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By Pamplin Media Group

Possibly never more so than today, with seemingly everything on the internet available for delivery the next day, is it more important to shop local. Shopping locally helps keep money in the local economy. Shopping locally allows employers to pay local employees to spend those same dollars again in the community. Here are just a few ways you can shop local in the Valley this holiday season

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## **ISABELLA ELLSWORTH** crowned state Teen USA

Happy Valley senior at Nelson High School moves on to national pageant

By ELLEN SPITALERI Pamplin Media Group

When Happy Valley resident Isabella Ellsworth was named the winner of the Miss Oregon Teen USA pageant on Oct. 15, her mother said she was happy and ex-

cited for her daughter. 'She did it; she worked so hard and I got to experience this with her," Kristin Ellsworth said.

Then she wondered what her daughter was thinking.

But her daughter did not have much time for thought, as she was instantly surrounded by her fellow contestants, who told her how happy they were that she won and they knew she would do great things with her title.

"I'm still getting messages from them days later," Isabella said, adding that her favorite part of the competition was getting to know the other girls. And not surprisingly, what she is most looking forward to at the national competition in 2023, is meeting all the other contestants from the 50 states.

'Super Bowl of pageants'

PHOTO COURTESY: JAPI CULTURE MAGAZINE Isabella Ellsworth competed in the Miss Oregon Teen USA Pageant, See TEEN USA / Page 2 held on Oct. 15 at Sherwood Center for the Arts.

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## Father-son football journey coming to an end

Former Cavs duo won 6A state championship together in 2017

By PAUL DANZER Pamplin Media Group

Senior Day is often a bittersweet day. Saturday, Nov. 12 figures to be especially poignant for Lewis & Clark football head coach Joe Bushman and his family when the Pioneers host nationally-ranked Linfield.

Jake Bushman, who since the third grade has shared his journey in athletics with his father, will be among the Pioneers recognized as the 2022 season comes to an end.

"I've loved every minute of the experience. From practices to games to going out after the games as a family and talking about the game," Joe Bushman said recently. "I haven't even really let myself go there, to think about how crazy it'll be to have a year of football without my son around."

Their final season together has included successes and disappointments. The Pioneers enter the final two weeks of the season with a record of 4-3, 2-3 in the Northwest Conference. Jake returned from injury to be in on seven tackles in the Oct.  $29\,56\text{-}41$  loss to Pacific.

The melding of the playercoach relationship and the father-son relationship can be a challenge and, of course, Jake and Joe have had their challenges. There were quiet rides home after losses and tough weekends at home when games did not go as planned.

But, according to Shannon Bushman, any challenges have been outweighed by the highs her husband and son have shared.

"Sometimes it's great, because I think they probably communicate better than most fathers and sons, or children with their parents, because they're around each other so much," she said. "That can be a double-edged sword. Sometimes they just need a little break from each other.'

The highlight of their years together is easy to identify. In the fall of 2017, with Jake starting at middle linebacker and Joe in his 12th season as the head coach, at Clackamas High, the Cavaliers won the Oregon 6A football state championship. The championship came in the avaners reach the state semi finals three years in a row.

For the Bushmans, that was a reward for years of toil. Jake said the thing he'll always remember from his high school experience is how a program that went winless in 2010 became state champions seven years later.



PMG PHOTO: JAIME VALDEZ

Lewis & Clark football coach Joe Bushman and son Jake chat after a win over Willamette on Oct. 15. Joe has coached Jake — a senior linebacker for the Pioneers — since the third grade, including on a state title team at Clackamas High in 2017.

When Jake was little and in youth football, we had our struggles — not only just coaching his youth teams, but also my high school teams were struggling. We had some tough times. But then to see it all come to fruition winning a state championship is really special."

— Joe Bushman, Lewis & Clark football head coach

"It's really humbling to see a group of guys who stayed loyal to Clackamas, a group that never quit, a group that just played through the hard times to reach that full potential," Jake said. "That's what I'm gonna look back at and think 'that was extremely special.'

Joe Bushman quarterbacked Benson to the 1988 Oregon 6A state championship — the last time a PIL school won a football state title. He was coached by his own father throughout his youth sports career, and wanted his own kids to enjoy sports as much as he did growing up.

"I just looked back on how great of a time I had as a kid playing sports." Joe said. "And I wanted to provide that same type of experience for my son and add all of his friends, too."

Joe coached Jake and his friends in youth basketball and baseball. He also helped coach Jake's older sister Ally's basketball team.

By the time Jake was in middle school, Joe made a point to make sure Jake had coachplayer relationships with oth-

"I didn't want him to always have to deal with his dad," Joe said. "It kind of worked out nice in football because he never middle of a run that saw the played offense. I was always coaching offense.

defense probably helped his relationship with his father.

"Thankfully, we've been super close, but we've had our distance, too, with me playing predominantly on the defensive side, him being the offensive specialist," Jake said.

The times Jake was most thankful for that separation? "When the offense is struggling to put up points that day. That's when you don't want to socialize with Joe Bushman."

In such an emotionallycharged, competitive environment, a cooling-off postgame period at home was critical for father and son. Joe said that during Jake's high school years, he'd wait until they both calmed down to discuss a game. If there was something he wanted Jake to improve, Joe often left it to a defensive coach to deliver the message.

"I didn't want him to feel like I was judging him as my son and as a person based on football," Joe said. Wins, of course, were a lot of

fun at the Bushman home. Shannon said car rides home after losses were quiet.

"I would sometimes say some observations about the game and neither one of them like my observations," she said with a laugh. "They both think I don't know what I'm talking

What Shannon could do was be a sympathetic ear.

"My job is just to be available to listen," Shannon said. "I can't solve anything because I don't know how to coach and I don't know now to play loot-Jake agrees that sticking to ball, but they just sometimes need to vent."

Jake describes his father as intense, but fair.

"He always had that fiery mentality, that serious mentality, that competitive mentality, but also just is a great guy to be around," Jake said. "Great



Bushman family, from left, Ally, Jake, Shannon and Joe.



COURTESY PHOTO: PATRICIA HENSLEY/LEWIS & CLARK ATHLETICS Pictured tackling Pacific's Joshua Harris in a 2021 game, Lewis & Clark linebacker Jake Bushman says playing defense eased tension with his dad, who calls plays for the Pioneers.

family coach who always looks after his players and encourages them. And he's always gotten the best out of every one of his athletes, who will go all in on what the team is trying to accomplish."

Perhaps the most impactful coach/parent moment for Jake happened after a sixth-grade 100tball game.

"I remember sitting facing both my parents," Jake recalled. "And they spoke directly to me saying, 'You're the coach's kid. You've got to show up and play better.

Joe remembers the specific game that led to the talk, and that he went to coach and sug-

gested Jake wasn't cut out to play linebacker.

"I remember the guy saying to me, 'Oh, don't worry about him. He's gonna be a great linebacker someday.' I'm like, 'Are you sure? Because he's not doing it right now.' Well, he was

Soon enough, Joe recalled, Jake started playing more aggressively and the instincts that he'll follow his dad's path into come from living with a football coach started to kick in.

Jake remembers being very angry with his parents that day, but coming to realize that he wasn't committed enough to be a successful athlete.

"I wasn't very good. I wasn't even realized."

playing like a leader. I wasn't playing like a motivated athlete, wanting to win all the time. And so it was kind of that talk —that tough love — that really drove me and set the bar high and only skyrocketed from there," Jake said. Jake calls his mom the rock

of the family, the person he goes to after a bad day or disappointing game. Not that Shannon took it easy on her

"She was always that middle ground, that love and that support that I needed," Jake said. "But also, she wanted me to be great. She wanted me to show out and put my best foot forward. And so, she was a mother, but also she was sort of that that pusher, just like Coach Bushman."

Joe considers himself blessed to be able to combine his love of coaching football with his love for his son.

"We've just had so much, so many great experiences, so much fun," Joe said. "It helps that we've had some nice success along the way. When Jake was little and in youth football, we had our struggles — not only just coaching his youth teams, but also my high school teams were struggling. We had some tough times. But then to see it all come to fruition winning a state championship is really special."

Jake could have separated himself from Joe after high school. He considered several of the Northwest Conference programs, but when Joe left Clackamas for an opportunity to be offensive coordinator at Lewis & Clark, Jake said the decision was "a no-brainer for me to not only play football and to have an opportunity to see the field early, but to also just get a great degree from a really prestigious college in the Northwest.

Besides more time with dad -who's in his first season as the head coach after joining the Pioneers in 2019 as offensive coordinator — there was another attraction to Lewis & Clark for Jake. "To have an opportunity to build a program up. Start from the bottom up. It's never easy. It takes time. But good things always take time."

Jake could stick around for one more season but has battled injuries — and has missed several games this season and sounds ready to turn the page. He isn't certain what his post-college path will look like. Football, he said, will always have a special place in his neart, but he doesn't know i coaching.

"It's something that's special to me, especially to my family, and has really taught a lot more than just competing," Jake said. "Football taught a lot more life lessons that I hadn't

## Gifts

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#### Nikolor Art

A 40-year friendship between Angie Tabaczynski and Nikole Beck resulted in Nikolor Art, which specializes in customized art pieces for any space. In March 2020, they turned Beck's passion for art into a business where she puts her "art and soul" into creativity. All items are hand-drawn originals. This holiday season, consider custom drinkware, napkins, kitchen towels, cards and more.





"Everyone has heard of the Teen USA and the Miss USA pageants; it's the Super Bowl of pageants," Isabella said, adding, "I want to walk that stage, soaking in the mo-

As the state winner, the 17-year-old senior at Adrienne C. Nelson High School in Happy Valley earned two special awards: a \$300 academic scholarship from Pageants NW for having nearly a 4.0 GPA and the \$400 Girl Boss Award, which is sponsored by NanaMacs clothing company. The Girl Boss Award is given to a delegate who is fearlessly going after her dreams.

