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A FALL GUIDE

We're back with 25 new things

When we produced our "Here Comes the Sun" things-to-do guide in June, we were encouraged by your enthusiasm. The booklet was so well received, we found that we didn't print enough copies to meet demand.

We hope you will enjoy this fall edition with the same gusto. Here are 25 things to do in the Yamhill Valley (and beyond) from late September to Thanksgiving.

News-Register writer Starla Pointer reminds you of some tried-and-true community traditions and sprinkles in some new thoughts. Some are holiday focused - Halloween trick-or-treating in downtown McMinnville and the Thanksgiving wine-tasting weekend, for example. Others are a little more unique, yet just as worthy.

We plan to bring you four to-do auides each vear. Our winter edition, scheduled for December release, will cover the holiday season, January and February.

Do you have any suggestions for us? We welcome your ideas no matter the season. Send us your thoughts via email to exploring@discoveryamhillvalley.com so we can add new gems to our list.

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TRICKS AND TREATS

Dress to impress



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Tiny ghosts, goblins, witches and fairy princesses fill Third Street during the annual McMinnville Downtown Association Safe & Sane Trick or Treating event. Merchants hand out candy and volunteer groups host activities such as cupcake walks and a hay-bale maze. A treat to see even if you don't have little spooks yourself.

Where: Downtown McMinnville

When: 3 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31

Cost: Free

You should know: Be sure to stop by the News-Register office to get your child's picture taken in his or her costume. The small charge goes to charity.



GO BACK IN TIME

Visit Fort Yamhill park

One of Oregon's newest state parks, Fort Yamhill speaks to the history of Oregon and times of great transition for the Northwest's native peoples. The park includes fort buildings erected in the mid-1800s at the Grand Ronde Agency Coastal Reservation, where five tribes had been relocated. Walking trails and interpretive signs enrich your visit.



John Stanton photo

Where: Highway 22 one mile north of Highway 18 at Valley Junction

When: Year-round, open dawn to dusk

Cost: Free

You should know: The Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde works with the state Parks Department to bring that period alive for today's visitors. For more information, call 1-800-551-6949, or 503-393-1172.





TOUCHDOWN!

Catch a football game



Grab a blanket and seat cushion and head to your local high school stadium or Linfield College's Memorial Stadium for a home game. Choose your alma mater's homecoming, pick a side in the traditional Amity-Dayton rivalry Sept. 23 at Dayton High, or root for a local team you've never watched before. The cheers, the band, the nip in the air — you'll feel 16 again.

Where: A stadium near you.

When: High school teams take the field on Friday night, Linfield on Saturday afternoon; check the News-Register Sports section for who's playing where.

Cost: A few bucks, depending on the school.

You should know: Linfield College has won numerous national championships and, with 55 consecutive winning seasons, has the most consistently successful college football program in the country. This fall, the Wildcats are working on extending "The Streak" to 56 years.



GO WEST

Take a trip to the beach

Take advantage of the Yamhill Valley's prime location by packing a picnic lunch and heading west. You'll be dipping your toes in the ocean in an hour or so. Walk the beach and watch the kites, or drive farther south to enjoy the breathtaking views from high cliffs and, farther still, to some of the tallest sand dunes in the world. Bring home salt water taffy, quirky driftwood art or just your own photographs and memories.



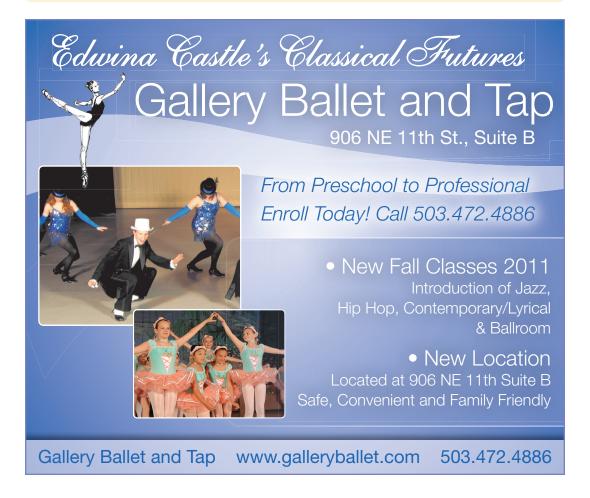
Where: Take Highway 18 west, then turn north or south on Highway 101.

