

CITY OF OREGON CITY

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City Matters....by Mayor Alice Norris

Hurrying and worrying are not the same as strength.~West Africa

Your City Commission will be adopting the 2003-04 budget at our June 18th commission meeting. Thanks to the citizen members of the budget committee, Laura Zentner, chair, John Buol, Nancy Wilson, Donny Anderson, and Laura Law, who spent countless hours debating how to improve the financial health of Oregon City.

Decisions are not easy this year, due to cost increases and pressing needs. Although our notable capital improvement program continues to enhance the city and stimulate our economy, we have many challenges:

- PERS costs are up 35.8%
- Overcrowding in city hall & police department causes inefficiency
- Our library, in leased space, is 1/3 the size our city needs
- Aging parks equipment, wading pools and swimming pool
- Staffing the new South End fire station; more peace officers
- Red ink at our cemetery & community development department
- Miniscule 'rainy day' fund (contingency)
- Lagging attendance at Carnegie and Pioneer Centers

We do have options: seek new money, reduce services, increase fees, contract or seek regional services, focus on economic development, market aggressively, and budget conservatively. We will engage you in these important issues over the coming year. We plan to be proactive in seeking solutions to improve our community. Let us know your views: anorris@ci.oregon-city.or.us.

Metro Enhancement Grant Applications Available

Metro Enhancement Grant application packets for fiscal year 2003-04 are available at City Hall, 320 Warner Milne Road. Grant applications must be returned to City Hall by the deadline on Friday, June 27, by 3:00 p.m.

For further information please contact Mary E. Palmer, Public Affairs Manager, at 503-657-0891, or e-mail her at mpalmer@ci.oregon-city.or.us.

Ballroom Dancing



Join us for ballroom dancing with Swing Street Glenn Tadina Big Band. Swing Street will perform live, from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m., on June 4th and June 18th, at the Pioneer Adult Community Center, 615 5th Street. The band will perform: Swing; Cha-Cha; Waltzes; Rumba; Tango; Fox Trot and more. The cost is \$5.00 per person. Come early to have lunch—11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (60 years and over, suggested donation \$2.25). For more information call 503-657-8287.

Summer Reading Programs Begin June 19th!

Sign-up for this year's Summer Reading Program "Read, Discover, Explore" begins Tuesday, June 10th in the children's department at the Oregon City Library, 362 Warner Milne Road..

There will be regular story times, crafts for both preschoolers and children in grades 1-3, and special weekly programs on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. We will also be having a reading program for teens.

Please stop by the children's department for more information.

July 4th Celebration

Celebrate the 4th with great music at Clackamette Park. The concert begins with the Dixieland Party Jazz, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., followed by the Federal Cigar Jug Band from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. There will not be a fireworks demonstration this year. For more information, call 503-557-9199.

Concerts in the Park

The Summer '03 "Concerts in the Park" series starts July 11th with good time, honky tonk music of Lisa and Her Kin.

For a schedule of all the summer concerts, check our website, pick up a schedule or look at the last page of our Summer Activities brochure.

First City Arts Faire

The Oregon City Arts Commission, with the support of the Arts Action Alliance of Clackamas County and Oregon City Parks & Recreation, invites the community to join us for the First City Arts Faire, on July 12th and 13th!

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The Mayor and City Commissioners are volunteers who do not keep regular office hours. They may be reached via voice mail at 503-657-0891.

The City Commission meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall. Any citizen is welcome to address the Commission on any subject at the beginning of each meeting. Willamette Falls Cable broadcasts meetings live on Channel 23 at 7:00 p.m., and rebroadcasts them throughout the month. For a schedule, call 503-650-0275 or log onto www.wftvaccess.com.

