### **DEADLINES**

#### **NEWS DEADLINES**

For inclusion in the Wednesday edition of the Itemizer-Observer:

Social news (weddings, engagements, anniversaries, births, milestones) — 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

Community events — Noon on Thursday for both the Community Notebook and Community Calendar.

Letters to the editor – 10 a.m. on Friday.

**Obituaries** — 4 p.m. on Friday

### **ADVERTISING DEADLINES Retail display ads** — 3

p.m. Thursday. **Classified display ads** 

— 11 a.m. on Friday.

Classified line ads —

Noon on Friday. Classified ads are updated daily on

www.polkio.com. **Public notices** — Noon on Thursday.

#### CORRECTIONS

In the May 18 issue of the Itemizer-Observer, Frank Albert Arturi, 84, formerly of Dallas, died May 12 in Salem.

The jump headline on page 13A was incorrect.

The Buena Vista House Cafe and Lodging opened for lodging in 1997 and for the cafe in 2000. It is located at 11265 Riverview St., Independence, 503-838-6364.

Polk County Master Gardeners may be reached at 503-623-8395.

The I-O regrets the errors and oversights.

If you see anything that requires a correction or clarification, call the newsroom at 503-623-2373 or send an email to ementzer@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 that do not appear in print due to space limitations.

### WEATHER

RECORDED	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
May 17	75	54	.00
May 18	74	50	.00
May 19		47	.13
May 20		46	.00
May 21	61	50	T.
May 22		49	.42
May 23		48	.01
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Rainfall during May — 1.17 in. Rain through May 23 — 20.30 in.



Attendees of Dallas Family Night Out may enjoy a free meal while picking up backpacks for school, getting a hair cut, immunizations or health checks — and playing games.

# Wanted: school supplies

Dallas Family Night Out to help Tools for Schools

By Jolene Guzman

The Itemizer-Observer

DALLAS — Dallas Family Night Out, the community's back-to-school resource event in August, is expanding in its fifth year.

This year, the event established a partnership with Salvation Army's Tools for Schools program to distribute backpacks with school supplies, and took over coordination of the Apple Tree School Drive to collect donations.

Event coordinator Sheri Beehner said the hope is putting the three programs under one umbrella will help more Dallas-area families prepare for the upcoming school year.

Dallas Family Night Out is scheduled for Aug. 17 at Dallas United Methodist Church.

Launched in 2012, it's grown to offer school supplies, haircuts, immunizations, health checkups for children, a clothing giveaway, a free dinner, and games and entertainment.

# You can help

**What:** Donations for Dallas Family Night Out. **When:** Collection started this month and runs through the end of July.

**Where:** Participating businesses, churches and organizations. Donation barrels are located around Dallas at:

• Citizens Bank, 583 SE Jefferson St.; Oregon State Credit Union, 210 Orchard Drive; Polk Resource Center, 182 SW Academy St., suite 220; Polk County Courthouse, 850 Main St.; Dallas City Hall, 187 SE Court St.; Wells Fargo, 636 Main St.; Dallas Church, 450 SE Washington St.; First Presbyterian Church, 879 SW Levens St.; El Pique, 289 E. Ellendale Ave.; Salem Health West Valley, 525 SE Washington St.; and Les Schwab, 121 Main St.

**Of note:** Financial assistance and volunteers for the event are needed. Contact Sheri Beehner at 503-623-8387, ext. 322, or sbeehner@wvpha.org to help.

Beehner and the coordinating committee have already started preparing for the 2016 giveaway.

"Dallas Family Night Out is doing the fundraising for the event, and we have placed donation barrels around town and have sent letters to all the local businesses, trying to raise \$7,000 for this community event," Beehner said.

A number of local businesses and organizations have already stepped up to assist the event, but more is needed, especially with school supplies collection.

Volunteers and financial donations also are needed, Beehner said.

In 2015, nearly 1,000 people attended the event and 473 backpacks were given away.

Beehner said with the help of the community, that number could grow.

"We serve a lot of families and give out a lot of supplies," Beehner said.