She also won a \$2,000 scholarship from the Charles W. Herbster Foundation, which supports academic development and assisting students in pursuing a two-year, four-year or graduate degree.

#### Izzy's Gear for Girls

At the state pageant, Isabella competed in interview, fitness and evening gown. Contestants come to the competition with an initiative that promotes an issue they are passionate about: Isabella's is Izzy's Gear for Girls.

She collects all types of sports equipment, and gives that to young girls who otherwise would not be able to afford it.

"Sports are expensive and money should not be an issue" for girls to be able to be part of a sports team, she said, adding that she now hopes to expand her initiative statewide. In her pre-pageant interview, she also

said that she is proud of her generation because of its diversity and duty to the planet. "It is not only about recycling, it is about

how we treat one another. My generation doesn't care about skin color — we are accepting of one another," Isabella said.

#### **Rose Festival princess**

Last spring, Isabella was chosen the first Rose Festival princess from Nelson High School, which opened in 2021.

"In my school, traditions are just being named. This was so special; I hope it inspires other girls and starts a new tradi-

She said the experience definitely helped her develop the poise, speaking skills and confidence that she needed to compete in the Miss Teen USA Pageant.

"Our travels and going out into the community talking to strangers was rewarding, but it also pushed me out of my comfort zone and I gained new experiences," Isa-

#### **Nursing program**

As a senior, Isabella is already on the road to making her dream of becoming a pediatric nurse come true, as she is currently enrolled in the Health Services Program at Owen Sabin-Ben Schellenberg Professional Technical Center.

When she was in third grade, she had to spend some time in the hospital, and the way that the pediatric nurses took care of her changed her outlook.

"I want to treat kids, how they treated me," Isabella said.

On Nov. 1, she took one more step in her journey, when she began shadowing a nurse in the post anesthetic and short-stay departments at Providence Willamette Falls Medical Center. She will be observing at first, but hopes to get in some hands-on experience as well, she said.

#### **Helping others**

At Nelson High School, Isabella is an ASB officer, National Honor Society officer and a member of the varsity softball team.

Isabella is so busy, her mother noted, that some days she looks at her daughter and asks if she is OK.

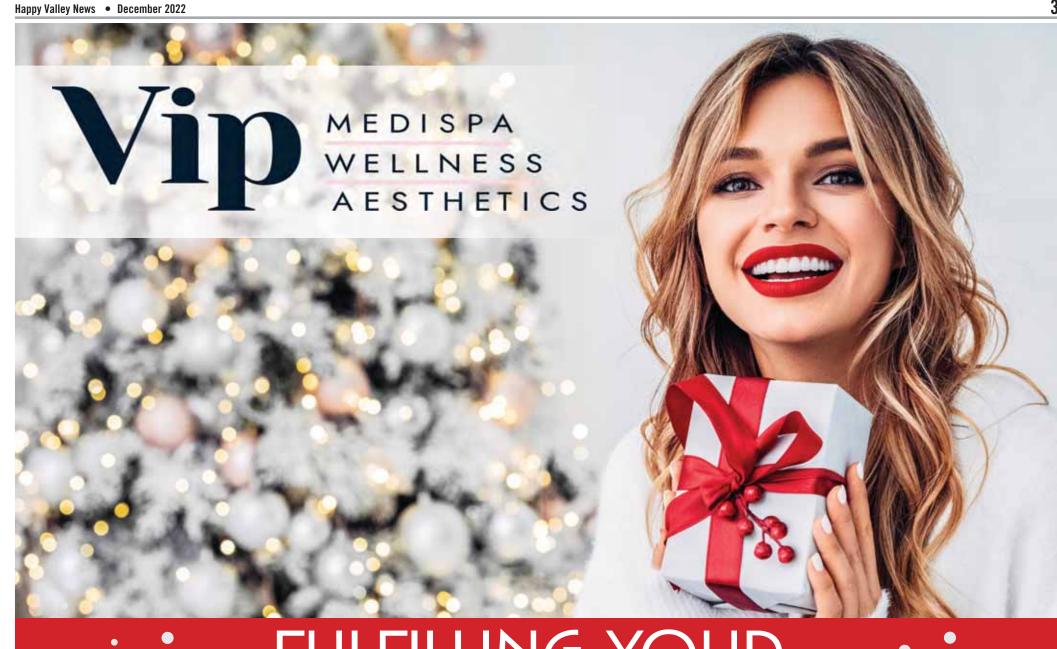
"Her one weakness is she never says no. But she always gets through it," Kris-

In addition to her school activities, Isa-

bella is also a member of PDX Concierge, a student-run, free grocery delivery service focused on helping the elderly, immunocompromised and disabled. "A couple of her clients only call her be-

cause she always makes sure their order is correct." Kristin said.

As for Isabella's new state title, "it is not about the crown or the sash. She has a heart of gold, so she will be pushing her initiative and doing more, helping other



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## Councilor Drake retires after 17 years of service

#### **CITYCOUNCIL**

his month, the City Council bids farewell to longtime city council member, Markley Drake. Councilor Drake has been a member of the City Council for 17 years. He was first appointed to fill a vacancy in 2005 and was subsequently elected four times. Councilor Drake served as Council President, a selection made amongst his peers, for four years.

While on the City Council, he served as the liaison to the Traffic & Public Safety Committee, United Community Alliance, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Force, Clackamas Rotary, Clackamas County Riverhealth Advisory Board, Region 1 Area Commission on Transportation, **Clackamas County Coordinating** Committee, Water Environment Services Advisory Committee, Water Environment Services Task Force, Sunrise Water Budget Committee, Greater Portland Inc., and the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council.

Prior to his time on the City Council, Councilor Drake served as a volunteer on the City's Parks Committee and Planning Commission.

Councilor Drake was raised in SW Portland and has lived in Happy Valley with his family for nearly 40 years. In the 1980s, he designed and built a solar house and still lives there today.

The City thanks Markley Drake for his many years of service and wishes him health and happiness in his next adventures.



**Councilor Drake's formal City** portrait in 2009.



Councilor **Markley Drake** (far right) talks with residents at the National Night Out event in 2017.



Tom Sponsler (right) administers the Oath of Office to Markley Drake for the position of City Councilor in Jan. 2007. Drake was first sworn into office in 2005 following his appointment.



Mayor Tom Ellis, City Manager Jason Tuck, and Councilor Drake get ready to welcome residents at the 4th of July Family Festival in 2019.



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The Pleasant Valley/North Carver Comprehensive Plan (PV/NC Plan) provides guidance regarding such things as land use, transportation, parks, and environmental issues that will be instrumental to ensuring planning is successful in the Pleasant Valley and North Carver areas. The City has been working with advisory groups, stakeholders, and community feedback since 2018 to help shape the direction of the Plan.

Benefits to having a Comprehensive Plan include:

- Housing options and livable neighborhoods
- A well-planned parks and trails system Strategies for addressing congestion and road safety

■ Local employment opportunities

The Planning Commission held a series of public hearings to review the Draft PV/NC Plan with input from the community before forming a recommendation that the City Council approve the proposal with several changes based on the public testimony, property owner requests and Planning Commission consideration and evaluation received. Staff will be making amendments over the next few

Once the revised PV/NC Plan is ready for City Council review, property owners in the PV/NC Plan area will receive another invitation to participate in the City Council review in the mail. The notice will also be emailed to those that have participated in the review process and posted on the project website. The City Council will hold a public hearing to elicit more citizen feedback and decide if the PV/NC Plan should be adopted and if any additional changes are needed. For ongoing updates about the PV/NC Plan and upcoming events, visit hv.city/pvnc.

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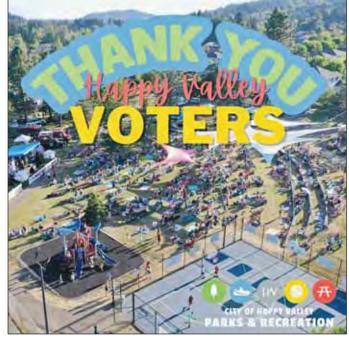
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Thanks again for all your support.

hank you to everyone who voted in support of the Happy Valley Parks Levy. Parks and Recreation services in Happy Valley will continue to be funded for the next five years through this Levy. I am proud of our local parks and recreation team for making sure our parks are safe, welcoming, and well maintained. Likewise, our team continues to provide more recreational programs and world class events.

I want to thank every HOA, PTO/PTA, City Committee, group, and individual who provided an opportunity for myself and our City Councilors to talk with you about the levy. We greatly appreciated the open dialogues and the chance to answer questions about our city's parks and recreation services. Not only did it give me an opportunity to talk to you all, I was able to listen to better understand what is important to you and your family when it comes to parks and recreation. The overwhelming support shown for our parks and recreation team is a great example of this community's dedication to ensuring our residents and our families continue to live in a wonderful commu-

Below are just a few of the projects the City has already completed and several that are in-process or upcoming. Without the funding from this levy, these projects wouldn't be possible.



Following voter approval of Measure 3-589, parks and recreation services in Happy Valley will continue to be funded for the next five years.

#### Since taking on the role of Parks and Recreation provider, completed projects include:

- All Abilities Park design and installation ■ Veterans Memorial Park construction
- Turf field feasibility study
- Happy Valley Park Hazardous Tree Removal
- 63+ acres purchased for future parks and facilities, including land for new community center
- Happy Valley Park picnic shelter replacement

#### Parks and recreation projects currently in process include:

- Additional property acquisition
- Community Center feasibility study
- Wildfire risk assessments
- Village Green Park expansion
- Scott Creek Trail upgrades ■ All Abilities Playground equipment upgrades
- at multiple City parks ■ Pleasant Valley Villages Neighborhood Park construction

#### **Upcoming parks and recreation projects include:**

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- Scouters Mountain Neighborhood Park
- Veterans Memorial Park Phase II construction ■ Happy Valley Park field replacements

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#### CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY

December 20 **City Council** 

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

Meeting: 7 p.m.

