

# Alvadore Neighborhood News

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## Dare To Dream Big!



We all have dreams. Those we turn into reality keep us motivated for the rest of our lives.

I recently visited with Ted and Maria Berg, long time Alvadore residents. I discovered Ted was born in Hallarum, Sweden, in 1939, while his parents, Evelyn and Willard, were visiting the land of their parents.

As a young boy, Ted dreamt of seeing the country of his birth and acted on his dream.

He prepared for the trip by delivering newspapers, picking beans and also by reading all he could about Sweden. He had to convince the Swedish American Line to allow him to travel aboard the ocean liner Gripsholm unaccompanied by an adult. I cannot imagine how he gained the details of the country, maps and information without the use of the internet!

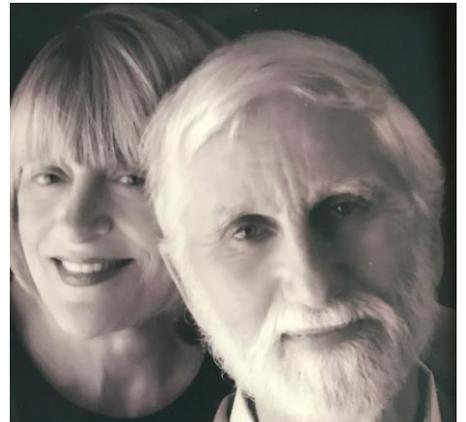
Ted spent his 14<sup>th</sup> summer bicycling around Sweden. He met the Swedish King Gustaf Adolf VI, and he also lived several weeks with Lina, his godmother. Thanks to this trip, Ted became the pen pal of a Spanish photographer, one year older than himself, who had a sister with whom

Ted decided to write as well. After three years of letter writing, he invited her to visit Alvadore. Maria came to the United States in 1964 at the age of 21. In 1965 they married and she has been the love of his life.

With a Ph.D. in English, Ted spent 23 years teaching at Lane Community College.

I believe that our experiences shape who we are and what we eventually become.

The pictures are of 14-year-old Ted living one of his dreams.



Ted & Maria Berg

## Alvadore Community GARAGE SALE

June 18 & 19 Friday & Saturday 9-4

The sale will be advertised in several places, will list the number of sales with directions to the area. The number of sales will be determined by the number of people that call to have their addresses added to the garage sale map. A garage sale map will be handed out to all garage sales and will be posted on social media. The cost for neighbors to be included is ZERO. Friday will be the busiest day, Saturday will be slower and Sunday will be very slow. You are welcome to open any hours and days you like but the sale will be advertised 9am-4pm Fri & Sat. Signs will be posted and available to most sales on a first come basis Call Cheryl 541-689-4621 **(Looks like it will be over 30 sales)**



## Delores & Jim Hendrickson Memorial Scholarship

The **Alvadore Lions Club** awards up to three deserving Bethel School District high school students with a scholarship each year on behalf of the Delores and Jim Hendrickson. This tradition began in 2007. The story below accompanies the scholarship certificate. This year's recipients are Brenna Thorn & Brianna Schpankyn, will received \$922 each.

Delores and Jim Hendrickson were native Oregonians and spent their growing up years in Eugene. Jim's parents moved to Eugene from eastern Montana where they had struggled to earn a living on a homestead near the town of Sidney. Delores' parents moved to the area from Cleveland, Ohio. The lure of the northwest drew many family members to this side of the United States. Jim was born in 1924 and was raised, along with two brothers and two sisters, on Pershing Street, near the railroad yards off Bethel Drive. He sold the Saturday Evening Post as a youngster and also worked for the Register Guard, delivering newspapers. He knew all the "short cuts" around Eugene! The paper boys were treated to an annual picnic by the newspaper's owners and Jim recalled the great food at those picnics, along with swimming in the Willamette River with his friends. After graduating from Eugene High School, Jim served with the US Army during World War 2, both stateside and in Europe. Delores Petersen was born in 1929 and spent her youth in Eugene, in a home near Hendricks park, then in west Eugene after her parents bought land and built a home on Royal Avenue. Delores picked beans and strawberries, helped harvest hops and had a great love of the outdoors and growing things. She was an only child, but she was blessed with a wide circle of friends and an extended family and her nick name was "Babe". A friend tells about meeting Delores for the first time shortly after the Petersens moved to their Royal Avenue home. The friend had heard about a "new girl" living down the way, so she rode her bicycle down to investigate. After meeting Delores and trading some information, she invited Delores to her house, Babe jumped onto the handle bars of her new friend's bike and they took off down the street. Jim and Delores met at a youth group gathering at Bethesda Lutheran Church and were married in September 1947. Jim spent most of his working life in the roofing and insulating business and Delores was a homemaker. They were married 54 years and were blessed with four children. Jim, Kathy, Carol and Dan, all of whom were educated in the Bethel Schools and graduated from Willamette High School.

