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Pigs Rescued From Barn Fire!

On the morning of February 28, 2015, at 11:24 a.m. firefighters responded to 25675 S. Beavercreek Rd to a barn fire. When firefighters arrived on scene the barn was heavily involved in fire. The fire was also being fed by windy weather conditions. Several chickens and 20 adult pigs were herded out of the barn by firefighters. Five to six piglets were also carried from the barn.

Eleven fire units responded, including one from Estacada Fire District. Firefighters quickly evacuated the pigs and protected exposures. Defensive fire tactics were established which resulted in approximately half of the structure being saved. Some portions of the building did collapse as a result of heavy fire damage. The portion of the barn that collapsed was the original structure built in 1890. The part of the building saved from fire was an addition added several years ago.

No injuries were reported. Fire investigators remained on scene working to determine a cause of the fire.

What's Your Type?

A fire extinguisher is your best defense against small, contained fires that have just begun to burn. Extinguishers can control flames until the fire department arrives, and buy you enough time to get out of a burning structure.

Every type of extinguisher is designed to fight a certain class or classes of fire. There are four classes which are determined by the type of fuel. Learning to identify these classes will help you select the right fire extinguisher. Using the wrong type of fire extinguisher can cause a fire to spread and place you in greater danger.

Type A - Ordinary combustibles

Type B - Flammable liquids

Type C - Electrical equipment

Type D - Combustible metals

There are also multipurpose fire extinguishers that can be used on types A, B, and C classes of fire.

To use an extinguisher safely, stand six to eight feet from the fire with your back to an unblocked exit and use the PASS procedure.

1. PULL... pull the pin. This will also break the tamper seal.

2. AIM... aim low, pointing the extinguisher nozzle (or its horn or hose) at the base of the fire.

Note: Do not touch the plastic discharge horn on CO2

Community Calendar

Back Country Horsemen, Territorial Riders Chapter...

Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. Beavercreek Fire Dept.

This is a brand new BCH chapter, come join us.

For information call 503-637-3878 or see www.bcho.org.

Beavercreek Committee for Community Planning (BCCP)...

"As needed" basis, Beavercreek Fire Station at 7:30 p.m.

Beavercreek Charitable Trust...

Fourth Monday, BCT Henrici Community Room at 7:00 p.m.

Beavercreek Grange...

First Saturday, Beavercreek Grange at 1:00 p.m.

Beavercreek Lions...

First and Third Saturday, Beavercreek Grange at 7:30 a.m.

Beavercreek Elementary School PTO...

Second Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Beaver Creek Telephone Directors Meeting...

First Thursday, Henrici Road Offices at 7:00 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop #139... Mondays, Beavercreek Grange at 7:00 p.m. Website: <http://www.troop139.net>

Carus Community Planning Org. (CPO)...

Second Thursday, Grandview Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m.

Carus School PTA...

Second Tuesday, School Library at 7:00 p.m.

Clackamas River Water Board Meetings...

Third Thursday, 16770 SE 82nd Dr. at 7:00 p.m.,

Clarkes/Highland Community Planning Org. (CPO)...

First Wednesday of January, February, March, June, September and December, 7:30 p.m. at the Clarkes Grange.

Contact: Susan Nielsen, clarkes-highland@yahoo.com.

Clarkes Parent/Teacher Group...

Third Monday, School Library at 6:30 p.m.

Cub Scout Pack #183...

Den Meetings, Second & Fourth Tuesday, Beavercreek Elementary School at 6:30 p.m.

Equestrian Trails, North Valley Chapter...

First Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. dinner (optional) followed by 7:00 mtg (Clackamas Elms). For information call 503-632-5610 www.oregonequestriantrails.org or find us on Facebook,

Hamlet of Beavercreek Board Meetings...

On Thursday, the week before the monthly meeting, at 7:00 p.m. in the Beavercreek Fire Station Meeting Room.

Hamlet of Beavercreek Community Meetings...

Fourth Wednesday, Beavercreek Grange at 7:00 p.m.

Hamlet of Molalla Prairie Board Meetings...

First Tuesday, Fountain Valley Dental conference room,

Noon to 2:00 p.m. info 503-789-7179,

www.hamletofmolallaprairie.org

Hamlet of Molalla Prairie Community Meetings...

Rural Community Meeting, third Wednesday, Molalla
Public Library at 7:00 p.m., www.hamletofmolallaprairie.org

Hamlet of Mulino...

Third Thursday, Mulino Head Start, 13700 S. Freeman Rd.
at 7:15 p.m. For information call 503-632-0202

Oregon City/Beavercreek Mom's Club...

Monthly business meetings. If interested in attending,
please contact ocmoms@yahoo.com

Oregon City Commission Meetings...

First & Third Wednesday, City Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Oregon City Kiwanis...

Every Friday, Berry Park Retirement Community, 13669 S.
Gafney Ln, at 7:00 a.m.

Oregon City School District Board Meetings...

2nd Monday, District Board Room, 1306 12th St., Oregon
City at 7:00 p.m.

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**Church Directory
for the Beavercreek,
Carus, Clarks and
Oregon City Areas**

**Beavercreek Baptist Church**

15660 S. Leland Rd.
503-632-7505

E-Mail: bchurch@bctonline.com

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. (Youth Only 10:45)

Sunday Worship: 9:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

Youth: Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Ladies Bible Study: Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.

Women's Breakfast: 1st Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Beavercreek Community Christian Church

Services held at the Beavercreek Grange
503-266-1965 or 503-320-3882

Breakfast: Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.

**Beavercreek United Church of Christ
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Hospitality Hour & Seasonal Potlucks: 11:15 a.m.

AA Meetings: Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

Oregon City Ward 3

The Church of **Jesus Christ** of Latter-day Saints
Henrici Rd between S. Beavercreek Rd and Hwy 213
Bishop Jerry Swertfeger 503-632-8634

Sunday Meetings: Start at 1:00 p.m.

Women's Enrichment: 3rd Tuesday's, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Activity Night (12-18 yrs): Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

Bryn Seion Welsh Church

22132 S. Kamrath Rd.
971-295-4311

www.brynseionwelshchurch.org

Sunday Worship: the 2nd & 4th Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

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Carus Community United Methodist Church

22765 S. Hwy 213
503-632-4186

Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School (Sept. - June): 9:30 a.m.

Clarks United Methodist Church

18773 S. Windy City Rd.
503-632-7778

Sunday Worship: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.

United Methodist Women: 2nd Wed., 9:30 a.m.

**Church Directory
for the
Beavercreek, Carus,
Clarkes and Oregon City
Areas continued**



First Baptist Church of Oregon City

819 John Adams St.
Oregon City, OR
503-656-3854
1baptistchurch.org

Praise & Worship: Sundays 10:30 a.m.

Kidchurch: Sundays 10:30 a.m.

Middle/High School Youth Groups: Wednesdays, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Grand View Baptist Church
(Corner of Hwy 213 & Leland Rd.)
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Bible Study: 10:00 a.m.

Main Service: 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

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www.livinghopechurchoc.com

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:45 a.m.

Lower Highland Bible Church

24353 S. Ridge Rd.
503-632-4741
lohibi@bctonline.com

Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

The Bridge: Clarkes General Store & Eatery, Mondays, 6:30 PM
For add'l info and activities check our Facebook page

Oregon Trail Free Will Baptist Church

14595 S. Henrici Rd.
503-557-8559

Sunday School for all ages: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:55 a.m.

Sunday Evening Bible Study: 6:00 p.m.

Sunday Youth Group: 6:00 p.m.

Thursday Evening Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

AWANA Childrens Program: Thursdays, 6:15 p.m.

Prince of Life Lutheran Church

13896 S. Meyers Rd.
Oregon City, OR 97045
503-657-3100

Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School & Learning: 9:40 a.m.

St. John the Apostle Catholic Church

417 Washington St., Oregon City
503-742-8200
www.stjohn-oc.org

Saturday Mass: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday Mass: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School: During Services

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

822 Washington St.
503-656-9842

Sunday Worship: 7:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Worship: 7:00 p.m.

AA Meetings: Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Stone Creek Christian Church

Main Campus: 21949 S. Hwy 213
Maple Lane Campus: 14228 S. Maple Lane
503-632-4218
www.stonecreekonline.com

Sunday Worship: 9:00 am, 10:30 am., and 12:00 pm.

Sunday School: Adult - 10:30 am., Student (Jr/Sr High) Noon
Ministries for infant thru elementary - all services

Monday Eve: Women's Bible Study, 6:30 pm

Tuesday Eve: Kid's Club, Pre-K thru 6th grade, 6 pm - 8 pm

Family Dinner, 5:30 pm - 6 pm

Wednesday Eve: Youth Group (7th-12th Grade) 6 pm - 8 pm

Thursday Morning: Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am

Saturday Morning: Men's Bible Study, 8 am

Food Distribution: Food Basket, Wednesdays, 10 am to 2 pm

Trinity Lutheran Church

16000 S. Henrici Rd.
503-632-5554
www.trinityoc.org

Sunday Services: Traditional, 8:15 a.m.

Contemporary, 11:00 a.m.

Education Hour: Sundays, 9:45 a.m.

Thursday Morning Adult Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.

Quilting Bee: 2nd Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

J.A.M.: K thru 5th Grade, Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m., September thru May

Men's Prayer Breakfast: Saturdays, 7:30 a.m.

extinguishers, it gets very cold and may damage skin.

3. SQUEEZE... squeeze the handle to release the extinguishing agent.

4. SWEEP... sweep from side to side at the base of the fire until it appears to be out. Watch the area. If the fire e-ignites, repeat steps 2 - 4.

Sound the fire alarm and call the fire department, if appropriate.

When in doubt, get out, call 911, and leave the firefighting to the professionals!

Got Any Ideas for Articles?

Feel Free to E-Mail or call the paper
with your suggestions!

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Artsplash Art Show Call to Artists

Applications for the 20th annual ArtSplash Art Show and Sale are now available. The Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee, a public arts citizen committee of the City of Tualatin Oregon, invites artists to submit an application for this annual juried summer art sale. The goal of the Tualatin Arts Advisory Committee is to encourage and promote Northwest artists, expose the community to a wide range of artistic experience, and endorse interaction between artists and the community. Proceeds from ArtSplash go to support the public arts in Tualatin.

ArtSplash Dates:

Friday, July 24 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Saturday, July 25 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

Sunday, July 26 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

ArtSplash is located at the beautiful Lake of the Commons in Tualatin, 8325 SW Nyberg Street. The Tualatin Commons is the vibrant heart of downtown featuring a wide

artists.

