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## November Election



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# PINTS WITH PURPOSE SIP FOR A CAUSE!



Volunteer Michael Morrow gets ready to deliver Meals on Wheels in Happy Valley. (PHOTO: CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY)

Raise a glass to support local seniors this holiday season

City of Happy Valley

From Nov. 13–23, five local taphouses and eateries are partnering with Happy Valley Parks and Recreation for Pints with Purpose, an annual fundraiser benefiting the City's Meals on Wheels People program.

Each participating venue will feature a designated "Pints with Purpose" beer and donate \$1 per pint sold to help provide warm meals and friendly visits to homebound seniors in our community. Every dollar stays local, making a direct impact right here in Happy Valley.

You can pick up a passport at any participating location starting November 13. Visit each venue, enjoy a pint, and collect all five stamps to earn a commemorative pint glass when you turn it in at City Hall (while supplies last).

Thank you to our local partners: Stickmen Brewing Company, Sports on Tap, Happy Hollow Wood Fire Pizzeria, HV Station, and Valley Public House for supporting this important cause.

Can't make it out? Donate directly at hv.city/pints-with-purpose to help bring nourishment and companionship to local seniors this holiday season.

# Make your vote count!



## Make sure your voice is heard by voting

By CLACKAMAS COUNTY ELECTIONS

Happy Valley News

There are just a few days left to vote in the Nov. 4, 2025, Special Election.

Happy Valley voters and other Clackamas County voters in the various jurisdictions having a special election should make a plan to promptly return their ballots for the Special Election.

Clackamas County Elections mailed ballots to eligible voters on Oct. 15. Any voter who has not yet received their ballot should contact Clackamas County Elections for assistance. Voters can email elections@clackamas.us, call 503-655-8510, or visit the Happy Valley Vote Center (inside the library) for assistance.

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#### Vote

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The voter service location is staffed by sworn election officials. Citizens can replace a lost or damaged ballot, update voter registration information, get voting assistance if they have a disability, get voting assistance in a preferred language, return their voted ballot, or vote in person.

#### **HAPPY VALLEY VOTE CENTER**

#### **Inside the Happy Valley Library**

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#### **Hours:**

- Saturday, Nov. 1, 10 a.m. 2 p.m.
- Monday, Nov. 3, 8:30 a.m. 5 p.m.
- Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 4, 7 a.m. 8 p.m.

There are two official ballot drop sites in Happy Valley.

- Happy Valley City Hall, 16000 SE Misty Dr. (drive-up access)
- Happy Valley Library, 13793 SE Sieben Park Way (walk-up access only)

Clackamas County Elections has 22 official ballot drop sites open for this election. Voters can return their voted ballot to any open official ballot drop site in the state. Find your nearest official ballot drop site listed in the County Voters' Pamphlet and also on the county elections website: clackamas.us/elections/official-ballot-drop-sites.

Ballots must be received by 8 p.m. on election day, Tuesday, Nov. 4, either by mail with a valid postmark or by delivery to an official ballot drop site. We recommend returning your ballot directly to an official ballot drop site in the days just before Election Day.

To learn more about voting and elections in Clackamas County, visit: clackamas.us/elections.

## Providing so much more than a meal

Meals on Wheels program also provides social connection, support

By JONATHAN DYER

For the Happy Valley News

Sometimes a meal is just food. However, it can sometimes be much more.

Sometimes, a meal can be a path back to health, and it can also serve as a social connection. It can nourish not only the body but also the mind. Making that connection is the goal of Meals on Wheels People. This not-for-profit organization delivers food to older and medically fragile people of the city of Happy Valley every week.

"Social isolation has been shown to lead to depression, anxiety, and other mental health issues," said Suzanne Washington, the CEO of Meals on Wheels People. "Our aim, in addition to food delivery, is to provide much-needed companionship and social support while allowing them to maintain independence."

Three years ago, the City of Happy Valley reached out to Meals on Wheels People to contract their services for its residents. Last year, this program delivered more than 2,000 meals to 13 families in the city. In addition to food and conversation, they also provide technical support for a community that struggles with maintaining connections.

"Lilly, a senior, was using Skype to talk to her family in Europe every day. Then Skype just went away, and she lost that connection. We set her up with a different platform, and now she is back to



Meals on Wheels People volunteer John Murphy delivers a week of nutritious meals and milk to home-delivery participant Lucie. John started volunteering with MOWP because his mom, then in her early 80s, wanted to help pack meals at the center close to their home. When his mom passed away three years ago, John continued their tradition, hoping that one day, when he's older, someone will be there to care for him, too. (COURTESY: NICOLE CERON)



**Volunteer Diane Morrow delivers** meals to a **Happy Valley** resident and his family. The food, provided by Meals On Wheels People, is an essential service sponsored by the city to ensure proper nutrition as well as social contact for residence in need. They deliver up to 75 meals a week. (COURTESY: MICHAEL

daily conversations," Washington said.

Meals on Wheels, as a movement, was initiated with federal funding from the Older Americans Act of 1965.

"Currently, we get about 35% of our total operational funding from federal money," explained Washington, "and we raise the rest through

contracting like Happy Valley and donations."

To maintain all the services they provide, they rely heavily on volunteers, currently numbering up to 3,000 individuals around the state. "Volunteers are the heart of our organization," Washington said.

Michael Morrow, a local volunteer driver, has been

delivering meals to Happy Valley residents since the city began contracting with volunteers.

"Originally, I started because somebody had to do it. The meals had to be delivered," Morrow said. "But the reason I continue to do it is because of the connections I have made with my community."

Once a week, Michael and his wife, Diane, pick up meals from the Ambleside Center in Gresham for delivery to the Happy Valley recipients.

"The numbers vary, but we deliver three, five, or seven meals each week to about 10-12 people. So, this week Diane and I delivered 67 meals."

Michael Morrow explains that the work, though sometimes taxing, is incredibly rewarding. "The people are so grateful," he smiles. "Sometimes we are their only connection to the world. They love to chat, you'll get to know all about their family, their dogs, and their cats," he laughs.

Eligibility for the program is simple, explained Washington. "It's not financially based, it is needs-based. If you are 60 or older, or medically fragile, you qualify. Simple." She pointed out that only serving 13 families in Happy Valley seems low. "That area is underserved."

To qualify, residents 60 or older should contact Stephani Hern at Happy Valley Parks and Recreation at stephanih@ happyvalleyor.gov or 503-886-8419 to sign up. Additionally, if you wish to volunteer or donate, you can reach out to Meals on Wheels People at mowp.org/ for more information.

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#### **THANK YOU VETERANS**

## A salute to Oregon's veterans

**By JONATHAN DYER**For the Happy Valley News

From pre-state frontier times to the present, Oregonians have played a significant role in every conflict in which the American military has participated worldwide.

The Oregon Military Museum, located on Camp Withycombe, tells this story in a dynamic and personal way. As 2025 marks the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War's end, this story takes on renewed importance.

"It creates the foundation for the ideology we have as Oregonians," said Kathleen Sligar, curator of the Oregon Military Museum. "I hope that what we have done continues to be relevant for society. We are a history museum that is an unbiased account for all Oregonians."

Though the museum is currently closed, it is expected to reopen at the beginning of the year.

"We are using this downtime to perfect some of the exhibits and organize activities to improve the accessibility and interactivity," Sligar said.

As you walk through the museum, you see artifacts meticulously refurbished, large artillery and planes, and intensely personal effects.

"This room is filled with the voices of Oregonians", Sligar

Laid out in chronological order, the museum traces the path of Oregon service members

throughout the history of conflict, from the mid-19th century to modern times. It is, at times, personal and intimate as it tells harrowing stories of heroics and showcases the participation of highly decorated Oregonians like Lt. Col. Sammy Radow, who trained fighters in Laos during the Vietnam War. The exhibits also allow the viewer the opportunity to see the innovation in hardware that showcased American military might.

"Everybody wants to see the Mutt," Sligar points to the vehicle that was the mainstay



The Ford M151 "Mutt" vehicle is a popular among visitors as it sits among various other artifacts from the Vietnam War exhibit at the Oregon Military Museum on Camp Withycombe in Happy Valley. This year marks 50 years since the war ended. The museum houses items from the earliest pioneer times through the Gulf War, telling the compete story of Oregonians and their contributions to the defense of this nation. (COURTESY PHOTO:

of ground transportation for Korea and Vietnam.

The majority of the artifacts and pieces in the museum are the product of personal donations from service members.

"We don't have funding for the purchase of pieces. That is not our mission. The vast majority of our collection comes from the private sector in donations," explained Sligar.

Relying heavily on donations has left some gaps in the continuity of the museum.

"The Vietnam era collection is really light. That's one element that we definitely need to grow. Not only is the point of these exhibits to highlight Oregonians and to showcase personal stories, but to also advertise that we need your stories. We need to have your legacy and history, here. And we want it here. We want to be the caretakers of your stories."

Funding, like the actual artifacts, relies heavily on public



Museum curator Kathleen Sligar stands before a display of items from the Vietnam War detailing how Oregon residents played a vital part in the conflict. This year marks 50 years since the war ended . The Oregon Military Museum, located on Camp Withycombe, houses items from the earliest pioneer times through the Gulf War, telling the compete story of Oregonians and their contributions to the defense of this nation. (CMG PHOTO: JON DYER)



Museum curator Kathleen Sligar explains the significance of a Gulf War art display at the Oregon Military Museum on Camp Withycombe in Happy Valley. The museum houses items from the earliest pioneer times through the Gulf War, telling the compete story of Oregonians and their contributions to the defense of this nation. (CMG PHOTO: JON DYER)

donations as well as specialized volunteers.

This Veterans Day, remember

all the Oregonians who have defended our country

"We have a group of restoration shop volunteers. They research and restore all the vehicles and artillery pieces you see. That has been their focus since the 80s."

They also have a cadre of 12 volunteers who lead tours as historic park experts. "We could use about 30, but everybody is stepping up and is willing to be here. It has been amazing to see," exclaimed Sligar.

During the time behind closed doors, there will be a concerted focus on program development. Says Sligar, we are working towards "engaging the public. From art projects for kids, to coffee with a vet community outreaches."

From special rotating exhibits, living history interviews, updating stories and artifacts, Sligar has clear plans for the museum.

