CITY OF OREGON CITY Trail News

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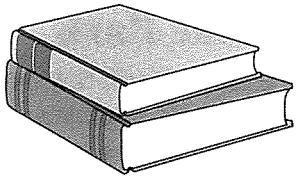
Memorial Donation to the Library Shares Love With the Community

A lasting way to remember a beloved relative, friend, or even a pet, can be a memorial donation to the library. Books or other materials acquired with these tax-deductible gifts have a special memorial gift plate installed that lists the name of the memorialized and the donor. The library is happy to work with donors who would like to see a particular title or subject acquired. A gift to the library is a gift to the whole community. If you would like to make a memorial donation, contact the library director at 657-8269 for further details.

Thanks to Library Volunteers

At the annual Volunteer Recognition day this year the library recognized the efforts of nearly 50 people who, altogether, contributed over 2,000 hours to the library this past year. The following people received special recognition for contributing over 100 hours: Joanne Miller (our #1 volunteer with over 200 hours!), Jeannine Johnson, Lois Miles, Pam Lewis, Lyn Gilleran, Ann Landholm, Janie Burns and Eunice Christopherson. The library's volunteers are involved in a wide variety of projects ranging from book mending and database maintenance to providing library services to the homebound and conducting book discussion groups. Your library, and your community, is fortunate to have so many people who are willing to give their time to help out with so many projects. Thank you library volunteers!

We've Got Book Sales: The Carnegie Center and Now an Overflow Cart



The Friends of the Library's used book store in the Carnegie Center has been so successful that a book cart for additional sales has been set up in the library itself. The self-service cart handles discarded fiction titles for which there isn't space at the Carnegie. Think of the library cart as the "tip of the iceberg" when it comes to book sales in Oregon City with the great majority (and best books) available at the Carnegie. The Carnegie Book Corner is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Library Hours

Located in the Hilltop Mall just across from the Hilltop Cinemas, the library is open six days a week: Monday - Thursday 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Call the library at 657-8269 for information about programs, reference, or other inquiries. Please note that the library will be closed on Monday, July 5th.

Summer Reading Program for Kids in High Gear

The Library's summer reading program picks up speed this month with a variety of activities for kids of all ages including story times, craft programs, special programs and, of course the long-term reading program with a variety of incentive awards. Parents of children who have experienced difficulty with reading are especially encouraged to consider this program. Numerous studies have shown that kids who are involved in reading programs over the summer months have much more successful experience in the coming school year. The purpose of the library's summer reading program is to make reading enjoyable - kids go at their own pace, read what they find interesting and, if they complete their goals, receive special awards. And, of course, it can provide a good balance or supplement to the summertime outdoor activities.

The Story Time Schedule:

For toddlers age 2	*Thursdays at 11:00*
Pre-schoolers age 3-5	*Tuesdays at 11:00*
Primary, age 6-8	*Wednesdays at 11:00*

Craft Programs:

July 14	*11:30*	*Pre-school ages*	*Make a Paper Plate Fan*
July 27	*11:30*	*Pre-school ages*	*Make a Sun Puppet*
July 28	*11:30*	*Primary ages (6 and up)*	*Origami Workshop*

Note that these programs have limited capacity - sign-up in advance is required

Special Programs:

July 1-8	*1:00*	*The annual Potato Fest (Please sign-up by June 24th)*
July 8	*1:00*	*"A Reading Quest" by Steve Taylor & Rudi O'Riley*
July 15	*1:00*	*Songs and Stories with Anne-Louise Sterry*
July 22	*1:00*	*"King Arthur's Court" Damon Jones and Actors in Action*
July 29	*1:00*	*Magician Bob Eaton*

There will be a raffle held at each program - you must be present to win.

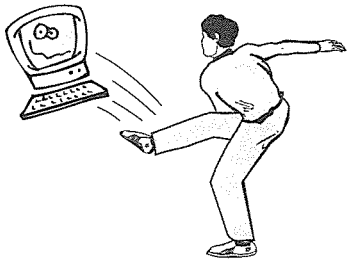
Teen Reading Program

Special drawings for prizes will be held on Mondays at 11:00 a.m.

For additional details about the library Summer Reading Program contact the children's librarian, Lynda Ackerson, at 657-8269.

Library Usage Up Nearly 10% This Year

This past fiscal year (July '98 to June '99) your library loaned nearly 435,000 items to over 24,000 registered borrowers. The number of interlibrary loans (items received from or sent to other libraries via our courier) increased by 16% and now number over 104,000 items per year. The current population of the library's officially recognized service area is 44,500.



Dumb Terminals Out - PCs In!

In the coming month the library's technology will be going through another upgrade that will have a major impact on the way information is retrieved. The text-based "dumb" terminals that replaced the old card catalog back in the early '80's are being replaced by PCs that will provide a Windows environment that allows the user to easily switch between searching the catalog and a variety of databases both countywide and through our in-house CD-ROM network. You'll see a much more user-friendly system with greater and faster access to a variety of information sources. In addition, more Internet stations will be available for public use.

