

The Flame

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C.V.V.F.D. Appreciation Dinner a Success

Another fun night again this year at your Camas Valley Fire Station! An evening of bidding wars, meeting your neighbors you haven't talked to for awhile, and delicious food. We brought in around \$11,000 for our fire department with our quilt auction bringing in \$620. A special thank you to Rowena Bellando for donating that beautiful quilt. Unfortunately, because of so many helpers bringing in silent auction items this year we are unable to thank everyone individually. However, a huge thanks to everyone and the many businesses who contributed to making the evening of December 6, 2025 a resounding success.

A big thank you to all of you who made and/or brought in items for the auctions, our wonderful bakers, fantastic quilters, our fun children's table, and those who brought in so many yummy side dishes and desserts. This night couldn't have happened without all of you, our wonderful community.

We have to thank all of our volunteer firemen and women who got the bays cleaned out and set up so pretty for the event and to Jamie Beans for being our meat carver extraordinaire. Thank you all!

Special thanks to our fantastic auctioneer Diana Kinnan who always does a wonderful job and we are so lucky to have her.

Thanks to Tina Fisher who takes on the task of the Angel Tree and, of course, our wonderful community again for going out and getting those children taken care of for Christmas.

Fantastic job you all and we hope to see everyone again next year! Have a great 2026!

THANK YOU

We Appreciate Your Support!

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John & Jan Wheeler

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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 20th***

Submit to:

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541-817-3621

camasvalleyflame@gmail.com



The Outpost Mobile Food Pantry will be in the Grange parking lot on February 5th & 19th.

EMAIL FLAME ISSUES



Email allows you to keep friends and family that have left the valley up to date with community events. Email subscribers receive a color copy of The Flame by the 25th each month.

Send your name and email address to:
camasvalleyflame@gmail.com to start receiving your digital copy each month.

CAMAS VALLEY GRANGE

TAI CHI WALKING CLASS

With Kris

**Come join us and for some fun and exercise every
Monday at 11:00am and Friday at 10:00am**
Wear comfy cloths and shoes to move in!

Put a

FREEZE

on Winter Fires

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter, be fire smart!



Half of all home heating fires occur in December, January and February.



Heating equipment is involved in **1 in every 6** home fires and **1 in every 5** home fire deaths.



Keep anything that can burn **at least 3 feet** from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators or space heaters.



Keep portable generators **outside, away from windows, and as far away** from your home as possible.



Install and test carbon monoxide alarms **at least once a month**.



Plug only **1 heat-producing appliance** (like a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.



Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents **every year**.



Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container, and keep it **outside at least 10 feet** from your home and any nearby buildings.

2025 Annual Report

With 2025 coming to an end, the Camas Valley Rural Volunteer Fire District responded to 183 calls throughout the year, reflecting the continued and consistent demand for emergency services within our community. These incidents spanned a wide range of emergency responses, including medical emergencies, motor vehicle accidents, wildland and structure fires, false alarms and controlled or illegal burn responses, as well as public service and assistance calls. The department also remained ready to support neighboring agencies through standbys and mutual aid when requested.

Collectively, Camas Valley volunteer firefighters spent more than 670 hours responding to emergency calls in 2025, giving their time selflessly at all hours and in all conditions to protect the community they serve.

In 2025, the Camas Valley Rural Volunteer Fire District maintained an average response time of approximately 9 minutes for typical emergency incidents, with half of all calls receiving a response within about 7 1/2 minutes. Additionally, approximately 36% of all emergency responses were initiated within 6 minutes of dispatch, reflecting the dedication of volunteer firefighters responding from across a rural service area.

As we move into the new year, we want to wish everyone a happy and safe 2026.

James Beans, Captain C.V.R.F.D.

