

CITY OF OREGON CITY Trail News

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Oregon City Night at the Ball Park



On Saturday, August 5th, at 7:00 p.m., Mayor John Williams will throw out the first pitch at the Portland Rockies Baseball game vs. the Salem-Keizer Volcanoes; it is also Helmet Night. Groups of 25 or more receive:

- Lower level reserved seats
- Reader board and public address recognition
- Souvenir item for each group member

Proceeds from pre-sold tickets go to the Mike Halverson Memorial Fund, setup through the City of Oregon City and the schools to help teach youngsters

how to swim. For more information contact Kevin Herbst with the Portland Rockies at 223-2837.

From the Storm Water Department

When washing their cars, RV's or yard equipment to please wash them on the grass or a driveway that does not allow the water to run directly into the storm drain inlets. Even better, is to use one of the many car washes in town that recycles the water. The detergents and other debris that gets washed down the storm drains goes directly into the rivers and streams and is harmful to the fish and their environment.

More Best Sellers Coming to Your Library

Thanks to a decision by the City's budget committee the library will be able to purchase more copies of best sellers and popular videos in the coming year. The restoration of funding for books and audio-visual materials that was lost to budget cuts in previous years was a high priority in the library's budget proposal for FY 2000-01 and, as a result of the committee's action, an additional \$25,000 for books and videos was added to the library's budget. The added funds will mean a much greater likelihood of new titles being either immediately available or having a very short waiting time.

Children's Summer Reading Program Rollin' Along

Good news travels fast! Over 500 kids have signed up for the library's annual Summer Reading Program and there is still time to get aboard. A lot of parents and kids have figured out this is a great way to put a little balance on the summer, have some fun, and (being serious now) maintain those hard-won reading skills during the long summer months. For details contact the children's librarian.

Here are the special programs in August:

- August 3rd 1:00 p.m. "King Arthur"
A theater in the round performance.
- August 9th 11:30 a.m. Craft program –
requires prior sign-up
"Make a roaring rocket ship".
- August 10th 1:00 p.m. Music and Song
with folksinger Nancy Raven.
- August 17th 1:00 p.m. Mad Science
presents "Spin Pop Boom" – Interactive
science experiments for children.



The Summer Reading Program continues through August 17th with the drawings for the Teen Grand Prize and gift certificate prizes being held on August 21st. Children may pick up their reading certificates starting Monday, August 21st.

Storytimes continue through August 17th and then will be on hiatus until September 12th.

- Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m.
For Preschoolers, age 3-5
- Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.
For Primary, ages 6-8
- Thursdays at 11:00 a.m.
For Toddler's, age 2

In addition to the above story times, starting September 13th an additional "after school" storytime will be held each week on Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.

Cookbooks!

The Oregon City Employees have compiled a cookbook of some favorite recipes. Copies are available at City Hall, the Pioneer Community Center and the Carnegie Center. The cost is \$7.75 per book.

Library Hours of Operation

The Oregon City Public Library is open six days a week during the summer:

Monday – Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.;

Friday and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday hours resume in October.

The library will be closed on Friday, August 18th for staff training and facility clean-up.

Contacts: Telephone 657-8269 for general business or other information; 659-8634 for Telecirc (automated renewals and account info). If you would like to contact the reference department via e-mail the address is:

www.ocref@lincc.lib.or.us. And, for the library's web site it's: www.oregoncity.lib.or.us.



And the Dog Days of Summer Continue

This month the raffle drawing sponsored by the Friends of the Library has a distinctly canine theme.

Share your favorite pooch pic with the world – bring a snapshot (up to 4x5”) of your favorite dog to the library and we'll post in on the special bark-toned bulletin board near the main desk. This is just for fun (not a contest!) as we realize that just about everyone's dog is the cutest, smartest and most capable of extreme contortion. One photo per dog please. Owners can retrieve their photos after Labor Day.

That Melancholy Dane Didn't Have it So Great!

And eight murders in Shakespeare's "Hamlet" make it difficult for the library's mystery book discussion group to pass up an opportunity to consider one of the more fascinating personalities in literary history. Hamlet will be the subject of the group's discussion at 9:30 a.m. on August 22nd. On tap for September 26th is Martha Grimes' "Biting the Moon".

The classics discussion group will meet at 9:00 a.m. on the 2nd Tuesday in September because of Labor Day. Here's a chance to discuss a piece of writing that is just as good as your high school English teacher always said – Charlotte Bronte's "Jane Eyre".

These groups meet in the library – everyone is welcome, no charge.

