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# Shop Local this Valentine's Day: A Gift Guide by Sarah LaMarche, PMG

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# Happy Valley traffic deputy talks safety

City of Happy Valley

In September 2017, Alex Mazhnikov joined the Happy Valley Police Department as a dedicated traffic deputy. At the time, an influx of crash data and emergency calls demonstrated the need for more focused interventions. Today, over five years later, Deputy Mazhnikov continues to be on the front lines, confronting traffic issues in Happy Valley head on.

Deputy Mazhnikov is primarily responsible for patrolling frequently traveled city roads and enforcing traffic laws around town. While he is one of two designated deputies now keeping watch, he leads the charge and reports on the trends and concerns affecting the area. His experience has given him the opportunity to get to know the City well, so much so that he legitimately has become part of the community. Odds are, if you or someone you know has been stopped for a traffic violation in Happy Valley, Deputy Mazhnikov was most likely

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Dedicated traffic deputy, Alex Mazhnikov, has become a familiar face in Happy Valley. His focused patrols of city streets have significantly helped curb motor vehicle accidents and injuries.

# Help seniors receive messages of love and hope on Valentine's Day

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

To celebrate Valentine's Day, the **Happy Valley Parks** and Recreation team, in partnership with Happy Valley Library, are asking for your help to bring love and cheer to local seniors. To do that, we're hoping you will consider making a Valentine's Care Card! Simply pick up your supplies at the Happy Valley Library or Happy Valley City Hall and return your completed cards to either location. All cards will be delivered to local senior living facilities and homebound seniors to show them

### Let your creativity shine!

some extra love this season.

Using the included kit materials, you can decorate your

▲To make the Valentine delivery a little more fun, Happy Valley resident, Crosby Warneke, played the role of "love bug," handing out cards at several local memory care centers. **■**Consider making a card for a local senior this

and shapes. All we ask is content remain family-friendly and kind. Be sure to check out page 14 for more information.

Last year, over 300 cards

cards with festive sentiments centers and assisted living facilities throughout Happy Valley as part of the community wide

season and help brighten someone's day.

effort. Completed cards must be returned to the Library or City were delivered to memory care Hall by Friday, Feb. 10 at 5 p.m.

The Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Department also supports local seniors through its Meals on Wheels People program. Funded through Parks Levy dollars along with donations, Happy Valley Parks and Recreation is proud to offer relief to struggling seniors by delivering reliable, nutritious meals on a weekly basis to some of our community's most vulnerable residents. For more information about this vital program, including volunteer opportunities and details on how to donate, head to happyvalleyor.gov/meals-on-wheels.

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#### **NEW SEASONS MARKET**

If you need flowers for Valentine's Day, look no further than New Seasons Market, Their floral team will go above and beyond to ensure customers have the perfect romantic gesture for their Valentine. As far as gifts are concerned, they also sell a lot of candles, greeting cards, wine, specialty cuts of meat, as well as sweet treats, including macarons, chocolates, cakes, fruit and cookies.





#### **VENVINO ART STUDIOS**

In the days before Valentine's Day, Venvino Art studios has different Valentine's- themed art events. Choose from Valentine Cards and Box Making for the Family, Romantic Beach Canvas Painting, and Rustic Valentine Canvas Painting. For more on these art events, visit: www.venvinoartstudios.com

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# Safety

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the traffic officer encountered. When he started, Happy Valley was seeing over 100 crashes per year. Complaints from residents were on the rise and chatter on social media echoed increasing concern. Deputy Mazhnikov was tasked with addressing the problematic driving behaviors contributing to these crashes and was asked to crack down on behaviors like speeding, tailgating, distracted driving, DUII, and running red lights.

#### **HIDE AND SEEK...KIND OF**

Most residents know a law enforcement vehicle when they see one. There's usually a band of red and blue lights at the top, and the police department's name is clearly displayed on the side. When Mazhnikov started, he drove a standard police car just like this, with special radar equipment installed to aid his work. He was able to do his job, sure, but any targeted enforcement that would create lasting change

### **FUN FACT**

Happy Valley Police frequently runs multi-agency operations focusing on distracted driving, speed, seatbelt use, fail to obey traffic control device and other similar driving behaviors that contribute to crashes.



Thomas, during a crosswalk enforcement warning exercise last spring. These efforts aim to reduce pedestrian injuries and help educate community on the importance of staying alert.

called for something different. without even thinking, namely That's because most people are on their best behavior when in running red lights or stop signs. the presence of a patrol car. When really a true reflection of everv-

team. Once they are outfitted for police use, you will see us on an entirely different platform.

In 2019, to further address you see one ahead, you usually these types of problem behaviors slow down, put your hands at ten and two, and are more focused on the task at hand. But that isn't day commuting habits. Behaviors that statistically lead to collisions and injuries are more likely the product of tendencies people do The Clackamas County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) currently employs BMW motorcycles, however it has acquired Harley Davidson Pan-America motorcycles for the traffic

At the time of print, the following events were scheduled Most meetings have options to attend in-person or virtually. Please check www.happyvalleyor.gov to confirm timing of events and instructions to participate virtually. You can also opt in to receive notifications about upcoming meetings by visiting www.happyvalleyor.gov/signup-for-notifcations

February 21

**City Council** 

**City Council** 

February 22

March 7

**Happy Valley** 

City Council

**City Council** 

March 10

Meeting: 7 p.m.

**Business Alliance** 

**Meeting:** 7:30 a.m.-9 a.m.

Work Session: 6 p.m.

If I Were Mayor contest

entries due by 5 p.m. – City Hall

Meeting: 7 p.m.

Work Session: 6 p.m.

## **CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY**

#### February 7

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

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

#### February 10

**Valentine's Day Care Cards for Seniors** due by 5 p.m. City Hall or **Happy Valley Library** 

#### February 20

**President's Day Observed** City Hall and Happy **Valley Library Closed** 



that were being encountered in Happy Valley, Deputy Mazhnikov was given a specially wrapped vehicle that blended in with passing traffic. Unmarked cars have been shown to significantly help disrupt the kind of driving habits that lead to collisions and injuries. Deputy Mazhnikov's vehicle was the talk of the town for a while with residents quickly spreading the word on social media that a new patrol car had hit the streets, incognito. Public reception was as you'd expect. Some residents loved it while others considered it a little too sneaky. Truth be told, the intervention proved successful with Deputy Mazhnikov able to see trouble spots more readily. He points out that most drivers in the City are good drivers. For him, his primary concern is helping change driving behaviors that pose a potential threat to safety, and he recognizes that takes work. He adds that not all traffic stops end in a citation. Sometimes, the

distracted driving, speeding, and

and a firm warning. "People often expect immediate resolution to a traffic complaint," says Mazhnikov, "but in reality, it takes a lot of work and a long time to change ingrained driving behaviors." Deputy Mazhnikov says while some residents and visitors to Happy Valley might be displeased about being pulled over and receiving a ticket, most grasp the reasoning for why some-

intervention is education about

why something might be harmful

thing is unsafe. In 2022, Mazhnikov was provided the opportunity to train as a motorcycle traffic deputy. Another way to help target dangerous driving habits, motorcycles are considered an important asset for traffic officers given their ease of maneuverability and efficiency in responding to situations such as heavy congestion or spaces that can't accommodate a regular vehicle. Deputy Mazhnikov had to complete special training before he could take to the Happy Valley streets on the motorbike. Use of the motorcycle certainly allows Deputy Mazhnikov to respond more easily in heavy traffic, but it's not always the most practical mode of travel.

"I still have an unmarked vehicle issued to me," he says. "Because I am assigned a motorcycle, I'm expected to be using it,



deputies and the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office to patrol city streets.

but the weather is the deciding factor. For instance, if the temperature is below 35 degrees and there is potential for snow or ice, or the forecast calls for heavy rain, I'll use the unmarked car." Thanks to the advances in technology, the wrap on Deputy Mazhnikov's car changes from time to time, so just when you think you know what he's driving, he just may switch

### On The Lookout

When Deputy Mazhnikov is patrolling, he's scanning the roads and keeping safety in mind. Things like speeding, running red lights, erratic driving, and drivers holding a cell phone are easily spotted and are likely to precipitate a traffic stop given their likelihood for harm should a crash occur as a result. He uses both radar and LiDAR, a sensing method that uses light, for speed enforcement and spends most of his time in areas where traffic crashes happen most frequently. This way, he can focus on areas that have a tendency for challenges and intercept them more easily. On the rise are drivers using their cell phone while driving. "If we can get people to slow down and pay attention to the road rather than a cellphone, crashes would be reduced even further," he reports.

Deputy Mazhnikov is also trained to keep an eye out for other violations, such as illegal modifications made to cars (think overly tinted windows or loud exhausts) and even vehicles exceeding maximum weight limits on City local roads.

### **Slow Down For Kids**

Safety in school zones, especially at drop off and pick up has historically been of major concern for families and school administration in Happy Valley. To address this, Deputy Mazhnikov, along with other members of Happy Valley Police and even the City's Community Services Officers have put great effort into helping things run smoothly. Deputy Mazhnikov says people parking in no parking zones during drop off and pick up is the number one complaint from residents, but from his perspective, he is primarily concerned with the ongoing tendency for people to speed and use their cellphones while driving. "In general, people are doing the right thing and are being courteous to others," he begins, "but it does not take much for a simple distraction to end in tragedy and obviously the faster a car travels, the longer it takes to stop.'

