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#### Three-Year Levy To Restore Schools Days Fails

The May 17th election was an important one for Oregon City Schools and other districts across the State. Unfortunately, the three-year local option levy to restore two weeks of school for Oregon City kids was defeated.

In an encouraging message sent to the district's staff superintendent Roger Rada said, "I certainly don't see this vote as a rebuke of our schools or our employees. We have incredible teachers and support staff. You all do incredible work, and our schools are highly regarded within our community and across the State."

Rada indicates that it will be difficult to maintain the strong academic growth the district's students have demonstrated over the last several years. Students will be in larger classes for fewer days; not a good combination for their success.

"We knew asking the community to pay additional taxes during these tough economic times would be difficult, but we had to try for our kids," says Superintendent Roger Rada. "We can only keep on doing our best, wait for the economy to improve, and hope that the legislature takes steps to stabilize school funding."

#### Clackamas County Commissioners Select Janet Damon To Vacant Seat

Clackamas County Commissioners on May 18, 2011, unanimously appointed Janet Damon of Eagle Creek to fill the open commissioner seat in Clackamas County.

Damon will take over the seat previously held by Charlotte Lehan who was appointed to Chair in March. The term expires at the end of 2012.

A 15-year resident of Eagle Creek, Damon is collaborative systems director for the National Policy Consensus Center at Portland State University.

"Janet brings a wealth of experience and perspective to the Board of Commissioners. She is from unincorporated Clackamas County and specifically from the east County, a geographic region of our County that has been underrepresented. We welcome Janet and look forward to working with her as the Board continues the important work of the County," said Commission Chair Charlotte Lehan.

"Once again I want to commend everyone who applied for this vacancy and urge all of them to stay involved and connected with our county government through our various

#### 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...** 

First Saturday, BeavercreekGrange 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

Boy Scout Troop #745...

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

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, 7:00 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.

#### 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 (Qrtrly)...

To be announced

#### Hamlet of Molalla Prairie...

Second Wednesday, Molalla Pub Lib Meeting Rm, 2105 5th Ave., Molalla at 7:00 p.m.

#### 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 Meetings...

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

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citizen involvement programs."

Sixty-three candidates applied for the vacancy during a recruitment that closed April 13. The vacancy was created by the resignation of former Commission Chair Lynn Peterson last March to become a senior aide to Governor John Kitzhaber.

#### Carus School News

#### **Upcoming Events**

Jun 2 - 5th Grade field trip, JA Biz Town Jun 3 - Track Club Awards Assembly 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 "The Ten O'Clock Church"

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Hospitality Hour & Seasonal Potlucks: 11:15 a.m.

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#### **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.
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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.

# 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.) 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.

The Bridge: Clarkes General Store, Tuesdays, 6:05 p.m.. Vacation Bible School: Aug 3-7, 6:00 to 8:45 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: 8:30 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

#### **UCC Food Pantry Community Help Line** 503-724-1095

#### 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

21949 S. Hwy 213 503-632-4218 www.Stonecreekonline.com

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship, Traditional: 8:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship, Contemporary: 10:00 and 11:30 a.m.

\* Ministries for Infant thru High School ages during Contemporary Services
Wednesday Nights Live: Dinner at 5:15 p.m., Clubs 6:15 - 8:15

Li'l K Kids Club: for preschool (ages 3 through 5) KiDMO Kids Club: 1st through 6th grades SCSM for Youth: 7th through 12th grades

Community Involvement:

Food Distribution: Wednesdays 1 pm to 4 pm Ministry to Homeless: Third Thursdays

#### **Trinity Lutheran Church & School**

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

**Sunday Services:** 8:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. **Education Hour:** Sundays, 9:45 a.m.

Thursday Morning Adult Bible Class: 10:30 a.m. Whitewater For 9th - 12th Graders: Sundays, 6:30 p.m.

Children's Choir: Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir: Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m. Quilters Guild: Mondays, 9:30 a.m.

R.O.C For 8th grade: Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

J.A.M For Kindergarten thru 5th Grade: Wed., 6:30 p.m.

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

#### Jun 13 - Last Day of School

#### Thank You - Teacher Appreciation Week

The Carus Staff was treated to a fantastic array of accolades from the Carus PTA in honor of Teacher Appreciation Week celebrated May 2nd through May 6th.

We would like to thank the Wild Hare Restaurant in Canby for the spectacular catered lunch that was enjoyed by all on Thursday. On Friday, each staff member was given their very own "Sur-PIES", to take home with them, in the form of a delicious pie.

#### **Class Placement**

Believe it or not, this year is quickly wrapping up and we are mapping out how the 2011-2012 school year will look. One of the pieces to that is developing the tentative drafts of class rosters for the next school year. As we carefully make our student placements for the new school year, the following factors are considered:

- \* Classroom balance by gender, achievement levels, and special education/language needs.
- \* The student's learning style (in what learning environment does the child perform best.)
  - \* Students that need to be separated from each other.
  - \* Behavioral characteristics of students (i.e. positive

class leaders, discipline issues)

\* Other considerations presented by parents or staff members.

Class placements will be determined by a team consisting of our principal, intervention specialist, and teaching staff. Lunch Money Information - No charging available now.

As the school year winds down, there are always questions concerning balances in student lunch accounts. Any money remaining in your child's account will automatically carry over to the next school year unless you send a written request for a refund. If you have a sixth grader moving to the middle school, their balance will be forwarded.

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#### 76th Annual Gymanfa Ganu at Bryn Seion Welsh Church in Beavercreek

On Sunday, June 26, 2011, Bryn Seion Welsh Church will hold its 76th annual Gymanfa Ganu (Welsh for "hymn singing festival"). There will be a traditional Morning Worship Service, conducted by Pastor John Hasenjaeger, followed by afternoon and evening singing sessions of the Gymanfa. The church is located at 22132 S. Kamrath Road, Beavercreek, OR 97004 -- a beautiful wooded setting, 5 miles south of Oregon City.

A Gymanfa Ganu is a festival of hymns in Welsh and English, in which all participate. There is a long tradition in the US of Welsh hymn singing. Bryn Seion believes this tradition brings great joy to all, whether Welsh or not, when singing together with new and old friends.

