

# AP grading topic of conversation

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INDEPENDENCE — A couple dozen people showed up at the Central School District board meeting on Monday to share concerns with board members about the atmosphere at Central High School.

Li Tubman, an English and advanced placement teacher, said he was concerned about the decision to unweight grades in AP classes.

"Weighting is the practice of giving extra points to AP grades," Tuckman said. "It was common. It has been done in the past. Should Central continue to weight AP grades? Yes."

Tuckman said that when teachers returned to school in fall, Principal Greg Mitchell decided to remove the weighted grades, saying that they could penalize students in college applications. "Every school I called, including Stanford, said including weighted grades on our transcripts is not a problem," Tuckman said. "Several schools say they use weighted grades in considering scholarships."

The decision to remove weighted grades came without discussion with teachers, parents or students, said teacher Rachel Duncan.

"We did not know as teachers or as professionals about the abrupt change in weighted grades until grades went out in the fall," she said.



A small crowd waits for the school board meeting.

Michael Mann, a concerned parent, said changing the weighted grades was a "poor and uninformed choice."

He said the policy change was never communicated to parents or students.

"The administration has failed to advise affected people about this situation," Mann said, noting that weighted grades also affect a student's insurance rates, scholarships and college applications.

Mann said that administrators at the high school said the elimination of weighted grades was because college admissions employees said they do not prefer them. Mann said that when he asked which universities said that, he did not get an answer.

"When considering a major policy change, I expect a professional approach," including involving stakeholders, doing research, making

an informed decision and communicating that decision clearly, Mann said.

"This administration did none of those things," he said. "Poor communication is something we have had enough of," Duncan said. "It's really hard on us, hard on our students."

Talmadge Middle School teacher Cheri Higgins presented the board with a printout of an online petition with 500 signatures to resolve the conflict at Central High School.

"Please sign here to ask the members of the board to direct Superintendent (Buzz) Brazeau to announce immediately that Principal (Greg) Mitchell will not continue on as principal next year, and to begin a search for a new principal as soon as possible," the petition states.

Board members did not respond to comments, as is their policy.

# 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.

## DALLAS Arrests/Citations

- Makala Ward, 20, of Dallas in the 200 block of Southeast Uglov Avenue on Thursday on a charge of physical harassment.
- Theodore H. Lometa, 26, of Albany on Southeast Maple Street on Saturday on charges of driving under the influence of intoxicants and reckless driving.
- Jason P. Gettman, 31, of 500 Southeast Uglov Street on

Sunday on charges of violating a restraining order and misdemeanor stalking.

## INDEPENDENCE Arrests/Citations

- Rocio Pantoja, 18, of Independence, at the corner of Marigold Drive and North Gun Club Road on Feb. 27 for minor in possession of alcohol.
- Joshua David Harper, 31, of Independence, in the 900 block of Skyraider Drive on Feb. 29 for first-degree burglary of a residence, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle — vehicle theft, and third-degree theft.
- Tammy Lynn Ferris, 37, of Salem, in the 1100 block of Dale Court on Thursday for second-degree theft (conspiracy). At the same time and place, John Wyngarden, 38, of Independence, for second-de-

## MONMOUTH Arrests/Citations

- Victoria Lesun Walker, 23, of Monmouth, on the corner College Street South and Clay Street West on Feb. 27 for driving under the influence of intoxicants.
- Isaiah Paul Edwards, 19, of Monmouth, at the corner of Pacific Highway North and Powell Street East on Feb. 27 for driving under the influence of intoxicants and reckless endangering.
- Rudy Anthony Camarena, 23, of Monmouth, at the corner of Catron Street North and Jackson Street East on Feb. 27 for driving under the influence of intoxicants and reckless endangering.



Carlsen Dewitt Stedwell Cleland Dougherty

# Corrections posts 'most wanted'

DALLAS — Polk County Community Corrections lists these individuals as "most wanted" for March. Citizens with information on the whereabouts of any of them can call community corrections at 503-623-5226.

- Chester Reed Carlsen, born Aug. 28, 1954, 5-9, 200 pounds, brown hair,

hazel eyes. Charge: first-degree criminal trespassing.

- Bryan Ray Dewitt, born Feb. 2, 1987, 5-8, 145 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes. Charge: delivery of a controlled substance.
- Daniel Anthony Stedwell, born Sept. 1, 1989, 5-10, 180 pounds, brown hair, gray eyes. Charge:

heroin possession.

- Steven W. Cleland, born May 20, 1987, 6-2, 150 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes. Charge: criminally negligent homicide.
- Ryan James Dougherty, born June 30, 1980, 6-1, 220 pounds, blond hair, blue eyes. Charge: selling dangerous drugs.

# OBITUARIES

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## Retta Nadine Brown Allister Morrison

Dec. 18, 1913 — March 2, 2016  
Retta Nadine Brown Allister Morrison, 102, of Springfield, died March 2.

She was born to William H. and Jennie Gertrude Brown on her great-grandfather's donation land claim, just north of Dallas. Her family dates back to Oregon Trail pioneers.