To combat complacency and help reinforce the need for drivers to be diligent about following the rules of the road, Deputy Mazhnikov and Happy Valley Police Chief Rich Sheldon teamed up with the City and Happy Valley Elementary's PTO last spring to help facilitate several crosswalk enforcement exercises. It is important to note that exercises like this are not meant to trick or trap drivers into being issued a ticket. Instead, the goal is to be very transparent and deliberate in communicating to drivers that enforcement is happening. Safety cones are set up in advance of the designated crosswalks, for example, and bright notification signs alert drivers to the scene. These types of events ultimately serve to increase safety for everyone using the roads by

bringing attention to the cause. Deputy Mazhnikov believes exercises like this allow the community an opportunity to build trust and positive relationships with police. "It allows us to explain and demonstrate how the laws pertain not only to the motoring public, but also to pedestrians. People get to see what we do and, in the process, we hope to change some driving behaviors and foster mutual respect between drivers and pedestrians with the goal of making roads and crosswalks safer for all users," he says. Deputy Mazhnikov hopes drivers come away from exercises like this with better awareness of their surroundings and a renewed understanding of the importance of safe habits.

### **How To Avoid Getting Pulled**

This one is straightforward. Don't drink and drive, stay focused on the road (not your cellphone), refrain from speeding, driving erratically, and make sure your vehicle is in proper working condition and up to

# **EXCUSES, EXCUSES, EXCUSES**

In his career, Deputy Mazhnikov has initiated a lot of traffic stops and has heard it all when it comes to why a driver broke the rules. Deputy Mazhnikov says, "I was going with the flow of traffic," is the most common, but the most memorable interchange he had was with a gentleman he stopped for a cellphone violation. "I noticed the vehicle was missing the steering wheel. In its place, a pair of vice grips were clamped to the steering shaft. When I asked how that set up came to be, he told me he was pulling himself into the cab by holding on to the steering wheel and it broke off." Needless to say, using a cellphone while driving was only one of this driver's problems that day.

date when it comes to registration. Driving safely, adhering to the rules of the road, and making sure your vehicle is not in violation of Oregon motor vehicle laws are the most effective ways to avoid a traffic stop. Contrary to what some may believe, Happy Valley Police do not have a quota when it comes to issuing traffic citations. Deputy Mazhnikov says the deciding factor ultimately comes down to how he can best help ensure roads are safe for the public. "Holding violators accountable," he says, is statistically an effective way of reducing crashes and gaining compliance with the traffic laws.

Deputy Mazhnikov and fellow traffic officer, Deputy Tyler Vanwormer have succeeded in reducing crashes in Happy Valley by nearly 50 percent. Together, they have organized a variety of monthly traffic details targeting speeding and cellphone use and have helped other jurisdictions do the same.

When asked what he likes most about working in Happy Valley, Deputy Mazhnikov says it's the supportive community. Despite not always being the person drivers want to encounter, the Happy Valley community has embraced Deputy Mazhnikov's efforts and the City is proud of his contributions.

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# HAPPY VALLEY CITY COUNCIL

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# Swearing In Ceremony

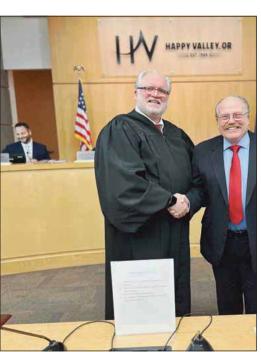
Every two years in January, the City holds a swearing in ceremony for newly (re)elected members and selects a Council President.

On January 17, Honorable Judge Blake presided over the swearing-in ceremony for re-elected Mayor Tom Ellis and re-elected Councilor Brett Sherman. In addition, the City was pleased to welcome Justice Adrienne C. Nelson to administer the oath of office for newly elected Councilor Joshua Callahan. It was a joyous occasion that allowed each of them to thank their friends, family, and other supporters for the hard work during the campaign. At the same time, it was a serious moment as they pledged to uphold and defend laws and represent all residents of Happy Valley to the best of their ability.

The City Council also unanimously selected David Emami to serve as Council President. In practice, the Council President presides over meetings and events when the Mayor is absent.

The year ahead will be full of big decisions regarding the future of Happy Valley. The City Council is in place and ready to tackle the tough issues.

Want to learn more about City Council? Check out the City's website to read more about each Councilor at happyvalleyor.gov/city-council.



Tom Ellis officially began his second term as Mayor of



Happy Valley's current City Council. From left to right, Council President David Emami, Councilor David Golobay, Mayor Tom Ellis, Councilor Brett Sherman, and Councilor Joshua Callahan.



Re-elected Councilor, Brett Sherman, takes his oath of office.



David Emami was selected by his fellow Councilors to serve as the Council



A special moment: Councilor Joshua Callahan was sworn

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# Student contest encourages kids and teens to share

ideas about City government

City of Happy Valley

Know a student with big ideas, a compassionate heart, and interest in making the community a better place? The City of Happy Valley is again participating in the Oregon Mayors Association (OMA) If I were Mayor, I would... contest.

Here, students are invited to share their creative ideas about how they would govern the City of Happy Valley. Winning entries from local contests throughout Oregon are then submitted to a statewide competition.

At its core, If I Were Mayor gives students the opportunity to take a closer look at their community and share their thoughts about safety, the environment, health, social services, youth programs and anything else they think is vital

connected to learning and spark some creativity. For all the details, including contest guidelines and how to submit an entry, simply head to www. happyvalleyor.gov/if-I-were-mayor. The deadline for submitting your finished product is 5 p.m. Friday, Mar. 10.

#### **General Contest Format**

There are three categories based on student

- **Elementary School:** (grades 4-5) Poster ■ Middle School: (grades 6-8) - Essay
- **High school:** (grades 9-12) Digital Media

The winner of each age group in the Happy Valley contest will be awarded a \$100 gift card and recognized at an upcoming City Council Meeting. The winning submissions will then be entered in the statewide contest where there will For students, this is a great way to stay be a chance to compete for an additional prize.



Head to the City website for contest information and to download your student's

In keeping with the histor-

ical theme, participants are

encouraged to wear vintage ski

clothing to the event. To round

out the day, the museum will

host an apres-ski party with

beverages, snacks and prizes for

those dressed in the best vintage

This event is a major fund-

raiser for the Mt. Hood Cultural

Center & Museum, which has

preserved and showcased the

history of Mount Hood for

decades with public exhibits,

educational programs and fun events you'll only find on the

The museum's six galleries are

home to thousands of artifacts

that tell the story of the history

of early exploration, winter

sports, settlement, natural his-

tory and more on Mount Hood.

information center for visitors

to the mountain, and features a

gift shop full of locally sourced

souvenirs. The center is open

from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, with

the exception of Thanksgiving

Ski the Glade or other museum

events and programs, visit

mthoodmuseum.org or call

The museum is located at

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For more information about

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# Mt. Hood Museum prepares annual snow day event

Ski the Glade trail returns as fundraiser for cultural center

By BRIT ALLEN Pamplin Media Group

It's a new year, and with that staff and volunteers at the Mt. Hood Cultural Center & Museum invite all to come make fresh tracks in the snow with the annual Ski the Glade fundraiser.

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 4, snow enthusiasts and museum supporters alike are welcome to come take advantage of three and a half miles of groomed winter terrain on their choice of skis or snowboards.

"This unique event combines participatory living history and fund raising, for the operation of the non-profit museum," center representitves said.

Tickets for the all-day event go fast and are \$185 for museum members and \$195 for non-museum members. Only 75 tickets are sold, so go make a reservation online at mthoodmuseum. org today, or call 503-272-3301.

The Ski the Glade event kicks off in the morning with a continental breakfast. Participants will receive shuttle to return to the top. Timberline terrain for all participants.



COURTESY PHOTO: MT. HOOD CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM Mt. Hood Cultural Center & Museum invites all to come make fresh tracks in the snow at the annual Ski the Glade

transportation to Timberline, ski Lodge, an event sponsor, grooms the bus at the end of the trail

fundraise from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 4.

the trail at their leisure and meet the Glade Trail prior to the event to ensure there's great

A hot lunch will also be provided at the museum, including homemade soup and other tasty

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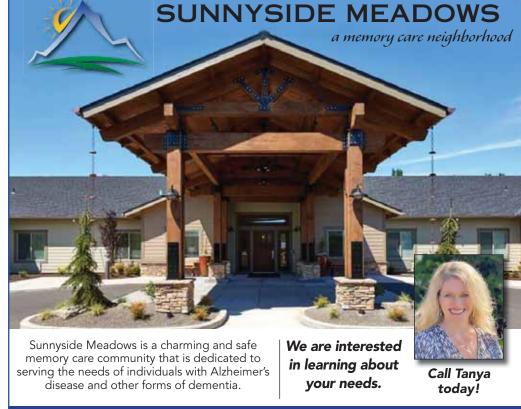
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# Alison Schlicht assumes new role as Beatrice Morrow Cannady Elementary principal

By BREN SWOGGER Pamplin Media Group

There's a new principal in town for Beatrice Morrow Cannady **Elementary School in Happy** Valley, as former Riverside Elementary principal Alison Schlicht will take over Cannady's principalship on February 3 from current principal Dianna Ngai.

Ngai has been the principal at Cannady since the school's grand opening in late 2019 and will be moving to the position of Teaching Associate Director for the Teaching and Learning Department with North Clackamas School District.

Schlicht has spent the past five months on maternity leave from her role at Riverside after giving birth to her new baby in August. Prior to her new role at Cannady, Schlicht had been the principal at Riverside for the past seven years and had previously worked as a principal in the Hillsboro School District.

With word of the upcoming vacancy at Cannady, Schlicht was contacted based on her previous experience and asked to assume the role of Cannady principal upon her return.

The past month of January has acted as a transitionary period for Schlicht to work directly with Ngai ahead of her departure, taking the time to make connections with families and staff and to work collaboratively with the community in order to help them feel supported and make the transition as seamless as possible.

