

City of Oregon City

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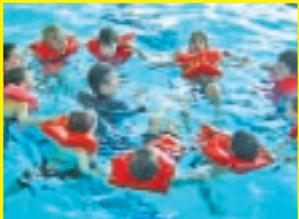


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CITY News, Services & Information

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CITY GOVERNMENT



MAYOR—Alice Norris
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COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR—Scott Archer

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.

City Government Contacts (Area Code 503)

Emergency Service	911
City Hall	657-0891
Building Dept.....	657-0891
Code Enforcement	496-1559
Community Services	496-1546
Fire Business	742-2670
Library.....	657-8269
Municipal Court	657-8154
Parks/Cemetery	657-8299
Pioneer Community Center.....	657-8287
Planning Dept.....	657-0891
Police Business	657-4964
Public Affairs.....	657-0891
Public Works Operations	657-8241

Public Works Engineering	657-0891
Recreation	496-1565
Swimming Pool.....	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



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

Carnegie Center—Fine Art Starts.....	723-9661
End of Oregon Trail Interpretive Cntr	657-9336
.....	www.historicoregoncity.org
Ermatinger House.....	650-1851
McLoughlin House	656-5146
Museum of the Oregon Territory.....	655-5574
.....	www.historicoregoncity.org
Oregon City Youth Football.....	632-0547
Oregon City Youth Baseball	632-0569
Oregon City Soccer	672-9264 ext. 484
Redland Baseball	www.redlandball.org
Stevens-Crawford House.....	655-2866
Tri Cities Adult Softball Assoc.....	659-2992
YMCA.....	657-9795

CITY MATTERS—by Mayor Alice Norris



Oregon City has a new brush fire. (Haven't we had more than our share lately?) This fire began to smolder when the contract between Oregon City and our Fire District was signed nearly five years ago. The contract worked for Oregon City in keeping General Fund costs down, but did not keep pace with Fire District costs. Due to our good partnership, we have been able to keep this contract working for nearly five years.

All things are difficult before they are easy.

—Thomas Fuller

Because of the funding gap between what Oregon City residents pay for our contracted fire service and what the rest of Clackamas County Fire District #1 pays, the District Board will terminate our contract on June 30, 2008. This gives us just over a year to find a solution for long term fire and emergency medical services.

What's the problem?

- Fire costs have risen about 5% per year.
- Oregon City's fire contract payments increased only 2.41% per year.
- Holcomb Fire Station serves Oregon City, but we do not pay for it.
- South End Fire Station remains closed with inadequate response times in southern Oregon City.

- CCFD#1 residents pay a \$2.40/\$1,000 tax rate; Oregon City's contract equates to \$1.59/\$1,000.

We have very few options. The best solution is annexing to the fire district like Milwaukie, Happy Valley, Damascus and Johnson City have done. Going without fire service is not an option. Cutting \$1.5 million out of city services is not an option for a sustainable community. We've been doing that for the last decade!

You will likely have an opportunity to vote on a solution in November. I urge you to learn about city fire service, insurance rates, and medical emergency response times. No issue is more important than public safety and we must work together to find a way to keep Oregon City safe, healthy, and livable.

2007 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Brad Smith, the winningest girls' basketball coach in Oregon history, is Oregon City's Citizen of the Year. As Mayor Alice Norris said, "Few other citizens have had a more positive influence on Oregon City's youth, Oregon City's pride and self-esteem, and Oregon City's future than Brad Smith."

Thank you, Brad, for your outstanding contributions to your hometown!



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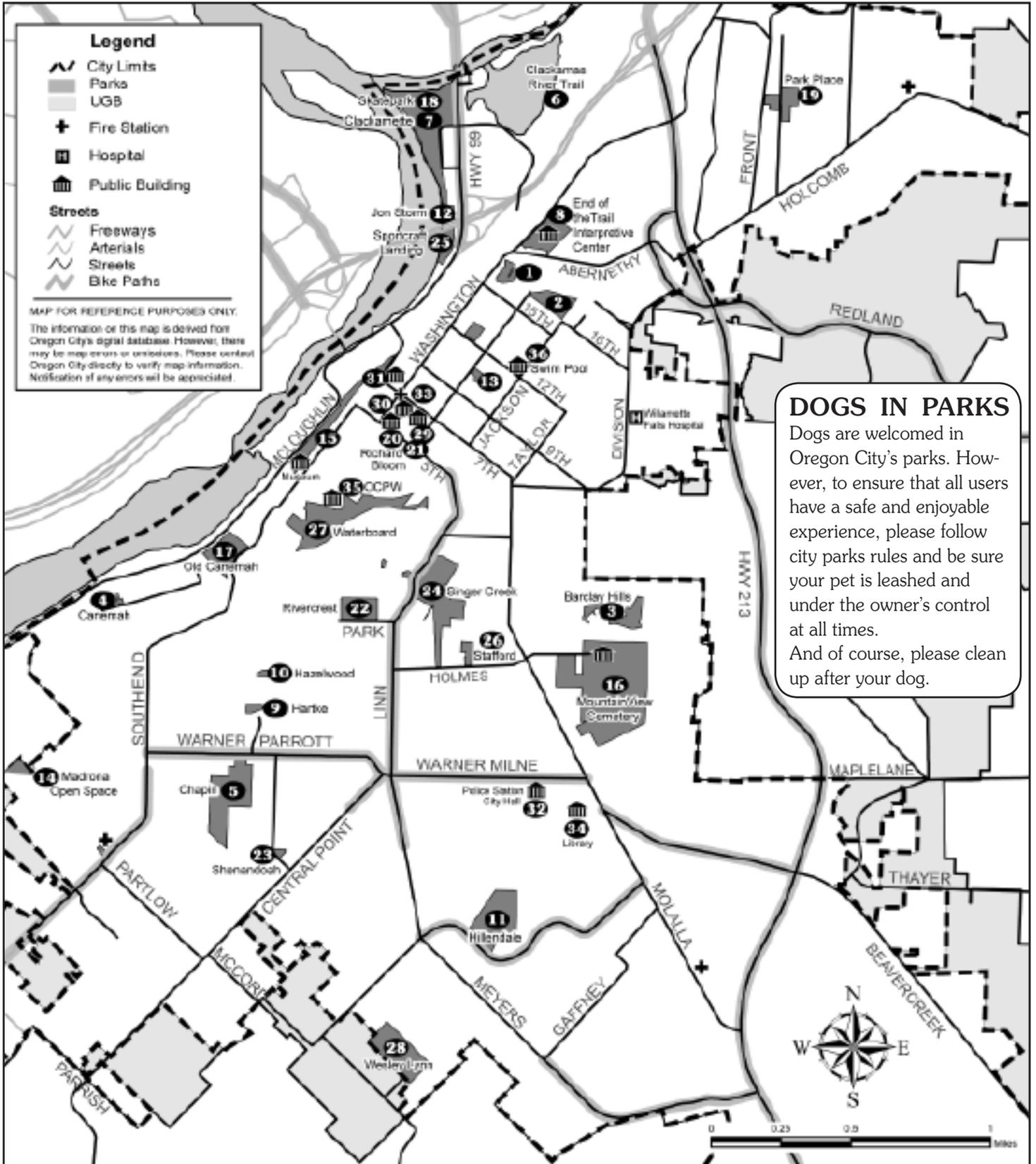
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CITY OF OREGON CITY PARKS & FACILITIES MAP



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
- 31 McLoughlin House**
713 Center Street
- 16 Mountain View Cemetery & OC Parks Operations**
500 Hilda Street
- 32 OC City Hall & Police Station**
320 Warner Milne Road
- 33 OC Main Fire Station**
624 7th Street
- 34 OC Public Library**
362 Warner Milne Road
- 35 OC Public Works**
122 Center Street
- 36 OC Swimming Pool**
1211 Jackson Street
- 20 Pioneer Community Center**
615 5th Street

MAJOR CITY PARKS

- 5 Chapin Park**
340 Warner Parrot 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

RECREATION AREA FACILITIES		Basketball	Boat Dock	Boat Launch	Meeting Rooms	Outdoor Pool	Playground	Restrooms	Shelters for Rent	Soccer	Softball/Baseball	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	Shenendoah Park													
24	Singer Creek Park													
25	Sportcraft Park													
26	Stafford Park													
27	Waterboard Park													
28	Wesley Lynn Park													



Look for the return of the Oregon City Trolleys in the spring of 2007. These FREE trolleys travel through Oregon City's Historic District allowing trolley riders convenient access to our downtown businesses, restaurants, museums, and other tourist destinations. The Trolleys are also available for private rental for up to 40 passengers each. The rental rate is \$300 for up to 3 hours and \$75 for each additional hour and includes one Trolley, driver, and fuel. To learn more about the Oregon City Trolleys including schedules, routes, private rentals, and advertising, please visit www.oregoncity.org/public-works/Trolley.htm or contact Nancy Busch with the City of Oregon City at 503-657-0891 ext. 571 or at nbusch@oregoncity.org.



