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Isabelle Paylor set to attend Stanford in fall

Since she was young, Isabelle Paylor has had an insatiable appetite for learning. Which subjects? Her mom, Brenda,

joked that there isn't a subject Paylor doesn't find interesting. This fall Paylor is set to further her academic career at Stan-

ford University, where she will seek a double major in comput-

er science, possibly cybersecu-

rity or artificial intelligence,

**By Shelley McFarland** 

## Ben's VILLAGE

Friends, family, community help special-needs boy achieve his potential

By SHELLEY McFARLAND

t's been said that it takes a village to raise a child. That's true for Ben Kriloff who is defying expectations at Oregon Trail Elementary School.

At birth, Ben was deprived of oxygen for a significant period of time. Called hypoxic-ischemic encephalopathy, it resulted in severe brain dam-

"Doctors said he may never walk or talk or really have any purposeful or meaningful life," said Emily Kriloff, Ben's mother. "He was on a feeding tube because he couldn't suck or swallow. He came home a few weeks later from the newborn intensive care unit (NICU) and was having seizures. We weren't sure he was going to live.

Sent home with a difficult prognosis, the Kriloffs changed their lives to care for their firstborn son. Emily, faced with Ben's time-consuming care, left her job as a pediatric nurse while Sean Kriloff, Ben's father, an active-duty naval career counselor guiding his comrades in the Northwest, asked to be stationed close to home.

'All I remember is I so badly wanted him to walk. Now I think, I just want Ben to talk more," Emily said. "You have all of these dreams for your kid, and with Ben, he wasn't going to do any of those things, and we asked ourselves 'what does this actually mean for us?

Ben started physical therapy with early intervention a few weeks after being brought home. He received private therapy by the time he was 3 months old. Today, Ben, 6, receives occupational therapy and attends Oregon Trail Elementary School as a first grader.

"Last year we thought he was doing well as a kindergartner, but there was still crying, and we were struggling with communication and benav ior. But this year he has changed 100 percent. He's come so far. He's talking and saying phrases, he's more patient, and he's trying to commu-

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PHOTO BY SHELLEY MCFARLAND

Ben Kriloff attends Oregon Trail Elementary School and receives help from his transitional teacher's assistant, Nolan Riordan. (back right) Ben is surrounded by his family and Riordan.

#### and physics, with a concentration in astrophysics. Along the way, Paylor said she had many wonderful teachers at the Happy Valley schools she at-

"Everyone made a difference. I've gotten a lot of support from all of my teachers and the people at school and my friends," Paylor

School has been relatively easy for Paylor, but this year, the Clackamas High School senior has a stacked schedule, which is a challenge. She is taking honors humanities (a dual-credit class through Portland State Universi-

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**Clackamas High School student** Isabelle Paylor will be attending Stanford in September.

### In April Paige Martin was honored as a local amazing kid



Happy Valley student, Paige Martin, was recognized as an "Amazing Kid" at the 2019 banquet. Presented by Pamplin Media Group, the students highlighted are honored for their contributions to the community and general achievements.

City of Happy Valley

On April 29th, Paige Martin and 27 other "Amazing Kid" recipients were honored at a banquet at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. The City of Happy Valley nominated Paige based on the leadership she has shown as a member of Youth Council, the community service programs she planned and implemented, her excellence at school, and her extensive extracurricular activities.

It's easy to understand why Paige is so deserving of this recognition. For her, service and leadership go hand in hand. She understands that helping others is impactful because it inspires inclusivity and giving back to her community. She has

activities that directly impact those in need, such as volunteering for the Wichita Center, Happy Valley Youth Council, Happy Valley Library and the

National Charity League. Paige has dedicated much of her youth to helping others, starting with her first volunteer position at the age of 13 serving on Happy Valley Library's Teen Advisory Board.

Last year, she helped to plan one of the summer's biggest teen events, a Percy Jacksonthemed Lock-In for 45 teens. Currently, Paige is the library's liaison with the City's Youth Council, helping to draw connections between the two organizations to better serve local teens. As a member of the Happy Valley Youth Council, a group committed to improving

youth advocacy and the creation of safety programs, Paige works with her council to identify key issues for teens and then develop an effective plan to create a positive impact. Annual Rx-Drug Take Back Events, Youth Town Halls and Teen Driver Safety Events are a few of the Youth Council's goals for teens in the Happy Valley Community.

Her volunteer work at the Wichita Center prompted Paige to see if any of the families who utilize these resource centers would be interested in learning CPR, AED use and choking relief. She took the initiative to contact the National American Heart Association office to inquire about the requirements and the representative she

a big heart and leans towards the lives of fellow teens through idea. Paige is now applying for be CPR volunteers and facilitaa grant to purchase CPR equipment and manikins with the purpose of offering free, noncertification CPR classes to families within our community who have limited resources. Her hope is to gear it towards families who utilize resources from the Wichita Center for Family and Community and the Metropolitan Family Service

Program. Her mission is to create a no fee, easily accessible class for everyone, including families where English is a second language. Her program would provide families with the tools they need to be more confident in using CPR to save a life in their own homes, increasing the victim's chance of survival until spoke to was thrilled at the train teens in our community to you can't measure.

tors, while offering classes at regular times at a central location throughout the year. Paige has many connections within her community through La Salle, Happy Valley Library, Happy Valley Youth Council, National Charity League and mentors/advisors to help make this

dream a reality. Even with all her volunteer and extracurricular activities, Paige still makes time for family and friends, plays her guitar and reads for pleasure. She maintains a 4.357 GPA despite a challenging class load. Getting a good education is high on her priority list. Most of all, she wants to lead a balanced life and make sure she's giving back to others. She knows the help arrives. Paige's plan is to reward for this is something

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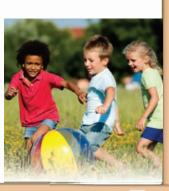
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## Krilloff

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nicate," Emily said. "Even a year or two ago we wondered how much he understood, but I can see now that he has so much more going on in his head than what we could imagine.

At school, Ben has Nolan Riordan, a transitional teacher's assistant, through North Clackamas School District, who helps with tasks like helping Ben off the bus, putting away his backpack and personal care. Riordan, a Portland State University student majoring in education and physics, spends most of his workday with Ben to help him navigate school and learn. Riordan was trained specifically to help Ben.

"From the first day of the school year to now, he has had tremendous growth. He's already able to match numbers and letters with higher accuracy," Riordan said. "He's more willing to play with his peers and get their attention to have them play with him. He has more patience than he had at the beginning of the year. Ben doesn't give up.'

Riordan's mother was a special-education teacher and his cousin had cerebral palsy.

"Growing up, I understood a decent amount about disability and taking a position. I knew it wasn't going to be the easiest thing in the world. I knew there'd be up days and also days that weren't fair, but all I knew was there was a student who needed help," Riordan said.

"North Clackamas School District is actually pretty incredible with how they have been working with us. We never really had to ask, they have just provided us the oneon-one assistance for Ben," Emily said.

Eventually, Ben was joined by two sisters, Charlotte, now 4 years old and Anna, 11 months old. The sisters have helped Ben's progress.

"With Charlotte being born, Ben started crawling and rolling. Before her, he never did any of that," Sean said. "And with Anna, his vocabulary has improved because Charlotte is talking to her, so are we, and he's learning.

Sean's motto is keep your expectations high and you'll be rewarded. With Ben's village helping guide and teach him, Ben is exceeding all hopes.

## Happy Valley celebrates National Police Week



The City recently celebrated National Police Week, an annual nationwide tribute to law enforcement officers. It recognizes the service and sacrifice of all U.S. law enforcement and pays tribute to those who have lost their lives in the line of duty. For the City, it was a reminder of all the great work the Happy Valley police officers do and their commitment to making safety their primary goal.

More specifically, the mission of the Happy Valley Police Department is to assure security, safety, and quality law enforcement services to all people of Happy Valley. Through a contract with the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office (CCSO), residents receive dedicated police who can respond around the clock in the event of an emer-

The contract with the CCSO is all inclusive and covers the cost of hiring officers, their training, patrol vehicles, insurance and even detective services. By taking advantage of the service functions that a larger law enforcement agency can provide, you as the resident benefit because your safety continues to be a priority.

Additionally, the City's partnership with the County allows Happy Valley Police to be truly dedicated to the Happy Valley community. This means their presence is often more closely felt compared to some other cities that aren't as close-knit. You may notice a Happy Valley police officer at one of the City's annual events, for example, or recognize a deputy on patrol at the Happy Valley Park during a busy weekend. This familiarity creates a feeling of camaraderie and trust, and frequently offers residents a feeling of comfort.

If you see one of your Happy Valley police officers out and about, don't be afraid to say hello or thank them for their service. When asked what they love most about working for the City, Happy Valley police officers unanimously reported their affinity for this community and the kindness they encounter on a daily basis from residents.

**Chief Scott Anderson** toured several first and second grade classes at **Happy Valley** Elementary School to talk about safety and share what it's like to be a police officer.

