

Serving the Peninsula Communities of Dallesport and Murdock December 2019



Book Review By Judy Bane "The Land Of Wolves" by Craig Johnson

Love me some Longmire! This is an author who can't write fast enough for me. A great plot, descriptive writing and complex characters make this a top notch series to read.

This latest title is all that is good about a Longmire book. Walt battles his demons even as he battles to keep the peace in his corner of Wyoming.

The new novel in Craig Johnson's beloved New York Times best-selling Longmire series.

"It's the scenery - and the big guy standing in front of the scenery - that keeps us coming back to Craig lean and Johnson's leatherv mysteries." The New York Times Book Review.

Recovering from his harrowing experiences in Mexico, Sheriff Walt Longmire returns to Absaroka County, Wyoming, to lick his wounds and try once again to maintain justice in a place with grudges that go back generations. When a shepherd is found dead, Longmire suspects it could be suicide. But the shepherd's connection to the Extepares, a powerful family of Basque ranchers with a history of violence, leads the sheriff into an intricate investigation of a possible murder.

As Walt searches for information about the shepherd, he comes across strange carvings on trees, as well as play money coupons from inside Mallo Cup candies, which he interprets as messages from his spiritual guide, Virgil White Buffalo. Longmire doesn't know how these little blue cards are appearing, but Virgil usually reaches out if a child is in danger. So when a young boy with ties to the Extepare clan arrives in town, the stakes grow even higher. Even more complicating, a renegade wolf has been haunting the Bighorn Mountains, and the townspeople are out for blood. With both a wolf and a killer on the loose, Longmire follows a twisting trail of evidence, leading to dark and shocking conclusions.

Carols & Cocoa

Dec. 11th, 2019 6:00pm - 7:30pm Celebrate the holiday season and sing with us! Enjoy hot cocoa and holiday sweets. Sing along, or sit back and enjoy. Goldendale Library 131 W Burgen St. Goldendale.

Cascade Singers Holiday Concert December 7 and 8, 2019

"Cascade Singers presents a Parker-Shaw Christmas" is the title for the Cascade Singers' December 7 and 8 holiday concert. Performances take place at Zion Lutheran Church, 10th and Union Streets, The Dalles. Saturday's concert begins at 7 p.m. and the Sunday concert starts at 3 p.m. The late Robert Shaw was one of the preeminent choral directors of the second half of the 20th century. Alice Parker was Shaw's student who began her own career arranging music for the Robert Shaw Chorale. She later led her own choirs and continues to compose and arrange music at age 94. The Parker-Shaw collaboration produced a rich body of choral music, often based on folk tunes, hymns, and in the December event, Christmas carols. The concert will also include J.S. Bach chorales and a piece for organ and choir from the romantic era. Admission is by donation at the door.



Santa is Coming! Santa is Coming!

Dec 5th. 2019 at 6 pm Save the Date! Santa is coming to town Dec. 5th at 6pm with Operation Sleigh Bell at the Lyle Activity Center. Cookies, hot cocoa, photos with Santa! Great way to start the holiday season, mark your calendars now!!

Music at The Library

Saturday, December 7th, 3-5 pm The library is pleased to offer Christmas and Holiday music. Musician extraordinaire Wayo Hogan will be playing new and old classics in the main room of the library. Don't miss this FREE event at your library! The Dalles Wasco County Library, 722 Court St, The Dalles, OR.

Dallesport Garden Project Dec. 17, 2019 7pm

Come join us at out next meeting. Help turn our community into a Green Patch in the Brown Desert at the end of the Gorge! Future meetings will be the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Dallesport Community Center at 7pm. Any questions please contact: Rachel. Chairperson - 541-288-7014 or

Angie, Secretary - 509-637-3151.

