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February 2010

## Urban/Rural Reserves Open House Held Jan 19

On January 19, 2010, an open house was held at the Clackamas County Development Building, 150 S. Beaver-creek Road.

Each attendee was asked to sign in and put a star on a very large map to indicate where they lived. This was done to graphically show where the attendees were from.

The meeting was held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. and had or 50 people in attendance.

There were an extensive number of large aerial photos that covered the area under consideration. This allowed those present to see the land from a different perspective. The maps showed much more detail and what is actually on the ground than can be seen looking at a drawing.

Everyone was given a questionnaire to fill out that included areas to make comments.

In my mind, one thing stood out in this questionnaire. The questions were worded in such a way and the limited choice of responses did not allow a person to record their actual feelings.

In all fairness, however, there were areas to write additional comments. I hope that the comments will actually be read and taken into consideration. I also hope that the whole outcome will not be weighed solely on the multiple choice answers which leaned strongly towards "Urban Reserves."

Now, we will wait to see the outcome of the other open houses held and then what the Core 4 does with the information. The Editor

## Ex-Clackamas County Sheriff Bill Brooks Dies

Former Clackamas County Sheriff Bill Brooks died Sunday, January 17, 2009, two days after being released from the hospital for treatment of pneumonia. He was 79.

The longtime Oregon City resident served as the County's top cop from 1983 to 1992, when he retired after 40 years in Oregon law enforcement. He oversaw the introduction of modern police technology and the growing numbers of women in law enforcement, said Ris Bradshaw, Brooks' chief deputy, who became sheriff after Brooks retired.

In 1985, he was named Sheriff of the Year by the Oregon State Sheriff's Association.

## 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, BeavercreekGrange, 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.,

### Clarks/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.

### Clarks 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 (Qrtrly)...

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](mailto: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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A service was held at 2 p.m. January 30, 2009, at Tri-City Baptist Temple in Gladstone.

Brooks leaves behind his wife, Liz; seven children; 19 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. *Originally appeared in the January 19, 2009, Oregonian.*

**Operation Santa Claus Update**

Once again the community was exceedingly generous with donations of food and toys for Operation Santa Claus.

For 35 years Operation Santa Claus has provided families in need with toys and food baskets to help make their holiday season a little brighter. Many families were helped this year with donations provided by the Giving Tree at the Clackamas Town Center, donation barrels that were lo-

**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](mailto: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"**

23345 S. Beavercreek Rd.  
503-632-4553

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**Sunday Morning Services & Programs:**

**Education For All Ages:** 9:15 a.m.

**Worship For All:** 10:00 a.m.

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

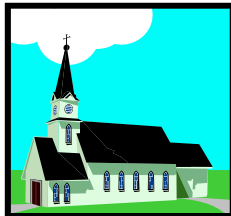
18773 S. Windy City Rd.  
503-632-7778

**Sunday Worship:** 9:00 a.m.

**Sunday School:** 10:30 a.m.

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

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.

**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:** 8:00 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.

cated in businesses and all of the fire stations as well as the Operation Santa Claus neighborhood parades. Donations were also received in the form of a \$1,000 check from The North Clackamas County Chamber of Commerce at their Annual Giving Breakfast and the Willamette Valley Country Club, which donated many toys. Chief Kirchhofer was the guest speaker at a luncheon at the Country Club, where he explained the Operatiob Santa Claus program.

Congressman Kurt Schrader participated with the Operation Santa Claus parade on December 5 at the Hilltop Fire Station. He helped serve BBQ chicken to the parade volunteers and then served as a 'runner' (picking up donations from public) for the first hour of the parade from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Thank you Congressman Schrader!

Thank you to retired Battalion Chief Tim Dahl who coordinated the project this year, to retired Lieutenant Steve Stevenson who helped and to the many volunteers who also helped to make this project such a success. Many, many hours were spent ensuring that all of the details were completed so that toys and food baskets would be ready for the many families who would enjoy them. Thank you all!

## New Rights When Your Car Is Totaled

When Chris' older sports model BMW was totaled in a collision, he began a two-month long, bewildering process of trying to negotiate the amount he should receive from his insurer for the car. The first offer, which was supposed to be based on the fair market value of the car before the damage, seemed low to Chris.

In the end, his automobile insurance company paid about \$1,000 more than originally offered. However, Beaverton resident said he spent that much on the appraisals that resulted in the final offer. "After all the time and

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money I spent, it was a wash," he said.

House Bill 2190, which took effect Jan. 1, 2010, will help consumers like Chris by giving them more information and leverage when negotiating a settlement for their totaled cars. The Department of Consumer and Business Services' Insurance Division brought the bill to legislators in the 2009 session based on the hundreds of calls and complaints it receives annually from consumers whose cars are totaled.

"Consumers often feel like they have no power when negotiating with insurance companies over totaled cars. They disagree with the offer, but they receive little information about how the company determined the value," said State Rep. Paul Holvey, (D-Eugene), who chairs the House Consumer Protection Committee. "This new law gives consumers some of the tools they need to pursue a fair deal."

The new law requires insurance companies to do the following:

Give car owners a written notice that explains total loss, including how car values are determined and what to do if the owner disagrees with an insurer's offer.

Give consumers the valuation or appraisal reports used to set the vehicle's value. Currently, a consumer must ask for a copy. (Chris, for example, said the company's first offer was based on other vehicles that were not comparable to his damaged car.)

Pay car owners the amount not in dispute while negotiations over value continue. For example, if an insurer offers \$4,000 and the car owner seeks \$5,000, the insurer must pay the \$4,000 upfront.

Reimburse consumers for reasonable appraisal costs. This applies when the owner has the right to an appraisal and the final appraised value is greater than the insurer's last offer.

"Having insurers pay the undisputed amount is particularly important because many people need to buy a new car right away to get to work," said Teresa Miller, administrator of the Insurance Division. "This fact of life forces some consumers to give up any thoughts of researching their vehicle's value and negotiating a settlement."

Chris was able to borrow a car after his 30-day rental reimbursement period ended while he negotiated his vehicle's value, something not all consumers can do. When his case bogged down, Chris called the Insurance Division's consumer advocates to complain that his insurer was not returning his phone calls. After the division contacted the insurer,

Chris said a regional manager contacted him and he received prompt service from then on. He received payment for his total loss vehicle more than 60 days after the accident.

More information:

The Insurance Division's consumer advocates are available to consumers with questions or complaints about insurance issues. Consumers can be reached toll-free at 888-877-4894 or 503-947-7984 in the Salem area.

A fact sheet explaining more about total loss is available at: [http://insurance.oregon.gov/consumer/consumer-tips/4845-4\\_vehicle-total-loss.pdf](http://insurance.oregon.gov/consumer/consumer-tips/4845-4_vehicle-total-loss.pdf)

The Insurance Division is part of the Department of Consumer & Business Services. For more information, visit [www.insurance.oregon.gov](http://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](http://www.dcbcs.oregon.gov).

## Fire Chief New Chamber Board Member

Chief Kirchofer has been appointed to fill a vacant position on the Board of Directors for the North Clackamas County Chamber of Commerce. His goal while on the Board is to continue the good work of the Chamber and to focus on strategic thinking/planning.

## Clackamas Community College February Calendar of Events

**February 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25** - CCC Financial Aid Advising Sessions

Advising sessions for financial aid are held Mondays and Thursdays from 3 to 4 p.m. in Rook Hall at the Oregon City campus. Call Shelley Shaw for more information at 503-657-6958, ext. 2373.

**February 1, 8, 15, 22** - Job Seeker Information Sessions

Free job seeker information sessions are held each Monday at Clackamas Community College. The sessions, sponsored by Workforce Development Services at the college, take place from noon to 1 p.m. in Barlow Hall 240. For information call 503-657-6958, ext. 2316, or e-mail [wfdinfo@clackamas.edu](mailto:wfdinfo@clackamas.edu).