PARKS NEWS & UPDATES

Mother's Day Event

On Friday, May 11, Mountain View Cemetery will commemorate Mother's Day by giving grave bouquets to the first 25 people who visit our office between 9:30-10:30am. We will also have disposable vases available for a nominal fee. Come join us in honoring the mothers at Mountain View Cemetery.

Memorial Day Event

Please join us on Monday May 28 from 10:00am-12:00 noon at Mountain View Cemetery for our annual Memorial Day activity. This year's ceremony, hosted by the Friends of Mountain View Cemetery, will feature a flyover by the Oregon National Guard and presentation of the colors by local scouts. We will have a trumpeter playing Taps, music by a school band and speeches by Oregon City officials. Each year this event is well attended and offers a memorable experience.

Looking for a Volunteer Event?

Mountain View Cemetery's Spring Cleanup is an opportunity to serve our community and enjoy a day of fresh air and congenial company. We'll be announcing the date and supplying other information soon.

New Cemetery Area

Mountain View Cemetery will soon open a natural wooded area where ashes of loved ones may be scattered with the option of placing a natural engraved stone marker at the site. If you are interested, come to the cemetery and enjoy a walk through this new area dedicated to providing a peaceful, natural resting place for those who pass on.

Rivercrest Spraypark to Open this Spring!

Construction is nearing completion on the much anticipated new spraypark attraction at Rivercrest Park, and it will be open for use with a community celebration on June 1st! The spraypark will consist of many interactive and user-activated features such as in-ground and above-ground sprays, water cannons, splash buckets and more. The spraypark will officially open with a community grand opening celebration on Friday, June 1 at 5:00pm. The event will feature a hot dog barbecue co-sponsored by the Rivercrest Neighborhood Association, an official ribbon-cutting ceremony and the start-up of the operating season for the spraypark. All community members are welcome to attend — be sure to bring your swim suit! For more information contact the Recreation Division at 496-1565.

GENERAL INFO

Parks & Mountain View Cemetery Office Hours

Monday–Thursday 9:00am–2:00pm

Friday 9:00am–1:00pm

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. Please remember that your payment is your park reservation confirmation.

Four Ways to Make a Reservation

1–Visit our website at www.oregoncityparks.org

2–Call Park Operations at 657-8299

3–Stop by the office at 500 Hilda Street during office hours

4–E-mail BJ Armstrong at 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. Please contact the Parks Office for rates and information.

Rent the Carnegie Center

The Carnegie Center is available to rent for receptions, parties, memorials, book signings and other private gatherings. Please contact Fine Art Starts at 723-9661 for rates and reservations.

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 \$15 per night for sites 1–27, and \$18 for sites 28–38 (river frontage). Pay by cash or VISA only; we no longer accept checks. For more information, call Park Operations at 657-8299.



Rivercrest Spraypark opening soon!



RECREATION REGISTRATION & FEES

How to Register

You can register for all recreation programs online at www.oregoncityparks.org. Swim lesson registrations can be done online, in person at the Swimming Pool (1211 Jackson St.) or by calling 657-8273. For information about new class offerings and updated information, go to www.oregoncityparks.org.

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—Am I a Resident?

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

SPORTS, FITNESS & FUN

Beginning Fly Fishing—Ages 12 years & up

Learn the art and science of fly fishing, a sport that can provide a lifetime of rewards. As a class for true beginners, we will start by learning the fundamentals of the casting motion, shooting line, roll cast, entomology (the study of bugs), safety, river etiquette and fish behavior. First, you will learn how to cast, then how to fish. By the end of the class term, you will be ready to apply your skills in real fishing situations. Class size is limited to 12 participants, so sign up early and specify what equipment you have.

Wednesdays | April 18–May 2 | 6:30–8:00pm | Pioneer Center
 Saturday | May 5 | 8:00am–12:00pm | Rivercrest Park Shelter, 131 Park Dr
 \$55 Resident / \$75 Non-Resident

Kenpo Karate—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. 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.

Thursdays | April 5–May 31 | 6:30–7:30pm | OC Pool
 \$105 Resident / \$125 Non-Resident

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 for information. Students must be enrolled in Kenpo Karate to take Kumite. Instructor—David Barnes

Thursdays | April 5–May 31 | 6:00–6:30pm | OC Pool
 \$45 Resident / \$55 Non-Resident

TEEN SCENE – Friday Night Dances

Meet your friends and make new ones at the Friday Night Dance for teens in 7th and 8th grades (student ID required). There is a DJ to play great tunes and concessions are available. Friday Night Dances are held every week in the Community Room at the Swimming Pool.

Every Friday | 7:00–11:00pm | OC Pool Community Rm | \$5



Golf Lessons at Stone Creek Golf Club

Junior Playdays—Ages 9–17 years

Come play nine holes of golf on Sundays starting at 5:30pm. Cost includes green fees, course supervision, instruction and year-end tournament.

Sundays | June 10–August 19 | 5:30pm
 \$160 Resident / \$180 Non-Resident

Junior Golf Camp—Ages 7–17 years

Three hours a day for three consecutive days. Includes lunch, T-shirts, prizes and lots of fun!

Tuesday–Thursday | 9:00am–12:00pm

Session 1	June 26–28	Session 4	August 7–9
Session 2	July 10–12	Session 5	August 21–23
Session 3	July 24–26		

\$120 Resident / \$140 Non-Resident

Ladies Golf Lessons—Ages 18 years & up

Stone Creek is offering ladies in the community a fun way to learn the game of golf. Bring a friend! Choose from morning, afternoon or evening classes. Classes last one hour; each session is 4 weeks long.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
10:00am	9:00am	10:00am	11:00am	10:00am
2:00pm	10:00am	11:00am	12:00pm	12:00pm
6:00pm	12:00pm	12:00pm	1:00pm	2:00pm
7:00pm	1:00pm	1:00pm		6:00pm
		7:00pm		7:00pm

Session 1 April 2–27 | Choose one hour per week

Session 2 April 30–May 25 | Choose one hour per week
 \$60 Resident / \$80 Non-Resident

SWIM SCHEDULE MARCH 17 – JUNE 16

Recreational Swim	Fri	7:30 – 9:30pm
	Sat	12:30–2:00pm
Family Swim	Tue	7:15 – 8:30pm
Adult Swim	Mon–Fri	8:00 – 9:00am
	Mon–Fri	1:00 – 2:00pm
	Sat	11:00am – 12:30pm
Adult Lap Swim <i>Number of available lanes may vary.</i>	Mon–Fri	6:00 – 8:00am
	Mon–Fri	12:00 – 1:00pm
	Mon Wed Fri	6:45 – 7:30pm
	Sat	11:00am – 12:30pm
Water Exercise (Shallow)	Mon Wed Fri	8:00 – 9:00am
	Tue Thu	6:15 – 7:15pm
Water Exercise (Deep)	Tue Thu	6:15 – 7:15pm
Water Exercise (Arthritis)	Tue Thu	8:00–9:00am
Spring Break Rec. Swim March 26–30 2:00–4:00pm		

ADMISSION PRICES

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

REMINDERS

- Remember that children 7 years and older are not allowed in the changing room of the opposite gender. If your child needs assistance, please make arrangements with the staff at the front counter.
- Oregon City Pool water temperature is 85°F.

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.



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Fridays | 7:00–11:00pm | OC Pool Community Rm | \$5

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 \$61.25 per hour with lifeguards provided. Party room rates start at \$12.25 per hour.



SWIM LESSON SCHEDULE

MARCH 17 – JUNE 17

LEVEL	Spring-1 MWF	Spring-2 MWF	Spring-3 MWF*	Private Swim Lessons
	April 2 – 20	April 23 – May 11	May 14 – June 4	March 17 – June 17
Water Babies	6:00	6:00	6:00	CALL FOR MORE INFORMATION. We offer Saturday and evening private swim lessons!
Intro to Water	6:00 6:30	6:00 6:30	6:00 6:30	
Level 1	6:00 6:30 7:00	6:00 6:30 7:00	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
Level 3	6:30 7:00	6:30 7:00	6:30 7:00	11:00 11:30 12:00
Level 4	7:00	7:00	7:00	Evening Private Lessons
Pre Comp	6:45–7:30	6:45–7:30	6:45–7:30	6:00 6:30 7:00

*NO LESSONS on Saturday, May 26 or Monday, May 28 due to the Memorial Day Holiday.

SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION

Registration begins March 12. Register online at www.ocpool.org, in person at the Swimming Pool, or by calling 657-8273. Please register early!

Private Swim Lessons are offered on various dates throughout the spring. Please call for availability.

SPRING SWIM LESSON LEVELS

Please see page 10 to learn how swim lessons will be changing beginning with the summer sessions.

