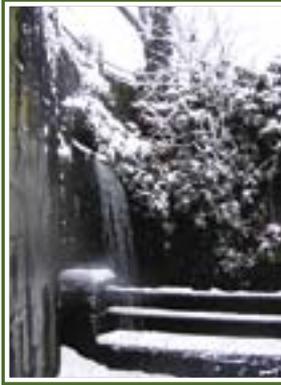


City of Oregon City

# TRAIL NEWS



**PARKS, RECREATION & LIBRARY Programs & Services**  
**COMMUNITY Events & Information**  
**CITY News, Services & Information** **WINTER 2009-10**



**The biggest city event of 2009 is the opening of your new city hall!** Long anticipated, the move to 625 Center Street achieves multiple community goals. For starters, we preserved and recycled an old building, the former McLean Medical Clinic. The site is centrally located and will serve as another catalyst to Downtown and 7th Street revitalization.

The new city hall is also Oregon City's 'greenest' facility. Because it is the first city-owned building seeking LEED certification, it has a low-impact design parking lot, uses 25% less energy in lighting; diverted 75% of construction waste from landfilling, and used 20% recycled content in construction materials. You will find bicycle parking and preferred parking for hybrid/ carpool drivers.

You will notice improved customer service just inside the front door, as the new Reception area allows privacy for your city transactions. Additionally, you will have direct access to the Department you need. And you won't have to leave your car to pay your utility bills with the new drive-through payment drop box. Our new audio-visual system, paperless agendas, and greater technology in the new meeting rooms will enhance public use spaces.

The old city hall was very outdated, with cramped, inef-

ficient work space and modular office trailers for staff. So I am delighted that we can provide a healthier work environment for our valued employees.

But not all of our departments have moved, since the new facility isn't large enough for all services. Police, municipal court, and code enforcement/parking will remain in the old building. This move opens the door for our Police Department to consider how the old site can serve the needs of a modern police force.

Most importantly, the new City Hall was purchased and renovated for a cost of \$5.4 million. The purchase was done through Urban Renewal because the location of this key building brings additional economic activity to both 7th Street and the Downtown. This Urban Renewal investment allows us to address a serious city facility issue within our current budget resources and without increasing your taxes or city fees to do so. This preserves other financing options to address other critical facility needs such as our Police Department and City Library.

If the appearance of city hall is the measure of a community's self image, then Oregon City has just raised the bar. Your new city hall creates great opportunity! Plan to visit during our **Grand Opening: December 18, 4:00-6:00pm.**

*We shape  
our buildings;  
thereafter  
they shape us.*

—Winston Churchill

**CITY DEPARTMENTS**



**The Mayor & 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 on Channel 23 at 7:00pm and rebroadcasts them throughout the month. For a schedule call 503-650-0275 or logon to [www.wftvaccess.com](http://www.wftvaccess.com).

**Mayor**—Alice Norris

**Commission President**—Daphne Wuest

**Commissioners**—Doug Neeley, James J. Nicita & Rocky L. Smith, Jr.

**City Manager**—Larry Patterson

**City Recorder**—Nancy Ide

**Finance Director**—David Wimmer

**Human Resources Director**—Jim Loeffler

**Police Chief/Public Safety Director**—Mike Conrad

**City Engineer/Public Works Director**—Nancy Kraushaar

**Community Development Director**—Dan Drentlaw

**Community Services Director**—Scott Archer

**City Government Contacts** ..... (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 Dept.....	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
Water Billing.....	657-8151

**Other Government Contacts**..... (Area Code 503)

Animal Control.....	655-8628
Clackamas Community College.....	657-6958
Clackamas County.....	353-4400
Clackamas County Commissioner .....	655-8581
Eastham Community Center .....	785-8520
Fish & Wildlife .....	657-2000
Oregon City School District .....	785-8000

**Community Contacts**..... (Area Code 503)

End of Oregon Trail Interpretive Cntr .....	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



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### CITY HALL HAS RELOCATED!

The City of Oregon City relocated most City Hall operations to a new facility on November 9. As of November 10, the new address is: **625 Center St**, Oregon City. 503-657-0891

Three City operations will remain at 320 Warner Milne Road:

1. Municipal Court
2. Oregon City Police Department
3. Code Enforcement/Parking

You may now pay parking citations (and water bills) online at <http://www.orcity.org>.

An open house at the new location will be held for all December 18 4:00–6:00pm. Look for more details to come. For more info contact Teri Bankhead at 503-496-1582 or [tbankhead@orcity.org](mailto:tbankhead@orcity.org)



**NEW CITY HALL—625 CENTER ST**

### NEW! INDOOR PLAYGROUND & SWIMMING

Join us at the Oregon City Swimming Pool for this new parent-child drop-in activity! Preschoolers and their parents are welcome to play at our indoor playground in the Oregon City Community Room on Tuesdays & Thursdays. On Tuesdays, you can also swim with your child in the pool at no additional charge!

**January 5—May 1**

#### INDOOR PLAYGROUND

Tuesdays & Thursdays  
10:00am–Noon  
Preschoolers can slide, crawl through tunnels, play on trikes, bounce balls, jump, run and just have fun! Equipment is disinfected regularly.

#### INDOOR SWIMMING

Tuesdays\*  
11:00am–Noon  
Parents are welcome to swim with their children. Lifeguards will be present.  
\*Sorry, No Swimming on Feb 16, Mar 9, Apr 20, Apr 27

**Drop-in Fee: \$2 per child | Parents are FREE!!**

Children under 12 months are FREE!!

Swimming is included in the drop-in fee.

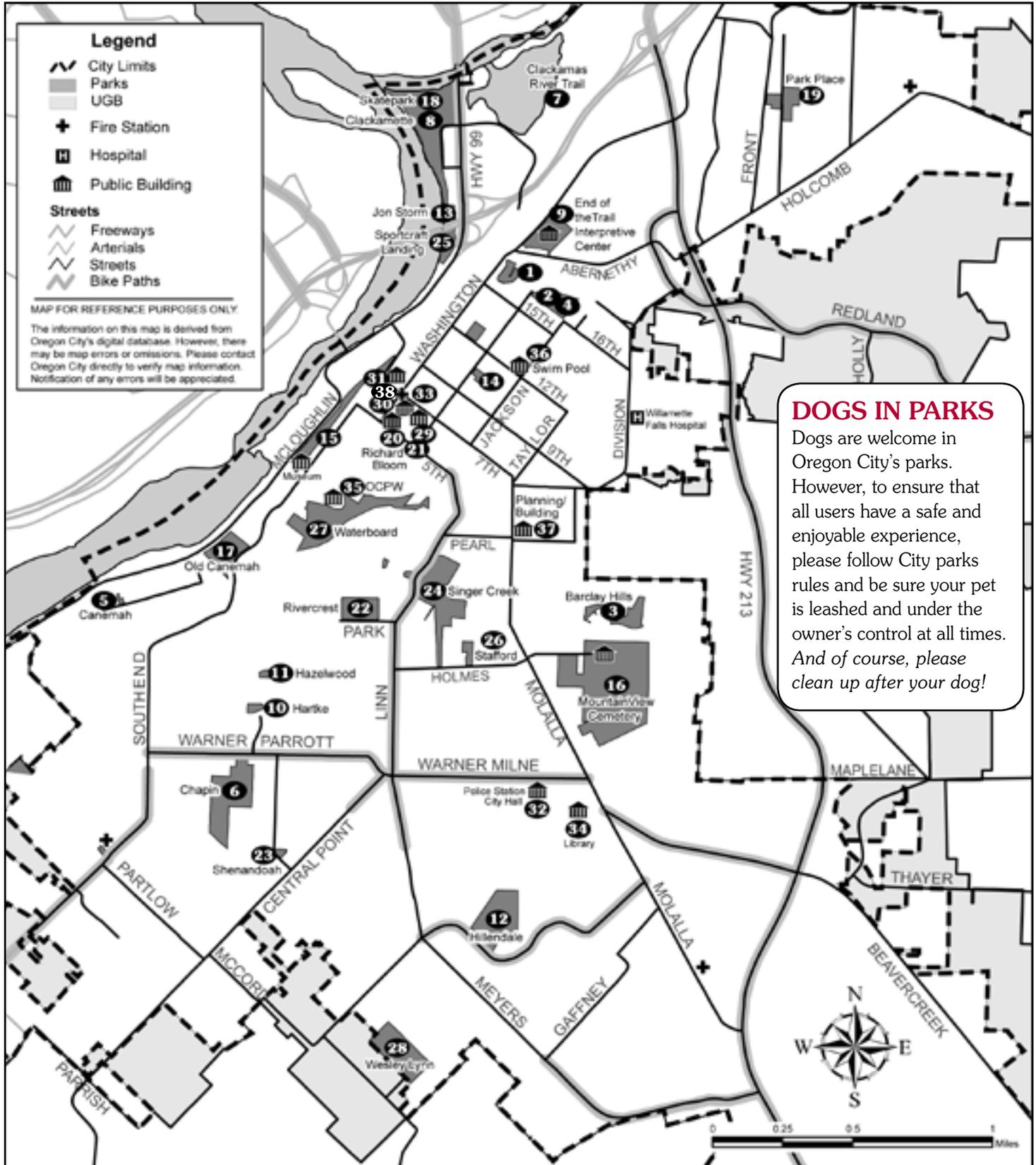
**OC Swimming Pool & Community Room  
1211 Jackson Street, Oregon City | 503-657-8273**

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**CITY OF OREGON CITY PARKS & FACILITIES MAP**





## PARKS OFFICE INFORMATION

**Office Hours** .....Monday–Friday | 8:30am–3:30pm

### Parks Department Staff

Larry Potter..... Parks/Cemetery Maintenance Manager  
 Richard Reed..... Park Maintenance Specialist III  
 Steve Little ..... Park Maintenance Specialist III  
 Mark Anderson..... Park Maintenance Specialist III  
 John Waverly..... Park Maintenance Specialist II  
 Gavin Bruhn..... Park Maintenance Specialist II  
 Jamie Davie ..... Office Specialist II  
 Lori Hattig ..... Office Assistant

## 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

- 4 Buena Vista Clubhouse**—1601 Jackson Street
- 29 Carnegie Center**—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
- 20 Pioneer Community Center**—615 5th Street
- 37 Planning & Building**—221 Molalla Ave, Suite 200
- 32 Police Station, Municipal Court & Code Enforcement**—320 Warner Milne Rd
- 34 Public Library**—362 Warner Milne Road
- 35 Public Works**—122 Center Street
- 36 Swimming Pool**—1211 Jackson Street

## CITY BOAT DOCKS

- 8 Clackamette Park**—1955 Clackamette Drive  
A 2-lane launch, 2 reservable picnic shelters, and restrooms.
- 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.

**See page 6 for additional information about Parks and Facilities, including reservations.**

<b>RECREATION AREAS &amp; FACILITIES</b>		Basketball	Boat Dock	Boat Launch	Meeting Rooms	Playground	Restrooms	Shelters for Rent	Soccer	Softball/Baseball	Spray Park	Tennis	Trail Access	Walking Paths
<i>Reservation Information—page 6</i>														
1	Abernethy Creek Park													
2	Atkinson Park													
3	Barclay Hills Park													
4	Buena Vista Clubhouse													
5	Canemah Children’s Park													
6	Chapin Park													
7	Clackamas River Trail													
8	Clackamette Park													
9	End of the Oregon Trail													
10	Hartke Park													
11	Hazelwood Park													
12	Hillendale Park													
13	Jon Storm Park													
14	Latourette Park													
15	McLoughlin Promenade													
16	Mountain View Cemetery													
17	Old Canemah Park													
18	Oregon City Skatepark													
19	Park Place Park													
20	Pioneer Community Center													
21	Richard Bloom Tots’ Park													
22	Rivercrest Park													
23	Shenandoah Park													
24	Singer Creek Park													
25	Sportcraft Park													
26	Stafford Park													
27	Waterboard Park													
28	Wesley Lynn Park													



Clackamas County firefighters planted 22 trees at Mountain View Cemetery as part of Oregon City’s participation in Oregon’s Sesquicentennial (150th) anniversary. Photo courtesy Greg Holland, CCFD #1

## PARKS NEWS & EVENTS

### Oregon City Participates in the Oregon Sesquicentennial (150th) Celebration

As part of Oregon City's participation in Oregon's Sesquicentennial (150th) anniversary, firefighters from Clackamas County Fire District #1 and volunteers from Mountain View Community Church joined Oregon City Parks & Recreation staff in planting trees throughout 3 local parks including Mountain View Cemetery.

Mountain View Community Church volunteers planted over 47 trees throughout Chapin, Clackamette and Hazelwood Parks, while the Clackamas County firefighters planted 22 trees at Mountain View Cemetery. An additional 90 seedlings will be planted in natural park areas in the coming months. A big *Thank You* to the firefighters and volunteers for their hard work. These new trees and seedlings will provide shade and bring additional beauty to our park areas for generations to come.

### Eagle Scout Volunteers

We've had several individuals complete their Eagle Scout projects within our local parks. Recent projects include the covered picnic bench and park sign restoration at Old Canemah Park by Casey Towle. More information as well as 'before' and 'after' pictures of Casey's projects can be viewed on our website at <http://www.oregocity.org/parksandrecreation>. Possible future Eagle Scout projects include cleaning pathways and constructing retaining walls at Singer Creek Park, and building and placing bird houses throughout the Pioneer section of Mountain View Cemetery.

### Wood Cutting Permits

Wood cutting permits are now available for use in Clackamette Park. The Parks Department cut down seven large hazardous cottonwood trees, and the wood is now available for cutting and hauling on a first-come, first-served basis with a permit. Call the Parks Department for information on how to obtain a wood-cutting permit or stop by our office.

## ACCOMMODATIONS & PRIVATE EVENTS

To learn more about any of the activities or services offered here call us at 503-496-1201.

### Park Facility Reservations

The Oregon City Parks office takes reservations for shelter use up to one year in advance. Shelters and parks can be viewed at the city website: <http://www.oregocity.org/parksandrecreation/shelter-reservations>.

#### THERE ARE THREE WAYS TO MAKE A RESERVATION:

- 1- Call Park Operations at 496-1201
- 2- Stop by the office at 500 Hilda Street, weekdays 8:30am-3:30pm
- 3- Email Jamie Davie at [jdavie@oregocity.org](mailto:jdavie@oregocity.org) or Lori Hattig at [lhattig@oregocity.org](mailto:lhattig@oregocity.org). We'll check availability and call you within 24 hours.

Reservation charges must be paid to hold the reservation.

**RV Park at Clackamette Park**—The RV Park is located at the southwest end of Clackamette Park. We offer 35 sites with water and electricity, and an RV dump station located at the park entrance. Maximum stay is 10 days. Spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis only. Prices are \$20 and \$25 per night, depending on location. Payment is by cash, VISA or MasterCard only. We **DO NOT** accept checks.



Firefighters, Mountain View Community Church volunteers and Parks & Recreation staff planted 47+ trees throughout Chapin Park (above & below), Clackamette Park and Hazelwood Park. Photos courtesy of Greg Holland, CCFD#1.



**Rent the Buena Vista Clubhouse**—Are you looking for a place to hold your upcoming family or company holiday party? The Buena Vista Clubhouse is the perfect venue to hold your next event. The Buena Vista can be rented in four-hour time blocks and can accommodate up to 45 people comfortably. Call our office for availability and rates.



Interior view of Buena Vista Clubhouse



## MOUNTAIN VIEW CEMETERY OFFICE INFORMATION

### Office Hours

Monday–Friday | 8:30am–3:30pm

To learn more about any of the activities or services we offer call us at 503-657-8299.