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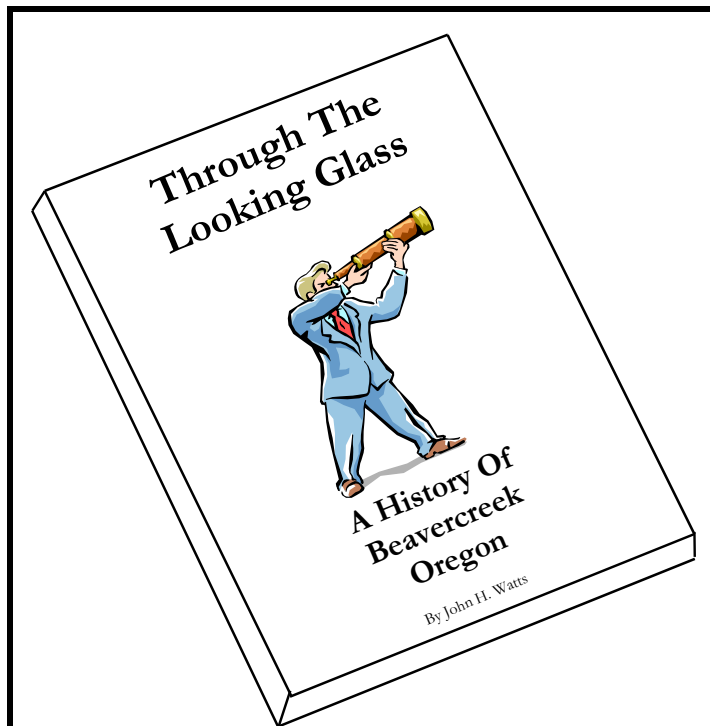
## Pot Hole Hotline

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**February 6 & 7 - Softball Pitching Clinic**

Former CCC pitcher Janelle Cristofaro offers instruction on the fundamentals of pitching for girls ages 8 to 13. The clinic will help girls develop the pitching motion through instruction and individual feedback. The clinic meets from 10:00 a.m. to noon both days and the cost is \$35. For more information, call 503-657-6958, ext. 2435 or e-mail [jessicab@clackamas.edu](mailto:jessicab@clackamas.edu).



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**February 3, 10, 17, 24 - 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. Free. For information, call 503-657-6958, ext. 2220.

**February 6 - Fruit Tree Pruning**

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

**February 6 & 7 - 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Softball Hitting Clinic**

Clackamas softball coaches and area high school coaches provide instruction in the fundamentals of bunting, slapping and hitting for girls ages 11 to 18 years old. Girls sign up for an individual three-hour session. Session I: Saturday, Feb. 6 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Session II: Saturday, Feb. 6 from 1:00 to 4 p.m. Session III: Sunday, Feb. 7 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. The cost of the clinic is \$35 per session. For more information, call 503-657-6958, ext. 2435 or e-mail [jessicab@clackamas.edu](mailto:jessicab@clackamas.edu).

**Feb. 11 & 18 - Softball Catching Clinic**

Catching clinic is for girls ages 11 to 18 years old. The clinic meets from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. both days, and the cost is \$35 for both sessions. For more information, call 503-657-6958, ext. 2435 or e-mail [jessicab@clackamas.edu](mailto:jessicab@clackamas.edu).

**February 15 - Oregon Transfer Day**

More than 30 four-year colleges and universities will visit CCC for the annual Oregon Transfer Day. Representatives from the colleges and universities will be in the Gregory Forum from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to tell students about transfer options. For additional information please visit <http://depts.clackamas.edu/advising> or call Miguel Cardenas at 503-594-3175.

**February 19 & 26 & March 5 - Herbal Products**

This workshop provides instruction in making herbal teas, skin salve and tincture, infused oil, vinegar and syrup. Workshop is from 8:00 a.m. to noon in Clairmont, room 118. Fee is \$97.

**February 20 - Fruit Tree Grafting**

These workshops (two beginning and one intermediate) are designed to provide hands-on experience for grafting fruit trees. Workshops take place in Clairmont, room 117. Fee is \$15 for each workshop. For more information, contact Loretta at 503-657-6958, ext. 2246.

**February 23 - Early Spring Registration**

Early spring registration begins Feb. 23 for returning students.

**February 25 - Clackamas County Regional Skills Contest**

High school students from around the County compete in subjects ranging from accounting to building construction in this daylong event that includes a career fair in the gym at Randall Hall. Day classes until 4 p.m. are canceled at the Oregon City campus. For information, call 503-657-6958, ext. 2455.

**February 25 - 28 & March 4 - 7 - Winter Term Mainstage Production: *The Haunting of Grayson Manor***

CCC's Theater Arts Department presents the world premier of "*The Haunting of Grayson Manor*" by Gregory Neil Forbes in eight performances beginning Thursday, Feb. 25. Shows are scheduled Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m., with Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. in the Osterman Theatre. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for youth and seniors. For ticket information and reservations visit <http://www.TheatreCCC.org> or call 503-657-6958, ext.

2356 or e-mail jens@clackamas.edu.

Waud Funeral Home, Oregon City. *Originally appeared in the January 14, 2010 Oregonian.*

## 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

## Obituaries

Provided as a community service by  
the Beavercreek Bulletin as information available

### RICHARD MICHAEL ATKIN

9/25/1942 - 1/8/2010

Richard Atkin, age 67, of Colton passed away after a long illness. He is survived by Rosie Atkin, his loving wife of 48 years; daughter, Maria, and her children, Kay, Benjamin and Lindy; daughter, Sheryle (David) Beaudry, and their children, Sydney and Summerlyn; sister, Nancy (Randy) Krause; and parents, Richard and Maxine. He was a devout Seventh-day Adventist and attended the Historic Message Church as a member and elder since 1998.



He was beloved by family and friends and known for his gentle-ness, kindness and wisdom. Richard's memorial was held at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 14, 2010, at the Tremont Evangelical Church, 7115 S.E. Woodstock Blvd., Portland, OR 97206. *Originally published in the January 13, 2010 Oregonian.*

### VIOLET HETTMAN

12/05/1922 - 01/08/2010

Violet was born in Portland. She was a homemaker. Violet is survived by her husband, Arthur; sons, Gary and Greg; and daughter, Marilyn Kemp. A celebration of life was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 23, 2010, in Beavercreek United Church of Christ. Arrangements by Hillside Chapel. *Originally appeared in the January 21, 2010, Oregonian.*

### DAVID LLOYD KAMRATH

01/24/1948 - 01/11/2010

David Lloyd Kamrath, age 61, was born in Oregon City. David is survived by his wife, Barbara; daughter, Kendall; and son, Kiley. He was preceded in death by his parents, Herbert and Margaret. A memorial service was held at 1 p.m. Friday, January 15, 2010, in Holman Hankins Bowker &

### CAROL ALENE KENNEDY

Dec. 25, 1917 - Dec 27, 2009

Carol was born in Clarkes. She was a retired seamstress.

Carol is survived by her daughter, Lynne Allen; and son, Jerry.

The service was private. Arrangements by Holman-Hankins-Bowker & Waud. *Originally appeared in the January 4, 2010, Oregonian.*

### CAROL ALENE KENNEDY

Dec. 25, 1917 - Dec. 27, 2009

Oregon City resident Carol Alene Kennedy died on Dec. 27, 2009, at age 92.

She was born on Dec. 25, 1917, in Clarkes, to parents John and Minnie Gard. She graduated from Oregon City High School in 1935, and had been employed as a seamstress.

She is survived by: daughter, Lynne Allen; son, Jerry Kennedy; 13 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and three great-great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Edward H. Kennedy; son, Dennis Kennedy; and great-grandson, Devon Schulmaker.

