

# COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

## Rogue presents 'Rockin' the River'

Rogue Farms Hopyard will host "Rockin' the River" from 5 to 8 p.m. on June 17.

Live music will be by the Morgans. Beverages and food will be available. An auction will include locally-sourced gift baskets, watershed treats and native garden supplies.

The event will benefit the Luckiamute Watershed Council's Ash Creek Restoration Project.

For more information: [www.luckiamuteLWC.org/Rockin-the-River](http://www.luckiamuteLWC.org/Rockin-the-River).

## Class on living with diabetes offered

A six-week workshop on practical skills for living with diabetes will be offered from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursdays beginning June 11 through July 16 at the Flaming Medical Center, 1000 SE Uglov Ave., Dallas.

Self-management skills taught include working with your healthcare team, managing symptoms and medications, problem solving, setting weekly goals, getting support from family and friends, and learning how to be active and eat well. The workshop is designed to complement and enhance medical treatment.

Class materials, including a course book and CD, are provided free of charge. The class is also open to care givers.

To enroll or for more information: WVP Health Authority, 503-587-5129.

## Local history buff will speak in Indy

Join the Independence Heritage Museum as local collector of history, Gary Richards, talks about World War II at Camp Adair. The talk will be at 7 p.m. on Monday at the Independence Civic Center, 555 S. Main St., Independence.

Richards is a retired construction worker who spent 18 years in the Coast Range town of Valsetz, and another 18 years at the printed circuit plant in Dallas. In 2009, his wife gave him a global positioning unit, which started his interest in geocaching.

Geocaching at the old Army camp north of Corvallis sparked his interest in the history of the camp. He began tracking down many of the original buildings from the camp.

For more information: Independence Heritage Museum, [www.orheritage.org](http://www.orheritage.org).

## Evans hosts small business forum

Rep. Paul Evans (D) will host a small business forum for Willamette Valley small businesses Monday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St., Independence.

Since taking office, Evans has held monthly small business forums throughout House District 20.

The agenda will focus on the dynamics of small business innovation: upon the structures and systems that can provide small businesses with the equipment, people, and resources needed for transforming the next best product into a job and wealth-making enterprise.

For more information: Evan's office, 503-986-1420.

## Registration for STEP up to 4-H

Polk County 4-H will be offering three STEP (Short Term Education Programming) up to 4-H classes this month which will teach children in grades four through 12 about making fiber from fleece and cake decorating.

"Fleece to Fiber" class will be Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon. Students will learn the differences between sheep, alpaca, and rabbit fibers and the process of spinning fiber into thread. Cost is \$7 for 4-H mem-

## Hot Day, Cold Brew



**Mecanico owner Matthew Lind, left, visits with customer Marc Hill Monday afternoon at the Independence pub. Temperatures over the weekend and early this week have been sweltering, reaching the 90s, but a cool off is coming later this week.**

bers and \$10 for non-members. Preregistration is due Friday.

Cake decorating for beginners will be June 20 (pre-register by June 19) from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and an advanced class will be Tuesday 6 to 8 p.m. (pre-register by Monday). Both classes cost \$5 for 4-Hers and \$7 for non-members.

For more information to register, Polk County Extension Office, 503-623-8395.

## Auction to benefit church youth

The Dallas Foursquare Youth Group's silent auction will be from 3 to 5 p.m. on Saturday at 976 SW Hayter St.

All proceeds benefit the youth program to help send kids to camp. The event also includes a barbecue for \$2.50.

To donate or for more information: 971-599-8356 or 503-583-3019.

## Poppy sales will benefit veterans

Small, red, paper poppies will be sold by American Legion Auxiliary Unit 20 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday in front of Walmart in Dallas.

The paper flowers are a symbol of remembrance, and are distributed for donations around Memorial and Veterans Day.

All proceeds go toward veteran-based programs such as the Wounded Warrior Project and the Portland Transplant Center.

For more information: [peggyotman@q.com](mailto:peggyotman@q.com).

## Breakfast at the Grange on Sunday

Buell Grange will host its monthly second Sunday Community Breakfast on Sunday from 8 to 11 a.m.

Cost is \$6 per person, and the menu is scheduled to include your choice of pancakes, sausage and eggs; hash browns, sausage and eggs; or French toast and sausage. Meals include juice and coffee or tea.

Proceeds go toward the maintenance of the Buell Grange Hall, located at 5970 Mill Creek Road, just off Highway 22 northwest of Dallas.

For more information: 503-623-8462 or 503-843-4703.

## Intro to iPads class set for Thursday

Monmouth-Independence Networks (MINET) and Summit Computer and Technologies of Monmouth will host an iPad 101: Introduction to the iPad workshop.