Retta attended North Dallas School and Oak Point School in Independence.

She married Roy Allister on Oct. 7, 1933, in Vancouver, Wash., and lived in Dallas until 1956 before moving to West Salem. Roy was killed in a logging accident on Nov. 14, 1958.

Retta worked for Cornet Stores in Salem as a sales lady and later as manager for 18 years.

She married Ronie Morrison in Reno, Nev., on June 4, 1968, and they lived in the Independence and Salem area.

Ronie died 24 years later, and Retta moved to Springfield to live near her daughters.

She was creative and loved to make quilts, sew children's clothing, and paint pictures. She was gifted with crochet and embroidery and started an afghan just days before she died. She collected dolls and music boxes.

The Oregon Coast was a favorite place and, while there, she fed a few \$1 bills into a penny slot machine and "won big."

She was preceded in death by her son, Jimmie Allister.

Survivors include her daughters, Betty Haines, of Springfield and Beverly Withey, of Las Vegas; stepdaughter, Janice Bieler; son, Roy Allister, of Culver; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Service was Monday at Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center. Interment was at Brown Cemetery in Dallas.

To send an online tribute: [www.dallastribute.com](http://www.dallastribute.com).

## Wayne Alvin Gann

Dec. 30, 1935 — March 4, 2016  
Wayne Alvin Gann, 80, of West Salem, died Friday in West Salem.

He was born in a log cabin in Colcord, Okla.

Wayne served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1954 to 1956, and then graduated from San Francisco State University with a Bachelor's of Science in Industrial Management in 1961.

Wayne was self-employed and in the insurance business in Dallas prior to his retirement in 1995.

Wayne enjoyed hiking, traveling, gardening, and spending time with his family.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Jane Gann of 34 years; and siblings, Wanda Hamilton, Ruth Gardner, and Vernon Legg.

Survivors include his wife of 18 years, Elizabeth Gann; his children, Linda (Jeff) Haller, Mike (Cindy) Gann, and Julie (Randy) Shrake; stepsons, Joseph (Teresa) Clinton, and Greg Clinton; sister, Betty Reyburn, of Santa Maria, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.

Memorial service is Saturday at 1 p.m. at the West Hills Community Church, 1650 Brush College Road NW in West Salem. Private interment was at Salt Creek Cemetery.

Contributions are suggested to Willamette Valley Hospice, 1015 Third St. NW, Salem, OR 97304.

Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements.

To send an online tribute: [www.dallastribute.com](http://www.dallastribute.com).

## Mack Martin McConnell

Feb. 6, 1936 — Feb. 29, 2016  
Mack Martin McConnell, 80, of Dallas died Feb. 29 in Dallas.

He was born near Council Grove, Kan., to Sidney McConnell and Viola Litke McConnell.

He spent a portion of his young life in the Wren area where he was taught in a one-room school house.

He could drive when he was 6 years old and had a host of farm chores, as did his sisters, Joyce and Sharon. He left home and joined the Army and was sent to Korea.

He married twice and had kids. He did construction work

and then drove long-haul trucks for a living. He prided himself on never going to Texas and on never getting

on a plane once he was back from the Army. He retired from truck driving at Western Pulp Products to provide some company to Maggie McConnell Hammer,

his stepmother, and then was able to be with his mother and his other close mother-figure, Alice Priest, as their lives ended.

He had a special fondness for dogs and horses. He brought his dog, Leroy, to work in his truck and even drove to San Diego on a motorcycle with him. He enjoyed a trip to Montana with Charlie Pointer, a childhood friend, as a 70th birthday present.

He enjoyed back roads, fishing, hunting and a good bargain, especially if it was an old car. He could fix nearly everything and had a knack for trading things to get something he wanted.

He loved going to coffee with his buddies in Dallas at Burger King. He counted them among his many true friends.

He had a great sense of humor and he enjoyed provoking laughter in others. He generally believed he was a lucky man and operated from the premise that things will work out.

Survivors include his sister, Sharon McConnell, who took care of him in his last months; stepbrothers, Bob Schafer and Vernon Schafer; son, Carl McConnell; daughter, Carol McConnell; granddaughters, Maggie and Natalie Hatt; and a large extended family.

No service will be held. Interment will be at Willamette National Cemetery. Gathering of family and friends may be held at a later date.

## Lyle Birkey

Feb. 5, 1927 — March 4, 2016  
Lyle Birkey, 89, of Dallas died March 4.

Viewing is Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. at Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center. The service is Friday at 11 a.m. at the mortuary. Interment will be at Salt Creek Cemetery in Dallas.

To send an online tribute: [www.dallastribute.com](http://www.dallastribute.com).