"Throughout the museum, the exhibits are like a tapestry. There are threads woven throughout the room. If you can begin to learn them, you start to see a bigger picture."

In the end, it's about getting folks back in the doors, enjoying the exhibits, hearing the stories, and learning the important part Oregonians have played in the history of American conflict.

But, as she points out, it is more than that.

"For me," explained Sligar, "this is really about recognition. We want to represent and

showcase what service is and that it is more than just war."

She goes on to explain that these are our neighbors, who have made significant sacrifices in the defense of the United States.

Her goal is to be more than just a local reference, but "a nationally recognized regional resource. The collection is there, the support is there, and once people get in here and see we are not just "Mom and Pop," they will want to be a part of it. In the end, I think you will find we are not what you expect."

The museum expects to reopen in January 2026. For more information, see https://oregonmilitarymuseum.org/







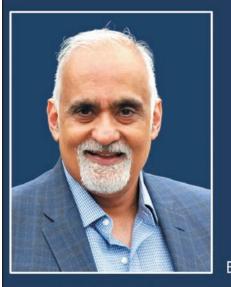














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#### COUNCIL CORNER

### Transparency and trust: Happy Valley wins two financial reporting awards

The City was recognized to meeting the highest principles by the Government Finance Officers Association

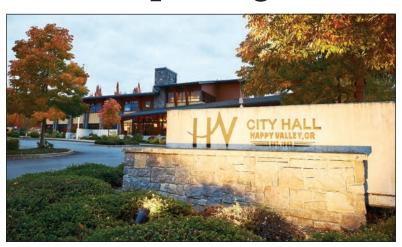
City of Happy Valley

Earlier this year, the Government Finance Officers Association, a national organization that represents public finance officials, honored the City of Happy Valley with two financial reporting awards.

The first award, GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award, was given for significant achievement by the City of Happy Valley. It reflects the commitment of the City and staff

of governmental budgeting. To receive the distinction, the City had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation.

The second award, the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, was given for the annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2024. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting, recognizing the City's demonstration of a "spirit of full disclosure" that clearly communicates its financial story and motivates potential users and user groups to read the report.



The City of Happy Valley recently received two awards for financial excellence. (COURTESY: CITY

Both of these awards underscore the City of Happy Valley's commitment to transparency and building trust with our residents through the clear and effective

reporting of our annual budgets. All of the City of Happy Valley's annual budgets can be found on the city's website: hv.city/ budgets

### City committees need volunteers | Volunteer on one of seven committees that help shape the City

Do you care about future growth or design standards? Are you interested in improving public safety? What are your thoughts on public art? Are you interested in how the City spends its resources?

Happy Valley is always looking for volunteers who are interested in their neighborhoods and their community to join one of the city's seven advisory boards.

Dedicated citizens meet regularly to address current issues and look for ways to make Happy Valley an even better place to live and work.

There are seven citizen-led committees that guide these efforts, including:

- Planning Commission
- Design Review Board
- Traffic and Public Safety

Committee

- Public Art Committee
- Parks Advisory Committee
- Library Board
- Budget Committee

Although not every committee currently has a vacancy, the City is always accepting new applications. To apply for one of these appointed advisory board positions, complete and submit the Public Involvement Application. Deadline to apply is Monday, Dec. 1. For more information and an application, visit hv.city/ city-committees.



City committees are a great way to get involved in the future of Happy Valley. (COURTESY: STARTUPSTOCKPHOTOS / PIXABAY)

For questions, please contact Ben Bryant, Assistant City Manager at benb@happyvalleyor.gov or 503-783-3840.

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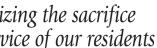
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#### MAYOR'S MESSAGE

### Thank you, Happy Valley veterans Recognizing the sacrifice and service of our residents





Mayor Tom Ellis with a group of local veterans in front of Veterans Memorial Park.

City of Happy Valley

Veteran's Day is an annual reminder of the sacrifices made by the men and women who have served in our nation's military. On behalf of the City Council, I want to thank all our Happy Valley veterans.

Having had the honor of serving in the

United States Coast Guard myself, I know that Veterans Day is about more than parades and ceremonies. It is a moment for reflection and appreciation.

As I contemplate the ideals that guide our service members - courage, dedication, service and sacrifice — I'm inspired by the continued leadership of our veterans to

uphold those same ideals here in our community. Your example reminds us of the power of service and that we are at our best when we work together to make our city a great place

Let us all take a moment to acknowledge the significance of the day and offer our thanks. To our veterans, we are forever grateful.

### JOIN THE CONVERSATION: Speak out, speak up at Youth Town Hall

Happy Valley Youth Council's annual event is set for Nov. 19

Attention all teens! The Happy Valley Youth Council invites you to join us for our annual Youth Town Hall - a free, fun, and engaging event designed just for you!

Come share your ideas, connect with other young people in the community, and enjoy free pizza while making your voice heard. This is your opportunity to talk about the issues that matter most to you — from education and the environment to mental health, community safety, and more. The Youth Council wants to hear your thoughts and perspectives because your voice truly matters in shaping the future of Happy Valley.

#### **Why Civic Engagement Matters**

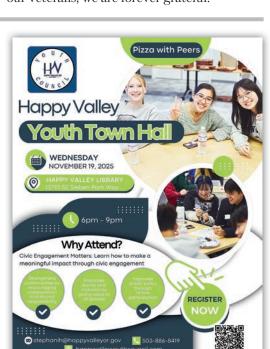
Civic engagement isn't just for adults — it's for everyone, and it starts with you. When young people get involved, they bring fresh ideas, new energy, and unique perspectives that can lead to real change. By participating in the Youth Town Hall, you're helping to build a stronger, more inclusive community where every voice counts.

Your participation demonstrates that young people care about the issues affecting their lives today and are eager to help shape tomorrow. Together, we can create positive change — one conversation at a time.

Don't miss out! Join the conversation, enjoy some pizza, and help make Happy Valley an even better place for everyone.

#### **YOUTH TOWN HALL**

- Wednesday, November 19, 2025
- 6-9 p.m.



- Happy Valley Library 13793 Sieben Park
- Register here: https://www.happyvalley or.gov/city-hall/boards-commissions/ youth-council/youth-town-hall/

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#### **November 1**

**■** Leaf Drop, Public **Works Building:** 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

#### November 4

- **City Council Work** Session, City Hall: 6 p.m.
- **■** City Council **Meeting, City Hall:** 7 p.m.

#### **November 7**

**■** Hearings Officer **Meeting, City Hall:** 9 a.m.

#### November 20

- **Public Art Committee Meeting, City Hall:** 5:30 p.m.
- **■** Traffic and Public **Safety Committee Meeting, City Hall:** 6 p.m.

#### **November 26**

**■ HVBA Monthly Meeting, City Hall:** 7:30 a.m.

Scan QR code to sign up for notifications



### **Happy Valley residents connect** with police at Coffee with a Cop

City of Happy Valley

Happy Valley residents had the opportunity to sit down with local law enforcement over coffee and pastries earlier this fall during the City's annual Coffee with a Cop event. held Oct. 2 at Peet's Coffee.

The gathering provided a relaxed setting for community members to meet deputies, ask questions, and share their thoughts on public safety. Conversations covered a range of topics, from neighborhood



Happy Valley Police Chief, Marcus Mendoza, talks with a group of residents and answers questions. (COURTESY: CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY)

concerns to traffic issues, and gave residents a chance to better understand how law

enforcement operates in the city.

The event also served as an introduction to



The City contracts with the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office. Here, Chief Mendoza talks with a family about safety in Happy Valley. (COURTESY: CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY)

Happy Valley's new Police Chief, Marcus Mendoza, who took time to meet residents, listen to their concerns, and share his commitment to community safety.

Events like Coffee with a Cop are a simple but meaningful way for neighbors and officers to connect outside of emergency situations - over a cup of coffee and good conversation.

#### **CLACKAMAS FIRE**

### Stay safe, charge smart

Lithium-ion battery safety helps protect homes and families

n October, Clackamas Fire visited schools across our district to teach students about fire safety. Along with classic lessons like creating a fire escape plan, we're also highlighting a growing modern hazard:

lithium-ion batteries. These batteries power many everyday items

 smartphones, tablets, e-scooters, toys, power tools, and more. While usually safe, they can pose

a serious fire risk if damaged, improperly charged, or stored incorrectly.

Across the country, fire departments are seeing more incidents involving lithium-ion batteries. Fires can start suddenly

and spread rapidly, often with no warning signs. That's why it's essential to use and care for these batteries responsibly.

#### **Key Safety Tips:**

- Use manufacturer-approved chargers. ■ Charge on hard, flat surfaces — not on
- beds or couches.
- Unplug once fully charged to prevent overheating. ■ Avoid charging overnight or when
- unattended. ■ Keep batteries away from heat and direct
- sunlight.
- Never use damaged or swollen batteries. ■ Dispose of batteries at proper recycling centers — never in household trash.

As we teach students about fire safety, we encourage families to continue the



Rechargeable batteries are becoming an increassing fire hazard. (COURTESY: EMILIAN ROBERT VICOL / PIXABAY)

conversation at home. Your child may bring home safety materials from our visits — please take a moment to review them together.

By learning how to use and charge lithiumion batteries safely, we can prevent avoidable fires and keep our community safer.

For more fire safety resources, visit https://clackamasfire.com/fire-prevention/ education/safety-tips/.



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- **Emmely Briley** Molalla High School
- Adrianne Cohen Milwaukie High School Jennifer Crutcher
- Oregon City High School **Daniel Hartley**
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### Keep HV clean and safe this fall











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s the leaves start to fall, it's time to tidy up your yard and help keep our community safe and beautiful. Regular yard maintenance not only enhances curb appeal but also helps prevent hazards like slippery sidewalks, fire risks, and pest infestations.

Here's how you can do your part this season:

#### **Yard Care Matters**

Rake up fallen leaves and branches to avoid slippery sidewalks and reduce fire danger. Keep vegetation trimmed and make sure overhanging branches aren't blocking sidewalks or traffic signs. Remember, leaves should never be blown or raked into the street. Disposing of your leaves in the street can create road hazards and lead to citations.