City Emergency Management

The City of Oregon City's Emergency Management staff is preparing for a three-county disaster preparedness drill to be held September 8th in preparation for Y2K. The drill will also involve our amateur radio operators and N.E.R.T. teams. Sherry Arasim, Chief of Staff for TVF&R, will assist with this program and other emergency management issues. Our new Emergency Manager will also be involved in this drill.

NERT Drill

A citywide NERT and ham operators drill was held April 24th at Hillendale Park. More than 45 NERT members and radio operators participated and did a great job; their training and enthusiasm was very evident. The NERT drill was organized by the NERT Steering Committee: Julie Hollister, Derrick Beneville, Debbie Watkins, Elaine Hill, and Lynda Orzen.

Teddy Bear Parade (Saturday, May 22nd)

Scott Klemsen drove the 1923 Seagraves Fire Engine at the head of the parade with Grand Marshal and Jr. Grand Marshal as passengers. Over 900 teddy bears were donated to the Willamette Falls Hospital, Oregon City Fire Department & Oregon City Police Department; they will be given out to children at the scene of accidents, or as needed.

Family Fair (May 22nd & 23rd):

Clark & Carol Poulton, Fire Prevention Specialist Dave Haney and on-duty crews provided tours of the Safety House and the Residential Sprinkler Demo Trailer as part of Family Fair activities at Clackamette Park on Saturday and Sunday. On-duty crews also gave rides on an old Studebaker fire engine. Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue participated in the Family Fair with an exhibition by their Combat Challenge competitors who came in 10th in the nation.

Oregon Territorial Legislature Sesquicentennial

On Saturday, July 17, 1999 between 10:00 a.m and 4:00 p.m. a celebration will take place at the Rose Farm, 536 Holmes Lane to celebrate the 150th birthday of the Oregon Territorial Legislature. Activities will include, a flag ceremony, presentation by the First Oregon Volunteers Band, Speech excerpts given by Governor Joseph Lane, exhibits and formal presentations of a portrait of Governor Lane and a copy of the 1849 Charter. Refreshments will be served. For further information contact Mary Palmer, community Involvement Coordinator at 657-0891.

In the Gallery

Look for the new artists chosen by the Carnegie jury this month. Also featured will be Celia Stapleton and her fantastic Gyatoku fish print banners and wall hangings. Join Celia for a demo on the 24th. This is a "don't miss" month for all you art lovers and collectors.

Concerts in the Park

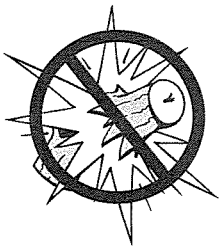
Clackamas Federal Credit Union brings the sounds of the Clackamas Community Band on July 1st. Sing along with all your favorites. Next up – rock and roll with the Rebels. They are a feast for the eyes as well as the soul. Clackamas Federal Credit Union sponsors these fab Rebels on July 8th. Big Band sounds from the Woody Hite Band are in the air on July 15th. Thanks to Carolyn Orlando of the Oregon Realty Co. for Woody. July 22nd find the spectacular Keith Werner's Swing Revue and Big Band. Come and swing your baby! Mike's Drive In is sponsoring this very popular group. Portland Electrical Construction, Inc. is sponsoring our last July band on the 29th. It's rhythm and blues from the Power of Ten. Come early for the best seats!

Safety Message 4th of July Celebration Tips

Use legal fireworks safely:

- Have a hose or a bucket of water handy for emergencies to douse misfired and spent fireworks.
- Always have an adult present.
- Read and follow label directions carefully.
- Use fireworks outdoors.
- Light one at a time and move away quickly.
- Never point or throw fireworks at people, pets, cars or buildings.
- Keep fireworks away from small children.
- Do not alter fireworks or attempt to make your own.

Illegal fireworks are any fireworks that:



Explode
Move more than 12 feet on smooth ground
Fly through the air
Act in an uncontrolled manner

For example: firecrackers, bottle or sky rockets, roman candles, and chasers.

HAVE A HAPPY & **SAFE** 4TH OF JULY!

Clean Air Action Alert

Smog affects everyone's health. Summer in Oregon City and the Portland area brings warm temperatures and beautiful days. Unfortunately, along with the wonderful weather there are days when the air is stagnant. The level of ozone rises and it becomes dangerous to our health. You can make a difference. Here is a list of home projects to help keep the air clean:

- Choose environmentally friendly products that release fewer smog-producing chemicals, which are known as volatile, organic compounds (VOCs). Products in aerosol cans and pump sprays contain more VOCs than solids, sticks, or gels.
- Most paint companies offer paints that have few or virtually no smog-producing solvents and fewer odors. Look for low VOC, low solvent, zero solvent, or low odor on the label.
- Wood sealer for decks is also available in a less toxic, low VOC formula.
- Consider using carpet deodorizers in powder form, rather than spray.
- Choose a solid air freshener instead of a spray. Avoid using spray disinfectant as an air freshener.
- Gas-powered lawn mowers can produce as much pollution as a car. Using a gas-powered mower for one hour is equivalent to driving a car 50 miles. You'll be doing a good thing for the environment if you choose an electric-powered mower or power tool for the yard and garden.
- It might be time to buy a gas barbecue. If you can't upgrade from the charcoal burner, try using an electric starter or charcoal chimney and newspaper to ignite coals. At the very least, buy a VOC lighter fluid.

