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## BACK TO SCHOOL



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Beatrice Cannady Elementary School is set to open its doors to students for the first time. The new school was named for the renowned civil rights advocate from Oregon.

Principals look ahead to new year and their role as link between teachers, students, parents, community

Happy Valley schools are seeing a few changes for the upcoming year, including new school Beatrice Cannady Elementary. As the principals welcome back their students, here is what they're looking forward to.

### Dianna Ngai: Beatrice Cannady Elementary School

Dianna Ngai is excited to be the first principal at Beatrice Cannady Elementary School. The school will have a staff of 50 and student body of nearly 400.

"Not everyone gets an opportunity to open a new school, and I'm honored to be the principal. We've been working very diligently since February on different aspects of the school. We've hired phenomenal staff members — it's really an awesome team," she said.

Ngai, who knew she wanted to be a teacher at age 5, now is in her 17th year of education. Together with her team, the new school is preparing for opening day.

"Linda Parsons, our school secretary, has been organizing and ordering all our supplies. She's thought of things from whiteboards to curriculum, to the little boxes you put kids' teeth in when they lose a tooth. The construction team has been planning, drawing and building for the last couple of years," Ngai said. "When you have an awesome team, it all comes together."

Ngai's main goal is to create a school community where "every child, every family and every staff member, no matter who you are and how you identify, can call home."

To accomplish this, Ngai and her staff will work to promote inclusion and acceptance.

"We want to cultivate a school climate where students are loved, feel belonging, are mindful and where kindness is the center of what we do. We want students to persevere, to be curious and have a true love for learning," she said.

### John Brooks: Rock Creek Middle School

John Brooks has worked in education for 27 years, seven of those as principal. This year, he is looking forward to another great year with staff and students.

"Every year, our teachers and staff work to help students grow and develop socially, emotionally and academically. We're excited to have a new administrative team with Tricia Halonen and Aaron Moreno as assistant principals, and several new staff," he said.

"Additionally, a large group of

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## Clackamas County jury awards the return of \$18 million dollars to City of Happy Valley

On Friday, Aug. 16, a Clackamas County jury awarded the return of \$18,078,238 to the City of Happy Valley. This resulted from a breach of contract by the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD).

When Happy Valley residents voted in favor of joining NCPRD in 2006, both parties signed a contract requiring development fees paid by City homeowners to be transferred from the City to the District for exclusive use on park projects in Happy Valley. Those projects were not delivered, and the jury awarded the return of all those funds to Happy Valley.

The City is committed to using these funds exclusively for the park projects that were promised to the voters when the City joined NCPRD. Those projects include a community park, community center, all-weather turf fields, and completion of the Mt. Scott Trail.

The City recognizes that parks are shared by everyone in the community, including those outside Happy Valley. It is important to note that this award only represents a return of funds transferred from the City to NCPRD. None of these funds were from Milwaukie or the unincorporated areas of NCPRD. Any future investments in new parks will remain open to everyone.

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## Break out the bratwursts and let's polka!

October will soon be upon us and that means Happy Valley is preparing for the City's annual Harvest Fest.

Complete with pumpkins, wagon rides, and plenty of kid friendly activities, Harvest Fest is prime for flannel shirts and hot apple cider. But the fun doesn't stop there!

As a bonus, this year marks the first ever Happy Valley Oktoberfest! Thanks to a grant through Mt. Hood Territory, the City is teaming up with local taphouse,



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Fun for the whole family, this year's Harvest Fest and Oktoberfest is not to be missed!



Pick out pumpkins, listen to live music, and take in the autumn air! Activities will continue into the evening this year as Oktoberfest offers additional fun for adults.

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# Principals

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teachers attended AVID Summer Institute and are focused on supporting classroom rigor. Hopefully, we can create an awesome experience for our kids and families,” Brooks said.

This year Rock Creek will introduce a weekly, 25-minute advisory period on Tuesday mornings where certified staff members will have regularly scheduled time to build relationships while teaching lessons about better behavior, equity organization and other “soft skills.”

Brooks also expects some modifications to the Rock Creek building over the next two years as it is transformed into Adrienne C. Nelson High School.

## Jessica Son: Spring Mountain Elementary School

Jessica Son is starting her second year as principal at Spring Mountain Elementary School after a fun summer of traveling with her family. She jokes that despite being a longtime Oregonian, she camped with her family, including her toddler, at Crater Lake for the first time.

Son and her staff are gearing up to welcome first through fifth grade students on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

“We’re excited to bring on our new literacy adoption to grades three through five. Last year we had the same program with kindergarten through second grade and saw great results,” she said. “I’m also excited about bringing on some new activities for students during recess.”

## Curtis Long: Scouters Mountain Elementary School

Back from a vacation at Shasta Lake, Curtis Long is starting his 15th year as an administrator in the North Clackamas School District. He promises this year will be a special one for his wolf pack.

“While we’re both excited and disappointed to see about

half of our students move to the brand-new Beatrice Morrow Cannady Elementary this fall, the boundary shift essentially leaves Scouters Mountain as the school district’s second ‘new’ school this year,” Long said.

“Going from one of the district’s largest elementary schools to one of the smallest, we’re excited to utilize the temporary extra space in our school to build even stronger connections with our students and families,” he said.

Long and the staff are excited to continue many “strong traditions that make Scouters such a special place, plus add in some new opportunities for students and families that a smaller school can allow.” He is looking forward to seeing everyone’s smiling faces as he greets them on the first day of school.

## Lajena Broadous: Happy Valley Middle School

Principal Lajena Broadous is new to Happy Valley Middle School. She began her education career in 1999 when she served as a K-13 school truancy case manager with the Urban League of Portland. Next, she worked as a community agent with Portland Public Schools, working with students on postsecondary career exploration and goal setting.

It was at that point she decided “to work with students on a greater scale that would be most effective within the classroom setting.” Broadous earned her undergraduate degree from Portland State University and decided to return for a teaching certification and master’s degree in special education. She worked in special education in the Vancouver School District for nine years, and during her summers, taught fifth-grade students at Self-Enhancement Inc. It was during her eighth year of teaching that Broadous opted to serve her students in a different capacity.

“I wanted to serve as a change agent for students who neither had the advocacy skills nor the wherewithal to navigate the educational system to their benefit,” Broadous said.

She enrolled at Concordia University to pursue an administrative license and was



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encouraged to apply for and received an assistant principal position with a K-8 school in the PPS district. She served for three years before being promoted to vice principal at the high school level where she remained for four years.

Broadous, a native Oregonian and die-hard New Orleans Saints fan, is excited to begin building new relationships with students, staff and parents in the community while building upon all the successes of the established school. And though there are challenges specific to middle-school students, Broadous is looking forward to the triumphs, too.

“I think the beautiful moments are when you see middle school students in the place of discovery. They are experiencing a little more freedom and exploring who they are. At the same time, they are also beginning to challenge what they believe,” she said.

“Our beloved middle school students will tell you that they are not ‘little kids’ anymore, yet, we know they are not quite young adults either, but somehow, they seem to vacillate between the two,” Broadous said.

“The beautiful moments are seeing them make connections to the curriculum and class-

room lessons and seeing them show genuine excitement for learning and engaging with one another in the learning environment,” she said. “The beautiful moments are observing them in social interactions and all the awkwardness that goes along with it.”

As a new principal, Broadous knows there will be initial challenges but is a firm believer that for every challenge, there is a solution.

“As principal with a dynamic administrative team, an excellent teaching staff, an amazing student body and parent community, I believe that we may have to do some out-of-the-box thinking, but I am confident as the challenges come, we will work through them together,” she said.

## Emily Behunin: Verne Duncan Elementary School

Emily Behunin, who spent some summer fun in Colorado with family, is starting her 20th year in education, a career that includes 15 years at the middle school level, four years at high school, and now, her first year in elementary.

Behunin anticipates a great year meeting her new community. Previously, she was the principal at Happy Valley Middle School.

“It’s going to be exciting to get to know students and families for more than three years, like at the middle school level. I will be able to see students grow and change. All students, middle- or elementary-school age, are fun,” Behunin said.

“They want to share what is important to them and find ways to express themselves. It will be exciting to see the younger students find their voice.”

## Heather Hull: Happy Valley Elementary School

Heather Hull may be in her first year at Happy Valley Elementary School, but she has been an educator for 27 years. She is excited to join HVE during a time of big staff changes at the school. Because of those changes, Hull says there are opportunities to build a community and look at “who we are and who we want to be.”

Before coming to HVE, Hull served at Abernethy Elementary School in the Portland Public Schools District.

“I’m thrilled to be working in North Clackamas. I’m excited to get to know the kids at HVE. I feel so lucky to be joining such a warm and amazing community,” she said. “This year will be an amazing year where we can learn and grow together.”

“We will be working together to ensure that we have a strong school community that is focused on ensuring all students succeed.”

Hull grew up in Chicago and loves deep-dish pizza, the Cubs and the Shedd Aquarium. She originally wanted to be an oceanographer (though she didn’t live near the ocean) and has remained fascinated with the sea and water. Currently, Hull lives in Happy Valley, and her daughter will attend Happy Valley Middle School.

## Cam Kitchen: Mount Scott Elementary School

In his eighth year at Mount Scott Elementary School, Cam Kitchen is continuing his focus on community and education.