Klindt's Bookstore 541-296-3355 315 E. 2nd Street, The Dalles Hours: Mon. - Sat. 8:00 am- 6:00 pm

Sundays 11:00 am - 4:00 pm The Dalles/Wasco County Public Library 541-296-2815

wascocountylibrary.com

722 Court Street, The Dalles HOURS:

Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Sunday

*FREE wireless Internet access inside the library and on library grounds. White Salmon Valley Community Library 509-493-1132 - Town & Country Sq. White Salmon Open Tuesdays 10:00 am - 8:00 pm Wed.-Sat. 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

*FREE wireless Internet access **Goldendale Community Library** (509) 773-4487 131 West Burgen Street

Goldendale. Open M Tu Th F Sat 10am-6:00pm and 10 to 8 on Wednesdays

Bookmobile

Fort Vancouver Regional Library 1-888-546-2707



The Library Bookmobile Winter Schedule Wednesdays Dec. 11th. *Lyle Merc. 9:30-10:15

*Book return available at this location Lyle Community School 10:30-12:30 Dallesport Church of Christ...1:45-3:00

A map of all FVRLibraries' bookmobile stops as well as printable schedules can be found at

http://www.fvrl.org/bookmobiles

Dec. 24th. & 25th. Christmas Dec. 31st. close at 6pm Jan. 1st. 2020 New Year's Day ALL LIBRARIES CLOSED



Community Council Corner

By Angie Jenkins

At this month's Council meeting open elections were held regarding council seats. Seats for Don McDermott, Bill Clark, Dave McNeal, Sally Swing, Anthony Rizzi, and WJ "Bill" Morris remained the same. Councilmen WJ "Bill" Morris resigned his position effective immediately. My position as secretary was voted on. We also would like to welcome Ann Slead and Sue Fleming as the newest members appointed to the Council!

The main discussion during this meeting was in regards to an open invitation made to the public regarding all terrain vehicle usage within the city limits of Dallesport. While using atv's on public roads the vehicle itself must be fully insured, have separate license plates, be inspected and licensed. Plus the ATV's must have a lot of the same safety items as a car or truck- such as seat belts, mirrors, etc. The driver will need to must follow the same protocol and be licensed. Public support for this was strong. Rules and law of the road must be obeyed.

After much discussion regarding this issue. The Council made a motion to also support atv usage within the city limits. Anthony Rizzi made the motion and David McNeal seconded the motion. A vote was made and it passed unanimously. Other local issues were discussed such as changes with the water district and general housekeeping issues.

The next Council meeting will be Tuesday December 12 7pm at the Dallesport Community Center. Be sure to come attend- we would be happy to see more people in attendance! Happy Thanksgiving!

The next meeting of the Dallesport-Murdock Community Council is Thursday **December 12, 2019 at 7pm** at the Dallesport Community Center on 6th Avenue. Meetings are held the second Thursday each month at 7pm.

Be sure to come attend- we would be happy to see more people in attendance!

www.dallesport-wa.org

Fireworks

Celebrate the New Year by lighting up the sky with fireworks. Our Dallesport Fire District volunteers will soon be selling fireworks as a fundraiser for their upcoming projects. Be on the lookout after Christmas for the red and white trailer that will be parked at 3rd Ave. and Dallesport Road. Support our firefighters and bring in the 2020 with a bang.

Dallesport Water Dist.

P.O. Box 131 Dallesport, WA 98617 If you have any questions regarding your water system, please feel free to contact. Water Manager: Scott Dixon 541-980-6756, Certified Water Operator: Austin Wilson 541-980-6756, District Clerk: Chelsea Wooderson 541-980-6514

dwdmanager@gmail.com or

<u>dallesportwater@gmail.com</u> Office hours: 8:00am to 1:00pm Monday thru Thursday. 541-980-6514 Monthly meetings are held on the 2^{nd} Wednesday of every month at <u>5:00pm</u> at the Dallesport Community Center.

Election Results

Congratulations to Dallesport Water Commissioners Pos. #3 WJ Bill Morris and Pos. #2 William (Bill) Clark.

Thank You from David D. McNeal

Dallesport Neighbors and friends; thank you for voting in this year's elections, and for your support in my run for the Dallesport Water Commissioner Position #2. I certainly enjoyed meeting and talking with many of you about what is important to our life in Dallesport. I will continue to serve on the Dallesport Murdock Community Council and look forward to that involvement. I congratulate my friend Bill Clark on his victory in the election. And, I am confident he will be an outstanding commissioner.

. New License Plate Supports Law Enforcement

Washington citizens who support law enforcement and officer health and wellness can now show that support on their Washington license plate. Washington State Fraternal Order of Police's Executive Director, Lynnette Buffington, remarked, "The Washington State FOP (WAFOP) is honored to announce this campaign and being able to use these funds to finance meaningful programs to support officer health and wellness".

