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**BECAUSE OF TERM LIMITS, I WAS NOT ABLE TO RUN FOR RE-ELECTION AS MAYOR OR FOR A COMMISSION SEAT IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTION; THEREFORE, THIS WILL BE MY LAST CITY MATTERS CONTRIBUTION.** By the time you read this article, the electorate will have selected those who will be serving as Mayor and as Commissioners for the open seats. You will also know of the fate of Clackamas Community College’s bond measure, the passage of which was critical for preparing students for the job

force and to the development of industrial sites to the south and east of the College’s main campus.

I am taking the opportunity to reflect on what I consider the major events of the past four years.

**ONE ACCOMPLISHMENT THAT IS PROVING TO BE UNPOPULAR:** The Commission voted for a substantial raise in the wastewater sewer rates over the next two years in order to deal with severe constraints on several wastewater sewer systems resulting in a moratorium on building in the areas that these systems served. This raise was necessary because the wastewater rates remained flat for several years and cash reserves were not sufficient to address the problems. Six years ago, a previous City Commission adopted a new utility fee that was equally unpopular—a pavement maintenance utility fee. But, because of that fee, citizens have seen an increase in repaving and roadway maintenance in Oregon City, and several people that I have talked to who previously were opposed to the fee have told me that the increase was beneficial. I believe that the same will ultimately be said of the wastewater sewer fee increase.

**THE MOST DIFFICULT TIME** that Oregon City staff and Commission members experienced was that of Officer Robert Libke giving up his life in the line of duty in November 2013. There is no greater sacrifice peace officers can make for their community than such a selfless action. His wife, Wendy, was pregnant with their daughter at the time, and there was great concern as to whether she would have a successful delivery. In May, I was honored, with the support of the City Commission and staff, to present Wendy and their healthy daughter, Ziva, the Key to the City in recognition of Officer Libke’s sacrifice. But that symbol of recognition did not compare to the outpouring of sympathy and support, not only from our community, but from throughout North America. The only other record of an Oregon City Police Officer sacrificing his life was that of Officer George Hanlon in 1906. Because the nature of his sacrifice was all but forgotten, we later recognized his loss of life as well as the loss of life of two other officers from other jurisdictions involved in the tracking down of a fugitive from justice.

**SHORTLY AFTER MY TAKING OFFICE FOUR YEARS AGO, TWO MAJOR EVENTS OCCURRED:** **1.** The closing of the Oregon City Arch Bridge for seismic upgrade and repairs, and **2.** the filing for bankruptcy of the Blue Heron Paper Company and its immediate closure resulting in the unforeseen loss of jobs and pensions of 175 workers. Both of these had extremely negative impacts.

**BRIDGE CLOSURE:** This closure, plus the fact that we were still in the greatest recession since the Great Depression of the 1930s, doubtlessly was responsible for the loss of businesses. Because we knew that the impact would be temporary, we sought ways to realize benefits. Main Street Oregon City, with support from the City, put forward a grant proposal to the Oregon Department of Transportation to provide funds for converting the one-way portion of Main Street back to what it was many decades ago, a two-way street, and for making additional street and sidewalk improvements. The successful funding for that proposal, the commitment of property and business owners, and the support of the Urban Renewal Commission helped minimize the impact of the bridge closure, resulting in Main Street being even more revitalized than before. Those frequenting Main Street see storefront restorations, thanks in part to the Urban Renewal Agency’s matching storefront grants. There have also been many interior reuses of buildings stimulated by the Agency’s matching adaptive re-use grants.

**PAPER MILL BANKRUPTCY:** This had a far greater impact. No entity stepped up to take over the site for industrial use. The City, together with our partners—the Metro Regional Government, the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners, and the State of Oregon—worked together to set the groundwork for a Master Plan for the site. With a huge input from the public (thousands of comments were received), a Master Plan was developed that had the following core values: **1.** Public Access to Willamette Falls, the second highest-flow water fall in North America (which hasn’t had public access for over 100 years); **2.** Economic Redevelopment (providing jobs and prosperity); **3.** Healthy Habitat (maintaining, restoring and protecting the unique ecosystem along the river); and **4.** Historic and Cultural Interpretation (connecting the heritage, history, and cultural practices at the Falls). The Master Plan was revised and enthusiastically passed by the Planning Commission in September and subsequently passed by the City Commission with the strong support of the developer (George Heidgerken of Falls Legacy, LLC).

**OREGON CITY LIBRARY:** Some 20 years ago, a bond request was placed to voters for a new library. It failed. A few years later the library moved to a leased Hill Top site because the Carnegie, which opened in 1913, was too small for the current population of Oregon City. But the library had to be relocated back to the Carnegie because of the construction of Safeway at the Hill Top site. In May, voters passed a bond that will result in the expansion of the Carnegie while maintaining the architectural integrity of the current building. The City Commission, with advice from the Library Board and its building committee, from the Parks and Recreation Committee, and from the McLoughlin Neighborhood Association and with support from the Friends of the Library, decided on the design of the addition in October.

**THESE LATTER ACCOMPLISHMENTS** would not have been possible without the commitment of the City Commission, of our dedicated staff, and the support and hard work of citizens. Previous Commissions established the groundwork that enabled these projects to go forward. I am grateful to all, past and present, who were committed to these efforts, and I believe that the new Commission comprised of two current members and three to be sworn in at the first meeting in January, will press on for even greater achievements in the future.  
*Thank you all so much.*



Established in 1844  
at the End of the  
Oregon Trail

**Mayor**—Doug Neeley; *Mayor-Elect*: Dan Holladay  
**Commissioners**  
*Position 1*—Kathy Roth; *Commissioner-Elect*: Brian Shaw  
*Position 2*—Rocky L. Smith, Jr.  
*Position 3*—Carol Pauli  
*Position 4*—Betty Mumm; *Commissioner-Elect*: Daphne Wuest  
**City Manager**—David Frasher  
**City Recorder**—Nancy Ide  
**Finance Director**—Wyatt Parno  
**Human Resources Director**—Jim Loeffler  
**Police Chief/Public Safety Director**—James Band  
**Public Works Director**—John Lewis  
**Community Development Director**—Tony Konkol  
**Community Services Director**—Scott Archer  
**Economic Development Manager**—Eric Underwood  
**Library Director**—Maureen Cole

THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSIONERS are volunteers who do not keep regular office hours. They may be reached via voice mail at 503.657.0891.

City Commission meetings are held the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 7:00pm in the Commission Chambers at City Hall. Any citizen is welcome to address the Commission on any subject at the beginning of each meeting.

City Commission regular meetings are streamed live on the Internet at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org) and are available on demand following the meeting. Willamette Falls Cable broadcasts meetings live at 7:00pm on Channel 23 and rebroadcasts them throughout the month. Logon to [www.wfmcstudios.org](http://www.wfmcstudios.org) for a broadcast schedule or call 503.650.0275.

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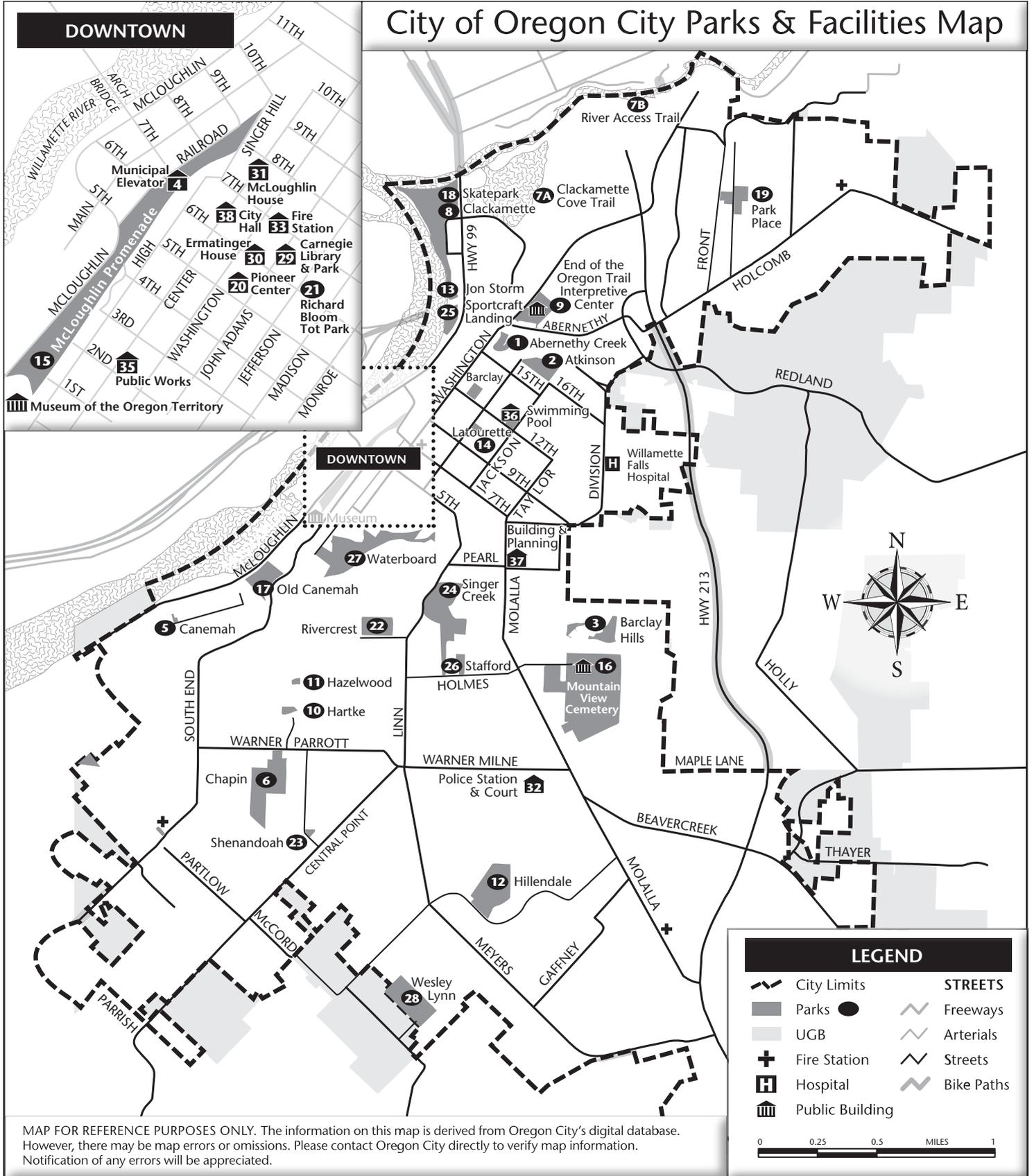
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FRONT COVER PHOTO—*Winter Willamette Falls (2013)*  
by Kelly Moosbrugger

PHOTO USAGE—*On occasion the Oregon City staff may take photos of participants enrolled in recreation programs, events or people on Parks & Recreation properties. Such photos are for Parks & Recreation use only and may be used in future publications or flyers.*

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## MAJOR CITY PARKS

- 6** Chapin Park  
340 Warner Parrott Road
- 8** Clackamette Park  
1955 Clackamette Drive
- 12** Hillendale Park  
19260 Clairmont Way
- 13** Jon Storm Park  
1801 Clackamette Drive
- 19** Park Place Park  
16180 Front Avenue
- 22** Rivercrest Park  
131 Park Drive
- 28** Wesley Lynn Park  
12901 Frontier Parkway

## CITY FACILITIES

- 29** Carnegie Center/Public Library [TEMP]  
606 John Adams Street
- 38** City Hall  
625 Center Street
- 9** End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center  
1726 Washington Street
- 30** Ermatinger House  
616 6th Street
- 33** Main Fire Station  
624 7th Street
- 31** McLoughlin House  
713 Center Street
- 16** Mountain View Cemetery & Parks Operations  
500 Hilda Street
- 4** Municipal Elevator  
300 7th Street
- 20** Pioneer Community Center  
615 5th Street
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221 Molalla Ave, Ste 200
- 32** Police Station, Municipal Court & Code Enforcement  
320 Warner Milne Rd
- 35** Public Works  
122 S Center Street
- 36** Swimming Pool  
1211 Jackson Street

## CITY BOAT DOCK & LAUNCHES

- 8** Clackamette Park  
1955 Clackamette Drive  
2 reservable picnic shelters, restrooms. Boat launch closed.
- 13** Jon Storm  
1801 Clackamette Drive  
A transient dock with 72-hour moorage, a pump-out station, restrooms, 1 reservable picnic shelter.
- 25** Sportcraft  
1701 Clackamette Drive  
A 2-lane launch with floats and a restroom.

Map Numbers	Parks & Amenities	Basketball Courts	BBQ's	Benches	Boat Dock	Boat Launch	Children's Play Area	Dog Pits	Drinking Fountains	Electricity	Horseshoe Pits	Park Host	Parking Spaces	Picnic Tables	Restrooms (seasonal)	Skate Park	Soccer Fields	Softball Diamonds	Spray Park	Tennis Courts	Trail/Walking Path	Volleyball Court	Walk Bridge/View Deck
1	Abernethy Creek Park											P	P	☒									
2	Atkinson Park		☒				dp						P	☒							☒		
3	Barclay Hills Park	☒					dp																
5	Canemah Childrens Park	☒		☒			dp							☒	☒								
6	Chapin Park		☒	☒			dp	☒	☒			☒	P	☒	☒	☒	☒						
7A	Clackamette Cove Trail			☒										☒									
7B	River Access Trail						dp						P										
8	Clackamette Park		☒	☒		☒	dp	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	P	☒	☒	☒							
9	End of the Oregon Trail			☒				☒	☒				P	☒	☒								
10	Hartke Park	☒																			☒		
11	Hazelwood Park						dp																
12	Hillendale Park	☒	☒	☒			dp	☒	☒			☒	P	☒	☒	☒	☒						
13	Jon Storm Park			☒	☒			☒						☒	☒								☒
14	D.C. Latourette Park	☒		☒																	☒		
15	McLoughlin Promenade			☒			dp																
17	Old Canemah Park													☒									
19	Park Place Park			☒			dp	☒				☒	P		☒								
21	Richard Bloom Sr. Tot Lot			☒			dp								☒								
22	Rivercrest Park	☒	☒	☒			dp	☒	☒	☒			P	☒	☒		☒				☒		
23	Shenandoah Park																						
24	Singer Creek Park																						
25	Sportcraft Park			☒	☒	☒							P		☒								
26	Stafford Park			☒										☒									
27	Waterboard Park			☒									P										
28	Wesley Lynn Park		☒	☒			dp	☒	☒			☒	P	☒	☒	☒	☒						
29	Carnegie Park			☒			dp	☒	☒											☒			

### Dogs in Parks

DOGS ARE WELCOME IN OREGON CITY'S PARKS.

However, to ensure that all users have a safe and enjoyable experience, please follow City parks rules, and be sure your pet is leashed and under your control at all times.

**And of course, please clean up after your dog!**



## Parks Office Information

<b>Open</b>	Monday–Friday	8:00am–4:00pm
	Saturday, Sunday and in observance of these holidays:	
	Thu–Fri, November 27–28	<i>Thanksgiving</i>
<b>Closed</b>	Thursday, December 25	<i>Christmas Day</i>
	Thursday, January 1	<i>New Year's Day</i>
	Monday, January 19	<i>MLK, Jr. Day</i>
	Monday, February 16	<i>Presidents' Day</i>
	Jon Waverly _____	Parks & Cemetery Maintenance Manager
	Steve Little _____	Park Maintenance Specialist III
	Mark Anderson _____	Park Maintenance Specialist III
	Gavin Bruhn _____	Park Maintenance Specialist III
<b>Staff</b>	Bryce King _____	Park Maintenance Specialist I
	Judd Mesaris _____	Park Maintenance Specialist I
	Sara McGrew _____	Office Specialist II
	Jinny King _____	Office Specialist I

## Accommodations & Private Events

### Hosting a Gathering? Let Us Provide the Space!

THE OREGON CITY PARKS OFFICE ACCEPTS RESERVATIONS FOR SHELTER USE UP TO ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE. View shelters and parks at [www.orcity.org/parksandrecreation/shelter-reservations](http://www.orcity.org/parksandrecreation/shelter-reservations). Our park shelters and facilities are available for special events such as showers, reunions, fund-raisers or birthday parties. Clackamette\*, Wesley Lynn, Chapin, Hillendale and Rivercrest\* Parks are all great outdoor locations with covered shelters and surrounding grass areas that can be reserved for special events. \*Clackamette & Rivercrest Parks have 2 covered shelters.

### There are Three Ways to Make a Reservation

- 1 Call Park Operations at 503.496.1201
- 2 Stop by our office Monday–Friday, 8:00am–4:00pm
- 3 Send us an inquiry. We'll check availability and respond within 48 hours. You can find the reservation inquiry form at [www.orcity.org/parksandrecreation/webform/park-reservation-inquiry-form](http://www.orcity.org/parksandrecreation/webform/park-reservation-inquiry-form).

#### PLEASE NOTE:

- Fees must be paid in full to reserve & hold a park shelter.
- Reservations may be made up to one year in advance.
- Refunds are allowed for cancellations received by Oregon City Parks office at least two weeks prior to the date of activity. A \$10 processing fee will be deducted from all refunds.
- No refunds will be given for cancellations within two weeks of activity.

### Clackamette RV Park

The RV park is open year-round (weather dependent) and is a great location for out-of-town guests. The park offers 38 sites (each with water and 30 amp electricity hookups) RV dump station (\$5 dump fee), horseshoe pits and a children's play area nearby at Clackamette Park. Maximum stay is limited to 10 days. Spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis only. We do not take advanced reservations. Prices are \$20 and \$25 per night, depending on location. Payment is made on site by either cash, VISA or MasterCard only. We DO NOT accept checks or foreign currency.

## Seasonal Facility Closures

### Park Restroom Closures

The following park restrooms are closed for the season:

- Canemah Children's Park
- Park Place Park
- Hillendale Park
- Richard Blooms Tot's Park

Some of our other park restrooms will remain open but this is dependent upon weather, park staff and park hosts. All restrooms will reopen after Memorial Day weekend.

### Spray Parks Closed

Carnegie and Rivercrest Spray Parks will be closed for the season. They will reopen after Memorial Day weekend, weather permitting.

