

City of Oregon City

# TRAIL NEWS

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2008





*The future is in the hands of those who can give tomorrow's generations valid reasons to live and hope.*  
—Pierre Teilhard DeChardin

**M**ay my annual roundup of Oregon City's GOOD NEWS give you optimism during these challenging times!

- South End Fire Station opened on July 1st with fanfare, as Oregon City officially annexed to Clackamas Fire District #1. Our city is now safer with 24/7 fire and emergency medical coverage in the southern sector of our city.
- We will soon have a new city hall! Upon recommendation from the Urban Renewal Commission, the City Commission voted to purchase the former McLean Clinic to relieve the severe crowding in our current facility. Today's city hall, bought in 1980 as an interim facility, will be remodeled for Police & Court Operations.
- Jon Storm Park will open soon on our Willamette waterfront (river overlook, walkways, picnic shelter), as will the first segment of the Willamette River Trail, a 12' wide multi-use non-motorized path connecting our two river parks with the Clackamas River Trail.
- Check out artist Michael Asbill's lenticular prints inside the deck and tunnel of our municipal Elevator, now undergoing Phase 1 of an extensive refurbishment. These unique photos are creating quite a positive buzz from the 11,000 riders & visitors who use the elevator each month.

- Main Street Oregon City, a partnership with Clackamas County and our business community, has been launched as a strategy to revitalize our historic downtown.
- Clackamas County is also a partner in a parking study for the downtown and 7th Street areas, to determine parking improvements in and around our downtown core.
- Our police department has added a 2nd K-9 unit (Jagger) and a bicycle officer to assist in continuing to lower Oregon City's crime rate.
- We eliminated Night Court, which reduced overtime by \$8,000, reduced building costs, and freed up badly needed meeting space.
- Our swimming pool is logging record numbers of swim visits: 81,801 last year, with 35,101 visits for swim lessons and 19,680 for adult lap and water exercise.
- We added five citizen members to our Urban Renewal Commission, expanding it to 10.
- If our current negotiations on development agreements for The Cove and The Rivers are successful, CenterCal will break ground on The Rivers project by year's end and The Cove construction should begin next year. But much work remains as we craft agreements that insure fairness and mitigate risks where possible to all parties.
- McLoughlin Boulevard is finally getting her \$7.6 million upgrade. At completion next summer, you will see new sidewalks, landscaped medians, multi-use path, 465 new trees, 992 shrubs and 2991 groundcover plantings, an overlook with benches and sculpture, safe pedestrian crossings, and a much-heralded reconnection to our riverfront.

*Thank you for supporting your City and its revitalization programs!*

## CITY DEPARTMENTS



**Mayor**—Alice Norris  
**Commission President**—Damon Mabee  
**Commissioners**—Doug Neeley, Trent Tidwell, Daphne Wuest  
**City Manager**—Larry Patterson  
**City Recorder**—Nancy Ide  
**Finance Director**—David Wimmer  
**Human Resources Director**—Jim Loeffler

**Police Chief/Public Safety Director**—Gordon Huiras  
**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  
 Southfork 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..... 655-8581  
 Eastham Community Center ..... 785-8520  
 Oregon City School District ..... 785-8000



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

**City Commission Meetings** are held the first and third Wednesdays of the 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. Willamette Falls Cable broadcasts meetings live on Channel 23 at 7:00pm and rebroadcasts them throughout the month. For a schedule, call 650-0275 or log onto [www.wftvaccess.com](http://www.wftvaccess.com).

**Community Contacts** ..... (Area Code 503)  
 End of Oregon Trail Interpretive Cntr ..... 657-9336  
[www.historicoregoncity.org](http://www.historicoregoncity.org)  
 Ermatinger House..... 650-1851  
 McLoughlin House ..... 656-5146  
 Museum of the Oregon Territory ..... 655-5574  
[www.historicoregoncity.org](http://www.historicoregoncity.org)  
 Oregon City Soccer ..... 672-9264 ext. 484  
 Oregon City Youth Baseball & Softball ..... 632-0569  
 Oregon City Youth Football..... 632-0547  
 Redland Baseball ..... [www.redlandball.org](http://www.redlandball.org)  
 Stevens-Crawford House..... 655-2866  
 Tri Cities Adult Softball Association ..... 659-2992  
 YMCA..... 657-9795



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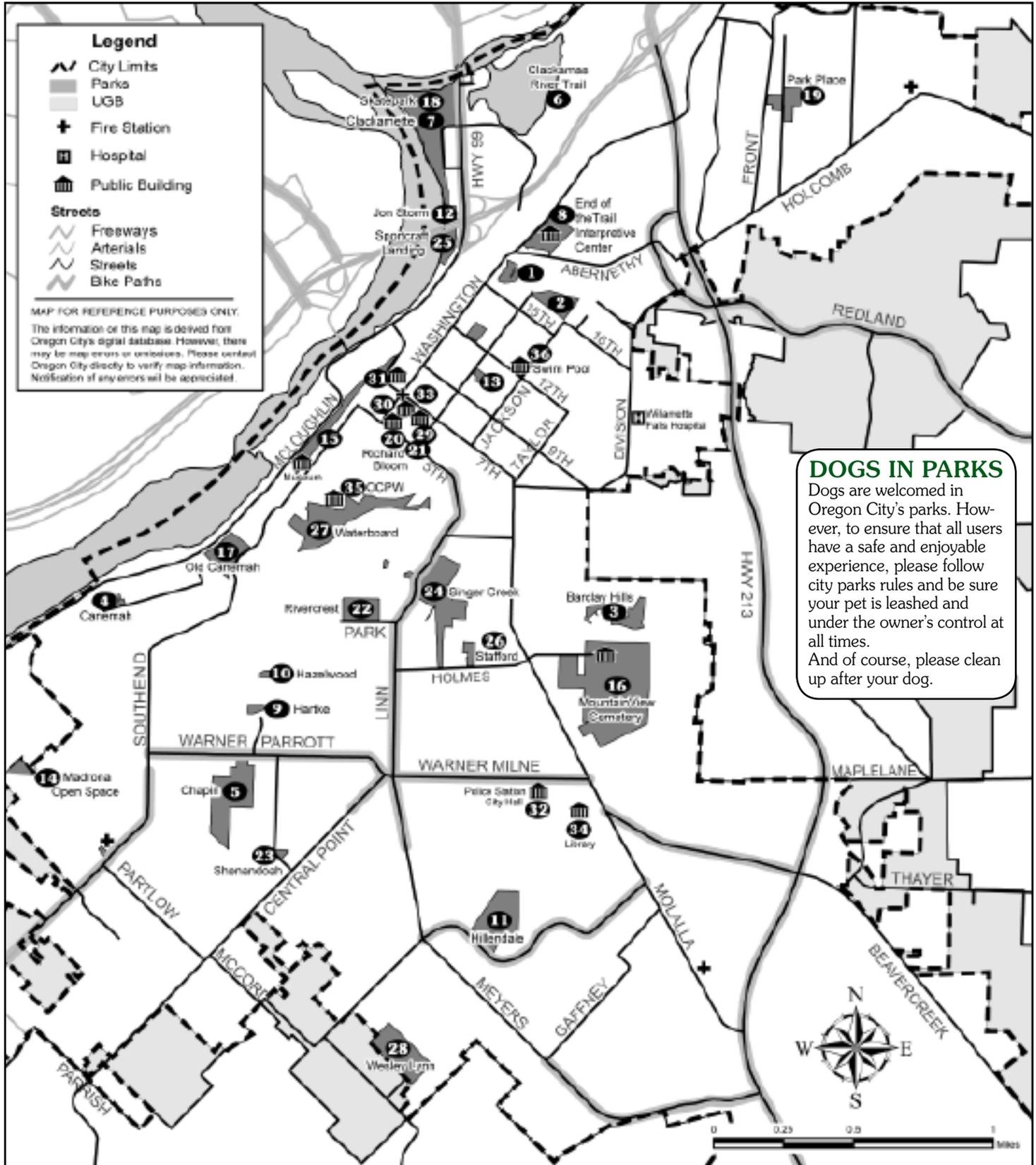
**Groundbreaking Event** for the development of Willamette River Trail Segment, Jon Storm Park & McLoughlin Blvd Enhancement Project Phase I.  
See full stories pages 6 & 21.

**Cover Photo**—Preparing for the Grand Opening of South End Fire Station. At the top of the ladder is Captain Brian Rooney; at the bottom is Chief Ed Kirchhofer. Photo by Steve McAdoo, Community Liaison, Clackamas Fire District #1.

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





## PARKS OFFICE INFORMATION

**Office Hours**.....Monday–Friday | 8:30am–3:00pm  
**Parks Department Staff**

- Larry Potter, Parks/Cemetery Maintenance Manager
- Steve Little, Park Maintenance Specialist III
- Dennis Bonn, Park Maintenance Specialist III
- Mark Anderson, Park Maintenance Specialist II
- Betty Joe Armstrong, Office Specialist II
- Lori Hattig, Office Assistant

## MAJOR CITY PARKS

- 5** Chapin Park 340 Warner Parrott Road
- 7** Clackamette Park 1955 Clackamette Drive
- 11** Hillendale Park 19260 Clairmont Way
- 19** Park Place Park 16180 Front Avenue
- 22** Rivercrest Park 131 Park Drive
- 28** Wesley Lynn Park 12901 Frontier Parkway

## CITY FACILITIES

- 29** Carnegie Center 606 John Adams Street
- 8** End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center  
1726 Washington Street
- 30** Ermatinger House 616 6th Street
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- 16** Mountain View Cemetery & Parks Operations  
500 Hilda Street
- 32** Oregon City Police Station & City Hall  
320 Warner Milne Road
- 33** Oregon City Main Fire Station 624 7th Street
- 34** Oregon City Public Library 362 Warner Milne Road
- 35** Oregon City Public Works 122 Center Street
- 36** Oregon City Swimming Pool 1211 Jackson Street
- 20** Pioneer Community Center 615 5th Street

## ACCOMMODATIONS & PRIVATE EVENTS

**Park Facility Reservations**—Park Operations accepts Park Shelter reservations one year in advance. Plan ahead and make your reservations for the park of your choice on the date you want. Remember, your payment is your park reservation confirmation. For more information please visit [www.oregoncityparks.org](http://www.oregoncityparks.org).

### THREE WAYS TO MAKE A RESERVATION

- 1–Call Park Operations: **503-496-1201 ext 461**
- 2–Stop by during office hours: 500 Hilda Street
- 3–Email BJ Armstrong: [barmstrong@ci.oregon-city.or.us](mailto:barmstrong@ci.oregon-city.or.us)

**Rent the Buena Vista Clubhouse**—Buena Vista Clubhouse is available for hourly rentals for meetings or special events such as birthdays and receptions. The rental rate is \$125 for 4 hours plus a \$100 cleaning deposit and a \$25 key deposit. For more information please contact Parks Operations at **503-496-1201 ext 461**.

RECREATION AREA FACILITIES		Basketball	Boat Dock	Boat Launch	Meeting Rooms	Playground	Restrooms	Shelters for Rent	Soccer	Softball/Baseball	Spray Park	Tennis	Trail Access	Walking Paths
1	Abernethy Creek Park													
2	Atkinson Park													
3	Barclay Hills Park													
4	Canemah Children's Park													
5	Chapin Park													
6	Clackamas River Trail													
7	Clackamette Park													
8	End of the Oregon Trail													
9	Hartke Park													
10	Hazelwood Park													
11	Hillendale Park													
12	Jon Storm Park													
13	Latourette Park													
14	Madrona Open Space													
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													

**RV Park at Clackamette Park**—Clackamette Park has a 38-space RV Park located at the southwest end of the park. Water and electricity are available at all sites. An RV dump station is located at the park entrance. Maximum stay is 10 days. Spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis only; we do not accept reservations. Prices are \$18 per night for sites 1–27, and \$22 for sites 28–38 (river frontage). Pay by cash or VISA only; we do not accept checks. For more information, call Park Operations at **503-496-1201 ext 461**.

**The Carnegie Center will be temporarily closed** for an undetermined amount of time. The Fine Art Starts management contract to operate the Center has expired as of August 3, 2008. The City will be evaluating City needs and future use of the building. This is an asset to the City and the future use will be given serious thought and consideration. We appreciate your patience while we pursue this process.

## PARKS NEWS & EVENTS

### Master Plan Update

After an extensive public involvement process, the Oregon City Commission adopted on June 4 the *Oregon City Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update: 5-Year Vision Implementation Plan*. To assist in updating the Master Plan, the City retained the services of GreenPlay LLC, the nationally-known parks and recreation management consulting firm. The Implementation Plan is intended to help meet the needs of residents by building on the community's unique parks and recreation assets and identifying new opportunities, as well as guiding the development, management, physical infrastructure improvements and planning efforts over the next five years in more detail than the existing Master Plan.