#### **Street Sweeping Season**

Happy Valley's Public Works team is out regularly sweeping streets during the fall months. You can help them do their job efficiently by:

- Keeping parked cars off the street when possible
- Clearing storm drains near your home
- Trimming tree limbs to at least 11 feet above the roadway
- Disposing of leaves in your yard debris bin or at a City leaf drop event

Please never pile leaves in the street or next to the curb, as it makes sweeping difficult and unsafe.

#### **Free Leaf Drop Events**

Take advantage of Happy Valley Parks & Recreation's FREE Leaf Drop events to dispose of yard debris safely:

- Saturday, Nov. 1, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 6,
- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Public Works Building. 13910 SE Ridgecrest Rd. (next to Happy Valley Park).

Bring proof of residency and be prepared to unload and de-bag materials yourself. Residential loads only. no commercial landscapers, please.

#### **Backyard Burn Season Updates**

The Backyard Burn season is open October 12 through December 15. Backvard burning is the burning of organic yard debris, such as leaves, branches, and garden waste, on the property of origin, on approved burn days, and during approved hours. Residents can check the daily burn message by calling 503-742-2945 to confirm if burning is allowed.

Backyard burning is permitted only on properties outside the DEO Burn Ban Area and is not recommended in compact housing



and reduce fire danger. (COURTESY: LIZ W / PIXABAY)

developments. Within Happy Valley city limits, a City Burn Permit is required for residents with more than one acre of land. Burn piles may not exceed 10'x10'x10', must be at least 50 feet from structures, and only two piles may be burned at one

Obtaining a Burn permit through the city is acquired online at hyworks.com. Residents will be limited to one permitted burn day per season, and each burn will require a \$30 permit and inspection to ensure compliance with DEO and Clackamas Fire safety standards. Burning prohibited materials such as garbage, plastic, or petroleum-treated items may result in revoked burn privileges or

These rules promote safer. cleaner-burning practices that help protect air quality and reduce fire risks in our community. You can find all the details about backyard burning here: hv.city/ backyard-burning



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The City of Happy Valley is partnering with Friends of Trees to host community tree planting events!

Gloves, tools, and guidance are provided – as well as breakfast snacks and coffee/tea/hot chocolate. All are welcome, no experience needed!

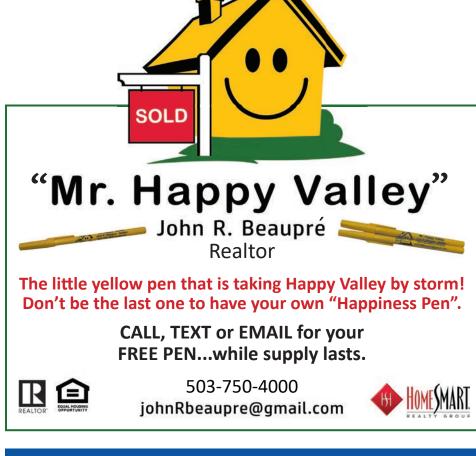
- Sat, Nov 8th: Southern Lites Park, 8:45 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Sat, Feb 7th: Windswept Waters Natural Area planting, 8:45 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Sat. Feb 7th: Sunrise Corridor community planting, 8:45 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Sat, March 21st: Hidden Falls Nature Park, 8:45 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sign up on the Friends of Trees event calendar via their website: friendsoftrees.org/event-calendar/



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### Heartfelt ways to give this holiday season

Discover ways to give back this holiday season through local charities, donation drives, and community events

City of Happy Valley

For many, the holidays are some of the best times of the year, yet for some in our community, these celebrations are a reminder of severe financial hardship. Here are three meaningful ways residents can give back this holiday season and bring hope and cheer to those in need.

#### Fill a stocking, fill a heart

This volunteer-led organization helps collect essential items for individuals and families in Clackamas County and ensures items reach those who need them most. For recipients of the program, these items may be the only gifts they receive. In support, Happy Valley Parks and Recreation and the Happy Valley Library will host a donation site for the organization.

the organization. How it works: Pick up an empty stocking from the designated bin located in the Happy Valley City Hall lobby or the Happy Valley Library main entrance. Fill it with items like new hats, gloves, and small age-appropriate gifts. Each stocking includes a list of needed items and suggestions, along with a form to specify the intended age range for your donated items. You can also make a tax-deductible financial gift to the organization, if you prefer. Deadline to return completed stockings to City Hall is Wednesday, Nov. 27 and to the library, Saturday, Nov. 30.

#### **Winter Blitz**

Winter Blitz is a popular donation drive that serves local families in need. Students from Clackamas High School and Adrienne C. Nelson High School are once again combining



efforts to help local families struggling this season by ensuring essential items are available and accessible.

Drop off gently used clothing, household items, gift cards and monetary donations to these locations:

#### Clackamas High School: 14486 S.E. 122nd Avenue, Clackamas, OR 97015

- Saturday, Nov. 29 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 6 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Friday, Dec. 12 4 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

#### OakGrove Methodist Church: 14700 S.E. Rupert Drive, Oak Grove

■ Starting Nov. 3 through Thursday, Dec. 11, every Monday through Thursday – 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information on the items needed and how to contribute directly to this cause, visit hv.city/winter-blitz.

#### **Operation Santa Claus**

Celebrating 51 years of giving back to the community!

A beloved annual toy and food drive, Operation Santa is coordinated through the efforts of firefighters at Clackamas Fire District #1 and benefits individuals and families throughout the communities served by the district. Once again, the crew will be collecting new, unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items at this year's City Tree Lighting event, making it even easier to give if you plan to attend. Specifically, you may drop off items for Operation Santa from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at City Hall on Sunday, Dec. 7.

For those who can't make the big event but would like to participate, there will be additional drop-off locations coordinated by the district throughout December.

Save the date for the annual Operation Santa parade! Clackamas Fire will also conduct a non-collection holiday-themed parade in the Happy Valley area on the evening of Friday, Dec. 5. Again, no donations will be collected during this event.

Head to www.clackamasfire.com for parade route information and all donation opportunity details. The website also has a Santa tracker for the parade route.



Families gathered to soak in the sparkle and celebrate the moment the Mayor lit the tree. (COURTESY: CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY)

## A Sparkling Start to the Season

Happy Valley Tree Lighting Ceremony is set for Sunday, Dec. 7

t's the most wonderful time of the year in Happy Valley! Gather your family and friends and join us Sunday, Dec. 7, as we kick off the holiday season with the city's annual Tree Lighting Ceremony.

This beloved community tradition will dazzle once again, offering an evening filled with lights, laughter, and plenty of festive fun. Step into a winter wonderland at Happy Valley City Hall, where twinkling lights, holiday music, and cheerful decorations set the scene both indoors and out. Explore community booths, sip on hot cocoa or coffee, and enjoy the warm company of neighbors and friends. And of course, no celebration would be complete without a visit from Santa Claus himself!

Hosted by Happy Valley Parks and Recreation, this family-friendly event is sure to fill hearts with the joy and togetherness that define the holiday season.

#### **Save the Date**

- Tree Lighting Ceremony
- Sunday, Dec. 7 | 4–6 p.m.
- Happy Valley City Hall 16000 SE Misty Drive

As we come together in celebration, we also invite attendees to give back. Donations of non-perishable food and new, unwrapped toys will be collected to support Clackamas Fire District #1's Operation Santa Claus. Help make the season brighter for local families in need

Let's make this holiday season shine with joy, generosity, and community spirit!





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## Swimming to Singapore

Happy Valley resident Adin Williams makes his World Para Swimming debut

**By JOSIAH PENSADO**For the Happy Valley
News

Adin Williams' airplane ride to Singapore took six hours from Incheon, South Korea, and nine hours from the United States to South Korea, putting him 15 hours ahead of the Pacific Northwest.

The long hours of sitting on a plane with little to stay occupied were challenging. "It is definitely a lot," he says. Williams wants to get traveling over with as quickly as possible.

When he hits the swimming pool, much of his motivation is the same.

"OK, let's just get this over with."

This attitude of resilience has enabled him to stay hungry and eventually compete at the international level.

It all started for Williams when he first started taking swimming lessons

"So my mom got me into swimming lessons when I was about three years old, and I just really loved it and sort of just stuck with it. I heard there were opportunities to be on a swim team



Adin Williams continues his pursuit of excellence in swimming. Having recently won a bronze medal in the 2025 World Para Swimming Championships, he now has his sights set on the World Para Athletics Championships in 2026. (COURTESY: ADIN WILLIAMS)

"I have been faced with numerous challenges, both in and out of the pool that could have easily made me step down from swimming a long time ago, but I am still here and, as of right now, I plan to chase L.A. 2028."

– Adin William

here locally, and I just went for it," Williams says, "And then I heard about the Paralympics, which I knew was going to be the best place for me when it comes to competitive swimming."

Williams' aspirations for competitive swimming came to a head in September of 2023. Williams was called to compete for the United States at the 2023 Parapan American Games, where he won a silver medal in the 400-meter freestyle S7

event, fighting back after being in last place at the 300-meter mark.

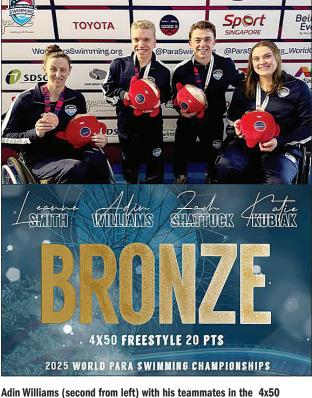
In June 2024, he was selected as an alternate for the 2024 Summer Paralympics.

More recently, Williams would make his international debut at the 2025 World Para Swimming Championships in Singapore, winning a bronze medal in the mixed 4x50 freestyle relay 20pts event.

"We did not know if we were going to make it to the podium because we definitely had some stiff competition ahead of us," Williams says, "After we did win, it was such a great feeling, it let me know that I truly belong on the team, and that we could truly have more greatness in the coming years."

Williams says that only his mother went to Singapore with him, citing the time zone differences preventing the rest of his family from accompanying him.

"It was a big moment for her because she



Adin Williams (second from left) with his teammates in the 4x50 Freestyle event. The team won a bronze medal at the World Para Swimming Championships held in Singapore. (COURTESY: ADIN WILLIAMS)

knew that I was mentally struggling to hang on with my swimming career," Williams says, "The outcome of this meet would play a big role in what the future was like for me."