## Thank You Volunteers!

Many volunteers have spent countless hours cleaning up our city. A big thank you to everyone who participated in helping to keep our parks, river, and city clean and beautiful.

- *Down The River Cleanup* managed to keep 3.11 tons of trash out of the Clackamas River, thanks to the help of 355 volunteers.
- *SOLVE Beach and Riverside Cleanup* was able to remove 68,332 pounds of trash this year. Clackamette Park was just one of the 110 projects sites that included beaches, parks, rivers, neighborhoods and school grounds around the state.
- *Willamette Riverkeeper* once again took to the water in canoes and kayaks to clean up the Willamette Falls area near Sportcraft Marina.



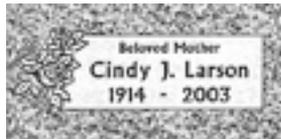
**Chapin Park Shelter & Playground—**  
Just one of the many park shelters in Oregon City that you can reserve for private events.

## Cemetery Office Information

<b>Open</b>	Monday–Friday	8:00am–4:00pm
	Saturday, Sunday and in observance of these holidays:	
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	Monday, January 19	<i>MLK, Jr. Day</i>
	Monday, February 16	<i>Presidents’ Day</i>
<b>Info</b>	<i>To learn more about the Cemetery activities or services offered here, please call 503.657.8299.</i>	
<b>Staff</b>	Jon Waverly _____ Parks & Cemetery Maintenance Manager	
	Mark Anderson _____ Parks Maintenance Specialist III	
	Sara McGrew _____ Office Specialist II	
	Jinny King _____ Office Specialist I	

## Memorial Options

Mountain View Cemetery offers several choices to memorialize your loved ones. We offer bronze inscription vases, engraved bricks, sitting benches, a memorial wall, headstones and natural stones. Please call or come by the office for rates and options.



## Annual Fall Clean-up



The annual Fall Cemetery Clean-up took place on November 10. We would like to give a big THANK YOU to all the volunteers who came out to help clean up Mountain View Cemetery.

## Veterans Day

Every year on November 11 we have young volunteers who come out and honor our Veterans by placing flags at their graves. Flags will also be available for those who would like to come out and place flags on the graves of their friends and family.

## A Time for Thanksgiving

Oregon City Parks and Mountain View Cemetery would like to express our appreciation to the many individuals, students, organizations and community groups who contributed their time and energy to our community.

## POMC Event

### *National Day of Remembrance & Dedication*

We had many people come out to be a part of our annual POMC event. Music and guest speakers were followed by a barbecue lunch. Thank you to all of the volunteers who gave their time, as well as Pioneer Rental, Tualatin Valley Water and BCT—supporters who helped make this a memorable event.



## Hours of Operation

<b>Open</b>	Monday–Friday	9:00am–4:00pm
	Saturdays, Sundays & dates below:	
	Christmas Eve	Wed, December 24
<b>Closed</b>	Christmas Day	Thu, December 25
	New Year’s Day	Thu, January 1
	MLK, Jr. Day	Mon, January 19
	Presidents’ Day	Mon, February 16
	Spring Cleaning & Maintenance	Monday–Friday March 23–27
	Monday–Friday	
<b>Lunch</b>	■ Lunch & Dessert Bar	11:30am–12:30pm
	■ Meals-on-Wheels	10:30am–12:30pm

## Drop-In Groups/Activities

AA	Meets in the Center’s Basement Sundays   1:30–3:30pm
ALZHEIMER’S SUPPORT	Meets in Classroom #1 3rd Wednesdays   12:00–1:30pm
BILLIARDS	The beautiful pool table in our TV Room is free to use. Ask for pool balls at the front desk. Monday–Friday   9:00am–4:00pm
BINGO	A lively, friendly group meets weekly for fun & small cash prizes. Thursdays   12:30–3:00pm 25 cents per card
NARANON	Meets in the Center’s Basement Thursdays   7:00–9:00pm
ODDFELLOWS	Meets in Center’s Basement 2nd Wednesdays   7:00–9:00pm
DOUBLE DECK PINOCHLE	Fridays   1:00–3:30pm   25 cents
POKER	Mondays   2nd & 4th Tuesdays 12:00–3:30pm   \$1.00
POPCORN!	Every Friday morning   Free
SCRABBLE	Challenge this fun, friendly group Fridays   12:30–3:00pm   Free

## Senior Services & Programs

**Nutrition Program**—Lunch with dessert bar is served in the Pioneer Center’s Dining Room Monday–Friday, 11:30am–12:30pm. Suggested donation for ages 60+ is \$3.00. Cost for under age 60 is \$4.50. *For more info call 503.657.8287.*

**Meals on Wheels Service**—The Nutrition Program provides home-delivered noon meals to homebound 60+ seniors and under 60 Medicaid-qualified seniors who are referred by local SPD offices. Service areas include Oregon City, West Linn, Beavercreek, Redland and Carus. Hot meals are delivered Monday through Friday, 10:30am–12:00pm. Frozen meals are provided for closures, weekends and holidays. The service also provides a menu and a newsletter with upcoming events and meal information. *For more information call the Pioneer Community Center Meals on Wheels Coordinator Shirley Ryan at 503.722.5979.*

**Grocery Shopping Trips**—For ages 60 and over or disabled.

MON	Market of Choice (West Linn)	To schedule a ride call 503.657.8287 up to a week ahead.
TUE	Fred Meyer	Space is limited, so please call early.
WED	Albertsons	Pick-up begins at 12:45pm.
FRI	Haggens -or- Grocery Outlet	Suggested donation: \$1.00 each way

**Transportation**—For ages 60 and over or disabled. Passengers must live in Oregon City or in West Linn. Vans are lift-equipped. Call 503.657.8287 up to 7 days ahead to schedule a ride. *Suggested donation: \$1.00 each way*

**Health Services**—Blood pressure (Helping Hands Home Care) & hearing testing (Able Hearing). No appointment needed.  
*2nd Tuesday each month | 10:00am–12:00pm | Free*

**Medicare Insurance Assistance**—SHIBA volunteers provide free counseling to people with Medicare. Call SHIBA at 503.655.8269 to receive assistance with your Medicare benefits.

**Alzheimer’s Support Group**—A caregiver’s support group for those whose loved ones have Alzheimer’s or other types of dementia. Call Sarah at 503.416.0214 for more information.  
*3rd Wednesday each month | 12:00–1:30pm | Free*

**Grief Support Group**—This support group, led by Chaplain Joanne Petrie (Bristol Hospice), provides a safe haven to share your thoughts, feelings and problems related to your loss. Learn how other group members cope with, and are working through, their grief. Call 503.698.8911 for more information.  
*2nd & 4th Thursdays each month | 1:30–3:30pm | Free*

**Pedicures**—RNs Bea and Jan offer pedicures at the Center for seniors and the disabled. They have 30 years of experience with foot hygiene and cuticle care. Ingrown nails, calluses and corns can be corrected. Bring two small towels. Call 503.657.8287 ext. “0” for more info or to schedule an appointment.  
*1st & 3rd Tuesdays & 2nd Wednesdays | by Appointment | \$30–Pay to RNs*

**Senior Law Project**—Once a month, a local volunteer attorney provides free half-hour consultations regarding estate planning for Clackamas County residents, age 60+. For more information and to schedule appointments, call Jamie at 503.722.3268.  
*2nd Monday each month | On-going | by Appointment | Free*

**Computers/Internet**—Computers with Internet access are in our Computer Lab. NOTE: The Pioneer Center offers free Wi-Fi! Printers are not available.  
*Monday–Friday | 9:00am–4:00pm*

## Volunteers & Donations

### Seasonal Donations

The Pioneer Center has instituted a program to match low-income seniors with needed items during the year, but particularly during the winter months. We are presently in need of new blankets and coats, Ensure and/or Boost nutritional drinks, walkers with fold-down bench seats, wheelchairs in good, clean condition, fans, Poise-type pads and Women's Depends (size s/m). Please bring your donations into the Pioneer Center and we will gladly give you a receipt for your donations.

### General Nutrition

The Pioneer Community Center provides a wide array of services to our community's seniors and to citizens at large. Our small staff needs your help to keep our programs operating and running smoothly. We are currently looking for individuals with flexible schedules to serve as nutrition volunteers in our kitchen. Nutrition volunteers will assist with daily kitchen assignments and fill in where needed. Flexible positions are available weekdays (Mon–Fri) between 8:00am–1:00pm. For more info about our volunteer opportunities, contact Jamie at 503.722.3268 or [jdavie@orcity.org](mailto:jdavie@orcity.org). *You can make a difference in our community!*

### Year-Round Donations

The Pioneer Center accepts items that are used in many of our programs, including:

- **Coffee**—We provide coffee daily at a minimal charge for our seniors as well as free pastries donated from local grocery stores.
- **Sponsor a Senior for a day trip or activity**—We have a fun, active group that goes on day trips at least twice a month. Donate \$15 and a very happy senior will be on their way to having fun! You can also sponsor a senior for our Big Band Dance or other Center activities.
- **Newspapers**—Please recycle your newspapers in our large drop box, generously donated by B&B Leasing. All money raised helps fund our Meals-on-Wheels program. The easily accessible drop box is in our parking lot across from our main entrance. *Every page counts!*
- **Support our "Cover the Miles" program**—This program provides some reimbursement for gas expenses for our Meals on Wheels drivers who may drive up to 60 miles a day delivering meals to homebound seniors.

## Gift Certificates

*As we approach the Holidays,  
a Pioneer Center Gift Certificate would be the  
perfect gift for that person who has everything!  
They are available in any denomination and  
can be used for any of the following:*

*Pioneer Pantry | Trips | Classes | Weight Room*

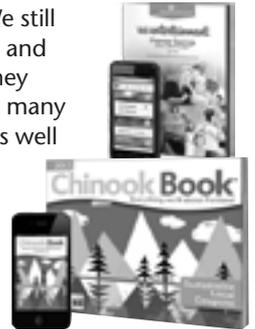
## Favorite Fall Fundraisers Continue

THESE PIONEER CENTER TRADITIONS MAKE GREAT HOLIDAY GIFTS!

**Holiday Wreaths**—You can still order one of our beautiful 22" wreaths for only \$18! We will be taking pre-paid orders until November 20. Don't miss the opportunity to have one of these locally-made wreaths of cedar, fir, juniper and pine cones, then finished with a beautiful bow, to add to your holiday decorating.



**2015 Chinook & Entertainment Books**—We still have both the Portland Entertainment Book (\$30) and the Chinook Book (\$20) available for purchase. They offer 15 months of savings for the whole family at many Oregon City and Clackamas County businesses, as well as at many places in the Portland Metro area. There are also online versions of both books which access additional online coupon savings. Stop by and purchase one...or two, since they make great gifts that keep on giving through November 1, 2015!



## AARP Tax-Aide February 3—April 14

The Pioneer Center will again be an AARP Tax-Aide site for free tax assistance for low- to middle-income Clackamas County taxpayers, with a focus on those 60 and older. IRS-trained volunteers annually help over 2 million nationwide file their taxes. Volunteers will be at the Pioneer Center Tuesdays and Fridays, February 3–April 14 with hourly appointments 9:00am–2:00pm. (PLEASE NOTE: We will be closed for spring cleaning the week of March 23–27). We will start making appointments on Monday, January 5. Call 503.657.8287 (ext "0") to make your appointment. *Please call as soon as possible as appointments fill up fast.*

## Speaking of Taxes...Think of "Meals on Wheels"

As 2014 draws to a close, please consider the Pioneer Center and our "Meals on Wheels" and Nutrition programs for any of your year-end giving. Your donation would stay in our community and be much appreciated. We will gladly provide you a receipt for tax purposes.

## "March for Meals" March 2–31

"March for Meals" is an annual national campaign, held every March, designed to increase public awareness, recruit new volunteers and increase funding for our "Meals on Wheels" program. We are working to stop Senior hunger! MOW provides a nutritious meal with warm conversation and a security check for our community's homebound seniors and disabled. We'll have our "March for Meals" plastic collection containers at numerous Oregon City and West Linn businesses throughout the month of March. When you see them, please make a generous donation and help us beat our 2014 campaign total of over \$4100. If your business, church or child's school is interested in sponsoring a collection container or have a fundraising drive, please contact Claire at 503.722.3781 or [cmct@orcity.org](mailto:cmct@orcity.org). *Every donation to "Meals on Wheels" stays right here in Oregon City and West Linn, and is an investment in the health, wellbeing and dignity of a Senior.*

## Veterans Appreciation Lunch

**Monday, November 10 | 11:30am**

Join us for lunch and enjoy a presentation by representatives of Hillside Chapel and our local VFW Post, honoring our heroes, in observance of Veterans Day. The colors will be presented by Oregon City VFW Post #1324. We ask everyone to dress in their uniform or patriotically.

*Dining room opens 11:00am | Lunch served 11:30am–12:30pm*

*Suggested donation of \$3 for 60+ | \$4.50 for under 60.*

*Event sponsored by Hillside Chapel.*



## Pioneer Center Facility Rentals

**An ideal venue for many events—as low as \$65/hour**

- WEDDINGS      ■ MEETINGS      ■ HOLIDAY PARTIES
- ANNIVERSARIES      ■ SEMINARS      ■ BIRTHDAY PARTIES
- MEMORIALS      ■ FUNDRAISERS      ■ RETIREMENT PARTIES

The Pioneer Center & the Peace Garden are located in beautiful Historic Oregon City. The outdoor garden is available for weddings, receptions and photo shoots. With its beautiful ballroom, the Center is perfect for a sit-down dinner or a dance for up to 200 people.

- 3,500 sq. ft. ballroom
- Tables & chairs for 200, theater or reception style
- Solid hardwood floor, ideal for dancing and catered events
- Elevated stage for live band, DJ or speaker (podium available)
- Food service area
- Outside catering allowed
- Alcohol is permitted
- Non-Smoking venue
- Additional rooms are available for dressing or storage

THE FACILITY USE COORDINATOR will help make your event a pleasant experience, whether you hold it outdoors in the Peace Garden or inside the Center.

*For more information or to make an appointment to tour the facility, call Claire at 503.722.3781. Our rental agreement is available at [www.orcity.org/pioneercenter/rentals](http://www.orcity.org/pioneercenter/rentals).*

## Day Trips *Tentative Schedule*

- For complete trip details please call or stop by the Center. All Day Trips are scheduled for Wednesdays unless otherwise noted. All trips include a lunch stop—you pay.
- All trip fees must be paid before your name is added to the trip list. If there is an additional entrance fee we will notify you in advance. Our trips are quite popular and we often have a waiting list.
- If you're not able to self-ambulate, please bring a caregiver/friend to assist you on the trip.
- The Center must be notified at least 2 WEEKS in advance if you can't participate. No refund/credit is given to "no-shows."
- Trips are subject to change or cancellation due to lack of participation or weather.
- To register or to be placed on the waiting list, stop by the Pioneer Center, 615 5th Street, Oregon City.

NOV 19      *Alpenrose Senior Holiday Variety Show*  
*Sorry, this trip is full.*

DEC 3      **Woodburn Outlets & Al's Garden Center**—All decked out for the holidays, both of our stops will get you in the holiday spirit! There are so many stores available to find those special Christmas gifts for family and friends. The smell of evergreens at Al's will definitely get you in the holiday spirit if all the shopping didn't!

DEC 17      *Christmas Ships at the Red Lion's Inn at the Quay*  
*Sorry, this trip is full.*

JAN 7      **OMSI & IMAX**—Spend the day exploring all the displays, interactive exhibits and labs for all ages! Visit the Planetarium and the USS Blueback submarine. You can watch a movie at the Empirical IMAX theatre...4 story-high screen with 3D & Dolby!

JAN 21      **Oregon Culinary Institute**—Savor a gourmet three-course lunch prepared by professional Culinary Art students. Can you spell Y-U-M-M-Y???

FEB 5 (Thu)      **Portland Mounted Patrol & Forensics**—We will take a tour of the Portland Mounted Police Horse Barn and then have a unique "behind the scenes" look at their Forensics Department, where many crimes are solved!

FEB 18      **Clackamas County Sheriff's Museum, Public Safety Building & PDX FBI Headquarters**—We will first visit the Sheriff's Museum, a hidden gem in the County. Then we will have a tour of the Sheriff's Public Safety Building. After lunch at Sweet Tomatoes we will head on up to the FBI to find out about the types of investigations they work on in Oregon.

## Extended Trips *Summer & Fall 2015*

PRESENTED BY PIONEER COMMUNITY CENTER, COLLETTE TOURS & AMERICAN TRAVEL BUREAU. For more information on any of our trips, contact Lori Thrasher with American Travel Bureau at [lthrasher@comcast.net](mailto:lthrasher@comcast.net) or 503.789.5487.

### TRAVEL BACK IN TIME: MACKINAC ISLAND

*June 20–27, 2015 (8 days)*

Your exciting Midwest tour begins in Dearborn, Michigan with a tour of Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum, where history comes alive. The day ends with a welcome dinner at Edsel & Eleanor Ford’s House!

Visit Bavarian-influenced Frankenmuth before boarding a ferry for a trip back in time to Mackinac Island, where there are no motorized vehicles. You will spend 2 magical nights in the Victorian-era Grand Hotel, including a horse-drawn carriage tour of the island.

Next stops: Green Bay and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The tour spends the last 2 days in the Windy City, Chicago, with a guided tour of this dynamic city.

This tour requires average physical activity, the ability to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven surfaces.

- Trip includes round-trip airfare from PDX, air taxes & fees, hotel transfers, lodging & 10 meals (6 breakfasts, 4 dinners).
- Per person rate—\$2,849, double occupancy.
- Does not include \$205 cancellation waiver & insurance.



*“Fort Mackinac from Water”*

by Petermatt at en.wikipedia



*“The Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island as seen from the Tea Garden”*

by David Ball, public domain, wikipedia

### SOUTHERN CHARM: FROM CHARLESTON TO ST. AUGUSTINE

*September 20–26, 2015 (7 days)*

Experience the history, charm and warm hospitality of the Low Country in Georgia and South Carolina. Soak in 2 nights at the exclusive Jekyll Island Club, once described as “the richest, most exclusive club in the world”.

Explore Boone Hall, one of America’s oldest plantations. Visit charming Beaufort, and then discover the history of Savannah and antebellum Charleston. Visit the oldest city in the United States, St. Augustine, Florida. Enjoy an enchanting trolley tour through its vibrant Old Spanish Quarter.