"I think Dianna [Ngai] and I have pretty aligned goals around our work with equity and inclusion for staff and for students, and for families as well," Schlicht said. "[Cannady]'s a very strong school and there are a lot of things in place, so I really see my role as one of support and to come in to maintain the work that's [already] happening.

Much of her focus will be in making sure students and families have access to education, that students have a safe space where they feel a part of the community regardless of ethnic background or language barriers and creating a learning community where every student feels valued and



Alison Schlicht poses with her students at Riverside Elementary School.

#### **Community focused**

Over the years in her role as a principal in various schools and communities, Schlicht has learned it's vital to take the time to understand the complexities that reside in every community and to be aware of the impacts of a school's

"One decision made has a lot of different impacts that may not be readily

evident until you make the decision. together the community with school-And then you see the ripple effect of whatever is happening," Schlicht said. "So going slow, doing lots of listening, [and] understanding where people are coming from and how decisions can have impacts that you don't necessarily see right away [is important]."

years, she said, have been in bringing a community together around a learning

wide projects where students have an opportunity to create something that demonstrates learning across the school. Moving forward, Schlicht wants to bring this same community-focused work to her new role at Cannady.

"[Learning]'s not just happening in Some of her biggest successes over the one classroom, but you're really bringing

topic," Schlicht said. "It feels like a sense of pride when you can get a whole school community rallied around something.'

Aside from her work as a principal, Schlicht values her time as a mother of three, spending time with family in nature-camping, hiking, and going to the river in the summer—as well as exploring the many restaurants that Portland has to offer.

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

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 Sunnyside Road and Maple Hill Lane.



# **Project details include:**

- Widening 172nd Ave to five travel lanes between Misty Dr. to Maple Hill Ln. to include bike lanes, landscape strips and sidewalks
- Adding a traffic signal at Troge Road
- Adding a multi-lane roundabout at Hemrich Road and at the future 190th Ave
- Expanding the single-lane roundabout at Scouters Mountain Road to a multi-lane

 Moving existing utilities underground ■ Adding street lighting

Project design will continue through spring 2026. Construction is planned from summer 2026 to

summer 2028.

Visit www.clackamas.us/ engineering/172nd-ave for updates and to sign up for the email list.

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.

## LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS PROJECT AT AN UPCOMING PRESENTATION!

- Sunnyside West Mt. Scott CPO Virtual meeting
- Monday, Mar. 6, 7 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.
- Register in advance by scanning the QR code.
- You will receive a confirmation email to join the meeting after registering.



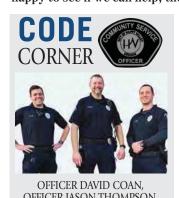


SE 172nd Ave. near Troge Road: With Urban **Renewal District** funding, safety improvements will be added to reduce congestion and increase mobility for travelers. Sign up to receive notifications about the project by email along with invitational opportunities to participate in community input.

# Is your dog's license **UP TO DATE?**

City of Happy Valley

Within the past month, our team has been called to help identify several dogs that have been found wandering City streets. While we're happy to see if we can help, there's only so much



AND OFFICER MICHAEL BARNES

we can do unless your pup's information is up to date. That's why, with winter's colder weather and fewer daylight hours, it's as good a time as any to make sure your dog's license is current and the contact information on both the license and microchip are correct. It could mean a

world of difference, especially if your dog were to become lost.

#### A typical story

More times than not, a dog gets out when a door is left open, or a gate latch or section of fencing becomes loose. When this happens, your pup escapes and off they go on an unplanned adventure. Our team has found dogs wandering neighborhoods, but most concerning is when they get near busy streets like Sunnyside and 172nd Ave.

#### Here to help

Should a lost dog be found, Happy Valley Community Service Officers have the needed equipment on hand to scan for microchips and they can reference the City's licensing database to locate you for reunification. But these efforts only go so far in helping reunite dogs with their owners if the information is up to date. That is why it is so important to keep your dog's licensure in compliance. Head to www.happyvalleyor.gov/dog-license to complete a dog license application and be sure to talk to your vet ASAP about microchipping your pet. While collars that include owner information are certainly helpful, they aren't necessarily the most reliable. Sometimes, dogs lose these during the act of escaping, so microchipping really is your best bet when it comes to identification. Keep in mind, you will need to separately update the microchip company with any changes to your contact information if you get a new phone number or address. Not only is licensing your dog the law in Happy Valley, but this, coupled with having your dog microchipped, is the easiest way to get your pup back.

#### **Health and wellness**

Another reason it is required for dog owners to complete the licensure process is to ensure your pup has received a current rabies vaccination. This is imperative to the health and safety of anyone, including other animals, who may encounter your dog.



If you have not yet obtained a license for your dog or your license has lapsed, head to www. happyvalleor.gov/dog-license to complete an application. Fee amounts are determined by several factors, so be sure to select the option that matches your needs. If you have questions, give us a call at 503-783-3800.



Home at last! Found wandering in Happy Valley near Sunnyside and SE 162nd Ave. last month, this lost pup was scanned for a microchip, but unfortunately, one couldn't be found. She was taken to Clackamas Dog **Services after Community Services Officers** were unable to cross reference her breed with current dog licenses documented at the City. Thankfully, Luna, as we found out she is called, was able to be reunited with her people, but we hope to use her story as an example of why it is so important to microchip and register your dog.

#### **DO I HAVE THE CORRECT LICENSE?**

If you reside in the City of Happy Valley and you own a dog, you MUST have a current dog license on file with the City.

If you possess a Clackamas County dog license or dog license from another

jurisdiction in the state, please contact City Hall at 503-783-3800.

# Don't miss out! Follow the City on social media

City of Happy Valley

Social media is constantly changing and we're doing what we can to keep City messaging accessible and relevant. For example, when it comes to Facebook, just because you like our City page, that doesn't automatically mean you are shown the content we share. As a result of Facebook's ever-changing algorithm, it's easy to miss out on important news and updates.

Here are some quick tips to help make engaging with us a little easier and ensuring we don't lose touch:

■ On Facebook, make sure you not only "like" our page, but that you "follow" us as well. To select your follow settings, click on the three dots located on the top right-hand corner of our Facebook page to indicate how often vou want to hear from us.

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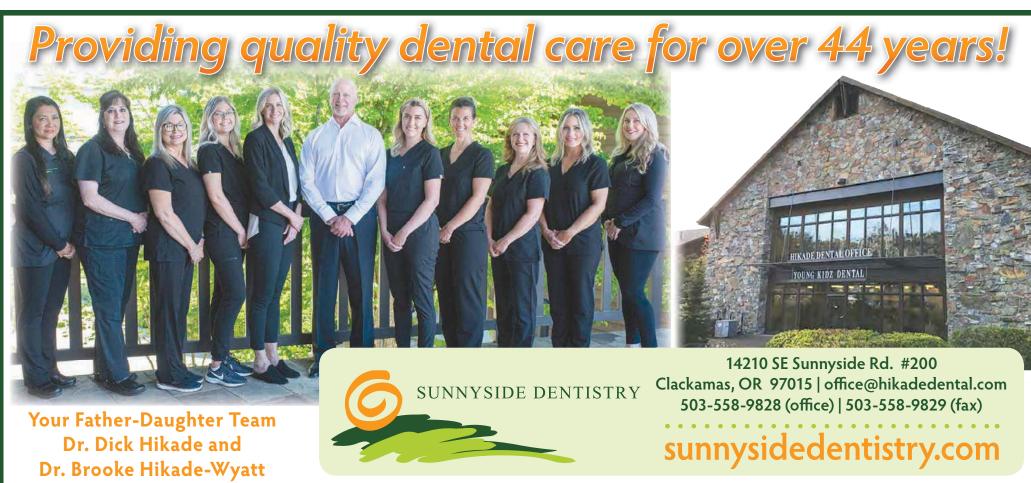
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10605 SE Leopard LN	4	2.1	2885	Sold	\$814,960	\$814,960
10627 SE Leopard LN	4	2.1	2708	Sold	\$799,960	\$779,960
10786 SE Leopard LN	4	2.1	2380	Sold	\$699,960	\$699,960
17351 SE Coyote CT	4	3	2257	Sold	\$699,960	\$689,960

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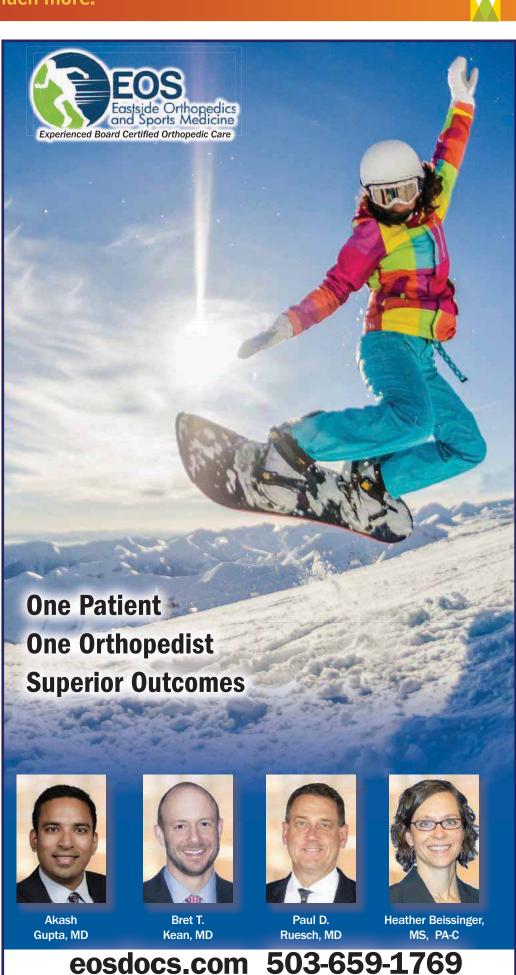


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On the campus of Mt. Hood Medical Center

Co-founders Katie Solinger and Jodi Litman bring luxury clothing, inclusivity and affordability to their newly opened Sunnyside boutique.