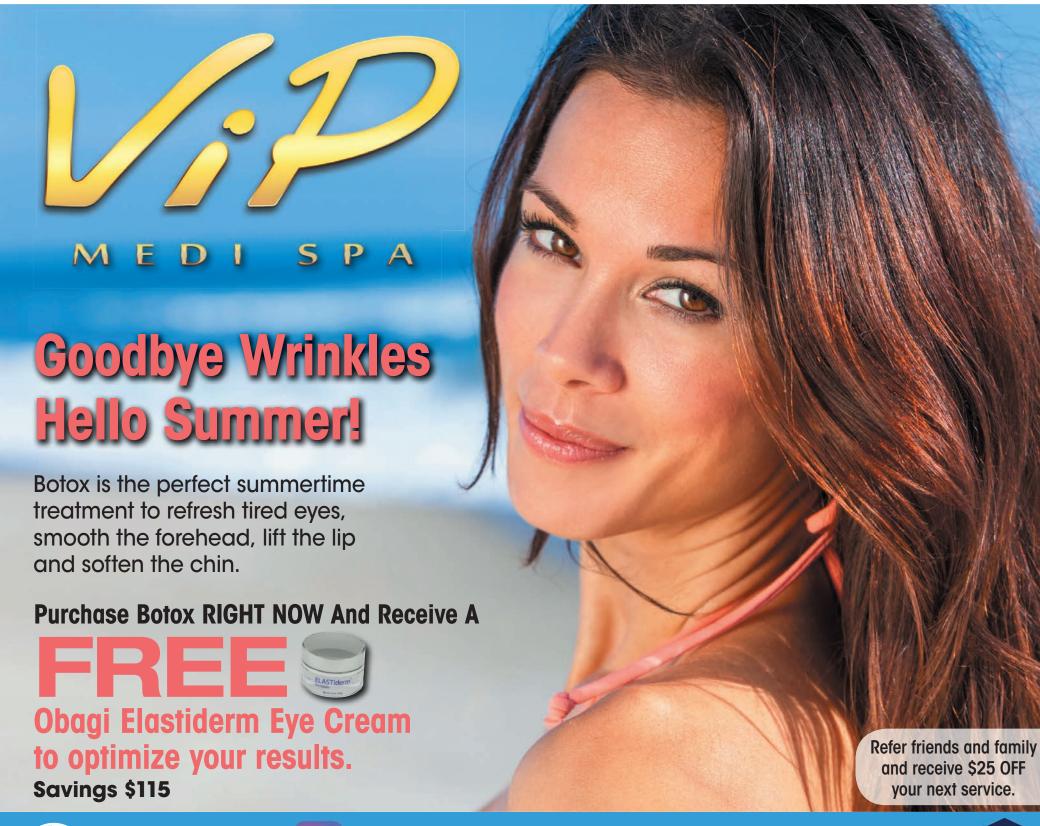


Kona with a Cop brought kids and afternoon during Officers handed school, and even shaved ice flavor

passersby out for a sweet treat in the Police Week. out stickers, talked with youth about debated which combinations were best.



**During the week** of May 12-18, the City helped celebrate **National Police** Week. During Coffee with a Cop, residents had an opportunity to talk with officers about traffic concerns and ask about neighborhood safety.







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## Comprehensive Plan for Pleasant Valley/ North Carver engages local community

City of Happy Valley

The City of Happy Valley has been working with the community to plan the future of Pleasant Valley/ North Carver (PV/NC). This Comprehensive Plan will lay out a vision for the long-term development of the area, including land uses, transportation, schools, and parks. While physical changes are not taking place right away, creating a comprehensive plan now ultimately ensures that future development will serve community needs.

To fully understand the reasoning behind a comprehensive plan, it might be helpful to explain how Portland Metropolitan Area's Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) works. The UGB is a boundary line tool used to control urban expansion. Metro is responsible for managing the UGB with the goal to protect farms and forests from unrestrained expansion and promote the efficient use of land, public facilities and services inside the boundary instead.

Every six years, the Metro Council must review and report on the land supply. Metro estimates population and employment growth for the region for the next 20 years and, and if necessary, adjusts the UGB to meet the needs of growth fore-

The PV/NC area was added to the UGB in 2002. As a result, an urban comprehensive plan is required by state law to assure that current and future housing, employment, and in-



Plan ideas were enlarged and positioned for display at the PV/NC Community Workshops in April. Residents were able to view and discuss potential ideas.



considered. The plan additionally must adhere to statewide rules and goals. While a tedious process, comprehensive planning allows for the expansion of such quality public services as police, schools, and parks.

The comprehensive plan process has included ideas from property owners, the general public, neighboring cities and

frastructure needs are properly counties, and other stakeholders. The community, as a result, has played an instrumental role in this endeavor. Between early information gathering events at Fred Meyer and the City's Harvest Fest, in-person and online community workshops, and monthly meetings with the Technical Advisory Committee and Community Advisory Committee, the

#### **EVENT**

Joint TAC/CAC Meeting on June 20th at City Hall Council Chambers from 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

Completion of the Comprehensive Plan is anticipated for the Summer of

future needs of the PV/NC area are being fully explored.

Whether you feel strongly about this plan and want to express your ideas, or simply want to be in the know about what is in the works, getting involved is key.



#### CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY

#### June 6

City Blood **Drive Challenge:** 

9 a.m.-7 p.m. at Happy Valley Police Department. See details on page 16

#### **Dumpster Day:**

8 a.m.-noon at Happy Valley Park. See details on page 6

**Planning Commission** Meeting: 7 p.m. at City

**Traffic and Public Safety Meeting:** 

7 p.m. at City Hall

**City Council Work** Session: 6 p.m. at City Hall

City Council Meeting: 7 p.m. at City Hall

**Public Art Committee:** 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

**June 21-23** 

**Community Garage** Sales: all weekend

#### Meeting: 7:30 a.m. at City Hall

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**June 25** 

Library

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**June 28** 

Self-Defense Class:

1:30 p.m. at US World Class

Taekwondo. See details

**Salvation Army Donation** 

**Drop Off :** 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Library Board Meeting:** 

6 p.m. at Happy Valley

**HV Business Alliance** 

at Happy Valley Police

**Design Review Board:** 7 p.m. at City Hall

**City Council Work** 

#### **Session:** 6 p.m. at City Hall

**City Council Meeting:** 7 p.m. at City Hall

#### July 4

4th of July Family Festival: All day at Happy Valley Park. See details on page 14

#### **CITY**COUNCIL

The Happy Valley City Council will hold a public hearing and consider an ordinance for the adoption of the proposed Happy Valley Urban Renewal Plan.

WHERE: 16000 SE Misty Drive Happy Valley, Happy

WHEN: Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 7 p.m.

proposed Happy Valley Urban Renewal Plan and accompanying report is available at www. happyvalleyor.gov and may also be obtained by contacting: Travis Warneke, Finance Director at (503) 783-3827 travisw@happyvalleyor.gov.

The proposed maximum indebtedness for the Happy Val-

A copy of the ordinance, the ley Urban Renewal Plan is \$131,000,000. The ordinance, if approved, is subject to referendum. The adoption of the Plan may impact property tax rates for general obligation bonds approved by voters prior to October 6, 2001. There is one bond and the estimated impact is \$1.91 per \$100.000 of assessed value for one year only.

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s a proud U.S. Coast Guard Veteran, I'm excited to announce the City has been awarded a grant to construct a Veterans Memorial next to City Hall. Two years ago, the City Council asked a group of local veterans, Parks Advisory Committee members, and

Public Art Committee members to develop a plan for adding a Veterans Memorial to the plaza outside City Hall. The plan developed by this ad-hoc group will utilize the labyrinth that currently exists as a "walk with veterans." Surrounding the labyrinth will be benches and lighted flags for each branch of military. In addition, there

will be a retaining wall engraved to memorialize the veteran sacrifice along with an art sculpture.

We are very appreciative of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission for this approximately \$75,000 grant award. State dollars will be used to fund the Memorial's capital infrastructure, while City matching dollars will fund site preparation, such as irrigation and landscaping.

I'd also like to thank those who partnered in the City's grant proposal to the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission. Letters of project support were submitted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1324; 364th Civil Affairs Brigade, Department of the Army, based out of Camp Withycombe; Senator Alan Olsen; and the





TOM ELLIS



MEMORIAL MASTER PLAN

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CONCRETE

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

Complete with benches, walking labyrinth, and illuminated flags that will recognize each branch of the military, the future Veterans Memorial will provide respectful tribute to those who have served. TOP: The site of the future Happy Valley Veterans Memorial - This area, located just outside City Hall, will serve as a reflective space, honoring veterans.

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City of Happy Valley advisory committees for parks and public art.

As a veteran, I have always found Happy Valley to be a welcoming and supportive community. It is my hope, as Mayor, that the Veterans Memorial will be an integral landmark in Happy Valley, ensuring that other veterans in our community are remembered. Join me this month in cel-

ebrating our local veterans, and this new addition to our community! To find out more about the Happy Valley Veterans Memorial, go to happyvalleyor.gov.

