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Oriette (center) and her family with the firetruck

Oriette Rosella Newman: 100 Years Young

Oriette Newman recalls some of the highlights of her 100 years and how she celebrated



Oriette with photos documenting her 100 years.

By EMMA DAVIS

Pamplin Media Group

Not many people live to be 100 years old, but Happy Valley resident Oriette Newman has defied all the odds. Recently, she celebrated this incredible milestone at her residence Princeton Village Assisted Living with her family where she was the star of the show. Clad with cake, photos from her past and more, she was even surprised with a 1970s firetruck that paraded around the facility with everyone wishing her a happy birthday.

"Weston from Gresham has a 1975 red fire truck and if somebody's 100 or above, Brad Rowe, one of the salesmen, will come drive it," Renee West, one of Oriette's daughters said. "Sirens going and lights flashing with music, celebration, whatever, and then pull up and celebrate." Ory is beloved by many people in the community, but especially her family. She has a combined total of 28 grandkids and great grandkids and loves every single one of them.

She had an impressive, illustrious, and fulfilling life, experiencing things that no one in their wildest dreams could imagine.

It all began in 1923 in the small town of Rosalyn, South Dakota. She was born into a family of six with one brother, Alton, and two sisters, Venita and Jeanne. Oriette, commonly known as Ory, went to a Norwegian



Oriette with her graduating class of 1942 at one of her high school reunions.

high school in her hometown and was a cheerleader there until she graduated in a class of just 18 people in 1942. Once graduated, she went to Webster University in Sioux Falls, South Dakota where she studied business and then soon after moved up to Portland.

While in Portland, World War II broke out and Ory went to go work in the shipyards as a welder, where she then met her husband. They got married soon after their meeting and it didn't take long until he was shipped off to fight.

"He went to the war, and I went to welding," Ory said. "We had to sit on the ships, and I remember how cold it was. We had these outfits, all leather, and helmets to work on the ships." Ory did that for three years until her

husband returned from war. She then went on to work at Western Union as well as Fred Meyer for a while.

Within her 100 years, she experienced some of the most monumental events in United States history, including living through the Great Depression, World War II, seeing several different presidencies, seeing the first man walk on the moon, and more. Additionally, she saw decades of technological advancements.

"We listened to the news on the radio all the time," Ory said. But nowadays, she prefers using her iPhone, which her grandchildren so graciously helped her figure out; and now she's become quite savvy. "She texts the grandkids and takes pictures and she sends me things, all the time,"



A young Oriette Newman.

her daughter Renee said. "And emojis. She's always sending us emojis."

In all Ory's life, living in the moment has always been at the core. "At that time in my life, I just wanted to have a good time," she said

to have a good time," she said.

Over the course of her lifetime, she dedicated time to trying new things and doing what she loves. She took up painting later in life and created beautiful works of art that she eventually sold, though she did keep a few. She has several hobbies, including her favorite: puzzles.

Today, Ory continues to live in the moment and never takes anything for granted.

At the end of our talk, I asked what her secret to living so long: "Keep on working and don't stop moving," she said. "Life is fun. Enjoy it."

PICKATHON 2023: MUSIC & ART COMES ALIVE IN THE VALLEY

A precursor to the new and improved Pickathon 2023

By EMMA DAVIS

Pamplin Media Group

This year's Pickathon, the annual experiential music & art festival held at Pendarvis Farms held since 1999, is one

of the most talked about events in Happy Valley this time of year.

Artists ranging from bluegrass, soul, indie, funk, and everything in between are scheduled throughout a jam-packed weekend

that offers festival goers an opportunity to take in the sounds with ease as they peruse between shows. Known for its commitment to sustainability, Pickathon is also widely credited for becoming the first large outdoor music festival in the United States to eliminate single-use plates, cups, and utensils. With zero waste, this event uses no plastic, featuring instead reusable ware that double as coveted souvenirs.

Ticket holders can opt for a day visit, or hunker down for the full weekend experience via camping by car or RV. Pickathon is a sight to behold as attendees vibe not only with the band in front of them, but Happy Valley's natural beauty

This year some exciting new additions and helpful changes aim to give both festival goers and neighbors a great experience. Founder and organizer Zale Schoenborn has been working with his team to make this Pickathon the best it has ever been.

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Windmill Neighborhood 2022

The Sounds of Summer

Summer Concerts in the Valley continue Thursday nights

City of Happy Valley

The City's multi-week concert series at Happy Valley Park is only halfway through and that means there are three more bands set to hit the stage. Brought to you by Happy Valley Parks and Recreation, this energetic sixweek series offers the community a chance to reconnect and celebrate summer with some of the hottest acts in town.

Attendees are in for a treat as upcoming concerts include the Blondie tribute band Glass of Hearts, the bluesy vibes of Norman Sylvester, and local favorite Ian James.

Concerts are festival-style seating, so attendees are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy the tunes. Food and beverage, including beer and wine, are available for

purchase on site.

Kids and teens can still check out the Happy Zone, a fun-filled activity space that offers crafts, games, and action-packed excitement. Coordinated by the Happy Valley Parks and Recreation team, this space provides rotating activities like crafts and cornhole.

The fun starts at 6:30 p.m., so grab a spot on the lawn and listen to the next round of tunes. For more information, head to www.happyvalleyor. gov/summer-concerts-2023.

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Bring a blanket and some lawn chairs to create a relaxing vibe on the grass.

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Pickathon

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Last year, parking proved to be a bit difficult for attendees. This year, things have switched up with the addition of a new 'Welcome Lot.' People can enter, get tickets and take the shuttle all before getting on the festival grounds.

Instead of traditional stages, Pickathon venues are woven in scenic natural locations. Each of the one-of-a-kind settings becomes a "neighborhood" where art, music and culture are integrated into the landscape and are used based on the time of day to keep people out of the sun; covered by the trees. In the 2023 installment, all the designs are changing with new art and natural installments, being designed by the Portland State University Architectural Program students. "Nature is the best and whole vibe [of Pickathon]," Schoenborn said.

In addition to the revamped designs, this year's musical lineup is one to keep watch for. Every year, different genres are presented, ranging from R & B, alternative, folk, country, dance and many more. "I think this is the best musical line up we've ever had," he said. Some artists, duos, and bands featured are She She She, Florist, Madison Cunningham, Wednesday, Ocie Elliott, Whimz, Larry & Joe, and more.

Pickathon 2023 is being held from Aug. 3-6. For more information, visit pickathon.com.

What to expect as Pickathon takes the stage

changes and additional resources aim to limit impacts from festival

City of Happy Valley

Residents near Pendarvis Farm are likely familiar with the traffic and noise affiliated with the event, but for those new to the festival, it may be helpful to explain what to expect. Located on SE Hagen Rd., Pendarvis Farm is in the vicinity of homes and businesses closest to SE Pleasant Valley Pkwy, SE 162nd, and SE 172nd.

An influx of pedestrians, vehicles, and bicycles are expected once the event begins, as is sound due to live music that plays throughout the weekend. While the City of Happy Valley is not affiliated with the production of Pickathon, staff do work closely with its event organizers to help maximize community safety. Issues related to mitigating traffic on public roads, safety and mobility efficiencies for neighboring residents, and proactive limits to noise volume are all considered and put through rounds of strategic problem-solving.

With safety the City's utmost priority, Pickathon's event organizers

their event's crowd control, pedestrian protections, performance hours, and road signage are all addressed. Happy Valley's Police Department, Community Services Officers, and Clackamas Fire District #1 all take an active role in supporting the event in one way or another.

New this year

To help reduce congestion near the entrance of Pendarvis Farm, a designated lot has been identified to isolate the majority of overflow traffic. Residents can expect to see festival goers enter this area from SE Foster Rd. between SE Hemrich Rd. and SE Troge Rd. Pickathon event organizers have coordinated a shuttle for attendees to utilize and dedicated crossing guards will be helping facilitate pedestrian movement. While the plan is to keep traffic impact at bay, residents and travelers through the area should expect some delays as extra caution is exercised.

Who to ask for help

It is important to note that even the best laid plans can go awry, so Pickathon event organizers have added an additional layer of support should concerns arise. A Neighborhood Care **Team** has been established to respond are tasked with ensuring things like to issues related to noise, traffic, and

in 2022. Photo by Rob Kerr, **Pickathon Photo Crew Instagram** credit @robkerr6.

Neighborhood Care Team with concerns at 503-717-2715. As always, please call 9-1-1 if there is immediate life-threatening activity.

parking complaints, as well as any other

Residents can contact the

eneral problem that might pop up.

Call non-emergency dispatch at 503-655-8211 for all other safety reporting.

The Festival runs from Aug. 3 to Aug

General Festival hours:

Pickathon traffic

volunteers have some fun before

the first arrivals

and parking

6. Hours are 9 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. with main gates closing at 11 p.m. every

night until 8 a.m. the following morning. Outdoor amplification will be reduced at 11 p.m. every night to minimize sound for surrounding neighborhoods.

Pickathon promises to promote a welcoming festival with a zero-tolerance policy for harassment, discrimination, and physical or verbal altercation and this sentiment extends to City residents. If you haven't experienced Pickathon yourself, consider checking it out.

For more information about the event, head to www.pickathon.com.

Summer **Concerts**

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Concerts in the valley 2023 August schedule

August 10: GLASS OF HEARTS

Giving Portland a taste of New Wave era's premier femalefronted powerhouse, Glass of Hearts delivers all the punk, disco and rap packed with every ounce of energy one show can handle!

August 17: NORMAN SYLVESTER

Norman "the Boogie Cat" Sylvester is an absolute legend. He's played the Waterfront Blues Festival and jammed with, or opened for, blues giants Buddy Guy, Albert Collins and even B.B. King. Born in Louisiana, blues and R&B are at the heart of everything he does. His earliest musical influences originate church and blues sung by local community performers he's connected with throughout the years.

