

Bleachers: COC addressing issues

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 "Only the local jurisdiction can issue red tags," Montague said. "We have done several projects to enhance and upgrade the stadium where the local building official has signed off and never expressed any concern at all in regards to the usability of the facility."
 Any new renovations would have to be up to today's standards and would require additional work to be done to bring the struc-

ture up to today's codes, Montague said.
 That includes remodeling the restrooms because ADA upgrades would be required.
 "That would then trigger the decommissioning of the septic system, which serves the stadium, as well as trigger storm drainage solutions as the city code requires structures to be hooked to their system, which the stadium currently is not," Montague said. "... Not to mention what

we may need to do to allow teams and classes to train on the structure."
 Montague added the suggestions from inspections through the district's insurance are just that — suggestions.
 "They really have nothing to do with the code enforcement," Montague said. "They want you to do it so you don't have a similar (insurance) claim they've received in the past."
 That's not a theory Wood-

burn subscribed too.
 "If you don't have handrails and someone falls down on your steps and breaks their leg, they're coming after the person with the money, and that person with the money is the district," Waples said.
 And if a state fire marshal inspects a building, issues the inspector finds must be addressed, Cuno said.
 "In general, building departments review and inspect buildings during construction

or remodel before allowing occupancy, and fire marshals can inspect buildings after occupancy," Cuno said.
 The Citizen's Oversight Committee, whose next meeting is Aug. 15, has been discussing the stadium repairs as well as other potential projects.
 The stadium is part of a larger picture of items in need of work, Montague said. That includes cracks forming on the tennis courts, planning for the

eventual resurfacing of the track and fixing of the drainage system.
 An architect visited the high school last week to give early design thoughts and estimates of potential projects for the school's overall facilities plan. The district hopes to receive information back in a few weeks.
 "We're doing the maintenance the best we can," Montague said. "I'm proud of what we are able to do with the money we have."

Most county fair exhibits due Monday

By Emily Mentzer
 The Itemizer-Observer

POLK COUNTY — Strolling through the buildings at the Polk County Fair, you may notice artwork and crafts ranging from handmade cards to interesting sculpture.

"I've had some really unusual things through the years, like a leather saddle, a kayak, a wood-burned door," said Barbara Flugum, arts and crafts superintendent, which covers "everything that textiles does not, plus some textiles. It's always a surprise."

Flugum has been the arts and crafts superintendent for about 10 years, and got started by looking for volunteer opportunities in her church newsletter.

She is a crafter, and prefers quilting. Flugum enjoys seeing all the entries in the adult arts and crafts.

"I don't know what I'm going to get," she said. "It could be something totally unusual. Last year, I got a hanging wire, I guess you'd call it a sculpture, but it was all the things he'd picked up with his tractor and run over. I have a category called 'recyclables,' so that fell into there."

Last year, cardmaking was a popular category, promoted by local clubs.

"When I first began, scrapbooking was the big one," Flugum said. "I have some years that jewelry is the big category. I have some years I get nothing in a category."

In the arts and crafts — as in other exhibits throughout the fair — professionals are judged separately, so she encourages everyone to submit something to the fair.

Judges come from outside the county so as not to have a prejudice for or against a particular entrant, Flugum said. She also hosts a people's choice award, voted on by anyone who comes to the fair.

"Some people are a lot more talented than they think they are," Flugum said. "I would encourage people to enter whether they think they're good enough or not. The more entries we have, the more interesting it is for the people who come to the fair."

It is not too late to submit an exhibit at the fair. For the adult arts and crafts division, entries are due Monday. For more information on exhibiting at the fair, see www.co.polk.or.us/fair/annual/2016-fair-book.

'Old timers' not just for the old

Longtime Dallas residents gather at annual picnic to reminisce

By Jolene Guzman
 The Itemizer-Observer

DALLAS — Organizers of the Old Timers Reunion Picnic want people to know the event isn't just for "old timers" anymore.

Anyone with a connection Dallas is welcome to attend the annual event, regardless of age, said Bonnie Dreier, of event co-host Dallas Area Visitors Center.

The tradition started in 1962 as an opportunity for Dallas residents or former residents to share memories, photos and other memorabilia of the town's past.

The 2016 reunion will take place at the Dallas City Park Gazebo on Sunday starting at 10 a.m. The picnic is free and includes a spaghetti lunch and live music, plus a special guest who knows a little something about the history of Dallas.

