



# THE FLAME



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## SIRENS & SANTA 2020 was a success!

Thanks to our community, we were able to come together in a safe manner and enjoy Camas Valley’s first family-friendly drive-thru Santa event. We want to thank those of you that donated through monetary donations, decorations/lights, raffle items, volunteer time for set-up and break-down, and especially those who visited our event! Thank you everyone for making **Sirens & Santa** a success. We hope to see you again next year!

*–Amandah, Camas Valley Rural Fire Department*

### Thank you to these donators:

- Camas Mountain Hog Farm
- Camas Valley United Methodist Church
- Chuck & Greta Drew
- Classic Cuts (Dora & Surena)
- Fred Meyer
- George & Joyce Maliglig
- Jerry’s Jet Boats
- Judith Wickham
- Linda Underhill
- Seven Feathers Casino
- Steve & Norma Gregg
- Winston BiMart

**We appreciate your support year after year!**

### Thank you for these individuals that donated their TIME and ENERGY:

- Camas Valley Charter School Construction Class & Mr. Taylor
- Charlie Redfern
- Garrett Casteel
- James Beans
- Jamie & Laura Beans
- Jenny & Jannessa Corum
- Kaitlyn Beans
- Ken & Vonnie Wallace
- Tara Edwards
- Terry & Brenda St. Clair
- Tina Fisher
- Windy Davis

**Your donated time and hard work contributed greatly to the success of this event!**

### ***And the Quilt Raffle Winner is...***

Congratulations to **Denise Scott** on winning the queen size quilt generously donated by **Linda Underhill**.



### **Meeting location changed**

The **Hornets Booster Club** will be meeting at the CVFD the first Wednesday of each month at 6 pm from now on.

# We appreciate your support

We received a donation  
this month from

## Steve & Denise Scott

The Flame is published using donations only.  
They may be mailed to:

**Vonnie Wallace**  
**1200 Westside Road**  
**Camas Valley, OR 97416**

Please make checks payable to  
**Camas Valley Rural Fire District**  
and designate them for  
**THE FLAME.**

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## ***Food Pantry is Still Active and BUSY, BUSY, BUSY!***

Despite the warmer weather, February is still cool enough for caps/gloves/socks. I noticed a number of stores offering winter clothing at discount. Why not pick up a few items and drop them off at the Food Barrel at the Post Office? That way the pantry will have them available for parents to pick them up for their children.

Of course, canned foods and dry staples such as pasta are always welcome. Many families are struggling due to pandemic layoffs who have never before used a food pantry. Thanks for supporting them.

Thanks for all the support for our Food Pantry!!!

Please send your check to support the Pantry to:

**W-D Food Pantry**  
**c/o Vonnie Wallace**  
**1200 Westside Rd**



## **THE FLAME**

The Flame is a monthly publication of the Camas Valley Rural Fire District Auxiliary. The mission of this newsletter is to keep the residents of Camas Valley informed about the events and activities of the fire department, churches, school and civic organizations that are in Camas Valley.

The Flame is provided free to all residents of Camas Valley by mail and anywhere by email.

## ***To submit articles: Items must be in by the 25th***

Submit to:

Jan Baker at **541-680-5616**  
Judith Wickham at **541-733-6940**

**jwickham52@gmail.com** or  
150 Buck Springs Rd. Camas  
Valley

## ***Grange meals are still on hold :(***

## ***Email Flame issues are handy!***

Email allows you to keep friends and family that have left the valley to keep up with the events that affect this community. **Or maybe you would just like to get the Flame (in color!) early, by the 26th.**

Send name and email address to:

**jwickham52@gmail.com**

and an electronic copy will be sent to them each month, **free.**

### **Our current approach to combatting wildfire isn't working. So why do we remain complacent in the face of failure?**

In early September, there were days when thick smoke and ash from hundreds of nearby wildfires transformed the daytime skies above Northern California and the Pacific Northwest into a murky orange twilight. Social media was flooded with images from the surreal spectacle.

On Twitter, I shared a reporter's video of a man silhouetted against the dark orange skies, gazing out at the apocalyptic scene from beneath San Francisco's Bay Bridge. "If only I could believe this is 'the worst ...'" I wrote, before posting it.