Volunteer Appreciation Night: join us for a special celebration honoring our City committees and local volunteers

August 24: IAN JAMES

Described as the musical lovechild of Michael Jackson and James Taylor, once you hear Ian James play, you will be coming back for more. Prepare for a soulful voice with uplifting energy that will keep the party vibe alive.

We love our concert sponsors!

Happy Valley Parks and Recreation is continuing to showcase the generous sponsors who have helped make the 2023 Concert in the Valley series possible. Check out the local businesses highlighted this month.

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Summer concerts continue every Thursday from Aug. 10 through Aug. 24 at Happy Valley Park. Pictured: In July, Britnee Kellogg kicked off the 2023 season with some country flair.

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Happy Valley Celebrates 4th of July

City of Happy Valley

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Outstanding Volunteers in the Community

City of Happy Valley

A few months ago, the City Council sought nominations for members of our community who have gone above and beyond to make Happy Valley a better place to live, learn, work, and play. We couldn't have been more inspired by the individuals nominated by the community. Hearing about all the selfless acts, dedication, and commitment is inspiring.

We are pleased to announce the City Council has selected the following individuals to be recognized as Outstanding Volunteers in the Community:

■ Ana Sarish: Traffic & Public Safety Committee; Budget Committee; Community Center Steering Committee; Happy Valley Business Alliance

■ Carol Bernhard: North Clackamas School District Volunteer; Booster Club; PTSA; Junior Achievement; 4H; FFA; Girl Scouts Leader; Sunnyside Grange; VFW Auxiliary

■ Courtney Gelbrich: Cannady Elementary PTO

■ Grant Roper: Traffic & Public Safety Committee Chair; Budget Committee Chair; Veterans Memorial Task Force

■ Hanna Grishkevich: Happy Valley Clean Up

■ Lex Black: School volunteer; PTO Board Member

■ Mark Aasland: Parks Advisory Committee Chair; Veterans Memorial Task Force; Community Center Steering Committee

■ Minh Matthews: Traffic & Public Safety Committee; Community Center Steering Committee; 4th of July Festival Volunteer; National Night Out Volunteer; Organizer of the City's

Youth Council; Parks and Recreation Volunteer

School Volunteer; School Event Organizer; Happy Valley Fun Run Organizer; Jog-a-thon Organizer

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President; Happy Valley Fun Run Organizer; Walk and Roll Event Organizer We couldn't be more grateful

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■ Owen Hunt: Happy Valley

■ Patty Ottaway: Happy Valley Elementary and Middle

■ Shelley McFarland: Traffic & Public Safety Committee;

■ Steven Sonk: Jackson during COVID-19; Volunteer

■ Tawnya Thomas: Happy Valley Elementary PTO

to these individuals, and every-



CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY

2023 Volunteer Appreciation Night will be held Thursday, Aug. 17 during the evening's Summer Concert.

their time and energy to our community. Please join us on Thursday, August 17th

at the Summer Concert in recognizing these Outstanding Volunteers in the Community.

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City of Happy Valley

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE — NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

By CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY Pamplin Media Group

I want to thank everyone for coming out in support of our first responders for National Night Out. It's so much more MAYOR

than just an opportunity to enjoy live music, food, and conversations with neighbors.

At National Night Out, our purpose is to provide an opportunity for our local law enforcement professionals to engage with residents and help open the door active safety discussions. Conversations between officers and residents help build

a safer community. They also

Throughout the night, I watched Happy Valley police and community service officers immediately refer to residents by name, offer high-fives to kids who were over the moon

to say hello, and even pick up on old conversations with OF HAPPY residents as if they **VALLEY** had never left off.

There's no question about it, the work our local Valley Нарру police and community service officers do to keep us safe is imperative to our City's livability. More than keeping

for meaningful and pro- us safe, it was clear our law enforcement team has a pulse on this community. We were happy to see just how much they care about Happy Valley build better relationships. during National Night Out.

Tom Ellis



right: HVPD Traffic Deputy Tyler Van Wormer, **HVPD Community** Service Officer Kimberly Peterson. Clackamas **County Sheriff's** Office Deputy Toops, and HVPD Traffic Deputy Alex Mazhnikov pose for a quick photo. National Night Out serves to unite the community and promote increased safety. Thank you to all who participated in the event and thank you to our local police and first responders for all that you do.

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we want to hear from you! To submit your idea, please head to hvn@pamplinmedia.com and include as many details as possible, so our publication team can review your proposal Our best stories highlight the spirit and values of the Happy Valley community and showcase meaningful happenings in the lives of residents and local businesses. We invite you to include anecdotes in your story proposal that are funny, astonishing, heartwarming, and inspiring. If we think your story idea is a good fit, our community writer will get in contact with you to discuss the possibility of it being featured in an upcoming issue.



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On behalf of the Happy Valley Parks and Recreation team, thank you to all who came out to participate and help celebrate National Night Out.

In addition to fostering relationships between residents and promoting police-community partnerships, the event extended its reach to include a variety of local first responders and safety organizations. Made possible by Happy Valley Parks and Recreation and sponsored by Emmert International, the event featured Happy Valley Police, Clackamas County Sheriff deputies, and firefighters from Clackamas Fire District #1, among others. The Parks and Recreation team hopes everyone who attended enjoyed the experience.

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In 2022, local Happy Valley Police deputies stopped to chat with residents at the National Night Out event. At the time of print, staff was still going through ALL the pictures from this year's gathering, so be sure to check back next month as we recap the event in full.

Highlighting our Heroes

City of Happy Valley

The City of Happy Valley would like to recognize our community's veterans and active military. To do this, Happy Valley News aims to share the story of people in our community who have served or are

currently serving in one of our country's armed forces each month. Stories might focus on your military experience, what you've learned from your travels, or anything interesting or inspiring.

The City is encouraging you to reach out to

us directly if interested and we additionally welcome nominations from family and friends. Please contact the City's Communication Specialist, Stephanie Warneke, at swarneke@happyvalleyor.gov or our Community Writer, Emma Davis at edavis@pamplinmedia.com.

The service and sacrifice our military

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stories of those who have served or are actively

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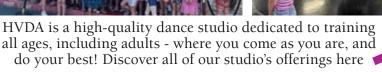
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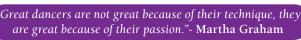
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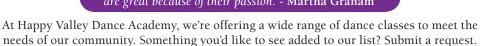














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At the time of print, the following events were scheduled. Most meetings have options to attend in-person or virtually. Please check www.happyvalleyor.gov to confirm timing of events and instructions to participate virtually. You can also opt in to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

Community Calendar *August 2023*

August 4

■ Concerts in the Park, Village Green Park: 6:30 p.m. (see page 16 for details)

August 10

■ Concerts in the Valley, Happy Valley Park: 6:30 p.m. (see cover page for details)

August 11

■ Concerts in the Park, Village Green Park: 6:30 p.m.

August 15

■ City Council Work Session, City Hall: 6 p.m.

■ City Council Meeting, City Hall: 7 p.m.

August 17

■ Concerts in the Valley, Happy Valley Park: 6:30 p.m.

August 18 ■ Concerts in the Park, Village

Green Park: 6:30 p.m. August 23

■ HVBA Meeting, City Hall:

7:30 a.m. August 24

■ Concerts in the Valley, Happy Valley Park: 6:30 p.m.

August 25 **■** Concerts in the Park, Village

September 4

Green Park: 6:30 p.m.

■ Labor Day: City Hall and





Meet your Public Art Committee



Council Liaison David Emami, Chair Janice Kiser, Dee Bedsole, Bill Taylor. Not pictured: Ray Fager, Vice Chair Daria Fine

City of Happy Valley

Art animates public spaces in Happy Valley and creates profound and memorable community experiences. Quite simply, art is a visible expression of Happy Valley's identity.

In 2013, the City hosted its inaugural Sculpture Garden program at City Hall with the idea to enhance public land, enrich our cultural environment. and encourage art appreciation within the community. The community response to this event was overwhelmingly positive, with considerable interest in continuing to bring art to Happy Valley. City Council was also eager to find ways to preserve and enhance the community's character and livability, so a Public Art Committee was formally established in 2016 to create, develop, and implement activities rooted in the arts on an ongoing basis.

Today, the Public Art Committee supports the inclusion of art by providing feedback to City Council. Members of this committee discuss all aspects of a project, from concepts and development, to the implementation of official public art activities. Projects have included weighing in on the design and look of Application.

seasonal street banners, sculpture renderings at the local roundabouts, evaluating artist submissions for the Sculpture Garden, and reviewing the various art elements displayed at the Veterans Memorial at City Hall. The group has even teamed up with the Parks Advisory Committee to discuss art enhancements at Happy Valley Park. Between murals and educational signs, the Park offers a variety of opportunities.

Public Art Committee Members:

- 1. Doris Bedsole
- 2. Ray Fager **3.** Daria Fine
- 4. Janice Kiser
- **5.** Bill Taylor 6. David Emami- City Council
- Thank you to the Public Art

Committee for ensuring we continue to bring art to our communal spaces. If you are interested in shar-

ing your time and talents with the City, please visit the Boards and Commissions page of Happy Valley's website at www.happyvalleyor.gov/city-committees and complete the Public Involvement

Meet your Parks Advisory Committee



Members of the Parks Advisory Committee gather for a group photo before a meeting. From left to right: Council President David Emami, Adam Moorehead, Ryan Rudge, Erin Bell, Geri Naumcheff, Mark Aasland, Glenn Wachter, Glen Sachet, and Chris Randall.

City of Happy Valley

In Happy Valley, our parks are an important piece of the community's identity. They are places to meet friends. play, exercise, and explore the wonders of nature. Each Citymanaged park offers its own set of amenities, and programs are constantly growing to offer opportunities that are of interest to our community.