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Carnegie Center.....	503-557-9199
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Citizen Involvement.....	503-657-0891
Code Enforcement.....	503-657-0891
Fire Business.....	503-657-1365
Library.....	503-657-8269
Municipal Court.....	503-657-8154
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Police Business.....	503-657-4964
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School District.....	503-656-4283

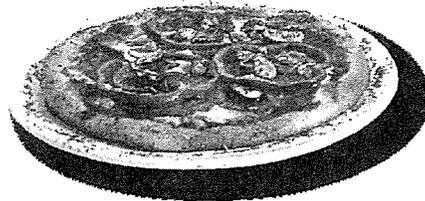
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Celebrate this new "First" with two fun-filled days of art, food and entertainment held on the grounds of the newly renovated Carnegie Center and adjacent Pioneer Center in Oregon City.

The First City Arts Faire will feature juried, local artists in a myriad of styles and mediums from fine art and sculpture, to textiles, ceramics, glass and garden art. In addition, the Kids 'n' Art program, sponsored by OCAC, will have a tent-full of activities to give children and student artists an opportunity to interact with professional artists, as a part of its Community Arts Education and Enrichment plan.

Admission is free, and the Faire will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., on the grounds of the Carnegie and Pioneer Adult Community Centers, 5th and John Adams. Join Oregon City as we make history again!

For First City Arts Faire Information: contact Jude Welter at 503-557-9199 or e-mail at welterstdo@bctonline.com.



Dine Out with the Pioneer Center

For lunch on Mondays we dine out at a different restaurant each week. If you need transportation, and live in Oregon City or West Linn, please call the center at 503-657-8287. If you have your own transportation, and would like to join us, be at the center at 11:30 a.m. This month's restaurants are:

- June 2nd ~ Maui Camp Three
- June 9th ~ Panda Chinese Food
- June 16th ~ Izzy's
- June 23rd ~ Jack in the Box
- June 30th ~ Carl Jr.

Pioneer Center Nutrition Program

Lunch with dessert bar is served Tuesday - Friday, from 11:30 a.m. to

12:30 p.m. in the dining room. Suggested donation for 60+ is \$2.25, under 60 is \$4.25.

Meals on Wheels, for those 60+ and homebound, are delivered to those in Oregon City, West Linn, Beaver Creek, & Redland, Tuesday through Friday. Frozen meals are sent for Monday and weekends. For additional information contact the Pioneer Center 503-657-8287.

Friday Movies

All movies are at the Pioneer Center at 10:00 a.m.

June 6th ~ "Coal Miner's Daughter"

June 13th ~ "Barefoot in the Park"

June 20th ~ "Auntie Mame"

June 27th ~ "Norma Rae"

Pioneer Center Provides Transportation

The Pioneer Adult Community Center provides transportation for those who are 55+ and disabled, and reside in Oregon City's Urban Growth Boundary and West Linn. Transportation from Redland & Beaver Creek is also available, but only on Thursdays.

Call the Pioneer Center at 503-657-8287, to arrange for a ride the day before, or up to week in advance. There is a \$.50 donation for a one-way ride and a lift available.



Volunteer Drivers Needed

Our volunteer drivers deliver meals to homebound seniors through our Meals on Wheels program. Volunteers deliver a well-balanced hot meal, along with some companionship. Daily contact for homebound seniors is very important, it

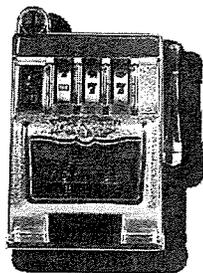
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makes them feel good knowing that someone is coming to see them on a regular basis, and family members also feel secure in knowing someone cares.

With a little time you can make a big difference in a senior's day. Be a part of a program that cares and takes the time to help those who can't always help themselves. If you are interested please stop by, or call, the Pioneer Center for more information at 503-657-8287.

Day Trips



The Pioneer Center is planning to schedule the following trips if we have 12 or more interested parties. If you would like to sign up, or need more information, call the center at 503-657-8287.