He says that winning these medals has garnered attention from those close to him, and currently, all his focus is on preparing for the 2028 Summer Paralympics.

"Right now I am hoping for the [World Para Athletics Championships] next year, we are hoping for the Para Pan Pacific Games in 2026, and of course the LA 2028 Paralympic Games," Williams says.

While pursuing his dreams of competitive swimming at the international level, Williams is also earning his master's degree in legal studies online at Purdue, accommodating his swim schedule.

Williams' primary concern is ensuring that his competitive future in swimming is secured, stating that if he weren't swimming, he would probably be doing some office job. Despite all the things facing him in the future, he always looks forward with motivation.

"I have been faced with numerous challenges, both in and out of the pool that could have easily made me step down from swimming a long time ago, but I am still here and as of right now I plan to chase LA 2028," Williams says, "If you believe it can happen, it can happen."





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## A comedic musical of a classic story



An all-cast rehearsal of "Song of Love" with choreographer Lisa Cherrington..

'Once Upon A Mattress' set to debut this November at Nelson High School

**By JAMES KENNETH PRESLEY** for Happy Valley News

### "The theatre, the theater, whatever happened to the theatre?"

That was the question in the 1954 film "White Christmas," but it's not the issue at Nelson High School.

Thanks to a community of thespians who dedicate their spare time to growing the theatrical community by sharing their own fears, experiences, and triumphs.

Louis Kruse, a seasoned musical theatre professional, discovered his passion for teaching when he relocated from Los Angeles to the Pacific Northwest to serve as Nelson's Drama Director.

"I get to be the high school director that mine was for me," says Kruse. "It's an honor to pass down these traditions."

Kruse, who acted in "Bonnie & Clyde" this past summer at Bridgetown Conservatory, delved into the upcoming Fall musical "Once Upon A Mattress," a show that he best describes as a "perfect fit for the needs of our community".

"I collaborate with the principal, the daytime drama teacher, the choir director, and the band director to make sure all the needs for a specific musical are met by the skills of our students," Kruse said. "It's a big show, but I'm just so excited because it's a 1960s classic musical theatre piece."

Kruse wanted a performance that would also meet the needs of those coming to support it, making sure it was accessible for all ages to enjoy with good humor, classical music, and skillful performances.

"It was the perfect show for us this year," he said.

With opening night slated for Nov. 7, "Once Upon A Mattress" is a comedic musical retelling of the classical story, "The Princess and the Pea," where Queen Aggravain decrees no couple is to be wed until her son, Prince Dauntless, finds a bride of his own. However, with an impossible test set up by the queen, princesses from far and wide are unable to prove their worth.

However, it is undoubtedly



We're creating an escape for the community and this show embodies that need for many. Whoever leaves this show will leave a little happier, which I believe is the beauty of theatre."

Louis Kruse, director

the students of Adrienne C. Nelson who have proven their worth in terms of talent and effort behind this musical.

"I feel like this year's group of seniors are really getting an opportunity to shine in a way that compliments their talents, whereas the underclassmen get to be invested in a big ensemble show and play a big part in even



NataLee Boyd and Alex Swanberg as Princess Winnifred and Prince Dauntless in "Once Upon a Mattress."

smaller roles," Kruse said. "The ensemble is shining in a way I wasn't really anticipating, while the leads and co-leads are all flourishing. These kids are taking on the challenge and running with it. I am so proud and excited for everybody to see just what they're building."

"Once Upon A Mattress," which first opened off Broadway in 1959, has had multiple runs across a variety of platforms over the decades, with some notable celebrity performances over the years including Carol Burnett (The Carol Burnett Show), Sarah Jessica Parker (Sex and the City) Matthew Morrison (Glee), Zooey Deschanel

(Elf), and Ana Gasteyer (Saturday Night Live).

The musical itself is the brainchild of composer Mary Rodgers and lyricist Marshall Barer.

"My theme for this year was accessible and family-friendly," Kruse said. "It's beautifully written music that soars and is just a really fun show. We're creating an escape for the community and this show embodies that need for many. Whoever leaves this show will leave a little happier, which I believe is the beauty of theatre."

To learn more about the show and to purchase tickets, go online (Allevents.in) and search "Once Upon A Mattress."



### Balancing your expenses now can help you reach your financial goals later

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She also appears on-camera hosting local business conversations (TV Toastmasters). Known for rolling up her sleeves, LizBeth brings the rare combination of former mortgage-broker know-how and principal-broker leadership-equipping clients with clear strategy, decisive negotiation, and concierge-level service from first consult to closing.

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### It's time for the Turkey Trot!

North Clackamas Lacrosse Boys set to host annual fun run event

By JAMES **KENNETH PRESLEY** 

for Happy Valley News

While many will opt to spend Thanksgiving morning chaotically prepping the evening's feast, preparing for incoming guests, or simply relaxing in the living room while watching the Macy's Day Parade, many members of our community will be joining the Turkey Trot.

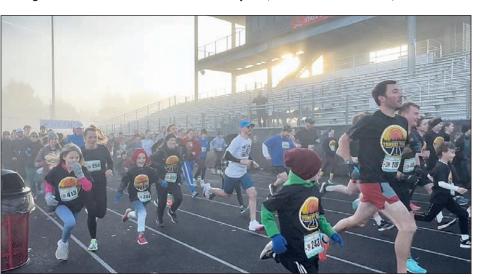
Sponsored by the Clackamas and Nelson High School Boys Lacrosse Team, the Turkey Trot and Fun Run raises funds for a sport that the Oregon School Activities Association does not yet sanction.

"Because lacrosse is not a sanctioned sport in Oregon, we don't receive any funding from the district or the schools, so we're really a club team," said Janell Peay, president of the North Clackamas Lacrosse Board and supportive mom of a lacrosse senior. "The club is run by parents, and we're composed of players from Clackamas, Nelson, and Sandy High School."

Peay notes how when she first joined the program in her role as President, the event had only around 160 runners. This year? Peay anticipates the event to host more than 600



Racers get set for the annual Clackamas Lacrosse Turkey Trot. (COURTESY PHOTO: MIKELL SHEEHAN)



Turkey Trotters race in the crisp and foggy morning. (COURTESY PHOTO: MIKELL SHEEHAN)

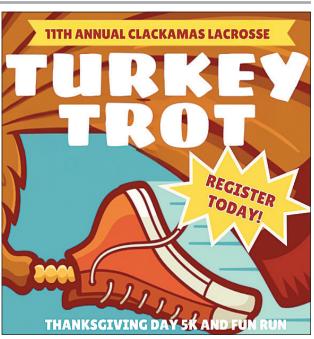
runners, demonstrating both the growth and support festering in the community during the holiday season.

Equally, given its growth, the Turkey Trot has garnered local sponsors, including Stanford's, Black Rock, Happy Valley Station, Buel's Impressions Printing, and Sam Elkins Memorial Fund. "The first year of the

event was in 2014," says Peay. "All the boys wear their uniforms, helmets, and act as the directors of traffic. The team puts on such a fun morning, and I think it's really become a tradition for many families. The AD's (athletic directors) at both Clackamas and Nelson have been very supportive, and we do feel that support from both schools."

The Turkey Trot will once again take place on the track at Clackamas High School on Nov. 27, with the 1k Fun Run starting at 8:30 am for \$20 and the 5k starting at 9 a.m. for \$35.

"Registration closes



"The team puts on such a fun morning, and I think it's really become a tradition for many families."

- Janell Peay

two days before the Turkey Trot and Fun Run." Peay said. "Strollers are welcome as well as friendly dogs. We'll also have a coffee cart as well as some other vendors, we're hoping. The Fun Run is super short and little kids seem to love participating in it. The actual 5k starts on the track and works its way to Piefer Park and back. The lacrosse coach actually shoots off the gun to start. Music is blasting and it's just great vibes for the whole day."

Peay explained that the overall goal is for lacrosse to become a sanctioned sport, which requires the sport to grow locally. To achieve this growth, the group is working to cultivate interest in lacrosse among youth.

According to Peay, the funds from this event will help with equipment, paying for coaches, and field time.

"This is our biggest fundraising event of the year," Peay said. "Our team is actually ranked fifth in the state so we're pretty excited!"

In addition to prizes for finishers, the event will also award prizes for the best three costumes.

"Some people actually dress up like turkeys, wear tutus - even Santa," Peay said. "We'll all be there, rain or shine!"

To learn more about the North Clackamas Lacrosse Boys Turkey Trot and Fun Run or even to register yourself for either event, visit: Clackamasturkeytrot.com



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**By JOSIAH PENSADO** 

For Happy Valley News

The city of Happy Valley is home to 11 city parks and 49 trails, and a non-profit foundation dedicated to the upkeep of them all.

Founded in 2020, the Happy

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Valley Parks and Recreation Foundation (hereafter referred to as HVPRF) aims to increase the accessibility and sustainability of the parks, recreational facilities, and programs.

"We're just trying to help people connect with their Happy Valley Parks and Recreation programs, and also with the facilities themselves," HVPRF board director Glen Sachet says.

Sachet says the HVPRF partners with the city of Happy Valley through their Happy Valley Parks and Recreation department.

"We are filling a gap in a way," Sachet says, "Yeah, they have their staff and their priorities, and there's all this extra stuff that they can't get to. Maybe a trail needs some cleaning out, some blackberries we need to pull, that kind of thing."

Although the two groups are

separate entities, they both aim to support the city and its

One unique aspect of the HVPRF is its scholarship program, which aims to help the community engage in specific programs they otherwise could not. According to the

> United States Census Bureau, about 1750 people live below the poverty line in Happy Valley.

"We are trying to reach out to them and let them know that 'Hey, here's this oppor-

tunity if you need some help sending one of your children or even an adult to a program the city sponsors," Sachet says, "We may be able to fill that gap and help you with that."

According to him, the scholarship enabled the organization to host a babysitting class with the city, assist someone in obtaining his CPR certification for employment, and sponsor a cooking class for individuals with hypertension.

