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for the  
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Review



The Bulletin Board will not publish a Jan. 5 issue.  
The office will reopen Jan. 6 to start the Jan. 12 edition.

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Thank you to everyone who shares information so our West Valley friends and neighbors are kept up-to-date on all things local.

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# Happy New Year, West Valley!

# 2022



**START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT.** If you plan to have a few drinks to celebrate, hand over your keys. Hold on to what matters. Remember, drinking and driving can take away everything that matters most to you: your freedom, your job, your reputation, your future and even your life or the life of a friend or family member.

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## Santa and Crew Deliver Miles of Smiles to Children at Toy Drive-Through

Thanks to Santa and his elves - Belinda, Wendy, and Jim, and help from Rolly Heuser and Coyote Joe's, toys for children were distributed a few days before Christmas via a Christmas toy drive-through in Coyote Joe's parking lot. These toys and games, which thrilled many

West Valley children, were made possible by generous donations and support from Total Destruction Racing, Coyote Joe's, Willamina Coastal Hills Chamber of Commerce, and many other individuals who donated toys, time, and cash.

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## WHAT'S UP IN WILLAMINA

by mary jane

Well, Christmas has passed and wasn't it a beautiful one? Now we face a new year, 2022. Wasn't it just a few weeks ago that everyone was worried about the business computers not handling the changes in 2000?

Are you in the process of making new year's resolutions? I think most of us are. Why? I'm not sure, but I've figured out a way to handle the stress of keeping up with them.

I write them ALL down on a piece of paper. Read it over a few times to ensure they're what I want to do. Then on Jan. 3, I'll tear up that paper and toss it into the recycle bin and carry on with my life.

Handling New Year's resolutions is "What's Up in Willamina."

*An iPhone and a firework were arrested on New Year's Eve. One was charged and the other was let off.*

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Thank you, amazing Marilyn, for the delicious goodies and the very thoughtful card. -- MT

Donna S., Thanks for the memories! We appreciate you. -- TBB

Alyssa Green, You are so thoughtful! Thank you for sharing your expert cooking talents with us! -- SC, DM & MT

Dear Miss 1¢, You are one of the most thoughtful and generous people we know. Thank you for the million things you do. -- MT

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## Obituary

### Dennis Edwin Robinson 1942 - 2021

Dennis Edwin Robinson passed away peacefully Nov. 23, 2021, from complications of a stroke. He was born Feb. 9, 1942, in Olympia, Wash.

He is survived by his children, Jill Volk, Craig, Chad, Dustin, Tyler, and Savannah Robinson, and their children and grandchildren; his sisters, Billie Brown and Terrie Wagler; and his life partner and love of his life, Louella Day.

He grew up on Rock Creek and graduated in 1960 from Willamina High School. After working for Tektronix and Field Emission, he became a police officer serving McMinnville and Amity. After an injury, he entered the automotive field in sales and service.

He loved being in the outdoors camping, fishing or hunting. Dennis was a very talented man with skills in automotive repair, carpentry, electrical, plumbing, welding and most anything he wanted to accomplish.

He and his sense of humor will be greatly missed by family and friends.

His ashes will be interred at Buck Hollow Cemetery, Willamina, with services to be held next spring.

The family requests that those who wish to make memorial contributions consider the West Valley Community Campus.

## West Valley Fire District Board Position Open

West Valley Fire District is currently accepting applications for an open board member position. Those who wish to be considered must complete a volunteer application, found online at westvalleyfd.org. Applications must be submitted no later than Monday, Jan. 7. Applications can be submitted by mail to 825 NE Main Street, Willamina OR, 97396 or to ctalley@swpolkfd.org. For further information, call 503-876-2004.



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## Memories:

Souvenirs our hearts collect throughout the years.

### Contributed by a Bulletin Board Guest Writer

I am in the little two-room school. I am six. It is lunchtime so we all walk to another building down the road a piece. The road is muddy and full of potholes. We girls skip the potholes, the boys, of course, don't miss a one. They splash all the way.

We have a lady who prepares our lunches. Today it is beans. When my grandmother makes beans, they cook on the woodstove from morning until suppertime. They have hamhocks and onions in them. These beans aren't done and they have no flavor. I don't eat them and the lady says, "Young lady, you will sit there until they are eaten."