“We are looking forward to our second year of implementation with a new literacy adoption. It really has the po-

tential to shift our instructional practices around reading, comprehension and thinking about books. It is grounded with an abundance of good books and materials for kids,” Kitchen said.

Kitchen, who taught for 13 years and has been an administrator for 19, is excited that his school now has a full-time counselor and will be working to create a schoolwide sensory room. They have added two more ESD Head Start classrooms, for a total of five ESD Early Childhood classrooms and received a Safe Routes to School Action Plan that will help with walkers.

“We are also hoping to continue to focus on connecting with Mount Scott kids and families. Last year, teachers were able to meet with students of different races (affinity/alliance groups) to provide a connection that might not happen without support,” he said. “We plan on being more proactive to support families to assure strong student attendance.”

## Andrew Kuffner: La Salle Prep

La Salle Prep Principal Andrew Kuffner spent the summer going back to school — not as an educator, but as a student — to earn a doctorate in education from the University of Portland. He took two classes and with more classes planned, hopes to complete his degree in the spring of 2022.

This school year, La Salle Prep will run a capital campaign to raise money to build the Saalfeld Athletic Center, which includes renovating the gym, fitness center and locker rooms, plus adding a wellness classroom, athletics offices and accessible restrooms in the gym.

The school also will add new STEM-related courses such as “Introduction to Digital Logic,” “Advanced Design Thinking,” “Marine Biology,” and “Life Science.” “Contemporary World Affairs” will be returning as a blended online class, and extracurricular options also have grown.

“We’ve added an equestrian team for students who like to ride, and we’ve reclassified our dance club into an OSAA team, which will qualify them to compete,” Kuffner said.



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Things are taking shape at Happy Valley's all abilities park. This month, Rotary Club of Clackamas will be getting in on the fun as formal construction begins on a play area that will serve all kids, regardless of ability, age, or social status. The park, which will be located near covered area A at Happy Valley Park, boasts spacious areas that can be traversed by various means and equipment designed specifically for mobility and sensory challenges.

Joel Mobley, a retired teacher and Rotarian with the Clackamas chapter, is particularly passionate about this project. At the recent groundbreaking event in August, Mobley remarked, "An all abilities park is important for our community. All children should be able to play and have a place they feel accepted." Mobley and his fellow Rotarians are committed to creating a safe place for kids of all abilities to play and have fun, so when the opportunity arose to partner with the City and GameTime, the company that specializes in the particular play equipment, it was a no brainer.

"The Rotarians are very active in the community and have a strong desire to give back," says Mobley. "We wanted to be part of a project that would ultimately have a lasting impact on the community and be accessible to anyone who needs it." Thanks to generous donations from the Fuller Family, Lyla J. Husband, and Bill McCracken and Pam Husband, the project has really taken off and the financial requirements are nearly covered.

For local businesses or individuals who might be interested in contributing to this project, there is currently a special opportunity. Between now and November 2019, a brick can be purchased for \$125 and the purchaser's name or special message will be engraved. Bricks will be set in front of several benches placed around the play area and will serve to signify the community support for the project. The cost of the bricks is tax deductible.

While the Clackamas Rotary supports the local community, it has taken on international projects as well. It most recently raised funds to remodel a maternity ward at a hospital in Gambia in efforts to support safe and clean medical practices and decrease infant mortality rates.

If you would like more information or want to contribute to the project, please contact Thomas Joseph at [thomasjosephinc@gmail.com](mailto:thomasjosephinc@gmail.com) or Joel Mobley at [Joelm74@comcast.com](mailto:Joelm74@comcast.com). To learn more about Rotary Club of Clackamas, check out [www.clackamasrotary.org](http://www.clackamasrotary.org).



Rotary Club of Clackamas and City of Happy Valley are excited to partner in bringing an all abilities park to the community. Pictured left to right: Happy Valley Mayor Tom Ellis, Rotarian Bill Stewart, Happy Valley City Manager Jason Tuck, and Rotarian Thomas Joseph.



At the recent groundbreaking dedication on Aug. 7, members of Rotary, staff from the City, and guests gathered to show their support and excitement about the upcoming project.

Businesses or individuals interested in contributing to the project can purchase an engraved brick. Bricks will be shown prominently and will serve as a lasting reminder of the community's support for inclusive play for all.



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**MAYOR'S  
MESSAGE**

  
**TOM ELLIS**

There is simply something special about Happy Valley when the sun is shining, and everyone is enjoying this wonderful place we call home.

Once again, Happy Valley was the center of numerous summer events that brought us all together. We had another amazing Concerts in the Valley series that culminated in a fun Family Safety Fair, had a robust 4th of July Family Festival that brought some beautiful

fireworks to our skies, and had over 30 block parties participate in National Night Out. On top of that, we debuted our first Drive-In Movie Night, added more summer recreation camps for the kids, and had some of the highest participation in our Library's Summer Reading Program.

So many gave of their time and talents to make each event a success. Thank you to all the community sponsors who helped support these endeavors.

Without your contributions, these events would not be possible. I also want to thank the dedicated volunteers and staff members for their hard work in bringing these events to fruition. I recognize the hard work you all put in to make these events memorable for our residents and their families, and I also know many of you miss spending time with their own families to make sure we can all enjoy these special activities. Thank you again for all

you do.

I also want to thank all of you for attending these events. Your participation ultimately makes these gatherings unforgettable and creates a positive experience for all.

As the cooler air begins to settle in and we all start reaching for our jackets once again, I know next summer will bring another round of community fun. Until then, the Summer of 2019 was certainly one for the record books.



At a block party, Happy Valley Police Chief, Scott Anderson, looks on as excited kids and families check out a SWAT vehicle during National Night Out. City Councilors partnered with members of the police department for the evening and witnessed the camaraderie between officers and the community.

Of all the fun events we attend as a City Council, National Night Out is one of our favorite evenings. By the looks of it, this annual event is one of your favorite nights with your neighbors. With over 30 neighborhoods participating, that means residents are connecting, hav-

ing fun together, and making community a priority within their own pockets of the City. National Night Out is so much more than sharing a BBQ with friends.

At National Night Out, our purpose is to provide an opportunity for our local law enforcement professionals to engage with residents and help open the

door for meaningful and proactive safety discussions. To this end, we each partnered up with a Happy Valley officer during the event and spent the evening talking with residents. Conversations between officers and residents understandably focused on specific safety issues and ways to prevent crime, but we al-

so noticed something else – relationships. Throughout the night, we watched Happy Valley police officers immediately refer to residents by name, offer high-fives to kids who were over the moon to say hello, and even pick up on old conversations with residents as if they had never left off.

There's no question

about it, the work our local Happy Valley police officers do to keep us safe is imperative to our City's livability. More than keeping us safe, it was clear our law enforcement team has a pulse on this community. We were happy to see just how much they care about Happy Valley during National Night Out.

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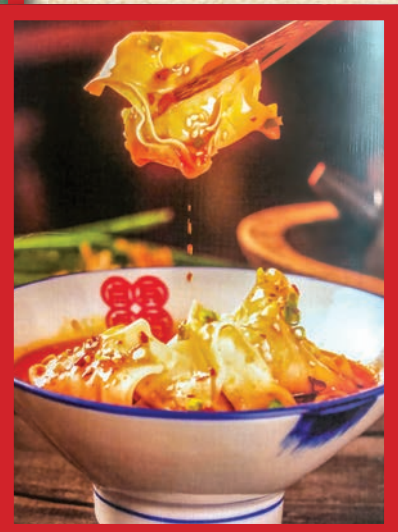


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# Happy Valley's city website is getting a makeover