December 24 and 25 Happy Valley Library CLOSED

December 26-30 City Hall

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**Parks Advisory Committee Meeting:** 6 p.m.-7 p.m.



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## Happy Valley Park celebrates new playground

City of Happy Valley

The new playground at Happy Valley Park welcomed its first visitors on Nov. 3 as Mayor Tom Ellis, members of Council and the Parks Advisory Committee, Rotary Club, Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Foundation, and other supporters of the project gathered for a ribbon cutting ceremony to commemorate the new space.

The playground, located adjacent to picnic area A, includes a variety of sensory stations with tactile and musical influences, ramp entrances to the main structure, several slides, and even a whimsical rocking ship. It serves to provide meaningful play experiences to children of all levels and skillsets and was designed with an all-abilities lens, encouraging play opportunities for everyone in the com-

Made possible by Happy Valley Parks and Recreation, the new playground, along with the one at Village Green Park, was funded via a donation from Rotary as well as



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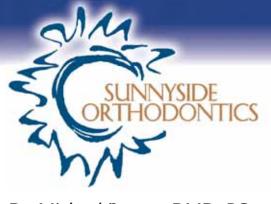
City Council and the Parks Advisory Committee celebrated the unveiling of Happy Valley Park's newest playground as children and families explored a variety of recreational features.











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## Prevent theft this holiday season



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Being proactive is key to making sure this upcoming holiday season is merry and bright. While Happy Valley is generally a very safe community, it is important to not become complacent. The following are some helpful tips to keep in mind to prevent thieves from ruining your holiday experience.

**Keep vehicles** locked and remember to keep garage door openers out of view. If a thief does get a hold of your garage door opener, be sure to disable the opener and reprogram

your system.



#### **Protect Your Vehicle**

■ ALWAYS LOCK YOUR VEHICLE. I cannot emphasize this enough. Most car break-ins reported in Happy Valley have been from cars being unlocked. This means all the thief must do is lift the car door handle and then they have complete access to your belongings, including your garage door opener, if you use one. Thieves are much more likely to give up and move on to another car if they can't open yours within one at-

tempt. ■ Do not pin your automatic garage door opener to your sun visor or leave it out in the open. Should a thief get a hold of your garage door opener, disable it from the main keypad and follow your unit's steps for reprogramming the sys-

■ Store all items out of sight. Anything left in plain view—from your holiday gifts to spare change, sunglasses, cell phones or tools - could motivate a break-in or a thief's willingness to take their efforts to the next level by breaking a window. Make it a habit to unload your items every time you get home from an outing and conceal items if you have more stops BEFORE heading out.



#### If You Are Traveling

■ Lock your doors and windows. This seems like a no brainer, but you would be surprised how often thieves take advantage of an entryway that simply was not secured.

■ Set your home alarm, if you have one, and make sure your alarm permit is up to date with the City and displayed in a visible location. If your alarm sounds, deputies will respond to the call and having your permit up to date helps ensure we have the right information should we need to get a hold of you.

■ Get an automatic timer for your indoor lights. With it completely dark by early evening, this is an easy way to detour thieves by giving the appearance that someone is inside.

■ Let your neighbors know you'll be gone and make sure they have your contact information. If they are aware of your absence, it's more likely they will notice something amiss and take the next steps to report it.

■ Have mail and any deliveries stopped. If items pile up, it's a sure sign you're not home. Just go to www.usps.com and create a Hold Mail service request for the duration you will be gone.

#### After You've Opened the Gifts

■ Thieves know that after the holidays, many households will have new and often desirable items in their homes. Residents make it easy for thieves to figure out which homes to target by putting boxes that identify their new gifts in plain view with their other garbage and recycling. Consider keeping brokendown boxes inside until the evening before or even the morning of your regular garbage pick-up.

Of course, even the best safety practices may still lead to an unwanted

break in. Be a good neighbor and remain alert as you look out for one another. Getting to know your neighbors is often the best way to help prevent crime and a sense of community in a neighborhood is an invaluable resource to police. Neighbors are much more likely to recognize when something is amiss and suspicious activity will be thwarted faster if neighbors feel confident in approaching one another. As always, call 9-1-1 anytime you see suspicious activity or a crime in progress. You can also call the nonemergency number at 503-655-8211 to provide information or make a

On personal note, I would like to wish everyone a joyous holiday season. From everyone at the Happy Valley Police Department, we are honored to serve you and look forward to the year ahead.

#### INSIDER TIP:

Take advantage of from the City's team will gladly swing by your property and do a perimeter check? Check out www. for all the details about how to submit a request.

the City's Vacation Check service. Did you know someone **Code Enforcement** happyvalleyor.gov

#### **Protecting Your Package Deliveries and Mail**

■ Ship your package to a location where someone you know will be available to receive it. This might be your house, a neighbor's house, or your

place of employment. ■ Track your packages online and request a text or other alert about delivery

■ Invest in a doorbell camera or other security camera. These give you a realtime view of your porch, driveway, side door, or any other area on property that you might want to monitor. Many have two-way audio, so you can talk with the delivery person (or thief), even if you aren't home. Camera footage could be helpful if a thief targets your home or car, or it could even be helpful to another resident. Perhaps your camera caught a view as the thief passed by your home. You can

share your surveillance footage with the Happy Valley Police Department and we may be able to use it to help identify suspects that have been targeting neighborhoods.

#### **INSIDER TIP:**

Sign up for Informed Delivery via www.usps.com. With this free service, you can opt in to receive digital previews of all your general mail that is scheduled to arrive that day.

#### If You Are Out for the Evening

■ Turn on some lights and a radio or TV, so it looks (and sounds) like someone is home. If thieves think you are home or at the very least are unsure if the home is empty, they will be more likely to move along to another location.

■ Lock doors and windows when you leave, even if it's just for a few minutes.

■ Don't display valuables or gifts where they can be seen from outside. Put items away or make sure blinds and window coverings conceal views.



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12017 SE CICELY LN	5	3	3275	Sold	\$849,900	\$850,000
11762 SE WATERLEAF DR	4	2.1	3317	Sold	\$975,000	\$975,000
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## **Happy Valley Parks and Recreation** Foundation receives donation



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In September, StarCycle held their 5th annual Under the Stars fundraising event. Monies raised benefited the Happy Valley Parks & Recreation Foundation, which helps bring beneficial recreational opportunities to community members who otherwise may not have access to such vital programs.

cilors joined StarCycle studio owners, Kelly Mreen and Heather Hedges and Happy Valley Parks Foundation board members, Mark Aasland and Michael Morrow, to celebrate over \$4K raised at the event.

Thank you to StarCycle and all the participants of Under the Stars for supporting our community and helping make recreational programming At the Nov. 1 City Council more accessible to all. Learn

meeting, the Mayor and Coun- more about the studio at www. starcycleride.com/studios/happy-valley-or

The Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Donations to the Foundation not only help sustain City parks and natural areas, but they directly support such essential community programs as Meals on Wheels and recreational scholarships to residents of Happy Valley.

#### www.starcycleride.com/studios/happy-valley-or

#### **HONORING OUR VETERANS**

**Highlighting our heroes** 

The City of Happy Valley would like to recognize our community's veterans and active military. To do this, Happy Valley News aims to share the story of people in our community who have served or are currently serving in one of our country's armed forces each month. Stories might focus on your military experience, what you've learned from your travels, or anything interesting or inspiring.

The City is encouraging you to reach out to us directly if interested and we additionally welcome nominations from family and friends. Please contact the City's Communication Specialist, Stephanie Warneke, at swarneke@happyvalleyor.gov or our Community Writer, Stephanie Neubeck at sneubeck85@gmail.com.

The service and sacrifice our military community members make is important. With the support of Mayor Tom Ellis and City Council, the City of Happy Valley would like to

share the stories of those who have served or are actively serving. **Please** contact us so we can highlight our local heroes.





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Consider **Troop 611 for** your Christmas tree and wreath recycling needs this year and either drop off your items or schedule a contactless pick-up. \*Dates and times confirmed at time of print. Be sure to check the Troop's website for any updates.

## Make your plans now for tree and wreath recycling

In Happy Valley, Troop 611 is known for their local Tree Recycling event that immediately follows the holiday season.

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## Are you ready for winter weather?

he Pacific Northwest is no stranger to winter weather. In Happy Valley specifically, we usually get at least a taste of the cold, so it is important to be prepared and know what to do should snow and ice cause disruption. Here are a few simple tips to keep in mind:

#### Plan ahead

Stay informed and be prepared. If a winter storm is predicted, please be sure to stock up on home essentials, medications, pet food and any



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additional necessities that you may need throughout the duration of the Having your home properly stocked ensures that you can stay home and avoid Ensure your ve-

hicle is prepared for emergencies. If the need arises to leave home during a storm, be sure to have equipment for any situation. Always carry a cell phone and portable charger, wind-

shield scraper, collapsible shovel, warm shoes with traction, emergency flares, traction devices, a bag of road salt or sand, rope or chain, booster cables, flashlight, blankets, water and snack food, extra hats, coats and

Install tire chains. It's important to learn how to mount your chains BE-FORE bad weather strikes, and it's a lot easier to put chains on for the first time when you don't have to struggle to read the instructions alongside a snowy road. Practice installing your chains at home where you can troubleshoot any challenges. Then, when road conditions require chains, you'll already know how to use them.

Check your tires. Don't wait until it's too late! Experts agree tires are the single most important safety item on our car. Checking to see if tires are too worn is simple. The bare minimum for your treads should be 2/32nds of an inch, which you can measure with a penny. Tire treads should at least come up to the imprint of Abraham Lincoln's head.