By BREN SWOGGER Pamplin Media Group

Nestled between a liquor store and a nail salon, you wouldn't expect to find a luxury clothing boutique tucked away in a strip mall setting. But at Sunnyside Marketplace, a new arrival to the scene is subverting expectations.

Officially opened for business on December 9 of last year, Ruby Shade is a new women-owned boutique created by co-founders Katie Solinger and Jodi Litman, offering luxury designs for all occasions, all body types, all high-quality, and all at an affordable price point.

"I think when people walk in the store, they're pleasantly surprised by the look, the feel, the vibe," said Solinger.

As customers walk in, they are greeted by an expansive and well-designed floor space, all organized by color. Shades of blacks and greens fade into a pastel of vivid rubies, pinks and  $reds, creating \, a \, swirling \, rainbow$ path around the store, leading shoppers through their stellar collection of clothing, shoes, jewelry and other accessories.

It's all designed very intentionally by Solinger and Litman, creating a welcoming and beautiful shopping experience for any customers that happen in.

'Jodi [Litman] and I worked on the floor plan for a long time, just really figuring out the best use of the space," Solinger said. "Since it's kind of a linear space, we wanted it to flow easily."

As shoppers turn the bend at the back of the store, they're greeted by a beautiful tropical backdrop of banana leaves, one of many nods to Solinger and Litman's time living in Kauai.

"We just moved here from Kauai in May, and so we wanted to have an element of Kauai in it too," Solinger said. "We wanted to pull in some fun things that are reminiscent of the islands."





Ruby Shade's boutique layout has been meticulously designed and organized by color to create a welcoming and beautiful shopping experience for all

#### A dream long in the making

For both Solinger and Litman, Ruby Shade has been a shared lifelong dream finally come to fruition. However, opening a clothing store was a complete pivot from their individual backgrounds.

For the past five years, Solinger has worked as an independent retail and restaurant consultant, and previously worked as director of operations for multiple companies, including Starbucks. Litman, meanwhile, worked retail leadership in Kauai, and before was

territory manager for Weight Watchers.

We always thought we'd be in the restaurant business," Solinger said. "But because of the state of the restaurant business right now, after COVID, it just would be a terrible move."

Luckily, the opportunity and idea for a clothing store presented itself upon their move to the Portland area. And though it's a new venture for the two, their backgrounds have afforded them the people skills to succeed in serving customers and creating **RUBY SHADE** 

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strong relationships with their shoppers.

"I think both of our strengths are really about the people," said Solinger. "The customer interaction is so much fun. I love talking to the women and finding out what they're doing and why they're here."

#### Affordability, inclusivity, and empowerment

Though all their products are of the highest quality, Solinger and Litman have made sure they put an emphasis on affordability and inclusivity, opening the boutique up for women of all backgrounds, body types, and walks of life.

Ruby Shade co-founders Jodi Litman and Katie Solinger at their newly opened Sunnyside boutique.

"We knew coming in that [inclusivity] was going to be important," Solinger said. "Sometimes it's a challenge and it takes more work on our end to be able to find those more inclusive designers that do have the extra larges or the extra smalls. I think right now we've been able to kind of nail it [in] opening, but it's become even more of a focus for us moving forward."

In addition to making sure their stock reflects the needs of their customers, their other biggest focus is making sure that everyone can afford to shop their store. Keeping prices down for the high-quality designer clothes they sell, Solinger says, can be a challenge, but it's a challenge that's vital to creating the brand they want Ruby Shade to be.

"We feel like we can always improve on it, and that's what we're going to continue to do

in terms of the affordability," Solinger said. "It just takes more to find the right designers, and then find the right price point that allows us to keep our price point down. That being part of our ethos, that's the work that we're putting in on our end to make sure that we can hit those numbers."

So far, their hard work has paid off. As more and more customers come in to shop, the general consensus is a positive one.

"Hearing how much people love the store, hearing how much people love the clothes, and then hearing how people love the affordability—because those are all the things we were really shooting for--it seems like we've been able to nail that," Solinger said. "[We want to] make sure we have something for everybody and that they feel connected to the brand, and they feel connected to the store. And when everybody walks out with big bags, we know we're hitting the mark.'



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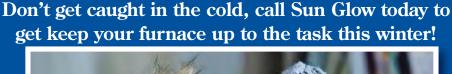


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The City of Happy Valley American Dream.



Join the City and Happy Valley **Business Alliance as they welcome** new businesses

nesses to set up shop, but it is pomp and circumstance.

By partnering with the Happy Valley Business Alliance to offer commemorative ribbon cutting ceremonies, the City aims to celebrate one slice of the

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Willamette Valley Vineyards: Crossroads East Complex: 13220 SE 172nd Ave.

**Drybar Happy Valley:** Crossroads East Complex:

13220 SE 172nd Ave. **Earthwise Pet Supply:** 12960 SE 162nd Ave.

In December, the City welcomed iQ Credit Union to the Crossroads East complex off 172nd Ave.



In January, the City helped celebrate the grand opening of several new businesses including 10th Planet Jiu Jitsu and

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▲ Variety of Housing Options and Parks and Recreation Opportunities

**◀** The Carver Riverfront District



# UPDATE

# Curious what's next for the future of Happy Valley?

The City has worked with advisory groups, and community members since 2018 to develop the Pleasant Valley/North Carver Comprehensive Plan (PV/NC Plan).

The Plan shapes the future of 2,700 acres along the east side of Happy Valley with a balance of housing options and livable neighborhoods, well-planned parks and trails, safe and efficient streets, environmental protections, and local employment and business opportunities.

Though some development may occur soon after approval, the plan is long term, implemented over decades as property owners choose to develop their land.

The Planning Commission held a series of public hearings to review the draft plan with input from the community before forming a recommendation that the City Council approve the proposal with several changes.

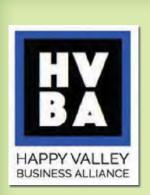
The City Council invites the community to review the revised plan and participate at the hearings to consider adoption of the plan on Mar. 7 and Mar. 21 at City Hall and online starting at 7 p.m.

The draft plan and details of the hearing may be reviewed at https://hv.city/pvnc.



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# HAPPY VALLEY BUSINESS ALLIANCE

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#### **JORDAN KENT JUST KIDS SKILL CAMPS RECAP**

Over winter break, Happy Valley Parks and Recreation was thrilled to partner back up with Jordan Kent's Just Kids Skill Camp to offer a half day basketball clinic to residents in Happy Valley. Kiddos participated in skill and agility training, games, and nutrition education, all while enjoying an exciting and engaging camp atmosphere. Be on the lookout for more opportunities to participate in a Jordan Kent Skill Camp this summer! Follow us online at: www.happyvalleyor.gov/parks for future programs.

CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY PARKS & RECREATION



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Website: www.happyvalleyor.gov/parks



#### **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 now • 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 by 5 p.m.

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 by 5 p.m.



#### **RED CROSS FEBRUARY BLOOD DRIVE PROMOTION**

Warm hearts. Warm thoughts.

Give in February for a \$10 Gift Card by email, thanks to Amazon, and automatically be entered for a chance to win a trip for two to Clearwater Beach, FL. Includes travel, hotel, gift card and more!

Terms: www.rcblood.org/heart





#### Monday, February 27th 12:30pm-6:30pm

To schedule your appointment or for more Information, call 1-800-RED-CROSS OR visit www.redcrossblood.org Sponsor Code: Happy Valley Comm

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

### **Happy Valley Community Church**

Location: 10601 SE 129th Ave. Monday, Jan. 30, 12:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Register online: www.redcrossblood.org



# **HV HIKERS**

www.hvhikers.com

**Get out and Move!** 

HVHikers

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 joining 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.





### A CELEBRATION FOR VILLAGE GREEN PARK

Last month, City of Happy Valley Council members joined representatives from the Happy Valley Parks Advisory Board, Rotary Club of Clackamas, GameTime Play Equipment, Happy Valley Parks and Recreation, Happy Valley Library and Happy Valley Public Works to commemorate the new play structures at Village Green Park. The new playground, located across the street from the Library, offers a variety of inclusive play equipment for all skillsets. If you haven't had a chance to check it out, be sure to stop by. Village Green Park is located at 13786 SE Sieben Park Way.







#### **HAPPY VALLEY LIBRARY**

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# **FEBRUARY 2023 LIBRARY EVENTS**

Happy Valley Library closed Feb. 20. Please check our website for the most up-to-date hours and services.

# Letting Teens Take the Lead TUTORING

n Wednesday afternoons, two differ- a more robust program," shared Anna. ent groups make their way back to the Happy Valley Library's Community Room. First the teens arrive, picking out the books and activities they'll use, followed by parents and their young students. It's just another weekly meeting of Teen Tutors, a 25-minute reading time that pairs a teen with a young reader to work on reading confidence and fluency.

It all started with an idea from long time teen volunteer, Nicole Zhen. "I was inspired to found the Teen Tutors program after noticing the lack of free after-school literacy programs in my community. The program is incredibly important to me because I learned English with the help of my teachers and want to give back to other students." She and Youth Services Librarian, Anna Bruce, first worked on developing this idea in the fall of 2016.

Their first six-week term, scheduled for January 2017, got off to a rocky start. "We started recruitment and then the snowstorms hit. With schools and the library closed more than usual, it was difficult to find both tutors and students in time for the kickoff. But it ended up being a great way to test the waters, tweak things, and then develop

The first session provided good feedback for how to shape the program in the future. It also timed well with Nicole's acceptance into the prestigious HERLead program. The weeklong institute helps young female leaders develop an idea for social change, draft a proposal, apply for a grant, and see their project in action. After participating in this program, Nicole returned to the library with ideas on how to improve and enhance the Teen Tutors program.