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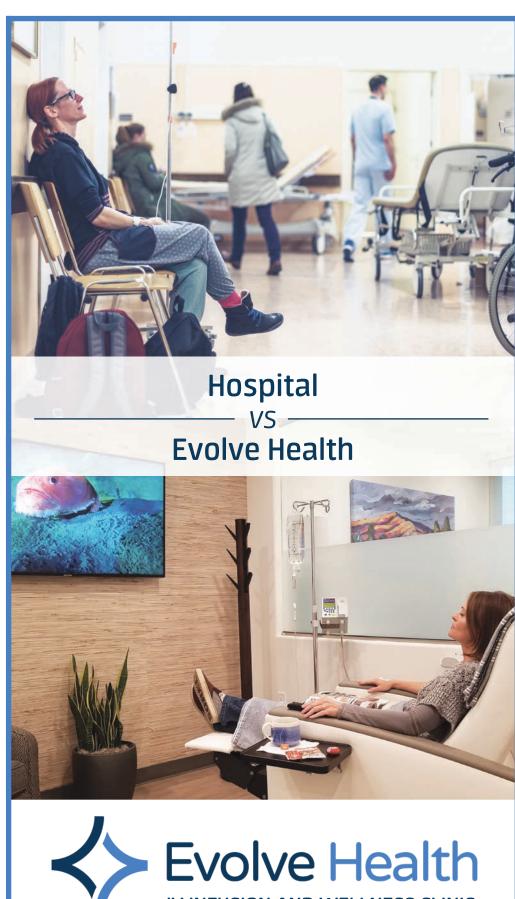


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The other 88% of your tax bill goes to other service providers such as the North Clackamas School District, Clackamas Fire, Clackamas County, and more. As a City Council, all we control are the tax dollars for general city services and police.

Just this last month, we had our annual Budget Committee meeting to discuss how city tax dollars and other revenues are spent. Like many cities, the Happy Valley Municipal Code follows Oregon State Law by requiring an annual budget to be balanced and adopted by the City Council no later than the end of June. Getting to this point involves a review of prior trends. projections for the future, and analysis. Most importantly, it involves input and approval from the Budget Committee which includes five local residents and the City Council members.

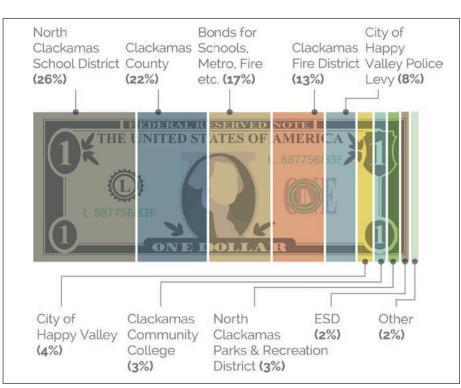
The City is in a positive financial position. This allows us to continue funding the services that you have come to expect such as street sweeping, maintenance of public areas, code enforcement, land use planning, economic development, and community events.

In addition, we have been able to prioritize a few new items this year, including:

- Funding for 2 new police offi-
- Funding for 1 new librarian ■ Additional reserves for future capital assets such as a new public works facility
- Increase in street maintenance projects due to higher gas taxes approved by the state legislature

It's exciting to be able to continually improve city services and facilities. We know there are many more needs in the community and we will keep striving to meet our goals for the future.

While the budget may have been a major focus this last month for us on City Council, our City staff prioritizes the budget daily. We're so proud of the work our entire team does throughout the year to manage our resources. It's going to be another great year ahead.



This graphic represents your tax dollar and its division across various service providers and City resources. While a general representation, it serves as a visual reminder how your dollars are used. Only tax dollars for general city services and police are managed by City Council.

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Josh Bradley

### Local students recognized by Happy Valley City Council

At the May 21 City Council meeting, Chase Rosen berg, a fourth grader from **Spring Mountain** Elementary, and McKenna Phifer. an eighth grader from Damascus Christian School, were recognized for their winning submissions in the 2019 "If I were Mayor, I Would..." contest.

Sponsored by the Oregon Mayors Association, the contest encourages youth to take a closer look at their community and describe what they would do if they could be mayor. Their entries have been submitted to the statewide contest, where a winner will be announced in August.



Chase Rosenberg and McKenna Phifer were recognized for their winning contest entries by City Council. The students posed for a photo with the Mayor Tom Ellis and Councilors.

"As the mayor, I would try to be a good role model for the citizens. I would listen to the people's ideas and act according to everyone's best interests. I would do my best to be a mayor who is responsible, inspirational, and passionate about their people." Full essay by McKenna Phifer posted on the City of Happy Valley's website

— McKenna Phifer (quote from essay)



Chase Rosenberg created a colorful poster showcasing what he would do as mayor. His vision included more sidewalks and more recreational activities.





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## New Damascus fire station opens

#### By SHELLEY McFARLAND

Over 100 people attended the April 29 grand opening ceremony for the newest building in Clackamas Fire District No. 1 — Damascus **Community Fire Station** No. 19.

A presentation and history of the building was followed by the formal ribbon cutting and tours of the station conducted by firefighters. The Clackamas Firefighters Pipes & Drums joined the Clackamas Fire Honor Guard and the Three Rivers VFW Post 1324 Honor Guard to raise the station flag.

Attendees toured the new 12,400-square-foot station, which was built with future growth in mind. Currently, it houses four firefighters and one battalion chief. Along with personnel, the station uses Truck 319 and Interface Engine 319, along with Water Rescue and Boat 308.

20100 S.E. Highway 212, Damascus, is now home to the Volunteer Rehab and Support



PHOTS BY: LADY & GENT PHOTOGRAPHY Damascus Community Fire Station No. 19 was built with the future in mind. It currently houses four firefighters and one battalion chief.

on-scene support for firefighters and paramedics.

Hennebery Eddy Architects Inc. designed the building and Emerick Construction built it. Through a public hearing, the board of direc-The existing fire station, at tors adopted a resolution exempting the fire district from a request for proposal process for the new Damascus

to use the same architectural and contractor services as Hilltop Community Fire Station 16, which was damaged by an electrical fire.

Construction of the new station cost \$6.4 million and includes state-of-the-art features. The project was paid for with funds from the district's \$29 million general ob-



Numerous residents and fire district personnel attended the April 29 ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate opening of the new station.

by voters in May 2015.

"Our new Damascus Community Fire Station will help us provide the best possible emergency services to the team, which works to provide station, allowing the district ligation bond that was passed community for decades to Damascus.

come," said Fire Chief Fred Charlton. Damascus Community Fire

Station No. 19 is located at 19750 S.E. Damascus Lane,

For more information, visit: clackamasfire.com.

During the month of April, Clackamas Fire District No. 1 responded to nearly 2,000 calls for service.

## Gather your items for this weekend's annual Dumpster Day

City of Happy Valley

Happy Valley Park will play host to the City's annual Dumpster Day on Saturday. June 8 from 8:00 a.m. to noon. This event is the perfect opportunity to dispose of items that you've been meaning to discard as it includes both a dumpster receptacle and a donation truck.

When it comes to the dumpster, there are some items that can and cannot be accepted:

#### Items you can drop off:

- ✓ Unwanted household items
- ✓ Electronics: TVs and computer equipment for E-cycling
- ✔ Furniture (box springs, mattresses, couches, chairs) ✓ BBQs, bicycles, exercise equipment
- ✓ Appliances (non-Freon types) and water heaters
- ✔ Passenger car and light truck tires, any batteries

#### What we can't accept:

✓ Hazardous waste, paint, propane tanks

All construction, demolition, or remodeling materials:

- ✔ Flooring vinyl tiles, vinyl sheet, mastic ✔ Walls – plaster, decorative plaster
- ✓ Siding cement siding shingles "Transite"
- ✓ Ceilings acoustical tiles, "popcorn" and spray-on texture
   ✓ Insulation spray-applied, blown-in, vermiculite, pipe, HVAC and lagging
- ✓ Electrical wire insulation, panel partitions ✔ Other – fire doors, fire brick, fire proofing
- ✔ Household garbage
- ✓ Commercial landscaping debris
- ✔ Residential yard debris trimmings, sod, stumps, rock
- ✓ No refrigerators, freezers or appliances containing Freon (coolant fluorocarbons)

A shredding truck will also be on hand to safely dispose of your old paper files and documents. Limit two banker boxes per residence.

Due to collection volume and space limitations, this event is limited to Happy Valley\* residents. (\*97086 zip code is not always within City boundaries. Bring I.D. for address verification within City boundaries.)

#### To accommodate as many households as possible, we must specify:

- ✓ No commercial trailer loads ✓ No oversize U-haul loads
- ✓ One trip through per residence
- ✓ Gates will close prior to posted closing time if we reach capacity

This event is made possible by grant support from Metro, in partnership with Waste Management, Hoodview Disposal, Sunset Garbage Collection, The Salvation Army and Less Schwab Tires.

\$5.00 suggestion donation to the 4th of July Fireworks Fund gratefully accepted!



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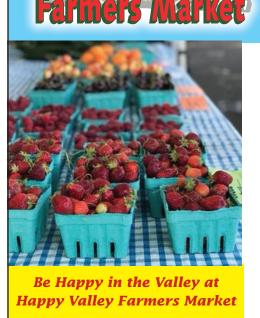
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## City, school principals team up to improve community

**By SHELLEY McFARLAND** 

Two years ago, in an effort to improve connections with residents, the City of Happy Valley reached out to the principals of Happy Valley schools to establish a forum for conversation.

"The city is always looking to improve our connection with people, so partnering with the schools was a great idea. We meet with the principals of our schools to bridge the communication gap and build trust and relationships," said Steve Campbell, director of Community Services and Public Safety for the City of Happy Valley.