The Happy Valley Parks Advisory Committee was created to support the effective functioning of parks throughout the City and advise City Council on specific park-related matters. The committee, which consists of five to nine resident members, are volunteers who 3. Glen Sachet serve two-year terms at the appointment of the Mayor and approval of the City Council.

This group makes recommendations 7. Geri Naumcheff to the City Council concerning park properties, playgrounds, and other recreational resources. They also provide input on the planning and development of public recreational spaces and programs, weigh in on proposed ordinances, and give feedback on rules and regulations regarding use of parks and recreational facilities, so that they best serve the interests of the public. This includes working with Parks and Recreation staff to discuss how park facilities are used and being part of the discussion when it comes to future plans and improvements.

In recent years, the Parks Advisory Application.

Committee instrumental in the development of the Parks Master Plan which provides guidance to the City on where to build new parks and trails, and details what types of amenities are most needed in our parks. The Committee has also provided feedback on the Community Center Feasibility Study and

helps make recommen-

Plan at happyvalleyor.gov/ master-parks-plan or scan the OR code with your smartphone. dations regarding the

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Happy Valley's Parks Master

Parks Advisory Committee Members:

voter-approved parks levy.

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- Mark Aasland 6. Glenn Wachter
- 8. David Emami, Council President City Council Liaison
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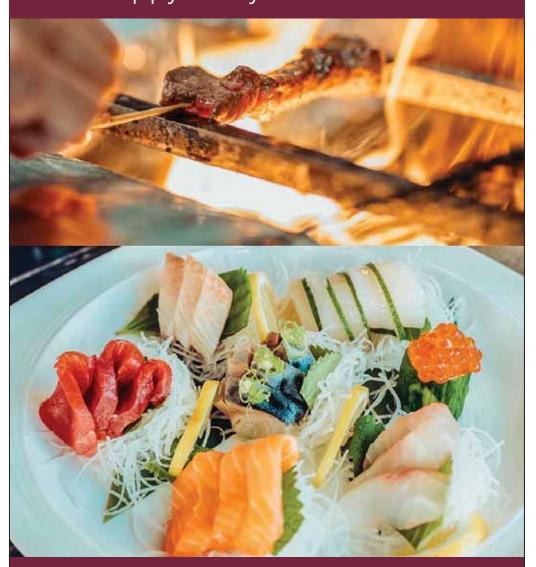
Director - City Staff Liaison Thank you to the Parks Advisory

Committee for ensuring we continue to care for our parks and develop recreational opportunities for our community.

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The Positive Principal

Kari Montgomery reflects on her career at OTE

By EMMA DAVIS Pamplin Media Group

Ever since she could remember, **Oregon Trail Elementary School** principal, Kari Montgomery has always loved working with kids and spreading positivity wherever she went. When she was deciding what she wanted to do, she knew she wanted to pursue something that gave her something where she could utilize her creative skills and still work with children. "Education was a place where I could be creative and be with kids," Montgomery said. "I actually wanted to be an actress, so [education] was like a marriage of bringing love of learning to life by being creative and being with people."

Beginning her teaching career the same year she graduated from the University of Alberta in 1994 (she's a native Canadian, by the way), she got her first teaching job in Bangkok, Thailand teaching elementary school. "At my university, there were always different opportunities to go and teach abroad through exchange or apprenticeships," she said. "This was just one that was posted it was like an adventure that would give me some experience without having to worry about trying to sub." However, that was only the first part of her exciting and fulfilling

went to hold several positions not many people can say they have done in their lifetime. "I was a substitute teacher at a juvenile detention center, I went to Colombia and taught at an international school for two years, and then I came back to Alberta and taught for a year and then I went back to the United States and moved to Georgia," she said. "I also worked in a women's prison teaching their GED program for four months. Then I taught third grade for a year before I moved to Oregon." Though she had these many experiences, she spent much of

her career teaching in the Centennial School District in Portland; while there, she also pursued a master's degree in education from Concordia University. In 2013, she got her very first administrative job as an assistant principal.

Montgomery

never wanted to be a principal, though. That was never her goal when she was younger. "It wasn't until one of my principals said to me 'you're going to be a principal someday', and I was like 'no way," she said. "As an elementary school teacher though and working with great ones, I realized how critical the prin-Following Bangkok, Montgomery cipalship is to students, families and is the very best that we can possibly

TAIS FEDOROV Principal Kari Montgomery high fiving a student.

other teachers."

She has found immense joy in her jobs, more so now as an elementary school principal. Being able to work

with young children, watching them grow, seeing their progress in learning and helping them build that foundation and giving them the best education is incredibly rewarding for her. "Kids are at the core of everything I do," she said. "The experience that a child has in the years that they walk through these halls

give them, and that's not just about how they feel, but what they learn and what they walk out of it with." "That's what drives me.

This last school year (2022 to 2023) was her first year at Oregon Trail Elementary School and she could not have asked for a more special and welcoming place to be. "Oregon Trail [Elementary] is special and one of the reasons is because we continue to grow as a community," she said. "Parents and families and neighbors, as well as students and teachers, we all kind of come all together for each other and it's so fantastic.

Both in and outside the school walls,

she dedicates a lot of her time to spreading positivity whenever she can as a commitment to herself. "I always try to put things out there that could possibly help somebody at some point in time that can make a difference in her life" she said. "My goal is to find things that are uplifting and supportive of teacher growth, student experience and leadership development."

Kari Montgomery loves what she does, and it truly shows. From teaching across the world in Thailand to landing herself in the tight knit city of Happy Valley, she always finds ways to bring happiness and fulfillment to not only students' lives, but also her own.

Clackamas Down the River Cleanup Seeks Volunteers Annual cleanup has removed 40+ tons of garbage since 2003

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Lazy days floating the river not your thing, but still love & cherish the natural beauty in our backyard and the peaceful tranquility of the water? Well here's your chance to get out and give back by joining We Love Clean Rivers for the 20th Down the River Cleanup scheduled for September

This annual trash sweep covers a 22-mile stretch of the Clackamas River from Estacada to the confluence with the Willamette River in Oregon

This lower 22-mile stretch half recycled.

is now officially called the 'Clackamas Water Trail,' with dozens of class I riffles and a few class II rapids, the river is home to endangered salmon, drinking water for over300,000 Oregonians, and a recreational outlet for thousands.

The largest and longest-running on-water cleanup event of its kind in Oregon, the Clackamas Down the River Cleanup annually sees an average of 200 volunteers rally together in rafts, kayaks, SCUBA gear, drift boats and any other safe vessel to scour the stream bed and banks for trash, collecting an average of 2 tons with over



Since 2003, over 40 tons of garbage — well over the approximate weight of one gray whale has been removed from the Clackamas River by more than 4.500 volunteers.



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The day wraps up with a free BBQ for all volunteers, complete with music, a raffle, and a silent auction. For more information, scan the OR code above.

For more information on The Clackamas Water Trail, visit



The 22-mile stretch of the Clackamas River from Estacada to its confluence

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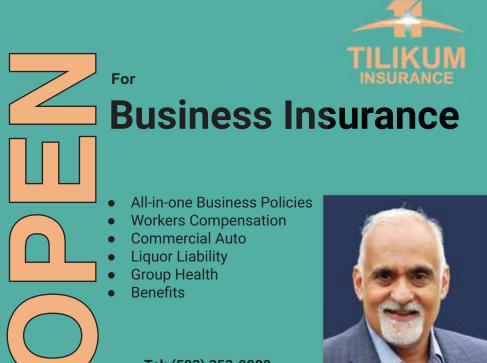
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Summer is synonymous with campfires and relaxing in the majestic beauty of the great outdoors. Whether at a campsite or in your own backyard, be sure to stay alert and keep these safety tips in mind the next time you build a campfire of your own.



CLACKAMAS FIRE DISTRICT #1

Clackamas Fire District #1

Camping season is here which means more and more people will be outside building recreational and cooking fires. Clackamas Fire wants to keep you and your family safe while enjoying campfires this summer by following these safety tips from the National Fire **Protection Association:**

- Before setting up a campfire, be sure it's permitted.
- Build campfires where they will not spread, away from dry grass and leaves. Place rocks in a circle around your fire area.
- Never use gasoline or other flammables, or combustible liquids.
- Always have a hose, bucket of water, or shovel and dirt or sand nearby to put out the fire. Make sure to put it completely out before leaving the site.
- Keep a campfire small, which is easier to control, and never leave campfires unattended.
- Don't let children or pets stand too close or play near the fire.
- Don't let children add wood or debris to the fire.
- If your clothes catch on fire, stop, drop, and roll. Stop, drop to the ground,

and cover your face with your hands. Roll over and over or back and forth until the fire is out

■ Treat a burn right away. Cool the burn with cool water for three to five minutes. Cover with a clean, dry cloth. Get medical help, if needed.

Help Prevent Invasive Emerald Ash Borer Spread

Emerald Ash Borer in Washington County: Update from Oregon Department of Forestry

Oregon Department of Forestry

Emerald ash borer (EAB) is a serious invasive pest that has killed tens of millions of ash trees (Fraxinus spp.) since it was first found in the United States in 2002. Oregon took steps to prepare for EAB, developing a statewide readiness and response plan in 2019, which was then revised in 2021.

In June 2022, EAB was found in Forest Grove, Oregon. This was the first discovery of this pest on the West Coast. EAB likely arrived in Oregon in firewood, which is a common way for the insect to spread from one state to another. Numerous common ash species, including Oregon's native ash species (Fraxinus latifolia), are especially vulnerable to this pest.

Led by Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), an EAB task force of more than 40 participating agencies, including Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF), was created within weeks of EAB being found in Oregon. Various subcommittees were formed to address specific aspects of the EAB response (i.e., slowing ash mortality, survey and monitoring, wood waste and wood utilization, training, best management practices, research, and communication). To slow the spread of EAB to other parts of the state, ODA placed Washington County under an EAB quarantine, which restricts the movement of ash and white fringetree materials out of the county. No EAB has yet been found outside of the Forest Grove area.



