

Deadline nears for transfers

Dallas schools won't take out-of-district kids after April 1

By **Jolene Guzman**
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DALLAS — Budget concerns for the upcoming year, and a trend of declining enrollment, prompted the Dallas School board to place a deadline on interdistrict transfers.

The deadline for the transfers — those involving students who don't live in the district, but apply to attend at a Dallas school — is April 1 for the 2017-18 school year.

The board did not limit the number of interdistrict transfers the district would accept, but approved the deadline to help plan for staffing needs.

Previously, the district took nonresident transfers at any time in the year.

The change doesn't affect students who move into the district during the year. The district must accept those students at any time.

Superintendent Michelle Johnstone said this year, the district had 57 nonresident students, 39 of which transferred in after the budget had been adopted.

"One of the things that we are watching is as we get up and get the school year started, we end up having inter-district transfer kids come through," she said. "It's increasing what we need to do to provide for kids, and on the bottom line, it's really impacting budget."

Johnstone said the unexpected students cost the district \$173,000 to hire more educational assistants, and that doesn't count other ex-

penses that may have increased.

The district is compensated for those students on a pro-rated basis, but enrollment increases from inter-district transfers isn't making up for a trend of declining enrollment overall.

The district funding for the current year is based on the 2015-16 school year's enrollment of 3,000. This year's enrollment is 2,920. Funding levels are set based on enrollment of the previous year or the current year, whichever is higher.

"We would need to gain 80 kids through interdistrict transfers or move-ins (for 2017-18) in order to receive the same level of funding," said Tami Montague, the district's business manager.

If not, the district's funding will decline, adding to the burden of accommodating students the district hadn't planned for.

"I'm just trying to figure out how to help support our budget through the next transition," Johnstone said.

Johnstone said another problem is that even with fewer students attending in the district, class sizes still are high in some places. That is most notable at Whitworth Elementary School, where fifth-grade classes average nearly 33 students and fourth-grade classes are averaging 29.

Johnstone said it would help plan a budget if they had a better idea of how many students will be attending.

"We really do want to

know how many teachers we are going to need," she said.

Other local districts have adopted similar policies. Johnstone said Central is setting a deadline for non-resident transfers, and Perrydale has a waiting list and lottery set up for out-of-district students. Falls City will accept interdistrict transfers at any time.

"I worry about when we are at the staffing levels that we are and continuing to take in new kids, are we able to serve them the best?" Johnstone said.

She said research on the impact of class size leads her to believe the answer is no.

"Are we having a positive impact when we have a class of 32 versus a class of 28?" she said. "That makes a big difference. I don't know that we are doing well by them in terms of that piece of it."

Board Chairman Jon Woods said the change in policy is asking parents considering an interdistrict transfer to plan for the next year, not switch in the middle of the year.

"They're using our leniency. ... I think they do it because they can, and if they couldn't, they wouldn't," he said.

In other business, the board:

- Heard a presentation from the district's auditor, Pauly Rogers and Company. No significant issues were found, and the district received a clean opinion.
- Approved a motion to remain with the Willamette Education Service District for the 2017-18 school year.



The National Education Association's Read Across America kicked off Thursday. The date coincides with Dr. Seuss' birthday.

Seuss: Getting kids to read

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Dr. Seuss, born Theodor Seuss Geisel, got the idea for his first children's book, "And to Think That I Saw it on Mulberry Street," while on vacation in 1936. In May of 1954, Geisel's publisher learned from a study that children struggled with reading because their books were boring.

The publisher extended a challenge to Geisel, giving him a list of 400 words that he felt were important for children to learn. The publisher asked Geisel to cut the words to 250 and write an entertaining children's book.

Nine months later, Geisel, using 225 of the words given to him, published "The Cat in the Hat."

He authored and illustrated 44 children's books. Geisel died on Sept. 24, 1991.

ACES Principal Craig Harlow thanked Brown for visiting the school.

"The greatest gift you can give is your time and yourself," Harlow said. "And Gov. Brown is in charge of all the students in the entire state of Oregon, making sure that we have a great education and that we have clean water, and that we're safe, and we're a family in Oregon. From our heart, thank Gov. Brown for taking the time. She could have gone to any school in the state of Oregon, and she came to celebrate with us. That is an incredible gift from Gov. Brown."

Read Across America celebrations extended beyond ACES, with Miss Oregon Lori McNeil visiting classrooms at Monmouth Elementary School. McNeil said she is traveling all over the state teaching the value of literacy skills, and this was one stop along the way.

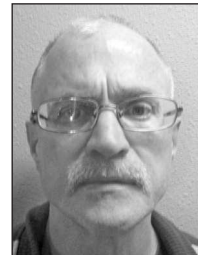
Events at Dallas, Independence and Monmouth libraries also celebrated the occasion.



