

# COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

## Senior center offers management class

The Monmouth Senior Center will offer a lifestyle management class beginning Monday from noon to 12:30 p.m. The weekly class will run through March 28. There is no charge to attend. The class will deal with a variety of issues, including having diabetes, high blood pressure, anxiety and heart disease. Register through the office.

## Quilt class begins Friday in Monmouth

The Monmouth Senior Center will host a beginner quilt class Friday from 1 to 4 p.m. Arlene Kovash will offer demos on quilting supplies. The class is for those who want to start quilting and don't know where to start. The cost is \$5 and will be paid for at the start of class.

## Auction and dinner to benefit CHS FFA

The 24th Central High School FFA Auction and Dinner will be held Saturday. A silent auction kicks off the night's festivities from 5 to 7 p.m. Dinner runs from 5:30 to 7 p.m. followed by an oral auction at 7 p.m. A tri-tip dinner will be served.

Cost is \$12 for adults, \$6 for children aged 6-12 and children 6 and younger are free.

For more information: Brenda Phearson, bphearson@central.k12.or.us or Lynn Thomas, lthomas@central.k12.or.us.

## Dallas Historian updates website

Dallas Historian launched an updated version of www.dallashistorian.com on Jan. 26.

The website, devoted to the history of Dallas, has the ability to add/update menu items, providing detailed information regarding commerce, business, government, churches, buildings,

## Hen Heyday



A silkie hen was among the chickens and roosters for sale at the McOwen Livestock booth at the Oregon Winter Poultry Swap at the Polk County Fairgrounds & Event Center on Saturday. Vendors selling chickens, ducks, and rabbits filled fairgrounds main building.

people and more. Suzie Hunter-Rohde was appointed by former Mayor Jim Fairchild to the unofficial position of Dallas Historian in 2006.

"It is easy to add new topics and to edit the information for topics, including pictures, allowing those that view this website a better connection to the event or topic published," Hunter-Rohde said about the site.

For more information: Suzie Hunter, sue@richware.net.

## Museum speaker tells of first murder

Tom Branigar, Polk County History Museum archivist, will tell the story about the first murder in the county at the museum at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday.

In February 1852, Return William Everman, a trans-

ient laborer, murdered Cyrenius Hooker who was a well-known early settler. The story continues to include a jail break, a hanging and one of the accomplices being sold to a local farmer near Buena Vista.

Refreshments will be provided.

The museum is on the south end of the parking area of the Polk County Fairgrounds and Event Center, 520 S. Pacific Highway (99W) in Rickreall.

For more information: 503-623-6251 or go to <http://polkcountyhistorical.society.org/>.

## Indy Police to host coffee with a cop

Officers from the Independence Police Department will host Coffee with a Cop from 7 to 9 a.m. on Saturday at McDonald's, 1315

Monmouth St., Independence.

The event is an opportunity for officers and community members to come together in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues, build relationships, and share a cup of coffee.

The event is free, and so is the coffee.

Coffee with a Cop is a national initiative supported by the U.S. Department of Justice, office of community oriented policing services. The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers and community members one cup of coffee at a time.

For more information: Sgt. Juventino Banuelos, 503-837-1108 or email Banuelos.juventino@ci.independence.or.us.



## 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, FEB. 17

• **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.

• **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.

• **Day-2-Day Diabetes Support Group** — 3 to 4 p.m., West Valley Hospital (main conference room inside main entrance), 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. 503-623-7323.

• **Bingo at the Farm** — 6:30 p.m., Rogue Farms Hopyard, 3590 Wigrich Road, Independence. All ages welcome. Free; food and beverages available for purchase. 503-838-9813.

• **Brew and BS: The Old Testament** — 7 p.m., St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. A lecture series on the Old Testament. Bring brew of choice — coffee, tea, chai, beer, wine, cider. 435-503-4304.

• **"Fuzzy Logic" book reading** — 3 p.m., Willamette Room, Werner University Center, Western Oregon University, Monmouth. Author Maren Anderson will read her book, "Fuzzy Logic," and sign copies.

• **Literacy Night** — 5:30 to 7 p.m., Burgerville 615 E. Main St., Monmouth. Admission is free.

### THURSDAY, FEB. 18

• **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.

• **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.

• **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.

• **Hymn sing-along** — 6:30 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. Sing hymns with others. 503-838-5678.

• **Veterans Night at the Elks** — 6:30 p.m., Independence Elks Lodge Post 1950, 289 S. Main St., Independence. Different organization presents about services offered to veterans. Bunko upstairs for families.

• **M-I Chamber after-hours mixer** — 5:30 to 7 p.m., Main Street Pub and Eatery, 169 Main St. W., Monmouth. The M-I Rotary Club co-sponsors the event. Light refreshments, no-host bar. [www.micc-or.org](http://www.micc-or.org).

