

Eclipse: Officials say preparation helped events go well

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"Our folks in town were really fantastic for this event," he said. "Our visitors were pretty good as well. I could not tell you how many more people came to town, but I know there were folks visiting from Asia as well as the United Kingdom represented, along with people from all over the U.S."

Mott said one lesson learned during the event was a designated lost-and-found location and management system.

"I didn't even think of it until we needed it," he said.

Garton said that while his department responded to incidents over the weekend, they weren't anything major or out of the ordinary.

Independence Police Sgt. Juventino Banuelos Jr. echoed those remarks in Independence.



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Independence officers assist a woman at the festival.

"It was rather uneventful for police," he said, adding that the weekend provided an opportunity to prepare for an event in which outside help may not be available.

"Traditionally, (with) our planned events, such as our Fourth of July celebration, we're able to ask for assistance from nearby agencies in advance," Banuelos said. "In a case like this, other

agencies are having to tend to their own events."

Because of the unknowns surrounding the eclipse — how many people would come, where they would be from, how bad traffic would be — the logistics in planning a response was tricky, Banuelos said.

"We ended up being prepared for a larger crowd than actually attended," he said. "I would prefer that to being underprepared any day."

Monmouth also reported no major incidents.

"I thought it went very well," Monmouth Police Chief Darrell Tallan said. "We were actually a little slower and quieter on Friday and Saturday — more so than usual. We actually had a noticeably lower traffic volume."

Most of the people who stayed in Monmouth

camped at Western Oregon University or stayed in the dorm rooms there, Tallan said.

"Saturday evening, we started to see more people walking downtown and visiting," he said. "Sunday, more arrived and were walking in the downtown area, and eating in local restaurants. And then Sunday evening we had our concert in the park. That was a nice event. It went off really well."

April Welsh, spokeswoman for Dallas Fire & EMS, reported for Dallas and for Polk County Fire District No. 1 and Southwest Fire District.

"I would say it went exceptional," Welsh said. "Even with the influx of people we had in town, everything went as smooth as we could have possibly imagined."

Dallas firefighters and paramedics responded to a roll-over crash on Saturday that inadvertently caused a field fire, Welsh said, but no one was transported to the hospital as a result, and the field fire was extinguished in minutes.

"Our volunteers were here all weekend," Welsh said. "They were prepared for anything that was going to get thrown our way."

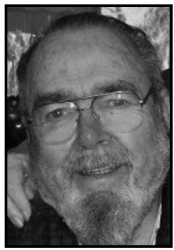
Garton said the connections made to prepare for this event are invaluable.

"Not that we have to have meetings every two weeks, but I think we learned a lot about each other and the organizations that we represent," Garton said. "Those relationships will be good going forward. It's only going to help us going forward, whatever we do — big or small."

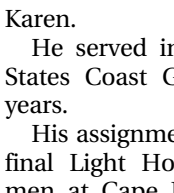
OBITUARIES

David Allen Duncan

Sept. 9, 1938 – Aug. 14, 2017
David Duncan was born in 1938.



He lived a full and happy life. He was married on Valentine's Day, 1959, when he was 20 years old to his beautiful 16-year-old bride,



Karen. He served in the United States Coast Guard for 10 years.

His assignments included final Light House Guardsmen at Cape Mears Lighthouse until 1963. After that he was Lighthouse Guardsmen at Mukilteo Lighthouse in Washington state.

In his later years, he worked in lumber sales until his retirement several years ago.

He is survived by Karen, his wife of 59 years; his four daughters, Tammy, Cindy, Mitzi and Debbie; eight grandchildren and four

great-grandchildren.

David William Foster

March 1940 – July 12, 2017
David William Foster passed away on July 12 at the age of 77.

David had a home in a wonderful neighborhood in Dallas.

For the past six months, he had been living with his eldest son in Milwaukee.

David was born in Hillsboro in March of 1940.

He graduated from Hillsboro High School.

After high school, he served a term in the military.

Following that, he held a few positions but settled with Chrysler and retired after 30 years.

Earlier this year David's beloved wife, Barbara, passed away, but he is survived by his five children David, Jim, Deanna, Brian, Bill, and Bill's best friend Ernie, who was like another son to him.

He also had 17 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Love of family and friends was a very important part of David's life.

His legacy lives on through his loving children and grandchildren who will miss him dearly.

Peter J. Padilla

April 24, 1957 – Aug. 7, 2017

Peter J. Padilla, a resident of Dallas, died on Aug. 7, 1957, in San Jose, Calif., the son of Levi Manuel Padilla Sr. and Nadine Evelyn Padilla.



At the age of 5, the family moved to Dallas.

As a child, Peter was active in 4-H and his church. He graduated from Dallas High in 1975.

In the fall of 1976, he enrolled at Grace College of the Bible in Omaha, Neb., where he met his wife to be, Joyce Studebaker.

Peter and Joyce were married the fall of 1977 and promptly made their home in Dallas.

Peter later returned to college, receiving his degree in business administration from Corban University in Salem.

His adult work career consisted of eight years at the Oregon Bank (Bank of America) and 15 years with the Oregon Judicial Department working for the courts of Polk County.

In January of 2000, upon leaving the courts, he began his own company, Wintercreek Business Services, and in 2004 began Padilla Farms Landscaping and Hydroseeding.