### Mountain View Cemetery Staff

Larry Potter.....Parks/Cemetery Maintenance Manager  
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## CEMETERY NEWS & EVENTS

### Spring Cleanup Event

Mountain View Cemetery hosts a variety of volunteer activities throughout the year. Our annual Spring Cleanup event is a great opportunity for people in our community to work together. We need volunteers to assist with all types of cleanup activities. The event is tentatively scheduled for May, 2010. Stay tuned for more information.

At Left: Clackamas County firefighters planted 22 trees at Mountain View Cemetery as part of Oregon City's participation in Oregon's Sesquicentennial (150th) anniversary. Photo courtesy Greg Holland, Clackamas County Fire District #1



POMC Chapter Leader, Mary Elledge, introduces keynote speaker, Attorney General John Kroger.

## PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN (POMC) National Day of Remembrance & Ground Breaking Ceremony

The National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims and the Ground Breaking Ceremony for the Parents of Murdered Children Memorial took place Friday, September 25 at Mountain View Cemetery. Guest speakers included Attorney General John Kroger, Clackamas County District Attorney John S. Foote, Marion County District Attorney Walter M. Beglau, Multnomah County District Attorney Michael D. Schrunck, Washington County Deputy District Attorney Roger Hanlon, Clark County Prosecuting Attorney Art Curtis, National Crime Victim Institute Director Meg Garvin, and Co-Victim Anna-Marie Wood.



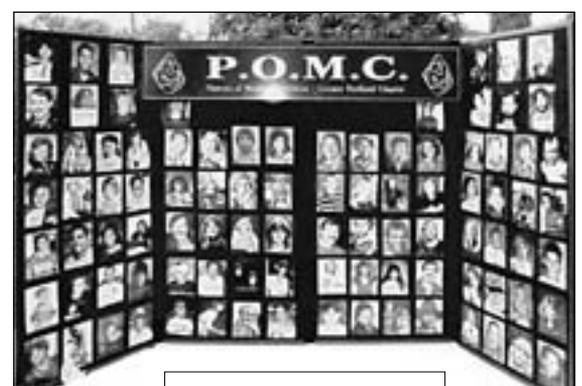
POMC event hosted over 200 attendees.

The event was well attended with over 200 guests, including family and friends. The memorial for homicide victims will be the eighth of its kind in the United States and the only one in the Pacific Northwest. Mountain View Cemetery would like to thank POMC Chapter Leader Mary Elledge, Co-Chapter Leader Gayle Moffitt, Beavercreek Telephone Company, the friends and family members who attended, and the numerous individuals and organizations that gave donations to help make the event a success. Donations are greatly appreciated and are still being accepted to help complete the memorial. Please contact POMC Chapter Leader Mary Elledge at 503-656-8039 for more information.

Below Center: Memorial Groundbreaking (L–R) Oregon City Parks Maintenance Manager Larry Potter, Bob Elledge, and Bob Osterman standing in for POMC Memorial Designer, Mike Osterman.



National Anthem sung by co-victim and guest speaker, Anna-Marie Wood.



Collage of victims.

**RECREATION REGISTRATION & FEES**

**How to Register**—You can register for all recreation programs online at [www.oregoncity.org/parksandrecreation](http://www.oregoncity.org/parksandrecreation). Swim lesson registrations can be done online, in person at the Swimming Pool (1211 Jackson St.) or by calling 503-657-8273. For information about new class offerings and updated information, go to [www.oregoncity.org/parksandrecreation](http://www.oregoncity.org/parksandrecreation).

**Scholarship Information**—Scholarships for recreation programs are available to qualifying Oregon City residents. For more information call Rochelle Parsch at 503-496-1572 or pick up an application at one of our facilities.

**City Resident Discount**—A resident is any person who lives inside the city limits of Oregon City. Non-residents pay a higher fee for classes and activities since they do not pay Oregon City property taxes which help fund Parks and Recreation programs.

**SPORTS, FITNESS & FUN**

**Kenpo Karate [Beginner/Intermediate] Ages 6 years & up**

Learn self-defense skills in a martial arts system originating hundreds of years ago in China. Kenpo karate will teach you physical and mental self-defense skills which are both usable and practical. Technical skills will include situations, ju-jitsu holds, ground skills, balance and coordination drills, and relaxation exercises. Uniforms optional; information will be provided at the first class. Nine group lessons. Private sessions with a personal trainer are available for an additional fee—Schedule with instructor, David Barnes.

Mondays | January 11–March 8 | 5:30–6:30pm  
OC Pool | \$99 Resident | \$119 Non-Resident

\*Registration Deadline—January 4

**Kenpo Karate [Advanced] REQUIRES PREVIOUS MARTIAL ARTS EXPERIENCE OR INSTRUCTOR'S PERMISSION.**

Learn self-defense skills in a martial arts system originating hundreds of years ago in China. Kenpo karate will teach you physical and mental self-defense skills which are both usable and practical. Technical skills will include situations, ju-jitsu holds, ground skills, balance and coordination drills and relaxation exercises. Uniform information will be provided at the first class. Uniforms are optional. Nine group lessons. Private sessions with a personal trainer available for an additional fee—Schedule with instructor, David Barnes. **Class will be physically demanding.**

Mondays | January 11–March 8 | 7:00pm–8:00pm  
OC Pool | \$99 Resident | \$119 Non-Resident

\*Registration Deadline—January 4

**Kumite Karate [Sparring] Ages 6 years & up**

This class may be added to the Kenpo Karate Class. Special equipment is required for safe participation; see instructor David Barnes for information. Students must be enrolled in Kenpo Karate to take Kumite Karate.

Mondays | January 11–March 8 | 6:30–7:00pm  
OC Pool | \$48 Resident | \$68 Non-Resident

\*Registration Deadline—January 4

**ARTS & CRAFTS**

**Make Your Own Monster! Ages 8–12 years**

Create stuffed creatures from you own imagination using felt made from reclaimed sweaters. Basic sewing skills will be taught as well as simple pattern making. Creations will incorporate other natural fibers such as silk, linen and cotton. Embellishments will be completed using beads from broken necklaces, bracelets and other found objects. Students will be encouraged to use the provided materials in new and innovative ways, expressing their own individuality.

Monday | January 18 | 10:00am–2:00pm | OC Pool Community Rm  
\$30 Resident | \$45 Non-Resident | Materials included

**SPRING BREAK AQUA CAMP Ages 7–12 years**

If you liked Summer Aqua Camp, you'll love our new Spring Break Camp! Join us for a week of recycled arts and swimming. Every day has a different theme. 10:00am–4:00pm | Swimming 2:00–4:00pm included in the camp fee!!

Oregon City Residents \$46 | Non-Residents \$66

**Monday, March 22.....RECLAIMED PAPER CRAFTS**  
We will make paper beads from junk mail, envelopes from maps and fun and funky greeting cards. We will also be making paper boats to float in the pool!

**Tuesday, March 23..... FUN WITH DRYER LINT**  
Who knew dryer lint could be so useful? We will use it to make paper, beads and bowls. Then we will play some fun games in the water.

**Wednesday, March 24.....FABRIC SEA CREATURES**  
We will use fabric scraps and junk jewelry to make jellyfish, mermaids and other sea creatures.

**Thursday, March 25..... PLASTIC, PLASTIC EVERYWHERE**  
Learn how you can make you own shrinky dinks and wallets from recycled plastic. Each student will also make a plastic quilt square using reclaimed materials. We will make our own diving rings to play with in the pool.

**Friday, March 26 ..... PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER**  
On this final day of camp we will make a collage using paper fabric and plastic. We will also string all the beads we made this week into a fabulous necklace. Wacky relays will be organized during pool time. You won't want to miss it!





**WINTER SWIM SCHEDULE.....Dec 1—Mar 31**

Recreational Swim	Fridays	7:30 – 9:00pm
	Saturdays	12:30 – 2:00pm
Spring Break Rec Swim	Mon–Fri (Mar 22–26)	2:00–4:00pm
Family* Swim	Tuesdays	7:15 – 8:30pm
Adult Swim	Mon–Fri	8:00 – 9:00am
	Mon–Fri	1:00 – 2:00pm
	Saturday	11:00am – 12:30pm
Lap Swim (Number of available lanes may vary)	Mon–Fri	6:00 – 8:00am
	Mon–Fri	12:00 – 1:00pm
	Mon Wed Fri	5:00 – 6:00pm
	Tue Thu	5:00 – 6:15pm
	Saturdays	11:00am – 12:30pm
	Water Exercise (Shallow)	Mon Wed Fri
Tue Thu		6:15 – 7:15pm
Water Exercise (Deep)	Mon Wed Fri	8:00 – 9:00am
	Tue Thu	6:15 – 7:15pm
Water Exercise (Arthritis)	Tue Thu	8:00 – 9:00am
<b>Pool Closures:</b> December 21–January 2 (Winter Maintenance & Repairs)		

**ADMISSION PRICES**

**R=Residents** Are those who live inside the city limits of Oregon City.  
**NR=Non-Residents** 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 info, please ask our friendly front desk staff!

DROP-IN FEE Per Session	Youth (2–18)		Adult (19+)		Senior (62+)	
	R	NR	R	NR	R	NR
Recreational Swim	\$2.75	\$3.75	\$3.00	\$4.25	\$2.75	\$3.75
Water Exercise	\$3.25	\$4.25	\$3.50	\$4.75	\$3.25	\$4.25
Family* Swim	\$6.00 Resident Family*   \$8.25 Non-Resident Family*					
PUNCH CARDS Valid for Water Exercise, Lap, Rec & Adult Swim	10 Sessions		20 Sessions		40 Sessions	
	R	NR	R	NR	R	NR
Adult	\$29.00	\$43.50	\$50.50	\$75.75	\$83.50	\$125.50
Youth & Seniors	\$23.00	\$35.50	\$33.50	\$50.00	\$53.50	\$81.00
MEMBERSHIPS Includes Lap, Rec, Adult Swim & Family* Swim	INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES*					
	1st Person or Individual		2nd Person in Family		Each Additional Family Member	
	R	NR	R	NR	R	NR
3 Month—Adult/Family	\$50.00	\$85.25	\$40.25	\$72.50	\$8.50	\$14.00
Annual—Adult/Family	\$100.50	\$170.50	\$80.75	\$136.25	\$16.50	\$27.25
3 Month—Youth/Senior	\$45.00	\$76.75	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual—Youth/Senior	\$90.50	\$153.50	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Water Exercise	With Membership—pay 50 cents per Class					

\*Family Swim & Memberships are for Parents/Guardians & Youth in ONE home

**SPRING BREAK RECREATIONAL SWIMMING**  
 Monday–Friday | March 22–26 | 2:00–4:00pm

**NEW!** See page 8 for details!  
**SPRING BREAK AQUA CAMP**

**NEW!** See page 3 for details!  
**INDOOR PLAYGROUND & SWIMMING!!**

**WATER EXERCISE**

*All classes are available for non-swimmers.*

**Shallow Water Exercise**—Come experience water aerobics! Work out in waist- to chest-deep water that is easy on the joints and body. The workout includes a warm-up, stretching, aerobic exercise and a cool-down. Recommended for all ages.

**Deep Water Exercise**—Join our Deep Water class and get exercise without impacting your joints. We will work on building strength and flexibility while having fun! All abilities welcome, choice of exertion level will be offered. The only prerequisite is that you are comfortable in deep water. Good for expecting mothers and those recovering from surgery or injury, as well as those desiring a great workout.

**Arthritis Foundation Water Exercise Class**—This program combines the buoyancy of water and the soothing warmth of a heated pool to make a safe, ideal environment for relieving arthritis pain and stiffness. Gentle movements used in the program increase joint flexibility and range of motion while restoring or maintaining muscle strength.

**OREGON CITY SWIM TEAM**

Oregon City Swim Team is a competitive swim team 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 [coachatOCST@hotmail.com](mailto:coachatOCST@hotmail.com).

**POOL & PARTY ROOM RENTALS**

Rent the pool and party room for your special occasion! The swimming pool and 2,000 sq.ft. party room are available for private rentals on Saturdays, 2:00–8:00pm. Pool rental starts as low as \$67 per hour with lifeguards provided. Party room rates start at \$13.75 per hour.

## AMERICAN RED CROSS SWIM LESSONS

Please take time to read the information on the next page.

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Children should be placed in classes according to their age and previous swim experience. Know the last class your child was in, and please give this information at the time of registration. All participants will be tested in the first class period to ensure they are in the proper class. *Instructors have the right to determine your child's level of performance and place accordingly.*
- Remember: Swim lessons are different from other sports or activities. Children often need to retake a level two or three times to become proficient in their skills. Please consider this when registering your child for swimming lessons.
- If you have questions for your child's instructor please feel free to speak to them after class. But remember, they often have another class to teach within a few minutes.
- Remember that children 7 years and older are not allowed in the changing room of the opposite gender. If your child needs assistance, please make arrangements with the staff at the front counter.

## SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION

Please register early before classes fill!!

**WINTER Registration** begins Monday, December 7.

**SPRING Registration** begins Monday, March 8.

• **Online Registration**—[www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org).

*If Internet registration creates a hardship for you, please contact our staff for assistance.*

• **Phone and In-Person Registration**—503-657-8273  
Oregon City Pool, 1211 Jackson St, Oregon City

• **Private Lessons**—Must register in person or by phone.

• **Gift Certificates**—Must register in person. Please present Gift Certificate at time of registration.

## SWIM LESSON FEES

Residents live inside the city limits of Oregon City.

Residents.....	\$35.50
Non-Residents.....	\$53.00
Private Lessons.....	\$20.00
Semi-Private Lessons (2 students).....	\$28.00

## SWIM LESSON SCHEDULE *See next page for swim level descriptions and skills.*

GROUP LESSONS	WINTER Session-1 MWF	WINTER Session-2 MWF	WINTER Session-3 MWF	PRIVATE LESSONS
WINTER Registration begins December 7	January 4-22	February 1-19	March 1-19	Monday-Saturday
	Classes will be held on Monday, January 18 (MLK Day) -and- February 15 (President's Day)			We offer Evening and Saturday private lessons! Call to register: 503-657-8273
GROUP LESSONS	SPRING Session-1 MWF	SPRING Session-2 MWF	SPRING Session-3 MWF	
SPRING Registration begins March 8	March 29-April 16	April 19-May 7	May 10-May 28	
LEVEL	<<<<All Lessons Last 27 Minutes>>>>			Lessons Last 27 Minutes
Water Babies	6:00	6:00   7:00	6:00	Evening Private Lessons
Swim Tots	6:00   6:30   7:00	6:00   6:30   7:00	6:00   6:30   7:00	6:00   6:30   7:00
Level 1	6:00   6:30   7:00	6:00   6:30	6:00   6:30   7:00	Saturday Private Lessons
Level 2	6:00   6:30   7:00	6:00   6:30   7:00	6:00   6:30   7:00	11:00   11:30   12:00
Level 3	6:30	6:30	6:30	<b>Pool will be Closed for Winter Maintenance December 21-January 2.</b>
Level 4	7:00			
Level 5		7:00		
Level 6			7:00	

\*\*\*\*\*If classes are full, please add your name to the wait list. We do our best to open up more classes!\*\*\*\*\*

## LIFEGUARD TRAINING

Participants must attend all scheduled classes. The course focuses on the job of a lifeguard in a swimming pool environment. Class emphasizes victim recognition, surveillance, equipment-based rescues, and includes First Aid and CPR for the Professional Rescuer. Fees include all class materials. **PREREQUISITES:** The participant must be:

- at least 15 years of age
  - able to swim continuously for 300 yards
  - able to tread water for 2 minutes using legs only
  - able 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.

