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Happy New Year From the Bulletin!

Well, another year has come and gone! Did you all survive the nasty December weather?

I don't know about you, but I can do without the snow and ice. I believe I've stated this before. Probably the last time this happened. And, especially in 2004 when we were trapped and couldn't get out for almost a week because of all the downed trees due to the ice and wind.

I'd be fine if all the other people would stay off the roads. That way I could get where I need to go to do what I need to do to make a living. The problem is, my customers need to be on the roads to get to me. Oops... I believe they call that a catch-22!

Perhaps it is time to hang up my hat at my regular job and stay home where I don't need to drive 50 miles round trip each day to go to work. Of course, nobody told me I had to move out here in beautiful rural Clackamas County, but I wouldn't exchange it for anything. I love it here!

That said, I hope you all got to be with your families and loved ones for the holidays without too much strife and peril. Hopefully, you all ate too much, stayed warm and dry and had a good laugh or two along the way. So, with that in mind... Happy New Year Beaver Creek! Here's to 2009! Hope she is better than 2008! The Editor



The December meeting of the Hamlet of Beaver Creek that was scheduled to be held on Wednesday, December 17, 2008, but was cancelled due to the forecast for snow in the area. It was decided that it was better to cancel the meeting than to have people trying to get to the event and be put in harms way.

Luckily there were no land use issues for the residents to discuss or take action on.

The normal meeting in December is held on the fourth Wednesday, but it was decided to move it up due to the fact it would have been on Christmas Eve.

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

Community Calendar

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...

Second Saturday, Beavercreek Grange, potluck at 6:00 p.m. meeting at 7:00 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>

Boy Scout Troop #745...

Mondays, Grandview Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m.

Carus Community Planning Org. (CPO)...

Second Thursday, Stone Creek Christian Church, 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, 7:00 p.m. Call Gary Hartt for more information at 503-632-6955.

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.

Pack Meeting, Third Tuesday, Beavercreek Grange at 7:00

Cub Scout Pack #197 (Carus School area)...

For information, call 503-632-7358 or 503-632-4382

Equestrian Trails, North Valley Chapter...

First Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. dinner followed by a 7:00 meeting. For information call 503-632-3258

Hamlet of Beavercreek Community Meetings...

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

Hamlet of Beavercreek Town Hall Meetings (Qtrly)...

To be announced

Hamlet of Mulino...

Third Thursday, Mulino Airport, OPA Bldg 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...

2nd Monday, District Board Room at 7:00 p.m.

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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://www.beavercreekbulletin.org/Misc/Beavercreek_Hamlet_Boundary_map.pdf

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

**Church Directory
for the Beavercreek,
Carus, Clarkes 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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23345 S. Beavercreek Rd.

503-632-4553

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Pastor: Rev. C. Bunny Oliver

Worship and Sunday School: Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Youth Fellowship : Sundays at 4:00 p.m.

Beavercreek Ward

The Church of **Jesus Christ** of Latter-day Saints

Henrici Rd between S. Beavercreek Rd and Hwy 213

503-656-3192 Bishop Karl Brady

Sunday Meetings: Start at 9:00 a.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.

503-630-5317

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

A nondenominational Christian Church - open to all!

Potluck following the service

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.

Clarkes 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.

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



Grand View Baptist Church
(Corner of Hwy 213 & Leland Rd.)
503-632-8100

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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Lower Highland Bible Church
24353 S. Ridge Rd.
503-632-4741

Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Mid-Week Worship: Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Men's Group: Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

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: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School & Learning: 9:15 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.

UCC Food Pantry Community Help Line
503-724-1095

Stone Creek Christian Church
21949 S. Molalla Ave.
503-632-4218

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship, Traditional: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship, Contemporary: 10:30 a.m.

"Ministries to all ages" New Preacher, effective March 08

Trinity Lutheran Church & School
16000 S. Henrici Rd.
503-632-5554

Sunday Services: 8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Education Hour: 9:45 a.m.

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

Whitewater Sundays: 6:30 p.m.

Preschool thru 3rd grade: Begins September 3

Children's Choir: Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Chimetone Choir: Wednesday, 6:45 p.m.

Quilters Guild: Mon 9:30 a.m.

Life With God: Tuesday, 6:45 p.m.

Youth: Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

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

Hamlet Board Members Attend Clackamas County Coordinating Committee Meeting

NO! I'm not advocating the Hamlet become a city! But, in December I got an updated population figure for the Hamlet -- 6,415 people. I wondered where that put us, size wise, compared to other communities in Oregon. Google is my friend and gave me a list at http://www.oregon.com/towns/population_rank.cfm

We're right behind Milton-Freewater, which would put us as the 60th largest City in Oregon, right ahead of Happy Valley -- IF we were a City, which we're all very glad we're not.

Where I learned of the new population number was at a presentation that Chris Roth made to C4. Some of you may know that C4 is a military plastic explosive, about 1.34 times as powerful as TNT, but it's also the Clackamas County Coordinating Committee, which may also be explosive. It consists of volunteer members that meet monthly to promote partnership between the County, its Cities, and Special Districts (such as fire and water). Clackamas County Commission Chair Lynn Peterson is on it, as are the other Commissioners, the Mayors of the seventeen cities in the County, and Special District representatives.

Chris told them about Hamlets and Villages and how we, as a group, represented over 17,000 County citizens. It was an interesting discussion, with questions from the group about how Hamlets and Villages differ from CPOs, how we're organized, and how our Boards are elected. One of the fire district representatives pointed out that the Oak Grove CPO also represents over 17,000 citizens. Retiring Commissioner Bill Kennemer commented that it wasn't about population size as much as governance. Commissioner Bill Kennemer stated that Hamlets and Villages,

having taken the step to organize to represent their citizens, deserve a seat at the C4 table. I was very happy to be there, along with Norm Andreen and Mike Wagner, Vice-Chair of the Hamlet of Mulino, as we participated in the discussion.

This is an opportunity to work together with the other governing bodies in the County, to participate and not be just "done to". Details of how the one seat for Hamlets and Villages will be chosen is yet to be worked out, but we now have a seat at the table.

After the C4 meeting, I spoke briefly with Alice Norris, Mayor of Oregon City, and Doug Neely of their City Council. We agreed that in the coming year the Hamlet of Beavercreek and Oregon City will work on trying to communicate better with each other. Mayor Norris recognizes that the City communicates regularly with West Linn and Gladstone, its two neighbors to the north, but has no formal means of communicating with the Hamlet. We'll work to change that in 2009.

And, please, help the Board represent you. Please feel free to call or email any Board member with your ideas and suggestions about the Beavercreek YOU want to live in!

