

# COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

## Rickreall Grange sale this weekend

The Rickreall Grange Hall Community Sale will be Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the grange hall, 280 Main St., Rickreall.

A bake sale will be included on Friday. On Saturday, guests may operate trains. A farmers market will be on Sunday. Breakfast and lunch specials will be held all weekend.

The sale is open to all vendors, whether local or from out of town. Admission is free.

Friday and Saturday hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, the sale will go from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For vendor rates or more information: Blanche, 503-623-8289.

## Block party, yard sale Wednesday

First Baptist Church will host its annual block party and yard sale from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday at the church, 245 SW Church St., Dallas.

The event includes free food and fun, open to all.

For more information: 503-623-5189.

## Changes to meals at senior center

Monmouth Senior Center is in need of people to come eat meals. Dining times changed effective Tuesday. Meals will only be served at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

NorthWest Senior and Disability Services provides the meals to seniors aged 60 and older. To arrange delivery or to RSVP, call Nancy at 503-838-2084.

Meals are by donation only. Suggested donation is \$3, but no donations are required.

For more information: Nancy, 503-838-2084.

## Open class entry today at county fair

Exhibitors for open class entry in grains, honey, forestry, floriculture and horticulture may turn in their exhibits from noon to 8 p.m. on Wednesday (today) at the fairgrounds, 520 S. Pacific Highway (99W), Rickreall.

People will be on hand to help fill out entry forms and answer questions. Exhibitor

## Arts, Crafts in Open Class



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Jayne Domes, of Sheridan, fills out the paperwork for children's arts and crafts open class entries at the Polk County Fair on Monday. Ilene Lewis, a volunteer for the fair, helps keep everything straight with tags for each exhibit.

books may be found online at [www.co.polk.or.us/fair](http://www.co.polk.or.us/fair), or at the Polk County Fairgrounds & Event Center main office.

Prizes donated by local businesses.

For more information: Tina Andersen, 503-623-3048.

## Senior Center looks for teachers

The Monmouth Senior Center is looking for people to teach classes on different subjects. Right now, the center is looking for teachers for painting and American Sign Language. The opportunity may be paid.

For more information: Sue Teal, 503-838-5678.

## Wood-fired pizza at Left Coast Cellars

Left Coast Cellars hosts wood-fired pizza each Friday during the summer from 5 to 7 p.m. at the winery, 425 N. Pacific Highway (99W), Rickreall.

Relax on the patio, dine on pizza and garden-fresh salads. Wine is available by the glass or bottle.

Left Coast Cellars' tasting

room is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and until 7 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays during the summer.

## Engaged seeks vision volunteers

Community members, Western Oregon University students, visitors and other interested people have returned more than 1,400 surveys to share their visions of Monmouth's future through the city of Monmouth's visioning process, Monmouth Engaged.

The next community meeting will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesday in Volunteer Hall, 144 Warren St. S., in Monmouth.

The event will be for people to sign up to help make Monmouth's future happen.

For more information: [ci.monmouth.or.us](http://ci.monmouth.or.us).

## Buell Grange to host open house

Buell Grange Hall will host an open house from 9 to 11 a.m. on Sunday. Refreshments will be served. The hall is at 5970 Mill Creek Rd., just off Hwy 22 northwest of Dallas.

At the same time, organizers will accept usable items to be sold at the Annual Fall Market to benefit Grand Sheramina Food Bank and Buell Grange. The fall market is Sept. 18 and 19.

## Rafters set to race this Saturday

The Great Willamette River Raft Race is from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., starting at Riverview Park. Home-built crafts, rafts and inner tubes launch at 9 a.m. Canoes and kayaks launch at 9:30 a.m.

The race is a tradition the whole family can enjoy. Business teams are welcome, too. The race starts in Independence and goes about 11.5 miles down the Willamette River to Wallace Marine Park in West Salem. Kayaks and canoes travel the distance in about two hours. Others may take up to four hours.

Registration on the day of the race is \$15 per person. A \$5 invasive species permit may be required. Proceeds benefit the Networking Exchange Club of Salem/Keizer.

For more information: [www.willametteriverace.com](http://www.willametteriverace.com).



## 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, AUG. 5

• **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.

• **Scrabble with Betty** — 1 p.m., Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St., Independence. Scrabble games first Wednesday of every month. Free; refreshments and prizes available. 503-551-7687 or 503-838-1811.

• **Yarning for Others** — 3 to 5 p.m., St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. Knitters and crocheters gather to make clothing and accessories for those in need on the first Wednesday of every month. 503-689-7222.

• **Music in the Park** — 6:30 p.m., Main Street Park, Monmouth. Roseland Hunters, New Orleans funk. Free. [www.ci.monmouth.or.us](http://www.ci.monmouth.or.us).

### THURSDAY, AUG. 6

• **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.

• **Dallas Lions Club** — 11:30 a.m., Hong Kong Restaurant, 325 Main St., Dallas. Everyone welcome. 503-931-9860.

• **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.

• **Polk County Fair** — 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Polk County Fairgrounds & Event Center, 520 S. Pacific Highway (99W), Rickreall. Fun for the whole family. Adults (16 and older), \$8; Juniors (ages 11-15), \$5; Seniors (ages 62 and up), \$5; Children 10 and younger, free; Members of the military (with ID on any day), free. 503-623-3048.

• **Movies in the Park** — 9:30 p.m., Riverview Park and Amphitheater, 50 C St., Independence. "Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 1," rated PG-13. Free. [www.independencemphitheater.com](http://www.independencemphitheater.com).