The citizen-driven 5-Year Implementation Plan was developed through an interactive public process in which the City worked with the general public, user groups, stakeholders and neighbors. It included several public forums and meetings, stakeholder workshops, and a statistically valid citizen survey. Existing facilities, programs and services were evaluated and, utilizing data from the comprehensive community input, the current and future level of service for the community was determined and prioritized. The Plan will also help to determine the phasing, timing, funding and other details for these and other projects and services for the next several years.

As a component of the Plan, the Oregon City Parks and Recreation Department adopted the Oregon Recreation and Parks Association Vision Implementation Plan and mission statement, "We Create Community Through People, Parks and Programs". The benefits of parks and recreation are necessary to develop healthy individuals and communities when the economy is strong, and are even more important when we face economic and social changes. Parks in Oregon City help strengthen community, protect natural resources, foster human development, strengthen safety and security, support economic development, preserve cultural resources, provide recreational and educational opportunities, increase cultural unity, promote health and wellbeing, facilitate community problem solving and encourage good stewardship of public resources.

The entire *Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update: 5-Year Vision Implementation Plan* is available on the City's website at <http://www.oregoncityparks.org/>.

### Groundbreaking for Three Major Projects

On June 23, Oregon City held a groundbreaking celebration for three very important projects—The Jon Storm Park, the Willamette River Trail, and the McLoughlin Blvd Enhancement Phase I. Together, these projects will provide greater recreation opportunities and access to the Willamette River.

Jon Storm Park is being developed on a 1.5-acre site in Oregon City overlooking the Willamette River. Although the park is relatively small, it is an important open space for Oregon City because it is situated between Clackamette Park—one of the city's largest and busiest parks—and the Sportcraft Marina, a privately operated marina and city-owned public access boat launch. Jon Storm Park will provide improved connectivity between these two important recreational areas, but it will also maintain its own identity as an open space.

In 2005 and 2006 the 320-foot boat dock and restrooms were completed ahead of the rest of the park, due to availability of funding and support from the Oregon State Marine Board. In 2006 the City was awarded a Local Government Grant of \$330,000 from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department to assist in the development of Jon Storm Park. In addition to the dock and restrooms, new features of the park will include a plaza area with seat walls, interpretive areas, a cantilevered overlook above the Willamette River, a picnic shelter, lawn areas, walkways and connections to the Willamette River Trail, a bus and trolley turnaround, and a parking lot under the Abernethy/I-205 bridge. This project will complete build-out of the park according to its master plan.

In conjunction with this project, the first major segment of the non-motorized Willamette River Trail is also being constructed. The trail will eventually connect all the way to Willamette Falls. This first segment, a 12-foot wide asphalt pathway, will connect Jon Storm Park to Clackamette Park and the recently built Clackamas River Trail. The connection will continue south of Jon Storm Park on the non-motorized/pedestrian pathways that are being developed as part of the McLoughlin Blvd/99E Enhancement Project.

The Jon Storm Park and Willamette River Trail projects are expected to be completed and open by this fall. (See related story for McLoughlin Blvd update on page 21.)



Above (L-R): Former Oregon City Mayor Dan Fowler, City Commissioner Dauphne Wuest, Mayor Alice Norris, Metro Councilor Rex Burkholder, and City Commissioner Doug Neeley.



## CEMETERY OFFICE INFORMATION

### Cemetery Office Hours

Monday–Friday.....8:00am–3:00pm



### Mountain View Cemetery Staff

Larry Potter, Park Operation & Facilities Manager  
 Betty Joe Armstrong, Office Specialist II  
 Lori Hattig, Office Assistant

## CEMETERY NEWS & EVENTS

### Memorial Day Commemoration Monday, May 26

Even though the day was gray and drizzly, the patriotic music, inspirational speeches and laying of wreaths made our Memorial Day Commemoration special. Boy Scout troops volunteered as greeters and chair dryers, and placed flags on veteran graves. The Oregon City High School JROTC presented the colors, and a bugler played taps. It's always great to see so many young people take part each year. Many thanks to all who participated! If you have a veteran at Mountain View, please notify us so that we may honor them. Call us at 503-657-8299 for more information.



Miss Diane Harter, Executive Officer, Oregon City High School JROTC Unit



Mr. Robert Thomsen, ORARNG (Oregon Army National Guard)



Sgt. Matthew Paschall & Officer Nick Ennis, OCPD Honor Guard members.



Above & Below: Members of the Oregon City High School JROTC Honor Guard



Members from Clackamas Fire District #1 station 15 and station 16.



### New Service Available at Mtn View Cemetery

We are pleased to announce the opening of our Canyon Nature Walk, located in the canyon behind the cemetery. This beautiful natural area has native trees, bushes and small ponds along its winding trails, making it a wonderful resting place for any nature lover! Customers may scatter the cremated ashes of their loved ones here, and staff will record the GPS location. A natural stone marker or native tree may be planted at the spot if desired. For more information or to arrange a tour of our new area, call us at 503-657-8299.

### New Burial Options

In an effort to accommodate the needs of all Oregon City citizens, Mountain View Cemetery has created several very affordable options for burial of cremated persons. Call our office at 503-657-8299 to discuss what option might work for you.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Oregon City Parks Department has volunteer opportunities available in all parks and at Mountain View Cemetery. Large projects include our Spring and Fall Clean-ups. There are also many smaller tasks that can be done by youth groups or adults. Your contributions of time and energy are valuable



to the City, and make our parks and cemetery cleaner, more beautiful places to visit.

**Our Fall Clean-up date** will be announced soon. Stay tuned! For more info, call Betty Joe at 496-1201.

<< Steve and two JROTC volunteers apply themselves to

leveling headstones. The JROTC always does a super job!



Good cheer was the order of the day. Love those smiling faces!



Some of our hard workers stopping for a donut and hot chocolate.

## RECREATION REGISTRATION & FEES

### How to Register

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

## 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 | Sep 22–Nov 17 | 5:30–6:30pm  
OC Pool | \$98 Residents | \$118 Non-Residents

\*Registration Deadline: September 15

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

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

Mondays | September 22–November 17 | 6:30–7:00pm  
OC Pool | \$48 Residents | \$58 Non-Residents

\*Registration Deadline is September 15

### Scholarship Information

Scholarships for recreation programs are available to qualifying Oregon City residents. For more information call Rochelle Parsch at 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.

### 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 are available for an additional fee—Schedule with instructor, David Barnes. **Class will be physically demanding.**

Mondays | September 22–November 17 | 7:00–8:00pm | OC Pool  
\$98 Residents | \$118 Non-Residents | \*Registration Deadline: September 15

### Punt, Pass & Kick

Contestants will compete by age in punt, pass and kick skills events. There will be separate competitions for boys and girls.

Age groups: 8–9, 10–11, 12–13 & 14–15 (as of December 2008). For more information, please call Carol Kemhus at 503-785-8683.

Sponsored by: Oregon City Optimists Club and Oregon City Parks & Recreation.

Wednesday | September 24 | OC High Stadium |

FREE | Registration starts at 6:00pm | Competition starts at 6:30pm





**SWIM SCHEDULE.....September 20 – January 31**

<b>Recreational Swim</b>	Fri	7:30 – 9:00pm
	Sat	12:30 – 2:00pm
<b>Family Swim</b>	Tue	7:15 – 8:30pm
<b>SWAMP SWIM HELD ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31 7:30-9:00pm</b>		
<b>Adult Swim</b>	Mon–Fri	8:00 – 9:00am
	Mon–Fri	1:00 – 2:00pm
	Sat	11:00am – 12:30pm
<b>Adult Lap Swim</b> (Number of available lanes may vary)	Mon–Fri	6:00 – 8:00am
	Mon–Fri	12:00 – 1:00pm
	Mon Wed Fri	4:30 – 7:30pm
	Tue Thu	4:30 – 6:15pm
	Sat	11:00am–12:30pm
<b>Water Exercise (Shallow)</b>	Mon Wed Fri	8:00 – 9:00am
	Tue Thu	6:15 – 7:15pm
<b>Water Exercise (Deep)</b>	Tue Thu	6:15 – 7:15pm
<b>Water Exercise (Arthritis)</b>	Tue Thu	8:00 – 9:00am

**Pool Closures:** Sep 1–19 (annual maintenance & repairs)  
 Nov 27 (Thanksgiving), Nov 28 & 29 (open for lap/adult swim only)  
 Dec 22–Jan 2 (winter maintenance, no activities)

**ADMISSION PRICES**

<b>Daily Admissions</b>	Youth (2–18)	Adult (19+)	Senior (62+)
Residents   Non-Residents	\$2.50   \$3.50	\$2.75   \$4.00	\$2.50   \$3.50
	+50¢ each time for water exercise classes		
<b>Family Swim</b>	Parents/guardians & children residing in 1 household		
Residents   Non-Residents	\$5.75   \$8.00 per family		
<b>Punch Cards</b> Water X, Lap, Rec, Adult Swim	10 Classes	20 Classes	40 Classes
Residents   Non-Residents	\$28.25   \$42.25	\$49.00   \$73.50	\$81.00   \$122.00
<b>Senior Punch Cards</b> Water X, Lap, Rec, Adult Swim	10 Classes	20 Classes	40 Classes
Residents   Non-Residents	\$22.50   \$34.50	\$32.50   \$48.50	\$52.00   \$78.50
<b>3 Month Memberships</b> Lap, Rec, Fam & Adult Swim	Program times change each term		
	1st Person	2nd Person	3rd Person
Residents   Non-Residents	\$48.50   \$82.75	\$39.00   \$70.25	\$8.25   \$13.50
Seniors (ages 62+)	10% Discount on above prices		
	+50¢ each time for water exercise classes		
<b>Annual Memberships</b> Lap, rec, fam & adult swim	Program times change each term		
	1st Person	2nd Person	3rd Person
Residents   Non-Residents	\$97.50   \$165.50	\$78.25   \$132.25	\$16.00   \$26.50
Seniors (ages 62+)	10% Discount on above prices		
	+50¢ each time for water exercise classes		

**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**—Deep water running or exercise is exactly what the name would imply—training in water deep enough to avoid contact with the bottom of the pool, while keeping your head above the water’s surface. It works on core body strength, while providing a cardio workout to lose weight and stay healthy.

**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 from 2:00–8:00pm. Pool rental starts as low as \$65.00 per hour with lifeguards provided. Party room rates start at \$13.25 per hour.

**SWAMP SWIM**

Friday | Oct 31 | 7:30–9:00pm | \$2.50; Free if in Costume!  
 Note—Family Swim will be cancelled that evening.



## AMERICAN RED CROSS SWIM LESSONS

The Oregon City Swimming Pool has changed its swim lesson program! Since the summer of 2007, American Red Cross swimming lessons have been offered. Please take time to read the information on the next page to help you make the transition to the NEW AMERICAN RED CROSS SWIM LESSONS.

### Benefits of the ARC Swim Lesson Program

- Instructors complete 35-hour Water Safety Instructor Certification.
- Classes are more efficiently structured and challenging.
- New levels help ease younger children into group swim lessons.
- Levels continue beyond Level 4.

### Important Reminder

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.*

## SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION

Please register early before classes fill!!

**FALL Registration begins Monday, August 25.**

**WINTER Registration begins Monday, December 8.**

- **Online Registration**—[www.ocpool.org](http://www.ocpool.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 .....	\$34.50
Non-Residents .....	\$51.50
Private Lessons (1/2 hour) .....	\$19.50
Semi-Private Lessons (2 students, 1/2 hour) .....	\$27.00

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

DATES	Fall Session–1 MWF	Fall Session–2 MWF	Fall Session–3 MWF	Private Lessons
<i>Fall registration begins Monday, August 25</i>	Sep 22–Oct 10	Oct 20–Nov 7	Nov 17–Dec 8**	We offer Evening and Saturday private swim lessons! Call to register: 657-8273
	<i>If classes are full please add your name to a waiting list. We do our best to open up more classes! **NO classes November 28 due to Thanksgiving Holiday. Session 3 ends on a Monday.</i>			
<i>Winter registration begins Monday, December 8</i>	<b>Winter Session–1 MWF</b>	<b>Winter Session–2 MWF</b>	<b>Winter Session–3 MWF</b>	
	Jan 5–Jan 23	Jan 26–Feb 13	Feb 16–Mar 6	
	<i>Classes will be held on January 19 (MLK Day) and February 16 (President's Day)</i>			
LEVEL	All group lessons last 27 minutes.			All private lessons last 27 minutes.
Water Babies	6:00	6:00   7:00	6:00	Evening Private Lessons 6:00   6:30   7:00
Swim Tots	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	
Level 2	6:00   6:30   7:00	6:00   6:30   7:00	6:00   6:30   7:00	Saturday Private Lessons 11:00   11:30   12:00
Level 3	6:30	6:30	6:30	
Level 4	7:00			Swimming Pool will be closed for winter maintenance Dec 22–Jan 2
Level 5		7:00		
Level 6			7:00	

## LIFEGUARD TRAINING

Participants must attend all 5 scheduled classes. The course focuses on the job of a lifeguard in a swimming pool environment. The class will emphasize 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-lb brick from 7 feet of water and return it to the surface

Bring a swimsuit and towel...you will get wet. For more info, call Rochelle Parsch at 503-496-1572.