Bill Merchant

Chairman

The Hamlet of Beavercreek

HamletOfBeavercreek.org

503.632.7115

Carus School News

Upcoming Events

Dec 22 - Jan 2 - Winter Break, No School

Jan 7 - Artist in Residence Program begins

Jan 9 - Read Quest Kick off with Author Curt Nelson

Jan 16 - No School

Food to Donate?

Here are some ideas for the "most wanted" items:

Canned meats such as tuna, chicken and salmon

Canned and boxed meals such as soup, chili, stew, macaroni and cheese

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and Vancouver areas. They use exciting activities and spectacular demonstrations to capture the attention and imagination of children. The goal is to spark the curiosity of children and instill a clear understanding of what science is really about and how it affects the world around them.

Classes are held on Tuesday's after school from 3:40 to 4:40 pm beginning on January 13, 2009. Classes run for six weeks with the last class held on February 16, 2009.

The courses this term include:

Current Events - Learn about conductors, insulators. Current and other elements of the world of circuit electricity.

Fundamental Forces - Experiment with gravity, inertia and centrifugal force. You'll build amazing devices to see these forces at work.

Stunt Planes - Learn the fundamentals of flight. Build your own stunt plane and "football" glider. You'll be a Top Gun before you know it!

Super Structures - Discover the hidden strength of triangles, arches and cylinders. Use combinations of shapes to build your own super-structure.

Under Pressure - Uncover the science behind aerodynamics and properties of air. Make air pockets with zinc and levitate ping pong balls.

Che-mystery - Explore one of the most exciting areas of science as you grow a crazy crystal garden and make your own "chemical" soda.

Lost and Found

The lost and found is growing by leaps and bounds again. We are asking for parents to ask their children to check the lost and found rack located by the Music Room. All clothing that is not claimed will be donated to charity.

How Can I Keep Health Insurance If I Lose My Job?

As unemployment rises, a growing number of Oregonians may lose their health insurance as well as their job.

"Knowing how to stay covered is important, especially for those with medical conditions," said Teresa Miller, acting administrator of the Oregon Insurance Division. "We know the options can be confusing but our consumer advocates are available to help people sort through them based on their individual situations."

Advocates can be reached at 1-888-877-4894.

For example, if you lose your job but your employer stays in business, a federal law known as COBRA allows most employees to continue their same coverage for a limited time. If your employer has less than 20 employees, Oregon has a similar law called state continuation. In both

Peanut butter
Canned or dried beans and peas
Pasta, rice, cereal – whole grains are the healthiest
Canned fruits – water or juice packed, 100% fruit juice, (canned, in plastic or boxed)

Mad Science Enrichment Program

Mad Science conducts educational, entertaining, hands-on science activities for elementary age children in schools, summer camps and organizations throughout the Portland

cases, employees must now pay the full cost of the insurance.

However, not everyone can afford the COBRA premiums, and COBRA is not available if your employer closes. Here are some other options:

- If a spouse or domestic partner gets insurance at work, you may be able to add yourself and/or family members to that plan under a "special enrollment" (also called a "qualifying event") without having to wait for the annual "open enrollment" period. Contact your spouse's employer as soon as possible.

- Apply directly to an insurance company for an individual policy. The higher the deductible, the lower the monthly premium. However, family members with pre-existing conditions may be rejected. People who are rejected for an individual plan may be able to:

1. Buy a "portability plan" through the same insurer that offered their employer plan. These health plans cover pre-existing conditions as long as you apply within 63 days of losing employer coverage. To see if portability is an option for you, talk to your employer's benefits administrator and/or the insurance company that offered your work insurance.

2. Buy insurance through the Oregon Medical Insurance Pool (OMIP), a State program that insures people who are rejected for private individual coverage because of medical conditions or who can't get a private-sector portability plan or who are eligible for the federal Health Care Tax Credit (HCTC) program. Call 1-800-848-7280 or visit www.omip.state.or.us

Warning: People who go more than 63 days without coverage may have to wait to have pre-existing conditions covered when they next obtain insurance.

In addition to these commercial insurance choices, you may qualify for health care or a subsidy to help pay for private insurance through one of several state programs.

Oregon Health Plan

Members of low-income households may qualify for the Oregon Health Plan, or Medicaid. Children and adolescents may qualify for the State Children's Health Insurance Program, or SCHIP, even if adults in the household do not. An estimated 60,000 uninsured Oregon children and adolescents would qualify for SCHIP because they live in house-

or other assistance. To find out, call Oregon SafeNet at 1-800-723-3638 or log on to <http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/index.shtml>.



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The Insurance Division is part of the Department of Consumer & Business Services. For more information, visit www.insurance.oregon.gov. The Department of Consumer and Business Services is Oregon's largest business regulatory and consumer protection agency. For more information, visit www.dcbcs.oregon.gov.

Clarkes School News

Important Dates in December

Jan 5 - No School, Teacher Workday

Jan 6 - Students return to school

Parent Teacher Group News

Thank you to everyone who participated in the cookie dough and gift fundraiser! We were able to raise \$3200!! The money we earned will help pay for a plethora of activities at the school.

Box Top Reminder

Please be sure that there is an expiration date on the Box Tops that you turn in, otherwise we cannot use them.

Campbell's Soup Label Reminder

Please be sure that the soup labels have the UPC code on them or we cannot use them.

Box Top \$\$ Raised To Date by Class

Williams, \$142.71

Scriven, \$108.80

Teacher Barb, \$100.21

Maier, \$96.21

Grubic, \$92.93

Herr, \$72.91

Deller, \$64.21

Music Notes

We had 30 children sing or play piano for the Clarkes Holiday Craft Bazaar. They did a fabulous job and it was a



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holds with incomes less than 185 percent of the federal poverty level (or \$2,714 monthly for a household of three). To obtain an application for the Oregon Health Plan, call toll free 1-800-359-9517.

Oregonians in low-income households also may qualify for food stamps, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

treat to hear all of the great musical talent presented by those children.

Students in Mrs. Maier and Miss Herr's classes did a wonderful job of singing at the city of Molalla Tree Lighting Ceremony on Wednesday Night. Sooooo nice!

On Monday, December 8th, Students in Mrs. Scriven and Mr. Grubic's classes sang at the Oregon Zoo for Zoo Lights. They performed at 5:45 p.m. at the Elephant Stage. Students in those classes stayed after school then took a bus to the zoo and back.

On December 11th, students in Mrs. Deller and Mrs. Williams' classes sang for the residents at Pheasant Pointe Retirement community in Molalla.

On Thursday, December 18th from 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. the All School Clarkes Holiday Music Program was held.

Walking Stick Insects Available

Walking Stick Insects are available to have at home as "pets"!!! Easy to take care of. Quiet. Well-behaved. They also eat blackberry leaves. They need to be sprayed occasionally with water. We have bunches of baby ones in kindergarten!

