

# COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

## New Testament lecture starts today

St. Thomas Episcopal Church will start a series of New Testament lectures on Wednesday (today) from 7 to 8 p.m. at the church on Levens Street.

For more information: John Krenkel, 435-503-4304 or 435-503-4303.

## Eat pizza for Dallas High School turf

The Dallas Booster Club will host a pizza fundraiser through Papa Murphy's, 244 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas, from 4 to 7 p.m. on Nov. 8. No coupons will be accepted for this event, and 20 percent of sales go toward fundraising efforts for building a turf field at Dallas High School.

For more information: dhsboosterclub.org, or call Dallas athletics, 503-831-1976.

## Democracy forum at Dallas library

The Dallas Public Library will host "Democracy from the Inside Out" at 7 p.m. on Thursday at the library.

The free event is an Oregon Humanities Conversation Project facilitated by Wendy Willis, a poet and essayist living in Portland.

The focus is on creating habits and practices that help us become more active, resilient and compassionate; act from our own values and listen closely to our neighbors.

Willis is the executive director of the Deliberative Democracy Consortium and founder and director of Oregon's Kitchen Table at Portland State University. The event is provided through the Oregon Hu-



**The Dallas High School boys cross-country team qualified for state Thursday, placing second in the district meet. This is the first time a cross-country team has gone to state since 1986, according to coach Monique Lankheet.**

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manities and the Friends of the Dallas Library.

For more information: 503-623-2633.

## MVCA to recognize all veterans

Mid-Valley Christian Academy invites all veterans to the annual Veteran's Day Chapel and Complimentary Breakfast on Nov. 8 from 8:15 to 10 a.m. at the school, 1483 16th St. N., Monmouth. The students wish to thank you for your service, and serve breakfast to you and your guests.

For more information:

## On to state

503-838-2818, or Gaye Stewart, superintendent, 503-510-4370.

## Faculty exhibit to open at WOU

Western Oregon University's Cannon Gallery of Art will open its biennial art faculty exhibit on Nov. 8. Gallery hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

An opening reception will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 8 to celebrate the exhibition with food, drink and conversation. All are welcome.

Every two years, the Cannon Gallery of Art features the work of Western Oregon University art department faculty. Explore the recent work of Paula Booth, Jen Bracy, Jodie Garrison, Mary Harden, Kim Hoffman, Tim Hutchings, Rebecca McCannell, Sung Eun Park, Gregory Poulin, Daniel Tankersley, Diane Tarter, and Garima Thakur.

Artwork includes painting, photography, printmaking, graphic design, video, collage, sculpture and installation.

For more information: boothp@wou.edu.



## 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, NOV. 1

- **Monmouth Business Association** — 7 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., Mondays through Thursdays, 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.

### THURSDAY, NOV. 2

- **Dallas Lions Club** — Noon, Pressed Wine Bar, 788 Main St., Dallas. Everyone welcome. 503-623-8121.
- **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.
- **Homework, Hoops and Hotdogs** — 5:30 to 8 p.m., The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1401 SW 13th St., Dallas. Free help with homework for students in middle and high school. 503-917-9822, Nona Springer.

### FRIDAY, NOV. 3

- **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.

### SATURDAY, NOV. 4

- **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.
- **Monmouth Senior Center All-You-Can-Eat Community Breakfast** — 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 Warren St. S., Monmouth. Cost: \$6, adults; \$3, children younger than 12. 503-838-5678.
- **Rickreall Grange Flea Market** — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Rickreall Grange Hall, 280 Main St. (99W), Rickreall. Multiple vendors. Also selling fresh-baked goods. Kitchen serving breakfast and lunch. 503-623-8289.

### SUNDAY, NOV. 5

- **Polk Flea Market** — 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Polk County Fairgrounds, 520 S. Pacific Highway (99W), Rickreall. Admission: \$1; children 12 and younger, free. Early admission from 6 to 9 a.m. is \$5. 503-428-8224.
- **Rickreall Grange Flea Market** — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Rickreall Grange Hall, 280 Main St. (99W), Rickreall. Multiple vendors. Also selling fresh-baked goods. Kitchen serving breakfast and lunch. 503-623-8289.

### MONDAY, NOV. 6

- **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.

### TUESDAY, NOV. 7

- **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. 503-623-8429.
- **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.
- **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3203 meeting** — 7:30 p.m., 182 SW Academy St., Dallas. Meets first Tuesday of each month.
- **Dallas Rotary** — Noon, Dallas Civic Center, 945 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. Lunch and speaker. Public is welcome.

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## LIBRARY CALENDAR

### DALLAS

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

- Thursday, Nov. 2, 10:30 a.m. — Children's Story Time.
- Thursday, Nov. 2, 2:30 p.m. — Lego Building.
- Thursday, Nov. 2, 7 p.m. — Oregon Humanities — Democracy from the Inside Out.
- Tuesday, Nov. 7, 10:30 a.m. — Morning Children's Story Time.
- Tuesday, Nov. 7, 3:30 p.m. — Afternoon Children's Story Time.
- Tuesday, Nov. 7, 7 p.m. — Friends of the Library meeting.

### INDEPENDENCE

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

- Wednesday, Nov. 1, 10:30 a.m. — Family Story Time.
- Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1 p.m. — Scrabble with Betty.
- Thursday, Nov. 2, 4:30 p.m. — Chess Club.
- Thursday, Nov. 7, 5-7 p.m. — Dia de los Muertos
- Tuesday, Nov. 7, 4:30 p.m. — Tech Tuesdays (3D Printing and Pens).
- Wednesday, Nov. 8, 10:30 a.m. — Family Story Time.

### MONMOUTH

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

- Thursday, Nov. 2, 6 p.m. — Beyond Fake News: How We Find Accurate Information About the World.
- Friday, Nov. 3, 10:15 a.m. — Friday Fun.
- Tuesday, Nov. 7, 10:15 a.m. — Family Story Time.

### 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.

**55<sup>th</sup> Holiday Fair**  
Friday & Saturday  
Nov. 3rd & 4th  
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
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For more info Contact OSU Polk Co. Ext 503-623-8395

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Photography

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**Independence Airpark Craft Faire**

**Saturday • Nov 4, 9am - 5pm**  
**Sunday • Nov 5, 11am - 4pm**  
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744 Stearman St.  
Independence  
For more info: Amber Krummel 503-838-4246

**Historic Gentle House Annual Holiday Bazaar**

**MONMOUTH - Nov. 9 - 11**  
**at Historic Gentle House,**  
**855 Monmouth Ave. N.**  
on the Western Oregon University campus

Hours are: Thursday and Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
**Boutique style bazaar with holiday and home décor, gifts, food, and so much more!**  
For more information: Amanda Davis, 503-606-2070.

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