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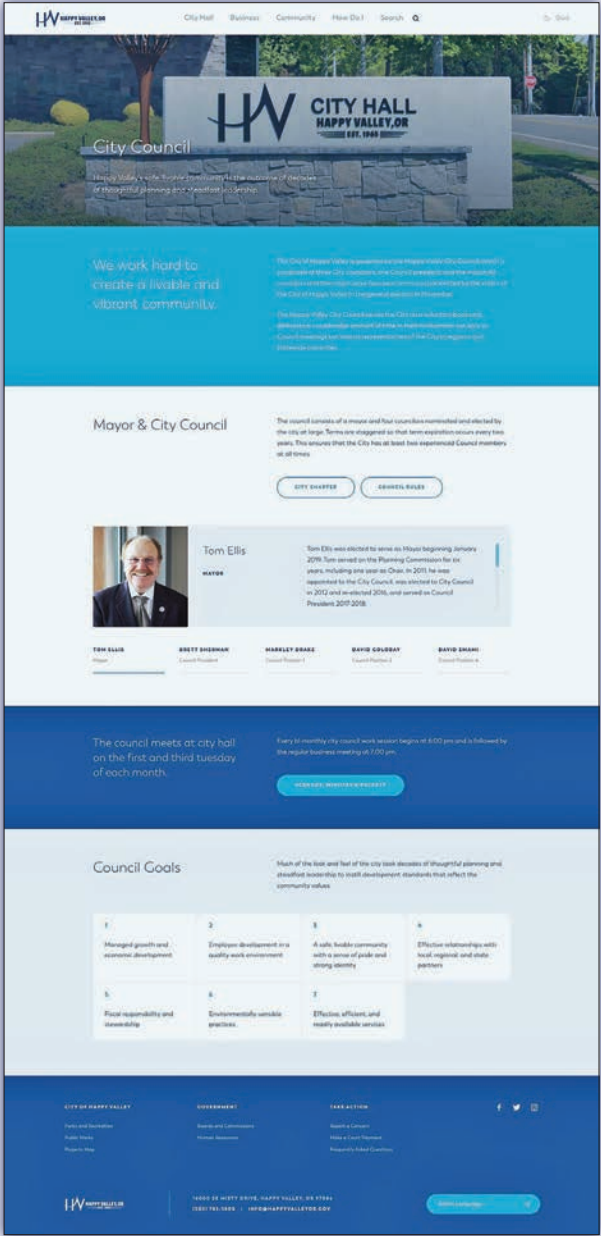
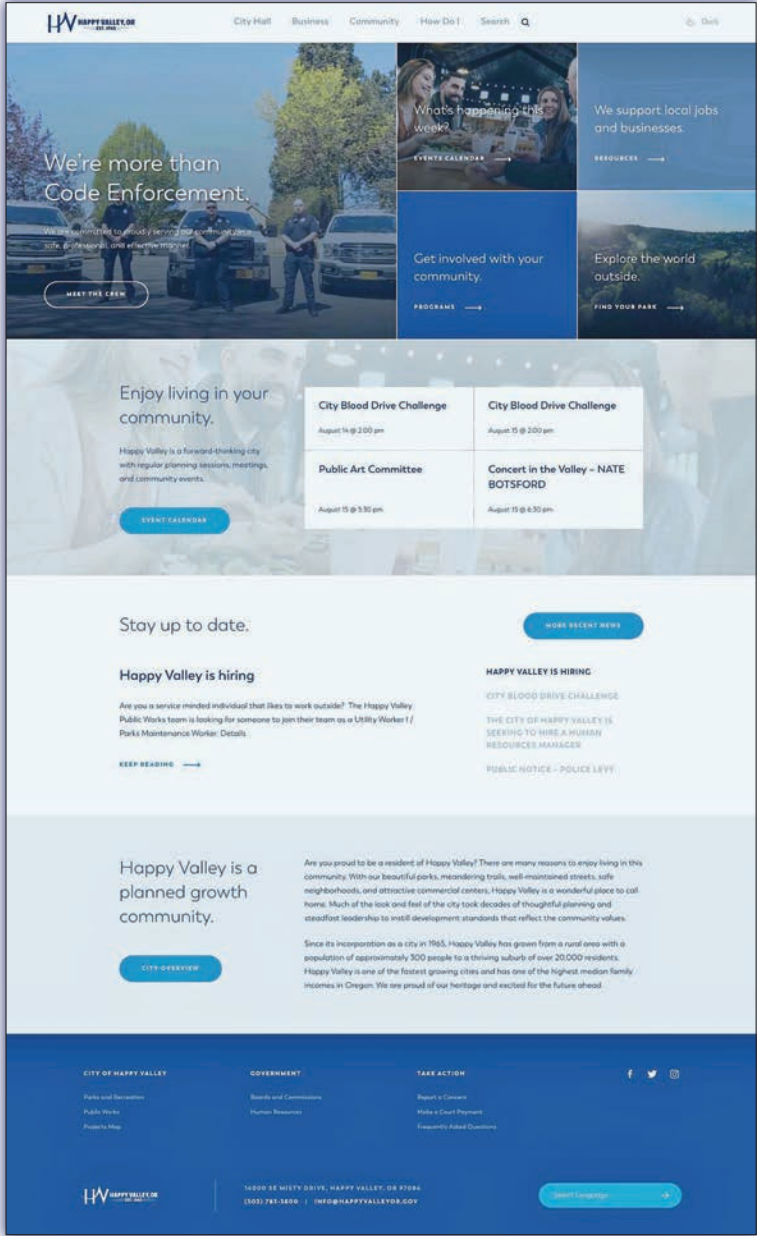
For the past year, a group of staff have been working diligently to revamp the City website in order to provide a more user-friendly experience and create a fresh look that showcases Happy Valley's amenities and City services.

By consolidating information and organizing it more succinctly, website users will be able to get to desired destinations in fewer clicks and get to content that is both educational and comprehensive.

Work has also been done to refine and update the website's general functionality by infusing more intuitive search features and ensuring the site's effective display on mobile devices.

Each City department had a hand in revising their respective pages, providing teams an opportunity to revise departmental content to better support the needs of those utilizing the City's services.

The City plans to unveil the updated website later this Fall.



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## Park

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Finally, there are several remaining issues between the City and NCPRD, including the City's withdrawal from the District. The City is hopeful that

NCPRD will come to the table to settle all unresolved aspects of the parks and recreation dispute. "While I was disappointed we were not able to resolve this dispute before going to trial, the City Council and I are looking forward to delivering the projects Happy Valley residents have been

promised for years. With the trial behind us now, I'm hopeful the City and County can get back to working together. We owe that to our shared residents," says Mayor Tom Ellis. For more information, please contact Ben Bryant, Assistant City Manager at [benb@happyvalleyor.gov](mailto:benb@happyvalleyor.gov) or 503-783-3840.



Funds awarded to the City will be used exclusively for park projects that were promised to voters. Moving forward, the City is hopeful that NCPRD will work collaboratively to settle any remaining unresolved disputes.

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# City's drive-in movie gets RAVE reviews



A large field off Hagen Road was the perfect site for the City's first drive-in movie.

A great family-friendly event, the drive-in was a fun experience for all ages.





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Happy Valley experienced a blast from the past on Saturday, Aug. 10 with a drive-in movie event that offered attendees a chance to experience a small glimpse of the good ole' days. Moviegoers cozied up for an evening under the stars in the comfort of their cars with blankets and snacks in tow. Nearly 200 cars made their way into the open field off Hagen Road that had been revamped to include a 40-foot movie screen and a concession area complete with twinkling lights.

As a bonus, the event served to raise funds for Happy Valley's Youth Council. Comprised of students from Clackamas and La Salle High School, the Happy Valley Youth Council is known for leading projects that have a significant impact on the local community. Their initiatives include the Prescription Drug Turn-In event, teen driver safety, and suicide prevention awareness. Helping at the Happy Valley Snack Shack and ushering in cars were members of the Youth Council and some of their families. The drive-in offered the group a chance to mingle with members of the community and take an active role in coordinating a large-scale event. Over \$3,000 was raised through ticket and snack shack sales, which will go to support the Youth Council's endeavors this coming school year.

Partnering in the inaugural event was the Happy Valley Business Alliance and presenting sponsor, Kona Ice of North Clackamas. Food and beverage vendors also played a key role in helping the event come to life. As a result of the positive feedback from attendees, the City is looking to bring back the Drive-in next summer and are already planning ways to bring even more excitement and intrigue to the event.



Snacks were plentiful at the drive-in. Vendors at the event included Killer Burger, Fire & Knives BBQ, Tinidor Thai Food, Rise Beverage, and Kona Ice. The Happy Valley Snack Shack offered traditional popcorn and candy.

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# FINDING THEIR TRIBE

Growing Happy Valley women’s group fosters friendship, networking

By Shelley McFarland

When Mardi Wing moved to Happy Valley, she was surprised that the nearest newcomers’ social group was in Lake Oswego. She happily joined, but thought it was remiss that Happy Valley didn’t have a similar group.

Wing decided to do something about the lack of social networking and organized a pinocle group. Then, with the encouragement of friends in Lake Oswego, she started a Happy Valley group for women.

Through the neighborhood app Nextdoor, Wing reached out to fellow Happy Valley residents and organized a meet-up where women could meet one another, especially if they were new to the area. Currently the group meets at 9:30 a.m. Mondays at New Seasons Market.

Wing didn’t stop there. After having coffee with friend Carol Cercone, the two decided to start a bunco group (Cercone had started a bunco group in the past). After another conversation, the two decided to organize the Happy Valley/Clackamas Women’s Group. What started out as an idea to meet other women in the community has turned into a network of themed groups.

“I have always been involved with serving on boards and organizations,” said Wing who worked 20 years in radio and radio management before going into real estate with her husband. Eventually they owned a Remax Realty in Utah before retiring.

At a recent Happy Valley/Clackamas Women’s Group luncheon at The Spaghetti Factory, 27 women of all ages and backgrounds shared stories and laughs while enjoying lunch. The inclusive group stresses that politics and religion are not topics to broach in a setting dedicated to friendship.

From the onset of Wing’s



The newly formed Happy Valley/Clackamas Women’s Group meets monthly as an outlet for friendships. The group has spawned other groups such as a cooking club and knitting group.

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desire for a larger social scene in Happy Valley, many women have joined the Happy Valley/Clackamas Women’s Group and started their own offshoots. Today, there is a knitting group, a breakfast group that meets the last Friday of the month, a cooking group, wine enthusiast group, and the newcomers coffee group. There are hopes for a bridge group and book club.

“We now have over 100 ladies that are active or have expressed an interest in the group, and we are growing. Our mission statement is very simple: The Happy Valley Clackamas Women’s Group is strictly a social organization designed to develop new friendships by providing a social network and activities for women in our area,” Wing said.