Soon after they were married, the Hendricksons were able to secure a GI loan and build a home on land Delores' parents gave them. They enjoyed their home at 845 North Bertlesen Road until 1958 when, with Delores' parents, they bought a farm with two residences in the Alvadore area. That was home until Delores died in 2002 and Jim in 2005. They raised their family there and spent a lot of time improving and beautifying the farm. Their hospitality was well known and over the years they hosted many picnics, family reunions and celebrations. Their home was also a "safe haven" for a few young people who needed a place to spend some time and get their lives back on track.

The Hendricksons were very interested in improving the communities in which they lived. This was true while they were growing up, raising a young family and in their "empty nest" days.

They had a wide circle of friends and were able to accomplish some very positive things. They were active members of the Alvadore-Franklin Lions Club for many years and believed that a group of like-minded folks could make a huge difference in the local community and Around the world.

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## Alvadore Lions Scholarship (continued from page 2)

The Alvadore Community Library was founded and is an ongoing asset to our area due to the vision of the Lion's Club. Jim and Delores and many others planned and worked hard to see this vision become a reality. The idea for a scholarship grew out of a sense that they, Jim and Delores, had been blessed with much and would like, with the help of the Lion's Club, to award a young person every year with help for their continuing education. We, their children, would like to express how pleased we are that this scholarship is now a way to honor and remember our parents.

**Jim Hendrickson, Kathryn Hendrickson Mains, Carolyn Hendrickson Snider, Dan Hendrickson**

**Larry and Marlene Myers** have lived in Alvadore for 45 years. They were just kids in their early 20's when they purchased just under  $\frac{3}{4}$ 's of an acre from Harold and Dorothy Burg for \$7500. They started out in Alvadore by placing their 1968 Fleetwood on the lot in 1976. As soon as they arrived in Alvadore Mike Thorn and Gary Patton knocked on their door asking if they need help and stayed all day helping. In the 80's they replaced the single wide Fleetwood with a doublewide and about 15 years ago they designed and self-contracted the construction of their current home all on the same Alvadore land with the same Alvadore address.

Larry worked in a sawmill for 20 years, and retired after 26 years as a custodian for 4J. He is also an artist in residence and worked with students to make the fused glass tiles used in the décor at Holt, River Road, Cal Young, Howard Elementary as well as Madison Middle School.

Larry and Marlene met through one of her cousins. She was 18 and he was 20. She went to North Eugene High and Larry went to Willamette. Larry's parents were Pioneers of the Willamette Valley. His Mother was born in Harrisburg, he comes from 4 generations of Oregonians.

Marlene was a teacher for 40 years; she spent the last 26 years working in special education. She worked for EEP which is Lane County's largest specialized preschool. Since 1981, they have successfully served preschoolers with special needs, including Autism Spectrum Disorder, ADHD and other developmental delays.

You may see Larry from time-to-time walking on Alvadore Road. Most every day he takes a 4 mile walk to Orchard point; round trip is about 75 minutes. He stays active teaching step aerobics at River Road Park and Elements Fitness on Oakway. Don't hesitate to give a wave when you see him.



A piece of Larry's artwork can be found near the Alvadore Dryer



Heidi, Katelyn, Clara & Sydney and Aunt Kathy

### Local Teens caught on camera picking up Alvadore trash



Fire season generally Mid-June thru October

Outdoor burn advisory line 541-726-3976



4th Thursday Alvadore Christian Church 27373 8th Street Junction City OR



Rajbir Raj, Rajinder Raji, Chandni Shawn-The-Knee, Hoqam Who-Come (helpful pronunciations)

New Beginnings abound! Raj and Raji have retired from the Alvadore Store. After 27 years of serving our community, they are moving on the next chapters of their lives. When they purchase the store, they were going to disband the gas pumps as the regulations and processes to update the tanks were great. The State came to them and asked that they keep the gas station going to serve our area. They choose to go thru the process and because of them we have gas available here locally. Thanks Raj and Raji for all you have done for our community. Chris Simms told me he used to ride his horse to the store and Raj would hold it while he went into the store, they will be missed.

Meet our new neighbors Chandni & Hoqam. "We are excited and proud to be a part of this beautiful and

Generous community. We are very excited to serve people as they may need. Everyone has been very kind and warm to us since the day we moved in. We will go above and beyond our responsibility as a store owner at Alvadore Gas and Store to fulfill our community's needs and requirements. We are very thankful to each and every member of the Alvadore Community." In addition to operating the store Chandni is a nurse at a nursing home, she plans to go back to nursing once things are settled at the store. Their family has lived in Douglas County for the past 12 years and are excited to join our community. The store hours have been changed to 7am – Midnight. Don't hesitate to stop in and welcome them.