I say to myself, "I will sit here until she gets her kitchen cleaned then she will want to go home." A little later she said, "You can go."

I have to walk back to school all by myself. As I approached the school, there is a little bridge. I have to crossover the creek (algae and frogs in the water). As I step on the bridge this boy jumps from under that bridge covered with algae and dripping wet. He grabs me and kisses me. I run crying into the room and the teacher says, "What's wrong?" As I hiccup and sputter crying that this boy kissed me. She puts her arms around me and sits me by the woodstove, wipes my tears, and hugs me, and says "I'll be right back. She goes to the classroom next door.

Years later as a grown up, I say, "You went next door and told that teacher, didn't you?"

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# The Bulletin Board Takes a Not-So-Complete Look Back

The West Valley, populated with mostly good-natured and endearing people, bravely took on the challenges of 2021 (primarily Covid-19), focusing their energy on lending a hand where needed and finding a little time to enjoy each other's company.

Craig Johnson, Rita Baller, and Barry Wilson were sworn in as Willamina Councilors in January. On Jan. 19, Sheridan Council members Jim Buckles, Aaron Baer, and Roxie Acuff took the oath of office. Later, Aaron Baer took over as mayor for Harry Cooley after Harry moved outside the city limits. Dennis McElroy was unanimously appointed to fill Aaron's council seat.

John Barger and Curt Edmondson purchased the old Masonic Lodge building at 106 S. Bridge Street in Sheridan from Rich Mathis. Unfortunately, less than two days later, the building imploded on Jan. 31. Fortunately, no one was injured.

In February, excavation work got underway for the new six-building apartment complex on Sheridan Road. By the end of this year, two apartment buildings and the commons building were nearing completion.

On Feb. 4, 103-year-old Dudley Carson passed on. Dudley held a master's degree in music education, was a talented gardener, and was an artist.

Also in February, the Sheridan School District, under the leadership of Superintendent Dorie Vickery, took a tour of industrial property on Jefferson Street in Sheridan as a possible location to launch a new career and technical education center. (The school district purchased the property in October thanks to the superintendent working with Rep. Gomberg to obtain a \$1.9 million state grant.)

Generous neighbors from McMinnville and Carlton donated seasoned firewood for folks in Willamina and Sheridan who'd been without power for more than a week due to an ice storm. The West Valley welcomed new First Federal Bank Manager Sara Myer. Sara's bright personality and willingness to get involved in the community have made her a true West Valley asset.

The struggle to keep the Sheridan Japanese School from closing got underway following a Feb. 22 decision by the SJS board to close the school due to low enrollment and inadequate long-term financial stability. (Due to community involvement, the school remains

open.)

We hosted Red Cross blood drives, mammography vans, and dental vans, offering free services for the uninsured and unemployed. In addition, we held meetings via Zoom, donated recyclable cans to the Grand Sherammina Food Bank, and took the kids to visit adorable baby chicks and Catnip the bunny at the West Valley Mercantile.

In early March, restaurants and bank lobbies began reopening after mandatory Covid shutdowns. In mid-March, the Sheridan City Council resumed in-person council meetings at the Monroe Event Center, following a series of Zoom meetings due to Covid. (Since that time, the council went back to Zoom meetings.) In addition, a bookmobile distributed spring books to Sheridan's young readers at the city park.

With a delay due to Covid, Phiit Werx gym opened its doors on March 15 in Sheridan, offering fitness classes, yoga, and various gym equipment.

American Legion Bingo resumed on March 19, and Dillon's Bar and Grill was in operation with restricted Covid hours.

In April, the good citizens of Sheridan donned their masks and pitched in to help with the town's annual spring clean-up.

Faulconer-Chapman 7th-grade student Emily Dryer won a logo drawing contest with her original rendition of the school's Titan logo.

Ginny Wymore and Bob and Rita Burr attended the March 24 Willamina Chamber meeting decked out in their St. Patrick's Day finest.

By mid-March, the West Valley Community Campus had received \$11,592 in donations from the public in their efforts to replace the roof at the campus.

