

Mason bees: a plant's friend

The gardening season is young, but mason bees are out for their short but productive foray into the blooms of your backyard.

These solitary native bees — most commonly the blue orchard mason bee (*Osmia lignaria*) — get busy before honeybees and set to work on early-flowering plants like forsythia, pieris and especially fruit trees.

"Mason bees fill a spot in the season when other pollinators are not out," said Brooke Edmunds, a horticulturist with Oregon State University's Extension Service. "They're really important for fruit trees, especially in cool, wet areas."

As honeybees continue to struggle for survival, mason bees take on a bigger role in the backyard garden, according to Edmunds. Both serious and casual gardeners welcome these earnest pollinators to get better yields of fruits, vegetables and flowers.



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Your Garden

Mason bees are smaller than honeybees, have a bluish hue and are often mistaken for flies. Rarely do you have to worry about being stung because these unaggressive bees live alone and have no hive to protect. Unlike honeybees that fly up to four miles to find their preferred food, mason bees don't go much farther than 300 feet. They move in a zigzag pattern, which makes them especially efficient pollinators for small spaces, according to Edmunds.

The single-minded bees live to bring nectar and pollen back to the nest for their larvae that hatch from eggs laid between walls made of mud — another

material the female bees must haul back to the nest. Leaving patches of mud close to nesting areas in trees or other wood will help attract them, Edmunds said.

You can also encourage mason bees by creating a garden that includes plants that bloom during their excursions in March to mid- or late May.

Consider plants such as crabapples, redbud, flowering currant, elderberry, huckleberry, Oregon grape and lupine.

Even the often-dreaded dandelion is a great source of food.

If you want to introduce the bees rather than wait for them to arrive in the garden, Edmunds recommends purchasing a nesting house, which contains straws filled with cocoons that hatch in spring. They're available online or at garden centers.

Alternately, you can drill holes into a solid piece of untreated wood. Make the

holes five-16ths of an inch in diameter, six inches deep and three-fourths of an inch apart. Insert paper straws with cocoons inside the holes.

Whatever you end up using, hang houses or containers under eaves or other protected areas where they'll be protected from wind, rain and sun.

Some people will bring the cocoon-filled houses inside over winter to keep them out of reach of predators. They'll also spend time removing cocoons and washing off mites or parasites and reinserting them into clean straws.

"There are two schools of thought," Edmunds said. "Some people want to get into high maintenance and harvest, clean and store cocoons. But that's not necessary. You can always buy additional cocoons each year. And, of course, give the bees the plants they need to keep them around."

Today is the day that all procrastinators must sign and file those tax forms and render unto Caesar (also known as the federal and state governments) that which is due. Tax accountants and hard-working volunteer helpers will no doubt be burning the midnight oil to make sure forms are filed by day's end. Those fortunate folks who have refunds coming have no doubt filed already and are anxious to have that extra cash arrive as soon as possible.

Just when we think the past recession is in the rear-view mirror, projected school funding from the Oregon legislature is not as positive as districts would like to see. All county and state school districts could use extra money to provide for additional services to



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Columnist

students and families, but it looks as if the status quo will remain for yet another year. As one who has always supported public education — my kids and grandkids have benefited from excellent schools — it is sad to see that more money is not going to be available during this next school year.

Our current and future students deserve more funding than what is being provided in this upcoming budget. These students are going to be our community's, state's and nation's fu-

ture leaders and we should do whatever it takes to provide them with the best education possible. Our current legislators have the power to do what it takes to help our younger generation reach their goals, and I'm sad to see that it isn't happening, and it's not right — or fair.

The Monmouth Senior Center is scheduling lots of spring and summertime trips and is seeking volunteers to drive the 15-passenger van. All driver expenses are paid. If you can help, please contact Sue at the center at 503 838-5678.

It's that time of year when many stores in MI Town are beginning to feature outdoor plants and flowers and good bargains can be found everywhere. We're making plans to increase the size of

the backyard vegetable garden and plant more strawberries and raspberries. For those of us lucky enough to live in this wonderful Willamette Valley, growing our own fruits and vegetables is such a privilege. The recent food recalls have given many of us cause to think about our own food supply. Not everyone can plant a big garden, but we can all grow vegetables in small containers on our back porches or patios and take advantage of the opportunity to buy local produce from grocery stores or nearby farmers markets.

With the return of more daylight hours, please be watchful for kids and bikes and pets on streets and sidewalks and just about everywhere. Let's all enjoy spring-time and be safe.

