



The Dallesport News

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Lyle Schools Offers Effective Hybrid Learning, and Safe, Effective In-Person Instruction

by Debra Stenberg

Throughout the Columbia Gorge and across the nation, schools are grappling with the best and safest way to deliver educational services during a global pandemic. Many education staples such as in-person classroom learning and meal services that have traditionally required face-to-face interaction were no longer permitted early in the pandemic due to concerns over COVID-19 transmission. Essentially, education transformed to remote learning overnight, something few schools were prepared for.

By the end of the summer, Washington's Governor Inslee released a new framework for returning to in-person education, which allowed students and teachers to return to the classroom in small groups as long as COVID-19 remained low in the surrounding county. At that point, Klickitat County, whose population is under 25,000, had fewer than 200 recorded cases. The town of Lyle had a single recorded case, while Dallesport had seven, which were quickly contained.

To the Lyle School District reopening team, which included administrators, teachers and support staff, bringing back small groups of students that needed the most support with distance learning seemed a logical and important first step.

The team worked closely with the county health department, maintaining a laser focus on state-required safety precautions as it developed a plan for hybrid learning. This involved small groups of students rotating through the school building for in-person instruction on select days each week and participating in class remotely outside of those specific on-campus hours. Before classes started, parents and students came to the school for pre-arranged mini-conferences with their teachers. They checked out new laptops and learned how to log in and where to find their classes. The process for participating in class is the same each day, whether the student is in the school or at home.

The reopening team developed protocols for monitoring the health of students and staff for return to school, as well. Staff self-monitor and attest via a written form that they are well each day. Students arriving at school receive a quick health screening, including a temperature check. Safety protocols also emphasize mask-wearing, hand-washing and physical distancing throughout the day.

To support remote instruction, the district was able to purchase Smart Boards for every classroom in addition to the personal laptops,

expenditures that were possible thanks to CARES Act funding. Teachers attended multiple days of training in using the devices, and continue to train in Microsoft Teams software and best practices in remote instruction.

Unlike larger districts with more staff, Lyle doesn't have the option of assigning one grade-level teacher to remote learning and another to on-site instruction, because there is only one teacher per grade level at the elementary level, and one per subject at the secondary level. Lyle teachers stepped up to the challenge and agreed to simultaneously instruct students physically in their classroom and those logged in remotely.

"While our goal is to keep students and staff learning in person as much as possible, our team is prepared to transition to remote learning quickly, if needed." Superintendent Ann Varkados explains. "Using technology like Microsoft Teams for simultaneous in-person and remote instruction allows for less disruption if we need to pivot to online learning."

In fact, on September 14, 2020, less than a week after the start of the school year, Lyle School students and teachers proved that point by quickly moving to all-remote instruction when wildfire smoke led to a five-day halt to all in-person instruction in Klickitat County schools. By then, most students had at least one day of in-person instruction that involved logging in and using their devices. It was a crash course in live remote instruction, but by the end of the five days, teachers were expressing new-found confidence in their skills.

With the county's COVID-19 infection rate now even lower than on the first day, the school is gradually increasing the number of days students can be in school. On Monday, October 5, all Kindergarten and first grade students – both exceptionally small classes of 7 or less -- returned to the building full time. Additional grade levels through middle school will be phased in, with students in grades 2-8 coming to the building at least twice a week.

At the high school level, students' individual needs and learning styles are guiding decisions about who should receive more on-site instruction. Students who lack adequate Internet access are especially high priority for attending school in person.

Lyle Education Association Co-President Cody Magill is excited about the learning model, explaining, "The adoption of this

program puts teachers in a position to be more flexible. We can more readily tailor our approach for each student, addressing individual gaps by accessing resources in a manner that promotes equity. It puts us at the forefront of education moving forward."