On March 17, the reach on a log truck trailer broke as it passed Coyote Joe's, which caused the truck to leave the roadway. The trailer struck a support beam, broke a power pole, and came to a stop on a guidewire. The incident knocked the power out for a few minutes, but no one was injured.

Ruff Life Rescue generously offered pet food for pet owners experiencing financial difficulties. In April, the Sheridan Chamber and Rotary Clubs began holding joint meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Tina Miller Youth Center reopened on Saturdays and Sundays. The Willamina Food Pantry

distributed food boxes from the Willamina Civic Club, and we gathered for the Easter sunrise service at the Willamina fishing pond.

Both Willamina Chamber and Hampton Lumber sold truckloads of bark dust to help with various community projects.

Many of us wore blue on April 21 to show support for children who needed our help.

Well-known Children's author Beverly Cleary died at age 104.

The basketball hoops were re-installed at Sheridan City Park.

Willamina Library distributed spring craft packets, Earth Day activities, and free books for all kids ages newborn to teens.

Andrea Nutt, DNP, and Katie Devany, FNP, joined the staff at Adventist Health in Sheridan and the Baptist Church treated kids to an Easter egg hunt.

The Willamina Old-Fashioned Fourth of July Committee held a bake sale fireworks fundraiser in front of the Best Stop Market.

A town hall meeting took place at the high school to publicly debate the pros and cons of consolidating the SW Polk and Sheridan fire districts. (Sheridan opted out of consolidation.)

The South Yamhill River Astrology Club gazed at the stars, and an astronomical number of jobs openings to suit most any interest and education level became available.

The Fendall Community Club held its annual pie auction and stew feed outdoors due to Covid, and "The Lunch Bunch" struck again with a free brown bag lunch of Beanie weenies, chips, and fruit.

West Valley Kiwanis created "Mount Trashmore" consisting of trash they and other volunteers collected along Hwy. 18B.

The Sheridan Council voted to budget for a new part-time code enforcement position.

The Arts Conspiracy canceled its annual summer arts program due to Covid concerns.

Leisha Myer created a successful Saturday Market in Sheridan, held monthly from May through September. The Mercantile, Sheridan Chamber, and Rotary Club sponsored the market.

Easton Hembree, age 7, set up a lemonade stand to raise funds for the Willamina VFW as his way to thank them for helping his Dad. When the word got out about this thoughtful, thankful, and industrious 7-year-old, there was no shortage of big-hearted community members suddenly thirsty for a glass of lemonade.

More than 50 residents on Yamhill River Road, Gold Creek Road, Sawtell Road, and surrounding areas met to express their concerns about abandoned and derelict RVs collecting on the sides of these roads. They were largely successful in getting them removed.

Sheridan selected "A Day at the Farm" as the theme for the 2021 Hometown Days.

In May, Vic Singh purchased TJ's Superette and began an extensive remodel of the store shortly after that. He also announced plans to start a remodel of the gas station in the fall. (The new gas station was nearing completion by the end of the year.)

The Willamina Farmers Market opened for the season on May 16.

The Highway 18 Riders rallied the community for a bike show, live music, and family fun event at the American Legion on June 5. In addition, Kiwanis hosted its annual fishing derby for kids at Hampton Pond.

A missing 73-year-old man was found alive after three days missing in the Grand Ronde area.

On May 12, the Willamina Chamber thanked City Manager Kenna West for the \$1.3 million in grants she had written and received to that point. (She has since added considerably more to that total.)

The Rotary Club drive-in showed family-friendly movies monthly, complete with concessions, at the Faulconer-Chapman school grounds throughout the summer. We honored our veterans and congratulated our high school grads in May and June.

The Willamina Library presented an impressive dinosaur exhibit examining their Oregon history.

Sheridan Baptist offered a four-day vacation Bible school, and the Sheridan School District provided summer camp for kindergarten through eighth-grade students.

In mid-June, Willamina held its fifth annual citywide garage sale. Country Bargains began offering icy cold shaved ice treats, much to the delight of 7-year-old Ronny O'Reilly.

Willamina began planning for a new pump track park, and in Sheridan, kids began decorating their bikes to win prizes in the Hometown Days bike decorating contest.