When: Anytime

Cost: You'll need money for gas, food and souvenirs.

You should know: Fall is less crowded, the weather is great and you'll find

some great deals on lodging and tourist attractions.





APPLAUSE, APPLAUSE!

See a live stage show

Comedy, drama or musical, there's nothing to compare with live theater. At McMinnville's community theater. Gallery, this fall, you can watch your friends and neighbors perform "Into the Woods" (through Oct. 1), "The Nerd" (Oct. 14-Nov. 5) and "Narnia" (Nov. 25-Dec. 17).



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Where: Second and Ford streets in McMinnville, 503-472-2227.

When: Plays are offered on Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

Cost: \$12 to \$17

You should know: Gallery Theater's original name was Gallery Players of Oregon, because the first plays were staged in the Linfield College art gallery.



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Where: Local produce outlet and your own kitchen.

When: Now

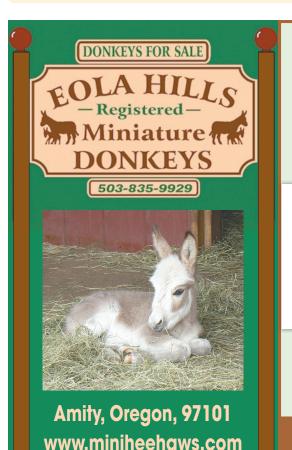
Cost: The price of the fruit, containers, a canner and a USDA-approved food preservation

cookbook.

You should know: Beginners can start with something almost fool-proof, like freezer jam. Folks at the Yamhill County Extension Service, 503-434-7517, will be happy to help in your quest to learn about food preservation.



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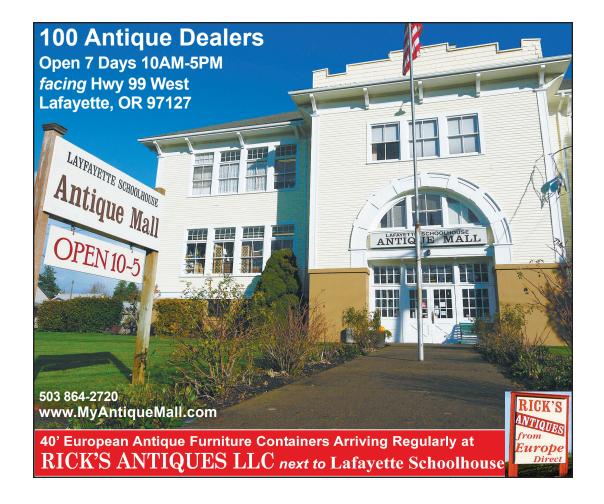
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OVER THE RIVER Tour historic bridges



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Where: Maps and directions at www.oregon.com/covered_bridges or www.covered-bridges.org/.

When: Anytime — autumn is perfect, with pleasant temperatures and beautiful foliage

Cost: Money for gas and food along the way

You should know: Oregon's covered bridges were built from the region's massive Douglas firs in the second half of the 19th Century and first decades of the 20th. They were covered to help preserve the trusses in the damp climate.



RUN, FETCH!

Spot: Try the dog park

You like to run around with your friends, right? So does your pooch! Let him stretch his muscles at the McMinnville dog park, a four-acre fenced area where he can run, play and make new friends. Talk with other dog owners while Spot is socializing — you might make some new friends, too.



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Where: 1900 N.E. Riverside Drive, McMinnville.

When: Open dawn to dusk; McMinnville Parks and Recreation closes the park

for maintenance from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays.