- Water Babies** ... Entry level class for parents and their children 6 months–3 years
- Intro** For 3–5 year olds with little water experience who need to learn the basics.
- Level 1** Students learn to submerge, float and kick on their front/back
- Level 2** Students add arm strokes and learn skills on their backs
- Level 3** Students increase distance to 15 yards and learn side breathing
- Level 4** Students will improve endurance and technique, learn auxiliary strokes
- PreComp** Interested in joining a swim team and learning competitive strokes? Must be able to swim 15 yards on front and back and be comfortable in deep water.

SWIM LESSON FEES

Residents live inside the city limits of Oregon City.

Residents	\$32.50
Non-Residents	\$48.50
Private Lessons (1/2 hr)	\$18.50
Semi-Privates (1/2 hr)	\$25.50
Pre Comp (Resident)	\$43.75
Pre Comp (Non-Resident).....	\$65.50

AMERICAN RED CROSS AQUATIC CLASSES

Water Safety Instructor Aide Course

The purpose of the Water Safety Instructor Aide Course is to provide training for individuals who wish to assist with teaching swim lessons. The lessons learned in this course are extremely valuable. Upon completion, the Water Safety Instructor Aide may volunteer to assist with swim lessons. Volunteer hours are recorded and sent to the local American Red Cross unit to record the aide's contribution. This is an excellent stepping-stone for young people who are interested in a future as a lifeguard or Swim Lesson Instructor.

For participants 12–14 years old

Sat | April 28 | 11:00am–4:00pm | OC Pool Community Room
 Mon | April 30 | 6:00–7:00pm (assist with swim lessons) | OC Pool
 Register by April 23 | \$40 Resident / \$60 Non-Resident

Lifeguard Training

Participants must attend all five scheduled classes. This 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 500 yards
 - able to tread water for 2 minutes using legs only
 - able to retrieve a 10-pound brick from 7 feet of water and return it to the surface
- Please bring a swimsuit and towel...you will get wet. For more information, call Rochelle Parsch 496-1572.

Session 1 Monday–Friday | March 26–30 | 9:00am–3:00pm | OC Pool
 (Spring Break) Register by March 12 | \$120 Resident / \$140 Non-Resident

Session 2 Mon Wed Fri | May 7–18 | 4:00–9:00pm | OC Pool
 Register by April 23 | \$120 Resident / \$140 Non-Resident

OREGON CITY SWIM TEAM

Have you moved beyond swimming lessons? 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 Head Coach Erica Clower at 503-655-4169 or coachatOCST@hotmail.com.

COMING SUMMER 2007! AMERICAN RED CROSS SWIMMING LESSONS

Oregon City Swimming Pool is becoming American Red Cross!

The Oregon City Swimming Pool is changing its swim lesson program! Beginning this summer we will be American Red Cross! Please start planning ahead for this change. Take time to read this information—it will help you make the transition from our current spring swim lesson program to the NEW AMERICAN RED CROSS SWIM LESSONS *this summer*.

We are excited to offer a more efficiently structured swim lesson program.

American Red Cross swimming lessons are fun and challenging for all swim lesson participants. The new American Red Cross levels will offer a variety of different skills that will make our swim lesson participants better swimmers.

The Benefits of becoming American Red Cross!

- All instructors complete a 35-hour Water Safety Instructor certification.
- Classes are more efficiently structured and challenging.
- The new levels help ease younger children into group swim lessons.
- Levels continue beyond level 5.

NEW SUMMER SWIM LEVELS—What do I register my child for this summer? See table & swim level descriptions below.

*CURRENT OC Swim Level	EQUIVALENT TO	NEW Red Cross Swim Level	*CURRENT OC Swim Level	EQUIVALENT TO	NEW Red Cross Swim Level
New Swim Participant (has never had lessons, can't touch bottom of pool)		SWIM TOTS (class uses TOT DOCKS – platforms that sink in the water to change the depth of pool, making it easier for children to stand and participate in swim lessons)	*Level 4		LEVEL 4
*Level 1		LEVEL 1	*Passing Level 4		LEVEL 5
*Level 2		LEVEL 2	*NEW LEVEL		LEVEL 6 (Lifeguard Readiness & Personal Water Safety)
*Level 3		LEVEL 3			

SWIM TOTS—For 3- and 4-Year-Olds Only! NO EXCEPTIONS. 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 by start of class, over 50 inches tall, and unable to swim or float. NO EXCEPTIONS! This class does not use the *tot docks! It is very important the swim 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 and 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 and 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-pound brick out of the water—25 yards | Using 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 Monday, May 28th (Memorial Day)

Meals on Wheels *will* be delivered on closed days, or frozen meals will be supplied.

Nutrition Program: Lunch & Dessert Bar | Tue–Fri | 11:30am–12:30pm

Meals on Wheels Deliveries: Tue–Fri | For homebound seniors 60+.



SENIOR SERVICES & PROGRAMS

Nutrition Program

Lunch with dessert bar is served Tuesday–Friday 11:30am–12:30pm in the Pioneer Center’s dining room. Suggested donation for ages 60+ is \$2.25; cost for ages under 60 is \$4.25. Call 657-8287 for more information. Meals-on-Wheels are provided to homebound seniors 60+.

Meals-on-Wheels Service

Some people want it to happen. Some people wish it to happen.

Others make it happen! Make a difference. Be a Volunteer!

The Pioneer Adult Community Center’s Nutrition Program provides home-delivered Noon meals to Homebound 60+ seniors and the disabled in Oregon City, West Linn, Beaver Creek, Redland and Holcomb areas. Meals are delivered Tuesday–Friday. Frozen meals are available for Mondays and weekends. Meals-on-Wheels Service also provides a menu and a monthly newsletter with upcoming events and meal information. For more info call the Pioneer Adult Community Center at 722-5979 and ask for Shirley Ryan.

Meals-on-Wheels Volunteer Driver’s Needed!

Volunteer Drivers deliver homebound seniors and disabled people a well-balanced, hot meal along with some companionship. Daily contact for the homebound helps keep them safe. With a little time and effort, you can make a big difference. Be a part of a program that cares and takes the time to help those who can’t always help themselves. Call 657-8287.

Senior Computers

Computers with Internet access are available to use in our Pool Room Mon–Fri | 9:00am–4:00pm
Center closed–May 28

Senior Law Project

Local volunteer lawyers provide free legal advice one day every month for clients 60+ years old. For more information and to schedule appointments call Beth Koller at 722-3268.

2nd Monday of the month | On-going | By Appointment | Free

Health Services

Blood pressure testing, hearing test, medication discount assistance, and Medicare prescription information assistance.

2nd Tuesday of the month | 10:00am | Free

Facility Rentals

The Pioneer Center is great for special events such as:

Weddings Receptions Seminars Meetings

Birthday, Anniversary, Retirement or Holiday Parties

With a beautiful ballroom, the Pioneer Center is ideal if you want no decorations or elaborate set ups.

AMENITIES INCLUDE:

- 3500 sq.ft. with a mix capacity of 319 people
- Tables & chairs for 200 people, reception or theatre style
- Ballroom with solid hardwood floor for dancing and catered events
- Additional rooms for dressing or storage
- Elevated stage for band or DJ
- Food service area
- Alcohol permitted
- Non-smoking

Please call Julie or Kathy at 657-8287 for more information or to make reservations.

Pedicures & Manicures

RN Bea offers pedicures and manicures for seniors 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 and have foot problems, so she can allow sufficient time for you. Bring two towels. Call 657-8287 for more info or to schedule an appointment.

Every other Tuesday & every 2nd Wednesday | by appointment
\$20 | pay RN Bea directly

AARP 55 Alive Classes

The AARP Driver Safety Program is a refresher course specially designed for motorists 50 years and older. The course helps drivers refine existing skills and develop safe, defensive driving techniques. The 8–hour course is offered once a month. It is taught in two 4–hour sessions spanning two consecutive days. Classes are held in the basement of the Pioneer Community Center.

Sessions April 9–10 | May 14–15 | June 11–12

Mon & Tue | 9:30am–1:30pm | \$10 (pay instructor)

Transportation

For those 60+ and disabled residing in Oregon City’s Urban Growth Boundary and West Linn. Redland and Beaver Creek are served on Thursday only. Vans are lift-equipped. There is a 50¢ donation for a one-way ride. Call for a ride the day before or up to a week ahead.

Grocery Shopping Trips

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

Tuesdays Fred Meyers

Wednesdays Albertson’s

Fridays..... Danielson’s Fresh Marketplace

DINE-OUTS Every Monday at 11:30am

Meet at the Center or call 657-8287 for a pick-up (suggested donation 50¢ each way). Transportation from the Center to the dine-out is free. Lunch is on your own. Dine-outs and restaurants are subject to change! Call the Pioneer Center for the restaurant of the week.

DAY TRIPS (Tentative Schedule)

Please stop by the center or call 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 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. No refund or credit will be given unless the center is notified in advance that you are unable to participate. Our trips are quite popular and we have people on the wait list. Call 657-8287 or stop by to register or to get on the list. Trips may be canceled due to lack of interest or illness.