A free little library, built by Harry Long, was set up in front of Sheridan United Methodist Church. On June 19, Sheridan hosted its youth fishing derby at the Sheridan Fishing Pond.

# at West Valley Events, Developments, and More in 2021

Sheridan Hometown Days parade and many other events drew a crowd on June 19.

Willamina Museum reopened following a Covid closure.

Willamina moved forward with a full-blown Fourth of July celebration, with Tom Coblenz as parade grand marshal and an incredible fireworks display. The Willamina Free Methodist Church added to the fun with a block party featuring a mechanical bull, bounce houses, and free Elephant Ears. In addition, arm Wrestlers wrestled, loggers showcased their talents, and a car show featured beautiful old classics, modern hot rods, and others.

Dorothy Agee Olson celebrated her 100th birthday with family and friends in a beautiful outdoor park-like setting. (Dorothy and her husband Norm, brother-in-law Mel Agee and wife Rita built Agee's Market, now Sheridan IGA, in 1965. They also purchased the properties in front of the store to provide parking.)

In June, the West Valley Fire Hall got a fresh coat of red paint.

Austin White, age 15, was honored for being the number one helper in Willamina's 2021 yard clean-up campaign. Austin helped many seniors and disabled citizens with yard chores over the summer. Ila Skyberg surprised him with a delicious cake, and Skyberg's, the Chamber, and First Federal chipped in to present Austin with a new lawnmower and weed-eater.

Lighthouse Ranch offered roadside assistance classes demonstrating how to change a tire, change oil, and other essential vehicle information.

Willamina hosted a National Night Out event on Aug. 3 featuring hot dogs, bounce houses, games, and more.

Construction on the 109-space Valley's Edge RV Park got underway at 985 Sheridan Road.

Fendall Schoolhouse located its missing original school bell, thanks to Mike Dean.

On Aug. 7, Sheridan United Methodist hosted a light summer tea to benefit the food bank.

Sam Stewart and Hattie Tinney displayed their patriotism with flags and music as they paraded through Sheridan almost daily. Approximately 80 trucks participated in both mud drag events held in Willamina.

Adventist Health offered free sports physicals for students in August.

Friends of Sheridan Parks held a carnival in the park on Aug. 7,

complete with free hot dogs and games.

The band Acoustic Noir played at Dillon's Bar and Grill, and Emmanuel Lutheran topped its one-ton goal for food contributions to Grand Sheramina Food Bank.

In July, Staci Coker became Sheridan Chamber's new president.

In mid-August, Rich Lorimor and crew from Bridge Street Commercial, LLC, began gutting the bottom floor of the Heider Building. Since then, they've added steel supports and made tremendous progress on this extensive and important project.

Sheridan Fire District board decided to become independent as of Sept. 30. As a result, Les Thomas became Sheridan's new fire chief.

In August, former Willamina mayor and council member Ila Skyberg was appointed to fill a council seat vacated by Roberta Lawson, who moved outside of the city.

Willamina hired Derek Trombla, former Yamhill County deputy, as the town's new full-time community support and code enforcement officer.

In August, Sheridan hired a new city manager, Heidi Bell, who started in this position on Nov. 1. In September, Sheridan High School Class of 1965 held a delayed reunion.

Willamina's Bridge the Gap event took place Sept. 11 in Coyote Joe's parking lot. The event gives kids the chance to meet first responders under happy circumstances.

Kiwanis raffled off two halves of a hog as a fundraiser for community projects.

ABC Preschool teacher Jeri Nelson, age 90, took charge of refurbishing the children's train in the play area. Thanks to help from neighbor Mary Brammel and her friend, the three completed their mission.

Under the guidance of teachers TJ Wilson and David Neese, Willamina High School students honed carpentry, fabrication, laser etching, and small engine skills in the school's well-equipped shop.

The American Legion held a garage sale to raise funds for building maintenance, and the Tree of Giving reorganized with new volunteers in Sheridan.

Barb Hofenbredl treated the West Valley to a haunted house in a building she reconstructs each year for this purpose.

