



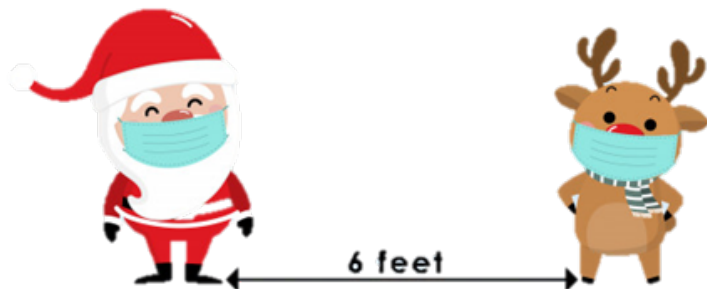
THE FLAME



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Sirens & Santa

December 5th from 5pm-9pm

Camas Valley Rural Fire Department,
142 Burma Rd. ❄️ 541.430.2486

Many of us have been greatly affected by the pandemic and dread the thought of spending the holiday season without being able to carry out your traditions and without feeling the spirit of the holidays. Since we are unable to provide the annual appreciation dinner this year, we want to give everyone a feeling of holiday normalcy by offering an opportunity to see Santa and participate in our traditional events in a safe manner.

This free event is for all ages!

What to expect:

- ❄️ Drive-thru one of our open fire department bays
- ❄️ All local children (up to age 13) receive a gift from Santa Claus
- ❄️ Say hello to Santa Claus and get your picture with him (your camera or ours)
- ❄️ Enter the raffle to win a beautiful, locally handmade quilt, as well as many other great items
- ❄️ Adopt a child (or two) from the angel tree to provide them a memorable Christmas

Linda Underhill has created a queen quilt honoring Native American history for our annual Quilt Raffle. It is hanging up in the back room of the Bravo and must be seen to be appreciated. Be sure to thank her for her continuing support of our fire department by buying a string of tickets to show your appreciation of her efforts!

Raffle tickets may be purchased at:

- ♦ the **Bravo**,
- ♦ **Market Plus** or
- ♦ from **Vonnie** for **\$1 each**.

All proceeds from the quilt raffle go to the Building Fund to finish the interior of the new Fire Hall. If you attend **Santa & Sirens** on the **5th** you can see how much progress has been made!



We appreciate your support

We received a donation
this month from

T.T. Nicholas & Julie Weaver

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.

Christmas is coming! Put Covid behind a mask!

We are following suggested guidelines to keep clients and volunteers safe: wearing masks, social distancing, hand-washing and no more than 6 people together while checking in. Because of the Covid-19, we still aren't allowing client shopping but are sending everyone home with a very generous food box.

Check at the DWFP the beginning of December for required applications for Holiday Dinners. Dinner commodities will be available for pickup **Friday, December 18th**. We can also use donations of stocking caps, gloves and stockings to be included for kids.

Please send your check to support the Pantry to:

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



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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.**

A Howling Good Time at the Trunk-or-Treat!

The **Camas Valley 1st Annual Trunk-or-Treat** was a great success! This free event had over 300 visitors at the CV Football Field throughout the night, where children were able to safely trick-or-treat the 19 registered trunks that were impressively decorated. The winner of the BEST TRUNK went to **Ashley Dancer** for her "80s-themed Trunk." She won a gift certificate for a one night stay at the Mill Casino in Coos Bay.



We had bat spinning and a cake walk on the field for children to enjoy. Visitors were able to bring their carved pumpkins to be judged in two age group categories. The winner of the BEST CARVED PUMPKIN AGE 15 and UNDER went to **Autumn Mangus** (3rd grade) and the winner of BEST CARVED PUMPKIN AGE 16+ went to **Jordan Unicombe**. Both winners received gift bags. A photo booth was set up under the Hornet's Nest for visitors to take their own photos or utilize our very own photographer for a free photoshoot, with electronic photo retrieval. We were able to feed all the children a hot dog meal, served by **Louie's Redneck Dawgs**.

Thank you to those that participated and volunteers that donated their time and money. Thank you to Don Wonsley and CV School for letting us use the football field. And a huge thank you to the families of our amazing community. A special thank you to: **Barbara Casteel, Bigfoot Beverages (Pepsi), Bunnell's Overhead Door, Dancer Logging, Diamond Scale, Guido Construction, Hyrum Laney, Kytola & Luscombe Corp., Louie's Redneck Dawgs, Mill Casino, Plikat Logging, Sherm's Thunderbird, The Bellando Family, The Edge Hair Design, Vonnie & Ken Wallace, Winston Bi-Mart, Norma Gregg, Lacey Luscombe, Samantha Luscombe, Ralph & Heidi Lamell, Cindy Standley, and James Beans.** We hope to see you all next year.