A private service was held on Dec. 30, 2009. Arrangements: Holman-Hankins-Bowker & Waud. *Originally appeared in the January 6, 2010 Oregon City News.*

### EDWARD ALFERED THOMMEN

05/25/1923 - 01/13/2010

Edward Alfered "Ed" Thommen, age 86, was born to Carl and Ursula May 25, 1923, on Sauvie Island. The family moved to Gladstone where he attended school in early childhood, leaving home at age 13. His young adult life was spent working on farms until he joined the U.S. Navy during World War II. He met his future wife, Ruth Marie Day, in downtown Oregon City. They married in Elko, Nev., and settled in Oregon City for their life together. Two sons were born to this union, Jerry A. and Randy L.

A truck driver, Ed drove for Mt. Scott Sand and Gravel, an ambulance for Hutchinson Hospital (now Providence Willamette Falls), Oregon Asphaltic Paving in Portland and Safeway. He was later hired by O.N.C. Trucking full-time where he received his Million Miler Award Sept. 1, 1967. During his trucking years he also received the Expert Driver Award from

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the National Safety Council for 10 consecutive years of safe driving. He was a member of the Teamsters Union and Elks Lodge #1189 B.P.O.E.

Ed retired from O.N.C. at age 57 and began buying rental houses. After retiring, he also managed the Oregon City Elks Lodge and the Sirloin Stockade restaurant in Oregon City. He had many hobbies. His passions were collecting Lionel trains, toy trucks and 1967 Pontiacs, of which he had nine. He later sold his home and rentals to move to the country. He had multiple pet chickens and fed the wild bunnies which he later complained about for eating his plants.

Ed loved his yard and the yards of all of his four rentals. His flower and vegetable gardens were admired and his corn was featured in the Enterprise Courier Newspaper (an old-time local paper in Oregon City.) Local residents may remember him mowing his lawn and being followed by his two pet ducks, Jat and Dat.

Ed is survived by his sons; two daughters-in-law, Linda and Jennie; four grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and sister, Edna "Toots" Zwald who resides in Tillamook.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth, in 1983; and brother, Elmer. Ed spent the last seven years in Mountain View Rehabilitation & Living Center. The family wishes to acknowledge the wonderful care and love that Mountain View provided for him.

A funeral was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2010, in Hillside Chapel Funeral Home. Private mausoleum entombment will follow in Mountain View Cemetery in Oregon City. Originally appeared in the January 19, 2010, Oregonian.

## New Members Named To Fire District Board

The Clackamas County Commissioners have appointed two new members to the Colton District Board, creating a quorum to conduct business.

The choice of Rex Rice and Ivan Maluski is the first step in restoring stability to the district's management. Now the board can elect officers and appoint two more members to fill the vacancies.

Three of the five board members resigned in December after district volunteers delivered no-confidence votes against the board and Chief Gary Anderson. Coupled with a previous vacancy, that left the board with only one member,

Danny Fine.

Rice, 58, is a retired career firefighter; Maluski, 38, is conservation coordinator of the Sierra Club's Oregon chapter. Both must stand for election June 30, 2011.

Anderson has returned to work after a medical leave.

## ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST

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## Beavercreek Grange

## Recruitment Open For Two Vacancies On The Clackamas County Committee for Citizen Involvement

Clackamas County Commissioners are seeking two volunteers interested in serving on the County's Committee for Citizen Involvement (CCI).

The purpose of the CCI is to help develop and implement citizen involvement programs and to evaluate the process being used for citizen involvement in land use planning. There are two openings on the committee to fill two three-year terms.

Current projects of the CCI are to enhance its relationship with the County's Community Planning Organizations (CPOs), three training opportunities per year, develop and disseminate resource materials, provide input to the Planning Division on land use application materials, help coordinate CPO Leaders Meetings, participate in the annual County Fair and assist in developing and participating in Complete Communities program.

The Committee for Citizen Involvement meets monthly on the third Tuesday from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Development Services Building (DSB), located at 150 Beavercreek Road in Oregon City.

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Anyone interested in applying is encouraged to attend a meeting. Experience and participation in a CPO is helpful as a base of knowledge for committee work.

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2nd and 4th Thursdays  
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Interested individuals need to complete an application form and will be invited to interview with the Committee during an upcoming meeting. Applications may be completed and submitted online via the County's website, <http://web3.co.clackamas.or.us/citizenin/app.asp>

To receive an application form by mail contact Clackamas County Citizen Involvement, 503-655-8751, or 2051 Kaen Road, Oregon City, OR 97045.

The application deadline is Wednesday, February 10.

For more information about CCI please call Barbara Smolak at 503-655-8552 or email her at [barbarasmo@co.clackamas.or.us](mailto:barbarasmo@co.clackamas.or.us).

## 6th Annual Crabfest At The Grotto

Enjoy a glorious evening feasting on a delicious crab buffet, appetizers, wine and beer. The evening will conclude with dessert and a rare opportunity to experience the spectacular evening view from The Meditation Chapel in The Grotto's Upper Level Gardens.

The event is being held on Saturday, February 27, 2010, at 5 p.m., in the Grotto Conference Center.

The cost is \$45 per person. Benefits will go to The Grotto. Seating is limited.

For Info call: 503-254-7371 or email [events@thegrotto.org](mailto:events@thegrotto.org).

## CCFD#1 Upcoming Board of Directors' Meetings

The Board of Directors' meetings are usually held on the third Monday of the month. However, due to holidays being on the third Mondays in January and February, the board meetings have been re-scheduled for the fourth Mondays.

The next board meeting will be on Monday, February 22, 2010. All board meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Mt. Scott Fire Station located at 9339SE Causey in Happy Valley. The public is invited to attend.

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## 2010 Census To Assist Planning For Education And Public Services

In order to achieve an accurate assessment of the number and location of the people living within the nation's borders, the U.S. Constitution mandates a census (population count) every 10 years. The goal of this year's census is to count all people living in the United States on April 1, 2010. Census forms will be mailed or delivered to households in March 2010. Responses are required by law.

The census population totals determine which states gain or lose representation in Congress. They also determine the amount of State and Federal funding communities receive over the course of the decade.

2010 Census data will directly affect how more than \$4 trillion is allocated to local, State and Tribal governments over the next 10 years. In order for this funding allocation to be accomplished fairly and accurately, the goal of the decennial census is to count everybody, count them only once, and count them in the right place.

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sions for the rest of the decade about public health, neighborhood improvements, transportation, education, senior services and much more.

The U.S. Census Bureau does not ask about the legal status of respondents in any of its surveys and census programs. To help ensure the nation's increasingly diverse population can answer the questionnaire accurately and completely, about 13 million bilingual Spanish/English forms will be mailed to housing units in neighborhoods identified as requiring high levels of Spanish assistance. Additionally, questionnaires in Spanish, Chinese (Simplified), Korean, Vietnamese and Russian; as well as language guides in 59 languages; will be available on request.

### 10 Questions, 10 Minutes to Complete

With one of the shortest questionnaires in history, the 2010 Census asks for name, gender, age, race, ethnicity, relationship, and whether you own or rent your home. It takes only about 10 minutes for the average household to complete. Questions about how we live as a nation; our diversity, education, housing, jobs and more; are now covered in the American Community Survey, which is conducted every year throughout the decade and replaces the Census 2000 long-form questionnaire. Responses to the 2010 Census questionnaire are required by law. All re-



sponses are used for statistical purposes only, and all are strictly confidential.

For more information, visit the 2010 Census Web site at <http://www.census.gov/2010>.

## Beavercreek School News

### February Calendar

Feb 1-5: Swim Week for Mrs. Amick & Mrs. Henry

Feb 8: School Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Feb 9: Beavercreek PTO Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Feb 12: Valentine Class Parties 1:00 p.m.

Feb 15: No School - Presidents' Day Holiday

Feb 19: PTO Family Movie Night 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

### Beavercreek Begins New Recycling Program

The Beavercreek student leadership team has begun a new recycling program at Beavercreek. In addition to pop cans, plastic water bottles and printer cartridges, students can now recycle empty juice pouches (not juice boxes), chip bags, candy wrappers and Elmer's glue sticks.