Over the years, the program has continued, with teens training new teens to take their places as they graduate. Even after the closure, the last remaining teen volunteer from the previous session two years ago returned to offer a mini-session to help new teen tutors develop their tutoring skills and test things for a return to in-person programming. Now the leadership continues with two teens who have stepped up to run the program, recruiting teen volunteers and families to participate.

As for the mechanics of each 25-minute session, it includes reading practice, conversation, and spelling and writing games, but is really guided by the needs of the student. Having the consistency of a paired teen and student allows for a



Registration is now open for the February-March session of Teen Tutors. Families can find out more and sign up at go.lincc.org/hvteentutors.

relationship to develop over the 6-week term. At the end of each session, students, parents and teens each complete an exit survey, gauging their enjoyment of the program, confidence in their participation and willingness to participate in future sessions, along with the opportunity to give feedback. Many students choose to return for another term.

Parents share that they enjoy not only seeing their child look forward to reading, but also seeing a teen step into such a positive role. As for the teen tutors, "It gave me experience working with young kids, which is something I hadn't had before," remarked teen tutor Shu Yi. And the students love hanging out with a big kid, who thinks that reading is fun.

#### 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

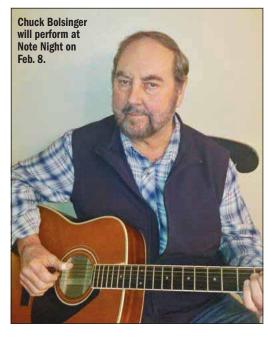
Sundays, Feb. 12 & 26, 2 p.m.-5 p.m.

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, jamstyle setting. Bring a song you know to share.

#### **Note Night**

thrown in for good measure.

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 6:30 p.m.-7:45 p.m. Enjoy some live music while you browse for books or sit and savor the sounds. This month features guitarist Chuck Bolsinger playing an eclectic mix of blues, folk, and country as well as a few originals and a bit of harmonica



#### **Genealogy Club**

Monday, Feb. 13, 3 p.m.-5 p.m. Searching for family roots? All are welcome to come and share questions, strategies, 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 questions.



#### **Oregon's Black History:** 450 Years in 45 Minutes

Saturday, Feb. 25, 2 p.m.- 3 p.m. People of African descent have lived and worked in Oregon since before the founding of the earliest Englishspeaking settlements in the Americas. Despite this, the popular narrative of our state's history excludes the experiences of African Americans before the mid-20th century. This erasure is the result of historic legal and social marginalization that contribute to the ignorance of Oregon's Black heritage, as well as influence contemporary disparities in housing access, community investment, and policing. Zachary Stocks of Oregon Black Pioneers will attempt to correct the record by highlighting key individuals and events that characterize Oregon's unique and centuries-old Black history

Zachary Stocks is a public historian, interpreter, and the Executive Director of Oregon Black Pioneers. Zachary

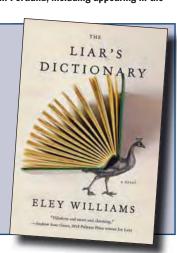


LEFT: Bill Berry, President of Urban League of Portland, congratulates student Ruth Fong for being named Portland Rose Festival princess (1946). ABOVE: Buffalo Soldiers in Fort Vancouver, where they were stationed from 1899-1901. Although it's in Washington State, the soldiers stationed there had some duties in Portland, including appearing in the city's Fourth of July parade.

previously served as Program Director of Historical Seaport and Visitor African American Museum. He is a former intern of Colonial Williamsburg and Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History and is a current seasonal Park Ranger at Lewis & Clark National Historical Park. He holds a BA in History from the College of William & Mary with a certificate in Public History from the National Institute for American History and Democracy, and an MA in Museology from the University of Washington. Zachary lives in Astoria, OR.

# **Happy Valley Library Book**

Thursday, Mar. 2, 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 Liar's Dictionary by Eley Williams, a novel about wordplay and the fluidity of language. Did you like it or not? Did something surprise you or make you think twice? Come share your thoughts!



# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

**PICTURE** 

Somewhere in the

by Jarrett Pumphrey

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**BOOKS** 

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To honor African American History Month, we're highlighting some recent notable books by African American authors that reflect upon and celebrate Black culture and history.

#### **ADULT FICTION**

Dr. No by Percival Everett

A man who claims to be an expert at nothing partners with an aspiring villain who wants to break into Fort Knox to steal a shoebox contain ing nothing with the help of a brainwashed astrophysicist

Take My Hand by Dolen Perkins-Valdez

In 1973 Montgomery, Alabama, Civil Townsend, a young black nurse working for the Montgomery Family Planning Clinic, grapples with her role when she takes two young girls into her heart and the unthinkable happens, and nothing will ever be the same for any of

#### On the Roofton by Margaret Wilkerson

Jazz-Era Fillmore. The Salvationssisters Ruth Esther and Chloefind their personal ambitions on a collision course with those of their mother, whose dreams of musical

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front the parts of her life that threaten to splinter.



Told over the course of 70 vears, this spellbinding debut novel traces three generations of a Southern Black family and one daughter, who. channeling her rage into art, discovers with the power of her paintbrush. she can change her family's legacy.

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The Travvon Generation

One of the great

literary voices of our time shares her celebrated and moving reflec tion on the challenges facing young Black , America, illuminating our nation's unresolved problem with race.

His Name Is George Floyd: One Man's Life and

the Struggle for Racial Justice by Robert Samuels and Toluse Olorunnipa Two prize-winning Washington Post reporters examine how systemic racism impacted both



TRAYVON

GENERATION

the life and death of the 46-year-old black man who was murdered in broad daylight outside a Minneapolis conwhite officer Derek Chauvin.

**Under The Skin:** The Hidden Toll of Racism on **American Lives** and on the Health of Our Nation by Linda Villarosa

Drawing on realand offering incontrovertible proof, this dramatic, tragic, and necessary book lays bare the forces in the American healthcare system and in American society that cause Black people to die quicker" compared to their



voice, in his own

words, as only he

white counterparts

Written by the late, iconic actor before HIS NAME IS his death, this candid and moving memoir of hard-won success, struggles with addiction and a lifelong mission to give back tells the story of his whole life in his own



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and freedom of summer on their Brooklyn block.

**GRADE** 

**FICTION** 

Return

The Door of No

by Kwame Alexander

The first book in a

planned historical

fiction trilogy tells

an eleven-year-old

the story of Kofi.

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Swim Team

Bree must face one of her greatest fears, but with a little help from an elderly neighbor and former swim team captain, she becomes her school's best hope to beat their rival





This stunning nov el-in-verse chronicles the story of the last Africans brought illegally to the United States on the Clotilda in

**Ballad & Dagger** 

by Daniel José Olde

discover each

other and their

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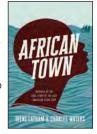
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# **NONFICTION**

**YOUTH** 

**Choosing Brave: How Mamie** Till-Mobley and **Emmett Till** Sparked the Civil Rights Movement by Angela Joy

The story of mother Emmett Till, and how chan-

neled over her son's

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How to Be a (Young) Antiracist

This young adult edition of the #1 New York Times best-seller empowers

teen readers to help create a more just society. encouraging

think critically and build a more equitable world in

doing so.







## **HAPPY VALLEY LIBRARY**

#### **YOUTH PROGRAMS**

#### For 5 and Under

**Storytimes** 

To see our full listing of storytimes and playtimes visit our website, or go.lincc.org/hvbirthto5

#### Stretch, Dance, Play

Thursdays - Feb. 2 & Mar. 2, 10:15 a.m. Join Iris Nason for dance, yoga, singing, sign language and play!

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

Sign & Sing

Fridays - Feb. 10 & Mar. 10, 10:15 a.m. Sing, dance, and learn simple sign language with Shira Fogel of Tiny Talkers.

For 2-5-year-olds and their caregivers. Find out more at go.lincc.org/hvsign.

#### **Tallulah's Daddy**

Saturday, Feb. 25, 10:15 a.m. Drop in for some musical fun with our favorite bass playing dad! For 2-6-year-olds and their caregivers.

#### For K-5th Graders

#### **Homeschool Club: Sewing Fun**

Thursday, Feb. 16, 10:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Kids can try out sewing with a a choice of two projects: yarn sewing with a plastic needle for younger sewers and a simple stitch ornament for older sewers. For K-5th graders and their families.

#### **LEGO: Build with Blair**

Thursday, Feb. 16, 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m. & Saturday, Mar. 4, 10:30 a.m.- noon Join Blair for a LEGO building challenge. For K-5th graders and their families.

#### Science Lab: Kitchen Science

Saturday, Feb. 18, 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. From chemical reactions to musical bananas, there will be plenty of hands-on activities to explore using stuff found in most kitchens. For K-5th graders and their families.

# **For Teens**

#### **Teen Advisory Board**

Saturdays - Feb. 4 and Mar. 4,1 p.m.- 2:30 p.m. 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. Dropins welcome

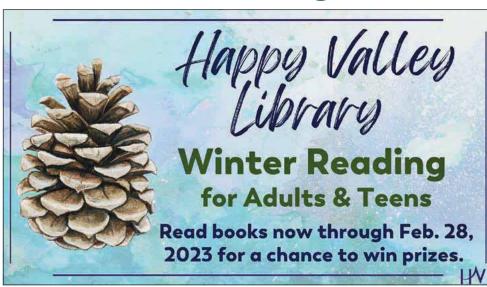
The Teen Advisory Board meets monthly on the first Saturday of the month.

#### For teens in grades 6-12.

#### **Chinese Brush Painting** Saturday, Feb. 11, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Learn Chinese brush painting techniques and create a scene with a panda amongst bamboo. All materials supplied. Registration required. For teens in grades 6-12.