**SESSION 1** [Spring Break] Monday-Friday | March 22-26 | 9:00am-3:00pm | Five 6-hour classes | OC Pool  
\$120 Resident / \$140 Non-Resident  
Registration Deadline: March 8, 2010

**SESSION 2** Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays | April 19-30 | 4:00pm-9:00pm | Six 5-hour classes | OC Pool  
\$120 Resident / \$140 Non-Resident  
Registration Deadline: April 5, 2010



## POOL WISH LIST

Water Exercise Equipment; Life Jackets; Facility Maintenance, Upgrades & Repairs such as: linoleum floor replacement in Community Room and hallway, upgrades for various ADA equipment, acoustical tile replacement, old lifeguard equipment replacements, and curtain wall windows updating.

## POOL DONATIONS NEEDED

The Oregon City Pool is always seeking donations from the community and businesses to help fund various projects.

If you are interested in donating, please contact Rochelle Parsch, Aquatic and Recreation Supervisor at 503-496-1572. For your contribution you will be recognized in publications and signage.

*What swim level do I register my child for this season? See swim level descriptions below.*

## OREGON CITY'S SWIM LESSON PROGRAM

**WATER BABIES—PARENT & CHILD CLASS, FOR AGES 6 MONTHS–3 YEARS OLD.** This class will teach you and your child how to be comfortable in and around the water. Learn how to hold and play properly with your child in the water. Learn games that incorporate swim skills. This class allows for a safe and controlled environment to introduce your child to swimming lessons.

**SWIM TOTS—MUST BE 3 OR 4 YEARS OLD ONLY!** For the very beginner in the water. Class is conducted on the tot docks—platforms that sink in the water to change the depth of the pool—making it easier for children to stand and participate in lessons. Participants learn through play and games that incorporate basic water skills. To pass they must successfully demonstrate: Class participation | Submerge face for 3 seconds | 5 Bobs in chest-deep water | Blow bubbles | Enter and exit water independently | Front and back float with support

## AMERICAN RED CROSS LEARN-TO-SWIM PROGRAM

**LEVEL 1—INTRODUCTION TO WATER SKILLS.** Must be at least 5 years old, or if child is 4 years old you MUST show proof that child has passed Swim Tots to attend the class and child is unable to swim or float. Exceptions may be authorized by the supervisor. Please call for further inquiries. Children must also be over 50 inches tall. *(The 50-inch rule may be waived. However, it ensures the safety of your child and helps with the transition into deeper water where they won't be able to touch bottom if they are less than 50 inches tall.)*

This class does not use the tot docks! (See Swim Tots above.) It is very important that participants can touch the bottom of the pool. Participants will learn through games and skill practices. Skills they will learn and must successfully demonstrate to pass are:

Class participation | Submerge face for 3 seconds | Open eyes underwater and pick up an object | 10 chest-deep bobs | Blow bubbles | Enter and exit water independently | Front and back float with support—5 seconds | Explore arm and hand movements of treading water | Combined stroke on front and back with support—5 feet

**LEVEL 2—FUNDAMENTALS OF AQUATIC SKILLS.**

Must be well adjusted to the water. Participants must be very comfortable with their faces in the water. Skills they will learn and must successfully demonstrate to pass are: Enter water by stepping or jumping | Holding breath and submerge entire head—3 seconds | Open eyes underwater and pick up submerged object | Front & back glide—2 body lengths | Change direction of travel with paddling, front and back unsupported | Flutter kick on front and back with arm actions, unsupported—15 feet | Explore treading water in chest-deep water | Stroke on front and back with arm actions—15 feet | Stroke on front and back using kick and alternating arms—goal 15 feet | Turn over from front to back and back to front unsupported | Swim on side with support—5 feet | Basic rescue skills

**LEVEL 3—STROKE DEVELOPMENT.** Builds on skills from Level 2. Skills participants will learn and must successfully demonstrate to pass are: Jump into deep water from the side | Head-first entry into deep water, sitting or kneeling position | Submerge and retrieve object in chest-deep water—3 times | Front and back glide using 2 different kicks | Change from vertical to horizontal in deep water, front and back | Tread water in deep water—30 seconds | Front and back crawl with rhythmic breathing pattern—15 yards | Elementary backstroke kick—15 yards | Butterfly kick and body motion—15 feet | Breaststroke kick—15 yards | General and personal water safety

**LEVEL 4—STROKE IMPROVEMENT.** Builds on skills from Level 3. Skills participants will learn and must successfully demonstrate to pass are: Dive in from side of deep water, compact or stride position | Swim underwater—3 body lengths | Feet first surface dive—submerge completely | Back float in the deep end—1 minute | Open turns on front and back—gliding at least 2 body lengths before stroking | Tread water—1 minute using 3 variations of kicks | Front and back crawl—25 yards | Breaststroke, butterfly, elementary backstroke—15 yards | Swim on side with scissor kick—15 yards | General and personal water safety, and basic rescue skills

**LEVEL 5—STROKE REFINEMENT.** Builds on skills from Level 4. Skills participants will learn and must successfully demonstrate to pass are: Shallow dive from the side of the pool | Shallow dive, glide 2 body lengths and begin any front stroke | Swim underwater—15 yards | Tuck and pike surface dives | Back float in the deep end—2 minutes | Front and back flip turns | Tread water using 2 different kicks—2 minutes | Front and back crawl—50 yards | Butterfly, breaststroke, elementary backstroke and sidestroke—25 yards | Survival swimming | Rescue breathing

**LEVEL 6—LIFEGUARD READINESS/PERSONAL WATER SAFETY.** Builds on Level 5. Skills participants will learn and must successfully demonstrate to pass: Front and back crawl—100 yards | Breaststroke, elementary backstroke, sidestroke and butterfly—50 yards | Front crawl, back crawl and sidestroke open turns | Front & back flip turns | HELP position | Huddle position | Feet-first surface dive—retrieve an object off bottom of pool | Pike and tuck surface dive—retrieve an object off bottom of pool | Tread water—5 minutes in deep water | Tread water, kicking only—2 minutes in deep water | Forward fall dive from diving board | Approach and hurdle off diving board | Forward jump and tuck off diving board | Skills with the Rescue Tube | Swim on back holding 10-lb brick out of the water—25 yards | Use a backboard for spinal injuries | Assist with a drowning victim

## HOURS OF OPERATION

**OPEN**..... Monday–Friday | 9:00am–4:00pm

**CLOSED** .... Saturdays, Sundays & Holidays listed below:

- Christmas Eve.....Thursday, December 24
- Christmas Day.....Friday, December 25
- New Year's Day .....Friday, January 1
- MLK Day.....Monday, January 18
- Presidents Day.....Monday, February 15
- Spring Cleaning.....Monday–Friday, March 22–26

**LUNCH (see complete details at right):**

- Meals-on-Wheels Deliveries: Monday–Friday | 10:30am–1:00pm
- Lunch & Dessert Bar: Monday–Friday | 11:30am–12:30pm

## GIFT CERTIFICATES

With the holidays fast approaching, a perfect gift for someone who has everything would be a Pioneer Center Gift Certificate. Available for any amount, gift certificates can be used for any of the following:  
Trips ~ Lunches ~ Classes ~ Pedicures ~ Swing Band

## HELP YOUR SENIOR CENTER

**Donations Needed**—Coffee | Money for Nutrition Program | Office Supplies (pens, copy paper, etc.) | Sponsor a Popcorn Day for only \$10! | Sponsor a low-income senior for a trip—only \$15. *All donations are tax deductible.* Stop by the front desk for a receipt.

**Volunteers Needed**—Please talk to us about how you can help.

**Also Needed**—Drivers for Meals-on-Wheels | Hostess in the dining room | Serving group needed the 3rd and 5th Fridays every month, 10:00am–1:00pm | Organize a fund-raiser for the center!

**Support Our Meals-on-Wheels Program!**—We're seeking donations for our Meals-on-Wheels program, and need your support to cover the "Miles for Meals-on-Wheels" program. Meals-on-Wheels drivers deliver a well-balanced hot meal along with companionship to homebound seniors and the disabled. Using their own vehicles, they drive up to 60 miles each day Monday–Friday in the Oregon City, West Linn, Beavercreek, Holcomb and Redland areas. If you're interested in making a donation to support a Meals-on-Wheels route, please call us at 503-657-8287 or 503-722-5979.

**Special Thanks**—A big THANK YOU to **Weatherford's Grand Lodge** who celebrated their restaurant's one year anniversary by choosing the Pioneer Center's Meals-on-Wheels program as the recipient of 15% of their dinner profits on Friday, September 25. They presented a check to the Center at an OC Chamber of Commerce meeting for over \$400! We appreciate your support, Darin & Eric!

*Thanks to Oregon City Lions, Beavercreek Lions, Josefa Nichols, Vesta Peterson, Berry Park Retirement Center, Executive Copy & Printing, Trick & Racy Car Club, Mayor Alice Norris and Denyse McGriff for donating to the "Miles for Meals" program.*

**Recycle Your Newspapers in Our Recycle Box**—The Pioneer Community Center wants your business! All money raised helps fund the Meals-on-Wheels program. So, drop your old newspapers in the box in our parking lot across from the main entrance. Every page counts! Help us keep our drivers on the road delivering meals to our Meals-on-Wheels clients.

## SENIOR SERVICES & PROGRAMS

**Nutrition Program**—Lunch with dessert bar is served Monday–Friday, 11:30am–12:30pm in the Pioneer Center's Dining Room. Suggested donation for ages 60+ is \$2.50. Cost for those under 60 is \$4.50. Meals-on-Wheels are provided to homebound seniors 60+ and the disabled. For more information call 503-657-8287.

**Meals-on-Wheels Service**—The Nutrition Program provides home-delivered noon meals to homebound 60+ seniors and the disabled in Oregon City, West Linn, Beavercreek, Redland and Carus areas. Hot meals are delivered Monday through Friday 10:30am–1:30pm. Frozen meals are provided for closures, weekends and holidays. The service also provides a menu and a newsletter with upcoming service events and meal information. For more info call the Pioneer Center Meals-on-Wheels Coordinator Shirley Ryan at 503-722-5979.

**Grocery Shopping Trips**—For ages 60+ years or disabled. Suggested donation \$1.00 each way. Pick-up starts at 12:45pm. Call 503-657-8287 to schedule a ride.\*

**Mondays**.....Market of Choice (West Linn), Safeway (Gladstone)

**Tuesdays**.....Fred Meyer

**Wednesdays**...Albertson's

**Fridays**.....Danielson's Fresh Marketplace

\*Shopping can also be scheduled in the mornings if time and space are available! Please call ahead as space and time are limited.

**Transportation**—For ages 60+ and the disabled who reside in Oregon City's Urban Growth Boundary and West Linn. Redland and Beavercreek are served on Thursday only. Vans are lift-equipped. There is a \$1.00 donation for a one-way ride. Call to schedule a ride 1 to 7 days in advance.

**Health Services**—Blood pressure testing, hearing test, medication discount assistance, and Medicare prescription information assistance.  
2nd Tuesday of the month | 10:00am | Free

**Senior Law Project**—Local volunteer lawyers provide free legal advice one day each month for clients 60+ years old. For more information and to schedule appointments call Beth Koller at 503-722-3268.  
2nd Monday of the month | On-going | By Appointment | Free

**Computers/Internet**—Computers with Internet access are now located in our Computer Lab.  
Monday–Friday | 9:00am–4:00pm |  
Closed: Dec 24–25, Jan 1 & 18, Feb 15, Mar 22–26

**Pedicures**—RNs Bea and Jan offer pedicures for seniors and the disabled at the Center. Bea has 30 years of experience with foot soaks, foot hygiene and cuticle care. Please tell the receptionist if it's been a long time since you've had your nails done, or are a diabetic with foot problems, so she can allow sufficient time for you. Bring two towels. For more information or to schedule an appointment call 657-8287.  
Every other Tuesday & every 2nd Wednesday | by Appointment  
\$25 | Pay RNs Bea and Jan directly



## FACILITY RENTALS

**LARGE, AFFORDABLE SPACE!** If you are looking for a large affordable ballroom, a classroom or meeting space, please consider the Pioneer Community Center as a place for your gathering. With its beautiful ballroom, the Pioneer Center is ideal, whether you're having a simple event or a grand affair. Great for special events such as:

- Weddings
- Meetings
- Birthdays
- Holiday Parties
- Retirement Parties
- Seminars
- Memorials
- Anniversaries
- Fund-raisers

**AMENITIES** at the Pioneer Adult Community Center make it ideal for large gatherings and events.

- 3,500 sq. ft. with a maximum capacity of 319 people
- Stage for live band or a DJ
- Ballroom with solid hardwood floor and an elevated stage, ideal for dancing and catered events.
- Additional rooms available for dressing or storage
- Food Service area
- Non-Smoking
- Alcohol is permitted
- Tables & chairs for 200, reception or theater style
- Outside catering is allowed

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** or to make a reservation, please call 503-657-8287.

## GAMES, GROUPS & MORE

- AA** Meets weekly in the Center's Basement  
Sundays | 1:30–3:30pm
- BILLIARDS** We have a beautiful pool table in our TV Room. Ask for pool balls at the front desk.  
Monday–Friday | 9:00am–4:00pm | Free  
Closed: Dec 24-25, Jan 1&18, Feb 15, Mar 22-26
- BINGO** Our bingo group meets for fun and small cash prizes every week. A lively, friendly group that can always use more players!  
Thursdays | 12:30–3:00pm | 25¢ per card  
Closed: Dec 24, Mar 25
- BRIDGE** Looking for Bridge Players! Call June Hawkins at 503-631-4034.
- CHESS** Games in Pioneer Center's Basement  
Tuesdays | 7:00–10:00pm | Free | Closed: Mar 23
- NARANON** Meets weekly in the Center's Basement  
Thursdays | 7:00–9:00pm | Closed: Dec 24, Mar 25
- PINOCHLE** These card players meet 3 times a week.  
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays | 12:00pm | 25¢  
Closed: Dec 25, Jan 1 & 18, Feb 15, Mar 22–26
- POKER** Mondays | 12:00–3:30pm | Closed: Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar 22
- POPCORN!** Every Friday | 10:00am | Free | Closed: Dec 25, Jan 1, Mar 26
- SCRABBLE** Challenge this fun, friendly group every week.  
Fridays | 12:30–3:00pm | Free | Closed: Dec 25, Jan 1, Mar 26

## DINE-OUTS

**Every first and third Monday of the month. Bus departs the Center at 11:30am.** Meet at the Center by 11:30am or call 503-657-8287 in advance for a pick-up (suggested donation \$1 each way). Cost of lunch is on your own. Dine-Outs and restaurants are subject to change!

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| <b>Dec 7</b> .....  | <b>WITCHITA PUB</b>                  | <b>Feb 1</b> .....  | <b>Mi FAMIGLIA</b>                 |
| <b>Dec 21</b> ....  | <b>WEATHERFORD'S<br/>GRAND LODGE</b> | <b>Feb 22</b> ..... | <b>BEAVERCREEK<br/>RESTAURANT</b>  |
| <b>Jan 4</b> .....  | <b>BUGATTI'S</b>                     | <b>Mar 1</b> .....  | <b>L'IL COOPERSTOWN</b>            |
| <b>Jan 25</b> ..... | <b>LA HACIENDA</b>                   | <b>Mar 15</b> ....  | <b>KC'S MIDWAY BAR &amp; GRILL</b> |

## DAY TRIPS (Tentative Schedule)

**Please call or stop by the Center for complete trip details.** All trips and entrance fees must be pre-paid. Your name will not be added to the list until we receive payment. If there is an additional entrance fee we will notify you two weeks before the trip. If the trip is already full when we receive your payment, your check will be returned to you. Our trips are quite popular and we often have a waiting list. To register or to be placed on the waiting list, stop by or call 503-657-8287.