"Schools are a large entity in the community. We can complement each other well, but only if we know each other's needs, interests and challenges. We are all here to make life better for our youngest residents.'

The meetings encompass everything from growth boundaries to community events, youth council, City Hall tours, traffic concerns and equity issues. Attendees include representatives from police, fire, library, community involvement, communications, planning and the assistant city manager.

The main topic at most meetings is school safety. At a recent gathering, the city detailed the Super Block Project that will impact Happy Valley Middle and Elementary schools.

The project will offer contiguous sidewalks linking sections



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The City of Happy Valley and school principals work together to build relationships to coordinate city

of Southeast Ridgecrest/Southeast 132nd Avenue and Southeast King Road/Southeast 147th Avenue. The project will increase safety for both pedestrians and motorists, and will include lighted crosswalks.

The Super Block will allow for better traffic flow and connectivity between the sections of land that currently have gaps, allowing for increased usability of the space. This is of paramount importance to the city's youth, elderly and those with disabilities. Being able to safely traverse the area not only promotes healthy recreational activity by way of exercise, but it also helps boost cross-visibility between those on foot and those using the road.

"The main issue we work with is on safety. If an incident

happens we want to coordinate properly and work efficiently together," Campbell said. "Forming these relationships will help us all be effective to deal with the matters at hand, rather than wasting time understanding who the players are."

Because of the open communication between both groups, many principals advocated for and received traffic improvements near their schools.

"As a new principal to the area, I've found the meetings to be very helpful in understanding what is happening in the community that I serve. I appreciate hearing about the projects that are going on and how that will impact the families that we work with," said Jessica Son, Principal at Spring Mountain Elementary School.

"I also appreciate having time to ask questions of how to best access the resources that the city has to offer. I've worked with Steve Campbell to address concerns regarding traffic in our area, specifically at drop-off and pick-up," she said. "As a result of these meetings, I've been able to apply for a safety grant. The grant will provide safety features to our area for students and the community.

"The encouragement and support from Steve made me feel confident that our safety goals and the grant were in alignment."

During the latest meeting on May 9, Happy Valley Police Chief Scott Anderson asked whether the police "could do anything better when answering threat calls at the schools."

packet of statistics with detailed emergency-call logs from their respective schools. The packets are a tool to help the principals evaluate the nature of emergency calls that police and fire personnel are responding to and to compare their statistics with the other schools in Happy Valley.

Safety aside, the city also is concerned with the emotional well-being of the students living in Happy Valley. Diversity and inclusion are not just North Clackamas School District touchstones; the city wants to do its part to make all students feel safe and welcome.

At the May 9 meeting, Campbell addressed a recent incident involving offensive graffiti found on structures near a popular trail and the city's immediate response to eliminate it.

Tiffany Parret and Nicole Nix, co-chairs of the United Community Alliance, a diversity-centric group in Happy Valley, attended the meeting to explain their group's mission to build a stronger, tolerant and united community to serve all residents regardless of race, religion or lifestyle preferences.

Campbell said the benefits of the meetings are twofold — the city can keep the principals updated on city plans, goals or needs; conversely, the principals keep the city informed about the schools' plans, goals

"It's nice to work within a city that is so committed to support-

Each principal was handed a ing its local schools. City leaders use the time to really listen to our suggestions on how they can best support us as building principals," said Curtis Long, principal at Scouters Mountain

Elementary School. "Also, since building principals rarely have an opportunity to sit down for lunch at all — let alone with colleagues — it's a great time to visit and share success stories about all the awesome things taking place within our city's schools," he

The partnership between the North Clackamas principals and the city aligns resources and keeps channels of communication open. As such, it is a working model for other cities to adopt.

"NCSD deeply appreciates these conversations between Happy Valley city officials and local principals. Schools are integral components of any community, and efforts to establish effective, two-way communication can result in mutually beneficial outcomes," said Jonathan Hutchinson, communications director for the North Clackamas School District.

Because of the success of the program, Campbell sees the meetings continuing into the next school year. The biggest benefits are to "share challenges, celebrate successes and enrich the lives of our voungest residents. These relationships benefit the entire community,'

## Scouters Mountain earns award for being green

improvements with schools and understanding the needs of each school.

By SHELLEY McFARLAND

Recently, Scouters Mountain Elementary School won the multistate Trex School Recvcling Challenge, where students and staff collect and recycle

Organized by Lisa Bassett, sustainability coordinator with the Scouters Mountain PTA, the school collected 1,097 pounds of plastic, which was weighed and transported to Fred Meyer to be recycled. Their winning prize was a bench for the school.

"I started working on making our school a green school during the 2016-17 school year. We earned the distinction the next year. Scouters Mountain has

done the Crayola recycling for the last two years with the staff, and I am hoping to open it up school-side soon," Bassett said. "This year, I introduced party packs for our school — reusable packs of plates, cups, bowls, silverware and service utensils that can be reused and

washed to cut down on waste." Bassett, a Master Recycler, is a member of the Eco- School Network and on the steering committee for North Clackamas. These groups have taught her to be an agent of change to offer resources and recycling programs in the community.

Through Bassett's work, Scouters Mountain received a grant through Oregon Green Schools, and with some financial help from the Scouters Mountain PTA, Bassett hopes to bring a milk dispenser to school to cut down on milk carton waste and other recycling opportunities to the school.

Even though the challenge is over now, Scouters Mountain can still recycle.

"The response from the children has been great. They are now aware that we can recycle all this plastic and not put it in to our landfills. It was a great way to educate our school community that recycling is happening, but to still remember (to bring) reusable shopping bags when you shop. Reduce, reuse and then recycle," Bassett said.



Reminders of recycling are prominent throughout the school during the competition.



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Students and staff at Scouters Mountain Elementary School collected 1,097 pounds of plastic during a recycling challenge.

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#### **June 2019 Library Events**

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Pinochle Club:** Mondays, June 3 & 17, 1:30-3:30 p.m. **Happy Valley Library Book Group:** Thursday, June 6,

**Selection for June:** A Visit from the Goon Squad by Jennifer Egan. (No meeting in July)

**Mah Jongg:** Fridays, June 7, 14, 21 & 28, 1-4 p. m.

Genealogy Club: Mondays, June 10 & 24; at 2 p.m.

Note Night: Wednesday, June 12, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Featuring singer/songwriter and guitarist Chuck Cheesman performing a variety of original songs and instrumentals



Pull up a chair and let's play pinochle! This competitive card game may seem intimidating at first, but it's a great game to keep your brain sharp and the company can't be beat. **Group meets every other Monday in June.** 

#### YOUTH **PROGRAM**

Homeschool Club: Swap and Show: Wednesday, June 12; at 1:30

p.m., for grades

K-5.

Let's Lego!: Saturday, June 15; at 1:30 p.m.,

for grades K-5.



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**June 15.** 

# Help create a garden oasis

that attracts colorful birds and butterflies throughout spring and summer at an informative presentation with Master Gardener, Jim Kronenberg, on June 13.

#### **FEATURED ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Attracting Birds to your** Backyard: Thursday, June 13, 3:30-5 p.m. Master Gardener Jim Kronenberg returns to the library to help gardeners learn how to create a setting that will bring hummingbirds, songbirds, and butterflies to their yards and keep them coming around.

**AARP Program:** Living Longer, Living Smarter: Thursday, June 20, 10:30-Noon. The best time to plan for future is now. Join us for this workshop where you'll discover how to create a comprehensive plan for your future that includes vour home and community, health, finances, and wishes.

Start planning for your future today!

"Lifeboat" Documentary Screening: Thursday, June 20, 6:30-7:45 p.m. Happy Vallev resident and director Skye Fitzgerald presents his Oscar-nominated short documentary. Come watch this powerful film that bears witness to refugees who risk their lives at sea, and the volunteer rescuers who come to their aid. — See accompanying story on page 9

**Board Game Connection:** Thursday, June 27, 5-7 p.m. Gather around a table and connect with friends new and old over board games. Learn a new game or bring a personal favorite and teach someone else! New games will be featured every

Learn how to plan for your future and create an effective strategy to maximize your finances at the upcoming AARP "Living Longer, Living Smarter" presentation on June 20.



"Lifeboat" Documentary Screening set for June 20. See page 9 for more information.

#### FEATURED YOUTH PROGRAMS

How Does Your Garden Grow?: Saturday, June 1; at 10:15 a.m. For K-5. Take a closer look at the natural world with hands-on activities.

Craft Club: Scrap: Saturday, June 8; at 1:30-2:30 p.m. For K-5. Get crafty with staff from SCRAP and learn how to reuse supplies to make awesome pop up cards.

Middle School Lock In:

Tuesday, June 25; at 7:30-10 p.m. For youth entering grades 6-8. It's the annual epic after hours take-over of the library with food, lip sync battles and games. Check in from 7:30-8 p.m.; doors lock at 8

**High School Lounge:** 

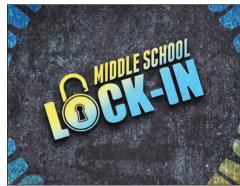
Thursday, June 27; at 7:30-10 p.m. For youth entering grades 9-12. Hang out in the library after hours with food, crafts, music and prizes. Check in from 7:30-8 p.m.; doors lock at 8 p.m.