Apr 4....Lady Di's British Store for Tea & Tea Cakes
 Apr 18....Mission Mill Museum
 May 9....Hulda Klager Lilac Gardens
 May 23....Trappist Abbey
 Jun 13....Timberline
 Jun 27....Cannon Beach

GAMES, WEEKLY GROUPS & MORE

- POPCORN!** Every Friday | 10:00am
- 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
 Center closed–May 28
- 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
- CHESS** Games in Pioneer Center's basement
 Tuesdays | 7:00–10:00pm | Free
- PINOCHLE** These card players meet twice a week.
 Mondays & Wednesdays | 12:45pm | 25¢
 Center closed–May 28
- SCRABBLE** Come challenge this fun, friendly group that meets once every week.
 Fridays | 12:30–3:00pm | Free
- NARANON** Meets every week in Pioneer Center's Basement
 Thursdays | 7:00–9:00pm
- AA** Meets every week in Pioneer Center's Basement
 Sundays | 1:30–3:30pm

OVER 62 DISCOUNT

Citizens 62 years of age and up qualify for the "Over 62" reduced fee for classes at the Pioneer Center. Please have ID available.

NEW CLASSES & INSTRUCTORS WANTED!

The Pioneer Adult Community Center looking for input for New Class Ideas! We are looking for GREAT IDEAS for life enrichment classes and anyone who has special skills to share with the community by teaching a class at the Pioneer Adult Community Center. Stop by and chat with Julie Miguel or call 657-8287.

Anyone with these skills or other ideas?

- Basket Weaving
- Small Dog Obedience Training
- Home Makeover (different projects to improve living areas easily)
- Dollar Store Decorating (making use of Dollar Store deals—class would include a trip to the Dollar Store to look at what's available and take those purchased items to the following class to learn how to put them to use).
- Pioneer Pages Book Club (we could post their reviews in the newsletter)

CANCELLATIONS

Classes, programs or events may be cancelled due to lack of participation.

MUSIC & DANCING

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 657-8287.
 Fridays | 10:00am–12:00noon

Line Dancing

This on-going class meets once a week. Learn the latest line dance steps, as well as the traditional ones. No partner needed.
 Tuesdays | On-going | 11:45am–1:30pm | Donation

Wednesday Afternoon Dances

The Swing Street Glenn Tadina Big Band (a live 16-piece Big Band) and the Black Magic Band (a live 14-piece band) jump and jive on alternating weeks at the Pioneer Adult Community 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 657-8287. Come early for lunch!

LUNCH 11:30am–12:30pm | \$4.25 for 60 years & under
 \$2.25 suggested donation for 60+ years

DANCE Wednesdays | On-going | 12:30–3:00pm | \$5/person





COMPUTER SKILLS

Call instructor Jerry King at 723-9497 or the Pioneer Center for fees, scheduling and more information on these classes.

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—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.

FITNESS & RELAXATION

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 reduces stress.

Mon & Wed | Apr 2–Jun 13 | 10:45–11:30am | \$60 (Over 62–\$30)
Center is closed May 28

Weight Room Orientation

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

Tuesdays & Thursdays | \$20

Weight Training Room

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

Mon–Fri | 9:00am–4:00pm | Purchase 24 visits for \$20
Center is closed May 28

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. 11 weeks, 22 classes.

Tue & Thu | Apr 3–Jun 14 | 10:40–11:25am | \$60 (Over 62–\$30)
No Class April 12

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. 11 weeks, 22 classes.

Tue & Thu | Apr 3–Jun 14 | 9:30–10:30am | \$80 (Over 62–\$40)
No Class April 12

ARTS & CRAFTS

Beginning Calligraphy

Get started in calligraphy and learn how to use this art form to create your own lettering design projects. 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. Supply list given on first day of class. 11-week session.

Thursdays | Apr 5–Jun 14 | 9:15–10:15am | \$42 (Over 62–\$21)

Beginning 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 | Apr 4–Jun 13 | 9:30–10:30am | \$84 (Over 62–\$42)

Watercolor Painting with Rudolph Stevens

Rudolph Stevens will be teaching watercolor painting classes at the Pioneer Center again this spring. His classes are open to all levels of skill. Class size is limited to 20 students per 11-week session. Call the Center at 657-8287 or Rudolph at 636-4189 for more information.

Fridays | Apr 6–Jun 8 | 9:15am–12:00 noon | \$110–Pay Instructor

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. 10-week session.

Thursdays | Apr 5–Jun 7 | 11:00am–1:30pm | \$95 (Over 62–\$48)

Knitting & Crocheting for Beginners

Learn basic knitting and crocheting stitches. Bring your own needles and yarn. For more information call instructor Janice Tipton at 266-8030.

Mondays | On-going | 12:00–1:00pm | \$20 (5 lessons) – pay instructor
Tuesdays | On-going | 9:30–10:30am | \$20 (5 lessons) – pay instructor
Center is closed May 28

Busy Bees

Have fun making crafts, sewing quilts and aprons, etc. for fund raisers or working on your own projects. Group meets once a week.

Mondays | On-going | 9:00am–12:00pm | Free
Center is closed May 28

Let's Sew!

Come sew with us!—whether you are new to sewing or want to refresh your sewing skills. All levels are welcome. Learn new techniques and have your questions answered while you work on individual projects. Class is geared to meet your needs. 8 weeks.

Thursdays | Apr 5–May 24 | 2:00–4:00pm | \$61 (Over 62–\$30)

GENERAL LIBRARY INFO

Library Hours

Tuesday & Wednesday11:00am–8:00pm
 Thursday & Friday.....11:00am–5:00pm
 Saturday.....12:00pm–5:00pm
 Sunday & MondayClosed

Location

You'll find us in the Danielson's 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 & services visit the library's web site at <http://www.oregoncity.lib.or.us>, or call us at 657-8269.

Volunteers Are Needed

Looking for just the right niche to volunteer in your community? We are continually seeking individuals willing to commit to shelving and shelf maintenance for a few hours each week. If interested, contact Lynda at 657-8269 ext 15.

FREE MP3 AUDIOBOOKS

Library2Go provides downloadable audio books for library patrons' personal computers and MP3 players. Library2Go is a service provided by the Oregon Digital Library Consortium, a cooperative effort of eight public libraries and systems.

Best-selling titles are available 24/7 from the website, and are playable on a patron's PC or MP3 player at home, in the office or from anywhere in the world. These computer files expire after 2 weeks so there is no need to return items and no late fees. Materials may be placed on 'hold' and many are classified as 'always available' so everyone can have them checked out at once.

Library2Go is free for all Oregon City Library customers. To use these audio books a patron needs a valid library card, access to the Internet and free digital book software (available on the Library2Go website). Library2Go Audio Books are playable on any device with Windows Media Player software. Unfortunately the service does not work with iPods.

Visit our website today and learn more about the exciting new Library2Go service!
www.oregoncity.lib.or.us/online.htm

CHECK OUT OUR FAMILY CULTURAL PASSES

The libraries throughout Clackamas County offer for check out one-day family passes to local cultural venues. You can check out a pass at the library and treat your family to a FREE adventure. To reserve a pass for a specific day, come in or call 503-657-8269. Participating venues include:

- Portland Art Museum
- Pittock Mansion
- Portland Children's Museum (CM2)
- Oregon Sports Hall of Fame & Museum
- The Chinese Garden
- The Japanese Garden
- The Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden

Come check out the fun!

STORYHOURS & CRAFTS

APRIL—MAY

Preschool storytime3–5 year olds Tuesdays11:00am
 Preschool storytime(repeat) Wednesdays.....11:00am
 Toddler storytime.....2 year olds Thursdays.....11:00am
 After-School storytimeAll ages..... Thursdays..... 2:30pm

JUNE

Storytime2–8 year olds Tuesdays11:00am

Preschool Crafts

Advance sign-up is required for all craft programs. You may sign up in person at the Children's Desk or by calling 503-657-8269 ext. 26
 Several Preschool crafts will be offered for children 3–5 years old. They will begin after storytime.

April 3 & 4..... Easter Craft	June 26.....July 4th Craft*
April 24 & 25..... Dinosaur Day	(*ages 2–8 welcome for this craft only)
May 8 & 9..... Make a Mask	
May 22 & 23..... Surprise Craft	

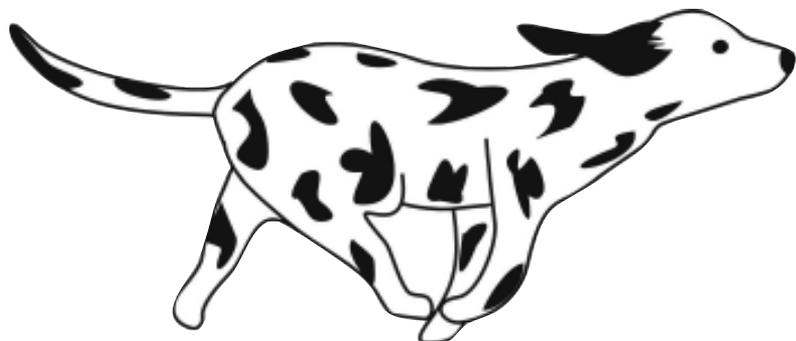
There is no charge for any of these programs, but we invite you to stop by the Children's Desk or check the bulletin board where we will be posting needed supplies for upcoming crafts. This could be anything from baby food jars to shoe boxes...we are always happy to accept any craft supplies!

