

COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

Yarn to perform at Dallas Civic Center

Folksinger Red Yarn will perform his show, "Born in the Deep Woods," Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at the Dallas Civic Center, 945 SE Jefferson St., Dallas.

Red Yarn is a Texas-born, Oregon-based family performer who combines folk-songs and puppetry.

He recently released his fourth album, "Born in the Deep Woods," in March.

There is no cost to attend.

For more information: Dallas Public Library, 503-623-2633.

Senior center to hold potluck

Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth, holds its monthly potluck Friday at noon.

Gail Saxowsky from the Free Clinic will speak about health care costs.

Mexican pasta will be the main dish. Attendees are asked to bring salads, vegetables, rolls, desserts or a favorite dish.

PC Museum to hold porch sale

Polk County Museum, 560 S. Pacific Highway W, Rickreall, will hold its annual porch sale Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event serves as a fundraiser for the museum.

For more information: 503-623-6251.

Association to hold free program

The Alzheimer's Association will host Dementia Conversations Tuesday from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at Salem Health West Valley Hospital, 525 SE Washington St., Dallas.

There is no cost to attend.

Baby birds



EMILY MENTZER/Itemizer-Observer

Baby birds cry out in their nest in Monmouth.

The program will offer tips on how to have honest and caring conversations about going to the doctor, deciding when to stop driving and making legal and financial plans. The association is also seeking education presenters to give one to six hours a month to help educate others.

Chemeketa to hold solar eclipse event

Chemeketa Polk Center, 1340 SE Holman Ave., Dallas, will hold a solar eclipse event Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. titled "Solar

Eclipse: A Space Odyssey." Amateur astronomer David Kasnick will share information about the eclipse through lecture, video and hands-on activities.

Bring a long cardboard box or tube at least 12 inches long and learn how to build your own viewing device.

For more information: www.polk.chemeketa.edu.

Red Cross seeks blood donors

The American Red Cross is facing a blood shortage and is issuing an emergency call for eligible blood and

platelet donors of all blood types to donate.

Blood donations fell short of expectations for the past two months, according to the American Red Cross, resulting in approximately 61,000 fewer donations than needed.

There will be a blood drive at Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 Fir Villa Rd., Dallas Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will also be a drive in Independence at First Baptist Church, 1505 Monmouth St., on July 24 from 12:45 to 6:15 p.m.

For more information: www.redcrossblood.org.



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).

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

• **Respite care** — 1 to 3 p.m., 182 SW Academy St., Suite 216, Dallas. Free child care for parents who need time to run errands, pay bills, etc. Free. Open for children ages 6 weeks to 5 years. 503-877-8473 to reserve space. Diapers are provided.

• **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., Salem Health West Valley (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.

• **Dallas American Legion Post No. 20** — 7 p.m., Academy Building, Room 108, 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. 503-831-3971.

• **Pickleball** — 9 a.m. to noon, Roger Jordan Community Park. Meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon and Sundays and Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Karen Freeman, 503-871-4172.

THURSDAY, JULY 13

• **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.

• **Mom and Me** — Salem Health West Valley, 525 SE Washington St., Dallas (enter through emergency door on Clay Street). Breastfeeding support group. Free. 503-831-5593.

• **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., Country Financial, 141 SW Court St., Dallas. After-hours social event for Polk County young professionals, aged 21-45. Host: Heather Spike, 503-623-0851.

• **Polk County Bounty Market** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Academy Building lawn, on the corner of Main and Academy streets, Dallas. 503-623-2564.

FRIDAY, JULY 14

• **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, JULY 15

• **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, JULY 16

• **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, JULY 17

• **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., Veterans Services Office, 240 SW 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.

• **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.

TUESDAY, JULY 18

• **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.

• **James2 Community Kitchen Meal** — 4:30 to 6 p.m., United Methodist Church located at 242 N Main St., Falls City. Free; everyone welcome. 503-623-8429. (Second, third and fourth Tuesdays)

• **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.

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LIBRARY CALENDAR

DALLAS

950 Main St. • 503-623-2633
www.ci.dallas.or.us/library

- Wednesday, July 12, 11:30 a.m. — Summer Readyng Activity at Dallas City Park (Steve's Creature Features — reptiles).
- Thursday, July 13, 10:30 a.m. — Children's Storytime (Red Yarn).
- Thursday, July 13, 2:30 p.m. — Lego Building.
- Tuesday, July 18, 10:30 a.m. — Morning Children's Story Time.
- Tuesday, July 18, 3:30 p.m. — Afternoon Children's Story Time.
- Wednesday, July 19, 11:30 a.m. — Summer Readyng Activity at Dallas City Park (Mo Phillips — puppets, singing and dancing).

INDEPENDENCE
175 Monmouth St.
503-838-1811

www.ci.independence.or.us/library

- Wednesday, July 12, 10:30 a.m. — Family Story Time.
- Wednesday, July 12, 3 p.m. — Build a Better World (Steve's Creature Features at Riverview Park Thursday, July 13, 3 p.m. — Build a Better World (OSU Interactive kid's ag program).
- Friday, July 14, 7 p.m. — Build a Better World (Build your skills at the internet cafe).
- Saturday, July 15, 2 p.m. — Solar Saturdays (Solar System models with Janet Reese).
- Monday, July 17, 3 p.m. — Maker Mondays (Squishy Circuits).
- Monday, July 17, 4:30 p.m. — Cuentos en Español.
- Tuesday, July 18, 4:30 p.m. — Chess Club.
- Wednesday, July 19, 10:30 a.m. — Family Story Time.
- Wednesday, July 19, 3 p.m. — Build a Better World (Juggling with Henrik Bothe).

MONMOUTH

168 S. Ecols St. • 503-751-0182
www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library

- Wednesday, July 12, 2 p.m. — Book Club.
- Wednesday, July 12, 6:30 p.m. — The Solar Eclipse: How to see and enjoy it.
- Thursday, July 13, 10:15 a.m. — Play-doh planets.
- Friday, July 14, 1:30 p.m. — Family movie (Moana, PG).
- Tuesday, July 18, 3 p.m. — Okaidja Afroso (music).
- Wednesday, July 19, 2 p.m. — Build a better galaxy craft (4th through 12th graders).

WAGNER COMMUNITY LIBRARY
111 N. Main St., Falls City
503-787-3521, ext. 319
www.facebook.com/WagnerCommunityLibrary/timeline

See the library's Facebook page for upcoming events.

Thursdays!
May - Sept
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Polk County Bounty Market

LIVE MUSIC: 11am to 1pm
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Special Guests this week:
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Facebook.com/bountymarket

http://www.exploredallasoregon.org/bounty-market.html

Polk County Historical Society Annual PORCH SALE

July 15
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For more information call 503-623-6251.
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