Many Volunteers at Work For Your Library

This past month the City of Oregon City recognized the many people who volunteer their time on boards, committees, Friends groups and in a variety of jobs to make our town a better place. The library is especially blessed by the volunteer spirit and we'd like to bring to your attention the seven people who make up the Library Board: Marty Wallauer, president 1998-2000; Kim Willson-St.Clair, president 2000-01; Martin Engel, Cheryl O'Donnell, Elaine Hill, Anne Donelson, and Dr. John Schilke. Also deserving recognition for his extraordinary efforts this past year is the chair of the library building committee, D.A. Hilderbrand.



Vacation Home Safety

A few simple crime prevention tips that can help you take action to improve your home's security and decrease the likelihood that you or your home is targeted by thieves.

- Make some arrangements with a trusted neighbor. See if the neighbor can collect your newspapers and mail, and occasionally park in your driveway. Ask your neighbor to walk around your home periodically and check for advertising circulars left on your doorknobs or debris in your yard.
- Be sure your home has a lived in well cared for look even when you are not there. Also, be a good neighbor and volunteer to do this for someone else on your block.
- Use automatic timers to turn lights on and off in a logical sequence. Leave your radio or television on a timer as well.
- Set the ringer on your telephone on low so that it can't be heard from the street.
- If you have an answering machine, adjust it so it picks up on the second ring. Do not leave specific information about your absence such as, "I'll be gone until Sunday." Keep the message vague.
- Keep your garage door closed and locked so no one can see if your car is gone.
- If you return and do find a door or window has been broken while you were absent, do not enter. The criminal may still be inside. Go to a neighbor and report it to 911.

Water Quality News

What is a cross connection? What's the deal with backflow?

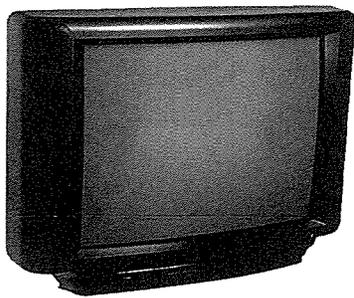
A cross connection is a point in a plumbing system where the potable water supply is connected directly, or can be connected directly, to a non-potable source. Wherever an unprotected cross connection exists, backflow may occur due to either "backsiphonage" or "backpressure".

Backsiphonage is usually caused by lowered pressure in the water supply piping, often as a result of a high water withdrawal rate such as for fire fighting, water main flushing, or a water main break. Backpressure is usually caused by situations where a water fixture generates a higher pressure than the water supply pressure, such as with booster pumps, boilers, or elevated piping (30 feet above finished grade).

Because backflow of polluted or contaminated water can cause a health risk, backflow prevention devices are required on residential and commercial irrigation systems and fire sprinkler systems. Service lines are required to have devices when there is a well on the premises. Commercial customers are required to have devices at the service connection and may need additional devices dependent on the water-using equipment found on the premises.

If you have any questions about Oregon City's Cross Connection Control Program, please contact Gail Johnson at (503) 657-8241 ext. 107.

August – September Movie Schedule at the Pioneer Community Center on Friday's at 10:00 a.m.



Come in and watch a Friday movie with us on our new 53" television, which was donated to us by a wonderful person who wishes to remain anonymous.

August 4 th	"Six Pack"
August 11 th	"A Simple Wish"
August 18 th	"Out To Sea"
August 25 th	"Nell"
September 1 st	"Flying Tigers"

Hearts and Hands Award

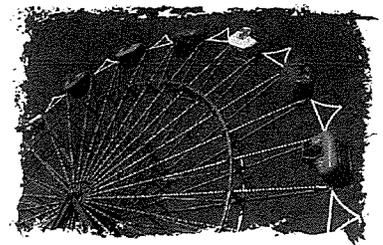
On June 14th one of our very special volunteers received a Hearts & Hands award from the Clackamas County Volunteer Connection. Suzy Shaver is well known to all of you as one of our receptionist at the Pioneer Center. She is receptionist not only on her regular day but fills in whenever we need her. Suzy is constantly volunteering for extra assignments and helps out many of our seniors who need some extra support. This gal is truly a shining star at our center. We are delighted to have her

are excited about her award-she deserves it.

** Please Note that starting in August the foot clinic fee will be \$20.00 per visit. **

Gladstone Chautauqua Festival- August 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th

The Pioneer Center is scheduling a trip to the Chautauqua Festival at Max Patterson Park in Gladstone on August 4th (Senior Day). The festival runs from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The first 200 seniors will receive lots of goodies from local vendors. Stop by the Pioneer Center to sign up for this trip. Space is limited.