SAVE THE DATE TO SEE SPOT RUN

The Fun Run and Walk for the Library Summer Reading Program will be held Saturday, June 2, 2007. This year participants will be able to sign up for Summer Reading at the event and enjoy entertainers following the Run.

This event is fun for the whole family—and the family dog! All ages are welcome and we encourage you to bring Spot (or Skippy or Lassie or King) with you.

More details are to come. Interested in helping us plan this year's event? Call Karin Morey at 503-880-3439 or send an email to FOCPLBookstore@aol.com





“BOW-WOW READING PROGRAM”

We will be scheduling times for children to read aloud to a wonderful greyhound therapy dog named Churchill. The program works especially well for children who may be anxious reading aloud or for those who lack confidence in their reading skills.

Dogs, like Churchill, are non-judgmental and they will not criticize or ridicule. They do not care if the child makes a mistake. The dog and child bond together over a shared story, and the child’s confidence and reading skills grow in a relaxing environment.

Library Staff will be working with the local schools and reading specialists, and we hope to get the program started this spring. If anyone has any questions about this exciting new program, you may call Lynda at 503-657-8269 ext. 15.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM IS COMING!



“Get a Clue @ Your Library” this summer and join us in our annual Summer Reading Program. Children from toddlers to teens can participate, and enjoy storytimes, crafts and other entertaining programs throughout the summer months.

Weekly programs will be held on Wednesdays at 11:30am, and children who complete the program will be able to take part

in the annual Clackamas County Day for Summer Readers on August 16. More details will be available later this spring.

QUILT DONATION SOUGHT BY FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Oregon City Library are planning a membership drive, “Come Home to Your Library”, for later this spring.

As part of our promotion we would like to offer chances to win a quilt (or quilts). All new members would receive one entry, and any donation to the Friends would earn an entry into the drawing.

We have all our materials ready, but we need a quilt for the drawing. Your donated quilt would be displayed at the library during the membership drive with information on who created and donated the quilt.

Please call Karin Morey at 503-880-3439 or email FOCPLBookstore@aol.com if you are interested in making such a donation.

TAX DEDUCTIBLE LIBRARY DONATIONS

Donations are much appreciated in these lean budgetary times!

Materials

We happily accept donations of books, videos, compact discs and books on tape on behalf of the Friends of the Library. Money collected from sale of materials is used by the Friends for a variety of projects to improve library services. Items to be donated should be **marked** as donations and brought to the circulation desk. **Please do not use our book drop for donations.**

Favorite donations are:

- Best-sellers still in demand
- Newer non-fiction works on contemporary, practical issues
- Paperback westerns, mysteries & large-print titles
- Children’s books
- Music CDs
- Audio books
- VHS & DVD movies in good condition

Not accepted are:

- Old encyclopedias
- Fiction from the 60s, 70s & 80s
- Please do not bring moldy, smelly, dirty or damaged materials.
- Magazines
- Readers Digest
- Condensed Books

If you would like a receipt for tax purposes, ask for one at the time of donation. A value cannot be assigned to the items, but a notation of the number of items of each type will be made.

PIONEER LITERARY CIRCLE

Come by the library and see the Friends of the Library’s new display for our Pioneer Literary Circle. Learn more about people and events in Oregon City History. New donors to the Friends will be acknowledged in one of our donor circles:

- Eva Emery Dye — \$1,000
- Circulating & Territorial Libraries — \$500
- Edwin Markham — \$250
- Oregon Spectator — \$100

Forms for your tax-deductible donation are available at the library. The Friends of the Oregon City Library is a 501(c)(3) organization. Donations to the Friends help support the library and library programs.

Secondhand Prose

Monday-Saturday
11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & SPECIAL EVENTS—See Also the Back Cover!



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About Fine Art Starts

Fine Art Starts was founded in 1997. Located within the Carnegie Center, we feature fine art classes for all ages (no crafts), a professional art gallery, gift shop, coffee shop, playroom, special exhibits, and building facility rental.

Spring Hours (March – Early June)

Wednesdays.....11:00am–6:00pm
Thursdays..... 11:30am–7:00pm
Fridays 11:00am–7:00pm
Saturdays9:00am–12:00pm

Fine Art Starts Events & Activities

MARCH–JUNE | Youth & Adult Classes & Workshops

Fine art, dance, music and yoga for children and adults! Home School programs, too! Please call for a schedule and more information.

MARCH 26–28 | Spring Break Art Workshops for Kids

Make unique springtime projects! Workshops for children ages 4–6, 7–10, 11 and up. Please call for details.

JUNE 2 | Annual Amateur Photo Contest Entry Deadline

Four categories this year: People, Places in Oregon City, Animals, and Digitally-Altered Photos. Show off your photos with a chance to win great prizes! Find contest rules at: www.fineartstarts.com

JUNE 9 | Student Art Show

Celebrate artwork created by children and adult students. Also, view the Amateur Photo Contest in the Carnegie Center.

JUN 18–AUG 17 | Art Camp!

Full and half-day art camps for children and teens in drawing, painting, clay, mixed media and more!

ONGOING

Dancing at the Carnegie!—Call for details.

Fridays | 7:15–8:45pm | \$15 per couple per week
Childcare available downstairs in the art studio – \$3 per child.
Ongoing registration. Pre-registration required.

Facility Rental—Rent the Carnegie Center for your next big event. Receptions, memorials, reunions, and more! Please call for rates and availability.

FALL 2007

Expressive Arts Program for 3–6 year olds—Montessori-based art, dance, language and music program. This unique program begins this fall. Now registering! Three mornings each week: Tue, Wed, Thu | 9am–12noon.

5TH ANNUAL



Faire

July 14 & 15

10am–6pm Saturday

10am–5pm Sunday

Something for Everyone!

Plans are underway for the 5th Annual First City Arts Faire. The steering committee members are so proud to be involved in this well attended, premier community arts event in Oregon City and look forward to hosting the 2007 Arts Faire with added features and crowd favorites.

With rave reviews from 2006 faire goers and artists alike, the Chica Marimba band will open this year's faire on Saturday. As a special treat to Jazz and Blues lovers, "Smokin" Sonny Hess will make an afternoon appearance with the Sonny Hess Band and her Gospel vocalists. To bring an additional touch of culture to the event, the Willamette Falls Symphony will return for the 5th year with their regular Sunday show, hopefully with cannons again!

Applications were sent out in January of 2007 along with new artist jury applications. Last year we juried in 17 new artists with the majority coming from Oregon City and the neighboring community. Approximately 82 artists participated in 2006 and about one third were from Oregon City. The Arts Faire provides the emerging artists in our community a local, supportive venue.

I would also like to thank all of our sponsors and supporters for the 2006 event including: US Bank, our entertainment stage sponsor; Oregon City Tourism Council; Starbuck's Make Your Mark Volunteer Program; Danielson's Hilltop Mall, LLC; Clackamas Community Federal Credit Union and the Morrissey Group LLC. New sponsors for 2006 were Wriglesworth & Willock Metal Fab, Inc., Turn Key Mortgage, The Orzen Family, and Steady Improvement. Current supporters include: Fine Art Starts; Beaver Creek Cooperative TV Co.; Buel's Impressions Printing; Clackamas Landscaping Supply, Inc.; Earth Crusaders; Heritage Partners; Home Depot; Krista Cary; Oregon City Chamber of Commerce; Oregon City Public Works Dept., and Willamette Falls TV. If I have forgotten anyone, I sincerely apologize. Please make note of our sponsors and supporters and thank them by doing business with them.

Our volunteers are one of our most valued assets and this event would not take place without our dedicated committee members and those that volunteer for the weekend of the event. Now is the time to think about how you can participate in the 2007 Faire. There is never a lack of things to do from helping artists unload, directing traffic, greeting Faire guests, helping with the silent auction or helping in the Arts Faire booth. To volunteer, call 503-313-0024 or email orzep@bctonline.com. Thank you again for your great community support of the arts!

Lynda Orzen, First City Arts Faire Chair

FREE VIDEO PRODUCTION CLASSES AT WFTV

Be a producer!!—Willamette Falls Television is located in downtown Oregon City. It serves Damascus, Milwaukie, Oregon City, Unincorporated Clackamas County and West Linn. If you live in our service area, the classes and use of the facility are FREE to you. Learn how to use the editing systems, the field equipment and the studio to create your show. Your program must be non-promotional and commercial free. However, non-profits may promote their services. For more information call 650-0275 or visit WFTV online at www.wftvaccess.com. Email us today and become a Producer! wftvaccess@comcast.net



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FILL-A-HEART**

Bingo Fund-raiser—April 14

A Family Bingo Night will be at the Pioneer Community Center, 615 5th St, on Saturday, April 14, from 6:30–9:00pm.