Cost: Free

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Visit Linfield's art gallery



See both student work and professional artists of regional and national renown at the Miller Fine Arts Gallery at Linfield College. The 1,500-square-foot gallery features exhibits that change every month to six weeks. At opening receptions, you can even meet the artists and learn about their motivations.

Where: Linfield College campus accessible via Keck Drive, off Highway 99W near Albertsons.

When: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays; noon to 5 p.m. Saturdays.

Cost: Free

You should know: Josh Smith and Jenene Nagy are showing individual and collaborative works in an exhibit called "Out of Language," through Oct. 1.



SIP, SIP, SIP

Give thanks for wine

Numerous wineries throughout the Yamhill Valley — including some not normally open to the public — welcome visitors during the Thanksgiving weekend. During the 29th annual "Wine Country Thanksgiving," winemakers and winery owners will be on hand to give you a taste of their art, as well as tastes of their wines.

Where: Almost any winery in the area — maps are available at www.DiscoverYamhillValley.com. Additional information will be posted in November.

When: Friday through Sunday, Nov. 25 to 27. **Cost:** Some charge a tasting fee, some don't. You should know: It's a great time to shop for Christmas gifts, as well as to buy wines for yourself and for holiday entertaining.







FOR THE HOLIDAYS Listen to a tradition

Participate in a McMinnville tradition: Starting the Christmas season right with a concert by the Trail Band. Featuring former McMinnville residents Phil and Gayle Neuman and Cal Scott, the band plays vintage tunes and holiday favorites on an assortment of instruments, including some historic horns that will surprise and delight you.



Keith Buckley photo

Where: McMinnville Community Center

When: 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 27.

Cost: \$6 to \$22

You should know: Call the McMinnville Downtown Association, 503-472-3605, soon to buy your tickets, because they sell out quickly — many families make this an annual must.



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ROUND IT OUT

Try pizza and a movie

Whether you match your toppings to the genre (extra ham for the latest Nicolas Cage flick, anyone?) or just order your all-time-favorite, pizza and a movie is a winning combo. 3rd Street Pizza / Moonlight Theater has the recipe: Big screen, big pie, big fun.

Where: Downtown McMinnville at 433 N.F.

Third St., McMinnville, 503-434-9515.

When: Any night of the week.

Cost: Money for food plus movie admission — \$5 before 5 p.m. or \$7

afterwards; on Tuesdays, movies are \$5 all

evening.

You should know: Salads and soups are available, too, if you want lighter fare with vour flick.



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THINK DEEPLY Walk a labyrinth



Find the answers to your deepest questions as you walk the labyrinth at the McMinnville Presbyterian Church or the United Methodist Church's Parkview campus. Labyrinths are used in many religions to symbolize a walk with God. Their spirals and switchbacks also help you slow down and focus inward.

When: Daylight hours.

Cost: Free

You should know: Negotiating a labyrinth is a quiet, solo endeavor, but you could go with a friend and simultaneously take contemplative walks.



BEAUTIFUL VIEWS

Drive to see fall colors



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The hardest thing about touring the Yamhill Valley when it's clad in its autumn wardrobe isn't the driving itself (or even paying for a fill-up before you go), it's choosing where to look — there are so many routes to choose. Stick to back roads, or at least a road you've least traveled, and enjoy the show.

Where: Yamhill Valley back roads — Meadowlake and Panther Creek roads, perhaps; or try North Valley Road, the Amity-Bellevue Highway, Deer Creek or Willamina Creek roads or Masonville and Muddy Valley.

When: Any sunny afternoon.

Cost: Just gas.

You should know: The valley's many vineyards also wear fall attire — why not combine fall touring with wine tasting? Just be sure to bring a designated driver.



cosmic, dude Glow while you bowl

Even The Dude would be charmed by Cosmic Bowling, Walnut City Lanes' glow-in-the-dark activity on Friday and Saturday nights. Everything glows under the black lights — the pins, the balls, the shoes. Bowlers can request their favorite music videos, or just bowl to the rhythm in their own heads.