Providing instruction under these circumstances, even in a small district, is not simple. Administrators in other districts have taken notice of what Lyle is doing. Principal Lori Smith recounts first hearing from a staff person whose spouse operates a daycare and sees first-hand how area districts are providing remote instruction. Lyle, she said, was "rocking it," on par with another, much better-funded, Gorge-area school district. Since then, Principal Smith has heard other positive comments and even fielded calls from administrators in other districts, asking about the school's approach.

Nevertheless, parents' fears around the pandemic and in-person instruction have hit Lyle hard, something else it has in common with districts across the country. The absence of 25 students means a quarter-million dollar loss to the school's operating budget. Staff are eager to get the word out that great things are happening in Lyle, in hopes of reassuring parents who have been hesitant to enroll students this year. That could include parents who have been trying to homeschool their students or who have enrolled them in the larger, less personal remote learning programs, or Kindergarten parents who simply decided to wait out the year. For families who want to continue learning remotely, the district will accommodate them through at least the end of this school year.

The school is also accepting out-of-district transfers for all grades. Out-of-district parents must take responsibility for transporting their children to and from school. Call 509-365-2211, extension 120, to learn more about enrolling.

"We can all agree that in-person is how kids learn best," said Superintendent Ann Varkados. "I'm proud of our team for creating safe and sustainable practices for bringing kids back to school and encourage families to learn more about the good things happening at Lyle School District."

"The Lyle School District Board of Directors continues to meet monthly. The public can join the meeting by Zoom or a phone call; dates and instructions can be found on the district website calendar."

Mary Sorensen 1939-2020

Mary Lillie (Lykens)

Sorensen born April 20, 1939, in Bisbee, AZ has passed away at her home in Dallesport on October 24th. She fought so many physical battles but was just too tired to keep going. She battled COPD, two separate mastectomies, scoliosis, broken tail bone and a recent broken hip from separate falls. She fought each of them and held her own until her body said "No more" and released her soul to join her parents Edward and Nellie Lykens and husband Larry Dean Sorensen. Also preceding her in death was an older sister, Joyce Y. Osberg, and a baby brother Jerry Lee Lykens, as well as many in-laws she loved dearly.

She leaves behind two siblings; a brother, Reverend Edward Alvin Lykens, of Murfreesboro Tenn. and sister Mildred Elaine Lykens of Lyle, as well as two children, Sandra Jean Sorensen of Lyle and Larry Gene Sorensen of Dallesport; two grandsons, Cameron J; The Dalles, OR and Brice Allen Sorensen, Seattle, WA, and two great grandchildren, Syren and Ocean. and many nieces and nephews.

Mary loved playing the role of hostess for all holiday get-togethers which she shared with family and friends. She canned, sewed, crocheted, knitted, painted on canvas and created a popular dog treat she sold at local holiday bazaars. In younger years she was a 4-H leader and Cub Scout Den Mother while holding down a job at the Lyle Merc as a meat cutter. She and hubby belonged to the Lyle Grange and were active leaders in the earlier Lyle Pioneer Days from start to finish. They were also avid RV enthusiasts and joined the Sundowner's RV Club, traveling and enjoying the camaraderie of their peers.

During the school's Christmas break in the winter of 1948 the Lykens family moved from Los Angeles and stayed briefly with in-laws before purchasing a Mobile Service Station that set just below the Grange up Old Highway 8, then moved down to Lyle proper a few years later when her father ran the Shell Station which is now the French's Farms Nursery. Mary married Larry on June 18, '57 at the age of 15, delivered her daughter two years later followed by a son two years after that. She was proud of returning to school and achieving a GED



the same year Sandra graduated high school.

The family has decided to postpone the memorial service until Spring, when hopefully Covid-19 will be behind us.

Lyle Lions Club News

Lyle Lions Club announces we will be doing Christmas Baskets this year. They may not be as big as usual but they will still be filled with lots of love, fresh things, and goodies. We have been in touch with the Klickitat County Health Department and will be following their recommendations. In car pick-up will be Saturday and Sunday December 19th and 20th by appointment only. NO DROP INS. Contact Joan Titus at 509-365-2872 to sign up and arrange your pick-up time. To make donations mail checks to Lyle Lions Club POB 383, Lyle Wa. 98635. Thank you everyone.