May 5, 2015 Application deadline

Contact Info:

Heidi Marx

Recreation Program Specialist

(503)691-3076

hmarx@ci.tualatin.or.us

Willamette View Residents' Scholarship Benefits Employees

Former Willamette View resident Alan Fibish spent a lifetime as an educator. Thanks to his vision and generosity, employees of the Milwaukie residential community will have educational support at Clackamas Community College.

The Alan Fibish Scholarship was established in his memory through residents, families and friends at Willamette View. It is open to current employees who enroll at CCC.

Fibish's 37-year career as an educator began in 1953 in the San Francisco Unified School District, and included 15 years as a school principal. A lifelong learner, Fibish earned his bachelor's degree in psychology from University of California Berkeley and a master's in marine biology. He also earned a teaching credential from San Francisco State University, and later a doctorate in education at UC Berkeley.

"When Alan and his wife, Carole, came to Willamette View, they took an immediate interest in the education and well-being of our employees, especially the young people working in dining services, many of whom came from modest means and were earning money for college," said Craig Van Valkenburg, Willamette View CEO.

Residents at Willamette View have raised more than \$40,000 toward the scholarship.

"This is unheard of – for residents of a retirement community to give their resources to help their employees further their education," said Greg Fitzgerald, executive director of the CCC Foundation.

The CCC Foundation provides more than \$500,000 in scholarship support to students annually. Schol-

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Artist amenities include booth sitters for breaks, water, artists' breakfast reception Saturday morning, free parking, free admission, volunteer assistance for unloading, volunteer staffed central wrap station, art racks and hooks or table provided.

Visual artists in all mediums including, but not limited to acrylic, oil, watercolor, photography, metal, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, and glass are eligible.

For more information about ArtSplash visit our website at: <http://www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/artsplash-call>

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For more information call

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ships are offered for a wide variety of students, from first in family to attend college, to career technical to academic achievement. They are available for students taking at least six credits and maintaining at least a 2.0 grade point average.

The Foundation is more than half way toward its goal of raising \$10 million to support scholarships and endowments in anticipation of the college's 50th year of service in 2016. The Foundation embarked on the campaign in 2012 to address concerns raised by the community about funding college education.

Salas' works utilize imagery such as icebergs, canoes and tools created through experiments of acrylic paint and coffee on nonwoven interface.

The Alexander Gallery is located in the Niemeyer Center at Clackamas Community College's Oregon City campus. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with the exception of campus holidays. Exhibitions are open to the public, and there is no cost to attend.

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Roberto Salas' 'Crossing Waters' Opens March 30

"Crossing Waters," a solo exhibition of works by artist Roberto Salas, opens March 30th in the Alexander Gallery at CCC and runs through May 1. An artist's reception will be held on Tuesday, April 7, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the gallery with Salas speaking about his work and process at 1 p.m.

Salas studied at the University of New Mexico and received a Master in Fine Arts degree from the University of California, San Diego. He has completed public art pieces in San Diego, Los Angeles, El Paso and New Mexico.

The exhibition "Crossing Waters" showcases large-scale, mixed media, free-hanging panels that explore primordial obsessions with natural geometric icons inspired by indige-

Oregon City Robber Pretends to be With Meals on Wheels... Tips Sought

On February 13, 2015, at about 5:26 p.m. Oregon City Police responded to a 911 call of an armed robbery which occurred at a residential home on Taylor St near 15th St. A male suspect contacted a 64 year old female homeowner at her front door and pretended to be with Meals on Wheels. The female victim let the suspect into her home. The suspect produced a knife and demanded money from the victim. The



suspect cut the home phone line and fled the residence on foot with an undisclosed amount of money. The victim was not injured during the robbery. She was able to get help from a neighbor who contacted police.

The suspect is described as a white male in his late teens to early 30's, 5'8" to 5'10" tall with a slender build. He was wearing blue jeans, a blue hooded top, and brown gloves.

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The suspect's face was covered with a blue handkerchief and sunglasses.

A witness was able to help police create a composite sketch of the suspect, leaving the crime scene. Investigators located video surveillance of the suspect leaving the neighborhood after the robbery. The Oregon City Police is asking anyone with information regarding this Robbery or who recognizes the suspect in the video surveillance or composite to call the Oregon City Police Tip Line at (503) 496-1616. Oregon City Police Case #15-541.

AARP Seeks Volunteers From All Corners of the State

If you are looking for a meaningful volunteer opportunity where you can make a difference in your community, AARP Oregon is seeking volunteers to advocate, educate and engage Oregonians of all backgrounds. We have a variety of community and committee roles including our Executive Committee and Diversity Advisory Council.

AARP Oregon works on issues that matter to 50+ Oregonians and their families, including financial security, family caregiving, livable and age friendly communities, hunger, fraud, and more.

You can make an impact on local, State and Federal lev-

els with our outreach on protecting Social Security and Medicare, helping people find jobs, start a new business or prepare for retirement, along with advocating for family caregivers.

We are seeking representation from every corner of the State. AARP Oregon supports inclusiveness in all of its activities and seeks leadership applicants who represent the State's diversity in age, geography, beliefs, ethnicity, disability and sexual orientation.

"We encourage Oregonians of all backgrounds to apply for these positions," said AARP state director Jerry Cohen.

Questions? Email us at oraarp@aarp.org To apply, go to <http://svy.mk/1MLpVBd>.

CCC Names New Veterans Services Coordinator

R.B. Green has been named the new Veterans Services Coordinator at Clackamas Community College. Green is an Army veteran with more than 20 years of experience as an enlisted soldier, officer, student and recruiter.

Green's varied career includes work at a four-star gen-

**Clackamas Fire Dist #1
Board Meetings
the 3rd Monday of the Month
at Fire Station #5
9339 SE Causey Ave.
Happy Valley, OR 97086
Contact: Karen Strejc
503-742-2646**

eral's headquarters, designing playgrounds, creating training films and teaching at the University of Washington. He will oversee the Veterans Education and Service Center at the college, a home for veterans in the Community Center at the Oregon City campus.

CCC has become a national model for serving student veterans over the past few years. Services for veterans include credit for prior learning, dedicated counselors to work with veterans and financial aid support. The CCC Foundation established the Military Families Scholarship Endowment, providing scholarship support to the families of service members and veterans. For more information, contact Green at 503-594-3442.

Oregon City Suspends Efforts to Pass HB 2800

The City of Oregon City has decided to suspend efforts to pass HB 2800. Based on recent discussions with other cities served by the Tri-City Service District, members of the business community, and other community leaders, it's clear there is broad support for addressing shared



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concerns over the district's current governance model. What's not yet clear is a common vision for how those issues should be addressed.

Oregon City will continue discussions at both the local and State levels to generate awareness of the issues raised and identify an appropriate path forward. It is our firm belief that local government control and accountability is the best course going forward, and we'll continue to work to ensure ratepayers are put first.

Back Yard Burning Season Revisited

I know this subject has been written about in the paper before, but unfortunately, there are those who still have not

gotten the message about when and how we can burn in our area so this information bears repeating.

The Clackamas Fire District #1 Back Yard Burning (Domestic Open Burning) season began on March 1, 2015.

The back yard burning seasons are March 1st - June 15th and October 1st - December 15th unless fire danger levels are "High" or "Extreme."

Back yard burning is the burning of organic yard debris on the property of origin (this means **it is illegal to allow debris to be brought in to be burned on your property**), on approved burn days, during approved burn hours, as indicated by the daily Clackamas Fire District #1 burn message (503-632-0211) or website at <http://www.clackamasfire.com>.

This applies to areas served by Clackamas Fire District #1 including the contracted service areas of the Boring, Damascus, Barton, and Eagle Creek communities. Back yard burning is only allowed on property located outside of the DEQ Burn Ban Area and is not recommended in compact housing developments.

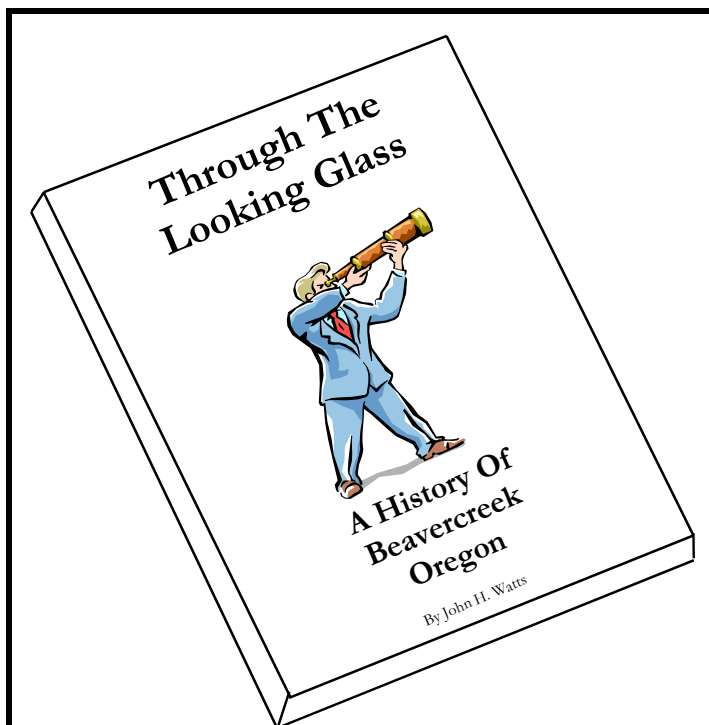
Back yard burning materials must be dried, to the extent practicable, and loosely stacked (providing adequate air supply) to ensure good combustion therefore avoiding smoldering fires. If the smoke or odor emission affects others, the fire must be extinguished. **Materials prohibited from burning** include, but are not limited to: garbage, plastic, rubber, petroleum treated materials and any material that creates dense smoke and noxious odors.

Back yard burn piles can be no larger than 10'X10'X10' and must be a minimum of 50 feet from a structure or other combustible materials. A maximum of two burn piles may be burned at any one time if space allows. All back yard burning fires must be constantly attended and extinguished by the fires-out time, which means no flames or smoke beyond the end of the established burn hours.

For more information on back yard burning, associated rules, best burning practices, and all other types of regulated burning, please visit the Open Burning section of the fire district website at <http://www.clackamasfire.com/outdoorburning.htm>, or call the Fire Prevention Division at 503-742-2660.