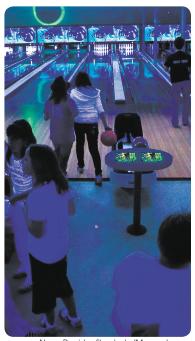
Where: Walnut City Lanes, 1800 East St., in south McMinnville, 503-472-4141.

When: 10 p.m. to midnight Fridays, three sessions between 6 p.m. and 1 a.m. Saturdays.

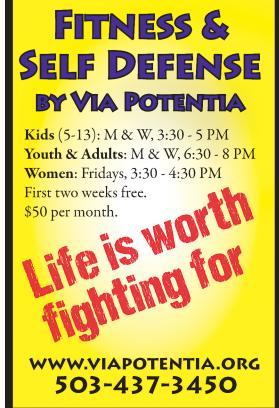
Cost: About \$12 per person, with a minimum

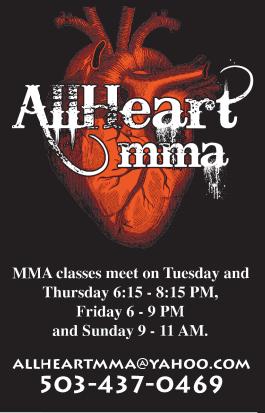
of three bowlers per lane.

You should know: Bowling is fun for the whole family, from the youngest or least athletic to the most competitive adult. And everybody cheers when you pick up a spare.



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REEL ORIGINALITY

See a short film festival

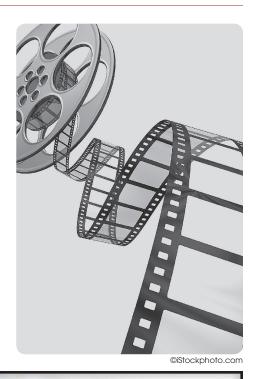
Check out original films created by amateurs of all ages. The competition grew out of an event at the 2011 UFO Festival that called for short films about aliens and outer space. This time around, any topic is viable. Entries will be screened and awards given at an Oscar-like gala, so put on your best red-carpet smile!

Where: McMinnville Community Center

When: 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26.

Cost: Free

You should know: Movietime Video, the sponsor of the contest, will compile winning entries onto a DVD that can be checked out free for home viewing after the event.



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HORSE POWER

Saddle up for a trail ride



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Cowboy wannabes and experienced riders alike will enjoy a fall trail ride at the Flying M Ranch. Owned by the Mitchell family, the ranch offers all sorts of experiences, from beginning riding lessons to daylong rides into the Coast Range with a private guide. What better way to enjoy the lovely autumn weather?

Where: Northwest of Yamhill; complete directions on www.flying-m-ranch.com. When: One-hour rides at 10 and 11:30 a.m., 1 and 2:30 p.m. daily by reservation, or make an appointment for a private day rides.

Cost: \$40/hour for a riding lesson; rides cost from \$25/hour to \$120/day with lunch. You should know: The ranch also offers 30-minute grooming and saddling lessons for \$15 for people who are just getting comfortable around horses.



APPRECIATION

Visit artists as they work

The beautiful scenery and tranquil lifestyle brings artists to the Yamhill Valley. Get a glimpse of their creative process by taking the Art Harvest Studio Tour or the Coastal Hills Art Tour. Meet the artists and watch them paint, cast or sculpt. Maybe it will even inspire you to try your hand at art.



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Where: Art Harvest is a self-guided tour of up to 40 studios all over the county; for Coastal Hills, artists meet the public in Willamina businesses.

When: Art Harvest, Friday through Sunday, Oct. 7-9 and 14-16; the 20th annual Coastal Hills event Friday and Saturday, Nov. 11-12

Cost: Art Harvest, \$5 adults, under 18 free; Coastal Hills free.

You should know: Clear out the back of your car before you go — you may need the room to bring home a painting for your living room or a sculpture for the front lawn.