Below is the schedule for the Gymanfa celebration:

11:00 a.m. - Traditional Gymanfa Ganu Worship Service

1:45 p.m. - First session of the Gymanfa Ganu

4:00 p.m. - Te Bach (High Tea with Pastries and Savories for a full meal)

6:00 p.m. - Second Session of the Gymanfa Ganu For further details, see:

www.brynseionwelshchurch.org

#### Clackamas County Master Gardener Program To Be Held June 13

Speaker: David Phipps of Stone Creek Golf Course

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Address: Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Drive, Milwaukie, OR Telephone: 503-653-8100

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David Phipps is a golf course superintendent where he oversees maintenance at Stone Creek Golf Club as well as the North Clackamas Ball Park. Prior to his 20 years of golf course maintenance experience he was a landscape manager for Northwest Landscape Industries. During his career at Stone Creek, David has been recognized for his environmental achievements including appearances on The Golf Channel; CNBC's People, Planet, and Profit; and Oregon Public Broadcasting's "Think Out Loud". He has received numerous awards including the Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District, "Cooperator of the Year" and the 2008 National Environmental Leaders in Golf Award presented by GCSAA and Golf Digest. David holds a bachelor's degree from Oregon State University in Turf and Landscape Management.

#### Local Support for Military Families Comes to Oregon

The Virtual Installation/Army Strong Community Center (ASCC) is designed to provide continuity of support to Army Reserve (AR) soldiers and families in the community where they live. Service members, retirees, veterans and their families receive responsive services at the same level of access and resources as they would expect to find on a military installation. This initiative assists in mitigating the effects of mobilization and deployment to include the challenges of the military lifestyle.

The grand opening of a new Army Strong Community Center was held Saturday, May 14, at 10:00 a.m. on the beautiful Clackamas Community College campus in Oregon City. This is the fourth ASCC in the nation, the first west of the Mississippi River, and the first to be located at a community college.

The Virtual Installation initiative supports the Congressional National Defense Authorization Act for 2008 and the Chief of Staff of the Army's Initiative to Enhance Quality of Support to Soldiers and Families to preserve the strength of the all-volunteer force.

The ASCC is an element of the Virtual Installation initiative created to fill gaps in services and to support geographically dispersed service members, retirees, veterans and their families. ASCCs connect services that exist in the community with military services needed for families and provide them directly via personal contact to obtain resolution. Trained, qualified and skilled staff are available on a 24/7 basis for services that include military benefits, employment assistance, child and youth services, education benefits and family deployment issues. ASCC is open to all branches of the military.

The ASCC builds community capacity and fosters effective Federal, State and community partnerships. Through these efforts, initiatives are built and strengthened, while partnerships are fostered and services coordinated to support the strength, resilience and readiness of service members and their families. ASCC in Rochester, N.Y.; Corapolis, Penn.; Brevard, N.C.; and Oregon City has assisted over 27,760 service members, families and survivors of the fallen since December 2008 and partnered with many community organizations.

Future plans include establishing eight pilot sites in both rural and urban areas in partnership with Federal, State and local agencies.

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#### Oregon Program Awarded Grant To Educate Medicare Recipients/ **Growing Baby Boomer** Population Focus Of Effort

Federal officials recently awarded Oregon's Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA) program \$631,587 to help Medicare beneficiaries and their families learn more about their health care choices.

The annual grant from the Federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is up nearly 10 percent from last year and covers the fiscal year that began April 1. The Oregon SHIBA program is one of 54 State organizations that receive a combined \$46.5 million annually to provide oneon-one counseling to current and newly eligible Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers.

Oregon will use the money to work with the growing number of baby boomers who are becoming eligible for Medicare. In addition, the program will focus on reaching individuals who are most likely to qualify for help with prescription drug costs, beneficiaries with disabilities, and diverse racial and ethnic groups, particularly those with limited English skills.

One way SHIBA will do this is by providing grants to 22 local community-based organizations that help the State office recruit, train, and certify more than 300 volunteer counselors statewide.

"SHIBA will use its grant funds to continue State and locally based one-on-one counseling services for people with Medicare, their families, and trusted representatives," said Lisa Emerson, SHIBA program manager. "This year, our counselors will be reminding clients that the Affordable Care Act provides enhanced Medicare preventive benefits and that Medicare's annual enrollment period, when many people change plans, will be Oct. 15 to Dec. 7."

Call the SHIBA Helpline at 1-800-722-4134 to request Medicare information, schedule a free counseling appointment, or volunteer. Consumers will be asked to enter their ZIP code, which will route the call to a local SHIBA counseling program.

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#### **OCHS** English Teacher Honored With Celebrate Literacy Award

Oregon City High School English Teacher and Literacy Coach Kathy Haynie has been named a Celebrate Literacy Award winner by the Portland Council of the International Reading Association.

"Our school chose literacy as the area we most wanted to improve 6 years ago," says OCHS Principal Nancy Bush-Lange. "Under the leadership of Kathy Haynie, we have excelled both in reading and writing. She is very, very deserving of the Celebrate Literacy award." Noteworthy accomplishments include:

- reading scores going from 61% to 81% with a goal to be over 90% this year
- writing scores from 48% to 72% with a goal to hit 80 % this year

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- library book check out has increased so much we can hardly keep books on the shelf
- reading across OCHS is a mantra that Kathy Haynie made a reality!

Haynie was honored at an awards event May 5, 2011, at Bonny Slope Elementary School.

"We are inspired by her dedication to students and her literacy leadership," said Penny Plavala, board member with The Portland Council of the International Reading Association.

Founded in 1957, the Portland Council of the International Reading Association (PCIRA) is dedicated to imparting the value of literacy, increasing the understanding of literacy and promoting equitable access to reading and writing in the school and community.

The Oregon City School District currently serves about 7,500 students, puts more dollars directly into the classroom than the state average and year-after-year continues to exceed state testing averages.

# One Hundred Thirty Years Ago in Clarkes...

The former judge and Oregon pioneer who helped establish the community of Clarkes, which occupies parts of Beavercreek and Mulino, was laid to rest on land he had owned and granted for use as a cemetery.

Joseph "Judge" Ringo was buried in May 1881 in the Clarkes Pioneer Cemetery, part of land he earlier had settled along what is now Beavercreek Road between Oregon City and Molalla.

Public accounts of Ringo's life are hard to find, and contain only small bits of information.

Various sources report that Ringo served as a County judge in Adair County, Mo., in the 1840s, and that he owned slaves. He was born in Kentucky in October 1806. He died in Clarkes on May 3, 1881.

Perhaps more is known about two men connected to Ringo: his younger cousin John and one of the older Ringo's slaves, William "John" Livingstone.

Conflicting accounts surround both of these latter men. What seems clear is that their experiences with Judge Ringo and his family had profound impacts on each of them.

Judge Ringo bought Livingstone for \$850, although when is not clear. He had been living as a slave in Hannibal, Mo., where, it was claimed, he also was the boyhood playmate of a white boy named Samuel Clemens, now better known as

the writer Mark Twain.

Ringo reportedly had been a Southern sympathizer, and had owned several slaves. Perhaps because of this, and because of military pressure being brought to bare on Missouri and Arkansas by Union troops, Ringo had lost most of what he owned by 1863.