**No refund or credit is given to "no-shows."** The Center must be notified 2 weeks in advance if you cannot participate. Trips may be canceled by the Center due to lack of interest, illness or weather.

**All trips are scheduled for Wednesdays unless otherwise noted.  
All trips include a stop for lunch—you pay.**

- Dec 9** .....
- "WHITE CHRISTMAS"**—Join us at OC High School's opening night production of "White Christmas". Start the evening by enjoying Bavarian cuisine at Gustav's.
- Dec 16** .....
- A HOLIDAY "CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS"**—Travel with us to a magical display of thousands of Christmas lights and a 35-foot snow globe. Begin the trip with dinner at Weatherford's Grand Lodge.
- Jan 13** .....
- OREGON MUSEUM OF SCIENCE & INDUSTRY (OMSI)**—One of the nation's leading science museums packed full of brain-powered fun. See a movie in OMNIMAX Dome Theater and more!
- Jan 27** .....
- WORLD FORESTRY CENTER**—The only museum of its kind in the world! See the forest from a bird's-eye-view. Many hands-on interactive exhibits, and video journeys to Siberia, China, Africa and Brazil.
- Feb 10** .....
- LUNCH AT "OREGON CULINARY INSTITUTE"**—Savor a four-course lunch prepared by students using Northwest seasonal produce, meats and cheeses. Give your taste buds an epicurean workout!
- Feb 24** .....
- PORTLAND ART MUSEUM**—Explore the exhibition of over 42,000 objects reflecting the history of art from long ago through today. Experience the power of art!
- Mar 10** ....
- SPIRIT MOUNTAIN CASINO**—Will Lady Luck smile on you? Lunch will be at the Casino.
- Mar 24** ....
- MARYHILL MUSEUM OF ART**—Set in a castle-like chateau overlooking the Columbia Gorge, the permanent collection includes works by Rodin, Native Americans, Art Nouveau glass, 100 chess sets, and much more.

## CLASS INFO & REGISTRATION

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/Check preferred; we also accept VISA. Full payment is due at registration.
- **Over 62 Discount**—Citizens 62 years and up qualify for the “Over 62” reduced fee for classes at the Pioneer Center. Please have ID available.
- **Cancellations**—Classes, programs or events may be cancelled due to lack of participation.
- **Refund Policy**—A full refund will be given ONLY if requested before the first day of class. No refund can be given if a class has already begun.

## FITNESS & RELAXATION

### Cardio-Dance

A high-energy, low-impact aerobic dance class for active adults who want to stay in shape. Bring a mat for cool-down. Instructor—Shirley Hall.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | January 5–March 18 | 10:40–11:25am  
\$73 (Over 62 – \$36) | 11 weeks, 22 classes

### Cross-Training Program

Stay in shape over the winter! This modified workout program is designed for overall body fitness. We will combine cardio, weight training and stretching exercises. Bring light hand-held weights and an exercise mat. Instructor—Shirley Hall

Mondays | January 4–March 15 | 9:30–10:15am |  
\$30 (Over 62 – \$15) | 11 weeks, 9 classes (No class: Jan 18, Feb 15)

### Gentle Pilates Stretching/Yoga

Use Yoga movements and Pilates stretches to strengthen and promote more flexibility and balance. Please bring a mat and light hand-held weights. Adults of all ages welcome.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | January 5–March 18 | 9:30–10:30am  
\$98 (Over 62 – \$49) | 11 weeks, 22 classes

### Tai Chi [Beginning]

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. Instructor—Phyllis Crain.

Mondays & Wednesdays | January 4–March 17 | 10:40–11:25am  
\$67 (Over 62 – \$34) | 11 weeks, 20 classes (No class: Jan 18, Feb 15)

### Tai Chi [Intermediate]

Continuation of form with further integration of breath and body, balance, relaxation and coordination. Increased emphasis on circular movement, softness and smoothness. Instructor—Phyllis Crain

Mondays & Wednesdays | January 4–March 17 | 11:30am–12:15pm  
\$67 (Over 62 – \$34) | 11 weeks, 20 classes (No class: Jan 18, Feb 15)

### Taoist Tai Chi™ Taijiquan [Beginning]

This internal martial art was developed by Master Moy Lin-shin to improve health through a gentle set of 108 movements. Turning and stretching exercises your whole body, restores calmness and peace of mind. Wear flat shoes, loose clothing. To register call 503-220-5970.

Mondays | January 4–March 15 | 6:00–7:30pm (No class: Jan 18, Feb 15)  
Suggested Donation: \$180 (Students & Over 62 – \$120) | Pay to International Taoist Tai Chi Society at the first class | Includes lifetime membership

### Taoist Tai Chi™ Taijiquan [Continuing/Intermediate]

Improves health through a gentle set of 108 movements. Turning and stretching exercises your whole physiology, restores calmness and peace of mind. Wear flat shoes, loose clothing. To register call 503-220-5970.

Mondays | January 4–March 15 | 6:00–7:30pm (No class: Jan 18, Feb 15) | Suggested Donation: \$180 (Students & Over 62 – \$120) | Pay to International Taoist Tai Chi Society at the first class | Includes lifetime membership

### Weight Room Orientation

This individual weight training session introduces you to a personalized fitness program designed to meet your individual needs and goals. For adults 50 years and up. Call 503-657-8287 to make an appointment.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | By Appointment | Ongoing | \$20  
Closed: Dec 24, Mar 23 & 25

### Weight Training Room

Come enjoy this room and exercise with others! For adults 50 years and older. PREREQUISITE—Weight Room Orientation.

Monday–Friday | Ongoing | 9:00am–4:00pm | \$20 for 24 visits  
Closed: Dec 24–25, Jan 1 & 18, Feb 15, Mar 22–26

### Yoga [Beginning]

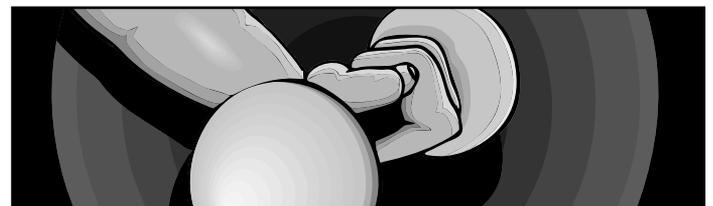
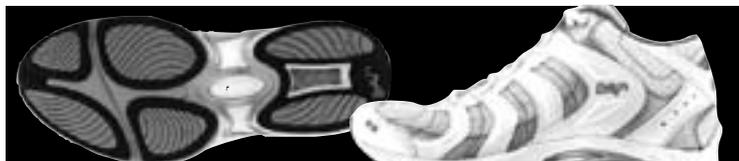
This class is for the yoga novice or someone who enjoys gentle flow yoga. We will focus on breathing and technique, with special attention on balancing and holding poses, as well as partner stretches. Dress comfortably; bring water and a yoga mat. New students with yoga experience are encouraged to attend. Relax and have fun! *To register call Jenny at 503-419-9738.*

Thursdays | January 7–March 11 | 5:30–6:30pm  
\$65 (Over 62 – \$60) | 10 weeks, 10 classes

### Yoga [Intermediate]

This Yoga class introduces more intermediate poses and technique. We will focus specifically on balancing and holding poses as well as partner stretches. Dress comfortably; bring water and a yoga mat. New students with yoga experience are encouraged to attend. *To register call Jenny at 503-419-9738.*

Thursdays | January 7–March 11 | 5:30–6:30pm  
\$65 (Over 62 – \$60) | 10 weeks, 10 classes





## COMPUTER SKILLS

For fees, scheduling and more information on our computer classes call instructor Jerry King at 503-723-9497.

### Level 1—First Step

Instruction is focused 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 a file; printing a file; and an introduction to the Internet. Students will also learn and practice the mouse commands, and how to hover to identify the tools in a program. Students will get hands-on practice during each 2-hour class.

### Level 2—Computer Basics

This course opens with a survey of computer terminology and components. You will learn to set up folders and sub-folders in Windows, and create shortcuts to your desktop—skills that allow you to organize your files and find them fast. We'll also cover the different ways to connect to the Internet and the tools of a browser to find your way around, as well as the use of search engines and E-mail. You will send an E-mail to a friend and attach your picture. Students will get hands-on practice during each 2-hour class.

### Level 3—Word Processing

Build on the basics to fine-tune your word processing skills. This class focuses intensely on increasing your typing skills by learning keyboard shortcuts instead of using the mouse. We'll also cover default settings and *copy*, *cut* and *paste* commands. You will work with macros, tables and explore mail merge. Students will get hands-on practice during each 2-hour class.

## ARTS & CRAFTS

### Acrylic Painting

For beginners and experienced artists. Emphasis will be on learning brush techniques, color mixing, shading and composition. Class will include painting landscapes, wildlife, flowers or your preference with one-on-one supervision.

Wednesdays | January 6–March 10 | 9:30–11:30am  
\$89 (Over 62 – \$45) | 10 weeks, 10 classes

### Busy Bees

Have fun making crafts, sewing quilts and aprons, etc. for fundraisers or simply working on your own projects in the company of others.

Mondays | Ongoing | 9:00am–Noon | Free | Closed: Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar 22

### 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 | January 6–March 10 | 10:00am–Noon  
\$20 | 10 weeks, 10 classes

### Oil Painting

For beginners and experienced artists. Emphasis will be on learning brush techniques, color mixing, shading and composition. Class will include painting landscapes, wildlife, flowers, or your preference with one-on-one supervision. Please pick up a supply list at the center.

Wednesdays | January 6–March 10 | 12:30–2:30pm  
\$89 (Over 62 – \$45) | 10 weeks, 10 classes

### Watercoloring with Melissa Gannon

Explore the exciting, challenging medium of transparent watercolor! Learn to mix colors, the basics of composition, elements of perspective and drawing. Supply list available at registration. All levels welcome.

Thursdays | January 7–March 18 | 11:00am–1:30pm  
\$117 (Over 62 – \$58) | 11 weeks, 11 classes



## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Available through December 15. Support your Center by purchasing your 2010 Entertainment Books from us. They make great Christmas and birthday gifts that keep on giving through at least November 1, 2010. The books are \$20 each and have an assortment of coupons for dining, travel, entertainment and retail. Many Clackamas County businesses are included. Pays for itself quickly. Stop by 615 Fifth Street and buy one soon!

## MUSIC & DANCING

### Line Dancing

Learn the latest line dance steps, as well as the traditional ones. No partner needed.

Tuesdays | On-going | 11:45am–1:30pm | Donation | Closed: Mar 23

### Pioneer Singers

If you enjoy singing choral renditions of show tunes and good-time oldies, call instructor Melinda Byers for more information at 503-655-5644.

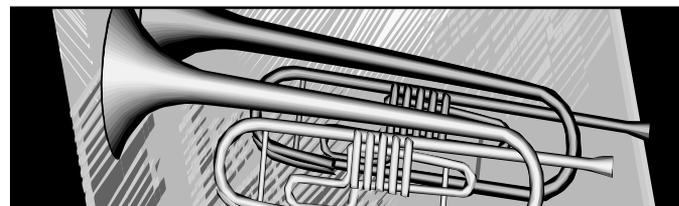
Fridays | 10:00am–Noon | \$30/semester  
Closed: Dec 25, Jan 1, Mar 26

### Wednesday Afternoon Ballroom Dances

The Swing Street Glenn Tadina Big Band (16-piece) and the Black Magic Band (14-piece) 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, Fox Trot and a variety of other dance rhythms. For band play dates, call 503-769-5598 or Glenn Tadina at 503-657-8257. Come early for lunch!

LUNCH 11:30am–12:30pm | \$4.50 for 60 years & under  
\$2.50 suggested donation for 60+

DANCE Wednesdays | Ongoing | 12:30–3:00pm | \$5/person  
Closed: Mar 24



**GENERAL LIBRARY INFO**

**Library Hours**

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday.. 11:00am–8:00pm  
 Thursday, Friday & Saturday ..... 11:00am–5:00pm  
 Sunday..... 12:00pm–5:00pm

**Holiday Closures**

Christmas.....Fri–Sat, December 25–26  
 New Year’s Day ..... Friday, January 1  
 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.....Monday, January 18  
 President’s Day..... Monday, February 15

**Location**—You’ll find us in the Danielson Hilltop Mall with an entrance facing the theatre. Look for the big blue stripe around our corner. For the latest information on the library’s entire range of programs and services call us at 503-657-8269 or visit the library on the web.

**WATCH FOR WI-FI**

We are in the process of upgrading our computer infrastructure with several goals in mind:

- More internet stations—we’re adding three
- Faster communication speed—with a fiber connection
- And, FREE PUBLIC WI-FI

There will be signage and brochures announcing when this service is available and providing instructions on its use.

**HELP US SERVE YOU BETTER**

Each member is issued a FREE library card at registration. This 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 to you. Using your ID requires staff to look up your information over and over, delaying your service as well as those next in line. You will also need your PIN for all online services. If you do not know it, stop by the circulation desk for look-up.

**Check Out Our 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. Participating venues include:

- Portland Art Museum (it’s BACK!)
- The Chinese Garden • The Japanese Garden
- The Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden
- Portland Children’s Museum (CM2)
- Pittock Mansion

*Come check out some free fun!*

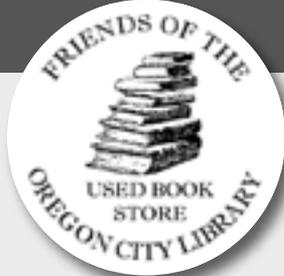


**FROM OUR NEW LIBRARY DIRECTOR**

Hello! My name is Maureen Cole and I am the new Library Director for Oregon City Public Library. I am so happy and excited to be here. The Library has not had an in-house, professional library director for a few years. The new library district, which passed last November and began this July, provides the revenue the Library needs for operating funds, including expanded hours, and yes, hiring a full-time, in-house director. I am so honored to fill that position.

Let me tell you a little about myself. I just moved up from Eugene where my family has lived for the last 14 years. Most recently, I worked at the Eugene Public Library; prior to that I worked at Northwest Christian University Kellenberger Library. Prior to Eugene, we lived in Naples, Florida and I worked at the Collier County Public Library. I completed my Masters degree in nearby Fort Myers, Florida at a branch of the University of South Florida, but I started work on the degree in Colorado, which is where I am originally from. My husband has worked for the City of Portland as an urban planner for several years, another reason I am thrilled to have a job in Oregon City! I have two fantastic sons, Sam and David; Sam is a senior at the U of O and David just started at Occidental College in L.A. The day after he arrived on campus, the massive Station Fire started, which was visible from the college grounds: welcome to L.A., David!

The two Library managers, Debbie Dodd and Lynda Ackerson, have done a great job of running the Library with Scott Archer, Oregon City Community Services Director. On July 1, with the start of the new fiscal year and the launch of the library district, the Library expanded to 50 hours. Debbie, Lynda and I are working on other ways to increase service to our community. WiFi access coming soon! Your ideas are welcome—please email them to me ([mcole@orcity.org](mailto:mcole@orcity.org)). And we will be investigating the possibility of a new building or location! Stay tuned. If you see me in the Library, or anywhere in town, don’t hesitate to say hi or introduce yourself.