## **NEWS IN BRIEF**

### Council, mayor open for elections

INDEPENDENCE — At the 2016 general election on Nov. 8, the positions for mayor and three councilor positions will appear on the ballot. The filing period for interested candidates begins on June 1. All filing requirements must be completed by 5 p.m. on Aug. 30.

Positions open in Independence are: mayor, currently held by John McArdle, two-year term; councilor position three, held by Forrest Peck, four-year term; councilor position five, held by Jerry Hoffman, four-year term; councilor position six, held by Nancy Lodge, four-year term.

All positions are non-partisan. Council positions are elected at-large, meaning candidates may reside in any area of the community. All positions are volunteer, not paid. All terms begin Jan. 1, 2017. Swearing in will be at the first council meeting in 2017, on Jan. 10.

To qualify as a candidate for mayor or city councilor:

Must be a qualified elector under the laws and constitution of the state of Oregon, and registered voter of the city of Independence, and must be a resident of the city of Independence who has lived in the city during the 12 months immediately preceding the election.

For more information: City Recorder and Elections Officer for the city of Independence Karin Johnson at 503-838-1212 or via email at kjohnson@ci.independence.or.us.

### Siletz contributes to Polk County Fair

GRAND RONDE — The Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund distributed \$172,332.37 to 49 organizations on May 6 as it continued its quarterly donations to nonprofit groups.

Of those groups, the Polk County Fair was awarded \$3,705 to

provide ID kits, bicycle helmets, car seats, life jackets and space rental for a children's safety education booth at the fair.

The Siletz Tribe has made contributions through employ-

ment, monetary donations and cooperative measures to the Siletz community, Lincoln County and the state of Oregon. The seven-member charitable fund advisory board has distributed nearly \$10 million since its inception in 2001.

Overall, the Tribe has honored its tradition of sharing within the community by distributing more than \$12.4 million.

the community by distributing more than \$12.4 million through the charitable fund and other Tribal resources. Chinook Winds has donated more than \$2.8 million in cash and fundraising items since it opened in 1995. The casino also provides in-kind donations of convention space for various fundraisers as well as technical support, advertising and manpower for many events.

The next deadline to submit applications is June 15. Eligibility for money from the charitable fund is limited to two categories:

 Entities and activities located in the Siletz Tribe's 11-county service area (Lincoln, Tillamook, Linn, Lane, Benton, Polk, Yamhill, Marion, Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas counties).
 Native American entities and activities located anywhere in

the United States.

For more information: ctsi.nsn.us/charitable-contribution-

fund; by calling 800-922-1399, ext. 1227, or 541-444-8227.

### Fourth case of rabies found in Oregon

POLK COUNTY — Public Health Officials from the Polk County Health Department have confirmed that a bat has tested positive for rabies by the Oregon State University, Veterinary Diagnostic laboratory.

This is the fourth positive bat for rabies in Oregon in 2016.

On May 16, Polk County Public Health was informed by the Oregon Health Authority that a bat found in West Salem had tested positive for rabies. The bat, found on the ground by

tested positive for rabies. The bat, found on the ground by West Salem residents, had been abnormally vocal and aggressive. This bat did not bite any persons or pets.

"Rabies is present in the bat population and bats are the pri-

mary reservoir of rabies in wild animals for our area of the country," said Kirk Hillebrand, Communicable Disease Nurse.

If you must handle a bat, it should be done with sturdy

gloves or an implement such as a shovel. Direct hand contact with bats should always be avoided.

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"All pet owners should make certain that their dogs and cats are vaccinated against rabies. Protecting pets from rabies can provide a buffer zone of immune animals between humans and rabid wild animals such as bats," said Emilio DeBess of the Oregon Health Authority.



# Summer Celebration Programs 2016

4th of July Celebrations Publishes June 29th

Summerfest Publishes July 27th

Polk County Fair
Publishes August 10th

Hop & Heritage Festival

Publishes September 14th

Contact Heidi, Rachel or Karen by June 11th to be a part of this special!

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