This tour requires average physical activity, the ability to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven surfaces.

- Trip includes round-trip airfare from PDX, air taxes & fees, hotel transfers, lodging, 10 meals (6 breakfasts, 4 dinners).
- Per person rate—\$2,349 (double occupancy).
- Does not include \$205 cancellation waiver & insurance.



*“Broad Street, Charleston SC”*

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*“St. Augustine FL Panorama”*

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## Class Information & Registration *Registration begins on Tuesday, November 25.*

For more info or to register, please call the instructor if their phone number is listed. Otherwise, stop by the Center or call 503.657.8287.

- **PAYMENT**—Cash or check preferred; VISA is accepted for amounts of \$50 and over. Full payment is due before the first class begins.
- **OVER62 DISCOUNT**—Citizens 62 years of age and up qualify for the reduced **Over62** class fees at the Center. Please have ID available.
- **CANCELLATIONS**—Classes, programs or events may be cancelled due to lack of participation.
- **REFUNDS**—A full refund will be given **ONLY** if requested before the first day of class. No refund is given if a class has already begun.

## Arts & Crafts

### Acrylic/Oil Painting

Instructor—Shirlee Lind

For beginning and experienced artists. Emphasis on learning brush techniques, color mixing, shading and composition. Demonstrations with experimental techniques to create texture and depth using mixed media. *To register, call Shirlee at 503.722.3845 at least 1 week before class begins. Pick up a supply list at the Center prior to first class. 9 weeks, 9 classes*  
Wednesdays | January 7–March 5  
9:30–11:30am –or– 12:30–2:30pm  
\$90 (Over62—\$54)

### Busy Bees

Have fun making crafts, sewing quilts and aprons, etc. for fund-raisers or simply working on your own projects in the company of others.  
Mondays | Ongoing | 9:00am–Noon  
Free

### Knitting & Crocheting

[BEGINNING] Learn basic knitting and crocheting stitches. Bring your own needles and yarn. *For more information or to register please call instructor Janice Tipton at 503.829.8031.*  
Wednesdays | On-going  
10:00am–1:00pm  
\$20 per 4-week session

### Watercolor with Melissa Gannon

Explore the exciting, challenging medium of transparent watercolor! Learn to mix colors, the basics of composition, elements of perspective and drawing. *8 weeks, 8 classes*  
*To register, call Melissa 503.557.3963.*  
*Pick up a supply list at the Pioneer Center prior to first class. All levels welcome.*  
Thursdays | January 8–February 26  
11:00am–1:30pm  
\$100 (Over62—\$60)

## Computer Skills **Call Instructor Jerry King at 503.723.9497 for fees, scheduling & more information.**

*Students get hands-on practice during each 2-hour class. Classes run once a week for 4 weeks. Limit—8 students per class.*

### Level 1—Introduction to Windows 8

NEW! Discover how to navigate Windows 8 effectively and why it's so different. You will learn all about the start screen, charms bar, hot screen corners, Windows Store app and live tiles. You will also discover how to use Mail, Internet Explorer 10, a system-wide search, and how to move files from your old PC to your new Windows 8 PC.

### Level 1—First Step

Instruction focuses on learning to communicate with the computer, including: Understanding the signs and symbols that a computer uses to communicate with you; the *minimize, maximize, restore down* and *close* commands; repositioning and resizing a window, saving and printing files; and an introduction to the Internet. Students also learn and practice mouse commands, and how to hover to identify program tools.

### Level 2—Facebook 101

Keep in touch with all your friends and relatives. Students will learn how to set up a Facebook account, create a profile and find friends. Information is also provided to understand your privacy settings, timeline and newsfeeds, and how to upload pictures and videos.

## Music & Dancing

### Line Dancing Ongoing

[BEGINNING] Learn line dance basics and simple dances even if you have two left feet. No partner needed.  
Instructor—Rich | Mondays | 1:00–2:00pm | 50¢ fee  
[INTERMEDIATE] Learn the latest line dance steps, as well as traditional ones. No partner needed.  
Instructors vary | Tuesdays | 12:00–3:00pm | 50¢ fee

### Pioneer Singers

**We are looking for new members** who enjoy singing choral renditions of show tunes and good time oldies, with opportunities to sing in small groups or solos. *For more information, please call instructor Melinda Byers at 503.381.9827.*  
Fridays | 10:00am–Noon | \$30 per semester  
On-going, beginning September 5 (Closed: Nov 28)

### Level 3—Word Processing

Students build on the basics to fine tune their word processing skills. Improve your typing skills by learning keyboard short cuts, instead of using the mouse. You'll learn default settings, *copy, cut* and *paste* commands. You'll also work with macros and tables, and explore mail merge.

### Level 3—Mastering E-mail

Focus is exclusively on email. Learn to setup your own email account and how to send a CC *carbon copy* or a BCC *blind carbon copy*. Learn to attach pictures to send to a friend, and to set up email reminders so you never forget another birthday. Set up a calendar and invite friends to view it. Keep a note pad with info you need on vacation, such as eye prescriptions or medication lists. Send a text message to a friend's cell phone.

### Wednesday Afternoon Ballroom Dances

The Swing Street Glenn Tadina Big Band (16-piece band) and the Black Magic Band (14-piece band) jump and jive on alternating weeks at the Pioneer Center. Their great music ranges from the Swing, Cha-cha, Tango and Rumba to the Waltz and Fox Trot, plus a variety of other dance rhythms. For each band's play dates, call Glenn Tadina at 503.769.5598. Come early for lunch!  
LUNCH 11:30am–12:30pm  
\$3.00 ~ 60+ sugg. donation  
\$4.50 ~ 60 and under  
DANCE 12:45–3:00pm  
\$5.00 admission at the door

## Indoor Fitness & Relaxation

**Body Tool Fitness Boot Camp** Instructor—Jacquelyn Rodgers  
This class is a combination of strength, cardio, muscle endurance, flexibility, core & functional movement patters. It's challenging and fun! Bring water, yoga mat and light (3-8 lbs) hand-held weights. Try a class for FREE!

For more info or to register contact Jacquelyn 541.992.6100 or [Bodytoolfitness@gmail.com](mailto:Bodytoolfitness@gmail.com).

Tuesdays & Fridays | Ongoing | 5:30–6:30pm

**Cardio Movement** Instructor—Shirley Hall

A high-energy, low-impact class, with fun dance music; combines walking & aerobics for a calorie-burning workout. For active adults who want to stay in shape.

Tuesday & Thursday | January 6–March 19 | 10:45–11:30am  
\$83 (Over62—\$58) | 11 weeks, 22 classes

**Cross-Training Program** Instructor—Shirley Hall

This modified workout program is designed for overall body fitness, combining cardio, weight training and stretching exercises. Bring light hand-held weights and an exercise mat.

Mondays | January 5–March 19 | 9:30–10:30am  
\$45 (Over 62—\$32) | 11 weeks, 9 classes

(No class: Jan 19, Feb 16)

**Gentle Pilates Stretching/Yoga** Instructor—Shirley Hall

[ADULTS OF ALL AGES] Use Yoga movements & Pilates stretches to strengthen and promote more flexibility and balance. Bring a yoga mat.

Tuesday & Thursday | January 6–March 19 | 9:30–10:30am  
\$110 (Over 62—\$77) | 11 weeks, 22 classes

**Tai Chi** Instructor—Nick Hancock

[MIXED LEVEL] This ancient Chinese movement improves strength, flexibility, concentration and balance by combining gentle physical exercise and mental discipline. The slow and controlled movements also strengthen muscles and reduce stress. Register at [balancenharmony.com](http://balancenharmony.com) or mail registration to Balance and Harmony, 550 NE Territorial Rd, Canby 97013. For more info, call 503.266.9939

Monday & Wednesday | January 5–March 18 | 10:30–11:30am  
\$150 (Over 55—\$100) | 11 weeks, 20 classes

(No class: Jan 19, Feb 16)

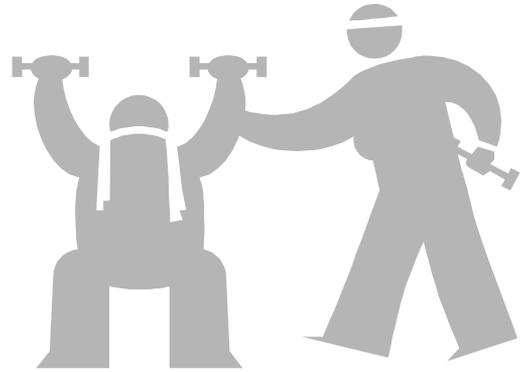
**Taoist Tai Chi™ Taijiquan**

This internal martial art was developed by Master Moy Lin-shin to improve health through a gentle set of 108 movements. Turning & stretching exercises your whole body. Restores calmness & peace of mind. Cost includes International Taoist Tai Chi Society Lifetime Membership. Wear flat shoes & loose clothing. Call 503.220.5970 or go to [www.taoist.org](http://www.taoist.org) for more information.

Mondays | January 5–April 20

BEGINNING 6:00–7:30pm || CONT/INTERMED 7:30–9:00pm

Suggested Donation: \$140 (Over62—\$120) | 16 weeks



**Weight Room** Adults 50 Years and Up

[ORIENTATION] Individual weight training session introduces a personalized fitness program designed to meet your individual needs and goals. (Closed: Dec 24–25, Jan 1 & 19, Feb 16)

Monday–Friday | Ongoing—By Appt only; call 503.657.8287 | \$20

[WEIGHT TRAINING] Enjoy the Weight Room and exercise with others! Prerequisite—Orientation (above) is required.

Monday–Friday | Ongoing | 9:00am–4:00pm | \$20 for 24 visits

**Yoga** Instructor—Jenny Juffs. To register call Kim at 503.723.4365

[ALL LEVELS] Dress comfortably, bring water and a yoga mat.

Thursdays | January 8–March 19 | Drop-in fee: \$10

\$80 (Over 62—\$80) | 11 weeks, 11 classes

[BEGINNING I] Here's a chance to try yoga! Work on flexibility, mobility & strength in a safe, supportive, fun class. Focus on breathing, technique and holding poses. No previous experience needed.

5:30–6:30pm

[BEGINNING II] Further your yoga knowledge. Previous experience preferred. Class introduces more intermediate poses and techniques. Focus on body awareness, strength and flexibility. Bolsters, straps and partner stretches are utilized.

6:30–7:30pm

**Yoga/Pilates Fusion** Instructor—Jacquelyn Rodgers

This class offers a flowing mind and body practice, integrating Yoga and Pilates to increase strength, flexibility and balance, reduce stress and improve endurance. All levels welcome. Try a class for FREE!

For more information or to register call Jacquelyn at 541.992.6100 or email: [Bodytoolfitness@gmail.com](mailto:Bodytoolfitness@gmail.com).

Tuesdays | On-going | 10:30am–11:30am

**Zumba Fitness** Instructor—Heather Ausborn

This easy-to-follow Latin-inspired class is like a dance fitness party. Burn up to 1,000 calories in one hour! Dress comfortably, wear sneakers and bring water.

Call Beverly at 503.348.3842 for more info. January 7 class is free for first-time students. So come, try it out and then register for class!

Wednesdays | January 7–March 18 | 5:30–6:30pm

\$45 | 11 weeks, 11 classes | \$5 per class drop-in fee

## Swim Schedule January 5—March 31

<b>Recreation Swim</b>	Tuesday & Friday	11:00am—12:00pm		
	Friday	7:30—9:00pm		
	Saturday	12:30—2:00pm		
<b>Family* Swim</b>	Tuesday	7:15—8:30pm		
<b>Aqua Jogging/ Water Walking</b> <i>Independent workout, space may vary</i>	Monday—Friday	8:00—9:00am		
	Monday—Friday	1:00—2:00pm		
	Saturday	11:00am—12:30pm		
<b>Lap Swim</b> <i>Number of available lanes may vary.</i>	Monday—Friday	6:00—8:00am		
	Monday—Friday	11:00am—2:00pm		
	Wednesday	7:30pm—8:30pm		
	Saturday	11:00am—12:30pm		
<b>Water Exercise</b> <i>Instructed Classes Details on facing page.</i>	<i>Shallow</i>	Mon, Wed & Fri	8:00—9:00am	
		Tuesday & Thursday	6:15—7:15pm	
	<i>Deep</i>	Monday—Friday	8:00—9:00am	
		Tuesday & Thursday	6:15—7:15pm	
		<i>Arthritis</i>	Tuesday & Thursday	8:00—9:00am

## Closures & Cancellations

EVENT OR AFFECTED SWIM SESSION	STATUS	DATES
Swim Lessons will impact: ■ Recreation Swim ■ Lap Swim	No other swim sessions while lanes are used for swim lessons 11am–12pm.  All lanes Open at Noon.	Monday–Friday December 1–19 February 2–6 May 4–8
Oregon City Swim Team Meet	Facility Closed	Saturday–Sunday March 7–8
<b>INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY</b>		
■ If the school district is closed, we are closed.		
■ If the school district has a late start, we open our doors at 9:00am.		

## Admission Prices ★ CHILDREN MUST BE 9 YEARS OLD TO SWIM WITHOUT AN ADULT ★

<p><b>R=Residents</b> Are those who live inside the city limits of Oregon City.</p> <p><b>NR=Non-Residents</b> Pay a higher fee for classes and activities since they do not pay Oregon City property taxes which help fund the Parks and Recreation programs. For more information, please ask our friendly front desk staff!</p> <p>* Family Swim &amp; Family Memberships are for Youth and Parents/Guardians in one home.</p>	<b>DROP-IN FEES</b>	<i>Per Session</i> Recreational Swim Lap Swim, Aqua Jogging/ Water Walking	<b>Youth (2–18)</b>		<b>Adult (19+)</b>		<b>Senior (62+)</b>	
			<b>R</b>	<b>NR</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>NR</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>NR</b>
			\$3.00	\$4.00	\$3.25	\$4.50	\$3.00	\$4.00
		Water Exercise	\$3.50	\$4.50	\$3.75	\$5.00	\$3.50	\$4.50
		Family* Swim	\$6.25 Resident Family*   \$8.50 Non-Resident Family*					
	<b>PUNCH CARDS</b>	<i>Valid for</i> Water Exercise, Rec Swim Lap Swim, Aqua Jog/Walk	<b>10 Sessions</b>		<b>20 Sessions</b>		<b>40 Sessions</b>	
			<b>R</b>	<b>NR</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>NR</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>NR</b>
		Adults	\$30.00	\$45.00	\$52.00	\$78.00	\$86.00	\$129.00
		Youth & Seniors	\$24.00	\$36.50	\$34.50	\$51.50	\$55.00	\$83.00
	<b>MEMBERSHIPS</b>	<i>Include</i> Recreational Swim, Lap Swim, Aqua Jogging/ Water Walking & Family* Swim	<b>INDIVIDUALS &amp; FAMILIES*</b>					
<b>1st Person or Individual</b>			<b>2nd Person in Family</b>		<b>Each Additional Family Member</b>			
<b>R</b>			<b>NR</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>NR</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>NR</b>	
Adult/Family	3 Months	\$51.50	\$87.50	\$41.50	\$74.50	\$9.00	\$14.50	
	Annual	\$103.50	\$175.00	\$83.25	\$140.00	\$17.00	\$28.00	
Youth/Senior/Family	3 Months	\$46.50	\$79.00	\$41.50	\$74.50	\$9.00	\$14.50	
	Annual	\$93.00	\$158.00	\$83.25	\$140.00	\$17.00	\$28.00	
All Ages	Water Exercise	With any Membership—pay 50 cents per Class						

**ASK US HOW TO EARN REWARDS WHILE YOU WORKOUT!**

## First Friday Fun Swim

EVERY 1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH DURING OUR  
7:30–9:00PM RECREATION SWIM SESSION!



**WINTER DATES:**  
**DECEMBER 5**  
**JANUARY 2**  
**FEBRUARY 6**  
**MARCH 6**

**WE WILL BE DOING A PENNY DIVE AND  
HANDING OUT CANDY ON FIRST FRIDAYS!**

## Water Exercise *Instructed*

All classes are open to ALL levels!  
Flotation belts & equipment are available on site.

### Interval & Circuit Training — CANCELLED

Monday & Wednesday 11:10am—11:50am

### Shallow Water Exercise

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:00—9:00am

Tuesday & Thursday 6:15—7:15pm

*Aerobic—Cardio-Respiratory/Body Toning*

### Deep Water Exercise

Monday–Friday 8:00—9:00am

Tuesday & Thursday 6:15—7:15pm

*Aerobic—Cardio-Respiratory/Body Toning.*

### Arthritis Foundation Water Exercise

Tuesday & Thursday 8:00—9:00am

*Low-impact, stretching with a lower level of cardio.*

## Oregon City Swim Team

The Oregon City Swim Team is a competitive swim club that promotes lifetime fitness, character growth and personal excellence through hard work and challenges, both in and out of the pool. OCST provides an environment in which swimmers of all abilities can develop to their fullest, whether they are beginners or world-class athletes. *If you are interested in joining, contact the Swim Club at 503.655.4169 or email [ocst.coach@gmail.com](mailto:ocst.coach@gmail.com).*

## Lifeguard Training *Participants must attend all scheduled classes.*

The course focuses on the job of a lifeguard in a swimming pool environment. Classes will emphasize victim recognition, surveillance, equipment-based rescues, and includes First Aid and CPR for the Professional Rescuer.

**PREREQUISITES**—Participants must be at least 15 years old and must be able to:

- swim continuously for 300 yards
- tread water for 2 minutes using legs only
- retrieve a 10-pound brick from 7 feet of water and return it to the surface

Bring a swimsuit and towel...you will get wet.

For more information, call Rochelle Parsch at 503.496.1572.

**SPRING SESSION** Registration deadline = March 16

Monday–Friday | March 23–27 | 9:00am–3:00pm  
Oregon City Swimming Pool | \$120 Resident | \$140 Non-Resident

Fees include all class materials. *Lifeguard manual is available for download on the American Red Cross website at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org).*

Go to TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS > LEARN MORE > LIFEGUARDING > (scroll down) LIFEGUARD MANUAL.

Download the manual, read Chapters 1–8, and bring a copy to class.