• **American Legion Women's Auxiliary** — 7 p.m., Academy Building, room 108, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. 503-420-4021.

• **Radio Operators Association of Dallas (ROADS)** — 7 p.m., Polk County Courthouse (Jefferson Street entrance), 850 Main St., Dallas. Organization for amateur radio operators; public welcome. 503-881-5836.

• **Dallas Downtown Association** — 6 p.m., Pressed Coffee & Wine Bar, 788 Main St., Dallas. A meeting of business people regarding the vitality of Dallas and its downtown area. 503-857-5042.

### FRIDAY, FEB. 19

• **Take Off Pounds Sensibly Club Meeting** — 9:45 to 11 a.m., Church of Christ, 127 Heffley St. N., Monmouth. First meeting is free. 503-930-7936.

• **Family Building Blocks Independence play group** — 10 a.m., St. Patrick Catholic Church, 1275 E St., Independence. Play group for children and families. Activities and snacks provided. Free. RSVP, 503-363-3057.

• **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.

• **Bluegrass music jam** — 7 to 10 p.m., Faith Evangelical Free Church, Community Building, 2290 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas. Free. All welcome to listen or participate. Bluegrass instruments only.

### SATURDAY, FEB. 20

• **Coffee with a Cop (Independence)** — 7 to 9 a.m., Independence McDonald's, 1315 Monmouth St., Independence. Get to know Independence police officers in a casual setting, have a cup of coffee and chat. Free. 503-837-1108.

### SUNDAY, FEB. 21

• **Dallas Wingdingers RC Flying Club Indoor Fly** — 1 to 3 p.m., Whitworth Elementary School gym, 1151 SE Miller Ave., Dallas. 503-623-7288.

### MONDAY, FEB. 22

• **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.

• **American Red Cross blood drive** — 12:30 to 6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 879 SW Levens St., Dallas. [Redcross-blood.org](http://Redcross-blood.org).

### TUESDAY, FEB. 23

• **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.

• **Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) Club** — 6 to 7 p.m. weigh-in, 7 to 8 p.m. meeting, First Christian Church basement, 1079 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. Meetings offer programs and activities aimed at losing weight. Open to anyone. First meeting is free.

### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24

• **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.

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## LIBRARY CALENDAR

### DALLAS

950 Main St.  
503-623-2633

[www.ci.dallas.or.us/library](http://www.ci.dallas.or.us/library)

- Wednesday, Feb. 17, 3:45 p.m. — Teen Advisory Board meeting.
- Wednesday, Feb. 17, 4 p.m. — Paws to Read (read to the dog) with Davos.
- Wednesday, Feb. 17, 4:45 p.m. — Teen Book Club.
- Thursday, Feb. 18, 11:15 a.m. — Special story time with Dallas dentist Matthew Woolsey.
- Thursday, Feb. 18, 2:30 p.m. — Lego building.
- Thursday, Feb. 18, 5 p.m. — Adult Coloring Night.
- Tuesday, Feb. 23, 11:15 a.m. — Morning story time.
- Tuesday, Feb. 23, 3:30 p.m. — Afternoon story time.

INDEPENDENCE  
175 Monmouth St.  
503-838-1811

[www.ci.independence.or.us/library](http://www.ci.independence.or.us/library)

- Wednesday, Feb. 17, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.
- Wednesday, Feb. 17, 5:30 p.m. — Cuentos in Español.
- Thursday, Feb. 18, 4:30 p.m. — Chess Club for kids (first grade and older).
- Thursday, Feb. 18, 1 p.m. — Community ESL.
- Friday, Feb. 19, 4:30 p.m. — Teen Cooking Club (quesadillas).
- Tuesday, Feb. 23, 4 p.m. — Winter Fun Club (Leap Year Birthday Party).
- Wednesday, Feb. 24, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.
- Wednesday, Feb. 24, 5:30 p.m. — Cuentos in Español.

MONMOUTH  
168 S. Ecols St.  
503-751-0182

[www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library](http://www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library)

- Wednesday, Feb. 17, 5:30-7:30 p.m. — Family Literacy Night at Burgerville. Free kids cone, discounted children's meals, literacy resources for families.
- Thursday, Feb. 18, 10:15 a.m. — Pre-school story time.
- Tuesday, Feb. 23, 10:15 a.m. — Tales for Tots.

WAGNER COMMUNITY LIBRARY  
111 N. Main St., Falls City  
503-787-3521, ext. 319  
[www.facebook.com/WagnerCommunityLibrary/timeline](http://www.facebook.com/WagnerCommunityLibrary/timeline)

- See the library's Facebook page for upcoming events.

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