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KNOW JACK

Find a great pumpkin



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Pick your own pumpkin, get lost in a hay maze or watch a giant cannon fire squash long-distance. Some Yamhill Valley Halloween attractions offer hay rides and hot cider; you'll find gourds to add to your decorations, too. Take your children along, or go with friends and act like kids yourselves.

Where: Among others, Heiser Farms on Grand Island, Farmer John's on Highway 18 west of McMinnville, or Sweet Oregon Berry Company at the intersection of Highways 18 and 99W near Dayton.

When: Daily through Oct. 31, with extra activities on weekends.

Cost: Some places charge a small fee for mazes and other attractions, and you'll need cash to buy pumpkins.

You should know: Turning pumpkins and other vegetables into lanterns dates back centuries and usually is attributed to Irish, Scottish and British mythology.



JACKPOT!

Shuffle off to the casino

Play bingo, go wild on the quarter machines or try your hand at cards at Spirit Mountain Casino, one of the top tourist attractions in the state. There's plenty for nongamblers, too — fine dining or an all-you-can-eat buffet; big name entertainers; a play area geared for kids.



Where: Spirit Mountain Casino, Highway 18 between Fort Hill and Grand Ronde.

When: 24-7 — the action continues 'round the clock.

Cost: From a few dollars to the shirt off your back.

You should know: For the most fun, look at visiting the casino as recreation. Set your gambling limit before you go, and count your losses as simply the price of admission.

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GET CLASSY

Learn a new skill

Whether you want to write your life story, take better pictures or dabble in art, you'll find plenty of guidance at the Chehalem Cultural Center, Artist Shannon Ray teaches the popular "Painting Exploration & Techniques," but you'll also find classes in Dia de los Muertos crafts, Newberg history, tai chi and dance. Take one or take them all.



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Where: 415 E. Sheridan St., Newberg, 503-487-6883.

When: The center, which features an art gallery, classrooms and event venues,

is open Monday through Saturday; class times vary.

Cost: \$15 and up, depending on the class.

You should know: We're intrigued by a series of pasta-making classes in November: Tortellini on Nov. 2, ravioli on Nov. 9 and "The Lost Pasta" shapes on

Nov. 16. Cost is \$25 per session; bring your own rolling pin.

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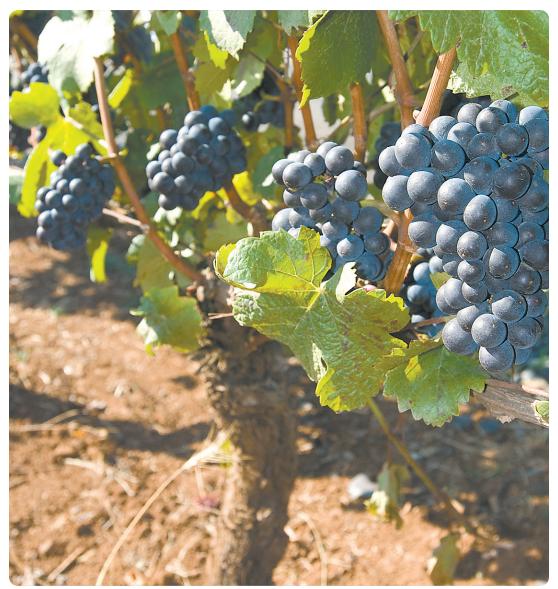
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VINE WINE

Get behind the grapes



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Learn how grapes become wine by touring vineyards, mixing rooms and other facilities at a Yamhill Valley winery. Archery Summit Winery near Dayton, for instance, offers daily tours showcasing its award-winning pinot noirs. You'll do a fair amount of walking, but there's a reward at the end: Tasting is included.

Where: Archery Summit Winery, 18599 N.E. Archery Summit Road near Dayton. When: Morning and afternoon tours available daily except Saturday, when only morning slots are offered.

Cost: \$40 per person.

You should know: Reservations are a must, especially in the fall, when wineries are in the midst of harvest. Call 503-864-4300 to find out more.



