Polk County News

COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

Learn to make the perfect pie

Former practicum student Gayle Jolley will return to the Monmouth Senior Center, 180 Warren St. S., at 1 p.m. on Dec. 20.

Jolley taught cooking classes at the center previously, and will show those interested how to make the perfect pie. She will bring several already baked pies also.

For more information: 503-838-5678.

Christmas program returns to Guthrie

Guthrie Park Community Center, 4320 Kings Valley Highway, Dallas, will host the 30th annual Sounds of Christmas program at 7 p.m. on Friday.

Doors open at 5:45 for this free program. Donations are welcome.

This program raises money for maintenance and operation of the Guthrie Park Community Center. It is also a way for the community to gather and to share in an old-fashioned Christmas celebration.

Musicians performing include Dave Curry, Old Field Road, Cooper Hollow and Cash & Co.

A raffle will be available. Santa Claus will visit with children after the show. Refreshments provided. Singalong of Christmas songs and music jam after the show.

4-H Holiday Swag class offered

The 4-H countywide Cloverbud classes start Tuesday with two different time options: from 4 to 5:30 p.m. and 6 to 7:30 p.m.

The classes will continue each third Tuesday of the month through July.

The first class will be Holiday Swag. Each class comes with a light, healthy snack. All projects and activities completed are appropriate to be exhibited as Cloverbud

Shop with the sheriff



JOLENE GUZMAN/Itemizer-Observer

Children from Falls City and Grand Ronde get ready to pose for a group photo with Polk County Sheriff's deputies and Grand Ronde Tribal Police officers on Saturday at the Dallas Walmart. The annual Shop with the Sheriff event purchased gifts for 32 children.

a.m. to 3 p.m. at 341 Kings

Valley Hwy., Dallas.

Display at the Polk County Fair, or entered into the open class youth division.

Registration is required by Thursday. Most classes are \$2 for 4-H members and \$3 for nonmembers. You do not have to be a 4-H member to attend.

To register: Carla Cudmore, Carla.cudmore@oregonstate.edu, or 503-623-4935.

Jinett's Closet Giveaway Saturday

Dallas New Life Jinett's Closet will hold a Christmas Giveway Saturday from 9 Cost is \$6 for a catered

Pictures with Santa will be

gon.org.

available. Donations will be accepted Friday from noon to 4:30

p.m. For more information: 971-283-0443.

Dallas Chamber to hold banquet

The Dallas Chamber of Commerce will hold the State of the Chamber and thank you banquet Monday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Dallas Retirement Village, 377 NW Jasper St., Dallas.

lunch.

To register or for more information: www.dallasore-

Oregon Old Time Fiddlers to perform

The Oregon Old Time Fiddlers will perform Saturday from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Dallas City Hall annex, 187 SE Court St., Dallas. Members of the fiddlers' association from around the state will come to play.

There is no cost to attend. For more information: Lew Holt, 503-391-5377.



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, DEC. 13

• Polk County Republican Women — 11:30 a.m., Murphy's Restaurant, 288 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas. No-host lunch available; everyone welcome. 503-623-5759.

• 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. Karen Freeman, 503-871-4172. 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.

THURSDAY, DEC. 14

• 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., White's Collision Service, 1330 SE Jefferson St., Dallas. Afterhours social event for Polk County young professionals, aged 21-45.

FRIDAY, DEC. 15

• Take Off Pounds Sensibly Club Meeting — 9:45 to 11 a.m.

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

• Thursday, Dec. 14, 10:30 a.m. - Children's Story Time.

• Thursday, Dec. 14, noon — Adult Book Discussion. • Friday, Dec. 15, 5:30 p.m. — Teen Movie and Holiday Party. • Tuesday, Dec. 19, 10:30 a.m. — Morning Children's Story Time. • Tuesday, Dec. 19, 3:30 p.m. — After-

noon Children' Story Time.

INDEPENDENCE 175 Monmouth St.

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

LIBRARY CALENDAR

• Wednesday, Dec. 13, 10:30 a.m. Family Story Time.

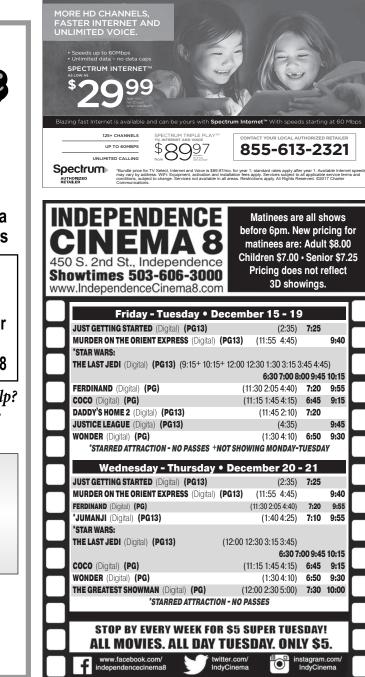
- Thursday, Dec. 14, 4:30 p.m. Chess Club. Thursday, Dec. 14, 6 p.m. — Mystery
- Book Club.
- Saturday, Dec. 16, 3 p.m. Cuentos en Espanol. Monday, Dec. 18, 3 p.m. — Kid's holi-
- day cards.
- Tuesday, Dec. 19, 3 p.m. Last Minute Gifts (Kids will make a variety of gifts). • Wednesday, Dec. 20, 10:30 a.m. Family Story Time.

MONMOUTH

- 168 S. Ecols St. 503-751-0182 www.ci.monmouth.or.us/library • Friday, Dec. 15, 10:15 a.m. — Friday
- Fun. • Tuesday, Dec. 19, 4:30 p.m. — Holiday
- Cards and Crafts.

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 up-

coming events.



Church of Christ, 127 Heffley St. N., Monmouth. First meeting is free. 503-930-7936.

• Family Building Blocks Independence play group - 10 a.m., St. Patrick Catholic Church, 1275 E St., Independence. Play group for children and families. Activities and snacks provided. Free. RSVP, 503-363-3057.

• 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.

SUNDAY, DEC. 17

• 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, DEC. 18

• 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.

• American Red Cross Blood Drive — 12:30 to 6 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 879 SW Levens St., Dallas. www.redcrossblood.org.

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.

TUESDAY, DEC. 19

• Indoor Play Park - 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 879 SW Levens St., Dallas. Open to children prekindergarten and younger with parent/adult. Mondays through Thursdays. Free.

• 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.

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.

• Dallas Wingdingers RC Flying Club — 7 p.m., Whitworth Elementary School library, 1151 SE Miller Ave., Dallas. 503-623-7288.

• Polk County Coin Club - 7 p.m., Monmouth Senior Center, 180 Warren St. S., Monmouth. 503-362-9123.

• 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.

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DALLAS OREGON

Providing holiday meals to Dallas-area families in need for more than 50 years

Put Christmas Cheer on your giving list this year! **Christmas Cheer** Make PO Box 661 checks to:

Dallas, OR 97338 Do you or someone you know need a little help? Ask for an application or go to our website to apply: www.dallascc.org

All volunteers are encouraged to bring canned goods when coming to help sort, shop & deliver food boxes on Christmas Eve at 6 am, Sunday, Dec. 24th at LaCreole Middle School

More information: 503-623-3585 Coordinators: Warren & Sue Lamb - 5013C - Non-Profit Organization

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