Masked Burglar Captured After Confrontation With Delivery Driver

On March 16, 2015, at about 0458 HRS, the Oregon City Police Department received a call of a commercial burglary in progress at Coffee Rush, 900 Main St., Oregon City. The Reporting person was a delivery driver for the business. When he entered the business for his delivery he was unexpectedly met inside the business by 51-year-old, Mr. Anthony Brown who was wearing a ski mask at the time. Mr. Brown pushed the informant down as he exited the business and fled the scene. OCPD officers were nearby and arrived within a minute of being



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dispatched. CCSO and the Gladstone Police Department responded to assist. The perimeter officers contained the suspect and located him about 5 minutes later along the steep embankment between Singer Hill and the McLoughlin House. Mr. Brown was taken into custody at about 0517 HRS.

Mr. Brown was found in possession of stolen property from Coffee Rush on his person. Other evidence of the burglary was located nearby. Mr. Brown was lodged at the Clackamas County Jail for Robbery III - \$15,000 bail, Burglary II - \$15,000 bail, Theft II - \$7,500 bail, and a no bail Parole Violation for Burglary II out of Multnomah County.

Mr. Brown is a person of interest in several other commercial burglaries in Clackamas County, Oregon City, Milwaukie, and Lake Oswego. Agencies are continuing their investigations on those burglaries. If anyone has any information about Mr. Anthony Brown they are asked to call the Oregon City Police Dept. tip line at 503-496-1616, OCPD case # 15-962.



Firefighters Save Home and Two Cats From Residential Fire

At approximately 12:30 p.m. on March 16, 2015, firefighters were called to a report of a residential fire at 12770 S. Casto Rd. in Oregon City. The fire was called in by a passerby who noticed heavy smoke coming from the residence. Upon arrival firefighters noticed the house to be full of black smoke and quickly made entry to locate and extinguish the fire. Once inside, crews were able to locate and extinguish the fire in the kitchen area and perform a search of the building to ensure everyone was out. While performing the search, firefighters located two cats in an second story room that were unconscious. The cats were removed from the building and treatment was initiated using a pet resuscitation device that is carried on all Clackamas Fire emergency response apparatus. After a few minutes of high flow oxygen and medical care the cats regained consciousness and appeared more alert. The cats were taken by the homeowners son to The Cats Meow Cat Clinic in

Oregon City for further evaluation and treatment. The cause of the fire remains under investigation at this time.

The pet resuscitation kits that are carried by emergency response apparatus are designed for both cats and dogs and is a plastic cone that is designed to fit over the animals mouth and nose. The unit is then connected to an oxygen cylinder, allowing high flow oxygen to be delivered to the animal. This incident is the second time in two months that this piece of equipment has been used by Clackamas Firefighters to successfully resuscitate a cat.

CCC Hosts Spring Career Fair April 14

Clackamas Community College and WorkSource Clackamas will host a Spring Career Fair on Tuesday, April 14, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Gregory Forum.

More than 40 employers will be on-site to hire for open full-time and part-time positions as well as internship opportunities. Industries represented at the fair include health care, manufacturing, business, education, human services, retail, agriculture, automotive and more. The presenting event sponsor is Crossroads Treatment and Counseling Services, LLC. In-kind sponsors include Helping Hands Home Care and 9Round Oregon City.

The career fair is free to attend and open to students, alumni and the public. Job seekers can register to attend online at www.clackamas.edu/CareerFair or in-person at the event.

"The Ten O'Clock Church" Upcoming Events

April 2 - Maundy Thurs. Soup Supper & Bibliodrama, 6:30 pm

April 3 - Good Friday Labyrinth Walk, 7 pm

April 4 - Prayer Vigil, 7 pm - 5 am

April 5 - Sunrise Easter service, 6:30 am

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May 2 - Cinco de Mayo Bingo, Dinner at 5:30 and Bingo at 6:30 pm

Yoga - Wednesdays at 7 pm, \$5 per session.

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Clackamas Community College Calendar of Events For April

March 30 – May 1 - Alexander Gallery: Roberto Salas 'Crossing Waters' Exhibit

A solo exhibition of works by artist Roberto Salas opens March 30 in the Alexander Gallery at CCC and runs through May 1. An artist's reception will be held on Tues-

noon to 3 p.m. There is no cost to attend. For more information, please contact Joyce Gabriel at 503-594-0950.

April 1 - Auditions for Spring Term Mainstage Production

Members of the community are welcome to audition for the CCC spring theater production "The Comedy of Errors." Auditions run from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Osterman Theatre. For more information, contact Kelly White at 503-594-3153 or visit www.clackamas.edu/theatre.

April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - *Chrysalis: Women Writers*

Local author Pat Lichen guides women writers of all levels through discussions of their work. Chrysalis meets Wednesdays from noon to 2 p.m. in the Literary Arts Center, Room 220 in Rook Hall.

April 4, 11, 18, 25 - *Garden Design*

This one-credit introductory course provides instruction for planning landscape garden areas. Class meets Saturdays, April 4 – 25, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Clairmont, room 118. Cost is \$110.50. For more information, call 503-594-3292 or visit <http://depts.clackamas.edu/hort/>.

April 7 - 'The Power of Play: Promoting Health and Crea-

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April Events

Apr 8	7-9 pm	Brush Up & Brew Down @ Clarkes: Paint "Waiting by the Fence" with excellent guidance from local artist Victoria Knight. Sign up online at www.VictoriaKnightPaintings.com
Apr 18	7-9 pm	Live Music with "Fortune Needs Time", Local Musician Kyle TenEyck and Joe Gibson



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day, April 7, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the gallery with Salas speaking about his work and process at 1 p.m. For additional information, please contact Kate Simmons at 503-594-3032 or kates@clackamas.edu.

March 30 – June 7 - Bill Leach Art Exhibit, 'Red Hills Photography'

A photo exhibit of historic landscapes and images by Bill Leach will be on display in the commons area of the CCC Wilsonville Training Center from March 30 – June 7. An opening reception will take place Saturday, April 11, from

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"The Power of Play" is explored with play activists Jonathan Blasher and Tara Doherty in this session hosted by the CCC Foundation and Oregon Humanities. The session begins at 3 p.m. in the Gregory Forum. This event is hosted by the CCC Foundation and sponsored by Oregon Humanities. For more information, please contact Dawn Hendricks at 503-594-6158 or dawn.hendricks@clackamas.edu.

April 14 - Spring Career Fair

In partnership with Worksource Clackamas, CCC is hosting a Spring Career Fair on Tuesday, April 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Gregory Forum. More than 40 employers will be on-site to hire for open positions and internship opportunities. Job seekers can register to attend online at www.clackamas.edu/CareerFair or in-person at the event.

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Protect the Summer Barbecue!

Spring is here and so is the season for barbecues, picnics, lots of good food, and fun times! Think for a moment, what those summer get-togethers would be like if we did not have pollinators. Let us start with the basics like catsup, mustard, and barbecue sauce. Without pollinators, we would have no tomatoes, mustard seed, or peppers to make our favorite condiments. Who does not love guacamole for the chips on the table or onions to go on juicy burgers? Avocados and onions both require pollination by bees. For those who enjoy a veggie burger, you too rely on pollinators to supply beans and other ingredients. Last, but certainly not least, is our wonderfully tart lemonade. What would summer be without bees to fly from lemon tree to lemon tree? Without pollinators, summer meals start seeming a little dismal. In fact, one of three mouthfuls of food and beverage require pollinators.

Why are we seeing a decline in the pollinator population? Parasites, diseases, certain pesticides, and lack of food sources are the key issues causing the decline of bee populations. While there are many scientists working on solving these problems, it will take action by everyone to be successful in re-establishing strong pollinator populations. The early birds of the bee species, mason bees, are already out doing their best to pollinate early crops. Here are a few things you can do right now to help.

Feed a bee. Bees need a constant source of food. Planting a variety of flowering plants that bloom from early spring to late fall provides the ideal habitat.

Provide a home. Native bees look for untidy areas of our yards or farms to nest. Keep a small area of your property for brush piles, open sandy ground or old tree stumps. If this goes against your aesthetic convictions, then hang up a bee nest. Many books and websites provide plans or sources to purchase these ready-made homes.

Keep it clean. If possible, avoid the use of pesticides and herbicides. Dig or pull weeds and use mulches to keep the weeds down. Try using organic methods of insect control

instead of pesticides.

For more information on how to provide a safe and healthy environment for our friends, the pollinators, contact Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District at 503-210-6000 or www.conservationdistrict.org or visit the Xerces Society website at www.xerces.org.

Let's all work together to protect our favorite berry pies and summertime treats!

CRT Children's Theater Series Presents 'Wing It In Wonderland'

Clackamas Repertory Theatre continues its series of interactive shows for children with "Wing It in Wonderland" on Saturday, April 11 at 10:30 a.m. in the Osterman Theatre.

Everybody is mad as a hatter in Wonderland, and coincidentally everyone is mad in "Wing It" as well. Luna the Owl seems to be the only one who doesn't have anything to be mad about. A curiouser and curiouser Luna embarks on an adventure to seek ways to help her friends overcome being mad. The entire cast will lead the audience in singing, dancing, and eventually driving the audience "mad" with laughter.

"Wing It," created for children from 2 to 8 years-old, is developed and directed by Travis Nodurft, Clackamas Rep company member, professional clown and Oregon City sixth-grade teacher.

Additional 2015 shows are scheduled for June 13, October 3 and December 5 and 12. All performances begin at 10:30 a.m. and take place in The Osterman Theatre in the Niemeyer Center. Admission is a suggested \$5 donation at the door. There is no reserved seating.

For more information visit clackamasrep.org or call 503-594-6047.

Thank You Beavercreek Rummage Sale Big Success

Thank you one and all for the success of "The Ten O'Clock Church" Annual Rummage Sale and Lunch. It was a great sale! People were impressed with the wide variety of items and all the wonderful bargains. PLUS the lunch was outstanding and just about everyone had to have a piece of homemade pie.

Special kudos go to Shelley & Greg Hettman and Josie & Lee Evans who were the event leaders. Thank you also to Norma Barney, who coordinated the deli-

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cious lunch, Jan Wallinder, who coordinated the volunteers, Kathy Lottmann, who handled the publicity and signs, and everyone else who donated items and volunteered many hours to make this such a great event.