## Reserve Our Swimming Pool & Community Party Room!

Reserve online at [www.oregoncity.org/swimmingpool](http://www.oregoncity.org/swimmingpool) or contact Melissa at 503.974.5516

COMMUNITY PARTY ROOM 2,000 sq. ft.	Available All Year Saturdays 11:00am–8:00pm	\$30/hour Resident \$45/hour Non-Resident
INDOOR HEATED SWIMMING POOL 25 Meters	Available All Year Saturdays 2:00pm–8:00pm	\$73/hour Resident \$93/hour Non-Resident



## Oregon City's Swimming Lessons

### Which class should I enroll my child in?

PARENTS & STUDENTS—PLEASE NOTE! Swimming classes are not necessarily designed to be taken in direct succession. Many, if not most students of the “Learn-to-Swim” program must repeat a level multiple times. So, students—don’t be discouraged! And parents—don’t be disappointed if someone doesn’t pass a level the first (or even the 9th!) time. For a full description of all of our swim lesson levels go to [www.oregoncity.org/swimmingpool](http://www.oregoncity.org/swimmingpool).

### PRESCHOOLERS—Oregon City’s Swim Lesson Program

**WATER BABIES**—6 MONTHS TO 3 YEARS. Parents or guardians and children both have something to learn in this introductory class. You and your child will learn to be comfortable in and around the water. Learn games and swimming skills in a safe and controlled environment suited to introduce your child to swimming lessons.

**SWIM TOTS A/B**—3 TO 6 YEARS. For beginners! Participants learn basic water safety and swimming skills through fun games and activities, including floating on their front and back, submerging face in water, combined arm and leg movement, and basic water safety.

### AGES 5 & UP—Oregon City’s Learn-to-Swim Program

**LEVEL 1**—AN INTRODUCTORY CLASS IN 3 FEET OF WATER. In order for your child to graduate to Level 2 he/she must complete Level 1 skills unassisted. Skills learned include: opening eyes underwater; blow mouth and nose bubbles; front crawl and back crawl; floating and gliding skills; and basic water safety.

**LEVEL 2**—SKILLS LEARNED INCLUDE: holding their breath and exploring underwater with open eyes; picking up a submerged object; gliding and floating on the front and back; the unsupported ability to perform a beginning front crawl for a distance of at least 15 meters; more water safety; an introduction to basic water rescue skills will also be taught.

**LEVEL 3**—SAFELY ADAPTS STUDENTS TO DEEPER WATER AND MORE ADVANCED SKILLS. Skills learned include: effective use of multiple kicks; front crawl with rhythmic breathing; back crawl; jumping and diving into deep water, treading in deep water.

**LEVEL 4**—INTRODUCES A NUMBER OF NEW SKILLS. Skills learned include: decent execution of front and back crawl, breaststroke, butterfly, and elementary backstroke; strong ability to tread water; swimming underwater.

**LEVEL 5**—SEEKS TO REFINE EVERY STROKE IN THE SWIMMER’S REPERTOIRE. Skills learned include: very strong treading skills; flip turns for front and back crawl; excellent execution of butterfly, breaststroke, elementary backstroke, front and back crawl, and sidestroke; more water safety and an introduction to rescue breathing.

**LEVEL 6**—SWIMMERS WILL PERFECT EVERYTHING THEY’VE ALREADY LEARNED, as well as gain new knowledge about water safety and what it means to be a responsible lifeguard.



## Swim Lesson Registration

**Please Register Early!!**

- **Winter** Registration begins 8:00am Friday, December 5
- **Spring** Registration begins 8:00am Friday, March 6

Online Registration at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org).

- **Phone** Registration—Call 503.657.8273
- **In-Person** Registration—Oregon City Swimming Pool, 1211 Jackson St
- **Private Lessons**—Register in person, by phone or online.
- **Gift Certificates**—Register in person; present Certificate at registration.

## Swim Lesson Fees

9 Group Lessons—Residents	\$38.50
9 Group Lessons—Non-Residents	\$57.50
1 Private Lesson—1 Student, 1 Instructor	\$21.50
1 Semi-Private Lesson—2 Students, 1 Instructor	\$31.00

## FALL & WINTER Swim Lesson Schedules & Information

LEGEND	Preschool Lessons		Learn-to-Swim Lessons		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ All group &amp; private swimming lessons last 27 minutes.</li> <li>■ Not sure what to sign your child up for? Please see a description of each lesson level on the facing page.</li> <li>■ Please call 503.657.8273 or stop by the swimming pool for more session information and/or to register.</li> </ul>
	WB = Water Babies	STA = Swim Tots A	1 = Level 1	4 = Level 4	
	STB = Swim Tots B		2 = Level 2	5 = Level 5	
			3 = Level 3	6 = Level 6	
	PL = Private & Semi-Private Lessons				
PRIVATE	Register online for private lessons; see all available dates/times!				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Private &amp; Semi-Private Lessons {PL} are taught at the student's level.</li> <li>■ Many PLs are available during group lesson times. See schedules below.</li> </ul>
	MORNING	Monday–Thursday	9:00am—12:00pm		
	MID-DAY	Saturday	11:00am—12:30pm		
	EVENING	Mon, Wed & Fri	6:00pm—7:30pm		
EVENING GROUP LESSONS—9 Per Session	WINTER Sessions <i>Registration begins December 5</i>				<h3>Important Reminders</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Please read the information on the facing page. Children should be placed in classes according to their age and previous swim experience. Know the last class your child was in, and provide that information during registration.</li> <li>■ All participants are tested in the first lesson to ensure they're in the proper class. Instructors have the right to determine your child's level of performance and place them accordingly.</li> <li>■ Swim lessons are different from other sports or activities. Children often need to retake a level 2 or 3 times to become proficient in their skills. Please consider this when registering your child.</li> <li>■ If classes are full, please add your name to the wait list. We do our best to open up more classes!!</li> <li>■ If you have questions for your child's instructor, feel free to speak to them after class. But remember, they often have another class to teach within a few minutes.</li> </ul>
	Mon, Wed & Fri	6:00pm	6:30pm	7:00pm	
	S1 JANUARY 5—23	WB, STA, 1, 2 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 3 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 4 {PL, PL}	
	S2 FEBRUARY 2—20	WB, STA, 1, 3 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 4 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 5, {PL, PL}	
	S3 MARCH 2—20	WB, STA, 1, 3 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 4 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 5 {PL, PL}	
	SPRING Sessions <i>Registration begins March 6</i>				
	Mon, Wed & Fri	6:00pm	6:30pm	7:00pm	
	S1 MAR 30—APR 17	WB, STA, 1, 2 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 3 {PL, PL}	STA, 1, 2, 4 {PL, PL}	
	S2 APR 27—MAY 15	WB, STA, 1, 3 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 4 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 5, {PL, PL}	
	S3 MAY 18—JUN 5	WB, STA, 1, 3 {PL, PL}	STB, 1, 2, 4 {PL, PL}	STA, 1, 2, 5 {PL, PL}	



## Recreation Registration & Fees

- **How to Register**—Swim lesson registrations can be done online at [www.oregoncity.org](http://www.oregoncity.org), by calling 503.657.8273 or in person at the Swimming Pool, 1211 Jackson St.
- **City Resident Discount**—A resident is anyone who lives inside the city limits of Oregon City. Non-residents pay higher fees since they do not pay Oregon City property taxes which help fund Parks & Recreation programs.

- **Scholarships**—For aquatic and select recreation programs scholarships are available to qualifying Oregon City residents. For more info call Rochelle Parsch at 503.496.1572 or pick up an application at one of our facilities.

- **For More Information Scan Here** —————>  
New classes, updates, registration fees and more information are available at [www.oregoncity.org](http://www.oregoncity.org).



### RIPPED®

A high energy program that masterfully combines easy yet effected cardiovascular routine interlaced with weights and resistance. It is doable yet challenging to help you produce the results you are looking for. With motivating, driving music, so you will jam through RIPPED with a smile. Please bring two sets of dumbbells—one light pair and one heavy pair (3–10 lbs), water and a yoga mat.

Questions? Email Erin at [ironefitness@gmail.com](mailto:ironefitness@gmail.com) or like us on Facebook.

*Mondays & Wednesdays | 6:00pm–7:00pm | \$6 per day—pay at the door | \$40 Punch Card for 8 classes  
OC Pool—Community Room, 1211 Jackson Street*



### Yoga *Discovering The Roots*

*The Roots* is a Hatha practice that is designed to help tune the mind-body for any level of yoga student. All the poses are performed using universal principles of alignment, which help to avoid injuries and make the poses particularly therapeutic and transformative. Please bring a yoga mat and block.

*Monday, Wednesday, Friday | 7:30–8:45am | \$10 Drop-in fee—pay at the door | \$160 Punch Card for 20 classes—buy from instructor Sarah Colarchik, RYI-200 | OC Pool—Community Room, 1211 Jackson Street*



### CEVA Volleyball

Columbia Empire Volleyball Association (CEVA) promotes, fosters and teaches life-long lessons through volleyball in Oregon and SW Washington. As one of the 40+ regions of USA Volleyball, CEVA is dedicated to providing quality volleyball opportunities through high caliber programs, member services and community involvement. CEVA offers playing opportunities for Junior Girls, Junior Boys, Adults and Outdoor Volleyball. For more information visit [www.cevaregion.org](http://www.cevaregion.org).



### Oregon City Community Education *Programs & Services*

Oregon City School District's Community Education Department is located at Eastham Community Center, 1404 7th Street | 503.785.8520 | [www.oregoncity.k12.or.us](http://www.oregoncity.k12.or.us)

- Community Education ■ Driver Education
- Early Childhood Program, ages 0–5 years ■ Extended Day Program
- Facility Rental Use ■ Summer Meal Program ■ Youth Sports



### Oregon City Youth Lacrosse

Oregon City Youth Lacrosse is available for boys in 1st grade through 8th grade.

The practices start in March. Games are in in April, May and through mid-June. There will be a mandatory meeting in February 2015. Watch for more information and flyers from your school.

For any questions, contact Devon Sommer at [devon\\_sommer@yahoo.com](mailto:devon_sommer@yahoo.com).



## INDOOR Playground

For Parents & Preschoolers

September 22—May 22

JOIN US FOR THIS POPULAR PARENT-CHILD DROP-IN ACTIVITY AT THE OREGON CITY SWIMMING POOL!

Three mornings a week children and their parents can play for two hours at our indoor playground in the Oregon City Community Room. Kids can crawl through tunnels, play on trikes, bounce balls, slide, run, jump and just have fun!

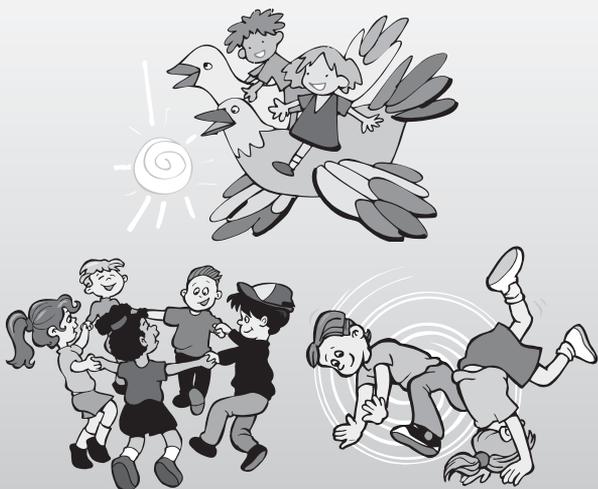
PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE:

- Check in at the front desk before you start playing.
- Talk to our front desk staff for an updated monthly calendar.
- Playground equipment is disinfected regularly!

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays | 10:00am—Noon

Drop-in Fee: \$2 per Child

Parents & Children under 12 months old are FREE!!



Swimming Pool—Community Room  
1211 Jackson St, Oregon City | 503.657.8273

## WINTER Day Camps!

For Ages 5–11

Children are well supervised during all phases of our day camps, and Lifeguards are provided for all swimming pool activities—campers swim 2:00–4:00pm each day. Bring a sack lunch, swimsuit and towel, and be sure to wear clothes that can get a little messy.

Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri | December 22—January 2 | 12:30–4:00pm  
\$43 Resident | \$59 Non-Resident (per 4-day Session)  
OC Pool, 1211 Jackson Street | For more info call 503.657.8273

**SESSION 1** December 22—26 (No camp Dec 25)

### HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Baking, decorating, gifting & all the fun holiday traditions!

**SESSION 2** December 29—January 2 (No camp Jan 1)

### WINTER FESTIVAL

Games and crafts based on a winter wonderland!

Register online at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org) | Call 503.657.8273

## SPRING Break Aqua Camp! For Ages 5–11

Monday–Friday | March 23–27 | 12:30–4:00pm

\$53.75 Resident | \$74.25 Non-Resident

OC Pool, 1211 Jackson Street

For more information call  
503.657.8273

**B-I-N-G-O** with Prizes galore! Everyone is a winner this week. There was a farmer 'had a dog.....singing and Nutter Butter puppy-making! Word puzzles, crafts and swimming everyday with your friends at camp. Every day will be an adventure with letters, too!

Children are well supervised during all phases of our day camps, and Lifeguards are provided for all swimming pool activities—campers swim 2:00–4:00pm each day. Bring a sack lunch, swimsuit and towel, and be sure to wear clothes that can get a little messy.

Register online at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org) | Call 503.657.8273

## Library Hours & Information

<b>Location</b>	Carnegie Center, 606 John Adams Street	
<b>Open</b>	Monday–Wednesday	10:00am–7:00pm
	Thursday–Saturday	10:00am–6:00pm
	Sunday	12:00pm–5:00pm
<b>Closed</b>	Thursday, December 25	Christmas Day
	Thursday, January 1	New Year's Day
	Monday, January 19	MLK, Jr. Day
	Monday, February 16	Presidents' Day
<b>More Info</b>	For the latest information on the library's entire range of programs and services call us at 503.657.8269 or visit <a href="http://www.orcity.org/library">www.orcity.org/library</a> .	

## Library News *from Director Maureen Cole*

GREETINGS FROM FALL 2014: It is hard to imagine winter on this beautiful fall day, which I wish never to end. It is good that the Library has such fun programs to look forward to! We are especially excited about our Community-Wide Read title this year, *Juliet's Nurse*, a retelling of *Romeo and Juliet* from Juliet's wet nurse's point of view. Portland author Lois Leveen will visit us on two occasions, once to talk about the writing of this tale, and once to discuss the art and architecture of medieval and Renaissance Italy. A former history professor at UCLA and Reed College, Leveen knows how to weave historically accurate information throughout her richly layered story, giving us the opportunity to look at this familiar tale from a completely new point of view. Additionally, we are adding some complimentary programs which you won't want to miss.

Currently, we are working towards getting City Commission approval of the site option for the Library addition. If all goes well, we will be into the schematic design phase when this is published. Please keep your eyes open for meetings and ways to contribute your feedback. You can always call me at 503.657.8269 x 1010 or email me at [mcole@orcity.org](mailto:mcole@orcity.org). I'd love to hear from you!

**Want All the Latest News?** Sometimes things change, so for all the latest news, sign up for the library's monthly newsletter at [www.orcity.org/library/webform/email-newsletter](http://www.orcity.org/library/webform/email-newsletter) and like us on Facebook!

## Help Us Serve You Better

The FREE library card issued to each member at registration is your key to checking out, renewing materials, picking up holds and using the Internet. Please bring your library card for prompt, accurate and secure services. If you've lost your card, please let us issue a new one for you. Using an ID instead of your library card requires staff to look up your information over and over, delaying your service as well as those next in line. You also need your PIN for all online services. If you don't know it, stop by the circulation desk for look-up.

## Reading Relit!!!

We hope you've enjoyed participating in our year-long reading challenge! Don't forget to submit your December ticket for the last monthly drawing. All tickets submitted throughout 2014 will be entered for the final Grand Prize drawing. The winner will be announced in January.

## Elevated Readers Book Club

**Thursdays | 6:15–8:00pm | at the Library**

The Library will host its book club group on the following dates:

■ January 8—Discussion: *Where'd You Go, Bernadette?*

■ March 5—Discussion: *Midnight's Children* by Salman Rushdie

*If you'd like more info about our discussion schedule (which varies occasionally), a list of titles we're reading, or questions to help make the most of your reading, send your email address to Betty at [barmstrong@orcity.org](mailto:barmstrong@orcity.org).*

## Technology Tutor *Appointments*

■ *Dumbfounded by your new device?*

■ *Scared of social networks?*

■ *Eager to learn about eBooks?*

■ *Confused by computers?*

■ *Mildly perplexed by Microsoft Office?*

■ *Interested in the Internet?*

WE'RE HERE TO HELP! Make an appointment with a skilled librarian today! We can help you get started with a variety of devices, software programs, library databases, and web applications. *To schedule a one-on-one appointment, call 503.657.8269 ext.1021, email [pmeilinger@orcity.org](mailto:pmeilinger@orcity.org) or stop by and fill out an interest form.*

## Half Off for the Holidays!!!

Our holiday treat to you! We will match each dollar you pay toward your overdue fines November 29–January 3. *Please note: This offer applies only to overdue fines, not lost or damage charges. Redeemable only at Oregon City Public Library.*

## Free Family Cultural Passes

The libraries throughout Clackamas County offer for check out one-day family passes to local cultural venues. You can check out a pass at the library, and treat your family to a FREE adventure. To reserve a pass for a specific day, come in or call 503.657.8269. Come check out some free fun! Participating venues include:

■ Chinese Garden

■ Japanese Garden

■ Crystal Springs

Rhododendron Garden

■ Pittock Mansion

■ Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum

■ Portland Art Museum

*The Art Museum now charges adults a \$5 entrance fee along with the cultural pass.*

## Read Down Your Fines!!!

Children ages 12 and under are able to pay their library fines just by reading. Simply come to the library and read...one hour equals one dollar off your overdue fines. Ask at the children's desk for more info.

## Winter Library Events

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11 | 7:00PM | LIBRARY**

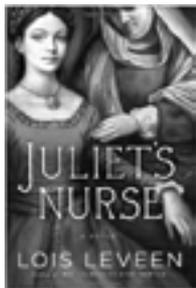
**Holiday Concert by Harpist Joanna Pearson**—Oregon City's favorite harpist Joanna Pearson treats us with an evening of beautiful holiday music!

