

Dancing shoes



Some audience members feel the music and dance during Johnny Limbo and the Lugnuts' concert on Thursday.

The performance was the final act of the 2016 Sounds of Summer concert series in Dallas. The band performed a variety of classic songs.

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MI TOWN



PATTY TAYLOR DUTCHER
Columnist

Tomorrow we turn the calendar page over to the new month of September, and even though the warm and summery days will be with us for some time to come, the new season of autumn is peeking just around the corner. Early mornings bring just a hint of the crispness in the air, and Mother Nature is making ready for the inevitable changes to follow. It's still too early to pack up all the swimsuits, beach balls and picnic baskets. There's still time to relax with a good book on a lazy afternoon — until the garden calls to remind us of the tomatoes and squash that need tending. Apples are being prepared for pies, and the grapes will be ready for picking in a couple weeks, if not sooner.

OSU Master Gardeners 14th Annual Fall Fling, scheduled for Sept. 17 at the National Guard Readiness Center, was featured in last week's *I-O*, and registration closes Friday. The fee of \$30 includes various morning presentations, a catered lunch and door prizes as well as wine tasting and tours. For more information, stop by the OSU Master Gardener office at 289 E. Ellendale Ave., Suite 201, in The Ellendale Plaza in Dallas or <http://extension.oregon-state.edu/polk/mg>. Spon-

sors include Petals and Vines in Monmouth, Old Mill Feed and Garden and Citizens Bank in Dallas, and Capitol Auto Group, Les Schwab Tires in Dallas, Independence and West Salem.

The Independence Sports Park became a reality on Saturday, with a community celebration and youth tournament, prizes and refreshments. Thanks to a great deal of hard work by many local volunteers, including City Manager David Clyne, Joe Penna and much field preparation by the Oregon National Guard, a 20-year dream came true. The park is located behind the Riverplace Apartments on Deanne Drive in Independence.

Fall sports will begin very soon on both the high

school and college level, and we're looking forward to soccer, volleyball and football games right here in MI Town. Ticket prices are reasonable, and are fun for everyone to attend, especially when friends or family members are participating in a team sport.

Those big, bright yellow school buses will appear on our streets next week, which reminds us all to take extra care when driving near schools. MI Town's most precious citizens will be walking or riding to school until next spring, and we all need to be mindful of speed limits as well. Plan to take a few extra minutes before driving to work or appointments or to run errands so that everyone arrives to their destination safely.

PEDEE NEWS



ARLENE KOVASH
Columnist

The Pedee Women's Club is now accepting quilts for their quilt show to be Sept. 9-10, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the clubhouse. They are expecting to show 40 to 50 quilts, mostly ones made by Pedee women. Their patriotic raffle quilt will be on display and tickets sold will benefit their soldiers' fund. Several quilts made for children at risk will also be shown. The women are also serving cookies and coffee at the show. Please contact LaVerne Bennett, 503-838-0751, if you have a quilt to show, or if you'd like to help set up or help during the show. For sure come to see these beautiful quilts.

Help launch the school year by contributing some of these critical items. The goal is to supply classrooms for the start of school next week. Boxes will be available in the church foyer next Sunday, or can be left at the door.

Welcome to new neighbors Grant and Alayne Wingett and their daughter Becca and grandson Jared, who recently bought Alan and Sue Garton's place. They are from Stayton. Alayne's mother, Fran Zander, of Salem, was out last week to see their new home. Alan and Sue are still living in

their RV and working on buying a home in Dallas.

I just got home from a tour of the British Isles with my 17-year-old granddaughter Victoria. We had a great time visiting some iconic landmarks such as the Tower of London, Big Ben, the London Eye, and Windsor Castle, as well as ancient castles and ruins. It's hard to imagine castles and palaces as old as 2,000 years, plus miles and miles of rock fences 500-1,000 years old. I did wonder how often they had to be repaired, if ever. Fields were mostly full of sheep and dairy cattle.

Since I'd been out of town during the Polk County Fair held from Aug. 8-10, I still want to recognize the Pedee kids who had animals and other projects at the fair. Allana Russell, daughter of Daniel and

Heidi Russell, entered two hogs in the fair and got blue ribbons on both Spades and Little Buddy. She sold Little Buddy in the livestock auction on the 10th and was pleased with the results. She felt good about how she did in the showmanship contest, but plans to do even better next year. Cassie Ainsworth, 11, daughter of Jeremy and Melany Ainsworth, had several projects in the fair, ranging from sewing, cooking, and crafts to a market hog and pet rabbit. She got a blue ribbon in showmanship on her hog and sold it at the auction, plus a champion ribbon on her glass night light. She belongs to the Focus Pocus 4-H club in Monmouth, where she goes to school. Dawntae Bault had several entries in the fair, but he must be on vacation right now, so his results will come next week.

ENGAGEMENTS

Dent - 50th



James and Lola Dent were married on Sept. 3, 1966.

They both taught in the Dallas School District for more than 30 years. They enjoy traveling, volunteering in the Dallas schools, gardening and spending time with their two children and three grandchildren.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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• **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.

• **Yarning for Others** — 3 to 5 p.m., St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. Knitters and crocheters gather to make clothing and accessories for those in need on the first Wednesday of every month. 503-689-7222.

• **Monmouth-Independence Chamber 101: Membership Value** — 5:30 p.m., Henry Hill Education Resource Center Computer Lab, 750 S. Fifth St., Independence. Free. Online registration required. www.micc-or.org.

• **Ukulele Fans of Dallas** — 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St., Dallas. Players of all experience levels are invited. Free. 503-623-2633.



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SECRET LIFE OF PETS (Digital) (PG)		(12:00)	
HANDS OF STONE (Digital) (R)	(2:05 4:35)	7:10	9:40
FLORENCE FOSTER JENKINS (Digital) (PG13)	(1:35 4:10)	6:40	9:10
DON'T BREATHE (Digital) (R)	(12:25 2:40 4:55)	7:15	9:25
HELL OR HIGH WATER (Digital) (R)	(12:15 2:40 5:05)	7:30	9:50
PETE'S DRAGON (Digital) (PG)	(12:10 2:35 4:55)	7:20	
WAR DOGS (Digital) (R)			9:30
THE MECHANIC: RESURRECTION (Digital) (R)	(12:10 2:35 5:05)	7:25	9:45
FINDING DORY (Digital) (PG)	(1:40)		
SUICIDE SQUAD (Digital) (PG13)	(4:10)	7:05	9:50

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