# Winter Reading 2023



re you a book lover, or do you have an occasional book fling? The Happy Valley Library is having a Winter Reading program to encourage adults and teens to keep reading this winter. Let us know what you are reading, and you may win a prize! This is the final month to submit your entries.

Submit an entry for every book you finish reading between Dec. 1 and Feb. 28. Prize drawings will be held at the end of each month, with final drawings on Feb. 28. Area residents ages 13 and up are eligible to participate. Visit go.lincc.org/hvwr to submit your entries.

Modern romance novels are expanding the ideas of what a love interest can look like in a story. It is easier than ever to find characters of different races, sexual orientations, body types, neuro-abilities, and cultures. Check out the following books for a few examples for both teens and adults.

Friday I'm in Love

#### **ADULTS**

#### Delilah Green Doesn't Care by Ashley Herring

Pressured into photographing her estranged step-sister's wedding, Delilah Green reluctantly returns home to Bright Falls where she finds herself falling for one of the stuck-up bridesmaids after the pair are forced together during party preparations.

#### You Made a Fool of Death with Your

Beauty by Akwaeke Emezi

Learning how to ing from loss, Feyi Adekola starts dating the perfect guy, but discovers she has feelings for someone else who is off limits and must decide just how far she is willing to go for a second chance at

#### **Reminders of Him** by Colleen Hoover

Released from prison, Kenna Rowan returns to the town where it all went wrong, hoping to reunite with her four-vearold daughter, but with everyone against her, she turns to local bar owner Ledger Ward who, risking everything, secretly

#### **Part of Your World** by Abby Jimene

helps her make

amends.

ER doctor Alexis Montgomery's world is turned upside down by a ridiculously hot carpenter who's 10 years younger, and as their shortterm flings turns into a relationship, she must choose between her ultrawealthy parents

and true love.



aunt's affairs with the help of Naveen Desai, a lawyer-and the man she rejected--Mira and Naveen find themselves in a mad dash through Las Vegas, following clues to untangle the mess her fami ly left behind, which puts both their lives in dan-

Partners in Crime

While settling her

#### Thank You for Listening by Julia Whelan

An audiobook narrator, former actress Sewanee Chester, after having a one-night stand with a handsome stranger in Las Vegas, returns home to narrate a romance novel and forms a connection with the anonymous author, but when his identity is finally revealed, she must risk everything for

**TEENS** 

As You Walk on By

After a disastrous

promposal at a

party, Theo hides

in an empty bed-

room, but as the

night progresses

refuge from the

sures and the

various classmates

join him in seeking

party's social pres-

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**Highly Suspicious** 

and Únfairly Cute

To win the grand

prize scholarship

at the end of their

survival course,

arch enemies Claire and Bradley

trudge through

this witty, fun

mud and dirt in

by Talia Hibber

COLLEEN

HOOVE

by Julian Winters



DARTNERS

It's too late for a sweet sixteen party, so Mahalia decides to throw herself a coming-out party in this love letter to romantic comedies, sweet sixteer blowouts, Black joy, and queer pride.



#### The Love Match by Salam Tasim

When her mother sets her up with handsome, aloof year-old Bangladeshi American Zahra pretends to date him while she pursues her coworker Nayim, but she quickly finds herself second-guessing her true feel-



# The 99 Boyfriends

of Micah Summers

by Adam Sass

Micah Summers runs a popular Instagram full of drawings of his numerous imagi nary boyfriends (ninety-nine so far) -- he's never had a real boyfriend before, but he's determined that boy 100 will be different.



#### This Time it's Real

When seventeen-year-old Eliza Lin's entirely fictional essay about meeting her perfect boyfriend goes viral at her international school in Beijing, she makes a deal with handsome and charming Caz Song to



# TALIA HIBBERT



# ear Storm Drains to Protect Your Property and Our Water

Regularly clearing your storm drains of leaves and debris helps reduce flooding and property damage while protecting watershed health and the quality of our drinking water. Follow these tips:

- Find the storm drain grates in the street by your home or business and clear them of leaves and debris.
- Use a rake or pitchfork to clear leaves, limbs, and debris from the storm drain. Do not try to remove the grate, only the debris on top of it.
- When leaves fall into the street, rake them at least one foot away from the curb so they won't block the path of rainwater. Please do not rake or blow leaves from your yard into the street.
- Never dump anything into a storm drain.

Clackamas Water Environment Services produces clean water and protects water quality. It's our job to ensure that residents and visitors enjoy the benefits of safe, healthy water for generations to come.

Learn more at clackamas.us/wes/education





It may still be winter, but there's still so much to do when it comes to recreation. And with spring just around the corner, that means even more activities and events are headed your way.













Whether it is sports and fitness, exploring your creative side, attending a community event, or heading outdoors, let Happy Valley Parks and Recreation inspire you to keep moving.

\*All Parks and Recreation classes, camps, and special events are subject to space availability. Most programs require a minimum number of participants to proceed. If the minimum enrollment requirement is not met, the class or activity may be canceled. In this case, a refund will be provided, or credit will be given toward another program. \*Classes and events reflected in this schedule were confirmed at time of print. Please note that circumstances could change based on health and safety restrictions. Should this occur, Parks and Recreation

# Winter & Spring 2023 Parks and Recreation Programming To register for one of these featured programs, be sure to check out www.happyvalleyor.gov/services/parks



\*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



## **Venvino Art Studios**

All art classes will be held at Venvino Art Studios located at 13329 SE Misty Drive.

#### Weekly Art Enrichment Program

Feb. 6 - May 27, 9 a.m.-11 a.m. Saturday • Ages 4-8 \$30/2-hour session

Kids aged 4-8yrs can be dropped off at the studio on Saturday between the hours of 9:00am and 11:00am 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 — Candle Making

Feb. 3, 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Friday • Ages 16+ \$25/2-hour session

Open to ages 16+. Candles have been used as a source of light and to illuminate celebrations for more than 5,000 years. Homemade candles usually last longer because they are made from higherquality wax. Plus, you can add your own scents, and colors, and decorate your jars! Each registration includes your



choice of a glass jar and enough candle wax, essential oils, color pigment, and any additional additive provided to create your own custom candles. Bring a friend and make an evening out of it!

### Create and Learn Series — Flower Pressing

Mar. 3, 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Friday • Ages 16+ \$25/2-hour session

Open to ages 16+. There are so many creative ways to use pressed flowers. You can make beautiful cards, creative wall hangings, or create artwork with flowers from a wedding or other special occasions. In this session, we will show you some techniques for creating pressed flowers



while also having some pre-pressed flowers that you can use to create a coaster and cards. We will provide the flowers, but you are welcome to bring your own as well!

### Create and Learn Series — String Art

Apr. 7, 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Friday • Ages 16+ \$25/2-hour session

Open to ages 16+. If you have been too intimidated to try string art, then this is your chance! We will show you all the tips and tricks for creating a beautiful string art project. Utilizing a simple shape, this project is less intimidating. We'll have several different designs to choose from. Paint your plaque any color and select the color of your



string for your project! Customize it to reflect your own unique style or home décor!

### Create and Learn Series — Paper Dahlias

May 5, 6 p.m. 8 p.m. Friday • Ages 16+ \$25/2-hour session

It is believed that paper flowers were used to decorate during the winter when flowers were less available. These are so much fun to make and always turn out so beautifully! You choose the colors, and we will show you how to create large, bright beautiful flowers that you can hang in your home year-round. Your registration includes all the supplies. materials, and instruction to make at least one large flower to take home.





# **Soccer Shots**

All classes held at Happy Valley Park.

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 appreciation.

## Soccer-Classic

Feb. 5 – Mar. 5, 3 p.m.-3:35 p.m. Sunday • Ages 4-5 • \$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 appreciation.

# 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.





### Open Play

Monday – Friday, 1pm-3pm Ages 65+ • \$2

Are you age 65+ and looking for others

begins to change, so sign up today online through court reserve or

Did you know if you are age 65+ your membership can be partially or even FULLY paid for by your insurance through the Renew Active and Silver & Fit programs? Ask your healthcare provider to see if you have this benefit or give us a call and we can help check for you. RECS features pickleball clinics, Open Play sessions, leagues, and tournaments, as well as private events.

Check out www.WeareRECS.com for more info or call **503-655-PLAY**.











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My Gym in The Park! All classes held at Happy Valley Park.

Eggstravaganza 2023

Apr. 1, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. • Saturday Ages 9 months to 10 years • \$20

Join My Gym in the park for their annual Eggstravaganza! This intimate event will feature spring-themed songs, dances, relays, games, and puppets, finished off with an egg hunt! All registered children will receive a goody bag to take home plus the pre-filled eggs they find. A bag will be provided, but you may bring your own basket. Register for a 30-minute time slot to guarantee your space. Walk-ins will not be accepted due to very limited capacity. This year, participants can expect a special visit from the RecMobile, packed with fun crafts and games put on by Happy Valley Parks and Recreation!

10 a.m.: Younger Kids (9months to 3 years) 10:45 a.m.: All Ages (9 months to 10 years) 11:30 a.m.: All Ages (9 months to 10 years) 12:15 p.m.: Big Kids (4 years to 10 years)

Parent and Me Class

May 5 - May 26, 10 a.m.-10:45 a.m. • Friday Ages 1 ½ - 3 ½ • \$80 per 4 weeks

Grown-up participation required. Your child will sing, dance, play games, watch puppet shows, and even have "Surprise Time!" Our voungsters feel great about themselves as they learn basic tumbling and sports skills in a fun and positive setting. Our curriculum keeps these active little ones engaged and captivated while improving their fine and gross motor proficiency and increasing strength and agility. Running, jumping, and spatial awareness are milestones in this program. Our caring teachers will build up your little one's confidence and self-esteem with gentle encouragement. This helps children develop social skills, learn to follow directions, and cooperate in a group of their peers. Above all else, we make sure your child's self-esteem will soar!

