

COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

WOU largest swim lesson on Friday

Western Oregon University will take part in the "World's Largest Swim Lesson" Friday at 3:30 p.m.

The 30-minute class is free and open to the public. An optional playtime in the pool will follow the lesson.

The World's Largest Swim Lesson is a worldwide event that encourages people to learn how to swim to prevent drowning.

The Western Oregon pool is located inside the Health and Wellness Center, 345 N. Monmouth Ave., Monmouth.

For more information: Melissa Bergeland, bergelandm@wou.edu.

Grace Community offers Bible school

Grace Community Church, 598 E. Ellendale, Ave., Dallas, will offer Vacation Bible School Friday through July 1 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Cost is \$10 for one to two kids and \$15 for three or more in the same household. The school is open to kids entering preschool through fifth grade.

The theme this year is Cave Quest: Following Jesus, the light of the world.

Register online at www.graceindallas.org.

Volunteers sought for MI parade

Luckiamute Watershed Council and Polk Soil and Water Conservation District are looking for volunteers for the 2016 Monmouth-Independence Rotary Club Grand Parade on July 4.

Volunteers are needed for the rear detachment, which consists of riding or walking along side Claudia, a 14-foot tall Chinook salmon, to spread the word about keeping streams and streets clean. Volunteers may hold signs or carry trash bags and encourage the public to deposit bottles, cans, candy wrappers and any other trash and recyclables they have.

Hop Tour



JOLENE GUZMAN/Itemizer-Observer

Chatoe Rogue Pub Manager Kyle Ward talks about the different varieties of hops grown at Rogue Farms during a tour of the farm in Independence on Thursday.

The parade route is approximately 3.3 miles long, beginning at Western Oregon University in Monmouth and ending at Riverview Park in Independence. Volunteers may sign up for the entire length or a section of it.

For more information: Krista Larson, 503-837-0237 or Sawyer Finegan, 503-623-9680. An online volunteer form is available at <http://www.luckiamutelwc.org/grand-parade-volunteer.html>.

Polk County Fair 4-H entry forms due

Polk County 4-H entry forms are due by July 1 at 6 p.m. at the Polk County OSU Extension Office, 289 E. Ellendale Ave. Suite 301. The Polk County Fair is Aug. 11-13. Entry forms and other required paperwork are now available at the Extension

office or online at www.extension.oregonstate.edu/polk/fair.

Currently enrolled 4-H youth must list what specific classes they will enter at the county fair.

For more information: 503-623-8395.

MICC kicks off new Chamber program

The Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce will hold a Chamber Ambassador Kick Off Party Wednesday (today) from 6 to 8 p.m. at Haugen's Portrait Park, 9140 Hoffman Road, Independence.

Finger foods, beverages and lawn games will be available.

Chamber board members and guests who are interested in becoming more involved in the community and the chamber are invited to attend. RSVP by noon

Wednesday (today).

For more information: Miriam Haugen, 503-838-5416 or miriam@haugens-galleri.com.

Dallas Garden Club to hold meeting

Dallas Garden Club will hold its monthly meeting Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Builders Room at Evangelical Bible Church, 1175 SE Howe St., Dallas (enter through the breezeway on the Miller Street side).

Marisa DeWolfe, from Oregon State University, will present her research about bees and their importance as pollinators. In addition, Rodney Audin, a club member, will demonstrate a drip irrigation system.

Club membership is open to the public and visitors are always welcome.

For more information: Mike Stewart, 503-510-3293.

LIBRARY CALENDAR

DALLAS
950 Main St.
503-623-2633
www.ci.dallas.or.us/library

- Wednesday, June 22, 11:30 a.m. — Jugglemania.
- Thursday, June 23, 10:30 a.m. — Children's story time.
- Thursday, June 23, 2:30 p.m. — Lego Building.
- Tuesday, June 28, 10:30 a.m. — Morning children's story time.
- Tuesday, June 28, 3:30 p.m. — Afternoon Children's story time.

INDEPENDENCE
175 Monmouth St.
503-838-1811
www.ci.independence.or.us/library

- Wednesday, June 22, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.
- Wednesday, June 22, 3 p.m. — Juggling.
- Thursday, June 23, 3 p.m. — Paper Airplane Challenge.
- Friday, June 24, 3 p.m. — Fuel your engines (smoothies and snacks)).
- Tuesday, June 28, 4:30 p.m. — Chess club.
- Tuesday, June 28, 5:30 p.m. — Cuentos en Español.
- Wednesday, June 29, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.
- Wednesday, June 29, 3 p.m. — Wacky Sports Day.

