

DEADLINES

NEWS DEADLINES

For inclusion in the Wednesday edition of the *Itemizer-Observer*:

Social news (weddings, engagements, anniversaries, births, milestones) — 5 p.m. on Thursday.

Community events — Noon on Friday for both the Community Notebook and Community Calendar.

Letters to the editor — 10 a.m. on Monday.

Obituaries — 4 p.m. on Monday.

ADVERTISING DEADLINES

Retail display ads — 3 p.m. Friday.

Classified display ads — 11 a.m. on Monday.

Classified line ads — Noon on Monday. Classified ads are updated daily on www.polkio.com.

Public notices — Noon on Friday.

CORRECTIONS

The *Polk County Itemizer-Observer* is committed to publishing accurate news, feature and sports reports. If you see anything that requires a correction or clarification, call the newsroom at 503-623-2373 or send an email to ementzer@polkio.com.

WEBSITE

The *Polk County Itemizer-Observer* website, www.polkio.com, is updated each week by Wednesday afternoon. There, you will find nearly every story that appears in the print version of the newspaper, as well as some items, including additional photos, that do not appear in print due to space limitations.

The *Itemizer-Observer* is also on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Watch for breaking news, links to stories, sports scores updates and more.

WEATHER

RECORDED	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Feb. 21	46	36	.78
Feb. 22	45	34	.16
Feb. 23	45	30	T
Feb. 24	41	32	.03
Feb. 25	48	29	T
Feb. 26	44	36	.23
Feb. 27	45	35	.07

Rainfall during Feb. — 13.29 in.
Rain through Feb. 27 — 18.69 in.

Hot Rod Hair open in new location

DALLAS — Hot Rod Hair has moved to 151 NE Kings Valley Highway as of Jan. 31, in the former Future Images location.

Owner and stylist Bry Taylor, and stylists Amy Black, Duanna Robertson and Jordan DelGreco will all be in the new location, along with Julie Means and Tiffany Allen. Hot Rod Hair has a massage therapist and is looking for a nail technician and an eyelash artist.

For more information: 503-779-5664 or hottrodhair@aol.com.

LUCKIAMUTE DOMESTIC WATER COOPERATIVE BOARD MEETING

Monday 7:00 p.m.

March 13th

503-838-2075

Location: Business Office
8585 Suver Rd. • Monmouth

Falls City dissolves co-op with KVCS

By Jolene Guzman
The Itemizer-Observer

FALLS CITY — The Falls City School Board voted Feb. 21 to dissolve its athletics co-op with Kings Valley Charter School starting in the 2017-18 school year.

That decision followed the Oregon School Activities Association Executive Board's Feb. 13 vote to deny the request for Falls City/KVCS to play at the 1A level instead of 2A.

Falls City Athletic Director Dennis Sickles said Falls City and Kings Valley officials presented the case to remain at 1A for the 2017-18 school year on Feb. 13. He said the board heard the appeal, but voted 8 to 3 against the request.

By dissolving the co-op, Falls City will be able to compete at 1A for the 2017-18 season. The decision does not affect the wrestling co-op Falls City has with Willamina.

The issue began in November, when OSAA sent a letter to both schools saying that based on enrollment numbers, the co-op exceeded the limit to compete at the 1A level.

At the time, high schools

at Falls City and Kings Valley had a combined enrollment of 109 (60 at Falls City and 49 at Kings Valley). The OSAA adjusts enrollment numbers to account for students considered in poverty, bringing the number down to 96. The cutoff for 1A classification is 89.

Sickles said he isn't concerned about Falls City being able to field teams next year. He is worried about the size of those teams.

This year, half or more of the players on the volleyball and girls' basketball teams were Kings Valley students. Football and boys' basketball had three and four Kings Valley players, respectively.

"We will have enough athletes to fill all of our teams," Sickles said. "Basically, we're losing quite a bit of depth."

Sickles said he is disappointed to have to end the co-op.

"It is too bad. It was a really a good arrangement with Kings Valley," he said. "It worked out well for both schools."

The OSAA will issue a decision regarding redistricting effective the 2018-19 school year later this year.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Vineyard makes Wine Spectator list

POLK COUNTY — Bethel Heights Vineyard, outside of West Salem, made Wine Spectator's list of "30 Wineries to Discover," published in the January/February edition of the magazine.