Mighty Mites

May 5 - May 26, 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m. • Friday Ages 3 ½ - 5 ½ • \$80 per 4 weeks

Some kids may require grown-up participation. Mighty Mites are transitioning from toddlers to big kids! The children participate independently with their teachers while parents can watch and cheer them on. This is a huge milestone we don't take lightly, as confidence and self-reliance are cornerstones of this curriculum. In this program, you'll see your child's strength, flexibility, and agility increase as our teachers coach the kids through relays, basic gymnastics, and sports skills. Positive reinforcement aboundsand we promise your child will leave class with feelings of pride, accomplishment, and success!



#### **Adventures Without Limits**

View registration for meeting location details

#### Mother's Day Weekend Kayak Trip

May 13, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday • Ages 6+ • \$85

Grab your mom or loved one, push off from shore and spend Mother's Day discovering a world of calm waters and relaxed paddling. Estacada Lake is a dammed portion of the Clackamas River that is accessible from Milo

McIver State Park. This paddle route travels along a forest-lined river that extends through a river canyon with seasonal waterfalls pouring from the sides. It's not uncommon to spot osprey, eagles and other wildlife from the river. This paddle is great for beginners or those looking for a tranquil paddle on flat water. Although motorized boats are permitted, the paddle has plenty of opportunities for solitude and quiet moments.

\*AWL provides all of the paddling equipment necessary, including safety gear and lifejackets. Participants are asked to bring water. lunch, and appropriate clothing for the day.

### Earth Day White Water Rafting • Location TBD

Apr. 22, 9 a.m.- TBD p.m.

Saturday • Ages 6+ • \$99

Oregon is known for its snow-capped mountains and rocky coastlines, but it is the rivers that connect these landscapes and provide a home for some of the most iconic wildlife in the Pacific Northwest. Oregon alone has over 110,000 miles of

rivers of which nearly 2,000 miles are designated Wild and Scenic. Grab a paddle and join our expert guides as we navigate class II+ rapids. Along the way enjoy the scenic landscapes and watch for fish darting through the crystal-clear waters beneath us. With the perfect combination of calm floats and excitement, this paddle is great for first time rafters and seasoned paddlers alike!

\*AWL provides all the paddling equipment necessary, including safety gear and lifejackets. Participants are asked to bring water, lunch, and appropriate clothing for the day.



### **Engineering for Kids Afterschool Program**

Classes held indoors at Engineering Happy Valley Annex – 12915 SE King Rd.

### Engineering Club!

Mar. 2 - Apr. 13, 3 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Thursday • Ages 7-12 • \$200

### **Mission to Mars: Missions and Mechanics**

This class is all about the missions and mechanics of NASA's Mars Rovers. Students will take an in-depth look at how the rovers safely land at carefully selected sites on the

surface of Mars to carry-out scientific investigations. Students will closely examine the anatomy, tools, and technology the rovers are equipped with in order to understand how their work continues to deepen our understanding of the Red Planet. Each day, classes will use EFK's Engineering Design Process to engage in exciting, hands-on STEM challenges with real-world connections to NASA and mechanical engineering.



**Skyhawks Sports Classes Skyhawks** Programs held at Happy Valley Park. **Extended Spring Clinics From** 4 To 5 Weeks!

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

Mar. 27 - Mar. 31, 9 a.m.-noon

Ages 4-6 • \$155

This multi-sport program was developed to give children a positive first step into athletics. Baseball, basketball, and soccer are taught in a safe, structured environment filled with encouragement and fun. Through games and activities, campers explore balance, hand/eye coordination, and skill development at their own pace.

#### Multi-Sport (Baseball, Basketball & Soccer)

Mar. 27 – Mar. 31, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Ages 7-12 • \$269

Our multi-sport program is designed to introduce athletes to a variety of different sports in one setting. For this program we combine soccer and basketball into a series of clinics. Athletes will learn the rules and essentials skills of each sport along with vital life lessons such as respect and teamwork.

#### SoccerTots

Apr. 15 - May 20, 9 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Ages 3-4 • \$89

Apr. 15 – May 20, 9:45 a.m.-10:15 a.m. Ages 4-5 • \$89

Playable on almost any surface, these soccer-themed motor skill classes are very

easy for youngsters to get into. Younger age groups focus on developing motor skills and self-confidence; older classes focus more on developing core soccer skills and personal focus and introduce an element of light competition. Instructor-to-student ratio is kept small to maximize individual development, and above all else we promote fun, fun, fun!

#### Mini-Hawk (Basketball & Soccer)

Apr. 15 – May 20, 10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. Ages 5-7 • \$99

This multi-sport program was developed to give children a positive first step into athletics. Basketball, and soccer are taught in a safe, structured environment filled with encouragement and fun. Through games and activities, campers explore balance, hand/eye coordination, and skill development at their own pace.

#### Basketball

Apr. 15 – May 20, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Ages 8-12 • \$119

This fun, skill-intensive program is designed with the beginning to intermediate player in mind. Using our progressional curriculum, our basketball staff focus on the whole player, teaching your child the skills needed both on and off the court to be a better athlete. Each day will start with a "skill of the day" and progress into drills and games. After a week of passing,

shooting, dribbling, and rebounding, your child will show you why this is one of our most popular programs.



Apr. 15 - May 20, 12:45 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Ages 3-5yrs • \$89

Learning basketball has never been more fun! These classes focus on dribbling, shot technique, passing and teamwork. Adjustable hoops and appropriately sized basketballs are used to always provide just the right amount of challenge.



### **Mad Science**

Camps will be held at Happy Valley Park

### Unseen World

Mar. 27, -Mar. 31, 9 a.m.-noon

Monday - Friday Ages 5-12 • \$250

Start off with a bang by creating some amazing chemical reactions! Make a lemon powered battery, find out how aspirin

works and witness some frenetic fireworks. Discover how chemicals combine to form living cells, and take a look through a microscope to see one up close. Learn how living cells combine to form functioning organs, and what yours do for you. Understand your body from the atoms on up!

# Young Naturalists

Mar. 27, -Mar. 31, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Monday - Friday

Ages 5-12 • \$250 Future Rachel Carson's & David Attenborough's assemble! Spend a week immersed in the natural world identifying birds, collecting insects, tracking animals, dissecting plants, and

hunting for rocks. Campers will hone their observation skills, learn how to keep a Field Guide, and use leaves to design a shirt - all in the fresh air! \*Available for outdoor camp locations only.



# **Valentine's Day 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.

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

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.



# To register for one of these featured programs, be sure to check out www.happyvalleyor.gov/services/parks

CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY

Astronomy: Solar System, Stars, and Galaxies All classes held at Happy Valley Parks and RKS & RECREATION Recreation Annex: 12915 SE King Rd.

#### Astronomy: Solar System, Stars, and Galaxies Feb. 6-Mar. 27, 7 p.m.-8 p.m.

Monday • Ages 18+ • \$70 Come gain a better understanding of

the basic facts of astronomy and walk away with a greater awareness of the Earth and how it fits within the solar system and universe! This condensed evening astronomy course is taught by

Derek Sears, an Emeritus professor and currently Senior Research Scientist at NASA. This is an adult course intended for those with no previous knowledge within a friendly, informal atmosphere. The course will be taught within a lecture and conversational format along with opportunities for stargazing at the end of each class. The first four weeks will focus on the solar system, and the second four weeks will concentrate on the stars and galaxies.

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



**CPR, FIRST AID / AED Training** 

Classes held at Happy Valley City Hall. ARKS & RECREATION

# First Aid/CPR/AED Training

May 19, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday • Ages 15+

Resident \$70 /Non-Resident \$105 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

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

it easy to get First Aid/CPR/AED certified to be prepared for the



#### Surf's Pup Doggie Lounge Pet First Aid & CPR

Location: Happy Valley Annex: 12519 SE King Rd.

### Pet First Aid & CPR Class

Mar. 15, 5 p.m.-8 p.m. Thursday • Ages 18+ • \$90

Dogs are NOT allowed. Participants are encouraged to bring stuffed animals for the hands-on portion of the class. Stuffed animals will be available for participants to use if needed. This class is part instruction and part hands-on skills.

It teaches basic first aid and how to provide it to your dog as well as how to perform CPR. Participants will be instructed on different first aid techniques through a power point presentation followed by a hands-on practice portion of the class. Each participant will receive a pet first aid pocket-sized handbook to take home and practice gauze for the hands-on portion of class. They will walk away from this class with basic information on how to provide first aid to their pet in the case that they get injured.



**Babysitter Training Course** 

Classes held at Happy Valley City Hall.

### Babysitting Training

Feb. 25, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday • Ages 10 - 16 Apr. 14, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday - NON SCHOOL DAY

Resident - \$50 / Non-resident - \$75

Our in-person babysitter classes give you access to the latest information on childcare, offer tips, and can answer all your questions so that you're ready to start your own babysitting business. With lecture and class activities, these courses are engaging, informative and fun. Although every situation is unique, there are some universal skills and techniques that every babysitter should have. Our courses were designed with this principle in mind and can help you deliver the care that families need. Just a few of the things our babysitting classes cover include: Basic Care for Infants and Children, Basic First Aid, Child Behavior, Age-Appropriate Activities, Emergency Protocols, Professionalism, Leadership, Growing Your Business.

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



### **Youth Open Gym Nights**

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

#### Feb. 7 - Feb. 28, 6:30pm-8pm 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.



Field Trip Fridays

Meeting location: HV City Hall

- 16000 SE Misty Dr.