We also want to thank BCT for the use of their big roadside signs and the Beavercreek Bulletin for helping us with the advertising.

But, most of all, "Thank You" to all those community members who attended the sale. We couldn't have done it without you!

Help Break a Guinness World Record and Celebrate Earth Day!

Has it been your dream to break a Guinness World Record? Well, here is your chance to make history and do something good for Earth Day 2015!

On Earth Day weekend, Saturday April 18, join 999 others who want to break the record for the greatest number of people all planting native bulbs simultaneously. The current record, established last year in the United Kingdom, is 850. Neighbors for a Livable West Linn (NLWL), hosting this event, have a goal of 1,000 people to break the standing record.

This group has been working hard to restore the White Oak Savanna overlooking the Willamette River west of the Willamette Falls. Bring your family, friends, neighbors, or anyone who wants to join in the fun of planting 1,100 blue camas bulbs donated by Metro for this project! In addition to the camas bulbs, 150 trillium will be available to plant. Activities will take place from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the White Oak Savanna at 2425 Tannler Dr., West Linn. Participants should bring their garden trowels to help get the plants in the ground.

By next spring, the White Oak Savanna will be a sea of blue camas for everyone to enjoy! Be a part of the effort to restore this quickly vanishing ecosystem. For more information about Willamette Valley Oak Savanna check out <http://www.heritageseedlings.com/shop/wpimages/willamette-valley-oak-savanna-habitat.pdf>.

Oregon City Man Arrested

On March 1, 2015 just after 10:00 a.m. Oregon City Police received a 911 call of a strong armed robbery occurring

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at the Grocery Outlet located at 878 Molalla Ave. Patrol officers arrived on scene finding a male suspect fighting with two Grocery Outlet employees outside the store. The suspect was taken into custody after resisting arrest.

The suspect was identified as 21 year old Monty Ray Buck out of Oregon City. Investigators found Mr. Buck had shoplifted store property before exiting the store. Store employees confronted Mr. Buck outside the store. Mr. Buck began fighting with the employees. Store employees realized he was armed with a machete and a knife. They were able to get the machete away from Mr. Buck and keep him outside the store until police arrived.

The suspect was transported to Willamette Falls Hospital as a precautionary measure. The suspect attempted to escape from police custody at the hospital and bit an Oregon City Police Officer. The officer was treated for his injury and released from the hospital.

Monty Ray Buck was lodged at the Clackamas County Jail for 2 counts of Robbery I, Resisting Arrest, Attempted Escape II, Assaulting a Public Safety Officer, and Criminal Mischief II with a bail of \$295,000.

Clackamas County Installs, Opens New Automated Gate on Willamette River

Clackamas County has installed a new motorized gate at the boat ramp into the Willamette River that is now operational at the west end of Oak Grove Boulevard. The gate's timer will be set to open one hour before sunrise and close one hour after sunset.

The Clackamas County Department of Transportation and Development provided funding for the new gate, which cost approximately \$10,500. North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District installed the gate and will monitor its timing and functionality while also maintaining the natural area in the road right-of-way between the gate and river.

This is great news for our citizens," said Clackamas County Commissioner Paul Savas. "I'm pleased that, with the addition of this valuable piece of equipment, we're able to keep the boat launch open and maintain the area for people to enjoy."

Installation of the new gate is part of an agreement

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reached between the County and community members to keep the boat ramp open to the public for legitimate use and not become a safety hazard or a dumping location. Community members are responsible for the boat ramp, which was built years ago by Oak Grove residents without permission from the County before it became a place where people often dumped old cars and other junk into the river.

The Clackamas County Sheriff's Office will monitor the boat ramp area, cite parking violations, and conduct dive training once a year to determine if any vehicles have been dumped into the river.

Muckboots in the Capitol - FoFF Takes on the State Legislature

Friends of Family Farmers is Oregon's leading advocacy group for sustainable, socially responsible agriculture in the halls of the State Capitol in Salem.

Since 2011, FoFF has organized events at the State Capitol that put the priorities of the local food and sustainable agriculture movement on the front burner. FOFF was in Salem on March 30, 2015, advocating for action to create and sustain the kind of food system that supports family farmers, ranchers and healthy local communities.

Their local food and family farm priorities at the State Capitol this year include: expanding and funding Oregon's beginning farmer lending program, increasing funding for OSU Extension, protecting working farmland from development, preventing misuse of antibiotics administered to farm animals, funding Farm-to-School, supporting urban agriculture, enacting GMO oversight rules to protect Oregon's important non-GMO farmers and markets, and more. You can read about all these issues in our weekly 'Muckboots in the Capitol' blog located at <http://www.friendsoffamilyfarmers.org/?p=3906>.

The March 30 Rally Day included:

A pop-up Farmers Market inside the Capitol lobby
Morning educational workshops on current food and farm policy issues

Meetings with your State policy-makers

Rally on the Capitol Steps at 12:30 p.m.

Did You Test Your Smoke Alarms When Setting Your Clocks?

Sunday, March 8 marked the beginning of Daylight Saving Time and serves as a good reminder for Oregonians to test their smoke alarms. The Office of State Fire Marshal is urging residents to test their smoke alarms before automatically changing the batteries.

"Smoke alarm technology has advanced and many now come with 10-year batteries and some are tamper-resistant," said State Fire Marshal Jim Walker. "So, I encourage residents to test their alarms before changing the battery."

Oregon law requires ionization-only smoke alarms that are solely battery powered to come equipped with a hush feature and a 10-year battery. Because of this technology,

the national slogan "Change your clock, Change your battery" may not apply to Oregon residents who have these ionization-only smoke alarms.

Other types of alarms are also being sold with either a 10-year battery or a standard-life battery.

"Ensuring you have working smoke alarms in your home is the single most important step you can take to increase your family's safety from a home fire," adds Walker. "Also, be sure to replace any smoke alarm that is 10 years old or older."

To test your alarm properly we recommend you:

1) Push the test button to be sure the battery is working.

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- 2) When replacing batteries, follow the manufacturer's instructions for the correct battery to use.
- 3) Always retest alarms after installing new batteries
- 4) Replace any alarm that fails to operate after installing a new battery.
- 5) Inspect your alarms to determine if they are 10 years old or older, and replace any smoke alarm 10 years old or older. Look for a date on the back of the alarm. If there is no date, your alarm is more than 10 years old and should be replaced.
- 6) Follow the manufacturer's instructions on regularly cleaning your alarms of dust and cobwebs.

Working smoke alarms provide a critical early warning to a fire, allowing you vital minutes to escape, which increase your chances of survival.

Additional safety tips:

* Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, in each bedroom, and outside each sleeping area.

- * Never disconnect or remove batteries from smoke alarms for other uses.
- * Use the smoke alarm's hush feature to silence nuisance alarms.
- * Make a home fire escape plan and practice it with family members.

For more smoke alarm and fire safety information, contact your local fire department or visit http://www.oregon.gov/osp/SFM/Pages/CommEd_SA_Program.aspx.

Volunteers Needed Clackamas County Library District Budget Committee

The Clackamas County Board of Commissioners (BCC) is seeking interested citizen volunteers to serve three-year terms on the Library District Budget Committee. In particular, the County desires applicants with a background in finance and public library services.

The committee participates annually with the BCC in receiving and reviewing the district budget. The committee meets in the spring, approving the budget and district tax rate each year. More information about the committee can be found at <http://www.clackamas.us/librarydistrict/>.

District residents who are committed to public library services are encouraged to apply. The application deadline is 5 p.m. on Friday, May 15. Applications can be completed online at <http://www.clackamas.us/citizenin/abc.html>, or paper copies are available from the Public and Government

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March 11th Marks 4-Year Anniversary of Japan Earthquake And Tsunami

March 11th is the 4-year anniversary of the devastating 9.0 Tohoku Earthquake and Tsunami that struck Japan in 2011 causing massive destruction. The disaster claimed nearly 16,000 lives, injured 6,000, and destroyed or damaged countless buildings. Effects of the tsunami were felt along the coast of Oregon and other Western States where waves did damage, and some of the estimated 1.5 million tons of floating debris washed ashore.

The anniversary is not only a time to remember the tragic loss of life and property in Japan, but that Oregon must be prepared for a similar geologic hazard threat here, said Cory Grogan, public information officer with the Oregon Office of Emergency Management.

The Cascadia Subduction Zone is a dangerous fault posing a significant earthquake hazard on West Coast of the U.S. and Canada. Many of the region's most highly populated cities including Portland, Oregon, Seattle, Washington, and Vancouver, B.C., would be impacted.

"A Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake will affect all parts of Oregon, whether from direct earthquake or tsunami damage or subsequent response and recovery efforts," said Interim State Geologist Ian Madin, who leads the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries. "We can look to Tohoku as not only an example of what Oregon faces in the future, but also for an example of the type of resilience Oregon needs to aspire to."

Since 2004, Oregon has put emphasis on preparing for its biggest natural threat. The Oregon Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission has produced an Oregon Resilience Plan which was furthered by the Oregon Resilience Taskforce. Current legislative session is considering several measures that address seismic issues.

The Oregon Office of Emergency Management urges individuals to take action to prepare by knowing about the hazard and having a plan that includes an emergency kit with at least two-weeks of supplies, said Althea Rizzo, Geologic Hazards Program Coordinator.

"We know that a major earthquake and tsunami similar to the one that struck the coast of Japan could hit Oregon at any time," Rizzo said.

To learn more about the threat and what you can do check out "Living on Shaky Ground: How to Survive Earthquakes and Tsunamis in Oregon," published by

Oregon Office Emergency Management. You can also go to the Oregon Office of Emergency Management Preparedness information page at http://www.oregon.gov/OMD/OEM/Pages/preparedness_information.aspx or the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries website at <http://www.oregongeology.org>.

"Prepare now and be your own survival story," said Rizzo.

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Oregon Hospitals Launch New Price Transparency Initiative

The Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems (OAHHS), which represents all of Oregon's community hospitals, announced on March 9, 2015, that it has developed a new price transparency initiative.

This initiative has three key elements, all of which focus on giving consumers pricing details in advance of a visit to a hospital for a procedure. These include legislation (SB 900) calling for a new State-run website displaying median prices paid for procedures at hospitals; tools for hospitals to provide good-faith estimates to self-pay and out-of-network patients; and a pledge to work with insurers to help insured patients understand their out-of-pocket expenses for care.