Tue & Thu | October 14 & 16 | 5:00–9:00pm | OC Pool

Friday | October 17 | 4:00–9:00pm | OC Pool

Sat & Sun | October 18 & 19 | 9:00am–4:00pm | OC Pool

\$120 Resident / \$140 Non-Resident | \*\*Register by September 29

## REMINDERS

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.



**WHAT DO I REGISTER MY CHILD FOR THIS SEASON?** See table & swim level descriptions below.

OLD Swim Level	EQUIVALENT TO	NEW Red Cross Swim Level	OLD Swim Level	EQUIVALENT TO	NEW Red Cross Swim Level
New Swim Participant (Has never had lessons and can't touch the bottom of the pool)		<b>SWIM TOTS</b> —Class uses <b>TOT DOCKS*</b> —platforms that sink in the water to change the depth of pool—making it easier for children to stand and participate in lessons. For 3–4 year olds only. No age exceptions.	Level 4		<b>LEVEL 4</b>
Level 1		<b>LEVEL 1</b> —For 5 years old and up, unless a 4 year old and can prove s/he has passed Swim Tots.	Passing Level 4		<b>LEVEL 5</b>
Level 2		<b>LEVEL 2</b>	<b>NEW LEVEL</b>		<b>LEVEL 6 (Lifeguard Readiness &amp; Personal Water Safety)</b>
Level 3		<b>LEVEL 3</b>			

**American Red Cross Swim Level Descriptions**

**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\* (see table above). 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

**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! 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 skills from Level 5. Skills participants will learn and must successfully demonstrate to pass are:

Front and back crawl—100 yards | Breaststroke, elementary backstroke, sidestroke and butterfly—50 yards | Front crawl, back crawl, 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

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Hours of Operation

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

Center is CLOSED.....September 1 (Labor Day)

November 11 (Veteran's Day)

November 27 & 28 (Thanksgiving)

December 25 & 26 (Christmas)

### LUNCH (see complete details below):

• Meals-on-Wheels Deliveries: \*\*Monday–Friday | 10:30am–1:00pm

• Lunch at the Center: \*\*Monday–Friday | 11:30am–12:30pm

**\*\*Note: Meals now delivered on Monday! Lunch now served on Monday!**

**\*\*Monday drivers needed. Please call Shirley today to help out!**

## 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–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 information call the Pioneer Adult Community Center Meals-on-Wheels Coordinator Shirley Ryan at 503-722-5979.

### 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 between 1–60 miles round trip 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 to Eddie & Edith Allick for their \$100 donation to our "Cover the Miles" Meals-on-Wheels Mileage Reimbursement Program.**

**Other Ways to Donate:** Sponsor a senior for a trip or manicure/pedicure. Provide plants, supplies and flowers to beautify our center grounds. Donate your old car and get a tax deduction.

**Wish List:** WiFi game for the new flat screen television in our pool/computer room. Modern silk trees for our dining room and lobby areas, computer ink cartridges, walkers with seat and basket, coffee (regular and decaf), copy paper.

### Holiday Volunteer Drivers Needed!

The Pioneer Center needs volunteer drivers to deliver emergency meals to the homebound, and to deliver Fill-a-Stocking Fill-a-Heart gifts to seniors and low-income families. Please, if you have some spare time around the holidays and would like to volunteer, call Shirley Ryan 503-722-5979 for emergency meals, and Beth 503-722-3268 for gift delivery.

### Gift Certificates

If you can't think of a thing to buy the person who has everything...how about a gift certificate from the Pioneer Center?! Gift certificates are available for any of the following:

Swing Band	Trips	Manicures	Lunches
Massages	Classes	Pedicures	

### Grocery Shopping Trips

For ages 60+ years or disabled. Suggested donation is 50¢ each way. Pick-up starts at 12:45pm. Call 503-657-8287 to schedule a ride.

Tuesdays.....Fred Meyers

Wednesdays.....Albertson's

Fridays.....Danielson's Fresh Marketplace

### Transportation

For those 60+ or disabled residing 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 50¢ donation for a one-way ride. Call to schedule a ride the day before or up to a week ahead.

### 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

Computers with Internet access are available to use in our Pool Room.

Monday–Friday | 9:00am–4:00pm

Closed–Sep 1, Nov 11, Nov 27–28, Dec 25–26

### Manicures & Pedicures

RN Bea offers pedicures and manicures 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 503-657-8287.

Every other Tuesday & every 2nd Wednesday | by Appointment \$25 | Pay RN Bea directly.



## FACILITY RENTALS

If you are looking for an affordable large ballroom, 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 if you do not want decorations or elaborate set ups. 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

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

## DINE-OUTS

**First Monday of every month starting November 2008.**  
**Bus departs the Center at 11:30am.** Meet at the Center by 11:30am or call 657-8287 for a pick-up (suggested donation \$1 each way). Lunch is on your own. Dine-Outs and restaurants are subject to change! Call us for the Restaurant of the Month.

## GAMES, WEEKLY GROUPS & MORE

- AA** Meets every week in Pioneer Center's Basement  
Sundays | 1:30–3:30pm
- BILLIARDS** We have a beautiful pool table located in our TV/Computer Room. Ask for pool balls at the front desk.  
Monday–Friday | 9:00am–4:00pm | Free  
Closed: Sep 1, Nov 11, Nov 27–28, Dec 25–26
- BINGO** Our bingo group meets for fun and small cash prizes every week. We have a lively, friendly group and can always use more players to make it more enjoyable.  
Thursdays | 12:30–3:00pm | 25¢ per card  
Closed: Nov 27–28, Dec 25–26
- CHESS** Games in Pioneer Center's basement  
Tuesdays | 7:00–10:00pm | Free | Closed: Nov 11
- NARANON** Meets every week in Pioneer Center's Basement  
Thursdays | 7:00–9:00pm
- PINOCHLE** These card players meet twice a week.  
Mondays & Wednesdays | 12:45pm | 25¢ | Closed: Sep 1
- POPCORN!** Every Friday | 10:00am | Closed: Nov 27–28, Dec 25–26
- SCRABBLE** Come challenge this fun, friendly group once a week.  
Fridays | 12:30–3:00pm | Free  
Closed: Nov 27–28, Dec 25–26



## HOLIDAY WREATH SALE

**November–December 2008**

Support your center by purchasing your holiday wreath from the Pioneer Adult Community Center and help raise money for our "Cover the Miles" Meals-on-Wheels~Mileage Reimbursement Program.

Wreaths are FRESH, and Beautiful, at 22" diameter. The cost is \$17 for this wonderful holiday decoration. Call the center to purchase one today. Pick up at the Center the first week of December.

## 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 put on the trip list until we receive your payment. If there is an additional entrance fee we will notify you two weeks prior to the trip. If the trip is already full when we receive your payment we will return your check to you. Our trips are quite popular and we often have people on a waiting list. To register or to be placed on the waiting list, stop by or call 657-8287.

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

**All trips are scheduled for Wednesdays.**

**Sep 17 ... SEASIDE BEACH TRIP**—Take a walk on the beach, visit the many interesting shops and stores, and stop for a seafood lunch at one of the local restaurants.

**Sep 24 ... WINE TASTING & LUNCH**—Looking for the right wine for yourself or for that special dinner guest? Join us for this tour of the Hood River wineries.

**Oct 8..... THE MAZE AT THE PUMPKIN PATCH**—It's pumpkin pie time and what better time to have fun picking one! See the 100-year-old red animal barn, and go through their tricky 5-acre corn maze.

**Oct 22.... MYSTERY DRIVE & LUNCH**—Dave and Suzy have a wonderful day planned for all of you! Hop aboard and savor the suspense as they take you on this mystery drive and lunch.

**Nov 12 ... DAN'S OYSTER BAR/VOODOO DONUT SHOP**—Well known locally and around the world, it celebrated 100 years of serving the public it's signature seafood dishes. For dessert, taste one of the Voodoo Donut Shop's famous donuts, such as the Portland Crème, a raised doughnut filled with crème and covered in chocolate with two eyes.

**Nov 26 ... SAKÉONE & LUNCH OUTING**—SakéOne was founded by a group of folks who loved sake and had a vision to produce world-class sake in the United States. With water as one of sake's critical ingredients, the eastern slope of Oregon's Coastal Mountains was identified as an ideal water source for its purity. So, Forest Grove, Oregon, became the home of SakéOne, Producer of Momokawa and Moonstone, America's most honored sake's.

## CLASS INFO & REGISTRATION

For more information or to register, please call the instructor if their phone number is listed. Otherwise, call 503-657-8287 or stop by the Center in person.

- **Payment**  
Cash/Check preferred; we also accept Visa. Full payment is due before the first class begins.
- **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 give if a class has already begun.

## 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

### Pioneer Singers

Do you enjoy singing? Come join us in choral renditions of show tunes and good time oldies at the Pioneer Community Center. For more information call 503-657-8287.

Fridays | 10:00am–12:00 noon | Closed–Nov 28, Dec 26

### Salsa Classes [Latin Dance]

Learn the Latin style of dancing. Develop skills to increase your confidence at a club or party. You will also learn the Merengue and Cha Cha. Wear comfortable, casual clothing. Ladies should wear heels of any height. Men’s shoes should have smooth soles. No tennis shoes. Bonus outing: We’ll go out on the town to a local Salsa club so you can get a real life feel for the dance. No partner necessary for this class. Both couples and singles are welcome.

Tuesdays | September 30–December 2 | 7:00–9:00pm  
11 weeks, 10 classes | No class Nov 11 | \$40 (over 62 – \$20)

### Wednesday Afternoon Dances

The Swing Street Glenn Tadina Big Band (a 16–piece Big Band) and the Black Magic Band (a 14–piece band) jump and jive on alternating weeks at the Pioneer Center. They feature great music ranging from the Swing, Cha-Cha, Tango and Rumba to the Waltz and Fox Trot, plus a variety of other dance rhythms. For each band’s play dates, call 503-657-8287. 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

## 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.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | September 30–December 11 | 10:40–11:25am  
11 weeks, 20 classes | No classes Nov 27, Dec 25 | \$80 (Over 62 – \$40)

### 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 | September 30–December 11 | 9:30–10:30am  
11 weeks, 20 classes | No classes Nov 27, Dec 25 | \$80 (Over 62 – \$40)

### 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 moves also strengthen muscles and reduce stress.

Mondays & Wednesdays | September 29–December 10 | 10:45–11:30am  
11 weeks, 22 classes | \$60 (Over 62 – \$30)

### 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 older. To schedule an appointment call 503-657-8287.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | Ongoing | \$20





## Weight Training Room

Come enjoy this room and exercise with others! For adults 50 years and older. PREREQUISITE—Weight Room Orientation is required. *See previous page.*

Monday–Friday | Ongoing | 9:00am–4:00pm | 24 visits for \$20  
CLOSED September 1, November 11 & 27–28, December 25–26

## Yoga [Beginner]

This class is for the yoga novice or someone who enjoys gentle flow yoga. We will focus on breathing and technique. We will especially focus 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 Hollie at 503-744-0388.

Thursdays | October 2–December 11 | 5:30–6:30pm  
11 weeks, 11 classes | \$65 (Over 62 – \$32.50)

## Yoga [Intermediate]

This Yoga class directly follows beginning yoga and 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 Hollie at 503-744-0388.

Thursdays | October 2–December 11 | 6:30–7:30pm  
11 weeks, 11 classes | \$65 (Over 62 – \$32.50)

## COMPUTER SKILLS

*For fees, scheduling and more information on our computer classes call instructor Jerry King at 723-9497 or the Pioneer Center.*

### Computer Basics

This starter course opens with a survey of computer terminology and components. You'll learn to set up master folders in Windows and explore the World Wide Web.

### Word Processing

Build on the basics you've mastered to fine-tune your word processing skills.

### Movie Editing with Pinnacle Studio

Learn to convert your old movie films to digital files, record and edit them on your computer, then burn them onto a DVD. This is a 20-hour classroom workshop where students create their own personal movies on a DVD.



## 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 | October 1–December 10 | 9:30–10:30am  
11 weeks, 11 classes | \$80 (Over 62 – \$40)

### Busy Bees

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

Mondays | Ongoing | 9:00am–Noon | Free | Closed–Sep 1

### Calligraphy [Beginning]

Get started in Calligraphy! An introduction to the italic alphabet and how to use this art form to create your own lettering design projects. Personalize your handmade Valentines, cards, journals, scrapbooks and more.

Thursdays | October 2–December 11 | 9:15–10:15am  
11 weeks, 9 classes | *No class Nov 27, Dec 25* | \$32 (Over 62 – \$16)

### Knitting & Crocheting [Beginning]

Learn basic knitting and crocheting stitches. Bring your own needles and yarn. For more information on times, dates and cost please call instructor Janice Tipton at 503-829-8031.

