

Hazard: Dry, tall weeds cause concern among neighborhood

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Megan Beyer, a technical assistant with the city of Dallas, said it took until the last step before a buffer zone was mowed in late June to meet the agricultural standard.

She said the property is in compliance, though she understands residents' concerns because the field runs right up to backyard fences.

Dallas Fire & EMS spokeswoman April Welsh also believes the situation is worrisome.

Dallas Fire has been a source of frustration for Ceres Gleann residents due to what they feel is a lack of response to their complaints. Welsh said that the fire department can't address the problem on its own.

"We don't have any control over what people do with their properties," she said.

She added there are plenty of properties that could pose a problem that she wishes the fire depart-



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Jim Schmalz is worried a field poses a fire and safety risk to nearby residents.

ment — or someone — could just take care of. But the only legal way to do that is through the weed abatement process.

That being said, Welsh said all involved parties should find a way to work together to address the issue faster in the future.

"We need to better communicate, all of us working

together, to make a safer environment for residents," she said.

Silvey said even though the owner has met city code, neighbors remain frustrated.

Schmalz said he's been watching field fires and a vegetation fire at Trinity Lutheran Church a few weeks ago with growing anxiety.

"We have legitimate concerns," he said.

Silvey and Schmalz noted that Ceres Gleann is a retirement community, and they fear some residents would be trapped in their homes if a fire did start.

"If something were to happen, how do we get 50 people out of their homes?" Schmalz asked.

POLICE REPORT

Information for the police report comes from law enforcement agencies. Not all calls for service are included. The status of incidents reported may change after further investigation. Individuals arrested or suspected of crimes are considered innocent until proven guilty. See online for more.

DALLAS

Arrests/Citations

- Carolyn Marie MacKay, 46, of Salem at Polk County Community Corrections on Aug. 11 for probation violation.
- Terry Lyn Haskett, 56, of Dallas in the 100 block of Main Street on Aug. 11 for second-degree disorderly conduct.
- Mark Allen Isham, 46, of Dallas in the 100 block of Main Street on Aug. 11 for second degree disorderly conduct.
- Shane Joseph Riley Gayle, 32, of Dallas in the 600 block of SE Jefferson Street on Aug. 12 for second-degree disorderly conduct and third-degree escape.

INDEPENDENCE

Arrests/Citations

- Adrian James Ulery, 37, of Independence in the 200 block of South Main Street on Aug. 12 for unlawful use or carry of a weapon, menacing — use or display of weapons, and second-degree disorderly conduct.
- Reynaldo Arroyo III, 23, a

transient, at the corner of Hoffman Road and North 16th Street on Saturday on a warrant for probation violation.

• Frederick Wayne Campbell, 32, of Independence in the 100 block Oak Street on Sunday on a warrant for probation violation.

MONMOUTH

Arrests/Citations

- Summer Dawn Stewart, 37, of Salem in the 100 block of Gwinn Street West on Aug. 4 for telephonic harassment.
- Octavio Cruz Gonzalez, 31, of Independence at the corner of Monmouth Independence Highway and Boyd Lane North on Aug. 7 for driving under the influence of intoxicants and failure to carry or present an operator's license.
- Levi Eldon Grass, 29, of Salem at Volunteer Hall, 144 Warren St. S., on Aug. 7 on a bench warrant for failure to appear.
- Cathy Hodges, 62, of Corvallis at the corner of South Pacific Highway West and Clay Street East on Aug. 10 for driving under the influence of intoxicants.
- Waleed Khaled Alqahtani, 25, of Monmouth in the 400 block of Monmouth Avenue South on Aug. 12 for improper use of the 911 emergency system.

OBITUARIES

Mona Grace Coonrod

Nov. 7, 1932 – Aug. 7, 2015

Mona Grace Coonrod, 82, of Cottage Grove died Aug. 7.

She was born in Monmouth and graduated from Dallas High School.

Mona married Robert "Tab" Talmage in Dallas in 1950.

Celebration of life is Aug. 29 at 11 a.m. at the Elks Lodge in Cottage Grove.

Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove handled arrangements.

Leta Velma Watson

Dec. 30, 1916 – Aug. 9, 2015

Leta Velma Watson, 98, of Dallas died Aug. 9 in Dallas.

She was born in Dallas to Jacob and Elizabeth Bartel Friesen.

Her mother died when Leta was 11 years old. She raised four younger siblings while her dad was working and she was attending

school in Dallas.

She met her future husband in Salem. Leta married Wallace Taylor Watson on Sept. 30, 1939, in Dallas.

They lived a short time in Salem but returned to Dallas to make their home. She worked in the canneries and at the Neufeld prune drier.

Leta was the spiritual leader of the family and could be found reading her Bible and listening to gospel music. She was a member of the Dallas First Christian Church.

Most of all, Leta loved her family. The art of homemaking was her specialty in caring for her family.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Wallace, on May 27, 1997, and her brothers Harry, Walt and Herman.

Survivors include her sons, Terry W. (Esther) Watson of Dallas and Jack (Vicki) Watson of Salem; daughters, Eloise Nelson and Joanne (Terry) Ballweber, all of Dallas; sister, Ann of Hood River; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside service was Sat-

urday at Salt Creek Cemetery.

Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements. To send an online tribute: www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

Lola Marie Davis

Oct. 23, 1943 – Aug. 2, 2015

Lola Marie Davis, 71, of Odessa, Wash., died Aug. 2 at the home of her daughter in Dallas.

She was born in Salt Lake City to Edward and Wilhelmina Velart Settle.

Lola married Mervin Troy Davis on May 18, 1963, in California.

She was a homemaker and enjoyed doll making, gardening, canning, knitting, fishing, dancing, and socializing with friends and family.

One of her life's highlights was traveling the United States by RV.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Ruth Mautz, and grandson, Joshua Bean.

Survivors include her husband, Troy of Odessa; daughter, Luana Bean of Dallas; son, Thomas Davis of Salem; brother, Jim Settle; sister, Ella Wilson; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Celebration will be held Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. at Guthrie Park School, 4320 Kings Valley Highway in Dallas.

Contributions are suggested to a memorial fund established in her name at US Bank.

Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements. To send an online tribute: www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

Mary Joan DeJarnette

March 19, 1934 – Aug. 10, 2015

Mary Joan DeJarnette, 81, of Grand Ronde died Aug. 10 in Grand Ronde.

She was born in Klamath Falls to Mac Hill and Addie Mae Wahrmond.

Mary was retired and had lived in Grand Ronde for 19 years.

Survivors include her sister, Gloria Dawes of Roseville, Calif.; daughter, Ami (Fred) Braden of Dallas; son, Vance (Marsha) DeJarnette of Canby; three grandchildren; many great-grandchildren; and large extended family.

A wake will be held at a later date. Condolences may be mailed to P.O. Box 240, Grand Ronde, OR 97347.

E. Jack Sanders

March 4, 1930 – July 26, 2015

E. Jack Sanders, 85, of Green Valley, Ariz., former longtime resident of Dallas, died July 26 in Green Valley.

He was born in Tillamook to William H. and Elsie V.

Miller Sanders.

The family moved to Dallas in 1937. The Sanders family owned and operated the well-known Blue Garden Restaurant located in the center of town on Main Street in Dallas, across from the Polk County Court-

house. It was a popular gathering place for business owners and families.

Jack graduated from Dallas High School in 1948.

He attended the University of Oregon for one year before enlisting in the Air Force.

He was a member of the 3083rd Aviation Group USAF and was stationed at Fairfield Station.

Jack married Emma Mae Siddall in February of 1956 in Kent, Wash.

After Jack's father died in 1958, Jack and his brother, Keith, partnered with their mother, Elsie, and continued to run the Blue Garden Restaurant.

Jack and Emma moved to Neskowin in 1976. Emma died in 1993.

Jack later married Betty Crider and they moved to Green Valley, Ariz., and shared many good years together. Betty died in 2011.

Jack enjoyed the Oregon coast, was an avid Oregon Ducks supporter, and returned to Dallas to visit family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Billy Sanders.

Survivors include his son, Brad Sanders; daughter, Kathy Hadfield; brother, Keith Sanders; six grandchild-

dren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Graveside service was Monday at Dallas Cemetery.

Bollman Funeral Home handled arrangements. To send an online tribute: www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

Ruth Amelia Billingsley

Sept. 11, 1914 – Aug. 16, 2015

Ruth Amelia Billingsley, 100, of Dallas died on Sunday in Dallas.

As she wished, no local service will be held.

Virgil T. Golden Funeral Service in Salem handled arrangements.

Obituary Information

Obituary information must be submitted by 4 p.m. on the Monday before publication to be included in the newspaper.

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EILEEN HOLMES
Dec. 17, 1927 - July 29, 2015

Eileen passed away on July 29, 2015 in Liberty Lake, WA. She was born in Urnston, (near Manchester) England on December 17, 1927 to James and Sarah Ferry.

Eileen met her future husband, David, while he was serving in the United States Air Force in England. She immigrated to America in 1950. Eileen was a long time resident of Dallas, OR where she worked at JC Penney, and later as a clerk for the Oregon Judicial System. Eileen retired in 1989.

For the past many years she and husband David wintered in Desert Hot Springs, CA. She greatly enjoyed being a part of the Almar Acres Retirement Community. Eileen loved to play golf and enjoyed volunteering at numerous professional golf tournaments in the Palm Springs, CA area. In Dallas, Eileen was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church. Worshipping and fellowshiping at her church was very important to her. Eileen is known in both communities as an avid walker, which she maintained until only recently. She also loved her garden.

Eileen deeply loved her family. She is survived by her husband, David; children, Susan (Michael) Wentworth and Craig (Cathy) Holmes; grandchildren, Joshua Lehto, Robin Lehto, Nathan (Liz) Holmes, Christopher (Jenn) Holmes, Mathew Holmes and Kassette (Jared) Harris, as well as nine great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Eileen's Memorial Service will be held on Friday, September 11th at Guardian Angel Homes (23102 E Mission, Liberty Lake, WA) at 4pm. Pastor David Pederson from Trinity Lutheran Church in Dallas, OR will be officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Cancer Society at www.runforanna.com, or to Saint Jude Children's Hospital. To view Eileen's online memorial, please visit www.hennesseyfuneralhomes.com.

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