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 8 | 6:30–8:00PM | LIBRARY**

**Demystifying Meditation**—Why meditate? Surja Tjahaja teaches the practice of mindfulness meditation.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 15 | 6:00–8:00PM | LIBRARY**

**Happy Birthday William Stafford!**—Join area poets in celebrating the birthday of Oregon's Poet Laureate, William Stafford.



### FEBRUARY—COMMUNITY-WIDE READ EVENTS

FOR OUR COMMUNITY-WIDE READ EVENT THIS YEAR, WE ARE THRILLED TO PRESENT PORTLAND AUTHOR LOIS LEEVEN AND HER LATEST TITLE *JULIET'S NURSE*, A RETELLING OF *ROMEO AND JULIET* FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF JULIET'S WET NURSE. Enjoy the novel and related events with your fellow readers for an entertaining and enlightening slate of mid-winter pick-me-ups!

*We have extra copies of the book available for check out.*

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12 | 7:00PM | ATKINSON CHURCH**

**Portland Author Lois Leveen**—Historian and novelist Lois Leveen shares fascinating insights into the historical research and the creative process for her new novel, *Juliet's Nurse*. Library Journal said of the novel, "Beautifully written ... Leveen's intricate storytelling is impressive."

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | 7:00PM | ATKINSON CHURCH**

**Lois Leveen on Art & Architecture of Italy**—Take a trip to breathtaking Verona, without any jet lag! Italy is filled with beautiful art and architecture. Join our Community Read author, Lois Leveen, for an interactive discussion about how we interpret and appreciate these great works. A great way to see the beauty of Italy without leaving Oregon City.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24 | 7:00PM | LIBRARY**

**Original Practice Shakespeare Festival**—OPS Fest performs using the same techniques as they did in Shakespeare's own time, which means limited rehearsal, an on-stage prompter, fast paced, energetic acting and lots of audience interaction. Join us as they perform the nurse's scenes from *Romeo and Juliet*. Shakespeare like you've never seen it!

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26 | 7:00PM | LIBRARY**

**Music of the Renaissance with Gayle & Phil Neuman**—Music from the time of Shakespeare, with music and instruments of 16th and early 17th century England. Composers include Antony Holborne, Henry VIII and Thomas Morley. One of the selections is "Heart's Ease," specifically mentioned by Peter, the servant in *Romeo and Juliet*. Instruments include the more familiar violin, cittern, recorders, viol and early trombones (sackbuts), as well as more unusual ones such as rackett, tartold, serpent and douçaine. Program also includes several vocal pieces.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 12 | 7:00PM | LIBRARY**

**Local Storyteller Will Hornyak**—Join us for an entertaining evening of Celtic Tales.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 19 | 7:00PM | LIBRARY**

**Music with Whispering Roses**—With a dynamic combination of mellow airs, lively Celtic dance tunes and rich vocal harmonies, Whispering Roses are sure to charm you!

## First Friday Film Series!

*End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center*  
1726 Washington Street

JOIN US AS WE CONTINUE  
THE 2ND YEAR OF OUR POPULAR  
1ST FRIDAY FILM SERIES.

**DECEMBER 5 | 6:30PM**

**What Would Jesus Buy?**—Do you think our culture is overly preoccupied with materialism, particularly around the holidays? Before you set out for your holiday shopping, join us for this provocative film.

**FEBRUARY 6 | 6:30PM**

**Love, Etc.**—Our February "romantic-themed" film ties nicely into Valentine's Day and our Community-Wide Read book *Juliet's Nurse*, a retelling of *Romeo and Juliet*. Young, old, gay, straight—everyone has experienced love—and the joy and frustration that comes with it. *Love, Etc.* documents the intimate journeys of engaging characters aged 18–89 who reflect the city's diversity, and takes an honest look at life's most challenging pursuit.

**MARCH 6 | 6:30PM**

**The Human Face of Big Data**—With the rapid emergence of digital devices, an unstoppable, invisible force is changing human lives: Big Data now governs the day for many of us from the moment we awaken to the extinguishing of the final late-evening light bulb. This massive gathering and analyzing of data in real time allows us to address some of humanity's biggest challenges. Yet the accessibility of all this data can come at a steep price.

For more information and a complete list of all library or other city events, please visit the City Calendar at [www.orcity.org/calendar](http://www.orcity.org/calendar).

## Storytimes 10:15am

Your child's early experiences with books and language lay the foundation for success in learning to read. During our Library storytimes, toddlers and preschoolers enjoy books, songs, rhymes and movement activities while building language and literacy skills. Simple crafts, live music and special guests—along with our storytime leaders will make storytime a special time for your child. Be sure to check our website and watch for flyers announcing the fun!

PRESCHOOLERS 3–6 years old Mondays & Wednesdays

PRESCHOOL  
Yoga Storytime 3–6 years old Tuesdays

TODDLERS 0–3 years old Thursdays

TODDLER  
Yoga Storytime 0–3 years old Fridays

## Evening Family Storytime

### Pajama Party!

Join us for stories, games and crafts! Wear your pajamas!  
Tuesday, December 16 | 6:00–7:00pm  
2–7 years old and family members of all ages

## Crafts!!! All on Wednesdays | 2:00pm

Space is limited and sign-up is required for all crafts, so please call 503.657.8269 or stop in to sign-up.

December 10 3–6 years old Christmas is coming. Make a few ornaments for your tree!

December 17 7–10 years old Fun Christmas decorations

December 31 5–10 years old Winter Break Craft

January 14 7–10 years old Surprise Craft

February 4 3–6 years old I Love Valentine's Day Craft

February 11 7–10 years old Valentine's Day Craft

March 25 3–10 years old Grow Easter Grass

## Teen Gaming Nights!

Grades 6–12 | Thursdays | 6:30–8:00pm | Free  
Come play video games and have snacks! Games TBA.

December 4 | January 8 | February 5 | March 5

Please check our website for more teen events to be announced!



## Friends of the Library Donations

YOUR TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS ARE MUCH APPRECIATED IN THESE LEAN BUDGETARY TIMES! Friends of the Library happily accepts donations of books, videos, CDs and books on tape. Money from the sale of materials is used by the Friends for a variety of projects to improve library services.

*Please bring donations directly to the bookstore, not the library.*

### Favorite Donations Are:

- Best-sellers still in demand
- Newer non-fiction works on contemporary, practical issues
- Paperback westerns, mysteries and large-print titles
- Children's books
- Music CDs
- Audio Books
- VHS/DVD movies in good condition

### Not Accepted Are:

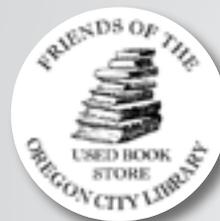
- Old encyclopedias
- Fiction from the '60s, '70s & '80s
- Reader's Digest Condensed Books
- Magazines
- Moldy, smelly, dirty or damaged materials.

*If you would like a receipt for tax purposes, ask for one at the time of donation. A value cannot be assigned to the items, but a notation of the number of items of each type will be made. For more information please contact the Friends of the Library Book Store at 503.594.0261 or [oclibraryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:oclibraryfriends@gmail.com).*

## Support Local Authors

The Friends of the Oregon City Library Used Book Store is now offering new books by local authors. Our selection includes novels, inspirational memoirs, poetry and local history. Shop local and support the authors in our community. Local authors who would like to add their books to our stock are invited to contact the book store by email: [oclibraryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:oclibraryfriends@gmail.com)

◆ BOOKS ◆ ART ◆ MOVIES ◆  
◆ CARDS ◆ GIFTS ◆ MUSIC ◆



**Three Rivers**  
Artist Guild

502 Seventh Street, Oregon City

Mon–Sat • 11:00am–6:00pm

Sundays • 12:00pm–5:00pm

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ARTIST  
GUILD  
GALLERY



## Grow Smart, Grow Safe

- Want your home and garden to be chemical-free?
- Want to kick the “weed and feed” habit?
- Looking for more resources to help improve the health of Oregon City’s streams and rivers?

Go to [www.growsmartgrowsafe.org](http://www.growsmartgrowsafe.org)

This multi-agency project is a helpful guide to choosing safer products for your lawn and garden.

- Learn how to control pests and weeds using low hazard methods.
- Find lawn fertilizers that have the highest “slow-release” content, as these are less likely to pollute our streams and rivers.
- Learn how to build healthy soil and discover “Integrated Pest Management”.

Spend these rainy months preparing for next year’s gardening adventure and grow smart, grow safe.



## Indoor Home Water Audit Kit

WINTER IS A GOOD TIME TO TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR INDOOR WATER USE. The Clackamas River Water Providers has a new Indoor Home Water Audit Kit to help you figure out how much water you are using and where you can save the most water. Conducting an audit is simple and may take an hour to complete. It will help you locate leaks so you can prioritize fixing them, and identify which fixtures may need to be upgraded to new low-flow fixtures so you can start saving water and money.

### Indoor Home Water Audit Kits Include

- **AUDIT KIT INSTRUCTIONS**—This brochure will guide you through the steps of how to conduct an indoor home water audit.
- **FLOW METER BAG**—Use this bag to measure how much water your household fixtures use (kitchen faucet, showerhead, bathroom faucet).
- **DRIP GAUGE**—Use this to measure drips around your house. Even a seemingly small drip can waste a lot of water. This gauge will give you an idea just how much that might be.
- **LEAK DETECTION TABLETS**—Use these tablets to see if your toilet has a leak.

For more information, to request free low water using devices for your home or how to participate in the CRWP Water Conservation Rebate Program, please call 503.723.3511 or visit us at [www.clackamasproviders.org](http://www.clackamasproviders.org).

Members of the Clackamas River Water Providers (CRWP): \*Clackamas River Water | City of Estacada | City of Gladstone | \*City of Lake Oswego | \*City of Tigard | Oak Lodge Water District | South Fork Water Board (water provider to Oregon City and West Linn) | Sunrise Water Authority (water provider to Happy Valley and Damascus).

\* These members do not participate in the CRWP Water Conservation Rebate Program.

## Need to Discard Large Items?

IF YOU HAVE AN OLD APPLIANCE, PIECE OF FURNITURE, OLD TIRES OR OTHER LARGE ITEMS YOU DON’T WANT ANYMORE, CALL OREGON CITY GARBAGE AT 503.656.8403. Year-round, they can arrange to pick up these things for disposal. They also have large temporary garbage containers available if you are working on a clean-out or DIY project. Fees vary.

If the item is still in good and usable condition, consider donating it to a thrift store or other charity such as Community Warehouse or Habitat ReStore. It is a good idea to call first to see if they accept the item you want to donate.

If you want to get rid of a TV, computer or monitor, these items are prohibited from going into the garbage. Recycle them for free at Oregon E-Cycles locations in Oregon City: Goodwill, the Metro Transfer Station and the Salvation Army drop-off trailer at Fred Meyer. [www.OregonECycles.org](http://www.OregonECycles.org).

Information provided by Clackamas County 503.557.6363, [www.clackamas.us/recycling](http://www.clackamas.us/recycling)



## Neighborhood Association Meetings *Updated information at [www.orcity.org/community](http://www.orcity.org/community)*

### CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COUNCIL [CIC]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 1st Monday every month

Where City Hall–Commission Chambers, 625 Center Street

Info Kattie Riggs, CIC/Staff Liaison | 503.657.0891 | [kriggs@orcity.org](mailto:kriggs@orcity.org)

### BARCLAY HILLS [BHNA] [BARCLAYHILLSNA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:BARCLAYHILLSNA@GMAIL.COM)

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 2nd Tuesdays | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct

Where St. John Catholic Cemetery, 451 Warner Street

Info Tony Uzuegbunam, Chair | [fred.don1@gmail.com](mailto:fred.don1@gmail.com)

Gail Doyle, Secretary | [gaildoy@msn.com](mailto:gaildoy@msn.com)

### CANEMAH [CNA]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 3rd Thursdays | Feb, Apr, Jun, Sep, Nov

Where South End Fire Station, 19001 South End Road

Info Linda Baysinger, Chair | 503.502.7968 |

[team.baysinger@comcast.net](mailto:team.baysinger@comcast.net)

Dennis Anderson, Vice Chair | 503.866.4518 |

[GO2Danderson@gmail.com](mailto:GO2Danderson@gmail.com)

### CAUFIELD [CFNA]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 4th Tuesdays | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct

Where Beavercreek Cooperative Telephone, 15223 Henrici Road

Info Larry Hanlon, Co-Chair | [larryhanlon@hotmail.com](mailto:larryhanlon@hotmail.com)

Mike Mermelstein, Co-Chair | [mike1376@aol.com](mailto:mike1376@aol.com)

### GAFFNEY LANE [GLNA]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 4th Thursdays | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct

Where The Meadows Courtyard, 13637 Garden Meadows Dr

Info Amy Willhite, Chair | [awillhit@yahoo.com](mailto:awillhit@yahoo.com)

### HAZEL GROVE–WESTLING FARM [HG-WFNA]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 3rd Thursdays | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct

Where Oregon City United Methodist Church, 18955 S. South End Rd

Info Kathy Hogan, Co-Chair | 503.657.9435 | [hogansbluff@aol.com](mailto:hogansbluff@aol.com)

Tom O'Brien, Co-Chair | 503.723.3334 | [tom.obrien4@comcast.net](mailto:tom.obrien4@comcast.net)

### HILLENDALE [HNA]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 1st Tuesdays | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct

Where Living Hope Church, 19691 Meyers Road

Info Stephen Andersen, Chair | [blacktiedj@comcast.net](mailto:blacktiedj@comcast.net)

Roy Harris, Vice Chair | [royandanna@centurylink.net](mailto:royandanna@centurylink.net)

### MCLOUGHLIN [MNA]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 1st Thursdays | Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov

Where Fire Station #15, 7th & John Adams

Info Denise McGriff, Chair | [guttmcg@msn.com](mailto:guttmcg@msn.com)

Francesca Anton, Vice Chair | [francescairena@gmail.com](mailto:francescairena@gmail.com)

### PARK PLACE [PPNA] [PPNA@COMCAST.NET](mailto:PPNA@COMCAST.NET)

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 3rd Mondays of May, Oct | 4th Monday of Feb

Where Alliance Charter Academy, 16075 Front Ave

Steering Committee

When 3rd Mondays | Jan, Mar, Apr, Jun, Aug, Sep, Nov

Info Bob La Salle, Chair | [jeanbob06@comcast.net](mailto:jeanbob06@comcast.net)

Barbara Renken, Vice Chair | [miniflower@comcast.net](mailto:miniflower@comcast.net)

### RIVERCREST [RNA]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 3rd Thursdays | Mar, Jun, Nov

Where (All meetings) First Presbyterian Church, Linn Ave & Warner Milne

Steering Committee

When 7:00pm | 3rd Thursday | February

Info Harris Gwinn, Chair | 503.656.0441 | [harrisgwinn@msn.com](mailto:harrisgwinn@msn.com)

Karin Morey, Vice Chair | [karin.morey@gmail.com](mailto:karin.morey@gmail.com)

### SOUTH END [SENA] [SENA97045@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SENA97045@GMAIL.COM)

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 3rd Thursdays | Jan, Mar, May, Aug, Oct

Where Oregon City United Methodist Church, 18955 S. South End Road

Info Bill McConnel, Chair | 503.860.1037 | [billmccannel@yahoo.com](mailto:billmccannel@yahoo.com)

### TOWER VISTA [TVNA]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 2nd Wednesdays | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct

Where Ainsworth House, 19130 Lot Whitcomb Drive

Info Todd Last, Chair | [Todd.Last@comcast.net](mailto:Todd.Last@comcast.net)

### TWO RIVERS [TRNA]

#### General Meetings

When 7:00pm | 4th Wednesdays | Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct

Where Determined by the Steering Committee

Typically held at the Rivershore Bar & Grill, 1900 Clackamas Drive

Info Bryon Boyce, Chair | [bryony@birdlink.net](mailto:bryony@birdlink.net)

Kimberly Dye, Vice Chair | [kimberlydyerealtor@comcast.net](mailto:kimberlydyerealtor@comcast.net)



Download a current detailed map of Oregon City Neighborhoods at [www.orcity.org/maps/neighborhood-associations-overview-map](http://www.orcity.org/maps/neighborhood-associations-overview-map).

## Spring is Oregon City Grant Season

DOES YOUR GROUP HAVE A PROJECT THAT WOULD ENHANCE OREGON CITY OR BRING TOURISTS HERE? The City of Oregon City has two grant programs that could help your group fund a project in the 2015–16 fiscal year. This year the Oregon City–Metro Enhancement Committee and the Oregon City Civic Improvement Trust awarded a combined \$153,344. The amount available for each program to award varies each year. The Oregon City Civic Improvement Trust (OCCIT) is a non-profit entity of the City of Oregon City, formed in 1982 and funded by the hotel/motel tax. By City ordinance, the hotel/motel tax is designated for projects that promote tourism within Oregon City boundaries. The OCCIT committee will meet to review applications in March or April.

The Oregon City–Metro Enhancement Committee (OCMEC) provides an excellent opportunity for the City of Oregon City and METRO to support critical neighborhood projects. The grant program benefits the Oregon City community, affected by the METRO South Transfer Station at Highway 213 and Washington St, and is available to projects within the City boundaries. The program derives its funding from an intergovernmental agreement between Oregon City and METRO. This agreement generates a \$.50 per ton surcharge on fees collected at the Metro South Transfer Station on Washington Street. Applications for this grant are reviewed by the OCMEC committee in May.