### Memory to Memoir [Beginning]

Memoir writing can be learned, practiced and mastered. Here's the chance to tell your story, whether it be for publication, hobby or simply to leave a family legacy. We'll explore various types of memoir, examine best sellers, draw inspiration, and harness your storytelling ability to craft a memoir that reads with the finesse of fiction.

Tuesdays | September 30–December 2 | 9:30–11:00am  
11 weeks, 11 classes | \$60 (Over 62 – \$30)

### 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 | October 1–December 10 | 12:30–2:30pm  
11 weeks, 11 classes | \$80 (Over 62 – \$40)

### 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 | October 2–December 11 | 11:00am–1:30pm  
11 weeks, 9 classes | *No classes Nov 27, Dec 25*  
\$100 (Over 62 – \$50)

## GENERAL LIBRARY INFO

### Library Hours

Tuesday & Wednesday .....	11:00am–8:00pm
Thursday & Friday.....	11:00am–5:00pm
Saturday.....	12:00pm–5:00pm
Sunday & Monday .....	CLOSED
CLOSED .....	<b>Veteran's Day</b> (November 11) <b>Thanksgiving</b> (November 27)

### 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 all of the library's programs and services call us at 503-657-8269 or visit the library's website at <http://www.oregoncity.lib.or.us>.

## HOMEBOUND SERVICES RETURN

The library began service to the homebound in the early 1980s and continued delivery of library materials to as many as 20 individuals per month until severe budget cuts terminated the service. We have regenerated this valuable service thanks to a volunteer coordinator and multiple drivers.

If you know of someone who cannot come to the library for health reasons, please contact us. They may be eligible for monthly home delivery of library materials. A volunteer will contact them to ascertain preferred genres, required formats, and monthly volume desired. Then the Homebound Coordinator will select materials from our collection every month, according to each client's needs, prepare items for pickup, and notify delivery volunteers of their availability.

Volunteer drivers will be matched with clients to whom they will make deliveries of materials and pick up items ready for return to the library.

For more information on the program or to sign up, please contact Judy at 503-657-8269 ext 12.

## ATTENTION: GAMERS

Three new formats have been added to our video game collection. You will now be able to check out Xbox 360, Nintendo Wii, and Nintendo DS. We will also continue to carry PlayStation and PlayStation2, Game Boy Advance, Xbox and Nintendo GameCube.

All of these games are located in our Media Center and are available for 7-day checkout. Due to great popularity, you may not find a game of interest 'on the shelf'. Please ask the reference staff how to search for titles in your favorite format so you can place holds for those that are already in use.

*Let the games begin!*

## FALL STORY & CRAFT TIME

**STORYHOURS** are on a break the first week of September.

Beginning September 9 they will meet on the following schedule:

Preschool .....	3–5 year olds .....	Tuesdays .....	11:00am
Preschool .....	3–5 year olds .....	Wednesdays .....	11:00am
Toddler .....	Under 3 years .....	Thursdays.....	11:00am

**CRAFT SESSIONS** are held immediately following Preschool storyhour.

*Advance sign-up is required for craft programs.*

September 23 & 24.....	Halloween Countdown Calendar .....	11:30 am
October 22 & 23.....	Make a Halloween Pumpkin & Ghost .....	11:30 am
November 25 & 26.....	Christmas Countdown Calendar .....	11:30 am
December 16 & 17 .....	Christmas Stained Glass Decoration .....	11:30 am

*There is no charge for any of our children's programs. You may sign up in person at the Children's Desk or by phone by calling 657-8269 x26.*

**We are always happy to accept craft supplies!** We invite you to stop by the Children's Desk or check its special bulletin board where we post our needed crafts supplies—anything from baby food jars to shoe boxes.

## GO BACK TO SCHOOL WITH THE LIBRARY

The library offers several special services of benefit to students:

### Homework Collection

We have collections in both the Children's and Young Adult areas containing materials of use to students working on school assignments.

CHILDREN will find:

- Encyclopedias
- States & Countries
- The Presidents
- Science
- Native Americans
- History

### Careers Collection

We offer materials on:

- Career Discovery
- Job Search Skills
- Resume Writing
- Interviewing
- Study Abroad
- Financial Aid & Scholarships
- Study Guides for Tests (GED, SAT, ASVAB, and Civil Service Jobs)

YOUNG ADULT materials include:

- Encyclopedias
- Almanacs
- Study Aids
- Science & Math
- Geography & History
- Cliffs Notes

### Homeschooling

We offer materials for parents to help you:

- Decide if homeschooling is right for you
  - Get started
  - Design a curriculum
  - Use internet resources
  - Prepare for testing
  - Educate the upper grades
- Non-fiction collections in the children's and young adult areas will supplement curriculum.

## TAX DEDUCTIBLE LIBRARY DONATIONS

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

■ **BUCKS FOR BOOKS**—The Friends of the Library established a donation jar at our front counter designated as Bucks for Books. Every penny deposited there is used to purchase books and audiovisual materials for our collection. Since it's inception we've collected over \$3,200.

■ **MATERIALS**—We happily accept donations of books, videos, compact discs and books on tape on behalf of the Friends of the Library. The Friends use the money collected from sales of materials 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.** If you would like a receipt for tax purposes, ask for one at the time of donation. A value cannot be assigned to the items, but a notation of the number of items of each type will be made. For a list of favorite and not accepted items, please call us at 503-657-8269.



## FREE MP3 AUDIOBOOKS AND MORE!

Library2Go, a service provided by the Oregon Digital Library Consortium, has been providing downloadable audio books for library patrons' personal computers and non-I-Pod MP3 players. Now they have added children's titles, old movies and I-Pod functionality.

Best-selling titles are available 24/7 from the website, and are playable on a PC or MP3 player at home, in the office or from anywhere in the world. The downloaded computer files expire after 2 weeks so there is no need to return items and no late fees. Can't listen right away? You can burn the files to a MP3 disk or transfer them to your portable device, from which the files do not expire. Materials that are 'checked out' (downloaded to another person's computer) can be placed on hold to be downloaded when that person's time expires. If you just can't wait for something to listen to, there are many titles that are 'always available' which do not expire and which many people can have downloaded at the same time.

Library2Go is free for all Oregon City Library customers. To use the products a patron needs a valid library card, access to the Internet and free digital book software (available on the Library2Go website).

Visit our website today and learn more about these exciting new features! [www.oregoncity.lib.or.us/online.htm](http://www.oregoncity.lib.or.us/online.htm)

## 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 657-8269.

Participating venues include:

- Portland Art Museum
- The Japanese Garden
- The Chinese Garden
- Portland Children's Museum (CM2)
- Pittock Mansion
- Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden

**Come check out some fun!**

Secondhand  
Prose

Monday-Saturday  
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday  
12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Friends of the  
Oregon City Library  
Used Bookstore



7<sup>th</sup> & Center Streets  
Inside the Oregon City Antique Mall

## LIBRARY BALLOT MEASURE

Library District Proposed for Funding

**O**ver the past few years, Clackamas County has been engaged in a dialogue with the cities regarding the creation of a stable funding source for libraries. The County General Fund has been the source for the majority of Oregon City and other Clackamas County and city library funding for several years.



Beginning in 2007, the financial position of the County changed dramatically with elimination of \$12 million in federal funding. Starting in July 2009, the three County-operated libraries will no longer receive General Fund support, and the County contributions to city libraries will be reduced. The County General Fund contributions to city libraries will continue to decrease for the following four fiscal years until General Fund support is eliminated in June 2014.

An independent review of the Clackamas County Library system recommended the creation of a library district. Based on this recommendation and discussion with city partners, the County proposes on the November 2008 ballot the formation of a library district to make up for the loss of funding.

The district would include any city that adopts a resolution intergovernmental agreement to join the district. Oregon City has already adopted a resolution in support of joining the proposed library district. The tax rate for the district would be about 39 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. That rate would allow every library to achieve the Oregon Library Association's "threshold" level of service.

In the 2008-09 fiscal year, approximately 70% of the total budget for the Oregon City Library will come from the County General Fund. The other 30% comes from grants, donations, and the City General Fund. Previous budget reductions have reduced library operations to 35 hours per week, which is 15 hours less than the minimum standard Threshold Levels. Due to our cutbacks, we have also reduced our library staff and services.

With the incremental loss of County funding, and without replacement by some other revenue stream, this will likely necessitate more lost hours and all but the most basic services. Historically, service cuts have included story times and crafts, homebound services, test proctoring, tax forms, cultural passes and hours of operation.

With the passage of the proposed Library District the City plans to restore our hours to 50 per week, with the library open 7 days a week. The additional funding generated by the Library District will allow us to purchase more copies to meet the need for new books, cutting the wait time and reducing our reliance on inter-library loans. It would also allow for expansion of the children's collection in areas specifically suited for school reports.

Additionally, increases in staff funds could allow us to expand our children's and youth services, and resume outreach to preschools and elementary schools. Additionally, we would plan to restore public classes in technology and information retrieval and adult cultural programming.

**CONVERSATIONS WITH A COMMISSIONER**

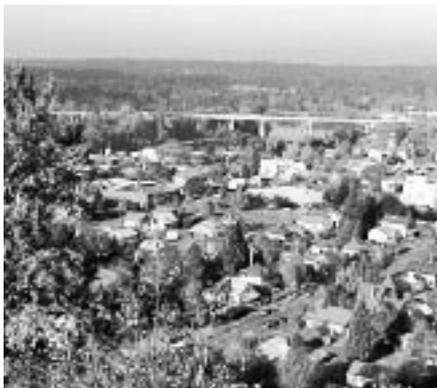


**Join Commissioner Trent Tidwell** in an informal discussion regarding issues that concern you, your family and Oregon City. Call Commissioner Tidwell at 503-799-3121 for information on the discussions.

First Tuesday each month | 7:00pm  
 Corner of Washington & 14th Streets  
 ACME Coffee Shop

**ACCESS CITY BUSINESS ONLINE**

**The latest business and meeting news** related to the City Commission, Urban Renewal Commission, Planning Commission, and other City boards and committees is available on the City's website at [www.oregocity.org](http://www.oregocity.org). You can access the agendas and supporting documentation. From the home page, simply scroll down and select the meeting you wish to review. These documents require you to have or download Acrobat Reader; a link to download this program is available at the bottom of the home page. A paper copy of the agenda packets is available to view at City Hall, 320 Warner Milne Road, and the Oregon City Library, 362 Warner Milne Road. Contact Nancy Ide, City Recorder at 503-496-1505 with questions



**NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETINGS**

**CANEMAH NBRHD ASSN (CNA)**  
**General Membership Meetings**  
**Steering Committee Meetings**  
 Info Howard Post, Chair » 503-650-0976  
 Nancy Chapman » 503-657-6522

**GAFFNEY LANE & HILLENDALE NBRHD ASSN (GLNA & HNA)**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
 When Tuesday | Oct 21 | 7:00–8:30pm  
 Where Berry Park Retirement Center  
 Gaffney Lane  
 Info Joan Schultze, Chair » 503-657-3355

**HAZEL GROVE–WESTLING FARM NBRHD GRP (HG-WFNA)**  
**General Membership Meetings**  
 When Thursdays | 7:00pm  
 Sep 18 | Nov 20 | Jan 20  
 There will be speakers at each meeting  
 Where Oregon City United Methodist Church  
 18955 S. South End Road  
 Info Kathy Hogan, Co-Chair » 503-657-9435  
[www.oregocity.org/neighborhood-associations/Hazel-Grove-Westling-Farm.htm](http://www.oregocity.org/neighborhood-associations/Hazel-Grove-Westling-Farm.htm)

**MCLOUGHLIN NBRHD ASSN (MNA)**  
**General Membership Meetings**  
**Steering Committee Meetings**  
 Info Tim Powell, Chair » 503-380-0503  
[www.mnaoc.org](http://www.mnaoc.org)

**PARK PLACE NBRHD ASSN (PPNA)**  
**General Membership Meetings**  
**Steering Committee Meetings**  
 Info Steve Van Haverbeke, Chairman  
 Tom Geil, Vice Chair » 503-722-0438  
[www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/ppn](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/ppn)

**RIVERCREST NBRHD ASSN (RNA)**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
 When Thursday | 7:00pm  
 Nov 20  
 Where First Presbyterian Church  
 Corner Linn Ave & Warner Milne Rd  
**Steering Committee Meeting**  
 When Wednesday | 7:00pm  
 Oct 22  
 Where First Presbyterian Church  
 Info Diane McKnight, Chair »  
 (503)656-6435  
[www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/rcna](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/rcna)

**SOUTH END NBRHD ASSN (SENA)**  
**General Membership Meetings**  
 When Thursdays | 7:00pm  
 Sep 18 | Nov 20 | Jan 20  
 There will be speakers at each meeting  
 Where Oregon City United Methodist Church  
 18955 S. South End Road  
 Info Karen Montoya, Chair » 503-557-8065

**TOWER VISTA NBRHD ASSN (TVNA)**  
 Inactive

**CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE COUNCIL (CICC)**  
 Inactive

**CHIEF'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS (POLICE & FIRE)**  
 Info Chris Taylor, Admin Assistant »  
 503-496-1681

*For updated information about neighborhoods, meetings and events, visit [www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity) or [www.oregocity.org](http://www.oregocity.org).*

**CITY MEETINGS SCHEDULE**

Budget Committee.....	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, Dec..... 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.....	4th Tuesday..... 6:00pm
Urban Renewal Agency.....	As Announced



## GARBAGE PROVIDES GRANTS

Eight community projects will receive a total of \$110,631 following the Annual Oregon City Metro Enhancement Committee (MEC) grant meeting program. The committee is made up of nine members appointed by and including the Mayor, city commissioners and Metro Councilor Carlotta Collette.