- Rose & Japanese Gardens and lunch
- Chinook Winds Casino
- Oregon Gardens and lunch
- Clackamas County Fair
- Chautauqua Festival

Pedicures

Registered Nurses Bea and Joanna will be offering pedicures for interested seniors at the Pioneer Adult Community Center, starting in June. They come with 30 years experience of foot soaks, foot hygiene, nail and cuticle care. If you are interested contact the center at 503-657-8287.

Contract with TVF&R Concludes on June 30, 2003



Since 1999, Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue (TVF&R) has provided fire protection and emergency medical services to the City of Oregon City on a contract basis. During this time, the Fire District has enhanced the level of service to the citizens of Oregon City. TVF&R has provided improvements in emergency response capabilities, equipment and facilities, specialty rescue teams (hazard-

ous materials, water rescue and technical rescue), emergency management planning and fire inspections.

With one year remaining in the contract period, TVF&R decided not to pursue an extension of the contract. This result came following the city's decision to build a third fire station, increasing operational costs approximately \$1 million per year. The City's desire to add a third fire station would have forced TVF&R to either increase the cost of a future contract or subsidize (use taxpayer funds outside of Oregon City to offset the increase in cost). The City of Oregon City is currently not in a financial position to incur such costs.

For some time, the City of Oregon City and Clackamas County Fire District #1 (CCFD#1) discussed the possibility of CCFD#1 providing service to the city after the TVF&R contract expires. At the October 2nd Commission meeting, the City of Oregon City and CCFD#1 signed a ten-year contract to provide the city with fire protection and emergency medical services. Unlike Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue, CCFD#1 borders and surrounds much of Oregon City. Due to this geographical advantage, CCFD#1 can achieve economies not available to TVF&R.

A transition team comprised of representatives from all aspects of operation including: finance; facilities; human resources; fire prevention and community services have worked to ensure a seamless transition of providers. In addition, CCFD#1 firefighters have been staffing the Hilltop station since March 1st, which

has helped them become familiar with the city.

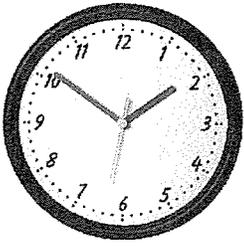
TVF&R will truly miss this community. Should you have any questions or concerns, you are encouraged to call Chief Bernie Otjen at 503-657-1365. You may also contact CCFD #1's Public Information Officer, James Karn, at 503-742-2691.

Grading/Fill Permit Exemptions

Last month we talked about Grading/Fill Permits. This month we discuss the following exemptions for filling and grading activities that *do not* require the issuance of a grading permit:

1. Excavation for utilities, or for wells or tunnels allowed under separate permit by other governmental agencies
2. An excavation below finished grade for basements and footings of a building, retaining wall or other structure authorized by a valid building permit. The placement of any fill material removed from such an excavation requires a grading permit if:
 - a. It exceeds fifty cubic yards,
 - b. More than ten cubic yards are removed from the site, or
 - c. The fill is placed on the site to a depth greater than one foot.
3. Farming practices as defined in ORS 30.930 and farm uses as defined in ORS 215.203, except that buildings associated with farm practices and farm uses are subject to the requirements of this chapter.
4. Excavation for cemetery graves.
5. Sandbagging, diking, ditching, filling or similar work when done to protect life or property during an emergency.
6. Repaving of existing paved surfaces that does not alter existing drainage patterns.
7. Maintenance work on public roads performed under the direction of the city, Clackamas County or Oregon State Department of Transportation personnel.

Grading/Fill permits fees are currently \$198 plus 2.5% of the grading cost for plan review. If you have any questions about grading/fill permits, please call John Knapp, Engineering Technician, at 503-496-1560.



Library Location and Hours

We are located in the Danielson's Hilltop Mall at the corner of Molalla and Beaver Creek Road with the library entrance across the parking lot from the heater. Due to recent budget reductions the library is now open only 5 days a week:

Tuesday-Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Friday-Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The library is online at www.oregoncity.lib.or.us. You will find a monthly calendar of activities on the website or one may be picked up at any of the service desks. It contains story hours, programs for children and adults, classes and other information in the traditional month-at-a-glance format.