He and his family decided to go west along the Oregon Trail, leaving in spring 1864.

Public accounts vary on whether Livingstone accompanied the family voluntarily. President Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation of January 1863 didn't cover slaves held in Missouri and other border areas of the Confederacy.

Many accounts say Ringo nonetheless granted Livingstone his freedom in 1863.

Another account, published by the non-profit Oregon-California Trails Association, says Ringo granted Livingstone his freedom during the trip in 1864 in exchange for a favor after a horrible accident befell Ringo's wagon train.

"He was given his freedom on the promise that he go ahead to the Willamette Valley and find land for his master," the OCTA reports on its web site. Ringo, meanwhile, detoured to California with the wife and five children of a cousin who was on the wagon train with them. Reports say a shotgun blast to the face killed the cousin, Martin Ringo, while their wagon train was stopped in Wyoming in July 1864.

Martin apparently had slipped or fallen with the shotgun, causing it to fire accidentally. "At the report of his gun I

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saw his hat blow up twenty feet in the air, and his brains were scattered in all directions," wrote a witness to the event. "I never saw a more heart-rendering sight; and to see the distress and agony of his wife and children was painful in the extreme."

Martin's oldest child, John, was only 14, and by some accounts so disturbed by his father's death that it affected him the rest of life. John was said to have committed suicide at age 32 in the mountains east of Tombstone, Ariz.

Judge Ringo's younger cousin by then had taken the

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name "Johnny" Ringo, and had spent much of his adult life as a drifter, hired gun and vicious outlaw. He was noted for having a nasty temper, shooting unarmed men, and being a friend to the Clanton family, famous for its shoot-out with the Earps at Tombstone's OK Corral in 1881.

While Judge Ringo headed to California, Livingstone continued with the wagon train to Oregon, and established a land claim for Ringo between Oregon City and Molalla.

Judge Ringo arrived in the Clarkes area in September 1865.

In the following years, such a strong bond developed between Ringo's family and Livingstone that Livingstone remained in the Clarkes area, and the Ringos gave him 40 acres of land and a team of horses.

Meanwhile, Livingstone married, worked hard at several jobs and, eventually, became a business owner. He had a son, Charles, and was well-respected around Clackamas County.

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By the time of his death in 1912, he had amassed an estate worth more than \$15,000, putting him among the wealthiest blacks in Oregon at the time.

Federal government statistics show Livingstone's estate would be worth more than \$330,000 today.

Livingstone is buried in a prominent spot at Clarkes Pio-

neer Cemetery and has among the largest headstones there. His wife, Alice, was buried in the cemetery in 1891.

The first person buried in the cemetery, even before Judge Ringo himself, reportedly was the Ringos' black cook, Lucy, who also had come with the family from Missouri.

A variety of sources were used for this report, including census records, birth and death records and Internet publications including FindAGrave.com, theskanner.com, and others. Submitted by Craig Loughridge.

#### CCC Presents Spring 2011 Concert Line Up

Clackamas Community College presents an array of concerts each spring ranging from concert bands to jazz. Here is the spring concert schedule:

#### May 31: CCC Instrumental Jazz Ensemble

Clackamas High School and Oregon City High School jazz ensembles join CCC's musicians in concert at 7:00 p. m. at the Niemeyer Center, Osterman Theatre, N-147. Admission: \$5

#### June 1: CCC Instrumental Jazz Night

CCC jazz students join the concert band students for an evening of music. The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. in Niemeyer Center, N-147. Admission: \$5.

#### June 2: CCC and PSU Concert Bands

Concert begins at 8:00 p.m. at CCC's Niemeyer Center, Osterman Theatre, N-147. Admission: \$5.

#### June 3: Vocal Jazz Night Spring Concert

CCC's vocal jazz students and special guest artist Nancy King share their music. Concert begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Niemeyer Center, Osterman Theatre, N-147. Admission: \$5.

#### June 4: Vocal Jazz Night Spring Concert

CCC's vocal jazz students and the PSU Vocal Jazz Ensemble share their music. Concert begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Niemeyer Center, room N-114. Admission: \$5.

#### June 5: CCC Chamber Choir and Unistus Spring Concert

Concert begins at 7:00 p.m. at the Milwaukie Lutheran Church, 3810 SE Lake Road. Admission: \$5.

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#### June 6: Chamber Ensemble Spring Concert

Concert begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Niemeyer Center, room N-147. Gary Nelson directs as student groups perform various ensembles for vocal, string and brass ensembles. Admission: donation.

#### CCC is Semifinalist for Department of Defense Freedom Award

Clackamas Community College has been named a semifinalist for the 2011 Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award. CCC is one of 148 semifinalists for the award from across the nation selected from 4,049 nomina-

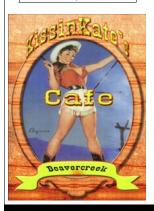
learning, dedicated counselors to work with veterans, a veterans' club and financial aid support. The CCC Foundation established the Military Families Scholarship Endowment, providing scholarship support to the families of service members and veterans. CCC has twice been named a military-friendly school by GI Jobs magazine.

"It is an honor to be nominated for the Freedom Award," said Truesdell. "CCC is committed to helping those who have served our country achieve continued success."

A national review board will narrow the group of 148 semifinalists to 30 finalists for the Freedom Award. Then, a national selection board comprised of senior defense officials, business leaders and prior awardees will select the 15 recipients for the 2011 Freedom Award. The DoD was expected to announce the finalists in May and the award



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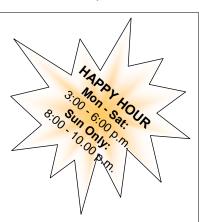
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Jul 1: Karaoke

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tions submitted.

The Freedom Award is the Department of Defense's (DoD) highest recognition given to employers for exceptional support of their employees serving in the National Guard and the Reserve. Employers chosen as semifinalists support their Guard and Reserve employees through a variety of formal and informal initiatives, including providing the difference between military and civilian salary during deployments, continuation of full benefits, sending care packages and supporting the families of employees fulfilling military obligations.

has greatly increased service to veterans over the past few tion of staff in our buildings. This reality is facing our state, years including job training opportunities, credit for prior our district, and our own school.

recipients in early summer. The 2011 recipients will be honored in Washington, D.C. at the 16th annual Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award Ceremony on September 22. Last year's recipients met privately with Vice President Joe Biden and Secretary of Defense Robert Gates prior to the ceremony.