The roofing job on a Sheridan City rental property that had been sitting unfinished for two or three

years was finished within a couple of days once local roofers at Mike's Construction were contacted.

Sheridan's first pooch parade featured pets and owners dressed up for Halloween who made their way from the city park to the veterinary clinic and back.

The Department of Oregon American Legion Riders presented a Chapter Certificate to American Legion Post 75 in Sheridan on Sept. 26, 2021.

Stuck Electric rallied the community in a fundraising effort to purchase new decorations and lights for downtown Sheridan, raising more than \$12,000.

Sheridan residents Jackie and Claudine Eden celebrated 65 years of marriage on Oct. 7.

Pacific Fir Mill in Sheridan offered \$500 sign-on bonuses. Kim Greene, of Coldwell Bankers Professional Group, and Harmony New Beginnings, held a pet adoption event. We honored all first responders in October.

The owner of the Lorraine building installed a new bright red awning, and Sea Reach (across the street) took on new life with pressure washing and a new dark red paint job.

The Willamina Wildwood hosted open mic night every Sunday, and Adrian Wulff and the Recliners played at the Fort Hill Public House.

Provoking Hope extended a helping hand to all wishing to transition from drug and alcohol addiction to sobriety.

Grand Ronde Art Guild invited all interested in exploring their artistic side to join their weekly meetings, and Sheridan Youth Football raised funds for new uniforms.

Sheridan Baptist held a wildly successful Trunk or Treat event on Halloween. The fun (yet Covid-safe) folks at Sheridan United Methodist dropped prepackaged Halloween treats through a PVC pipe to little goblins waiting at the bottom of the church's front steps.

Crossroads Worship Center in Willamina welcomed new Pastor Mike West and his family.

Sheridan FFA kids took third place overall in district competition against seven other schools.

Longtime City Manager Frank Sheridan retired at the end of October, and the community welcomed new City Manager Heidi Bell on Nov. 1.

We watched the progress of the new Valley Market Convenience Store and Gas Station under construction next door to the Dairy

Queen on Hwy. 18.

"Hofenbredl's Winter Wonderland," a Christmas house in Willamina, welcomed visitors on the weekends leading up to Christmas.

Amazingly, no one was injured when a 40-year-old man veered his truck off Sheridan Road, taking the front off of an occupied house located in the 500 block. Unfortunately, he also took out a fire hydrant, hit two vehicles in the driveway next door, and came to a stop as his truck hit this second house. The driver fled but was quickly apprehended as he attempted to hide behind a nearby tree.

The VFW hosted its annual Christmas Bazaar, along with blood drives and weekly bingo games.

Rotary sponsored calls to Santa at the North Pole, erected the town's Christmas tree (tree provided by Risseuw Trucking and Hampton Lumber. Also, Grand Ronde Fire provided their ladder truck to put the start on top), served hot cocoa to the whole community, and provided gifts for kids at the town Christmas party. Rotary also entered their well-lit float in all three West Valley parades.

Sheridan Christmas Committee sponsored the Sheridan Christmas Lights Parade, residential and business decorating contests, letters to Santa, and held raffles to raise funds to cover the costs.

The City of Willamina hosted the official lighting of the Willamina Christmas tree with cocoa, cookies, and gift bags for kids. The City also sponsored the town's house decorating contest with prizes. Willamina's Christmas Lights Parade, sponsored by the Chamber, enjoyed incredible participation. The Free Methodist Church hosted a live nativity scene, Santa's workshop, Christmas market, and a Dixieland band.

Grand Ronde's wonderful Christmas parade enjoyed a great turnout of participants and smiling faces from families who gathered to watch.

The Mennonite Church invited everyone to a Christmas social complete with homemade cinnamon rolls, hot drinks, kids crafts, and games.

We enjoyed a Christmas Cantata, a Winter Festival at the Delphian School, and a Festival Carolers' performance.

2021 came to a close covered in snow, bringing joy to kids building snowmen - and a little apprehension to drivers navigating icy snow-covered roads.