#### **Winter Driving**

Don't assume your vehicle can handle all conditions. Even four-wheel and front-wheel drive vehicles can en-

Learn how to chain up in the snow and ice with the local Les Schwab. **Register by** Dec. 8 to participate in this FREE clinic. **Participants** can also have their tires assessed for any safety concerns.





City snowplows get ready for a memorable winter storm in February 2021. Before the ice and snow even set in, the City's Public Works team prepared City streets with anti-icer and coordinated staffing so that roads could be monitored around the clock.

counter trouble on roads covered with ice and snow.

Give yourself enough time and give yourself enough space. You should allow at least three times more space than usual between you and the car in front of you.

Clear off and turn on your headlights, even in the middle of the day. They make it much easier for other drivers to see you, particularly when visibility is poor.

Allow snow plows enough room to do their jobs safely. Don't follow too closely behind and please don't pass a snowplow. The drivers have limited visibility, and you're likely to find the road in front of them worse than

the road behind.

If you must abandon your car during a storm, please pull as far off the road as possible to allow for snowplows and emergency vehicles to pass.

#### **Tree Safety**

When heavy snow and ice accumulate on tree limbs, even a slight breeze is enough force to cause them to come crashing down due to the unprecedented amount of weight. It's best to let the precipitation melt on its own and for you and your family to stay away from the area during this process. Once thawed, inspect trees for broken branches that have detached and become tangled among other

branches. If anything is touching or near a powerline, call the PGE Tree Hotline at 1-800-544-1794. Do not attempt to dislodge anything. Instead, wait until

someone has inspected the tree and

the area surrounding.

See page 10

for more information

As a city, we try our best to predict what the weather will do, and plan accordingly. Sometimes we are spot on and other times we choose to error on the side of caution. In either case, it's not always an easy decision, and safety remains the top priority. The best advice for ensuring your safety during a winter storm is to plan, stay in-

formed, and keep off the roads if you

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#### Helping to keep you safe

The City's Public Works and Public Safety teams often work 24/7 to keep established snow routes plowed and sanded. The City of Happy Valley has developed a Snow Removal Priority System due to specialized equipment needs, timing, and employee resources. These priorities were established to provide the greatest benefit to the traveling public. The priority is to clear the roadways most used by emergency responders. This means clearing high traffic, high volume roadways. Next, the city crews will focus on collector roads, which distribute traffic between local roads and first priority roads. Last, and not always a guarantee, are local

and residential roads. The map of snow removal and plow routes can be found at www.happyvalleyor.gov/inclem entweather.

#### What is the best way to stay notified?

The City's Facebook page and website are great resources for staying updated with current information regarding bad weather and local road closures. If you haven't signed up to receive City alerts yet, please take a moment to do so on the City website at www.happyvalleyor.gov.



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SE 172nd Ave. near Troge Rd. With Urban Renewal District funding, safety improvements will be added to reduce congestion and increase mobility for travelers. Sign up to receive notifications about the project by email along with invitational opportunities to participate in community input.

### Learn about the 172nd Ave widening and infrastructure improvements project

City of Happy Valley

To keep pace with the City's growth and future needs, and to reduce congestion and improve safety for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians, the City is working with Clackamas County to improve infrastructure on 172nd Ave. between Sunny side Road and Maple Hill

Project details include: ■ Widening 172nd Ave to Troge Road



five travel lanes between Misty Dr. to Maple Hill Ln. to include bike lanes, landscape strips and sidewalks

■ Adding a traffic signal at

#### **EMAIL SIGN UP**

Visit www.clackamas.us/ engineering/172nd-ave for

■ Adding a multi-lane roundabout at Hemrich Road and at the future 190th Ave in-

■ Expanding the single-lane roundabout at Scouters Mountain Road to a multi-lane roundabout

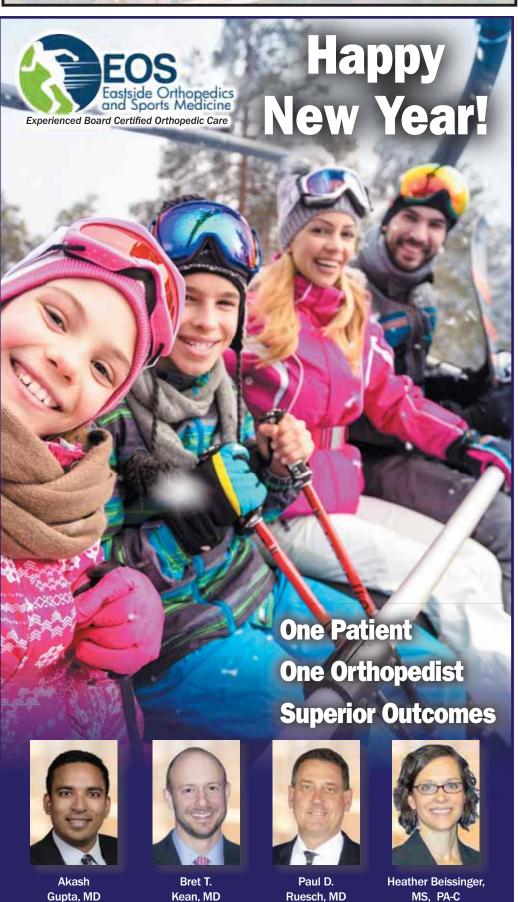
■ Moving existing utilities underground

■ Adding street lighting Project design will continue through spring 2026. Construction is planned from summer 2026 to summer 2028.

Please note, while this is a Clackamas County project and the County manages 172nd Ave., the City of Happy Valley will assist with project coordination and review, and will fund the effort via the City's Urban Renewal District which helps ensure growth pays for growth. Clackamas County will manage and lead the design and construction activities. Together, Clackamas County and the City of Happy Valley recognize this project as a top priority.

## Is your vehicle ready for winter weather?

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Secure your 30 minute appointment today and ensure your car or truck is winter ready at Les Schwab's Tire Check and Chain Up Clinic.

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\*Event is brought to you in partnership by Happy Valley Parks and Recreation and Les Schwab Happy Valley.





## Stay safe this winter with these candle safety tips



Clackamas Fire District #1

Candles are the leading cause of fires, especially during winter weather months and the holidays. Statistics show that most candle fires start when candles are left. unattended in the home.

Here are some helpful tips to keep your family safe when using candles:

- Never leave candles unattended.
- Make sure a grown-up is always in the room when a candle is burning.
- If a grown-up leaves the room, make sure he or she puts out the candle first.
- Set up a "kid-free" zone around burning candles – no playing with or near candles, with candle wax, or with items



While the holiday and winter seasons are perfect for a favorite candle or two, please be mindful of their location and always make sure you extinguish open flames when you won't be nearby.

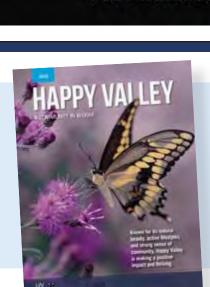
that could catch fire near can-

- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that could catch on fire.
- Don't put candles in windows or doorways where the wind could knock them over.
- Keep matches and lighters up high, out of children's sight and reach, preferably in a
- Make sure to use candles and candle holders that are sturdy and won't tip over easi-
- Consider using flameless candles to replace real flame
- Develop and practice your home escape plan.
- Make sure your home is equipped with working smoke



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Tree-cutting permits available online, in-person for \$5 through Dec. 31

By BRIT ALLEN

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On the hunt for the perfect Christmas tree? Find an evergreen for your home in the Mt. Hood National Forest this holi-

day season. Permits to cut down a tree in the Mt. Hood National Forest are available online at recreation.gov and in person through Dec. 31. Permits are \$5 per tree with a limit of five permits per household. Permits purchased online are only valid if printed and recreation.gov charges an additional service fee of \$2.50.

For some, finding and cutting down their own tree is a time-honored tradition, and for some this is a new adventure to enjoy with family and friends. And besides being a fun way to celebrate the holidays, it also helps the forest.

"There's just something special about cutting your own Christmas tree," said Cara Lewis, forester for Mt. Hood National Forest. "The Christmas tree program helps other trees grow larger and can open areas to provide food for wildlife. Not only does the permit system improve forest health, but it's a fun way to get families outdoors and exploring their public lands."

Tree cutting is prohibited along Highways 26, 35, 216 and 224; in designated wildernesses; in the Bull Run and The Dalles watersheds; Camp Baldwin; and other areas closed to public entry. A complete list of those areas can be found online at tinyurl.com/ y8hth9tv.

Tree permits are available to purchase in person at the following businesses:

**■** Estacada Ace Hardware: 310 S.E. Main St., Estacada

**■** Estacada Tackle **Shop:** 210 S.E. Highway 224, Estacada

■ Mt. Hood Village Market: 73265 Highway 26, Rhododendron

■ Sandy Ace Heritage Hardware: 39181 Pioneer Blvd. #417, Sandy

■ Hoodland Thriftway: 68280 Highway 26, Welches

**■** Welches Mountain **Building Supply:** 67250 Highway 26, Welche



COURTESY PHOTO: MT. HOOD NATIONAL FOREST As part of the Every Kid Outdoors initiative, families with fourth graders can receive one free Christmas tree permit at forest offices.



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— Cara Lewis, forester for Mt. Hood National Forest

#### Permits also are available at the following forest offices:

Clackamas River Ranger District: 16400 Champion Way, Sandy

8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday; 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 26-Dec. 17

Zigzag Ranger District: 70220 Highway 26, Rhododendron

8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday,

8 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 3-18

As part of the Every Kid Outdoors initiative, families with fourth graders can receive one free Christmas tree permit at forest offices. For students to receive their free tree permit, they must present a fourth grade recreation pass or a valid paper voucher, which can be printed at the Every Kid Outdoors website: everykidoutdoors.gov.