"Not only are we trying to get kids into sports camps, but we're trying to build capacity. If we send somebody to a CPR class, and they are out in their leisure time on the boardwalk,



The Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Foundation is a separate entity from the city's Parks and Recreation Department. The Foundation often helps complete tasks that city staff simply don't have the time or resources to address. (COURTESY: HVPRF, (TOP) The Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Foundation hosted a car show this year to commemorate the 60th anniversary of Happy Valley. (COURTESY: HVPRF)

and they come across somebody who needs help, and they can help and assist, then we've helped in an indirect way," Sachet says.

One of the biggest challenges the HVPRF faces is community outreach, specifically in raising public awareness of its programs. Sachet says that for many people in Happy Valley, English is their second language.

"How do we break down those barriers and connect with those folks to engage with us?" Sachet says, "We started just doing scholarships, and the first couple of years, we had trouble

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Clearing away blackberry vines is just one of the many tasks the HVPRF helps the city's parks department complete. (COURTESY: HVPRF)

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#### **Finding Meaning and Purpose After Retirement**

When many people daydream about their retirement life, they often envision simply kicking back and relaxing while enjoying not having a todo list. However, data shows that many people starting retirement suffer stress and health issues because retirement causes them to feel disconnected from others or simply feel unfulfilled.

Make a list of things you enjoy and have always wanted to do. This is a promising first step of finding purpose after retirement. Try things that will help you find meaning, but not at the expense of financial security. Even retirees on limited funds can enjoy themselves without worrying about their livelihood. Your retirement lifestyle should include a mix of activities that keep you active, social, and

engaged for optimal quality of life. Join a club, volunteer with a nonprofit organization, and attend local events.

Many local business offer senior nights with discounts or perks and attending these is a great way to connect with other retirees! Brain games are proven to help your mind stay sharp and can help maintain memory and improve immunity. Focus on your health, staying active and eating a healthy diet is especially important.

Try taking up a new sport such a golf or join a gym that offers senior exercise programs. Life after retirement doesn't have to be boring and isolating. Start with what makes you happy and don't be afraid to step a little outside of your comfort zone.



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### HAPPY VALLEY HISTORY

### Karl Rebstock shares a family legacy that is as rich as the community he helped grow

By JAMES KENNETH PRESLEY for Happy Valley News

It was the perfect autumn day in Happy Valley when Karl Rebstock stepped into Happy Valley City Hall for the first time. Accompanied by his son, Michael, Rebstock stood in awe of the scope of it all. Not only the scope of the building itself but the prosperity of the city he once knew as rural territory and occupied only by farmers like his father.

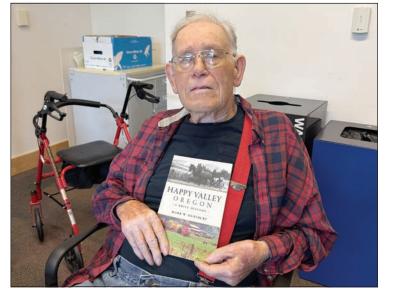
The 89-year-old Rebstock was warmly greeted with a handshake from Mayor Tom Ellis before entering the Rebstock Meeting Room, an homage to one of Happy Valley's pioneering families that helped build our great city to what we know it as today.

"If you had dumped me out here in the dark I wouldn't even know where I was," joked Rebstock, smiling from ear to ear while demonstrating his gratitude for this special morning. "I haven't been out here in about 10 years. I can't believe it."

Rebstock, who now resides in Vancouver, Washington, quickly began to journey down memory lane and, with the help of his son Michael, we set off on an adventure of Happy Valley and the Rebstock legacy.

"I was born at Emmanuel Hospital in 1936," says Rebstock.

"He was actually raised in the house where the original City Hall was right there off King road," adds Michael. "It's right next to the fire station



Karl Rebstock holding his own copy of Happy Valley Oregon - A Brief History by Mark W. Hurlburt. (COURTESY PHOTO: JAMES PRESLEY)

and 'Rebstock Park' is actually behind it. My great grandfather signed a deed for that house in

The city actually purchased the home with plans of renovating it several decades ago. However, due to foundational issues the original home was demolished and, in its place, a similar home was constructed with an old farmhouse design. Today this house is known as the Community Policing

Rebstock noted how in his earlier years he actually helped build the community church across the street from his childhood home, a church which still stands today.

"It was a way to get out of school early," says Rebstock. "You can still find some of the nails in the wood that I hammered in."

Rebstock's father, Ed

Rebstock, known as 'Mr. Happy Valley," was known as the quintessential helping hand of the community during Karl's upbringing, responsible for many of the roads and telephone lines in the area while also growing his own family farm. Even more impressively? Ed Rebstock also installed the area's water system as well as organized the fire district, to which he also volunteered for more than 30 years.

Serving on multiple boards as well as helping establish the Mt. Scott Water District, now Sunrise Water Authority, the Rebstock fingerprint quickly became a green-thumb to the community, miraculously bringing to life and growing anything he touched.

"My hope is that my grandfather's legacy and my father's legacy for that matter are never forgotten," says Michael.



Micahel Rebstock and father Karl Rebstock are greeted at City Hall by Mayor Tom Ellis. (COURTESY PHOTO: JAMES PRESLEY)

"My hope is that my grandfather's legacy and my father's legacy for that matter are never forgotten."

- Michael Rebstock

"It's our family's legacy, and the whole community was family to

Karl Rebstock, who would go on to join the Air National Guard after graduating from Milwaukie high school in 1954, clearly demonstrated reverence for his late father Ed and his time working with him on the farm. This sentiment was echoed by Karl's son and Ed's grandson, Michael.

"I had a very close relationship with my grandparents," says Michael. "I remember seeing more horses than cars coming down King road while fishing in their small pond. My grandpa was both physically

strong and headstrong. He liked to be hands-on from tasks as small as reading meters to tasks as large as driving the tractor."

While a young Michael spent time with his grandparents, Karl would be busy working for an underground utility contractor for 25 years, installing water, sewer, and storm lines for municipalities across Oregon and Washington State.

In 1982, he launched Rebstock Home Improvements, a residential and light commercial construction company that specialized in carpentry and plumbing. Of course, carrying

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volunteering on a project, or attending an event.

We are also looking for community members to join the Coalition Leadership Group. This group helps guide the development of the Coalition and leads its activities and projects. The group currently meets every third Wednesday of the month from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Meetings are primarily virtual but occasionally take place in person at a location within the Sunrise Community.

Sign up for the Coalition and let us know your level of interest by visiting www.clackamas. us/sunrise. The Sunrise Corridor Community Coalition and Vision Plan was developed in a joint partnership among Clackamas County, Happy Valley, Metro, and ODOT.



Members of the Sunrise Corridor Steering Committee evaluate plans. (COURTESY: CITY OF

#### Rebstock

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on his father's tradition, Karl always found time to help neighbors along the

"When a neighbor was in need you helped them," says Rebstock. "It's something you don't see a lot of anymore."

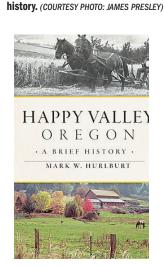
Next, with the mayor present as well as some neighbors and friends, Michael Rebstock pulled out several large envelopes, all containing a collection of photos, deeds, certificates, diplomas, and other documents.

These images overwhelmed Rebstock with joy, giving him pause before disclosing how he cannot believe there are four living generations of Rebstocks.

"He actually got quite sick a couple of years ago and was not doing well," says Michael. "On the fourth of July my wife, my daughter, her husband, and I went over to tell Dad about my daughter's pregnancy. Dad had first time on Christmas always said 'I have always Day, 2023.



Michael and Karl Rebstock answering questions about their family's



wanted to be a great grandfather'."

"She's absolutely wonderful," says Rebstock, who got to hold his great granddaughter for the

It was a day filled with stories, memories, and history regarding our great city. The personal stories, to which there were many, of both Karl and Michael not only belong to them and their family but to all who have benefited from their multi-generational efforts in growing Happy Valley.

The day concluded with a quick trip to the Happy Valley store, where an old neighbor and friend, Steve Anderson, purchased a hat and t-shirt for Karl Rebstock, a symbol of both success and tradition earned by a special member of one of Happy Valley's founding families, the Rebstocks.

#### Connect

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reaching like that, so we thought, 'Why don't we just fund classes?' We are connecting more people through the classes."

Ultimately, Sachet believes that classes are one of the best ways to reach out to people.

Beyond scholarship opportunities and fostering classes, the HVPRF also ensures that Happy Valley parks are maintained.

The HVPRF is focusing on putting on more regularly scheduled cleanup days to help maintain parks and trails.

According to Sachet, he aims to schedule more cleanup days, aiming for one every six weeks to a month.

list of maintenance projects, but they don't have with the help of Les the capacity to do it all," Sachet says, "We sit down a year and get a list of potential projects."

received a corporate part-



Two of the HVPRF volunteers ready to tackle overgrown blackberry vines. (COURTESY: HVPRF)

which helped them organize a classic car show last year, hosting 25 cars. This year, to commemorate the 60th anniversary of Hap-"The city has a long py Valley, the HVPRF hosted another car show Schwab.

"Our goal was 60, but with them about once we got 76, so we got a great response. We plan on doing it again next The HVPRF has even year," Sachet says.

Although the foundanership from Les Schwab, tion is only five years old, says.

Sachet is confident that he can expand fundraising and add more board members in the near future.

"Bottom line, we're just trying to increase accessibility for everyone to the programs the city offers because the city has this incredible array of opportunities for community members, and we just want to do whatever we can to help people take advantage of that," Sachet

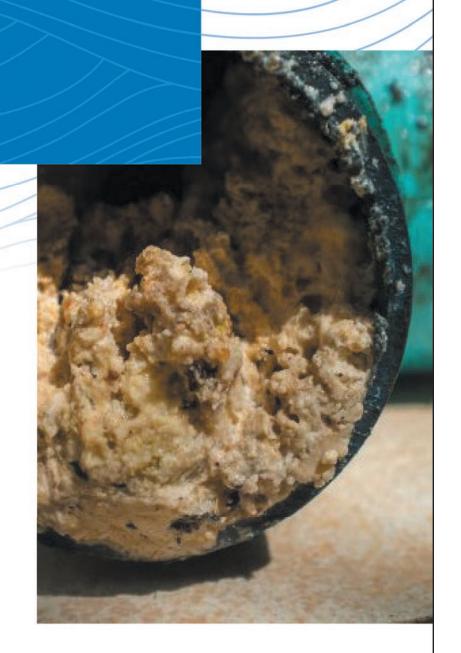
## Keep FOG Out of Your Pipes!

