

COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

Polk Museum to host 'Family Day'

Saturday is "Family Day" at the Polk County Museum beginning at 1:30 p.m. Hosted by the Polk County Historical Society, the event will feature fun activities for kids including a scavenger hunt, dress-up, and vintage period costumes.

Demonstrations on spinning and weaving, quilting and handiwork, and blacksmithing will be going on, as well.

Admission and refreshments are free. The museum is at 560 S. Pacific Highway West (99W), in Rickreall.

For more information: 503-623-6251.

Faith Evangelical to host bluegrass jam

The Faith Evangelical Free Church will host a bluegrass music jam from 7 to 10 p.m. on Friday in the community room, 2290 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas.

All are welcome to come listen or participate. Bluegrass instruments only.

For more information: Steve, 503-399-6114.

Sell craft supplies Saturday at MSC

The Monmouth Senior Center will host a craft supply sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Tables cost \$10 to sell supplies. It is free to attend.

Come reduce the size of your stash and earn some money.

For more information: 503-838-5678.

Program offers free tax help to seniors

AARP Tax Aide program will provide tax assistance for low- to middle-income senior citizens in Dallas and Monmouth now through April 15.

Dallas assistance will be at Northwest Senior and Disability Services, 260 NE Kings Valley Highway, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Mondays. For more information: 503-831-0581.

Monmouth assistance is at the Monmouth Senior Center, 180 Warren St. S., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursdays, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. For more information: 503-838-5678.

St. Thomas to host Holy Week events

St. Thomas Episcopal Church will host a series of events for Holy Week at the church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas.

On Sunday at 10 a.m., Palm Sunday will start with the Procession of the Palms. On March 23, Wednesday Tenebrae, service of shadows and darkness, will be at 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday, March 24, will be celebrated with Seder dinner from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. followed by a stripping of the alter. Reser-

Fielding questions



Central junior Matthew Raines takes questions from Michelle Lewis during a mock interview on Friday. The interview was part of a career fair that gave students a chance to work on resume building and get information about different career paths.

vations are required for dinner by calling 503-623-8522.

Good Friday, March 25, will be celebrated by the Stations of the Cross, followed by music and meditation and the liturgy of the passion from the Book of Common Prayer from 12:30 to 3 p.m. Attendees may come and go as their schedule allows.

On Easter Sunday, March 27, the Holy Eucharist will be at 10 a.m.

Dallas seniors to host soup, pie sale

The Dallas Area Senior Center will host its St. Patrick's Day Soup and Pie Sale from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday at the center, 955 SE Jefferson St., Dallas.

Soups will include chicken, split pea and ham, clam chowder and taco soup. Bread, pie and drinks also will be available.

Lunch is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 10 and younger. For more information: 503-623-8554.

Library 'Friends' to host two day sale

The Friends of the Independence Public Library will host a book sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday and Saturday at the historic Independence library, 311 S. Monmouth St.

The event will include a \$5 bag sale.

Living Well Series to start Thursday

A six-week workshop featuring practical skills for living with diabetes will be offered at the Flaming Medical Center, 1000 SE Uglow St., Dallas, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. starting on Thursday and going through April 21.

Self-management skills that will be taught include working with a health care team, managing symptoms and medications, solving problems, setting weekly goals, getting support from family and friends, and learning how to be active and eat well, which impact blood glucose.

The workshop is designed to complement and enhance medical treatment.

Class materials, including a course book and CD, are provided without charge. The workshop is free.

For more information: WVP Health Authority, 503-587-5129.

Monmouth soup, pie sale Thursday

The Monmouth Senior Center will host its St. Patrick's Day Soup and Pie Sale from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday at the center, 180 Warren St. S.

Cost is \$3 for a large bowl of soup and \$2 for a slice pie. There are five different varieties of soup. Some of the favorites are corn chowder, chicken noodle and vegetable beef.

Proceeds from the sale benefit the general fund.

For more information: 503-838-5678.

Quilter is featured artist at library

Quilter Janice Ames is the Dallas Public Library "Art Wall" artist for March.

Ames learned to sew as a young teen. Since then, she has honed her talents to make clothing, craft items, and quilts. Her quilts displayed at the library are considered modern in style.

Modern quilting respects the artistry and talent of the tradition of quilting, while allowing the quilter to chal-

lenge the "rules" by using such things as bold colors and prints and improvisational piecing.

Her work will be displayed at the library, 950 Main St., Dallas, through the end of March.

For more information: 503-623-2633.

CB Church to host Messiah Passover

Central Baptist Church, 655 S. Pacific Highway, Monmouth will host Messiah in the Passover, a demonstration showing how Jesus fulfilled the feast of Passover on Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

The demonstration is open to the public.

For more information: 503-838-1369.

Rickreall Creek Trail signs unveiled

A ribbon cutting for three new interpretative signs on the Rickreall Creek Trail is slated for Friday at noon.

The event will take place at the trail crossing on Main Street across from the "Welcome to Dallas" fountain.

The signs were paid for, designed and installed by the Ford Institute Leadership Program's Dallas/Falls City Cohort 2. The Ford Institute Leadership Program, offered by The Ford Family Foundation and administered by Rural Development Initiatives Inc., teaches groups of community members how to lead. In return, the groups promise to complete a project benefitting their respective communities, with the opportunity to earn financial support from The Ford Family Foundation by raising matching funds.