Cultural Programming

We offer a wide range of cultural programming, from music to lecture, demonstrations to dance. You won't want to miss a single one.

Cascadia Folk Quartet ~ June 12th from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. A unique fusion of traditional and modern acoustic music featuring Mick Doherty and Lawrence Huntley on hammer dulcimer, Kevin Shay Johnson playing big rhythm guitar and Chip Cohen on fiddle. These talented musicians play Celtic jigs and reels, old-time hoedowns, rags, waltzes and polkas. Strong voices and three-part harmonies deliver folk songs from around the world.

Fools in Paradise ~ June 26th from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. This eclectic five-person group performs a variety of music on African instruments. Their traditional Zimbabwean mbira (thumb-playing) songs will transport you to another time and place. Their rousing marimba music

from South Africa, Zimbabwe and Guinea creates an energetic, danceable sound. Congas, djembe, electric bass kalimba, shakers and vocal harmonies round out the sound and create joyful upbeat music.

Computer and Internet Classes

The library offers a series of free one-hour sessions for the community on using the Internet and other library resources. Because classes are limited to twelve participants you will need to pre-register with the reference librarians. For additional information, please call or visit the library. Following are dates and session topics for the June. All classes are held at 1:00 p.m.

- June 13th ~ Library Catalog. Use the Web to access library collections and services from your home computer including: basic and advanced search functions, placing holds, and creating lists.
- June 27th ~ Free e-mail. Learn how to register for a free e-mail account. This class is designed for people with 'some' Internet experience.



Children's Story hours

We will offer the following weekly story hours for children ages 2 and up from June 3rd thru June 12th:

2 year olds: Thursdays at 10:15 a.m.

3-5 year olds: Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.

Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. (repeat of Tuesday)

All ages: Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m.

The Summer story time schedule begins June 17th and is as follows:

*Preschoolers (3 - 5 year olds)
Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.*

*Primary (ages 6 - 8)
Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m.*

*Toddlers (2 year olds)
Thursdays at 10:15 a.m.*

NEW: Bilingual Story time (Spanish/English): every other Friday at 1:00 p.m., beginning June 27th.

Crafts for Kids

Crafts are offered for preschool children ages 3-5. There will be 3 sessions offered for each craft. Sign-up is required, so choose the time that's best for you, and then contact the Children's Department.

Make Believe: Make a Magic Wand and Crown

June 3rd - 11:00 a.m.

June 4th - 11:00 a.m.

June 4th - 1:00 p.m.

Mask Day: Make some Fun Masks

June 17th - 11:00 a.m.

June 18th - 11:00 a.m.

June 18th - 1:00 p.m.

Special Craft Session

Attend this craft session if your child is going into grades 1-3 this fall. Sign-up is required.

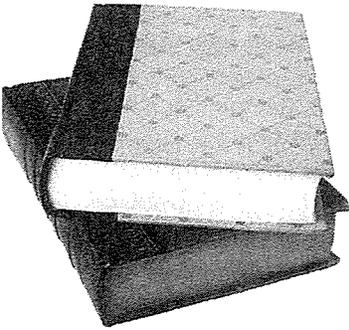
*Dino Days: Make Dinosaur Projects
June 25th - 11:00 a.m.*

Special Children's Programs

Special storytellers and entertainers are frequently featured in our children's department.

- June 19th at 1:00 p.m. help us kick off this year's Summer Reading Program with a very special presentation, "The Professor". Mark Icanberry combines science, history and adventure with lots of energy and audience participation.
- June 26th at 1:00 p.m. Anne-Louise Sterry presents new songs and stories.

Book Discussion Groups



The Library's two book discussion groups meet year round. New participants are always welcome.

