

NEWS IN BRIEF

Wagner hosts summer program

FALLS CITY — Wagner Community Library in Falls City has new hours — open two more hours each week — starting this week. New summer hours began Tuesday: Tuesday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday 1 to 5 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed on Monday, Friday, and Sunday. The library is located at 111 N. Main St., Falls City.

Along with new summer hours, Wagner will be hosting the Summer Reading Program Thursday mornings through July 30 from 9:45 to 11:30 a.m. each week. The theme this year is "Every Hero Has a Story." All ages are welcome.

Activities and performers scheduled this summer are:

- June 25 — Rhys Thomas: Jugglemania
 - July 2 — Jay Frasier: Humor, Magic, & Balloons
 - July 9 — Reptile Man
 - July 16 — Vicki Green: Ventriloquism & Magic
 - July 23 — Local Super heroes: Falls City Fire Department
 - July 30 — Brad Clark: Music & Stories plus Rewards Party
- Summer program registration forms are available at the library. For information, call 503-787-3521, ext. 319.

FCR call center to open soon

INDEPENDENCE — FCR will open its newest call center in Independence in July.

FCR provides outsourced live agent call centers and other "business process solutions." In addition to the soon-to-be open location in Independence, the company operates call centers in Roseburg, Grants Pass, Coos Bay, Veneta and Eugene.

The finishing touches are being added to the remodeling of the building in the Central Plaza, 1399 and 1319 Monmouth St., near Roth's Fresh Market. The building is the former home of Calvary Church.

"We've put forth a lot of time and effort to make sure we get this building in the right condition required to operate a contact center at the highest performance standards that our clients have come to expect," said John Stadter, CEO of FCR, in a press release.

FCR is in the process of recruiting front line colleagues to answer phones, emails and chat sessions.

To learn more about the company: www.gofcr.com.

Dallas' Water Quality report ready

DALLAS — The city of Dallas Engineering and Environmental Services Department has released the 2014 Water Quality Report.

The report details how Dallas' water tested for possible contaminants compared to federal and state standards. During 2014 tests, the city exceeded all standards.

A copy of the report was mailed in every customer's utility bill. It is available online at www.dallasor.gov/waterquality, and posted at City Hall, the Dallas Library, and the Dallas Aquatic Center.

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Yes, there will be a parade, vendors and a fireworks display in Falls City on July 3. Local organizations volunteered to take on coordinating events keep the celebration on track.

THE SHOW WILL GO ON

Falls City Alliance saves Third of July festivities

By Jolene Guzman
The Itemizer-Observer

FALLS CITY — The show must go on — and it will on July 3 in Falls City.

Last-minute changes threatened Falls City's Third of July celebration, but several organizations have stepped up to take over pieces of the event so it can go forward as planned.

Planning to use the event as a fundraiser, the Falls City Boosters opted not to proceed with organizing the annual tradition earlier this month after learning it could not charge admission to the event without incurring more liability.

However, Falls City Mayor Terry Ungricht and city leaders were able to pull together a meeting June 17 to sort out



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issues to keep July 3 on track. Ungricht said new organizations simply took up where the booster club left off.

This year, some of the festivities will be in a different location from years past. Vendors — now coordinated by the Falls City Alliance — will set up on North Main Street between Second and Third streets at 11 a.m. and remain open until 9 p.m.

Before, vendors set up in the Upper Park, but there have been a number of incidents involving people coming and going from the park, and congestion in general, that prompted a change.

"The booster club, they had talked to the fire department and felt that this is a safer way," Ungricht said. "We are trying to find that

avenue of safety and convenience."

Also, the city will be holding a "Citywide Garage Sale" on July 3. Maps will be available at Frink's General Store on North Main Street.

The annual parade — starting on North Main Street at Falls City High School will begin at 4 p.m. Parade participants are asked to line up near the high school at 3 p.m.

Live music will begin at 5 p.m. at the Falls City Fire Hall. At 6 p.m. Mitchell Street will close in preparation for the fireworks show at dusk. Volunteer firefighters will begin collecting donations at this time to help defray the cost of putting on the show.

The Falls City Booster Club still will coordinate parking in the old mill lot, charging \$5 per car for parking — not admission to the event. A shuttle will run between the lot and Upper Park where the fireworks display will take place.

For more information about participating in the parade: City Hall, 503-787-3631.

DEADLINES

NEWS DEADLINES

For inclusion in the Wednesday edition of the *Itemizer-Observer*:

Social news (weddings, engagements, anniversaries, births, milestones) — 5 p.m. on Thursday.

Community events — Noon on Friday for both the Community Notebook and Community Calendar.

Letters to the editor — 10 a.m. on Monday.

Obituaries — 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 www.polkio.com.

Public notices — Noon on Friday.

CORRECTIONS

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WEBSITE

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The *Itemizer-Observer* is also on Facebook and Twitter. Watch for breaking news, links to stories, sports scores updates and more.

WEATHER

RECORDED	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
June 16.....	79	47	.00
June 17.....	83	50	.00
June 18.....	83	58	.00
June 19.....	79	54	.00
June 20.....	84	52	.00
June 21.....	83	56	.00
June 22.....	81	49	.00

Rainfall during June — 0.67 in.
Rain through June 22 — 15.27 in.

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