#### Hello Carus Community,

As I am sure you are aware, we are facing significant budget cuts this spring due to the difficult economic times Under the leadership of President Joanne Truesdell, CCC that we are in. These cuts unfortunately include the reduc-



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I wanted you, our school community, to be aware that April 29, 2011, was a difficult day for Carus School. Staff members division funds to comment on behalf of consumers, will be found out their individual job status for next year. These messages varied. While many staff member's positions were not request that Regence respond to those questions. directly affected, others were informed of layoffs, reductions OSPIRG will also be invited to testify at the hearing. in their position, or transfers to another building. These messages are certainly difficult for people who are directly af- riod for all rate requests and posts all insurance company fected. They are also difficult for staff members who are left documents related to rate requests on its website. Con-"in tact". We are talking about both colleagues and friends.

affected by the staffing reductions, I am not releasing a list of 15, the division will review all filing documents and public what our specific reductions are and who they involve, nor comments and make its decision. It can approve or deny am I talking about specific grade assignments for next year. the request or approve a lesser rate. One, I would like a chance for this difficult news to settle in with individuals and to give them a chance to process how chased by the self-employed and others who are not covthey would like to discuss it with people, and two, there are ered through an employer, small employer (50 or fewer sometimes slight changes in staffing scenarios, as people employees) plans accept or decline positions that are offered to them.

I wanted to send a personal message to the Carus School erage for community communicating this message and asking for your Oregonians support of our staff throughout this time. Please know that are leaving group despite this difficult time, our staff continues to be dedicated coverage. to serving the need of your kids. Please also know that, de- 12 percent of Orespite losses, we are working diligently to be sure to put a pro- gonians gram together for next year that continues to serve kids well these and continues to make the Carus community proud. includes using our resources creatively and efficiently. Thank you for your support during this time,

Sam Thompson Principal

#### Insurance Division To Hold June 2 **Hearing On Rate Request** Regence Seeks 22.1 Percent Increase

The Oregon Insurance Division will hold a June 2 public hearing on a 22.1 percent health insurance rate increase requested by Regence BlueCross BlueShield of Oregon.

The proposed rate increase would take effect Aug. 1 and applies to more than 59,000 policyholders who have individual health plans. These are plans for people who don't get coverage at work. The requested increase does not apply to group members such as those with employer plans.

The proposed 22.1 percent increase is an average and a particular policyholder's rate could go up more or less, depending on a variety of factors.

"This is a significant increase impacting a large group of policyholders who have seen a series of large increases in recent years, as well as a redesign of their health plans," Insurance Division Administrator Teresa Miller said. "We believe the public wants to hear what's driving the increase and have an opportunity to weigh in."

The hearing will be from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the Portland State Office Building, 800 NE Oregon St., Portland. Once Regence outlines its proposed increase, public testimony will be accepted. OSPIRG, an advocacy group the invited to submit questions in advance and the division will

The division already has a 30-day public comment pesumers who cannot attend the hearing can still comment At this point in time, out of respect to all individuals who are online, as usual. Once the comment period closes June

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sonable in relation to the plan's benefits - in other words, that the policy is fairly priced. The department looks at such factors as the recent and future costs of medical care and prescription drugs, the company's financial strength and administrative costs, and the company's overall profitability.

With the requested increase, Regence expects to make 1.1 percent beyond what is needed to pay claims and administrative costs. The Insurance Division's staff will examine the company's numbers and assumptions as part of its review.

Information on Oregon's rate review process, a chart of recent rates, and a fact sheet on what premiums cover can be found at www.tinyurl.com/orhealthrates. You can also find the Regence documents from this page by using the search feature.

Also, the division e-mails consumers who want to be notified when their insurance company requests a new rate and again when the division makes a decision. Sign up for e-mail notification.

Questions about rate review? Call a consumer advocate at 1-888-877-4894 or, in Salem, 503-947-7984.

The Insurance Division is part of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, Oregon's largest business regulatory and consumer protection agency. Visit www.dcbs. oregon.gov. Follow DCBS on Twitter: http://twitter.com/OregonDCBS. Receive consumer help and information on insurance, mortgages, investments, workplace safety, and more.

#### Clackamas Community College June 2011 Calendar of Events

June 1, 8 - Chrysalis: Women Writers



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Local author Pat Lichen guides women writers of all levels through discussions of their work. Chrysalis meets from noon to 2:00 p.m. in the Literary Arts Center, Room 220 in Rook Hall. For information, call 503-594-3254.

#### June 3 - Concrete Leaf Casting

Workshop provides instruction on how to create your own unique casting using a live textured leaf. Meets in Clairmont 117 from 1:00 to 3:50 p.m. Cost is \$25. For more information, please contact Loretta Mills at 503-594-3292.

#### June 4 - Festival Latino

CCC hosts Festival Latino from noon to 4:00 p.m. in the Gregory Forum. The event includes folk dancing, college tours, face painting, guest speakers and information from local agencies and vendors. This event is free to attend and open to the public. Contact Camilo Sanchez at camilos@clackamas.edu or 503-594-3029 for information.



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June 9 - GED and Adult High School Diploma Graduation
The graduation ceremonies for GED and adult high school
diploma recipients will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the Randall Gymnasium. For more information visit the CCC
graduation website at www2.clackamas.edu/graduation/.

**June 10 -** CCC 2011 Degree and Certificate Graduation Ceremonies

Graduation ceremonies for degree and certificate recipients will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the Randall Gymnasium. For more information visit the CCC graduation website at www2.clackamas.edu/graduation/.

#### June 11 - Home Composting Essentials

Instruction on what you can compost from your yard and kitchen. Meets in Clairmont 117 from 10:00 to 11:20 a.m. No cost to attend. Sponsored by OSU Extension Services and CCC. To register call 503-234-3000 or visit www.

oregonmetro.gov/garden.



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# Oregon Gets Thumbs Down in National Report on Unemployment Cards

National Consumer Law Center has just released its new report on unemployment compensation prepaid cards.

NCLC's report confirms the findings of a report issued last month by EFO and SEIU detailing the many downfalls of Oregon's current U.S. Bank-issued ReliaCard. The fees tied to the U.S. Bank ReliaCard hurt single parents and unemployed Oregonians – nickel and diming them out of their benefits for necessary services, such as accessing their money through an ATM.

According to the NCLC report:

- \* Oregon is one of only five states that allow overdraft charges
- \* U.S. Bank is the only unemployment card issuer that allows overdraft
- \* Oregon is one of five states that offer two or fewer free in-network ATM withdrawals and one of those states - Alabama - has a lower fee of (\$1)
- \* Oregon is one of only 13 states that received a problematic rating

"U.S. Bank is profiting off the unemployment benefits of struggling Oregonians," said SEIU 503 Executive Director Heather Conroy. "Just how much they're making with fees collected from our State's single parents and out of work residents remains unknown, since U.S. Bank refuses to disclose those figures and provide any semblance of accountability or transparency."