The Classics Book Discussion group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. Their upcoming topics are:

June ~ *Reader's choice. Anything by Rosamunde Pilcher*

July ~ *"Sophie's Choice" by William Styron*

The Mystery Book Discussion Group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

Upcoming topics for this group are:

June ~ *"If Ever I Return, Pretty Peggy O" by Sharyn McCrumb*

July ~ *"Loot" by Aaron Elkins*

Seeking Fabric Donations

Organizers for the 'Fill-a-Stocking, Fill-a-Heart' program have placed a box in the library lobby for year-round donations of fabric. Volunteers will use this fabric to make stockings for the holiday season distribution.

Friends of the Library Book Store

You can help support the programs and services of the library by shopping at the Friends of the Library Used Book Store, located in the Oregon City Antique Mall, at 102 7th Street. Hours are Monday through Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

They would also love to have your donations of used books and audiovisual materials, for addition to their stock. Donations are tax deductible. You can call 503-57-8269, extension 15, for pickup of large donations.

Oregon City Cleanup a Success

Even with cloudy skies and blustery winds, the 16th Annual Oregon City Cleanup and Enhancement was a success. Over 200 people attended the event on Saturday, April 26th, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This year over 14 sites were nominated for various activities. There were over 60 participants from Girl and Boy Scout troops in the area, who helped pick up litter along McLoughlin Boulevard, and about 65 members of the Oregon City Junior ROTC program who helped at several sites.

Neighborhoods Associations took on more projects this year. Park Place Neighborhood Association tackled two sites: Park Place School and the entry to the Park Place district on the corner of Holcomb and Abernethy. They also discovered two illegal dump sites in the area and removed debris. Canemah Neighborhood Association did their annual park and neighborhood cleanups. Gaffney Lane Neighborhood Association took on the street cleanup of Gaffney Lane to Meyers Road, along 213 to Molalla, and back to Gaffney Lane. The Caufield Association of Neighbors conducted a wetland restoration project and picked trash out of the stream, pulled blackberries and planted native vegetation. Several homeless camps in the Clackamas Cove area, under the 205 bridge along the Clackamas River, and under the viaduct along the Willamette River were cleaned up, with some of the homeless people working alongside volunteers.

B&B Leasing assisted about 40 elderly or physically impaired households with pickups. They also delivered drop boxes for the various cleanup groups to dispose of ash and vegetation at cleanup sites.

The vouchers distribution was a success, although there was less attendance this year. Metro Vouchers were worth \$25.00 at the transfer station this year. In 2002, the vouchers had no dollar limit, but due to budget constraints a dollar amount was

allotted the vouchers this year. 1,500 vouchers were available to Oregon City residents this year, with about 1,000 handed out on the day of the event.

Many thanks to everyone who participated in this year's event. Please thank all of our sponsors the next time you shop or visit the following businesses:

- *Haggen Food and Pharmacy* for providing an awesome lunch and 25 dozen cookies that were gone in a flash!
- *Danielson's Fresh Marketplace* for providing gift certificates for various supplies.
- *Clackamas Landscape Supply* for bark dust and planting supplies.
- *Bud's Towing* for tools and major support throughout the year.
- *B&B Leasing* for the special pickup, dump boxes and support.
- *Home Depot* for supplies.

Last but not least, special thanks to Metro and SOLV for continued support, supplies and a helping hand when needed, and the Oregon City Metro Enhancement Committee for providing the cleanup committee with grant monies to operate.

If I have missed anyone, I apologize! This community has so many supportive people—we are truly blessed! Thank you everyone for helping to keep Oregon City Clean and Green.

Water Quality News

In 1996 the Safe Drinking Water Act was amended to include several new regulations. One of these requires each public drinking water system to conduct a "source water assessment". This involves identifying the source area for the water system, and conducting an inventory of potential contamination sources that may impact the drinking water supply.

The source water assessment for Oregon City – South Fork Water Board has recently been completed. The delineated drinking water protection area is occupied by residential/municipal, agricultural/forest, and commercial/industrial land uses. A total of 1,127 potential contaminant sources were identified within this area that could, if improperly managed or released, impact the water quality in the watershed.