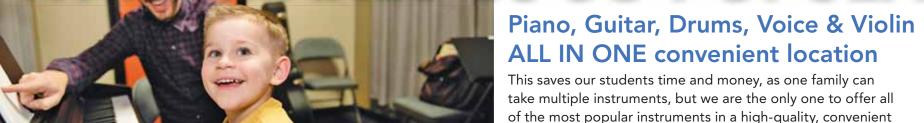
#### **KNOW BEFORE YOU GO**

A note from the Mt. Hood National Forest crew: "Winter weather in the forest can change rapidly. Most forest roads are not maintained for winter driving. Forest staff recommend bringing traction devices and a shovel, extra food, drinking water, winter clothing, blankets, a flashlight, and a first-aid kit. Don't forget a tool, such as a hand saw for cutting the tree, and a rope or cord to secure it to vehicles. Tree cutting and travel may take longer than anticipated, so let someone know where you're going and leave the woods well before dark."



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#### **WAYS TO GIVE**



#### **Operation Santa**

An annual toy and food drive, Operation Santa is coordinated through the efforts of firefighters at Clackamas Fire District #1. Consider donating new toys

and non-perishable food items to benefit local families in need. Be sure to visit clackamasfire.

com/operation-santa-claus for more opportunities to give to this important cause.





#### **Winter Blitz**

Winter Blitz is a popular donation drive that serves local families in need. Students from Clackamas High School and Adrienne C. Nelson High School's respective Key Clubs are combining efforts and asking for gently used clothing, blankets, bedding, toys, games, books, and household items, as well as NEW hygiene and toiletry items and non-perishable foods. Your donation to Winter Blitz will help those who are struggling this season by ensuring essential items are available and accessible.

**Drop off location:** Clackamas High School 14486 SE 122nd Ave. **Drop off date and time:** 

Friday, Dec. 9: 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. For more information about items needed and additional ways to contribute to this cause, check out www.happyvalleyor. gov/winter-blitz









#### **CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY PARKS & RECREATION**

#### **Meals on Wheels People**

Through the Meals on Wheels People program, Happy Valley Parks and Recreation provides warm, nutritious meals to some of our community's most vulnerable seniors while offering friendly visits to those who may otherwise feel isolated or have difficulty getting out and about.

Please consider donating to the City's local Meals on Wheels People program by visiting www. happyvalleyor.gov/meals-onwheels/. From there, you can submit a tax-deductible donation in the amount of your choice online. Your gift will support homebound seniors right here in Happy Valley who would otherwise not have consistent access to wholesome, nutritious meals.



#### **Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Foundation**

The Foundation works collaboratively with the City's Parks and Recreation Department to help bolster park amenities and vital programming. Its mission is dedicated to ensuring that parks and recreational programming are available for the enjoyment of all Happy Valley residents and visitors.

Donations to the Foundation not only help sustain City parks and natural areas, but they also support community programs, such as Meals on Wheels, and recreational scholarships which directly benefit those who may otherwise not have access to these services.

Be sure to check out www. hvprf.org for more information and follow @HVPRF on Face-

### **Former Cavs All American** to lead **Reynolds girls** basketball

Jen Reese hired to lead Raider's 2022/23 season

By ANGEL ROSAS

Pamplin Media Group

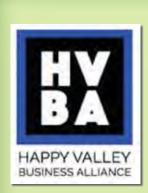
Jen Reese was named the Reynolds High School girls' basketball head coach, taking over for Kelsey Stone.

Reese grew up in Clackamas and played high school ball at Clackamas High School where she was a Parade Magazine High School All-American. Reese was also a two-time Oregon State Gatorade Player of The Year during her time as a Cavalier.

Reese played four years at the University of Colorado. Šhe was the 11th player in team history to record 1,200 points and 600 rebounds. She finished her career right at 1,200 points, ranking 19th on Colorado's all-time scoring list. She also appears on the Buffaloes' career charts for rebounds (13th, 686), field goals made (17th, 479), double-figure scoring games (tied-17th, 61) and double-doubles (tied-23rd, 6).

"It's a privilege and an honor to be the new head coach at Reynolds high school," Reese said. "I'm looking forward to working with these incredible student athletes and the Reynolds community.'





### HAPPY VALLEY BUSINESS ALLIANCE

Support these local Alliance members!

Join us for the next meeting, Wednesday December 28th, at 7:30AM at Happy Valley City Hall (16000 SE Misty Drive Happy Valley, OR 97086)

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#### **HAPPY VALLEY LIBRARY**

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### **December 2022 Library Events**

The library will be closed Dec. 24, Dec. 25, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

#### **Mah Jongg**

Fridays, 12:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Those who enjoy playing American Mah Jongg are invited to join our fun and friendly group! Be sure to bring your current National Mah Jongg League cards. Contact the library if you would like to learn to play.



#### String-Along

Sundays, Dec. 11, 2 p.m.-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. Adults of all skill levels are invited to drop in and play some music in a casual, jam-style setting. Bring a song you know to share.

#### **Books, Uncovered**

Thursday, Dec. 15, 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.

Gather with your fellow readers and talk books! Rather than talking about one specific book, this group will talk about books in a certain category. The category for this meeting will be "Favorite Reads." They can be your favorites of the year, of all time, or favorite audiobook narrators. You might even uncover your next favorite book!

#### **Genealogy Club**

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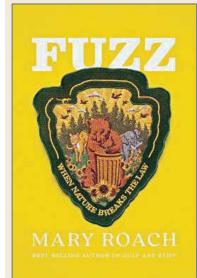
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Monday, Dec. 12, 3 p.m.-5 p.m.

Searching for family roots? All are welcome to come and share questions, strategies,

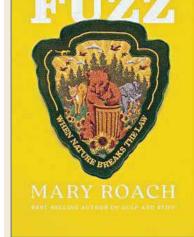


#### **Happy Valley Library Book Group**

Thursday, Jan. 5, 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Read the book selection for the month and come to the library to discuss the book with other readers. This month we'll be discussing the book Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law by entertaining science writer Mary Roach. Did you like it or not? Did something surprise you or make you think twice? Come share your thoughts!

and organizing tips. Insights are discovered and pathways revealed as we attempt to solve the mysteries of our ancestors' elusive stories! Genealogy Club can be attended in-person or online. Visit go.lincc. org/hvapp for virtual login information, or email library@happyvalleyor.gov with ques-

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#### Olga Dies Dreaming

Set against the backthe most devastating hurricane in Puerto Rico's history, this is a story that examines political corruption. familial strife, and the very notion of the American dream-all while asking what it

#### Anthem

#### Daughter of the

This novel begins an enchanting duology which weaves ancient Chinese mythology into a sweeping adventure of immortals and magic, of loss and sacrificewhere love vies with honor, dreams are fraught with betrayal, and hope emerges triumphant.

Strangers to Ourselves: Unsettled Minds and the Stories That Make Us

resilience of the mind.



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#### Unsettled Minds and the Stories That Make Us

Rachel Aviv

#### **Favorites of 2022**

As the year comes to a close, we love to look back at all the new books that were published and highlight our favorites. These books made us laugh, cry, think, question, learn, and feel all the feels. The following is just a sample of the books we loved; to see our full list, please visit the Favorite Books of 2022 page on our website at go.lincc.org/hybestbooks or scan the QR code.

#### **ADULT FICTION**

Tomorrow, Tomorrow, and Tomorrow

Spanning thirty years, from Cambridge, Massachusetts, to Venice Beach, California, and lands in between and far beyond, this is a dazzling and intricately imagined novel that examines the multifarious nature of identity, disability, failure, the redemptive possibilities in play, and above all, our need to connect: to be loved and to love. Yes, it is a love story, but it is not one you have

#### by Xochitl Gonzalez

drop of New York City in the months surrounding really means to weather

#### by Noah Hawley

Trying to recover from the tragic loss of his sister, Simon Oliver joins a woman. Louise, and a man called The Prophet on an urgent, but enigmatic quest to find a

man called The Wizard.

#### Moon Goddess by Sue Lynn Tan

#### **ADULT NON-FICTION**

Aviv asks how the stories we tell about mental disorders shape their course in our lives. Challenging the way we understand and talk about illness, her account is a testament to the porousness and

#### **Ducks: Two Years** in the Oil Sands

Telling the story of her time out west to take advantage of Alberta's oil rush, Beaton's natural cartooning prowess is on full display as she draws colossal machinery and mammoth vehicles set against a sublime Albertan backdrop of wildlife, northern lights, and boreal forest. This is an untold story of Canada: a country that prides itself on its egalitarian ethos and natural beauty while simultaneously exploiting both the riches of its

#### Seven Games: A Human History by Oliver Roede

of its people.

land and the humanity

A group biography of seven enduring and beloved games, and the story of why-and how-we play them. Checkers, Backgammon, Chess and Go. Poker, Scrabble and Bridge. These seven games, ancient and modern, fascinate millions of people worldwide. Roeder charts their origins and historical importance, the delightful arcana of their rules, and the behavioral design that make them endlessly fascinat-

#### **Happy-go-lucky** by David Sedaris

The best-selling author offers a new collection of satirical and humor ous essays that chroni cle his own life and ordinary moments that turn beautifully absurd, including how he coped with the pandemic, his thoughts on becoming an orphan in his seventh decade, and the battle-scarred America he discovered when he resumed touring.

#### **FICTION FOR KIDS & TEENS**

#### Mina by Matthew Forsythe

Mina the mouse is very upset when her father brings home a pet "squirrel" that she is certain is a cat (preschool - early elementa

#### Witchlings by Claribel Ortega

Every year Witchlings are placed into covens and come into their powers as full-fledged witches, but Seven isn't placed in a coven. She's a Spare and along with the two other spares will be assigned an impossible task (for kids and young teens).

#### Maizv Chen's Last Chance by Lisa Yee

In Last Chance, Minnesota, Maizy spends her time at the Golden Palace, the restaurant that's been in her family for generations, where she makes some discoveries that lead to more questions than answers (for kids and young teens).