The natural world becomes the classroom when you dig in and try several hands-on activities that promote learning at **How Does Your Garden Grow?** 



High school students get a chance to connect and hang out at the upcoming High School Lounge event on June 27.



Want to hang out with your buddies and meet some new friends, too? The Middle School Lock In provides a safe space for tweens to have fun and get to know other students of the same age.

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### **Real Estate** REVIEW



From the desk of Chris Olson, Burns & Olson Real Estate

A smile is just a frown turned upside down, and that applies to Real Estate sales these days! After a slow start this year, April-May listings and sales are good. It's not the crazy busy market of this time last year, and I'm good with that! Today, in mid May, the thirty year Interest rate is hovering around 4.1% for well qualified buyers.

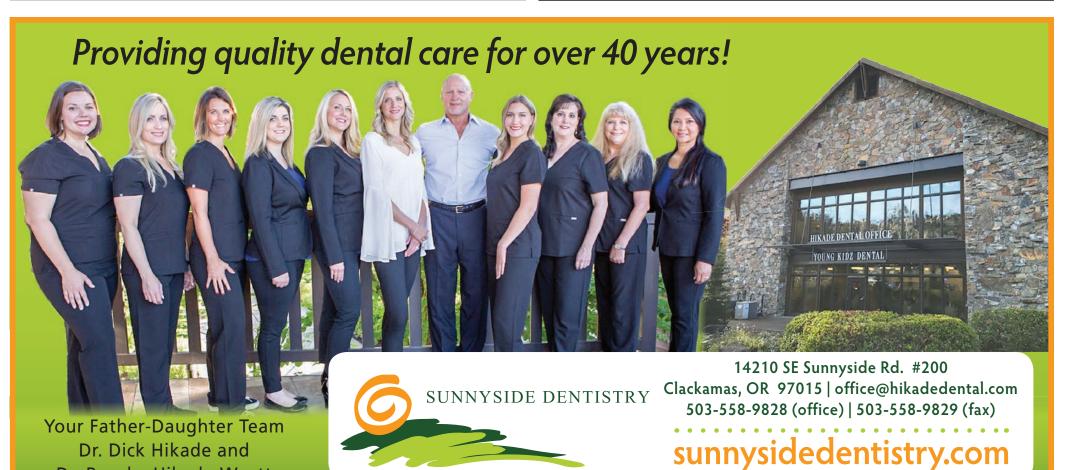
Maybe it's because I'm getting older, we're seeing lots of baby boomers downsizing from their homes of many years. As my wife says, "I want a one level home, low maintenance, friendly neighborhood, and an easy drive to the grandkids"!

Choosing a realtor used to be easy! These days many internet companies want to refer you to the "top agents" in your area! They usually receive a share (around 25%) of the brokers commission if you contact the company. "Sell for 1%", is a new twist to an old ad line. The Realtor's Multiple Listing Service (RMLS) works because it puts a buyer's agent in touch with the listings of other brokers. Normal total commission for the sales transaction is 5 or 6%. This is shared between the brokers and their offices. There isn't enough commission for either broker to make a living with the 1% scenario.

When a realtor represents you, either buying or selling, they are held to a "Standard of Care". This duty obligates the real estate broker to affirmatively discover facts relating to the clients real estate transaction that a prudent real estate broker would be expected to investigate.

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## **Local film maker to** present special screening of "Lifeboat"

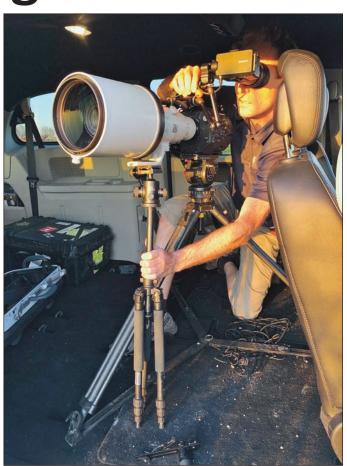
Happy Valley Library

Happy Valley resident and film maker, Skye Fitzgerald, will present a special screening of his documentary, "Lifeboat," at the Happy Valley Library later this month.

The film was recently nominated in the Best Documentary Short Subject category at the Academy Awards. Fitzgerald was director and producer of the documentary, which tells the story of refugees who risk their lives at sea and the volunteer rescuers who come to their aid. The film has been described as powerful and emotionally provoking. "Lifeboat" is the second of three films Fitzgerald has created. Each of his topical films have focused on tragedy and the power of human compassion against all

Fitzgerald grew up in a small Oregon town near Monument. His high school graduating class totaled just 50 students. With a passion for storytelling, he enrolled in Eastern Oregon University and earned a bachelor's degree in theater with a minor in creative writing. He later accepted a graduate teaching fellowship at the University of Oregon and went on to complete a three-year graduate program, ultimately earning a Master of Fine Arts degree in directing for the stage. On top of that, Fitzgerald is also the founder of production company, Spin Film, which he created in 2004.

The path to stardom wasn't without its bumps. Fitzgerald has said he worked his way through college as a wildland firefighter and spent years post-graduate school working as a contract videographer. While those early film projects weren't his own, he got to travel the world and ob-



Film director and producer, Skye Fitzgerald, captures stories of compassion amongst tragedy in his documentaries.

#### **EVENT**

#### "Lifeboat" **Documentary Screening**

DATE: Thursday, June 20, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Happy Valley

ny people endure, especially in war torn areas. Those experiences ultimately led him to coming up with the ideas for his documentaries and helped him find his niche. With new projects on the hoserved the struggles that ma-rizon and an eye for captur- at his craft.



ing life, it's clear Fitzgerald has made his mark in the film industry and is a true master

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## Reading fun for adults

Happy Valley Library

Starting June 1, adults (ages 19 and up) can sign up at the library to participate in Happy Valley's Summer Book Bingo. Read a book that fits one of the squares on your Book BINGO card, which is available for pick up at the library, and for every square completed, fill out an entry form and you'll be entered in weekly prize drawings.

For every BINGO, you earn an entry into the Grand Prize drawing – a new iPad Pro do-nated by the Happy Valley branch of US

If you wish, keep your BINGO card throughout the duration of the summer and continue filling the squares. Or, turn in your card for a new one. All BINGO cards must be turned in to the library by August 26. Weekly drawings will start on June 24. The Grand



As if you needed any more reason to relax with a book while soaking up the sun, Happy Valley Library is encouraging you to participate in this year's Summer **Book BINGO.** 

Prize drawing will be held on August 27. Winner need not be present to win. Prizes include gift certificates and gift baskets donated by local businesses.

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## Remember to wonder

Conversation with local Sculpture Garden participant, Ken Turner

City of Happy Valley

What is the meaning of art? The answer, according to Seattle sculptor Ken Turner, is simple: humanity. Whether an artwork is abstract or figurative, Turner argues that all forms speak to the human experience, the urge to wonder. Wonder is all around us, he implies, found in the smallest leaf to the sweeping landscapes.

A former art instructor, Turner challenged his students with similar, thought-provoking questions. What do you think the Expressionists meant? For some students, these questions created tension and challenged worldviews. For other students, these questions inspired wonder, resulting in deeper understanding.

"If you can inspire wonder in people, just a flash of 'Isn't that neat!'... that speaks to me somehow," he says of his experience. Not everyone may be inspired by the same piece of art, he acknowledged; inspiration can be hit and miss, but connections are made nonetheless.

Like his students, Turner strives to share inspiration with viewers of his artwork. A prolific photographer and sculptor, he has been featured throughout Washington and Oregon, as well as Idaho, Minnesota and New York. One of Turner's most recent reflections on wonder, "Timeline Theory Reflection," is currently on exhibition at Happy Valley City Hall.

Timeline Theory Reflection" began with a conversation between Turner and an old friend. They speculated on how their lives might be different if old decisions, small as they may be, had been different.

"I decided that [Timeline Theory Reflection] would be plant-like, with paths that weave in and out. Some paths end up as dead ends, other join back into the main road. Perhaps the paths we didn't take continue without us," Turner says of the piece.

Turner specifically used stainless steel in the construc-tion of "Timeline." He likens the reflective qualities of the metal to how each decision in life reflects on other decisions and the environment around



**Ken Turner** installing his work of art in **2017. This** stainless steel conversation piece encourages us to reflect on our life's

many paths.

us. The sculpture is also textured, to represent the texture of life: sometimes grainy, sometimes smooth, but always in motion.

"I am honored to be included in the Happy Valley Sculpture Program," he said when his piece was installed in 2017. "Having art right at the center adds beauty and perhaps reminds folks that there is wonder in the world."

The City thanks Mr. Turner for his contribution to the Sculpture Garden. "Timeline Theory Reflection" has been on exhibit outside of City Hall since July 2017 and will remain through June 2019. For questions and purchasing inquiries, please contact Jaimie Huff, 503-783-3828, jaimiel@happyvalley-



A close up of "Timeline Theory Reflection" which will be on display outside of City Hall



The Happy Valley Youth Council took a quick break at the recent Rx Drug Take Back event on Apr. 27 to pose for a group photo. The event, which was started in 2011, has helped remove over 4,000 pounds of expired or unused medications from the community.