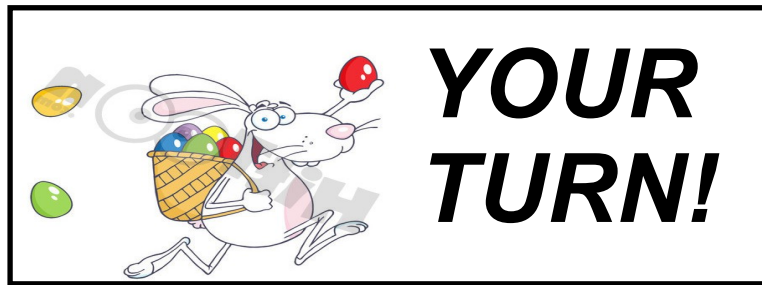
I admit, that sentiment might sound especially dismal amidst this terrible year and the horrific fires that continue in California, Washington, and Oregon. But I've read reports of small towns burned to the ground, of deaths, and of crowded wildfire shelters in the midst of a global pandemic. In fact, I've seen little in my career that rivals the magnitude of these events. But I also know that the wildfire records being broken in 2020 will not stand for long; the devastation will continue to get worse in the coming years due in large part to global climate change. The critical question ahead is whether we will learn from these fires and adapt accordingly, or if we will once again write off these events as "extreme" or as "anomalies" and resume our complacency.

For decades, scientists have warned of the dire consequences of

global climate change, and it's clear that that future is here. Those consequences include higher highs and lower lows, meaning climate extremes in every direction. That doesn't mean that every wildfire season will be as bad as this one, but previously unthinkable events—massive wildfires in normally humid regions, or years with almost no snowpack in historically cool, wet mountain ranges—will become, if not normal, at least possible within the range of imagination. These conditions set the stage for the massive wildfire events we've witnessed this year, and that we might witness long into the future. To combat them means changing our mindset, our strategies, and our response.

Craig Fugate, the former administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, has been an outspoken advocate for this practice. In interviews, he has stressed that we need to take a science-based approach to help us imagine and plan for much larger, more complex events, the types that we currently like to describe as "extreme." While such an approach might make some agencies and policymakers uncomfortable, the truth is that yesterday's extreme is today's normal. Instead of planning based on the current capabilities of our agencies—in the hope they can scale up to meet a large disaster—we must realistically assess community risk and plan for worst-case scenarios.

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Easter arrives the first Sunday in April. That means the **Easter Egg Hunt is April 3rd**, if we mind our P's and Q's, and keep our COVID numbers down. We all missed the excitement of the hunt, the drawings, the cake walk, and of course the Easter Bunny.

While that may sound a long way off, it isn't if you are asking for donations and organizing volunteers. And guess what? The **Fire Department Auxiliary** is without a president! We do have a good group of volunteers that have worked on the Hunt for several years, a former President willing to guide someone through the process, and a bunch of egg hunters that missed that opportunity last year!

Would someone please step forward to continue this great tradition? Tenmile, we appreciate your contributions. Can you take the lead?

If you are considering, please call **Vonnie at 541-445-2355.**



A great big thank you goes to **Troy and his super staff** at the **Bravo** who sold tickets for our Christmas raffle quilt. The raffle brought in over **\$800** and this would not have been possible without the Bravo. Kudos to them!

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On the preparation and response side, fire scientists have long said that the paradigm of trying to control and suppress fire is no longer sustainable. Instead, we need to utilize our knowledge of wildfire by creating fire-resilient landscapes and, ultimately, a society that can truly co-exist with wildfire. This entails planning, designing, building, and maintaining our communities with wildfire in mind, a process achieved through smart land use, fire-resistant building design, and ongoing work to make homes and communities ignition-resistant.

Complacency with our current approach to wildfire is a path toward the disastrous outcomes we witnessed this summer. That approach has resulted in a society that is barely prepared for normal events, much less the so-called "extremes" we are seeing now and can anticipate in the future. Anyone who saw photos of communities beneath apocalyptic orange skies knows deep down that we can't wait any longer to act. We must listen to science, we must recognize the evolving threat of wildfire, and we must act to face it head-on.

Wildfire - NFPA Journal, November/December 2020



## ***Superintendent's Message***

Dear Camas Valley Family,

The end of January marks the end of the first semester, so half the school year has gone by. I know it has been a difficult time with COVID, but there is a lot to be thankful for.