Too many to survive in our aquarium. We would love to see them go to others who would enjoy watching these fascinating insects grow up and move around. An enclosed aquarium or bowl is required. If interested, contact Teacher Barb in Kindergarten

Emergency Closure Reminder!

If weather makes travel hazardous, the Molalla River School District will close all district schools. However, if in the event of localized weather conditions, loss of utilities or other emergency affecting only one school, closures will be announced on an individual basis.

All closure information, whether district-wide or for an individual school, are announced on the School Announcement Network (see radio and television stations listed below).

AM Radio: KEX 1190, KKPZ 1330, KXL 750,
KFX 1080, KMJK 1290

FM Radio: KINK 101.9, KKRZ 100.3, KUPL 98.7,
KKS 97.1, KWJJ 99.5

TV: KGW 8, KOIN 6, KATU 2

If a "late opening" is announced, please continue to listen for an updated report, as worsened conditions could lead to a closure.

All closure information will be announced on local television and radio stations. You may also access and receive e-mail and/or text messages regarding school closure information at www.flashalert.net.

In the event of an early emergency dismissal, the School Announcement Network will be notified. Because many parents may be away from home at these times, the Molalla River School District suggests the following to help ensure your child's safety:

Establish & discuss with your child the pre-determined location of his/her return (in most cases, this is their usual destination.)

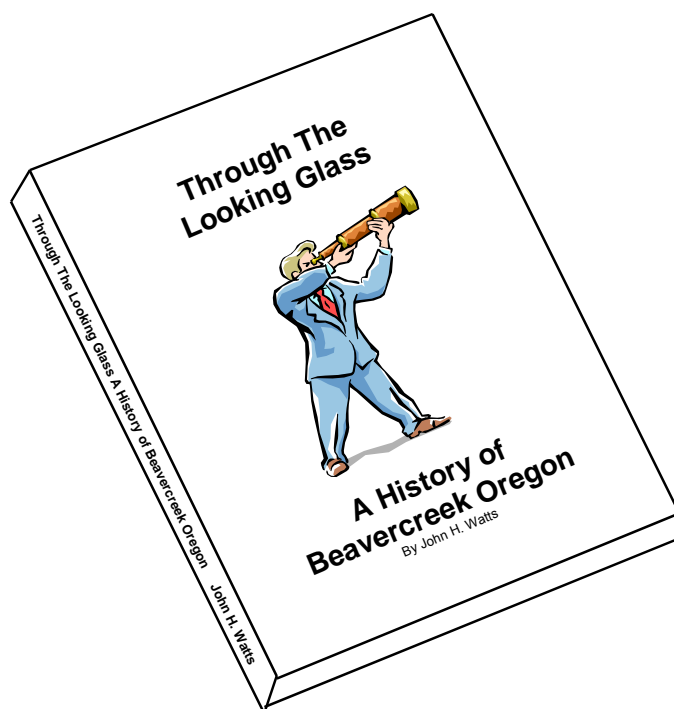
Instruct your child regarding the exact route he/she would take to the above location.

Make prior arrangements with the person who will care

for your child during the emergency dismissal.

Listen for emergency closure information on one of the emergency broadcast network stations.

As you know, early dismissals can occur at any time of year, and are not limited to weather conditions. For example, in the case of an extended power outage, our building has a limited supply of running water for drinking and sanitary usage. As such, it is very important that we are able to contact you during any given day.



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put "Beavercreek History" in the subject field so the message will not be missed.

As in the past, we have established an emergency calling tree for parents to be notified in case of an early dismissal. Busses are released after contact is made with someone for every student who will be transported. Students for which no contact has been made will be kept at school. In case of an extended emergency evacuation, we will evacuate to Clarkes United Methodist Church on the corner of Windy City & Gard Road.



**No Backyard Burning
Allowed Until March 1st!**

Clackamas Community College January Calendar of Events

Jan 1 - New Year's Day

Clackamas Community College is closed in observance of New Year's Day.

Jan 1 - Scholarship Open Enrollment Begins

Scholarship open enrollment begins Jan. 1 for the 2009-2010 school year. CCC scholarship applications will be available in the lobby of Rook Hall and online at www.clackamas.edu Call Darcie Iven for more information at 503-657-6958, ext. 5008.

Jan 5 - Winter Term Begins

Winter term classes begin at Clackamas Community College.

Jan 5, 12, 26 - Job Seeker Information Sessions

Free job seeker information sessions are held each Monday at CCC. Sessions are at noon at CCC's Oregon City campus, Community Center, room 100. For information call 503-657-6958, ext. 2316, or visit our Web site at www.WorkSourceClackamas.org

Jan 7 - Auditions for Student Performance Showcase

Auditions for CCC Theater Arts Department's winter term Student Performance Showcase are scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 7, at noon in the Osterman Theatre. The showcase features student directed one-act plays, stand up comedy and comedy improv. Auditions are open to the community. For information call 503-657-6958, ext. 2356 or visit www.theatreccc.org

Jan 7, 14, 21, 28 - Chrysalis: Women Writers

Local author Pat Lichen guides women writers of all levels through discussions of their work. Chrysalis meets from noon to 2:00 p.m. Wednesdays in the Literary Arts Center, Room 220 in Rook Hall. For information, call 503-657-6958, ext. 2220.

Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 - CCC Financial Aid/Scholarship Advising Sessions

CCC Financial Aid/Scholarship Advising Sessions are held every Thursday from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. in room 117 of Rook Hall at the Oregon City campus. Call Darcie Iven for more information at 503-657-6958, ext. 5008.

Jan 13 - CCC Scholarship Kickoff Night

Join us for Scholarship Kickoff Night from 6:30 p.m. – 7:30

p.m. in the McLoughlin Auditorium. Find out about scholarships and financial aid. Call Darcie Iven for more information at 503-657-6958, ext. 5008.

Jan 19 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

CCC will be closed in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

Jan 22 - Vocal Jazz Night

CCC alumni join the vocal jazz students to share their music. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 22, in room 119 of the Niemeyer Center. Admission is \$5 per person. For information call 503-657-6958, ext. 2434.

Jan 24 - College Goal Oregon

CCC is part of a nationwide effort to help students and their families file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form. Enter a drawing for a \$500 scholarship. Event is Saturday, Jan. 24, from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the CCC Gregory Forum. For more information, please e-mail scholarships@clackamas.edu or visit www.clackamas.edu

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of
Clackamas County
Food Assistance Program**
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503-655-8740
Monday thru Friday 8 am to 3 pm

Troubled Bridge Over Clackamas Waters Reopens!

Fix up the bicycle and find your walking shoes! A popular pedestrian crossing over the Clackamas River is about to reopen after a two-year closure.

Thanksgiving was the targeted date for reopening the 82nd Drive/Park Place Bridge between Gladstone and Oregon City. That's when major repairs were to be completed. An official ceremony marking the reopening is being planned for spring. But the bridge is available for public use now.

