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## BCCP Update

The BCCP continues to meet at the fire station, but is meeting on an "as needed" basis.

The BCCP continues its efforts to make it possible for the citizens of the Beaver Creek area to be represented at the County level with regards to planning for the growth of the area.

One of the projects of the committee is this newsletter. We are in our third year of publication and the "Bulletin" keeps growing. It started at a page and a half and has grown from there. The "Bulletin" is also available for your perusal on the Internet at

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Since the BCCP is a non-profit organization, it depends on the businesses and individual citizens of the area for support in the form of advertising and donations. All of the members of the BCCP are volunteers and are not paid in any way for doing this project. It is a labor of love and a fun one at that.

If you have a business you would like to advertise or perhaps something to sell please let us know. The monies collected for ads in the "Bulletin" pay for the printing of the newsletter (and remember that you also get internet exposure). The "Bulletin" is published by the citizens of Beaver Creek for the citizens of Beaver Creek and we would like to see the newsletter grow. Who knows... the sky's the limit!

*Maybe you don't have a business to advertise or anything to sell. If however, you would like to show your support with donations to the BCCP, the donation would be tax-deductible and for a worthy cause, Beaver Creek.*

*The Editor*

## Beaver Creek Grange Booth at the Clackamas County Fair!

The Beaver Creek Grange will be represented at Horning Hall, on the Clackamas County Fair Grounds for the Clackamas County Fair from August 15 - 20th.

The Hall will have representatives from different Granges throughout Clackamas County.

There is also a cookie and drinks booth in this building in case you get hungry or thirsty. The Grange hopes you will stop by and say "Hello!" and learn more about what the Grange offers.

## Community Calendar

### Beaver Creek Committee for Community Planning (BCCP)...

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

### Beaver Creek Boosters...

3rd Wednesday at the Grange at 7:30 p.m.

### Beaver Creek Community Planning Org. (CPO)...

4th Wednesday at the Grange at 7:00 p.m.

### Beaver Creek Grange...

2nd Saturday at the Grange, potluck at 6:00 p.m., meeting at 7:00 p.m.

### Beaver Creek Lions...

1st and 3rd Saturday at the Grange at 7:30 a.m.

### Boy Scout Troop #445...

Mondays at the Fire Station at 7:00 p.m.

### Carus Community Planning Org. (CPO)...

2nd Thursday at the Beaver Creek Christian Church at 7:00 p.m.

### Clarkes Community Planning Org. (CPO)...

1st Wednesday of each Quarter plus February & March at the Clarkes Fire Station at 7:00 p.m.



**Looking for a location in the Beaver Creek area to hold one of your family functions? Possibly a meeting for your group?**

You might want to consider the Beaver Creek Grange Hall located at 22041 S. Kamrath Rd.

The Beaver Creek Grange is available for rent. If you would like more information on when the Grange is available and any other information, please call 656-6999 and ask for Pat Woodward.

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**The Role of the Fire District Board in Selecting a Fire Station Location**

Fire Protection Districts in Oregon, like Clackamas Co. Fire District No. 1, have a whole chapter in the Oregon Revised Statutes that govern them. They, as any other form of local government, have an elected Board. Similar to a city, county or school district, the elected Board has certain statutory responsibilities and obligations. One of these is locating or siting fire facilities.

The Board of Directors is comprised of five citizens elected at large. They serve four-year terms and are required to hold monthly meetings, all in accordance with the Oregon Open Meetings law. The minutes and agenda of the meetings are widely distributed and are posted at each of the fire district facilities. Most of the discussions and deliberations of the fire district occur in open meetings where the public is encouraged to attend. Labor negotiations, many personnel matters, pending litigation and land purchase discussions are appropriately held in executive sessions per Oregon Revised Statutes. Final decisions are always voted on in open meetings.

The board members are citizen representatives donating 20 to 30 hours per month to assure that the

**Beavercreek Bulletin Pick-up Points**

**Just a Reminder...** the pick-up points for the Beavercreek Bulletin are:

- Petterson's Grocery & Feed in Clarkes
- Beavercreek Fire Station
- The Corner Park
- Beavercreek Cooperative Telephone Company
- Beavercreek Grocery
- Hitch 'N Post Restaurant
- Country Lovin' Cafe

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fire and emergency medical needs of fire district's visitors and residents are met. Many factors came into play while they were choosing a site for the new Beavercreek fire station. Their deliberations were thorough and their decision was sound. Although some Beavercreek area residents have indicated there was not sufficient input sought from the members of the Beavercreek Citizens Planning Organization the fire and life safety needs of all the citizens in the service area of the Beavercreek fire station were considered and addressed by the selection of the new station location.