Chicken BBQ Fundraiser June 19, 2021 Saturday

1/2 Chicken \$7.00 At the Fern Ridge Market

Alvadore Lions Club is Committed to providing the best chicken available when you arrive.

See you July 4th too!



Alvadore Christian Church hopes to hold Vacation Bible School this summer Watch for details.

# Alvadore Grasses in Bloom

This year in science I learned about plant life cycles. Their life cycle is seed, sprout, seedling and adult. They also go through reproduction like animals do. That process is pollination, fertilization, seed dispersal and germination. I researched different types of grasses online and by talking to a local farmer for this article.

One common grass in Alvadore is orchard grass. It is one of the best grasses for pastures. It provides good erosion control. It is also a perennial. Horses really enjoy it and dairy farmers rely on it for their cows. Sometimes it will get mixed with alfalfa to make good hay for animals. It can even be fed to small herbivore animals that are pets like rabbits and guinea pigs.

There are two types of fescue, forage (feed) and turf (lawns). It is durable and resilient to people and animal traffic, climate and drought. It is also a perennial. Annual ryegrass has to be planted each year however. It is planted in the fall and will die between spring and summer. Ryegrass germinates quickly. You will see sprouts after three days of planting it and could mow it within 21 days. It doesn't like temperatures above 100 degrees during the day or above 77 degrees at night.

Farmers have to do a lot of work to harvest grass seed. It has to be fertilized and sprayed for weeds, insects and diseases. It also has to be cut, dried, cleaned and bagged. They go over the field many times during these processes. One acre can yield 800-1,200 pounds of grass seed. These three grasses are popular in the Willamette Valley and among our local farmers.

**By: Remington Engeman 9 years old, 4th grade**



Local Pictures

BRIAN LOZAR PHOTOGRAPHY

<https://brianlozarphotography.pixieset.com/alvadorepost/>

## 17 YEARS – Gods Food Pantry

April 2021 Marked the 17<sup>th</sup> year God's Food Box has served Alvadore and the surrounding community.

In short, Jim Keagy was called to help a friend in crisis. Jim arrived to find his homeless friend only wanted to talk about the things Jesus had done for him and he introduced Jim to his church's food pantry. During those times the Lions Club and the Alvadore Church put together Christmas boxes for a few neighbors. That year the need increased from 5 to about 15 people in need.



Left to right: Rosemary, Rich, Mim, Joan, Marita, Lana, Wayne, Willie, Glenn, Bea, Jim, Don Not Pictured: Vivian, Janette, Katherine, John, Donna, Claudia, Gene and hundreds more over the years.

Jim and his Wife Teresa started checking around and discovered the Lane County Food Bank. He also learned food pantries were in Cheshire, Junction City, River Road and Veneta. Alvadore was in the middle and the food bank was excited to find Jim, the Alvadore community, and the Alvadore Church were more than happy to open their doors. The Lane County Food Bank provided freezers, refrigerators, guidance and food.

The first food pantry distribution served about 16 people; a woman came up and hugged Jim and shared all of her income was going to medicine and she did not have money for food. Over the years they have served as many as 65, currently serving 40-45 people.

A team of about 15 volunteers work monthly. They are an in-sync team that orders, picks up, sorts, organizes, and purchases items to supplement the food bank donations when needed. From the Volunteer Manager, to the floor manager, everyone has a roll in the process. Many know the roll of others and can pick up when someone is unable be there. The Alvadore Community Chest, Alvadore Christian Church and Wood Sales help to support the endeavor.

The Alvadore Community Chest (through Bingo proceeds) have been able to contribute to the Alvadore Church Electric bill up until the pandemic shut down BINGO. Jim says he calls one of the original freezers they have the battleship it was built in 1964 and the GE freezer just won't quit.

We appreciate support from the community in the form of volunteers, donations and Bingo Players.  
(see below 😊)

## **BINGO IS BACK!?! For All Ages!**

**The Alvadore Community Chest hopes to have bingo  
back at the Alvadore Church**

**June 26, 2021 Saturday 6:30pm-8:00pm**

**All Oregon Health Authority Guidelines Will Be Followed**

**Mark your calendar and look for signs**

**Alvadore Christian Church 27373 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Junction City (Alvadore)**

**Bring Your Friends!**

**Call or text Paul for details or to volunteer 541-228-8295**

## Listing Data as of June 4th 2021

ACTIVE Address	Details	Acres	Year Built	List Price
29273 Old Airport Rd	Industrial	8	LAND	\$2,000,000
90675 Northrop	Airport Hanger	Leased	Land	\$140,000
90679 Northrop	Airport Hanger	Leased	Land	\$250,000
Barger & Greenhill	Lot	14.23	LAND	\$600,000
28393 Royal	5 bed / 3 bath	42.00	1964	\$1,665,000
89780 Green Hill	3 bed / 1.5 Bath	70.00	1910	\$1295,000
90890 Alvadore Rd	Lot	.22	Land	\$99,000
29619 Hwy 36 Sp 53	3 bed / 2 bath	In Park	2014	\$150,000
91979 Territorial Hwy	Land	.90	Land	\$170,000
92227 Applegate Trail	1 bed / 1 Bah	.71	1932	\$265,000
92605 Alvadore Rd	2 bed / 1 bath	4.88	1972	\$350,000
89700 Green Hill	3 bed / 1 bath	4.91	1962	\$525,000