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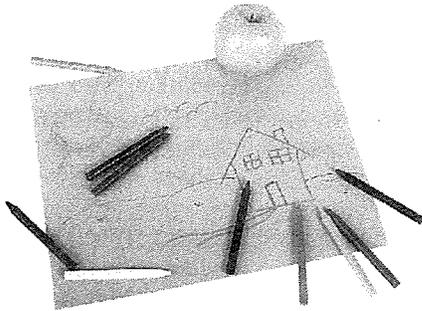
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The information in our source water assessment provides a basis for prioritizing areas in and around our community that are most vulnerable to potential impacts. Along with completed watershed assessments, it is being used to develop a voluntary Drinking Water Protection Plan and incorporated into existing watershed work.

You can view the entire report on the Oregon City website, www.orcity.org/public-works/SWAR.htm, or contact Gail Johnson at 503-657-8241. Completed watershed assessments within the Clackamas River Watershed may be viewed on the Clackamas River Basin Council website, www.clackamasriver.org, or call 503-650-1256 for additional information.

In the Carnegie Gallery

This month the Carnegie Center will display photographs by artist Richard Fung. Fung's photographs have been featured in regional and national shows. His work features landscapes and still life photographs. An artist reception is on June 14th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at the Carnegie Center, 606 John Adams Street.



Art Classes at the Carnegie

The following is a list of art classes available at the Carnegie Center. For information, or to register, call 503-557-9199.

- Exploring Polymer Clay ~ Learn how to make beautiful beads using a variety of fascinating techniques including: mille fiore; layering; translucent effects and more.
- Adult Drawing ~ Focus will be on

expressing drawing, proportion, supplies and other techniques.

- Basic Drawing for Kids ~ In session #3 students will learn about technique, mediums, composition and everything else needed to create satisfying drawings.
- Designing with Beads for Beginning Beaders ~ Learn the tricks of designing and the techniques needed to produce jewelry of your own design.



Saturday Nite Java

Enjoy music, friends and great espresso at the Carnegie Center on Saturday nights. On June 14th hear the sounds of Dixieland. The music is from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. and admission is \$2 per person.

Check out our website!

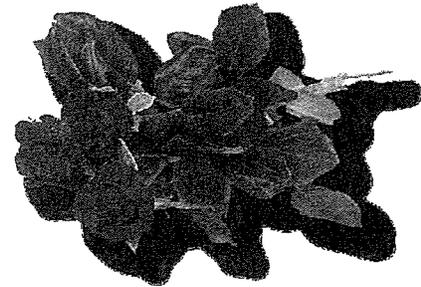
The Carnegie Center's web site is getting better and better! You can find out all about our programs, classes, artists and events by exploring our website. To find it, start with www.orcity.org, go to Parks and Recreation, then to Carnegie Center!

Walking Safety

As the summer months approach, more and more of our citizens will be enjoying the warmer weather and longer days, by walking throughout our community. The Oregon City Police Department would like you to utilize these safety measures so your walks remain safe and enjoyable.

- Always be aware of your surroundings, and the people who are around you.
- Avoid walking alone; either walk with someone, or walk in areas where others are near.

- Stay in well-lighted areas, away from alleys, bushes, and doorways.
- Avoid shortcuts through alleys, parks, vacant lots, or other deserted places.
- Walk in the middle of the sidewalk facing traffic.
- NEVER HITCHHIKE OR ACCEPT RIDES FROM STRANGERS!
- If the driver of a car stops and harasses you, walk in the opposite direction.
- If you are walking to your car in a parking lot, and anything makes you feel uncomfortable, TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS, go back in the store. Get someone to walk with you to your car.
- When you approach your car, check the back seat.
- Have your keys in hand. Enter the car, lock the doors, and drive away.
- DO NOT SIT IN THE CAR IN THE PARKING LOT AND CHECK YOUR PACKAGES.
- ALSO, if you have a cell phone, carry it with you when walking or driving, and be prepared to use it to call for help. Know what numbers to call and be prepared to give your exact location to the emergency operator.



