

# COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

## Folklife Festival seeks volunteers

The Polk County Folklife Festival is seeking volunteers.

Volunteers are needed Oct. 28 and 29. On Oct. 28 at 4 p.m., volunteers will help install signs in the parking lot and set up tables and chairs.

On Oct. 29, beginning at 9 a.m. or later depending on the assignment, volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs, including directing traffic, selling tickets and collecting canned foods, serving snacks to volunteers and performers and more.

Volunteer shifts are generally around two hours long.

For more information: Judy Maule, 503-319-4328 or online at [www.polkcountylfolklife.com](http://www.polkcountylfolklife.com).

## Candidates forum set for Thursday

The Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the Associated Students of Western Oregon will host a candidates forum Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Columbia Room at WOU.

Invited candidates include House District 20, mayoral candidates for Monmouth and Independence and city council candidates for Monmouth and Independence.

Each candidate will have two minutes to introduce him or herself and why they are running for election.

Following opening remarks, candidates will be asked questions by a facilitator. Questions will be submitted by attendees upon arrival. If time permits, additional questions will be taken from the floor.

There is no cost to attend.

Parking will be available in lots H and F. A map of WOU's campus is available online at [www.wou.edu/resources/campus-map](http://www.wou.edu/resources/campus-map).

## Hazardous waste collection Saturday

Polk County, along with the cities of Dallas, Independence, Monmouth and Salem, are sponsoring a free household hazardous waste collection day on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The collection location will be at Riverview Park in downtown Independence. Citizens are allowed to bring household hazardous chemicals to the site for free disposal.

Businesses and farms with large volumes of chemicals must pre-register for the event and will be charged a small fee for disposal. Registration is available by calling 253-288-2813.

Accepted items include unwanted pesticides, herbi-

## "Wolfman" Washington



WALTER "WOLFMAN" WASHINGTON /Itemizer-Observer

**Walter "Wolfman" Washington, a mainstay on the New Orleans music scene, will play Rice Auditorium at Western Oregon University on Friday at 7:30 p.m. as part of the Smith Fine Arts Series.**

**Tickets are \$25 for general admission and \$10 for students in advance. For more information, call 503-838-8333 or [wou.edu/smith](http://wou.edu/smith).**

cides, latex/oil-based paints, poisons, acids, caustic cleaners and other toxic household chemicals.

Do not bring ammunition, explosives, radioactive material or biological material such as sharp containers.

## Dallas Dog Day to be held Tuesday

Oregon Mobile Veterinary Services will sponsor Dallas Dog Day Tuesday from 4 to 7 p.m. at Dallas City Hall, 187 SE Court St., Dallas.

The first 100 pets will receive a free microchip with a purchase of a city license.

There will be no exam fee during the vaccine clinics.

Oregon Mobile Veterinary Services also offers a number of other services for pets. For more information: 503-389-8987.

Paperwork can be filled out online at [www.oregonmobilevet.com](http://www.oregonmobilevet.com).

## Friends book sale coming Friday

The Friends of the Dallas Public Library will hold a book sale Friday and Saturday at the Dallas Civic Center, 945 SE Jefferson St., Dallas.

The sale will run from 3 to 7 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday.

Hardcover books cost \$1 and paperback books cost 50 cents.

A bag sale will also be held from 2 to 3 p.m. on Saturday.

## Old Time Square Dance is Saturday

The Second Saturday Old Time Square Dance returns Saturday at the Guthrie Park Community Center, 4320 Kings Valley Highway, from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Cost is \$5 per person. Children 12 and younger are free. A family rate of \$15 is available for families of four or more (immediate members only).

No experience necessary. All dances will be taught. Cash & Company will provide live music.

For more information: [www.guthriepark.org](http://www.guthriepark.org) or email [guthriepark@gmail.com](mailto:guthriepark@gmail.com).

## Monmouth Fitness hosts open house

Monmouth Fitness, 165 Main St. E, Monmouth, is holding an open house Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

You can see demonstrations of exercise classes, and one-day specials will be available. Food and games will be available.

For more information: 503-838-2951.

## Plant propagation workshop offered

An herbaceous plant propagation workshop will be held Tuesday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Independence Events Center, 555 S. Main St.

There is no cost to attend. Staff from the USDA Plant Materials Center will

teach participants how to propagate native plants from seed, cuttings and bulbs.

Light refreshments will be provided.

Registration deadline is Friday.

To register: 503-391-9927 or email [office@marionswcd.org](mailto:office@marionswcd.org).

For more information: [www.luckiamutelwc.org/herbaceous-plant-propagation-workshop.html](http://www.luckiamutelwc.org/herbaceous-plant-propagation-workshop.html).

## Perrydale FFA to host corn feed

Perrydale FFA will host a corn feed during Perrydale's football game on Friday. The feed will be available from 4:30 to 8 p.m.

The student-hosted event will raise money for the Perrydale FFA chapter.

## Diabetes class begins Thursday

A six-week workshop on living well with diabetes begins Thursday at the Flaming Medical Center, 1000 SE Uglow St., Dallas. The workshop will be held on Thursdays from 9 to 11:30 a.m. through Nov. 10.