First, Camas Valley School has been one of the only schools in the state of Oregon to have been open to on-site learning from the very beginning of the school year. Second, as other school districts and teacher unions debate about when to come back to on-site learning, our teachers have been here serving their students the whole year, which speaks to our staff's commitment level.

It has been hard on the teachers. Teaching both on-site learners and a few distance learners has created a much more demanding workload for them. They have done so with a good attitude and how-to mentality. This has been uncharted territory for all of us, but the staff keeps the students as the focus and keeps moving in a positive direction.

As we move into the second half of the year, there are some positives, signs that a few things are moving in the right direction. More schools are starting to open, which could help our kids in the area of extracurricular activities. Last week, schools met and put together a middle school flag football schedule and it looks like other sports like volleyball and track in middle school and high school are closer to happening. The governor has not removed the ban on contact sports, so basketball, tackle football, and wrestling remain up in the air until she does so; until then, we will continue to support our students and advocate for them.

With anticipation of better things,

Mr. Wonsley

### Safety Tips for Caregivers of the elderly:

Safe outdoor areas are important for those who are confused but are mobile.

Safety features should include—

- ramps for access on ground that is not level or even
- a deck with a sturdy railing
- outside doors locked or alarmed
- a key hidden outside
- enough light to see walkway hazards at

night

- nonslip step surfaces in good repair
- stair handrails fastened to their fittings
- step edges marked with reflective paint
- hedge or fence around the yard and dangerous areas like pools or streams.

In addition, unplug or remove power tools.

# OUTPOST

MOBILE FOOD CENTER

Camas Valley Fellowship parking lot

1:00-3:00 pm

**Feb. 4th and 18th**

( **Thursdays of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> full weeks of each month.**)

For more information or to sign up, please contact

**Teresa O'Sullivan at 541-492-3522, or Teresa.OSullivan@ucancap.org**



## **"FREE" Community Clothes Closet**

**When:** 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, **first Thursday following the first Monday of the month.**

**Where:** Parking lot of Camas Valley Christian Fellowship (alongside UCAN (mobile food bank, in front of the church).

**How:** Providing free clothes for the community.

**For clothing emergencies please call (503) 302-6323.**

## ***Business Spotlight***



I began my commercial journey with **Mommy & Me Jewele** in 2002, purchased **Kewl Wraps** in 2018, and created **Country Crafts & Graphics** in 2018. I was working full time and the goal was to build my business in preparation of retirement in 2017.

Originally, I designed and made sterling silver matching jewelry bracelet sets for Moms and daughters combined with western jewelry and side products. Due to rising silver costs, I changed over to therapeutic magnetic jewelry. Although magnetic jewelry is no longer my primary focus, it is still an important element of my business offerings.

In 2013 we purchased **Kewl Wraps**, a neck cooler business and participated in three large summer music festivals each year until Covid-19. This entailed sewing around 2,000 neck coolers per year to keep the inventory up enough to attend these large events. Due to the current state situation regarding gatherings, we are unsure what 2021 holds for **Kewl Wraps**.

In 2018, we created **Country Crafts & Graphics** which more represents my wide range of product lines. Besides the jewelry and neck cooler businesses, I now provide custom apparel, vehicle & business decals, tumblers and mugs, acrylic products such as keychains, badge reels, and pop sockets utilizing embroidery, sublimation, vinyl, and printing.

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With embroidery being added to my product line last year, my plans are to continue building the CCG business in the commercial embroidered logo direction. I will be receiving a white toner printer in the next week or two which will add another avenue for printing. Truly exciting!

I strive to provide my customers excellent customer service and to go that extra mile to produce a product that they are proud to display, wear, and recommend. If they need something last minute, I do everything I can to get them what they need. I'm their "Go to Girl". I'd like my businesses and myself to be known for custom, quality, home crafted, and professional items for the family and their businesses.

**Country Crafts & Graphics**

Janna Vanderhoof

M-F, 9-5 or appt.

**541-643-1934**

**Memory Care - Avoid Falls**

Falls are the leading cause of injury-related deaths among people 65 and older. Protect the person in your care by-

- exercising to preserve muscle strength and flexibility
- being extra careful when the person takes medications that cause dizziness or sleepiness
- going to the eye doctor once a year for check-ups.