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The new location is in a place that will reduce travel time to a larger portion of the fire station service area. The reduced travel times will result in a larger percentage of the alarms meeting the Fire District's Standard of Response Coverage (*Cont on Pg 3, Col 1*)



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**CPO Spotlight**

The July meeting of the Beavercreek CPO was held on Wednesday, July 26, 2000, at the Beavercreek Grange on Kamrath Rd at 7:00 p.m. with approximately 20 citizens in attendance.

Among other land use decisions, there was more discussion regarding the siting of the new Beavercreek Fire Station. There were concerns expressed by members that the change in locations didn't seem to be justified in order to make the response time coverage areas more balanced. Also, the way the contract was written for the purchase of the new property came under scrutiny. Citizens were concerned that the Board of the Fire District entered into agreements which are not in the best interest of the Fire District or the citizens, which are a concern since it was purchased with taxpayers money and without citizen input.

The next meeting of the CPO will occur on Wednesday, August 23, 2000 at the same place and time. If you have any questions, please feel free to call 632-8370 and leave a message and your call will be returned.

**Fire Station Siting (Cont from Pg 2, Col 2)** criteria. This document establishes a response standard for each of the three types of areas served by the fire district. They are Urban, Suburban and Rural. About 2/3rds of the Beavercreek fire station service area is classified as Rural. The standard of response for rural areas is that fire apparatus arrive at 90% of the alarms within 10 minutes. All fire district apparatus arrive with at least one paramedic-firefighter on it. Each vehicle is fully equipped to provide advance life support and fire suppression activities if needed. The fire district Board has mandated the fire chief and staff implement policies and practices that assure that future residents also have timely and professional response service. It is with that in mind that planning and siting of fire facilities in the entire fire district will continue. *Submitted by Rob Carnahan, Asst. Fire Chief, Clackamas Fire District # 1*

**Booster Happenings**

The Beavercreek Boosters would like to take this opportunity to say "thank you" to all of the individuals who donated household items for the annual Booster Rummage Sale, which was held last month at the

"Corner Park" in downtown Beavercreek.

It was harder to gather as many items for sale this year as a lot of other local groups have been having rummage sales of their own, but thunder and lightening and a little rain did not dampen the Boosters' spirit in their annual affair.

The sale was a success and there were some real gems in the group when you got to looking around. The sale actually continued a day longer than planned as people kept coming by to see what treasures were still available.

*It was a good thing that the weather held as last year someone stole the large blue tarp that the Boosters use for the rummage sale and other functions from the Community Park property. What a shame. Whoever took it must have needed it awfully bad to steal from a local community organization. I hope they are enjoying it. The Editor*

**Clackamas Fire Dist #1  
Board Meetings  
the 3rd Monday of the Month  
at the Fire District Training Facility  
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### Lions Club Activities

Did you know that there is a group right here in Beavercreek doing good deeds behind your back? Well, maybe not behind your back, but without most people knowing it? There is! Let me tell you about some of the things they did this last year:

Last August they started their year off by donating \$300.00 to a summer work & transitions program for blind teenagers. They also got some of their number together and went whitewater rafting with those youth. In September they donated \$200.00 to a youth service group they help sponsor. In October they helped pay for the repair of a young blind lady's Braille 'N Speak - a computer built for blind users. They also sent money to the Guide Dog school in Boring. In November, this group donated to the restoration of our own Beavercreek Grange, and spent some time welcoming in a group like themselves in Newberg.

December is a big month for this group. They donated a hearing aid to a local woman who couldn't afford it. They also threw a Christmas party for the YPOPs (Young Parents Opportunity Program) at Clackamas Community College, giving them presents of sweaters for themselves and books for their children. This group also helped spearhead the Beavercreek Christmas Project, where together with the Boosters, the Telephone Company and many other groups, they delivered some 364 baskets of food to over 100 needy families in the area, combined with toys for their kids. They also served as the core of the Clackamas County Toy & Joy, which distributed around 1,700 toys to needy kids in the County.