"Our transparency initiative aims to assist Oregonians in understanding hospital prices in advance of procedures," said Andy Davidson, president and CEO of the Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems. "We want to make sure that hospitals' pricing data is accessible and easy to find. We know that our patients want more health care pricing information and with this initiative, Oregonians will be able to find the data on hospital prices that will help their decision making."

The first element of the initiative entails legislation (SB 900), calling for a website, run by the Oregon Health Authority, that would use State-collected data from the State's existing All Payer All Claims database to display median prices paid for common hospital inpatient and outpatient procedures. This website would give patients the ability to understand what the typical cost of a particular procedure would be, as paid by insurers. It would allow them the ability to compare the prices paid for the most common procedures across hospitals. It would not, however, show a consumer what his or her specific insurer would cover or not cover; or what their out of pocket costs would be based on the design of their health plan. For that information, they would have to check with their insurer.

The second element entails working hand-in-hand with insurers via the Oregon Health Leadership Council (OHLC) to help patients who have insurance to understand what their out-of-pocket expenses will be. This information would be based on their insurer's contract with a particular hospital or provider, along with information from the patient's insurer as it pertains to their particular insurance coverage. It is clear that patients want to know what portion of charges they will be responsible for in advance, and Oregon hospitals and the OHLC will work to ensure that is achievable.

"The Oregon Health Leadership Council is committed to helping patients understand health care pricing, and is eager to work with our members to achieve that goal," said Greg Van Pelt, president of the OHLC. "We know that people want health care providers and insurers to work together to ensure a patient-friendly experience. This is precisely what we intend to do."

The last element of the OAHHS initiative is a commitment by Oregon's hospitals to assist Oregonians who are paying for their own care (or for out-of-network services not covered by their health plan) in getting a good-faith estimate from any hospital for the cost of a scheduled procedure upon request.

"Oregon hospitals put the health care needs of their patients first every day. Oregonians know they can count on their community hospital for quality care, 24/7/365, and now they can count on us to be even better partners in informed decision making," added Davidson.

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Beavercreek Fire Station Calls

The following are the alarms for the Beavercreek and Clarkes response areas for Clackamas County Fire District #1 from February 20 - March 20, 2015. Submitted by Nicole Meyer, Clackamas County Fire District #1

- 2/21** - 00:07 - Natural Vegetation Fire - S New Era/ S 99E Rd
08:30 - EMS/Rescue - S Ferguson Rd
12:12 - EMS/Rescue - S Moore Rd
16:05 - Unauthorized Burn - S Lower Highland
- 2/22** - 10:03 - Fire - S Ivy St
19:20 - EMS/Rescue - S Marilyns Ave
- 2/23** - 19:41 - Building Fire - S Wroldstad Dr
- 2/24** - 14:07 - Chimney or Fuel Fire, Confined to Chimney or Flue - S Elm Ct
16:13 - False Alarm Incident Dispatched & Canceled En Route - S Yeoman Rd
- 2/26** - 01:35 - Building Fire - S Kropf Rd
23:02 - EMS/Rescue - S Kamrath/S Spangler Rd
- 2/27** - 12:29 - Building Fire - N Juniper St
15:27 - EMS/Rescue - S Spangler Rd
16:00 - EMS/Rescue - S Ironwood Rd
20:16 - Mot Veh Acc/With Inj - S Union Mills Rd
- 2/28** - 11:24 - Building Fire - S Beavercreek Rd
13:43 - Unauthorized Burn - S Ironwood Rd
18:12 - EMS/Rescue - S Spangler Rd
- 3/01** - 08:51 - Smoke or Odor Problem/Removal - S Beavercreek Rd
- 3/02** - 09:06 - Service Call - S Beavercreek Rd
12:12 - Mot Veh Acc/Non Inj - S Beavercreek Rd
- 3/03** - 14:05 - Biological Hazard, N Grant St

- 16:55 - EMS/Rescue - S Shady Forest Ln
16:50 - Gas leak (natural gas or LPG) - NE 10th Place

- 3/04** - 13:47 - OUTSIDE Rubbish Fire - S Beavercreek Rd
16:49 - Building Fire - S Hwy 213
18:46 - EMS/Rescue - S Brockway Rd
- 3/05** - 18:55 - No Incident Found on Arrival - S Foothills Ave
- 3/06** - 17:02 - EMS/Rescue - S Dianne Dr
- 3/07** - 08:38 - False Alarm Incident Dispatched & Canceled En Route - S Beavercreek Rd
16:01 - Off-Road Vehicle or Heavy Equipment Fire - S Upper Highland Rd
19:44 - False Alarm Incident Dispatched & Canceled En Route - S New Era Rd



The Beavercreek United Church of Christ "The Ten O'Clock Church" FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry at the Beavercreek United Church of Christ, aka, Ten O'Clock Church, is open to those in need. If you find yourself in need of help, please call the number below and leave your name and phone number. Someone will return your call.

This food pantry is open to all who are in need in our community.

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- 3/08** - 10:17 - EMS/Rescue - S Lower Highland Rd
16:35 - Unauthorized Burn - S Larkin/Beavercreek Rd
- 3/11** - 12:08 - EMS/Rescue - S Leland Rd
18:02 - Medical Alarm - False Alarm - Unintentional - S Henrici Rd
22:23 - Mot Veh Acc/Non Inj - S Beavercreek/ S Valley Vista Rd
- 3/12** - 10:06 - Unauthorized Burn - S Dianne Dr
16:56 - EMS/Rescue - S Hwy 213
- 3/13** - 12:11 - Mot Veh Acc/With Inj - S Ivy St/SE 2nd Ave
- 3/14** - 19:07 - EMS/Rescue - S Ridge Rd
21:36 - Mot Veh Acc/With Inj - S Beavercreek/ S Upper Highland Rd
- 3/15** - 01:55 - EMS/Rescue - S Upper Highland Rd
14:17 - Fire Incident Dispatched & Canceled En Route - S Beavercreek Rd
15:44 - Power Line Down - S Schuebel/S Upper Highland Rd
16:03 - Power Line Down - S Lower Highland/ S Beavercreek Rd
16:37 - Fire Incident Dispatched & Canceled En Route S Schubel/S Upper Highland Rd
16:58 - No Incident Found on Arrival - S Beavercreek Rd
17:01 - Electrical Wiring/Equipment problem -



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- S Schubel/S Upper Highland Rd
3/16 - 11:02 - Assist Invalid - S Penman Rd
 12:01 - EMS/Rescue - S Spangler Rd
 12:28 - Building Fire - S Casto Rd
3/17 - 07:39 - EMS/Rescue - S Heft Loop
 18:08 - Building Fire - S Buckner Creek
 23:34 - EMS/Rescue - S Larkin Rd
3/19 - 18:42 - EMS/Rescue - S Penman Rd
3/20 - 08:38 - EMS/Rescue - S Lance Ct
 19:02 - EMS/Rescue - S Lammer Rd
 18:21 - Public Service Assistance - S Beaver-creek Rd



April Oregon City Library Events

Teen Wii Night - Thursday, April 2, 6:30 PM,
 Location: Oregon City Public Library, 606 John Adams St.,
 Oregon City

Description: Teens (grades 6 to 12) come show off your awesome gaming skills! Snacks will be served.

First Friday Film: Pedal-Driven - Friday, April 3, 6:30 PM

Location: End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, 1726 Washington St.

Description: "Pedal-Driven" transports viewers to the pristine forests above Leavenworth, Washington, where extreme mountain bikers came into conflict with the United States Forest Service over the use of public lands. This film examines the shared philosophies of stewardship and sustainability from both sides and, ultimately, offers examples of the ways in which opposing factions can find common ground in defense of the lands that belong to us all.

Visit pedaldriven.howellatthemoon.com

Publishing with John Williams - Thursday, April 9, 7:00 PM, Location: Oregon City Public Library, 606 John Adams St., Oregon City

Description: Have you ever wanted to publish your own book? John Williams, marketing director for Inkwater (a division of First Books), will be at the library to give you all the tools and guidance you need to become your own successful publisher.

Join Us in Celebrating National Library Week! - April 12-18, Location: Oregon City Public Library, 606 John Adams St., Oregon City

Description: Food for Fines: To celebrate this week, all Libraries in Clackamas County (LINCC) are offering a "Food for Fines" promotion. Bring in a non-perishable food item (please no damaged or expired items or ramen) and the library will waive \$1.00 of library fines for every item you donate. All food will go to local food banks in each area. Offer does not apply to lost or damage charges.

NLW activities specific to Oregon City Public Library:

D.E.A.R Friends: Drop Everything and Read – all week

Families are encouraged to "Drop Everything and Read"

together for at least 30 minutes anytime during National Library Week (April 12-18). "D.E.A.R." originated from beloved author Beverly Cleary's book Ramona Quimby, Age 8. Since then "Drop Everything and Read" programs have been held nationwide on April 12 in honor of Beverly Cleary's birthday. Why not drop your chores, errands, etc. and make reading a priority? We will have a book display, reading lists and free bookmarks in the children's department. More information about D.E.A.R. at www.dropeverythingandread.com.

Library Staff Baby Photo Match Up – all week

Stop by the library during National Library Week (April 12-18) and try to match each current staff photo with the correct baby photo. The photo display board and entry forms will be located to the left of the fireplace April 12-18. On Monday, April 20th, we will draw two winners from the entries with the most correct answers. Each winner will receive a \$5 gift card to the Friends of the Library Bookstore.

National Teen Literature Day - Thursday, April 16

Young Adults: Help us celebrate National Teen Literature Day! Check out any item on Thursday, April 16, and receive a gift from our giveaway box!

Evening Family Storytime Pajama Party! – Ages 2-7 and family members of all ages, Tuesday, April 21, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, Location: Oregon City Public Library, 606 John Adams St., Oregon City

Sign Up For OC Farmers Market Newsletter

To get the Oregon City Farmers Market newsletter go to <http://orcifyfarmersmarket.com>

Description: Join us for stories, games and crafts! It's a pajama party so wear your pajamas!

Kids Craft – Ages 3-10, Wednesday, April 22, 2:00-2:30 PM

Location: Oregon City Public Library, 606 John Adams St., Oregon City

Description: Make a Hanging Bird Wind Chime! Space is limited and sign-up is required, so please call or stop by the children's desk to sign up: 503-657-8269 ext. 1026

Peter Sears and Andres Berger-Kiss - Thursday, April 23, 7:00 PM, Location: Oregon City Public Library, 606 John Adams St., Oregon City

Description: Find out why Peter Sears was selected for the new Oregon Poet Laureate. He will be at the Carnegie along with Andres Berger-Kiss, a poet we featured last year in one spell-binding evening. Join us and enjoy this pair of poetry masters.