The Editor's Picks feature divides wine regions in "New World" — Oregon, California, Washington, Argentina, Chile, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand — and "Old World" — France, Italy, Spain, Portugal and Austria.

The article focuses on wineries that authors' believed are "underappreciated gems," that are "wineries to trust, because these are producers that offer a broad range of wines that consistently deliver both excellence and affordability."

Here's Wine Spectator's take on Bethel Heights, located at 6060 Bethel Heights Road NW, in Salem:

"The family-owned winery is an Oregon pioneer, founded in 1977, and all its wines are produced from estate-owned vineyards. Cousins and co-owners Ben and Mimi Casteel represent the second generation of the winery's founding Casteel, Dudley and Webb families. Ben, the winemaker, pursues a light and delicate style, decidedly old-school, putting the emphasis on fruit flavors and intensity and delivering a marvelous sense of weightlessness in the wines."

Look, don't touch

EMILY MENTZER/Itemizer-Observer

Jenavieve Camillo, 2, watches in anticipation as the model trains circle a miniature world at the Mid-Valley Ag Fest at the Polk County Fairgrounds & Event Center on Sunday. The event was attended by more than 1,500 adults on Saturday, according to event organizers.

Solution on Page 6A

2		7	5	3			
		8				9	6
	1						
4			6	8	1		3
	8	9				4	5
					5		
5		4	9				7
							9
8			2			1	

By Ben Arnoldy

Sudoku

Difficulty: ★★☆☆☆

Row →

Three-by-three square →

Column ↓

4	3	2	8	1	6	7	5	9
5	6	9	3	7	4	8	1	2
1	7	8	9	5	2	4	6	3
3	4	7	2	8	5	6	9	1
2	1	6	7	4	9	3	8	5
9	8	5	1	6	3	2	7	4
7	9	1	4	3	8	5	2	6
8	5	3	6	2	1	9	4	7
6	2	4	5	9	7	1	3	8

How to do Sudoku

Fill in the grid so the numbers 1 through 9 appear just once in every column, row, and three-by-three square. See example above.

The Christian Science Monitor

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LUCKIAMUTE DOMESTIC WATER COOPERATIVE

Thursday • 7:00 p.m.

MARCH 16

Location: Business Office
8585 Suver Rd. Monmouth
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Friday - Sunday • March 3 - 5					
THE GREAT WALL (Digital) (PG13)	(12:00 2:30 5:00)	7:30	10:00		
GET OUT (Digital) (R)	(11:35 2:05 4:35)	7:05	9:35		
THE SHACK (Digital) (PG13)	(12:45 3:45)	6:45	9:45		
LOGAN (Digital) (R)	(12:05 3:10)	6:15 6:45 9:50			
MOONLIGHT (Digital) (R)	(12:05)		9:20		
ROCK DOG (Digital) (PG)	(12:00 2:15 4:30)				
BEFORE I FALL (Digital) (PG13)	(2:40 5:05)	7:30	9:55		
JOHN WICK: CHAPTER TWO (Digital) (R)	(1:05 3:55)	6:45	9:35		
LEGO BATMAN MOVIE (Digital) (PG)	(11:45 2:15 4:45)				
FIST FIGHT (Digital) (R)		7:15	9:30		
Monday - Thursday • March 6 - 9					
THE GREAT WALL (Digital) (PG13)	(2:30 5:00)	7:30			
GET OUT (Digital) (R)	(2:05 4:35)	7:05			
THE SHACK (Digital) (PG13)	(12:45 3:45)	6:45			
LOGAN (Digital) (R)	(2:00 3:10)	6:45			
MOONLIGHT (Digital) (R)		7:00			
ROCK DOG (Digital) (PG)	(2:15 4:30)				
BEFORE I FALL (Digital) (PG13)	(5:05)	7:30			
JOHN WICK: CHAPTER TWO (Digital) (R)	(1:05 3:55)	6:45			
LEGO BATMAN MOVIE (Digital) (PG)	(2:15 4:45)				
KONG: SKULL ISLAND (Digital) (PG13)		7:15 *			
FIST FIGHT (Digital) (R)		7:15 **			
*Not playing March 6 - 8 **Not playing March 9					
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