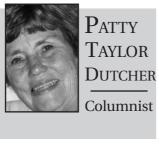
MI TOWN

We're knee-deep in summer in MI Town. Our mostly beautiful days and the perfect twilight hours in the evening reinforce just how fortunate we are to live in such wonderful communities. Many of us celebrate those cool and breezy early mornings by getting as much accomplished as possible before the afternoon sun is upon us. Dog walking and outdoor work are pretty high on the priority list at our house and give us a wonderful reason to spend daylight hours in the garden or sharing a glass of lemonade at the end of a busy day.

The outdoor concerts and movies give everyone a wonderful reason to enjoy a picnic supper and enjoy the very best part of summertime. This evening (July 13), the Allman



Brothers tribute band, Brothers and Sister, will be featured at the Main Street Park Amphitheater in Monmouth. Tomorrow evening (July 14), pack up the kids and a picnic supper, head for the Independence amphitheater and enjoy watching the movie, "Jumanji" at 9:45 p.m. under the starry sky. We are so fortunate to have so many committed local businesses and residents who have contributed funds and their time so that we can all enjoy outstanding live entertainment right here at home. We can show our thanks and appreciation by remembering to support concert sponsors all year long.

Here's your opportunity to find a new home for all those books taking up space in boxes and closets and other hiding places in nooks and crannies in your house.

The Monmouth Library's on-going book sale is in need of good, clean books — especially children's books. Please drop off any donations at the main desk during regular library hours.

Your old books can go home with new readers, and perhaps you can discover some gently used books for yourself.

The 16th Annual Smith Fine Arts Auction and Dinner is scheduled for Sunday, July 31. This helps provide funds to sponsor the various entertainers and programs presented in the Smith Fine Arts Series during the upcoming year. The evening includes dinner and a silent auction, and begins at 4:30 p.m.

Tickets are available for \$35 each, or \$250 for a table of eight. Donations of items for the silent auction would be appreciated.

If you wish to RSVP for ticket reservations or have any questions, please call 503-838-8333 or check the website at www.wou.edu.

For Monmouth residents interested in being on the city council, or know someone who is, there will be a Council Candidate Forum on July 27 at 5:30 p.m. in Volunteer Hall. Please contact Local Election Official, Phyllis Bolman at 503-751-0145 for more information.

BIRTHS

Sass

Triplets were born to Trisha and Michael Sass, of Dallas, on June 15 at Oregon Health & Sciences University in Portland.

Easton Michael Sass was born at 12:07 p.m. He weighed 5 pounds, 14 ounces and was 18.5 inches long.

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weighed 5 pounds and was 18 inches long. Sister Alison Grace Sass was born at 12:10 p.m. She weighed 4 pounds, 14 ounces and was 17.5 inches long.

The triplets join Kaylin, 7, Korin, 4, and Eliza, 1. Grandparents are Galen and Barbara Wish, of Dallas; Pete and Pam Sass, of Willamina; and Jeff and Marilyn

Great-grandparents are June Harritt, of Culver, and Patricia Matheson, of Richland.

Bustamante-Alis

Camilah Bustamante Alis was born on June 28 to Giovanna Bustamante and Kamino Alis, both of Monmouth, at Salem Family Birth Center.

She weighed 8 pounds.

Grandparents are Araceli Saldana and Gerardo Bustamante, both of Monmouth.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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TUESDAY, JULY 19

- **Dallas Wingdingers RC Flying Club** 7 p.m., 1833 SE Miller Ave., Dallas. 503-623-7288.
- **Polk County Coin Club** 7 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. 503-362-9123.
- Overeaters Anonymous Noon to 1 p.m., Salem Health West Valley, 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. Support group meets in the quiet room/chapel immediately inside the emergency entrance on Clay Street. Dee Ann White, 971-718-6444.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

- **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.
- Western Oregon Summer Heatwave concert series —
 Noon, WOU, 345 Monmouth Ave. N, Monmouth. Morgan Alexander. Free. 503-838-8514.
 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.

 Brew and BS: The Old Testament 7 p.m., St. Thomas
- **Brew and BS: The Old Testament** / 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.
- Music in the Park 6:30 p.m., Main Street Park, Monmouth. Transcendental Brass Band, New Orleans Jazz. Free. www.ci.monmouth.or.us.

PEDEE NEWS

Connie Ames and her son Dennis McBeth gave their daughter and sister Renee in marriage to Doug Pierce in the gazebo at the Dallas City Park on June 11, in a happy ceremony in front of friends and family. Doug's daughter Jamie Pierce and son David Pierce and his wife and three kids, as well as his mother, came from Michigan to be with them. After the reception at the park, the whole Pierce family went to Lincoln City for the weekend to catch up with each other. This was not the honeymoon, which came later.

Two weeks ago Jacob North traveled to Washington, D.C., with 14 other stu-



dents from rural Oregon representing various electric cooperatives to visit historical sites and learn about the cooperative business model and the importance of political involvement as U.S. citizens. The tour presented a myriad of new opportunities for

them, from simply stepping

onto a plane or the District

of Columbia's subway sys-

tem for the first time to

standing on Capitol Hill

and behind the White House, and visiting the numerous memorials there. Politics became more personal as they met and spoke with Oregon Congressman Greg Walden.

On this trip, Jacob was selected by the other Oregon representatives to represent our state a second time in July. One student from each U.S. state was chosen to return to D.C. from July 16 - 20 for a leadership conference. On this trip, the 50 chosen teenagers will develop speaking and presentation skills with interactive speakers and workshops, all while networking with others from across the contiguous United States. There will then be a follow-up trip to San Diego the following February where one of the 50 will give a speech in front of thousands at the 2017 annual meeting for the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

The neighborhood is changing. Pam Burbank and son Michael moved back to the church rental house (former parsonage) near the covered bridge, where she is preparing the house to provide assisted living for adults. And then Alan and Sue Garton just sold their home here in Pedee and are moving to Dallas. They'd been in Pedee for 37 years.

WELCOME HOME AUSTIN!

Please join Austin Daberkow's family in welcoming him home from his time volunteering in South Africa.

We will be celebrating at Main Street Park in Monmouth Sunday July 17th. Drop by between noon and 6 p.m. for food, beverages, and fun times!

Solution on Page 3A 5 6 4 3 1 9 3 8 4 6 6 3 9 1 3

Sudoku Difficulty:★★★☆

A 3 2 8 1 6 7 5 9

Row → 5 6 7 3 7 4 8 1 2

1 7 8 9 5 2 4 6 5

Three-by-three square → 9 8 5 1 6 3 2 7 4

7 9 1 4 3 8 5 2 6

8 5 3 6 2 1 7 4 7

6 2 4 5 9 7 1 3 8

How to do Sudoku

Fill in the grid so the numbers 1 through 9 appear just once in every column, row, and three-by-three square. See example above.

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