"Mowat Construction of Clackamas is completing the repair job on time and within its budget," said Ted Kyle of Clackamas County's Water Environment Services. The bridge carries an essential pipeline linking North Clackamas County sewer lines to the Tri-City Water Pollution Control Plant in Oregon City. It is part of the RiverHealth Phase 1 project to expand sewage treatment capacity for homes and businesses in Clackamas County Service District No. 1 (CCSD #1).

"We know the public is eager for this work to be completed. The Board of County Commissioners is delighted this phase of the project went smoothly and the public can once again enjoy this important pedestrian and bicycle access across the river," said Board Chair Lynn Peterson.

The bridge was closed two years ago after a fire damaged the former highway crossing.

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ODVA Offers Small Business Repair Loan to Guard and Reserve Members

With the goal of helping veterans whose businesses suffered setbacks during their deployment, the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs (ODVA) is offering a zero-interest Small Business Repair Loan to help veterans get their busi-

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nesses back on track.

"This program is aimed at our National Guard and Reserve veterans," ODVA Director Jim Willis explained. "If they are business owners, a long deployment months away from their business seriously affects the ability of their company to survive. We want to help these veterans recover their businesses when they get home so they are employed and can employ others."

The Small Business Repair Loan program offers a zero-percent interest rate and loans up to \$20,000. Applicants must be an honorably discharged veteran, own 51 percent of their business, and the business must have had a setback while the veteran was deployed. The veteran must apply for this loan within one year of returning from deployment.

"The commitment of members of the Guard and Reserve is unquestionable," Willis said. "We need to do all we can to support them when they come home and giving them a hand-up to restore a business is the least we can do." For more information regarding the Small Business Repair Loan, please contact ODVA at 888-673-8387 or 503-373-2070.

CCC Offers Wilderness Survival Classes

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Clackamas Community College is offering a number of classes that will prepare people for work in parks and recreation and other outdoor-oriented enterprises. The classes in Wilderness Survival will lead to a 12-credit career pathway certificate.

Classes in the series include information about wilderness first aid, Northwest weather and introductory search and rescue classes.

Most are offered in a condensed weekend format. During winter term the following Wilderness Survival classes will be offered:

FRP 243-Survivor I: Map, compass, GPS

A two-credit class that will take place Friday, Jan. 16, from 6:00 to 9:20 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 17 and 18, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

FRP-244-Survivor II: Wilderness

The two-credit class will take place Friday, Feb. 6, from 6:00 to 9:20 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 7 and 8, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

FRP-244-Survivor IV: Wilderness First Aid

The two-credit class will take place Friday, Feb. 27, from 6:00 to 9:20 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 28 and March 1, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Career pathway certificates are curriculum designed around high-demand jobs and skills and range from 12-44 credits. The course offerings enable a student to obtain education or skills for immediate employment or provide additional needed skills.

Other classes in the sequence will be offered spring term.

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Extreme Temperatures Prompts Clackamas Fire District to Offer Important Safety Information

Hopefully, by the time you read this the bad weather will be behind us. But, since Winter has just begun, it was felt this information needed to be passed along in the hopes it might save lives. The Editor

In the event of an electrical outage, people need to resist the temptation to use Hibachi's, barbecues or any gasoline or diesel powered appliances and some space heaters that can produce deadly doses of carbon monoxide.

Make sure your heating source is a UL listed indoor heating appliance. This is important as it can mean life or death. Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that can cause headaches, blurred vision, lethargy and death.

Another concern is the risk of hypothermia during power outages or long stretches of cold weather.

There are three types of hypothermia:

Acute hypothermia - is caused by a rapid loss of body heat, usually from immersion in cold water.

Sub acute hypothermia - often happens in cool outdoor weather (below 50 degrees Fahrenheit) when wind chill, wet or too little clothing, fatigue, and/or poor nutrition lower the body's ability to cope with cold temperatures.

Chronic hypothermia - happens from ongoing exposure to cold indoor temperatures (below 60 degrees Fahrenheit). The poor, the elderly, people with hypothyroidism, people who take sedative-hypnotics, and drug and alcohol abusers are prone to this form of hypothermia, and they typically: misjudge cold, move slowly, have poor nutrition, wear too little clothing and/or have a poor heating system

To prevent hypothermia you should have adequate food, clothing, shelter and sources of heat. Blankets can help, even in poorly heated rooms. Wear layers of clothing and a

mas Fire District #1 fire stations or visit our website at www.clackamasfire.com for weather tips and safety.

Forestry Department Announces Annual Timber Revenue Payments Of \$60.6 Million

The Oregon Department of Forestry announced that annual revenue payments to 15 trust land Counties totaled \$51.2 million, and the statewide school fund received \$9.4 million.

The revenue comes from timber harvests on forestlands managed by ODF from July 2007 through June 2008.

The 15 Counties received the \$51.2 million in timber revenue because they deeded cutover or burned lands to the State many decades ago with the understanding that once the forestland began to produce again, they would receive two-thirds of the revenue. The revenue is distributed based on where and in which County harvesting took place.

The \$9.4 million generated from Common School Forest Lands was deposited directly into the Common School Fund, which helps support public education statewide in Oregon. The Federal government granted these lands to the State at the time of statehood in 1859.

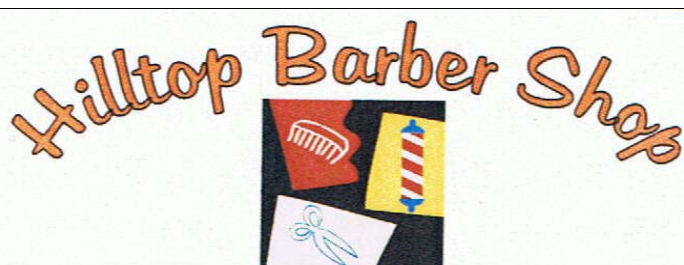
There are about 657,000 acres of County-deeded forestlands and about 124,000 acres of Common School Forest Land (Federally granted land) managed by ODF.

Over the past five years, \$261.6 million was sent to trust land counties, which in turn distributed much of the revenue to schools and local taxing districts within their counties. During that same time span, \$66.1 million was placed in the Common School Fund.

An ODF report that includes revenue distribution was presented this month to the trust Counties. A similar report was presented last month to the State Land Board, owners of the Common School Forest Land.

ODF's State Forests Division uses about a third of the total timber revenue to manage state-owned forestland for economic, ecological and social benefits. No general fund tax dollars come to the program.

One social benefit is recreation. In addition to generating timber revenue, these forestlands have hundreds of miles of trails for hiking, biking, horseback riding and off-highway vehicles. There are campgrounds and places for fishing,



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hat, which will keep in more heat. Move around, as physical activity raises body temperature.