As part of the growing effort to ensure unemployed Americans have full access to their benefits, SEIU gathered thousands of signatures from Oregonians demanding a new U.S. Bank contract.

Those petitions were hand delivered by one of their members to the U.S. Bank shareholder meeting in St. Louis in April.

The NCLC report concludes that States with contracts unfavorable to consumers - such as Oregon - should renegotiate their benefit card contracts to secure better deals for their residents.

This has already been done by a number of States, and

EFO joins other consumer advocates in calling on Treasurer Ted Wheeler to immediately review and revise Oregon's current contract, which expires on December 31, 2011.

EFO has interviewed several ReliaCard users in Oregon who share similar stories of fees buried in fine print and a system that simply does not work. "I kept being charged fees I couldn't afford, just to access my own money," said Riddle resident Jennifer Schmidt.

#### Weekend Business Degree Program Celebrates 10th Anniversary

The Weekend Business Degree Program (WBDP), a Portland State University program with courses offered at Clackamas Community College's Harmony Community Campus, is celebrated its 10th anniversary on June 2.

The WBDP was developed for working adults to earn a

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bachelor's degree in business by attending classes one night a week and Saturday. These classes have been held at the Harmony Community Camps for the past 10 years.

The program is open to all transfer students who meet the entrance requirements of PSU's School of Business Administration. Many of the program's participants have been CCC students who have completed an associate's degree and then continued on to earn a bachelor's degree through the WBDP.



#### Oregon Veterans Home Loan Rate **Drops To 4.125%**

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The Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs (ODVA) has lowered their 30-year term fixed home mortgage rate to 4.125 percent to qualified veteran home buyers.

The ORVET Home Loan Program offers one of the lowest home loan interest rates available. This rate includes a 1.375 percent loan origination fee with an APR of 4.266 percent.

A state of Oregon veteran benefit, the ORVET Home Loan Program is separate from the federal VA home loan guaranty program. Even if a veteran has purchased a home using the federal VA program, they may still be eligible for an ORVET home loan.

"This new reduced rate will allow some veterans to take advantage of a great opportunity for home ownership," said Jim Willis, Director of the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs. "Oregon veterans deserve the very best we can offer them because of their brave sacrifice and service to our country."

The ORVET Home Loan is a lifetime benefit for eligible veterans after Oregon voters approved ballot Measure 70 last year. The measure expanded veteran eligibility for the ORVET Home Loan and eliminated the previous constitutional 30-year eligibility restriction.

ORVET's current maximum loan amount is \$417,000 for a single family, owner occupied residence.

For more ORVET Home Loan information and rate details. contact ODVA's Home Loan Department at 1-888-673-8387 or 503-373-2051, or visit http://www.oregon.gov/ODVA/ HOMELOANS.

#### Oregon Senate Approves Help for Homeowners

This vote shows that bipartisan support is possible on this issue, which consumer advocates hope will grow as the bill makes its way through the House.

As the legislation moves forward, consumer advocates are working to preserve the integrity of the bill, which will stop the foreclosure clock during the loan modification process. SB 827 will also provide real accountability by giving the Oregon DOJ and individual homeowners the legal recourse they need to remedy mortgage servicer violations.

While SB 827 will provide much-needed help for consumers once they have entered foreclosure, it does not address the circumstances that lead up to foreclosure. It essentially eases a symptom, but does not solve the entire problem. Several of the Republican senators who voted against SB 827 claimed their opposition reflected a belief that a powerful solution to the housing crisis would be to start loan modification before a foreclosure is filed.

EFO agrees that the best policy would focus on preforeclosure assistance, that's why we support SB 826 - a bill that has been stalled by Republican leadership in the House. EFO congratulates the senators who displayed initiative on this issue by voting yes on SB 827, and we urge lawmakers who voiced concern that homeowners need help before foreclosure starts to endorse SB 826.

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legislation that would provide the protections and oversight called for. during the debate.

"All communities across Oregon have been ravaged by the foreclosure crisis", said EFO Executive Director Angela Martin. "The stakes are simply too high not to act in the interest of families and our economy. By passing SB 827, legislators will be giving their constituents a fighting chance to save their homes."

#### Seventh Annual Student Film Festival is June 7

The seventh annual Clackamas Film Festival, featuring the work of Clackamas Community College students, will take place on Tuesday, June 7. Work ranges from dramatic narratives to short animation.

The film festival is hosted by the college's Digital Media Communications program. The festival takes place in the McLoughlin Auditorium. The program begins at 6:00 p.m.

## Oregon City Commission Meetings



Now Showing on Beavercreek's **Public Access Channel 97** Fridays at 8:00 a.m.

City Council Meetings Saturdays at 9:30 a.m.



This year the "Backyard Bash" will be held on Saturday, July 9, 2011, in the "backyard" of Beaver Creek Cooperative Telephone Company at 15223 S. Henrici Road.

The festivities will begin at 1:00 p.m. and continue to 7:00 p.m.

This year the entertainment will include Rae Gordon, a Jazz singer; Slim Jim's Band; a performance by Maralee's Dance Studio; and a performance by members of the Oregon City High School Band.

There will also be a "Kids Corner" and food court as well as wine tasting hosted by Oregon City's wine bar Winestock. Admission is FREE!

#### SEE YOU THERE!!!



#### Beavercreek Fire Station Calls

The following are the alarms for the Beavercreek and Clarkes response areas for Clackamas County Fire District #1 from April 20 - May 20, 2011. Submitted by Shelby Martin, Clackamas County Fire District #1

4/20 - 18:44 - EMS/Rescue - S Beavercreek Rd

4/21 - 00:03 - Unauthorized Burn - S Yeoman Rd

4/22 - 17:23 - Grass or Brush Fire - S Beavercreek Rd

**4/23 -** 14:37 - Mot Veh Acc/NON-Inj - S Hwy 213/ S Mueller Rd

4/24 - 07:59 - EMS/Rescue - S Brockway Rd

4/26 - 20:23 - EMS/Rescue - S Beavercreek Rd

4/27 - 14:16 - EMS/Rescue - S Beavercreek Rd

20:07 - EMS/Rescue - Torrey Pines Dr

4/28 - 13:32 - Authorized Burn - S Henrici Rd

16:19 - Medical Assist - S Richter Dr

4/29 - 08:50 - EMS/Rescue - S Cedar Creek Ln

4/30 - 11:42 - False Fire/Medical Alarm - S Beavercreek Rd

23:30 - Mot Veh Acc/NON-Inj-S Larkin Rd

5/01 - 14:18 - Mot Veh Acc/With inj - S Unger Rd/ S Beavercreek Rd



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5/06 - 19:12 - EMS/Rescue - S Leland Rd