David Showalter (Monitoring Specialist, Oregon Department of Forestry) hangs a purple prism trap in an ash tree in Durham Park to monitor for emerald ash borer.

You can prepare for EAB and help prevent its spread by taking a few important steps:

- Don't move firewood! Buy firewood where you burn it and burn it where you buy it.
- Don't move ash or white fringetrees outside of areas known to be infested with emerald ash borer. This includes wood, live plants or plant parts.

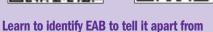
For more information on the statewide EAB response, please visit the Oregon Invasive Species Council website



Learn if any trees on your property are ash trees or white fringetrees, all of which are susceptible to EAB.

Online guides for how to identify ash trees and common look-alikes have been created by Oregon State University (OSU) and Oregon Department of Forestry.









Report if you see EAB adults
(they start emerging in late May and

(they start emerging in late May and continue to emerge throughout the summer) or tell-tale signs of EAB damage on an ash tree outside areas already known to be infested.

Learn to spot signs of EAB infestation.

Note: It can be hard to confirm if EAB is present, and it

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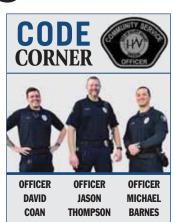
Taking Care of Business

City of Happy Valley

Did you know that all businesses in Happy Valley must be licensed to operate and that the underlying reason for this is to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Happy Valley and those who visit?

In support of the City's rules and regulations, Community Service Officers are tasked with proactively ensuring businesses within city limits are license compliant. Our efforts include cross checking renewal records maintained at the City, and reaching out to businesses that need to update their license status or begin the process.

When it comes to working with businesses, our team will do all we can to seek voluntary compliance and we typically only use formal enforcement as a last resort. For us, our goal is to work in partnership with business owners in ensuring information is obtained and up to date. Like many residents, we too recognize businesses in Happy Valley as integral to the local economy and a highlight of the City's livability.



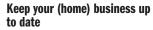


Businesses are the backbone of our local economy. In Happy Valley, all businesses, whether home based or brick and mortar, must be licensed to

What if my business has a Metro issued license?

If your business conducts work in multiple

a single license from Metro is often beneficial and cost effective. A Metro business license is not a substitute, however, for a business license from Happy Valley. In the City, you must still obtain a Happy Valley Business license. The only exception to this is for contractors who hold an active Metro license. In this case, the City's business license fee is waived.



license is a requirement for home-based busito happyvalleyor.gov/business-licenses or nesses and those that manage operations from

What if my business doesn't have a license?

While the City is interested in working with cities within the Portland Metropolitan area, businesses to promote license compliance, there

are repercussions for those that neglect to formally register with the City. Ultimately, operating without a business license could result in fines of up to \$500 per day, so it is worth it in the long run for businesses to stay on top of this requirement.

Next steps

For more information about business licenses in Happy Valley, licensure fees, or to submit an official busi-

It's also important to note that a business ness license application online, simply head scan the corresponding QR code with your smartphone.



Keep worries at bay while you're on vacation. Complete an application online to request a Community Service Officer check on the safety of your property.

Vacation Checks **Offer Residents** Peace of Mind

City of Happy Valley

Headed on an extended vacation and worried about the safety of your home? To help ease those worries, you may request a vacation check at your residence by submitting a Residential Vacation Check Form online. If approved, Happy Valley's **Community Service Officers** will patrol, when available, the perimeter of your residence to investigate if there have been any signs of a crime or entry. They will check to ensure doors and windows are closed and locked, and that there are no visible signs of entry. In the event of an emergency or issue at the home, you (or a local emergency contact as indicated on the form) would be contacted regarding the nature of the issue. Simply head to happyvalleyor.gov/ vacation-checks or scan the QR code with your smartphone to learn more.

Pro tips before heading out on any extended vacation

1. Temporarily suspend your mail, paper, and any automatic deliveries.

2. Let a trusted neighbor know where you will be, how long you'll be gone, and how to contact you in case of an emergency.

4. Leave a light on and program a radio or television on a timer to make it look like someone is home.

5. Lock your doors and windows

6. Ask a neighbor to put away any trash receptacles, so they aren't left at the curb.





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Local volunteer groups help clean up HV Park

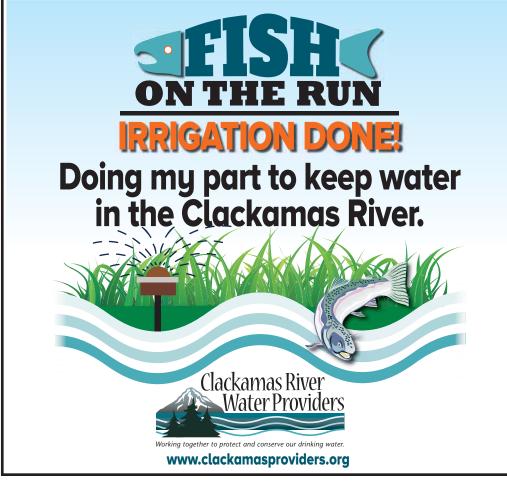
City of Happy Valley

Happy Valley Park is full of activity on the 4th of July, so it comes as no surprise that when all is said and done, the space needs a bit of a refresh. Cue our local chapters of the National Charity League and Boys Team Charity. These volunteers spend the following morning after the holiday picking up refuse and helping take down décor. Their commitment to supporting the

City and Happy Valley Parks and Recreation is a testament to their passion for service. On behalf of the community, we'd like to thank these groups for their hard work. We very much appreciate their partnership.



Members from National Charity League and Boys Team Charity help take a moment to pose for a group picture. These groups volunteers their time to help clean up Happy Valley Park following the 4th of July Family Festival.





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Helping others: Cancer survivor plans 4th annual lemonade stand benefiting kids

City of Happy Valley

Later this month, Mayor Tom Ellis will be presenting local residents, Roslyn and brother Xavier, with an honorary business license to set up their lemonade stand. But this isn't just any lemonade stand.

The duo's business efforts are for a very special cause. Roslyn beat cancer a while back and now she and Xavier hold a lemonade stand each year to raise money for other cancer patients and research through Alex's Lemonade Stand, a nonprofit organization that has raised over \$250 million for childhood cancer. If you would like to participate by donating, simply scan the QR code with your smartphone. You'll also find additional details about this event on that page.



ROSLYN & XAVIER'S LEMONADE STAND

Saturday, Aug. 20 Noon-2 p.m.

Scan the QR code for more information



In 2022, Mayor Ellis stopped by Roslyn and Xavier's lemonade stand to present an honorary business license. Council President **David Emami and** the City's Community Service Officers also joined the fun. All money raised at the upcoming event will benefit child cancer patients and cancer

Keep the summertime fun going with a neighborhood block party

City of Happy Valley

Is your neighborhood interested in holding a get together by way of a neighborhood block party? This is a great way to coordinate some summertime fun. Through Labor Day weekend, the City is accepting permit applications for block parties.

Residents can simply fill out our online form and submit it virtually for review. There is an option to request a street closure and safety barricades, which may help encourage more space for neighbors to disperse as well as allow children to play more freely.

Happy Valley Parks and Recreation offers this service to help residents stay connected and enjoy time together without the concern of persistent vehicle traffic. If you are interested in filling out an application, head to the link below. Applicants are encouraged to submit applications at least five business days in advance of the planned event so that the City can make any necessary arrangements.

Ready to plan your own neighborhood block party? Head online to happyvalleyor.gov/blockparty or use your smart phone to scan the QR code. Simply fill out the virtual application form and one of our staff members will contact you to follow up.





Spending time outside with neighbors is a great way to build relationships with those in your immediate community. Between BBO's, lawn games, and music, block parties are a summertime staple in Happy



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Did you know the Mayor, City Council, and members of the Happy Valley **Business Alliance (HVBA)** frequently partake in ribbon cutting ceremonies as a way to officially welcome new businesses to the City? For nearly 15 years, the City has been offering this opportunity as a way to engage new businesses and connect residents to some of the best spots in town.

Happy Valley businesses contribute significantly to our local community by providing many of the goods and services we all need and enjoy. They 13180 SE 172nd Ave.

offer places for us to gather, workout, eat, drink, and shop, and provide jobs which boost the economy and contribute to a city that thrives. The City of Happy Valley not only encourages new businesses to set up shop, but it is happy to highlight them with 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 American Dream.

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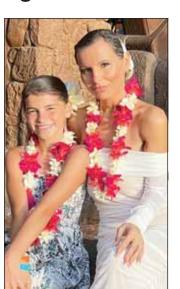


while striving to create a prohard work, discipline, and self-determination.

HV Dance Academy instructors focus on proper technique Each year, HV Dance correct form and foundation emy.com

Academy dancers perform their needed to prevent injuries. In production of The Nutcracker, addition to their annual performances, HV Dance Academy fessional environment where dancers have an opportunity students learn the value of to compete in a regional dance competition where the students perform in soloist and ensemble dances.

For more information, visit with our dancers, ensuring the www.happyvalleydanceacad



HV Dance Academy owner Dijana Draskovic & her daughter, Adriana.

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"Brief Q&As with interesting folks from around Happy Valley" Look for them starting soon in the Happy Valley News! 99

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It's All In the Family At Sunnyside Dentistry

Dr. Dick Hikade and "We were the only building out his daughter, Dr. Brooke Wyatt-Hikade side," Hikade said. "It was kind of tough for the first three years, talk about their small-town dentistry

By EMMA DAVIS Pamplin Media Group

Nestled on Sunnyside Road. Dr. Dick Hikade and his daughter, Dr. Brooke Wyatt-Hikade's local family practice, Sunnyside Dentistry, stands as a testament to the power of teamwork and the unwavering commitment they have towards providing top-notch dental care to their community.