## Happy Valley Youth Council continues efforts to help keep the community safe

City of Happy Valley

For the ninth straight year now, the Happy Valley Youth Council has put on

the RX (Prescription) Drug Take Back Event. This event was initiated in 2011 when the issue of prescription drug abuse was prominent for high schoolers. The Youth Council came up with the take back event as one solution to the drug abuse problem. The Drug Take Back Event provides a place where anyone in the community can drop off  $unused\ prescription\ drugs$ without question.

The RX Drug Take Back Event has been extremely successful over the past Council would like to thank the community nine years with over 1,200 cars passing through. The result of our community's colpounds of drugs safely disposed of and taken place to live.

out of the homes and off the streets of Happy Valley. To continue to help solve the problem, there are also drop boxes throughout the county (Happy Valley Community Polic-

ing Center and Clackamas County Sheriff's Main Office) so that no one has to wait to get rid of their unused medications.

This year, on April 27, we continued this great event. With the help of our local law enforcement and several city volunteers, we continued our mission to rid our community of unused narcotic and prescription drugs. We had 88 cars come through in the span of four hours TREVOR NIELSEN that the event took place. This allowed the safe disposal of another 248 pounds of drugs. The Youth

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## Does your college bound kid know what to do?

Sending your child off to college can be a very emotional time. There will be lots of new experiences, new people to meet, new responsibilities, and of course, new freedoms. Even though your

child has accomplished the feat of graduating from high school and is excited to go on to college or whatever that next event might be, mom and dad may be having a hard time saying goodbye. Part of the difficulty of saying goodbye is wondering if they will be safe in their new environment.

As a father of two college kids, my biggest concern is safety and I think most parents would agree that safety is their number one concern as well. Hav-

ing discussions with your child about what to do before something happens will help you both focus on all the positive experiences that are to come in

this next chapter of their life. Thankfully, there are things you can do to help prepare your child.

For example, there are simple self-defense techniques that can help prevent vulnerabilities and encourage more awareness of potentially dangerous situations. Generally, simply practicing vigilance can keep you out of harm's way. Unfortunately, there will always be a concern that your child lets their guard down or faces

a dangerous situation and does not know what to do.

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The Happy Valley Youth Council will be hosting two

safety awareness and self-defense classes this summer. This class will teach your child how not to be a target and what to do if they find themselves in a situation that requires them to fight back. To be clear, participants in the classes do not have to be college students. Anyone looking to brush up on their self-defense skills or wanting to learn some new techniques are encouraged to

We have enough to worry about when our kids leave for college. Make their personal safety a priority and allow yourself one more thing you can cross off from your list of

Finally, I want to give a special thanks to our partner, US World Class Taekwondo in Happy Valley for working with us to keep kids and our community safe. All class registration proceeds will support the work of our Happy Valley Youth Council.



Whether your child is heading off to college, starting a full-time job, or is simply leaving the nest, their safety is likely on your mind. Consider arming them with self-defense skills that could save their life.

## Learn to protect yourself with a self-defense course

City of Happy Valley

Happy Valley's US World Class Taekwondo School is teaming up with the City of Happy Valley to offer two separate class sessions that will focus on fundamental self-defense techniques.

Perfect for the student headed off to college or anyone looking to develop some effective ways to ensure selfprotection, these group format classes not only give you some practical applications

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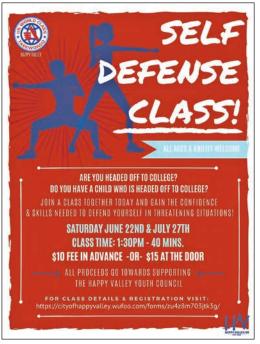
for how to respond in a threatening situation, but they also support an important group of youth leaders.

All proceeds will benefit the Happy Valley Youth Council, an advisory board serving as teen advocates in the community. The Youth Council works diligently to offer opportunities for youth to be heard and helps organize various community events, such as the Prescription Drug Take Back, Youth Summit, and Youth Town Hall.

#### **LOCATION:**

US World Class Taekwondo School 16126 SE Happy Valley Town Center **CLASS DATES:** Saturday, June 22 and July 27 \*Both dates will cover the same content

**TO REGISTER VISIT:** www.happyvalleyor.gov



Sign up for one of the upcoming self-defense classes and learn skills that could literally save your life. All ages and abilities are welcome. The class is perfect for students heading off the college.

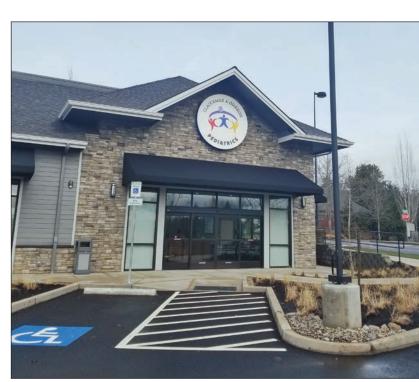
#### Correction

This is a correction to the address for Oregon Pediatrics — Happy Valley. The following is the correct information:

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— OPENING FALL 2019—

## Opening celebration set for Hidden Falls Nature Park

**By SHELLEY McFARLAND** 

estled in the lush foliage of Happy Valley spills a natural waterfall that previously was privately owned and inaccessible to the public.

ture Park features nearly a mile of paved, multiuse trail that joins to the Mount Scott/Scouters Mountain Trail Loop connecting surrounding schools and parks. Walk across the timber bridge spanning Rock Creek or view the natural

Today, the 21.3-acre, wooded Hidden Falls Na- habitat while relaxing on one of the many resting benches along the trail.

Join other residents and nature enthusiasts at the Hidden Falls opening celebration from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 22.

Located in Happy Valley, there are two main

access points to Hidden Falls Nature Park. To the north of Rock Creek, enter at Southeast Pioneer Drive and Southeast 156th Avenue. To the south of Rock Creek, enter on Southeast 162nd Avenue, just past the dead end and alongside Hood View Park.







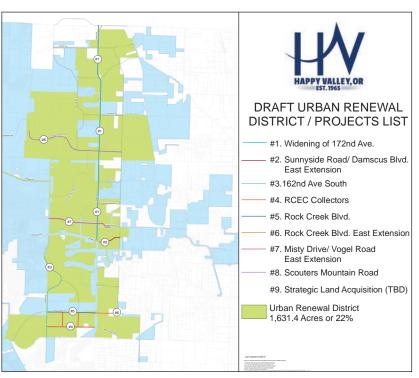
Use the main entrance to **Hidden Falls** Nature Park: To the south of Rock Creek, enter on Southeast 162nd Avenue on the north side of the dead end alongside Hood View Park. **Parking** available. PHOTOS BY

## Infrastructure investments through urban renewal

City of Happy Valley

Do you have thoughts, ideas, or questions about the City's draft Urban Renewal Plan? Now is the time to let us know. Last month, the Happy Valley City Council, acting as the Urban Renewal Agency, voted to send the draft Urban Renewal Plan out for additional public review. Over the course of the last few months, the City has engaged the public and other government agencies on an urban renewal plan to fund key infrastructure projects in east Happy Valley. For years, residents have asked for more investments in infrastructure, and the City Council is anxious to address those needs.

As a way to fund some of these projects, the City is considering the creation of an Urban Renewal District. Urban renewal is a tool used by many local governments across the country to fund key infrastructure projects. Most importantly, it does not increase permanent tax rates. Rather, it directs increased tax revenue as a result of new development in a specific area towards infrastructure investments. As assessed value grows in the district, the tax revenue generated from that growing base is dedicated towards the infrastructure projects.



**Draft Urban Renewal Map and Project List** 

how to offer input, visit www.happyvalleyor.gov and look for the "Urban Renewal Plan." If you would like 503-783-3840.

To learn more about the plan and to provide input or learn more, contact Ben Bryant, Assistant City Manager at benb@happyvalleyor.gov or

## Ribbon cutting at the NEW John L Scott Happy Valley office



Thursday May 7th John L Scott/Happy Valley celebrated with a ribbon cutting. Owners Rhonda and Mark Cammann and Craig Fahner, Mayor Ellis, several councilmen and city staff along with John L Scott employees and friends joined the celebration.



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## More than just a Cup of Tea

Shop evolves into healthy hot spot and fun place to hang

By SHELLEY McFARLAND

Step into Cup of Tea and delve into the world of brewed creativity. With a wall of 80 teas, there is something for everyone — from green tea to oolong soup to friendly conversation. Gone are the days of old, dried-out black tea bags; today's teas are crafted with consideration of flavor, provenance, wellness and life-

From a young age, Susie Sisk enjoyed drinking tea. And from her early love, she forged a new career path: Cup

Growing up, Sisk's dream job was to be a mother. When she was 18 years old, Sisk met her future husband, Brian. While waiting for Brian to board the baby train, Sisk spent considerable time working on her education.

She received a triple-major bachelor's degree from Gonzaga University in sociology, women's studies and psychology. She also earned two master's degrees, one from Portland State University in sociology and the other from Lewis & Clark College in counseling psychology.