Well, by now you should have guessed that the group I'm talking about is the Beavercreek Lions Club. Here's some of the other things they have done this past year:

Donated \$300.00 to Camp Taloli, a camp near Salem for deaf youth;

Gave scholarships to CCC to a student at each of the five local high schools;

Donated \$300.00 to the Northwest Association for Blind Athletes;

Hosted five youth from foreign countries (Finland, Australia, New Zealand & Peru) in a cultural exchange;

Donated \$300.00 to Clackamas County Loaves & Fishes Project;

Gave flags to all of the first graders locally, explaining about them;

Donated \$200.00 to our local Parrot Creek Boys Ranch;

Supported Boy Scout Troup 139 and Cub Scout Troup 158, both by charter and donation;

Donated \$2,000.00 to Lions International to help



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in third-world countries;

Arranged for the purchase of glasses and hearing aids for local needy people;

and many others...

Believe it or not, you also helped the club do all of this! You helped when you bought a burger from us at the Bust, and when you dropped your old newspapers in our recycling bin at the Corner Park. You helped when you gave canned food to Santa on the fire truck, and when you dropped off a toy at Les Schwab. You helped every time you bought a roll of our mints at your favorite store, and when you came to our auction at Moss Campus in April. These are the ways we gathered what we needed to do all of those charitable acts listed above. The only thing you missed out on was the fun we had doing them.

Keep an eye out here in the "Bulletin" for what your Lions Club is doing in our community and beyond this year. For more information about the Lions, how to get help from them, or how to become one, contact the Beavercreek Lions Club at [Lions@bctonline.com](mailto:Lions@bctonline.com), 503-632-0470, or P.O. Box 76 Beavercreek, OR 97004.  
*Submitted by, Lion Robb Peck, Club Secretary, 2000-2001.*

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## Who Runs the State When the Legislature is out of Session for 18 Months?

As most of you know that Oregon State Legislature like most other State Legislatures does not meet year round. In fact, the actual session only lasts 6 months (longer if it was 1999) out of a 2-year span. That may be good news to a lot of people. The Governor and the State Agencies come to mind. Many citizens also worry about why we need the 900 to 1000 new laws we create every session. However, since the one constitutional job legislators do have every session is to balance the budget, the logical question becomes how can they accurately predict all the State's financial needs for the Biennium 2 years in advance, particularly in the rapidly changing world of the 21st Century. The obvious answer is 'they can't'. Emergencies arise, new federal mandates come down and unfinished legislative business rears its ugly head.

As a result, Oregon has an Emergency Board that meets every 2 months for 2 days to deal with contingencies using an emergency reserve allocation. Theoretically, the goal is to return as much of that as is possible. And usually, that is what happens. It will be a particular challenge this 2-year period because of a smaller \$38 million unallocated emergency fund, problems putting the "final" budget together and underestimates in Oregon Health Plan and human resource caseloads.

The E Board as it is called, consists of 19 of the 90 legislators. The leadership of the majority party (Republicans) decides who serves on this committee. While committee membership during the regular legislative session must be proportional to the ratio of Republicans to Democrats in the Legislature that is not required for the Emergency Board. Currently there are 13 Republicans and 6 Democrats (your senator Rick Metsger and representative Kurt Schrader are both members). The E Board is in effect a mini legislature. They cannot pass bills and make laws, but they do deal

1. Decide if any emergency warrants any of the \$38 million general purpose funds.
2. Decide if some new program should be funded (usually decided in advance by leadership.)
3. Review information required from various agencies or groups before releasing special purpose allocations made during the session (\$104 million here).
4. Approve allocations from the \$ 3.5 million special reserve fund for particular projects.
5. Approve all federal grant applications to make sure we are not unknowingly obligating State taxpayer dollars in the future.

with fiscal issues that arise. They must be sure these decisions are not made in a vacuum. The committee

relies heavily on Legislative fiscal staff that analyzes each request and gives recommendations and pertinent background on the request. Legislators may be familiar with many of the issues from the session. Other times, it may be totally new to them and to make it even more challenging the subcommittees only get a weeks notice on what is coming up. In my opinion some requests are handled more appropriately than others.

A recent example of a questionable decision would be to give the county district attorneys a raise even though during the session they claimed they really needed money for their deputy DA Budget. Considering that no other public employee got this additional raise and the raise put the salaries of the DAs of the largest counties above that of the current court judges and DAs in almost all other western states, I had trouble understanding the logic and voted no.