21:41 - Public Service/Assistance - S Leland Rd

5/07 - 11:03 - EMS/Rescue - S Leslie Ave

19:49 - Unauthorized Burn - S Hawthorne Ct

5/09 - 15:49 - EMS/Rescue - S Carus Rd

5/10 - 10:09 - EMS Dispatched & Canceled - S Rachel Ct

17:15 - EMS/Rescue - S Spangler Rd

20:11 - EMS/Rescue - S Lammer Rd

**5/15 -** 07:38 - EMS/Rescue - S Leland Rd

20:29 - EMS/Rescue - S Leland Rd

5/17 - 20:23 - False Fire/Medical Alarm - S Leland Rd

23:31 - EMS/Rescue - S Ferguson Ter

5/18 - 13:48 - Unauthorized Burn - S Leland/S Dans

19:30 - Detector Activation/No fire - S Carus Rd

5/19 - 21:07 - EMS/Rescue - S Beatie 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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#### Leaders Express Disappointment Over Bond Defeat

Clackamas Community College leaders expressed disappointment Wednesday over voter rejection of a bond measure that would expand, update and renovate classrooms and other facilities. If passed, the measure also would have improved job-training and university-transfer programs.

"Clackamas Community College does outstanding work in these areas but more investment is needed to keep up with the changing work place environment," said CCC President Joanne Truesdell. "Similar measures were also defeated in Clackamas County. I don't interpret the defeat as criticism of the college or of the important role we play in the district. We are living in challenging times."

The proposed bond would have been used to update and acquire instructional equipment and technology in classrooms, restore deteriorated college infrastructure, and increase campus safety and security. In addition, the bond would have funded the construction of an Advanced Industrial Technology Learning Center, expanded science labs, and provided matching funds to purchase from Oregon Institute of Technology their interest in a joint facility at the Harmony Community Campus. Further, the bond

#### Clarkes Music & Art Committee Bottle & Can Drive Jun 11

We will be collecting bottles and cans on June 11 from 11 am to 1 pm at the now closed Clarkes General Store parking lot.

We hope the school and community members will drop of their bags of bottles and cans.

All money raised will go to the music & art fund with hopes to provide music education to our kids.

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would have refinanced outstanding college debt at a lower cost.

The \$130 million bond would have cost homeowners in the district an average of 21 cents per \$1,000 assessed value over the life of the bond. For the average home in the college district, that would have been less than \$4 a month, or about \$40 a year.

The CCC budget committee was to convene to review and approve the 2011-12 proposed budget.

"At this time, I do not anticipate any changes to the proposed budget because of the bond failure. However, the critical needs we collectively identified remain. I will work with our community and our Board of Education to determine how best to proceed," Truesdell said.

# CCC Graduation Ceremonies June 9 and 10

Two graduation ceremonies next month will mark the accomplishments of Clackamas Community College students.

The ceremony for students completing their GED or Adult High School Diploma will take place on Thursday, June 9. The graduation ceremony for students earning certificates and degrees will be held Friday, June 10. Both ceremonies begin at 7:00 p.m. in Randall Gym.

For information about graduation, please visit the CCC graduation website at http://www2.clackamas.edu/graduation/.

#### Oregon City School District Presents Annual Leadership & Professional Development Awards

The Oregon City School District has presented two an-

#### Sign Up For OC Farmers Market Newsletter

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OCHS secretary Linda Downs was named the recipient of the Jane Adrian Leadership Award.

"Linda has been Chairman of the Oregon City School District's Staff Development for years," reads her nomination. "[She] is one of the people this district can thank for the high level of expertise exhibited by our Classified Staff."

Maureen Davis, Ogden Middle School teacher and secondary literacy TOSA, was named the recipient of the Al Gallagher Professional Development Award.

"Maureen is our hero for encouraging our team to learn new things in order to increase student learning," reads her nomination. "She has presented at numerous staff workshops in the last two years as our literacy coach and is always positive and encouraging to all staff."

The awards were announced at a district in service day presentation May 6.

"We congratulate Maureen and Linda, they exemplify the hard work and commitment to students that are resulting in outstanding student achievement in our district," Su-

# Month At A Glance June

Birthstone: Pearl Flower: Rose

Astrological Signs: Gemini: May 21 - June 20 Cancer: June 21 - July 22

#### Dates To Remember:

World Environment Day - Jun 5 Flag Day - Jun 14 Father's Day - Jun 19 First Day of Summer - Jun 21

#### Items of Interest:

National Rose Month National Dairy Month

perintendent Roger Rada said. "Despite facing tough times financially, our staff continues to work tirelessly to prepare our students for the future."

The Oregon City School District currently serves about 7,500 students, puts more dollars directly into the classroom than the State average and year-after-year continues to exceed state testing averages.

#### **CCC Hosts Festival Latino**

Clackamas Community College hosts Festival Latino on Saturday, June 4. This family-friendly event is an opportunity for the Latino community to visit the college's campus and explore its offerings.

Festival Latino takes place from noon to 4:00 p.m. in CCC's Gregory Forum. Activities include folk dancing, mu-



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sic, college tours, face painting, guest speakers and information from local agencies and vendors. This event is free to attend and open to the public.

#### Four OCHS Students Named 2012 National Merit School Scholars

Four Oregon City High School students met the requirements to enter the 2012 National Merit Scholarship program.

OCHS students Taylor Kerr, Nathaniel Meeker, Andrew Rondema and Melanie Yoshimura met the requirements. These high performers have shown outstanding achievement potential based on their score on the Preliminary SAT (PSAT) test taken in their junior year of high school.

"Academically these 4 students are the best in the class of 2012. We are very, very proud of their accomplishments," said OCHS Principal Nancy Bush-Lange.

They have now been invited to refer their scores to two colleges or universities that they are interested in attending at no charge to the student. In the fall, these students will become either commended National Scholars or semi finalists in the National Merit scholarship program.

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#### Oregon Launches Online Invasive Species Database

After two years of surveying scientists and land managers and engaging the help of partners across the United States, Oregon has launched iMapInvasives (http://www.imapinvasives.org/orimi/map/), an online, GIS-based inva-

sive species reporting and querying tool. iMapInvasives, developed through a partnership between The Nature Conservancy, NatureServe, the New York Natural Heritage Program, Florida Natural Areas Inventory, and Oregon Biodiversity Information Center, will help land managers, regional planners, and others who are working to prevent, control or manage invasive species to accurately and quickly record and track where all types of invasive plants, animals, fish, and diseases are found.

iMapInvasives provides trained users with their own interactive GIS data base, where they can enter and retrieve site information, share data with partnering organizations, and plan for future activities. In the future, iMapInvasives will also allow users to record and retrieve treatment data.