New Schedule! Children's Weekly Storytimes – all at 10:15 AM, Location: Oregon City Public Library, 606 John Adams St., Oregon City map. For more information call the children's desk at 503-657-8296 ext. 1026.

Mond - Preschoolers (ages 3-5)

Tues - Preschoolers Yoga-theme

Wed - Toddlers (under age 3) Yoga-theme (starts April 8)

Thurs - Toddlers

Fri - Storytime for Littles & Bigs! (ages 0-6)

Oregon City Police Hosting Semi-Annual Shred and Cell Phone Recycling Event

Oregon City Police Department will be hosting the semi-annual Shred Event and Cell Phone Recycling Event on Saturday, April 25, 2015 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM in the Police Department parking lot located at 320 Warner Milne Road.

Items will be shredded on site by Enviro Shred NW. The event provides the chance to protect your personal identity and to keep your personal information out of the trash. Paperclips and staples are OK. No items such as CD's, rubber bands, plastic covers, or garbage can be in with the paper to be shredded. Two (2) containers person will be accepted at no charge (maximum container size is a 10" x 12" x 15" corrugated storage box). There is a \$1.00 charge for each additional container, but there is no limit on the number of boxes you may bring in.

All money collected, including donations, will be applied to our Crime Prevention fund. The Oregon City Police Department is also an official cell phone drop off location for the 911 Cell Phone Bank. The phones will be used to assist those in need, such as victims of abuse and senior citizens.

March 25th is Scotts Mills Quake Anniversary

On March 25th, 1993, a magnitude 5.6 earthquake struck Scotts Mills, OR causing approximately \$30 million in damage that included Molalla High School, a Mount Angel church, and the Capitol rotunda in Salem. It remains the most destructive quake in terms of property loss in Oregon's history.

Oregon is susceptible to earthquakes being seismically active with both crustal faults and the Cascadia Subduction Zone.

"The Scotts Mills earthquake was really a wake-up call about our state's vulnerability to earthquakes," says Interim State Geologist Ian Madin. "Earthquakes can and do happen everywhere in Oregon, and we need to be prepared throughout the state."

The Oregon Office of Emergency Management (OEM), and the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) recommend preparing in advance for earthquakes and other hazards.

"Oregonians should plan to be self-sufficient for at least two-weeks after a major earthquake," said Dr. Althea Rizzo, geologic hazards coordinator for the Oregon Office of Emergency Management.

Some of the recommended preparation activities include developing and practicing an emergency plan, getting a kit, and practicing earthquake drills.

OEM conducted a social media campaign until March 26 for people to share where they were, at 5:34 a.m., on

March 25, 1993. The top three stories won an emergency preparedness kit.

Hiring an Unlicensed Tax Preparer Can be Risky

April 15 is quickly approaching and many may be looking for someone to prepare their taxes. Making sure that person is licensed in Oregon is one way to help ensure the accuracy of your return and avoid errors that could end up costing you money.

JoAnn Martin, administrator of Oregon's Personal Tax and Compliance Division, recommends checking the credentials of the person you hire to do your taxes. In Oregon, anyone you pay to prepare your tax returns must be licensed.

"If you hire an unlicensed preparer, there's a real risk that they'll make potentially costly mistakes on your return," Martin said.

No matter who does your taxes--a licensed tax professional, an unlicensed tax preparer, you, a relative, or a friend--Martin also recommends checking your return thoroughly before it's submitted.

"Ultimately, you're responsible for the accuracy of your return. It's up to you to check what's on it before it's sent." Visit these websites to find out if the person you want to hire is licensed in Oregon:

* Tax preparers: www.oregon.gov/OTPB

* Certified public accountants: www.oregon.gov/BOA
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the status of your refund, or make payments. You can also email questions.dor@oregon.gov; call 503-378-4988 in Salem and outside Oregon; or call, toll-free, 800-356-4222. The department receives a lot of phone calls during tax season so you may experience long wait times.

Massive Haul of Stolen Items Recovered

The Clackamas County Sheriff's Office, Happy Valley PD, Canby PD and Oregon City PD worked together to recover a massive haul of stolen items from a single Clackamas County residence.

The investigation started with a Sheriff's Office deputy who was looking into recent thefts from farms in the Aurora area.

The deputy learned of a suspect who stole a truck who had reportedly committed similar thefts in the Canby area. Canby Police informed him the stolen vehicle contained a GPS tracking device.

The GPS revealed the stolen vehicle had made several stops in unincorporated Clackamas County. Some of these locations had links with previous cases involving stolen property and other arrests.

Using this GPS tracking, Canby Police had located the stolen vehicle in the 19100 block of S. Creek Rd in Clackamas County. They arrested Chris Hamblen, 33 years old, of Oregon City, on charges of Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle.

Also, according to the GPS tracking, one of the properties the stolen vehicle had stopped at was located in the 19800 block of S. Polehn Rd. in Clackamas County, east of Oregon City in the Redland Area. One of the residents at this address is Jason Vaughn Strowbridge, 50 years old, of Oregon City. He had a felony warrant for his arrest for heroin possession.

Sheriff's Office deputies paid a visit to this address and did not locate Jason Strowbridge, but did talk with his mother. Deputies asked if Jason had brought home a pressure-washer recently. A pressure-washer was among the stolen items reported out of Canby.

Strowbridge's mother reportedly said he had. The pressure-washer was in her garage. She took deputies to the garage to show it to them.

The pressure-washer she showed them turned out to be stolen -- but it was not the pressure-washer stolen out of Canby. This pressure washer had been stolen during another theft -- this one reported to Oregon City Police.

This led to the recovery of a massive haul of stolen items.

Deputies then asked about a white trailer, hoping to find one stolen from Aurora. Strowbridge's mother pointed them toward a barn on her property.

Deputies found a trailer that they believed might be one stolen from Fir Point Farms in Aurora. All the trailer's identifying numbers had been removed, as well as all of the decals. The deputies were able to find a partial number that matched a stolen trailer -- but not the one they expected. It turned out to be a trailer stolen out of Happy Valley, in a case being investigated by Happy Valley Police.

While recovering the trailer, deputies did not find items reportedly inside the trailer when it was stolen out of Happy Valley. But something else was inside: a custom 2015 Chevy ZL1 Camaro. Registered to a couple who lived in Kaiser. Deputies learned the Camaro was not stolen but the registered owner might be related to drug activities in Kaiser.

This Camaro had not been in the trailer when it was stolen out of Happy Valley. Deputies learned a credit company had been attempting to locate the vehicle for repossession; over \$66,000 was owed on the vehicle.

Deputies also located another heavy dump trailer -- also listed as stolen -- on the property. It had switched license plates.

Deputies also located a vehicle frame -- the remains of a stolen Toyota pickup that had been stripped. This vehicle was reported stolen out of southeastern Oregon.

On Wednesday, March 4, acting on leads, Sheriff's Office deputies and officers from the Oregon City and Happy Valley Police paid another visit to the S. Polehn Rd. address. This time, Jason Strowbridge was inside. He reportedly tried hiding in a closet, but was located by an Oregon City K-9 and taken into custody.

Strowbridge was booked on his felony warrant -- and will also be facing multiple theft and stolen vehicle charges.

Following the arrest, deputies were given consent by the family to search the common areas of the property. They located stolen items from the Happy Valley trailer theft and several Oregon City thefts. Recovered stolen items include:

A 20 foot cargo trailer, 6-foot dump trailer, a Toyota pickup engine, frame, and running gear, 5 chain saws, 30 chain saw chains, 2 leaf blowers, 2 air compressors, 2 concrete saws, and 2 gas trimmers.

While they did not recover items stolen from Fir Point Farms, deputies hope this investigation will lead them to recovering more stolen items -- and help put a stop to the recent string of thefts in the area.

ADDITIONAL TIPS SOUGHT

The Clackamas County Sheriff's Office is looking for additional leads in this evolving case.

Anyone with information on this string of thefts, Jason Strowbridge's activities, Chris Hamblen's activities, and any related leads is urged to contact the Sheriff's Office Tip Line -- by phone at (503) 723-4949 or by using the online email form at <http://web3.clackamas.us/contact/tip.jsp>. Please reference CCSO Case # 15-5825.



The March meeting of the Hamlet of Beavercreek was held at the Beavercreek Grange, located at 22041 S. Kamrath Road on Wednesday, March 25, 2015, with 21 guests and members in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chair,

Tammy Stevens. After introductions, Dick Orr from Beaver Creek Telephone gave a brief report on what is going on at the phone company.

The first item was about the new website. It has been updated and modernized and hopefully customers will find it easier to get around.

BCT has also started a new pay processing system that hopefully will make it easier for customers to pay online.

He announced the FREE channel preview that will be available from April 10 - April 13th. The channels included are HBO and Cinemax.

He also reminded us that "TV Everywhere" is available. This allows you to watch TV on your mobile devices.

Also, he discussed copyright infringement. If BCT has been notified by the owner of the copyrighted content that you have committed copyright infringement, BCT will notify you and you will need to take measures to rectify the problem. Copyright infringement abuses can become very expensive so it is not advisable to illegally download TV shows and music, etc.

Start a pre-paid wireless and get \$50.00 towards a new phone will end the end of April. Contact BCT's offices for more information.

A question was asked about the cost of the inserts that come in your phone bill. Mr. Orr stated that it was \$300.00 for a one-sided color insert. The cost for non-profits is \$250.00. Also, if you buy one you get the second one free.

Residents were also asked to go on www.facebook.com/bctelco and check out the phone company's current promo-

tions, contests and events. There was no guest speaker for this meeting, but a video called "Inside Clackamas County: Dog Services" was shown. It was very informative and explained about the facility and the services provided.

Highlights of the February 25, 2015, meeting were read by Secretary Joan Martinez. They were approved by acclamation after two corrections.

Land Use Applications:

There was an application to place a 130 foot Verizon cell tower off Lammer Road. The actual location of the proposed cell tower is about 2,500 feet west of the intersection of Lammer and Beavercreek Roads.