Thomas Evan Garred 1936-2020

Thomas Evan Garred was born in Spokane, Wash., on Oct. 27, 1936, to parents Mary Estelle (Enoch) and Max Frank Garred. He graduated from Washington State University (go Cougs!) with a bachelor's degree in pharmacology.

Tom married Lauretta Mae Stetner on Sept. 25, 1954, in Moscow, Idaho. He made his career as a pharmacist, owning and operating Davies Drug in The Dalles, Ore., from 1969 until 1998. Tom loved fishing and golfing and had been a member of The Dalles Country Club. He and Lauretta enjoyed spending the winters at Happy Trails in Surprise, Ariz.

Tom passed away at his home in Dallesport, Wash., on Oct. 17, 2020, surrounded by his loved ones. He is survived by his wife, Lauretta Garred of Dallesport; daughters and sons-in-law Linda and Ron Craft of Central Point, Ore., and Cindy and Steve Baldwin of Goldendale, Wash.; sons and daughters-in-law Tom Jr. and Jennifer Garred of Beaverton, Ore., and Matthew and Kim Garred of Aurora, Ohio; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his dear friends and golfing buddies Ed Ritchie and Bob Mead.

He was preceded in death by his parents Max and Mary, brothers Max Jr. and Gary Garred, and great granddaughter Hannah Crose.



A memorial service will be held at a later date. The family asks that any memorial contributions be made to the Brian Grant Foundation for Parkinson's Disease. To send condolences to the family, please visit www.gardnerfh.com.

Good Food Pantry News

The Lyle Good Food Pantry will be distributing food boxes on Wednesdays **November 4th and 18th**. During the hours of **10-1 and 4-6pm** at the Lyle Activity Center in Lyle. Follow the signs to the pick-up area.

Last Wednesday's food distribution reached many local families. Spread the word, for those who need a little help right now. We received a wonderful fresh local egg donation. We also received a donation of fresh end if the season tomatoes and pears as well as some High Prairie apples.

Online Library Programs

https://fvrl.librarymarket.com/events/upcoming?keywords=&library_branch%5B88%5D=88&library_branch%5B80%5D=80&library_branch%5B434%5D=434&submit=Apply&form_build_id=form-Q7YQ4mO3e4UC0brAifet_qp2qGUTYWU9H_4qRc5qocE&form_id=lc_calendar_upcoming_form

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

<https://www.wascocountylibrary.com/>
722 Court Street, The Dalles

HOURS:

Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 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

<http://www.fvrl.org/loc/gd>

(509) 773-4487

131 West Burgen Street

Goldendale,

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

*Happy
Thanksgiving*

Community Council

Report for October Meeting

By Don McDermott

A public Zoom meeting was successfully conducted on October 8th. The Dallesport/Murdock Community Council had enough members in attendance for a quorum. The meeting was not recorded and the following notes are included for the benefit of Community Members not in attendance. We realize that with the constraints against public gatherings in place in our Current Phase 2 Covid-19 classification, that we are still needed in providing information from and to the Community as a conduit to and from elected Government Agencies. We are attempting to adapt to current social challenges and fulfill the mission statement of the Council. We will try to provide the public with access via Zoom meetings.

Instructions for such meetings are available on line and shall be published in our Dallesport/Murdock Newsletter and may be available to other suggested mediums.

The Council loosely followed the typical agenda format and there were some problems getting everyone attending the meeting to be visible and heard. The problems were resolved and after role call and moving approval of minutes and treasurer's report to a future meeting. We began discussion of Critical Water issues with WJ Morris- chairman of the Dallesport Water Board. The Dallesport Columbia Gorge Regional Airport well was approved and the DEQ approvals are in place. This will ensure that our water supply will get a significant share of this well and have the opportunity to supply growth (naturally in a limited capacity) and resources for our Community. Book keeping is up to date and the Water Board is on sound financial footing.