Topping the list is a \$24,500 grant to the Oregon City High School Construction-3 class to continue work on their project at Wesley Lynn Park. These funds will be used for this student-driven project during the 2008–09 school year.

The Code Enforcement department received \$23,700 to coordinate, develop and sponsor Earth Day events in April 2009 and continue year-round neighborhood beautification projects. The Earth Day clean up is done in partnership with METRO, SOLV (Stop Oregon Litter and Vandalism) and B&B Leasing.



Historical projects include \$22,060 awarded to the Oregon City 150 Task Force for activities to celebrate Oregon's 150th birthday. Clackamas Heritage Partners received \$9,730 to do safety and maintenance projects at the Stevens-Crawford Heritage House. Finally, the Historic Review Board, working with the Canemah and McLoughlin Neighborhood Associations, will use their awarded \$10,000 to create a 50/50 matching grant program to fund improvements to locally designated structures.



Additional projects include flower baskets that will line Main Street between 15th Street and Highway 99E with \$6,641 awarded to the Downtown Business Coalition, and \$9,500 for fireworks at the 2009 July 4th celebration at Clackamette Park, which is put on by the Parks & Recreation Department.

The grant program was created in 1988 as part of an agreement between the City and Metro. The City collects a surcharge for the disposal of garbage collected at the Metro South Station, off of Highway 213.

This surcharge funds projects that result in the rehabilitation, improvement and enhancement of areas within the city. The monies made available by the grant program benefit the community as a means to offset the impact of having the collection station.

The MEC will meet again in May 2009 for the next grant period. Grant applications will be available online at [www.oregoncity.org](http://www.oregoncity.org) by January 31, 2009. For more information, contact Michele Beneville at 503-496-1542 or [mbbeneville@ci.oregon-city.or.us](mailto:mbbeneville@ci.oregon-city.or.us).

## TOURISM GRANTS AWARDED

The Oregon City Civic Improvement Trust (OCCIT) committee met June 3, 2008 to grant an additional \$15,000 to four projects for the 2008–09 fiscal year. The committee first met March 20, 2008 and awarded \$72,644 to eight projects. The OCCIT, created in 1982, distributed funds accrued from the Oregon City Transient Room Tax, or 4 percent of the rent charged to guests at lodging properties within the city. This committee is made up of eight members, appointed by and including the Mayor and City Commissioners.

This second round of grants awarded \$5,000 to the Oregon City Chamber of Commerce Marketing Committee to print *Discovery Pass—Destination Oregon City* brochures for locals and day trippers to discover the history and wonders of Oregon City. The McLoughlin Memorial Association received \$850 to fund a part-time summer docent at the Rose Farm on Holmes Lane.

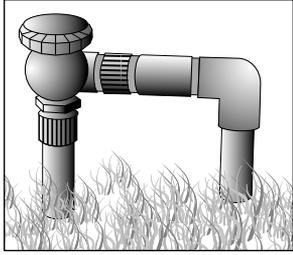
A group of citizens have organized the Oregon City 150 Task Force to plan and manage local events to help celebrate Oregon's 150th birthday. The group received \$5,000 to publish a brochure of 150 things to do in Oregon City, run the trolley on February 14 to celebrate "Free Museum Day" and award entrants for a juried photo contest of photos that are "uniquely Oregon City".

Finally, the Oregon City Heritage Coordinating Committee was awarded \$3,880. This group has organized the *Spirits of Historic Oregon City* for the last 10 years and will give a guided tour in October to political figure gravesites at both the Pioneer and Mountain View Cemeteries. The tour will be done in period clothing and will have living historians tell stories of the politicians in the first person.

The OCCIT will meet again in March 2009 for the next grant period. Grant applications will be available online at [www.oregoncity.org](http://www.oregoncity.org) by January 31, 2009. For more information, contact Michele Beneville at 503-496-1542 or [mbbeneville@ci.oregon-city.or.us](mailto:mbbeneville@ci.oregon-city.or.us).



## WATER DIVISION



**D**inking Water Quality News—A huge THANK YOU to all Oregon City water customers who comply with the City's Cross Connection/Backflow Prevention Program (CC/BPP)! Cross connection control is an important component of the "multiple-barrier" approach used to protect the safety of our drinking water.

Oregon City first adopted a cross connection control ordinance in 1998. It was amended in 2004, adding elements required by Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-061-0070. You can read Chapter 13.04.320 of the ordinance at <http://municipalcodes.lexisnexis.com/codes/oregonci/index.htm> and the OAR at <http://oregon.gov/DHS/ph/crossconnection/rules.shtml>.

### Here are some frequently asked questions about the program:

**What is a cross connection?**—A cross connection is a point in a plumbing system where the drinking water supply comes in contact with an objectionable or harmful substance. Whenever a plumbing fixture is connected to the drinking water supply there is a potential cross connection.

**How are cross connections controlled?**—When fixtures or appliances do not have built-in backflow prevention then some sort of backflow prevention must be added. The type of backflow device needed is dependent on the degree of hazard presented by the backflow water source. An example of a low hazard is a residential irrigation system with no chemicals added. A high hazard example is the water service to a sewer lift station.

**What types of backflow prevention devices are there?**—There are basically five different ways to prevent backflow: Air gap (AG), atmospheric vacuum breaker (AVB), pressure vacuum breaker (PVB), double-check valve assembly (DC), and reduced pressure principle assembly (RP). Each method has specific installation requirements. Three of the five (PVB, DC, and RP) are testable as-

semblies and must be tested by a State certified tester at installation and annually thereafter.

**Who needs to comply with the CC/BPP?**—All water customers including the City of Oregon City. The City has almost 100 testable backflow prevention assemblies installed at City facilities. Some commercial customers, like Willamette Falls Hospital and Blue Heron Paper Company, also have numerous assemblies due to the number of plumbing fixtures and variety of processes within their facilities. Residential customers generally only have irrigation systems and/or fire sprinkler systems.

**Why do assemblies need to be tested annually?**—Testable backflow prevention assemblies (PVB, DC, and RP) are mechanical devices that can fail because of improper installation, normal wear on moving parts, or corrosion. Annual testing ensures the assembly is working properly and maintenance records can indicate when repair might be needed before the assembly fails to perform the job for which it is intended—protecting your drinking water from backflow contamination.

The City of Oregon City strives to deliver reliable, safe drinking water to all our customers. The "multiple-barrier" approach to providing safe drinking water is a basic concept used to meet this goal. Historically the emphasis has been on source water protection, water treatment, and water disinfection processes. Now we also recognize the importance of the distribution system as a key protective barrier. Cross connection control is a crucial part of that protective barrier. THANK YOU for doing your part to help keep our drinking water safe!

For additional information check with the American Backflow Prevention Association at <http://www.abpa.org/>.

For questions about local cross connection control programs:

- Oregon City customers—email [gjohnson@ci.oregon-city.or.us](mailto:gjohnson@ci.oregon-city.or.us) or call 503-657-8241.
- Clackamas River Water customers—email [vvoyles@crwater.com](mailto:vvoyles@crwater.com) or call 503-722-9244.

## STORM & WASTEWATER DIVISION



**L**eaves, Streets and Catch Basins **Don't Mix**—Please help us prevent the traffic hazards created each autumn when fallen leaves block catch basins and flood local streets. You can help by doing the following:

- **Don't rake leaves into the street**—During heavy rains the leaves will flow downstream blocking catch basins, culverts and ditches creating hazardous flooding conditions for traffic.
- **Clear blocked catch basins**—If safe to do so, a rake can be used to clear leaves from catch basin grates.
- **Call Oregon City Public Works (503-657-8241)**—If you see flooded streets or blocked catch basins, please contact Oregon City Public Works.



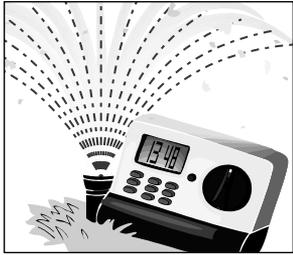
*Blocked catch basin.*

Every autumn, Oregon City Public Works Department sweeps up tons of leaves by operating two street sweepers 8 to 9 hours per day, 5 days a week to pick up the fallen leaves as quickly as possible. However, with approximately 130 miles of streets and over 3,600 catch basins, it's a big job and we need your help.

Our thanks go to each of you in advance for your help keeping the leaves out of our streets and away from our catch basins.



## CLACKAMAS RIVER WATER PROVIDERS



**Winterizing Your Lawn's Irrigation System**—Fall is the time of year to start thinking about winterizing your irrigation system to protect your valuable investment before the first frosts. Typically by November the chances

of a freeze are pretty good. To avoid costly servicing in the spring, we suggest getting your system winterized before the first freeze is forecasted (during the later half of October). Halloween is a good date to remember to do this by.

Extended periods of freezing temperatures can cause considerable damage to underground irrigation systems. Expansion of frozen water will crack water lines and damage internal gearing in sprinkler head. Initiating an annual winterization program is a positive step toward preventative maintenance care, and will save you from problems next season as well as ensure that your system is as efficient as possible in the long run.

### Winterizing your irrigation system includes the following steps:

- Turn off the water to the irrigation system at the main shut-off valve.
- Open all drain valves. Drain valves are usually located at low points of the system. If they are not opened water can collect and freeze.
- Remove water from system. Opening the drain valves is not usually enough. Drain valves generally will only allow a small amount of water to escape. Thus, sprinkler heads, valves, and pipes will remain full of water. To fully ensure that your system will not suffer freeze damage, the best method is to blow out the system with air. *It is not recommended that the average homeowner attempt to do this, it is recommended that a professional is hired.* Most landscape professionals use a high volume air compressor to blow all the water out of your entire system. Check your local yellow pages for listing of landscape professionals that offer winterization services.
- Wrap above ground valves and backflow prevention devices with insulating material to prevent freezing.
- Shut down the automatic controller by either putting it on "rain mode" which will keep all of the programming information (start times, valve run times, etc.) or simple shut the power off to the controller. If you do this it means that you will have to reprogram your start time and settings in the spring.

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

## CAPITAL PROJECTS

### New Asphalt Paving!—McLoughlin Boulevard Enhancement Project Phase 1

**Construction continues on McLoughlin Boulevard.** New pavement was laid during the month of July on the northbound lanes of McLoughlin Boulevard from 10th Street to 15th Street so enjoy the new smooth surface for your ride. During weekend construction operations, the structural section for the northbound lanes was reconstructed with a six-inch deep lift of aggregate base and an 8-1/2 inch deep lift of asphalt concrete. A final two-inch lift of asphalt concrete will be placed in spring 2009 to complete the new pavement surface.

Creating community connections is a goal for this project. The new 12th Street local road connection to McLoughlin Boulevard has been a challenging connection with the grade separation that existed prior to construction. Now with the new retaining walls in place and underground utilities installed, including PGE's primary power feed, the road connection will be a reality in the coming months.

Come down and take a look at the riverfront promenade creation. Westech Construction will be busy completing the retaining wall along the riverfront on McLoughlin Boulevard between 12th Street and 14th Street. Then the piles will be driven into the ground to become the structural supporting members for the river viewing deck.

Contiguous to the McLoughlin project is the Jon Storm Park improvements project that is very close to completion. Another community connection will take place between the two projects with the McLoughlin Boulevard multi-use path connecting to the Willamette River Trail under the George Abernethy (I-205) bridge. *See related story page 6.*

For construction updates and schedule, see the City's website at [http://www.ci.oregon-city.or.us/public-works/Construction\\_projects.htm](http://www.ci.oregon-city.or.us/public-works/Construction_projects.htm).



## CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

**Enhancement Opportunities**—Code Enforcement is looking for volunteers to clean up and/or enhance sites in your neighborhood. Information on the Adopt-A-Street Program can be found on our website at [www.orcity.org/code-enforcement](http://www.orcity.org/code-enforcement) or contact the Code Enforcement Information and Complaint Line at 503-496-1559.

*Neighborhood Livability Starts With You!*



**ADOPT-A-STREET**—The Oregon City Code Enforcement Division would like to thank the Abernethy Center staff for their participation in the Adopt-A-Street Program.