The luncheons are on the second Wednesday of every month. The Sept. 11 event will welcome Happy Valley City Council President Brett Sherman and Planning Manager Joseph Briglio, who will talk



“I have always been involved with serving on boards and organizations.”

— Mardi Wing

about the Pleasant Valley/North Carver Comprehensive Plan and other developments in Happy Valley.

For more information, or to make a reservation, contact Mardi Wing through Nextdoor.

## Happy Valley residents help save lives

Thank you to everyone who came out to this year’s annual City Blood Drive Challenge. Over 150 people donated blood over the course of a multi-day collection event that was coordinated with the support of the American Red Cross. For someone who has been in a serious accident or is struggling with a challenging illness, blood donation might



Happy Valley participated in a multi-day blood drive that encouraged anyone who wanted to donate to take part.

be the difference between life and death. While the challenge allows for some friendly competition between neighboring cities, the drive also helps raise more awareness about the constant need for blood donation. Stay tuned for competition results!

## Octoberfest

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Valley Growlers, to present a festive German style festival with traditional food, music, and of course, beer!

Oktoberfest will continue throughout the evening and in-

clude such novelties as Weiner Dog races, a chicken dance contest, and a Paulaner Stein hoist competition.

Want to be part of the fun? Join us at Happy Valley Park on Saturday, Oct. 12 for a fun day with the whole family as you experience two events in one!

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September 2019 Library Events

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ADULT PROGRAMS

**Happy Valley Library Book Group:** Thursday, September 5, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

**Selection for September 5:** Asymmetry by Lisa Halliday

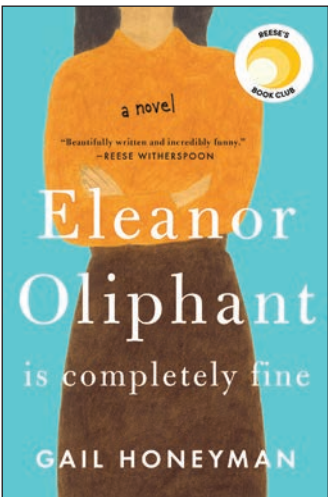
**Selection for October:** Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman.

**American Mah Jongg:** Fridays, 1-4 p.m.

**String-Along Acoustic Jam:** Sundays, September 8 and 22, 2-5 p.m. Bring your acoustic guitar, fiddle, ukulele or other stringed instrument to the Happy Valley Library and share some tunes with other musicians.

**Genealogy Club:** Mondays, September 9 and 23, 2-4 p.m.

**Note Night:** Wednesday, September 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Enjoy some live music while you browse for books, or sit and savor the sounds. This month features Sharon and Michael performing American Traditional music which includes Blues, Jazz, and Country, with some big band and classical



Eleanor Oliphant is the definition of socially awkward. Grab a copy of this extremely interesting yet touching story about a young woman trying to navigate her way through life's ups and downs.

music thrown in for good measure.

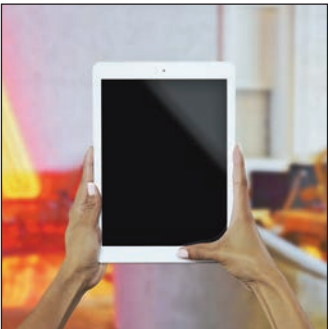
**Pinochle Club:** Monday, September 16, 1:30-3:30 p.m.



Bring back the nostalgia of the classics with Classic Movie Night. A 1948 gem awaits this month.



Go back to the basics with the acoustic sounds of the guitar, fiddle or ukulele and share some tunes with other musicians during a free-flowing jam session.



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YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Stretch, Dance, Play! With Iris Nason:** Sept. 11; at 10:15 a.m., for ages 2-5.

**Homeschool Club:** Art in the Park: Sept. 12; at 10:15 a.m., for grades K-5.

**Music Time with Chuck Cheesman:** Sept. 18; at 10:15 a.m., for ages 0-5.

**Dance Party:** Sept. 21; at 10:15 a.m., for ages 0-5.

**Let's Lego!** Sept. 21; at 1:30 p.m., for grades K-5.

**Homeschool Club:** Game Day: Sept. 26; at 10:15, for grades K-5.

**Sign and Sing with Shira Fogel of Tiny Talkers:** Oct. 2; at 10:15 a.m., for ages 2-5.

**LEGO Creative Building with Blair Archer:** Oct. 2; at 4:00 p.m., for grades K-5



Let the kids shake their sillies out at the Dance Party. This event is perfect for kids 0-5 and is guaranteed to burn some energy!

FEATURED YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Make Your Own Fun:** Saturday, Sept. 14; at 10:15 a.m. For K-5. From playdough to origami, what fun will you craft?

**Apples, Apples, Apples:** Tuesday, Sept. 17; at 6:15 p.m. Celebrate the yumminess of fall with apple crafts, tasting and science.

**Spanish Storytime:** Saturday, Sept. 28; at 10:15 a.m. Join Vitzah for singing, stories and more fun in Spanish.



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# Fall gardening in Oregon: The possibilities are endless

Spring might be the season most associated with gardening, but did you know fall is a great time to work in the garden and get things ready for next year? Experienced gardeners know that the best spring and summer gardens are often achieved due to the actions taken the prior fall. With the help of Master Gardener, Kris LaMar, you too can get your garden ready for a bountiful new look.

LaMar will be presenting at the Happy Valley Library later this month to talk specifically about things you can do to set yourself and your garden up for success. Not really an avid gardener? That's ok. Not really any sort of gardener? That's ok, too. LaMar loves helping anyone who has an interest in gardening and has lots of tips and tricks to share that are appropriate for all levels of expertise.

- Attendees at the upcoming event will learn about a variety of topics related to gardening in the fall, including;
- How to assess your garden's strengths and areas of weakness
  - How to prevent challenges related to insects, soil health, and plant nutrition
  - Garden maintenance in the cooler temperatures
  - What to plant, so your garden has healthy



Master Gardener and Recycler, Kris LaMar, isn't afraid to get her hands dirty. Here, she shows a group of attendees at a recent presentation the benefits of worm bins.

### LAMAR'S PRO TIP:

**"Protecting the soil over the winter with mulch is recommended," says LaMar. "And, if you plant the 'right' plants, you can help feed the soil, the trillions of microbes that live there and, eventually, next year's crops!"**

Want more pro-tips? Check out LaMar's presentation to learn more fun facts and how you can create the garden of your dreams!

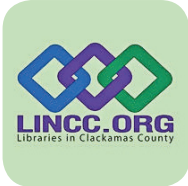
and sustaining growth  
Whether it is planting bare root plants or bulbs, there is a season for everything, and fall may be the best one for what you want in your garden.  
The presentation will cover all the above topics, plus a few more—with great pictures, too! A handout with some great information will also be provided.

### Gardening for Next Year

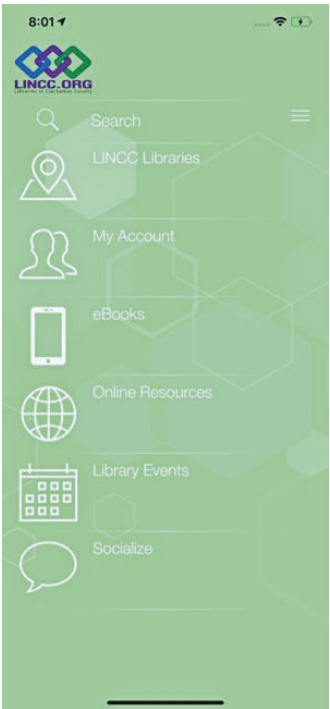
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The app ultimately gives users the ability to have a digital library card, providing one platform where multiple cards can be viewed for more efficient account management. On top of that, those with the app can opt for notifications and view checked-out items, holds, fines, and other account information at the touch of a fingertip.  
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With the LINCC mobile app, your smart device can give you easy access to library resources.