Changes in the jurisdiction deciding perched wetland issues were discussed in relation to the YHA Land in our community.

The Klickitat County is said to have moved to redirect funding from the Compliance Office and eliminate the Compliance Officer Position was discussed and the establishment of some type of Development Board seems to have been established with appointments made by the Commissioners. More information needs to be gathered about this and will be reported when confirmed information is available.

There was discussion of our website and lack of visits. Possible solutions to encourage more site visits were discussed.

We approved a change in the meeting time for the Dallesport/Murdock Community Council meeting to be changed from 7:00 PM on the second Thursday of each month at the Community Center to accommodate the new Zoom format-- Future meetings will be on Zoom for the foreseeable future and will commence at 6:00 PM on the second Thursday of each month.

We are seeking to fill an upcoming vacancy in January on the Council. Interested parties have only to contact the Council.

Don McDermott's Zoom Meeting

When Thu Nov 12, 2020 6pm – 7pm

Where

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/7811238189?pwd=NlVmeWF5OUZ5bEpPbUl6ejl2TkJMwUT09> (map)

Joining info Join with Google Meet

meet.google.com/ckn-ifri-qus

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/7811238189?pwd=NlVmeWF5OUZ5bEpPbUl6ejl2TkJMwUT09>

Meeting ID: 781 123 8189

Passcode: 9EMpW3

In additional news

We are aware that Klickitat County has a job posting for a Fiscal Management Position that is advertised to require fiscal and accounting skills and is seeking to pay between \$68,269 and \$86,445 depending upon qualifications.

We are also aware that the Port of Klickitat has released Marc Thornsbury from his 14 year employment and is seeking a new Executive Port Director. Marc will be missed by the Community as he was very good about visiting our meetings and keeping us up to date with the Port of Klickitat.

Will your vote count?

There's an easy way to track your ballot:

Go to the state's voting information site

Enter your name and birthdate.

On the left side, you should see an option to check "Ballot Status." Click on that, and it should tell you where your ballot is.

<https://voter.votewa.gov/WhereToVote.aspx>

And if you haven't yet voted, get on it and be part of a historic election.

Election Drop Boxes located at

Dallesport - Community Center parking lot, 136 6th St.

Lyle - Lions Club parking lot, Intersection of 5th St. and Hwy. 14

Dallesport Water District

P.O. Box 131

Dallesport, WA 98617

If you have any questions regarding your water system, please feel free to contact Dallesport Water District Office: 541-980-6514 dallesportwater@gmail.com Office Phone Hours: 8 AM to 3 PM Mon. thru Thurs. Dallesport Water District On-Call After Hours Phone: 541-980-6756. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM via WEBEX by Cisco

www.dallesportwater.org

next meeting November 17, 2020 @ 6:30 PM

Covid-19 Pandemic

State and County Government is making public recommendations for dealing with the Covid-19 Pandemic. I am including the current recommendations.

Klickitat County is currently in Phase 2:

You can help slow the spread of COVID-19 by wearing a face mask that covers your nose and mouth when you are in public, washing your hands, and staying home when you are sick. It is also highly recommended that the public avoid large gatherings and events even if they are hosted outside. Currently in Phase 2, the state recommendation is to not gather with more than five people outside your household per week and to wear a mask during that time.

Commit to fewer, shorter, smaller social gatherings

We must prevent runaway spread of COVID-19 in Washington state. Our individual actions make a difference. **Fewer, shorter and safer interactions are crucial.** Shrinking your social circle and skipping indoor gatherings are both important right now. Reducing close contact with others is paramount.

Many of the traditional ways in which we celebrate Halloween involve contact with non-household members in large group settings.