#### I Must Betray You by Ruta Sepetys

In a country governed by isolation, fear, and a tyrannical dictator, seventeen-year-old Cristian Florescu is blackmailed by the secret police to become an informer, but he decides to use his position to try to undermine the regime, give voice to fellow Romanians, and expose

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to the world what is happening in Romania (for teens)

#### **Graphic Novels for Kids** and Teens Surviving the Wild: Star the Elephant by Remy Lai

Star the Elephant and his herd are searching for a new home. But when Star is separated from his family, he must journey alone into the great unknown and find his way back to his family (for kids).

#### The First Cat in Space Ate Pizza

by Mac Barnett and Shawn

Something terrible is happening in the skies; cats are eating the moon! There's only one hero for the job, a bold and fearsome bioengineered cat! (For kids).

#### Miss Quinces

Sue just wants to spend the summer making comics at sleepaway camp with her friends, but instead she gets stuck going to Honduras to visit relatives. The trip takes a turn for the worse when Sue's moth er announces that they'll he having a surprise quinceañera for Sue, which is the last thing she wants (for young

This funny graphic mem oir follows a queer Chinese American's immigration to Texas where she just wants to make the basketball team, escape Chinese school, and figure out why she is attracted to girls (for teens).



### **Messy Roots:** A Graphic Memoir of a Wuhanese American

#### For 5 and Under **Storytimes**

**YOUTH PROGRAMS** 

#### Play times and storytimes are back! See

Thursday, Jan. 5, 10:15 a.m.

our full listing at go.lincc.org/hvbirthto5 for program details. Stretch, Dance, Play

For 2-5-year-olds and their caregivers. Join

#### Iris Nason for dance, yoga, singing, sign language and play!

Sign & Sing Friday, Dec. 9, 10:15 a.m.

For 2-5-year-olds and their caregivers. Sing, dance, and sign with Shira Fogel of Tiny Talkers. Find out more at go.lincc.org/

Tallulah's Daddy Saturday, Dec. 17, 10:15 a.m.

For 2-6-year-olds and their caregivers. Drop in for some musical fun with our favorite bass playing dad!

#### **Winter Craft Party**

Wednesday, Dec. 21, 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. For ages 3-10. Drop in to make some winter crafts with paper, markers, watercolors, and more!

#### K-5th Graders

#### So Embarrassed Zine Making Thursday, Dec. 8, 4:15 p.m.-5:15 p.m.

For 3rd-6th graders. Craft a mini-comic with award-winning author and illustrator Charise Harper in this special mini-class. Registration required. Register at go.lincc.org/hvK5.

#### I Cannot Draw a Horse Author Visit Sunday, Dec. 11, 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

For kids ages 3-8 and their grownups. Local award-winning author and illustrator Charise Harper shares her super silly story about a book who can draw lots of things... but not a horse. Enjoy a story and a fun activity.

#### **Build with Blair**

Saturday, Dec. 3, 10:30 a.m.-noon

For K-5th graders and their grownups. Join Blair for a LEGO building challenge.

#### **Homeschool Club: Card Making**

Thursday, Dec. 15, 10:15 a.m.-11:30 p.m.

For K-5th graders. Hey homeschool families! Stamping, markers, fancy paper, and more - all the supplies you'll need to make cards, letters, and envelopes.

#### Family Lounge

Sunday, Dec. 18, 2:30 p.m.-4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 2, 2:30 p.m.-4 p.m. For all ages. Relax with your family and

#### have some fun with crafts and games. **LEGO Open Play**

Monday, Dec. 19, 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

For K-5th graders. Drop in for some building fun! We'll supply bins of LEGO for free, creative play.

#### Winter Craft Party

Wednesday, Dec. 21, 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. For ages 3-10. Drop in to make some winter crafts with paper, markers, watercolors,

#### **LEGO Technic, Motors, and Movement** Wednesday, Dec. 28 and Thursday, Dec. 29,

1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. For ages 10+. Learn the basics of bringing LEGO creations to life. Explore LEGO engineering through the use of Technic, Power Functions, motors, gears, and simple machines. This is a two-day session. Registration required. Register at go.lincc. org/hvblair.

#### **TEENS PROGRAMS**

#### Teen Lounge

Wednesday, Dec. 21, 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m. For teens in grades 6 - 12. Drop by for games, crafts, and snacks.

#### Teen Advisory Board Saturday, Jan. 7, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

For teens in grades 6-12. Support the library while earning volunteer hours. Hang out with new friends, do hands-on projects, and share ideas about how to make the library a welcoming place for teens, A safe space for all to be themselves. Drop-ins welcome. Teen Advisory Board meets

#### **Angel's Holly Jolly Holiday Show**

Tuesday, Dec. 20, 6:15 p.m.-7:15 p.m. Join Comedy Entertainer and Musician, Angel Ocasio, for an evening of fun holiday sing-alongs. There will also be some magic, juggling, and silly antics





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## Winter Reading 2023

Wintertime is here once again. Fortunately, cold, dark evenings are perfect for spending time with a good book! The Happy Valley Library is having a Winter Reading program to encourage adults and teens to keep reading this winter. There will even be prizes for some lucky participants! Submit an entry for every book you finish reading between December 1 and February 28. Prize drawings will be held at the end of each month, with final drawings on February 28. Area residents ages 13 and up are eligible to par-



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## TriMet detours buses around Clackamas Town Center during holidays

Transit officials seek to help shoppers avoid hassles on mall's busiest days

By RAYMOND RENDLEMAN Pamplin Media Group

For the 10th straight year, TriMet officials are detouring bus routes to help keep people moving around the Clackamas

Town Center. "The influx of shoppers on the busiest days of the season can bring parking lots to a standstill," said TriMet spokesperson Tia York. "That's why we're getting ready for our annual holiday detours around the mall, to help our riders avoid congestion and do our part to help keep everyone mov-

Starting Friday, Nov. 26, TriMet will begin temporary detours on 11 bus lines that serve the mall at Southeast 82nd Avenue and Sunnyside Road. Detours will be in place between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. on select dates through Monday, Dec. 26.

We understand that this temporary change will mean some inconvenience for our riders, and we thank them for their patience as we do our part to keep the 'Bah! Humbug!' out of the holiday season," York said. {img:349902}

The Clackamas Town Center Transit Center will remain open, and the detour will not affect MAX Green Line service. Riders are encouraged to plan an extra 15 minutes for travel while the detour is in

#### 2022 holiday detour details

#### Lines

**2**9, 30, 31, 33, 34, 71, 72, 79, 152, 155, 156

#### **Dates**

- Friday, Nov. 25 ■ Saturday, Dec. 17-Saturday, Dec. 24
- Monday, Dec. 26

#### Hours

■ 1-6 p.m.

#### **Temporary stop locations**

- When detours are in effect, bus stops near the Clackamas Town Center Transit Center will be closed. These stops (ID 13247 and ID 13248) are located off of Ring Road, which loops around the parking lot.
- The stop for eastbound Clackamas Town Center buses (ID 12921) will be closed and moved to a temporary location between the entrance of the Cinema and Monterey Avenue.
- From the temporary stop. buses will travel to the SE Fuller Rd MAX Station, where riders can transfer to the MAX Green Line.
- At the Fuller Rd MAX Station, riders can board a Green Line train to continue to the Clackamas Town Center mall stop (ID 12922).
- Westbound buses will serve a temporary stop at the SE Fuller Rd MAX Station before continuing to the Clackamas Town Center Mall stop (ID 12922).
- Signs will be posted, and staff will be on hand at the closed stops to help riders find their buses and answer ques-

#### Tips for going from a bus to the MAX Green Line

- Stay onboard your bus and continue to SE Fuller Rd MAX Station.
- Board a bus at the temporary stop between the cinema and Monterey Avenue and



Clackamas **County Sheriff's** Posse work each year to welcome shoppers and prevent thefts at the Clackamas **Town Center.** 

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transfer to MAX at the SE Fuller Rd MAX Station.

■ Get off at the Clackamas Town Center Mall stop (ID 12922) and proceed about a half mile to Clackamas Town Center Transit Center to board MAX.

#### Tips for going from the MAX Green Line to a bus

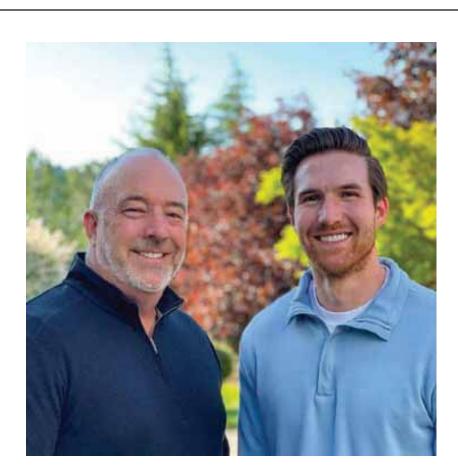
- Proceed about a half mile from Clackamas Town Center Transit Center to Clackamas Town Center Mall stop (ID 12922) to catch a bus.
- Get off MAX at SE Fuller Rd MAX Station and board a bus at the temporary stop in the parking lot.

#### **Additional information**

TriMet customer service is available by phone and text at 503-238-7433 and on Twitter twitter.com/trimethelp/ from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., seven days



The Clackamas Town Center Transit Center connects cars, TriMet buses and MAX trains for commuters and shoppers.



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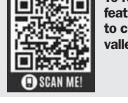
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**Weekly Art Enrichment Program** 

Dec. 3 - Dec. 31. 9 a.m.-11 a.m. • Saturday • Ages 4-8 • \$25/ 2-hour session

Kids aged 4-8yrs can be dropped off at the studio on Saturday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. for some fun structured crafts and art play! We'll have several projects for them to create plus coloring, games, stories, sensory play, and more! Give them some time to socialize and play while you take some time for yourself! Your kiddos will learn important skills such as following directions, working together, thinking outside the box, and being creative. Plus, this is a great way for them to build self-confidence and fine motor skills!