If someone is hypothermic, this person will be less awake and aware and may be confused and disoriented. Because of this, even a mildly hypothermic person might not think to help them self.

If you find someone that is possibly hypothermic and even shows no signs of life you should immediately call 911 so they can be properly revived and warmed in a hospital setting. If they are awake give them warm fluids to drink, but never alcohol or cigarettes as those slow down the flow of blood in their body and this is what needs to be improved.

Check on elderly or ill neighbors and call 911 if you find someone who is severely effected by these cold temperatures we are going to be dealing with for the next week or so. The public is always welcome to call their local Clacka-

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hunting and picnicing practically all paid for by timber revenue (from ODF's one-third share).

The State's investment in these forestlands also extends to the environment. The timber harvesting on State forests is carried out to develop a range of habitat for native fish and wildlife.

Currently, upwards of half of the forests are managed to grow into structurally complex (older) forest stands. Periodic thinning speeds up the growth of trees left after harvest; and it lets in sunlight for new trees and shrubs.

Well-planned clear-cuts mimic natural disturbances such as fire, disease or insect outbreaks, and provide open areas for foraging deer and elk.

Areas along streams get special protection, and logs often are placed in streams to improve fish habitat.

In addition, to leaving live trees after harvest, State forest standards call for setting aside some standing dead trees and some decaying logs on the forest floor. These are signs of a healthy forest ecosystem, with places for birds and animals to hunt for food and live.

County Share - Two-thirds of timber revenue generated from this State forestland goes to counties where harvest activity occurred. Counties originally deeded these lands to the state. About 657,000 acres.

CSL (Common School Land) - Federal government granted these lands to Oregon at time of statehood. Revenue goes to Common School Fund for K-12 public education. About 124,000 acres.

What Does This Mean For Clackamas County?

7,266 acres

\$274,962 for 2008

\$474,863 5-year average, and

\$792,212 for 10 year average.

A variety of factors contribute to annual harvest levels and corresponding revenues. A multi-year average compensates for "up" or "down" years and provides a clearer, long-term view of forest management.

Beavercreek School News

Calendar of Events

Jan 2 - Winter Break

Jan 5 - NO SCHOOL, Teacher Work Day

Jan 6 - Classes Resume

The OCSF board meets monthly during the school year and considers funding requests posted via their partnership website, <http://www.donate2educate.com>.

Books, books and more books! Oregon City grade schools were looking to supplement their classroom libraries with requests for beginning chapter books to "Fantastic Fiction for Teens". Beavercreek Elementary School was one of the schools funded.

Science project materials also topped the list; with Physics experiments and Tropical Rain Forest books funded for Hol-

comb School.

OCSF President Cathy Poppen states, "We are extremely fortunate through our community fundraising activities to be able to provide much needed books, technology, and other project related materials to our area

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schools.

October was the first month to fund projects for the 2008-2009 school year, and through requests on the donate2educate website our teachers, principals and parents have another option for funding school projects not covered by school district budgets.

"The OCSF's mission is to encourage philanthropic gifts for student scholarships, program enhancements, capital projects, and activities in support of Oregon City schools and the school community.



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A recent fundraising golf tournament, Tee Time for Kids, garnered over \$6,500 for Oregon City Schools. Golfers were treated to a BBQ after tournament play, hosted by the high school Grad Party Committee.

Click For Technology

\$25,000 has been budgeted to help schools with technology. The money set aside has been set up as matching funds and will be divided between schools based on student body enrollment. Each building will be having a technology drive and donations can be made through www.donate2educate.com or by sending a check to OCSF at PO Box 85 Oregon City or dropping off your tax deductible donation in your school office.

The good news is the money parents donate will stay in the building designated. (Be sure all checks note which school should be receiving the credit) Questions: contact Cathy Poppen, President at cathy.poppen@gmail.com

Got Any Ideas for Articles?

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

503-632-6525 or b_bulletin.info@beavercreekbulletin.org

Contest

What: A School Contest - To spread the word about www.Donate2Educate.com

When: Contest begins December 15th, ends January 31, 2008

Where: Online at www.Donate2Educate.com

Register as donor, noting school name on registration profile. One point per donor registration, 10 points per donation.

Each school that reaches their goal wins! Prize amounts range from \$50 up to \$500 for your school. Please tell family and friends, and register on www.Donate2Educate.com to help your school participate in this fun competition.

Beavercreek's allocation is \$2500. This means that if parents, family and friends donate \$2500, D2E will match it for a total of \$5000! Hurry! Time is limited. Help us meet our goal! Oregon City Schools Foundation PO Box 85 Oregon City, OR 97045 www.ocsf.org.

Fifth Annual Daddy-Daughter Extravaganza

Please join us for our Fifth Annual Daddy Daughter Extravaganza - held again at the Abernethy Center!

This Valentines Day-themed event provides a great opportunity for dads and their daughters, sixth grade and under, to spend some very memorable quality time together.

Included is dinner, desert, dancing, keepsake photos and

more. Bring as many daughters as you have!

This year, the food is provided by Abernethy Center Catering. Music is by RJ Mobile Music and photos are provided by the staff.

Maximum capacity is 160, so register early because this event fills quickly! You must register by January 9, 2009. To register, call 503-657-8273 or go to www.oregoncityparks.org.

Saturday, January 24, 2009

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

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Jan 19 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, NO SCHOOL
Jan 22 - Student of The Month Lunch
Jan 23 - NO SCHOOL, Classified Work Day
Jan 24 - SAT Test
Jan 28 - Spring Sports Registration
 Financial Aid Night 7:00 p.m.
 Conferences
Jan 29 - Spring Sports Registration
 Conferences
Jan 30 - NO SCHOOL



Scout Troop 139

Tough Men: Young and Older!

Nine adventurous Scouts and 3 Scouters spent a weekend survival-camping on the Molalla River.

Most built shelters out of limbs, ferns, old raccoon pelts and whatever they could find to keep snuggie.

The night started off with the promise of winter, but by morning, a bank of clouds had rolled in, leaving a wet, cold chill over the campsite. The successful survivors stayed dry, and mostly warm. Give a pat on the back to: Adam Dornbusch, CJ Cook, Robert Emmons, David Froman, Dale Forney, Sam Hoult, Eric Olson, Kevin Rodway, Ben Rohrich, Tony Dornbusch, Harlan Hoult, and Tom Rohrich. Great job surviving the weekend!

More Survival Lessons:

REI will have a free presentation on Jan 22, 2009, Clackamas, 7:00 p.m. with experts from TrackersNW for an informative and fun presentation on the art and science of staying alive. You'll learn the basics of shelter, water, fire and food including: foraging for wild edibles, making fire with no matches, utilizing simple stone tools, filtering water, and building a quick and dirty shelter to protect you from the elements. These skills have the power to save your life... and impress your friends at parties!