For years, Sisk, who lives in Happy Valley, worked in the child and family therapy field helping runaways in Portland while organizing and mentoring pregnancy prevention groups. While working with disadvantaged youth, her dream job arrived in the form of twins Leo and Thomas. For years, Sisk thrived as a stayat-home mother, but when her boys entered middle school, she considered returning to

"When I started looking to work again, I had an empty resume because I had been out of the work force for so long. And even the social services I worked for were closed down," Sisk said. "I drank tea from Teavana at Clackamas Town Center, and asked if they were hiring. I started working there part-time and, unfortunately, they announced they were closing.



Look closely for the tiny unicorns in a unique blend with a bit of whimsy.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

JUNE 7: Local artist's showcase party, 7 p.m.

JUNE 15: Pu-erh tea class, 6 p.m. **JUNE 22:** Bingo, 6 p.m.

JUNE 29: Tea 101, 6 p.m.



PHOTO BY: SHELLEY MCFARLAND Cup of Tea offers more than just a delicious afternoon tea. Classes and events are scheduled throughout the month including classes to learn about different teas.

"We had to tell our customers their tea shop was closing down, and we gave them suggestions on where to go. Lovely tea shops all around Portland, but the feedback we received was that most people wanted to stay in their community," she said.

After Teavana closed, Sisk came across an empty storefront and started thinking "what if?" She contacted for-

Mike Potts and Cup of Tea owner. Susie Sisk, worked together at a local tea shop which closed. Sisk decided to start her own tea shop and with the help of Potts and another former co-worker. Edith Sanchez (not pictured) they opened Cup of Tea.

#### **CUP OF TEA**

WHERE: 10117 S.E. Sunnyside Road, Suite J, Clackamas

10 a.m.- 7 p.m. Monday-Friday; 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday;

11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday **PHONE:** 503-305-6966

**EMAIL:** hello@cupoftea-oregon.com **ONLINE:** cupoftea-oregon.com

and his girlfriend, Edith Sanchez Lopez, who also worked at Teavana, and together they formulated a business plan for Sisk to open a tea shop.

"My kids demolished the original space with me. Sundays are the days my boys are with me here and involved with the business," Sisk said. "All of a sudden we have this whole new common goal, and it's brought us together in the process. They're invested; it's their shop, too. It feels like I'm successful already because they're growing in the process.

Cup of Tea opened in Noployees and 80 different teas mer co-workers, Mike Potts broken up into eight catego- distributors," Sisk said.

ries of 10 teas each. The teas include black, oolong, green, white, pu-erh, herbal, shrouds and lifestyle.

Before the shop opened, Sisk and her staff thoroughly researched where they would source their teas. They wanted to sell delicious, high-quality beverages with limited exposure to dangerous chemicals. Sisk takes pride in serving teas that she vets from reputable vendors.

'We source all of our teas through Europe because the standards of evaluation on toxicity and pesticides are higher when coming in through the ports of America. When you come through Europe, you are guaranteed a higher rating. Plus, the facilities our teas come from do multilevel testing. You want to make sure it's clean tea," Sisk said.

Moreover, Sisk makes sure her teas are from fair trade farms where the families are treated well.

'We did a lot of research on where the teas are coming vember 2018 with seven em- from and who is getting it for us. It's important to go featured on a tea wall and through quality and ethical cluding hummus plates, soup or salad depending on the season, baked goods and sweet treats while "doing everything we can to build community.' From 6-8 p.m. every Satur-

Although tea is the star of the 1,500-square-foot shop,

Cup of Tea also offers food, in-

day, Cup of Tea offers free events, such as Tea 101 classes, tea bingo or chocolate tasting. The space is available for rent with room for catering. Local artists displaying their work, book clubs and even the local high school 4-H group have used the space for their private events. Cup of Tea also offer gift baskets, corporate gifting, wholesale and online

As a working mother, Sisk finds value in supporting other working moms. She is part of the Mom Owned Business (MOB) organization and uses other MOBs.

"We've had many MOB events here, and I support as many mother-owned businesses in the tea store that I can. My gluten-free, vegan and regular baked goods are each from MOB bakeries, as is my kombucha, glass straws from a mother, teas and dried fruit, too. It's been a game changer to me," Sisk said.

Currently, Cup of Tea is working to plan summer events and continues to listen to their customer requests to make their business a reflection of the community they

"It's an alternative to going to a bar on a Saturday night and we are open for all ages. A 15-year-old can come in with his friends and enjoy a \$3 tea pot and not break the bank. Come in and play a game with us, or read a book or learn about tea," Sisk said. "We have been surprised about the feedback from people. To hear people are happy we exist has been humbling. And too, the numbers of people who have come in here to

enjoy pots of tea rather than just buy loose tea. We didn't realize how popular it's been for people to enjoy us as a café.'

## **AND EVENTS**

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#### **BE Prepared:**

- Store fireworks out of children's reach.
- Always read and follow label directions.
- Place pets indoors; they're easily frightened by fireworks.
- Always have water handy (a garden hose or bucket of water).

#### BE Safe:

- An adult should always light fireworks.
- Keep matches and lighters away from children.
- Only use fireworks outdoors.
- Only light one firework at



Light up the night, but stay safe this 4th of July and remember to follow these guidelines if you are going to create your own fireworks display.



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- a time and quickly move away. ■ Keep children and pets away from fireworks.
- Remember, do not throw fireworks or hold them.

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■ Soak used fireworks thor-

oughly in a bucket of water. ■ Dispose of used fireworks

- and debris properly.
- Never re-light "dud" fire-

#### BE Aware:

- Use only legal fireworks and in legal places.
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For more information on fireworks safety, please contact our Fire Prevention Division at 503.742.2660.

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## Happy Valley **FUN RUN**

On May 11, residents and friends participated in the 40th Annual Fun Run, benefitting Happy Valley Elementary School. It was a beautiful day – perfect for a run in Happy Valley.

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into the park and ends at the gazebo.

For a complete list of activity information, check out www.happyvalleyor.gov

## Happiness is....Listening



#### ■ AUGUST 8

#### **Art & Garden Night**

Explore the creations of local artisans and gardeners

Plus **FREE** craft opportunities for the kids!

#### ■ AUGUST 15

#### **Volunteer Appreciation Night**

Help us say thank you to our City's many volunteers

Find out who will be named our **2019 Volunteer of the Year!** 

#### ■ AUGUST 22

#### **First Responders Night**

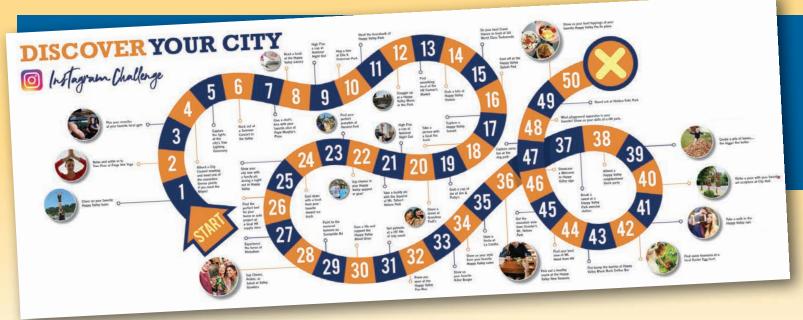
Join us for an evening of appreciation and fun in honor of our First Responders.

Live musical entertainment by

The Usual Suspects, a band comprised of local police officers.



## Explore Happy Valley



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## Capture your Happy Valley memories this summer and be entered to win some fabulous prizes via the City's Instagram Challenge.

With Instagram, our goal is to share photos from our beautiful city and interact more with residents and visitors. We hope you will tag the City in your photos, so we can live vicariously through your adventures in Happy Valley. Together, let's showcase all that makes this City one of the best places to live. Pick a challenge from the gameboard and take a pic! Be sure to tag us at @CityofHappyValley as well as any Happy Valley businesses applicable, and don't forget to include #ExploreHappyValley so we can find your entry.

Entries will be calculated based on successful completion of the challenge depicted and inclusion of the hashtag #ExploreHappyValley.

A winner will be drawn at random and contacted via Direct Message. Entries will be accepted through Dec. 31, 2019.

Want to explore more of Happy Valley? Earn additional entries by completing more challenges!

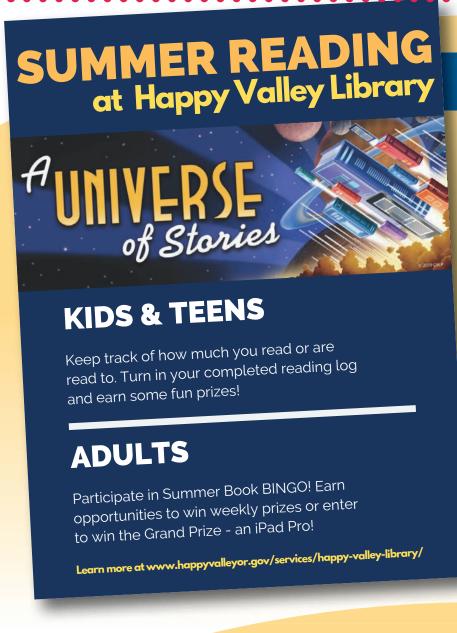
For full description of game rules, check out www.happyvalleyor.gov/community/new-in-town/ and click on the link to the Happy Valley Magazine.

Now off you go, EXPLORE!