Dr. Hikade first started his practice in 1978 in Portland after he finished graduate school. In 1988, he relocated and renamed his business, Sunnyside Dentistry. Although he started it in the late 1970's, his practice has only been in this location since 2001 after he bought the property on Sunnyside Rd in Happy Valley. The location offi-

there on Sunnyside Rd. at the time it was all farmland and hillbut now it's developed like crazy and we're right in the middle of everything.

He has been in the industry for just over 45 years and his daughter, Brooke, for fifteen. At first, Brooke was not sure what she was going to do, professionally; and she never thought about following in her father's footsteps. But after taking one class about dentistry in her undergraduate years at the University of Oregon and knowing her family's background, she was sold. She then went on to dental school at Oregon Health and Science University where she graduated in 2008. It was not until 2012 that she joined her father and made Sunnyside a family practice.

"Once I decided to go the dental route I thought 'oh my gosh how cool would it be to practice with my dad and have him kind of be my mentor?'," Wyatt-Hikade said. "And that's what was so great is when you cially opened for business in 2002. start out, you don't really have



The Sunnyside Dentistry team.

a lot of real-life experience, so it was really neat to have him as a bit of a mentor for the first couple of years as I was figuring it out." As her career at Sunnyside progressed, collaborating with her father became more collaborative. "After a few years, it was more like a colleague relationship," she said. "He would ask me stuff like 'hey, what do you think about this case?' or 'what

Working together has also been an enjoyable experience for Dick too. "It's been wonderful and really nice having her around," he said.

would you do here?' which was

Having been in the industry

for more than four decades, Dr. Hikade has been slowly transitioning his leadership of the practice over to Brooke. "Once Brooke came on board, I kind of cut back down to working three days in the office and then now the two days so she could, you know, get the bulk of the patients and workload," he said. I've done this for 45 years and, believe it or not, I love what I do, but I trust what Brooke's going to do once I retire.

Since having been brought on just over ten years ago in anticipation for her father's retirement, Brooke has helped take over some of the business aspects as well, adding a more



Sunnyside Dentistry's new associate, Dr. Chad Casebeer, DMD, and Dr. Brooke Wyatt-Hikade, DMD.

modernized and fresh perspective to how things are run, including adding a new member to their team. "We're going to be bringing in this new associate and I think he's a really sharp individual," Dick said. "I feel like I've done it all and it'll be good for Brooke and him to try different things.'

For both Dr. Hikade and his daughter, what makes Sunnyside Dentistry so special is its longevity of their employees and the personalized service they provide. "To me, the staff is so important, because even if they don't see me or Brooke, they're going to see Jeanna or the same hygienist year after year," he said. "The people we have are just genuine, nice, ethical and hardworking people and we've been blessed in that regard."

As long-time residents of Clackamas County, Dr. Hikade and Dr. Wyatt-Hikade have dedicated their careers to providing quality and personalized dental services to their loyal and new patients alike and although there are some imminent shifts on the horizons, that will never

Instructing with Purpose

Master Carlos of USWC Taekwondo talks about being part of the USWC , Taewkondo family

By EMMA DAVIS Pamplin Media Group

At US World Class Taekwondo Happy Valley, it is more than just martial arts. It is a place to stay in shape, gain self-defense skills, and learn what it takes to navigate life with confidence and

respect. It has qualified Headmaster and Instructors that specialize in teaching students of all ages and aspects of Taekwondo Martial Art. Starting at the age of as young as four years old all the way up to senior age, USWC students are trained in taekwondo based on fighting and success. But as I said before, it is more than just hand-to-hand combat.

Master Carlos, who is the owner and Headmaster of back and get more and more USWC Taekwondo, has dedicated his life to instructing Carlos said. children and teens alike the

He has been involved in the art since he was three years old and his love of it has only grown stronger over the years. He competed in several matches growing up, but when it was time to hang up the belt, he sought out to pass on his love for it to his students. "I used to compete professionally for my country and traveled the world," Carlos said. "But I really want to pass those good things to my students. They are my big motivator."

Learning respect for others, building confidence, and dedicating oneself to the five pillars of success, are what make taekwondo at USWC so special. Displayed in the studio in big, bold, and black letters, are the five pillars of success: Courtesy, Integrity, Perseverance, Self-Control, and Indomitable Spirit. Within all his classes, no matter the age group, he incorporates this mantra as well as other life skills to his students. "They take on every day and every lesson when they come, they get that energy from us and then they wanted to come and learn things every day,"

true meaning of martial arts. are two programs for both championships to qualify for

younger children as well as juniors and adults. For students ages four to six the studio offers what is called "Tiny Tigers." This specific program is designed in a fun way to help students to develop early physical, effective, and cognitive skills. It teaches students to build upon respect, body awareness, balance, flexibility, strength, and focus that will transfer later in the future life stages. "We help them through for life, you know, with those things," he said. "How to be respectful, get the discipline, and also they get that exercise, and they learn how to protect themselves too."

For those seven and up, they can build on their taekwondo skills to earn belts and improve their martial arts understanding. Students will learn to gain independence building in the fundamentals of taekwondo, consisting of focus, respect, discipline, fitness, and self-defense. In addition, USWC has a competition team. The team, consisting of fourteen individuals, specializes in sparring (hand to hand combat). They train all year and participate At USWC Taekwondo there they compete at the state results for Oregon."



Master Carlos (left) and Mister Dan (right).

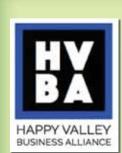
a spot at the national level. passion for Master Carlos, what This year, all fourteen memin different tournaments until he said. "We got really great said. "Sometimes they see me for others, and to get exercise

While taekwondo is a big they really appreciate what I with quality instructors.

matters most to him is being a bers qualified for nationals role model for his students. "I and competed with other teams teach the kids to always treat from around the country. "[The everybody with respect and students] did a lot of hours of to be kind to others and know training and they did amazing," that no body's perfect," he as a superhero, and I know that in a welcoming environment

do. I love being that role model

for them.' USWC Taekwondo Happy Valley is the place for children to go to learn important life skills, grow their understanding for discipline and respect



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Labor of Love: Labor Day Traditions of Happy Valley Locals

The holiday marks the symbolic 'end of summer' but more as well

By JAMES KENNETH PRESLEY

For Pamplin Media Group

Labor Day is perhaps the most peculiar of our federal holidays, as not quite everyone knows exactly what it is we're celebrating. Labor Day, which is celebrated on the first Monday of September, is meant to recognize and celebrate the American labor movement and all the achievements made by those who helped build this country. However, for many of us, Labor Day, as well as the way we celebrate it, seems to be open to different interpretations.

Labor Day represents many things, including the last gasp of Summer breath before returning to school, a chance to get out of town, and, for those who enjoy cruel and unusual punishment, the opportunity to have a family yard work day and work your kids while you still have the free labor. However, for some, it is important to recognize why we celebrate Labor Day and the message behind it.

To learn more about Labor Day from a family point of view, we interviewed Happy Valley locals Jeff and Candy Wallace, who each share thirty years of service in the David Douglas School District and are now able to reflect



What's on the grill? It's all about the BBQ for many of those who celebrate Labor Day.

"The message of Labor Day, for me, has always been that with hard work comes reward."

- Candy Wallace

on life both as educators and parents memories. having recently retired.

"I'm a big holiday guy so I am always into the true meaning of each holiday," says Jeff. "I always try to give a little history to my kids as to why we have the day off."

Before further delving into today's traditions, both Candy and Jeff touched on their childhood Labor Day

"For me as a child we just had so many kids that we didn't really do a lot," says Candy. "But what I do remember was how it served as a signal that school was getting ready to start so it was all about getting your school clothes and supplies ready to go. As educators that's really what Labor Day has been like for us vears later."



Family time in the yard: Put those kids to work before they return to their classrooms. One last hoorah:

Kids enjoy the

as summer winds

Happy Valley Park's splash pad

I think we can all relate to the hecticness of back to school time. However, for many, Labor Day does mean relaxing for one last time.

We had a place in Cannon beach growing up, so often we would do Labor Day weekend over there," adds Jeff.

While we all wish to hold onto traditions, they do change as the years pass, as Jeff hints that traveling has become too crazy during the holiday weekend.

'It's just become so hard traveling anywhere anymore," Jeff suggests. "As a kid you could take off on a Friday and find somewhere to camp, but if you don't plan so far ahead or have your own place in Sunriver or the coast then it is just too difficult."

Lucky for the Wallace's and us, Labor Day lounging has, in recent years, been all about the BBQ and family time at

"We will have a big family dinner or things."



BBQ and just sort of cherish the last moments before the hustle and bustle begins," says Candy. "The message of Labor Day, for me, has always been that with hard work comes reward and that when you contribute to both community and society as well as the world then you'll be subject to good

NCEF scholarships awarded to 19 students \$59,500 helps graduates pursue college goals

By EMMA DAVIS

Pamplin Media Group

The North Clackamas **Education Foundation** (NCEF) is sending off 10 local high school graduates to their next chapter with scholarships. One student from Adrienne C. Nelson High School and nine students from Clackamas High School were awarded scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$8,000 this spring. NCEF works hard year-round to bridge the gap and ensure that students are engaged and ready to learn.

Many scholarships offered by NCEF are available to students that may not be considered by

other organizations; we recognize that life can be difficult, and students can change. These wonderful students will be pursuing a degree or career in public service, food services or nutrition science, music performance, broadcasting and journalism, and so much more. NCEF is grateful for the opportunity to support these amazing young people as they graduate from The North Clackamas School District and bring their skills, talent, and heart, to the world.

A sincere thank you to all the NCEF donors who make these scholarships possible. In total, NCEF awarded \$59,500 to the 2023 North Clackamas School District graduating class.