## FAQ'S—CODE ENFORCEMENT ANSWERS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS.

- **Q: Does the nuisance ordinance apply to my private property?**  
A: Yes. See chapters 8.08 and 8.20.160 of the Municipal Code.
- **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.
- **Q: When will the street sweeper pick up the pile of leaves in front of my home?**  
A: Yard debris is to be disposed of in the yard debris container provided by Oregon City Garbage. Residents who dispose of yard debris in the street or on park property are subject to citation. If you don't have regular garbage service, the garbage company provides weekly pick up of yard debris at a reasonable rate. Please contact Oregon City Garbage at 503-656-8403 for more information.
- **Q: The limbs on the tree in front of my home are very low; who trims them?**  
A: The adjacent property owner is responsible for the maintenance of street trees and the planting strip. Limbs should be trimmed over the sidewalk to allow for safe passage for pedestrians and over the street to prevent property damage to vehicles.

## STOP THE INVASION!

**E**nglish Ivy was brought to this area for landscape plantings. Unfortunately, it has found a home in a climate it loves and has no natural enemies. It has become such a menace to our natural environment that the State Weed Board has classified it as a noxious weed. Metro describes the bad character of ivy as follows:

*English ivy creeps up trees into the canopies, flowers and forms berries. Birds eat the berries and disperse seeds, which start new populations. The vines weigh down the tree branches causing them to break and can kill the tree. It forms a thick carpet on the forest floor and chokes out native vegetation.*

The citizens of Oregon City can help fight the ivy invasion in the following ways:

1. Don't plant ivy of any kind in your yard. It can quickly spread out of control.
2. If you already have ivy, the first priority is to keep it from climbing—that is when it starts producing seeds. Remove it from fences and trees by cutting through all the vines low on the tree trunk. The vines above will die and eventually fall naturally, relieving the tree of the competition for sunlight and reducing the weight load.
3. The second priority is to prevent ivy runners from escaping your yard into other areas. Cut and pull vines that are spreading out of control.
4. If possible, pull all the vines and underground roots, then monitor the area to pull out any remaining pieces that resprout.
5. Becoming knowledgeable about invasive plants. A great resource can be found at [www.oregoninvasiveshotline.org](http://www.oregoninvasiveshotline.org). Report new invasive species that you see.
6. Join or start work parties to remove invasive species from our natural areas.

Want more information regarding other invasive species? Check out an informational DVD from the Code Enforcement Division. Call 503-496-1559 or visit our office located at 320 Warner Milne Rd, Oregon City.





## 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 three to four 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 common items routinely sent to auction are: • Bicycles • Jewelry • Lawn ornaments • Tools

## SECURITY ALARM SYSTEMS—Consumer Protection Information

**Important information from the Oregon City Police Department Alarm Coordinator, Sharon Coughlin—Consumer Protection and the Alarm User—Before You Buy.** If you are considering purchasing an alarm system, do your homework first! By taking a little time now, you can avoid potential problems later.

- Understand/identify your needs, environment factors and budget.
- Contact your local Consumer Affairs Office, Better Business Bureau or State Attorney General's Office for information on any alarm company with which you are considering doing business. Consumer offices will often maintain records of filed complaints and will provide you with information on the basis for the complaint, as well as its resolution.
- Contact your Police Department to find out if there are any permit/registration requirements for alarm systems, as well as any fines or fees that may be imposed for false alarms.
- Contact your state or local Licensing Bureau to determine if the alarm company with which you are considering doing business has all of the required licenses, bonds, insurance, etc. (if applicable).
- Know your responsibilities and those of your alarm company *before* you buy or lease!
- Read and fully understand your entire contract before you sign on the dotted line. Remember, ignorance is no defense! If you don't understand something, be sure to ask questions until you do.
- Nothing that has been guaranteed to you orally will be enforceable unless it is in writing in the contract.

**Comparison shop.** Select two or three different alarm companies from which to receive written quotes. Comparison shop for things such as best price, features you want, most favorable monitoring terms and conditions, and for alarm companies that take false alarms seriously and have false alarm reduction plans in effect. Don't be afraid to ask each potential alarm company how their specific alarm system and its installation will avoid potential false alarms.

**Knowing what questions to ask is half the battle.** However, if you've never had an alarm system before, how can you be expected to know what is important? Do you know the difference between a local and a monitored alarm system? How about the difference between a glass break and a motion sensor? What are "panic" features anyway? Is there a cancellation policy? Purchase vs. Lease? Does the company do its own monitoring or does it contract out to a third-party monitoring center? Is any of this even relevant?! The False Alarm Reduction Association, which is comprised of law enforcement personnel from all over the United States and in Canada, has published a *Consumer Guide to Purchasing a Burglar Alarm*. This guide provides you with fundamental information that you should have in order to make an informed decision. Use the handy chart, which lists questions you should ask of each potential company, and record the answers to your questions for future reference. You can obtain this guide, along with other false alarm reduction information, from FARA's website at [www.faraonline.org](http://www.faraonline.org).

**Be a smart consumer!** Know what you want (or at the very least, what questions to ask to help you determine what is best for you), what you can afford and what your responsibilities will be as an alarm user. Match up your expectations with the alarm company that comes closest to, or matches exactly, your specific needs and desires. You want your burglar alarm system to bring you security and peace of mind; isn't that worth a small investment of your time on the front end, so you won't live to regret it on the back end?

This information is taken from the False Alarm Reduction Association website—[www.faraonline.org](http://www.faraonline.org).

## CLACKAMAS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE—Victim Assistance Program



**Victim Assistance Program 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 of age, 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 Fall 2008 training session. All accepted applicants will receive the necessary training to prepare them to be a Victim Advocate. For more information or to request an application, call 503-655-8616

**Clackamas Fire District #1**



**Your Friend for Life!**

[www.clackamasfire.com](http://www.clackamasfire.com)  
503-742-2600

**ANNEXATION GIVES CITIZENS A VOICE**

The annexation of Oregon City into Clackamas Fire District #1 has given the citizens a real opportunity to have a voice in the operation of the Fire District. The citizens have an open invitation to visit their fire stations and meet their firefighters.—*Steve McAdoo, Community Liaison, Clackamas Fire District #1.*



"Closed" sign was happily discarded.



Mayor Alice Norris spoke at the Grand Opening of Station #17.

**27<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FIRE PREVENTION SAFETY FAIR**

Saturday, September 20 | 10:00am–3:00pm  
Danielson Hilltop Mall | 1500 Molalla Ave

Don't miss this day of FREE family fun!

- Antique Fire Engine Rides
- Oregon City Police Car Rides
- Ambulance Tours
- Fire Safety Trailer Demonstrations
- Free Bike Helmets & Bicycles
- Fire & Life Safety Info
- Community Booths
- Fire Trucks
- Safety Town
- and MUCH MORE...

For more information call 503-742-2600.



**FALL SAFETY TIPS**



**Woodstoves & Fireplaces**

After a few days with that little nip in the air, it's so cozy to feel the warmth of a fire in the woodstove or fireplace! Now is the time to think ahead to those cold winter nights and burning wood safely. Take

the following steps to protect your family and property:

- Remove clutter which may have accumulated on or near the stove or fireplace.
- Have your chimney cleaned.
- Clean your woodstove.
- Be sure your chimney is lined and liner is in good condition.
- Be sure chimney bricks and mortar are in good condition.
- Do not have more than one heating device in a single flue (liner).
- Put in a good supply of dry wood.

**Matches and Cigarette Lighters**

- Do not leave where children can get them.
- Store matches in a non-combustible container.

**Smoke Alarms**

- Test all smoke alarms.
- Install smoke alarms in every home, in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level.
- Practice a family fire drill of what all members of the family would do if the smoke alarm went off.

**Candles**

Burning candles, although romantic or necessary due to a power outage, can be very dangerous.

- Never leave a burning candle unattended.
- Do not use around small children or pets.
- Do not place near combustible items.
- Be sure to place on a stable base.

**Dryer Vents**

Fires can start from lint collected in dryer vents. Clean them out regularly, and clean the filter after each load.



## TIRED OF FUEL COSTS?... Drive less. Save more.



**Everyday, people throughout the Metro region** are getting where they need to be without the hassles of gas prices, traffic and parking woes. The area's many travel options give residents a lot of personal choices.

So get moving with flexible and economical travel options like public transit, walking, biking, carpooling or vanpooling and other ways to be mobile.

**Public transportation** is making a real difference in the daily lives of individuals and households. Benefits of Public transportation include saving money, no parking hassle, no stress from driving, no anger from other motorists (road rage).

**Walking** is great for your health and is an effective way to commute when making short trips, or when combined with other travel options. Other benefits of walking include finding new routes and convenient shortcuts, accomplish errands without having to re-park, support neighborhood-serving businesses, meet neighbors, and get a better feel for your surroundings. The metro region is filled with scenic walking trails and street-side places to rest your feet. Best of all, walking is free!

**Ride a bike.** In a region known for great biking, there are many reasons to consider using a bike as your means of transportation. Regular physical activity such as biking can substantially reduce the risk of coronary heart disease, stroke, colon cancer, diabetes and high blood pressure. Other health benefits include weight control, healthier bones, muscles and joints, reduced falls among older adults, less pain from arthritis, and reduced symptoms of anxiety and depression. (Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2004.) Biking also helps your community by reduc-

ing traffic congestion, air and noise pollution, and wear and tear on our roads.

**Ridesharing**—either in a carpool or vanpool—can be a great way to get where you need to go, whether it's driving to work or getting the kids to soccer practice. Driving alone on crowded highways can be an expensive, frustrating experience that also increases traffic congestion. If you're considering ridesharing to get around, consider its many benefits such as saving money on car maintenance, fuel and insurance, reduced stress of driving, and helping to reduce traffic congestion and air pollution.

**Vanpooling** with a MetroVanpool can cost a quarter of what you would pay to drive alone. MetroVanpool helps make vanpooling even more economical with a new incentive program that pays for 50 percent of the basic monthly van lease cost, not including fuel. Passengers split the remaining costs. To qualify for the MetroVanpool incentive, the vanpool must travel to a destination in the Portland metropolitan area, originate at least 10 miles from the destination or travel through a congested corridor, use one of MetroVanpool's vanpool providers, and maintain a minimum of five participants, including the driver, three or more days a week.

**Car sharing** is a flexible option for many drivers. It means easy, 24-hour access to a network of vehicles stationed throughout the Portland metro area. Cars are shared on a per hour rate that includes gas, maintenance and insurance. Car sharing can also help you use various travel options. For example, take the MAX, the bus or bike to work; then as needed, rent a car on an hourly basis to drive to your lunch appointment, meeting or even a weekend getaway at the beach. Or, if your family owns one car, use a car-sharing service for those occasions when you need a back-up car or truck. Car sharing is the solution for those times when you need a car. It's a lot like car rental, but more convenient and with more benefits, like being a practical alternative to owning a personal vehicle; lower fixed costs than private vehicle ownership; affordable use of a vehicle—you save on gas, insurance and maintenance costs; there is

a wide variety of vehicles to choose from; providing for a more efficient use of parking spaces; and an increased use of public transit.

**Telework** (also called telecommuting) is working at home, at a satellite office or telework center one or more days a week instead of commuting to a main office or distant place of business. Teleworking offers many benefits such as increased productivity, increased job satisfaction, reduced commuting time, reduced transportation expenses, and improved quality of life. Employer benefits include increased productivity, efficiency and job satisfaction, reduced overhead costs, and increased recruitment and employee retention. Community benefits include decreased traffic and highway congestion, reduced parking problems, decreased air pollution, and reduced energy consumption.

If you would like more information on any of these options and to find other ideas to help you save money, visit the website at [www.DriveLessSaveMore.com](http://www.DriveLessSaveMore.com) or the City of Oregon City website at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org).

### What? I need a permit?



**ThinkPermit**  
Protect your home. Protect your family.

To find out when you need a permit for your home project, check this web site:

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

or call

The Oregon City Building  
Department at (503) 657-0891

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



## ELECTION DAY Tuesday, November 4 Voter Registration Deadline—October 14

Oregon City will elect two city commissioners and vote on annexation measures.

Visit the City's Web site for ballot measure information at [www.oregonvotes.org](http://www.oregonvotes.org)

Contact Nancy Ide, City Recorder at 503-496-1505

with any questions related to these matters.

## POLITICAL SIGNS—Guidelines for Posting

As the political season approaches, below are helpful reminders regarding political signs:

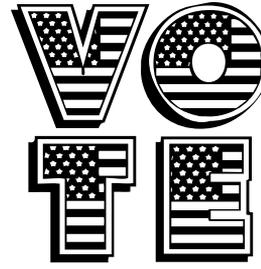
- Signs on city, county or state streets, or placed in the public right-of-way are subject to removal and possible fine.
- The City recommends obtaining written consent from the property owner before placing a sign on their private property.
- Signs may be posted on your own private property if they comply with the following standards for signs not requiring a permit:

**Signs Not Requiring a Permit**—One temporary sign per street frontage of property under a single ownership is allowed without a permit, provided such a sign does not cause a public safety hazard or nuisance, has no more than two faces, and that no sign face exceeds four square feet in area.