GO HORNETS!

December is Membership renewal month for the **Booster Club**, now is a great time to join! By being a part of the Booster Club you get to be involved in many things, such as the scholarship that we award for graduating students!

We meet on the **first Wednesday** of each month at **Bravo Cafe' at 6:00pm.**

Be a Community Hero!

Join a great team and volunteer to help out with our **Camas Valley Volunteer Fire Department**. The Auxiliary is in dire need of a president! This is a position that can be filled by a man or a woman (no heavy lifting!) Volunteering with our super fire department brings a sense of pride and helping your community as well. You will not be left hanging—lots of support, guidance, and appreciation will come your way!

Call Vonnie at 541-445-2355.

Vigilance Around Home Fire Safety is Critical

BY LORRAINE CARLI, VP OF OUTREACH AND ADVOCACY

With the pandemic continuing to impact our work and daily lives in countless ways, this year has been anything but typical. At times, these shifts and challenges have made it difficult to remain focused on business as usual. However, we can't afford to be distracted from keeping communities safe as the coldest months approach and the public's risk to fire increases; vigilance remains critical.

Home fires are more common in November through March with multiple contributing factors at play: Cooking fires, the number-one cause of home fires year-round, increase during the holiday season with more cooking fires occurring on Thanksgiving Day than any other day of the year; Christmas Day, the day before Thanksgiving, and Christmas Eve follow as the top winter days for home cooking fires. Holiday decorations involving candles, electrical lighting, and Christmas trees contribute to a rise in home fires during the winter months as well. Meanwhile, as temperatures drop nationwide, heating equipment jumps to the leading cause of home fires.

Now add the pandemic to the mix. As people continue to spend more time at home, they'll be doing more cooking and home heating throughout the day, ultimately spending more time engaging in activities that collectively increase the likelihood of home fires.

With these potential hazards on the horizon, we must proactively take the steps needed to mitigate them now. Waiting until tragedy strikes and responding after the fact is too late.

Many of the traditional plans and efforts to reach the public clearly aren't safe options at this time, but there are still opportunities to engage and connect, as evidenced during Fire Prevention Week this October. In communities large and small, fire departments throughout the U.S. and Canada found creative ways to promote the campaign's messages, from virtual and "drive by" open houses and motor vehicle parades, to TikTok and YouTube videos promoted online and social media, and partnerships with food pantries, restaurants and other local businesses. These examples of dedication and effort should be a model for all of us as we work to keep our communities safe in the months ahead, particularly given the challenges and limitations presented by the pandemic.

With these ideas as a starting point, I strongly encourage all public safety educators and professionals to create a plan for increasing awareness around winter fire safety and prevention. Tap into the tools and information at your disposal, including NFPA's public education resources, as well as materials provided by other fire and life safety organizations. Use social media to effectively and efficiently deliver those messages to as many people as possible. Connect with peers to learn how they're working to reach residents. Share obstacles you're facing so that you can get the help and support you need to work through them.

Getting through the winter months during a pandemic will be trying for all of us, but putting the time, energy and resources into protecting communities remains critical to fire safety at home - the very place people are at greatest risk to fire. Getting distracted from those efforts is a risk we simply can't afford to take.



Camas Valley 2020 *Christmas* Fair

**18340 Hwy 42, Camas Valley
Saturday, Dec. 12th
10:00am - 4:00pm**

**We are a baker's dozen of vendors set up outside for
your last-minute Christmas shopping. Dress warm, and
come show support for these talented artisans & entrepreneurs.**

Artisans & Entrepreneurs:

Charman - Handmade Crafts, Dried Flowers, Paintings, Wreaths

Country Crafts & Graphics - Embroidered Gifts, Ornaments, Tumblers,
Wine Glasses, Grinch & Christmas Mugs & Masks, Acrylic Keychains, Apparel
Custom Country Gals - Woven Rugs, Scarves, Coasters, Handspun Yarn, Knitted
Hats, Mitts, Scarves, Crochet Items, Bath & Body Products

