

# THE FLAME



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## The total cost of wildfire is far greater than we think

THE COST OF WILDFIRE is often measured in lives lost, buildings destroyed, and acres burned. In California alone, the 2020 wildfire season had, as of mid-October, killed more than 30 people, destroyed some 8,500 structures, and torched a record-breaking 4 million acres of land—double the acreage burned in 2018, the state's second-worst wildfire season on record. But the total cost of wildfire extends well beyond these three metrics, starting with the money it takes to contain or suppress the fires—a figure that has grown significantly over the past three decades. There are also less quantifiable metrics that may be even more costly: disruptions to business, taxes, and tourism; residents left with soaring medical bills; and polluted air, soil, and waterways.

Less understood are wildfire's indirect costs, which, according to experts interviewed by the New York Times in September, likely outweigh the more apparent, direct costs associated with property loss and suppression. A report published in 2018 by Headwaters Economics, a nonprofit research organization, estimated leave thousands of people sick and facthat for the 2017 wildfire season in California, insurance claims for property loss plus suppression costs only accounted for about \$14 billion out of the staggering \$100 billion estimate of the season's overall cost. Indirect costs associated with environmental cleanup, lost business and tax revenue, and property and infrastruc-

ture repairs accounted for the \$86 billion difference, the report says. The popular weather forecasting service AccuWeather has predicted that costs for the 2020 wildfire season could total between \$130 and \$150 billion.

Wildfires leave behind toxic debris in the air, soil, and waterways, requiring billion-dollar cleanups in some cases, and they can also have a long-lasting, costly impact on human health. A study published last year in the journal Geo-Health reported that the 2012 wildfire season in Washington led to \$2.3 billion in health care costs, most related to respiratory illnesses including asthma and pneumonia. A 2017 study led by the Environmental Protection Agency estimated that the cost of short-term exposures to US wildfires occurring between 2008 and 2012 that led to premature deaths or hospital admissions at \$63 billion; the cost of long-term exposures was estimated at \$450 billion. Scientists fear the 2020 wildfire season—which at times has turned cities like Portland, Oregon, into the world's most polluted—could ing sizable medical bills. "In the short term, we have the potential for emergency-room-type events, but in the longer term, we have the development of more chronic disease," a professor of preventative medicine told Vox in September.

—Angelo Verzoni

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Vonnie Wallace 1200 Westside Road Camas Valley, OR 97416

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## Winston Dillard Food Pantry is still here!

The fire at the Winston Church of the Nazarene was catastrophic. While a real punch in the gut to the community, the Food Pantry scrambled to continue serving its clients. The compassion of Winston to allow the use of the facilities at Riverbend Park so those served would not go hungry was moving. Cash donations and staples donations have kept up. Grocery Outlet and Bimart are accepting your contributions. Thanks for supporting them.

Please send your check to support the Pantry to:

W-D Food Pantry c/o Vonnie Wallace 1200 Westside Rd Camas Valley, OR



#### 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: ltems 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.

## **Outthink Wildfire**

A bold new plan from NFPA calls for ending the destruction of communities by wildfire in 30 years. Achieving that goal will require a coordinated effort among all levels of government and the cooperation of residents in fire-By MICHELE STEINBERG AND LUCIAN DEATON prone areas.

For more than half a century, Ameri- • Ensuring that fire departments that cans have been building their way into trouble with wildfires. Across the country, we insist on putting homes, businesses, and infrastructure into fire-prone areas, failing to understand or acknowledge the risks... Meanwhile, we grow accustomed to headlines proclaiming the latest "worst-ever" or "largest-ever" wildfire events and the unimaginable damage they inflict on landscapes, communities, and people.

... This country has enough scientific know-how and experience with devastating loss to finally end this cycle of building and burning. It's time to stop dodging the heart of the problem by bemoaning losses and pointing fingers. It's time to take definitive steps toward creating a new approach to how we live with wildfire.