# PUBLIC NOTICES

## TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

TS No.: 032613-OR Loan No.: \*\*\*\*\*2532 Reference is made to that certain trust deed (the "Deed of Trust") executed by KELLY CHAPMAN AND HEIDI CHAPMAN, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY OF OREGON, as Trustee, in favor of WORLD SAVINGS BANK, FSB, ITS SUCCESSORS AND/OR ASSIGNEES, as Beneficiary, dated 6/25/2004, recorded 6/29/2004, as Instrument No. 2004-010419, in the Official Records of Polk County, Oregon, which covers the following described real property situated in Polk County, Oregon: LOT 11, BLOCK 3, NORTH OAKS ADDITION, PHASE IV, IN THE CITY OF DALLAS, POLK COUNTY, OREGON. APN: 07529-AC-05200 / 562318 Commonly known as: 592 NW EVE DR DALLAS, OR 97338 The current beneficiary is: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the above-described real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and notice has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to pay when due, the following sums:

Delinquent Payments:		
Dates: No. Amount	Total:	
04/01/15 thru 06/01/15	3	\$1,489.59
07/01/15 thru 02/01/16	8	\$1,603.89
Late Charges:		\$12,831.12
Beneficiary Advances:		\$1,036.30
		\$1,143.50

Foreclosure Fees and Expenses: \$0.00  
Total Required to Reinstated: \$19,479.69  
TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$223,935.46  
By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by the Deed of Trust immediately due and payable, including: the principal sum of \$206,046.52 together with interest thereon at the rate of 5.75 % per annum, from 3/1/2015 until paid, plus all accrued late charges, and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs, and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust Whereof, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee, CLEAR RECON CORP., whose address is 621 SW Morrison Street, Suite 425, Portland, OR 97205, will on 7/7/2016, at the hour of 11:00 AM, standard time, as established by ORS 187.110, AT THE MAIN STREET ENTRANCE TO THE POLK COUNTY COURT HOUSE, 850 MAIN STREET, DALLAS, OR 97338, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the above-described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time it executed the Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of the Deed of Trust, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS

86.778 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than the portion of principal that would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorneys' fees, and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the Deed of Trust at any time not later than five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the Deed of Trust, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 2/22/2016 CLEAR RECON CORP 621 SW Morrison Street, Suite 425 Portland, OR 97205 858-750-7600

(Mar. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2016)

## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR POLK COUNTY Juvenile Department

In the Matter of HARMONY MCGEE A Child.

Case No. 16JU00192 PUBLISHED SUMMONS TO: William McGee IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON:

A second amended petition has been filed asking the court to establish jurisdiction under ORS 419B.100 for the above-named child. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PERSONALLY APPEAR BEFORE the Polk County Circuit Court at 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon 97338, on the 4th day of April, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. to admit or deny the allegations of the petition and to personally appear at any subsequent court-ordered hearing. YOU MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY IN THE COURTROOM ON THE DATE AND AT THE TIME LISTED ABOVE. AN ATTORNEY MAY NOT ATTEND THE HEARING IN YOUR PLACE. THEREFORE, YOU MUST APPEAR EVEN IF YOUR ATTORNEY ALSO APPEARS.

This summons is published pursuant to the order of the circuit court judge of the above-entitled court, dated March 3, 2016. The order directs that this summons be published once each week for three consecutive weeks, making three publications in all, in a published newspaper of general circulation in Polk County.

Date of first publication: March 9, 2016  
Date of last publication:

## March 23, 2016 NOTICE READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY

IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR PERSONALLY BEFORE THE COURT OR DO NOT APPEAR AT ANY SUBSEQUENT COURT-ORDERED HEARING, the court may proceed in your absence without further notice and take jurisdiction of the above-named child either ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THIS SUMMONS OR ON A FUTURE DATE, and may make such orders and take such action as authorized by law.

RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS (1) YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY IN THIS MATTER. If you are currently represented by an attorney, CONTACT YOUR ATTORNEY IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTICE. Your previous attorney may not be representing you in this matter.

IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY and you meet the state's financial guidelines, you are entitled to have an attorney appointed for you at state expense. TO REQUEST APPOINTMENT OF AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU AT STATE EXPENSE, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY CONTACT the Polk County Circuit Court at 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon 97338, phone number (503) 623-1885, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. for further information.

IF YOU WISH TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY, please retain one as soon as possible and have the attorney present at the above hearing. If you need help find-

ing an attorney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684-3763 or toll free in Oregon at (800) 452-7636.

IF YOU ARE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH YOUR ATTORNEY AND TO KEEP YOUR ATTORNEY ADVISED OF YOUR WHEREABOUTS.

(2) If you contest the petition, the court will schedule a hearing on the allegations of the petition and order you to appear personally and may schedule other hearings related to the petition and order you to appear personally. IF YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR, YOU MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY IN THE COURTROOM, UNLESS THE COURT HAS GRANTED YOU AN EXCEPTION IN ADVANCE UNDER ORS 419B.918 TO APPEAR BY OTHER MEANS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, TELEPHONIC OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS. AN ATTORNEY MAY NOT ATTEND THE HEARING(S) IN YOUR PLACE.

PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY Sarah S. Morris #964319 Senior Assistant Attorney General Department of Justice 1162 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97301-4096 Phone: (503) 934-4400 ISSUED this 3rd day of March, 2016.

(Mar. 9, 16, 23, 2016)