Elizabeth - Embroidered Bags, Coasters, Table Covers, Fabric Bowls

Growing Miracles Lavender Garden - Lavender & Hazelnuts

Holiday Flair - Christmas Decor

Jamie - T-Shirts & Vinyl Products, Leather Crafts

Janis - Aprons, Potholders, Stockings, Fleece Blankets, Fishing Products

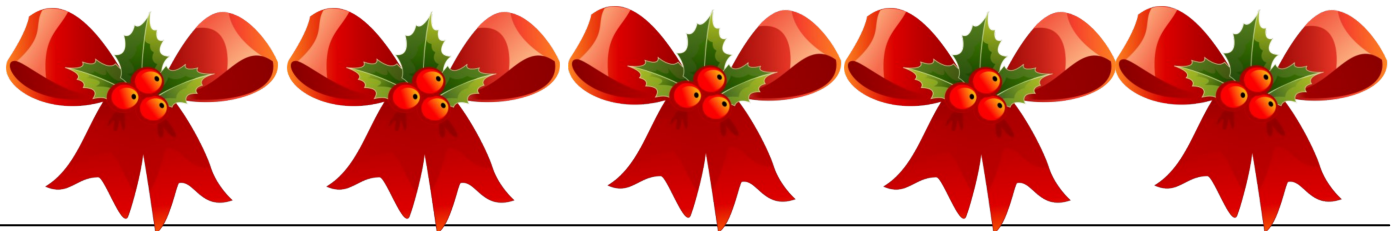
Jennifer - Decorated Jars, Glasses, Wreaths

Michele's \$5 Bling - Paparazzi Accessories

Pam's Perfectly Polished - Color Street Nail Polish

Quiet Mt Candles - Handmade White Candles

Unbound Farm - Farmhouse Decor





Superintendent's Message

Dear Camas Valley,

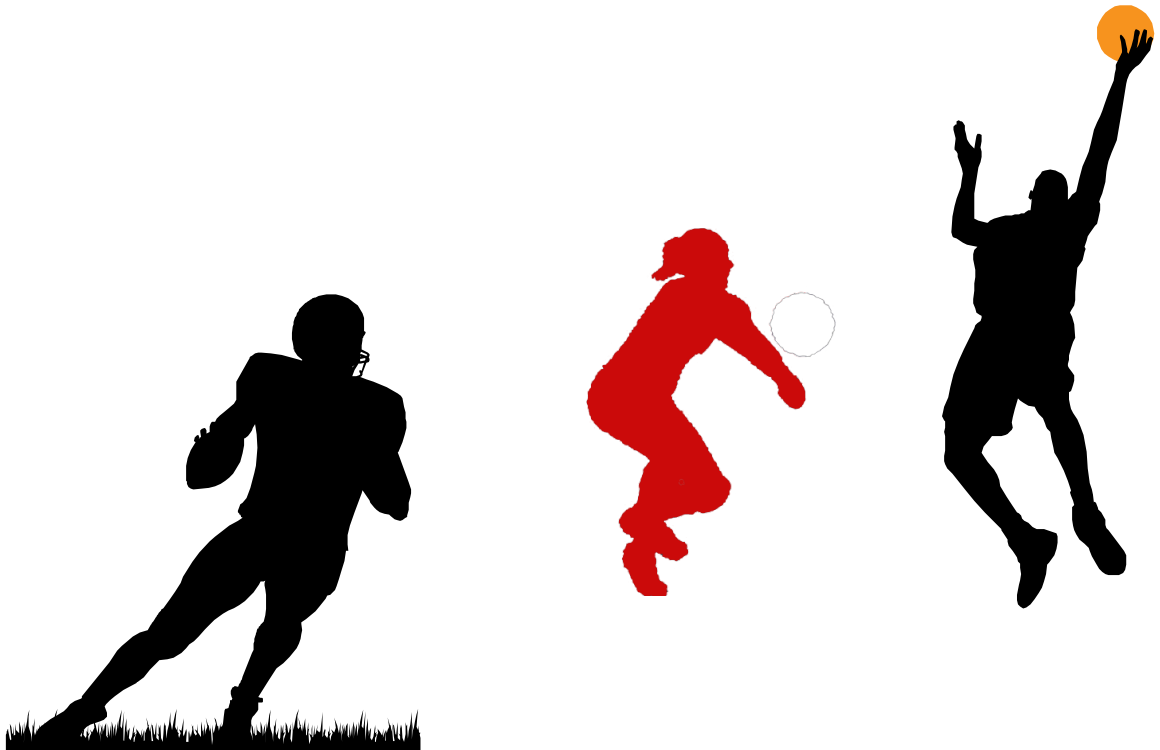
I miss High School football, volleyball, basketball, student council, going to school from 8-3, being closer than 6 feet, shaking hands—I could on and on but I think you get the point. Sometimes we take things for granted.