Great prizes for children and adults!

Tickets are \$5 for an all-games bingo card, plus \$1 throw-away cards for extra games. Snacks will be available. Help us raise funds for a great cause!

Thanks to community support, 2,580 filled stockings were delivered to agencies in Clackamas County during the 2006 holidays. The agencies gave them to their neediest clients, from infants to senior citizens. A big thank you to local businesses: Haggen Food & Pharmacy for the use of a workroom the past seven holiday seasons; large donations from Miller Paint, General Distributors and Bank of the West to purchase needed items; Beaver Creek Telephone for donation of a phone line; and Buel's Impressions Printing for printing and boxes, as well as all of the local businesses that provided public drop-sites. We need volunteers year-round. Call 503-632-0577 or go to www.fillastocking.org for more information, a calendar of events and to read thank-you notes from last year's recipients.

SISTER CITY COMMITTEE

The "Oregon City Sister City Committee" was founded by Dr. Glenn Parrott during 1974. The idea came from our late United States President, Dwight David Eisenhower, who believed that an understanding of each country's people and their cultural beliefs, rather than their governments, would promote world peace. Since 2001 when a resolution was made, our local committee has been recognized as a representing agency of the Oregon City government. Our Sister City is Tateshina, Japan. During each year, our all-volunteer group works at many projects. These include maintaining and improving the "Peace Garden" abutting the Pioneer Community Center in Oregon City. Membership is always open. Our meetings are held at Oregon City's City Hall the 2nd Monday of each month. For more information about the committee, our upcoming trip to Japan, or to join our committee, call President John Riggs, Jr. at 557-8557.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR OREGON CITY
CLEANUP – EARTH DAY**

The Oregon City Cleanup is scheduled to begin at 8:30am on Saturday, April 28 at Clackamette Park. Volunteers are needed for a variety of projects varying from the removal of invasive plants, garbage and litter to planting and other enhancement projects. Take part in this city-wide effort and improve the overall livability of your community. Please call Nancy Busch at 496-1571 for more information.



**CLACKAMAS
HERITAGE
PARTNERS
PRESENTS**

**"These Storied Objects:
Pioneer Possessions from
the Oregon Trail" Exhibit**

A new exhibit featuring exquisite objects that traversed the 2,000-mile trail to the Oregon Country in the Mid-Nineteenth Century is to be featured at the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center and the Museum of the Oregon Territory. Valued not only for their historical significance, but also for the stories that are associated with them, the exhibit showcases notable artifacts from the trail, including a special tailor's board once used to make Abraham Lincoln a suit, and the bed frame of Oregon's first woman voter, author and leader Abigail Scott Duniway!

- Exhibit runs Friday, March 9 through Monday, September 3
- Open to the public Tuesday–Saturday | 11:00am–4:00pm |
- At End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center | 1726 Washington St., Oregon City | Tickets & Info: 503-657-9336 x124
- At Museum of the Oregon Territory | 211 Tumwater Dr., Oregon City | Tickets & Info: 503-655-5574

The exhibit is proudly sponsored by Lewis & Clark Bank. Please visit our website at www.HistoricOregonCity.com for more information on this exhibit and Clackamas Heritage Partners.

OREGON CITY – CITY HALL CLOSED MAY 23

8:00am to 5:00pm for records cleanup duties. Open again for business on May 24 at 8:00am. Questions? Contact 503-496-1505



SUMMER CONCERT SPONSORS

Concerts in the Park Sponsors Connect with the Community
Every year thousands of people come to the Carnegie Center and Clackamette Park to enjoy the summer Concerts in the Park series. Oregon City Parks and Recreation is always looking for sponsors to help fund these very popular events. We would like to expand our 4th of July Concert. This celebration event presents music all day long and ends with fireworks! We are looking for a business or person to be a sponsor for this special celebration. If you are interested, call us at 496-1572 for more information. Meanwhile, we are offering all levels of sponsorship for the Concerts in the Park at the Carnegie Center. Sponsorship ranges from Presenting Sponsor (\$2000) to Friends of the Concerts (\$25). Sponsors are listed on the concerts poster, all signage at the concerts and in all publicity. This is a great way to show your community support and increase customer awareness. If you have an interest in helping us bring these great family events to the community, we would like to hear from you. Please call 496-1572. Concert Sponsorships help businesses and citizens connect with the community.

NEIGHBORHOOD & CITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

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

GAFFNEY LANE NBRHD ASSC (GLNA)
 General Membership Meetings
 Steering Committee Meetings
 Info Joan Schultze, Chair » 657-3355

HAZEL GROVE-WESTLING FARM NBRHD GRP (HG-WFNA)
 General Membership Meetings
 When Thursday | Mar 15 | May 21 | 7pm
 Where Cornerstone Family Life Center
 18955 S. South End Road
 Info Kathy Hogan, Co-Chair » 657-9435

HILLENDALE NBRHD ASSC (HNA)
 General Membership Meetings
 Steering Committee Meetings
 Info Julie Hollister, Co-Chair » 656-3950

MCLOUGHLIN NBRHD ASSC (MNA)
 General Membership Meetings
 Steering Committee Meetings
 Info Tim Powell, Chair » 380-0503
www.mnaoc.org

PARK PLACE NBRHD ASSC (PPNA)
 General Membership Meetings
 Steering Committee Meetings
 Info Lois Kiefer, Chairman » 722-7142
www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/ppn

RIVERCREST NBRHD ASSC (RNA)
 General Membership Meeting
 When Thursday | Mar 15 | Jun 21 | 7pm
 Where First Presbyterian Church
 1321 Linn Avenue
 Steering Committee Meeting
 When Wednesday | May 16 | 7pm
 Where First Presbyterian Church
 1321 Linn Avenue
 Info Diane McKnight, Chair » 656-6435
www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity/rcna

SOUTH END NBRHD ASSC (SENA)
 General Membership Meetings
 When Thursday | Mar 15 | May 21 | 7pm
 Where Cornerstone Family Life Center
 18955 S. South End Road
 Info Karen Montoya, Chair » 557-8065

TOWER VISTA NBRHD ASSC (TVNA)
 General Membership Meetings
 Steering Committee Meetings
 Info Todd Tuthill, Chair » 655-7313

CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE COUNCIL (CICC)
 Info Julie Hollister, Chairman » 656-3950

CHIEF'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS (POLICE & FIRE)
 Info Chris Wadsworth, Admin Assist » 496-1681

For updated information about neighborhoods, meetings and events, go to www.neighborhoodlink.com/oregoncity or visit www.orcity.org.

CONVERSATIONS WITH A COMMISSIONER



Join Commission President
 Trent Tidwell in an informal discussion regarding issues that concern you, your family and Oregon City. Call 657-1186 for more information.

First Tuesday each month | 7:00pm | Black Point Inn | 602 7th Street,

Oregon City | Upstairs in the Founders Room

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..... 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

METRO ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE TO AWARD GRANTS

The Oregon City Metro Enhancement Committee (OCMEC) will conduct its annual meeting at 5:30pm on Thursday, May 17 at Pioneer Community Center, 615 Fifth Street. Grant applications for projects within the Oregon City boundaries are now available. The total amount available for grants is \$100,000 with \$25,000 being a maximum award. The deadline for applications is Friday, April 27 at 3:00pm. Proposals may be mailed or delivered to City Hall, 320 Warner Milne Road.

The OCMEC is comprised of the City Commission, Metro Councilor and three citizens at-large. Metro Councilor Brian Newman, District 2, serves the O.C.-Metro Enhancement Committee which derives funds from the Metro South Station, garbage transfer station on Washington Street. The enhancement program is part of an intergovernmental agreement between Oregon City and Metro and is generated by a 50¢ per ton surcharge collected at the Transfer Station. The surcharge is intended to offset any negative impacts from Metro's solid waste transfer facility. Last year the MEC funded eight programs.

Metro invests in projects that benefit localities directly affected by Metro's garbage disposal facilities. Grants are used to create real changes in the community. There are four enhancement grant target areas in the Metro area, each with a committee composed of residents who provide help promote, solicit, develop and evaluate projects.

For more information on the Oregon City Metro Enhancement grant program call Michele Beneville at 503-496-1542.



CAPITAL PROJECTS



McLoughlin Boulevard Today—Ready for a Face Lift

McLoughlin Boulevard – 99E Enhancement Project Phase I Update—As the ground dries up and buds begin to spring forth, the McLoughlin Boulevard Enhancement Project Phase I nears its final plan approval. At the Public Open House held on January 29, the 70% preliminary plans for the boulevard design were presented, illustrating the roadway improvements as well as concepts for a riverfront plaza. The event was well attended and Oregon City residents offered many great comments for how to improve upon the work in progress.