How Does Your Garden Grow

When you look at your landscape, you are only seeing part of the picture. When you water your lawn and garden your goal should be to reach the root zone of the plant so it can draw upon the stored water in the soil over time. That's because a healthy root system is an important part of a plant's health. Besides anchoring, the roots of a plant absorb nutrients and water necessary for growth.

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A good rule of thumb for grass is to water no more than 1 inch of water per week. When the temperature exceeds 85 degrees, then increase watering to 1 ½ inches of water per week. Generally, this amount of water is plenty to penetrate the soil 6 inches below the surface, establishing stronger roots to help the lawn weather the dry season. *Over watering causes 75% of turf problems!*

To determine how much water your sprinkler system applies to your lawn, do the "tuna can test".

1. Set 5 empty tuna cans (or something similar) at various places within your sprinklers range. Place the cans halfway between the sprinklers and in the areas that generally receive the least amount of sprinkler water.
2. Turn on your sprinklers for 15 minutes.
3. After 15 minutes measure the depth of the water in each can and record on a piece of paper.
4. Determine the average depth. First, add together the depth of all five cans to get your total depth. Then divide your total depth by 5 to get the average water depth (in inches) of all of the cans.
5. If the average water depth in the cans (in inches) after 15 minutes is ¼" then you will need to water for 60 minutes. If it is ½" then water for 30 minutes. If ¾" then water for 20 minutes. Finally, if you get 1 inch of water, you will only need to water for 15 minutes.

For a healthier lawn and water conservation follow these smart sprinkling tips:

Monitor your lawn and garden for dryness or excessive wetness and only water when needed.

Morning watering gets more water to the roots. In the heat of the day, more water is lost to evaporation. Morning watering also washes bacteria and fungus spores off plants. As the day warms, plants dry quickly preventing plant diseases and promoting a healthier lawn and garden.

Prevent run-off by splitting your watering time into two applications with a 15 – 30 minute break in between. This watering practice promotes deeper root growth, fostering a healthier landscape that is more resistant to dry weather. Preventing run-off also keeps fertilizer and herbicides in your yard, rather than washing into

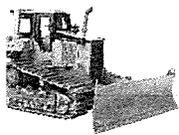
the storm water systems and then into the river. Consider installing a timer at the outdoor faucet to make this an easier job.

- Aerating lawns annually will help water and fertilizer reach the roots by allowing water to soak in rather than run-off.
- Consider using a soaker hose or a drip irrigation system for your vegetable garden, shrub and flower beds. Slow application of the proper amounts of water applied directly to the roots promotes healthy growth. Soaker hoses and drip irrigation systems also reduce evaporation and put water near the roots where plants need it.
- When it rains use the manual override or install a rain switch to turn off automatic sprinkler systems.
- Adjust sprinklers to avoid watering driveways, sidewalks or streets.

Garden centers, nurseries and landscape contractors may be able to help you find new ways to improve the health of your landscape and use less water. For other wise water use suggestions, you can visit these websites: www.sfwb.com or www.conserveh2o.org.

For more information about South Fork Water Board's Water Conservation Program, please contact us at 503-723-9692.

Summer 2003 Construction Ahead



Oregon City Public Works wants you to know about the construction projects that you will be encountering around town this year. The projects listed below are being funded through the water, sewer, and storm water utility fees you pay; urban renewal taxes; and the system development charges (SDCs) new development pays for infrastructure expansion. State law requires that utility fees and SDCs must be used to improve or maintain the utility for which they are collected. If you have questions, please call the contact listed for the project.

Thank you for your patience during construction inconveniences. Please respect the flaggers whose job is to maintain safety for everybody in a construction zone.