*Applications and specifics for each grant program will be available at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org) by Jan 30, 2015. For more info, contact Michele Beneville at 503.496.1542 or [mbbeneville@orcity.org](mailto:mbbeneville@orcity.org).*

## Victim Assistance Program

THE CLACKAMAS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER VICTIM ADVOCATES, BOTH MALE AND FEMALE, WHO ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING VICTIMS OF CRIME. The criteria for becoming an advocate includes the ability to care about others, possess good listening skills, be at least 18 years of age, have reliable transportation and no criminal background. As a Victim Advocate you will have the privilege of providing crisis intervention, follow-up support, keeping victims informed of their case status, accompanying victims to court (if applicable) and encouraging them to exercise their rights as a victim. Applications are currently being accepted for the Spring 2015 training session set to begin in April. All accepted applicants receive the necessary training to prepare them to be a Victim Advocate. *For more info or an application, please contact Krysti Bellmore at 503.655.8616 or [krystibel@co.clackamas.or.us](mailto:krystibel@co.clackamas.or.us).*

## City Meetings

Budget Committee	As Announced
Chief’s Advisory Committee (Police & Fire Departments)	3rd Tuesday   Jan, Mar, May, Sep, Nov   6:00pm OCPD, Court Chambers
City Commission	1st & 3rd Wednesday   7:00pm
Civic Improvement Trust	As Announced
Historic Review Board	4th Tuesday   6:00pm
Library Board	2nd Wednesday   Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec   4:30pm
Metro Enhancement Committee	As Announced
Natural Resources Committee	2nd Wednesday   7:00pm
Parking Advisory Board	As Announced
Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee	4th Thursday   7:00pm
Planning Commission	2nd & 4th Monday   7:00pm
Transportation Advisory Committee	3rd Tuesday   6:00pm
Urban Renewal Agency	As Announced

## Useful Contact Info

<b>COMMUNITY</b>	(Area Code 503)
End of Oregon Trail Interpretive Center	657.9336 <a href="http://www.historicoregoncity.org">www.historicoregoncity.org</a>
Ermatinger House	650.1851
McLoughlin House	656.5146
Museum of the Oregon Territory	655.5574 <a href="http://www.historicoregoncity.org">www.historicoregoncity.org</a>
Oregon City Soccer	672.9264 ext. 484
Oregon City Youth Baseball & Softball	632.0569
Oregon City Youth Football	632.0547
Redland Baseball	<a href="http://www.redlandball.org">www.redlandball.org</a>
Stevens-Crawford House	655.2866
Tri Cities Adult Softball Association	659.2992
YMCA	657.9795
<b>CITY GOVERNMENT</b>	(Area Code 503)
Emergency Service	911
City Hall	657.0891
Building Dept	722.3789
Code Enforcement	496.1559
Community Services	496.1546
Fire Business	742.2670
Library	657.8269
Mountain View Cemetery	657.8299
Municipal Court	657.8154
Parks Department	496.1201
Pioneer Community Center	657.8287
Planning Department	722.3789
Police Business	657.4964
Public Affairs	657.0891
Public Works Operations	657.8241
Public Works Engineering	657.0891
Recreation	496.1565
Swimming Pool & Activity Registration	657.8273
South Fork Water Board	657.5030
Utility (Water) Billing	657.8151
<b>OTHER GOVERNMENT</b>	(Area Code 503)
Animal Control	655.8628
Clackamas Community College	657.6958
Clackamas County	353.4400
Clackamas County Commissioners	655.8581
Eastham Community Center	785.8520
Fish & Wildlife	657.2000
Oregon City School District	785.8000



## Holiday Safety Tips

PLEASE TAKE TIME TO ENSURE YOU HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON BY BEING MINDFUL OF THE FOLLOWING SAFETY TIPS:

### **Holiday Shopping Season**

- Be aware of your surroundings. Look for suspicious persons, etc. in all areas.
- Keep all car doors locked and windows closed while in or out of your car. Set your car alarm.
- Remember where you parked your car.
- If shopping late in the day or after dark, park in a well-lighted area.
- Shop in pairs, at the very least. Take a friend or family member shopping with you. There's something to be said for safety in numbers.
- As you return to your car, make sure to keep your car key in your hand.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Carry cash and wallets in a front pocket to reduce the chance of having your pocket picked.
- Don't leave mobile phones, purses, purchased merchandise or any other item of value where they can be seen in your parked car. Always conceal these items.
- Never leave your car unoccupied with the motor running or with children inside.

### **Automated Teller Machines (ATM)**

- If you must use an ATM, choose one that is located inside a mall or well-lighted location. Withdraw only the amount of cash you need.
- Protect your PIN by shielding the ATM keypad from anyone who is standing near you.
- Do not throw your ATM receipt away at the ATM location.

### **At Home**

- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, even for a few minutes.
- Indoor and outdoor lights should be on an automatic timer.
- Large displays of holiday gifts should not be visible through the windows or doors of your home.

## Community Outreach & Crime Prevention

THE OREGON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO BUILD AN EMAIL DATA BASE FOR OUR CITIZENS. This would allow our Community Outreach & Crime Prevention office to be able to send out media information to our citizens on a regular basis. If you're interested in receiving information from your Police Department, please email [cwadsworth@orcity.org](mailto:cwadsworth@orcity.org) to have your email address added to our data base. Any questions, please feel free to contact Community Outreach at the Oregon City Police Department at 503.496.1681. Please also remember that you can follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

## Spring 2015 Shred-It Event

### **Sponsored by the Oregon City Police Department**

Please mark your calendar for Saturday, April 25 from 9:00am–12:00pm. The event will be held in the parking lot of the Police Department at 320 Warner Milne Road. Detailed information in the next Trail News.

## Alarm Systems & the Fall–Winter Holidays



DON'T LET YOUR HOLIDAY SEASON BE RUINED BY FALSE ALARMS!

### **Motion Detectors & Holiday Decorations**

When decorating the interior of your home or business for the holidays, ensure that decorations will not activate motion detectors especially when forced air heating systems are turned on! After decorating, inspect to make sure no festive decorations interfere with window and door contacts. Secure outdoor/indoor lights around doors and windows so that in the event they hit the glass portion of the window, they will not activate glass break detectors. With inclement weather and higher wind gusts during the winter season, please check doors and windows for cracks or a loose fit in the frame to deter false alarms.

### **Family & Friends, Temporary Users, Holiday Travel**

Ensure that everyone with a key to your home or business knows how to use your alarm system, from keypads to pass codes and canceling police response.

### **Homes Alarm Users**

The Holiday Season provides an opportunity for family and friends to visit, and children are home from college. Let your alarm company know if you will be out of town, and advise them of who will be house-sitting and what additional, temporary contact numbers may need to be added.

### **Business Alarm Users**

Let your alarm company know if you have hired temporary employees during this holiday season who will be using the alarm system and what additional, temporary contact numbers may need to be added.

*With everyone's help, you can make this a safe, happy and false alarm-free Holiday Season.*

## Fingerprinting Service

The Oregon City Police Department now provides a fingerprinting service. To make an appointment to have your fingerprints done, please call 503.496.1681 Monday–Thursday, 7:00am–6:00pm. The fee is \$15 per card, cash only. For more information please visit [www.orcity.org/police/fingerprinting-service](http://www.orcity.org/police/fingerprinting-service).



**FAQs** *Code Enforcement Answers Frequently Asked Questions*



■ **Q** *I filed an anonymous complaint a month ago. Why haven't I noticed any changes at the problem property?*

**A** The city receives many requests for service; all are not violations. Once a complaint is received an officer will verify the allegation. Allegations that are founded result in corrective action, providing the property owner the opportunity to correct any possible violations. It is important to remember the city has minimum livability standards, as outlined in the Oregon City Municipal Code. These requirements may not meet the expectations of the complainant.



■ **Q** *My neighbor has an old tent structure that I have to look at from my dining room window. Is this allowed?*

**A** Tent structures are regulated as all membrane structures are. Membrane structures shall be located behind the front building line of the primary structure and shall not be visible from the abutting right-of-way.



■ **Q** *Who is responsible for sidewalk maintenance?*

**A** Adjacent property owners are responsible for maintaining the sidewalks abutting their property. Sidewalks should be safe and accessible for the use of the general public including those with mobility and vision disabilities. Clearing debris, overgrown vegetation, snow and maintaining sidewalks in good repair is all part of property ownership.

■ **Q** *Does the nuisance ordinance apply to my private property?*

**A** Yes. See chapter 8.08 and 8.20.160 of the Municipal Code.



■ **Q** *Limbs from my neighbor's street tree fell down in the windstorm last week. The limbs are obstructing the street parking and are a hazard for passing vehicles. Who is responsible for cleaning up the mess?*

**A** The abutting property owner to the tree is responsible for the prompt removal of fallen trees, broken limbs and leaf removal; keeping the area safe for pedestrians and motorists.

*For more info, please call the complaint and information line at 503.496.1559 or visit [www.orcity.org/code-enforcement](http://www.orcity.org/code-enforcement).*

**Obstructing or Overgrown Vegetation Can Create Hazards**

Potential hazards, such as low tree limbs and overgrown shrubbery extending into the street or sidewalk area can interfere with the free use of public areas, creating unforeseen hazards. Please do your part and assess the public areas abutting your property regularly, ensuring pedestrian and vehicular paths are well maintained for all who use them.



*Example of overgrown/obstructing vegetation.*

**What? I need a Permit?**



**ThinkPermit**

Protect your home. Protect your family.

To find out when you need a permit for your home project,

call the Oregon City Building

Department at 503.722.3789 or

check this website:

**[www.ThinkPermit.com](http://www.ThinkPermit.com)**



[www.clackamasfire.com](http://www.clackamasfire.com)

District Office 503.742.2600

Fire Prevention 503.742.2660

Public Info 503.742.2693

### Daily Burn Message

Recorded information on burning—updated daily.  
503.632.0211

Burning is prohibited within the city limits. Call DEQ to file a complaint about someone burning garbage.  
503.229.5293



Remember—Only working smoke alarms save lives. Test your home's smoke alarms once a month; install new batteries every year.



## Stay Safe This Winter *With These Candle Safety Tips...*

CANDLES ARE A LEADING CAUSE OF HOUSE FIRES, ESPECIALLY DURING HOLIDAY AND COLD WEATHER MONTHS. Statistics show that most candle fires start when candles are left unattended in the home.

### *Here are some helpful tips to keep your family safe when using candles...*

- Never leave candles unattended.
- Make sure a grown-up is always in the room when a candle is burning.
- If a grown-up leaves the room, make sure he or she puts out the candle first.
- Set up a “kid-free” zone around burning candles: no playing with or near candles, with candle wax, or with items that could catch fire near candles.
- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that could catch on fire.
- Don't put candles in windows or doorways where the wind could knock them over.
- Keep matches & lighters up high, out of children's sight & reach, preferably in a locked cabinet.
- Make sure to use candles and candle holders that are sturdy and won't tip over easily.
- Consider using flameless candles to replace real flame candles.
- Develop and practice your home escape plan.
- Make sure your home is equipped with multiple working smoke alarms.

**Use Candles With Care! When You Go Out... BLOW IT OUT!**



## 50th Annual Operation Santa Claus

THE SLEIGH BELLS FROM OPERATION SANTA CLAUS HAVE BEEN RINGING FOR THE CITIZENS OF CLACKAMAS FIRE DISTRICT #1 SINCE 1974. Firefighters recognized the need to provide toys and food baskets to families and individuals that were less fortunate, and not likely to experience the joys of the holiday season. Hence, Operation Santa Claus was formed.

**Operation Santa Claus is 100% funded by donations from members of the community.**

During this month-long holiday toy and food drive, fire district volunteers and employees lead Santa's fire engine parade down neighborhood streets (check website to see when the parade will be in your neighborhood) to collect toys and non-perishable food items, which are used to fill hundreds of food baskets for needy families. Donated new toys bring a little extra Christmas cheer to children. Donated funds are used to purchase perishable items for food baskets, and help to cover miscellaneous expenses.

For complete information about how you can help and a neighborhood parade schedule, visit [www.clackamasfire.com/operationsanta.html](http://www.clackamasfire.com/operationsanta.html).

## City Supports Residents in Preparing for Disaster via the CERT Program

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) IS A FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY PROGRAM DESIGNED TO PREPARE PEOPLE TO HELP THEMSELVES, THEIR FAMILIES AND NEIGHBORS IN THE EVENT OF DISASTER.

Here in Oregon City, the CERT program is being revamped thanks to a cadre of dedicated volunteers and support from Clackamas Fire District #1. Oregon City Public Works is pleased to also support this grass roots effort in bringing awareness and preparedness to individuals, families and businesses across Oregon City.

Officials agree that the Pacific Northwest is due for a large earthquake. Terrorist attacks are a real threat. Chemical spills in the course of transport happen, despite industry standards and mandatory precautions. In addition to these emergencies, personal disasters such as house fires occur across the country every 80 seconds.

These are all real risks for each of us. The good news is, it's never too late to prepare. Preparation empowers individuals, households and entire communities to anticipate, respond to and successfully recover from a personal or large-scale disaster.

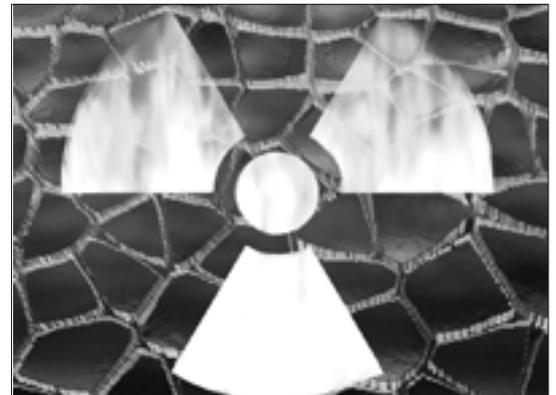
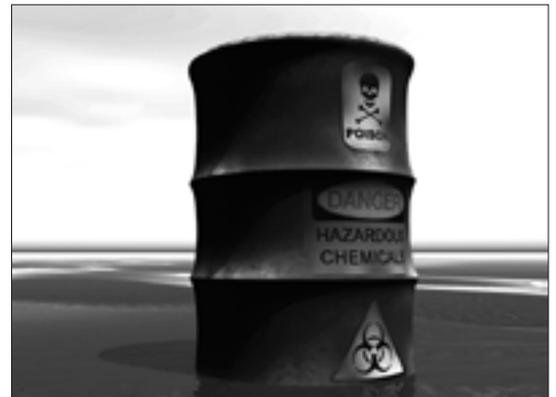
CERT gives people an opportunity to learn how to help themselves and others in times of crisis. It empowers individuals, households, and entire communities by providing a better understanding of the hazards we face in this area. It is a no-nonsense training that focuses on life threats and provides students with the steps necessary to reduce the effects of these hazards for their family members and their communities. Contrary to general perception, what we think of as "traditional first responders"—those who provide fire, medical and security services on a daily basis—are few and far between, leaving many to fend for themselves immediately after a large-scale disaster.

CERT is about personal and neighborhood readiness, ordinary people helping each other, and citizen rescuer safety. It offers a positive and realistic approach to emergency and disaster situations that takes into account the fact that citizens may initially be on their own. With just a little training, individuals can make a lifesaving difference. In fact, 95% of the time, victims and bystanders are the first available to provide on-scene assistance to those in need.

CERT graduates learn:

- Likely hazards relevant to the local area
- Citizens' opportunities and responsibility to mitigate and prepare
- Life-saving skills with emphasis on safety, decision making, and doing the greatest good for the greatest number

Get involved and learn about free, upcoming events at [clackamasfire.com/OCcert.html](http://clackamasfire.com/OCcert.html).



**THOSE WHO LIVE OR WORK IN OREGON CITY ARE ENCOURAGED TO VISIT: [WWW.CLACKAMASFIRE.COM/CERT.HTML](http://WWW.CLACKAMASFIRE.COM/CERT.HTML)**

There you can:

- Sign up for news
- Check out Oregon City CERT's monthly continuing education/informational meeting schedule
- Watch for the next free CERT course hosted by the Fire District

## Protect Life and Property from Flood Damage

MOST OREGON CITY RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS BELIEVE FLOODING IS NOT AN ISSUE FOR THEM; THIS IS NOT THE CASE.

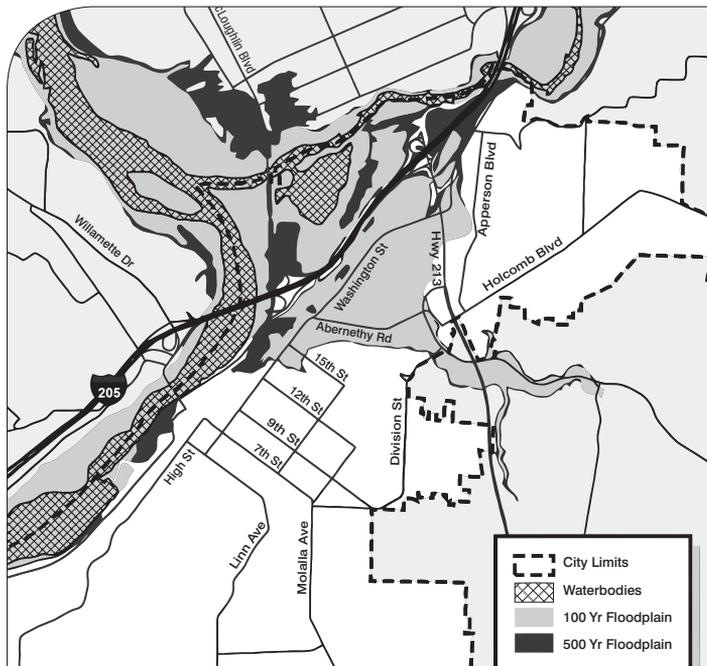
### TYPES OF FLOODING

In the Pacific Northwest, flooding is most common from October through April. Oregon City is subject to two types of flooding:

- 1 **RIVERINE FLOODING** (relating to rivers) occurs along our three major waterways: the Willamette and Clackamas Rivers and Abernethy Creek. Riverine flooding is a threat to life and safety. It can endanger people either when a flash flood hits an area with no warning or when floodwaters slowly rise and people ignore basic safety precautions.
- 2 **LOCAL DRAINAGE FLOODING** occurs along smaller creeks and drainageways. Local drainage flooding is more likely to create smaller scale inundations of roads or properties. There are three general types of problems:
  - High water tables after local storms sometimes mean wet crawlspaces, yards and basements.
  - In some areas, the lay of the land means surface water doesn't drain quickly to a receiving stream or storm sewer.
  - Storm sewers and culverts may be too small to convey heavier flows.

### NATURAL & BENEFICIAL FUNCTIONS OF FLOODING

Flooding is a natural process that helps restore a river's health, clean its sediments, create critical aquatic and streamside habitat, exchange nutrients between the river and floodplain and renew its fisheries. Floods can clean out accumulations of large wood and can bring leaves, needles, wood and dissolved nutrients into the river, giving aquatic communities access to new habitats and increased food supplies.