"Without a doubt, our students need extra support for their college dreams right now,' said NCEF Executive Director Stephanie Rose. "The pandemic was financially difficult for many local families, so we made a concerted effort to reach students and parents in new ways, stepping up our digital marketing efforts to make sure they knew the schol-

graduate Zachary Anderson received the new \$1,000 Alex Hudson Memorial Scholarship for students intending to pursue

arships were available to them." Scholarship winners include: ■ Clackamas High School

a career in public service as well. ■ Clackamas High School graduates Isabelle Reksopuro



and Joshua Lee received the Music Scholarship for four years. \$2,500 Joe Krumm Memorial Scholarship respectively.

■ Clackamas High School graduate Christopher Vo was awarded a \$1,500 Josh Critchett Memorial Scholarship.

■ Adrienne C. Nelson High School graduate Lillian Sorenson, who was awarded the \$8,000/4 years Leo Browne Instrumental

■ Clackamas High School graduates Grace McMurray and Cammie Horner received a \$4,000/4 years, Sandi DePaepe Memorial Scholarship respectively.

Clackamas High School graduate Vsevolod Zynachynski received a \$1,000 Malcolm Ritzer Scholarship.

■ Clackamas High School graduate Trinity Porotesano; Clackamas Middle College grad-

uate Alissa Lightner received

\$2,500 Bridges to Success

Scholarships. Founded in 1992 to support students and teachers, NCEF currently supports more than 17,000 students in 31 schools via classroom enrichment grants, programs for food-insecure families, scholarships and more, NCEF bridges gaps in funding so that students are fully engaged and ready to learn. It is an equity-focused community foundation serving students, teachers and families

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Elka Bee's: From Everyday Coffee Shop to Brunch Hub in Happy Valley

For Pamplin Media Group

There is an art form in the world of culinary arts that has been lost since the COVID-19 pandemic, beyond the obvious means of a quality product. What are we referring to? The experience. The culmination of great customer service, a savory meal complimented with a sweet treat, a promise of consistency, and, of course, the need to go back and bring friends along the way. Lucky for us locals of Happy Valley, one place seems dedicated to this promise.

Elka Bee's Coffee & Bakery, located off 124th and Sunnyside has overseen quite the facelift these past few years, notably its expansion in not only their space, but their menu as well, and what once was just another coffeeshop option in our quaint little town has now become, to many, the premier brunch spot of Happy Valley.

"The breakfast and lunch menu just sort of took off like crazy," says Sylvia Hartmann, a restaurateur with a Nordstrom background who is now a co-owner at Elka Bee's. "During my time at Nordstrom they trained us to have a pallet, as well as what items and dishes compliment one another, and that was something I felt was missing."

Hartmann spent some time discussing her role in aiding co-owner Christine Richards during the pandemic, developing a new identity that was still committed to coffee and tea while also accommodating big and bold flavors when it came to their menu, eventually able to put it all together for their reopening in 2021.

'We have very loyal customers and we love them so much," Hartmann says. "Food quality and customer service means everything to us. We wanted to train all of our girls to greet everyone with a smile and help our customers if they struggle making a selection. I believe with good food and good service you're going to be busy, no matter what."

Hartman went on to discuss the importance of consistency in the Elka Bee's brand, making sure both the product and the



"Food quality and customer service means everything to us."

– Sylvia Hartmann

experience stays true from a patron's first visit to subsequent

"That was our goal,' Hartmann states. "To get busier while not losing the beauty of the brand. We want to continue to fulfill the identity of Elka Bee's, and while we've talked about opening another location in the future we want to make sure that we continue to build on what we've created here, first."

While this certainly feels like an overnight success, don't be fooled. This was years in the making from what we could gather, with two paths of perseverance needing to intersect to make Elka Bee's what it is today. Christine Richards, who started Elka Bee's in 2014, needed to



Sunday Funday: It's a full house at Elka Bee's as family and friends await this cafe's delicious offerings.

build that community with her exciting coffee options and cozy atmosphere, while Sylvia Hartmann tapped into her mountain of golden nuggets of the culinary world, from her time as owner of Lugano Cafe & Catering, to her experience at Nordstrom, as well as her newfound quarantine hobby of



So, if you are feeling inspired to let Elka Bee's sink its stinger into you for the first time, Hartmann recommends you give these items

"Our best beverage is the honey bee latte, which is lavender and honey, our number one seller," Hartmann says. "I would have to

popular food item. Christine went on the map because of our scones. We sell out of them every single day. I would say 95% of the things say that our scones are our most we offer are made by scratch.'

You've officially

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Bee's shares its

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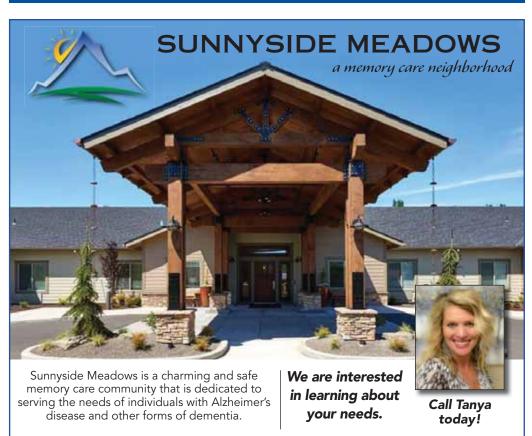
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Early Childhood

Big

by Vashti Harrison

This emotional exploration of being big in a world that prizes small follows a young child's journey to self-love, showing the power of words to both hurt and heal.



When five-year-old Luli joins her new English as a Second Language class, the playroom is quiet because all the children speak different languages. That's when she has a brilliant idea to host a tea



This is not my Home

by Eugenia Yoh and Vivienne Chang

Lily learns the true meaning of home when she and her family move back to Taiwan to take care of her elderly Ah Ma, in this humorous and heartfelt story that shows how a place can become a home.



Kids

Not an Easy Win

by Christopher Giles

Expelled from school after one too many fights, Lawrence spends his days at the rec center where he learns to play chess and makes moves that just might give him a chance at a win.



by Meg Eden Kuyat

Neurodivergent Selah, who always tries to keep her feelings in check, especially her anger, explodes at school and must figure out more about who she is to understand that different doesn't mean damaged.

The Labors of Hercules Beal

by Gary D. Schmidt

Given an assignment to duplicate the mythical feats of Hercules in real life. Herc Beal, the smallest kid in his class, discovers that, unlike his namesake, he doesn have to go it alone.

Teens

Invisible Son

by Kim Johnson

Returning from juvie, Andre Jackson is determined to reclaim his identity, but his Portland neighborhood is rapidly gentrifying, COVID-19 shuts down school before he can return, and Andre's suspicions about his arrest for a crime he didn't commit even taint his friendships. It's as if his whole life has been erased.

Monstrous: A Transracial Adoption Story

by Sarah Meyer

Sarah has always struggled to fit in, born in South Korea and adopted at birth by a white couple, she grows up in a rural community with few Asian neighbors. Bullied by her classmates, Sarah channels her rage into her art and cosplay until it threatens to explode.

Pedro & Daniel

by Frederico Erebia

Growing up in 1970s Ohio, Mexican American brothers Pedro and Daniel manage an abusive home life, school, coming out, first loves, first jobs, and the AIDS epidemic.



Luli

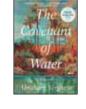
The Covenant of Water by Abraham Verghese

Adult Fiction

Spanning the years 1900 to 1977, and set in Kerala, on South India's Malabar Coast, an epic of love, faith and medicine follows three generations of a family that suffers a peculiar affliction: in

every generation, at least one

person dies by drowning.



Maame

by Jessica George

This debut novel explores what it feels like to be torn between two homes and cultures, and it celebrates finally being able to find where you belong.



The Enchanted Hacienda by J. C. Cervantes

Harlow Estrada returns to the enchanted Hacienda Estrada, a family farm in Mexico where her mother, sisters, aunt and cousins harness the magic of charmed flowers, but when she's chosen to watch over the farm, she panics since she, herself, is magic-less, until she opens

her heart to love and creativity.



Go As a River

by Shelley Read

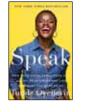
A 1940s teenager running her family's peach farm in Colorado meets a young man with a mysterious past and feels an instant connection but must flee to a small shack in the wilderness after tragedy



Adult Non-Fiction

Speak: Find Your Voice, **Trust Your Gut, and Get** Where You Want to Be

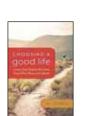
by Tunde Oyeneyin The Peloton instructor, fitness star, and founder of Speak shares her transformative personal journey, during which she learned lessons about loss, love, body image, and self-confidence, offering an accessible blueprint for anyone looking to make a



Choosing A Good Life: Lessons from People Who Have Found Their Place in the World by Ali Berman

positive in their lives.

Follow the author as she takes us into the lives of people who, despite their vastly different talents, challenges, and interests, have achieved a deep sense of balance in and satisfaction



How to Write a Letter: Find the Words for **Every Occasion**

by Chelsea Shukov

with their lives.

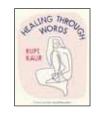
The go-to resource on the art of meaningful correspondence that includes creative ideas and helpful tips for thank you notes, addressing envelopes, cover letters, email signatures, and everything in between.



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The bestselling author presents guided poetry writing exercises of her own design to help you explore themes of trauma, loss, heartache, love, family, healing, and celebration of the self.





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Centennial Park, Damascus

Thursdays, Aug. 3 & 10; 10 a.m. - noon Village Green Park

Fridays, Aug. 4 & 11; 10 a.m. - noon Drop in for crafts, activities, and playtime.

Mondays, Aug. 7 & 28, 10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

For ages 0-5. Drop in to play and see what we can

make with Duplo blocks.

LEGO: Let's Build Thursday, Aug. 24, 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

For K-5th graders and their grownups. Drop in for some LEGO building fun.

