

# COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

## Polk County action committee to meet

The Polk County Principled Action Committee will hold a meeting Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. at Dallas Retirement Village, 310 W. Ellendale Ave., Dallas.

Participants will set the agenda.

## Learn to hunt at EE Wilson area

EE Wilson Wildlife Area will host a small game hunting workshop Jan. 21 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and Mary's Peak Hound Club will organize the workshop.

Families are welcome, with children ages 9 and older eligible to register and attend with an adult.

The workshop will review equipment, the dogs who accompany hunters, and how to safely hunt over hounds. Participants can then hunt in the morning and afternoon with specially trained hounds and hunting equipment provided by ODFW.

Cost is \$52 for adults and \$22 for children.

ODFW requires participants to attend a shotgun skills clinic prior to the event. ODFW will hold a clinic Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at EE Wilson Wildlife Area. Cost is \$12.

ODFW provides all necessary equipment at both events.

For more information or to sign up: [www.or.outdoor-central.us/or/license](http://www.or.outdoor-central.us/or/license).

## Financial peace classes offered

Dallas Church, 450 SE Washington St., Dallas, will hold Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University classes beginning Thursday at 7 p.m.

Lessons will be held once a week for nine weeks. Topics include budgeting, relationships and money, getting out of debt, saving for emergencies and investing.

Each lesson will be taught by Ramsey on DVD followed by a small-group discussion.

To register: [www.daveramsey.com](http://www.daveramsey.com).

A membership must be purchased for class materials.

## Falls City to hold town hall Saturday

Falls City will hold a town hall meeting Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Community Center, 320 North Main St., Falls City.

The theme will be Dare to Prepare — a new year, new president, new findings.

## Art class offered Saturday in Indy

The Second Saturday Family Art Class returns Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Independence Women's Club, 340 S. Third St., Independence. There is no cost to attend, and registration is not required.

The class is designed for children and their accompanying adults.

The class will cover still life oil pastel paintings, inspired by Cezanne with Paula Booth.

## Central High to perform musical

Central High School will perform "Band Geeks the Musical" Friday through Saturday. The show will also run Jan. 18-21.

Showtime is 7 p.m. A matinee at 2 p.m. will be available on Saturday.

Cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for students.

For information or to purchase tickets: [www.chsperformingarts.org/](http://www.chsperformingarts.org/).

## Rainbow Dance 'Selfie'



RAINBOW DANCE THEATRE/for the Itemizer-Observer

### Itemizer-Observer staff report

MONMOUTH — The Rainbow Dance Theatre will take the stage at 7:30 p.m. on Friday at Rice Auditorium at Western Oregon University as part of the Smith Fine Arts Series.

Tickets are \$25 general admission and \$10 for students.

Rainbow Dance Theatre's ensemble of eight virtuoso dancers transforms the concert stage into a world of mystery, pathos and humor. Delighting audiences of all ages with its athletic "pullout-the-stops celebration of ... dancing that pays homage to world-dance and -music influences" (Sheryl Dare, Honolulu Advertiser), RDT's repertory features modern works with roots in the traditions of many world cultures. Combined with innovative aerial choreography, visually stunning interactive sets, and the latest innovations in fiber optic and electro-luminescent technology, the distinctive choreography of artistic directors Darryl Thomas and Valerie Bergman creates "an exotic feast for the senses". (Isamu Jordan, Spokane Spokesman Review) Rainbow Dance Theatre is directed by internationally renowned dancer-choreographers Valerie Bergman and Darryl Thomas. Its name highlights its roots in Hawaii, the "land of rainbows", as well as the ethnic diversity of its company members and the diverse cultural influences in the choreography performed by the Company. The Company celebrates this diversity as well with its virtuosic style that fuses West African Dance, Haitian Dance, Hip Hop, Martial Arts with American Modern Dance. This high-impact, rapid-fire performance style features a rugged athleticism and gravity-defying partnering. 3-D backdrops, inter-active full-stage sets and lavish costuming add a unique visual element that transforms the dance performance into an entertaining and provocative theatrical event.

Founded in Honolulu, Hawaii, in 1991, Rainbow Dance Theatre has been based in Monmouth since 2000.

For more information: <http://rainbowdancetheatre.org/>.

## LIBRARY CALENDAR

**DALLAS**  
950 Main St.  
503-623-2633

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

- Thursday, Jan. 12, 10:30 a.m. — Children's Story Time.
- Thursday, Jan. 12, 2:30 p.m. — Lego Building.
- Tuesday, Jan. 17, 10:30 a.m. — Morning Children's Story Time.
- Tuesday, Jan. 17, 3:30 p.m. — Afternoon Children's Story Time.
- Wednesday, Jan. 18, 3:45 p.m. — Teen Advisory Board meeting.
- Wednesday, Jan. 18, 4 p.m. — PAWS to READ (Davos).
- Wednesday, Jan. 18, 4:45 p.m. — Teen Book Club.