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- Use sink strainers to catch any remaining food waste while washing dishes.

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## King Road Roundabout gets a new sculpture

Artist Douwe Blumberg hosted a conversation about the piece during the installation

City of Happy Valley

For the last year, an empty roundabout marked the intersection at Southeast King Road and Southeast 129th Avenue, a junction many of our neighbors travel for school, work and community services.

However, the days of that roundabout being empty are officially over. A new statue has been installed, titled Confluence by the artist Douwe Blumberg.

Blumberg is a Kentuckybased artist with prominent art pieces commissioned across the country and internationally, including the bronze statue America's Response at the Sept. 11 Monument and the Las Vegas Veterans Memorial. He began work as an artist in California, where he began his career working in a variety of physical media, most often steel and bronze. A former horse trainer, his artistic work often features themes of soldiers, horses, and flying birds, with an emphasis on capturing motion in metal form.

Blumberg was selected through a nationwide call for artists made by the Happy Vallev Public Art Committee to evaluate portfolios and proposals from around the country. The committee received more than 260 submissions. From them, the committee selected three candidates to create concept art. The piece Confluence was selected from the proposed pieces. Confluence will now be a permanent fixture in the



The sculpture. Confluence, will now be a permanent fixture in the community



Artist Douwe Blumberg, City Councilors, committee volunteers and City staff pose in front of Confluence

community.

The sculpture features three birds, finished with different metals, swooping together and

climbing up into the sky. On the title Confluence, Mr. Blumberg says:

A confluence can be the

coming together – a meeting or gathering of peoples, cultures and ethnicities. A confluence can mean the flowing together



Artist Douwe Blumberg speaks with event attendees about his artwork

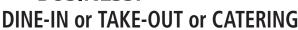
of waters, streams or rivers. Confluence can also mean the merging or joining of paths and trails. It also brings to mind the seamless joining and counterplay of the flight paths of birds spiraling skyward as they ride the rising air currents of an afternoon thermal.

Confluence was installed on Oct. 15, with the cooperation of local metalworker Mike Suri and the City of Happy Valley Public Works Department. During the installation process, Blumberg hosted a "conversation with the artist" event, where he met with Happy Valley City Councilors, members of the Public Art Committee and members of the general public to discuss his inspiration for the piece as well as the work that went into creating it.

Members of the community are encouraged to learn more about the Public Art Committee by visiting the City of Happy Valley's website at: happyvalleyor.gov.



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### Happy Valley Business Alliance

## Celebrates 20 Years!

City of Happy Valley

n Saturday, October 18th the Happy Valley Business Alliance came together for their inaugural gala. Attendees donned festive masks for the masquerade theme as they celebrated the 20th anniversary of HVBA. Attendees celebrated with dinner, drinks, dancing and networking. Stephani Hern, Parks and Recreation Supervisor for the City of Happy Valley was also awarded 'Person of the Year' for her years of partnership, helping to make HVBA a success!



**HVBA President Rene Canler dressed in theme** 



**HVBA Past President Lizbeth Hale** 



Person of the Year award winner Stephani Hern, and City liaison Steve Campbell



Festive Gala goers in theme



HVBA members with Rep. April Dobson



### HAPPY VALLEY BUSINESS ALLIANCE

### 20th Anniversary Celebration















The focus of the Happy Valley Business Alliance can be summed up in one word - COMMUNITY. From the initial formation 20 years ago, when a few business leaders collaborated with leaders from the City of Happy Valley at the Godfather's Pizza located in the plaza at SE 147<sup>th</sup> Ave., the commitment to community continues today. It is with these humble roots that we celebrated the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the HVBA at Gray Gables Estate on October 18th.

Learn more about the HVBA and join at HVBA.biz















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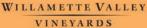






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### Happy Valley welcomes Fall at Oktoberfest

Community gathers for a day of fun, flavor, and festive cheer!

City of Happy Valley

Happy Valley Park was filled with laughter, music, and community spirit on Saturday, Oct. 4, as residents gathered for the fourth annual Oktoberfest. Hosted by Happy Valley Parks and Recreation in partnership with the Rotary Club of Clackamas, the event offered a full day of seasonal fun for all ages.

Highlights included the Kids' Community Pumpkin Patch sponsored by Embold Credit Union, the Petting Zoo sponsored by the Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Foundation, and a lively mix of games, crafts, and contests. Crowds cheered on the Dog Races, Stein Hoisting Competition, and two fun crowd pleasers — the Pie-Eating Contest and the new Donut-on-a-String Challenge.

The festival also featured Youth Entrepreneurs, mentored by the Happy Valley Business Alliance, who showcased and sold handmade goods, adding creativity and local pride to the marketplace. With flannel shirts, pumpkins, and plenty of community spirit on display, the day perfectly captured the charm of fall in Happy Valley.

Thank you to everyone who came out to celebrate, and to our partners, sponsors, and volunteers who made this year's Oktoberfest another memorable success!

















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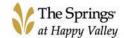




















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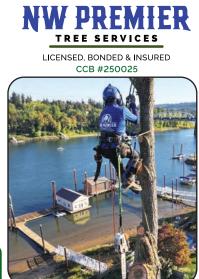
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### **NOVEMBER 2025 LIBRARY EVENTS**

Please note the library will be closed on Tuesday, November 11, Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28, Bookdrops will be open.

### Librarian Isaac Rains makes some noise!

If you have been at the "Ask Here" desk, used our printer, or attended one of our Summer Concerts, then you have likely seen Isaac Rains, one of our Adult Services Librarians.



For over 8 years, **Adult Services** Librarian Isaac Rains has brought his attention to detail, helpfulness, and creativity to his work at the Library.

His work continues behind the scenes as well, ordering fiction books for the adult collection, updating and maintaining the library's website, and co-leading the Adult Summer Reading and Winter Reading programs. "It's hard to pick a favorite, but I especially enjoy my time leading Book Group discussions, doing weekly outreach to local senior care facilities, and hosting the Summer Concerts at Village Green Park," reflected Isaac.

In addition to being a full-time librarian, Isaac also likes to put his undergraduate degree in music to use by playing percussion with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and helping his elementary-aged children with their piano lessons. He also plays

the mbira, a traditional Zimbabwean instrument that looks like a thumb piano, and he is slowly beginning to learn to play the guitar. "Isaac has shared his music at our storytimes," shared fellow librarian Anna Bruce, "and the kids and their families love hearing the different sounds and seeing music instruments up close."

Other things Isaac likes to play are board games and tabletop roleplaying games with his friends and family. Over the years, he has accrued a healthy collection of board games and enjoys pulling out the right game for a situation, much like he enjoys finding the right book for readers at the library. "Hearing that someone has loved a book I recommended is one of the best parts of the job," remarked Isaac.

#### **Native American booklist**



Explore some great titles for all ages in these booklists featuring **Native American voices** 

In honor of Native American Heritage Month, the library is highlighting recent books by Indigenous authors for children, teens, and adults. You'll find fiction and nonfiction by authors from some of the over 500 Federally recognized American Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages. Celebrate Native American Heritage Month with reading! Find the complete booklists at go.lincc.org/hvnav.

### Career classes at the Library



Brush up on your career skills with help from Goodwill Industries of the Columbia Willamette.

Thanks to a partnership with Goodwill Industries of the Columbia Willamette, the Happy Valley Library is offering a 10-week computer and career series for free, Thursdays at 1 pm. From computer basics to Google Docs, resumes to interviews, each weekly class is designed to help build skills and confidence. No registration is necessary. Computers are provided when needed for the class. This month, drop in for the following: November 6 at 1:00-2:30 pm: How to Write a Cover Letter

November 13 at 1:00-2:30 pm: How to Prepare for the Interview

November 20 at 1:00-2:30 pm: How to Interview with STAR

### Free puzzles from the Library!

Library volunteer Amber Cottrell has always been an avid puzzler. "I lived with my aunt and uncle for a summer and they always had a puzzle going," shared Amber, "so that's where I got hooked."

Over this summer Amber approached the Happy Valley Library with an idea — host a puzzle exchange! "Puzzling is a mindful activity to lower stress and anxiety," commented Amber, "it is great as an independent activity, but also wonderful to do with family and friends." Since most people don't want to do a puzzle more than once, and they can be expensive to

buy new, a puzzle exchange is a great way to get new puzzles in your home.

"I went to a puzzle exchange in Portland, and it was fun to get new puzzles, but I also saw that it was a way to build community-people from many different backgrounds coming together in their enjoyment of puzzling," reflected Amber. Now Happy Valley has a local option at their library. On the 4th Sunday of each month from 2-4 pm, people are invited to bring puzzles to exchange (no missing pieces, please) and pick out some to bring home.



Bring a puzzle, take a puzzle at the Happy Valley Library's monthly puzzle exchange, the 4th Sunday of every month from 2-4 pm.

#### **PROGRAMS**

#### **All Ages Programs**

All Together Now programs are designed as intergenerational programs, with people of all ages coming together to create and play.

#### **Chess Meet Up**

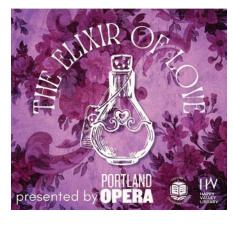
1st Saturday of each month, 10:15-11:45 am Meeting Room

Calling chess enthusiasts of all ages and levels, it's a morning of chess playing fun at this friendly meet up! Some boards available.

#### **Library Lounge: Pride**

Saturday, November 8, 10:30 am-12:00 pm Community Room A & B

All are welcome for a special edition of Library Lounge with a Pride theme! We'll have puzzles, crafts, and other fun! Note: in addition to activities for everyone, this program will also have a craft area specifically for teens and adults.



#### **Portland Opera: Elixir of Love**

Saturday, November 22, 2:00-3:30 pm Community Room A & B

Join the Portland Opera for a special matinee at

the Library! Presenting the Elixir of Love: Nemorino is madly in love with Adina...of course, she doesn't know he's alive. When handsome pilot Belcore crash-lands on the farm, Nemorino's hopes are dashed--until Dr. Dulcamara arrives with his patented Elixir of Love.