During February and March, citizens, Natural Resource Committee (NRC), Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC), Project Advisory Committee (PAC), City Commission, and the McLoughlin Blvd project team participated in meetings and project site tours for the purpose of formulating a consensus recommendation for replanting project areas that directly impact the existing vegetation. Because much of the existing vegetation consists of invasive species and trees overcome by ivy or showing other signs of decay, the project proposes to replace them in greater quantity and with more appropriate plants and trees that will enhance the riverfront environment. The replanting plan is aimed at creating a safer, more indigenous tree and vegetation habitat to be enjoyed by birds, fish, bank-side critters, pedestrians and the river-going public.

In addition, property owners and businesses occupying the buildings most immediately affected by the boulevard construction are receiving communication about impacts during the construction phase, which is expected to commence in early 2008. While regarded as a temporary inconvenience, many downtown stakeholders look forward to the long-term benefits of this project and the much needed downtown-riverfront connectivity.

The artist team was selected for the project in February. They will conduct a visioning session with the PAC and begin work on public art, wayfinding signage and interpretive features for the project. For the latest information on this project go to www.oregoncity.org/public-works/Construction_projects.htm or contact Project Manager, Aleta Froman-Goodrich at afromangoodrich@ci.oregon-city.or.us or 503.496.1570.

Construction Ahead!—The Beaver Creek Road Improvements construction started in February. The final product will be a five-lane arterial with bike lanes, landscaping, innovative stormwater management features and continuous sidewalks on both sides of the road.

The first half of the project will be focused on the north half of the right-of-way where a 20-inch ductile iron water transmission main will be installed to replace a 100-year old pipe. This represents an enormous reliability factor for Oregon City's water distribution system.

Stormwater improvements will include water quality swales on the north side of the road that are integrated with the piped system that drains to Newell Creek. To manage the public's costs for the project related to right-of-way acquisition, landscaping on the south side of the road is limited and sidewalks will be curbside. See project updates at www.oregoncity.org.



Beaver Creek Road Under Construction



Beaver Creek Road Typical Cross-section (Future)

STREET DIVISION



What's Wrong With This Picture?—Street signs are often overlooked (hopefully not speed limit signs). In some cases street signs are obstructed by shrubbery or vehicles parked too close to a corner. Curbside sign obstructions can be corrected. Oregon City's Street Division and Code Enforcement Division work daily to ensure the traveling public has adequate sign visibility. There are 133 miles of City streets within the City limits, and keeping an eye on roadside problems is an area where the community can be very helpful.

First, if the issue is a safety concern as depicted in this picture, call Oregon City Public Works right away at 657-8241. Second, if the problem is more of a nuisance related to overgrown shrubbery you can either call Public Works or call City Hall at 657-0891 and ask to speak with someone from the Code Enforcement Division. Lastly, if the problem is resulting from your property frontage, please remember that you can make a difference with a little time, effort and some pruning shears.

Reminder From Your Code Enforcement Division—The Code Enforcement Division would like to remind you to assess your property regularly. Low limbs and other vegetation often extend into the right-of-way, street or sidewalk, creating pedestrian and vehicular hazards.

City Code requires property owners to remove dead branches and dangerous limbs from street trees alongside and in front of their property. Trees are to be trimmed to maintain a minimum seven-foot clearance above all sidewalks and ten-foot clearance above the street.

Grass and weeds are to be cut to a height of no more than six inches and disposed of in a yard debris container. Improper disposal of yard debris may result in the clogging of storm drains.

For additional information or to report a violation, please contact the Code Enforcement Division at 496-1559.

WATER DIVISION

Home Irrigation Safety Reminder—All landscape irrigation (commonly referred to as sprinklers) must have some sort of backflow prevention installed to prevent contaminated water from siphoning back into your home's plumbing or the public drinking water supply. Spring is an excellent time to schedule the annual test for assemblies such as double check valves (DC) and pressure vacuum breakers (PVB). By having the assembly tested prior to the irrigation season you can be confident that it is doing the job for which it is intended – helping to keep our drinking water safe.

Atmospheric vacuum breakers (AVB) do not require annual testing. They can be used for backflow prevention, but there are restrictions when using them. There can be no control (on/off) valves downstream of the AVB and they must be installed at least six inches above the highest sprinkler head. Proper installation requires one AVB per irrigation zone.

Scheduled Test Notices are mailed to many of Oregon City's water customers as a reminder that the annual test is due. This spring many customers will receive a reminder letter for the first time. These letters are being sent based on direct observation of sprinkler heads and/or irrigation control boxes on the property.

If you would like a list of state-certified backflow testers, if you have additional questions about backflow prevention, or if you have any concerns about Oregon City's drinking water quality, contact Gail Johnson at 657-8241 or gjohnson@ci.oregon-city.or.us. Clackamas River Water customers can contact Vance Voyles at 722-9244 or vvoyles@crwater.com for backflow prevention information, or call 722-9241 with any other drinking water questions or concerns.





STORMWATER DIVISION



Water Quality 101
 Once upon a time (June 22, 1969) in a place not so far away (Cleveland, Ohio) there was a river (the Cuyahoga) that caught on fire. Actually, it was the oil slick on the river that caught on fire, and it wasn't the first time that the Cuyahoga River had burned. Fires had occurred nine times in the previous century. The river was described as "chocolate-brown, oily, bubbling with subsurface gases, it oozes rather than flows....no visible signs of life, not even low forms such as leeches and sludge worms that usually thrive on wastes."

Closer to home, Tom McCall produced and hosted a 1962 documentary entitled "Pollution

in Paradise", lamenting the poor condition of the Willamette River. Concern for environmental problems all across the United States resulted in legislation to address water pollution through the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972. This is commonly known as the Clean Water Act, and it set the basic structure for regulation of discharges of pollutants into the waters across America. Wastewater standards were set for industry, sewage treatment plants were built, and water quality standards were set for all contaminants in surface waters.

In the 35 years since the Clean Water Act was created many amendments have been adopted, modifying and expanding on the original. Scientific research and data from monitoring our nation's waters have provided valuable information about the effect we all have on our environment.

Oregon City has an important part to play in the protection and enhancement of water quality. There are 22 drainage basins mapped within the city's boundaries, with outfalls into both the Willamette and Clackamas Rivers. Oregon City's Stormwater Division is responsible for the Surface Water Management (SWM) program. The goal is to reduce pollution in our rivers, streams and wetlands caused by urban stormwater runoff.

Components of the SWM program include street sweeping, catch basin cleaning, detention pond maintenance, and construction site erosion and sediment control. Ongoing sampling of designated streams and outfalls provides data to gauge the effectiveness of our programs. These activities are funded through stormwater fees on your monthly utility bill and erosion control permit fees.

Trail News articles will continue to provide readers with water quality information and steps each of us can take to minimize pollution flowing into our waterways. Each home and business has a responsibility in helping our waterways flow clear and clean, with abundant signs of life. Burning rivers should be a thing of the past!

For more details about what you can do to help reduce pollution go to: www.cleanriversandstreams.org/index.html. For more information about water quality go to: www.oregon.gov/DEQ/WQ/, and for the Clean Water Act: www.epa.gov/ebtpages/water.html.

OC GARBAGE & RECYCLING

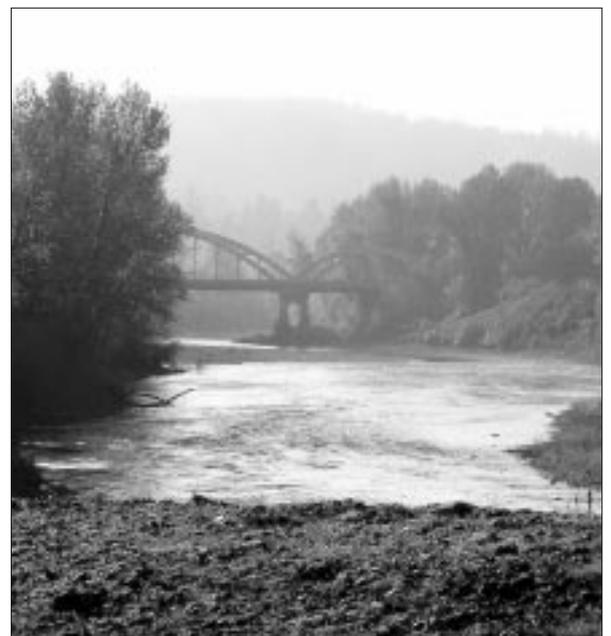
Plastic Tubs Added to Curbside Recycling in Oregon City—Oregon City Garbage is pleased to announce that clean plastic tubs and lids can now be recycled by homes and businesses throughout Clackamas County, including in the City of Oregon City. This includes plastic tubs such as those used for yogurt, margarine, cottage cheese, salsa, etc., plastic nursery pots, and "bucket-style" tubs used for cat litter, laundry detergent and similar products. These materials can be recycled because there are now consistent U.S. and overseas markets for them.