Camas Valley Fire Department



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EMERGENCY ACTIVITY

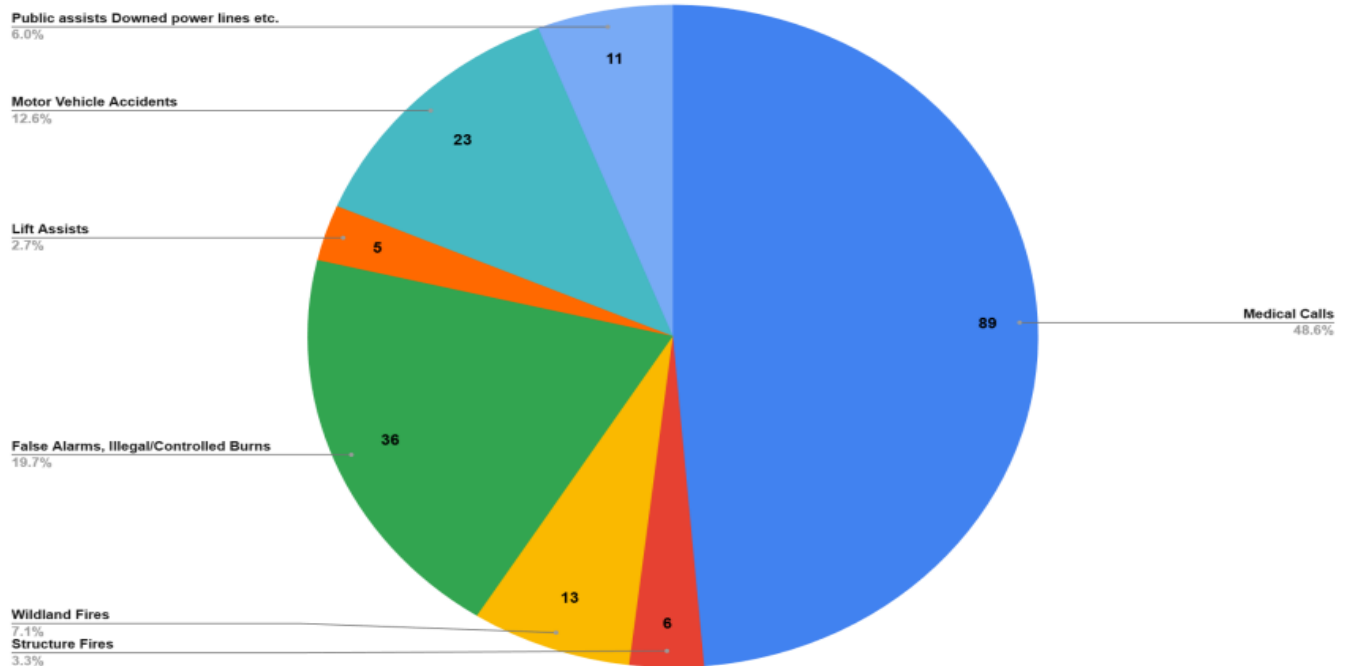
Camas Valley Rural Fire District - 2025 Summary Response by Time and DOW								
Hour Day	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Total (Hour)
0AM				1			1	2
1AM			1			2	1	4
2AM						1		1
3AM				2	1	1		4
4AM		1	1	1	1		1	6
5AM			1	1		1		3
6AM	2		1	1			1	5
7AM		1				1		2
8AM	1					1	3	5
9AM	4	2	1		1			8
10AM		1	1			2	2	6
11AM			1	1	2	2	3	9
12PM	2	1	1	3		1	2	10
13PM	1			3	1	2	1	8
14PM	1	2	1	1		4	2	11
15PM	3	1	2	1	1		1	9
16PM	3	1	4	2	2	3	2	17
17PM		1	1	2	2	1	1	8
18PM	2	2	5	3	2	1	2	17
19PM	1	2		2	4	1	1	11
20PM	1	5		2	1	1	1	11
21PM	3	1	2	3	1	1	2	13
22PM	2	2		1	1	1	1	8
23PM	1		1	1	2			5
Total (Day)	27	23	24	31	22	28	28	183



EMERGENCY ACTIVITY

Calls Responded to: 183 calls

2025 INCIDENTS BY TYPE OF CALL



CAMAS VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER SPOTLIGHT

Haley Nordwall moved to the valley four years ago and has been a volunteer firefighter for the last three. She works as an in-home caregiver while also attending school to be a special needs educator. She enjoys spending time with her family and taking her dog Jakob for walks. As a member of the fire department her favorite activities are participating in the parades and helping out at Fundays. Haley's favorite thing about being a volunteer firefighter is "Being a part of the C.V.V.F.D. family and having the ability to help the community."