**Camas Valley Business Directory**

To have your business included in the **Flame**, please fill out the form below and mail or email it to the address listed. *If you missed the opportunity to get your business listed, now is the time to get your information out before our readers!*

The directory will be printed when space allows through-out the year. We encourage our readers to patronize local businesses and support your neighbors!

Type of Business \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Business \_\_\_\_\_

Owner/ Contact person \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Days open \_\_\_\_\_

Hours open \_\_\_\_\_

Mail form to: Judith Wickham  
150 Buck Springs Rd.  
Camas Valley, OR 97416

Or email information to : [jwickham52@gmail.com](mailto:jwickham52@gmail.com)

Do you have a new business in the valley? Have you expanded your business services? Is there information about your business that you need to get out to valley residents? While **THE FLAME** is a non-profit publication and cannot advertise, we can inform our readers about what services you offer, changes in your business, etc. Send your business information to:

Judith Wickham at **541-733-6940**  
**[jwickham52@gmail.com](mailto:jwickham52@gmail.com)** or  
150 Buck Springs Rd. Camas Valley.

Be sure to include contact information so I may get back to you for clarification.

# Camas Valley Business Directory



Alpacas, stock/fiber/  
merchandise

**Turkey Gulch  
Alpacas**  
LaVon Newman  
Sun.-Sat., 10-5  
**541-445-0804**

Art, painting lessons

**Lang Crk Studio**  
Kay Ganieany  
Mon.-Thurs.,  
by appt.  
**541-445-2001**

Auto Repair

**C&C Diesel & Auto  
Repair**  
David Chadwick  
M-F, 9-6  
541-445-0005

Autobody repair/paint

**Green Collision  
Repair/Horizon  
Autobody**  
Marvin &  
DeVoogd  
M-F, 8-5  
**541-679-6100**

Beauty, health and gift

**Lord and Lady  
Lavender**  
Jerry Ashford  
Online 24/7

lordandladylavender.com

Anytime  
**408-857-8782**

Beauty products

**Avon**  
Mary Helen Banks  
www.youravon.com/  
mhelenbanks  
**541-643-6317**

Beauty shop

**Scissor Trix**  
Jennie Plikat  
By appt.  
**541-733-1919**  
**Or in Green at  
4886 Grange Rd.  
541-236-7086**

Christmas trees, U-cut /  
wholesale

**Calico Christmas  
Trees**  
Shari White  
Nov. & Dec.  
7 days/wk 9-4:30  
**541-445-2350/ 670-0458**

Construction, building

**AMSI**  
Bill Lindsey  
Mon.-Sat., 8-7  
**541-643-0366**

Dump truck/rock haul

**Kevin Wilson  
Trucking**  
Kevin & Michelle  
Wilson  
**541-670-6589**  
**541-430-9851**

Dump runs/yard help

Lanakila Peck  
Open to calls  
**541-643-2313**

Electrical Contractor

**Alan Sabin Electric**  
Alan Sabin  
Generac generator  
Sales/maintenance/  
Installation/repair  
M-S 7am-6pm  
**541-440-3792**  
**541-445-2070**

Eng. consulting design/  
drafting

**TV Design, LLC**  
Troy I. Vanderhoof,  
P.E.  
M-F, 9:00-17:00  
**541-643-0138**

Fire Equipment

**Dia-Cast Fire  
Equipment**  
Sales and Rentals  
Don/Diane Casteel  
**541-643-8556**

Garbage Disposal

**Camas Valley  
Disposal**  
Scott & Darla  
Standley  
Wkly. Wed. pick-up  
**541-445-2245**

Grocery store

**Camas Market**  
John & Peggy Amos  
M-Sat. 8-6  
**541-445-2055**

Handcrafted gifts

**Country Crafts &  
Graphics**  
Janna Vanderhoof  
M-F, 9-5 or appt.  
**541-643-1934**

Frosted Treasure  
Designs

Lori Ross  
**541-637-9774**  
Frostedtreasuredesign  
@gmail.com

Handyman, lawn/garden  
equipment

**Quiet Mtn. Tinker**  
Mike Moore  
By appointment  
**541-580-2524**

Health and wellness

**Plexus worldwide  
Supplements**  
Charman Shields  
**541-430-3600**

www.plexusslim.com/  
charmanshields

Honey bees

**Phill the Bee Guy**  
Phill Moulton  
phillthebeeguy@gmail.com  
**503-349-8463**

Horses

Boarding/consult/train  
**Blue & Gold  
Stock Farm**  
Every day, 10-5  
**541-430-4225**