### OREGON CITY FLOODPLAIN

There are 277 Oregon City tax lots located entirely or partially within the 100-year floodplain. A 100-year floodplain is an area that has a 1% chance of flooding in any given year. Most lenders require flood insurance for structures located within the 100-year floodplain and some property owners, whether they are in the floodplain or not, choose to purchase flood insurance.

### OREGON CITY HAS A HISTORY OF FLOODING

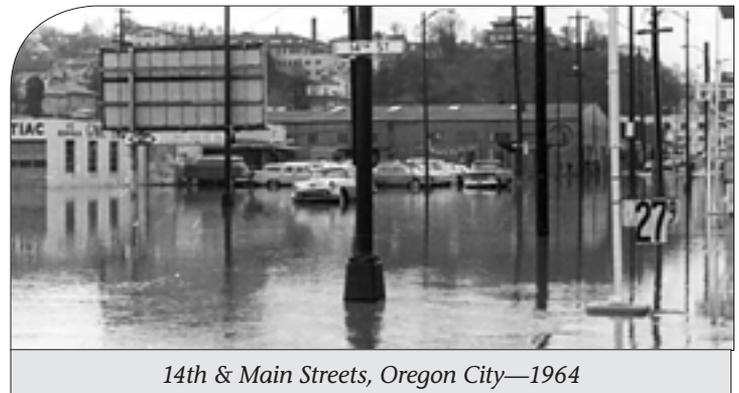
Although most Oregon City homes/businesses are not located in the 100-year floodplain and do not have high risk flooding factors, Oregon City receives an average annual precipitation of just over 47 inches making it subject to flooding. Since 1861, severe riverine flooding on the Willamette River occurred in 1890, 1924, 1943, 1948, 1956, 1964 and 1996. Major floods on the Clackamas River were recorded in 1923, 1931, 1960, 1964 and 1996.

### PROBLEMS WITH THE NFIP

In 1968, Congress created the *National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)*, a federal program operated by FEMA, because most homeowners' insurance policies did not cover floods. As a result, property owners who experienced a flood often found themselves financially devastated and unable to rebuild.

The NFIP was formed to fill that gap, and was designed to incorporate community adoption of minimum standards for new construction and development to minimize future risk of flood damage. Pre-existing homes and businesses, however, could remain as they were. Owners of many of these older properties were eligible to obtain insurance at lower, subsidized rates that did not reflect the property's true flood risk.

In addition, as the initial flood risk identified by the NFIP has been updated, many homes and businesses that were built in compliance with standards at the time of their construction have received discounted rates in areas where the risk of flooding has since been revised. This "Grandfathering" approach prevented rate increases for existing properties when the flood risk in their area increased.



14th & Main Streets, Oregon City—1964

**MAJOR CHANGES TO THE NFIP**

Because of insurance payouts following significant natural disasters, including Hurricanes Katrina and Sandy, flooding in the Missouri River Basin and other nationwide natural disasters, the NFIP is currently \$24 billion in debt. Reforms are being called for to require flood insurance premiums to actually reflect the real risk of flooding. In 2012, the U.S. Congress passed the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012, which called on FEMA and other agencies to make a number of changes to the way the NFIP is run. In 2014, the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 was signed into law. The law repeals and modifies certain provisions of the Act of 2012 and makes additional program changes to other aspects of the program not covered by that act. However, many provisions of the Act of 2012 remain and are still being implemented.

The intent is to strengthen the NFIP and ensure fiscal soundness. Today, the program is focused on implementing recent legislation by adjusting premium increases, issuing new rates and map updates and supporting mitigation measures. More information is available at [www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program](http://www.fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program).

**REDUCED FLOOD INSURANCE PREMIUMS**

In 1990, the NFIP introduced its Community Rating System (CRS) assigning municipalities grades of 1 to 10 (1 being the best). The idea is that if a community has taken steps to reduce the risk of flood damage that goes beyond the NFIP's minimum requirements, the community's residents should pay less for flood insurance because of the reduced risk. Flood insurance is sold through private insurance companies and agents and has been backed by the federal government.

Fortunately for owners of property in the floodplain, Oregon City is the only city in Clackamas County that participates in the NFIP and has met minimum NFIP standards. The City's current rating is a Level 7 making property owners eligible for up to a 15% decrease in flood insurance.

*As a result of our Level 7 rating, flood insurance premiums in the 100 year floodplain in 2013 were reduced an average of \$618/year from \$4,120 to \$3,502 per property. Annual city-wide rates (62 policies in and out of floodplain) average \$850 for residential and \$3,850 for nonresidential properties.*

*As for flood insurance payouts, following the floods of February 1996, 206 businesses/households applied for FEMA disaster assistance and received a total of \$1,336,500. An additional 12 flood insurance policy holders filed claims and received a combined total payout of \$969,000. The difference is an average payout of \$6,488 (FEMA) vs. \$80,750 (flood insurance).*

**WHAT CAN YOU DO TO PROTECT YOURSELF?**

Below is a partial list of measures that can be implemented to keep lives and property safe. See [www.ready.gov/floods](http://www.ready.gov/floods) for a complete list.

**Know your flood hazard**

Know if you are in:

- A 100-year floodplain
- A 500-year floodplain
- An area susceptible to local drainage flooding

**Insure your property for flood hazards**

If you own a property:

- Consider flood insurance; you don't have to live in a floodplain to benefit from flood insurance.
- Buy flood insurance if your home/business is in a floodplain.
- Renters in floodplains are encouraged to purchase personal property flood insurance.

**Protect people from the hazard**

- **TURN AROUND DON'T DROWN!** Most flood-related deaths are a result of drivers ignoring warnings and attempting to traverse unsafe roads/bridges.
- Other life and safety threats from flooding include electrocution, contaminated water and damage to emergency service and public health facilities.
- Designate a place where your family can rendezvous after a disaster.

**Protect your property from the hazard**

- Keep debris & trash out of streams & ditches.
- If your structure is in a flood zone, elevate your furnace, water heater, electric panel, etc.
- Consider installing "backwater valves" to prevent drainage systems from backing up into your home/business.

**Build responsibly**

- Before you build, get a permit from the Building Division. ([www.orcity.org/building](http://www.orcity.org/building) or 503.722.3789) BUILDING PERMITS SAVE LIVES!

**Protect natural floodplain functions**

- **NO DUMPING** in waterways, ditches or any water quality facilities.



Willamette Falls—February 10, 1996. Photo courtesy of Lew Scholl.

## Another Utility Master Plan is Updated

### *This Time the Sanitary Sewer Master Plan*

UTILITY MASTER PLANS SERVE AS A VITAL TOOL FOR MUNICIPALITIES TO CONDUCT TECHNICAL REVIEWS OF PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND TO UPDATE THE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND CAPITAL COSTS FOR THE UPCOMING PLANNING PERIOD. Master plans help determine future rates and financial requirements, and are critical components in the development planning process.

Oregon City Public Works, with the help of the Planning Division, has been busy updating its utility master plans. The new **Water Distribution Master Plan** was adopted in 2012, the **Transportation System Plan** was adopted in 2013 and the **Sanitary Sewer Master Plan** was adopted in 2014. These plans hadn't been updated since 2004, 2001 and 2003, respectively. Utility master planning for a city of Oregon City's size and complexity is considered necessary every 10 years.

The last utility master plan that needs updating is the Drainage [Stormwater] Master Plan, which was adopted in 1988. Although a few supplemental plans have been completed since then for specific drainage basins, a city-wide plan is overdue. This utility plan update will be the next plan tackled by Oregon City staff.

## Sanitary Sewer Master Plan Adopted

RECOGNIZING THAT CHANGES HAVE OCCURRED IN THE POPULATION OF OREGON CITY AND THE AREA AVAILABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USES SINCE THE ADOPTION OF THE LAST SANITARY SEWER MASTER PLAN (SSMP) IN 2003, THE CITY HIRED A CONSULTANT TO UPDATE ITS SSMP.

Oregon City provides sanitary sewer collection services to nearly 33,000 people spread across an area of approximately 9.3 square miles, and current users of the collection system total over 10,400 total connections. The City's sanitary sewer infrastructure includes over 148 miles of gravity pipelines ranging in size from approximately 2 to 36 inches in diameter, 3700 man-holes, 12 (major) pumping stations, and 6 miles of sanitary force mains.

The SSMP update was undertaken to provide guidance on capital improvement projects required to convey existing and future wastewater flows to the Tri-City Service District (TCSD) trunks and interceptors, and eventually to the Tri-City Water Pollution Control Plant. Guidance on the capital improvement needs of the collection system are required as part of prudent planning for the future and for continued reliable and effective sanitary service to Oregon City.

According to the U.S. Census website, the 2012 population of Oregon City is 32,755. At full build-out to the current Urban Growth Boundary (UGB), the population will grow to approximately 52,500. The service area will grow with approximately 1,799 acres of new land

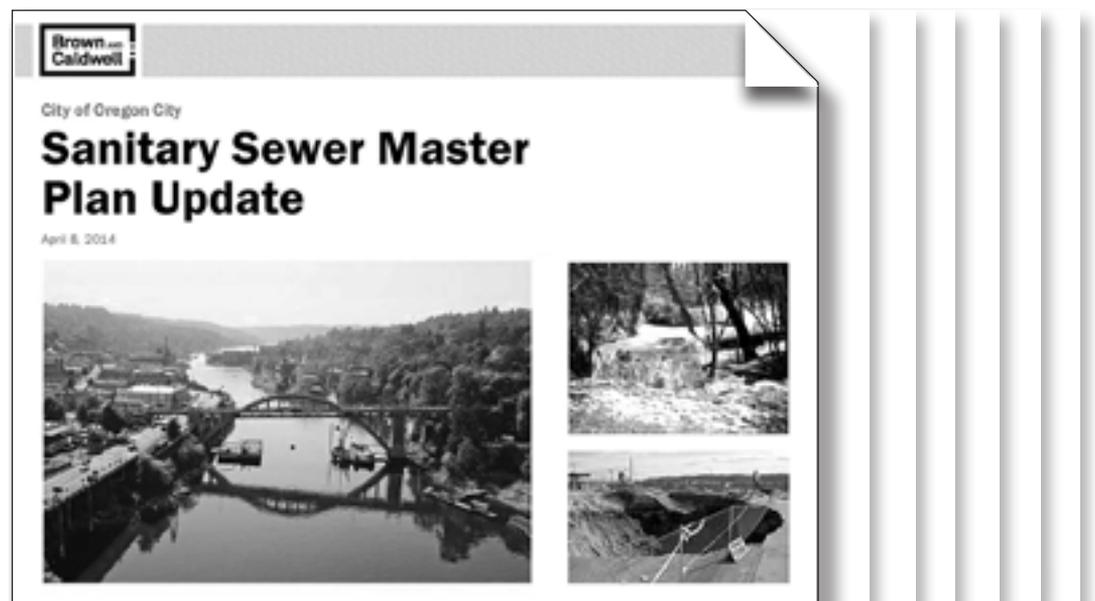
inside the current UGB that may be annexed into the City within the foreseeable future. The SSMP provides up-to-date recommendations for maintaining and expanding the sanitary sewer collection system as Oregon City develops.

The SSMP is comprised of an executive summary, appendices and six chapters including:

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Basis of Planning
- 3 Flow Projections and Modeling
- 4 Hydraulic Analysis
- 5 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
- 6 Limitations

*The adopted SSMP can be found on the City's website at [www.oregoncity.org/publicworks/sanitary-sewer-master-plan-update](http://www.oregoncity.org/publicworks/sanitary-sewer-master-plan-update).*

*Adoption: The new SSMP was adopted by the City Commission at its meeting on October 1, 2014 and became effective November 1, 2014. This followed several public meetings including a City Commission "Master Plan Development 101" presentation, open houses, presentation to the Citizen Involvement Committee, a land use hearing before the Planning Commission and, finally, a public hearing before the City Commission.*



## Wastewater Utility Rate Increases

AS A RESULT OF THE WORK PERFORMED TO COMPLETE THE UPDATE TO THE SANITARY SEWER MASTER PLAN (SSMP), IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT SEVERAL AREAS WITHIN OREGON CITY HAD SANITARY SEWER CAPACITY DEFICIENCIES. The City's Comprehensive Land Use Plan, which is aligned with State regulations, requires that the rate of community growth and development may not exceed the community's ability to provide essential public services. As a result, the City adopted an ordinance for a moratorium on land development and building permit approval in the areas that are sanitary sewer system flow-constrained. The City is now mandated to rectify our capacity deficiencies.

In order to stabilize our wastewater utility revenue and upgrade sanitary sewer pipes, wastewater rates must be increased. A wastewater rate increase of \$3.80 per dwelling unit per month became effective October 1, 2014. We understand current economic conditions are challenging for local families and businesses and that raising rates is difficult for our customers. However, the implementation of the sewer moratorium is an extraordinary circumstance which cannot be rectified without additional revenue.

Go to the City's web page for more information about the sewer moratorium and the rate increase:  
[www.orcity.org/publicworks/sanitary-sewer-moratorium](http://www.orcity.org/publicworks/sanitary-sewer-moratorium)

## "Grate" Time to Rake

BE RAIN-READY THIS SEASON. Help prevent flooding by keeping streets and storm drains clear. If leaves are piling up around your neighborhood's storm drains, follow these tips:

- Grab a rake, boots, gloves and a bin to collect leaves.
- Do not rake, blow or place leaves in the street; this causes flooding and is overwhelming for the City's street sweepers.
- Put leaves in your yard debris bin, yard debris bags or compost pile.
- Never stand on the drain or try to move it.
- If water is more than a few inches deep, call Public Works Operations at 503.657.8241. Requests for services can also be submitted via the City's online *OC Request!* site by going to [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org).

## Downtown Alley Enhancements Project

*Under Construction Fall/Winter 2014*

THE CITY IS WORKING TO MAKE OUR DOWNTOWN A MORE ACTIVE AND VIBRANT PLACE TO LIVE, WORK AND VISIT. We are encouraged by the improvements that have been made to the existing buildings in the downtown core after the completion of the Main Street Improvements Project and the circulation changes that took place in 2012. As you may recall, during the 2012 streetscape project, the alleys were closed to vehicular traffic, which changed their usage from vehicular to pedestrian and bicyclist traffic only.

Because the City realizes Oregon City's downtown alleys are in need of improvements, the Public Works Department hired a consultant to design an alley enhancement project to create a more pedestrian-oriented downtown. The focus of the design project was the 700 block and 800 block alleys between Railroad Avenue and Main Street.

A lot of feedback was received during multiple public meetings, and many of those elements were incorporated into the design. The alleys are City streets/rights-of-way and include many old utilities that are in need of repairs or replacement. In addition to utility work, the project work will include improving the roadway surfaces. The alleys that are currently used just as entryways to parking lots will be able to function as seating areas for restaurants, pedestrian access to parking lots, or as pocket parks and access to retail storefronts. We are hopeful that these improvements will not only upgrade utility and surface needs, but eventually provide a foundation for the adjacent property owners to then create an environment that the community can enjoy.

These improvements are good for business as shown by research and experience. They allow visitors and shoppers to feel safer and more comfortable in a downtown marketplace when sidewalks, lighting, curbing and crosswalks give pedestrians priority over vehicles.

*The alley enhancement project will be under construction beginning this fall and is anticipated to take three months to complete.*



## Willamette Falls Legacy Project

FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY, WILLAMETTE FALLS HAS BEEN THE MOST SPECTACULAR PLACE WE DON'T VISIT. That's about to change. ...Join us to Rediscover the Falls!

### **Unanimous Vote by Planning & City Commission**

The Oregon City Planning Commission voted 7-0 on September 22 to recommend approval of the Master Plan and Zone Change for the Willamette Falls Legacy Project. At their October 15 meeting, the City Commission resoundingly responded with another unanimous vote for the first reading of the ordinance.

Several of the Commissioners acknowledged and complimented the work of the partners in the development of the master plan, the outstanding public engagement process and the product that was created with overwhelming public support for such a complicated site. The Commissions received thoughtful and inspiring letters from dozens of people and organizations in the past few months—a big THANK YOU to all of those who participated!

### **Riverwalk Roundup**

The project partners are working to issue a Request for Qualifications to find another world-class design team to design the Riverwalk. Be ready in 2015 to help us tackle the questions: What will this Riverwalk look like? What programming and activities should happen on the Riverwalk? How can the Riverwalk help tell the stories of Native American history, the Missoula Floods, the End of the Oregon Trail, the birthplace of Oregon, and the rise of the industrial West? How can the Riverwalk help enhance habitat along the Willamette River? We will need your help to answer these questions—get ready to put your thinking caps on!

The partners are also working closely with the owner and PGE to obtain public easements for the Riverwalk, while also spreading the word about North America's second largest waterfall in hopes of attracting funding for this once-in-a-century opportunity.

Last, but not least, a passionate and talented group of community members and champions has come together to begin forming a "Friends of Willamette Falls" nonprofit group that will become a long term partner and advocate for the Legacy Project. *We will keep you posted on their progress!*





## Special Olympics

CLACKAMAS COUNTY SPECIAL OLYMPICS OPERATES THE REGIONAL ARM OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION. We serve over 250 developmentally disabled persons in this county.

The program is free to all qualifying participants ages 8 to 80. We are a volunteer-driven group, existing solely on donations and grants; we receive no state or federal monies.

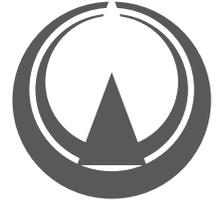
The year-round program, with 15 different Olympic-style seasonal sports, is designed to help persons with disabilities reach their potential by focusing on their abilities and by helping them gain self-confidence, social competency and other enhanced skills, both physical and social. The program encourages younger athletes, such as those still in school, to take the opportunity to participate in these community activities. Youth as young as 8 years old are eligible to apply.

The seasonal programs are:

Winter	Summer	Autumn
DEC—MAR	APR—JUN	AUG—NOV
Alpine Skiing	Bocce Ball	Aquatics
Basketball	Golf	Bowling
Cross Country Skiing	Gymnastics	Long Distance
Power Lifting	Softball	Running/Walking
Snowboarding	Track & Field	Soccer
Snowshoeing		Volleyball

*Any athlete, donor or volunteer wishing to learn more about how to participate can reach us by leaving their name and number on our message line at 503.675.3550.*

## Oregon City–Tateshina Sister City News



THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WRAPPED UP AT THE END OF AUGUST WITH A VERY SUCCESSFUL VISIT from a delegation of seven dignitaries from Tateshina, Japan, including the vice-mayor, city council and sister city chairpersons, and a representative from their economic development department. In addition to a tour of the city and the Blue Heron site, they also got to visit the coast and the Columbia River Gorge. (See photo below of the delegation at Multomah Falls.)