Thank you for your service!



CAMAS VALLEY GRANGE
PRESENTS

Valentines

SATURDAY FEBRUARY
14TH AT 6:00PM

DINNER & DANCE

Perfect for one or two

**Come and enjoy a Tri-tip dinner
served with all the fixings(salad,
vegetables and dessert).**

**PRE-PAY \$20 PER PERSON, \$40 PER COUPLE
OR AT THE DOOR \$25 PER PERSON, \$50 PER -
COUPLE**

Blue Grass Band will be playing music for this event!





If you cannot attend the Book Fair you may order online from
Mar 2, 2026 - Mar 16, 2026

Shop online for an expanded selection of exclusive books, new releases, value packs, and more. All orders ship home and book-only orders over \$25 ship free.

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/camasvalley>



Family Literacy Night
Tuesday, March 3rd - 4:30-6:30pm
Shop at the book fair in the Library
Join in the Literacy Activities and Games
 (Pi Walk....Spin the Wheel...Plinko....Drawings for free stuff)
Grab Some Refreshments



Book Sale
Friday March 6th 10:00-1:00
in the Library
 Come in the back door!



<https://www.camasvalley.k12.or.us/>

Check the Library Page on our Website for a Link to the Bookfair where you can set up an e-Wallet for your child, contribute to a teacher's e-Wallet or donate to buy books for students.

QR Code for link to the Book Fair



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Create a **Book Fair eWallet** for cash-free shopping.

Convenient and secure, eWallet lets your child choose books they want to read.

Plus, you can share your eWallet link so friends and family can help your child find even more to read. Unspent funds from a past Fair? To transfer them to this Fair, log in to your Scholastic account and create a new



Visit our school's Book Fair homepage to get started:



Valentines Day Grams

Presented by Camas Valley Sophomores



If interested please contact:

jennifer.bueler@yahoo.com

Or

jaylynn.bueler@camasvalley.k12.or.us

An order form has been attached at the bottom.

-Sales start Feb 1st thru Feb 10th

-Please let us know if the person you are sending a gram to has any food allergies.

-Deliveries available on campus only.



Select One

\$1 Candy Rose () Candy Mice () or Surprise Bag ()

\$2 Valentine's Dog () \$5 Candy Turtle ()

To: _____

From: _____

Message: _____



CAMAS VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOL NEWS



Dear Camas Valley,

A lot of people know my story: given away at birth, adoptive dad divorced and left, mom left, and I lived in my car the last 2 years of high school. I survived it by not playing the victim card and taking it one day at a time, and making good decisions. Then came marriage and fatherhood. I didn't have a role model for being a dad, but I knew this would be the most important thing I'd ever do. So I decided to go to a parent conference. At that conference, the speaker said many, many things, but one stuck in my head, and this was it: "Rules without relationship cause rebellion." I have spent the past 35 years living and teaching that, and it has served me well. At school as well as at home, we have a lot of rules, but we must never forget that the relationship needs to be nurtured and developed. We want our kids to be good students and be better than us. What they want from us is to be loved, which involves a lot of time and a strong relationship. It is a lot of work, but I can tell you this 35 years later, it is well worth it!

With care,

Mr. Wonsley

CVCS Superintendent/Principal

DONKEY BASKETBALL

Date: Saturday February 14th

Time: 1:00p.m.

Place: Camas Valley Charter School Gym

Sponsor: Student Council

Teams: 4 teams(8-15 players/team)

*Players must be under 200lbs.