Proceeds from this specialty Law Enforcement Support plate will go directly to support law enforcement health and wellness with a special focus on mental health. Washington currently has the Law Enforcement Memorial (LEM) plate that provides support for officers and their survivors lost in the line of duty as well as maintain the Law Enforcement Memorial in Olympia, Washington. The new plate would focus on the much-needed mental health and wellness support for current and future law enforcement.

At the time of publication, it is reported that there are 197 law enforcement confirmed deaths by suicide in 2019, marking a 17% increase from 2018 statistics. Suicide is currently the leading cause of death for law enforcement, with line of duty deaths holding the second spot with 105 deaths in 2019 to date.

The state legislature requires the sponsoring organization to gather 3,500 signatures of support from Washington citizens eligible to purchase a plate. Individuals that sign the petition are not obligated to purchase the plate but could be contacted when the plate becomes available.

Supporters of law enforcement are asked to sign the online petition at <u>http://bit.ly/LEOLicensePlate</u>. Those wishing to help grow the influence of this campaign can also scan and share the included QR code. This code can be scanned by any smart phone and it will direct the user to the signature page.

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Proposal to Allow ATV / UTV Use on Dallesport Streets

November 14, 2019, the Dallesport-Murdock Community Council heard discussion and unanimously voted to allow use of ATV / UTV vehicles on Dallesport streets where the current speed limit is 35 mph or less. This change is in compliance with Chapter 46.09 RCW of Washington State for Off Road, Nonhighway, and Wheeled All-Terrain Vehicles.

Requirements for use will be a valid WA State License plate, current drivers license, insurance, and all required safety equipment for the type of vehicle.

This proposal must be presented to, and approved by, the Klickitat County Board of Commissioners, as has already been done for Goldendale, Bingen, and Glenwood. Questions and comments can be emailed to Mark Peppel at markhpeppel@gmail.com





Can You Help Spread the Joy?

We'd love to have your help! Starting after Thanksgiving, go by Mugs Coffee, 221 West Steuben Street in Bingen and select a tag from their Christmas tree. Be sure to look for tags with an "L" on them – that means you're shopping for a Lyle family. That tag will have information regarding the family that will help you pick out great gifts.

Once you've purchased the gifts, just wrap and return them with the original tag to Mugs by the **December 16 deadline**, which will allow time for delivery of the gifts to our families before Winter Break begins.

To contribute to the Lyle Lions' food drive: Donations of money or nonperishable food may be made at the Lyle Lions Club Community Center's pancake breakfast, Saturday, December 7th from 7 – 11 a.m., or every Tuesday, 8 a.m.- 2 p.m. We hear that peanut butter is especially needed this year. No Time to Shop?

Difficult to Get to Bingen?

Here's another way you can help. Some of our older students in particular have very specific needs. With a little financial help, they can pay for items that will help them get a job or otherwise get ahead in life. All cash gifts are carefully considered by Lyle School's staff and go for very worthy uses!

If you can donate cash to this assistance fund, contact Lyle Community Schools at 509-365-2191 or 509-365-2211, extension 118, or 509-365-2191 (the Lyle School Business Office). Best of all, InvestED, another community partner, will match every donation made to this fund this year.

Finally, if you want to donate gift cards for students (think espresso stands, fast food, hair cuts, etc), we can use them in our efforts to provide incentives to students for good behavior and strong academics. Again, please drop them by the Lyle School with a note that they are for the incentive program.

Lyle Lions Pancake Breakfast / Christmas Food Box Project Donations.

December 7, 2019 7:00 to 10:00a.m.

Lyle Lions Community Ctr. Corner of Hwy 14 & 5th St. Everyone is welcome!

A donation jar will be available to donate for Christmas Food Box Project. Canned & non-perishable food items will be accepted at the Pancake Breakfast and on Tuesdays at Sr. Meals from 8:30 to 1:45 pm on 12/3; 12/10 & 12/17. Monetary donations can also be sent to: Lyle Lions P.O. Box 383 Lyle, WA 98635. Checks earmarked: "Lions Christmas Food Box Project".