Fair Days

It's Clackamas County Fair time once again!

"Our Fair Royalty Day" for seniors at the Clackamas County Fair is Wednesday, August 16th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Pioneer Community Center will be taking 20 seniors to the fair this day. Transportation will cost you \$2.00 round trip and lunch will be on your own. Admission is free. We will leave the center at 9:30 a.m. and stay until 2:00 p.m. There are 20 seats available so sign up soon if you are interested in going. Please wear comfortable clothing and shoes. If it is going to be a hot day bring a hat or umbrella to shelter yourself from the heat. Suntan lotion is good too. Have fun everyone.

Low Vision Group

Talk with others; hear about resources that make daily living easier adjusting to sight loss. Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. at the Pioneer Community Center.

Neighborhood Calendar
Barclay Hills
Neighborhood Association
(BHNA)

Contact: Larry Jacobson,
 Chairman at 657-3740
 or visit the Barclay Hills
 Neighborhood Association
 E-mail address at,
 BHNA@AOL.COM

Canemah Neighborhood
Association (CNA)

Contact: Howard Post,
 Chairman at 650-0976

Caufield Neighborhood
Group

Contact: Lynda Orzen,
 Contact Person at 518-3073

Falls View Neighborhood
Association (FVNA)

Contact: Inactive

Gaffney Lane
Neighborhood Association
(GLNA)

Contact: Derrick Beneville,
 Chairman at 557-7535

Hazel Grove - Westling
Farm Neighborhood
Group (HG-WFNA)

Contact: Bill Vickers,
 Chairman at 655-3762

Hillendale Neighborhood
Association (HNA)

Contact: Debbie Watkins,
 Chairman at 655-3070

McLoughlin
Neighborhood Association
(MNA)

Contact: Dirk Ellis, Co-
 Chairman at 557-4987
 or Denyse McGriff, Co-
 Chairman at 656-3912

Mt. Pleasant
Neighborhood Group

Contact: Andy Busch,
 Contact Person at 723-0108

Park Place Neighborhood
Association (PPNA)

Contact: Julie Puderbaugh,
 Chairman at 661-5093

Rivercrest Neighborhood
Association (RNA)

Contact: Diane McKnight,

Chairman 656-6435
South End Neighborhood
Association (SENA)

Contact: Mary Smith,
 Chairman at 655-7946

Thayer Neighborhood
Association (TNA)

Contact: Melanie Paulo,
 Acting Chairman at 656-
 6436

Tower Vista
Neighborhood Association
(TVNA)

Contact: Inactive
Citizen Involvement
Committee Council
(CICC)

Monthly meeting
 Date: Tuesday, August 8,
 2000

Time: 6:30 p.m.
 Location: To be determined

Contact: Derrick Beneville
 CICC Chairman at 557-
 7535 or Mary E. Palmer,
 Public Affairs Manager,
 657-0891

CITY PHONE NUMBERS		CITY MEETING DATES	
EMERGENCY SERVICES (POLICE, FIRE, MEDICAL)	911	City Commission	1st & 3rd Wednesday 7:00 pm
POLICE BUSINESS	657-4964	Civic Improvement Trust	As Announced
ANIMAL CONTROL (CLACKAMAS COUNTY)	655-8628	Urban Renewal Agency	As Announced
FIRE BUSINESS	657-1365	Budget Committee	As Announced
CITY HALL	657-0891	Rate and Fee Review Committee	2nd Monday 6:00 pm
PLANNING / ZONING / BUILDING PERMITS & INSPECTIONS	657-0891	Planning Commission	2nd & 4th Monday 7:00 pm
CODE COMPLIANCE / HISTORIC PRESERVATION	657-0891	Historic Review Board	Last Thursday 7:00 pm
MUNICIPAL COURT	657-8154	Library Board	4th Thursday 5:00 pm
PUBLIC WORKS	657-8241	Metro Enhancement Committee	As Announced
LIBRARY	657-8269	Pioneer Community Center	
PIONEER COMMUNITY CENTER	657-8287	at the center	4th Monday 10:00 am
SWIMMING POOL	657-8273	Parks and Recreation	
WATER / SEWER BILLING	657-8151	Advisory Committee	4th Monday 7:00 pm
CEMETERY / PARKS (REPAIR & PICNIC RESERVATIONS)	657-8299	Parking Advisory Board	As Announced
CAMPGROUNDS & RV PARK	650-6399	Transportation Advisory Committee	3rd Tuesday 6:00 pm
CARNEGIE CENTER	557-9199		