#### **Adult Programs**

RSVP for programs at https://go.lincc.org/

#### **English Classes**

Community Room B

Intermediate: Mondays, 10:15-11:45 am Advanced: Mondays, 1:00-2:30 pm

All are welcome to drop in to this weekly class.

Each student will receive a free textbook to use in the classes.

#### **Citizenship Classes**

Tuesdays, 10:15-11:15 am Community Room B

Drop in to this weekly class that will prepare you for the civics and American history portion of the citizenship interview, taught by an instructor from Goodwill. Every student receives a free citizenship test prep textbook.

#### Mah Jongg

Fridays, 12:30-3:30 pm Community Room A

Those who enjoy playing American and/or Chinese Mah Jongg are invited to join our fun and friendly group! For those playing American Mah Jongg, be sure to bring your current National Mah Jongg League cards. Contact the library if you would like to learn to play.

#### **How To: Write a Cover Letter**

Thursday, November 6, 1:00-2:30 pm Community Room B

Learn about the different sections of a tailored cover letter and get ideas of what to include in your cover letters

#### **Medicare 101**

Friday, November 7, 10:30-11:30 am Community Room A

Are you already on Medicare? Are you new to Medicare? Certified SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance) Volunteer Counselors will be available to assist with Medicare questions you might have before Open Enrollment. Learn what's new in Medicare for 2026, compare Medicare Advantage and Medicare Part D plans or learn about enrollment in a plan if you do not already have one. RSVP available.

#### **Fall Foraging**

Sunday, November 9, 1:00-3:00 pm

Community Room A

Our friend and nature nerd Aaron Campbell returns for a special fall edition of foraging! Learn the skills to identify and safely forage the wildscape around you. After a presentation, the group will head outside for an educational scavenger hunt. RSVP available.

#### **How To: Prepare for the Interview**

Thursday, November 13, 1:00-2:30 pm Community Room B

Learn how proper research can show enthusiasm to the interviewer while also preparing you for the questions they may ask.

#### A Conversation with Celeste Whitewolf

Saturday, November 15, 2:00-3:30 pm Community Room A

Celeste Whitewolf is her Family Historian. On her mother's side she traces her lineage to the Wallowa Band of Cayuse/Nez Perce Indians from eastern Oregon. She will present her family tree, stories and photographs of her maternal heritage. RSVP

#### **Spanish Conversation Group** Sunday, November 16, 2:00-3:00 pm

Community Room A

Practice your Spanish conversational skills through fun role-playing scenarios and conversation topics with other language learners. Please note this is not a Spanish class, but a conversation group. Participants should have at least a beginner's level of conversational Spanish. Registration required.

#### **Genealogy Club**

Tuesday, November 18, 1:00-3:00 pm Community Room B

All are welcome to come and share questions, strategies, and organizing tips. Insights are discovered and pathways revealed as we attempt to solve the mysteries of our ancestors' elusive stories!

#### **Crochet Club**

Tuesday, November 18, 6:00-7:00 pm Community Room A

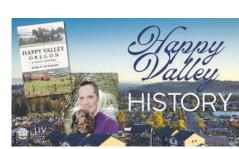
All levels are invited to bring your crochet project for a social sit and stitch! This friendly group offers an opportunity to share ideas, get help with tricky projects, and hang out with other crochet fans. You bring your supplies and the Library will provide hot water, tea, and a cozy atmosphere.

#### **How To: Interview with STAR** Thursday, November 20, 1:00-2:30 pm

Community Room B

Learn how to share past experiences and describe responsibilities to help you secure a job, receive a scholarship, or earn a promotion. The

STAR Method provides critical details to show the employer you are capable of handling the task.



#### Happy Valley Local History Book Talk

Thursday, November 20, 6:00-7:00 pm

Community Room A

Happy Valley's transformation from an isolated, rural farming community to one of the most popular places to live in the Portland metro area didn't happen all at once. Join author Mark W. Hurlburt as he explores the history of Happy Valley. RSVP

#### **Fraud Watch Basics and Holiday Scams**

Friday, November 21, 10:30 am-12:00 pm Community Room B

Have you ever been approached with a fraudulent offer or been a victim of identity theft? The AARP Fraud Watch Network is working to empower you in the fight, with proven resources and tools to help you spot and avoid identity theft and fraud. By taking a few practical steps, you have the power to fight back against fraud. This session will arm you with the latest data on fraud trends and provide tips and resources to protect yourself and your family. Presenter in partnership with AARP Oregon.

#### **Puzzle Exchange**

Sunday, November 23, 2:00-4:00 pm

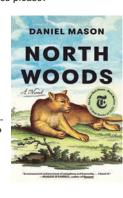
Community Room A & B

Do you love jigsaw puzzles? Come to our puzzle exchange to get some new-to-you puzzles! Bring and take as many puzzles as you like. You'll find a wide variety of puzzles on the tables -- all sizes, piece counts, shapes, styles, and degrees of difficulty. No puzzles with missing pieces please!

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

Thursday, December 4, 6:00-7:30 pm Community Room B

Read North Woods by Daniel Mason 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!



#### **Youth Programs**

#### **Storytimes**

To see our full listing of storytimes and playtimes for ages birth to five, visit our website or go.lincc. org/hvbirthto5.

#### Stretch, Dance, Play Thursday, November 6, 10:15-11:00 am

Community Room A

For 2-5-year-olds and their caregivers. Join Iris Nason for dance, yoga, singing, sign language and

#### Craft Time with Kenny / Kenny雙語手工時間 Saturday, November 8, 2:00-3:00 pm

Community Room A

Join Kenny on the second Saturday of every month to learn about and integrate the creativity of

various cultures into our daily lives through crafts. Through crafts, we can make our lives more joyful, fulfilling, and beautiful.

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#### **Homeschool Club: Meet Up!**

Thursday, November 13, 10:15-11:30 am Community Room A

Hey homeschool families! Bring the whole family for a morning of fun with crafts and games.

#### Sign & Sing

Friday, November 14, 10:15-11:00 am Community Room A

For 2-5-year-olds and their caregivers. Sing, dance, and sign with Shira Fogel of Tiny Talkers.

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#### Saturday, November 15, 4:00-5:00 pm

Community Room B

Author Sandy Grubb talks with kids about her book Just Like Click, a featured 3rd - 5th grade OBOB title. Sponsored by Scouters Mountain Elementary PTA. RSVP available.

#### On the Move!

Saturday, November 15, 10:30-11:30 am Community Room A

For 3-5-year-olds and their caregivers. Join Maria Fe Picar for a special story, songs and games that encourage creative movement.

#### **Family Movie: Smurfs** Monday, November 24,

1:30-3:00 pm

Community Room A

Papa Smurf, evil wizards, and an adventure into the real world in this big screen hit!

#### Library Lounge Tuesday, November 25, 1:00-2:30 pm

Everyone's invited for puzzles, crafts, and other

#### Let's Build

Wednesday, November 26, 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Drop in for some free building fun with LEGO and Duplo blocks.



#### Tweens & Teens

For teens in grades 6-12.

#### Manga and Anime Club

Thursday, November 13, 6:00-7:00 pm Community Room A

Hang out with fellow manga and anime fans! Chat about favorites, eat snacks, make crafts, and

play games. Drop-ins welcome. For teens in grades



#### HAPPY VALLEY PARKS AND RECREATION

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#### **NOVEMBER 2025 PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMMING**

To register for one of these featured programs, be sure to check out hv.city/parks

#### TO REGISTER



To register for one of these featured programs, be sure to check out hv.city/ parks, or scan the QR code.

#### **Red Cross Blood Drive**

• Location: HV City Hall - 16000 SE Misty Dr.

- Monday, Nov. 17th, 10:30 a.m -4 p.m.
- · Register online: www.redcrossblood.org



**American Red Cross** 

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**BLOOD** DRIVE

#### **Cup of Tea Workshops**

#### Intro to the Myth of Tea

- Thursday, Nov. 20, 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
- Ages 18+, \$15-\$35 sliding scale
- Location: Cup of Tea - 10117 SE Sunnyside Rd. Suite J





#### **CLASS LOCATIONS**

#### **Happy Valley Park**

13770 SE Ridgecrest Rd Happy Valley, OR

#### **Happy Valley Parks**

and Recreation Annex 2915 SE King Rd.

Happy Valley, OR

#### **Happy Valley Library** 13793 SE Sieben Park Way

#### Happy Valley, OR **Happy Valley City Hall**

16000 SE Misty Dr. Happy Valley, OR

#### **Sunnyside Grange** 13130 SE Sunnyside Rd

Happy Valley, OR **Cup of Tea** 

#### 10117 SE Sunnyside Rd. Suite J Happy Valley, OR

**Pleasant Valley** 

#### Villages Park 12254 SE Falling Rain Wy,

Happy Valley, OR **Venvino Art Studios** 

#### 13329 SE Misty Drive. Happy Valley, OR **Spring Mountain**

**Elementary School** 11645 SF Masa In Happy Valley, OR 97086

#### **Scouter's Mountain Elementary School** 10811 SE 172nd Ave, Happy Valley, OR 97086

**Happy Valley** 

**Elementary School** 13865 SE King Rd A, Happy Valley, OR 97086

#### **Sunnyside Foursquare Church Gym**

13231 SE Sunnyside Rd. Clackamas, OR 97015

#### **FINE ARTS**

#### **Tippi Toes Dance Classes** See program descriptions for locations.

#### **Baby Ballet**

- Mondays, Sep. 15 -Dec. 8, 5 p.m.-5:45 p.m.
- Mondays, Sep. 15 -Dec. 8, 5:55 p.m.-6:40 p.m.
- Ages 2-4yrs, \$240 \*Location: Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Annex - 12915 SE King Rd.

#### Ballet, Tap & Jazz

- Tuesdays, Sep. 16- Dec. 9, 5 p.m.-5:45 p.m., Ages 3-5yrs
- Tuesdays, Sep. 16- Dec. 9, 6 p.m.-6:45 p.m., Ages 6-9yrs • Thursdays, Sep. 18- Dec. 11, 6 p.m.-6:45 p.m., Ages 3-5yrs
- \*Location: Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Annex 12915 SE King Rd.