#### Create and Learn Series

**Make Your Own Vision Board** 

Jan. 6. 6 p.m.-8 p.m. • Friday • Ages 16+ • \$20/ 1.5-hour session

Open to ages 16+. A vision board is a collage of images, photographs, affirmations, and quotes that help you visualize your goals and dreams. Most of us have dreams, but they often get lost in the endless stream of our daily thoughts. This is where vision boards come in. They help you to put your focus back on what matters. Your registration will include an 11" x 14" framed sign board, white board sticker, inspiration image and all the supplies and materials to create your own unique board. Bring a friend and make an evening out of it!



**Youth Open Gym Basketball Nights** 

**Location: Scouters Mountain Elementary School** 10811 SE 172nd Ave.

Dec. 6 - Feb. 28, 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. • Tuesday • Ages 10-17 • FREE

Happy Valley Parks and Recreation is excited to offer open gym nights! Open gym is an opportunity for youth to practice their basketball skills, shoot hoops with their friends and stay active! Bring your own basketball and water bottle. Open to youth ages, 10-17yrs, available on a first-come, first-served basis. A liability waiver must be completed for each participant. To provide a safe environment, there will be a maximum of 30 participants in the gym at a time. Open gym is welcome to all Happy Valley residents. No organized groups allowed during open gym night.



#### HAPPY VALLEY PARKS AND RECREATION

To register, check out www.happyvalleyor.gov/parks



### Dec. 2022-Feb. 2023 Programs & Events

In response to guidance from the Oregon Health Authority, face masks are optional for participants in Happy Valley Parks and Recreation programs. Participants are encouraged to use hand sanitizer or wash their hands frequently and stay home when they are sick.

#### SKYHAWKS SPORTS

All classes held at **Camp Withycombe Gymnasium** 15300 Minuteman Way



#### Multi-Sport (Basketball, Soccer, Dodgeball)

Dec. 19 - Dec. 23, 9 a.m.-noon • Monday - Friday • Ages 8-12 • \$155 Our Multi-Sport camp is designed to introduce young athletes to a variety of different sports in one setting. For this program we combine 2-3 sports into one fun-filled week. Athletes will learn the rules and essentials of each sport through skill-based games and scrimmages. By the end of the week, your child will walk away with knowledge of (2 or 3) new sports along with vital life lessons such as respect, teamwork, and self-discipline.

#### Mini-Hawk (Basketball, Baseball, Dodgeball, Soccer)

Dec. 19 - Dec. 23, 9 a.m.-noon • Monday - Friday • Ages 4-7 • \$155 This multi-sport program was developed to give children a positive first step into athletics. The essentials of baseball, basketball and soccer are taught in a safe, structured environment with lots of encouragement and a big focus on fun. Our Mini-Hawk games and activities were designed to allow campers to explore balance, movement, hand/eye coordination, and skill development at their own pace. Skyhawks staff are trained to handle the specific needs of young athletes.

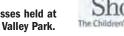
#### Multi-Sport (Basketball, Soccer, Dodgeball)

Dec. 19 - Dec. 23, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. (ALL DAY) • Monday - Friday • Ages 8-12 • \$279

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All classes held at Happy Valley Park.



#### **Soccer-Classic**

Feb. 5 - Mar. 5, 3:50 p.m.-4:25 p.m. • Sunday • Ages 3-4 • \$89

Soccer Shots Classic utilizes creative and imaginative games to focus on basic soccer skills like dribbling, passing, and shooting. We also highlight a positive character trait each session such as respect, teamwork, and appre-

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#### **Soccer-Premier**

Feb. 5 - Mar. 5, 2 p.m.-2:45 p.m. • Sunday • Ages 5-8 • \$89

Soccer Shots Premier focuses on individual skill, fitness, and sportsmanship, providing an opportunity for children to be challenged through fun games and team interaction. Children will



also be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner.



#### **JORDAN KENT JUST KIDS SKILLS CLINIC**

Clinic held at Dalzell Community Gym: 17951 SE Hemrich Rd. Damascus, OR 97089

#### **Basketball Clinic**

Dec. 19, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. • Monday • Ages 6-12 • \$39.95

One day clinics offering beginning to intermediate fundamentai sport training where your camper will participate in skill training, agility training, games, and nutrition education, all while basking in our exciting and engaging camp atmosphere! Each clinic includes a t-shirt or drawstring bag.



#### **USWC TAEKWONDO**

**Self-defense Training** 

Class held at 16126 S.E. Happy Valley Town Center Dr. #110

Self-defense Training Class • Saturday Jan. 28, 12:30 p.m.-1:40 p.m. • Teens ages 12+ • FREE

Details & registration online: www.happyvalleyor.gov/parks



#### **RECS PICKLE BALL CLASSES**

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Engineering

#### **ENGINEERING FOR KIDS**

Classes will be held at Happy Valley Annex - 12519 SE King Rd.

#### **Engineering Club!**

Jan. 5 - Feb. 9, 3 p.m.-4:30 p.m. • Thursday • Ages 5-12 • \$200

Engineers play an important role in society. Almost everything not manmade that you can perceive with your senses- touch, sight, smell, hearing, taste-has been engineered in some way. From the handle on a door, to the carpet on the floor, and the pencil you may be holding in your hand - an engineer has had a role in either the design or production of the object, or even taken on both roles! Engineers use science and math to make technology that makes technology that makes our lives easier. It's also true that engineers work with more than machinesbiomedical engineers are seeking ways to vaccinate the world and prevent contagious diseases, civil engineers build roads and bridges, and marine engineers use their knowledge to help pre-

serve and rebuild underwater habitats for sea animals. The activities covered in this class include various aspects of Engineering: Straw Rocket (Aerospace

Engineering), Flashlight Builder (Electrical Engineering), Marshmallow Bridge (Civil Engineering), Green Boating (Environmental Engineering), Cartesian Diver (Marine Engineering) and Candy Catapults (Mechanical Engineering).

#### FIRST AID/CPR/AED TRAINING

Classes held at Happy Valley City Hall



#### First Aid/CPR/AED Training

Friday Jan. 27, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. • Ages 10+ • Resident \$70 / Non-Resident \$175

Our in-person CPR/First Aid Training course combines lecture with hands-on skills sessions. Perfect for those who learn best in a traditional classroom setting, our in-person class gives you ample time to ask questions and become comfortable with the latest techniques. Students will learn how to recognize and care for a variety of first aid emergencies such as burns, cuts, scrapes, sudden illnesses, head, neck, back injuries, heat and cold emergencies and how to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies for victims. The skills you'll learn during the process can make all the difference to someone in need. Whether you require certification, or you simply want to learn how to respond in the event of an emergency, our in-person learning courses make it easy to get First Aid/CPR/AED certified to be prepared for the moments that matter.



\*Scholarships available through the Happy Valley Parks Foundation: www.hvprf.org

#### **MAD SCIENCE**

Classes will be held at **Happy Valley Annex:** 12519 SE King Rd.

#### **Imagination Academy**

Dec. 19 - Dec. 23, 9 a.m.-noon • Monday-Friday • Ages 5-7 • \$226

Discover, create & play! All aboard the imagination train as your young scientist takes a journey around the world of science. Join in the fun as we make our own inventions while exploring the world of inventors, learn to cast fossils in the domain of dinosaurs, explore the vastness of space and create a comet, watch the pull of gravity with parachutes and feel the heaviness of the air pressure all around us.

#### **Brixology LEGO® Engineering**

Dec. 19 - Dec. 23, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. • Monday-Friday • Ages 8-12 • \$226

Brixology sets the foundation for our next generation of makers! Learn about the exciting field of engineering as a Mad Scientist guides you and your team to accomplish engineering-themed projects using LEGO® bricks and other materials. Aerospace, structural, water, learn about engineering the Mad Science way!

#### **Crazy Chemworks**

Jan. 16, 9 a.m.-noon • Monday (No School Day) • Ages 5-12 • \$38.50

Eliminate the mystery in chemistry! Explore one of the most exciting and fundamental sciences as you hop on board the chemistry express for a high-speed science experience full of quick reactions and hands

#### **Planets, Moons & Stars**

Jan. 16, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. • Monday (No School Day) • Ages 5-12 • \$38.50

Explore Earth, the Moon, Mars and beyond! This stellar program is your ticket to the stars! Watch star dust burn, journey through a soapy galaxy, and investigate

create a lunar eclipse while learning about planetary order, size, and orbit. This class is one of four in our NASA Academy of Future Space Explorers Series.

of our solar system and





#### HAPPY VALLEY PARKS AND RECREATION



#### ADVENTURES WITHOUT LIMITS WINTER TRIPS

Location: View registration for meeting location details.

#### **Snowshoe Mt. Hood**

Jan. 21, 10:15 a.m.-2:30 p.m. • Saturday • Ages 6+ • \$99

#### **Moonlight Snowshoe Trip**

Feb. 4, 3:30 p.m.-7 p.m. • Saturday • Ages 6+ • \$105

#### **XC Ski Trip**

Feb. 18, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. • Saturday • Ages 6+ • \$105 Escape into the snow-covered winter wonderland of Mount Hood

National Forest to discover a world of tranquility and crisp winter air. Strap on your snowshoes or XC ski's and join Adventures Without Limits expert guides as they share their favorite trails and tricks and tips to getting outside in the winter. No experience necessary, just a sense of adventure and a love for being outdoors!



For detailed trip information, visit: www.happyvalleyor.gov/parks \*AWL provides all the equipment necessary, including winter attire upon request. Participants are asked to bring water, lunch, and appropriate clothing for the day.