Stone



Hight



Cavan



Davies

Corrections posts 'most wanted'

DALLAS — Polk County Community Corrections lists these individuals as "most wanted" for March. Citizens with information on the whereabouts of any of them can call Community Corrections at 503-623-5226.

• Benjamin Jeffrey Stone, born Dec. 27, 1986, 5-6,

170 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes. Charge: Failure to register as a sex offender.

• Nicole Rene Hight, born July 3, 1983, 5-6, 140 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes. Charge: Delivery of methamphetamine and identity theft.

• Terry Cavan, born May

7, 1959, 5-6, 160 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes. Charge: First-degree burglary and second-degree burglary.

• Colt James Davies, born Oct. 8, 1983, 6-1, 190 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes. Charge: Felon in possession of a weapon.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Dallas School District #2 is soliciting bids for work to complete a Renovation Project to Lyle Elementary School located at 185 SW Levens, Dallas, Oregon 97338. The project consists of architectural and structural work to construct a new kitchen and multi-purpose room commencing summer break period of 2017. In addition, after completion of the new kitchen, the existing kitchen will be decommissioned and converted to a classroom. In order to minimize disruption to educational processes, the decommissioning of the existing kitchen will take place beginning summer break 2018. The scope of the project is more fully detailed in the bid documents. Some materials will be owner supplied and will be clearly identified in the bid documents.

Bids signed and under seal, executed and dated will be received at the office of Dallas School District #2, Attn: Kevin Montague Facilities Director, at 111 SW Ash St., Dallas, Oregon 97338 before 2:00 p.m. local standard time on the 30th day of March, 2017, after which no bids will be accepted. Bids will be publically opened and read immediately following the deadline for submission. Pursuant to ORS 279C.370 signed, executed and dated First Tier Subcontractor Disclosure Forms will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. local standard time on the 30th day of March, 2017. Refer to bid documents and/or ORS 279C.370 for specific details regarding subcontractor disclosure. Bidders are required to be licensed by the Construction Contractors Board for their bid to be accepted.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting and site walk is scheduled for March 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the project site, 185 SW Levens, Dallas, Oregon 97338. All potential bidders are highly encouraged to attend.

Contract documents are identified as Project Number 2015.0107.000 as prepared by Architect, AC + Co Architecture I Community, 363 State Street, Salem, Oregon 97301. Bid documents may be obtained either electronically or in person upon receipt of refundable cash deposit in the amount of \$150 at the office of the Architect. Questions are to be directed to Richard Rothweiler, AIA at AC + Co Architecture I Community, 363 State St., Salem, OR 97301, 503.581.4114 phone, 503.581.3655 fax, rrothweiler@accoac.com email.

This project is subject to State of Oregon prevailing wage requirements in accordance with ORS 279C.800 and will require bidder to certify compliance with ORS 279C.838 and/or ORS 279C.840. Bidders will be required to identify whether they are a resident bidder or not as defined in ORS 279A.120.

Pursuant to ORS 279C.365, Dallas School District #2 may reject any bid that does not comply with prescribed contracting procedures and requirements, including the requirement to demonstrate bidder's responsibility under ORS 279C.375 (3)(b) and may reject all bids if finding it is in the public interest to do so.

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Dallas School District #2 is soliciting bids for work to complete a Renovation Project to Oakdale Elementary School located at 1375 SW Maple, Dallas, Oregon 97338. The project consists of architectural and structural work to construct a new kitchen and multi-purpose room commencing summer break period of 2017. In addition, after completion of the new kitchen, the existing kitchen will be decommissioned and converted to a classroom. In order to minimize disruption to educational processes, the decommissioning of the existing kitchen will take place beginning summer break 2018. The scope of the project is more fully detailed in the bid documents. Some materials will be owner supplied and will be clearly identified in the bid documents.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK

In the Matter of the Estate of KATHERINE M. OLSEN, Deceased.

Case No. 17PB01063 LIMITED JUDGMENT ADMITTING WILL TO PROBATE AND APPOINTING PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

The Court accepts the petition of Ronald W. Olsen for the probate of the Will of the above-named decedent.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED: The Will dated November 2, 2006, is hereby admitted to probate. Ronald W. Olsen is appointed Personal Representative of the estate.

The Personal Representative is not required to file a bond, and Letters Testamentary shall be issued forthwith to the Personal Representative in the manner provided by law.