Plastic tubs can go in with your plastic bottles, metals and paper — they don't need a separate container. Remember to keep glass bottles and jars separate from your other recyclables.

Please do not include plastic bags, brittle plastics from the bakery or deli, polystyrene (foam peanuts, foam blocks or meat trays), plastic cups or plates, or plastic toys. "If in doubt, leave it out."

To find out options for recycling plastics not collected at your home or business, call Clackamas County at 503-557-6363 or go to Metro's web site at www.metro-region.org/findrecycler.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT—320 Warner Milne Rd | 503-657-0891 | www.oregocity.org

BUILDING DEPARTMENT



Can Emergency Responders Find You?
Take time to mark your home properly!

OK, we've all said it a million times... "I'll do it tomorrow." If you are in the majority of people that *intend* to post your address, your address numbers are probably still sitting somewhere in your garage waiting to be painted.

Addresses are vital in providing timely emergency response. Regardless of the type of emergency, whether it is for police, fire or medical services, time is precious. An address that is clearly displayed on the front of your home or business can make the difference between life and death.

We've all been lost due to unmarked buildings and unclear signage. Emergency responders have a split second to find you, and they are probably not the ones you would want lost when you need them. Remember, responders can't see someone choking or having a heart attack inside a building, and your numbers are the only thing that separates you from every other building on your street. It is important that they be able to see your numbers at night in the dark, through rain and fog, power outages, etc. Lit solar numbers, reflective numbers, and/or larger numbers are always a good idea.

Numbers should be a minimum of four inches in height and contrast with their background so they stand out. Address numbers should be easily visible from the street. If your address cannot be seen from the street (due to a flag lot, distance from street, private drive, obstructions, etc) numbers should be placed on the house AND at the entrance of the driveway.

Protect yourself, family, friends and co-workers by making sure your address is clearly displayed. | Stephanie Free, City of Oregon City Addressing Division

What? I need a permit?

To find out when you need a permit for your home project, check this web site:
www.PermitsProtect.info
or call
The Oregon City Building Department at (503) 657-0891
www.PermitsProtect.info

POLICE DEPARTMENT—320 Warner Milne Rd | 503-657-4964 | www.oregocity.org



ON-LINE PROPERTY CRIME REPORTING

The Oregon City Police Department has made On-Line reporting available to it's local residents. On-line reporting was designed to assist the public in reporting no-suspect property crimes to law enforcement without having to call or wait for an officer to respond. It was also designed to free up officers who would normally respond to those crime reports, making them available for the more serious incidents.

On-line reporting is easy. Simply go to the City of Oregon City's website at www.oregocity.org, scroll down in the column on the left to DEPARTMENTS and choose POLICE. Once on the Police Department's website choose ON-LINE REPORTING from the left column and follow the instructions on filling out the report.

Once the report is submitted, Police Department Records personnel will review the information and assign a case number to the incident. The case number will be sent to the reporting party via email.

On-line reporting is for minor property crimes such as theft from a vehicle, a stolen bicycle from a yard, or vandalism to personal property that is under \$750 in value to replace or repair.

On-Line reporting is not for reporting emergencies, person crimes involving injury or the threat of injury or crimes against children. For these types of crimes and other crimes against a person call 911 or the non-emergency dispatch number of (503) 655-8211.





Clackamas Fire District #1 WATER SAFETY



Your Friend for Life!

General Water Safety Tips

- Learn to swim. The best thing anyone can do to stay safe in and around the water is to learn to swim. Always swim with a buddy; never

swim alone. The American Red Cross has swimming courses for people of any age and swimming ability. To enroll in a swim course, contact your local Red Cross chapter or the Oregon City Pool. *See pages 9–10 of this issue for more information on swim lessons offered at the Oregon City Swimming Pool.*

- Swim in supervised areas only.
- Obey all rules and posted signs.
- Watch out for the “dangerous too’s”—too tired, too cold, too far from safety, too much sun, too much strenuous activity.
- Don’t mix alcohol and swimming. Alcohol impairs your judgment, balance and coordination, affects your swimming and diving skills, and reduces your body’s ability to stay warm.
- Pay attention to local weather conditions and forecasts. Stop swimming at the first indication of bad weather.
- Know how to prevent, recognize, and respond to emergencies.

Lakes and Rivers

- Select a supervised area. A trained lifeguard who can help in an emergency is the best safety factor. Even good swimmers can have an unexpected medical emergency in the water. Never swim alone.
- Select an area that is clean and well maintained. A clean bathhouse, clean restrooms and a litter-free environment show the management’s concern for your health and safety.
- Select an area that has good water quality and safe natural conditions. Murky water, hidden underwater objects, unexpected drop-offs and aquatic plant life are hazards. Water pollution can cause health problems for swimmers. Strong tides, big waves and currents can turn an event that began as fun into a tragedy.
- Make sure the water is deep enough before entering headfirst. Too many swimmers are seriously injured every year by entering headfirst into water that is too shallow. A feet-first entry is much safer than diving.
- Be sure rafts and docks are in good condition. Never swim under a raft or dock. Always look before jumping off a dock or raft to be sure no one is in the way.
- Avoid drainage ditches and arroyos. Drainage ditches and arroyos for water run-off are not good places for swimming or playing in the water. After heavy rains, they can quickly change into raging rivers that can easily take a human life. Even the strongest swimmers are no match for the power of the water. Fast water and debris in the current make ditches and arroyos very dangerous.

Boating

- Alcohol and boating don’t mix. Alcohol impairs your judgment, balance and coordination. Over 50 percent of drownings result from boating incidents involving alcohol. For the same reasons it is dangerous to operate an automobile while under the influence of alcohol, people should not operate a boat while drinking alcohol.



- Look for the label: Use Coast Guard-approved life jackets for yourself and your passengers when boating and fishing.
- Develop a float plan. Anytime you go out in a boat, give a responsible person details about where you will be and how long you will be gone. This is important because if the boat is delayed because of an emergency, becomes lost or encounters other problems, you want help to be able to reach you.
- Find a boating course in your area (Red Cross, U.S. Power Squadron, the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, US Sailing, etc) — these courses teach about navigation rules, emergency procedures and the effects of wind, water conditions and weather.
- Watch the weather: Know local weather conditions and prepare for electrical storms. Watch local news programs. Stop boating as soon as you see or hear a storm.



DON'T MISS THESE SPECIAL EVENTS!

ANNUAL EGG HUNT

Saturday | April 7 | 10:00am sharp | Ages 12 and under
 Rivercrest Park, 131 Park Avenue (off Linn Ave)
 This citywide event is sponsored by Rivercrest Neighborhood Association and Oregon City Parks and Recreation.

ANNUAL 'SEE SPOT RUN' FUN-RUN

Saturday | June 2 | Time TBA | Public Library
 The Fun Run and Walk for the Library Summer Reading Program will be held Saturday, June 2. Participants can sign up for Summer Reading at the event and enjoy entertainers following the Run. More details are to come. Interested in helping us plan this year's event? Call Karin Morey at 880-3439 or email FOCPLBookstore@aol.com. See also page 14 inside.

CLACKAMAS COUNTRY TOURISM



For more information on these and many other spring events, visit our website at www.MtHoodTerritory.com

Sculpture Exposition at Alexander Gallery

Come enjoy sculpture both in and outdoors. Large scale sculpture exhibition features 25 prominent Northwest sculptors. 503-657-6958
 Open Daily | Apr 09–Jun 08 | Clackamas Community College | 19600 S. Molalla Ave., Oregon City | Free

Fatal Passage—A Murder Mystery Dinner Theater

Enjoy a murder mystery at this wonderful location. When a sudden death occurs onboard a trans-Atlantic ocean liner, it seems that there are dark secrets and motives aplenty on this "Fatal Passage". 367-2620 or 656-1894
 Fridays & Saturdays (4 performances) | Apr 20–28 | 6:30pm | Ainsworth House & Gardens | 19130 Lot Whitcomb Drive | Oregon City | \$25–\$40

Oregon River Games

Have a splash at this whitewater festival with a broad range of activities ranging from world-class competitions to family oriented fun events on the Upper Clackamas River and at Promontory Park, along with events for flat-water craft.
 May 4–6 | Upper Clackamas River | Just East of Estacada on Highway 224

Pioneer Family Festival — Family Fun Days!

Enjoy the best of the Northwest at this family tradition. There's tons to do at this festival including listening to live music, carnival rides, learning about history, a teddy bear parade, watching the BMX and skating competitions, and even pro wrestling! Or get more involved through the Historic Oregon City Heritage Walk, a 10k that takes you through the festival to the Willamette Locks and the elevator where you will view the Falls. 503-657-8299
 Friday–Sunday | May 18–20 | Clackamette Park/RV Park | 1955 Clackamette Dr. | Oregon City

OREGON CITY FARMERS MARKET

SATURDAYS
 May through October
 9am ~ 2pm

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 Master Gardener • Food & Beverage

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