musical headliners for the first Polk County Folklife Festival, which features the music, dance, food and art of Willamette Valley cultures.

Cultural event will debut in March at fairgrounds

By Jolene Guzman
The *Itemizer-Observer*

DALLAS — Two years in the making, the Polk County Folklife Festival is nearly ready to make its debut at the Polk County Fairgrounds & Event Center in Rickreall on March 7.

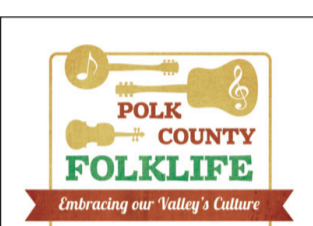
The one-day festival will explore and celebrate the Willamette Valley's diversity through music, food, performing arts and crafts.

Folklife had been a vision of originator and program director Kurt Dugan of Dallas for a number of years.

"The main reason I wanted to do a festival like this is not only for the music and the fun and putting Polk County onto the map with the folk festival, I also wanted our cultures in the (Willamette) Valley to come together," he said.

His vision is for people to see and experience a variety of cultures in one place. For example, the Jane Keefer — an old-time music legend — main stage will feature headliners Lisa Ornstein and Dan Compton's fiddle and guitar duo act, Native American flute player Jan Michael Looking Wolf, Latin band Romance, and reggae-ska group Big Outside to name a few.

"It's about bringing people together and experiencing



Polk County Folklife Festival

When: March 7, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Where: Polk County Fairgrounds & Event Center, 520 S. Pacific Highway (99W), Rickreall.

Admission: \$10 or five cans of food and \$5. Food donations will be donated to the Dallas Food Bank.

Of note: organizers are still looking for exhibitors (indoor and outdoor), food vendors, craft vendors and volunteers. Applications can be found at www.polkcountyfolklife.com.

For more information: info@polkcountyfolklife.com or www.polkcountyfolklife.com.

other people's culture," he said.

Dugan presented his idea to the Dallas Arts Association and Dallas Area Visitors Center, and it soon began to grow. Now, the Polk County Folklife Festival Committee consists of 12 people, each organizing a different part of

the new event.

Folklife will have entertainment stages, vendors and exhibits in three buildings at the fairgrounds. The schedule is packed with bands and dance groups performing on the two stages throughout the day.

Festivalgoers can experience culture through cuisine, as a variety of ethnic food will be featured. Youngsters will have an area designated for them, with face painting, craft activities, a juggler and a ventriloquist-magician putting on shows. For the adults 21 and older, there will be a beer and wine garden featuring local vintages and brews.

Truman Price, the regular dance caller at Guthrie Park's monthly country dances, will play old-time music on the performing arts stage and in the evening host a dance.

"We will have an old-fashioned, old-time barn dance that anyone can dance to," Price said.

Dugan said he continues to be approached by acts wanting to perform at the festival that he's had to turn away. He says that is a good sign for the future of Polk County Folklife.

"It's more than I envisioned," he said. "It's going to be a festival that this committee, this town and this county can be really proud of."

Medical marijuana dispensaries OK'd

Monmouth will allow businesses

By Emily Mentzer
The *Itemizer-Observer*

MONMOUTH — Medical marijuana dispensaries will be allowed in Monmouth once the moratorium placed on March 4, 2014, lapses in May.

Exactly what a dispensary will look like — where it will be allowed to locate — remains undetermined.

The Monmouth City Council discussed the issue at its Jan. 6 work session. Four councilors spoke in favor of letting dispensaries — and potential recreational marijuana sellers next year — operate based on state law, with little city code attached.

While no councilors spoke strongly against dispensaries, some had more concerns about regulation than others.

Where a medical marijuana dispensary may locate is outlined in state law. One of the requirements is a dispensary may not be within 1,000 feet of an elementary or secondary school, or within 1,000 feet of another dispensary.

Councilman Jon Carey said medical marijuana has been approved by voters, and should be accessible for Monmouth citizens within the city boundaries.