Outthink Wildfire, a new initiative launched by NFPA, is doing just that, with a single bold and attainable goal: to end the destruction of communities from wildfires in this country in the next 30 years.

The effort is based on five steps that must occur at all levels of government that will make it easier for communities to foster collaboration, enact change, achieve resilience, and protect themselves from wildfire. Those steps include:

- · Helping the public understand its role in reducing wildfire risk and providing it with the tools to take meaningful action
- Requiring all homes and businesses in the WUI to be more resistant to ignition from wildfire embers and flames

- serve WUI communities are prepared to respond safely and effectively to wildfire
- Working with all levels of government to increase resources for vegetative fuel management on public lands
- · Ensuring that current codes and standards, as well as sound land-use practices, are in use and enforced for new development and rebuilding in wildfire-prone areas

Achieving these outcomes doesn't mean a complete reinvention of the wheel. The core components of Outthink Wildfire are already being demonstrated in communities around the country as residents, local officials, developers, and fire departments experience expanding development, persistent drought conditions, and the effects of previous (and problematic) land-use policies, all of which contribute to an increased risk of wildfire. With the size and scope of the US wildfire challenge, reaching any one of the Outthink Wildfire goals will take time. But making progress toward all of them will save lives and property. The key to ending the long nightmare of the destruction of communities by wildfire is to start now.

The Flame will cover each of the points brought forward in this article over the next few issues. Or you may go to the NFPA site and read the entire article.

<nfpa@n.nfpa.org>



No point in blaming the pandemic for no Easter Egg Hunt. The real reason there is no Easter Egg Hunt is there is

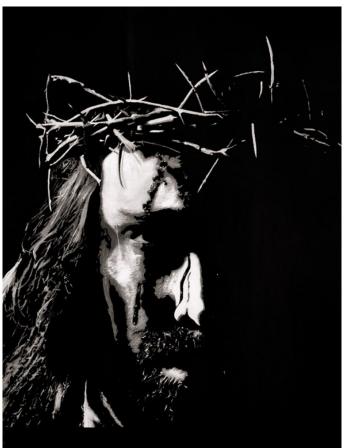
## NO PRESIDENT

of the Camas Valley Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary!

And if you are planning on a **Fire-men's Appreciation Dinner** with all the food, auction items, raffle, etc., you better be stepping up to fill this vacancy or twisting the arm of someone to do so! The Auxiliary is still here, we just have no leader. Vonnie is still in the community and would be glad to give guidance to her successor; you would not be reinventing the wheel.

Actually, maybe it should be totally reinvented! It needs new ideas, new energy, new blood! It is time for a new generation of leaders to step forward. The torch needs to be passed, folks. Let's not drop it and burn up a great program.

Call Vonnie 541-445-2355



"The Time is Now"

With nails embedded in his hands A wreath of thorns upon His brow Jesus cried, "oh, Father ,Father Must it be right now?" Fear not my Son, your not alone Beckon God from his throne on high At that moment, thunderous clouds Came lighting up the sky. Jesus sacrificed His life upon that Wooden cross Shed His blood and wept the tears So mankind wouldn't be eternally loss No Nails have we within our hands No wreath of thorns upon our brow No blood or tears that day we shed But Jesus did, and only asked Believe and receive me now Don't be afraid, Don't run and hide For our Saviors love is ours to cherish And abide.