I remember taking a humanitarian trip to Mexico back in 1992, I went 10 days without a shower since where I was didn't have one! When I got back to the United States I never took showers for granted again. I think that is how we will all feel when we get back to normal. We are going to enjoy every minute of the things we don't have right now and hopefully we appreciate them just a little more.

Here's to 2021, going to games, sitting in a restaurant, and no masks! Hang in there, it's coming and when it comes enjoy every minute of it!

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Welcome 2021!

Mr. Wonsley





Just a Friendly Reminder **The Outpost is Coming to Camas Valley On:**

December 10th
Monday, December 21 (Merry Christmas!)
January 7 January 21

Please Remember To
“Follow” Our Facebook Page!

We will always post updates about cancellations and rescheduling due to holidays, weather, or illness.

Plus, we post fun stuff like recipes and photos!

See You Soon!

"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.



Want to help your community?

Come Serve with Us!

We are looking for volunteers to:

Welcome clients to the pantry

Provide clients with necessary
paperwork

Help sanitize equipment such as
pens, clipboards, and shopping cart
handles

Unload groceries into cars as able

Camas Valley Fellowship parking lot

1:00-3:00 pm

**Thursdays of the 1st and 3rd 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**



USPS mailing deadlines

Retail ground service	12/15
1st class mail	12/18
Priority mail	12/19
Priority mail express	12/23

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

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 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

**Frosted Treasure
Designs**
Lori Ross
541-637-9774
Frostedtreasuresdesign
@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

Jewelry, decorative/ therapeutic

**Mommy & Me
Jewelry**
Janna Vanderhoof
M-F, 9-5 or appt.
541-643-1934

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

Restaurant/Bakery

**Bravo Bakery &
Café**
Troy Payne
Tues.-Sun. 7:30-8
541-445-2306

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

“May and October, the best-smelling months? I’ll make a case for December: evergreen, frost, wood smoke, cinnamon.”

– Lisa Kleypas

December

Sunday

Monday




Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

		1	2 Booster meeting 6 pm Bravo Café	3	4 National Cookie Day No School	5 Santa & Sirens! 5-9 New Fire Hall
6 St. Nicholas Day 2nd Sunday of Advent	7 Fire Dept. Bd. Mtg. 5 Fire Dept. Training 7pm Pearl Harbor Rememberance Day	8	9	10 Mobile Food Cart 1-3 Fellowship Church lot Free clothing giveaway	11 No School Inservice Day Hanukkah	12 Christmas Fair 10-4 Fellowship Parking lot 
13 National Cocoa Day 3rd Sunday of Advent	14 Fire Dept. Training 7pm	15 	16	17 National Maple Syrup day School Bd. Mtg. 7 pm	18	19 Winter break
20 4th Sunday of Advent	21 Start of Winter! <u>Mobile Food Cart 1-3</u> <u>Fellowship Church lot</u> Fire Dept. Training 7pm	22	23	24	25 Christmas! 	26
27	28 Fire Dept. Training 7pm	29	30	31 New Years Eve		

**Thank goodness 2020 is over!
That is reason enough
to celebrate!**

January

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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3	4 Fire Dept. Training 7pm	5	6 Epiphany Booster meeting 6 pm Bravo Café	7 Mobile Food Cart 1-3 Fellowship Church lot Free clothing giveaway	8 No School	9
10	11 Fire Dept. Bd. Mtg. 5 Fire Dept. Training 7pm	12	13	14	15 No School Inservice	16
17	18 MLK Day No School Fire Dept. Training 7pm	19	20 Inauguration Day	21 Mobile Food Cart 1-3 Fellowship Church lot School Bd. Mtg. 7 pm	22	23
24	25 Fire Dept. Training 7pm	26	27	28 Semester Ends	29 No School Grading Day	30
31	Flame Deadline					

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>Wednesday</u> Bible Study 10:00 am	<u>Sunday</u> Morning Worship 10:00 am & Sunday School <u>Monday</u> Intercessory Prayer 9:00 am Youth Group 6:30 pm	<u>Sunday</u> Morning Worship 9:00 am & Children's Sunday School Fellowship 10:00 am w/ beverages and snacks

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Camas Valley, OR 97416

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Tenmile, OR 97481
Standard Mail A

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CAMAS VALLEY, OR 97416