Self-management skills will be taught, including managing symptoms and medications, learning how to be active and more.

The class includes a course book and CD.

There is no charge for the class or materials.

For more information or to register: 503-587-5129. On-site registration is also available.



## 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 email ([ioneus@polkio.com](mailto:ioneus@polkio.com)).

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 5

• **Monmouth Business Association** — 7:30 a.m., MaMere's Bed and Breakfast, 212 Knox St. North, Monmouth. A meeting of business people, the Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce director, and city officials. 503-751-0147.

• **Indoor Play Park** — 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, First Presbyterian Church, 879 SW Levens St., Dallas. Drop-ins welcome. For ages infant through pre-K with parent. Free, but donations accepted. 503-623-3397.

• **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.

• **Senior meals, Dallas** — 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, LaCreole Manor, 204 SW Walnut St., Dallas. Free, but \$3 donation suggested. Reservations required. 503-623-6232.

• **Senior meals, Monmouth** — 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. Free, but \$3 donation suggested. Reservations required. 503-838-2084.

• **Scrabble with Betty** — 1 p.m., Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St., Independence. Scrabble games first Wednesday of every month. Free; refreshments and prizes available. 503-551-7687 or 503-838-1811.

• **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.

### THURSDAY, OCT. 6

• **Dallas Lions Club** — Noon, Hong Kong Restaurant, 325 Main St., Dallas. Everyone welcome. 503-931-9860.

• **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.

### FRIDAY, OCT. 7

• **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.

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

• **The Friends of the Dallas Public Library Book Sale** — 3 to 7 p.m., Dallas Civic Center, 945 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. Hardcover books cost \$1 and paperback books cost 50 cents.

• **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, OCT. 8

• **Donation Yoga** — 11 a.m. to noon, Dallas Yoga and Balance Studio, 115 SE Court St., Dallas. Bring a few cans of food or cash to donate to the food bank. 503-999-8016.

• **The Friends of the Dallas Public Library Book Sale** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Dallas Civic Center, 945 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. Hardcover books cost \$1 and paperback books cost 50 cents.

• **Guthrie Park Country Dance** — 7 to 9:30 p.m., Guthrie Park Community Center, 4320 Kings Valley Highway, Dallas. Admission: \$5 per person; \$15 immediate family rate; children 12 and under free. 503-623-0809.

• **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, OCT. 9

• **Buell Grange Breakfast** — 8 to 11 a.m., Buell Grange Hall, 5970 Mill Creek Road, just off Highway 22 northwest of Dallas. \$6. 503-623-8462 or 503-843-4703.

### MONDAY, OCT. 10

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

• **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, OCT. 11

• **Indoor Play Park** — 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 879 SW Levens St., Dallas. Open to children pre-kindergarten and younger with parent/adult. Tuesdays through Fridays. Free.

• **Caregiver Connection** — 2 to 3:30 p.m., West Valley Hospital (Quiet Room, use ER entrance), 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. Meets on the second Tuesday of the month. Free. 503-831-5593.

• **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.

• **James2 Community Kitchen Meal** — 4:45 to 6:30 p.m., Falls City Methodist Church, 242 North Main St., Falls City. Free. 503-787-3371.

• **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.

• **Salt Creek Neighborhood Association** — 7 p.m., Salt Creek Baptist Church, 15075 Salt Creek Road, Dallas. Fall general meeting: neighborhood watch program, Polk County sheriff candidates, "fire wise community" program and other topics on agenda. 503-623-9789.

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## LIBRARY CALENDAR

### DALLAS

**950 Main St. • 503-623-2633**  
[www.ci.dallas.or.us/library](http://www.ci.dallas.or.us/library)

- Thursday, Oct. 6, 10:30 a.m. — Children's Storytime.
- Thursday, Oct. 6, noon — Adult Book Discussion.
- Tuesday, Oct. 11, 10:30 a.m. — Morning Children's Storytime.
- Tuesday, Oct. 11, 3:30 p.m. — Afternoon Children's story time.

**INDEPENDENCE**  
175 Monmouth St.  
503-838-1811

### [www.ci.independence.or.us/library](http://www.ci.independence.or.us/library)

- Wednesday, Oct. 5, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.
- Wednesday, Oct. 5, 1 p.m. — Scrabble with Betty.
- Thursday, Oct. 6, 1 p.m. — Community ESL.
- Thursday, Oct. 6, 4:30 p.m. — Chess club.
- Tuesday, Oct. 11, 5:30 p.m. — Cuentos en Español.
- Wednesday, Oct. 12, 10:30 a.m. — Family story time.

### MONMOUTH

168 S. Ecols St.  
503-751-0182

[www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library](http://www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library)

- Thursday, Oct. 6, 10:15 a.m. — Preschool Explorers.
- Tuesday, Sept. Oct. 11, 10:15 a.m. — Family Storytime.

### WAGNER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

111 N. Main St., Falls City  
503-787-3521, ext. 319  
[www.facebook.com/WagnerCommunityLibrary/timeline](http://www.facebook.com/WagnerCommunityLibrary/timeline)  
• See the library's Facebook page for upcoming events.

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