Family Concerts

Village Green Park

Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Aug. 2: En Taiko - drumming Aug. 12: Mo Phillips - silly songs Aug. 19: Mr. Ben – sweet tunes Aug. 26: Red Yarn - puppets and songs



Fan favorite Red Yarn returns with his suitcase of critters for singing and dancing fun.

Tweens & Teens

Crafternoon: Messy Fun

Village Green Park

Wednesday, Aug. 9, 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Bring something white to tie dve and an appetite for

some ice cream in a bag. **Anime & Manga Club**

Thursday, Aug. 10, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m Hang out with fellow fans. Chat, browse new manga,

eat snacks, and watch anime. For grades 6-12.

Adults

Concerts in the Park

Fridays, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Village Green Park, across from the library

Aug. 4: Sonny & Lady Kat – electric blues

Aug. 11: DJ Action Slacks – vintage grooves Aug. 18: Pura Vida Orquesta – Latin rhythms

Aug. 25: Rhythm Culture - Reggae fusion Join us for free concerts sponsored by the Friends of Happy Valley Library. Bring a picnic, a blanket or chair, and join us for a music-filled evening!

American Mah Jongg

Fridays, 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 pm.

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Contact the library if you would like to learn to play.

Acoustic String-Along

Sunday, Aug. 13 & 27, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. Bring your acoustic guitar, fiddle, ukulele or other

stringed instrument to the Happy Valley Library and share some tunes with other musicians. Adults of all skill levels are invited to drop in and play some music in a casual, jam-style setting. Bring a song you know

Art in the Park: Tie Dyed Totes

Wednesday, Aug. 2, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Grownups, get crafty! We'll have all the supplies for you to tie dye a tote bag, perfect for carrying books! We'll also have enough supplies to tie dye 1 additional item per person, so feel free to bring something else you'd like to dye. Registration required. For ages 18 and older. Note: This program is held at Village Green Park (across from the library).

JULIE OTSUK

SWIMMERS

Happy Valley Library **Book Group**

Thursday, Sept. 7, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Read The Swimmers by Julie Otsuka and discuss it with other readers. Did you like it or not? Did something surprise you or make you think twice? Come share your thoughts!

Village Green Park.

Let's Hike! Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 19, 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. Join the Happy Valley Hikers on a 2-2.5 mile hike (45 minutes at a modest pace), generally easy and flat, family friendly. Note: the group does leave on time, so come a little early to meet up under the pavilion at

Art in the Park: Watercolor Astrology

Saturday, Aug. 12, 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Watercolor artist Mara Bazua will help participants create their own unique astrology watercolor painting. All supplies provided. Registration required. For ages 18 and older. Note: This program is held at Village Green Park (across from the library).

Dementia-Friendly Walking Group

Monday, Aug. 14, 9:30 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.

Join the Happy Valley Hikers and Oregon Walks for folks with early-stage dementia and their care partners to connect while enjoying some fresh air and exercise. The group will go on a short, generally easy, and flat, walk that meets and ends under the pavilion at Village Green Park (across from the Happy Valley Library).

Books, Uncovered

Thursday, Aug. 17, 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Gather with fellow readers and talk books! This meeting will begin by discussing film adaptations: books that have made it to the silver screen and your home stream. You'll leave with new ideas for your "to read" list and perhaps uncover your next favorite book!

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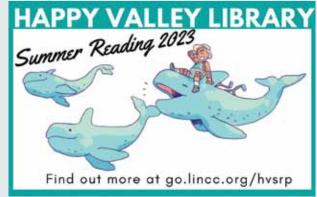


Summer Reading prize time!

Kids and teens can turn in their reading logs anytime in August for a free book! Just bring your completed log

to the front desk to get your prize.

Haven't picked up a reading log yet? It's not too late to get started! Kids and teens need to pick up a reading record before Aug. 8 to finish before the end of the month. Adults participating in Summer Book BINGO have until Aug. 31 to turn in their entry forms and BINGO cards. Final drawings will be on Sept. 1. Haven't gotten a BINGO card yet? Adults can pick up a BINGO packet at the library and read for a chance to win prizes.



Make it count! Earn prizes by participating in 2023's Summer Reading program at the library.



HAPPY VALLEY PARKS AND RECREATION

TO REGISTER, CHECK OUT WWW.HAPPYVALLEYOR.GOV/PARKS



AUGUST 2023 PROGRAMS & EVENTS

PARKS & REC EVENTS



To register for one of these featured programs, be sure to check out www.happyvalleyor.gov/ services/parks, or scan the QR code.





Traveling RecMobile!

Play Happy, Be Happy!

We're going on the road with a traveling playground! Join our Parks and Rec. crew at select parks throughout the valley as Parks and Rec. staff host free games, sports, crafts, and other outdoor activities! View a travel schedule on our website at www.happyvalleyor.gov/parks

Field Trip Fridays

Meeting location: HV City Hall, 16000 SE Misty Dr.

Enjoy a new experience and leave the driving to us! 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 are limited. To check out featured field trips, visit: www.happyvalleyor.gov/parks

Labyrinth-Coyote Wall Loop Hike Sept. 8, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. • Friday • Ages 18+ • \$20 - Resident | \$30 Non-Resident

Journey through a geological wonderland that includes the scablands and waterfalls of the Labyrinth up to grassy meadows with views to Columbia Gorge high points and Mount Hood. Then, traverse through oak woods and across meadows to reach the imposing cliffs of Coyote Wall.

WAAAM Hood River Fly-in Sept. 9, 8:45 a.m.- 4 p.m. • Saturday • Ages 18+ • \$25-Resident / \$37.50 Non-Resident

We're making an exception to our Friday trip and will head out on Saturday to attend the annual Hood River Fly-in! See vintage aircraft fly and meet the awesome people who fly them.



First Aid/CPR/AED Training **Class location: Happy Valley City Hall**

Sept. 29, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. • Friday • Ages 15+ • Resident \$70 / Non-Resident \$105

Our in-person CPR/ First Aid Training course combines lectures with hands-on skills sessions. Students will learn how to recognize and care for a variety of first aid emergencies and how to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies.



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

Upcoming Hikes Save The Date!

All hiking trips will depart from Happy Valley City Hall.

PCT Hike Sept. 24, 8:30 a.m.

online at: www.happy-



RECS Pickleball

Location: RECS - 17015 SE 82nd Dr. Clackamas, OR 97015

Open Play Monday - Friday, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. • Ages 65+ • \$2

Are you age 65+ and looking for others to play pickleball with? Join the fun at RECS as you learn the game, perfect your skills, and meet other residents interested in this popular sport.

Weekly Teen Beginner Pickleball Camp

Aug. 7 - Aug. 11, noon-2:30 p.m. Aug. 14 - Aug. 18, noon-2:30 p.m. Aug. 21 - Aug. 25, noon-2:30 p.m. Aug. 28 - Aug. 31, noon-2:30 p.m.

Ages 9-13 • \$295 This is for kids who haven't played

NS PIRING GOOD pickleball or are still learning the rules and basics of serving, returning of serve, how to hold a paddle, etc. Every day will include the introduction of new concepts and techniques, as well as some repetition of basic

Weekly Teen Intermediate Pickleball Camp

Aug. 7 - Aug. 11, noon-2:30 p.m. Aug. 14 - Aug. 18, noon-2:30 p.m. Aug. 21 - Aug. 25, noon-2:30 p.m. Aug. 28 - Aug. 31, noon-2:30 p.m.

Ages 9-13 • \$295

This is for kids who HAVE played pickleball before, and understand the rules and pickleball Every day will include the introduction of new concepts, techniques, and strategy, as well as critical skill and technique development.

Skyhawks Sports Camps See registration pages for camp locations.

Cheerleading

Aug. 7 - Aug. 11, 9 a.m.-noon • Ages 6-12 • \$155

No stunting in this entry level program—just a big focus on fun while each cheerleader learns proper hand and body movements, and jumping techniques. The week concludes with a choreographed performance.

Flag Football Aug. 7 - Aug. 11, 9 a.m.-3p.m. • Ages 6-10 • \$269

Campers will learn skills like passing, catching, and de-flagging or defensive positioning - all presented in a fun and positive environment. The week ends with the Skyhawks Super Bowl, giving participants a chance to showcase

Aug. 7 - Aug. 11, 9 a.m.-noon • Aug. 14 - Aug. 18, 9 a.m.-noon • Aug. 21 - Aug. 25, 9 a.m.-noon • Ages 6-12 • \$155

Players learn proper grips, footwork, strokes, volleys and serves during a series of drills

designed to teach skills in a fun and dynamic way.

Outdoor Basketball Aug. 14 - Aug. 18, 9 a.m.-noon • Ages 6-12 • \$155

This fun, skill-intensive program focuses on fundamental skills like dribbling, passing, shooting, and rebounding. Participants will also partake in drills and games.

Mini-Hawk (Soccer, Basketball & Baseball) Àug. 21 - Aug. 25, 9 a.m.-noon • Ages 4-7 • \$155

Through games and activities, campers explore balance, hand/eye coordination, and skill development at their own pace.









Venvino Art Studios

Paint & Play

My Gym in The Park!

their skills on the gridiron!

All classes held at Happy Valley Park.

Parent and Me Class Aug. 4 - Aug. 25, 10 a.m.-10:45 a.m. • Friday • Ages 1 1/2 - 3 1/2 • \$80 per 4 weeks

Grown-up participation required. Your child will sing, dance, and play games as they build strength and agility, and boost their self-confidence and self-esteem.

Mighty Mites Aug. 4 - Aug. 25, 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m. • Friday • Ages 3 1/2 - 5 1/2 • \$80 per 4 weeks

Some kids may require grown-up participation. 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.

Engineering For Kids Summer Camps Camps will be held at Happy Valley Annex - 12519 SE King Rd.

