

COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

Help clean up Polk roads on Saturday

The Polk County Public Works Department will host an Adopt-A-Road cleanup day on Saturday. As many as 60 different groups that have adopted roads throughout the county will be participate.

Groups who are active members of the Adopt-A-Road program are asked to pick up their supplies the week before the event. Disposal bags and safety equipment will be provided at that time.

To become an active member of the program, applications are available on the Polk County website www.co.polk.or.us, or call 503-623-9287.

Felines fundraiser slated for Saturday

Salem Friends of Felines will host its 10th annual fundraising auction from 5 to 9 p.m. on Saturday at the Oregon State Fairgrounds, Cascade Hall, 2330 17th St. NE, Salem.

The event is for those aged 21 and older and costs \$40. All proceeds benefit cats in the Marion and Polk county communities.

Hearty appetizers, beverages and live music by Little Hickory Band will accompany a silent auction.

Salem Friends of Felines is a nonprofit, no-kill cat rescue group helping both humans and felines in Marion and Polk counties.

Last year, more than 1,200 cats were placed into homes through the group's adoption program. In addition to trap, neuter and return programs, the group helps cat owners get access to low-cost spay or neutering services, as well as other medical needs for cats.

Tickets may be purchased online at www.sfof.org or at the thrift store/adoption center in Salem, 980 Commercial St. SE.

Flea market at Rickreall Grange

Rickreall Grange will host a Country Flea Market from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday at the Grange Hall, 280 Main St. (99W), Rickreall.

A variety of vendors will offer a large assortment of items, both new and slightly used — including some collectibles. Breakfast and lunch will be available for purchase.

For more information: Blanche Pryor, 503-623-8289.

Hosing it down



Volunteer firefighter Carlo Calabrese, left, helps Kami-Lea Barggraf, 7, of Independence take a turn using a fire hose during the Polk County Fire No. 1's open house on Saturday. Attendees had the chance to meet firefighters, ride an engine and tour an air ambulance.

Exhibit merges photos and poetry

The Cannon Gallery of Art at Western Oregon University presents Black & White & Read, an ekphrastic exhibition featuring photographs of women and poems written in response to those photos.

The exhibit includes the varied work of 16 photographers and 15 poets.

It is on view at the gallery from Thursday through Oct. 30, with an opening reception from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Wednesday (today).

Many of the artists and poets will be at the free reception to answer questions and discuss their works.

The gallery is at Campbell Hall, 345 Monmouth Ave., Monmouth.

For more information: 503-838-8607.

Nominees sought for RFL honor

American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Polk County is seeking letters of bravery about women who have fought or are fighting the cancer battle. Three women will be honored at the "Total Woman" event on Feb. 26 and 27, 2016 hosted by Relay for Life of Polk County at The Majestic in Dallas.

The event will feature

vendors, crafters and on-site massages, fashion show and informative presentations on cancer awareness and prevention.

Nominations letters can be sent to: Relay for Life of Polk County-Nominations, P.O. Box 631, Dallas, OR 97338.

Email questions to: 2015 relayforlifepc@gmail.com; subject: Nomination.

WVHA's hosts party for Jennings

Linda Jennings, West Valley Housing Authority's executive director, is retiring Wednesday (today) after 25 years at this agency.

WVHA will hold a retirement open house for Jennings Wednesday (today) at the agency's Dallas office, 204 SW Walnut St., from 2 to 4 p.m.

The public is welcome to come and give her their best wishes and to say good-bye. She has been the executive director since 2005.

Learn more about preparedness

Monmouth Public Library will host an American Red Cross preparedness workshop at 11 a.m. on Saturday at the library, 168 Ecols St. S.

American Red Cross vol-

unteers will present on disaster preparedness, covering disasters that can occur in our geographic area and the three essentials of being informed, making a plan and building a kit.

For more information: 503-838-1932.

Uganda choir to perform on Friday

The children's Ugandan choir Imani Milele, meaning "everlasting faith," will perform at 6:30 p.m. on Friday at First Christian Church, 1079 SE Jefferson St., in Dallas.