**Three Rivers Artist Guild**

**SHOP OUR NEW STORE!**

502 Seventh Street, Oregon City

◆ Books	◆ Art
◆ Music	◆ Cards
◆ Movies	◆ Gifts

Mon–Sat • 11:00am–6:00pm  
 Sunday • 12:00–5:00pm

**Friends of the Oregon City Public Library USED BOOK STORE & Three Rivers Artist Guild GALLERY**



## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

We have moved most of our special programs to Saturdays to allow more school-aged children to attend.

- Fri, Dec 4 ..... 11:00am..... Origami Workshop with Geneva Cobb—for all ages, sign-up required
- Sat, Dec 5 ..... 11:30am..... Abernethy Performing Arts Center presents "The Enchanted Toyshop"
- Sat, Dec 12 ..... 11:30am..... Storyteller Christopher Leebrick presents "How the Grinch Stole Christmas"
- Sat, Jan 23 ..... 11:30am..... "Robots" presented by the Oregon City High School Robotics Team
- Sat, Feb 6 ..... 11:30am..... Local artist Elisabeth Miles presents "Paint with Pencil, Draw with Color" workshop—for all ages, sign-up required

## SPRING BREAK KIDS' PROGRAMS

- Tue, Mar 22 ..... 1:00pm..... Mad Science presents "Up, Up and Away"
- Wed, Mar 23 ..... 1:00pm..... Storyteller Will Hornyak entertains
- Thu, Mar 24 ..... 1:00pm..... Penny's Puppet presents "The Princess and the Peanut"
- Fri, Mar 26 ..... 1:00pm..... Steve Lattanzi presents "Creature Feature"

## STORIES & CRAFT TIME

**Craft Sessions**—Craft sessions for children ages 3–5 are held immediately following the preschool storytime. Although there is no charge for any of our children's programs, advance sign-up is required for the special craft programs below:

Dec 15 & 16 ..... Make a Gift with recycled cards, calendars, magazines

Jan 19 & 20 ..... Make a Winter New Year's Craft

Feb 9 & 10 ..... Make a Valentine's Day Craft

Mar 16 & 17 ..... Make a St. Patrick's Day Craft

**Storyhours**—In the Oregon City Library storytimes, toddlers and preschoolers enjoy books, songs, rhymes and movement activities while building language and literacy skills. Your child's early experiences with books and language lay the foundation for success in learning to read. We will have a break from storytimes January 1–9. Regular times are as listed:

Preschool Storytime ..... 3–5 year olds ..... Tues & Weds ..... 11:15am

Baby & Toddler ..... under 3 years ..... Thursdays ..... 11:15am

Family Storytime ..... all ages ..... Saturdays ..... 11:30am

*Special programs are sometimes scheduled in place of the Family Storytime.*

## FOR YOUR LISTENING PLEASURE

The Oregon City Library has added Playaways to its audio book collection. What is a Playaway? It's the simplest way to listen to an audio book on the go. Playaways are portable units with the digital recording of the book already pre-loaded. Each unit holds an entire audio book, regardless of length. There is an automatic bookmark feature that remembers where you stopped listening. A standard AAA battery is included. All you do is plug in your headphones, turn the unit on, press play and enjoy your book.

We currently have over 100 titles in our collection, including adult, children's and teen titles...fiction and non-fiction. Playaways can be found in our media center. Check them out!

## FEDERAL TAX FORMS

The Internal Revenue Service provides the most common forms and instructions for free distribution in the nation's libraries. We are allowed to provide these forms only after December 2. However, our experience is that few forms are actually here by that date. We'll be displaying whatever we have received.

By a decision of the Oregon Department of Revenue, **there will be NO State forms available for distribution.**

Forms not supplied by the State or Federal government, may be available in the sets of reproducible forms, so you may photocopy what you need. Other forms and instructions are available through the IRS and Oregon Department of Revenue websites, which can be accessed via our free Internet computers. Although not allowed to give any tax advice or recommend what forms may be appropriate in your situation, our reference librarians can help you locate specific forms or direct you to the websites where you can print your own.

## TAX DEDUCTIBLE LIBRARY DONATIONS

**Donations are much appreciated in these lean budgetary times!**

**Materials**—We happily accept donations of books, videos, compact discs and books on tape on behalf of the Friends of the Library. Money collected from sale of materials is used by the Friends for a variety of projects to improve library services. Items to be donated should be **marked** as donations and brought to the circulation desk.

**Please do not use our book drop for donations.**

**Favorite donations are:**

- Best-sellers still in demand
- Newer non-fiction works on contemporary, practical issues
- Paperback westerns, mysteries & 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
- Please do not bring moldy, smelly, dirty or damaged materials.
- Magazines
- Readers Digest
- Condensed Books

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.

**Bucks for Books**—The Friends of the Library have established a donation jar at our front counter designated as Bucks for Books. Every penny deposited here is used to purchase books and audio-visual materials for our collection.

**Memorials**—The donation of funds for a book or other item in the memory of a loved one is a lasting memorial that also serves the community. Materials purchased with donations have a bookplate that lists the names of the memorialized and the donor. If the person in whose memory the funds are donated has a specific interest, the library staff is happy to work with the donor to obtain materials on that subject.

## CODE ENFORCEMENT ANSWERS FAQs—Frequently Asked Questions

■ **Q: Can I park my commercial vehicle on the street in front of my home?**

A: NO. It is unlawful for anyone to park or cause to be parked, any truck, truck trailer or commercial vehicle in or on any street, alley, sidewalk or parking strip in areas where no mode of parking is indicated by signs or markings unless the vehicle is being used in connection with the property immediately in front of which the vehicle is parked for the purpose of loading and unloading, and the vehicle is not owned by the business in front of which the vehicle is parked.

■ **Q: Can I run a business out of my home?**

A: Yes. The first step is applying for a Home Occupation License at 503-657-0891; not all businesses meet the zoning requirements and aren't necessarily a good fit in residential neighborhoods. In order to maintain neighborhood livability all home occupations are subject to city review.

■ **Q: Can I park my R.V. and/or boat in front of my house?**

A: NO. It is unlawful for any person to park or store any trailer, camper, mobile home, boat, trailer house, motor home or other recreational vehicle on any street, alley or highway, or other public place. Please be mindful of your neighbors and use alternative parking, such as RV pads or local RV storage facilities, etc. By following these guidelines we can all enhance our city services, improve public safety and help make our neighborhoods more “neighbor friendly” for the citizens of Oregon City.

## CODE ENFORCEMENT REMINDER

**L**imit the hazards during wintery conditions. Oregon City requests your help to ensure pedestrian and transit users have a safe pedestrian access way this winter. Property owners and tenants should remove snow or ice promptly, clearing sidewalks and driveways to provide a three-foot wide path after a snow event.

## SPRING IS OREGON CITY GRANT SEASON

**T**he City of Oregon City has two grant programs that could help your group fund a project in the 2010–11 fiscal year. This past spring the Oregon City Civic Improvement Trust and the Oregon City-Metro Enhancement Committee awarded a combined \$189,945 to groups with projects that were of benefit to the citizens in Oregon City. The amount available for each grant cycle 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 meets to review applications in March.

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 Street 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. The OCMEC committee meets in May to review applications.

Applications and award amounts available for both grant programs will be available at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org) by January 29, 2010. For more info, contact Michele Beneville at 503-496-1542 or [mbbeneville@ci.oregon-city.or.us](mailto:mbbeneville@ci.oregon-city.or.us).

## OREGON CITY SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR GRANT COMMITTEES

**V**olunteer in your community and give away money at the same time. The City of Oregon City is seeking applications from city residents to fill vacancies for the Oregon City-Metro Enhancement Committee (OCMEC) and the Oregon City Civic Improvement Trust (OCCIT). The length of term for each is up to four years and each committee typically meets once a year, or as needed.

The OC-Metro Enhancement Committee is a nine member board comprised of the City Commission, METRO Councilor Carlotta Collette and three citizens at-large. The committee provides oversight for an enhancement program which is part of an intergovernmental agreement between Oregon City and METRO. The agreement generates \$.50 per ton surcharge collected at the South Metro Transfer Station at Washington Street and Highway 213. The surcharge is intended to offset any negative impacts of the transfer station. The OCMEC reviews grant applications that invest in enhancement projects. In May, the committee awarded \$106,758 to projects throughout Oregon City.

The Oregon City Civic Improvement Trust is a non-profit entity of the City and was formed in 1982. The purpose of the grant program is to fund projects by using the hotel/motel tax that is collected. Mayor Alice Norris serves as Chairman of the Board, which is comprised of four citizens and the City Commissioners. The group reviews grant proposals that invest in Oregon City tourism-related projects and funded eleven projects last March.

Applications and a detailed description of the committee are available on the City's Web site at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org), under Boards and Commissions or by contacting Michele Beneville at 503-496-1542 or [mbbeneville@ci.oregon-city.or.us](mailto:mbbeneville@ci.oregon-city.or.us).



## PARKING CITATIONS

The City is now accepting online payments for parking citations. Pay your parking ticket online using a credit or debit card; visit [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org) for more information.

## CITY MANAGER TO RETIRE IN MARCH

Larry Patterson, who has guided Oregon City during seven years of civic revitalization, announced his retirement, effective March 31, 2010.

With 30 years of local government experience in two states, Patterson assisted the city in addressing many challenging issues: a severe financial crisis, a fire district annexation vote, staffing shortages, a cramped and outdated city hall, economic stagnation, and major cutbacks in library hours. Under his watch, the city opened the first new park in 23 years, hired the first police officer in 8 years, built a new water reservoir, enhanced McLoughlin Boulevard, upgraded 7th Street and Beaver Creek Road, developed an economic development strategy, opened Oregon City's first spray park, significantly decreased the crime rate, built a much-needed water reservoir, purchased the first hybrid vehicle, dedicated the first plug-in electric vehicle charging station, developed two waterfront trails, and opened a new city hall. Happy retirement, Larry!

The city commission will be developing a process for selection of a new city manager in 2010.

## CITY MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Budget Committee.....	As Announced
Chief's Advisory Committee (Police & Fire).....	As Announced
City Commission.....	1st & 3rd Wednesdays..... 7:00pm
Civic Improvement Trust.....	As Announced
Historic Review Board.....	Last Thursday..... 7:00pm
Library Board.....	2nd Wednesday—Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct..... 4:30pm
Metro Enhancement Committee.....	As announced
Parking Advisory Board.....	As Announced
Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee.....	4th Monday..... 7:00pm
Planning Commission.....	2nd & 4th Monday..... 7:00pm
Transportation Advisory Committee.....	3rd Tuesday..... 6:00pm
Urban Renewal Agency.....	As Announced

## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

### BARCLAY HILLS NBRHD ASSN (BHNA)

**Steering Committee Meetings**  
 When 2nd Tue | Jan, Apr, July, Oct | 7:00pm  
 Where Christ Church Apostolic  
 600 Barclay Hills Drive  
 Info Betty Mumm, Chair » 503-657-5922  
 James Harms, Vice Chair  
<http://www.orcity.org/community/barclay-hills-neighborhood-association>

### CANEMAH NBRHD ASSN (CNA)

**General Membership Meetings**  
**Steering Committee Meetings**  
 Info Howard Post, Chair » 503-650-0976  
 Nancy Chapman » 503-657-6522  
<http://www.orcity.org/community/canemah-neighborhood-association>

### CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COUNCIL (CIC)

**General Meetings**  
 When Every 1st Monday | 7:00pm  
 Dec 7 | Jan 4 | Feb 1 | Mar 1  
 Where Station #15, 2nd floor,  
 7th & John Adams in the EOC  
 Info Chris Taylor, Liaison » 503-496-1681  
<http://www.orcity.org/publicinformation/citizen-involvement-council-cic>

### GAFFNEY LANE & HILLENDALE NBRHD ASSN (GLNA & HNA)

**General Membership Meeting**  
 When Tuesday | Sep 22 | 7:00–8:30pm  
 Where Berry Park Retirement Center  
 Info Joan Schultze, Chair » 503-657-3355  
<http://www.orcity.org/community/gaffney-lane-neighborhood-association>

*For updated information about neighborhoods, meetings and events, visit [www.orcity.org/community](http://www.orcity.org/community).*

### HAZEL GROVE–WESTLING FARM NBRHD ASSN (HG-WFNA)

**General Membership Meetings**  
 When Thursdays | 7:00pm  
 Jan 21 | Mar 18 | May 20 | Jul ?? | Sep 16  
 Where Oregon City United Methodist Church  
 1895 S. South End Road  
 Info Kathy Hogan, Co-Chair » 503-657-9435  
<http://www.orcity.org/community/hazel-grove-westling-farm-neighborhood-association>

*Need Chairpersons and other volunteers to help with HG-WFN Association and meetings. Come join us and volunteer for some of the committees. We plan to vote on candidates in January or March of 2010.*

### MCLOUGHLIN NBRHD ASSN (MNA)

**General Membership Meetings**  
 When 1st Thursdays—even months | 7:00pm  
**Steering Committee Meetings**  
 When 1st Thursdays—odd months | 7:00pm  
 Info William Gifford, Co-Chair 503-723-3456  
<http://www.orcity.org/community/mcloughlin-neighborhood-association>

### PARK PLACE NBRHD ASSN (PPNA)

**General Membership Meetings**  
**Steering Committee Meetings**  
 Info Steve Van Haverbeke, Chairman  
 Tom Geil, Vice Chair » 503-722-0438  
<http://www.orcity.org/community/park-place-neighborhood-association>

### RIVERCREST NBRHD ASSN (RNA)

**General Membership Meetings**  
 When Thursday | March 18 | 7:00pm  
**Steering Committee Meetings**  
 When Wednesday | February 17 | 7:00pm  
 Where (All Meetings) First Presbyterian Church  
 Corner Linn Ave & Warner Milne Rd  
 Info Diane McKnight, Chair » 503-656-6435  
<http://www.orcity.org/community/rivercrest-neighborhood-association>

### SOUTH END NBRHD ASSN (SENA)

**General Membership Meetings**  
 Same as Hazel Grove-Westling Farm Nbrhd Assn  
 Info Karen Montoya, Chair » 503-557-8065  
<http://www.orcity.org/community/south-end-neighborhood-association>

### TOWER VISTA NBRHD ASSN (TVNA)

Inactive  
<http://www.orcity.org/community/tower-vista-neighborhood-association>



## RETIRED DEPUTY CHIEF FROM STOCKTON, CA VOLUNTEERS FOR OREGON CITY POLICE

Retired Deputy Chief Tom Gaumer contacted the Oregon City Police Department this summer and asked if he could volunteer his knowledge and time to our agency. Tom presented a great resume and the department felt they could not pass up his valuable assets. Tom retired as a Deputy Chief from Stockton, CA

Police Department after 27 years of service. Tom moved to

Oregon City and went to work for Cascade College in January 2005 as the Director of Campus Life. Cascade College closed down in May 2009 and Tom currently volunteers his time at his own church.

In September Tom officially started his volunteer work. Since California law is different than Oregon Law, Tom attended the Clackamas County Reserve Academy for the four criminal law classes. Tom will work under Detective Sergeant Bill Kler reviewing cold homicide cases for additional leads and clues. Tom will also work with Chief Conrad keeping touch with the faith bases community. The department welcomes Tom and is excited about his ability to volunteer his time.

## 2009 HEROES WITH A HEART AWARD

Oregon City Police Officer Michael Kramer was awarded the 2009 Heroes With A Heart Award. Officer Kramer was nominated by three TIP (Traumatic Intervention Program) volunteers which is a huge honor. Each year TIP volunteers respond to over 2,000 requests for assistance. When they recognize an emergency responder (police/fire/medical/ME) who goes above and beyond the call of duty while responding to a situation they nominate that person for this award. TIP recognizes one business and one emergency responder at their big event each year. TIP receives hundreds of nominations each year, and the fact that Officer Kramer received 3 nominations automatically put him in the top.