Obituaries



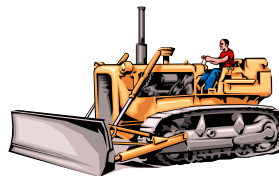
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DAKOTA DODGE

A memorial service was held at 7:00 p.m., Dec. 15, 2008, in Life Christian Center in Milwaukie for Dakota Dodge, who died Dec. 10 at age 17.

Clackamas Fire Dist #1
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Dakota Dodge was born Sept. 23, 1991, in Oregon City. He moved to Beavercreek in 1994 and graduated from Life Christian Academy and attended Colton High School and received a GED from Clackamas Community College. He moved to Estacada in January and was a busboy and dishwasher for Biscuit's Cafe. He enjoyed playing guitar and drums.

Survivors include his parents, Kristina and Dion; brothers, David and Daniel; and grandparents, Nancy LeJeune and Fred Dodge.

Arrangements by Estacada Funeral Chapel. *Originally appeared in the December 14, 2008, Oregonian.*



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

The food pantry at the Beaver Creek 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 pager number below and leave your 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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ETHEL A. MOEHNKE

A funeral was held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2008, in Lower Highland Bible Church in Beavercreek for Ethel A. Moehnke, who died Dec. 4 of cancer at age 82.

Ethel A. Benz was born Sept. 14, 1926, in Bismarck, N. D., and moved to the Portland area in 1945. She received a master's degree from Oregon College of Education and was an elementary school teacher for the West Linn School District for more than 38 years. She married Averil W. Moehnke; he died in 1992.

Survivors include her sons, Tom and Wes; sisters, Dorothy Bradley and Bertha Renz; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Remembrances to the church. Arrangements by Hillside Chapel. *Originally appeared in the December 6, 2008, Oregonian.*



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ROBERT LEE GOOCH

Robert Lee "Bob" Gooch of Beavercreek died Dec. 25, 2008, at age 70.

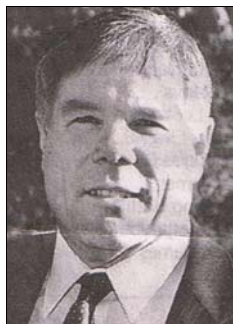
Robert Lee Gooch was born Feb. 25, 1938, in Salem, where he graduated from high school. He was a welder and plant foreman for Schnitzer Steel and retired as operation supervisor of its shredding division. He moved to Beavercreek in 1973. In 1958, he married Judy Nibler; she died in 1998.

Survivors include his son, David; daughters, Deborah Davis and Sandra Musa; brother, Jerry; and two grandchildren.

Arrangements by Cornwell Colonial in Woodburn. *Originally appeared in the December 28, 2008, Oregonian.*

JAMES C. WORDEN

March 3, 1944 - December 17, 2008



A celebration of life for Jim Worden was held at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2008, at the old Oregon City High School gymnasium on the Jackson campus, 1306 12th St., in Oregon City.

On March 3, 1944, Jim was born to Stan and Eleanor Worden in Canandaigua, N.Y., and grew up in San Carlos Calif. He attended Willamette University, where he met his wife Kathy and graduated in 1966 with a Bachelors Degree in History. He then went on to receive his Master's Degree in History and Education from Claremont Graduate School in 1970.

Jim taught and coached at Charter Oak High School in West Covina, Calif., before moving to Oregon City to teach at the high school in 1970. He taught there for 28 years. He also was a technology Specialist for the Clackamas County ESD. After retirement, Jim was a technology consultant for several school districts.

Jim coached men's basketball for 41 years at Charter Oak, Oregon City, Mt. Hood Community College and finally Clackamas Community College, where he was the Associate Head Coach for the last ten years. He also coached football, swimming, cross-country and coached several basketball camps.

Jim dedicated his life to teaching and coaching where he wanted to make a difference in the lives of young people. He touched the lives of so many as they touched his. He will always be cherished and remembered by his loving family,

friends, students, coaches and players and will certainly be missed.

Jim is survived by his wife Kathy; sons, Craig (Albany) and Scott (Phoenix, Ariz.); their wives, Sarah and Jennifer; four grandchildren, Trenton, Finley, Sophie and Chloe; his sister, Barbara (Brea, Calif.) and brother, Robert Worden (Las Vegas). In lieu of flowers, you may donate to the Jim Worden Memorial Scholarship Fund at the Oregon City School District, 1417 12th St., Oregon City, OR 97045. *Originally appeared in the December 28, 2008, Oregonian.*

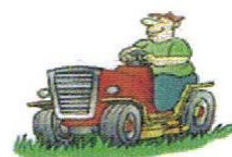
Winter Weather Increases Job Hazards

Snow, ice, and rain are winter hazards that can make day-to-day duties even more dangerous for workers. The Oregon Occupational Health and Safety Division (Oregon OSHA) encourages employers to plan ahead to protect lives and reduce accidents this season.

In January 2004, the Portland area was hit with a severe winter storm that brought snow and freezing rain, turning streets into slick skating rinks. Workers' Compensation data shows disabling claims (at least three days of missed work) spiked due to falls on wet surfaces and ice that January, making up 14 percent of the total claims that month. The trend is consistent with winter months that followed, when slips and falls often coincide with weather events.

In 2005, a lumberyard worker was in the process of strapping a semi-trailer load of lumber in Portland. He

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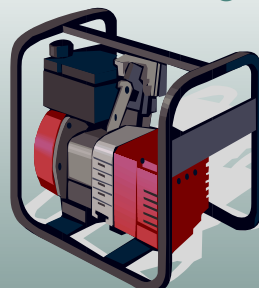


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climbed the ladder, placed against the side of the trailer, to strap the top of the load. When he stepped from the ladder onto the load, he slipped and fell about 11 feet to the asphalt below. Ice was found on top of the plastic covering the load and no fall protection was used. He later died from head and neck injuries.

Information regarding December's weather was not available at press time.

"Unfortunately, we often make our plans without taking into account bad weather, which means typical winter weather in much of the state," said Michael Wood, administrator of Oregon OSHA. "Work practices that are just fine during dry weather when visibility is good may not be nearly as effective in rain, fog, or early darkness, and equipment that presents no problems when it's dry can be treacherous when the rains come or temperatures drop below freezing."

Oregon OSHA encourages employers to take the following precautions:

- Keep walkways clear from ice and snow and provide entry mats to avoid indoor slips.
- Review bad-weather procedures with employees and discuss specific job hazards.
- Prepare a roadside emergency kit for company vehicles that includes items such as water, food, flares, a blanket, window scraper, and tire chains (when required).