\$100 to sponsor a team

Advance tickets: Adults-\$13 Student(7-12) \$10 Children(K-6) \$7

Gate tickets: Adults-\$15 Student(7-12) \$12 Children(K-6) \$9





February

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

1	2  Tai Chi walking class @Grange 11a.m. Fire Dept. Training 6p.m.	3 HSBB @Siletz Valley 5:30p.m. Grange business mtg. 6:30p.m.	4	5 Outpost Mobile Pantry 1-3p.m	6 Tai Chi walking class @Grange 10a.m. HSBB @N.Douglas 7:00p.m.	7
8	9 Tai Chi walking class @Grange 11a.m. Fire Dept. Board Mtg. 5:00p.m. Fire Dept. Training 6p.m.	10 HSBB vs. Riddle Girls 6p.m. Boys 7:30p.m.	11	12	13 Tai Chi walking class @Grange 10a.m. Grange Bingo @6p.m. HSBB vs. Yoncalla Girls 6p.m. Boys 7:30p.m.	14  Donkey Basketball @gym 1p.m. Valentine's Dinner & Dance @Grange 6p.m.
15	16 Tai Chi walking class @Grange 11a.m. Fire Dept. Training 6p.m.	17	18	19 Outpost Mobile Pantry 1-3p.m	20 Tai Chi walking class @Grange 10a.m.	21
22	23 Tai Chi walking class @Grange 11a.m. Fire Dept. Training 6p.m.	24	25	26	27 Tai Chi walking class @Grange 10a.m.	28

Camas Valley Business Directory



Autobody repair/paint

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

Eng. consulting design/ drafting

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

Health

Cody Summer Health
Certified health &
wellness coach CTNC
Functional Health
Practitioner trainee(FDN)
www.codysummerhealth.com
541-203-3033

Media Development

Agent of the Wild
realty services, expert
photography, film
making, drone imaging,
media development
Dan Amos
541-430-2668
agentofthewild@protonmail.com

Beauty

Nails by Crystal
Crystal Cummings
541-643-7253
Thurs.—Sun., 9-4

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

Excavating

Battles Excavating
Land development, mass
excavating, utility install,
foundations, retaining
walls, road building,
demolition and additional
services. Level 1
commercial contractor
Licensed/insured/bonded
Jeremy Neilsen
541-637-9711

**Onesimus Health
Services, LLC**
Leslie Abbott, FNP,BC
Primary
CareStaff@onesimushealth.com
541-391-7506

**Plexus worldwide
Supplements**
Charman Shields
541-430-3600
www.plexusslim.comcharmanshields

Notary/Post Office

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

Christmas trees, U-cut / wholesale

**Calico Christmas
Trees**
Mike Falco
Nov. & Dec.
7 days/wk 9-4:30
541-613-0067

Fire Equipment/Services

**Dia-Cast Fire
Services**
Sales / Rentals
Defensible space
clearing/cleaning
Don/Diane Casteel
541-643-8556

Honey Bee Swarm/Hive Removal

Eve Scott
503-302-6323

Housekeeping

Maid in the Shade
Lisa Muller
541-430-1974

Pest Control

Bugguy Exterminating
Gregg Socia
M-F, 8-5 /as needed
541-537-0845
bugguyterm@gmail.com

Photography

Velocity in Focus
Barb Casteel
541-643-8592
www.velocityinfocus.com
velocityinfocus@gmail.com

Construction

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

Garbage Disposal

**Camas Valley
Disposal**
Byron & Jodi Peck
Wkly. Wed. pick-up
541-445-2245

Local Artist, consignment

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

Portable sawmill service

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

Counseling

Michelle Wilson
Christian Counselor
541-900-6130
Michelle@libertycounselingandcoaching
.com
www.libertycounselingandcoaching.com

Handcrafted gifts

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

Locksmith, keys /locks

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

Rental, Storage,

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

Electrical Contractor

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

Frosted Treasure Designs

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

Logging

Scofield Logging
Josiah Scofield
541-435-5759

Septic systems

**Lounsbury Const. &
Excavation**
Richard Lounsbury
541-505-4685

Handyman, small construction/remodel

Evertrade Const.
Aaron Blake
M-F, 9-5
541-335-9108

Small engine repair

Hunt's Chainsaw
Theran Hunt
M-F 541-430-7283

Camas Valley Churches

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

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