This year, it is important to plan early and identify safer alternatives to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. The state Department of Health is offering the following considerations to help protect individuals and communities.

Staying home is still safest. If you do go out, keep it quick, keep your distance and [wear a face covering](#). Recreate and do business locally to avoid spreading the virus across county lines. Limit the number of people outside your household that you gather with every week. If you [feel symptoms](#) of COVID-19, get [tested](#).

Dog Is My CoPilot Visits The Columbia River Gorge

By Cole Goodwin Oct. 20, 2020

Columbia Community Connection

Yesterday, Dog is My CoPilot paid an unexpected visit to Columbia Gorge Regional Airport in Dallesport when weather and logistics rerouted them from their usual stop in Troutdale. Dog is My CoPilot is a non-profit organization dedicated to the safe transport of at risk animals in overcrowded shelters at no cost. The plane landed at about 2:00 PM and departed by 3:00 PM. Dog is My CoPilot founder and president Peter Rork M.D. piloted the plane.

"Yesterday we coordinated a transport from the El Paso Animal Services Services up to Portland, with stops in Salt Lake City and Sun Valley." However because of some weather issues in the Portland area and timing they had to find someplace else to land.

"We didn't want to be traveling through the mountains after dark with a single-engine aircraft. And we figured we'd already flown 8 hours to get there, so landing in Dallesport was a good trade-off," said the pilot Peter Rork, M.D.

"Everyone at Columbia Gorge Regional Airport was incredibly helpful. The FBO really facilitated the feeling of servicing the aircraft and even a couple of people who were sitting at the airport came and helped us unload the animals. There was a real feel-good feeling there, they really stood out to me" said Rork.

Onboard were 80 shelter animals from El Paso Animal Services, including 78 dogs and 2 cats. All of which have been checked by a veterinarian and have written health certificates and required vaccines before traveling. Of the animal passengers aboard the plane, 22 dogs were received by One Tail at a Time Dog Rescue PDX and the others went to their new homes at The Pixie Project, Animal Aid PDX, FurFriends Animal Rescue, and Oregon Dog Rescue. "These are awesome partnerships between these organizations. We're all the way from Wyoming to Texas to Oregon, so we're far apart but there's a lot of togetherness here. We're all working together to help animals," said Kara Pollard Executive Director of Dog Is My CoPilot.

The animals that Dog is My CoPilot works with come from shelters where overcrowding is a serious problem that leads to animals being euthanized. "If you're taking in 100 dogs a day and adopting out 50-you run into problems. A lot of these shelters don't want to use euthanasia to deal with this problem, but without access to partnerships and transportation services like ours-they run out of options," said Rork.

Many of the animals on board already have foster homes waiting for them.

"A lot of time the animals go into foster homes right away, many already have adopters waiting for them,"

*Contributed Photo:
Helping unload the
precious cargo at
Columbia Gorge
Regional Airport*



Pollard continued saying that animal welfare is their passion, "We work with a variety of shelters. Usually municipal. The goal is to get these animals out of overcrowded shelters where there are not enough adopters and into our destination partner's care, where they are often adopted or put into foster homes straight away. Some need to be spayed and neutered, which our receiving partners take care of," said Pollard.

"We do 10 flights a month on average. This year we will have provided close to 55 rescue flights which is a big milestone for us," said Pollard, in previous years Dog is My CoPilot flew between 30-35 flights. "We're projecting we'll do 70 flights in 2021," continued Pollard. "This year so far we've flown 694 dogs and cats. Dog is my Copilot has transported almost 17,000 animals since our founding in 2012."

Each flight takes about a day, "It's basically a day's flight, sometimes we'll be dropping off at three or four different airports. But it only takes about 7 hours. It's much more efficient than driving these animals over long distances which puts a lot of additional stress on the animals. Our goal is to make it as safe and stress-free for them as possible," said Pollard.