Officer Kramer responded to a drowning of a 15-year-old boy, Nicholas Wilcox, at Clackamette Park in Oregon City on July 25, 2009. Officer Kramer performed CPR in an effort to revive Nicholas, but he was pronounced dead. Officer Kramer contacted a TIP volunteer at the scene to assist him with talking to the family.

Officer Kramer took the time to make a very emotional and horrific event a little more private and personal. He allowed the family to have dignity and grace while learning of the death of a child. Officer Kramer stayed with the family well past the event and coordinated getting Nicholas' father to the hospital. He arranged for a Chaplain to drive to Elk, Washington to provide a "personal" death notification to Nicholas' mother, and had a genuine concern for all siblings and step-siblings. He took time to "care" for the bystanders and citizen rescuers who helped pull the boy from the water.

It was a great honor for Officer Kramer to be nominated and awarded with the TIP Heroes with a Heart Award. He received the award at the Heroes with Heart event November 5, 2009. Over 450 people attend this event annually.

If you would like more information regarding the Traumatic Intervention Program (TIP) visit their website at [www.tipnw.org](http://www.tipnw.org).



## UNCLAIMED/FOUND PROPERTY For Auction

The Oregon City Police Department Property Division is required by law to hold unclaimed and found property 90 days before sending it to auction. Every attempt to contact the owner of the property is made before sending it to auction, but many times the owners are never found. The department sends miscellaneous items to auction every 3-4 months. The department encourages the citizens of Oregon City to contact Property Officer Wilson at 503-496-1608 if you have lost anything of value. The most common items routinely sent to auction are: Bicycles | Tools | Jewelry | Lawn Ornaments

## VICTIM ASSISTANCE

The Clackamas County District Attorney's Office is looking for volunteers, both *male and female*, who are interested in helping people who are 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 old, have reliable transportation and no criminal background.

As a Victim Advocate you will have the privilege of providing crisis intervention, ongoing support for the victim, keeping victims informed of their case status, accompanying victims to court (if applicable) and encouraging them to exercise their rights as a victim. Becoming a Victim Advocate is a very rewarding opportunity to help people within your community.

Applications are currently being accepted for the Spring 2010 training session. All accepted applicants receive the necessary training to prepare them to be a Victim Advocate.



For more information or a Victim Advocate application, please call Krysti Bellmore at 503-655-8616.

**Clackamas Fire District #1**



**Your Friend for Life!**  
[www.clackamasfire.com](http://www.clackamasfire.com)  
 503-742-2600

*Please visit us at our website! You will find a vast amount of information about YOUR Fire District. Please contact us with questions and input. See you on the web!*

**SMOKE ALARMS**

**What You Need To Know**



**The presence of a smoke alarm alone does not guarantee fire safety. It must work!**

- Test your smoke alarms monthly!
- Replace old smoke alarms.
- Smoke alarms ten years old or more should be replaced.
- It's time to consider a new smoke alarm...with a long-life battery and a "hush" feature.

**SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!**  
 Sat & Sun | Dec 5 & 6

**The Original Operation Santa Claus** will be coming to town on December 5 & 6. This is the 24th year this event has come through Oregon City. Fire engines and fire trucks will bring Santa on his brand new sleigh. He will be driving through your neighborhood and would like everyone to come out of your homes when you hear the sirens and wave to him. Please donate high-protein canned foods, unwrapped new gifts for older kids and please, NO stuffed animals. *Details on routes, dates and times are on the Fire District website, or call the Operation Santa Hotline at 503-742-2941.*

**U.S. HOME CANDLE FIRES**

**F**ire departments in the United States responded to 15,600 home<sup>1</sup> structure fires that were started by candles in 2005. These fires caused:

- 150 civilian fire deaths;
  - 1,270 civilian fire injuries; and
  - \$539 million in direct property damage.
- Overall, candles caused 4% of reported home fires, 5% of the home fire deaths, 10% of the home fire injuries, and 8% of the direct property damage in reported home fires

**Causes and Circumstances of Home Candle Fires**—Details from the U.S.

Fire Administration's National Fire Incident Reporting System show that in 2002–2005:

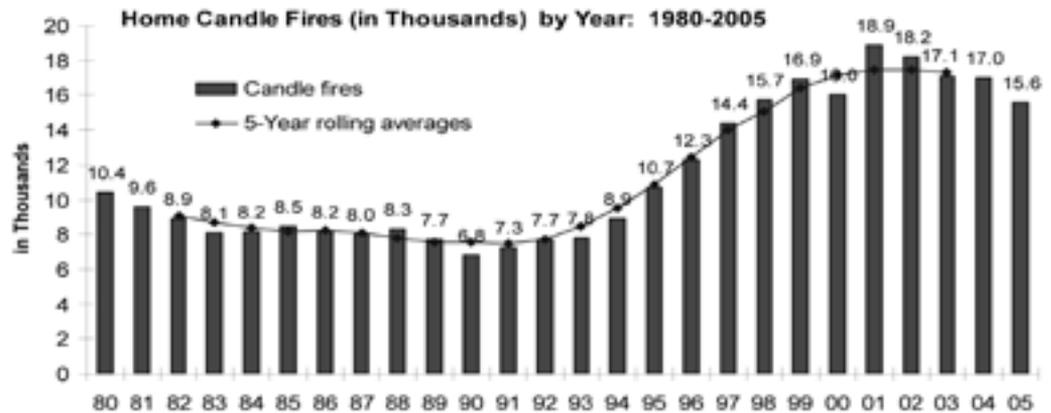
- On average, one home candle fire was reported every 34 minutes.
- More than half of all candle fires started when something that could burn, such as furniture, mattresses, bedding, curtains, or decorations, was too close to the candle.

- In 20% of the fires, the candles were left unattended or abandoned.
- Almost 40% of home candle fires begin in the bedroom, although the candle industry found that only 13% of candle users burn candles in the bedroom most often.
- December is the peak time of year for home candle fires. In December, 13% of home candle fires began with decorations compared to 4% the rest of the year.
- The top five days for home candle fires were Christmas Day, Christmas Eve, New Year's Day, New Year's Eve, and Halloween.

**Candle Fire Trends**—Home candle fires fell 8% from 2004 to 2005, but more than twice as many were reported in 2005 as in 1990.



One-Stop Data Shop  
 Fire Analysis & Research Division  
 One Batterymarch Park,  
 Quincy, MA 02169  
 osds@nfpa.org | www.nfpa.org



<sup>1</sup>Homes are dwellings, duplexes, manufactured homes, apartments, townhouses, rowhouses, and condominiums.

Source: *Home Candle Fires*, Marty Ahrens, National Fire Protection Association, Quincy, MA, September 2007.



*For Parade information, please call 503-742-2941. Come out and be a part of this memorable time.*

## WATER DIVISION—Drinking Water Quality News



**Be prepared for the unexpected!** Severe storms or a natural disaster could cause a prolonged power outage. This, in turn, could cause your water service to be disrupted. Be prepared by making sure that you and your family have an ample supply of clean water. How much is recommended?

The Red Cross recommends you store one gallon of water per person per day for at least 3 days. Each day one person should drink 2 quarts of water. The other 2 quarts would be used for food preparation and personal hygiene. Don't forget to store water for your family pets also. Learn much more by going to [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) and click on "Preparing and Getting Trained". Clackamas County also has information at [www.co.clackamas.or.us/emergency](http://www.co.clackamas.or.us/emergency).

Bottled drinking water should be stored out of direct sunlight and away from chemicals that could permeate the container. It should

also be protected from freezing. Commercially bottled water can be stored for one year. Tap water that is kept in safe containers can be stored for six months before being replaced. It is best to buy approved water jugs or use well-washed, plastic soda bottles. It is not recommended to use empty bleach, detergent, or milk jugs.

If you are unsure about the safety of the water, there are two easy ways to purify it. One is to bring the water to a rolling boil for three to five minutes. Let the water cool before you use it. The second method is to disinfect it with household liquid chlorine bleach. Sodium hypochlorite that has a concentration of 5.25% to 6% should be the only ingredient in the bleach. Never use scented bleaches, color safe bleaches, or bleaches with added cleaners. For each gallon of water add 16 drops of bleach. Stir the water and let it stand for 30 minutes. If the water does not have a slight bleach odor, repeat the dosage and let it stand for an additional 15 minutes.

*If you have any questions or concerns about your drinking water quality contact Gail Johnson: 503.657.8241 or [gjohnson@oregoncity.org](mailto:gjohnson@oregoncity.org). Clackamas River Water customers can call 503.722.9241.*

## CLACKAMAS RIVER WATER PROVIDERS—Winter Water Tips

**Here are some measures you can take** to help avoid the expense and inconvenience of frozen water pipes indoors as well as outdoors.

### How to Prevent Frozen Water Pipes

- **PROTECT OUTSIDE FAUCETS AND HOSE BIBS.** In some homes, outside faucets have a separate shut-off in the basement or crawl space. If you have a separate valve for outside faucets, shut it off. Then go outside, disconnect the garden hoses and turn the faucets "ON" to drain water from the line. Always wrap outside faucets and hose bibs to protect from freezing. Also, always disconnect garden hoses from the faucets. A single hard overnight freeze can burst either the faucet or the pipe it is connected to.
- **INSULATE PIPES AND FAUCETS IN UNHEATED AREAS.** If you have water lines in unheated or non-insulated garage or cold crawl space areas, wrap the water pipes before temperatures plummet. Hardware and building supply stores will have good pipe wrapping materials available.
- **SEAL OFF ACCESS DOORS, VENTS & CRACKS.** Repair broken basement windows. Winter winds whistling through overlooked openings can quickly freeze exposed water pipes. Do not plug air vents that your furnace and water heater need for good combustion.
- **OPEN THE CUPBOARD DOORS BENEATH YOUR SINKS.** This will allow warm air to circulate around the pipes which could keep them from freezing.
- **ALLOW WATER TO TRICKLE FROM FAUCETS** with unprotected pipes underneath your home or near outside walls that may be exposed to extreme weather conditions. Over a 24-hour period this will cost less than 15 cents per faucet—much less than the cost to repair broken pipes!

- **FIND THE MAIN SHUT-OFF FOR THE WATER TO YOUR HOME.** It may be near the water heater or the washing machine, right where the water line comes into the house from outside. Or often the shut off is located in a circular valve box near the front yard hose bib. If a pipe bursts anywhere in the house—kitchen, bath, basement, or crawl space—this valve will shut off the water to the house. So find it now and paint it a bright color or hang a tag on it. Be sure everyone in the family knows where it is and what it does.
- **HAVE YOUR PLUMBER'S TELEPHONE NUMBER HANDY.** During an extended cold spell, pipes might freeze despite the best precautions.

### What if it's too late?

What if you wake up one day to find the pipes are frozen anyway?

- **THAW THE LINE SAFELY.** If you know where the lines are frozen, you can attempt to thaw them with a hair dryer set on low heat. Wave the dryer back and forth along the frozen area.
- **DON'T USE AN OPEN FLAME TO THAW FROZEN LINES.** Overheating a single spot can burst the pipe, and an open flame could cause a fire.

### What if the pipe won't thaw?

If you are unable to thaw the pipes or you think there may be a problem in the street because none of your faucets are working, call your water provider.

### What if the pipes are broken?

- **SHUT OFF THE WATER AND POWER (OR GAS) TO THE WATER HEATER.** If you are unable to find the shut off valve, or the valve doesn't work, call your water provider.

*For more information and tips on how to use water wisely visit [www.clackamasproviders.org](http://www.clackamasproviders.org) or contact Clackamas River Water Providers at 503-723-3511, email [christine@clackamasproviders.org](mailto:christine@clackamasproviders.org).*



## STORMWATER DIVISION—Catch Basins 101



**C**atch basins, sometimes called storm drain inlets or curb inlets, are common features of most streets in Oregon City. In fact, the City has over 4,000 of them. As the entry point for the storm drainage system, catch basins can be considered a form of pretreatment in our efforts to reduce water pollution. The grate or screen of the catch basin stops large pieces of trash and other debris from

entering the storm drain. Sediment and other pollutants are removed from stormwater runoff by settling out in the sump, or basin beneath the grate.

An important component of Oregon City's Stormwater Management Plan is conducting catch basin cleaning and maintenance. Each catch basin is cleaned and inspected every two years. An effort is made to estimate the volume of sediment removed during cleaning activities as the City is required to quantify all efforts to improve stormwater quality.

Each Oregon City resident and business can help in the effort to reduce stormwater pollution by cleaning up any debris along the street gutter near your home or business. It is also helpful if you use a rake to remove leaves or garbage out of catch basin grates. Keeping catch basins free of debris is also a safety issue. Clogged catch basins contribute to street flooding and traffic hazards.

Not all catch basins are the City's responsibility. If your business has one or more catch basins in the parking lot, keep these facilities clean and free of debris. Oregon City Public Works (OCPW) is implementing a program to assist business owners with this task. If you notice a business with catch basins that look ready for maintenance, contact the business owner directly, or contact OCPW at 503.657.8241.

Another way Oregon City residents and business owners can help is by letting us know about older style grates, ones that have bars that run in the same direction as the flow of traffic. *Because these grates can be hazardous to bicyclists, please contact OCPW at 503.657.8241 to notify us if you are aware of any of these old-style catch basins. City crews have a quick fix that can make them "bicycle friendly".*

## Self-Service Sandbag Station Open at Public Works

**O**regon City residents, property owners and businesses can prevent damage to their property caused by flooding or other storm-related events by using the City's self-service sandbag station. Located at Public Works Operations, 122 South Center Street, sand, shovels and sandbags are available 24 hours a day. *Need directions to Public Works? Check the City's website at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org), and click on "Public Works".*

## NO COMPUTERS IN THE LANDFILL



**O**regon E-Cycles provides free electronics recycling; disposal ban comes next. Since January 1, 2009, the Oregon E-Cycles program has allowed individuals and businesses to take up to seven computers, laptops, monitors and TVs at a time to approved Oregon E-Cycles sites, free of charge. "Part two" goes into effect January 1, 2010: a disposal ban for those same electronics.

Passed by the 2007 Oregon Legislature, Oregon E-Cycles requires electronics manufacturers to finance the recycling of these electronics. The program ensures proper handling and management of the materials collected. All approved recyclers are required by DEQ to follow certain environmentally sound management practices, including tracking and documenting recycling locations, and showing how the materials were handled. This level of diligence provides assurance to Oregonians that their discarded electronics are safely reused or recycled, and that toxic materials don't harm people or the environment here or abroad.

### Disposal Ban

This free electronics recycling program will become even more popular when the state's disposal ban on computers, monitors and televisions goes into effect in January. After that date, Oregonians must recycle these electronics—they will no longer be allowed to go into the garbage or to disposal sites such as landfills, transfer stations and incinerators.

The purpose of the ban is to make sure old electronics are reused or properly recycled. Reuse and recycling save energy, conserve resources, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other environmental impacts. In addition, requiring manufacturers to take responsibility for end-of-life management of their products encourages them to design products with less waste and fewer toxins. Cathode ray tubes found in televisions and computer monitors typically contain about four pounds of lead, while printed circuit boards and batteries in computers contain toxic heavy metals such as cadmium and mercury.

"Anyone knowingly violating the ban may face penalties up to \$500 per item," said Kathy Kiwala, Oregon E-Cycles Project Lead. "With Oregon's convenient recycling system for electronic waste, it should be easy to keep it out of the trash."