SLICE OF HISTORY

Bite into Oregon's past

Spend a crisp fall afternoon learning about early Oregon history at Champoeg State Heritage Area's annual Apple Harvest Day. Costumed volunteers will make cider in antique presses, cook apple butter over an open fire and offer slices of apple desserts for sampling. You can even bob for apples like pioneer children did.



Where: Take Highway 219 south from Newberg, then turn east toward Champoeg just after crossing the Willamette.

When: 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1.

Cost: Free, but you need to pay the \$5 per vehicle state park entrance fee. You need to know: Champoeg, where early settlers voted to create Oregon's first state government, is worth a visit anytime this fall. Don't miss the history displays in the visitor's center.





EAT OFF THE LAND

Go nuts for local crops

The Yamhill Valley is one of the world's major producers of hazelnuts, so take advantage of that by buying some fresh from a local farm stand. Use the delicately flavored nuts in quick breads and cookies, or buy ready-made hazelnut pancake mix and other items that feature the nut flour.



Where: Bernards Farms on Highway 18 just a few miles west of McMinnville, Firestone Farms between Lafayette and Dundee, or another area stand.

When: Through the end of October. Cost: Whatever you want to spend.

You should know: Hazelnuts make a great gift to send to friends and

relatives who aren't lucky enough to live in the Yamhill Valley.

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LISTEN UP

Take in some tunes



Local artists — and sometimes nationally known bands — perform at the Wildwood Hotel, a charmingly restored venue in downtown Willamina. Music usually is featured on Fridays and Saturdays, but you might find a special concert on a Sunday, too. Check the Wildwood's Facebook page and the News-Register calendar for an up-to-date schedule.

Where: Wildwood Hotel and Restaurant, 150 N.E. Main St., Willamina, 503-876-7100, When: Open 5 to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday and 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday.

Cost: Cover charge for some shows, plus whatever you spend on food and beverages.

You should know: Local blues artist Johnny Wheels is featured on the third Friday of each month, Tongue and Groove will play Saturday, Oct. 29, at a pre-Halloween party, and the Dry County Crooks are scheduled Saturday, Nov. 5.



A GUIDE TO FUN FALL ACTIVITIES

Yamhill Valley To-Do List

Sure, temperatures are a little cooler and the sun goes down earlier, but there are still a plethora of activities for you to choose from around the Yamhill Valley.

Enjoy the still-lovely weather at events such as the Celebrate Public Art event Oct. 2 or the monthly art and wine walk. Or try something indoors — a play, a new film festival or the Trail Band concert Nov. 27. You could even take a relaxing drive, rain or shine, to visit artists' studios in the annual Art Harvest tour, or wineries durina Wine Country Thanksgiving.

Here's a selection of things to do this fall:

SEPTEMBER

SEPT. 24 — LIVE LAUGHS:

Susan Rice and other comedians entertain at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, at 3rd Street Pizza, 433 N.E. Third St., McMinnville. Open to those 18 and older, the show costs \$5. Call 503-434-5800.

SEPT. 24-25 — LOCAL STORIES:

The new Valley Repertory Theater presents "Walk A Mile: Stories of Newberg" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, in the Chehalem Cultural Center, 415 E. Sheridan St., Newberg. Tickets cost \$15, \$12 for seniors, \$10 for children. Call 971-832-9202 or visit www. valleyrep.org.

SEPT. 24-OCT. 1 — FALL MUSICAL:

Featuring catchy lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, "Into the Woods" is a collection of fairy tales with a modern twist. Curtain at 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays, through Oct. 1, in the theater at 210 N.E. Ford St. Tickets cost \$14 to \$17. Call 503-472-2227 or visit www.gallerytheater.org.

SEPT. 30 — DEFEND YOURSELF:

Free self-defense instruction for ages 13 and older are offered from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, at Via Potentia in the Dr. HVAC warehouse, 1788B N.E. 18th St., McMinnville. Donations go to a nonprofit chosen by the instructor. Call Seth Murray at 503-437-3450 or visit www. viapotentia.org.

