MI TOWN

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Pack up your lawn chairs, blankets and a picnic basket this evening — or buy food and beverages in the beer and wine garden - and enjoy Boka Marimba. This African-style marimba group will delight everyone, and there's plenty of space on the grass in front of the amphitheater for kids of all ages to dance to the music. The fun begins at 6:30 p.m. in Main Street Park in Monmouth as the Music in the Park Series continues through August.

Tomorrow — Thursday - is the opening day for the Polk County Fair. This year's theme is Boots, Chaps and Cowboy Hats, and great times are promised for all who attend. All summer long we've been anticipating these special days when everything good about our communities is

Judy Guida had a surprise

visit from two of her grand-

sons the last two weeks.

Neko, 9, and 5-year-old

Samuel were brought by

their father, John Guida, to

spend 10 days with her. They

hiked, played in the woods

and creek, took care of the

horses, and went to the coast

with Judy's friend, Kathy

Alexander, of Corvallis, and

Kathy's three grandchildren.

How quickly it was time to go

home when John came back

and collected them this last

your chairs

and blankets and

we'll see you in the park!



We'll be there bright and early to enjoy an entire day and to reminisce about what

hours the fairgrounds are

open to visitors.

fun we've had over the years with visiting grandchildren from faraway places who delighted in everything from petting the animals to enjoying the carnival rides and eating corndogs with lots of bright yellow mustard. Now those same grandchildren are college students busy with summer jobs and other activities, but we're still as enthusiastic as ever about the fair. It's our once-a-year day to meet friends old and new, to visit all the commercial booths and to get advice on house and home projects, and to see all the things that represent the best of what Polk County has to offer.

The summer movies continue at the Independence Amphitheater, and Thursday night's feature is "The Breakfast Club," with a great cast of stars, including Molly

cars on horseback on Thurs-

day and Saturday. The rodeo

on Thursday evening will be

a busy night for them. Peo-

ple really do enjoy seeing

the horses as they arrive at

Meanwhile, I flew to Mesa,

Ariz., with my two Polish

guests, Jacek Szalkowski and

Mia Lewanczyk, for a week,

where they saw a whole new

side of the United States. We

drove to Kartchner Caverns

PEDEE NEWS

the fair.

ARLENE

Kovash

Columnist

The Polk County Saddle-

ite Riding Club met at Jerry

Mentzer's on Thursday. Fol-

lowing a potluck, with Jerry

grilling burgers, the group

determined who was work-

ing and when at the Polk

County Fair, where they will

be directing the parking of

Ringwald, Ally Sheedy, Judd Nelson and Emilio Estevez. Bring a picnic supper or enjoy food from various vendors, and plan another evening to relax under the

Shoot to Thrill - an AC/DC tribute band is featured at the Independence Amphitheater on Friday night, with the show beginning at 8:30 p.m. The suggested donation is \$5 per person. Food and beverages are available from local ven-

Monmouth Senior Center's monthly potluck is scheduled for Friday at noon. Please bring a salad or dessert to share, and enjoy an afternoon of fun, with piano music by Marion Anderson, who will lead everyone in singing old-fashioned

Saguaro National Park near

Tucson on another, and took

a quick trip to the Grand

Canyon and Sedona on an-

other. A highlight was

spending a morning target

shooting in the desert, fol-

lowed by jumping off a cliff

into the Salt River and float-

ing by a herd of wild horses

drinking at the river's edge. We staved with my sister

Vicki Massey, whose six chil-

dren and their families got a

kick out of talking with Jacek

ANNIVERSARIES

Ogan - 60th



Robert Gene Ogan and Norma Jean Thayer were married Aug. 18, 1956, in Nebraska City, Neb., after Bob served in the Army during the Korean War. They moved to Monmouth in 1964.

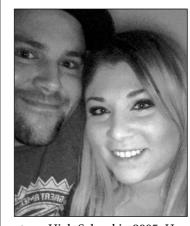
Bob was a teacher at Campus Elementary School at Oregon College of Education (Western Oregon University). Norma stayed

home to raise their four children, then later worked at

There will be a reception at their home, located at 711 N. Craven St., Monmouth, on Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. It will be hosted by their children and grandchildren: Lisa and Scott Reynolds, of Portland; Susan Ogan, of Corvallis; Rob, Jackie, Mercede, and Jesse Ogan, of Salem; Pam,

ENGAGEMENTS

Johnson-Krebs



Derek M. Johnson, of Redland, and Katie L. Krebs, of Rickreall, announced their engagement.

married on Sept. 9, 2017, in a field on the Johnson Family Farm, under the chestnut tree where he proposed.

son, of Redland. He graduated from Glad-

Krebs' parents are Ronald and Laura Krebs, of Rickreall. She is a 2007 graduate of Dallas High School. She works as

a licensed practical nurse at Salem Women's Clinic.

The couple will make their home in Redland on the family farm.

and Mexico one day, stood in and Mia. Surprisingly they awe of the up-to-70-foot tall both loved the Arizona heat, Saguaro cactus in the

I found Dad's remote in the fridge again. ...I'm beginning to get worried.

It's not like him.

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Moonlight & Vines Gala

Friday, Aug. 19, 6 to 9:30 p.m. Nesmith Readiness Center, Dallas

At this summer garden party, you'll enjoy: Dining on a gourmet meal and bidding on silent auction items including trips to Salishan, RiverPlace Hotel and U of O football game, to name several.

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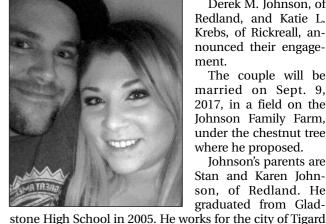
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Monmouth City Hall.

Bruce, Lewis and Zach Lathrop, of Wallowa.



The couple will be

Johnson's parents are Stan and Karen John-

public works, is a hay farmer, and the owner and operator of an excavator.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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TUESDAY, AUG. 16

• 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, AUG. 17

• 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.

• 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.