It was recommended that the cell tower be denied as the transmitters could be co-located on the 150 foot tower on Henrici Road a mile away. This tower has already been approved and is in the final stages of preparation before installation. Co-location is a requirement of the Zoning and Development Ordinances. It was also voted that if it was approved, that it be a mono pole and disguised to blend in with the surrounding trees. There was discussion about the fact the transmitters were all directed toward Oregon City so it was felt that this tower was not to benefit the residents of Beavercreek, but those of Oregon City. Cell towers for Oregon City should be in Oregon City not Beavercreek.

The treasurer's report was given in the agenda as the Treasurer was not present.

Speaker and Corresponding Secretary, Christine Kosinski, gave a transportation report. Oregon City has ap-



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proved the Evergreen Apartments across from the High School. The enterprise zone across from the college on Beavercreek Road has also been approved. It was mentioned that a Costco store may be planned for the property. She is also working on the proposed bus barn behind the high school on Meyers Road and the traffic counts on Beavercreek Road.

The residents were also told that Ed Schettig, the Master of the Beavercreek Grange, suffered a stroke on Sunday, March 8th and is at home recovering. Ed is hoping to be back at the next First Saturday Breakfast on April 4th to see

Kamrath Rd at 7:00 p.m. The Town Hall Meetings will occur every quarter. For more information, please call the Hamlet Information Line at 503-632-8370 or visit the Hamlet web site at <http://HamletOfBeavercreek.org>.

Invasive Weeds Arrive Early This Year!

Has the warm winter weather caught you off guard? It is easy to be distracted by the beautiful spring flowers that are gracing the landscape, but this warm weather is also causing invasive plants to show themselves earlier than normal. According to the National Weather Service, the average temperature in the Willamette Valley has been two degrees above normal in January, 5.5 degrees above normal in February, and 4 degrees above normal in March. The increase in average temperature has caused a leap in plant growth, including invasive species. Jeff Lesh, WeedWise Specialist for Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District, tells us that now is the time to control biennial weed species before they bolt* and become more difficult to manage. Weeds such as tansy, bull thistle, garlic mustard, poison hemlock, and teasel have a short window in which various control methods are more successful. Cultural methods, such as pulling or digging, are easier when the ground is moist. Find out more about weeds and control methods from these references listed on the Four-County Cooperative Weed Management Agency website. <http://4countycwma.org/aweeds/weed-id-links/>

For folks with pastures that are struggling with weeds, now is the time to take action. Find out what your pasture needs by testing the soil. If you need assistance interpreting the results of your soil test, contact Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District at 503-210-6000. Applying the recommended soil amendments

such as lime or fertilizers will help give plants what they need to thrive. Taking these steps will help make your pasture grasses healthy enough to out-compete invasive weeds. Time spent early in the season will give you more forage for your animals and reduce the amount of time and money you spend on weed control later in the season.

Homeowners who are battling lesser celandine, your window for control is closing quickly! Lesser celandine, an herbaceous perennial plant, was originally cultivated as an ornamental due to its attractive yellow flowers and ability to create a uniform groundcover in a short amount of time. It spreads by seed, plant sharing among friends,

Have You Thought About Selling? Now Is The Time!

Beavercreek listings are selling at approximately 96.8% of the asking price. So far in 2015 the average days on market has been 42. Inventory is low and the buyers are looking. If you want to know the value of your home give me a call.



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all his friends and do his job of collecting the monies for the breakfast.

Other Business:

Claire Kellogg said that the library has filed the paperwork for the addition on the Carnegie Library.

Claire Kellogg also reported that she and Cheryl Boffard are busily working on the Annual Flea Market & Craft Fair Sale that will be held on July 18th at the Korner Park in downtown Beavercreek.

Brad Charlson reported that the community came out in large numbers to support the Grange in March for the First Saturday Breakfast and the St Patty's Day Dinner. Turnout was over 100 which also included children.

Tom Salzer, Director of the Clackamas County Soil & Conservation District, gave a report on the district and their successes for the past year. This information will be reported elsewhere in this issue.

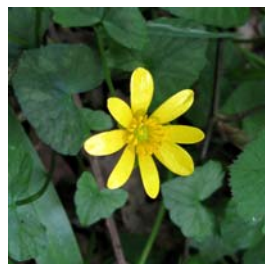
The raffle was held and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the monthly Hamlet Community meetings and the quarterly Town Hall meetings to participate and share ideas and concerns on the issues pertinent to our community. Members 18 years of age and older who live, own a business, or property within the Hamlet area may vote on Hamlet issues. The Hamlet of Beavercreek Boundary Map is located online at <http://goo.gl/maps/Vr5w1>.

The Community meetings take place on the fourth Wednesday of the month at the Beavercreek Grange on



Garlic Mustard by
Sam Lenninger



Lesser Celandine by
Natalie S.

and when tubers and bulbils** tag along on mowers or digging equipment. Effective control measurements often involve spraying, but the time to spray is February – March, so if you plan to spray, you may want to get it on your calendar! Find control measures at the Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board website. <http://www.nwcb.wa.gov/detail.asp?weed=185>

Invasive weed control is never easy and usually requires multiple treatments over several years. However, one thing is true, if you do not control your weeds, they will not control themselves!

*bolt – term used to describe when a plant prematurely produces seed

**bulbil – a small bulblike structure produced in the place of a flower or where a leaf joins the plant stem Weed Management Methods in Reforestation and Restoration.

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Soil and Conservation District Reports to Budget Committee

These numbers were reported to our Budget Committee in March. Tom Salzer reported a few of these numbers to the members of the Beavercreek Hamlet on Wednesday, March 25, 2015.

It was great to report some calendar year 2014 performance metrics to our 14-member budget committee. We talk about what we do in general terms quite a bit, but rarely do we pull out the performance figures...and they are impressive:

In our WeedWise program:

- Had 10 contractors performing work for us
- Tracked 22,716 mapped weed observations
- Targeted 78 weed species
- Mailed to thousands of households
- Received permission to treat weeds from more than 700 landowners
- Surveyed 544 parcels on 5,046 acres
- Performed 412 treatments on 237 parcels covering 291 acres

In the farm planning side of our house:

- Provided personalized technical assistance to 289 individuals.
- Made 182 site visits to assist our constituents
- Developed and approved 39 conservation plans

In the contract administration part of our operation, we had 54 funding agreements active. This doesn't include the

huge amount of work done through our WeedWise program, nor does it include general support grants we awarded to organizations like farmers markets and watershed councils.

Truly amazing work was done by the whole team...and all to assure that our vital natural resources are available to our creatures and communities not only today but for all of our tomorrows.

Oregon City Library to Celebrate Nat'l Library Week

Oregon City Library will be celebrating National Library Week between April 12-18!

Along with the Food For Fines Drive, additional activities include a D.E.A.R. book display, reading lists and free bookmarks in the Children's Department, Library Staff Baby Photo Match Up and free gifts to teens who check out on April 16 - Teen Literature Day.

For more details visit www.orcity.org/library/celebrate-national-library-week-april-12-18

Also check out our new children's storytime schedule: <http://www.orcity.org/library/childrens-storytimes>

Up-to-date event information is available on the Oregon City Public Library Events Calendar, Oregon City Public library website and the LINCC Events Calendar.

What Is The 'Power Of Play'?

Many of us were admonished to "grow up and stop playing" as we moved from youth to adulthood. But is it good advice? An April 7, 2015, program at Clackamas Community College explores "The Power of Play: Promoting Health and Creativity."

The program features play activists Jonathan Blasher and Tara Doherty, who will look at the concept of play and address the value of play. Research shows that play and physical activity can have positive effects on children's health, well-being and education. It can also boost health and creativity in adults.

The "Power of Play" is hosted by the CCC Foundation and sponsored by Oregon Humanities. The session will include interactive play for all levels and ability, geared toward adults.

The program begins at 3 p.m. in the Gregory Forum. For more information, contact Dawn Hendricks at 503-594-6158 or email dawn.hendricks@clackamas.edu.

Weed Management Workshop To Be Held April 18

The OSU Extension Service is offering a field workshop: "Weed Management Methods in Reforestation and Restoration" on Saturday, April 18, 2015 from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm at the Hopkins Demonstration Forest, 16750 S. Brockway Rd, Oregon City.

The workshop will cover principles and practices of

vegetation management for establishing and maintaining trees in forestry and forest restoration. The focus is on illustrating and demonstrating methods and tools for controlling blackberry, scotch broom, and native brush, along with grasses, groundsel, thistles, and other weedy herbaceous species. Participants should dress for the field, bring their own lunch, and be prepared to carpool to sites nearby.

There is no fee, but registration is required. For more information and registration, call Jean at the OSU Extension Service at 503-655-8631 or email at jean.bremer@oregonstate.edu or see the flyer online at <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/clackamas/forestry>.

Gregory Geist Appointed as Director of Clackamas County Water Environment Services

Gregory Geist has been appointed director of Clackamas County Water Environment Services. Geist was named to the position Monday following a nationwide recruitment.

He had been serving as acting director since December.

"Greg brings extensive experience and leadership to this important position. He was clearly at the top of a strong and competitive field of candidates. I have every confidence he will do an incredible job leading WES," said County Administrator Donald Krupp.

Geist started at WES as Water Quality Manager in 2013. His previous experience includes 15 years at the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and before then at the City of Salem.

He holds a master's degree in environmental science and a bachelor's degree in physical sciences from Washington State University.

CRT Annual Gala Celebrates with Music

Clackamas Repertory Theatre hosts its seventh annual fundraising gala on Saturday, April 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Niemeyer Center at Clackamas Community College.

The evening will begin with live piano jazz standards, hors d'oeuvres, wine and a silent auction that includes the opportunity to debut in a nonspeaking role in the Northwest premiere of "One Man, Two Guvnors."

Attendees may also bid on several items during the live auction including a show-themed dinner for eight on the set of one of the summer productions and opening night dinner and champagne in the skybox with the director.

The show begins at 8 p.m. with a stop-action film highlighting the CRT's history. A musical revue featuring songs from CRT's first 10 musicals will include local musical star Merideth Kaye Clark, Jonathan Quesenberry, Cassi Kohl, and the lead of the 2015 musical, Jameson Tabor. Doren Elias will reprise Tevye from "Fiddler on the Roof," and Ernie Casciato joins in on a song from "The Fantasticks." The live auction during the revue will be hosted by Clackamas Rep funny men Jayson Shanafelt and Travis Nodurft. The evening con-

cludes with music and dessert.

Tickets are \$75 or two for \$125 and may be purchased at www.clackamasrep.org or by calling 503-594-6047.