We are excited about this for two reasons: 1) It is good for the environment and 2) Beavercreek actually gets \$0.02 per item. This can really begin to add up with over 450 students.

We have set up a recycling center in the cafeteria for these items as well as a bucket in each classroom for pop cans and water bottles. We will be looking to expand this program, but for now, we are beginning with these items. Thanks in advance for your help and participation.

### Beavercreek Elementary PTO

*T.E.A.M (Together Everyone Achieves More)*

Parent participation is a critical component to the success of the PTO and what we can do here to help enhance the

educational experience of our children. We look forward to working with you, where together, we can make a difference

Please join us for our next meeting Tuesday, February 9th, at 6:00 p.m. in the media

center. Free childcare is provided

\*\*Please note date changes for the following events: Family Movie Night has been moved to February 19th Time 6:30 - 9:00 and Family Reading Night has been moved to March 31st.

### Doing some online shopping?

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Did you know you can raise money for our kids simply by shopping online? It's true! Stores like Target, Barnes & Noble, iTunes, Camping World, Disney Store, eToys, Wal Mart, Kmart, Kohl's, Macy's, Sears, Buy.com, Babyage.com, Footlocker, Office Depot, and many, many more! They will donate anywhere from 1% to 8% of the sale to the PTO! Please register and take advantage of this easy way to raise money for our school simply by shopping from home. Please visit the following link today! <http://www.smartraise.com/bcpto2008>.

#### We just added Papermate pens and Sharpie Markers to our recycle list!

### Annual Fundraisers

Fall fundraisers are complete. The next fundraiser is **Art Auction Night** to be held on April 20th from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**Family Fun Fair**, May 15 from 12:00 - 3:00 p. and **Field Day/BBQ**, June 10 (assist school with field events) from 8:00 a.m. - 2:20 pm.

## Twenty Percent Of Oregonians Insured for Earthquakes

As we offer our support and help to the victims of the Haiti earthquake, Oregonians may also be thinking about how to protect themselves in the event of an earthquake. Although Oregon is among the states at highest risk for a major earthquake, only about 20 percent of Oregonians have earthquake insurance, according to a Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) survey.

Standard homeowner policies do not cover earthquakes, but optional earthquake coverage is readily available and relatively inexpensive, the 2009 survey indicated.

"Consumers may want to think about their ability to rebuild if their house is destroyed in an earthquake," said Cory Streisinger, director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services. "Insurance should be weighed as part of other earthquake preparations."

Later this month, on Jan. 26, Oregon marks the 310th anniversary of the last, great Cascadia Subduction Zone

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earthquake. This magnitude 9.0 earthquake was centered about 75 miles offshore and damaged the coastline from Northern California to Southern British Columbia, according



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to the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries.

A 10,000-year geologic record shows these mega-quakes occur every 300 to 600 years, putting Oregon within the window of a major earthquake, said James Roddey, earth sciences information officer with that agency. Damaging earthquakes have also occurred within the past 16 years in different parts of the state, causing tens of millions of dollars worth of damage.

"Earthquake and tsunami preparedness should be a part of everybody's emergency plan," said Roddey. "We live in earthquake country. You need to be prepared."

The DCBS Insurance Division last year surveyed 20 insurance companies that account for 80 percent of the homeowner insurance premium in the state. The findings:

Homeowners generally can buy earthquake insurance as an endorsement (addition to their policy) or as a separate policy. The few companies that do not offer earthquake insurance in Oregon typically refer clients to a company that sells stand-alone earthquake policies.

Earthquake coverage is relatively inexpensive - often less than \$300 a year for a \$300,000 wood-frame home. Masonry homes are more expensive to insure. And, if you live in an older home, you may need to bolt your home to the foundation or make other seismic upgrades before you can buy earthquake insurance.

To keep premiums low and because it is designed to cover catastrophic loss, earthquake coverage generally features high deductibles. These typically amount to 10 percent or 15 percent of the amount covered by insurance. A homeowner with a house insured for \$300,000 and a 10 percent deductible would pay \$30,000 before the policy would pay. Coverage for contents is separate.

Consumers who wait to buy insurance until after a tremor will be too late: Insurance companies typically suspend sales of earthquake insurance for a period of time after a seismic event.

"No one knows for sure when a major earthquake will strike but Oregon homeowners may want to at least talk to their insurance agent about this coverage," said Teresa Miller, administrator of the Insurance Division.

Studies by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) show the bulk of the nation's annual losses from

earthquakes are expected to occur in California, Oregon and Washington with most of that loss in California.

Although quake-prone California collects more earthquake premiums than any other state, the insurance costs significantly more than in Oregon and only about 12 percent of Californians are covered for earthquakes. The state created the California Earthquake Authority to ensure homeowners could buy earthquake insurance after the 6.7-magnitude Northridge Earthquake of 1994, the costliest quake in U.S. history.

The majority of economic loss is along the West Coast, but earthquake risk is nationwide. About 35 percent of Missouri residents, who are part of the New Madrid seismic zone in the central Mississippi Valley, are insured for earthquakes. The last major earthquake in that area, a magnitude 8, occurred in late 1811 and early 1812 and caused some sections of the Mississippi River to appear to run backwards and church bells to ring as far away as Boston.

**Earthquake insurance tips:**

[http://insurance.oregon.gov/consumer/consumer-tips/4845-5\\_earthquakes.pdf](http://insurance.oregon.gov/consumer/consumer-tips/4845-5_earthquakes.pdf)

**Oregon Department of Geology & Mineral Industries (DOGAMI):**

<http://www.oregongeology.org/sub/earthquakes/earthquakehome.htm>

**DOGAMI map of earthquakes in Oregon since 1841:**

<http://www.oregongeology.org/sub/earthquakes/EqEpicentermap.htm>

**Federal Emergency Management Agency:**

<http://www.fema.gov/hazard/earthquake/index.shtm>

**U.S. Geological Survey:** (historical earthquakes, interesting facts) <http://earthquake.usgs.gov/learning/faq.php>

**National Flood Insurance Program:** (NFIP) [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov)

## Clarkes School News

**Dates to Remember**

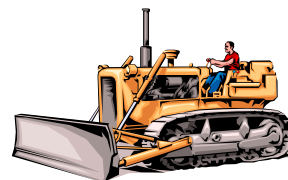
**Feb 1** - Inservice Day - No Classes for Students

**Feb 15** - President's Day

District Wide Attendance Policy

Molalla River School District would like to remind you that attendance is a strong indicator of academic success. It is very important for your student to be ON TIME and in school every day. Every day of missed instruction leaves a hole in your child's education and makes success that

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much more difficult.

It is expected that all students will attain 92% or better over the school year.

Please call the school if your student is going to be absent. The office will be giving you a safety call if we don't here from you.

#### Artist In Residence

Starting January 26th through February 24th on Tuesday's and Wednesday's, John Early, an artist from Portland, will be our AIR... he will be doing visual arts for 5 weeks, focusing on the universal design motif of mandalas--- center, circle, square and the four directions – can be found in cultures and art forms around the world. Students will explore the symmetrical structure and compositions of mandalas, then use paper collage, oil pastel, and water colors to add personal expressions of color.

If you can volunteer to help in your child's class during their art time please drop your teacher a note.

#### Box Tops News

The month of December was fabulous, for being in school for such a short time. Kudos to those of you who continued to collect Box Tops over the holiday break.

We ended the month of December as follows: Teacher Barb \$26.20, Deller \$30.40, Williams \$12.70, Maier \$3.10, Yates \$11.60, Veveiros \$6.20 and Scriven \$6.10. Giving us a grand total of \$96.30 for December.

Annette Pritchard~Box Tops Coordinator

#### Oh, The Weather Outside is Frightful!

It is so very cold outside at recess. Please, please, please, make sure that your student has a warm winter coat every-day. Hats and gloves are good too.