• **Dementia Support Group** — 9:30 a.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. A group for people coping with a loved one with Alzheimer's or dementia. 503-838-5678.

• **Sounds of Summer** — 6:30 p.m., Rotary Performing Arts Stage, corner of Main and Academy streets, Dallas. Joe Shinkle & 99West, country. Free. [Business.dallasoregon.org](http://Business.dallasoregon.org).

### FRIDAY, AUG. 7

• **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.

• **River's Edge Summer Music Series** — 7:30 p.m., Riverview Park and Amphitheater, 50 C St., Independence. Dancehall Days. \$5 suggested donation. [www.independencemphitheater.com](http://www.independencemphitheater.com).

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### SATURDAY, AUG. 8

• **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.

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### SUNDAY, AUG. 9

• **Buell Grange Open House and Breakfast** — 8 to 11 a.m., Buell Grange Hall, 5970 Mill Creek Road, just off Highway 22 northwest of Dallas. \$6. 503-623-8462 or 503-843-4703.

• **Rogue Farms Summer Concert Series** — 3 p.m., Rogue Farms Hopyard, 3590 Wigrich Road, Independence. Take in the views, sip on an ale, cider or soda. Free. All ages welcome. 503-838-9813.

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### MONDAY, AUG. 10

• **Central Lions Club** — Noon, Independence Elks Lodge 1950 Dining Room, 289 S. Main St., Independence. 503-606-2150.

• **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, AUG. 11

• **Caregivers Support Group** — 2 to 3:30 p.m., West Valley Hospital (Quiet Room, entrance through Emergency Department on Clay Street), 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. Meets on the second Tuesday of the month. Free. 503-831-5593.

• **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.

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## REUNION ROUNDUP

• **Central High School 2015 Multi-Class Reunion** — A reunion for Central High School's multi-class reunion will be held Aug. 7-9. The event is for those who graduated in the 1970s and 1980s.

The weekend activities begin with a mixer at Kolby's RB & B in Keizer from 6 to 10 p.m. on Aug. 7. From 11 a.m. to midnight, the gathering will be at Riverview Park in Independence, and will include food vendors, a beer garden and musical entertainment. Cost for this event is \$20 per person or \$30 per family. The weekend will wrap up with a golf tournament on Aug. 9. For more information or to RSVP: Sherry Lindley Lowells, 503-931-3201.

• **Dallas High School Class of 1960** — Dallas High School Class of 1960 will host its 55th reunion on Sept. 11 through 13. Reser-

ations are due by Aug. 15. Sept 11 will be a potluck from 5 to 7 p.m. at Dallas City Park, old section. On Sept. 12, the group will meet at 5 p.m. for social hour at Pressed Coffee & Wine Bar, followed by a buffet dinner at 5:30. A brunch will be on Sept. 13 at Murphy's. RSVP: Bonnie Sullivan, 503-364-8740, or 503-910-1160, or via email [sullybt@netzero.net](mailto:sullybt@netzero.net).

• **Independence High Class of 1950** — Independence High School's Class of 1950 will celebrate its 65th class reunion on Aug. 21 with a luncheon at Rock-n-Rogers Farrol's Restaurant in Rickreall. Farrol Webb had been a classmate. There are 34 survivors out of 51 in the class, the largest ever to be graduated from IHS. Cost of the luncheon is \$14.99. It begins at noon, but classic cars will be on display beginning at 11 a.m. For

more information or to register: 503-838-1353 or via email at [jcoppliger@aol.com](mailto:jcoppliger@aol.com). The annual All School Reunion will be at 11 a.m. on Aug. 22 at Henry Hill Educational Support Center, 750 S. Fifth St. Anyone who ever attended Independence High School is welcome to attend. The lunch will cost \$15.

• **Polk ESD/IED reunion** — A Polk ESD/IED employee and board member reunion will be at 1 p.m. on Aug. 9 at the home of Peyton and Gwen Lieuallen, 262 Monmouth Ave. S., in Monmouth. The reunion will be a potluck, with Peyton barbecuing. Bring a salad or side dish to share, if desired. For more information: Susan Lang, 503-967-6106, or Peyton Lieuallen, 503-702-1413.

Submit your reunion announcement information to [ionews@polkio.com](mailto:ionews@polkio.com).

## LIBRARY CALENDAR

**DALLAS**  
950 Main St. • 503-623-2633  
[www.ci.dallas.or.us/library](http://www.ci.dallas.or.us/library)  
• Wednesday, Aug. 5, 11:30 a.m. — End party and prize drawing (Dallas City Park).  
• Friday, Aug. 7, 5:30 p.m. — Teen summer reading party movie and drawing.

**INDEPENDENCE**  
175 Monmouth St.  
503-838-1811

[www.ci.independence.or.us/library](http://www.ci.independence.or.us/library)  
• Wednesday, Aug. 5, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time (3-5 years old)  
• Thursday, Aug. 6, 3 p.m. — Family Movie: "Home," rated PG.  
• Tuesday, Aug. 11 — Chess Club (first grade and older).  
• Tuesday, Aug. 11, 5:30 p.m. — Cuentos en Español.  
• Wednesday, Aug. 12 — Family story time (3-5 years old)

**MONMOUTH**  
168 S. Ecols St. • 503-751-0182  
[www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library](http://www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library)  
• See website for upcoming events.

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111 N. Main St., Falls City  
503-787-3521, ext. 319  
[www.wagner.plinkit.org](http://www.wagner.plinkit.org)  
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