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## January 2022

<b>Monday</b>			
Jan. 3	7pm	Sheridan City Council meeting	
<b>Tuesday</b>			
Jan. 4	noon	Kiwanis meeting	
Jan. 4	2-4pm	Ruff Life Rescue	421 N.
<b>Wednesday</b>			
Jan. 5	8am	Willamina EID meeting	
Jan. 5	2pm	Willamina Library story time	382
<b>Thursday</b>			
Jan. 6	6:15-7:30	Sheridan Revitalization meeting	
Jan. 6	5:30pm	VFW Bingo	771 NE
<b>Friday</b>			
Jan. 7	5:30	American Legion Bingo	125 N
<b>Sunday</b>			
Jan. 9	11am-3pm	Will. Library Project STEAM (teens only)	382
<b>Monday</b>			
Jan. 10	7pm	Willamina School Board meeting	
Jan. 10	7pm	American Legion meeting	125 N. B
<b>Tuesday</b>			
Jan. 11	2-4pm	pet food distribution	Hurricane
Jan. 11	6pm	Willamina City Council meeting	825 NE Main
<b>Thursday</b>			
Jan. 13	9am-2pm	American Red Cross Blood Drive	SHS, 433 S
Jan. 13	5:30pm	VFW Bingo	771 NE M
<b>Friday</b>			
Jan. 14	5:30	American Legion Bingo	125 N
<b>Saturday</b>			
Jan. 15	9am-3:15pm	WVCC community work day	
<b>Sunday</b>			
Jan. 16	11am-3pm	Pokemon GO ~ community event	
<b>Monday</b>			
Jan. 17	6:30pm	Sheridan Fire Board meeting	230 SW
Jan. 17	7pm	VFW meeting	771 NE
<b>Tuesday</b>			
Jan. 18	2-4pm	Ruff Life Rescue pet food distribution	2979
Jan. 18	6pm	Willamina Library board meeting	
Jan. 18	7pm	Sheridan City Council meeting	
<b>Wednesday</b>			
Jan. 19	2-4pm	Willamina Library - Project STEAM (juniors, ages 4-	
Jan. 19	6-8pm	Sheridan School District Board Meeting	
<b>Thursday</b>			
Jan. 20	5:30pm	VFW Bingo	771 NE
<b>Friday</b>			
Jan. 21	5:30	American Legion Bingo	125 N
<b>Monday</b>			
Jan. 24	6-8pm	Sheridan Japanese School Board	
<b>Tuesday</b>			
Jan. 25	10:30am-3:30pm	Blood Drive - American Red Cross	771 NE
Jan. 25	6pm	Willamina Planning Commission	825 NE Main
<b>Wednesday</b>			
Jan. 26	noon	Joint Rotary and Sheridan Chamber meeting	M
<b>Thursday</b>			
Jan. 27	5:30pm	VFW Bingo	771 NE
<b>Friday</b>			
Jan. 28	5:30	American Legion Bingo	125 N



# CALENDAR

## Weekly

### Monday:

Narcotics Anonymous  
339 NW Sherman St, Sheridan .....7pm

### Tuesday

Provoking Hope (Alcohol and Drug Abuse Recovery)  
Odd Fellows Bldg, Sheridan ..... 10am-5pm  
Grand Sheramina Food Bank,  
Bridge Street, Sheridan ..... 2-4pm

### Wednesday

Willamina Chamber of Commerce  
Coyote Joe's, Willamina .....8am  
Provoking Hope (Alcohol and Drug Abuse Recovery)  
Odd Fellows Bldg, Sheridan ..... 10am-5pm  
Sheridan Rotary Meeting  
Monroe Event Center, Sheridan ..... Noon  
Willamina Food Pantry, Civic Club,  
340 B Street, Willamina ..... 4-6pm  
Celebrate Recovery, Sheridan  
Sheridan Nazarene Church ..... 6:30pm  
Alcoholics Anonymous,  
339 NW Sherman, Sheridan ..... 7pm

### Thursday

Provoking Hope (Alcohol and Drug Abuse Recovery)  
Odd Fellows Bldg, Sheridan ..... 10am-5pm  
Sheridan Nazarene Kids Story Time via Zoom  
Email for link: sheridannazarene1@gmail.com .....5pm  
Bingo  
VFW Hall, Willamina ..... 5:30pm