MONMOUTH
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- Wednesday, June 22, 2 p.m. — Wacky Wednesdays (9-12 year olds; game day).
- Thursday, June 23, 10:15 a.m. — Game day (Central High softball and volleyball; preK-8 years old).
- Friday, June 24, 10:15 a.m. — Friday Tot Time.
- Wednesday, June 29, 2 p.m. — Wacky Wednesdays (9-12 year olds; make and play Monster Ball).

WAGNER COMMUNITY LIBRARY
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www.facebook.com/WagnerCommunityLibrary/timeline
• See the library's Facebook page for upcoming events.



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).

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

- **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.

- **Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce Ambassador Kick Off Party** — 6 to 8 p.m., Haugen's Portrait Park, 9140 Hoffman Road, Independence. RSVP by noon Wednesday (today). 503-838-5416.

- **Painting, Canvas and Cocktails** — 7 p.m., The Boondocks, 318 N. Main St., Falls City. All supplies, paint, canvas and instruction provided. No experience necessary. \$30, snack and cocktail included. 503-787-2700.

- **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.

THURSDAY, JUNE 23

- **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.

- **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.

- **Polk County Bounty Market** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Academy Building lawn, on the corner of Main and Academy streets, Dallas. 503-623-2564.

FRIDAY, JUNE 24

- **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.

- **Emerson Vineyard's Friday Night Music** — 6 to 9 p.m., 11665 Airlie Road, Monmouth. Bring dinner and friends and listen to the Deadbeats. \$7.50 plus a can of food. 503-838-0944.

- **Altered Attitudes Alcoholics Anonymous** — Noon, Dallas United Methodist Church, 565 SE LaCreole Drive, Dallas. 503-399-0599.

- **The Arc of Polk County Dance and Karaoke Night** — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Academy Building, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Admission: \$3 (staffers and family admitted free). Snacks available for purchase. 541-223-3261.

- **Guthrie Park Acoustic Music Jam Session** — 6:30 to 10 p.m., Guthrie Park Community Center, 4320 Kings Valley Highway, Dallas. Free (donations accepted). 503-623-0809.

SATURDAY, JUNE 25

- **Polk Community Free Clinic** — 7 to 11 a.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas. Free medical and mental health care for uninsured and underinsured. Held on the first and fourth Saturday of the month. 503-990-8772.

- **The Original Independence Farmers Market** — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Umpqua Bank parking lot, 302 S. Main St., Independence. 503-881-9950.

- **Independence Riverview Market** — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Riverview Park and Amphitheater, 50 C St., Independence. 503-910-8193.

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

- **Last Sunday at River Gallery** — 2 to 4 p.m., River Gallery, 184 S. Main St., Independence. Reception to honor corner and window focus artists. Free. 503-838-6171.

MONDAY, JUNE 27

- **Central Lions Club** — Noon, Independence Elks Lodge 1950 Dining Room, 289 S. Main St., Independence. 503-606-2150.

- **Dallas Garden Club** — 6:30 p.m., Evangelical Bible Church, 1175 SE Howe St., Dallas. Marisa DeWolfe and Rodney Audin will present. Meetings are open to the public. Mike Stewart, 503-510-3293.

- **Willamette Valley New Horizons Orchestra** — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 Warren St. S., Monmouth. Local orchestra for beginning through intermediate musicians. Meets every Monday. Players of all levels welcome. \$25 monthly fee to cover expenses. 503-838-4884.

TUESDAY, JUNE 28

- **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.

- **Overeaters Anonymous** — Noon to 1 p.m., Salem Health West Valley, 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. Support group meets in the conference room immediately inside the front doors.

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West Valley Housing Authority will hold their Work Session Meeting on Wednesday, June 22, 2016 beginning at 11:30 a.m. at 204 SW Walnut in Dallas, Oregon. The Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at 204 SW Walnut in Dallas, Oregon. An Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660 will be held immediately following the Regular Meeting, if required.

Agenda for the meeting is posted on the Housing Authority website at www.wvpha.org. The location for the meeting is handicapped accessible. Please advise the West Valley Housing Authority if you need any special accommodations to attend the meeting. For information, please call 503-623-8387, TDD 1-800-735-2900.