### Look for Recyclers

To find an Oregon E-Cycles location near you, call 1-888-532-9253 or go to [www.oregonecycles.org](http://www.oregonecycles.org). Other electronics such as printers, scanners, copiers, etc. can be recycled but may not be free. If you are a business or nonprofit with more than 10 employees, you may still take your computers, monitors and TVs to an Oregon E-Cycles site for recycling, but you may be charged for items over the seven item limit.

*For more information, call Susan Terry at the Clackamas County Office of Sustainability, 503-742-4461.*

## McLOUGHLIN BOULEVARD Enhancement Project Phase 1

**A**s construction nears completion on **McLoughlin Boulevard**, hopefully you have had an opportunity to enjoy the new public art sculptures, river-viewing deck, and streetscape enhancements. The first phase of the McLoughlin Boulevard Enhancement Project provides convenient connections between downtown and the riverfront with new crosswalks at 12th Street and 14th Street as well as pathways along the Willamette River.

The project design incorporates many natural elements found around Oregon City as well as opportunities to enjoy the beauty of the river and the surrounding area. Majestic waterfall sculptures line a boardwalk, named the “Willamette Terrace”, leading pedestrians and bicyclists from downtown Oregon City to Jon Storm Park and the City of Gladstone. Beneath the sculptures, basalt boulders reflect our local geology while providing a place to sit and enjoy the scenery of the Willamette River. Basalt rock trails extend from the boardwalk towards the river for a closer look at the beauty of the river.

We look forward to sharing the improvements with you and hope you feel safe, comfortable and enjoy the walk along the Willamette River. *For questions about the project, please contact Aleta Froman-Goodrich at 503-496-1570 or [afroman-goodrich@oregoncity.org](mailto:afroman-goodrich@oregoncity.org). For project updates, see the City’s website at <http://www.oregoncity.org/publicworks/mcloughlin-boulevard-enhancement-project-phase-i>. See you at the river!*



McLoughlin Promenade, originally constructed in 1938.

## McLOUGHLIN PROMENADE Project Update

**T**he 7.8-acre linear park located on the bluff above downtown Oregon City provides spectacular views of the Willamette River, Willamette Falls and Downtown Oregon City. Under the direction of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, the concrete pathway lined by stone walls and an adjoining Grand Staircase were originally constructed in 1938, under the Works Progress Administration (WPA) to provide employment during the height of the Great Depression.

Despite maintenance over the years, this local treasure has become worn over time. In order to restore the safety and historical integrity of the McLoughlin Promenade, the City was awarded just over \$1 million in federal funds through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and approximately \$160,000 from Urban Renewal funds. The project includes masonry restoration of the Promenade’s stone walls, railings and piers, as well as repairs to the concrete sidewalk and adjoining Grand Staircase. In addition, all graffiti will be removed and the facility will be thoroughly cleaned.

Since construction started on August 20, 2009, Pioneer Waterproofing and their subcontractors have been hard at work. Thus far, they have reconstructed the Grand Staircase, rebuilt wall sections, replaced wall and pier caps, and replaced sections of mortar between the rock walls. Restoration of the Grand Staircase between Singer Hill and the elevator is complete and re-opened to public use on October 1. Restoration now continues south down along the Promenade from 7th Street to South 1st Street. Project completion is scheduled for September 2010. Pedestrian detour routes around working areas will remain in place during construction.

Oregon City is proud to partner with State and Federal agencies to restore this local treasure and put Americans back to work. We thank you for your patience during construction; the restoration will allow the Promenade to be enjoyed for many more years to come. *For questions about the project, please contact Laura Butler at 503-496-1550 or email [lbutler@oregoncity.org](mailto:lbutler@oregoncity.org). For construction updates and schedule see the City’s website at <http://www.oregoncity.org/publicworks/mcloughlin-promenade-restoration>.*



Funded by the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act and Urban Renewal funds, restoration of the Grand Staircase is complete and has re-opened to public use.



## WARNER MILNE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS Project Update

**T**hank you for your patience while Oregon City paves a safer future with the intersection realignment of Warner Milne Road at Molalla Avenue. The project was funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and local sewer and water funds. It includes the realignment of Warner Milne at Molalla Avenue, extensive pavement rehabilitation in Warner Milne Road from Molalla Avenue to Beaver Creek Road, upgrading the size of public utilities, and construction of a rain garden. Construction began in September by Parker Northwest Paving Company and is expected to continue through May, 2010.

**Realignment of the intersection of Warner Milne Road at Molalla Avenue.** The realignment of the intersection of Warner Milne at Molalla will increase the safety and functionality of the intersection to meet the City's level of service standard through the year 2020. The work includes: realigning Warner Milne Road at Molalla Avenue, installation of new sidewalk, curb, lighting and signage, and improved traffic signal operation.

**Pavement rehabilitation in Warner Milne Road.** New pavement along Warner Milne Road between Molalla Avenue and Beaver Creek Road will replace the existing street pavement, which is in poor condition and has numerous areas of severe alligator cracking, rutting and patching.

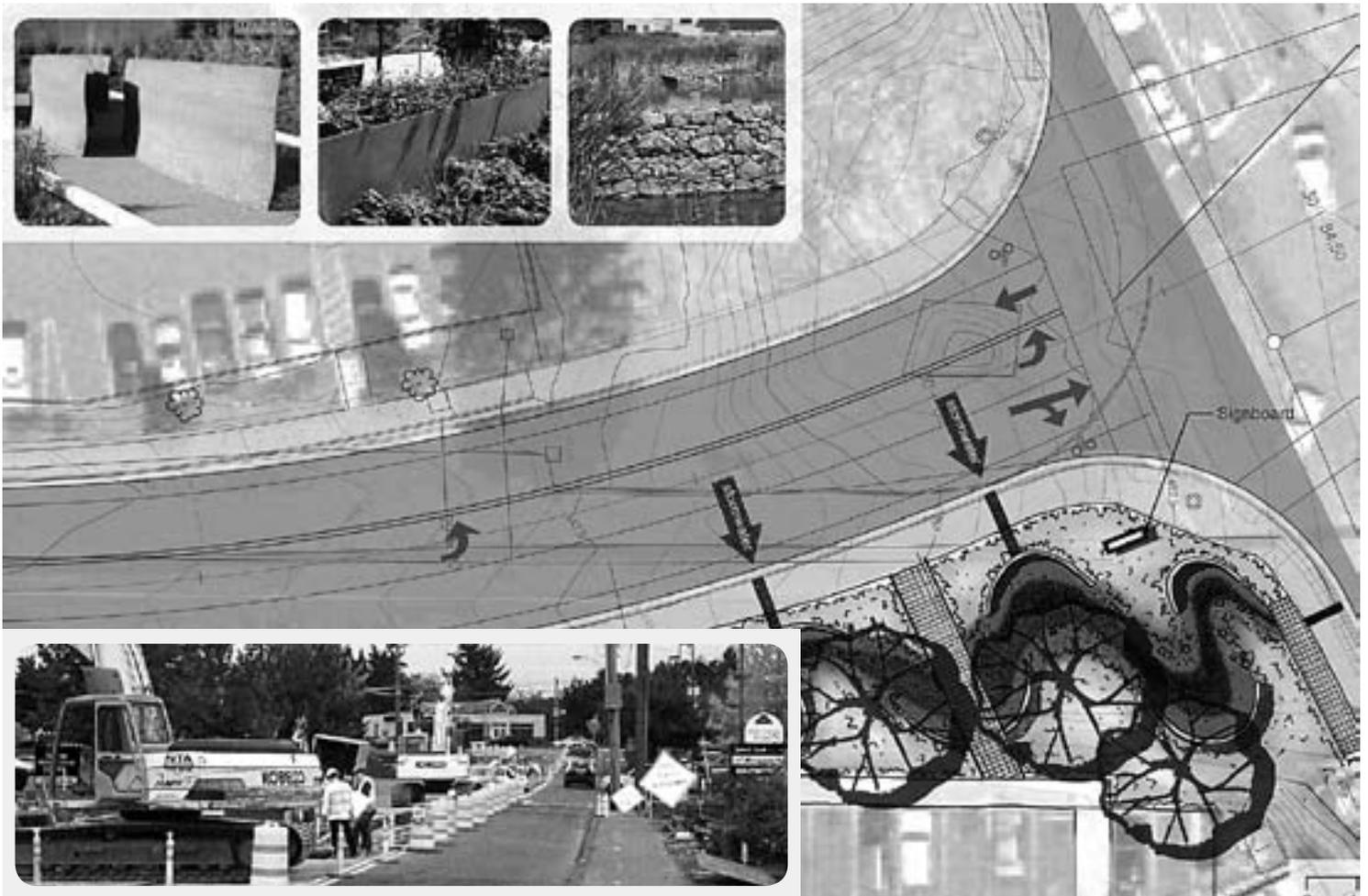
**Public utility improvements along Warner Milne.** The sanitary sewer, water

and stormwater utility improvements in Warner Milne from Molalla Avenue to Beaver Creek Road will result in improved capacity and reduction in maintenance.

**Landscaping and Rain Garden.** The existing intersection (southwest of the proposed intersection alignment) will be replaced with landscaping and a rain garden to reduce the volume of stormwater runoff.

Oregon City is proud to partner with State and Federal agencies to help make Oregon City a safer and more sustainable city. Thank you again for your patience during construction, and we hope that you will enjoy some of the many benefits of the safer, more efficient intersection or the public utility improvements.

For questions about the project, please contact Aleta Froman-Goodrich at [afroman-goodrich@orcity.org](mailto:afroman-goodrich@orcity.org) or 503-496-1570. For construction updates and schedule, visit <http://www.orcity.org/publicworks/warner-milne-road-beaver-creek-molalla-avenue>.



Project includes realignment of the Warner Milne–Molalla intersection, pavement rehabilitation and upgrading public utilities in Warner Milne Rd, and construction of a rain garden.



**A**s part of the City's overall goal to improve the safety of Oregon City's motorists during snow and ice storm events, the City's Street Division will use a number of strategies to address the changing conditions that often occur during our winter weather storm events. Our crews will again be utilizing liquid de-icer as part of its overall response efforts, in addition to plowing and in some instances, the application of sand.

It is the goal of the City of Oregon City to respond in a reasonable manner to snowy and icy city streets to allow vehicle travel by motorists exercising due care in the operation of a motor vehicle. However, City crews cannot always assure safe vehicle operation on city streets under extremely hazardous winter conditions. As experienced during this past winter's events, when extremely hazardous conditions exist, it may be necessary for drivers to use traction devices or seek other transportation alternatives.

Remember, even the best preventative measures don't eliminate the risk involved with driving in winter weather conditions. It is always up to motorists to drive at speeds and in a manner appropriate for the road and weather conditions.

**DE-ICING** Our de-icing efforts will focus on the light to moderate snowfall events, as well as the occasional black ice or frost conditions typical for the Oregon City area. Utilizing liquid de-icer allows the Street Division to improve safety, improve the efficiency of City crews, and address environmental conditions resulting from other methods of winter operations. The Street Division's goal is to apply the least amount of de-icer and sand needed to maintain a safe driving surface for Oregon City travelers

**HOW WILL DE-ICER BE USED?** Liquid de-icer is applied to the roadway in order to

## STREET DIVISION—OC Inclement Weather Operations

lower the freezing temperature of water and to prevent ice and snow from forming a bond to the roadway surface. The type of de-icer Oregon City is using is called Magnesium Chloride. This product is currently in use by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Clackamas County, and the Cities of West Linn, Happy Valley, and Canby as well as many other jurisdictions in Oregon and Washington. ODOT has been safely using this product for over 10 years.

This product contains 70% water, magnesium chloride, and a corrosion inhibitor to reduce impacts to vehicles. It can cause corrosion if equipment is exposed for an extended period; however, it is highly water-soluble and a quick rinse will dilute it and clean vehicles easily. This product works well at cold temperatures, is inexpensive and is safer for the environment than traditional methods.

### WINTER DE-ICER CAN BE USED SEVERAL WAYS, INCLUDING:

- A pre-application that helps prevent snow and ice from forming/sticking to street surfaces.
- To melt accumulated snow and ice on street surfaces.
- In conjunction with sand, to help the sand stick and stay in place on icy street surfaces.

Areas targeted for de-icer will focus first on arterial streets (Molalla Avenue, Meyers Road, South End Road, etc.), then collector streets (Main Street, Partlow Road, Clairmont Way, etc.), then steeper residential streets. Snow and ice response seldom targets residential streets unless the event lasts an extended period of time (one week or more).

**WHAT IS THE ADVANTAGE OF USING DE-ICER?** One advantage is that liquid de-icer can be applied to the roadway a few hours before a severe weather event occurs, which prevents ice crystals from bonding to the pavement. As pavement is kept from freezing, crews can keep key streets ready for traffic, rather than responding after Oregon City's road conditions have become dangerous for motorists.

De-icer may also be applied in conjunction with sand under some conditions. The application of de-icer on snow or ice with significant accumulation helps keep the snow loose and "plowable" so it can be

removed more easily. The City will use a variety of treatments and techniques to control snow and ice at different times and places throughout Oregon City. A great advantage is that liquid de-icer will help to improve conditions over sanding alone.

Another advantage is that many other jurisdictions that use winter de-icer have had reductions in wintertime vehicle crashes. Additionally, the de-icing product can be less expensive than sanding and is expected to reduce the amount of time spent plowing, sanding, and cleaning up sand after storms.

**HOW MUCH SNOW MUST FALL BEFORE THE CITY RESPONDS?** Typically, our crews respond when we are reasonably sure that freezing conditions or snow accumulation is likely. Depending upon the forecast and other reports, our crews may apply de-icer in a preemptive manner to lessen the impact on drivers, or respond as needed as the cold weather event unfolds. We typically begin to plow snow as it accumulates to one inch or more.

**WHY WON'T THE CITY CLEAR THE SNOW BERM OFF MY DRIVEWAY WHILE PLOWING?** The City has insufficient resources to enable the removal of driveway berms that are created when crews clear the street. Our main objective is to make the majority of our streets passable and safe for motorists.

**DOES THE CITY APPLY SAND AS A WAY TO HELP MOTORISTS GET TRACTION WHILE DRIVING?** In some rare cases when our de-icer may not be as effective as we would like, our crews apply sand on steep hills, corners and intersections as an additional measure to improve traction. However, due to the environmental concerns and the fact that typically, sand is easily blown off or worn off these areas, we usually keep sand application at a minimum.



## CLACKAMAS WOMEN'S SERVICES

Looking for ways to help your community this holiday season? Domestic violence occurs every day, every week, every month of the year, not only around the holidays. Help us empower survivors to make their own decisions—the right decisions for them at the right time.

Gift cards are the most empowering gift we can offer. Just as we never know when survivors will need our (and your) help, we can never know what they will need. It could be:

- A co-pay for the doctor and flu medicine, in February.
- A bus pass to get to a job interview, in April.
- A pair of baby shoes to replace the old ones forgotten in the hurry of fleeing the home, in July.
- A couple of nights of safe shelter, in October.

They never know. We never know. The best we can do is be prepared. Gift cards enable participants to purchase gifts that fit their needs, style, sizes and their family culture. It offers choices and supports self-determination, a core value of Clackamas Women's Services. In the holiday spirit, give the gift of choice that will impact survivors' lives everyday, throughout the year—donate today, or start a holiday gift card donation drive.

Contact Tessa at 503-722-2366 x101 or [tessah@cwsor.org](mailto:tessah@cwsor.org). For more info or other gift ideas and ways to give back, visit our website at [www.cwsor.org](http://www.cwsor.org) and refer to our Wish List.