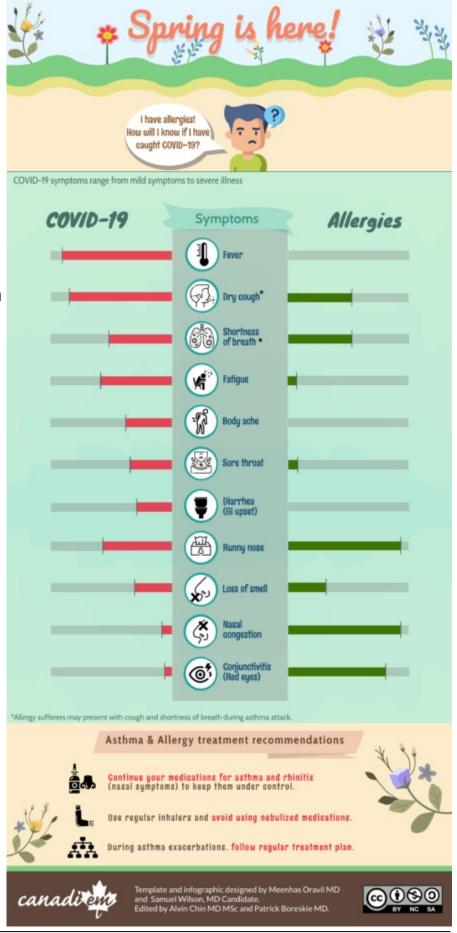
April, 2001 Patti Dahl

## Allergies vs. Covid-19

An *allergy* is a reaction by your immune system to something that does not bother most people. People who have allergies often are sensitive to more than one thing. Our immune system protects us from invading organisms that can cause illness. If you have an allergy, your immune system mistakes an otherwise harmless substance as an invader. This substance is called an allergen. The immune system overreacts to the allergen by producing Immunoglobulin E (IgE) antibodies. These antibodies travel to cells that release histamine and other chemical, causing an allergic reaction.

If you have allergy symptoms' an allergist/ immunologist often referred to as an allergist, can help with a diagnosis. They have advance training and experience to properly diagnose your condition and prescribe an allergy treatment and management plan to help you feel better. A number of different allergens are responsible for allergic reactions. The most common include:

- pollen,
- food,
- animal dander,
- medication/drugs,
- dust,
- insect bites,
- mold,
- latex.





Name:	Date:	

### **Easter Word Search**

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EASTER EGGS BASKET CANDY CHOCOLATE SUNDAY BUNNY

**GRASS JELLYBEANS** 

MARCH **APRIL** CHICK LILY





Camas Valley Fellowship parking lot

1:00-3:00 pm

### April 8th & 22nd

( 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.

#### **April 8th**

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.

Why: Because we love you!

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



# 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!

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

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.

Or email information to : jwickham52@gmail.com

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

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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

<u>Auto Repair</u>

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 Anvtime

408-857-8782

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** 

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

<u>Music</u>

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 Hathaway 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** 

<u>Sewer/underground</u> 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 "Now the noisy winds are still / April's coming up the hill / All the spring is in her train / Led by shining ranks of rain / Pit, pat, patter, clatter / Sudden sun and clatter patter / All things ready with a will / April's coming up the hill!"

### - Mary Mapes Dodge



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			7	APRIL COOLS	No School  GOOD FRIDAY	3
CHRIST IS RISEN	Fire Dept. Training7pm	6	7 Booster Club 6:30 pm At the CVFD	8 Qtr ends  Mobile Food Cart 1-3 Fellowship Church lot Free clothing giveaway Church lot	9 No School Grading day	10
11	Fire Dept. Bd. Mtg. 5  Fire Dept. Training7pm	13	14	15 School Bd. Mtg. 7 pm	16 No School	17
18	19 Fire Dept. Training7pm	20	21	Mobile Food Cart 1-3 Fellowship Regular/ conference day	Parent/ teacher conferences No School	24
25 Flame Deadline	26	27	28	29	30 No School	

## Camas Valley Churches

Camas Valley Missionary Church	Camas Valley Christian Fellowship	Camas Valley United Methodist
Sunday  Coffee Fellowship 10:00 am  Morning Worship 10:45 am  Youth Church 11:00 am	Sunday  Morning Worship 10:0 & Sunday School  Monday	Sunday  0 am  Morning Worship  & Children's Sunday School  Fellowship  w/ beverages and snacks
Wednesday  Bible Study 10:00 am		00 am 0 pm

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