Project	Contact
Highway 213/Beavercreek Intersection Capacity Improvements	Sharon Zimmerman, Senior Engineer, 503/496-1570; szimmerman@ci.oregon-city.or.us
Glen Oak Road, Glen Oak/Hwy 213/Caufield Intersection Signalization, Caufield Basin Project	Nancy Kraushaar, City Engineer, 503/496-1545; nkraushaar@ci.oregon-city.or.us
2003 Water Distribution System Improvements - Park Place Neighborhood, Caufield Road, Cascade to Peter Skene, Pearl Street	John Burrell, Associate Engineer, 503/496-1556; jburrell@ci.oregon-city.or.us
South Metro Amtrak Station	Nancy Kraushaar or John Burrell (see numbers and email addresses above)
12th and Washington Intersection Safety Improvements	John Burrell(see number and email address above)

Neighborhood Calendar

Canemah Neighborhood Association (CNA)

Steering Committee Meeting
Date: Thursday, June 19, 2003
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: City Hall, 320 Warner Milne Road

Contact: Howard Post, Chairman at 503-650-0976

Caufield Association of Neighbors (CAN)

Steering Committee Meeting
Date: Thursday, June 26, 2003
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Clackamas Community College,

Community Center, Room 126

General Membership Meeting

Date: Thursday, July 31, 2003
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Clackamas Community College,

Community Center, Room 127

Contact: Cathi VanDamme, Co-Chairman at 503-518-5552 or e-mail to Crvdamme@aol.com

Gaffney Lane Neighborhood Association (GLNA)

Steering Committee Meeting
Date: Tuesday, June 3, 2003
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Jimmy O's Pizzeria, 1678 Beavercreek Road

Contact: Joan Schultze, Acting Chairman at 503-657-3355 or

www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/glina

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

Steering Committee Meeting
Date: Thursday, August 21, 2003
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Cornerstone United Methodist Church, 18955 South End Road
Contact: Kathy Hogan, Co-Chairman at 657-9435

Hillendale Neighborhood Association (HNA)

Steering Committee Meeting
Date: Tuesday, June 3, 2003
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Jimmy O's Pizzeria, 1678 Beavercreek Road

Contact: Debbie Watkins, Chairman at 503-655-3070 or

www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncityhnassoc

McLoughlin Neighborhood Association (MNA)

Steering Committee Meeting
Date: Thursday, June 5, 2003
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Oregon City Fire Station, 624 7th Street

Contact: Tim Powell, Co-Chairman at 503-650-2466

or Dean Walch, Co-Chairman at 503-723-4365 or

www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/mcloughlin

Park Place Neighborhood Association (PPNA)

General Membership Meeting
Date: Monday, June 16, 2003
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: 200 Longview Way, Oregon City

Contact: Lois Kiefer, Acting Chairman at

503-722-7142 or

www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/ppn

Rivercrest Neighborhood Association (RNA)

General Membership Meeting
Date: Thursday, June 26, 2003
Time: 7:00 P.M.

Location: First Presbyterian Church, 1321 Linn Street

Contact: Diane McKnight, Chairman at 503-656-6435 or

www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/rcna

South End Neighborhood Association (SENA)

Steering Committee Meeting
Date: Thursday, August 21, 2003
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Cornerstone United Methodist Church,

18955 South End Road

Contact: Karen S. Montoya, Chairman at 503-557-8065

Chief's Advisory Committee Meeting(s) (Police and Fire)

No June Meeting

Contact: Nancy Brooks, Admin. Assistant at 503-496-1681

Citizen Involvement Committee Council (CICC)

Date: Tuesday, June 10, 2003
Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Oregon City Fire Station, 624 7th Street

Contact: Julie Hollister, Vice Chairman at 503-656-3950

For additional neighborhood information, call Mary E. Palmer, O. C. Public Affairs Manager, at 503-657-0891.

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
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	4:00 pm
Metro Enhancement Committee	As Announced	
Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee	4th Monday	7:00 pm
Parking Advisory Board	As Announced	
Transportation Advisory Committee	4th Tuesday	6:00 pm
Arts Commission	1st Tuesday	4:00 pm