## SPECIAL OLYMPICS Of Clackamas County

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
DECEMBER—MARCH	APRIL—JUNE	AUGUST—NOVEMBER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alpine Skiing</li> <li>• Basketball</li> <li>• Cross Country Skiing</li> <li>• Snowboarding</li> <li>• Snowshoeing</li> <li>• Power Lifting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bocce Ball</li> <li>• Golf</li> <li>• Gymnastics</li> <li>• Softball</li> <li>• Track &amp; Field</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aquatics</li> <li>• Bowling</li> <li>• Long Distance Running/Walking</li> <li>• Soccer</li> <li>• Volleyball</li> </ul>

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.



## FILL-A-STOCKING, FILL-A-HEART

Fill a Stocking, Fill a Heart may be facing the most challenging holiday season for our organization, as requests may be greater than the over 2400 stockings we filled in 2008. Throughout the whole year, our volunteers and sponsors—Miller Paint Co., BCT, General Distributors and Danielson's Thriftway—have worked hard raising money, getting donations and finding ways to get Clackamas County residents and businesses involved in making and filling stockings for the needy. However, Cash Donations, items to fill stockings and volunteers are still far below what is needed to fill the demand this year. You can help! Pick up and fill a stocking today at one of the 40+ businesses listed on our website.

Donations of Christmas material (prints or solids), yarn, and all the basic items we put in the stockings are greatly appreciated and accepted all year long. Or, if you are an individual or have a group that would like to volunteer in our workshop, please email [info@fillastocking.org](mailto:info@fillastocking.org) or call 503-632-0577. Check out our calendar of events on our website at [www.fillastocking.org](http://www.fillastocking.org) to find out about fundraisers and how you can donate or volunteer.

The year is not over, but we are already thinking ahead to 2010. Together, WE can bring Christmas joy to a needy child or adult. New faces and fresh ideas are always welcome! Please contact us to find out how you can help Fill a Stocking, Fill a Heart.



## CARRYING THE TORCH, HONORING OUR CHAMPIONS

Join the Oregon City Chamber on Saturday, January 30 as we "Carry the Torch of Oregon City and Honor our Champions". The Oregon City Chamber of Commerce will once again host its Annual Awards Dinner and Auction to celebrate the year's achievements. This gala affair, which celebrates our past triumphs and partnerships, will honor the depth of talent within our organization and launch the Chamber's future efforts ahead.

The Annual Dinner will begin at 5:30pm with a silent auction, hors d'oeuvres and social hour at the Providence Willamette Falls Hospital Community Health Education Center. At 7:00pm the celebration will move across the street to the Abernethy Center for a plated dinner, entertainment program, and our live and dessert auctions.

The Annual Dinner Committee is seeking volunteers and donations for our live and silent auctions, as well as business sponsorships. The community is welcome to reserve seats for the event as well. This is one of the three largest fundraisers for the Chamber. Please join in our grand celebration!

For more info and reservations contact the Oregon City Chamber of Commerce at [chamberinfo@oregoncity.org](mailto:chamberinfo@oregoncity.org) or 503-656-1619.



**OREGON CITY FARMERS MARKET**

**Main Street Winter Market at 8<sup>th</sup> St**

**SATURDAY 9AM-2PM**  
**DECEMBER 19, 2009**

[orcityfarmersmarket.com](http://orcityfarmersmarket.com) • 503-734-0192

**LOCATED ON 8TH AT MAIN DOWNTOWN**

Debit and Oregon Trail Cards accepted

**WINTER FARMERS MARKET DOWNTOWN**

Oregon City foodies can get their fix of locally produced foods during the winter in downtown Oregon City. The Oregon City Farmers Market will hold its second winter market downtown on Saturday, December 19, 9:00am-2:00pm, rain or shine.

Celebrating its place in local history, the Winter Market downtown will set up next to Busch Furniture Store on 8th Street between Main Street and Railroad Street on the site of the original Oregon City Producers Market, which opened in 1924.

A 1924 press release from the original market suggests the products sold were very similar to what will be available this year. This includes fresh produce, grass-fed beef, chicken, pork, hams, fresh fish, farm eggs, goat's cheese, preserves and pickles, wines, artisan breads, pastries, pies, cakes, honey and bees wax candles, wild mushrooms, Christmas trees and wreaths, soaps and gift baskets.

too exposed for an outdoor winter market. Apart from its historical significance, the downtown market site offers shelter from winter winds, as well as an intimate location with the bluff and the Singer Creek Falls anchoring one end of the market, and across the street the newly opened Caufield House offering a full-service deli, breakfast, lunch and hot drinks.

"A Winter Market in downtown Oregon City is a natural next step for the Oregon City Farmers Market," said Jackie Hammond-Williams, Market Manager. "It gives us an opportunity to extend the fresh produce and agricultural product season to area residents." A downtown location offers a convenient change of venue for the Farmers Market with plenty of close parking available. And as always, debit and Oregon Trail cards are accepted.

Visit [www.orcityfarmersmarket.com](http://www.orcityfarmersmarket.com) or call Market Manager Jackie Hammond-Williams at 503-734-0192 for more details.

"Historic downtown Oregon City is a great location for a Winter Market," said Downtown Manager Lloyd Purdy. "We're pleased to welcome the Oregon City Farmers Market downtown for the holidays."

The summer market will continue to be held at the County's Public Services Building parking lot from May through the end of October in 2010. Market officials say that location is

**EARTH DAY MEETING**

Get to know your neighbors, community and improve neighborhood livability by getting involved. Bring your ideas and attend the first meeting on January 14, 2010 at the Code Enforcement Department, located in the Oregon City Police Station, 320 Warner Milne Rd, 10:00-11:00am. For more information call Nancy Busch at 503-496-1571. *Neighborhood Livability Starts With You!*

**What? I need a Permit?**



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To find out when you need a permit for your home project call the Oregon City Building Department 503-722-3789 or check this web site:

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

**HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR SISTER CITY VISIT**

It may seem early to think about spring break, but now is the time to consider if you, or someone you know, would like to host a couple of students from our sister city, Tateshina, Japan. Every other year, Oregon City hosts a group of eighth grade students and their chaperones from Tateshina. This year, the students are expected during spring break, which is the week of March 21, 2010. Clackamas County families can host two of the students or chaperones for either the entire week or a few days. Those with children of middle-school age are preferred, but others will be considered. An orientation for the host families is conducted by the Sister City Committee, prior to the students' arrival, with lots of tips and information to make it a successful experience. The students have studied English in school and a sister city interpreter is also available by phone.

Host families include the students in everyday activities, such as grocery shopping, trips to the car wash, birthday parties, and sometimes family outings to the zoo, the

coast or Mt. Hood. In addition, the Sister City Committee arranges tours of Oregon City businesses, historical sites, schools, and other local landmarks for the visiting delegation. It's a wonderful way for the Japanese students to learn about American culture and improve English skills. For the host families, it's a unique way to learn about a different part of the world. Plus, it's great fun and long-lasting friendships often develop between students and their host families.

The Sister City program was started by President Dwight Eisenhower. His vision was for the program to encourage one-on-one friendships between individuals in different countries. He hoped these grass-roots friendships would help to keep nations at peace. The Oregon City relationship with the small town of Tateshina, located in the mountains of central Japan, started in 1974.

If you're interested in being considered as a host family, or want more information, call Oregon City-Tateshina Sister City Committee members Elise and Larry Lunas at 503-656-5578 or Beth Werber at 503-557-2906.



## SOMETHING IS DIFFERENT DOWNTOWN—First Fridays in Historic Downtown Oregon City

The non-profit Main Street Oregon City, working with the Three Rivers Artist Guild has committed to producing a monthly First

Friday series of downtown activities that bring artists out of the studio, museum and gallery and onto the street. On the First Friday of every month (except Friday, January 1st) downtown Oregon City is the place to explore the local art scene, enjoy a great meal, and visit with your neighbors.

“First Fridays in Downtown Oregon City cultivate the commerce and culture of downtown Oregon City,” said Downtown Manager Lloyd Purdy. “This event is a great way to celebrate the creative side of Oregon City.”

The kickoff of the First Friday series in October, called Arts in Action, exceeded expectations and set the First Friday series in downtown Oregon City project off to a phenomenal start. “Artists love the opportunity to visit with neighbors and downtown visitors,” said Mike Wonsler, local artist and incoming President of the Three Rivers Artist Guild. “Downtown Oregon City’s First Friday Art Walk is a great chance to explore the local art scene.”

More downtown locations are added every month so there’s always something new to see. To date, downtown’s First Friday Art Walk includes artists at these locations:

- Ben Bright Photography
- Bush’s Furniture
- Caulfield House
- Coffee Rush
- Cypress Restaurant
- ECP Copy
- Forte Florist
- Fournier Group Insurance
- Hand Crafted for You
- Hopps Upholstery
- Howden Art & Framing
- Living Room Pub
- Madco
- Mi Famiglia
- Muno’s Bakery
- Paula Lewis Art Studio at 712 Main Street
- Pilates with Fe
- Premier Insurance
- Winestock

Future First Friday Art Walks in Downtown Oregon City will be held on:

- ◆Friday, December 4
- ◆Friday, February 5
- ◆Friday, March 5
- ◆Friday, April 2

For more information about the Art Walk in Downtown Oregon City visit the website for downtown Oregon City at <http://downtownoregoncity.org/>.

We invite you to get involved in making Oregon City and our Historic Downtown a better place to live, work, and visit. The non-profit Main Street Oregon City is setting goals for 2010 and forming committees to make good things happen downtown. If you’d like to be a part of historic downtown’s future by putting your time and skills to good use as a volunteer let us know.

Main Street Oregon City focuses on four areas of Downtown Development:

1. Marketing & Promotions
2. Design, Preservation & Planning
3. Economic Development & Business Recruitment
4. Fundraising & Volunteer Development

Call Downtown Manager Lloyd Purdy at 503-522-1564 if you are interested in making a better future for our historic downtown.





**CLACKAMAS COUNTY TOURISM & CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

**Winter Events ~ December 2009—March 2010**

**Sustainable Forestry Tours**—Ride the tree farm bus, making stops along the way for short walks to get a closer look at woodland, reforesta-

tion projects, thinning and pruning demonstrations, watershed protection, wildlife habitat enhancements and wildfire prevention. Join volunteers for lunch, bring a potluck, or enjoy a private picnic before or after your tour. Group size is limited. Call for reservations or schedule a private tour for your group, family or friends.  
Jan 10–Dec 12 | 2nd Saturday each month | 90-minute guided tours begin at 2pm | Hopkins Demonstration Forest | 16750 S Brockway Rd, Oregon City | 503-632-2150

**Winter Song Gallery Exhibit**—Group show featuring over 40 local and regional artists. All mediums are represented. Howden Art & Framing is Clackamas County's largest fine art gallery. Wine tasting available from Kings Raven Winery.  
Nov 3–Jan 31 | 10am–6pm | Sat 10am–4pm | Howden Art & Framing | 1512 Washington St, Oregon City | 503-607-0217

**Christmas Fantasy Trail**—Walk a Christmas fantasy trail with thousands of lights, walk through a 40-foot castle with scenes, walk through tunnels, a maze, a suspension bridge and more.  
Dec 4–29 | Monday–Saturday | 6–9pm | Wenzel Farm | 19754 S. Ridge Rd, Oregon City | 503-631-2047



*Fantasy Trail Castle*



**Heritage Holiday in Historic Oregon City**—Holiday celebrations in historic Oregon City at various locations include traditional tree lighting, themed open house and parlour tours at historic museum homes, and other events and holiday activities.  
Dec 5–12 | Historic Oregon City | Admission at some sites | 503-650-1851

**Winter Solstice and Christmas Ships**—BOTH fleets the same night, and they are scheduled to come early!  
Dec 19 | About 5:30pm | Jefferson Street Boat Ramp at Jefferson and McLoughlin Blvd | Milwaukie

**Give Me Shelter Art Exhibit**—Group show of over 40 local and regional artists. Bringing awareness to people of our displaced pets. Wine tasting available from Kings Raven Winery.  
Feb 2–Apr 30 | Tue–Fri: 10am–6pm | Sat: 10am–3pm | Howden Art & Framing 1512 Washington St, Oregon City | 503-607-0217

**Lettice and Lovage**—By Peter Shaffer, Directed by Diane Englert. What happens when an eccentric tour guide is assigned to the dulllest house in England? After watching her groups dwindle with boredom, she begins to elaborate. As she adds wildly dramatic tales of murder and intrigue, she begins to receive ovations from her increasing audiences. Her success is cut short when the formidable head of the Historic Tours shows up. Call for show times and prices.  
Mar 12–Apr 18 | Lakewood Center for the Arts | 368 S. State St, Lake Oswego | 503-635-3901

*For a complete list of events in the Mt Hood Territory visit [www.MtHoodTerritory.com](http://www.MtHoodTerritory.com).*

**MAYOR'S STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS & LUNCHEON**

**Tuesday | February 16, 2010 | Abernethy Center**

**M**ayor Alice Norris will present her eighth and final State of the City address at this event. The luncheon is hosted by the Oregon City Chamber of Commerce, but is open to the public. Admission will be \$15–\$20. For more information please call 503-656-1619 or visit the Chamber's website at [www.oregoncity.org](http://www.oregoncity.org).

**HISTORIC ERMATINGER HOUSE**

**619 Sixth Street, Oregon City | 503-650-1851**

**T**he Historic Francis Ermatinger House & Textile/Living History Museum invites you to tour the House with its Vintage Clothing and Textile Exhibits, participate in our announced Special Events and Activities and make reservations for your own Living History Tea. This Historic House was built by Dr. John McLoughlin for Francis Ermatinger, who was his Hudson Bay employee and the husband of his granddaughter.

- Living History Teas are by reservation only. Please call.
- For information on Living History Teas and Special Events, please call.
- Tour admission prices: \$4–Adults | \$3–Seniors & Children
- Tours are also available by reservation. Please call.
- If you are interested in being a tour guide volunteer, please call Marge and Rolla Harding at 503-650-1851.



## FREE VIDEO PRODUCTION CLASSES

**Be A Producer!!!**—Willamette Falls Television in downtown Oregon City serves Damascus, Milwaukie, Oregon City, Unincorporated Clackamas County and West Linn. If you live in our service area the classes and use of the facility are FREE to you. Learn how to use the editing systems, the field equipment and the studio to create your show. Your program must be non-promotional and commercial free. However, non-profits may promote their services. *For more info, call or click 503-650-0275 or [www.wftvaccess.com](http://www.wftvaccess.com). Email us at [wftvaccess@comcas.net](mailto:wftvaccess@comcas.net) today and become a Producer!*

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# DADDY DAUGHTER DINNER DANCE

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Please join us for our 6th Annual Daddy Daughter extravaganza at the Abernethy Center! This Valentine's Day-themed event provides a great opportunity for dads and their daughters, sixth grade and under, to spend some very memorable quality time together. Includes dinner, dessert, dancing, keepsake photos and more. Bring as many daughters as you have! Food by Abernethy Center Catering. Music by RJ Mobile Music, Balloon Made Art by Justin James, and Photos by our staff. Register by January 23, 2010. Max capacity is 160, so register early as this event fills quickly! To register call 503-657-8273 or go online to [www.orcity.org/parksandrecreation](http://www.orcity.org/parksandrecreation).

**Saturday ~ February 6, 2010**

**6:00—9:00pm**

**\$30 Per Person**

**The Abernethy Center  
606 15th Street  
Oregon City**