### Carus School News

#### **Upcoming events**

Feb 1 - Battle of the Books begins (Feb 1 - 5)

Feb 2 - Carus Preschool Open House, 6 - 7 p.m.

Feb 6 - Carus Chess Tournament (4th and 5th grades)

Feb 12 - Spirit Day All School Assembly

Feb 15 - Holiday, No School

#### **Artist in Residence Program Begins at Carus**

Ellen Whyte (our Blues Artist in Residence) kicked off the artist in residence program on Wednesday, Jan. 6th. She took the kids through the progression of the blues; they traveled from the Mississippi Delta, to Chicago, to Texas. All the while, Ellen, and her colleague Dave Mul-lany, explained and demonstrated the progression of the blues and how the sound changed as the blues traveled through the United States.

Ellen worked with the entire student body during the month of January. She worked with classes to create their own blues songs which were performed on January 29th at 7:00 pm at the Canby High School Fine Arts Center.

#### **Battle of the Books**

The annual **Battle of the Books** began on Monday, Feb 1st during lunch recesses (11:30 - 1:00) in the library. Parents were invited to attend.

The Kids had been reading like crazy to prepare for this fun game show style event. Students in grades 3 - 6 formed reading teams, read 16 books and competed at various levels. Parent volunteers were needed to help run the battles.

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tween 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m., a donation was made by Burgerville to the Carus 6th Grade Outdoor School Program. Flyers were also made available at Burgerville.

#### **Carus DVD**

Throughout the month of January, students worked with Artist in Residence and Blues Artist, Ellen Whyte, to develop individual classroom “Blues” songs which were performed on Friday, January 29th at the Canby Fine Arts Center. **This performance will be recorded on a DVD which will be available for purchase.**

Though Carus School appreciates the opportunity to feature all of its students' accomplishments, they also respected each parent's right to request that their child not be included on the DVD.

#### **Spring Plant Sale - March 1 - 31st**

It's hard to think about spring flowers when you look outside and all you see are gray clouds and bare trees, but the sunshine will be here before you know it.

To get ready for spring the Carus 6th graders will be hosting a spring plant sale fundraiser.

**When?** March 1st through the 31st

**How?** The 6th grade students will have order forms beginning in February. They will also be available in the office.

**Delivery?** More details will be coming on a specific delivery date.

#### **Carus Preschool Open House**

Carus Preschool was held an Open House on Tuesday, February 2nd from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

This was a wonderful opportunity to tour our preschool classroom and to meet Teacher Jamie before enrollment begins in the spring for the 2010-2011 school year.

If you have any questions about the Carus Preschool Program, please call Heidi Keyser at 503-266-5180.

#### **The Annual Father/Daughter Dance**

The annual Father/Daughter Dance will be held on Friday, February 19th from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. The cost is \$6 per family and you may pre-order your dance tickets. The entrance fee includes dancing, refreshments and a keepsake picture with your dad. Additional pictures with your friends can be purchased for \$1 each.

#### **Canby Cheer Clinic**

The clinic was held on Tuesday, January 26th from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

It was an opportunity to learn jumps, a dance and a chant, as well as stunting from the Canby High School Cheerleaders. The material was performed at the Varsity Basketball game on Friday, January 29th at half time.

#### **Chess Team Competition**

On Saturday, February 6th, the 4th and 5th grade Chess Team will compete in the annual Chess Tournament held at Carus. The winners of this event will move on to the State Tournament.

#### **PTA Meeting Dates**

The PTA will meet on the following dates in the Carus Library, all are welcome to attend:

Feb 17 at 6:30,

March 17 at 3:45,

April 21 at 6:30,

May 19 at 3:45

#### **Don't Forget to Call**

If your child is home from school ill, please call the office – 503-263-7190, before 9:30 am. We count on parents responsibility to have their children in school and the responsibility of the school to keep accurate records concerning each child's attendance. Acceptable excuses for absence include illness, death in the family or emergency situations that make it impossible for a child to attend school.

Please make sure that the office has the most current numbers to reach you.

When your children are sick we need to be able to contact you school on.

## **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:

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**- Winter Food Growing:**

Wednesday, Jan. 6, through March 17, from 1:00 to 3:50 p.m. in Clairmont, room 118. This 11-week class utilizes a hands-on approach to organic methods of growing cool season food plants, including using a hoop-house. Fee is \$30.

**- Fruit Tree Short Course:**

Fridays, Jan. 8, through Feb. 5, 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 \$87.

**- Pesticide Applicator in Spanish:**

Wednesday, Feb. 3, from 9 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. 5, from 8 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 the 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. 6, from 9 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, Jan. 30, Feb. 6 and Feb. 13 from 8:30 to 11:50 a.m., Clairmont 117. Students will study herb plants, including propagation and garden use. Tuition and fees: \$92.

**- Urban Pest Management Course:**

Wednesday, Feb. 10, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:50 p.m., Gregory Forum. Workshop covers current ornamental plant pest control information, with eight ODA pesticide re-certification credits available. The fee is \$65 by Feb. 3 or \$75 after Feb. 3. For registration and fee information, call 541-737-3541.

**- Fruit Tree Grafting (Beginning and Intermediate):**

Saturday, Feb. 20, Clairmont 118. These three workshops (two beginning and one intermediate) provide hands-on ex-

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perience 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/>

**Scout Troop 139****Pre-Klondike**

In spite of the threat of Arctic Blast 2009 the Pre-Klonikes event was held. A few Cub Scouts and a potential Boy Scout stopped by. While the hot chocolate and donuts were popular, it seemed that ice sliding on frozen puddles was the biggest hit.

**Save Dates On Your Calendar**

**Feb 6:** Klondike Derby

**Feb 20:** Snow Camping

**March 12-14:** New Scout Camp

**July 11 - 17:** Summer Camp Makualla

## Healthy Pastures, Healthy Horses Workshop Series

Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District will be offering a hands-on workshop series for landowners with horses who would like to have better pastures and healthier horses. This five part workshop series includes a soil test for your property, interpretation of soil test results, custom aerial and soil maps for your property, a copy of the Rural Lifestyles Handbook, and much more information. Participants will also gain hands-on experience taking soil samples, calculating nutrient application rates, calculating chemical application rates, calibrating sprayers, and fence building.

**Class schedules are as follows:**

**Feb. 4 - Healthy Horses Workshop – 6:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.**

Health problems related to mud, unhealthy pastures and weeds. Discussion will include information about managing your pastures for healthy results.

**Feb. 6 - Use What You Have to Get What You Want – 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Topics include pasture restoration and management, soil testing and mud management. Hands – on soil test-

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ing procedures will be included. Dress for weather.

**Feb. 20 - Soil Results & Nutrient Solutions - 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Topics include Interpretation of your soil results, determining nutrient needs to correct problems, and sources of nutrients. Hands-on activities will include calculating amount and how to apply soil amendments. Dress for weather.

**Mar. 13 - It's Not Easy Being Green – Weed Management - 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Topics include general weed ecology, weed identification and weed management. Hands-on activities include calculating application rates for the size of your pasture and sprayer calibration. Dress for weather.

## Extension Offers Classes for Tree Growers

Several education classes for those interested in growing trees and forests are scheduled for the coming weeks in Clackamas County. Each class is taught by Clackamas County Extension Forestry Agent, Mike Bondi. Registration is required. Contact the Extension office in Oregon City at 503-655-8631 or check their website at [www.oregonstate.edu/clackamas](http://www.oregonstate.edu/clackamas).

**Plant Your Trees Right** is Extension's annual class for first-time tree planters. The class includes an evening



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**April 17 - The Right Fence For Your Pasture - 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

Topics include fencing options, building techniques and handy tips. Field time will be included. Dress for weather.

The registration fee is \$25 to defray the cost of the soil analysis. So, if more than one person per property would like to attend, only one registration fee would be required.