Mayor John Oberst agreed, but wanted the council to consider adding restrictions on dispensaries

— and perhaps future recreational marijuana shops — in downtown on Main Street.

Councilman Darin Silber-nagel said he would not like to see marijuana on the boundaries of Western Oregon University. He also works as the director of business services for WOU.

"We don't want them across the street from the park, either," said Silber-nagel. "There are some things we want to have some criteria around."

Councilman Marshall Guthrie disagreed.

"What's the difference between coming out of the minimart with a six pack versus coming out of a dispensary with a brown paper bag?" he asked. "It's not like they can pull it out (and smoke marijuana) at our bluegrass concert (in Main Street Park)."

Monmouth will be the second city in Polk County to allow dispensaries. Dallas and Falls City banned them through language in code that requires businesses to meet state and federal law. The federal government does not recognize legal medical or recreational marijuana use.

In other business:
• Mayor John Oberst and councilmen Marshall Guthrie, Royal Johnson and Jon Carey were sworn into office. Each was elected or re-elected during the November general election.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Fundraiser for LWC set Wednesday

MONMOUTH — Monmouth Burgerville will host a fundraiser for the Luckiamute Watershed Council on Wednesday (today) from 5 to 8 p.m.

During that time, 10 percent of all sales will go toward supporting the work of the Luckiamute Watershed Council. There will also be an opportunity to participate in a raffle for prizes.

Burgerville is located at 615 Main St. For more information: LWC, 503-837-0237; Monmouth Burgerville, 503-838-6096.

Fair board changes meeting time

RICKREALL — The Polk County Fair Board has changed the time for its monthly meetings that are held on the third Thursday of every month.

The new meeting time for 2015 is 8 a.m. The next meeting of the fair board is Thursday.

Meetings are held in Meeting Room 2 of the Main Building at the Polk County Fairgrounds & Event Center, 520 S. Pacific Highway (99W), Rickreall. Meetings are open to the public.

For more information: 503-623-3048.

HEALTH DIRECTORY

MASSAGE

• **OUT OF GRAVITY MASSAGE** - Julianne Klingberg DeForest, LMT - 503.510.2256 - NOW IN INDEPENDENCE Enter Stressed, Leave Blessed - Out of Gravity Massage offers massage sessions to suit a variety of needs and health concerns. Intuitive and holistic bodywork are blended with extensive and varied education, creating a caring and knowledgeable environment of healing. Also, with a prescription and a claim number, up to a year's therapeutic massage sessions will help in your rehabilitation from a motor vehicle accident. Relaxation, well care, geriatric and pediatric massage is available, as well as motor vehicle accident rehabilitation. Infant massage instructional sessions available. Call today for an appointment. 503-510-2256 OR # 7627/ National #295187-00

ORTHODONTICS

• **YENNE & SCHOFIELD** - SPECIALISTS IN ORTHODONTICS - 580 Main Street, Suite E, Dallas, 503-623-5002. Providing Polk County with orthodontic care for children and adults for functions and cosmetics. Open Tuesdays & Thursdays.

ORTHOPEDIC SERVICES

• **DR. STEVE YAO** specializes in sports medicine and knee-replacement procedures. Dr. Yao sees patients at the Hope Orthopedics of Oregon satellite office in Dallas, and schedules surgeries nearby at West Valley Hospital in the new state-of-the-art surgery suites. For an appointment with Dr. Yao, call at 503-540-6300. The Hope Orthopedics Dallas location is at 607 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. West Valley Hospital is located at 525 SE Washington St., Dallas, 503-623-8301. Visit www.HopeOrthopedics.com and www.salemhealth.org/wvh.

PHYSICAL THERAPY/ REHABILITATION SERVICES

• **WEST VALLEY HOSPITAL** provides a wide range of rehabilitation services in Dallas, offering physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and aquatic therapy (at Dallas Aquatic Center). Let us help you get moving again! We are conveniently located at 525 SE Washington St., Dallas, 503-623-7305.