**Signs Requiring Permits**  
Signs larger than four square feet may be allowed if compliant with OCMC Chapter 15.28, if a permit is obtained. Please contact the Planning Division at 503-722-3789 for further information, or access the City Code at [www.oregonvotes.org](http://www.oregonvotes.org) (click on City Code, Title 15).

Call Nancy Ide, City Recorder at 503-496-1505 with any questions.

Voter Registration Card >>  
Available on Clackamas County's website at [www.co.clackamas.or.us/elections](http://www.co.clackamas.or.us/elections) and at City Hall in Oregon City.



## VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter registration is underway. To qualify to vote in the November 4 General Election, residents must be registered by the October 14, 2008 deadline. To qualify to vote in

Oregon, a person must be a resident of Oregon, a citizen of the United States, and be 18 years old by Election Day.

To register to vote, complete a voter registration card (see sample below) and return it to the Clackamas County Elections Office, 1710 Red Soils Court, Suite 100, Oregon City, OR 97045.

The card is also available on Clackamas County's Web site at [www.co.clackamas.or.us/elections](http://www.co.clackamas.or.us/elections) and at City Hall in Oregon City. *If your name, address, or party affiliation has changed since the last election, you must complete a new voter registration card and submit it to your county of residence.* Contact Nancy Ide, City Recorder at 503-496-1505 with questions.

### Oregon Voter Registration Card

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**1 qualifications** *If you mark no in response to either of these questions, do not complete this form.*

Are you a citizen of the United States of America?  yes  no  
 Are you at least 17 years of age?  yes  no  
*If you are 17 years of age, you will not receive a ballot until an election occurs on or after your 18th birthday.*

**2 personal information** \*denotes optional information

name last		first	middle
Oregon residence address (include apt. or space number)		city	zip code
date of birth (month/day/year)		county of residence*	
phone number*		email address*	
mailing address (required if different than residence address)		city	zip code

**3 political party** *choose one of the following:*

Constitution Party     Democratic Party     Independent Party  
 Libertarian Party     Pacific Green Party     Republican Party  
 Working Families Party     Not a member of a party     Other

**4 Oregon DMV Driver's License/ID number** *If you fill in this section, do not send a copy of ID.*

valid Oregon DMV Driver's License/ID number  
 **Mark here only if you do not have a valid Oregon DMV Driver's License/ID and go to step 4a.**

**4a** last four digits of Social Security number *If you fill in this section, do not send a copy of ID.*

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 last four digits of Social Security number  
 **Mark here only if you do not have a valid Oregon DMV Driver's License/ID or a Social Security number. If you are registering by mail, please include a copy of acceptable identification, listed to the left.**

**5 signature** *I swear or affirm that I am qualified to be an elector and I have told the truth on this registration.*

sign here \_\_\_\_\_ date today \_\_\_\_\_

**6 registration updates** *If you are previously registered and updating your information, fill out this section.*

previous registration name	previous county and state
home address on previous registration	date of birth (month/day/year)



## AN ENHANCED URBAN RENEWAL COMMISSION

In 1983, the Oregon City Commission found that blighted areas, as defined in ORS 457.010, exist in Oregon City, and that the need for a City Urban Renewal Agency existed. The first Urban Renewal Commission was established, and redevelopment of blighted areas in

the City followed. Some of these projects included the Hilltop's Red Soils industrial park redevelopment, the 7th Street corridor, and the Beavercreek improvements from Berryhill Shopping Center to the County's Red Soils campus. Current projects include the McLoughlin Blvd enhancement project and The Rivers and The Cove proposed developments. The decisions of the Urban Renewal Commission have the potential of altering the face of Oregon City, improving the City's economy, increasing jobs, increasing the City's assessed value, and improving the City's business climate.

The Urban Renewal Commission desired to increase citizen involvement and appointed five additional members to the Commission on June 18. In addition to the five current members of the City Commission, the Urban Renewal Commission now includes the following citizens:

- Robb Crocker**, *Member of the Business Community*
- Bob Kincaid**, *Member of the Chamber of Commerce*
- Brian Shaw**, *Member of the McLoughlin Blvd Neighborhood Assn*
- Don Slack**, *Member At-Large*
- Nancy Walters**, *Member of the Park Place Neighborhood Assn*

URC meetings are generally held on the first Wednesday of each month and as action is needed. The public is invited to attend its meetings. Public forums are held on an occasional basis to update citizens on the proposed projects. Further information on the Urban Renewal Commission may be obtained on the City's Web site at [www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org), or contact the city manager, Larry Patterson, at 503-657-0891.



## HISTORIC ERMATINGER HOUSE

The Historic Francis Ermatinger House & Textile/Living History Museum in Oregon City 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 his granddaughter's husband.

- 616 6th Street, Oregon City | 503-650-1851
- Call for info about Living History Teas & Special Events.
- All Living History Teas are by reservation only.
- Fall tours: Please call in advance to schedule.
- Tour admission: \$4-Adults | \$3-Seniors & Children
- If interested in being a tour/guide volunteer, please contact Marge and Rolla Harding at (503)650-1851.



## 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 between the ages of 8 and 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 listed below:

- **Fall Sports** [AUGUST—NOVEMBER] are Aquatics, Bowling, Soccer, Volleyball and Long Distance Running/Walking.
- **Winter Sports** [DECEMBER—MARCH] includes Alpine Skiing, Cross Country Skiing, Snowboarding, Snowshoeing, Basketball and Powerlifting.
- **Summer Sports** [APRIL—JUNE] consist of Track and Field, Bocce, Golf, Gymnastics and Softball.

Any athlete, donor or volunteer wishing to learn more about how to participate can reach us by leaving name and number on our message line at 503-675-3550.

## COMMUNITY FAIR

**Vendor Booths, Silent Auction, Food, Kids Area, Community Partners.** Bring your family and join the fun! Sponsored by Girl Scout Troop 1776.

Saturday | October 4 | 9am-6pm | Oregon City High School Jackson Campus (the old High School) | 1100 Jackson Street Oregon City  
Admission \$1.00 or a can of food per person



## FREE VIDEO PRODUCTION CLASSES

**Be A Producer!!!**—Willamette Falls Television is located in downtown Oregon City and 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. Call or click 503-650-0275 or [www.wftvaccess.com](http://www.wftvaccess.com) for more info. Email us today at [wftvaccess@comcas.net](mailto:wftvaccess@comcas.net) and become a Producer!



## JOSEPHINE, WHAT'S IN A NAME?

**O**regon City owns and runs two rubber-wheeled trolleys during the summer season and for special events. The first

trolley, Helen, was built for the City and put into service in 1995. Helen shares her name with the first electric trolley that ran in Downtown Oregon City in the 1890's through the early 1900's. The second trolley acquired by the City was a pre-owned 1994 Boyer Town Trolley that the City put into service in 2005.

After the acquisition of the second trolley, the City set out to christen it. While many people suggested the trolley be named after Mayor Alice Norris, she had a different idea. Having always been interested in history, Mayor Norris nominated the name "Josephine" because of a fascinating old story of a young girl and a rose. The story goes that the Hunsaker family, one of the earliest

families to emigrate to the Pacific Northwest, had done so well that they encouraged the rest of their clan to come west. In 1852, the rest of the Hunsaker family, including their daughter Josephine, arrived in Oregon City.

Josephine was one of those children that everyone loved. For religious reasons, the Hunsaker family sent Josephine to a school run by the nuns near Ft. Vancouver. By early winter, Josephine had returned home, but the entire family, including the father, came down with typhoid, or mountain fever. Dr. John McLoughlin, hearing of their plight, came down from Ft. Vancouver to personally render assistance. Being of the same faith, he was well acquainted with the family and brought with him a special gift for Josephine, a cutting of a pink mission rose bush to be planted outside her bedroom window. He hoped it would speed her recovery by cheering her. Although the rose did well, Josephine did not. Sadly both she and her brother Horton died in the spring of 1853 and were buried in the Mt. View Cemetery. A cutting from the rose was planted at the

foot of her grave. Her headstone, often used for rubbings, says she died March 10, 1853, aged 12 years 11 months and 27 days.

Unfortunately the story was lost for many years and the rose was mowed down each May, ironically to tidy the cemetery for Memorial Day. Nearly dead, this historic rose was rescued by Nancy Wilson, former curator of the McLoughlin House. Josephine's rose is alive and well today and blooms every spring. It was Mayor Norris's hope that Josephine the trolley would be as resilient as the rose at Josephine's gravesite.



## ART IN THE COMMUNITY

**G**allery News—The Gallery at the End of the Oregon Trail's new artists showing was up on June 1 and will run through September 1 for a four month show. We would like to welcome new artists: Mindy Benfield with her concrete leaves; Linda Spillum, creating mixed media collages; John Miller's watercolors; Joan Wettlaufer's fused glass; Melanie Monge's mixed media masks; Becky Albeke's acrylic decorative items; and Doris Beard's photography. We would also like to welcome back Connie Veenker with her fiber collages and acrylic painting, as well as Glenda Richards and Jodi Dann's acrylics and oils.

Remember the gallery is a wonderful source of local art and gifts for upcoming wedding showers, anniversary and birthday presents. Please help support our local artists and crafts people by buying locally made. You will also help support our community. The gallery is open Monday-Saturday, 9:30am-5:00pm and on Sunday 10:30am-5:00pm.

We would also like to welcome TRAG member owners of Howden Art and Framing who had their grand opening on May 16. Annie Howden and husband Chuck, longtime residents of Oregon City, were welcomed to Oregon City by 300 guests attending the Ribbon Cutting & Grand Opening reception. The crowd enjoyed the fine art of 45 Clackamas County artists in the spacious 3250 sq. ft. gallery on Washington Street in Oregon City. A good number of guild artists are currently represented at the gallery.

**S**hows and Studio Tours—The June Open Studios Tour was a success, in spite of the weather, the Rose Festival Grand Floral Parade and the economy. This was the first time to try a Friday opening day for a 3-day sale. Although most sales were down, we still drew a good number of enthusiastic visitors. First time visitors continue to be amazed at the amount of extremely talented artists in the rural community. This tour had 14 studio stops with a total of 26 artists. Our goal is to add more artists, keeping variety and quality a top priority.

The next Open Studio Tour of Beavercreek will be on October 24-26. The tour will remain with the 14 stops but will be adding more artists from the Beavercreek/Oregon City area. The application fee is \$50. You must be a member of the Three Rivers Artist Guild to participate in this show. If you are interested in being part of this community event, please send an e-mail to [openstudiosofbc@yahoo.com](mailto:openstudiosofbc@yahoo.com) to request an application, or download the application at [www.openstudiosofbeavercreek.com](http://www.openstudiosofbeavercreek.com)



**T**he Three Rivers Artist Guild will co-host a Holiday Art Show and Sale on December 6 & 7 at the Pioneer Community Center. Plans for this show are just getting under way. The Pioneer Community Center will be serving up food at the event to raise funds. This will be a great time to spend the day at the center and

pick up holiday gifts and ideas. With over 80 guild members, this is sure to be a wonderful event with a wide range of gift ideas. For those living in the neighborhood, leave your car at home and walk to the event.



## CLACKAMAS HERITAGE PARTNERS PRESENT

### Unfolding Lives: Discovering Pioneers' Fates—Exhibit

Runs Through September 30

- End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center
- Museum of the Oregon Territory
- Stevens-Crawford Heritage House

Explore the lives of nine pioneers

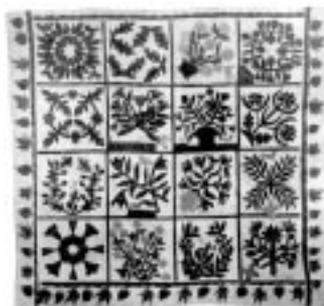
through this exhibit featured at three heritage sites in Historic Oregon City. *Unfolding Lives* will allow visitors to explore each family's journey to Oregon and their settlement here. Visitors will begin their journey into the lives of these pioneers at the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, which will feature the stories and family heirlooms from their journey to Oregon. The exhibit continues at the Museum of the Oregon Territory and Stevens-Crawford Heritage House, which will highlight the lives of each pioneer as settlers of the region. Following this, visitors will be encouraged to continue their learning experience by visiting related sites around Oregon, including Baker Cabin and Mountain View Cemetery. Many thanks to the individuals and organizations who contributed their time and materials towards producing this exhibit: *Sharon Baker, Carol Frankel, Aurora Colony Museum & Patrick Harris, Terry Judkins, Dr. William MacFarlane, Pacific University & Alex Toth, and Pat Wilson.* Exhibit is sponsored by *Lewis & Clark Bank.*

### Stevens-Crawford Heritage House Centennial Celebration

September 3—November 29, 2008

Special displays will include memorabilia relating to Oregon City's political and canning heritage. An antique car show is scheduled for early September. Please call 503-657-9336 x124 for further details. Opening day will include complimentary apple cider and birthday cake.