BIRTHS

VanWinkle

Talynn Rae VanWinkle was born to Matt and Amber VanWinkle of Salem at 12:55 p.m. on March 27 at Salem Hospital Family Birth Center.

She weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces, and was 19 ¼ inches long.

Talynn joins Tristin 6, and Trishell, 12.

Grandparents are Dave and Meloda Williamson of Salem, and Calvin VanWinkle of Dallas and Evelyn Lay of Dallas.

Cooper

Ava Nicole Cooper was born to Mark and Eve Cooper of Dallas at 12:12 a.m. on March 31 at Salem Hospital Family Birth Center.

She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces, and was 19 inches long.

Ava joins Kylie, 8.

Grandparents are John and Sandy Howard of Dallas, and Jack and Brenda Cooper of Monmouth.

Great-grandparents are Larry and Anita Dixon of Independence, and Alice Rhymes of Monmouth.

FAIRGROUND CALENDAR

POLK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS & EVENT CENTER
520 S. Pacific Highway (99W)
Rickreall Oregon
503-623-3048
www.co.polk.or.us/fair

APRIL
16 — Fair Board meeting
17-19 — Gem and Mineral Show
23-25 — Quilt Show

MAY
2 — Swine, sheep, goat weigh-in for fair
2 — Wagon Wheelers
3 — Flea Market
7-10 — Good Sam RV Rally
8-9 — Master Gardeners Plant Sale
9 — Wagon Wheelers
14 — Polk County Saddle-ites meeting
16 — Perrydale Parents Club Auction and Dinner
18-21 — VOW RV Rally
21 — Fair Board meeting

* Schedule Subject to Change

PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK

In the Matter of the Estate of LARRY DARWIN HOFENBREDL, Deceased.

No. 15PB01375
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers attached, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the attorney for the Personal Representative at: PO Box 220, Dallas, OR, 97338, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative.

Dated and first published April 8, 2015.

Priscilla A. Hofenbredl
Personal Representative
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:
Stephen F. Mannenbach
OSB #803000
PO Box 220
Dallas, OR 97338
(503) 623-6052
(503) 623-6053 fax
mannenbachlaw@live.com

(Apr. 8, 15, 22, 2015)

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

On 05-15-15 at the hour of 10:00 a.m. at the Polk County Sheriff's Office, located at 850 Main St. Dallas, OR, 97338, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the real property located at 551 SW Levens St. Dallas, OR, 97338. The court case number is 14CV00173, where LOIS BEVENS is plaintiff, and DEBBE VON BLUMENSTEIN is defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Polk County Sheriff's Office. For more information on this sale go to: <http://www.oregonsheriffs.com/sales-polk.htm>

(Apr. 15, 22, 29; May 6, 2015)

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE T.S. No.: OR-14-645827-NH Reference is made to that certain deed made by, BRET A. QUARLES AND JOY A. QUARLES, AS TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETY as Grantor to FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of WELLS

FARGO BANK, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 11/9/2010, recorded 11/15/2010, in official records of POLK County, Oregon in book/reel/volume No. and/or as fee/file/instrument/microfilm/reception number 2010-011186 covering the following described real property situated in said County, and State, to-wit: APN: 07320-BD-10700 LOT 422, DEER RIDGE ESTATES PHASE VI, IN THE CITY OF SALEM, COUNTY OF POLK, AND STATE OF OREGON. Commonly known as: 980 WESTFARTHING WAY NW, SALEM, OR 97304-2774 The undersigned hereby certifies that based upon business records there are no known written assignments of the trust deed by the trustee or by the beneficiary and no appointments of a successor trustee have been made, except as recorded in the records of the county or counties in which the above described real property is situated. Further, no action has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part thereof, now remaining secured by the trust deed, or if such action has been instituted, such action has been dismissed except as permitted by ORS 86.752(7). Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. There is a default by grantor or other person owing an obligation, performance of which is secured by the trust deed, or by the successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of such provision. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: Delinquent Payments: Payment Information From 2/1/2014 Through 3/1/2015 Total Payments \$28,390.07 Late Charges From 2/1/2014 Through 3/1/2015 Total Late Charges \$317.20 Beneficiary's Advances, Costs And Expenses Escrow Advances \$7,943.67 Total Advances: \$7,943.67 TOTAL FORECLOSURE COST: \$4,467.00 TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$33,174.27 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$297,163.74 By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to-wit The installments of principal and interest which became due on 2/1/2014, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through

the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior Hens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. Whereof, notice hereby is given that Quality Loan Service Corporation of Washington, the undersigned trustee will on 8/10/2015 at the hour of 11:00 am, Standard Time, as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, At the front entrance of the Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR 97338 County of POLK, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.778 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Other than as shown of record, neither the beneficiary nor the trustee has any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the trust deed, or of any successor in interest to grantor or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: Name and Last Known Address and