• **MONMOUTH MEDICAL CENTER** serves Monmouth and Independence locally with a wide range of rehabilitation services including physical therapy, oc-

cupational therapy, speech therapy and aquatic therapy (at Dallas Aquatic Center). Let us help you get moving again! We are conveniently located at 512 Main St., Monmouth, 503-838-1388. Se habla español.

• **PINNACLE PHYSICAL THERAPY** is an orthopedic physical therapy facility committed to getting great results for each patient. We focus on advanced spine care, women's health issues, sport rehab, vehicle accidents, and work injuries. We offer highly specialized care including manual therapy, aquatic therapy, specific deep tissue mobilization techniques, Postural Restoration Institute (PRI) techniques and therapeutic exercise. We have a warm, caring and friendly staff and accept most private health insurance, auto insurance, and workers' compensation insurance. We offer both male and female physical therapists. Often no physician referral is needed to start care. Call us today and ask how to get therapy for your condition or talk to your physician to see if physical therapy is right for you. **Call us: 503-623-2433. We are conveniently located at 210 W. Ellendale Avenue Dallas, Oregon 97338; (next to Taco Bell) Check us out on the web: www.pinnacle-physicaltherapy.com**

PODIATRY SERVICES

• **WEST VALLEY SURGICAL SPECIALTY CLINIC** podiatrists **Dr. Ruben Pollak** and **Dr. R. Tyson Scott** see patients at West Valley Surgical Specialty Clinic and provide procedures and surgeries for feet, ankle, bunions and plantar fasciitis at nearby West Valley Hospital's state-of-the-art surgery suites. Request one of these podiatrists and get your surgical care done locally. Dr. Scott sees patients at West Valley Surgical Specialty Clinic on Wednesdays, 8 a.m. - noon. Dr. Pollak sees patients at the Surgical Specialty Clinic on Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. For an appointment with Dr. Scott, call 503-370-8784, or fax physician referral to 503-362-4017. For an appointment with Dr. Pollak, call 503-831-0784, or fax physician referral to 503-623-2612. West Valley Surgical Specialty Clinic is located at 591 SE Clay St., Dallas. Visit salemhealth.org/specialty. Dr. Scott speaks fluent Spanish.

PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS

• **DALLAS FAMILY MEDICINE** has been caring for local families for more than 50 years. We strive to heal the whole family with care and compassion, from the infant to the elderly. Pediatrics is a key part of our practice and a staff favorite, from newborn care, circumcision, and infant immunizations to early childhood wellness exams and the unique needs of

adolescents. We also maintain same-day urgent care appointments to be available when you need us for yourself or your sick child. Adult medicine features wellness exams for men and women which includes utilization of our complete laboratory, EKG testing, and x-ray and in partnership with the local hospital, colonoscopy. Between wellness exams we are your healthcare home for managing chronic diseases, helping to minimize risk factors with training on lifestyle modifications, and maintaining prescriptions. We are open Monday to Saturday at **641 SE Miller Ave, Dallas - 503.623.2345**. Learn More at dfm-CARE.com

• **DR. CHARLES ESSEX**, family medicine, is accepting new patients at Monmouth Medical Center, located at 512 Main St., Suite 300, Monmouth, 503-838-1182. With a proactive healthcare approach, Dr. Essex provides care for the entire family and will work with you to build a healthy lifestyle with annual exams, immunizations, lifestyle counseling, sports physicals, skin care, cancer screenings and more. New patients are welcome.

• **DR. JOHN HADLEY**, family medicine, is accepting new patients at the West Valley Physicians & Surgeons Clinic at 555 SE Washington St., Dallas, 503-623-7301. With a proactive healthcare approach, Dr. Hadley provides offers family medicine for your entire family from newborns to adults with annual exams, immunizations, lifestyle counseling, sports physicals, skin care, cancer screenings and more. New patients are welcome.

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SHAMANIC PRACTITIONER

• **MARIAN SIMON**, MA Shamanic practitioner and counselor specializing in spiritual healing and development since 1994. 503-831-0158. simonart@teleport.com <http://mariansimon.com>