"The flight we did yesterday from El Paso would have been a 22-hour road trip. When you transport the animals they usually go into crates and then onto a van. Well, there are too many animals to get potty breaks and so the drivers would have to drive non-stop as well. And that's not good for anyone. We offer these shelters a faster, more efficient, and free transportation option that would otherwise be impossible for them to access because of most of them. Most of them already have enough financial problems as it is," said Rork.

The organization, which is based in Jackson Wyoming usually flies to the South Western United States such as Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and Southern California, first to pick up the animals and then transports them to their receiving partners in the North-Western region. "We have receiving partners are in Oregon, Washington, Utah, and Wyoming," said Pollard. Dog is My CoPilot transports the animals at no cost to shelters thanks to sponsorships and pilots who donate their time.

Rork added that "We're thinking about going national and expanding into a second location in Atlanta so that we can cover all the Southern States."

Rork said that although landing in Dallesport was a change of pace for them, "What we have is a very well oiled machine. Our partners know you can't be late to pick up animals at the airport, especially say on a hot summer day. We fly the same routes over and over again. We have strong collaborative relationships with our partners. The real heroes are those who are working in these shelters every day."

Dog is My CoPilot was winding down their flying season for winter but Rork encouraged others to continue aiding in animal welfare. "It's a matter of educating people on what the problem is. There are a lot of things people can do to address this issue. They can certainly adopt and don't shop. Or they can foster an animal and help get that animal ready for adoption. Or if you live somewhere where you can't have pets you can certainly volunteer at a shelter and if you can't do that- you can always donate. There are lots of ways to help."

Rork added "Every animal you save, saves two. The one you save and the one that gets to take its place. Get off the sidelines, be a part of the solution. We can make this problem go away."

LYLE SCHOOL DISTRICT #406

Parents Can Complete School Registration Forms and Update Information Online

Lyle School District has just switched over to a completely online registration system, giving parents access to all of the forms they have filled out on paper in the past. This move will save staff time and allow parents to ensure their children's information is input accurately.

Called "Family Access," this new feature is part of Skyward, the same program currently used by parents to access students' grades, absence information and other ongoing student data. The system provides more security, as only people who need and are authorized to see this information have access. Parents can update contact information there as well to ensure they get timely communications from the school.

There's no doubt that coming back to school or enrolling in a new school requires a lot of paperwork. And there's nothing worse than filling all of those forms out, then misplacing them or having them go missing when you send them to school with your child. Now, instead, parents can do this all online, as they have time, and go back to confirm that the information is right.

You can find information on the school website, www.lyleschools.org for how to use Family Access.

It's More than a Meal

There are a number of important forms that parents can complete on Family Access, but the ones we are most focused on right now are related to school lunches.

The Food Service Application, also known as the Free & Reduced Lunch Application: Filling out the application can mean important and possibly unexpected benefits for your family. The funny thing is, about the only benefit you DON'T need it for right now is for your child to get a free meal at school, because Lyle School is now feeding kids under the Community Eligibility Provision.

However, filling out the form and being approved can mean other benefits, like fee waivers and college tuition, among other things. So, yes, you should fill it out if you think there's a chance you qualify!

For families that don't qualify for free and reduced lunch, it's important to fill out the Income Verification form. For the district to maintain its status as a Community Eligibility-designated school and to continue to offer FREE meals for our students, we must get an Income Survey from all families. All information is kept strictly confidential and is only released to authorized food service administrators for the district. Please help us keep all of our kids fed without charge.

Need help? Have questions? Don't hesitate to reach out to us at support@lyleschools.org or at 509.365.2211.

Stay connected on [Lyle School District's Facebook page](#) or on our website at <https://www.lyleschools.org/>



It's more than a meal application.

Filling out the School Meal Application may help provide:

- Before and After School Academic & Enrichment Programs
- Free or Reduced Cost Meals for Students at Our School
- Fee Waivers for College Applications & Admissions tests
- Healthy & Nutritious Meals
- Guidance & College Counselors
- Health & Wellness Services
- Resources for Classrooms, Teachers, & Children

This organization is an equal opportunity provider.