Junior Mechanical Engineering: Widgets & Gadgets

Aug. 21 - Aug. 25, 9 a.m.-noon • Ages 4-7 • \$229 This class introduces our youngest engineers to fundamental concepts of energy, materials, and movement.

Through open and focused exploration, students explore and construct their own roller coasters, catapults, cars, and more.



This week of camp is all about understanding the science, technology, and engineering that will make human habitation on Mars possible. Students will engage in fun and exciting hands-on investigations, experiments, and building challenges.

Adventures Without Limits Summer Trips

Location: View registration for meeting location details.

Paddleboard Estacada Lake Aug. 5, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. • Saturday • Ages 6+ • \$85

This relaxing paddle travels along a forest-lined river. 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. *AWL provides all the paddling and safety equipment necessary.



Engineering

Wildlife Kayak Tour Aug. 19, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m. • Saturday • Ages 6+ • \$85

Paddle through blue waters and luscious greenery while Osprey soar overhead. This event is inclusive and accessible to people of all abilities. *AWL provides all the paddling and safety equipment necessary.

HV Hikers - Get out and Move

www.hvhikers.com

HV Hikers are always on the move exploring within the valley! 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. Be sure to visit the HV Hikers newly updated webpage for a calendar view of all upcoming group hikes.

Investing in community

Happy Valley Parks and Recreation coordinates a variety of events throughout the year that bring residents and visitors together. Community sponsorships help support these family-friendly events which in turn provides more opportunities for businesses to connect with the community. On behalf of Happy Valley Parks and Recreation and the City of Happy Valley, we'd like to thank these businesses for generously stepping up and partnering with



Giving back

Supporting our local youth

With Summer Concerts in full swing, Thursday nights at Happy Valley Park have been the place to be. It goes without saying that it takes many helping hands to keep the Park running smoothly given all the activities happening at any given time. Participating athletes from

Clackamas Youth Football are helping support Summer Concerts by way of set up and refuse pick up at each of the six performances. This partnership not only helps ensure Summer Concerts run efficiently, but it provides the students with an opportunity to work with City staff as they gain valuable life skills and receive some general job mentoring. In exchange, the City will be donating fundraising dollars to Clackamas



Youth Football to help offset costs related to their upcoming season. Additionally, participants of Clackamas United Soccer Club have been at the concerts to help with soda can collection at the various recycling receptacles. These students have been granted permission to utilize the deposit earnings to help defray their Club costs this coming year.

It has been a pleasure partnering with these entities as we together, work to make a positive impact in the community and keep fundraising dollars for local students right here. in Happy Valley.

Venvino Art Studios

In Studio Classes

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

Weekly Art Enrichment Program Aug. 5 - Aug. 26, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. • Saturday • Ages 4-8 • \$30/ 2-hour session

Kids can drop in at the studio for some fun structured crafts and art play!

Create and Learn Series – Sugar Scrub Making Aug. 4, 6 p.m. • 8 p.m. • Friday • Ages 16+ • \$25/ 2-hour session

Sugar scrubs leave your skin smoother, brighter, and more radiant. We will teach you how to make a basic sugar scrub that you can customize with your own scents.

Create and Learn Series - Watercolor Basics Sept. 1, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. • Friday • Ages 16+ • \$25/ 2-hour session

Learn basic painting techniques as well as gain insight into how to choose the materials for your next project. Each registrant will create a painting following step-by-step instructions.

Venvino Art Studios

Mini Summer Art Camps

Location: Happy Valley Park Gazebo

Each day, kids will do several take-home art projects. We will also play games, read stories, and socialize..

Painting in the Park!

Aug. 7 - Aug. 8, 9 a.m. - noon • Monday & Tuesday • Ages 5-10 • \$175 Paint a variety of ways at this creative camp.

Sensory Play

Aug. 14 - Aug. 15, 9 a.m. - noon • Monday & Tuesday • Ages 5-10 • \$175 Experience slime, cloud dough, and take on our version of lava lamps and snow!

Rock Band

by secret agents!

Aug. 21 - Aug. 22, 9 a.m. - noon • Monday & Tuesday • Ages 5-10 • \$175 Make instruments and join our bands. At the end of camp, we'll even put on a mini performance.

Secret Agent

Aug. 28 - Aug. 29, 9 a.m. - noon • Monday & Tuesday • Ages 5-10 • \$175 Solve mysteries and create your own spy gear and other crafts, inspired

Fun in the Sun Summer Basketball Camp Location: Pleasant Valley Park Basketball Court -S.E. Pleasant Valley Pkwy & Falling Rain Way Aug. 7 - Aug. 8, 9 a.m.-11 a.m. • 2nd - 5th Grade

Aug. 7 - Aug. 8, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. • 6th - 12th Grade • FREE

Two days of action-packed fun await at this free basketball camp run by Valley Prep. All skill levels are encouraged as your athlete focuses on skill development, boosting basketball IQ, and fostering healthy competition. The Happy Valley Parks and Rec team will provide shaved ice treats, water, snacks, and even music as a DJ spins tunes during play. Spaces are limited. Register online at www. happyvalleyor.gov/ parks



10% Off Rentals At Next Adventure!

The City of Happy Valley Parks and Recreation is excited to partner with Next Adventure to offer residents 10% off their next equipment rental! Whatever your needs might be this summer or as we head into fall adventuring, make sure to scan the QR Code shown here to take 10% off one rental item and secure it for pick-up. Discount offer available at the Next Adventure Sandy store location at: 38454 Pioneer Blvd. Sandy, OR 97055. This store is open 7 days a week, Mon-Fri: 7:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. & Sat-Sun: 6:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

HEADED TO MT. HOOD?

VISIT NEXT ADVENTURE'S SANDY STORE!





In July, efforts began to replace the exercise stations at Happy Valley Park. Parkgoers will soon see a new set of equipment at several locations throughout

New Exercise Stations Coming to Happy Valley Park

City of Happy Valley

The exercise station equipment at Happy Valley Park is in the midst of a makeover as updates to these popular spots begin to take shape. Much like the playground equipment that was replaced, the previous exercise stations, though functional, needed several repairs and were beginning to reach the end of useful life.

New equipment is slated to be installed in approximately the same locations and will offer parkgoers continued opportunities for exercise at various intervals throughout the Park. Equipment will include a push up station, captain's chair, sit-up/back extension station, parallel bar, body curl station, and balance walk. New rubber surfacing will also be installed beneath each station to allow for increased all-weather use.

This project, which is anticipated to be completed and ready for use by summer's end, is funded by Parks Levy dollars.

Your tax dollars at work!

CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY PARKS & RECREATION

City of Happy Valley

The sports field replacement project at Happy Valley Park is officially underway. The improvement project serves to replace the current fields with new grass and amenities that include:

- Updates to irrigation and drainage lines
- Fencing and sign
- modifications ■ Infield upgrades to baseball field
- New baseball field back-

stop and fencing
The fields will continue to remain closed for use throughout the duration of the project. Please be cautious when traversing the park's pathways and exercise safe habits when crossing main thoroughfares as construction vehicles are in active operation. At the time of print, crews were in the process of soil mixing, field leveling, and screening. Drainage updates and irrigation work will follow. Parking has remained open at all Park lots for now, but road-

way closure to the areas nearest



Field Replacement

Update at Happy

. Valley Park

Work continues at Happy Valley Park to replace the sports fields.

Picnic Areas A and B may be restricted temporarily later this summer to accommodate a portion of the work.

For more information, including who to contact ing scheduling. should questions or concerns arise, please visit our dedicated such as this one, are fully funded

project webpage at www. happyvalleyor.gov/field-replacements. The City will provide updates on that page should anything change regard-

Parks improvement projects,

by the Happy Valley Parks Levy, which is voted on by residents every five years. This critical funding not only helps maintain our beloved recreational amenities but allows for their long-term accessibility by residents and visitors alike.



A view of one of the new play structures at Ashley Meadows Park. Once the rubber surfacing has been installed and cured, the project will be complete.

Playground Equipment Nearly Ready

City of Happy Valley

The playground installation project at Ashley Meadows and Southern Lites Parks continues. While the equipment at Ashley Meadows Park has been installed, at the time of print, crews had just about finished prepping Southern Lites Park with plans to install the new equipment soon. Following this work, rubber surfacing will be poured at both locations.

The playground installation project is still estimated to be completed by the end of summer provided the dry weather holds. This is crucial because the final step includes curing the surface flooring before it can be utilized.

Last year, new playground equipment was installed at Happy Valley Park and Village Green Park. While the former structures at each location were functional, evaluations concluded that many elements had or were rapidly reaching an end of useful life

Stay tuned for additional updates as we get closer to unveiling the new spaces. Updated features are set to include ADA and all abilities options, with funding for the project provided by Parks Levy dollars.

Clean Up After Your Pet for **Healthier Water**

Clackamas County has almost 100,000 dogs of all shapes and sizes. The Food and Drug Administration estimates that the average dog produces approximately three quarters of a pound of waste per day. That adds up to over 13,000 tons of pet waste in our county per year!

Reasons to Scoop:

- When it rains, storm runoff carries pet waste and other pollutants directly into waterways.
- Animal waste adds nitrogen to the water. Excess nitrogen depletes the oxygen in water necessary for beneficial aquatic vegetation, wildlife and fish.
- Animal waste may contain harmful organisms such as Giardia, Salmonella and E. coli that can be transmitted by ingesting contaminated water.
- Roundworms and hookworms deposited by infected animals can live in the soil for long periods of time and be transmitted to other animals and humans.
- Cleaning up after your pet is always the right thing to do.

Clackamas Water Environment Services produces clean water, protects water quality and recovers renewable resources. We do this by providing wastewater services, stormwater management, and environmental education. It's our job to protect public health and support the vitality of our communities, natural environment, and economy.

Learn more at clackamas.us/wes/education



