

# NEWS IN BRIEF

## Center Street Bridge repair continues

WEST SALEM — Repair on Salem's Center Street Bridge, the Highway 22 bridge that carries eastbound traffic into Salem from Polk County, has resumed.

The contractor has applied a waterproof membrane and will complete paving in the coming weeks. Once paving is finished, crews will replace the bridge joints.

Conditions on the bridge will remain rough and bumpy until the project is complete. Drivers are urged to slow down on the bridge, especially in areas where the bridge joints are creating significant bumps.

Work on the bridge takes place Sunday through Thursday from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. No work is scheduled for Fridays and Saturdays. There could be multiple lanes closed at any one time. During the evening, travelers should leave extra time for eastbound travel on Highway 22 into Salem, and expect delays of up to 20 minutes.

The \$2.5 million project is on schedule to be completed by Aug. 15, prior to the Great American Eclipse on Aug. 21 and start of the Oregon State Fair on Aug. 25.

## Spirit Mountain funds awards grants

GRAND RONDE — The Spirit Mountain Community Fund (SMCF) awarded \$671,500 to 33 nonprofit organizations in Clackamas, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Washington and Yamhill counties during a quarterly check presentation in Grand Ronde on June 14.

In Polk County, the fund awarded \$7,500 to the University of Oregon Foundation to a project in Polk County.

Other nonprofits to receive grants for the Spirit Mountain Community Fund this quarter include:

- Marion County: Marion Polk Food Share — \$25,000; and Friends of the Straub Environmental Center — \$7,500

## Paws for a Cause returns in July

DALLAS — The third annual Paws for a Cause pet drive, in memory of Sgt. Randy Whittaker, will take place during the month of July.

The public is invited to join the Polk County Sheriff's Office in collecting new and gently used pet supplies, including food, treats, toys, collars and leashes, food dishes and more. Donations can be dropped off at the sheriff's office, the Resource Center at the Academy Building, and at the Polk County Fairgrounds main office.

All items will be donated to local animal shelters in honor of Whittaker.



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Dallas Downtown Association put on a Cash Mob on May 31.

# DDA brings cash mobs to Dallas

By Stephanie Blair  
The Itemizer-Observer

DALLAS — A new trend has started in the Dallas community to support local businesses: Cash mobs.

The concept is simple. Each month, a group of people meet on the corner of Main and Mill streets with \$20 cash in hand.

The group then walks to a local business and either makes a \$10 purchase or

### Cash infusion

**What:** Dallas Cash Mob.  
**When:** Thursday, 5 to 7 p.m.

**Where:** Meet at the corner of Main and Mill streets. The business that will be "mobbed" will be announced once everyone is gathered.

**Cost:** \$10 for the business; \$10 for the social hour afterward. Organizers request cash only.

more (business) in an hour than we did the whole day." Approximately 20 people browsed the antique mall on May 31 after learning a bit about the business.

"Some people came in who had never been here before or had only been in once or twice. And I've been here 30 years," McDaniel said.

After leaving the business, the mob then visits a local restaurant and, again, spends or donates \$10.

"It's kind of a double blessing for the downtown," Anderson said.

Pressed Coffee and Wine Bar was chosen for the mob's social hour after visiting the antique mall.

"I think it's a great way to get people out and about and also a great way to get business owners out and about," McDaniel said.

McDaniel added that she would be attending the June 29 Cash Mob, herself.

The Cash Mob is open to the public and will continue as a monthly tradition, according to Dallas Downtown Association's Facebook post.

For more information, visit dda-or.com or the Dallas Downtown Association - OR Facebook page.

leaves the money on the counter.

"The cash mob's intention is to really encourage the businesses downtown," said Diane Anderson, a member of the cash mob.

On May 31, the Dallas Downtown Association held Dallas' first ever cash mob in conjunction with the Dallas Vitality Connection.

The mob's choice of business is a surprise to both the group and business owner, as it's not announced until the mob has gathered.

The first business to be "mobbed" was Ginnie's Dallas Antique Mall.

"It was fun, everyone had a good time," said owner Ginnie McDaniel. "We did

## DEADLINES

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

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

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

**Letters to the editor** — 10 a.m. on Friday.

**Obituaries** — 4 p.m. on Friday.

**ADVERTISING DEADLINES**  
**Retail display ads** — 3 p.m. Thursday.  
**Classified display ads** — 11 a.m. on Friday.  
**Classified line ads** — Noon on Friday. Classified ads are updated daily on [www.polkio.com](http://www.polkio.com).  
**Public notices** — Noon on Thursday.

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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
June 20.....	80	56	.00
June 21.....	78	48	.00
June 22.....	86	51	.00
June 23.....	93	55	.00
June 24.....	101	56	.00
June 25.....	98	58	.00
June 26.....	77	58	.00

Rainfall during June — 0.74 in.  
Rain through June 26 — 33.30 in.

## RECYCLE.

## LUCKIAMUTE DOMESTIC WATER COOPERATIVE

The July 10th meeting has been cancelled. The next monthly meeting will be August 14, 2017 at the Luckiamute Office.

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Solar Eclipse and Moon Phases

July 11, 2017  
6:30-7:30pm

Join us for a "Solar Eclipse and Moon Phases in Three Dimensions" workshop! Geologist Sheila Alfsen will explore the solar eclipse phenomenon through demonstration and audience participation.

Supplies required: None

No Charge

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Solar Eclipse: A Space Odyssey

July 18th  
and  
August 1st  
6:30-7:30pm

Interact with amateur astronomer David Kasnick as he shares about the upcoming eclipse through lecture, video, and hands-on activities. Build DIY viewing devices in preparation for the upcoming eclipse on August 21st. Interesting information for the whole family!

Supplies required: Long cardboard box or tube, at least 12 inches long or longer.

No Charge

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Eclipse: The Sun Revealed Movie

July 25, 2017  
6:30-7:30pm

Join us as we journey through the historical and cultural view of eclipses and the geometry that permits them to occur. Discover safety hints on how to see this rare event in this amazing movie produced by Adventure Science Center's Sudekum Planetarium and presented by Chemeketa instructor Tom McDonough.

Cost is \$5.00 per person

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