Deadline Approaching For Property Tax Deferrals

New applicants and those who need to recertify their eligibility for the disabled or senior citizen property tax deferral programs have several weeks left to file their paperwork.

For their taxes to be paid in November, taxpayers need to meet the April 15 deadline, explained Bronson Rueda, deferral program manager at the Department of Revenue. This applies to participants who received recertification forms by mail in February and new applicants for deferral.

"If we don't get their forms by the deadline, they'll be responsible for paying their property taxes this year," Rueda said.

The deferral program allows eligible senior citizens and people with disabilities to have the State pay property taxes on their behalf until they move, sell their home, or die. A lien is placed on their home, and all taxes, interest, and fees must be repaid before the lien is removed. Oregon's deferral programs have approximately 6,300 active participants.

Program participants must meet all of the following criteria:

- * Be either at least 62 years old or a disabled citizen receiving or eligible to receive federal Social Security disability benefits.

- * Own or be in the process of buying the property, have a recorded deed or sales contract in their name, or have a revocable trust, and have lived on the property for at least five years.

- * May not have a life estate interest, which enables a person to reside on the property, but automatically transfers ownership upon death.

- * Carry homeowners insurance.

- * Have a household income of less than \$43,000. This includes all taxable and non-taxable income for the applicant(s) and spouse(s).

- * Have a net worth of \$500,000 or less, not including the value of the home in the program or personal property.

- * Either have no reverse mortgage, or, if they have a reverse mortgage, they need to have been in the deferral program prior to 2011.

Recertification forms need to be returned to the department. New applications should be sent to the assessor's office for the County in which the property is located. Applications are available at www.oregon.gov/dor/deferral.

Questions about deferrals can be emailed to deferral.unit@oregon.gov. Taxpayers can also call 503-945-8348 for more information.

Visit www.oregon.gov/dor to get tax information, check the status of your refund, or make payments. You can also email questions.dor@oregon.gov or call 503-378-

4988 or 800-356-4222 (toll-free). The department receives a lot of phone calls during tax season so you may experience long wait times.

Cattleman Association Announces Natural Resource Conservation Fee

Since Oregon's start in 1859, its land has needed to be worked and its livestock have needed to be cared for. Ranchers stepped up and took on the task; quiet leaders striving to keep nature thriving. Years later, some Oregonians question rancher's support for the environment. Ranchers are bringing forward a public declaration of their support for conservation in the form of what the Oregon Cattlemen's Association is calling a "Natural Resource Conservation Fee."

The fee works by taking \$1 per head assessment at the time of an already required brand inspection. It will then be up to local soil and water conservation districts to award that money to ranchers working on conservation projects to help the environment. The fee is not limited to one species or environmental concern, but goes toward any wildlife or environmental challenge individual counties are facing. Ranchers have to give toward the assessment in order to be eligible to receive money back for their conservation projects. There will be a 5 year sunset on the bill.

Ray Sessler, president of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association, said, "(the fee) is a public declaration of what ranchers have been working hard to accomplish all along. That is, take care of Oregon's environment." He said the cattlemen are self-assessing themselves in order to help not only the environment and wildlife, but Oregon's communities as well.

The fee will work to assist ranchers with a variety of conservation projects. John O'Keeffe, president elect of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association, said he is optimistic the fee will add additional support to stabilizing ranching communities. He also wants the public to see how hard ranchers work to keep Oregon's wildlife healthy. "I hope the public will appreciate the livestock industry stepping up to bring forward resources to conserve these species," O'Keeffe said.

Brett Brownscombe, acting deputy director for Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, believes the bill has great potential to help prevent a Sage-Grouse listing. Brownscombe also noted that this is not the first action ranchers have taken to help support conservation. "This fee adds to their efforts. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," he said.

Support for the fee comes from others as well. Tom Sharp, a Harney County rancher, said, "I believe it is important to support the bill because the fee increases will go back to the conservation projects through SWCD offices." Sharp appreciates the flexibility the fee provides for supporting different conservation projects according to different county's needs.

The efforts of Oregon ranchers are not going un-noticed. Paul Henson, state supervisor for USFW, said, "In general, I have been very impressed by OCA's and local ranchers'

honest and constructive participation in these efforts to find collaborative ways to avoid the need to list the Sage-Grouse." Henson added, "They have been making some significant sacrifices of their time and resources."

As a hard-working Oregon rancher, Sharp hopes the public will realize one large concept from this bill; "Ranchers are conservationists too." While the Cattlemen's Association prepares to move the bill forward, O'Keeffe notes that this isn't some last resort effort, but rather an outward declaration of years of behind the scenes work. "Ranchers are in this for the long haul."

OSU Master Gardeners™ to Share "Secrets for Growing Tomatoes"

Spring-like weather in our region has brought out vegetable starts in local garden centers. Gardeners itching to plant should stick to "cool-season" vegetables. In general, their seeds will germinate in lower soil temperatures and plants will grow in cooler air temperatures. Examples include: root vegetables (beet, carrot, kohlrabi, potato, leek, onion, and radish), Cole crops (broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, and Brussel sprouts) and leafy vegetables (lettuce, parsley, spinach, pea, chives, and kale).

Vegetables that will germinate when soil temperature reaches 40° include: fava bean, beet, broccoli, Brussel sprouts, Chinese cabbage, cabbage, carrot, cauliflower, kale, collard, kohlrabi, leek, parsley, pea, radish, rutabaga, Swiss chard, celery, and turnip. Lettuce, onion, parsnip, and spinach will germinate at 35°. In contrast, tomato seeds will grow when the soil warms to 50-55°.

Contain your exuberance and hold off on buying that tomato plant until after the "Secrets of the Tomato Masters" workshop, to be held at 9 am, April 11, at the Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Drive, Milwaukie. Clackamas County Master Gardeners want to help you sort through the choices among a myriad of tomato varieties and share strategies for a satisfying season of growing tomatoes!

On what types of tomato to grow, the answer depends on many factors -- how do you plan to use the harvest, how soon would you like to harvest, and what do you like to eat.

For grazing in the garden, engaging children in the harvest, and for earlier harvest, a cherry-or grape-type is perfect. In this category, Sun Gold repeatedly wins taste tests, with Orange Paruche as a worthy alternate. For salads, consider an early variety with maturity around 60 days, such as IPB, Oregon Spring, Legend, and Stupice. "Determinate" varieties that produce mature fruit all within a few weeks are good for canning and making sauce. Or pick an "indeterminate" type to stretch the harvest; it will grow and produce until the plant dies from frost or disease.

This workshop will offer a blueprint for growing tomatoes, featuring information tested by science and adapted to our region. Topics include: Choosing between determinate and indeterminate types; Comparing grafted and own-root plants; Transplanting tomato starts; Contrasting

different planting methods (Trench vs. Vertical) ; Improving fruit quality and plant health through pruning and support structures; Managing disease and pests; and Getting an earlier harvest.

Go to www.cmastergardeners.org for handouts and video recordings of 10-Minute University presentations on growing tomatoes and many other topics.

Accommodation requests related to a disability should be made by April 3rd to Jean Bremer, 503-655-8631, jean.bremer@oregonstate.edu. Oregon State University Extension Service offers educational programs, activities, and materials without discrimination based on age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran's status. Oregon State University Extension Service is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Master Gardeners™ are volunteers trained by Oregon State University in the science of gardening. We provide free advice that is research-based, reliable, and localized for our area. We promote sustainability by encouraging gardening practices that conserve water, improve soil health, and protect the environment. We enjoy sharing gardening successes.

Clackamas County Master Gardeners are the folks who put on the annual Spring Garden Fair at the Canby fair-ground, bringing together 16,000 gardeners and 200 plant and garden-art vendors. Log on to www.cmastergardeners.org for more information about the 31st Spring Garden Fair, to be held on May 2 & 3, 2015.

BLOOD DRIVE

Stone Creek Christian Church, 21949 S. Hwy 213
April 13th, 2 - 7 pm

Police Blotter

As a public service this column will keep you informed of burglaries and other police matters that occur within 5 miles of the Beavercreek Bulletin's office in the downtown area. Be informed. Be safe!

BURGLARY, RESIDENTIAL - reported 1.9023 miles away, 2/28/2015, 5:07 PM at 20500 Block S HWY 213

PROWLER - reported 1.6986 miles away, 3/01/2015, 7:23 PM at 17000 Block S CARUS RD

BURGLARY, RESIDENTIAL - reported 1.0107 miles away, 3/8/2015, 10:48:14 PM at 15100 Block S GREEN-TREE DR

BURGLARY, RESIDENTIAL - reported 2.8042 miles away, 3/10/2015, 3:08:42 AM at 19600 Block S HENRICI RD

SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE - reported 0.5890 miles away, 3/12/2015, 2:39:40 PM at 15200 Block S LELAND RD

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PROWLER - reported 0.2403 miles away, 3/19/2015, 9:48:47 PM at 16000 Block S BENNETT LN

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ASSAULT & BATTERY- 3/23/2015, 6:20:03 PM, 2.4545 miles away at 18200 Block Sam McGee Dr
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Happy Easter
Beavercreek!

Our 4 Legged Friends



My Name
is
"JIMMY"
and I'm
available for
Adoption!

Hello... my name is "Jimmy" and I'm available for adoption. I'm a Beagle.

I'm an 8 year old neutered male and I weigh approximately 10 to 30lbs. As you can see I'm red and white in color with hanging ears and a long tail.

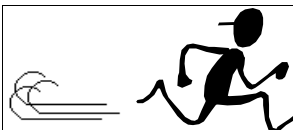
Here is what my keepers have to say about me!

"Boy, oh boy! Am I happy to introduce myself! I'm Jimmy, a charming Beagle-boy who is friendly and happy. Don't be fooled by my age. There's plenty of pep in this pooch! I am smart as well as cute. I know "sit" and "down", and could certainly learn more with treats as a reward. I would do best with Beagle-knowledgeable owners and older children. Please consider me for your next best buddy."

For more information on me or other dogs available for adoption, please call the shelter at 503-655-8628 or come by for a visit and a little one-on-one. You can also see us at the Clackamas County Dog Control website at:

<http://www.clackamas.us/k9man/adoptpet.jsp>

The shelter is located at 13141 S.E. Hwy 212 in Clackamas, Oregon. I'm available from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday thru Saturday. I'd sure love to get the chance to meet you. "JIMMY"



See you next month...
The Editor!