Cars are the number one source of air pollution in Oregon. It's better to use public transit, carpool, telecommute, walk, or bicycle. Combine errands into one trip if you must drive and make sure your car's engine is tuned and the tires are properly inflated.

For more information on how to prevent air pollution at home, call DEQ Public Affairs at (503) 229-6488.

July 4th Fireworks from the Pioneer Community Center

Come join us on July 4th from 4:30 p.m. to midnight. This trip will include a salmon bake, a cruise on the Columbia River Sternwheeler, and of course the fireworks display. The cost is $69.00. Call 657-8287 for trip information.

The Pioneer Community Center's 20 Year Celebration

Come join us on July 10th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. There will be live music from the "Riders of the Western Range" and "Ida Colby and Friends", a BBQ, and lots of fun for the whole family. This event is to celebrate 20 years of enhancing the quality of life for adults and seniors in our community! Providing an opportunity for elderly citizens to maintain an independent lifestyle. Call 657-8287 for more information.

Neighborhood Calendar

Barclay Hills Neighborhood Association (BHNA)
Contact: Larry Jacobson, Chairman at 657-3740 for the summer schedule, 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 or Nancy Chapman at 657-6522 regarding summer schedule.

Cauffield Neighborhood Group
Contact: Lynda Orzen, Contact Person at 518-3073 for the summer schedule.

Falls View Neighborhood Association (FVNA)
Contact: Lee Spurgeon, Chairman at 656-9758.

Gaffney Lane Neighborhood Association (GLNA)
Contact: Derrick Beneville, Chairman at 557-7535 regarding summer schedule.

Hazel Grove - Westling Farm Neighborhood Group (HG-WFNA)
Contact: Bill Vickers, Acting Chairman at 655-3762 for summer schedule.

Hillendale Neighborhood Association (HNA)
Contact: Debbie Watkins, Chairman at 655-3070 for the summer schedule or visit the HNA web site at http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Pointe/3055

McLoughlin Neighborhood Association (MNA)
Contact: Dirk Ellis, Co-Chairman at 557-4987 or Denyse McGriff, Co-Chairman at 656-3912 for the summer schedule.

Mt. Pleasant Neighborhood Group
Contact:Andy Busch, Contact Person at 723-0108 or Mary E. Palmer, Community Involvement Coordinator @ 657-0891 for the summer schedule.

Park Place Neighborhood Association (PPNA)
Contact: Julie Puderbaugh, Chairman
661-5093 for the summer schedule.

Rivercrest Neighborhood Association (RNA)
Contact: Diane McKnight, Chairman 656-6435 for the summer schedule.

South End Neighborhood Association (SENA)
Contact: Mary Smith, Chairman at 655-7946 for the summer schedule.

Thayer Neighborhood Association (TNA)
Contact: Paul Trahan, Chairman @ 557-9722 for the summer schedule.

Tower Vista Neighborhood Association (TVNA)
Contact: David Adelhart, Chairman 657-7708 for the summer schedule.

Neighborhood Emergency Response Team
Thursday, October 14, 1999
Location: Hilltop Fire Station #203, 19340 S. Molalla
Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Contact: Ken Dawson, Oregon City Fire Department 657-1365

Chief's Advisory Committee (Police and Fire)
For further information call Nancy Brooks or Mary E. Palmer, Community involvement Coordinator at 657-0891.

Citizen Involvement Committee Council (CICC)
Contact: Mary E. Palmer for the summer schedule. 657-0891

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CITY PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCY SERVICES (Police, Fire, Medical)	911
POLICE BUSINESS	657-4964
ANIMAL CONTROL (Clackamas County)	655-8628
FIRE BUSINESS	657-1365
CITY HALL	657-0891
PLANNING / ZONING / BUILDING PERMITS & INSPECTIONS	657-0891
CODE COMPLIANCE / HISTORIC PRESERVATION	657-0891
MUNICIPAL COURT	657-8154
PUBLIC WORKS	657-8241
LIBRARY	657-8269
PIONEER COMMUNITY CENTER	657-8287
SWIMMING POOL	657-8273
WATER / SEWER BILLING	657-8151
CEMETERY / PARKS (Repair & Picnic Reservations)	657-8299
CAMPGROUNDS & RV PARK	650-6399
CARNEGIE CENTER	557-9199

CITY MEETING DATES

City Commission	1st & 3rd Wednesday	7:00 pm
Civic Improvement Trust	As Announced	
Urban Renewal Agency	As Announced	
Budget Committee	As Announced	
Rate and Fee Review Committee	2nd Monday	6:00 pm
Planning Commission	2nd & 4th Monday	7:00 pm
Historic Review Board	Last Thursday	7:00 pm
Library Board	4th Thursday	5:00 pm
Metro Enhancement Committee	As Announced	
Pioneer Community Center at the center	4th Monday	10:00 am
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee	4th Monday	7:00 pm
Parking Advisory Board	As Announced	
Transportation Advisory Committee	2nd Wednesday	6:30 pm