More information about emergency preparedness can be found on Oregon OSHA's Web site, www.orosha.org, under "Publications" or in the December issue of Oregon OSHA's online newsletter Resource.

About Oregon OSHA:

Oregon OSHA, a division of the Department of Consumer & Business Services, enforces the State's workplace safety and health rules and works to improve workplace safety and health for all Oregon workers. For more information, go to www.orosha.org.

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Stardig Christmas Tree Farm "Trees for Troops" Deemed a Success

Becky Stardig of Stardig Christmas Tree Farm writes the

Bulletin to share the following regarding the "Trees for Troops" event held at the tree farm again this year. This was the second year that Stardig Christmas Tree Farm participated in this event.

"We collected roughly \$1700.00 in cash donations and we sent out a truck load of trees Dec. 8th. We just received our first email from a military family who received their tree from us. They were so thankful and were even from the NW! It was a joy, and really kicked off the Holiday season to participate in this giving event".



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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 November 20 - December 20, 2008.

Submitted by Selby Martin, Clackamas County Fire District #1

- 11/20** - 19:37:19 - Smoke or Odor Removal - S HWY 213/S SPANGLER Rd
- 11/22** - 12:52:26 - Medical - S WESTBY Ln
22:21:36 - Building Fire - S Dickey Prairie Rd
- 11/23** - 20:52:14 - Medical - S MARJORIE Ln
21:06:19 - Medical - S MARJORIE Ln
- 11/29** - Building Fire - S EVERGREEN Dr
- 11/30** - 12:34:55 - Medical - S CARUS Rd
13:10:58 - Medical - S BEAVERCREEK Rd
15:49:37 - Smoke or Odor Removal - S BEESON RD
17:10:09 - Medical - S DANS Ave
- 12/01** - 10:37:04 - Medical - S LOWER HIGHLAND Rd
12:45:32 - Medical - S MCBURNEY Rd
13:16:26 - Medical - S HWY 213/S CARUS Rd
- 12/03** - 10:06:57 - Medical - S BEAVERCREEK Rd
20:09:12 - Medical - S MEADOW Ave
20:34:34 - Medical - S BEAVERCREEK Rd
- 12/04** - 11:16:29 - Building Fire - PEBBLE BEACH Dr
18:36:07 - Medical - S UPPER HIGHLAND Rd
10:16:05 - Building Fire - S FERGUSON Rd
- 12/05** - 12:37:54 - Medical - S WINDY CITY Rd
14:57:16 - Mot Veh Acc- Non Injury - S HWY 213/S KELMSLEY Dr
- 12/06** - 01:13:13 - Medical - S UPPER HIGHLAND Rd
13:26:02 - Medical - S HWY 213
- 12/07** - 14:09:50 - Medical - S COUNTRY VILLAGE Dr

- 12/09** - 07:18:26 - Medical - S MUELLER/S HWY 213
 18:34:55 - Medical - S CARUS Rd
 22:50:57 - Building Fire - CENTRAL POINT Rd
- 12/11** - 11:59:34 - False Alarm - S YEOMAN Rd
- 12/12** - 12:31:42 - Power Line Down - S RIDGE Rd/
 S LOWER HIGHLAND Rd
 13:53:48 - Power Line Down - S BAURER Rd/
 S UNGER Rd
 15:21:40 - Mot Veh Acc- Non Injury - S LOWER
 HIGHLAND/S BEAVERCREEK Rd
 20:06:18 - Medical - S ATHENS Dr
- 12/13** - 17:27:34 - False Alarm - S HENRICI Rd
- 12/14** - 23:43:22 - Power Line Down - S UPPER
 HIGHLAND Rd
- 12/15** - 05:44:19 - Medical - LOGAN Dr
 08:05:29 - Medical - S HWY 213
 11:12:56 - False Alarm - S SPANGLER Rd
 12:33:16 - Service Call - S SCHRAM Rd
 23:22:25 - Medical - S UPPER HIGHLAND Rd
- 12/16** - 15:34:12 - Water or Steam Leak - FIR St
 20:34:40 - Medical - S LOWER HIGHLAND RD
- 12/17** - 10:28:36 - Medical - S UPPER HIGHLAND Rd
 12:36:24 - False Alarm - S LELAND Rd
 21:15:28 - Medical - S UPPER HIGHLAND Rd
- 12/18** - 20:27:52 - Building Fire - MADRONA Dr
- 12/19** - 16:09:23 - False Alarm - S CRESTVIEW Dr
- 12/20** - 03:50:15 - Vehicle Fire - S BAURER/S UNGER
 13:53:48 - False Alarm - CENTRAL POINT Rd

You Don't Realize How Great It Is Until it's Gone!

Throughout the later part of the month of December PGE crews continued to make good progress restoring damage from the snow and ice storm. From Friday, Dec. 19th, crews

restored more than 397,000 outages and repaired 3,160 downed wires across the PGE service territory.

A total of 285 PGE and contract crews continued to work extended 16-hour shifts until all service was restored.

Higher elevations as well as hilly and remote areas made the repair work difficult. PGE employed snow plows and heavy equipment to reach those customers and downed lines, but it remained slow due to the poor driving conditions.

It was advised by PGE that if customers were without power but their neighbors did have power, they should check the electrical connection at their building for damage. If any equipment other than the meter is discovered to be damaged, they should call an electrician to make repairs. A list of PGE-approved electricians can be found at PortlandGeneral.com/powerback

Clackamas County Urban and Rural Reserves Policy Advisory Committee to Meet Jan 6

The 21-member Clackamas County Urban and Rural Reserves Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) will hold its eighth and ninth meetings Jan. 6, and Jan. 27, both Tuesdays, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the Development Services Building, 150 S. Beavercreek Rd., Oregon City. The public is welcome to attend.

The PAC usually meets once a month, but the December meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

At the January 6 meeting, the PAC will continue to determine "candidate" Rural Reserves lands in Clackamas County, based on the Rural Reserve factors that focus on three major topics:

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PAC members will also hear a presentation about future employment lands in the County and begin discussing possible Urban Reserves.

At the Jan. 27 meeting, PAC members will continue their work in identifying candidate Urban Reserve areas.

The panel is responsible for advising the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners on the selection of Urban and Rural Reserves in the County, which is scheduled to be completed by December 2009.

The process of identifying Urban and Rural Reserves is taking place throughout the three-County Portland metropolitan area during 2008 and 2009. The three metro Counties - Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington - and Metro

are going through an extensive public involvement and study process to identify where urban growth should and should not take place in the region over the next 40-50 years.