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

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

- Wednesday, Jan. 11, 10:30 a.m. — Family Story Time.
- Wednesday, Jan. 11, 3 p.m. — Wacky Wednesday (Snowman Crafts, two sessions at 3 and 6:30 p.m.).
- Thursday, Jan. 12, 4:30 p.m. — Chess Club.
- Thursday, Jan. 12, 6 p.m. — Mystery Book

Club ("A Hero of France" by Alan Furst).

- Friday, Jan. 13, 4 p.m. — Adult Coloring program.
- Saturday, Jan. 14, 3:30 p.m. — Cuentos en Espanol.
- Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2 p.m. — Tiny Tots (Ages 0-2).
- Wednesday, Jan. 18, 10:30 a.m. — Family Story Time.
- Wednesday, Jan. 18, 3 p.m. — Wacky Wednesday (Book tasting).

**MONMOUTH**

168 S. Ecols St. • 503-751-0182  
[www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library](http://www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library)

- Thursday, Jan. 12, 10:15 a.m. — Little Builders Club.
- Thursday, Jan. 12, 7 p.m. — Once Upon a Thursday Book Club ("Where'd You Go, Bernadette" by Maria Semple).
- Tuesday, Jan. 17, 10:15 a.m. — Tales for Tots.

**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.



## 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, JAN. 11**

- **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.
- **Polk County Republican Women** — 11:30 a.m., Murphy's Restaurant, 288 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas. No-host lunch available; everyone welcome. 503-623-5759.
- **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.
- **Free Blood Pressure Check Clinic** — 2 to 3 p.m., West Valley Hospital (surgery admitting area), 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. 503-623-7323.
- **Monmouth Senior Center Music Jam** — 6:30 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. Open to the public; musicians of all types welcome. 503-838-5678.
- **Brew and BS: The New Testament** — 7 p.m., St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. A lecture series on New Testament figures. Bring brew of choice — coffee, tea, chai, beer, wine, cider. 435-503-4304.
- **Dallas American Legion Post No. 20** — 7 p.m., Academy Building, Room 108, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. 503-831-3971.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 12**

- **Independence Downtown Association** — 8 a.m., Independence Grill, 154 S. Main St., Independence. A meeting of business people regarding the vitality of Independence and its downtown area. 503-580-8525.
- **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.
- **Young Professionals Networking** — 5:30 to 7 p.m., Citizen's Bank, 583 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. After-hours social event for Polk County young professionals, aged 21-45. 503-623-2564, Gage Martin. Or MacLarin Jones, 509-859-3779.
- **Homework, Hoops and Hotdogs** — 5:30 to 8 p.m., The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1401 SW 13th St., Dallas. Free help with homework for students in middle and high school. 503-917-9822, Nona Springer.

**FRIDAY, JAN. 13**

- **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 Arc of Polk County Dance and Karaoke Night** — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Academy Building, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Admission: \$3 (staffers and family admitted free). Snacks available for purchase. 541-223-3261.
- **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, JAN. 14**

- **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.
- **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.

**SUNDAY, JAN. 15**

- **Dallas Wingdingers RC Flying Club Indoor Fly** — 1 to 3 p.m., Whitworth Elementary School gym, 1151 SE Miller Ave., Dallas. 503-623-7288.

**MONDAY, JAN. 16**

- **Dallas Area Chamber of Commerce Luncheon** — 11:30 a.m., Dallas Civic Center, 945 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. Cost: \$12 in advance; \$15 at the door. 503-623-2564.
- **Central Lions Club** — Noon, Independence Elks Lodge 1950 Dining Room, 289 S. Main St., Independence. 503-606-2150.
- **Polk County Battle Buddies support group** — 6 to 8 p.m., West Valley Hospital conference room, 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. Support group for Polk County veterans. Dinner is served at 6 p.m. Free. 503-480-6254.
- **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, JAN. 17**

- **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.
- **Family Building Blocks Dallas play group** — 10 a.m., Academy Building, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. Suite 216. Play group for children and families. Activities and snacks provided. Free. RSVP, 503-877-8473.
- **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.
- **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.
- **Dallas Wingdingers RC Flying Club** — 7 p.m., Whitworth Elementary School library, 1151 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.

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## HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY!

**George Shones**

*Come celebrate*

**January 22, 2017**

**St. Patrick Catholic Church**

**1275 E St., Independence**

**Cake served from 2 to 4pm**

*Hope to see you there!*

The party continues  
at the casino.

**Free bus**

leaving at 4:30

returning at 10:30.

*Common Sense Tip* FOR DRIVERS

**DON'T PASS STOPPED CARS.**

There could be a good reason they're stopped, like a pedestrian! A little patience could save a life — and a lifetime of regret.

**Share the Road. The Way to Go.** Transportation Safety — ODOT

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a great place  
to spend  
some time.**

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