**Send registration to:** Clackamas County SWCD, 221 Molalla Ave., Suite 102, Oregon City OR 97045.

**Details:** All classes will be held at: North Clackamas School District, Sabin- Schellenberg Center, 14450 SE Johnson Rd., Milwaukie, OR

**Registration:** \$25 per property (more than one person per property may attend).

presentation (Wednesday, February 3) about land preparation methods and purchasing tree seedlings. A Saturday morning class (February 6) will be in the field to demonstrate and practice tree planting with a variety of planting tools. Animal damage protection methods for seedlings will be covered, too. This class will be taught at the Oregon Department of Forestry's office in Molalla.

**Extension's Christmas Tree Acquaintance Class** will be Friday, February 5 (1:00 - 4:30 p.m.) and provides an introduction into the Christmas tree industry in the northwest and in Clackamas County. Information will include tree planting and harvesting statistics, production costs and return data, trends in the industry, and factors to consider when deciding to become a tree grower. This class will be taught at the OSU Extension office in Oregon City.

**Managing Your Woodlands... a basic forestry short**

**course** is Extension's six evening/one Saturday course for rural property owners who would like to improve the productivity of their trees and forest, increase the economic potential for their land, and to become a better environmental steward of their property. This class will be taught at the Sandy Historical Museum in Sandy.

## Beavercreek Lions Food Drive Update

The Beavercreek Lions delivered food boxes to 109 families in the Beavercreek/Oregon City area on Saturday, December 19 2009. Each family with young children also received 2 gifts for each child, wrapped and tagged by Lions members and friends.

Members of the club met early Saturday morning and delivered the food boxes to families who were registered at local agencies as in need of help. There were many smiles and expressions of gratitude as the deliveries were made.

The food was collected during the month of December at local schools, including Beavercreek Elementary and Clarkes Elementary, which were the most generous schools in the area. The schools actively promoted the food donation program and the results were impressive, even in this poor economy. The Lions really appreciate the support of the community.

The food was sorted and boxed by the Lions club, with help from many other volunteers. Thank you.  
Frank Wille, Beavercreek Lions

## Oregon City Local Harvest 2020 Meetup Launched

Our vision is to be growing and enjoying a surplus of locally produced foods by 2020. We intend to encourage and foster many individual and collective projects dedicated to this goal.

This effort was inspired by articles about a dying industrial town in England.

Everyone and anyone who would love to see a beautiful and fruitful Oregon City and who has ideas, resources, labor, and/or planting space to contribute is invited to join this group. Go to: <http://www.meetup.com/Oregon-City-Local-Harvest-2020/>.

Thomas Chavez

You will also find a link on the home page of the Beavercreek Bulletin. *The Editor*



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### Upcoming Events

**Feb 3** - 5:00 p.m., Conferences  
Spring Athletic Registration

**Feb 4** - 5:00 p.m., Conferences  
Spring Athletic Registration

**Feb 5** - NO SCHOOL

**Feb 8** - 7:00 p.m., School Board Mtg.

**Feb 9** - Junior Class Ring Orders Due  
7:00 a.m., Site Council Meeting

**Feb 10** - Junior Class Ring Orders Due

**Feb 11** - TAG Seminar @ CCC

**Feb 12** - LOCKS OF LOVE

**Feb 13** - JROTC Drill Competition

**Feb 15** - NO SCHOOL

**Feb 20** - JROTC Cadet Ball

**Feb 25** - CCC Skills Competition

10:30 a.m., Student of the Month Lunch

**Feb 26** - 7:00 p.m., Winter Play

**Feb 27** - 7:00 p.m., Winter Play

## Open Burning Policies And Practices

On Tuesday December 8, 2009, Clackamas Fire District #1 staff hosted a Public Town Hall Meeting to discuss open burning policies and practices. Approximately 40 interested citizens and community partners attended this event. The purpose of the meeting was to gather public input on several policies related to outdoor fires and CFD1 enforcement practices regarding unlawful burning. Staffs from DEQ, Oregon Department of Forestry, Clackamas County Office of Sustainability, and Representative Brent Barton's office were all represented in the audience. The evening was hosted by Community Liaison Steve McAdoo, Fire Marshal Scott Weninger, and facilitator Walt Roberts.

Participants were able to provide input in a variety of methods including instant electronic polling of specific policy choices. Input gathered at this event will be summarized and compared to previous public outreach results to help guide recommendations on CFD1 policy and rule development. A program PowerPoint outline is available on CFD1 public webpage under the open burning section. The program was also taped by Willamette Falls TV and should be available for viewing on Clackamas County Public access TV in the near future.

At the Fire District's Board of Directors' meeting on December 21, 2009, the Board adopted Resolution 09-14. This board policy provides staff and residents direction regarding future Fire District Open Burning rules. This document may be viewed on the Open Burning page of [www.clackamasfire.com](http://www.clackamasfire.com) and is titled "Resolution 09-14 - Board Policy Direction Regarding CFD1 Open Burning Rules - December 2009."

Fire District staff members are finalizing amendments to existing CFD1 Open Burning Rules. These draft rules were to be posted on the public website during the first week of January. Public comments were to be accepted, regarding these drafts rules, through the remainder of January 2010. To read the pertinent information go to <http://www.clackamasfire.com/outdoorburning.html>

The final revised open burning rules are anticipated to be posted and available by February 1, 2010.

## Uninsured, Underinsured In Clackamas County Can Qualify For Prescription Drug Assistance

In these difficult economic times, Clackamas County residents are seeking relief to ease their financial burdens. People are clipping coupons to stretch their food budget, lowering their thermostats to cut their heating bills and considering every purchase carefully.

The cost of prescription drugs can represent a significant portion of one's monthly budget for some folks, but relief is available through the Oregon Prescription Drug Program. All Oregon residents who are either uninsured or under-insured are eligible, there is no age or income requirement and no paperwork is required. The program offers up to a 60% discount on prescription drugs with the highest discount being on generics. If you have signed up for Medicate Part D prescription coverage, you are still eligible for this program.

The State estimated in 2006 that Clackamas County had approximately 42,000 uninsured residents, and 25 percent were enrolled in OPDP that year.

"With the increase in unemployment since then, as well as an increase in the population, the number of uninsured is likely much higher at present," said Clackamas County Commissioner Ann Lininger. "We want to make Clackamas County residents aware of the availability of all the services they may require in these difficult times."

Registration in the OPDP program is easy and free and can be done either online or by phone. To learn more, visit [http://www.clackamas.us/community\\_health/opdp.jsp](http://www.clackamas.us/community_health/opdp.jsp)

## Announcing A New Meetup for Oregon City Local Harvest 2020!

**What:** Oregon City Local Harvest 2020 Stewards Meeting

**When:** Monday, February 15, 2010, 7:30 p.m.

**Where:** The Green Grocer, 619 Molalla Ave., Oregon City, OR 97045, 503-957-3694.

A General Meeting to Continue Brainstorming Projects, Resources and Reports of Projects Already Underway!

Come If You Are Interested In Helping Further the Vision of OCLH 2020: To be growing and enjoying a surplus of food in Oregon City by 2020.

We are encouraging any and all projects united to this end and would love to hear your enthusiasms. One topic we'll be discussing at this meeting is Edible Landscaping in Public Places, including local businesses and housing developments.

Help Oregon City Local Harvest 2020 grow by spreading the word to your friends and neighbors. Ask them to join the meetup by signing up online so everyone can keep in touch with each other and know what's happening. Go to <http://www.meetup.com/Oregon-City-Local-Harvest-2020/>.