If you live I Beavercreek, and are concerned about the future of the area and how it might impact you, it would be a good idea to attend these meetings if at all possible. The decisions made by the 21 member panel will affect our area for the next 40-50 years and rural representation is sorely lacking. The Editor

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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:

www.co.clackamas.or.us/dc/adoptdog.jsp

The shelter is located at 2104 Kaen Rd., in Oregon City. I'm available from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., Thursday thru Monday. I'd sure love to get the chance to meet you. "ROXIE"

Insurer Fined For Improperly Denying Health Claims

An Oregon woman who complained to the State after PacifiCare Life Assurance Company denied six of her seven medical claims helped launch an Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services investigation that overturned nearly 5,000 other claim denials.

Department Director Cory Streisinger signed an order on December 30, 2008, fining PacifiCare Life Assurance \$46,000 for failing to conduct reasonable investigations before denying claims, making policyholders with pre-existing conditions wait more than six months for coverage



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for those conditions, and for failing to act promptly on a claim.

In its investigation, the department's Insurance Division discovered that PacifiCare Life Assurance was denying claims without contacting the people who made the claims or their health care providers to determine whether the services were covered.

"Oregon law requires insurers to conduct a reasonable investigation before refusing to pay claims, and that didn't happen here," Streisinger said.

As a result of the investigation, PacifiCare Life Assurance reviewed more than 10,000 claims it denied during a 21-month period that started in September 2005. The company determined that it should have paid 4,928 of the denied claims. It also discovered that it erred in denying some claims involving pre-existing conditions. Oregon law requires coverage of these conditions after an employee has been enrolled in a group plan for six months. The company was basing coverage decisions on a federal law that allows pre-existing condition claims to be denied for up to 12 months. The insurer notified the department of the error.

The third part of the order -- failure of the company to act promptly on a claim -- stemmed from the case of a policyholder who complained after he twice faxed a claim to PacifiCare Life Assurance and finally sent a copy by certified mail, only to be told multiple times that the company didn't have a record of the claim. He waited 236 days to learn that the

claim for non-emergency medical services from a non-participating provider wasn't covered.

PacifiCare Life Assurance has been licensed in Oregon since 1999 and has administrative offices in California. It is one of a number of companies that is part of the United Healthcare Group. The company insured nearly 13,000 Oregonians and earned \$42 million in health premiums in Oregon in 2007, the most recent year for which data is

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The company already has paid the fine, paid all valid health claims, and changed its practices to avoid future problems.

The department's insurance advocates can be reached at 888-877-4894. The department's enforcement order

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The State's Insurance Division is part of the Department of Consumer & Business Services. For more information, visit www.insurance.oregon.gov. The Department of Consumer and Business Services is Oregon's largest business regulatory and consumer protection agency. For more information, visit www.dcbcs.oregon.gov.

Oregon City Commission Meetings



Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd
Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Videos will be shown on the Monday following the
meeting at 8:00 p.m. on Channel 14

CCC Horticulture Department Offers Variety of Winter Programs

It's winter and the garden is dormant. It's a perfect time for home gardeners to hone their knowledge and skills for the gardening season. The Horticulture Department at Clackamas Community College this winter will offer a variety of workshops, symposiums and classes for home gardeners, as well as classes for professional licensing. A roundup of short courses and workshops during winter term follows:

Marketing Waterwise Landscaping:

Tuesday, Jan. 27, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Clairmont room 117. Explore ways to incorporate water efficiency into standard business practices including business retention, new business and how your company can be more profitable by selling water conservation practices to your residential and commercial clients. This workshop qualifies for Irrigation Association CEUs. Fee is \$20.

Fruit Tree Short Course:

Fridays, Jan. 9 through Feb. 6, from 1:00 to 3:50 p.m., Clairmont room 133. Instructor Karen Tillou offers fruit recommendations for the Willamette Valley. Orchard bloom time, pruning, training, tree fruit insects and diseases, propagation, harvesting, storage and uses of tree fruit will be discussed. The fee for the one-credit course is \$77.

Organic Land Care for the Professional:

Friday, Jan. 30, 8:30 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. in Clairmont room 117. This half-day workshop for landscape professionals focuses on organic practices for soil building and healthy turf in ornamental landscapes. Co-sponsored by Oregon Tilth and the Horticulture Department. Fee: \$50.

Pesticide Applicator in Spanish:

Wednesday, Feb. 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:50 p.m., Clairmont 118. This course provides a review of the safe use of pesticides: protective equipment, mixing, loading, spraying,

storage, transportation and application equipment. Recertification credits are available. Fee is \$35.

Pesticide Core Training:

Friday, Feb. 6, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:50 p.m., Clairmont room 118. This workshop provides training required by the Oregon Department of Agriculture for the re-certification of Private Pesticide License. This workshop is designed for individuals who intend to maintain a current ODA Private Pesticide License. Fee is \$25.

Fruit Tree Pruning:

Saturday, Feb. 7, from 9:00 to 11:50 a.m. at the Home Orchard Society Arboretum at CCC. The class features demonstrations and practice of pruning methods appropriate for a variety of fruit trees. The class is cosponsored by the Home Orchard Society. Fee is \$10.

Herb Growing and Gardening:

This one-credit course is taught by instructor Elizabeth Howley. Meets Saturdays, Feb. 7, 14 and 21 from 8:30 to 11:50 a.m., Clairmont 118. Students will study herb plants, including propagation and garden use. Tuition and fees: \$82.

Urban Pest Management Course:

Wednesday, Feb. 11, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:50 p.m., Gregory Forum. Workshop covers current ornamental plant pest control information, with eight ODA pesticide recertification credits available. The fee is \$65 by Feb. 4 or \$75 after Jan. 29. For registration and fee information, call 541-737-3541.

Fruit Tree Grafting (Beginning and Intermediate):

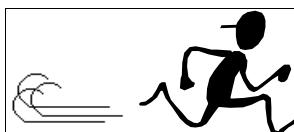
Saturday, Feb. 21, Clairmont 118. These three workshops (two beginning and one intermediate) provide hands-on experience for grafting fruit trees. Two beginning Fruit Tree Grafting workshops are offered: from 9:00 to 10:20 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. to 12:05 p.m. The intermediate Fruit Tree Grafting workshop is from 12:45 to 2:05 p.m. Fee is \$15 per workshop.

For more information about horticulture offerings at CCC, please call the Horticulture Department at 503-657-6958, ext. 2246 or visit <http://depts.clackamas.edu/hort/>

View Life on the Nanoscale at OMSI

Discover the incredible invisible world that surrounds us on the nanoscale through the Phenom scanning electron microscope (SEM), now on display in OMSI's Life Science Hall. By shooting a beam of electrons at objects, the desktop Phenom allows the viewer to see smaller details than light microscopes allow. The Phenom is smaller than any previous SEM, and is designed to be usable by non-experts, including middle and high school students.

The Phenom comes to OMSI through a grant from the Department of Energy and a partnership with FEI Company, Hillsboro, Oregon, which makes the desktop SEM.



See you next month... The
Editor!