The initial list of species included in iMapInvasives was developed from the Oregon Department of Agriculture's "A" and "B" noxious weed lists, the Oregon Invasive Species Council's 100 Worst Invaders, noxious weeds listed in neighboring states, and any species that partner agencies are tracking. The tool has launched with over 85,000 observations of invasive species, and the list will continue to grow as new species are recommended. The Oregon Biodiversity Information Center is managing iMapInvasives for the Oregon Invasive Species Council. The Center will review each species before adding to the list to ensure the species is invasive and its taxonomy aligns with NatureServe's standards.

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iMapInvasives leverages the utility of the Oregon Invasive Species Hotline (http://oregoninvasiveshotline.org/). Launched in 2008 by Oregon Public Broadcasting and managed by the Oregon Invasive Species Council, the hotline is the go-to place for people who have questions about species they are seeing that they think might be invasive, or for people who have an observation to report but do not want or need an iMapInvasives account. When people report a suspected invasive, the Hotline's list of expert contacts for each county reviews reports in their area to determine if the observation is indeed an invasive species. Confirmed observations from the hotline will be downloaded twice annually to iMapInvasives.

The public will be able to view general distribution data of invasive species, while those who request an account will be able to see point observation data as well as detailed assessment/treatment polygons when this feature is added later this year.

iMapInvasives is intended to complement WeedMapper (http://www.weedmapper.org), a collection of spatial information of the distribution of noxious weeds in the state of Oregon that is managed by the Oregon Department of

Agriculture. WeedMapper facilitates identification, reporting, verification and early detection and rapid response for noxious weeds. An updated version of Weedmapper will be



available the first week of May.

For more information about how to use iMapInvasives, visit Portland State University's Oregon Biodiversity Information Website at http://orbic.pdx.edu/invasives.html. The site contains background information, frequently asked questions, and training videos.



The May meeting of the Hamlet of Beavercreek took place on Wednesday, May 25, 2011, at the Beavercreek Grange on Kamrath Road with 21 visitors and residents in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Norm Andreen, at 7:08 p.m.

The meeting highlights of the April Hamlet meeting were read by Secretary Joan Martinez and approved with minor corrections.

The Open Studios of Beavercreek Tour was announced as well as the June 2nd hearing on the proposed 22.1% increase by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Oregon to Oregonians not covered by group policies.

There was one guest speaker, M. Vince Hall, from the Clackamas County Road Department, who addressed those present about road projects that will affect the Beavercreek community this summer.

The road projects discussed were:

- 1. The grinding down and leveling of Beavercreek Rd prior to repaving from Marjorie Lane (near Berry Hill Shopping Center) to just North of Henrici Road. This should start in mid June and finish in August just before school starts. The paving will be done during the evening between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. The striping will be done the evening following the paving.
- 2. The Jughandle Project at the intersection of Hwy 213, Clackamas River Drive and Washington Streets in Oregon City. To get more information go to http://www.jughandleproject.com.

There were 4 land use action before those present:

- Applicant seeking a dwelling through the Forest Template Test on Thayer Rd.
- Renewal of a Temporary Permit for Care on S Henrici Rd.
- 3. The partition of property on S Henrici Rd.
- 4. Notice of appeal of a Planning Director Interpretation.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Connie Heintz.

Chair, Norm Andreen, announced that the Hamlet will be holding its first rummage sale at the Corner Park in downtown Beavercreek on Saturday, July 23rd from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Setup will begin at 7:30 a.m. The cost will be \$5.00/space (size still to be determined). All proceeds from sales will go to the respective owner of the space. It is hoped to give people an opportunity to sell items no longer wanted or needed and make a little money for the Hamlet. It is planned to have food and refreshments for sale also. The Hamlet is also looking into getting a "Porta-Potty". The County, the owner of the property, has given their permission to hold this event. For more information or to reserve a space, please call after June 15, 503-632-4330.

Also planned will be the Hamlet's first concert. It is planned to be held either August 12th or 19th. More information will be available next month.

Christine Kosinski gave a report on the Landslide/Steep Slope Task Force meeting she attended in April.

The group discussed putting together community workshops on earthquakes and floods. More information will be available in future months.

It was also announced that June 9th the Hamlets of Beavercreek and Mulino will begin meetings to plan the "Annual Hamlet Happening" that takes place in September at the Hopkins Demonstration Forest.

Mike Davenport, the new owner of the historical victorian on Beavercreek Road just South of Camelia Court, spoke to the group and told of his plans for the property including holding weddings and having a soccer field. He is working with the County at this time. The project should come before the community at the June meeting of the Hamlet on Wednesday June 22nd.

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://www.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.

# Annual Strawberry Festival Silent Auction & Raffle

The Strawberry Festival, Auction and Raffle are held annually at the Beavercreek United Church of Christ, "The Ten O'Clock Church", 23345 S. Beavercreek Rd., in Beavercreek, OR.

Saturday, June 18, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Dinner prices:

Ages 13 & up - \$10 (\$12 at the door)

sharpening at Clark's Lawn & Garden, Pie/month for a year, Family pass to Oaks Park, OC Car washes, Pet Sitting, Paint from Kelly-Moore paints, Tickets to Oregon Wildlife Safari, Oregon Zoo & Pittock Mansion, Bullwinkles Family Fun Center, Bakery items from His Bakery, Kellogg Bowling games, Fundamental Golf driving range, Albeke Farms' Strawberries, Advantage from Beavercreek Veterinary Clinic, Scrub N Bubbles Dog washes, Electrical service, Oregon Electric Railway Museum & Willamette Shore Trolley, Plants & Landscaping. Many Restaurant certificates - Lil'Cooperstown, Bugatti's, California Pizza Kitchen, Tebo's, Papa Murphy's, Pietros, Fly Pie Pizza,



Saturday • June 18 • 4:30 to 7:30pm

# BEAVERCREEK UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST - "The Ten O'Clock Church" 23345 S. BEAVERCREEK ROAD - www.beavercreekucc.org

Ages 6 to 12 - \$5 (\$6 at the door) Age 5 & under - Free will donation

For pre-event ticket sales call 503-632-7920 or 503-653-1211

Dinner includes baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, green salad, rolls, beverage and, of course, strawberry shortcake with ice cream!!