### Friday

Provoking Hope (Alcohol and Drug Abuse Recovery)  
Odd Fellows Bldg, Sheridan ..... 10am-5pm  
Grand Ronde Food Bank Distribution  
9765 Grand Ronde Rd, Grand Ronde ..... 10am-2pm  
Grand Ronde Community Clothes Closet  
9765 Grand Ronde Rd, Grand Ronde .....9am-Noon  
American Legion Bingo  
125 N Bridge St., Sheridan ..... 5:30pm  
Celebrate Recovery, Willamina  
Willamina Free Methodist Church .....6pm

### Saturday

Sheridan Museum of History,  
142 S. Bridge St, Sheridan ..... 10am-3pm  
Willamina Museum of History,  
188 "D" St, Willamina ..... 1-4pm  
Tina Miller Youth Center  
172 NW 4th Street, Willamina ..... 3:30-6:30pm

### Sunday

Tina Miller Youth Center  
172 NW 4th Street, Willamina ..... 3:30-6:30pm  
Narcotics Anonymous  
Crossroads Church .....4pm  
Open Mic Night  
Wildwood Hotel & Lounge .....6pm

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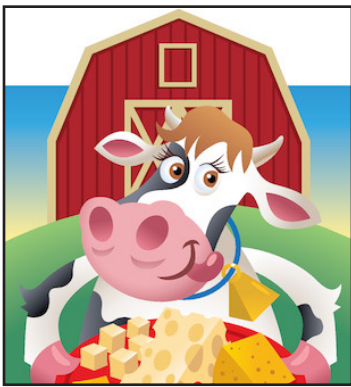
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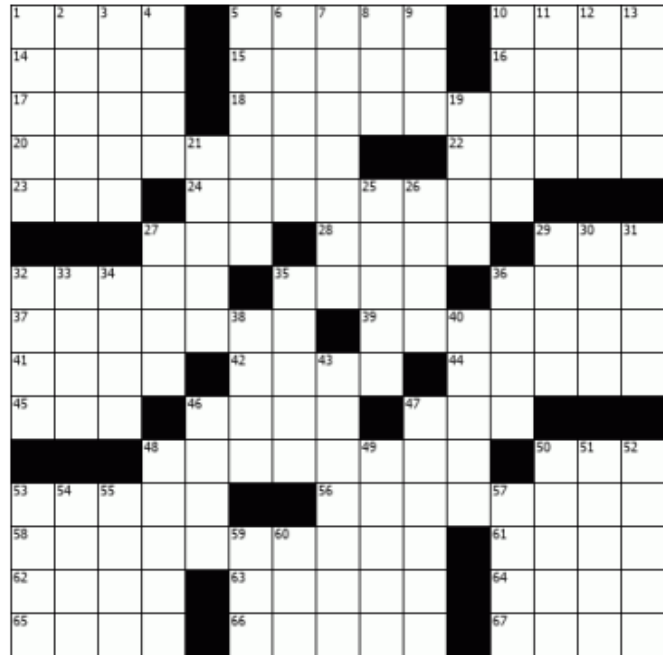
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14. \_\_\_ Macpherson
15. Trio number
16. Concept
17. Bargain bonanza
18. Competition
20. Appetizers
22. Annoying ones
23. Urge
24. Not deserved
27. Abolish
28. Gentle animal
29. Marsh
32. Pedro's father
35. Koppel and Kennedy
36. Objective
37. Dig up
39. Quarantine
41. RR terminals
42. Mind
44. Wash
45. That girl
46. Work hard
47. Lawn starter
48. Hair ornament
50. Hot drink
53. Thread holder
56. \_\_\_ moon
58. Chopper
61. Wise about
62. Consumes
63. Moved upward
64. Verse
65. Sniffer
66. Chest
67. Goofs