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## To Great Musics





#### Read a Book!

Whether you prefer to curl up in an air-conditioned room or crave the warm rays of the sun as you sit poolside, both spots are excellent locales for summer reading. Grab a book or two, or maybe even three and delve into another universe. Learn about a new topic, meet some new characters, or fall in love with the classics all over again. Your reading adventures may even lead you to earning some cool prizes.

Happy Valley Library's Summer Reading program challenges anyone to read, read, and then read some more! For complete details, stop by the library's front desk or check them out online at www.happyvalleyor.gov/services/happy-valley-library/programs/summer-programs/

#### **Get Outside!**

Happy Valley is a prime location for outdoor exercise and play.

opportunities at Happy Valley Park, and the gorgeous views of Mt. Hood, there are plenty of ways to take in that fresh air and take advantage of our Oregon summer weather.

Activities will be available to residents and visitors, including kid focused camps and organized hikes.

Stay tuned for more announcements throughout the summer as new offerings arise.

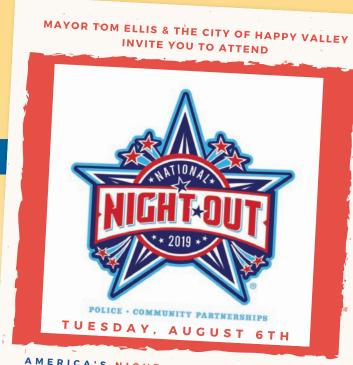


## Safety in Numbers

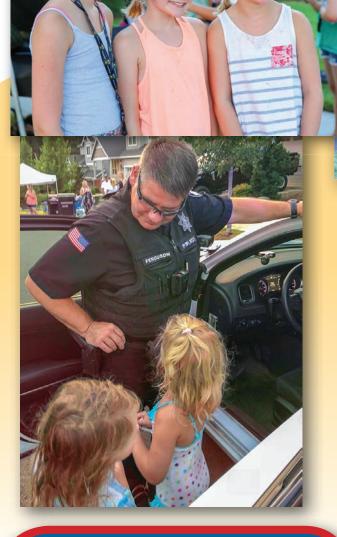
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Did you know that getting to know your neighbors is one of the best ways for you to fight crime? It's true. A neighborhood that is connected and communicates is more likely to recognize suspicious activity and look out for one another.

That's why, each August, Happy Valley hosts a special National Night Out (NNO) event, bringing together neighbors, local police officers, emergency responders and other City representatives. Having these people in one place is a great way to share contact information, bring up issues and generally get to know one another.



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The Happy Valley Police, Clackamas County Sheriff's Office, and Clackamas Fire District make a point to visit as many parties as they can.

Children are encouraged to check out their emergency vehicles and rigs, test out the sirens, and ask lots of questions!

Your City Councilors, City staff and members of the Traffic & Public Safety Committee will also drop by your parties with goodies for the kids and crime prevention tips and hand-outs for the adults.

> It's a great evening and gets better each year - last year 29 neighborhoods in Happy Valley participated!

Please help us continue to grow this event and keep crime out of our community!

**Tuesday. August 6** from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. **Application deadline is August 1.** 

**Registration information and** application forms can be found at: www.happyvalleyor.gov

Is your neighborhood not hosting a party? To join an open party near you, contact Stephani Hern at stephanih@happyvalleyor.gov for party host information.







Register now for the biggest block party of the summer! Round up your neighbors for National Night Out and connect with local safety officers. This annual event is a great way to get to know your neighbors and develop strategies aimed at keeping your family safe.

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### Paylor

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ty), calculus, AP physics, Spanish 4, AP computer science (programming and coding 2) and is a teachers assistant in strength and conditioning.

Outside of academics, Paylor participates in track (she holds the CHS record for throwing the second-farthest shot put) and is a bass player in the pit orchestra for the school's theater performances. She also participates in speech and debate, where she has won a state championship for Prose Interpretation.

Recently, Paylor took second place for Outstanding Original Paper at the Portland State University Young Historian's Conference for her 20-page paper she wrote about lesbianism in religious orders in medieval Europe. The writing center at PSU told Paylor her paper was so well written, it should be published.

Throughout Paylor's academic journey, she dealt with attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder, ADHD.

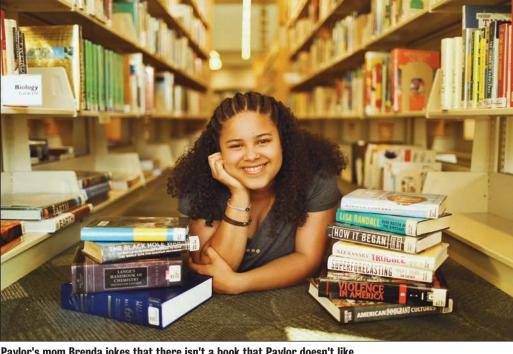
"As a child, Isabelle has always had severe ADHD. Growing up, social relationships could be a challenge for her,"



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Brenda said. "When she was 6, and it was always just the two of us, I decided to get her a dog. It turned out the dog, Sunny, was the best thing every. She loves Isabelle no matter what.

"She's worked really hard to get to where she is now. And she's had some really amazing teachers along the way. And through it all, the dog doesn't care. It was one of the best things I've done, rescuing Sun-



Paylor's mom Brenda jokes that there isn't a book that Paylor doesn't like

ny for Isabelle."

Paylor insists that society, unfortunately, sees ADHD as a negative component for people diagnosed with it.

Yeah, I have ADHD, and it means I have a hard time concentrating. I jump from topic to topic in the span of seconds, but when people comment about it, I don't think that having ADHD is anything special, because you're casting ADHD

into a negative. It just means that my brain is chemically dif-

ferent than yours," Paylor said. 'It irritates me when people make me seem exceptional because this is who I would be without it. In my case, my brain goes way faster than others and I make these connections that I have a hard time explaining to others because the connections don't happen instantaneously for neuro-typical peo-

An avid reader, Paylor has finished thousands of books from science, fiction, nonfiction and anything else that interests her.

"I can remember having to yell at her on the way to soccer practice, because it was always at night, to stop reading in the car where the streetlights were her only lights to read with. I had to finally get her a portable reading light because I could never get her to stop reading," Brenda said. "If it's a book, she

Stanford wasn't always Paylor's first choice for college. With scores of 1,410 on her SAT and 34/36 on her ACT and a nonweighted 3.98 GPA, Paylor was hopeful she would be accepted into the prestigious school.

"When I started my college search, I typed 'astrophysics PhD colleges' into Google and created a list of schools. And I liked Cal Tech-I was adamant that I would go there if given the chance — up until we visited a few schools. I visited Stanford and I fell in love with the school. I mean, it's Stanford." Paylor said.

"I did early application to Stanford and two other schools and got into Stanford and the others, so I didn't have to apply to other schools. I wanted Stanford."

Paylor said it was exciting to learn she'd been accepted into Stanford. Her mom videotaped the moment and had red and white (Stanford colors) balloons. Paylor is looking forward to moving to California in September where she hopes to live at Ujamaa House, an African American ethnic-themed dormitory where there are weekly celebrations and lec-

## Jake's shining light endures

My Best Day 5K and Kid's Dash is a fundraiser for the Jake Arntson Memorial Fund.

Jake was seven when he tragically died in a car accident and this annual run

serves to celebrate his mem-All monies raised will be used to provide scholarships to local graduating students. Additionally, the Arntson family has created the

"Jake Arntson Teammate of the Year" Scholarship, which goes to a male and female that have demonstrated the qualities of an exceptional teammate in

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## Inclusive play area to bring joy to kids of all abilities

City of Happy Valley

**Rotary Club of Clackamas** and Happy Valley are committed to creating a safe place for kids of all abilities to play and have fun. To this end, the Rotary Clubs, their community partners and GameTime Inc., are working toward making an all abilities park possible for our community.

Children with disabilities often cannot play on a standard playground and therefore cannot take advantage of the amazing benefits that play provides. An all abilities playground is a space that provides inclusive play opportunities for all children of all ages and abilities. The proposed playground will be designed to promote the healthy development of all children's physical, cognitive and sensory abilities. It will give all children in Happy Valley the chance to play, grow and learn side-by side.

The proposed park will be located in the Southwest portion of the existing Happy Valley Park, near the covered eating area and in close proximity to the restrooms. The area will be conveniently accessed from two paths and a newly constructed ramp will allow visitors to use the space with ease. The park will provide children, regardless of ability, a place to play, imagine and explore.

The Clackamas Rotary Rotary Clubs and generous do-

#### If you would like to support this project, there are still opportunities available:

#### Diamond Donor: \$10,000

This allows the donor to have their family name prominently placed so all can see.

#### Platinum Donor: \$5.000 This will allow the donor to have their name prominent-

ly placed on the play structure of their choice.

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Silver Donor: \$1,000 Every person who donates \$1,000 will have their name

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placed on a permanent sign to be placed at the park in per-**Bronze Donor: \$150** 

Every donor who donates \$150 will have their name

placed on a special brick to be placed in the park.

#### Friends of the Park: up to \$149

Donors will have the knowledge that they are part of a project that will provide a playground for kids of all ages and abilities.

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nation from the Fuller Family, the proposed all abilities park will be able to begin construction. Additional funds are still needed however to bring the project to fruition. If you would like more infor-

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