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(Klickitat, Lyle Against Substance Abuse Coalition)

5 - 6:30 pm Meets the 3rd Wed of each month. Alternates between Klickitat and Lyle

The Library Bookmobile--- Winter Schedule **Canceled**

Wednesdays. **Canceled**

***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., 2:45pm - 3:45pm

Monthly on the first Tuesday **Canceled**

School Board meetings will be held @ 6pm on the fourth Wednesday



Columbia Gorge Vendors Market

For those of you that depend on yearly events for your home businesses, like Cherry Fest, St Mary's Christmas Bazaar, Huckleberry Fest and the like...not to mention those of you that do your Holiday shopping to help support local artists.

Check out the Facebook page for buying and selling your crafts. This puts all vendors in one convenient, virtual shopping bazaar.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/738079160270844/?ref=share>

2020 Fall Raffle Drawing! The Dalles Main Street Program Win up to \$5000

Nov. 2, 2020 at 12 PM – 12:30 PM

GRAND PRIZE UP TO \$5,000!

Five 2nd place winners will receive a Main Street Hoody (\$45 value)

Help Main Street keep Downtown ENERGIZED! This a 25/75 raffle.

You or a friend may be the BIG WINNER of 25% of the pool. Help us reach the \$20,000 pool goal. Tickets are sold in bundles of 10 for \$10 25% of all raffle entry funds go to the Big Winner. 75% for funding The Dalles Main Street operations.

Eagles Christmas Bazaar Looking for Vendors Dec. 5th 9am-3pm

If you would like to be a vendor, please contact Samantha at 541-993-6163. We are limited on how many vendors we can have due to Covid. Spots are filling up fast. Tables are \$20 each.

The Walldogs Project

Carolyn Wood, Lynn Wilcox and Karl Vercouteren became "The Walldog Historians" this past summer with help from David and Kirsten Benko of the Neon Sign Museum. We were asked to come up with possible themes for murals

to be painted around The Dalles in fall of 2021. "Walldogs" is a nickname for old-time billboard painters. Painters will come from far and wide to do around 15 murals in one long weekend. We came up with over 100 ideas and boiled them down to 30 that we then researched and wrote up. Next, between our sense of "must do" murals and the decisions of the larger committee organized by The Dalles Main Street, the final 15 mural themes will be chosen and given to lead designers/painters from the Walldogs. A "teaser" mural on the wall west of the City Hall parking lot was completed the first weekend in October, just as a warm-up for the 2021 event. Doesn't it look great?! Here's the link to learn more about the project:

<https://www.thedallesmainstreet.org/walldogs>

Starlight Parade November 27, 2020.

The Dalles Area Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Starlight Parade on **November 27, 2020.**

This year we will have the Starlight Parade, but it will look a little different than it has in the past. We will be having a reverse parade. Floats will be parked on 3rd street and the public will drive past to view the decorated floats, perhaps while enjoying hot cocoa and treats and the warmth of your vehicle. The theme for this year's parade is "Oh, Christmas Tree" and we will begin the entire evening with Santa and a virtual tree lighting. We will be partnering with The Dalles Beautification Committee to encourage our entire community to decorate trees, windows, and storefronts in the theme "Oh, Christmas Tree".

The Dalles Area Chamber of Commerce has worked with North Central Public Health District and The City of The Dalles to ensure that our event meets all state mandates and guidelines. The goal of The Dalles Area Chamber is to provide a safe holiday and memorable experience for our community.

Please be patient with us as we work out the details for this event. Parade

applications will be available both at the Chamber office and on our website by next Tuesday, October 27th. Start planning your float today so we can work together to make this the best Starlight Parade ever.



Our Annual **FREE** Community Thanksgiving Meal will be different this year

All meals will be "Drive Through Take Out" and "Delivery" only.