Peter's desire was to create a business in which his sons could work alongside him. Padilla Farms became that business.

As a young married cou-

ple, Peter desired a ministry that he and his wife could serve together in.

He was granted that desire as he and his wife began working with home-schooling families in the mid '80s.

He actively served home-schooling families across the state of Oregon up to his death, diligently seeking to preserve their God-given right to direct the upbringing of their children.

Peter devoted his life to his family, church and community.

He was a Godly man whose sole motivation was to bring glory to God.

He is survived by his mother, Nadine Padilla; his siblings Levi Padilla, Tim and Colleen (Rose) Padilla, and Suzanne Padilla; his wife, Joyce; and their seven sons, Philip and Olla (Stewart) Padilla, Mitchell and Kelliney (Cappoen) Padilla, Nathan and Jennika (Cappoen) Padilla, Kyle Padilla, Joshua and Candiss (Wagley) Padilla, Micah Padilla and William Padilla; and grandson Levi Jeremy Peter Padilla, son of Joshua and Candiss.

Memorial Services will be Friday, Sept. 8, at 3 p.m. at the Evangelical Bible Church in Dallas.

Memorial Donations may be made to OCEANetwork (Oregon Christian Home Education Association Network) at www.oceanetwork.org.

Bollman Funeral Home is caring for the family.

Kelly William Cape

July 2, 1949 – Aug. 13, 2017

Kelly William Cape was born on July 2, 1949, in Lynwood, Calif., to George and Rena Cape. He passed away in Independence at the age of 68.

During the Vietnam conflict, he served in U.S. Army, graduating from Aviation School and earning an Air Medal, National Defense Medal and Vietnam Service Medal in 1968. On April 14, 1973, he married Ann Marie Williamson in Anaheim, Cali., and they raised two sons.

Kelly attended Western Baptist College (now Corban

University), graduating in 1997.

He was self-employed and worked in delivery, computer and auto repair, and serving veterans.

He had a passion for assisting fellow veterans in accessing their veteran's administration benefits.

He was a voice for veterans who needed guidance. He had a special ability to make anyone laugh, anytime, and his dream was scoring the best deal at Goodwill.

Surviving Kelly are his wife, Ann; son Andrew "Billy" (Susan) Cape (grandsons Andrew, Levi and Noah), of Fresno, Calif.; son Michael (Paddie) Cape (granddaughter Abigail Bettijane), of Amity.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017, 11 a.m. at Life Center Foursquare Church, Independence. Farnstrom Mortuary is caring for the family. Memories and condolences may be shared at FarnstromMortuary.com.

Martin Joseph Zimmerman

Oct. 26, 1931 – Aug. 16, 2017

Martin Joseph Zimmerman died Aug. 16, 2017, at Tokarski House in West Salem of complications from Parkinson's Disease.

He was 85.

Martin was born in McMinnville on Oct. 26, 1931, to Edward and Cecil Zimmerman, the youngest of six children.

He graduated from Yamhill High School and then earned a Bachelor of Science in Crop Science at Oregon State College.

After graduating from college, Martin served in the U.S. Army as a training specialist.

Two years into his service, Martin married his college sweetheart, Dorothy Brabham, on June 11, 1955, the beginning of a long and happy marriage.

Martin entered the Army Reserves, and the young couple returned to the Zimmerman family farm in Yamhill for several years where the first of their children, Philip, and then Kathryn, were born.

In 1960, Martin joined the OSU Agricultural Extension Service becoming a county agent.

His first assignment was Sherman County and he and his young family moved to Moro.

Their second son, Stuart, was born two years later. The family moved briefly to Corvallis while Martin completed his master's in Agricultural Science at OSU, which he received in 1967.

The family relocated to Condon in 1971, when Martin transferred to Gilliam County.

In 1979, Martin accepted a position in Jefferson County, and he and Dorothy settled in Madras as empty-nesters.

These were good years for the couple.

Martin retired from the OSU Extension Service in July of 1989 as a full professor, and he continued to work as an independent consultant in crop production and seed certification well into his 70s.

In 2011, Martin and Dorothy moved to Dallas to be closer to their children. Dorothy died August 2014.

Martin's expertise in crop production gave him opportunities for adventure and, in 1993, he was part of a government agricultural team sent to Armenia to survey farms and identify remedies for wheat production problems.

The next year he traveled to Moldova to work with producers of essential oils. Several years later, Martin went to Georgia (the former Soviet Republic) on a church-sponsored mission to improve conditions in orphanages.

Back home from his various travels, Martin gave presentations on his experiences that were interesting and informative.

Martin was a very community-minded man with a strong service ethic, and he was active in his local churches and civic organizations including the Lions Club, Kiwanis, 4-H, and FFA.

Children were frequently the focus of his charitable work, and he led the Madras Kiwanis' annual toy drive for many years.

Martin received many distinguished service awards in recognition of his years of service in various organizations.

Throughout his life, Martin maintained a positive outlook, even as his Parkinson's progressed and following the death of his beloved wife. He is survived by his three children, two grandchildren, and his oldest brother.

There will be a graveside service at the Yamhill-Carlton Pioneer Cemetery on Monday, Aug. 28 at 11 a.m. Macy & Sons in McMinnville are handling arrangements. To leave condolences, visit www.macyandson.com.

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Obituary information must be submitted by 4 p.m. on the Monday before publication to be included in the newspaper.

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