The course will be from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at MINET's office, 405 Hogan Road N., Monmouth.

Enrollment is \$25 per person; class size is limited.

iPads will not be provided. To register or for more in-

formation: [corin@summitcomtek.com](mailto:corin@summitcomtek.com) or [mmorton@minetfiber.com](mailto:mmorton@minetfiber.com).

## Two-McK Logging to hold reunion

Two-McK Logging is hosting a reunion on Aug. 1.

All former employees and subcontracted loggers or truckers to attend are invited.

The reunion will be from 2 to 6 p.m. and is a potluck, with food to be served at about 3 p.m.

For more information or to RSVP see Two-McK Logging on Facebook or email [B2mck@aol.com](mailto:B2mck@aol.com).

## Camp Mighty Oaks begins on July 25

Camp Mighty Oaks begins July 25. The camp helps grieving kids and their families.

Kids who have lost a loved one attend with their family/guardian and receive age-appropriate services, participate in healing activities, feel normal among peers who have gone through similar circumstances and honor and remember their loved ones who have died.

Unique aspects of camp include a live butterfly release honoring loved ones, music therapy, support groups, educational theater performance, arts, crafts, campfires and more.

Registration will start in the beginning of July.

For more information: Melissa Lindley, 503-588-3600.

## Pentacle Theatre staging comedies

Heather Toller is directing a comedy double feature at Pentacle Theatre running through June 20.

First of the two one-act plays is "God of Carnage," written by Yasmina Reza. The satirical comedy is set in modern-day New York and tells the story of two married couples who meet for the first time after their sons have a playground fight.

Second on the bill is the equally funny, if a little sillier, "The Book of Liz," by David Sedaris and Amy Sedaris. Sister Elizabeth Donderstock makes cheeseballs to feed her entire religious community, but feeling unappreciated, she decides to leave to explore the outside world.

For more information or for tickets: <http://pentacletheatre.org/>.

## City manager to speak on Friday

Monmouth City Manager Scott McClure will be speaking and answering questions at the Monmouth Senior Community Center on during a potluck on Friday. Following his talk, Amy Ringering and Tabitha Nida, both Western Oregon University graduates who worked for

Senior Services, will be sharing information about the services and adult protective services. The potluck begins at noon.

For more information: 503-838-5678.

## Local pub to host Oregon IPA tasting

The Three Legged Dog, located at 250 S. Main Street, Independence, will host a free Oregon IPA tasting on Friday. The event is sponsored by the Oregon Beer Growler. Tasting begins at 5 p.m.

Participants will judge around 12 commercial IPAs. Tasters do not have to be experts in judging. Participants' opinions will decide which beers will be featured in the July edition of the Oregon Beer Growler.

The event is open to those ages 21 and older.

For more information: Gail Oberst, 503-871-1242; email: [gailoberst@oregonbeergrowler.com](mailto:gailoberst@oregonbeergrowler.com).

## Rabbit's will host benefit for Polk RFL

Dallas business Rabbit's is hosting a silent and oral auction to benefit American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Polk County from 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

There will be plenty of items to bid on including a barbecue grill, golf bag, patio umbrellas, gift baskets, t-shirts, fire pits and much more. Also the Rabbit's crew will be barbecuing burgers during the afternoon event.

Rabbit's is located at 186 SW Court St. For more information contact Ryan at 541-805-1206.

## Master Gardeners will meet tonight

The Oregon State University Polk County Master Gardeners will hold their monthly chapter meeting Wednesday (today) at 7 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas.

The speaker will be Cynda Foster from Perennial Observations Nursery in Salem, who will present a program about hardy succulents (sedums and semperviviums).

There will be an opportunity to purchase plants after the program. All community members are invited to attend.

For more information: 503-838-2218.

## Center craft class returns on June 18

The Monmouth Senior Center will host a craft class with craft warehouse at 2 p.m. June 18. The class will be decorating hand towels that are beige. Participants will sew festive Fourth of July materials on the towels.

Cost is \$10 and all supplies are provided. Registration is due by Friday. For more information: 503-838-5678.



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community Calendar is a listing of upcoming events taking place in Polk County that are open to the public. To submit an event for calendar consideration, please send it at least two weeks before the actual event date to the Itemizer-Observer via fax (503-623-2395) or email ([ionews@polkio.com](mailto:ionews@polkio.com)).

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

• **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.

• **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.

• **Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce Lunch Forum** — Noon, Independence Grill, 154 S. Main St., Independence. Lunch prices start at \$7. 503-838-4268.

• **Free Blood Pressure Check Clinic** — 2 to 3 p.m., West Valley Hospital (surgery admitting area), 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. 503-623-7323.