#### **Toddler and Me (Sunnyside Grange)**

- Sep. 16- Dec. 9. 9:30am 10:15am
- Location: Sunnyside Grange 13130 SE Sunnyside Rd
- Tuesdays

#### **Toddler and Me (Annex)**

- Sep. 18- Dec. 11, 5 p.m.- 5:45 p.m.
- Location: Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Annex 12915 SE King Rd.
- Thursdays, Ages 1.5 -3yrs, \$240

#### **Venvino Art Studios**

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

#### Learn to Sculpt with Clay: **Kitchen Essentials**

• Nov. 6 - Nov. 20, 6:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m., Thursdays • Ages 16+, \$160

#### Sashiko Workshops

• Location: Happy Valley Library - 13793 SE Sieben Park Way

#### **Beginner Sashiko Workshop**

• Nov. 17, 1 p.m.- 2 p.m., Monday, Ages 18+, \$25

#### **Sweet Lomy Art Workshops**

• Location: Happy Valley Library - 13793 SE Sieben

#### **Fused Glass Holiday Ornaments**

• Nov. 18, 5:30 p.m.- 8 p.m., Tuesday. \$50 • Ages 8+ (kids under 12 must be accompanied by

#### **Fused Glass Snowflakes**

- Dec. 4, 5:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m., Thursday • Ages 12+, \$55



Art Studios





#### **Glass Christmas Tree Tealight Holders** • Dec. 13, 11:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m., Saturday

• Ages 12+, \$50

#### **Bridge Nine Candle Co Workshops**

• Classes will be held at Cup of Tea -10117 SE Sunnyside Rd. Suite J

#### **Home Scent Workshops**

- Saturday, Nov. 8, 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 20, 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
- Ages 10+, \$80





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#### **EXCURSIONS**

Field trips depart from Happy Valley City Hall.

#### **Brew Lights at the Oregon Zoo**

- Nov. 14, 4:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m., Friday, Ages 21+
- Includes Tastings- \$75- Resident / \$112.50- Non-Resident • Without Tastings: \$45 - Resident / \$67.50 - Non-Resident

#### **Portland Art Museum & Powell's Books**

- Dec. 12, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Friday, Ages 18+
- \$30- Resident / \$45- Non-Resident



#### **Tree Lighting Ceremony** • Dec. 7, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m., Sunday, FREE

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES** 

- · Learn more about the event visit at hv.city/treelighting
- Location: Happy Valley City Hall 16000 SE Misty Dr.

#### **HEALTH & WELLNESS**

#### **Babysitter Training Course**

- Monday, Nov. 3rd, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. • Ages 10 - 16
- Resident \$50 / Non-Resident \$75
- Classes are held at Happy Valley City Hall 16000 SE Misty Dr.

#### Chair Yoga (6-Class Series)

- Nov. 6 Dec. 18 (\*no class Nov. 27), 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. • Thursday, Ages 18+, \$30
  - Classes will be held at Happy Valley Library 13793 SE Sieben Park Way.



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#### **SPORTS**

#### Youth Open Gym Basketball Nights

- **Location:** Spring Mountain Elementary 11645 SE Masa Ln, Happy Valley, OR 97086 • Nov. 4 - Dec. 16 (no open gym on 11/11 and 11/25),
- 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m., Tuesday • Ages 10-17, FREE
- No organized groups allowed during open gym night. **Skyhawks Sports Camps**

#### • See online listing for program location.

- Tuesdays, Oct. 14 Nov. 11, 3:00 p.m.-3:40 p.m., Cubs (ages 2-3) • Tuesdays, Oct. 14 - Nov. 11, 3:50 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Bears (ages 4-5)

• Grasshoppers (ages 2-3), \$80

- HoopsterTots (Grasshoppers) • Saturdays, Oct. 18 - Nov. 15, 9:00 a.m.-9:40 a.m.,



- **HoopsterTots (Froggies)**
- **Basketball**
- Ages 6-12 • Saturdays, Oct. 18 - Nov. 15, 10:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m., \$80

#### **Soccer Shots Clinics**

• Monday, Sept. 8 - Nov. 10, 3:30 p.m-4:00 p.m., ages 2-3, \$210

#### Soccer-Classic

**Soccer-Premier** 

**LEGO Game Makers** 

• Tuesdays, Grades 1-5, \$275

• Oct. 7 - Dec. 9 (no class on Nov. 11), 4:15 p.m.-5:15 p.m.

• Monday, Sept. 8 - Nov. 10, 4:10 p.m-4:45 p.m., ages 3-4, \$220

• Saturday, Sept. 6 - Nov. 8, 2:00 p.m-2:45 p.m., ages 5-6, \$230



#### **Kidokinetics** Movement for fun. Skills for life.

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- **Sportsplay Clinic** Sept. 14 - Dec. 7, no class Nov. 30, 3:30 p.m.-4:15 p.m., ages 3-4
- Sept. 14 Dec. 7, no class Nov. 30, 4:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m., ages 5-7 • Location: Pleasant Valley Villages Park - 12254 SE Falling Rain Wy,

#### Happy Valley, OR 97086 • \$89/month, or \$178 total

- Veteran's Day No School Ninjaplay! • Tuesday, Nov. 11, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., ages 5-10, \$40
- Location: Sunnyside Foursquare Church Gym 13231 SE Sunnyside Rd. Clackamas, OR 97015



### Go for Goals! An Intro to Jai Alai, Lacrosse and

- Dec. 22 & 23, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., ages 4-7 • Location: Happy Valley Elementary - 13865 SE King Rd A, Happy

• Location: Scouter's Mountain Elementary - 10811 SE 172nd Ave,

Valley, OR 97086 \$90

Happy Valley, OR 97086

Ages 6-12

#### Winter Break Just Kids Skill Camp



• Dec. 22 - 24, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.







#### **Providence's Basecamp Prevention + Wellness**

Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance (Beginners)

· Classes are held virtually.

#### Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance • Tuesdays/Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

• Tuesday/Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

#### Chair Yoga • Tuesdays/Thursdays 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

**Gentle Yoga** · Wednesdays at 10 a.m.



- Saturdays, Oct. 18 Nov. 15, 9:50 a.m.-10:30 a.m.. Froggies (ages 4-5), \$80

Location: Happy Valley Park, 13770 SE Ridgecrest Rd, Happy Valley,

#### Soccer-Mini

• Saturday, Sept. 6 - Nov. 8, 3:40 p.m.-4:15 p.m., ages 3-4, \$220 • Saturday, Sept. 6 - Nov. 8, 3:40 p.m.-4:15 p.m., ages 4-5, \$220



#### Journey to STEAM Journey . See online listing for program locations



• VIP Full-Year STEAM Enrollment: Families that sign up for all three terms in the fall

benefit from our bundled rate of \$235 per term and receive special merchandise and

#### **LEGO Toy** Designers Camp • Dec. 29 - Jan. 2

(no class on Jan. 1), 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Ages 6 - 10 \$235, 10% off when families register more than one child

#### **ENRICHMENT CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Astronomy Classes**

Location: Happy Valley Parks and Recreation Annex

#### **Rocks From Space 1: The Oldest Rocks On Earth** • Sep. 15 - Nov. 3, 7 p.m.-8 p.m., Mondays

• Ages 18+, \$100





#### **Nutrition Classes Healthier Baking for**

#### • Friday, Nov. 21st,

the Holidays

- 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
- Ages 18+, \$15





### ATHLETES OF THE WEEK





**Boys Cross Country** Senior captain Emiliano Diaz-Garcia is the defending Mt. Hood District Champion in cross country. After finishing with all-state distinction last fall, Emiliano has already bettered his CHS school record by 21 seconds, running 15:07 over 5,000 meters. He shows great promise to be a top contender for a league title by the end of the season and once again perform at an all-state level at the State Cross Country meet



in November.

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#### **Annie Wilson Sophomore**

Girls Soccer

Sophomore Annie Wilson is a starting center back for the CHS Girls Soccer team. She efficiently shuts down offensive attacks with her skills and physicality on the ball and her intelligent positioning off the ball to close gaps and mark opposition players. Not a traditionally flashy player, but undisputedly one of our anchors on the back line which is tied for 4th best in goals allowed per game in 6A competition. Annie embodies what it is to be a passionate and successful student athlete and we're honored to name her as our athlete of the week.

#### Congrats, Annie! Go Cavs! --- Proudly Sponsored & locally owned

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#### **Michael Price Sophomore**

**Boys Soccer** 

Sophomore forward Michael Price of the Clackamas boys soccer team is having an outstanding season. Michael leads the team in scoring with five goals so far this season. He has played a vital role as team's #9 with strong holdup play and ariel accuracy while also representing the boys soccer teams as a member of the school's Student Athletic Leadership

#### Congrats, Michael! Go Cavs!

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#### Adrienne C. **Nelson HS**





#### Ben Stout **Senior**

Men's Cross Country

Ben ran in the Championship division at the Rose City invitational. This race had many of the best teams and athletes in Oregon, and he finished 60th overall. He ran a personal best 5k with a time of 16:05.

#### Way to go, Ben! Go Hawks!

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#### **Cara Bennett** Junior

Varsity Volleyball

Junior setter Cara Bennett 6 has been an engine of precision and poise for the Nelson Hawks. This season, Cara has recorded 627 assists, 35 aces, 10 kills, 91 digs, and 14 total blocks, an incredible stat line that reflects both her consistency and competitive edge. Cara is involved in nearly every play, running the Hawks' offense with confidence and clarity. She plays fierce defense, reads the game instinctively, and keeps her team calm under pressure. Confident and relentlessly composed, Cara continues to get better with every match, proving herself one of the most reliable and impactful setters in our league.

Way to go, Clara! Go Hawks!

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### **Malachi Garlington**

Varsity Football

Malachi Garlington had 7 catches for 166 yards and 4 TD's, along with a 95 yd Kick Return TD in a 56-19 win over Sandy.



Way to go, Malachi! Go Hawks! SunGlow.

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#### Natalie Summers **Sophomore**

Women's Cross Country

Natalie ran a personal best and set a school record for the 5k with a time of 19:29. She finished 24th of 168 runners in

Way to go, Natalie! Go Hawks!

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