For more information about the project: 503-623-2338.



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 (ioneews@polkio.com).

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

• **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.

• **Dallas Downtown Association** — 6 p.m., Pressed Coffee and Wine Bar, 788 Main St., Dallas. A meeting of business people to discuss downtown Dallas. 503-871-4482.

• **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.

• **Lenten series** — 5:30 to 8 p.m., St. Thomas Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. Free. Worship service at 5:30; soup supper at 6; video lecture series on Old Testament followed by discussion from 7 to 8.

• **Senior meals, Dallas** — 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, LaCreole Manor, 204 SW Walnut St., Dallas. Free, but \$3 donation suggested. Reservations required. 503-623-6232.

• **Senior meals, Monmouth** — 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, Monmouth Senior Center, 180 Warren St. S., Monmouth. Free, but \$3 donation suggested. Reservations required. 503-838-2084.

• **Indoor Play Park** — 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, First Presbyterian Church, 879 SW Levens St., Dallas. Drop-ins welcome. For ages infant through pre-K with parent. Free, but donations accepted. 503-623-3397.

• **Family Literacy Night** — 5:30 p.m., Burgerville, 615 Main St., E, Monmouth. Free. 503-838-6096.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

• **Dementia Support Group** — 9:30 a.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 Warren St. S., 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 Senior Center soup and pie sale** — 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 Warren St. S., Monmouth. \$3 for soup; \$2 for pie. 503-838-5678.

• **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.

• **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.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18

• **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.

• **Blugrass Music Jam** — 7 to 10 p.m., Faith Evangelical Free Church, community building, 2290 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas. Free. Bluegrass instruments only. 503-399-6114.

• **Dallas Soup and Pie Sale** — 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Dallas Area Senior Center, 955 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. Soup, pie, bread and drinks. Adults, \$6; children 10 and younger, \$3. 503-623-8554.

• **Friends of the Independence Public Library book sale** — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., historic Independence library, 311 S. Monmouth St., Independence.

• **Rickreall Creek Trail System sign ribbon cutting** — Noon, RCTS Main Street crossing, across from the "Welcome to Dallas" fountain in Dallas. Free. 503-623-2338.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19

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• **Monmouth Senior Center Craft Supply Sale** — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 Warren St. S., Monmouth. Table rental is \$10. 503-838-5678.

SUNDAY, MARCH 20

• **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, MARCH 21

• **Dallas Area Chamber of Commerce Luncheon** — 11:30 a.m., The Majestic, 962 SE Main St., Dallas. Cost: \$12. 503-623-2564.

• **Polk County Battle Buddies support group** — 6 to 8 p.m., West Valley Hospital conference room, 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. Support group for Polk County veterans. Dinner is served at 6 p.m. Free. 503-480-6254.

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LIBRARY CALENDAR

DALLAS

950 Main St.

503-623-2633

www.ci.dallas.or.us/library

- Wednesday, March 16, 3:45 p.m. — Teen Advisory Board meeting.
- Wednesday, March 16, 4:45 p.m. — Teen book club, "Jackaby" by William Ritter.
- Thursday, March 17, 11:15 a.m. — Kids story time.
- Thursday, March 17, 2:30 p.m. — Lego Building.
- Thursday, March 17, 5 p.m. — Adult coloring night.
- Friday, March 18, 5:30 p.m. — Teen movie night, "Pixels."
- Saturday, March 19, 3:30 p.m. — Kid/Family movie, "Inside Out."
- Tuesday, March 22, 11:15 a.m. — Kids morning story time.
- Tuesday, March 22, 3:30 p.m. — Kids afternoon story time.

INDEPENDENCE

175 Monmouth St. • 503-838-1811

www.ci.independence.or.us/library

- Wednesday, March 16, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.
- Wednesday, March 16, 5:30 p.m. — Cuentos in Español.
- Thursday, March 17, 4:30 p.m. — Chess club.
- Thursday, March 17, 1 p.m. — Community ESL.
- Friday, March 18, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Book sale at old library.
- Saturday, March 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Book sale at old library.
- Monday, March 21, 3 p.m. — Lego mania: trucks.
- Tuesday, March 22, 4 p.m. — Bob the Builder. Public works, equipment, free hot dogs.
- Wednesday, March 23, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.
- Wednesday, March 23, 5:30 p.m. — Cuentos in Español.

MONMOUTH

168 S. Ecols St.

503-751-0182

www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library

- Wednesday, March 16, 5:30 p.m. — Family Literacy Night (at Burgerville).
 - Wednesday, March 16, noon — Lunch and learn.
 - Thursday, March 17, 10:15 a.m. — Pre-school story time.
 - Tuesday, March 22, 10:15 a.m. — Family-friendly games.
 - Wednesday, March 23, 2 p.m. — Red Yarn Folksongs and Puppet Show.
- WAGNER COMMUNITY LIBRARY
111 N. Main St., Falls City
503-787-3521, ext. 319
www.facebook.com/WagnerCommunityLibrary/timeline
- Saturday, March 19, noon — "Read to the Dog" with GiGi and Dale.



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