The locally renowned German Von Derahe brothers built the house for the Harley Stevens family between 1907 and 1908. Harley's wife, Mary, was a daughter of Medorem Crawford who was very influential in early Oregon and Oregon City history. The house is a textbook example of the Foursquare or Classical Box architectural style which was popular just after the turn of the 20th century. The Stevens family bequeathed the house and its contents to the Clackamas County Historical Society, currently operated by Clackamas Heritage Partners, to be kept as a museum in honor of both sides of her family. Ninety percent of the contents of the house currently displayed belonged to the family.



### 2nd Annual Fall Quilts & Textiles Display

October 1—November 29

- End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center
  - Museum of the Oregon Territory
- Experience the art and technique of early 19th and 20th Century textiles at two Historic Oregon City sites. The End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center and the Museum of the Oregon

Territory will feature exquisite quilts and bed coverings representing the traditions of families traveling on the Oregon Trail and early settlers of the Oregon Territory.

### CHP 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner—Beyond the Oregon Trail

Thursday, October 2 | 6:00–9:00pm

The Abernethy Center—606 15th Street, Oregon City

Please join CHP in commemorating our successes over the past four years in Historic Oregon City at our annual dinner celebration. This special event will be hosted at the stunning Abernethy Center ballroom and will feature intriguing presentations highlighting our accomplishments in collections management, public education and community partnerships including an update on the Willamette Falls public access project. Clackamas Heritage Partners is proud to feature Michael Geisen, 2008 National Teacher of the Year, as the 4th Annual Dinner keynote speaker. Please contact Kristin Krahmer at 503-657-9336 x101 for ticket information or sponsorship opportunities. Dinner tickets are priced at \$50 per person or \$350 for a table of 8.

*A special thank you to our major sponsors:* The Abernethy Center, Portland General Electric, Tonkon Torp Attorneys, The Wells Fargo Foundation, Bob's Red Mill, Lewis & Clark Bank, Clackamas Community Federal Credit Union, and Park Place Development.

### Ice Age Floods Institute—Quarterly Meeting

Wednesday, October 15 | Event is free & open to the public  
Museum of the Oregon Territory, Tumwater Room

The Lower Columbia Floods Chapter hosts three lectures per year featuring intriguing presentations on the history of the Ice Age Floods in the Willamette Valley and lower Columbia Gorge. The Ice Age Floods is a nonprofit, volunteer-based organization committed to the recognition and presentation of the Ice Age Floods as a significant part of the nation's and the world's natural heritage. Please contact Mark Buser, Lower Columbia Floods Chapter President at 503-313-4442 or [mbuser@dadco.com](mailto:mbuser@dadco.com) for event details. For directions or additional information about the Museum of the Oregon Territory, please call 503-655-5574.

*This event is co-sponsored by Lower Columbia Floods Chapter & Clackamas Heritage Partners.*

### Museum Locations & General Information

- Hours of Operation Effective September 2, 2008
- All sites are closed on Thanksgiving Day

#### End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center

1726 Washington St, Oregon City | 503-657-9336 x124

OPEN September 2–30: Mon–Sat 11am–4pm | Sunday 12pm–4pm  
October 1–November 29: Tuesday–Saturday 11am–4pm

#### Museum of the Oregon Territory

211 Tumwater Drive, Oregon City | 503-655-5574

OPEN Tuesday–Saturday, 11am–4pm

#### Stevens-Crawford Heritage House

603 6th Street, Oregon City | 503-655-2866

OPEN Wednesday–Saturday 12pm–4pm

[www.HistoricOregonCity.com](http://www.HistoricOregonCity.com) Tickets

The Historic Oregon City Pass is priced at \$7 (seniors & adults) \$5 (youth) and children under 5 are free.



**Oregon City Chamber of Commerce Plans to Celebrate 100 Years!**—The Oregon City Chamber of Commerce is planning a year-long celebration in 2009 for its 100 years of local business support. The major kick-off will be at our Annual Dinner & Auction scheduled for Saturday, January 31 at the Abernethy Center.

Plans are underway for a very memorable evening that you will not want to miss—so **SAVE THE DATE**. We will unveil our new logo, the *Discovery Pass ~ Destination Oregon City* (our new marketing piece) and a commemorative coin (in conjunction with *Oregon 150*). If you are a past chairperson of the OC Chamber Board of Directors, we would like to recognize you at the dinner, so please contact us. We are seeking sponsors and additional committee members. Please contact Claire at the Chamber at 503-656-1619 or at [cmnet@oregoncity.org](mailto:cmnet@oregoncity.org).



**Jazz Jams**—Some of the area's most well-known and accomplished jazz musicians gather at weekly jam sessions in the LeRoy Anderson Room (room 119) of the Niemeyer Center at the college and are free and open to all. Mondays | Feb 4–Dec 29 | 7–10pm | Clackamas Cmnty College | Oregon City | 657-6958 ext. 2434

**Cultural Demonstrations at Historic McLoughlin House**—Enjoy this hands-on cultural demo event and see how pioneers lived and worked. Sep 13–Beadwork | 12–4pm | McLoughlin House | 713 Center St, Oregon City | 503-656-5146

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS & EVENTS

**Leadership Oregon City is seeking Participants**—Have you considered what your role could be as an involved citizen in Oregon City? Are you a businessperson who wants to know the community to make the best of your connections for the future? Have you thought about running for an elected position at the local level? Do you have a sincere interest in seeing Oregon City prosper?

2008-09 *Leadership Oregon City* is proudly sponsored by Benchmade Knife Company. This program is designed to develop informed, civic-oriented community leaders who will help guide the direction of Oregon City's future. The Oregon City Chamber of Commerce is proud to reveal this newly updated program. *Leadership Oregon City* is a series of interactive community learning experiences focused on personal and professional leadership development. It offers learning opportunities through seminars and tours to develop contacts, resources and knowledge of Oregon City.

The program is designed to run for nine, one-day sessions from September through

May. Tuition is \$350. For an application please call the Oregon City Chamber at 503-656-1619 or download it from the Chamber website at [www.oregoncity.org](http://www.oregoncity.org). The Chamber appreciates the City of Oregon City's support in reestablishing this program.

**Free Toolkit Available for All Oregon City Businesses**—All businesses should do their BEST (Business Emergency Survival Toolkit) to be prepared. The Oregon City Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the City of Oregon City as well as several other local agencies, is proud to announce the creation of an easy, updatable toolkit. Businesses need to prepare for most any disruption, whether a burglary, fire, storm damage or flood.

This toolkit is downloadable from the Oregon City Chamber of Commerce website at [www.oregoncity.org](http://www.oregoncity.org). For more information on the toolkit, please call the Chamber at 503-656-1619.

## CLACKAMAS COUNTY TOURISM & CULTURAL AFFAIRS

### September—October 2008 Events

**Sustainable Forestry Tours**—140 acre woodland open to the public for self-guided exploration, scheduled tours, and programs by arrangement. For more information, call 503-632-2150.

Daylight hours, 7 days a week | Feb 9–Dec 13 | Scheduled tours the 2nd Saturday each month | Hopkins Demonstration Forest | 16750 S Brockway Road, Oregon City | 503-632-2150

**Walk with the Spirits**—Tour some of Oregon City's historic neighborhoods while walking with the spirits into Oregon's haunted history. Guests pass by some of the city's most spirited places, hearing real ghost stories based on documented research. Call for more info.

Jul 18–Oct 31 | Check website for dates and times: [www.nwghosttours.com](http://www.nwghosttours.com) | \$12 | Historic Oregon City | McLoughlin neighborhood, downtown and more tours will also be scheduled. | 503-679-4464

**Clackamas Repertory Theatre: *Waiting for Godot***—A 20th century absurdist masterpiece by Nobel prize-winning playwright Samuel Beckett. A brilliant, bitter comedy and timeless classic that resonates with audiences.

Sep 25–Oct 12 | Clackamas Community College 19600 S Molalla Ave, Oregon City | Ticket info: 503-657-6958 ext2761.

**Halloween Fantasy Trail**—Walk a Halloween Fantasy Trail with spooky sights & sounds; walk through a 40-foot castle with scenes, tunnel, maze, suspension bridge and more. Great for all ages!

Oct 1–30 | 12–5pm & 7–10pm | Closed Sunday Oct 5 | Adults \$4, Children \$3.50, 12 & under Free | Wenzel Farm | 19754 S. Ridge Rd, Oregon City | 503-631-2047

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



## OREGON CITY—TATESHINA SISTER CITY COMMITTEE

### Successful Fund-Raiser

We wish to express our appreciation to all those who contributed to the Oregon City—Tateshina Sister City Committee's sixth annual garage sale. Thanks to those who donated items to the sale, and those who came and bought these slightly used treasures, the Sister City Committee cleared about \$500. We'd also like to thank Craig Danielson and Carol Suzuki again for making the space available for this charitable event.

Now that we've had a little break over the summer, we're ready to gear up for fall activities and return to our regular meeting schedule. Meetings are open to everyone and are scheduled for the second Monday of the month at 7:00pm at City Hall.

### Seeking Student Representative

We are currently looking for a high school student to serve on the Board, since our current student representative, Nate Werber, will be headed off to college. If you, or a student you know, is interest in learning more about Japanese culture and would like to help with our activities, we'd love to hear from you. Nate, for instance, put together our new website as his senior project. Look for a link to it from the City of Oregon City's home page ([www.orcity.org](http://www.orcity.org)).

If you would like more information about the activities of the Sister City Committee, you can also call Elise Lunas at 503-656-5578.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS & SPECIAL EVENTS

## 2008 OREGON CITY FARMERS MARKET



**H**arvest time is here! All the bounty from the fields of Clackamas County is fresh for the taking at The Oregon City Farmers Market, running each Saturday 9am-2pm through October 25 at 2051 Kaen Rd, off Beaver Creek Rd.

Now is a great time to consider buying extra quantities of fruit and produce to freeze and preserve to offset higher winter food prices. For three Saturdays in both September and October the OSU Extension Family Food Educators will have a booth at the Market to help you do exactly that. They'll have handouts and pamphlets for you, so bring your questions and leave empowered to stock your own pantry!

**The last two months of the market** are when the all the wonderful zucchini, squashes, corn, garlic, heirloom tomatoes, fall berries, apples and honey make an entrance. Chef Lydia Bugatti will cook up seasonal recipes to inspire you .....with samples!

OSU 4H clubs are bringing bees and chickens, and the Master Gardeners will continue their food growing workshops.

So come early for the pick of the crop, a great cup of coffee with pastry, and listen to live music from 9:00am till the closing bell.

Check the monthly calendars at [www.oregocityfarmersmarket.com](http://www.oregocityfarmersmarket.com) For more information call 503 734-0192.

## FILL A STOCKING, FILL A HEART



**V**olunteers are needed to help in the workshop, collect donations, and assist with outreach to the community. About 2,400 county residents received filled stockings for the holidays last year, and we hope to do the same this year. For many of them it was their only gift.

Beaver Creek Telephone has provided workshop space this year at their Henrici Rd offices. We will be arranging for daytime and early evening as well as Saturday work parties. Please leave a message at 503-632-0577 or email [info@fillastocking.org](mailto:info@fillastocking.org) if you would like to volunteer time, goods, or make a cash donation.

## HALLOWEEN EVENTS

### Spirits of Historic Oregon City

Visit with notable political "Spirits" of Historic Oregon City. After visiting the Spirits and the Pioneer Cemetery, you'll return to the Barclay House for Refreshments. Motorcoach transportation is provided each way between the Barclay House and the Cemetery.

**Reservations are required!** Call the Best Western RiverShore Hotel at 503-655-7141 for tickets.

**Saturday | October 25 | Time TBA | \$10 per person**



### Swamp Swim

At Oregon City Swimming Pool  
**Friday | October 31 | 7:30-9:00pm | \$2.50 or FREE if in Costume!**

### Trick or Treat on Main Street

Sponsored by the Downtown Business Coalition & the City of Oregon City. Call Nancy Busch at 503-496-1571 for more information.

**Friday | October 31 | 4:30-7:00pm  
Main Street, Oregon City**

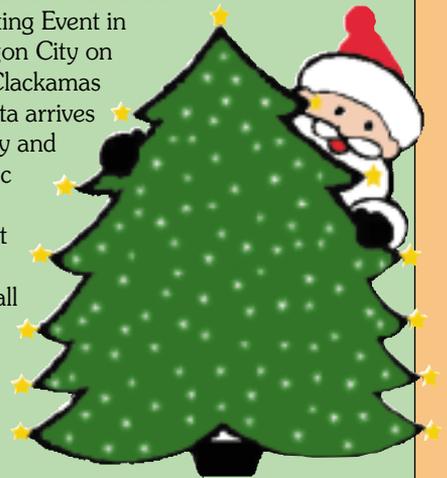


## ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING

**P**lease join Santa and Mrs. Claus for the annual Tree Lighting Event in

Historic Downtown Oregon City on Main Street next to the Clackamas County Courthouse. Santa arrives at 5:00pm, so come early and enjoy the festivities. Music and refreshments will be available, and don't forget your camera for the perfect holiday photo! Call Nancy Busch for more info at 503-496-1571.

**Saturday | December 6  
4:30pm | Liberty Plaza,  
Main Street, Oregon City**



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



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