"Our goal is to transform it into a community picnic," Dreier said. "A fun way to wrap up the summer events."

Only about 35 people attended last year, but DAVC, with co-host Dallas Retirement Village, add new elements every year in hopes of rebuilding attendance to



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Attendees at last year's Old Timers Reunion look through Dallas memorabilia during the event. The 2016 gathering is slated for Sunday at 10 a.m. at Dallas City Park.

the former peak of 300.

Sunday, attendees can play old-fashioned board games, and special guest Dallas Historian Sue Hunter-Rohde, the author of "Images of America: Dallas," will be on hand to sign and sell her book.

Cash & Company will provide live entertainment from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Old Time Fiddlers will play from 1 to 3 p.m.

Dreier said the old re-

Not just for old timers

What: Dallas Old Timers Reunion Picnic.
When: Sunday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Where: Dallas City Park in the gazebo area.
Admission: Free, including lunch.
For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/DallasOldTimersReunionPicnic/>.

union banner will be retired and replaced with a new one in 2017. That, too, will become another piece of history highlighted at the gathering.

"We are inviting everyone that is in attendance to sign it for historical value," she said. "This canvas banner is approximately 50 years old."

OBITUARIES

Karen Lavern (Lowry) Hartrampf

June 11, 1968 – July 23, 2016

Karen Lavern (Lowry) Hartrampf, 48, formerly of Dallas, died on July 23.

She was born in Salem to Geneva and Daryl Lowry.

The family moved to Dal-

las in 1975.

Karen attended school in Dallas and graduated from Dallas High School in 1986.

She grew up in the Salt Creek Baptist Church in Dallas. She also was in 4-H throughout her teenage years.

Karen married Eddie Hartrampf in July 1990 in Woodburn. They lived in Molalla.

She worked at several jobs including in banking, as a secretary at Grace Baptist Church in Molalla, and for

the Molalla Pioneer newspaper.

She home-schooled her three sons, Craig, Austin and Jared.

The whole family loved bowling.

She had a brother, Mike Lowry, of Salem; sister, Vicki Scharer, of Carlton; and extended family.

Celebration of life will be at 1 p.m. on Aug. 6 at Grace Baptist Church in Molalla.

Molalla Funeral Home handled arrangements.

noon to 4 p.m. on Aug. 13 at Western Interlock Hall, 10395 Rickreall Road.

Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements.

Frances L. Dornhecker

July 15, 1928 – July 30, 2016

Frances L. Dornhecker, 88, of Dallas, died Saturday at the Dallas Retirement Village.

She was born in Duenweg, Mo., to W.E. and Virginia Kean, the youngest of six children.

The family moved to Yakima, Wash., in 1937, where Frances graduated from

Yakima High School in 1944. She attended Northwest Christian College in Eugene, and began spending weekends in Dallas in 1946, serving as music director for the First Christian Church.



There she met Bob Dornhecker. They were married Oct. 12, 1947, establishing their home in Dallas. Later, she attended Oregon College of Education (Western Oregon University), graduating in 1959.

She taught at Rickreall School, Perrydale, and West Stayton.

She completed her teaching career at Woodmere School in Portland, where the family moved in 1965.

In 1984, Bob and Frances retired and returned to Dal-

las, building their home on Pioneer Road on property where the Dornhecker family had lived for three generations.

Bob and Frances were active members in First Christian Church, singing, teaching, and leading. Bob died in 2014.

Frances is survived by daughter, Sylvia Del Stock Kisselburgh (Bill), of Sweet Home; son, Doug Dornhecker (Kathy), of Olympia, Wash.; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; brother, Winston Kean (Lorraine), of Yakima; and extended family.

Memorial service will begin at 2 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 5, in the Dallas First Christian Church.

Private interment will be in the Dallas Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Dallas First Christian Church.

To leave an online tribute: www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

The Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements.

Gladys Williams

June 6, 1921 – July 12, 2016

A memorial service for Gladys Williams will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 6 at Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center.

Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements.

To send an online tribute: dallastrIBUTE.com.

Burnetta F. Coste

July 27, 1923 - July 26, 2016

Burnetta Coste, 92, died July 26 in Albany.

She was born to Eugene and Laura Crowley in Raymond, Wash. Entombment will be at Oak Lawn Memorial Park Mausoleum in Corvallis.

Farnstrom Mortuary handled arrangements.

To send an online tribute: FarnstromMortuary.com.

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