Food Banks and Nutrition

WGAP is the Lead Agency and Distribution Center for the Food Banks in Klickitat and Skamania counties. Low-income individuals and families are eligible for a Food Box once a month. Food Boxes may contain canned goods, fresh produce, bread, and frozen meat. While the food in a box varies, generally there is enough for three to twelve nutritionally balanced meals depending on the size of the family.

A special Senior Box is also available. Call or find Janeal at the Bingen Food Bank to see if you qualify.

WGAP Food Bank 115 W Steuben Street, Bingen

Open Tuesday & Thursday 9 am - 3:30 pm (closed 12 - 1 lunch) Food Banks and Nutrition

Call the WGAP Main Office: (509) 493-2662 | Toll Free: (800) 755-1192

What to Donate...

When it comes to food donations, it's important to give healthy, high quality non-perishables, rather than cheap processed foods that don't meet the nutritional needs of most families. Here's a list of some of the best foods you can give during your local holiday food drive.

Canned fish and lean meats. ... Peanut butter / other nut butters. ... Healthy soups and stews. ... Whole grain breakfast cereals. ... Canned or dried beans. ... Pasta sauce and canned tomatoes. ... Shelf-stable milk



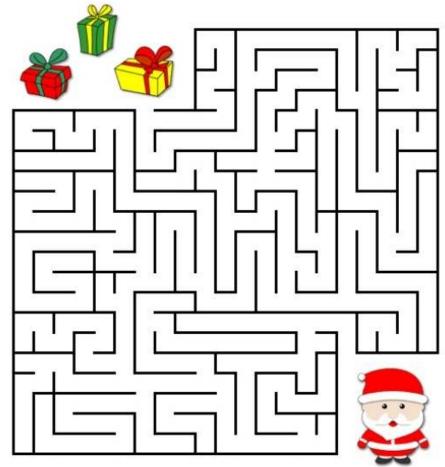


LYLE SCHOOL DISTRICT #406 🌮

For the latest information on Lyle School District, visit the website for the school district. http://www.lyleschools.org



Auditions December 2nd. & 3rd. 2019 The Civic Auditorium will be producing A new childrens' theatre program. Auditions for "<u>Honk the</u> <u>Musical</u>" will be open to 3rd, 4th & 5th graders. Call & schedule an audition now. Questions? Gail at 360-880-6642. Fun!



Stay connected on Lyle School District's Facebook page or on our website at Lyle School District [www.lyleschools.org].

(Klickitat, Lyle Against Substance Abuse Coalition) Dec. 18th. 5 - 6:30 pm Meets the 3rd Wed of each month. Alternates between Klickitat and Lyle The Library Bookmobile--- Winter Schedule Wednesdays Dec. 11th. *Lyle Merc. 9:30-10:15 *Book return available at this location Lyle Community School 10:30-12:30 Dallesport Church of Christ...1:45–3:00 Dallesport PTO Meeting Tue, Dec. 3rd. 2:45pm – 3:45pm Monthly on the first Tuesday School Board meetings will be held @ 6pm on the fourth Wednesday December 18th. *Support your school and attend a meeting.*



Mosier Country Christmas Fair

November 30 - December 1, 2019 Sat 10am 4pm, Sun 10am 4pm Mosier Community School Admission: \$2 Annual community Christmas fair. Quality handcrafted items.

16th Annual Dallesport Christmas Bazaar

Dallesport Community Center December 6th 7th, & 8th. 2019 Tables rent for \$20 a day per table if you just want one day and \$15 a day per table if you are doing 2 or 3 days. All table rent proceeds will be donated to the Dallesport-Murdock Fire Dept. and the Dallesport-Murdock Community Council. For more information, call/text Evelyn Biggs 509-310-9130.

"Santa In The Downtown" Santa in the Downtown 2019 Saturdays, December 7, 14, 21. Time: 10:00am to 2:00pm

Location: Old Chronicle Building at 315 Federal Street. Entrance is glass doors on 3rd street and opposite end of building. What Main Street loves most about this event, which takes place on three Saturdays, is that it is a wonderful draw for families who do not normally visit our downtown to come to the heart of The Dalles. Come get your picture with Santa! Enjoy a bake sale, free kids crafts and The Dalles Library story time. Story time is from 12:30pm to 1:00pm. Suggested Donation \$5.00 per picture.