OCTOBER

OCT. 1 — FALL APPLES:

Friends of Historic Champoeg host an afternoon of cider making, apple games and history from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, at Champoeg State Heritage Area just south of Newberg. Free; \$5 per vehicle park entrance charge.

OCT. 1-2 — HORSES AND RIDERS:

The Yamhill County Sheriff's Mounted Posse holds a horsemanship challenge on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 1 and 2, at the Yamhill County Fairgrounds, McMinnville. Spectator admission is \$5. Entering costs \$150. Call Andrea Murray at 503-799-6818 or visit www.co.yamhill.or.us/posse.

OCT. 2 — STREET ART:

The second annual Celebrate Public Art event begins at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2, at the Edward Gormley Civic Plaza, 200 N.E. Second St., McMinnville. Free. A \$25 admission culinary extravaganza follows at 5 p.m. in the McMinnville Grand Ballroom — culinary artists are creating appetizers inspired by public art; cost is \$2 for food tickets. Contact Kris Gullo at 503-472-3605.

OCT. 7-9, 14-16 — ARTISTS AT WORK:

The Arts Alliance of Yamhill County hosts Art Harvest tours of local artists' studios from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays through Sundays, Oct. 7-9 and 14-16. The self-guided tour costs \$7 at the first of up to 40 stops. Check out www.artharveststudiotour.org or call 503-883-3050.

OCT. 14-NOV. 5 — MISFIT:

Gallery Theater presents a comedy about a guy who just doesn't fit in, "The Nerd," at 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 14, through Nov. 5, in the theater at 210 N.E. Ford St., McMinnville. Tickets cost \$12-\$14. Call 503-472-2227 or visit www.gallerytheater.org.

OCT. 15 — WINE WALK:

Downtown McMinnville businesses play host to local artists and wineries from 4 to 8 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month. Meet artists and watch them work; wine and food are served in some locations.



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OCT. 22 — MUSICAL TRIO:

The Lori Willcuts Trio plays at 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at the Dundee Community Center, 1026 S.W. Highway 99W, to raise money for the center's restoration. Tickets cost \$20. Call 1-503-487-6811 or visit www.dundeecommunitycenter.org.

OCT. 26 — ORIGINAL FILMS:

The first McMinnville Short Film Festival features original films and an awards ceremony at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26, in the McMinnville Community Center. Free.

OCT. 31 — TRICK OR TREAT:

McMinnville Downtown Association holds its annual Safe & Sane Halloween from 3 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31, on Third Street. For more information, call 503-472-3605.

NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

NOV. 11-12 — COASTAL HILLS ART:

Artists are on hand in Willamina storefronts for the annual Coastal Hills Art Tour, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 11 and 12. Free.

NOV. 19 — WINE WALK:

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NOV. 25 — HERE COMES SANTA:

McMinnville Downtown Association holds its annual Santa's Parade at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, on Third Street. Caroling and tree lighting start at 5 p.m. Call 503-472-3605.

NOV. 25-27 — WINE COUNTRY THANKSGIVING:

Numerous wineries and vineyards, even ones not normally open to the public, welcome visitors at the annual Wine Country Thanksgiving event Friday through Sunday, Nov. 25 to 27. Some charge a tasting fee, some don't.

NOV. 25-DEC. 17 — OFF TO OTHER LANDS:

Gallery Theater presents the family-pleasing fantasy "Narnia" at 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 25, through Dec. 17, in the theater at 210 N.E. Ford St., McMinnville. Tickets cost \$14-\$17. Call 503-472-2227 or visit www.gallerytheater.org.

NOV. 27 — OLD-FASHIONED HOLIDAY:

The Trail Band performs for this annual Christmas kickoff at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 27, in the McMinnville Community Center, 600 N.E. Evans St. Tickets \$6 to 22. For more information, call 503-472-3605.



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