There will be many great Auction and Raffle items Including:

Certificate to stay at the Driftwood Shores Resort in Florence from BCT, Garbage service for a year from B&B leasing, Car/truck detailing at Gladstone Toyota, Oil Changes, DVR for a year from BCT, Tickets to the Oregon Shakespearean Festival, BBQ dinner for 6-8 people, Decorative Flower Plantings, Music Lessons at Harmony Rd Music Center, Handmade quilt, Seiko diamond ladies' watch, Adirondack chairs, Stepping stones, Wine from Forest Edge Vineyards & Winery tour, Gallery Luigi Wine glasses, Blade

Round Table, Mike's Drive In, Bob's Red Mill, Tee Time Bar & Grill, Mazatlan Restaurant, Rodders Grub & Pub, Sausage Kitchen, and much more.

Auction bids end at 7:10 p.m.

Raffle prizes drawn twice an hour.

Proceeds from the Auction will help support our Beavercreek Food Pantry and Dinner proceeds will help support our Summer Camp Youth Programs.

Receive a Free Raffle ticket by bringing 5 cans of food for our Food Pantry.

#### High Stakes Hijacking

Banking lobbyists pull last minute political maneuvering

In a move illustrating the worst type of political manipulation, banking lobbyists attempted to slide an amendment validating the mortgage industry's massive failings into a

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pro-homeowner bill yesterday. Although the amendment was not adopted, a final decision will be made when the bill is taken up again by the House Judiciary Committee on Tuesday May 31st.

The amendment proposed would have essentially stripped the long standing State requirements to record title transfers in county records, and let the banking industry move forward with a landslide of questionable MERS foreclosures. The amendment was attached to SB 519 - legislation that would actually help preserve affordable housing in the wake of the foreclosure crisis, not make it easier for banks to take away properties as the amendment aims to do.

The Mortgage Electronic Registration System is the industry-created workaround for recording property sales through local governments. By creating this problem-riddled process, MERS has cost Oregon millions of dollars in lost recordation revenues and led to massive discrepancies in the chain of title process. As a result, people losing their homes have no way to know whom to negotiate with.

Another blow to the validity of MERS came in the form of a federal judge's decision this week on an Oregon property he deemed was improperly sent into foreclosure because of the many flaws in the MERS process. The case was chronicled in a front-page article in today's (May 27) *Oregonian* and drew national attention in the *Wall Street Journal*.

In his decision, Judge Owen Panner said "MERS makes it much more difficult for all parties to discover who owns the loan. When a borrower on the verge of default cannot find out who has the authority to modify the loan, a modification or a short sale, even if beneficial to both the borrower and the beneficiary, cannot occur."

The attempt by Oregon financial industry insiders to codify the MERS process to deal with the housing crisis serves only to cover one mess they created with another.

"One in every four housing sales is a foreclosure – a family that has lost their home. Instead of trying to lower this statistic, the industry is working to drive it even higher by pushing through fraudulent foreclosures," said EFO (Economic Fairness Oregon) Executive Director Angela Martin.

"This is simply an issue of those who spell principle with an "le" and those who spell it with an "al."

For more information go to http://economicfairnessoregon.org



# Oregon City High School Home of the Pioneers

June Events

Jun 2: Evening of Excellence, 7:00 pm

Jun 4: Sadie Hawkins Dance

Jun 5: Baccalaureate

Jun 6: Spring Band (Pops) Concert, 7:00 pm

Jun 7-9: Fall Sports Registration

Jun 8: Seniors Last Day

# July 8, 2011



# Beaver Creek Cooperative Telephone Company

# 77th Annual Meeting

Begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Company's backyard!

15223 S. Henrici Road

(Please note this is a Friday evening meeting)

**FOR MORE INFO CALL 503-632-3113** 

Jun 12: Graduation, Chiles Center, 3:00 to 6:00 pm

Jun 13: Finals

Jun 13: School Board Mtg, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Jun 14: Last day of school Jun 15: Teacher Work Day

Congratulations to the Girls Lacrosse team They finished second in State!

#### **Great Finish for OCHS Track at State!**

#### Girls -

Tiffany Forbito - 5th in the Javelin Personal Record and School Record

Kylee Cook - 10th in the 400m Dash, 58.90 Personal Best and 2nd Time in School History

Emily Shannon - 13th in the Triple Jump

#### Boys

Garrett Soumokil - 9th in the Triple Jump

Greg Skipper - 2nd in the Discus

Greg Skipper - 3rd in the Shot Put

Kody Kozak - 3rd in the 300 Meter Hurdles a personal record and the third fastest time in school history

Kody Kozak - 6th in the High Jump

Beau Brosseau - 7th in the Javelin a personal record and a new school sophomore class record

Andy Rondema - 9th in the Javelin

#### Our 4X400 Meter Relay team took 6th

Trevor Dye, Justin Cornejo, Jarom Youngblood and Kody Kozak

The boys finished 9th overall as a team.

#### Annual Steiner Cabins Tour August 13

Henry Steiner was a renowned log cabin builder in the Mt. Hood area. His cabins are scattered throughout Brightwood,

Welches and Rhododendron.

Steiner built these log homes in the 20's-40s and his craftsmanship in the Northwest is coveted.

The Steiner Cabins Tour for 2011 will be held on August 13, 2011, from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Annual tour of handcrafted vintage log cabins is a drive on a self-guided tour to cabins in Rhododendron, Zigzag and Brightwood. Tickets are \$15 for Mt. Hood Museum members, or \$18 for non-members. Purchase will call ticket by calling the museum office at 503-272-3301. Pickup tickets and tour map at Mt. Hood Foods, in Rhododendron, Oregon, on the day of the tour.

Tickets and full information on this annual tour of historic Steiner Cabins will be available July 1, 2011.

Editor's Note: I believe that Henry Steiner was a member of the Steiner family of Beavercreek. I believe he is buried in the cemetery at the Beavercreek United Church of Christ, aka, Ten o'Clock Church on S Beavercreek Rd. If I'm in error hopefully, someone will let me know.

#### Our 4 Legged Friends



"CHEESECAKE"
And my friend is
"Penguin Swirl"
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My Name is

for Adoption!

This picture is of Cheesecake

Hello... my name is "Cheesecake" and I'm available for adoption. I'm a Pomeranian.

I'm a 5-6 year old spayed female and I weigh under 10lbs. As you can see I'm cream and white in color.

## Here is what I have to say for myself and my best friend Penguin Swirl!

"Hello, there. Are you looking for a sweet-as-cheesecake cuddle bunny? That would be me, and my friend Penguin Swirl. We are very good friends and would like to find a home where we can stay together. Our friends here tell us it helps us recover better. **We're both tripods**, but that doesn't slow me down or change my loving abilities. So come and visit us. We are ready to make you laugh.

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.co.clackamas.or.us/dogs/adoptpet.php

The shelter is located at 13141 S.E. Hwy 212 in Clackamas, Oregon. 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. "Cheesecake and Penguin Swirl".



See you next month... The Editor!