Festival of Trees Gala & Auction Friday, December 6, 2019 Doors Open 6pm | Auction 7pm 21 & Over Event | Tickets \$20

The Annual Festival of Trees fundraiser consists of 20+decorated Christmas trees donated by local citizens, businesses and organizations to be sold to the highest bidder during a live auction. Silent auction items will also be available along with a limited supply of complementary champagne & hors d'oeuvres. Find out more: 541-296-7275

mchf@mcmc.net www.mcmc.net/fotof

Community Day Saturday, December 7 9am-Noon | All Ages Welcome free Admission To View The Trees. Proceeds Benefit The Celilo Cancer Center Fund & Mchf Nursing Scholarships

Candy Cane Lane Christmas Parade Dec 14, 2019 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Downtown Goldendale, WA Celebrate a real hometown Candy Cane Lane Christmas Parade. The parade kicks off at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 14th, followed by pictures with Santa, Soup, and Hot Chocolate at the Masonic Lodge. Contact Vance Law Office at 509-773-4567 or 509-840-0749 (evenings) for more information and to sign-up for the Parade.

Wahtonka Christmas Bazaar Dec 7, 2019 9am to 4pm

Wahtonka Campus 3601 W 10th Street The Dalles, Oregon. Presented by TDHS Youth Transition Program. Come check out our vendors for gifts, treats, stocking stuffers and more!

Community Christmas Fair Dec 7, 2019 10AM to 2PM

Gateway Church 1111 Dry Hollow Rd The Dalles. <u>http://www.gatewaypc.org</u> Gateway Church 541.298.8531 A gift to our community! Come celebrate with us as we create fun gifts, delight in holiday music, enjoy hot cocoa, cookies and hot dogs. FREE fun & fellowship for the whole family!.

Reindeer Run and Snowflake Stroll

Dec 7, 2019 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Registration starts at 9am, race starts at 10am Lewis and Clark Festival Park This is a FREE event! No entry or registration fees

Contact: Kristen Slatt 541-506-2752

Last Chance Holiday Bazaar

Dec 15, 2019 10am-4pm Hood River Fairgrounds

FREE Event <u>http://hoodriverfair.org</u> Contact: Clara Rice 541-354-2865 Bring in your family from 12pm-2pm and take advantage of this FREE photo opportunity with Santa.

Parking and admission are free. Over 40 vendors have skillfully created amazing arts and crafts, baby and kid items, decorations, baked goods and gourmet food products that will make the perfect one-of-a-kind gift for family and friends. Lunch options and beverages are available in the fair kitchen. Located in the community building, this is a fun, family-friendly event you won't want to miss.

The Dalles Civic Marketplace Dec. 14, 2019 11am to 4pm

The Dalles Civic Auditorium 323 E. 4th St. The Dalles, OR 97058 Free admission. Come Shop, Browse, and Mingle with us at The Dalles Civic Marketplace. There will be food, drinks, and many different vendors with fun and exciting treasures at every table!

First Annual Majestic Winter Food/Toy Drive & Car Show

Dec 14^{th.} 2019 12pm – 5pm 45 Dallesport Way Dallesport, WA Taco Tumbras will be having a special of \$1.00 tacos and \$5.95 burritos. There will be trophies and raffles to participate in. Come donate to your local drive and enter to win. Proceeds will be going to the Lions Club in Lyle, WA., and The Salvation Army in The Dalles, OR. Hosted by Kemono Klan.

Dufur Hometown Christmas

December 14, 2019 at 9 AM - 9 PMExperience the charm of a small-town Christmas--the way it used to be. Shop for gifts by artisans, listen to great music, see local art, eat yummy treats, take pics with Santa, and chat with friendly folks. Be sure to stick around for the Lighted Tractor Parade and Special Dinner! Hosted by Dufur Area Chamber of Commerce. Dufur, Oregon

Polar Bear Plunge at Maryhill State Park 01/1/2020 10:00 am

\$10.00 fee

Come start the New Year off on a cold, yet refreshing note doing the Polar Bear Plunge. You don't have to go underwater, and you



don't have to stay in the water for long. Just do something different this New Year, and support the Central Klickitat County Park & Recreation District. The event will take place at the swimming area along the Columbia River at Maryhill State Park. We are happy to report that January 1, 2020, is a free admission day to all Washington State Parks, so you won't have to use your Discover Pass nor pay admission to the park.