The choir will perform traditional African dance songs and drum routines.

The event is free, but donations will be accepted. The choir is touring to raise money to help other needy orphans and vulnerable children in Africa.

For more information: Joy Dull, 503-409-4292.

Benefit to help build Liberia library

A fundraiser at Dairy Queen in Monmouth will benefit Palmfield Christian School in Monrovia, Liberia, to help build a library.

From 5 to 8 p.m. on Monday, a portion of the sales will help the school buy bookcases and books.



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).

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30

- **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.
- **Yoga in the Hopyard** — 6 p.m., Rogue Farms Micro Hopyard, 3590 Wigrich Road, Independence. Offered on the last Wednesday of every month. Free; bring your own yoga mat. 503-838-9813.
- **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.
- **Brew and BS** — 7 p.m., St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. Free. Bring your own brew — beer, coffee, tea, cider, wine. Moderated discussions on topics of religion and science. 503-831-5593.

THURSDAY, OCT. 1

- **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.
- **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.

FRIDAY, OCT. 2

- **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.

SATURDAY, OCT. 3

- **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.
- **Polk Community Free Clinic** — 7 to 11 a.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas. Free medical and mental health care for uninsured and underinsured. Held on the first and fourth Saturday of the month. 503-990-8772.
- **Monmouth Senior Center All-You-Can-Eat Community Breakfast** — 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. Cost: \$6, adults; \$3, children younger than 12. 503-838-5678.
- **Rickreall Grange Flea Market** — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Rickreall Grange Hall, 280 Main St. (99W), Rickreall. Multiple vendors. Also selling fresh-baked goods. Kitchen serving breakfast and lunch. 503-623-8289.

SUNDAY, OCT. 4

- **Polk Flea Market** — 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Polk County Fairgrounds, 520 S. Pacific Highway (99W), Rickreall. Admission: \$1; children 12 and younger, free. Early admission from 6 to 9 a.m. is \$5. 503-428-8224.
- **From the Heart Community Sing** — 1:30 to 3 p.m., St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. Free singing lessons; all ages are welcome. 503-559-5205.
- **Rickreall Grange Flea Market** — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Rickreall Grange Hall, 280 Main St. (99W), Rickreall. Multiple vendors. Also selling fresh-baked goods. Kitchen serving breakfast and lunch. 503-623-8289.

MONDAY, OCT. 5

- **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., Central High School band room, 1530 Monmouth St., 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, OCT. 6

- **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.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 7

- **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.
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LIBRARY CALENDAR

DALLAS
950 Main St. • 503-623-2633
www.ci.dallas.or.us/library

- Thursday, Oct. 1, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. — Lego building time (Every Thursday).
- Saturday, Oct. 3, 3:30 p.m. — Children's movie event: Animated movie about a monkey on a space mission gone awry. Doors open at 3:20 p.m. Event is free.

INDEPENDENCE
175 Monmouth St.
503-838-1811
www.ci.independence.or.us/library

- Wednesday, Sept. 30, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.
- Wednesday, Sept. 30, 5:30 p.m. — Cuentos in Español.

- Thursday, Oct. 1, 4:30 p.m. — Chess Club.
- Saturday, Oct. 3, 9 a.m. — Ancestry.com workshop.
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 5:30 p.m. — Cuentos in Español.
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1 p.m. — Scrabble with Betty (adults).

MONMOUTH
168 S. Ecols St. • 503-751-0182
www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library

- Tuesday, Sept. 29, 10:15 a.m. — Tales for tots (story time for babies and toddlers).
- Thursday, Oct. 1, 10:15 a.m. — Pre-

school storytime (2.5 to 5 years).

- Saturday, Oct. 3, 11 a.m. — Prepare! Emergency preparedness presentation by American Red Cross.
- Tuesday, Oct. 6, 10:15 a.m. — Tales for tots (story time for babies and toddlers).
- Tuesday, Oct. 6, 6 p.m. — Oregon Ghost Towns, by author Steve Arndt.
- Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2:30 p.m. — Builders club (K-5)

WAGNER COMMUNITY LIBRARY
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