Nature of Right, Lien or Interest BRET QUARLES 980 WESTFARTHING WAY NW SALEM, OR 97304-2774 Original Borrower JOY QUARLES 980 WESTFARTHING WAY NW SALEM, OR 97304-2774 Original Borrower For Sale Information Call: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.servicelink.com In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to this grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by Quality Loan Service Corporation of Washington. If any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, the trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations and warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. NOTICE TO TENANTS: TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY HAVE CERTAIN PROTECTIONS AFFORDED TO THEM UNDER ORS 86.782 AND POSSIBLY UNDER FEDERAL LAW.

Menu:
Spaghetti (possibly rotini) & sauce
Green Salad
Garlic Bread
Choice of drinks
until 7:00 pm while it lasts
Donations:
at least \$5 per meal
\$20 maximum
for immediate family

Auction items include:
Antiques and other old stuff
International arts & crafts
Quilts & wooden boxes
Local crafts & goods
Silent Auctions
close at various times
Auctioneer:
Al Sieversen

Relay for Life of Polk County Spaghetti Feed and Auction
@ Christ's Church Methodist & Presbyterian United
412 W Clay St., Monmouth

Friday - April 17
• Food 5:00 pm
• Silent Auction 5:00 pm
• Outcry Auction 7:00 pm
• Live Music

Organized by
Relay for Life teams
such as
Footprints
Determinators
Minions Fighting Cancer
Cleaning Up Cancer Babes
WOU Womens Basketball
Packing for a Cure
Hope Walkers
and more

For Tickets for the Dinner or information contact:
• Christ's Church office
503-838-1724 or
• Deny Saxowsky
541-223-4562 • saxowsky@gmail.com or
• Kay Graven
503-623-5495 • gkr@q.com or
• Tami Bookey-Kuhlmann
2015relayforlifepolk@gmail.com

All proceeds go to the
American Cancer Society
to help Finish the Fight against Cancer

To help give Cancer the Boot!

ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE OF SALE, AND INCORPORATED HEREIN, IS A NOTICE TO TENANTS THAT SETS FORTH SOME OF THE PROTECTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO A TENANT OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY AND WHICH SETS FORTH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH BY ANY TENANT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE AFFORDED PROTECTION. AS REQUIRED UNDER ORS 86.771, QUALITY MAY BE CONSIDERED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. TS No: OR-14-645827-NH Dated: 3/27/15 Quality Loan Service Corporation of Washington, as Trustee Signature By: Nina Hernandez, Assistant Secretary Trustee's Mailing Address: Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington C/O Quality Loan Service Corporation 411 Ivy Street San Diego, CA 92101 Trustee's Physical Address: Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington 108 1st Ave South, Suite 202, Seattle, WA 98104 Toll Free: (866) 925-0241 A-4518196 04/15/2015, 04/22/2015, 04/29/2015, 05/06/2015

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NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR POLK COUNTY.

In the Matter of the Estate of Velma M. Roberts, Deceased, No. 15PB01246. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, to the personal representative in care of Lane P. Shetterly, at the address appearing below, or they may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative or the attorneys

for the personal representative.

DATED and first published this 15th day of April, 2015.

Virginia Carey
Personal Representative
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(Apr. 15, 22, 29, 2015)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK No. 14PB02850- Probate

In the Matter of the Estate of James W. Jenks, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that by Order of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, Probate No. 14PB02850, Susan E. Holmes and Ronald V. Cox, Jr. have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the ESTATE OF JAMES W. JENKS, deceased.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to present such claims, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned Co-Personal Representatives, c/o Sarah K. Rinehart, Attorney at Law, 117 Commercial Street NE, Suite 300, Salem, Oregon 97301, within four (4) months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the Personal Representative, the attorney for the Personal Representative, or from the records of the court.

Dated and first published April 15, 2015.

Susan E. Holmes and Ronald V. Cox, Jr.
Co-Personal Representatives
Sarah K. Rinehart,
Attorney at Law
117 Commercial Street NE, Suite 300
Salem, Oregon 97301
Attorney for Personal Representative

(Apr. 15, 22, 29, 2015)