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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 December 20, 2009 - January 20, 2010. Submitted by Shelby Martin, Clackamas County Fire District #1*

- 12/20** - 01:37:19 - Building Fire (including chimney & cooking fires) S Macksburg Rd
- 12/22** - 09:08:11 - Medical - S MCBURNEY Rd
- 12/23** - 04:18:57 - Medical - S FERGUSON Terr
- 12/24** - 21:08:09 - Medical - S SCHUEBEL Ln
- 12/25** - 14:49:04 - Assist Invalid - S LELAND Rd
- 12/26** - 04:27:01 - Heat from short circuit (wiring) - S SPANGLER Rd
  - 14:53:27 - Medical - S SCHUEBEL Ln
- 12/27** - 11:47:20 - Medical - S LELAND Rd
- 12/28** - 09:13:53 - Medical - S BEATIE Rd
  - 13:48:41 - Medical - S HAWTHORNE Ct
  - 16:40:22 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address - S STONERIDGE
- 12/31** - 17:34:32 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address - S BEAVER-CREEK Rd/S KAMRATH Rd
  - 18:48:00 - False Alarm - S HWY 213
- 01/02** - 02:20:13 - Medical - S BUCKNER CR Rd
- 01/03** - 00:18:17 - Medical - S WILSHIRE Cir
  - 02:50:19 - Medical - S BEAVERCREEK Rd
  - 12:30:18 - Medical - S LELAND Rd
- 01/04** - 10:16:14 - False Alarm - S YEOMAN Rd
  - 16:26:36 - Non Injury Mot Veh Acc - S HWY 213
  - 22:36:03 - Medical - S DANS Ave
- 01/06** - 17:28:59 - Building Fire (including chimney & cooking fires) - S FERGUSON Rd
- 01/09** - 03:34:25 - Mot Veh Acc with Injuries - S LELAND Rd/S BEAVERCREEK Rd
  - 10:08:31 - System malfunction - S BEAVER-CREEK Rd
- 01/13** - 03:32:52 - Assist Invalid - S FERGUSON Rd
  - 13:43:23 - Medical - S ATHENS Dr
- 01/14** - 04:50:53 - Medical - S LELAND Rd
  - 11:34:39 - Medical - S FERGUSON Rd
  - 13:34:27 - Smoke or odor removal - S BEAVER-CREEK Rd
    - 18:35:09 - Medical - S STEINER Rd
- 01/15** - 15:47:25 - Medical - S LEISURE Ln
- 01/17** - 04:37:46 - Medical - S KIRK Rd
  - 13:11:06 - False Alarm - S MEADOWRIDGE Ct
- 01/18** - 22:55:55 - Building Fire (including chimney &



cooking fires) - PROBE St



The January Town Hall Meeting of the Hamlet of Beavercreek took place on Wednesday, January 27, 2009, at the Beavercreek Elementary School on Yeoman Road with 30 residents and guests in attendance.

The meeting was called to order, introductions were made, and the highlights of the December 16, 2009 meeting were read and approved.

It was announced that the Hamlet's meeting sign that was stolen is still missing. Anyone with information is asked to call the Hamlet's info line at 503-632-8370.

The first speakers were Jaci Sanks, the Beavercreek Postmaster and Bill Cason, the Postal Service Acct Mgr. They discussed the Flat Rate Shipping offered through the US Postal Service. They told those present how flat rate shipping works and the costs involved.

They described the free package pickup and online services that are available including free online package tracking and delivery confirmation.

A resident asked why he cannot get his mail delivered by the Beavercreek Post Office. All our mail should go through the Beavercreek Post Office not Oregon City. It was encouraged that all outgoing mail could go through the Beavercreek Post Office.

The next speakers were from Clackamas Fire District #1, aka CCFD#1. They were Fred Carlton, the acting Fire Marshall, and Captain Jamie Nowlin, Deputy Fire Marshall and Open Burning Coordinator.

They discussed the one year program to address the Open Burning rules. The fire district had an online survey for resident input which was followed by a town hall meeting to discuss progress. Now the rules are being refined to follow State laws. The district discovered that the community is diametrically opposed on the issue.

During the survey process there seemed to be three categories of responses: from those who want to ban burning all together, those who want to be able to burn without ANY rules and those who say "set the guidelines and we will follow them."

It stated that if people used good burning practices burning would be less of a problem. Clean and dry material would provide rapid ignition and less smoke which is hard on people with respiratory issues.

It is also the law that Open Burning can only be done between March 1st and June 15th and from October 1st through December 15th.

Any burning done outside these dates may subject the violator to fines to cover the dispatching of personnel and equipment as well as the costs incurred to clean up and/or repair any damages caused. For more information please go to [www.clackamasfire.com](http://www.clackamasfire.com).

The next speaker was Dan Murphy, Natural Resource Specialist and DEQ Complaints Coordinator. Dan told those present that he works with the fire district. He also stated that the fire district has the final say with regards to all burning issues.

He stated that it was illegal for people to bring in materials from other properties to burn in our area.

State regulations give the DEQ the authority to prohibit open burning anywhere in the State on a day-to-day basis, depending on air quality and weather conditions. State air quality rules that govern open burning are found in Oregon Administrative Rules, Chapter 340, Division 264, Open burning violations can result in penalties of up to \$10,000.00 per day of violation. If you would like to read the OAR in its entirety go to [http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/rules/OARs\\_300/OAR\\_340/340\\_264.html](http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/rules/OARs_300/OAR_340/340_264.html).

There were a lot of handouts provided with helpful information. Sorry you missed it.

The last Speaker was Ann Lininger, Clackamas County Commissioner. This was her second visit to a Hamlet meeting since her election.

She described the Commission's 2010 goals to include jobs and how to help vulnerable people by providing public safety and human services. She also said a main focus is to finish the Urban/Rural Reserves process.

This month there were only two land use issues on the Agenda. The first was a Renewal of a Temporary Permit for Care on S. Beavercreek Road. Since this was a renewal and the paperwork was in order it was approved.

The second was concerning the County Planning Division's proposed revisions to Home Occupation Ordinance #822. These revisions would impact all who have a home occupation as it redefines the three levels of a home occupation. The other was a proposal to modify Ordinance #806 as it deals with allowing events in conjunction with a historic landmark. There is to be a Planning Commission hearing on February 8, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. at the Development Building, 150 S. Beavercreek Rd., in Oregon City. There will be a Clackamas Commissioners hearing on the Planning Commission recommendations on April 14, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. at the County Commissioners Room in the Public Services Building, 2051 Kaen Rd., You can see the amendments by going to <http://www.clackamas.us/transportation/planning/zdo.jsp>.

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.beavercreekbulletin.org/Misc/Beavercreek\\_Hamlet\\_Boundary\\_map.pdf](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>.



## BCT Employees Raise \$7,000 For Local Charities

In 2009 BCT employees raised \$7,006.59 for their two non-profit organizations; The Father's Heart Street Ministry and The Oregon City Pioneer Center's Meals on Wheels. Employees surpassed their original goal of \$2,250. "This is an incredible achievement given the volatile times of our economy and the increase in basic needs from local area organizations," commented Paul Hauer, President of BCT.

Funds were raised through employee participation in numerous community and work related events. BCT's biggest charity money makers were the annual BCT Holiday Craft Bazaar raising over \$3,500 and BCT's BBQ food both at the Oregon City Antique Fair that brought in over \$1,000 for their two charities. BCT employees also brought in funds for their charities by charging minimal fees for raffle drawings, employee potlucks, bring your dog to work day and much more!

The employees of BCT look forward to another great year of giving and working with their selected non-profit organizations. To learn more about Oregon City Meals on Wheels, please call 503- 657-8287 or visit The Father's Heart Street ministry at <http://www.fhfstreetministry.com>.



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## Have Seeds Will Travel

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It's Time to Plan and Plant for 2010. So. Come To the First Hands On Meetup of the Oregon City Local Harvest 2020.

We will share seeds, plants and ideas for encouraging everyone to grow more food in the city. Bring all the seeds you've bought or saved that you won't need this year and any plants, root divisions, etc. you have to share. Also, bring envelopes and a pen to mark the seeds you'll be taking home. For more information go to:

[www.meetup.com/Oregon-City-Local-Harvest-2020](http://www.meetup.com/Oregon-City-Local-Harvest-2020) and talk about what you need or have to give in the comment box with your RSVP.