It begins at 10:00 a.m. Sharp, so be there at least 15 minutes early to sign up. <u>Click for your entry form.</u>

Dallesport-Murdock Community Calendar

Dallesport-Murdock Fire Dept. KCFD#6 630 Central Ave. P.O. Box 215 767-1252 Dallesport-Murdock Community Council 136 6th Ave. P.O. Box 8

Post Office hours are 8am-2pm M-F Sat. 7:30am-11:00 for package pick up only Phone 767-1577

| December 2019 | | | | | | |
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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| 1 AA Meetings Wednesdays and Sundays 7pm Lyle School Library 625 Keasey 360-870-3321 | Lyle Lions Club | Firefighters meet Tuesdays | 4 | 5 ELFF Food Drive Beginning @ 6pm | 6 Senior Advisory Meeting 10:30am-12pm Bazaar | 7 First Saturday Breakfast Lyle Lions Club 7am-10am Pearl Harbor Remembrance Bazaar |
| 8 Bazaar | 9 | 10 Senior Lunch Lyle 11:30am | 11 Fire Dist. Biz Meet 6pm Commissioners Meet 7pm Water Dist. Meet 5pm Bookmobile | 12 Community Council Meeting 7pm | 13 | 14 |
| 15 | 16 Lyle Lions Club meeting. Potluck at 6:00 pm; Mtg. at 6:30 pm. Call 509- 365-2921 | 17 Senior Lunch Lyle 11:30am Garden Project Meeting 7pm | 18 | 19 | 20 Airport Board Meeting 7am @Airport | 21 Winter Solstice |
| 22 | 23 | 24 Senior Lunch Lyle 11:30am | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | 31 Senior Lunch Lyle 11:30am | December From the Latin word decem, "ten" because this had been the tenth month of the early Roman calendar. | | | |

DALLESPORT-MURDOCK COMMUNITY COUNCIL P.O. BOX 8 DALLESPORT, WA 98617

ELFF HELP WANTED

The annual "Everyone Loves A Firefighter"...or ELFF...food drive is coming up in The Dalles and Dallesport **December 3rd., 4th., 5th.**, and the call has gone out for volunteers and volunteer groups to help in the effort. The Project ELFF commander at Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue says they need help as they collect canned food donations during the three nights of the drive. The ELFF food drive starts in the east side of The Dalles on Tuesday evening on

December 3rd, continues in the west side of The Dalles on Wednesday evening on December 4th, and finishes up in the Dallesport-Murdock area on Thursday evening on December 5th. The drive takes place between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. on all three nights. To volunteer, call Mid-Columbia Fire and Rescue at 541-296-9445. MCFR, Dallesport-Murdock Fire Department, The Dalles Lions Club, St. Vincent dePaul, and the Salvation Army are all involved in the food collection effort.



BURN BAN has been lifted. Please be careful.

https://fortress.wa.gov/dnr/protection/firedanger/

To have a Dallesport Newsletter delivered to your inbox each month, please email Renee Briggs at lrbriggs@gorge.net

Dallesport-Murdock Community Council meetings are on the second Thursday of each month. 7pm at Community Center 136 6th Street Dallesport

Chairman:

Don McDermott 509-767-2308 nod@gorge.net Vice-Chairman: Anthony Rizzi 541-980-4515 Secretary: Angie Jenkins 509-637-3151 Treasurer: Sally Swing 509-767-0023 Ways & Means: David McNeal 425-241-3235 Other Members: Mary Ann Pauline 503-616-8861 William "Bill" Clark 509-767-0610 Ann Slead 541-571-3485 Sue Fleming 509-307-8610 Newsletter/Public Relations: L.Renee Briggs 509-767-2316 hrbriggs@gorge.net

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Community Center

If you are interested in renting the Dallesport Community Center for your meeting, family reunion, memorial service, birthday party or other function, please contact Jess Jones at 503-440-5941. Rental fees are \$25.00 to \$50.00 a day.