PENDING Address	Details	Acres	Year Built	List Price
28169 Bridges Ln	Land RR5	.49	Land	\$189,000
27401 8 <sup>th</sup> Street	3 bed / 2 bath	1.01	1964	\$525,000
26916 Hwy 36 #51	3 bed / 2 bath	IN PARK	2005	\$125,000
B Street (off Louden)	Land Zone EFU	42.64	LAND	\$775,000
90886 Alvadore Rd	3 bed / 2 bath	.27	1985	\$319,800
27132 Morganlee Ln	3 bed / 3.5 bath	1.58	2008	\$1,125,000

Withdrawn	Details	Acres	Year Built	List Price
27144 Morganlee	3bed/2bath	1.67	2006	\$834,000

### Data Courtesy RMLS.com

SOLD Address	Details	Acres	Year Built	Sold Price
27732 Clear Lake Rd	3bed/2.5bath	13.81	1967	\$634,000
27390 8 <sup>th</sup> St	4 bed/1full 2half	.88	1964	\$440,000
Green Hill Rd	Land EFU30	40.06	Land	\$385,000
Clear Lake Rd	Land Zone AG	40.15		\$695,000
89015 Fir Butte	2bed/2bath	41.07	1981	\$577,000
90869 B St	2bed/2bath	1.01	1995	\$350,000
92081 Territorial Hwy	Grange	1.19	1920	\$239,000
90828 Railroad St	Alvadore Store	.45	1914	\$470,000
90812 Alvadore Rd	3 bed / 2.5 Bath	.92	1979	\$530,000
27645 Snyder Rd #23	1 bed / 1 Bath	In Park	1971	\$16,000
26916 Hwy 36 #4	3 bed / 2 bath	In Park	1988	\$85,000
27645 Snyder Rd #84	3 bed / 2 bath	In Park	1993	\$115,250
90834 Alvadore Rd	4 bed / 2.5 Bath	.39	2016	\$593,000
27556 6 <sup>th</sup> St	4 bed / 2.5 bath	.42	2016	\$689,500

I am available to answer your Real Estate questions  
**Cheryl Chambers**  
**Hybrid Real Estate**  
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273910 8<sup>th</sup> St, Alvadore  
 \$430,000 **SOLD**



90869 B St, Alvadore  
 \$350.00 **SOLD**



6011 Pine Ridge  
 \$394,000 **SOLD**



211 Woodlane,  
 \$365,000 **PENDING**



90828 8<sup>th</sup> St, Alvadore  
 \$525,000 **PENDING**



Alvadore Store  
 Alvadore  
 \$470,000 **SOLD**



90812 Alvadore Rd  
 Alvadore  
 \$530,000 **SOLD**



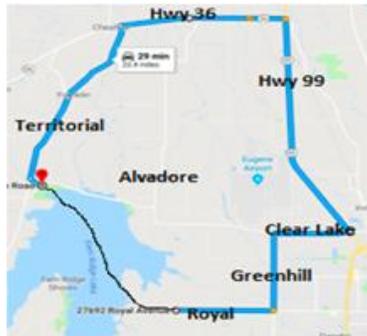
**FOR SALE**  
**22427 Noti Loop, Noti, OR**  
**Beautiful .86 Acres**  
**3 bed 2 Bath 1702 sq ft**  
**30x24 shop w/RV Carport**  
**\$520,000**

**Alvadore** This publication is intended to bring communication from neighbor to neighbor.

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**Espresso Yourself**  
now locally owned  
and operated at  
Alvadore Rd &  
Clear Lake Rd



Myself (Kristen), my husband Travis, and our three kids Ellie, Carter, and Ashton are so excited to start your day with a smile and a great cup of coffee, tea, milkshake, flavored Red Bull, or whatever creation we can brew up for you. We grew up in the local area and will strive to keep a positive atmosphere in our community. Come on by and say hi!

**Grand Opening Weekend June 18-20** - We would love to meet you and will have several gift cards and gift basket raffles throughout the month

**BEST SUMMERTIME MILKSHAKES ANYWHERE & REAL STRAWBERRY LEMONADES**