A recent example of a good decision was to try to keep up the outreach for the Oregon Health Plan in the face of unexpected caseload increases. Federal and Non-Profit grant money to do outreach to reduce the number of uninsured children in Oregon under the federal CHIP program has resulted in an increase in public awareness and interest in the overall Oregon Health Plan. The Human Resources department and Legislative Fiscal staff did some great work to find efficiencies, shift dollars to maximize benefits, and try to absorb administrative costs internally so that a smaller than originally envisioned allocation from the emergency fund was needed. The bad news is that the rebalance relies on the federal government granting us some waivers and we expect further caseload alterations in the future. I suggested at the meeting that a time is fast coming when we may need to decide what part of health care is a basic right for all Oregonians and which is not. In other words, how can we get the best results with our limited tax dollars for the most people and what part of health care and personal habits are an individuals responsibility in American society. Perhaps a reprioritization is necessary so that we can also provide basic health care for the lower middle class that is working but doesn't qualify for the Oregon Health Plan. Instead of trying to be all things to a limited number of people, we should strive to provide the basics to all Oregonians.

The Emergency Board's next meeting is in September. I'm sure we will again have 50 or 60 items to deal with. If you have interests in anything coming up feel free to call us at (503) 266-2432. We need your input. *Submitted by Kurt Schrader, State Representative*



**Beavercreek Community Meeting Being Planned to Discuss Complete Communities**

“Complete Communities” is a public outreach project initiated by the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners. It is a countywide undertaking to engage a broad range of residents to talk about a future direction for the County and its individual communities.

Many Beavercreek residents received the Summer 2000 Edition of the “Clackamas County Citizen News” which included an article and questionnaire addressing “Complete Communities Gets Ball Rolling.” Numerous outreach activities are underway throughout the County to ask residents to define common and unique community values for the County and their local communities. The purpose of the project is to identify the diverse qualities of “Complete Communities.” Outreach efforts include a countywide telephone survey, community meetings, a Community Congress to be held on October 28th, use of the Internet to capture data, booth at the Clackamas County Fair and a number of youth-focused activities.

At the June 28<sup>th</sup> Beavercreek CPO meeting citizens agreed to organize a meeting to discuss “Complete Communities” as it pertains to Beavercreek, our unique values, qualities, future vision, including our unique and shared views on Countywide issues. A committee of several Beavercreek citizens was formed and held

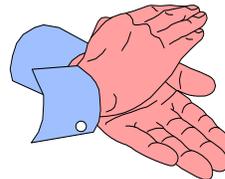
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In case you have not been to the Hitch ‘N Post Restaurant lately, you should give it a try. We have been told by Beavercreek residents who have dined there that they enjoyed the experience and believe that the residents of Beavercreek should check it out.

The restaurant has “Daily Specials” for breakfast, lunch and dinner as well as a half breakfast for those with a smaller appetite for \$3.00. There is also a childrens menu on request. All the meats served are cooked over an open flame, not grilled. The management is also planning to expand the menu to include low-fat entrees.

The restaurant is a family operation and they hope you will come in and give them a try.

**Saturday Kids**



As some of you has probably noticed flowers have been planted at the “Corner Park”. This was done as part of the community service project “Saturday Kids” supervised by Beavercreek Boosters. The Boosters supervise youth who need to do community service because they have gotten into trouble with the law. Great job!



**Boosters Burgers &Bingo in the Park**

Come and join the Beavercreek Boosters in “Burgers & Bingo in the Park” on Saturday, August 12, 2000 from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the “Corner Park” located at the corner of Beavercreek, Kamrath and Leland Roads in downtown Beavercreek.

Bring the whole family and enjoy a great time winning prizes and eating great food.

This is a fundraiser for the Beavercreek Boosters to raise funds for use in the community.

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**Coming Attractions**

- Aug 4-5, “Aces High”
- Aug 11-12, “Country Classic”
- Aug 18-19, “Cabin Fever” (Local Beavercreek band!)
- Aug 25-26, “Dirt Farm Cowboys”
- Sept 1-2, “Dirt Farm Cowboys”

an organizational meeting on Tuesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. Chaired by Alan Burr, the committee reviewed the agenda for a “Complete Communities” meeting tentatively planned for September.

*Submitted by Tammy Stevens with additional comments and input from Tammy Zinsmeister, advisor to Clackamas County.*