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Sloppy                        | 21. Radio receiver    | 43. Voter             |
| 2. Delight                       | 25. Redecorated       | 46. After-bath powder |
| 3. Edgar ___ Poe                 | 26. Monster's loch    | 47. Music system      |
| 4. Sly glance                    | 27. Time periods      | 48. Capital of Idaho  |
| 5. Show up                       | 29. Ship              | 49. Lock of hair      |
| 6. Seaside                       | 30. Promise           | 50. Singing voice     |
| 7. Christian military expedition | 31. Merriment         | 51. Go inside         |
| 8. Above, in poems               | 32. Shove             | 52. Small particles   |
| 9. Knockout count                | 33. Feed the kitty    | 53. Ignore            |
| 10. Clocked                      | 34. Letter opener     | 54. Acapulco coin     |
| 11. Lyric poems                  | 35. That group's      | 55. Spanish cheers    |
| 12. Camp shelter                 | 36. Lighthearted      | 57. Manage            |
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Another section of the 1st Place Winner's display on B Street



Trisha on D Street

# Willamina Businesses Share Christmas Spirit with Lights, Paint, and Creativity



Snow covers Hofenbred's Winter Wonderland building, above, and the Hofenbred Realty office, left, on Christmas Day. Shown right, a cute snowman surrounded by holly leaves and berries greets shoppers at Skyberg's.



Willamina Merchants, pictured left, Simply Restored, right, and Willamina IGA, below, all pitched in to decorate their windows to make the Christmas season a little more merry and bright for the community and its visitors.



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Taking a break to eat their dinner during the Dec. 12 Willamina High School Lad and Dad Football Banquet was this group of Willamina High girls. They were among the group which served dinner to the nearly 400 persons attending the banquet event to see Willamina football players receive awards and to hear former Notre Dame Football Coach Frank Leahy speak.



Enjoying cups of hot chocolate after their performance Saturday morning in the downtown area are these Sheridan grade school band members. They played numerous Christmas songs before retiring to the high school for warm refreshments.

## Grand Opening at Sheridan Bakery Slated for Saturday

Grand opening of the remodeled Sheridan Bakery, under new ownership and management, is scheduled for all day Saturday and area residents are invited to stop in at the 144 S. Bridge Street shop for free cake and coffee anytime from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. According to Dick Swinney, a new Sheridan resident, the bakery was cleaned "from top to bottom" prior to its recent reopening. The shop was closed for approximately a month before Swinney, new manager of the operation, took over.

A special bargain for visitors to the shop will be a dozen cake donuts at \$0.49, the new manager announced.

Serving customers at the Sheridan Bakery will be Hazel Bryant, previously employed at the operation. Swinney, with more than seven years experience in the baking industry, will handle all baking and preparation chores. The shop is open 6 days each week from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. and will feature a wide variety of breads, donuts, pastries, cakes and a complete line of cookies, as well as decorated cakes for all occasions.

## Sheridan Duo Wins on Talent

Marvin "Tinker" Melonuk, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Winer Melonuk of Sheridan, and Debbie Misner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Misner of Willamina, performed "The Shag Rag," a tap dance routine, for a Christmas benefit show held at the North Salem High School Saturday evening. Out of the 55 entries, Tinker and Debbie won first place in the junior division and received a \$25 cash award. The Melonuk and Misner families attended the event.

## Award Won by Student In Oratory

Sheridan had a third-place winner in the Nov. 16 Metro League Speech Contest held at Dallas High School when Marilyn Bride received the placement in the Junior Oratory Division.

The first place winner was Carole Sly of Beaverton and second place went to Angeline Doane of Grant High School of Portland.

The contest featured both oratory and extemporaneous speaking. Sheridan was the only small high school represented in the contest.

Students from Sheridan attending were Steve Aaron, Bruce Good, Mike Graham, David Hubble, Gary Lavender, Ed Munson, Joe McMahill, Bill Stuck, Marilyn Bride, Linda Holmes, Kay Kelson, Diane Ridgeway, Donna Sloan, Della Smith, and Walterino Solario. They were accompanied by their speech instructor, Mrs. Fern Eberhart.

## Scouts in Grand Ronde Enjoy Overnight Camp

Grand Ronde Boy Scout Troop 44 went on its first overnight camping trip of the season Nov. 29 and 30 at Horseshoe Bend, Southwest of Grand Ronde.

Scoutmaster Bud Harrison was in charge, with assistance from Arthur Soules, James Reid, and former Sr. Patrol Leader, Bob Grim. All boys reported a good time.

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