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## Dedicated police for Happy Valley

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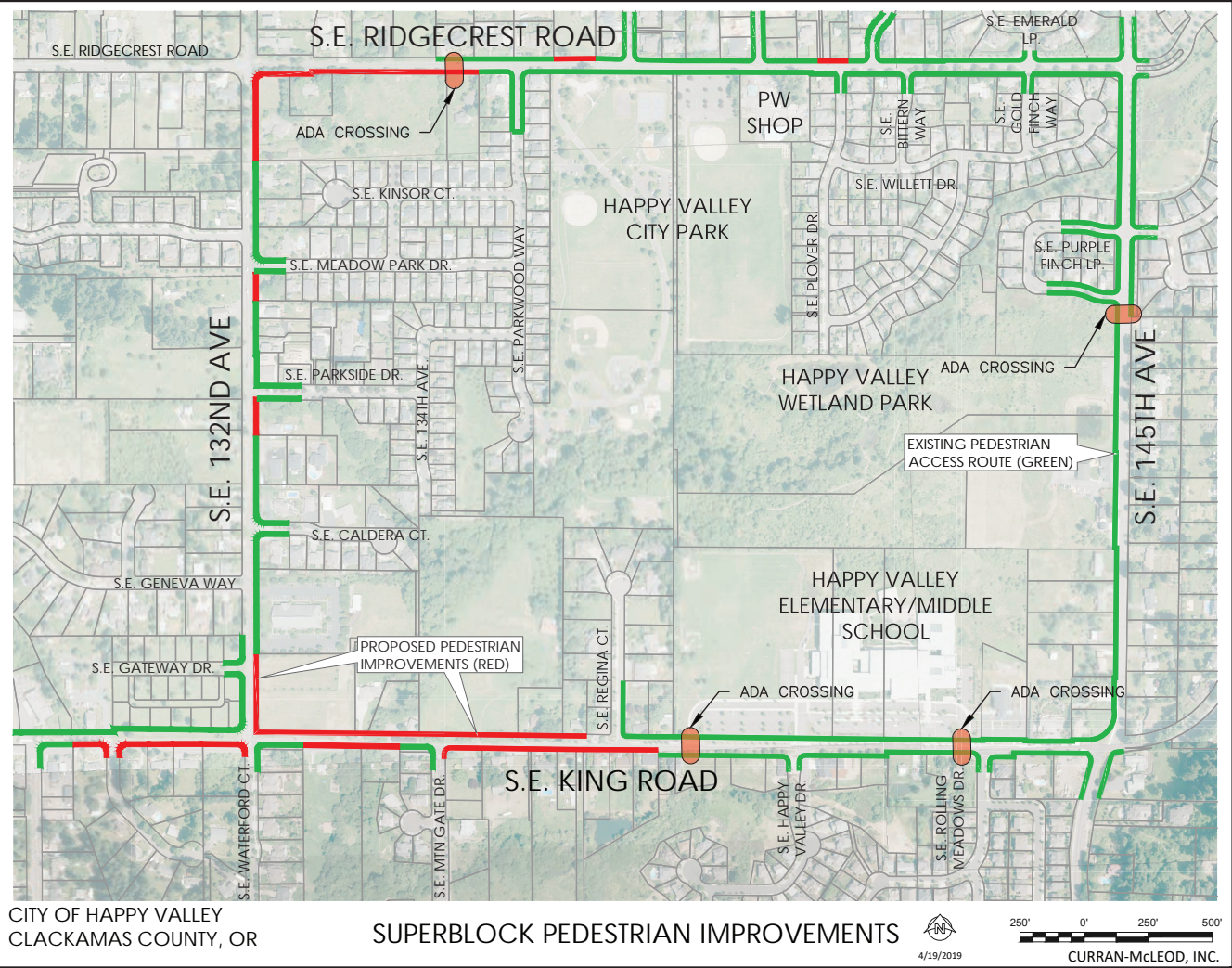
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# City puts final plans together for superblock project



The corresponding map shows the scope of the superbloc project that will create a walkable area within Happy Valley. The project aims to increase safety for both pedestrians and motorists and provide more recreational opportunities for those wanting to explore the community. Construction of the entire plan will occur over the course of several years.

Planning continues as the City's Superblock project gears up to commence. The endeavor will offer contiguous sidewalks that link sections of Ridgecrest and 132nd and King Road and 147th. Purpose of this project is to increase safety of both pedestrians and motorists and provide more opportunities for everyone to enjoy a stroll around the area. The superbloc 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. Residents of the City have voiced wanting a project like this to come to fruition for some time. City Council has been working to make this a priority and has assured its inclusion in the master plan. Council has also recommended the project be completed as soon as possible, so staff are working diligently to make sure all preparations are taken care of. As of August 2019, staff has 75% plans complete on the first phase efforts which includes connections on Ridgecrest Rd., 132nd and 145th. Residents can expect construction to be fully

underway on this first phase effort by late fall or early winter with more visible construction starting in the coming month. The City continues to be excited about the superbloc project as it will provide more opportunities for residents and visitors to enjoy Happy Valley. Since City Council has deemed this project a priority for our community, City staff have been directed to finish the project as soon as possible. Staff have already been working with adjacent property owners to ensure efficient communication and project planning. If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please contact Public Works Director, Chris Randall at 503-783-3800.

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Fall into Gardening offers the latest ideas through classes, demonstrations, educational displays, a clinic, and soil pH testing service. In addition to the award-winning 10-Minute University classes, the event also features a lecture on “Wild Foods of Yards, Gardens, Neighborhoods and Farms.” Guest speaker John Kallas tells how to identify, harvest and prepare nutritious, delicious and abundant edible wild plants found within walking distance of your kitchen.

Other topics will focus on practical tools for use in the ornamental garden and for growing vegetables. Best Bee Flowers will show how flowers’ color, shape and arrangement determine their attractiveness to bees so that you gain confidence in differentiating the best bee-worthy flowers from the rest. Those attending the “Making High-Impact Plant Combinations” class will understand the principles behind successful plant combinations and will be able to identify changes to jazz up gardens.

If you aspire to eat from the garden more than just during summer, the “Growing and Harvesting Vegetables Year-Round” class is just what you



SUBMITTED PHOTO  
**Dr. Kallas talks about edible plants in the Pacific Northwest.**

need. It introduces regional cold-hardy vegetables and identifies actions that prolong vegetable production.

An essential yet time-consuming gardening task for a summer-dry, winter-wet climate is watering. The “Irrigation Techniques to Save Time and Money” class will review how best to deliver water depending on soil type, weighs the pros and cons of common types of irrigation methods, and demonstrates steps for putting together a drip irrigation system.

Classes begin at 9 a.m., but doors will open at 8:30 a.m. for early birds who wish to view educational displays and free handouts. Or you can visit with Master Gardener diagnosticians who will identify mystery plants, diseases or pests. Bring photos and specimens to enhance problem description. Master Gardeners will provide answers, including recommended remedial actions, that same morning.

For more information, visit [www.cmastergardeners.org](http://www.cmastergardeners.org).



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**Local PE teachers learn new games and skills from Dennis Stands, a retired PE teacher dedicated on helping teachers learn new inclusion-based activities for children.**

# GAME PLAN

*Fun PE Guy owner instructs teachers on how to play*

By Shelley McFarland

**What do PE teachers do in the summer? They play, of course. At least a group of 37 teachers at Happy Valley Middle School did.**

Dennis Stands, owner of Fun PE Guy, is a retired elementary school phys-ed teacher who holds summer clinics around the Northwest showing PE teachers new games and styles of play to keep all kids included and participating.

Stands grew up in Boise, Idaho, with fun and active parents. His mother taught in-home kindergarten, and it made an indelible impression on Stands and his two brothers, who each became educators. Stands spent his career, 32 years, in the Vancouver, Washington, school district where he initially taught fifth and sixth grades but became a PE teacher after district restructuring.

“At the time, the classroom teachers taught PE. It was fun for me, and I liked it. My kids had fun, and other teachers asked me to teach their kids, too. I did that for a long time before I became the specialist PE teacher for the school. I

helped write the program,” Stands said.

While teaching, Stands met his future wife, Mary, also a teacher. Recently, they celebrated 39 years together. Mary is an active participant in Stands’ clinics as is their teenage grandson Drew. Stands says teaching PE can be difficult if you don’t have training or skills because kids can get hurt, and for many, the gym can be a scary or foreign place.

“Kids are told to sit at their desk, and in the gym, you have open space with baseball bats. I’m teaching golf and some of these activities can cause injury. There needs to be structure,” Stands said.

Activities include dancing, sport skills, large group games and cooperation activities. Stands collects his activity ideas from years of experience and from the teachers he instructs. Every week he sees something new and asks the teacher whether he can use the activity for his next clinic. Sometimes he adapts the activity and likes that “it’s become a real sharing community.”

For teachers wanting to address dealing with students with special needs, Stands takes a positive, pragmatic approach and doesn’t teach elimination games like dodgeball.

“I don’t address disabilities specifically. It comes up in discussion, and it’s one of the many reasons why we have

the group discussions. These professionals are talking about any issues among themselves like assessment,” Stands said.

“I had kids with special disabilities throughout my whole career. My only suggestion is keeping the kids in the activity. It doesn’t matter what their skill level or disability is, it’s more important that they are a part of the team activity,” he said.

The teacher participants not only learn new skills and activities to pass on to their students, but they also earn three graduate credits through Seattle University.

At 73 years old, Stands is an avid tennis player, hitting the ball nearly every day, and has no plans to retire “as long as teachers keep showing up and I can physically teach them.”

“It’s always about the people who come to the class. All of them here work with kids, and they’re looking to keep kids motivated and learn skills in physical education. The fact that they come back every year is because they’re finding things that work,” Stands said.

“The teachers come back and tell me their kids loved the activities. It’s like they’re friends now, and it’s very rewarding to me.”

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## Real Estate REVIEW

### September Real Estate Review

**August Sales Update:** August is typically one of the slowest sales months in real estate. We seem to have a shortage of “For Sale” homes on the market right now. This is good for home prices, and sellers whose home might not be a buyers first choice if there was more inventory to choose from.

**Should I be thinking about Refinancing?** Today’s 30 year loan is around 4%, and the “fixed for 10 year ARM” is about 3%. Your new loan origination costs aren’t “out of pocket” expenses, they are usually wrapped into you new loan. Total “new loan” costs are about \$3,000 to \$5,000. If your loan balance is \$400,000 and you can save 1% on your interest rate, you would be about “break even” from the refinance in a year, then enjoying a \$4,000 a year savings.