As one of the delegation wrote to a host family member upon his return to Japan, "...I have never experienced hugging.... Having hugged each other, I could realize your sincerity and kindheartedness with all my heart." This says something not only about the cultural differences, but about the special bonds of friendship that develop through the Sister City program.

Correspondence has also been received from the new Assistant English Teacher (AET), Trevor Holland, who started work in Tateshina in August. Trevor attended elementary school in Oregon City and studied the Japanese language in high school and college. Through the Sister City program, he was selected by the Tateshina Board of Education to serve as the AET in the elementary and middle school and helps out in the preschool. As the Friendship Ambassador, he also holds adult English classes at the community center. He writes that his ultimate goal is to get the students "having fun with English, the way I had fun learning Japanese." He also reports that he is even getting used to driving on the opposite side of the narrow roads.

### **Election of Board Members Slated**

Area residents are always welcome to join our meetings at 7:00pm at City Hall on the second Monday of the month and to consider serving on the board. On January 12, 2015 the Oregon City-Tateshina Sister City Committee will hold an election of members to serve on the executive board, and will also elect a slate of officers (chairperson, vice-chairperson, secretary, and treasurer).

*For more information, contact either Elise Lunas, Chairperson at 503.656.5578 or Beth Werber, Secretary at 503.557.2906.*

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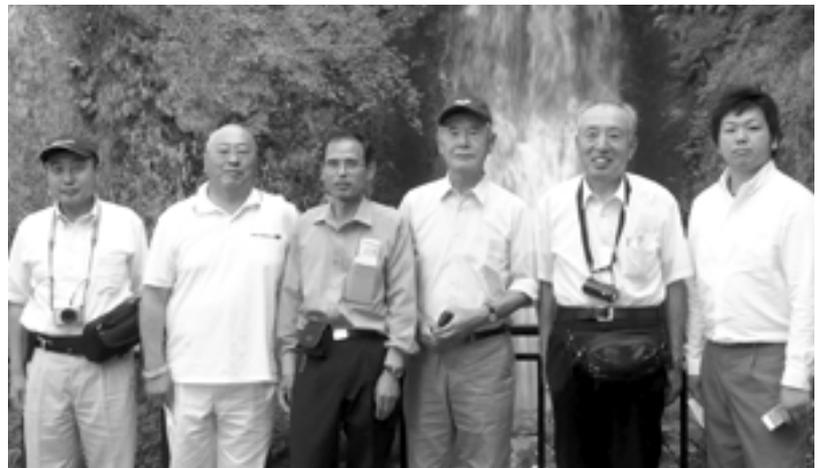
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## CLOSURES FOR ANNUAL EXHIBIT RENOVATIONS

JANUARY 11—FEBRUARY 6 BOTH MUSEUM OF THE OREGON TERRITORY AND THE STEVENS-CRAWFORD HERITAGE HOUSE WILL BE CLOSED FOR ANNUAL EXHIBIT RENOVATION.

On February 7, 2015 both Museum of the Oregon Territory and the Stevens-Crawford Heritage House re-open with new exhibits spotlighting the 150th Anniversary of Woolen Mills in Oregon City, Chautauquas of Clackamas County, the 70th Anniversary of the End of WWII, and more.

For details visit our website at [www.clackamashistory.org](http://www.clackamashistory.org).



## Museum of the Oregon Territory (MOOT)

211 Tumwater Drive, Oregon City | 503.655.5574 | [www.clackamashistory.org](http://www.clackamashistory.org)

Open Wednesday–Saturday | 11:00am–4:00pm | Admission is Free

MOOT EXHIBITS PRESENT THE HISTORY OF NATIVE AMERICANS AND EARLY SETTLERS OF THE OREGON TERRITORY, from the stone age to homesteading and the industrialization of the Willamette Valley. Other areas include the Antique Pharmacy and the Family History Society Research Library.

### MOOT TOURS

Our docents are available to plan escorted tours of the museum for groups of students, seniors or the general public. School groups of 10+ can be scheduled for Monday or Tuesday when the museum is not open to the public, allowing for a more personalized itinerary. The Museum is handicap accessible and easily navigated with mobility devices or wheelchairs. We also offer several children's activities for school groups or home school programs.

For more information, please contact our tour coordinator at 503.655.5574 or [Tours@clackamashistory.org](mailto:Tours@clackamashistory.org).

### NEW EXHIBITS & EVENTS AT MOOT

"ART FROM THE ARCHIVES", FEATURING THE WATERCOLORS OF CHARLES MULVEY Fundraiser with One-Night-Only Exhibit of rarely-seen, original painting by this renowned artist and Oregon City native. Wine Tasting. Tickets available at MOOT Admissions Desk, by calling 503.655.5574, or by visiting our website at [www.clackamashistory.org](http://www.clackamashistory.org). Proceeds benefit the Clackamas County Historical Society.  
Thursday, November 13 | 7:00pm | Tickets \$20

JANE KIRKPATRICK PRESENTS: "A LIGHT IN THE WILDERNESS" Meet the Pacific Northwest's most gifted author of historic novels! Bring yours for her to sign, and learn about the real African-American pioneer and Kalapuya women that inspired her latest work.  
Sunday, November 23 | 1:30pm | Free of charge

"A MAGIC LANTERN LIFE" FILM PREMIER Be the first West Coast audience to preview this new documentary about the entertainment craze of the late 1800's, the Magic Lantern Show. With glass slides, projectors, popcorn and informative introduction by Steve Lehl.  
Thursday, December 11 | 7:00–8:30pm | Free of charge

## Stevens-Crawford Heritage House

603 Sixth Street, Oregon City | 503.655.2866 | [www.clackamashistory.org](http://www.clackamashistory.org)

Open Thursday–Saturday | 12:00–4:00pm | Admission is Free

BUILT IN 1908 FOR THE HARLEY STEVENS FAMILY, PROMINENT EARLY OREGONIANS, THIS HOME MUSEUM IS 7,000 SQUARE FEET OF CLASSICAL FOURSQUARE ARCHITECTURE. Discover the history behind the curious and useful objects within, from gaslights and stereoscope to archaic kitchen tools, toys, Victrola and telegraph. Harley Stevens Sr. was an Oregon Trail Escort in 1862. His wife Mary, daughter of State Representative Medorum Crawford, stewarded her family treasures. Their daughter Mertie left the home and its contents to the Clackamas County Historical Society upon her passing in 1968, to be kept in honor of both sides of her family. Enjoy a guided tour of this charming three-story home with 15 furnished rooms featuring:

- Modern, innovative conveniences for the time, such as electric light fixtures with gas option, central heating, indoor plumbing and laundry
- Fine woodwork
- Beveled leaded windows
- Period furniture
- A working Victrola
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Sewing room
- Toy collection
- Seasonal displays

### HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE—SANTAS THROUGHOUT TIME

Stevens-Crawford Heritage House's annual, free event. Experience the creativity of our local Garden Clubs, bringing international and vintage versions of St. Nicholas to every room of this 1907 home-museum. Live acoustic musical ensembles, fresh cookies, coffee and punch.

Saturday, December 6, | 10:00am–4:00pm | Free of charge

## End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive & Visitor Information Center

1726 Washington Street, Oregon City | 503.657.9336 | [www.historicoregoncity.org](http://www.historicoregoncity.org) | [info@historicoregoncity.org](mailto:info@historicoregoncity.org)



### VISITOR CENTER

The Visitor Center at the End of the Oregon Trail offers a great selection of 2014–2015 brochures, local products and gifts in the Country Store. Check out our calendar for upcoming events at the Center and throughout Historic Oregon City.

### INTERPRETIVE CENTER

Come explore our new interactive exhibits on the Oregon Trail, Clackamas County history and local Native American Culture. The “Bound for Oregon” featured film is now showing Dr. McLoughlin in HD! Explore our pioneer gardens and see the official End of the Oregon Trail markers as well as outdoor 24/7 signage with smartphone technology.

### FALL–WINTER–SPRING HOURS

Check our website for current admission fees & schedule

OPEN 11:00am–4:00pm daily

CLOSED Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day & New Year’s Day

Guests check-in at the Visitor Center for admission, movie and last tour of the day schedules. Remember, all brochures and travel assistance offered at the Visitor Center are free! Before and/or after you visit the Interpretive Center, please enjoy our Visitor Center lounge and Country Store where you can buy locally made gifts, books and more. Relax in our lounge while the kids work on pioneer-inspired games and dress up in pioneer clothing for our “Who’s Traveling the Trail” blog.

*For more info about the exhibits, call the Center at 503.657.9336. Please visit our website [www.historicoregoncity.org](http://www.historicoregoncity.org) for admission pricing, upcoming exhibits, family-friendly events, book signings and more!*

### NEW EXHIBIT AT THE INTERPRETIVE CENTER

BEFORE THE GRAND RONDE RESERVE—

NATIVE PRESENCE AND ASSIMILATION AT WILLAMETTE FALLS Open thru January 15

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde’s Chachalu Tribal Museum and Cultural Center is continuing its collaboration with the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive & Visitor Information Center on several Native American historical exhibits. This newest collaboration joins other enhancements the Tribe has been installing at the museum in 2014, including exterior interpretive and welcome signs, and displays about Tribal culture and lifeways in the galleries. Oregon City is one of the historic sites of the Clackamas Tribes where they encountered settlers arriving on the Oregon Trail in the 1840s. The Clackamas Tribes are among the Tribes and Bands from western Oregon that were sent to the Grand Ronde Reservation in the 1850s.



### ABOUT THE TRIBE

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community of Oregon includes 27 Tribes and Bands from western Oregon, southwestern Washington and northern California that were relocated to the Grand Ronde Reservation between 1855–1875.

These Tribes and Bands include the Rogue River, Umpqua, Chasta, Kalapuya, Molalla, Salmon River, Tillamook and Nestucca Indians. The Tribes’ ceded lands in Oregon extend from the California border to southwestern Washington, and reach from the Cascade Mountains to the Pacific Ocean.

Since Restoration, Tribal efforts have focused on rebuilding Tribal institutions and culture, as well as developing service and educational programs to meet the needs of Tribal members while also promoting Tribal sovereignty. The Grand Ronde Tribe also has continued its educational outreach to the communities in its ceded lands with historical information and cultural and educational resources about the first peoples of Oregon who have lived in the state since time immemorial.

### HERITAGE HOLIDAYS IN HISTORIC OREGON CITY

Join us for some holiday cheer at our Center and other partnering museums in the City. (see also page 39)

Saturday, December 6 | 11:00am–4:00pm



## Clackamas County Tourism & Cultural Affairs

For a complete list of events in Clackamas County visit [www.MtHoodTerritory.com](http://www.MtHoodTerritory.com).

BROWN BAG SERIES 3rd Saturdays | Dec 20, Jan 17, Feb 21, Mar 21 | 12:00–1:00pm | Free  
McLoughlin House | 713 Center Street, Oregon City | 503.656.5151 | [www.mcloughlinhouse.org](http://www.mcloughlinhouse.org)



## Farmers Market

IT'S THE 5TH SEASON OF OREGON CITY'S SATURDAY WINTER FARMERS MARKET!

Starting November 8 and running twice a month through April, the market will be open from 10:00am–2:00pm on 8th Street at Main. Once the main summer market closes “on the hill”, it moves to this more sheltered site for the winter months.

You'll find approximately 28 vendors with plenty of fresh local produce, pastured meats, fresh seafood, eggs, milk, wild mushrooms, jams and pickles, baked goods, salsas, hummus, chocolates, wines, honey, coffee beans, dog treats, soaps, lotions, candles, crafts, gift baskets, trees and wreaths for the holidays, and a knife sharpening service, too! In the spring there will be a good selection of vegetable starts and fresh flowers.

Live music, hot food and drinks make shopping in the fresh air fun during the winter months. The Kids POP (Power Of Produce) Club gives children 5–12 years old \$2 to buy fresh produce. Debit and SNAP cards are accepted with a \$5 SNAP Match (thanks to the Rotary Club Foundation of Oregon City). Open rain, shine or sleet! Parking is ample and free on Saturdays in Downtown Oregon City. *Call the manager with questions: 503.734.0192. [www.orcityfarmersmarket.com](http://www.orcityfarmersmarket.com)*

**Downtown WINTER Market**

Live Music Hot Food

Located on 8<sup>th</sup> at Main  
SATURDAYS 10AM - 2PM

NOV 8 • 22	DEC 6 • 20	JAN 10 • 24
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MARCH 21  
SEEDY SATURDAY  
Seed & Plant Swap

Kids Pop Club!



## Fill a Stocking, Fill a Heart

FASFAH VOLUNTEERS HAVE BEEN BUSY ALL YEAR MAKING AND FILLING CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS. You can help by picking up an empty stocking from one of the many businesses throughout Clackamas County that are listed on our website. Each stocking comes with a suggested list of items to include, such as personal necessities along with a few

age-appropriate gifts or toys. Recipients range from newborns to senior adults, with the greatest need being teen and adult male stockings. This year we also need:

- Cash donations ■ Christmas fabrics
- Shampoo for kids; toothpaste for kids and adults
- Warm hats, gloves and crew socks for all ages, especially adults

All of our efforts benefit recipients in programs within several different Clackamas County agencies. We have no paid staff and are completely supported by fundraising events, individual, group and local business donations. Last year, with the help of the community, we were able to provide almost 3,300 Christmas stockings to families and individuals who have little or nothing during the holidays. FASFAH would like to thank everyone who supported our fundraisers—your help is greatly appreciated!

If you're an individual or have a group that would like to volunteer to fill stockings in our workshop, please email our Workshop Coordinator to schedule a date and time: [fASFahworkshop@yahoo.com](mailto:fASFahworkshop@yahoo.com). The workshop is small, so we like to limit the number of people to eight at a time.

### Share Your Fred Meyer Rewards with FASFAH!

Go to [www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards](http://www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards). You can search for us by our name or by our non-profit number 91156. Every time you shop and use your Rewards Card you help us earn a donation! You still earn your Rewards Points, Fuel Points, and Rebates as normal. If you do not have a Rewards Card, they are available at the Customer Service desk of any Fred Meyer store. How many friends can you sign up?

### Another Way to Donate to FASFAH!

When you shop at AmazonSmile you'll find the exact same selection and prices as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 0.05% of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. Go to [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and choose FASFAH from the list of charitable organizations—then go shopping!

### Upcoming FASFAH Fundraisers & Events!

- **BCT HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR** A portion of the proceeds from the craft sale will go to Fill a Stocking-Fill a Heart and other non-profits.  
*Saturday, November 15 | 9:00am–4:00pm*  
*Beavercreek Elementary School | 21944 S Yeoman Rd, Beavercreek*
- **THE TASTE OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY DINNER & AUCTION** Get a taste of great food from 10 restaurants and bid on some fantastic silent and oral auction items. We'll have raffles and other fun activities, too. Bring your hearts & wallets, and help FASFAH bring a little Christmas joy to those less fortunate during the holiday season.  
*Thursday, December 4 | 6:00–9:00pm (doors open at 5:30pm)*  
*Abernethy Center | 606 15th St, Oregon City | \$25 per person*  
*Order tickets at [www.fillastocking.bpt.me](http://www.fillastocking.bpt.me). Type in THE TASTE as the venue. Tickets are also available by calling 503.632.0577 or email us at [info@fillastocking.org](mailto:info@fillastocking.org) for more information. You may also pay at the door if tickets are still available.*

Check out our website [www.fillastocking.org](http://www.fillastocking.org) or find us on [Facebook.com/fillastocking](https://www.facebook.com/fillastocking) for additional fundraiser dates and more ways to help. Have questions? Leave us a message at 503.632.0577 or send an email to [info@fillastocking.org](mailto:info@fillastocking.org).

# Heritage Holidays in Oregon City

**Saturday—December 6, 2014**

## Stevens-Crawford Heritage House

603 Sixth Street | 10:00am–4:00pm

For more info call 503.655.2866

## End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center

1726 Washington Street | 11:00am–4:00pm

For more info call 503.657.9336

## The Rose Farm

915 Rilance Lane | 12:00pm–4:00pm

For more info call 503.656.5146

## McLoughlin House

713 Center Street | 2:00pm–6:00pm

For more info call 503.656.5151

## Holiday Wreaths

*“A Pioneer Center Tradition”  
October thru December—\$18*

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT THE PIONEER ADULT COMMUNITY CENTER BY PURCHASING A BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAY WREATH TO COMPLETE YOUR HOLIDAY DECORATING. Our fresh 22” diameter wreaths are assembled in Clackamas County of noble fir, cedar, berried juniper and pine cones, then finished with a colorful hand-tied bow. Your purchase helps support the Center’s Nutrition & Meals-on-Wheels programs. People comment on how fresh and beautiful our wreaths are...so come, buy one and see for yourself! They make unique holiday gifts, too.

*Wreaths will be available for pick up beginning Tuesday, December 2. Call the Pioneer Center to purchase one today—503.657.8287.*



## Entertainment & Chinook Books

The Pioneer Center is once again offering both of these great coupon books which include 15 months of savings for the whole family! *Details on page 9.*





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# Daddy Daughter Dinner Dance

## PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR 11TH ANNUAL DADDY~DAUGHTER EXTRAVAGANZA!

This Valentine's Day-themed event provides a great opportunity for dads and their daughters, 6th grade and under, to spend some very memorable quality time together. The event includes dinner, dessert, dancing, keepsake photos and more. Bring as many daughters as you have!

Friday - February 13, 2015  
6:00-9:00pm | \$35 Per Person  
The Abernethy Center  
606 15th Street, Oregon City

- ♥ Food - Abernethy Center Catering
- ♥ Music - RJ Mobile Music
- ♥ Photos - Parks & Recreation Staff
- ♥ Balloon-Made Art



*Registration deadline is January 31. Maximum capacity is 160 guests, so register early because this event fills quickly!*

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