Signed 2/13/2017 Circuit Court Judge Norm R. Hill PETITIONER: Ronald W. Olsen 11012 S. Sunny Slope Road Medical Lake, WA 99022 (503) 539-0151 Telephone ATTORNEYS FOR PETITIONER: Terry DeSylvia Brownstein, Rask, LLP 1200 SW Main Street Portland, OR 97205-2040 (503) 221-1772 Telephone (503) 221-1074 Fax tdesylvia@brownsteinrask.com

(March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2017)

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

TS No.: 049837-OR Loan No.: *****5837 Reference is made to that certain trust deed (the "Deed of Trust") executed by WILLIAM L. CLEMONS AND DENI T. CLEMONS, AS TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETY, as Grantor, to AMERITITLE, as Trustee, in favor of HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION II, as Beneficiary, dated 4/15/2005, recorded 4/19/2005, as Instrument No. 2005-006085, in the Official Records of Polk County, Oregon, which covers the following described real property situated in Polk County, Oregon: LOT 10, GILMER ADDITION, IN THE COUNTY OF POLK AND STATE OF OREGON. APN: 312280 / 07320-DD-02509 Commonly known as: 555 W HILLS WAY NW SALEM, OR 97304 The current beneficiary is: U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF9 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the above-described real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and notice has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to pay when due, the following sums: Delinquent Payments: No. Amount Total: 01/22/14 thru 01/22/14 1 \$1,303.63 \$1,303.63 02/22/14 thru 10/22/16 33 \$1,384.09 \$45,674.97 11/22/16 thru 01/22/17 3 \$1,800.35 \$5,401.05 Late Charges: \$0.00 Beneficiary Advances: \$8,175.82 Foreclosure Fees

and Expenses: \$645.00 Total Required to Reinstale: \$61,200.47

TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$208,221.33

By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by the Deed of Trust immediately due and payable, including: the principal sum of \$157,368.73 together with interest thereon at the rate of 8.03 % per annum, from 12/22/2013 until paid, plus all accrued late charges, and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs, and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust Whereof, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee, CLEAR RECON CORP, whose address is 111 SW Columbia Street #950, Portland, OR 97201, will on 7/6/2017, at the hour of 11:00 AM, standard time, as established by ORS 187.110, AT THE MAIN STREET ENTRANCE TO THE POLK COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 850 MAIN STREET, DALLAS, OR 97338, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the above-described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time it executed the Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of the Deed of Trust, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than the portion of principal that would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorneys' fees, and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the Deed of Trust at any time not later than five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the Deed of Trust, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 2/16/2017 CLEAR RECON CORP 111 SW Columbia Street #950 Portland, OR 97201 Phone: 858-750-7600 866-931-0036 Hamsa Uchi, Authorized Signatory of Trustee

(March 8, 15, 2017)

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Reference is made to a certain trust deed ("Trust Deed") made, executed and delivered by Derek Russell and Korene C. Russell, as grantor, to Fidelity Nation Title Inc Co, as trustee, in favor of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as beneficiary, dated August 23, 2005, and recorded on August 31, 2005, as Recording No. 2005-014699, in the Official Records of Polk County, Oregon. Thereafter the beneficial interest in said deed of trust was transferred to 21st Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded on October 4, 2016 as Recording No. 2016-010997. The Trust Deed covers the following described real property ("Property") situated in said county and state, to-wit: Lot 100, West Meadows Estates No. 3, in the City of Salem, County of Polk and State of Oregon, which is commonly known as 2757 Islander Ave NW, Salem, OR 97304. There are defaults by the grantor or other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the Trust Deed, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of default of such provision; the defaults for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: Arrearage in the sum of \$65,956.25 as of November 16, 2016, plus additional payments, property expenditures, taxes, liens, assessments, insurance, late fees, attorney's and trustee's fees and costs, and interest due at the time of reinstatement or sale. By reason of said defaults, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligations secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to-wit: Payoff in the sum of \$264,873.44 as of November 16, 2016, plus taxes, liens, assessments, property expenditures, insurance, accruing interest, late fees, attorney's

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to ORS 477.250, notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at the West Oregon District office conference room in Philomath, Oregon, on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at 3:30 PM, to receive from any interested persons suggestions, advice, objections or remonstrance to the proposed budget for the forest protection district. A copy of the tentative budget for the West Oregon Forest Protection District may be inspected during normal working hours. To ensure the broadest range of services to individuals with disabilities, persons with disabilities requiring special arrangements should contact the office at (541) 929-3266 at least two working days in advance of the scheduled hearing. OREGON DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY PETER DAUGHERTY, STATE FORESTER (March 8, 15, 2017)

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and trustee's fees and costs incurred by beneficiary or its assigns.

WHEREFORE, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee will on May 5, 2017, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 187.110, at the following place: the main entrance of the Polk County Courthouse located at 850 Main St, Dallas, OR 97338, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the above-described Property, which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by grantor of the said Trust Deed, together with any interest which the grantor or grantor's successors in interest acquired after the execution of the Trust Deed, to satisfy the obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or Trust Deed, and in addition to paying said sum or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Trust Deed, together with trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by said ORS 86.778. In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR. DATED: December 28, 2016. John W. Weil, OSB #803967, Successor Trustee 121 SW Morrison St, Suite 1850 Portland, OR 97204 Phone: 503-894-9900 Fax: 971-544-7236

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