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# Volunteers put the *HAPPY* in Happy Valley

**By Shelley McFarland**  
Eight volunteers were honored Aug. 15 during a concert at Happy Valley City Park. Across the city, there are numerous volunteers serving on committees, campaigns and in groups, striving to improve the livability of Happy Valley. To all of them — thank you.

## OUTSTANDING PARTNER VOLUNTEERS

**Thomas Joseph**  
After attending college and serving 12 years with distinction in the Indian Air Force, Thomas Joseph immigrated to America from India in 1978, with nothing in his backpack. He began as a part-time cashier at Plaid Pantry, and in 1983 founded the Thomas Joseph Personalized Dry Cleaning chain. For 36 years, Joseph has forged a strong connection with the area where he runs his dry-cleaning business.



JOSEPH

“I came here not having anything. The community adopted me and helped make me successful. I have always wanted to show my appreciation. In the beginning, I didn’t have money, but I can give in other ways,” Joseph said.

“More than my dry-cleaning business — it’s just a stage to serve my community. I see a need and take initiative to connect with people and find resources. I have no particular agenda and feel compassion to step in and work where I’m needed.”

Joseph was recognized as an Outstanding Partner Volunteer for his longstanding work on numerous boards, civic, service and business organizations in North Clackamas.

Joseph has served as chair of the Providence Milwaukie Hospital Foundation and currently is a board member, was founding director and marketing committee chair of Town Center Bank, president of the Greenhouse Square Merchant’s Association, president of the North Clackamas County Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club of Clackamas president, and has served on the boards of the Oregon Dry Cleaners Association, The Challenge Center, La Salle Prep and Clackamas Fire.

Moreover, in 1990, Joseph was the chairman of the campaign that created the North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District, which built one of the largest self-supporting aquatic centers in the country.

Joseph was named Clackamas Citizen of the Year in 1990, Dry Cleaner of the Year in 1986, and Rotarian of the Year in 1989 and 2001. He is married to

Liz Thekkedom, and together they have three children and one grandchild.

## Dawn Golobay

For the past 40 years, the Happy Valley Fun Run has been raising money for Happy Valley Elementary School. In 2014, Dawn Golobay participated in the race and loved the experience. She knew she had to become involved, taking over the event from Kim Andrusko in 2015.

As the event coordinator, Golobay asked local businesses to sponsor the run, coordinated advertising, and arranged for insurance, traffic control, official timers and maintained the race website. She gathered items for race bags and found helpers to stuff them. Golobay’s husband, David, a Happy Valley city councilor, acted as emcee and helped coordinate the set-up of booths, sound system and the registration area.

Golobay also volunteers at her children’s schools and is a runner at Operation Santa. She loves baking and delivering food to police, public works and city staff.

## OUTSTANDING RESIDENT VOLUNTEERS

### Glen Sachet

With 37 years of professional natural resource management and public affairs experience with the U.S. Forest Service, Glen Sachet has a valuable skill-set that benefits the various volunteer committees he serves.



SACHET

On the Parks Committee, Sachet represents the community of Happy Valley by reviewing parks and recreation program plans, facility investments and maintenance priorities, and by listening to public proposals and concerns. The committee then makes recommendations to city staff and the City Council. Recently, the Parks Committee reviewed alternatives for the all-abilities playground being built at Happy Valley City Park and made design recommendations.

Sachet also serves as the Parks Committee liaison to the Transportation and Public Safety Committee and is a member of the United Citizens Alliance, a newly formed group focused on creating a welcoming atmosphere in Happy Valley.

He currently is Secretary of his homeowners’ association and works

with Clackamas Fire District #1 to identify and mitigate hazardous vegetation to protect homes from the threat of wildfires and improve native vegetation’s resiliency to climate change.

“Public service is a core value for me. Prior to living in Happy Valley, I served unincorporated Clackamas County in various volunteer capacities,” Sachet said.

“Serving on the Parks Committee and other volunteer efforts in Happy Valley allows me to show my appreciation for current public servants, develop meaningful relationships with many individuals, and share some of my experience to help build a better place for Happy Valley residents, and those who visit this great city”

### Bryan Brock

Bryan Brock joined the Traffic Safety Committee in 2005 because he wanted a speed bump installed on the street where he lives.

“I quickly learned that I did not want a speed bump, but by then I was too invested in the committee that I continued to get reappointed until term limits and wisdom told me it was time to move on,” Brock said.

He remained on the committee for 12 years and became chair where he facilitated discussions, ran meetings and appointed members to subcommittees. The PSTC meets monthly to review and discuss citizen requests and concerns regarding traffic and public safety and manages its budget according to the city’s needs. Over Brock’s tenure, the committee ended up with its own budget to promote safety in Happy Valley.

“Happy Valley has become a great city, and it’s all our duties to ensure it continues that way. Every month I would be reminded of how responsive the city is to citizen concerns. The only way to avoid becoming the ‘city that does not work’ is by becoming involved,” Brock said.

“I challenge everyone who wants to complain about the city or some condition in the city, to ask themselves what they can do to fix it. Happy Valley has many opportunities for citizen involvement. I heard the call, and that’s why I serve.”

### Hermya Brock

Bryan Brock set an excellent example of civic duty for his daughter, Hermya Brock, who became involved with the Happy Valley Youth Council.

She applied for the

council to work with other motivated students to be the voice of the youth in Happy Valley and says the opportunity taught her about city government and the motivations of others to create change in the community.

“Having lived in Happy Valley my entire life, this city holds a special place in my heart. Being involved with Youth Council and other city events gives me a chance to give back to my community and have fun while doing it,” Hermya said.

“My favorite part was being inspired by other youth councils from around Oregon, as well as councils from across the nation,” she said. “Youth councils from all around the nation gather at the National League of Cities conference in Washington, D.C., to share the amazing things their council is doing.”

### Katie Hern

Katie Hern has been volunteering at city events since she was 7 years old as a helper to her mother, Stephani Hern, Community Involvement Specialist at City Hall. The events include Harvest Fest, National Night Out and Operation Santa.

“I decided to volunteer because I love putting others in front of myself and helping others out when they need it. I’ve loved it since the day I started. Volunteering with the city got me so much closer with everyone, including my mom,” Hern said.

“Involving myself in the city is important to me because I love giving back, I can gain leadership skills, and build a community among those around me.”



HERN

### Josh Callahan

With a strong urge to serve, Josh Callahan joined the Happy Valley Planning Commission to make a difference in the city where he and his wife, Annie, are raising their three young boys.

Callahan grew up in Oak Grove and spent eight years in the U.S. Army, seven as an active military police officer and one as a reservist drill sergeant. During his military service, Callahan traveled to over 30 countries and “saw so many other places that made me appreciate where I grew up.”

After active service, Callahan became a lawyer and volunteered as a coach for the Clackamas County Special Olympics Swim Team. After starting a family, he volunteered as a coach of his sons’ sports teams.



CALLAHAN



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MATECKO

**Al Matecko**  
Al Matecko views the library as the community hub of Happy Valley.

“It’s a place of learning, sharing and discovering new ideas and thoughts as well as the home of books, DVDs and CDs,” he said.

Matecko serves on the Happy Valley Library Board as well as representing Happy Valley on the Clackamas County Library District Advisory Committee. He is the chair of both.

Matecko’s duties include looking at the present use of the library, in terms of how dollars are allocated and spent, assessing the library’s needs in order to keep a strong foundation for today and into the future.

Matecko seeks to ensure all voices are heard, and that the committee, as well as the patrons and library staff, is fully valued for their work. He has served for three years on the committee, which he calls a “diverse group of people who take the time to care about our library and one another.”

“Happy Valley has been a great community and functions as a large neighborhood where people take the time to care for each other. As such, I felt it was my time to give back and seek a way to continually improve our city,” Matecko said.

“The ability to volunteer and be there for others is part of how we as a society can grow and build a better and stronger community,” he said. “I’m fortunate to have the time to give back some of the lessons I’ve learned in life. Happy Valley is where my heart is.”



