

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

The *Polk County Itemizer-Observer* is committed to publishing accurate news, feature and sports reports. If you see anything that requires a correction or clarification, call the newsroom at 503-623-2373 or send an e-mail to nadams@polkio.com.

WEBSITE

The *Polk County Itemizer-Observer* website, www.polkio.com, is updated each week by Wednesday afternoon. There, you will find nearly every story that appears in the print version of the newspaper, as well as some items, including additional photos, that do not appear in print due to space limitations.

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
Sept. 29	82	44	.00
Sept. 30	74	45	.00
Oct. 1	77	45	.00
Oct. 2	64	45	.00
Oct. 3	70	45	.00
Oct. 4	82	48	.00
Oct. 5	85	46	.00

Rainfall during Sept. — 1.13 in.
Rain through Oct. 5 — 17.12 in.

Pressed to host PCFC celebration

DALLAS — Pressed Coffee and Wine Bar will host a celebration of four years of Polk Community Free Clinic.

Located at 788 Main St., the event will feature an opportunity for attendees to learn about the PCFC and hear stories about how the clinic has affected the recipients and volunteers in the community.

Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Space is limited. To reserve, call the clinic at 503-831-0551 or email to polk-clinic.info@gmail.com.

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Curfews to align in two cities

Independence, Monmouth work together to ease confusion

By Emily Mentzer
The *Itemizer-Observer*

INDEPENDENCE — Pending council approval, youths coming and going across the city border with Monmouth will no longer be confused about curfew.

A proposed change to the curfew ordinance will make it easier for officers to understand, too, said Independence Police Chief Bob Mason at a joint city council work session on Sept. 29.

The councils and mayors from both Monmouth and Independence listened to a joint presentation by the police chiefs Mason and Darrell Tallan on the topic.

The concerns about the inconsistent and somewhat confusing curfews between Monmouth and Independence came up at Independence's April council meeting held at Central High School.

"It's very difficult to go from one town to the other, to know if they're in compliance," Mason said.

In Independence, the curfew ordinance is different for those 15 and younger, and for those aged 15 to 17.

"This has long been an issue for the youth, and the parents, and the officers," Tallan said. "Sometimes they (officers) weren't able to remember what it was off the top of their head."

Monmouth's ordinance is for anyone younger than 18, making it easier for all to understand, Tallan said.

"If it's anything prior to a no-school day, Friday and Saturday, it's 11:59 p.m.," he said. "State law is midnight for anyone under 18. If it's a night that school follows (Sunday through Thursday), curfew is at 11."

Adding confusion to Independence's ordinance was the way school days was defined. Mason said it wasn't based on days of the week, but rather whether or not there was school for that individual the next day, which was complicated when a child was not in the school system.

If the Monmouth approach is adopted in Independence, the summer curfew will be restricted back. The curfew law in Independence allowed for a later curfew during summer months, where Monmouth's is consistent all year, Mason said.

"But the Monmouth model seems to be working," he noted.

Tallan said police officers understand events happen where youths may be out past curfew and take things on a case-by-case basis.

"(Both cities) have good officers who use discretion very well," he said. "This gives us a tool to start a conversation with youths under 18. This allows us to talk with people who may be out doing something they shouldn't be doing."

Tallan noted that police do not have the same issues with curfew as they used to since the advent of cell-phones, because parents are tracking their children better.

To park or not to park?

By Jolene Guzman
The *Itemizer-Observer*

Editor's note: This is the first in a series of articles we've begun at the I-O in which we answer questions prompted by readers.

DALLAS — If you have a disabled parking placard, do you know what your privileges are parking in the timed parking zones in downtown Dallas?

Dallas Police Chief Tom Simpson said it's a cause of confusion for permit users from time to time because the rules can vary by city or county.

There are three types of parking placards: disabled parking, wheelchair user permits, and program permits.

Simpson said disabled parking placards allow holders to park in marked disabled parking spaces, but the same rules apply to them when parking in timed spaces or metered spaces as

to anyone else.

Those with wheelchair user permits are allowed to park in any public parking zone with a time limit of more than 30 minutes without being charged overtime penalties, or in a metered space with a time limit of more than 30 minutes without being required to pay fees.

Vehicles using program placards (designated for vehicles that are regularly used as part of a program for the transportation of people with disabilities or adult foster homes) are, according to state statute ORS 811.637, allowed to park: in a public parking zone with time restrictions or metered space for three hours or less without overtime penalties or being required to pay the meter.

Here's where it gets tricky. Some jurisdictions allow disabled parking permit holders of any type to have the privileges of wheelchair user

permits as state law (ORS 811.635) gives cities and counties the authority to extend those rights.

The city of Dallas does not, and that distinction is the source of the confusion, Simpson said.

Have a topic you would like us to research and answer? Send it to ionews@polkio.com.

NEWS IN BRIEF

'Manos' T-shirt fundraiser not over

FALLS CITY — Your opportunity to support the production of the sequel to "Manos: The Hands of Fate" is not over. The T-shirt fundraiser for the project has been extended to Oct. 15 due to continuously increasing interest and sales.

Jackey Raye Neyman Jones, aka "Debbie" from the original movie, is producing the project, which will be directed by award-winning Seattle filmmaker Tonjia Atomic.

Money from the campaign will cover start up costs for the film, including shooting scenes with Tom Neyman, who played The Master in the original Manos. To purchase a T-shirt or for more information: www.ManosReturns.com.

Deputies investigating hit and run

SALEM — Authorities have arrested a suspect in a fatal crash involving two vehicles on River Road South. The suspect has been identified as Luis Enrique Huerta-Martinez, 22, of Independence.

Huerta-Martinez turned himself in to the Independence Police Department on Monday. Marion County Detective Nancy Hubbard interviewed and arrested Huerta-Martinez on charges of manslaughter II and failure to perform duties of a driver. Huerta-Martinez was held at the Marion County Jail until his arraignment on Tuesday after press time.

Authorities were called at 7:20 p.m. on Friday. Upon their arrival, Marion County Sheriff deputies learned both occupants of one of the vehicles fled the scene of the crash on foot. They confirmed the driver of the second vehicle, Raymond Myers, 59, of Salem, was deceased. Myers was traveling eastbound on River Road near Riverside Drive when Huerta-Martinez allegedly pulled out in front of Myers, who was thrown from the motorcycle he was riding.

Marion County Sheriff deputies were assisted by members of the Oregon State Police, Independence PD, Monmouth PD, Polk County Sheriff's Office, Salem PD and Polk County Fire District 1.

Dallas mayor named to OMA board

SALEM — Dallas Mayor Brian Dalton has been selected to serve on the Oregon Mayors Association (OMA) board of directors for calendar year 2016.

Named to the board in addition to Dalton were: President Michael Cape, Amity; President-Elect George Endicott, Redmond; Past President Scott Burge, Scappoose; Secretary-Treasurer Mike McCauley, LOC Executive Director; and directors John Cook, Tigard; A.J. Mattila, Depoe Bay; Lou Ogden, Tualatin; Betty Roppe, Prineville; and Sandra Roumagoux, Newport.

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