• **Monmouth Senior Center Music Jam** — 6:30 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. Open to the public; musicians of all types welcome. 503-838-5678.

• **Dallas American Legion Post No. 20** — 7 p.m., Academy Building, Room 108, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. 503-831-3971.

• **Polk Soil and Water Conservation District** — 6 p.m., Polk County Fairgrounds, Arts and Crafts Buildings, 520 S. Pacific Highway W, Rickreall.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 11

• **James2 Community Kitchen Meal** — 4:30 to 6 p.m., Dallas United Methodist Church, 565 SE LaCreole Drive, Dallas. Free; everyone welcome. 503-623-8429.

• **Monmouth-Independence Rotary Club** — Noon, First Baptist Church, 1505 Monmouth St., Independence. Visiting Rotarians, guests and prospective Rotarians are welcome to these luncheon meetings. Free. 503-838-4884.

• **Polk County Bounty Market** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Academy Building lawn, on the corner of Main and Academy streets, Dallas. 503-623-2564.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 12

• **Altered Attitudes Alcoholics Anonymous** — Noon, Dallas United Methodist Church, 565 SE LaCreole Drive, Dallas. 503-399-0599.

• **Guthrie Park Acoustic Music Jam Session** — 7 to 10 p.m., Guthrie Park Community Center, 4320 Kings Valley Highway, Dallas. Free (donations accepted). 503-623-0809.

• **Arc of Polk County Dance and Karaoke Night** — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Academy Building, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Admission: \$3 (staffers and providers admitted free). Snacks available for purchase. 503-949-5552.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 13

• **The Original Independence Farmers Market** — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Umpqua Bank parking lot, 302 S. Main St., Independence. 503-881-9950.

• **Independence Riverview Market** — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Riverview Park and Amphitheater, 50 C St., Independence. 503-910-8193.

• **Fleece to Fiber — Drop Spindles** — 10 a.m. to noon, Polk County 4H/Extension Office, 289 E. Ellendale, Suite 301, Dallas. Learn about sheep, alpaca and rabbit fibers. Then, pick up and wash an alpaca or sheep fleece. While the fleece is drying, construct simple drop spindles to try your hand at spinning roving into thread. Kids will take home spindles and a small bag of wool. For ages 10 and up. Cost: \$7 for 4-H members; \$10 for nonmembers. Preregistration is required. 503-623-8395.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 14

• **Buell Grange Breakfast** — 8 to 11 a.m., Buell Grange Hall, 5970 Mill Creek Road, just off Highway 22 northwest of Dallas. 56. 503-623-8462 or 503-843-4703.

### MONDAY, JUNE 15

• **Dallas Area Chamber of Commerce Luncheon** — 11:30 a.m., The Majestic, 962 SE Main St., Dallas. Cost: \$12. 503-623-2564.

• **Willamette Valley New Horizons Orchestra** — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church, on the S-curves between Monmouth and Independence. Local orchestra for beginning through intermediate musicians. Meets every Monday. Players of all levels welcome. \$25 monthly fee to cover expenses. 503-838-4884.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 16

• **James2 Community Kitchen Meal** — 4:30 to 6 p.m., St. Philip Catholic Church, 825 SW Mill St., Dallas. Free; everyone welcome. 503-623-8429.

• **Dallas Wingdingers RC Flying Club** — 7 p.m., 1833 SE Miller Ave., the field next to Valley Life Church, Dallas. 503-623-7288.

• **Polk County Coin Club** — 7 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. 503-362-9123.

• **Polk County Bounty Market-Monmouth** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Main Street Park, 120 E. Main St., Monmouth. 503-623-2564.

• **Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce PEP Talk** — Noon to 1:30 p.m., Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St., Independence. "Managing Difficult Employees and Volunteers," presented by Lori Cegon, small business development center. \$15 for chamber members; \$20 for nonmembers. Register online: [www.micc-or.org](http://www.micc-or.org).

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• **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.

• **Bingo at the Farm** — 6:30 p.m., Rogue Farms Hopyard, 3590 Wigrich Road, Independence. All ages welcome. Free; food and beverages available for purchase. 503-838-9813.

• **Rockin' the River** — 5 to 8 p.m., Rogue Farms, 3590 Wigrich Road, Independence. Enjoy a fun-filled evening of music, food, craft beer and live music by The Morgans. An auction featuring locally-sourced gifts will be held, with purchases supporting the Luckiamute Watershed Council's Ash Creek Restoration Project. [www.luckiamuteLWC.org/Rockin-the-River](http://www.luckiamuteLWC.org/Rockin-the-River).