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# Comprehensive plan advisory committees make recommendations

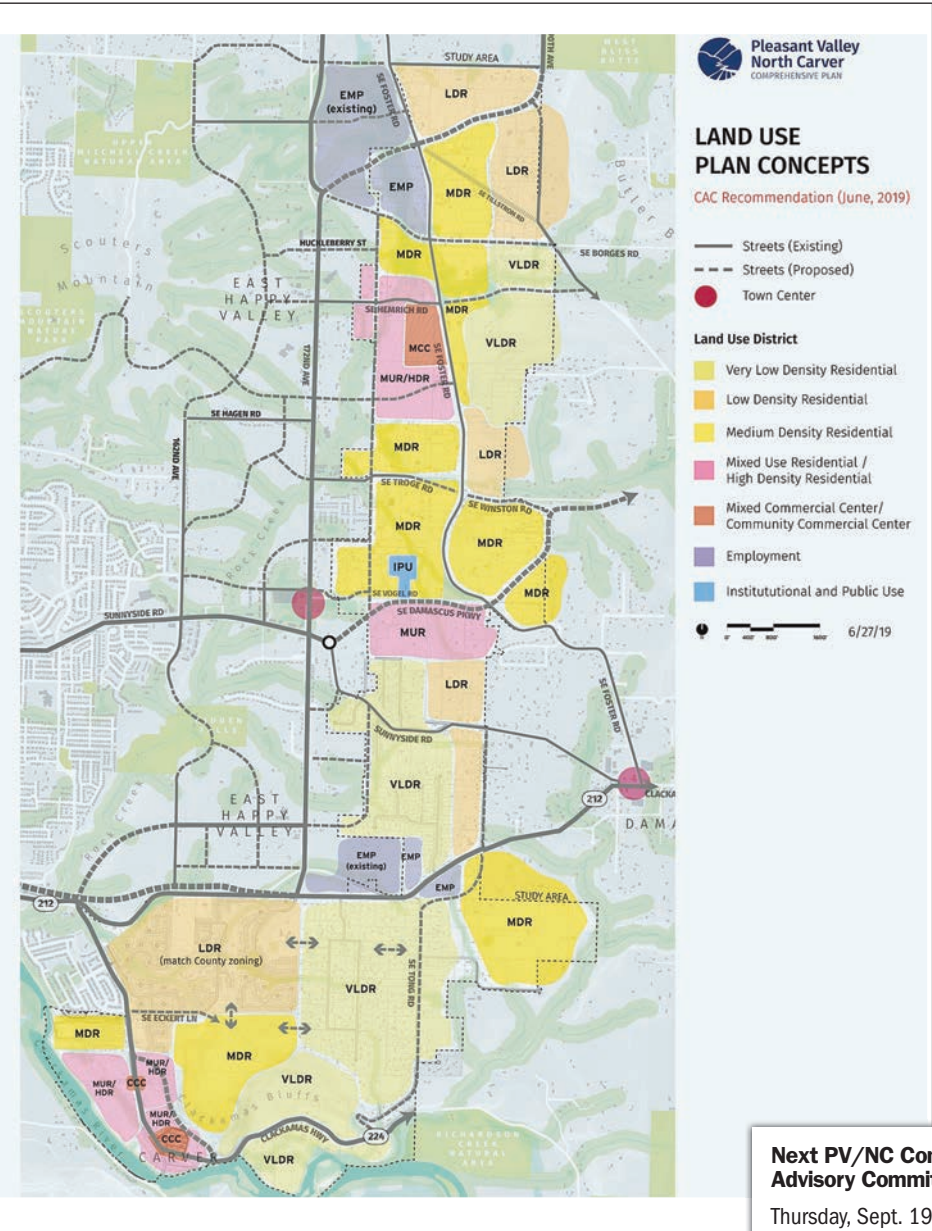
On June 20, the Pleasant Valley/North Carver (PV/NC) Comprehensive Plan Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Community Advisory Committee (CAC) convened for a joint meeting which resulted in land use, transportation, and employment area recommendations that are currently being tested and modeled.

The included image is the CAC's proposed recommendation for the Land Use Plan, also described as the conceptual zoning map. This recommendation, coupled with the draft transportation system proposal, is currently being modeled by the City's consultants. The modeling exercise will offer insights into how the CAC's recommendations will perform in concert with one another, as well as point out possible discordance between them. The results of the modeling are anticipated to be shared at an upcoming committee meeting later this month, however this will depend on how much data can be synthesized by that meeting date.

The TAC provides professional and technical expertise while the CAC supplies stakeholder representation and citizen interests at each step of the Comprehensive Planning process. The public is more than welcome to attend these meetings. For more information about the plan, the TAC/CAC, and/or the meeting schedule, please check out the City's webpage. <https://www.happyvalleyor.gov/business/planning-division/pleasant-valley-north-carver-comprehensive-plan/>

## Why have a Comprehensive Plan?

There are often misconceptions about comprehensive plans and how they are used. To combat this, 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, the regional government for the Oregon portion of the Portland metropolitan area, is responsible for



Often described as a conceptual zoning map, the PV/NC Land Use Plan displays recommendations by the Community Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee.

**Next PV/NC Community Advisory Committee meeting**  
Thursday, Sept. 19, at 6 p.m.  
Happy Valley City Hall Council Chambers

managing the UGB. Its goal is 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 is tasked with reviewing and reporting on the land supply. During this exercise, Metro estimates the projected population and employment growth for the region over the course of the next 20 years and, and if necessary, adjusts the UGB area to meet the needs of growth fore-

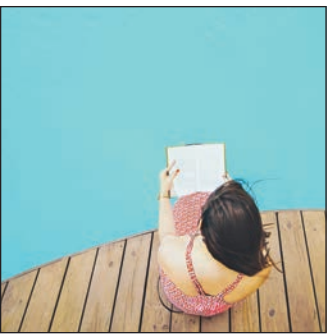
casted. As population grows and areas are added to the UGB, state law requires that a comprehensive plan be made to assure that current and future housing, employment, and infrastructure needs are properly addressed. The PV/NC area was added to the UGB in 2002 which meant a comprehensive plan would need to be developed.

Comprehensive plans must adhere to statewide rules and goals. While a tedious process, comprehensive planning ultimately ensures that quality pub-

lic services, like police, schools, and parks are also taken into consideration.

The PV/NC Comprehensive Plan process has included ideas from property owners, the general public, neighboring cities and counties, and other stakeholders. The community, as a result, has been a key participant in the plan's formation.

Completion of the PV/NC Comprehensive Plan is anticipated for the Summer of 2020.



We hope everyone had fun reading, playing games, and enjoying Concerts in the Park. Without the Friends of the Library and our generous sponsors, these fun events would not have been possible.

# Summer at the Library proves successful

## Happy Valley Library

This summer, the Happy Valley Library was out of this world with readers, programs and fun for all ages! From tie dye to video games, magicians to sharks, there was something exciting happening for everyone.

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With game faces, a local Happy Valley boy’s team is ready to play some serious basketball and win at last year’s Hoops for Hope competition. The basketball tournament is the main fundraiser for local nonprofit Hoops for Hope.

# Hoops for Hope hosts 3-on-3 tourney to raise scholarship funds

Shelley McFarland

Hoops for Hope is gearing up for its third annual 3-on-3 Tournament set for Sunday, Sept. 8, at Clackamas High School.

This is the sole fundraising event for the nonprofit, which gives scholarships to local youth wanting to play sports, pursue music or attend extra-curricular activities.

Over the past two years, Hoops for Hope has awarded 13 scholarships, adding up to over \$, 000. Recently the organization helped fund an East Coast educational trip, attendance at an elite sports camp, and participation by a top division team in a national tournament.

Board member Wendy Wilson calls the event more than a basketball tournament.

“It’s a great community event. We have food, vendors, games and a community feel that is so amazing. We have witnessed families (that aren’t even participating) come out to watch, support and cheer on their friends,” Wilson said.

“The best part has been being able to provide funds for experiences that our youth might not otherwise be able to participate in; or at the very least it relieves some stress on



**For more information or to apply for a scholarship, visit:** hvhoopsforhope.org.  
**When:** Games start 9 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 8  
**Where:** Clackamas High school, 14486 S.E. 122nd Ave., Clackamas  
**For:** Boys and girls, grades 3-12

the financial aspect of it for the families.”

Hoops for Hope President John Barhoum is pleased the event is successful. Every dollar of profit from the tournament goes directly to the

**Competition can be fierce during the one-day event.**

scholarship fund.

“While many Happy Valley residents are blessed with financial means, not everyone in our community has access to the same opportunities,” he said. “It feels great to help open doors to deserving young men and women.

“As I walk the tournament each year, I see nothing but smiles, high-fives, hugs, fist bumps and warm embraces. People come together for a fun-filled day of music, activities, food and basketball.”

# Hot Pot King heats up dining scene

Restaurant offers table-top cooking, along with dim sum

By Shelley McFarland

Many Happy Valley residents watched with interest as the old Applebee’s building was transformed into a new eatery. Amid the speculation, many residents were excited to see an independent hot pot-style restaurant come to the city.

The only one of its kind in Happy Valley, Hot Pot King offers traditional dim sum and hot-pot dining where diners cook their meals in a pot at their table, one pot for each guest.

David Lin immigrated to New York from China in 1998; he moved to Happy Valley last year.

At Hot Pot King, Lin hired Chef Peter Yu who owned numerous restaurants in Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand and Great Britain, one Michelin star-rated. The chef brings years of cooking experience and with a staff of 15, the restaurant is looking to create a niche dining experience in Clackamas County.

“We are busy because we have traditional dim sum prepared by our chef, Peter Yu. It is prepared each morning and cooked on demand. The weather is getting colder, and we expect to increase our business, plus, we are adding a dim sum buffet which will have the same foods as our menu but in a different format,” Lin said.

“We hope to introduce traditional Chinese food to Westerners with popular dim sum and hot pot. We want people to see how special the food is especially when gathered around with family and friends and having a good time.”

Currently, dim sum is only available at lunch, but the menu features 34 items, including favorites like Baked Bun with BBQ Pork, Baked Egg Custard and Shrimp Dumplings. Since Lin is a vegetarian, the restaurant features numerous vegetarian options for diners.

For the hot pot experience, diners select a soup base (12 available), such as Pork Leg Bone Broth or Szechuan Hot and Spicy Broth, then select the foods to cook in the broth. No-



Owner David Lin moved to Happy Valley one year ago and opened Hot Pot King shortly thereafter. The traditional-style dim sum is prepared each morning and cooked to order.

