

COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

Salem Concert Band plays classic

The Salem Concert Band will perform A Night at the Opera Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Elsinore Theatre, 170 High Street SE, Salem.

Rebecca Fromherz, of Dallas, will sing during the concert.

All seats are reserved. Mezzanine level seats cost \$30. Main floor and balcony seats are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students (K-12).

Yard debris drop off Saturday

A fall yard debris drop off will take place Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Riverview Park in Independence.

Grass, leaves, weeds, twigs, brush, pumpkins and limbs are acceptable.

Ashes, dirt, sod, rock or gravel, stumps and logs, animal waste or litter and painted or finished wood are not acceptable.

For more information: Brandt's, 503-838-0464.

Salem West Valley to host fundraiser

Salem West Valley, 525 SE Washington St., Dallas, will host a collective goods fundraiser Monday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The sale will take place in the hospital conference room, located immediately inside the front door.

Items available include books, small electronics, home goods and gifts for children.

Proceeds from the sale benefit the hospital volunteer services scholarship fund. The fund proves scholarships for Polk County high school students wishing to pursue college education in a health care related field.

IDA to host open house at Commons

The Independence Downtown Association will host an open house at Indy Commons, 278 S. Main St.,

Soccer



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Dallas freshman McKenna Sondag (12) controls the ball against Central on Oct. 17. The Panthers defeated the Dragons 8-0.

Independence, Thursday from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

There is no cost to attend. The public is invited.

IDA will share what it does, who is involved and how others can get involved, as well as discuss what is and isn't working in downtown Independence.

Light snacks and refreshments will be served.

Dallas Seventh Day presents series

Dallas Seventh Day Adventist Church, 589 SW Birch St., Dallas, will host a documentary-style series to highlight the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther.

The church will show "A Pale Horse Rides" and will explore what the Bible has to say about Christianity's future.

The series is hosted by Shawn Boonstra.

The series begins Friday at

7 p.m. and will continue Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m.

There is no cost to attend. For more information: 503-623-5872.

Author Vlautin at Dallas Library

Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St., Dallas, will host author Willy Vlautin Thursday at 7 p.m.

Vlautin, of Scappoose, is an award-winning author of four novels, including "The Free" and "Lean on Pete." His fifth novel, "Don't Skip Out on Me," is due out in February 2018. A movie based on "Lean on Pete" will be released next February.

For more information: 503-623-2633.

Murder Mystery set for Saturday

The Downtown Dallas Murder Mystery will take

place Saturday starting at 10 a.m.

The public is invited to solve the mystery. Cost is \$10. Participants will receive a murder mystery map that will lead you to clues and suspects located in downtown Dallas.

Maps will be available at Pressed Coffee and Wine Bar, 788 Main St., Dallas, beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

The solution to the murder mystery will be revealed at 5 p.m. at Pressed.

Tickets are available prior to the event at Just Stuff, Main Street Emporium, D Tats and Oddities, Court Street Hair, Some Things, Four Seasons, Domino's Pizza, Courtyard Coffee and Pressed.

Pressed will also offer tickets on Saturday.

The public can meet some of the suspects in a family event Friday at 7 p.m. at Pressed.

LIBRARY CALENDAR

DALLAS
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- Wednesday, Oct. 25, 4 p.m. — Lowly Worm Kid's Book Club.
- Thursday, Oct. 26, 10:30 a.m. — Children's Story Time.
- Thursday, Oct. 26, 2:30 p.m. — Lego Building.
- Thursday, Oct. 26, 7 p.m. — Author Visit (Willy Vlautin).
- Tuesday, Oct. 31, 10:30 a.m. — Morning Children's Story Time.
- Tuesday, Oct. 31, 3:30 p.m. — Afternoon Children's Story Time.