Come enjoy a new experience and leave the driving to us! The group will meet at Happy Valley City Hall where participants can hop on the RecMobile to enjoy an afternoon exploring a handful of Oregon's social, educational, and inspiring gathering spots, all while getting to know members of your community! Spots will be limited. To check out featured field trips, visit: www.happyvalleyor.gov/parks



#### Mt. Angel Volksfest!

Feb. 3, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Friday • Ages 21+

\$25-Resident / \$37.50 Non-Resident

Celebrate Mount Angel's German heritage at Volksfest, where you will find the best handcrafted German sausages and plenty of other great food! Enjoy dancing, games, demonstrations and live German music from Bavarian Echos, Polkaticians, Festival Brass, Dopplebock, Roman Giberson & the Long Haul & Hit Machine!

\*Note: There will be a lot of walking on this trip.

#### Snowshow Adventure

Mar. 15, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Friday • Ages 18+ • Cost TBD

Additional details coming soon. Bundle up and head out of the valley for the day to join HV Parks and Recreation on a snowshoe adventure in the serene snowy wilderness on Mt. Hood. No experience necessary. Just a sense of adventure and a desire to get outdoors!

#### Angels Rest Day Hike

Apr. 28, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Friday • Ages 18+

\$20-Resident / \$30 Non-Resident

Our group will visit the Vista House at Crown Point where participants can take in breathtaking views on one of the most beautiful scenic points on the Historic Columbia River Highway. Participants can soak in rich history about the house from a handful of educational exhibits inside. From there we will continue up Hwy 84 to our destination at the Angels Rest Trailhead. Angel's Rest is a moderate, 4.5 mile out-and-back hike, the perfect mix for hikers looking for moderate elevation gain, relatively short distance, and incredible reward at the summit with 360-degree views of the Columbia River Gorge and Portland's northern metro.

#### Tom McCall Point Wildflower Hike

May 12, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Friday • Ages 18+

\$20-Resident / \$30 Non-Resident This moderate level out-and-back 4 mile hike offers exceptional views of the Columbia Gorge, as well as Mount Adams and Mount Hood. When the Spring wildflowers are in bloom, this is one of the most stunning vistas in the Gorge! Wildflowers such as lupine, paintbrush, foxglove, wild rose, and balsamroot can be viewed. Bring a picnic to enjoy on the side of the trail or save your appetite for our stop in Hood River on the way back to town.



Johnson Creek Watershed **Council & Backyard Birdshop Nature Walks** 

See descriptions below for locations of each walk.

#### Park After Dark -**Scouters Mountain Nature Park**

Mar. 16, 7 p.m. -8: p.m.

Thursday • FREE • Ages 10+

Curious about what (or whoooo) comes out once the sun goes down? Join Johnson Creek Watershed Council on a guided Park After Dark trail walk in Scouters Mountain Nature Park. Learn how to become more

aware of our nocturnal neighbors – we will

use our senses to discover what can be seen, heard, or even smelled on this fun night walk! You may even find animal tracks, hear owl calls, or sneak a peek at some night crawlers.

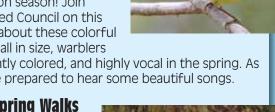
## Warbler Walk

May 6, 7:30 a.m.-9 a.m. Saturday, Location TBD

FREE • Ages 10+ For many bird watchers, warblers are the

highlight of the migration season! Join Johnson Creek Watershed Council on this trail walk to learn more about these colorful songbirds. Although small in size, warblers

are active feeders, brightly colored, and highly vocal in the spring. As their name indicates, be prepared to hear some beautiful songs.



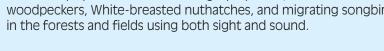
# Backyard Birdshop Spring Walks

Apr. 5, 10 a.m.-noon - Scouters Mountain Nature Park Apr. 22, 8 a.m.-10 a.m.

- Mt. Talbert Nature Park

Thursday • FREE • Ages 10+ Join Backyard Birdshop in celebrating Spring with our feathered friends on

these guided trail walks with naturalist Elaine Murphy. Watch for Western gray squirrels, Pileated and Harry woodpeckers, White-breasted nuthatches, and migrating songbirds





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Calling all teen drivers! Let our experts show you how to take care of your vehicles! Everything from tires, fluid checks, maintenance, lights, and road safety. Details coming soon! Follow us at: www.happyvalleyor.gov/parks for more info.



One of the best-kept secrets about Happy Valley is its parks and trail system. As spring returns and light lingers a little more each day, you'll soon find the early morning frost is replaced by fresh dew and the songs of nearby birds. Take advantage of all Mother Nature has to offer with a quiet stroll along a pathway or a scenic view of some of the Pacific Northwest's budding foliage.

# **HAPPY VALLEY PARK**

13770 SE Ridgecrest Rd. This 32-acre park offers a

variety of activities including a boardwalk through the wetlands, playground areas, a splash pad, several dog parks, exercise stations and a large common area perfect for



many of the City's community events. Covered picnic areas can be reserved for private parties by contacting City Hall.

**MOUNT TALBERT NATURE PARK** 

10695 SE Mather Rd.

Mount Talbert is the largest of three buttes in Happy Valley, a group of extinct volcanoes and lava domes, and the largest nature reserve in Happy Valley at 200-acres. The park offers miles of hiking trails, cultural history and natural resources, and panoramic views.



#### **SCOUTER'S MOUNTAIN NATURE AREA**

S.E. Boy Scout Lodge Road and Southeast 147th Ave. Scouters Mountain Nature Park is home to a 100-acre park with an unbeatable view of Mt. Hood. The park is accessible year-round with viewpoints that can be enjoyed by all. Fun and whimsical art sculptures are scattered around the property. Look closely as they blend in with the natural landscape.



#### **MOUNT SCOTT NATURE TRAILS**

Located at the top of Mt. Scott with multiple trail access points. On street parking only.

The 24-acre park, complete with miles of trails, dense foliage, interesting landmarks, and a lively creek, will make you feel as if you are deep in the forest when you are only steps away from Happy Valley neighborhoods.



### **SCOTT CREEK PARK & TRAIL**

Located west of 129th with multiple trail access points. On street parking only.

With less than nine acres of land, Scott Creek Park is a small park with lots to offer. If you are looking for a quick escape from daily life, the vegetation, wildlife and running water along this trail will appeal to all your senses.



## **ASHLEY MEADOWS PARK**

15410 SE Oregon Trail Dr.

Tucked within a neighborhood, this 1.7 acre area is perfect for kids who need to burn some energy.

### **REBSTOCK PARK**

12915 SE King Rd.

Located behind the Happy Valley Community Policing Center, Rebstock Park is a small, picturesque park, perfect for a picnic and a little quiet time outdoors.





## Hang in there! Spring is in the air!

Spring is the perfect time to get outside and enjoy the beauty of your surroundings. Take a stroll in your neighborhood or head to the mountain for an excursion. Find

a new trail and capture a gorgeous landscape with some new photography equipment. Whatever your interest might be, spring is prime for reenergizing your spirit and reconnecting with the outdoors. Looking for some guidance and inspiration? Be sure to check out all the Parks and Recreation listings in this insert or connect with our community partner, Next Adventure, and let them help you plan a seasonal adventure.

#### **VILLAGE GREEN PARK**

13786 SE Sieben Parkway

Located across the street from the Happy Valley Library, there is always plenty to do at this active, family park. Its modern play structures offer kids a fun way to stay active and during summers, the park even lends itself to concerts and movies.



#### **SOUTHERN LITES NEIGHBORHOOD PARK**

12088 SE 117TH Ave.

Perfect for little ones, this neighborhood park not only offers a play structure, but also has access to the scenic Scott Creek Trail.



#### **ELLA V. OSTERMAN PARK**

10501 SE William Otty Road

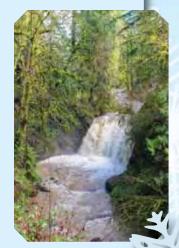
Ella V. Osterman Park is perched on Happy Valley's west slope, and shelters along the edge of wooded area. While the park is conveniently located near local neighborhoods, the surrounding woods offer a nature-dense backdrop that creates a great afternoon retreat.



#### HIDDEN FALLS NATURE PARK

There are two main access points to Hidden Falls Nature Park. To the north of Rock Creek, there is an entrance at Pioneer Dr. and 156th Ave. To the south of Rock Creek, there is an entrance point on 162nd Ave., just past the dead end and alongside Hood View Park.

This 21.3-acre area of serene beauty is perfect for hikes. With a 0.84-mile multi-use paved trail and viewing areas of the falls, experience the flora and fauna of this breathtaking spot. Please note the pathway to the falls, while paved, is steep and may not be suitable for those needing more stability.





## Seasons change

Winter won't stick around forever. Throughout the city, there will be a reawakening of sorts with beautiful cherry blossoms welcoming all things new.



For more information visit: www.happyvalleyor.gov/community/parks-trails

**Parking** 

**Splash Pad** 

**Basketball** 

**Dog Not allowed** 

- Soccer

- **Baseball/Softball** 
  - **Off-Leash Dog Area**
- **Picnic Facilities Walking Trail**

**Tennis** 

- **Playground**
- Restrooms

**Shelter** 

- PARKS & RECREATION



# Living and Playing Together The Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Foundation works collaboratively with

the City's Parks and Recreation Department to help bolster park amenities and vital programming. At its core, the Foundation is dedicated to ensuring that parks and recreational programming are available for the enjoyment of all Happy Valley residents and visitors.

Help make a difference! 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 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 Facebook!



# **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 happyvalleyor.gov/meals-on-wheels. Learn about how you can volunteer for this vital program or submit a tax-deductible donation in the amount of your choice. Your gift, whether through volunteering or financial aid, will support homebound seniors right here in Happy Valley.