Housekeeping

**Maid in the Shade**  
Lisa Muller  
**541-430-1974**

Local Artist, consignment

**Local Art**  
Toby Teachman  
Open anytime (within  
reason) Ring door  
bell on shop or call  
**541-243-3315**

Locksmith, keys /locks

**Camas Valley Key  
Shop**  
Bruce Jehning  
7days/wk  
24 hr. emerg.  
**541-445-2014**

Machine quilting

**Quiet Mtn. Quilting**  
Missy Jackson  
Appt/consult  
**541-696-5562 (h)**  
**541-671-3174 (c)**  
**Sew Fun**  
Linda Underhill  
Call **541-580-2814**

Music

**Parker Piano**  
Lessons for all ages  
LeAnn Parker  
**541-671-3238**

Notary/Post Office

**CV Post Office**  
Vickie Farmer  
M-F 8-3 Sat 10-2  
**541-445-2177**  
**541-643-5059**

Portable sawmill service

**Backwoods  
Custom Milling**  
Harvey Saul  
**541-671-1993**

Real Estate, broker

**Berkshire Hatha-  
way Homeservices  
Real Estate  
Professionals**  
J.T. Berk  
**541-430-6078**

Rental, Storage, ..

**BK Mini Storage**  
Ketti & Bill Walker  
7 days/wk.,  
daylight-dark  
**541-445-2902**

Sewer/underground  
utilities/roads/pads

**Scott Standley  
Const.**  
Scott & Darla  
Standley  
Mon.-Sat., 8-5  
**541-445-2245**

Shoe repair /leatherwork

**Art's Shoe Repair**  
Joe Ferrara  
T-F 9-5:30,  
Sat. 9-5.  
**541-673-8541**

Small engine repair

**Hunt's Chainsaw**  
Theran Hunt  
Mon.-Fri.  
**541-430-7283**



“Probably more pests can be controlled in an armchair in front of a February fire with a garden notebook and a seed catalog that can ever be knocked out in hand-to-hand combat in the garden.”

—Neely Turner

# February

Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday

	<p><b>1</b> Fire Dept. Training 7pm</p>	<p><b>2</b> Happy Groundhogs Day</p> 	<p><b>3</b> Booster Club meeting 6 pm At the CVFD</p>	<p><b>3</b> Mobile Food Cart 1-3 Fellowship Church lot</p> <p>Free clothing giveaway</p>	<p><b>5</b> No School Inservice</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b> Fire Dept. Bd. Mtg. 5</p> <p>Fire Dept. Training 7pm</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b> No School</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>
<p><b>14</b> Valentines Day</p> 	<p><b>15</b> No School Presidents Day</p>  <p>Fire Dept. Training 7pm</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b></p>  <p>ASH WEDNESDAY</p>	<p><b>18</b> Mobile Food Cart 1-3 Fellowship Church lot</p> <p>School Bd. Mtg. 7 pm</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b></p>
<p><b>21</b></p>	<p><b>22</b> Fire Dept. Training 7pm</p>	<p><b>23</b> Flame Deadline</p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b> No School</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>
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# Camas Valley Churches

Camas Valley Missionary Church	Camas Valley Christian Fellowship	Camas Valley United Methodist
<u>Sunday</u> Coffee Fellowship 10:00 am Morning Worship 10:45 am Youth Church 11:00 am	<u>Sunday</u> Morning Worship 10:00 am & Sunday School <u>Monday</u>	<u>Sunday</u> Morning Worship 9:00 am & Children's Sunday School Fellowship 10:00 am w/ beverages and snacks
<u>Wednesday</u> Bible Study 10:00 am	Intercessory Prayer 9:00 am Youth Group 6:30 pm	

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 Camas Valley, OR 97416

Non Profit Organization  
 US Postage Paid  
 Permit No. 2442  
 Tenmile, OR 97481  
 Standard Mail A

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 CAMAS VALLEY, OR 97416