Thursday Nov. 26, 2020
12:00 pm to 3:00 pm

All meals **MUST** be pre-ordered

Call Kris 541-296-6417

Before Nov. 23rd



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To volunteer sign up at

thedalles.salvationarmy.org - or call 541-296-6417

If you have any questions, please call 541.296.2231 or

marketing@thedalleschamber.com

The Cascade Singers

The Cascade Singers are preparing for a Christmas concert. Since pandemic experts have found singing to pose a risk due to aerosols being expelled, this concert is not your traditional "sing-along" but is instead a "hum-along". Proper distancing is being observed and masks covering the nose and mouth are required. Since humming does not propel aerosols into the air, experts have determined that humming itself does not pose the risk singing does. Further, the current choir is a subset of the larger group.

Once the experts deem it safe, the Cascade Singers will welcome new members and normal operations will resume. Anyone who has a desire to sing is welcome to try us out. Additional opportunities are also available including music reading and vocal technique seminars, not to mention the fellowship of being part of a group of people creating art.

The Christmas Concert will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in The Dalles, our current home base, this December. Up to fifty persons may attend each performance, planned for a Saturday night and Sunday afternoon, and free tickets will be available. A third Friday night performance may be planned if further demand for tickets is indicated.

The Cascade Singers look forward to entertaining you, and wish that all of our supporters remain safe and healthy. See you soon!

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

BLM November 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	
1  Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 AM	2	3 Election Day VOTE Senior Lunch Lyle Cancelled	4	5	6	7
8 AA Meetings Wednesdays and Sundays 7pm Lyle School Library 625 Keasey 360-870-3321 Cancelled	9	10 Senior Lunch Lyle Cancelled	11 Fire Dist. Biz Meeting Commissioners Meeting  Veterans Day	12 Community Council Meeting Zoom 6pm	13 World Kindness Day	14
15	16	17 Senior Lunch Lyle Cancelled Water Dist. Meetings Webex 6:30pm	18	19 Great American SmokeOut	20	21
22	23	24 Senior Lunch Lyle Cancelled	25 School Board Meets via ZOOM 6:30pm	26  Thanksgiving	27 Black Friday	28
29 ELFF Food Drive will be Dec.1,2,3. Get your canned goods ready.	30 Cyber Monday	<p align="center">Winter Lore</p> <p align="center">Three white frosts and next a storm. Heavy frosts are generally followed by fine, clear weather. The north wind doth blow, and we shall have snow. When snow falls in the mud, it remains all winter. When the first snowflakes are large, the snowstorm will be a lasting one. When they are small, the storm will be a short one. If snow begins at mid of day, expect a foot of it to lay. When the snow fall dry, it means to lie. But flakes light and soft bring rain aft.</p>				

Klickitat County COVID-19 Case Counts

Town	Positive	Recovered	Deceased	Active Cases	Days Since Last +
Goldendale	87	82	2	3	5
Bingen	8	8	0	0	63
White Salmon	68	66	1	1	8
Husum	2	2	0	0	92
Trout Lake	5	5	0	0	92
Dallesport	9	8	0	1	4
Wishram	4	4	0	0	122
Klickitat	2	2	0	0	81
Alderdale	21	21	0	0	56
Lyle	4	3	0	1	11
Roosevelt	11	11	0	0	94
Glenwood	2	1	0	0	0
Total	223	213	3	7	

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**Bazaars
 Cancelled
 in Lyle and
 Dallesport**

Due to Covid-19 Lyle and Dallesport will not be holding their Christmas bazaars this year. We hope to be back in 2021.

Burn Ban has been lifted. Please stay safe and burn responsibly when permitted.

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 on 6th Street Dallesport

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Printed copies of our newsletter can be picked up at the Dallesport Post Office. It can also be viewed or downloaded on Facebook – "Dallesport Neighbors".

Cancelled until further notice
The Library Bookmobile
Winter Schedule

*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

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.