175 Monmouth St.
503-838-1811
www.ci.independence.or.us/library

- Wednesday, Oct. 25, 10:30 a.m. — Family Story Time.
- Thursday, Oct. 26, 4:30 p.m. — Chess Club.
- Friday, Oct. 27, 4:30 p.m. — Teen Halloween Party.
- Tuesday, Oct. 31, 4 p.m. — Halloween Spooktacular (in association with the Independence Downtown Association).
- Wednesday, Nov. 1, 10:30 a.m. — Family Story Time.
- Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1 p.m. — Scrabble with Betty.

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

- Friday, Oct. 27, 10:15 a.m. — Friday Fun.
- Tuesday, Oct. 31, 10:15 a.m. — Family Story Time.
- Tuesday, Oct. 31, 4 p.m. — Halloween Spooktacular

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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 (ionews@polkio.com).

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 25

- **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.
- **Pickleball** — 9 a.m. to noon, Roger Jordan Community Park. Meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon. Karen Freeman, 503-871-4172.

THURSDAY, OCT. 26

- **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.

FRIDAY, OCT. 27

- **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, 186 SE Mill St., Dallas. 503-399-0599.
- **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.
- **Karaoke night** — 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., Dallas Forty, 962 Main St., Dallas. Every Friday. 503-831-4682.

SATURDAY, OCT. 28

- **Polk Community Free Clinic** — 7 to 11 a.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas. Free medical and mental health care for uninsured and underinsured. Held on the first and fourth Saturday of the month. 503-990-8772.
- **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, OCT. 29

- **Last Sunday at River Gallery** — 2 to 4 p.m., River Gallery, 184 S. Main St., Independence. Reception to honor corner and window focus artists. Free. 503-838-6171.

MONDAY, OCT. 30

- **Central Lions Club** — Noon, Independence Elks Lodge 1950 Dining Room, 289 S. Main St., Independence. 503-606-2150.
- **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, OCT. 31

- **Indoor Play Park** — 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 879 SW Levens St., Dallas. Open to children pre-kindergarten and younger with parent/adult. Mondays through Thursdays. Free.
- **James2 Community Kitchen Meal** — 4:30 to 6 p.m., St. Philip Catholic Church, 825 SW Mill St., Dallas. Free; everyone welcome. 503-831-8429.
- **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.
- **Overeaters Anonymous** — Noon to 1 p.m., Salem Health West Valley, 525 SE Washington St., Dallas. Support group meets in the quiet room/chapel immediately inside the emergency entrance on Clay Street. Dee Ann White, 971-718-6444.
- **Dallas Rotary** — Noon, Dallas Civic Center, 945 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. Lunch and speaker. Public is welcome.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 1

- **Monmouth Business Association** — 7:30 a.m., Windemere Western View Properties, 297 N. Pacific Highway, Monmouth. A meeting of business people, the Monmouth-Independence Chamber of Commerce director, and city officials. 503-751-0147.
- **Indoor Play Park** — 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, First Presbyterian Church, 879 SW Levens St., Dallas. Drop-ins welcome. For ages infant through pre-K with parent. Free, but donations accepted. 503-623-3397.
- **Senior meals, Dallas** — 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, LaCreole Manor, 204 SW Walnut St., Dallas. Free, but \$3 donation suggested. Reservations required. 503-623-6232.
- **Senior meals, Monmouth** — 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S. Warren St., Monmouth. Free, but \$3 donation suggested. Reservations required. 503-838-2084.
- **Scrabble with Betty** — 1 p.m., Independence Public Library, 175 Monmouth St., Independence. Scrabble games first Wednesday of every month. Free; refreshments and prizes available. 503-551-7687 or 503-838-1811.
- **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.
- **Yarning for Others** — 3 to 5 p.m., St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 1486 SW Levens St., Dallas. Knitters and crocheters gather to make clothing and accessories for those in need on the first Wednesday of every month. 503-689-7222.
- **Pickleball** — 9 a.m. to noon, Roger Jordan Community Park. Meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon. Karen Freeman, 503-871-4172.