#### **10% OFF RENTALS AT NEXT ADVENTURE!**

The City of Happy Valley Parks and Recreation is excited to partner up with Next Adventure to offer residents 10% off their next rental! Whatever your needs might be as we head into winter, as you plan your next trip up the mountain make sure to scan the QR Code shown here to take 10% off one rental

item and secure them for pick-up. Discount offer available at the Next Adventure Sandy store location at: 38454 Pioneer Blvd. Sandy, OR 97055. This store is open 7 days a week, Mon-Fri: 7:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. & Sat-Sun: 6:30 a.m.-





#### **VALENTINE'S DAY CARE CARDS**

Card kits can be picked up from the Happy Valley Library: 13793 SE Sieben Park Way & Happy Valley City Hall: 16000 SE Misty Dr.

#### **Valentine's Day Care Cards**

Card kits available for pick-up starting Jan. 9 · All ages

Show a senior you care this Valentine's Day by making a Valentine's Care Card! Pick up your supplies at the Happy Valley Library or Happy Valley City Hall and return your cards back to either place. All cards will be delivered to local senior living facilities and homebound seniors to show them some extra love this season! Write them a kind message like "I hope you have a nice Valentine's Day!" or "I'm sending you love and happiness." Kits can be picked up starting Jan. 9. All completed cards must be returned to either the Library or City Hall by Friday, Feb. 10.

WHAT'S INSIDE: TWO blank cards, heart stickers, heart shaped doilies, construction paper Want to make your own card? Great! A kit is not needed to drop off a Valentine card. Just make sure to turn it in by Feb. 10.

#### **HV HIKERS**

**Get out and Move!** 

### **HV**Hikers

www.hvhikers.com HV Hikers are back in action! Their goal is to encourage you to experience the beauty of the area, to get a little exercise, and to make new friends. All hikes are free, no RSVP required. If it's on the calendar, they'll be there. Groups walk frequently in the area bordered by Sunnyside (on the south), Valley View Terrace (on the west), Clatsop (on the north) and 172nd (on the east). This is a varied group, and since all are welcome to show up without RSVP, we see new faces all the time. Interested in join a

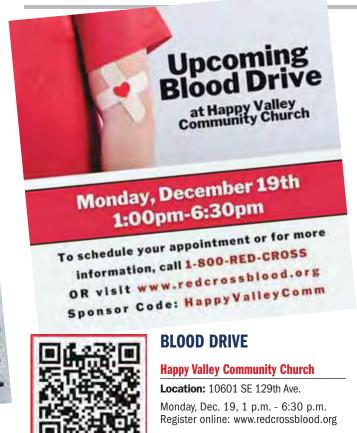
group hike around the valley? Be sure to visit the HV Hikers newly updated webpage for a calendar view of all upcoming group hikes.



#### **LET'S CONNECT!**

Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Website





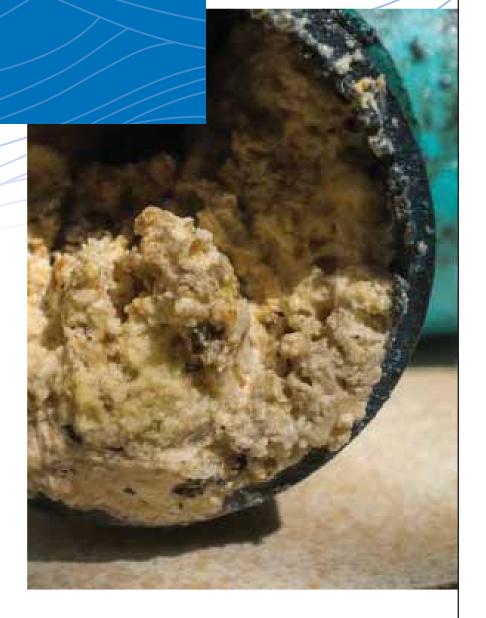
# Keep FOG Out of Your Pipes!

Fats, oils and grease (FOG) are found in everyday foods and food ingredients such as meat, fish, butter, cooking oil, mayonnaise, milk, gravies, sauces and food scraps. If poured down the sink drain or into your garbage disposal, FOG can build up over time by sticking to the insides of sewer pipes. This could eventually cause an expensive sewer backup into your home or the public wastewater system. You can help prevent sewer backups by following these simple steps:

- Pour cooled fats, oils and grease into a covered, disposable container and toss it into the trash instead of down sink drains.
- Soak up remaining FOG with paper towels and place it in the trash.
- Scrape food scraps into your compost or trash before washing dishes or loading the dishwasher.
- Use sink strainers to catch any remaining food waste while washing dishes.

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## When all else fails ... Amateur Radio!

Clackamas Amateur Radio Emergency Service prepare with Fall Simulated Emergency Test at City Hall

By Pamplin Media Group

e trust public infrastructure to just work these days. We trust we'll get power when we flip the switch. We trust our phones to connect when we dial and the internet to give us the information we need when we need it. But what about when they don't?

When communications systems are down, it's time for the Clackamas Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) group to step into action. The ARES mission is: "For a limited period of time, we will: establish radio communication systems, staffed by licensed amateur radio operators, to replace existing damaged, disrupted, or saturated systems, or to establish radio communications where no system previously existed, on relatively short notice, at no cost to served agencies, until we are authorized to demobilize.'

#### **East County Subunit**

Bill Hendrix, in addition to his role with the Happy Valley Building Department, is the Clackamas ARES East County **Sub-Unit Assistant Emergency** Coordinator. He first got involved with ARES after seeing the orange hard case containing a distributed radio kit at city hall and wondered what was in it. Before too long, he'd obtained his amateur radio license and began attending Clackamas ARES meetings.

"We have our headquarters for Clackamas County in Oregon City, where we have an emergency trailer that's near the 911 center up there," Hendrix said. "But we periodically move beyond that to the four subunits that we have within the county and try to setup temporary Emergency Operation Centers, which is our exercise today."

#### **Cyber-Physical Threat**

Simulated Emergency Tests (SET) are practice scenarios based on potential real-world situations where the communi-



Clackamas ARES volunteers in the Emergency Operations Center at Happy Valley City Hall during the Fall Simulated Emergency Test

cations infrastructure is down. This scenario simulated a cyber-physical attack from a group attacking power plants, media outlets, internet services and other crucial infrastructure. Parts of the country have no power, internet or cell phone service. The Governor has declared a state of emergency and requested emergency support services to mobilize.

Antennas are set up inside and outside city hall in highfrequency and UHF/VHF bands to pass information around and practice propagation (sending radio waves from one point to another). About a dozen ARES members have gathered to test their tools, practice mobile setup, and discuss equipment.

Each Clackamas ARES volunteer must have their own set of equipment. Some have spent hundreds or thousands, while others scrounge up enough equipment to have just what they need. Members must have, at a minimum, a mobile radio, secondary power supply, antenna capabilities David Kidd said. "We have ca-



Some of the equipment used by Clackamas ARES during the Fall Simulated Emergency Test.

and associated equipment (coax cable, headphones, microphones, etc.)

#### 20 years later

"If we had a cyber-attack, that means a lot of the infrastructure, computer systems, telephone systems, internet would be down," Clackamas ARES Emergency Coordinator

pability with our WINLINK stations to provide our own internet capabilities and pass messages and traffic through that."

Kidd became interested in HAM as a kid, further developing his skills as a Marine while stationed in Puerto Rico with the Military Auxiliary Radio Systems (MARS), where marines do Ham stuff on the side, he said. He agreed to the Emergency Coordinator position for a year, but laughs when he says 'here he is 20 years later.'

"When I got out, I moved up here, I bumped into a guy and he said there was going to be a class at Clackamas Community College, took the Morse test and it's been water down river ever since," Kidd said

#### Not just traditional "radio"

HAM radio isn't just voice. it's digital delivery as well. Another Clackamas ARES volunteer, Danny, sits in the small Emergency Operations Center (EOC) back room, working in digital mode typing on a small laptop. Using WINLINK (a worldwide radio messaging system) to send digital messages. Think of these as short emails or text messages sent via radio waves.

"You can pass these types of messages over voice as well, it just takes a little longer because you have to be slower, take your time and be very clear about it," Danny said. "That's one method where digital modes like WIN-LINK are superior, because they only pass the information when correct. "

"What you type in on some-

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> David Kidd, Clackamas ARES **Emergency Coordinator**

Clackamas ARES volunteers in the Emergency Operations Center at

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Happy Valley City Hall during the Fall Simulated Emergency Test

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thing comes out on the screen exactly as you put it in there," Danny continued. "What do you have available, what can you use? That's what it comes down to,"

Funded by a state grant, orange kits have been placed all around the county at Fire Station and other municipal buildings. Some cities have dupit cated their own kits through grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security's Urban Area Security Initiative

These trainings help Clackamas ARES teams practice connecting all the pieces of equipment together.

'We have antennas on a lot of buildings around the county," Kidd said. "All we have to do is take the kit, go in plug the antenna in, get some kind of power and we're good to go!"

#### Realistic Scenario

The ARES groups are simulating scenarios that could occur at any time - power outages, wildfires, ice storms, and all sorts of other natural disasters. That's when it's ARES

time to step in! "When all else fails, amateur radio," Kidd said. "We can go back down to basics. See that battery over there, that'll run us depending on how much



Clackamas Amateur Radio Emergency Services

> More info: clackamasares.org

**MONTHLY MEETING:** 

When: 2nd Thursday of each month, 19:00

> Where: LDS Church

14340 Donovan Rd Oregon City, OR 97045

traffic and what we do, that'll probably run us all day.

"Actually, what we're preparing for is the 9.0 or better,' Kidd said. "The big earthquake, THE earthquake. It's expandable, we can build on it. We have people setup and stationed all over."

Kidd's experience and training have him well trained for the role.

"Everything I've done in my life, since I put my feet on the yellow footprints of the Marine Corp bootcamp to now, the training has been up to what I have," Kidd said. "Leadership, staff development, coordination, logistics and things like that'



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