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Hot Pot King is the only hot-pot style restaurant in Happy Valley. Choose your broth, then choose the foods to cook in the broth. The choices are extensive.

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**Where:** 15640 S.E. Happy Valley Town Center Drive, Happy Valley

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share to experience all the different hot pot variations. To round out the meal, beer, wine, sake, smoothies, tea and dessert also are available.

Lin encourages diners to come in and try hot pot. Popular foods for the soup base include vegetable or seafood combinations presented in a beautiful array or homemade dumplings, premium beef, meatballs, Japanese-sliced side pork and handmade noodles.

“Our food is fresh, and we have the personal pot, unlike other hot pot restaurants that only have one pot per table. This way people are happy and can order exactly what they want to eat. We have many soup base options, too,” Lin said.

dles, meats, seafood and vegetables are available and are served family-style, though each diner has their own broth pot.

The result is a bubbly cauldron of goodness at the table where diners are encouraged to



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# Farewell to Summer

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# HAPPY VALLEY

## That's a Wrap!

Happy Valley says  
goodbye to summer

### 4th of July



Red, white, and blue were the colors of the day as residents and visitors donned their best patriotic gear.



Thanks again to all our sponsors for making the City's 4th of July Family Festival a reality!

### Concerts in the Valley



The City rocked out to live music in Happy Valley Park each Thursday.

Art & Garden Night and Volunteer Appreciation Night were series highlights!

### Concerts in the Park



The Happy Valley Library was the place to be on Friday nights as a diverse musical line-up delighted concertgoers.



### Movies



Warm summer nights were the backdrop for two outdoor film events.



The community enjoyed Moonlight Movie Night under the stars and a Pop-Up Drive-In Movie made its big debut.



### Sports



The City partnered with Bridgetown Boomers and Skate Like a Girl PDX to bring tennis and skateboarding to youth interested in honing their skills.



### Splash Pad



The Splash Pad offered some much-needed relief on the summer's hottest days!

### Self-Defense



US World Class Taekwondo teamed up with the City to offer two classes for youth and adults wanting to learn practical strategies for warding off an attacker.

### Summer Reading



The Happy Valley Library hit a record high with kids and adults registering to take part in the Summer Reading Program.



## Until next year...



# Biggest Block Party Yet!

On Aug. 6, over 30 neighborhoods participated in this year's National Night Out.

The event brings together neighbors, local police officers, emergency responders and other City representatives for an evening of conversation and summer fun that often includes BBQs, lawn games, and even the occasional bounce house.



As a result of these gatherings, neighbors and safety representatives have an opportunity to share contact information, problem solve challenges, and simply get to know one another better. This year was the City's largest gathering yet!

## Safety First at the Family Safety Fair



The Usual Suspects headlined the final Concert in the Valley this year, but it wasn't just any old band.

Comprised of police officers from around the Metro area, the Usual Suspects helped the City pay homage to first responders everywhere with lively tunes creating the soundtrack to the Family Safety Fair.



Residents and visitors learned about bike and water safety, and Oregon Impact was onsite leading hands on activities related to the risks of driver impairments.



## DID YOU KNOW?

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Happy Valley Police patrol the City 24/7/365. As a result, the officers are familiar with the community and take an active interest in City happenings. The following are some fun facts to know:

**Police Services in Happy Valley** are funded through a **Public Safety Levy**, which is voted on by **Happy Valley** residents every five years. The next levy renewal will be in **November 2019**.

The contract with the **CCSO** is all inclusive and covers the cost of hiring officers, their training, patrol vehicles, insurance and even detective services.

The mission of the **Happy Valley Police Department** is to assure security, safety, and quality law enforcement services to all people of **Happy Valley**.

The City's partnership with the County allows **Happy Valley Police** to be truly dedicated to the Happy Valley community.

Want to stay on top of City information and events? Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to get the scoop on everything Happy Valley! Stay in-the-know about annual events, important meetings, and all the great things happening right here in our community. You can also share your Happy Valley adventures with us by tagging us in your posts!

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# Back to basics: School safety is back in session

A new school year brings about a variety of thoughts and emotions. Whether you wish it were an endless summer or are eagerly looking forward to more structure, the start of the school year brings with it a new schedule, routines, and sometimes, new parenting dilemmas. Parents, students and teachers all play important roles in a safe and successful start to the school year.

### Kids on the Streets

Whether your child walks to school, rides a bike or takes the bus, they should be frequently reminded about safety precautions. Students who walk to school should be taught to always walk on the sidewalk, cross the road only in marked crosswalks and obey crossing guards. If they walk on a

street without a sidewalk, they should always walk facing traffic. Bike riders, always with a properly fitted helmet, should ride on the right side of the road, with traffic, and ride single file if riding with companions. They should walk their bike across an intersection. If your student takes the bus, remind them to remain seated and avoid horseplay. Don't let your children use iPod's or other headsets when they bike or walk, and remind your bus rider to remove any

earbuds when exiting the bus.

### Bus Stops

Walk younger students to their bus stop. Make them repeat the safety rules: to only cross at street corners or crosswalks, to never run out into the streets or play around at the bus stop; and never walk



Look out for students walking and biking to school and always follow the rules of the road. School parking lots will be busy, so please be extra cautious. Let's help make this school year the best one yet!

behind the school bus, but only in front of the bus where the driver can see them and monitor a safe crossing with red lights flashing.

### Driving Responsibly

Don't let distractions or a time crunch endanger your child or someone else. Please slow down and stay alert in the residential neighborhoods as students head to bus stops or

back home. Understand that flashing yellow lights on a school bus indicate the bus is preparing to stop. You should immediately slow and prepare to stop. Red flashing lights and the extended stop arm means the bus has stopped and is either loading or unloading kids. Cars approaching from either direction must stop and remain stopped until the red lights stop flashing, the stop

arm is retracted and the bus begins to move. In school zones, you must follow the 20 mph posted school zone speed when it's flashing between 7 am and 5 pm on school days, or whenever children are waiting at or occupying a school crosswalk, with or without a crossing guard.

### Bullying

In today's world, we can no longer simply shrug and say "kids will be kids" when met by a tearful report of a distressing event. Fortunately, most are minor blips resolved by the next recess period, but occasionally, these situations can have a significant impact on the safety and success of our children.

Bullying isn't just a playground scuffle. It can take many forms: physical (hitting, punching, inappropriate touch), verbal (name-calling or intimidation) or emotional or cyber bullying through social snubbing or damaging internet posts. If you feel your child is being targeted, ask questions

to fully understand the situation - who is involved, what occurred, and where and how often did it happen? Make sure your child knows he or she is empowered by speaking up to you, a teacher or a trusted adult, and to never let embarrassment or fear of retaliation keep them silent. After you have assessed the situation, you can try and suggest possible solutions for the small stuff; find a new lunch partner or after-school playmate if personalities don't click. But if necessary, make sure you follow through with your child's teacher to address bullying. School authorities need to know what is happening if they are going to assure your child's safety and resolve the problem.

As a parent, I know there are many hours when my children are out of my sight and I'm not there to protect them. Our job is to prepare our kids, minimize their exposure to unsafe situations, and always keep the lines of communication open.

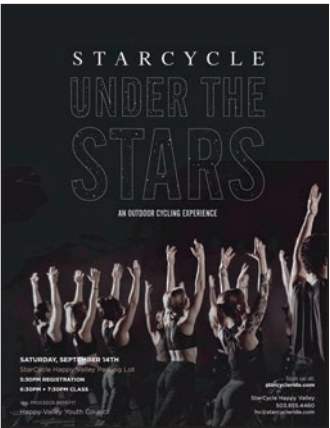
## Starcycle gears up to spin outdoors

Seats go fast at Starcycle's annual Under the Stars fundraiser slated to take place Saturday, Sept. 14. "We are so excited to partner with the City of Happy Valley again for our third annual charity ride Under the Stars," says Starcycle Happy Valley co-owner, Kelly Mreen. "The community has always shown up big - and we can't wait to top last year's fundraising efforts for the Happy Valley Youth Council. The evening has such a festive vibe and to bring our bikes outside and ride under the stars for a cause is something we look forward to all year!"

This year's beneficiary, the Happy Valley Youth Council, is known for leading projects that have a significant impact on the local community. Their initiatives include the Prescription Drug Turn-In event, teen

driver safety, and suicide prevention awareness. The group also travels to Salem for an annual Youth Summit and has even ventured to Washington, D.C. to participate in important legislative conversations. Youth Councilors are passionate about giving back to the community and take an active role in finding ways to connect with other teens and families in the City.

For those unfamiliar with this energetic event, the indoor spin studio will bring their bikes outside to ride by the light of the stars. Riders donate \$55 to ride during an outdoor class at either 6:30pm or 7:30pm. There will opportunities to purchase raffle tickets for various prizes as well. Tickets are one for \$5 or five for \$25, and winners do not need to be present to win. There are lots of opportunities for mingling with booths serving food and



Currently, both ride sessions are full, but don't let that stop you from experiencing the fun. Come on down and enjoy the evening under the stars.

drink samples as well, so expect fun at every turn you take. If you'd like to take part in the event, sign up at [starcycleride.com](http://starcycleride.com) and register today!



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