The event will take place at the Pioneer Community Center, 615 5th Street, Oregon City, OR on Saturday, February 13, 2010, at 1:00 p.m.

Help Oregon City Local Harvest to grow by spreading the word to your friends and neighbors. Ask them to sign up on line so everyone can keep in touch with each other and know about what's happening.

## New Funding To Help Oregon's Uninsured In The New Year

Currently 620,000 Oregonians do not have health insurance 118,000 of them are children. The Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation is pleased to announce new funding earmarked for targeting this vulnerable portion of the State's population.

The Mobile Health Screening program travels statewide to offer sight and hearing screenings to children, plus glaucoma, blood pressure and diabetes checks for adults all free of charge. Last year over 30,000 Oregonians and 25,000 children were screened and over 10,000 treatable conditions including diabetes and hypertension were detected.

Helping Oregonians in need through the Mobile Health Screening program will continue in 2010 due to the financial support from the following corporations and Foundations:

Marie Lamfrom Foundation \$37,500  
Albina Fuel \$25,000  
Spirit Mountain Community Fund \$20,000  
Carpenter Foundation \$ 5,000  
Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation \$ 5,000  
Autzen Foundation \$ 4,000  
Oregon Retina Specialists \$ 4,000  
Retina Vitreous Center \$ 4,000  
Associated Builders & Contractors, Inc. \$ 4,000

Since 1959, the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation has been assisting Oregonians in need, providing sight, hearing and preventive health assistance for over 100,000 children and adults each year. To help us offer Oregonians in need life changing assistance, please contact the Foundation at 800-635-4667 or visit us at [www.orlions.org](http://www.orlions.org).

## Home Orchard Society Hosts Fruit Tree Pruning Class

Saturday, February 6th, 9:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m., at the HOS Arboretum located on the Clackamas Community College campus.

HOS experts will demonstrate pruning methods applicable for a variety of fruit trees. Bring your pruning tools and appropriate outdoor wear so you can practice what you learn in this hands-on seminar! Co-sponsored by the Home Orchard Society and Clackamas Community College. Fee: \$10.00.

Download Registration Form and registration instructions from this link: <http://www.homeorchard>

Pre-registration is highly encouraged and is through Clackamas Community College (Loretta Mills 503-657-6958 Ex 2246), not the Home Orchard Society.

Questions? Contact Jerry Shroyer, 503-266-6745 (shroyers@worldnet.att.net) or Ted Swensen 503-293-1468 (tlswensen@gmail.com).



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## Clackamas County To Offer Saturday H1N1 Vaccine Clinics

Clackamas County will open a series of Saturday clinics, Feb. 6 and 13. The clinics are open to **everyone** older than 6 months who wishes to receive vaccine which is the most effective protection against contracting the virus. These clinics provide an ideal opportunity for children under age 10 who require a second dose of vaccine to protect against H1N1. Clackamas County has an ongoing vaccination program for school children.

H1N1 vaccine is now widely available through medical providers, regional hospitals and pharmacies.

Although H1N1 is on the wane throughout the region, public health officials still recommend receiving H1N1 vaccine to combat against flu, especially with flu season approaching. Those in previously identified priority groups should strongly consider getting vaccinated. They include:

- Pregnant women
- Health care workers and emergency responders
- Persons ages 6 months to 24 years
- Adults up to 64 years old with health conditions that pose a high risk of complications from influenza such as asthma, heart disease and HIV.
- Parents or caretakers (under age 64) of infants under 6 months old.

The February clinics will be conducted from a storefront at Clackamas Town Center, 12000 82nd Street, Suite 1093. The clinic is adjacent to California Pizza Kitchen. The clinic accepts walk-ins only and vaccinations are free.

For more information and H1N1-related updates, visit [www.clackamas.us/swineflu](http://www.clackamas.us/swineflu).

## Remodel of Clarkes Fire Station Approved

At the Special Board Meeting on January 11, 2010, the Board for Clackamas Fire District #1 approved the purchase of a modular structure to replace part of Station 13 (Clarkes Fire Station). If you would like to see what the new fire station addition will look like go to: [http://www.beavercreekbulletin.org/misc/Station 13 - Site Plan, floor plan.pdf](http://www.beavercreekbulletin.org/misc/Station%2013%20Site%20Plan,%20floor%20plan.pdf) where you can download the file with the drawings. The apparatus bay will stay, but the living quarters will be re-modeled.

## Survey To Identify Barriers To Fair Housing Choice

Oregon Housing and Community Services and Oregon Business Development Department recently initiated an electronic survey to gather information from the public about barriers to fair housing choice in Oregon.

Every five years, the agencies develop a State Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. Under fair housing law, states that receive federal housing dollars must actively work to eliminate housing discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, gender, familial status or disability.

OHCS Director Victor Merced said, "The information we gather will help us achieve our vision that all Oregonians have access to the housing and services that meet their needs." He encouraged wide participation in the survey, which is available online at [www.ohcs.oregon.gov](http://www.ohcs.oregon.gov).

Survey responses are anonymous.

The results of the survey will help OHCS and OBDD create an action plan to eliminate housing discrimination and expand equal housing opportunities.

In addition to the survey, State agencies must conduct a comprehensive review of laws, rules, policies and practices, and how they affect the location, availability, and ac-

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cessibility of housing, and how conditions, both private and public, affect fair housing choice. The results will allow policy makers to target education of property owners, draft new state policies, and allocate resources where the barriers are the greatest.

"Participation in the survey only takes a few minutes," said Merced. "Participants will help us locate those parts of the State where barriers to fair housing are most prevalent."

## Molalla Prairie People Hope To Tap Into Hamlet Program

Clackamas County's nationally recognized Hamlets program will get a new addition soon if residents living near Molalla get their way.

Helping the growing number of small farms in the area, cataloging natural and historical resources and better channeling rural voices are all cited in papers filed for the proposed Hamlet of Molalla Prairie.

"Without this," said Harlan Shober, who owns a small farm within the Hamlet's tentative boundaries, "we simply don't get a seat at the table."

If successful, the Hamlet of Molalla Prairie would join the Hamlets of Beavercreek, Stafford and Mulino as groups in unincorporated portions of Clackamas County formally recognized by the Board of Commissioners.

In 2007, Harvard University cited the County's Hamlet program as among the top 50 government innovations.

Under the County's Complete Communities program, Hamlets serve only in an advisory capacity to the commissioners. They can't raise taxes or make new laws.

"But we can be an effective voice in expressing concerns unique to our area," Shober said. "Right now, that's not always being done."

Some of the 178 area residents who signed petitions calling for the Hamlet's formation got involved due to their opposition to the proposed Palomar natural-gas pipeline.

Others signed on to help boost so-called agro-tourism efforts that, under current County zoning standards, can be difficult to initiate.

"When we first heard about the pipeline project, it immediately became clear that if you were just a few people going to the County, you didn't get much respect," said Susan Hansen, who operates small organic farm in the area. "If we had been a Hamlet, the pipeline people wouldn't have just been able to deal only with the city of Molalla's planning department. They would have had to come to us, as well."

Carine Goldin, who operates a small Molalla-area cheese factory, got involved as a way to tap into grant money available to help rural businesses. She served as chief petitioner, saying that the Hamlet could help the many new vineyards and specialty farm-product ventures now being launched near Molalla.

Hamlet petitioners say their group would not supplant or replace the Molalla Citizens Planning Organization, which exists mainly to advise the County on land-use issues.

The group's chances for success are entirely dependent on winning support at the local level, said Lynn Peterson, Clackamas County Chairwoman.

"We're acting more as a County clerk, making sure the process is fair and equitable," she said "As long as everything is transparent and open, everything else is up to them." Originally appeared in the January 7, 2010 "Around The County" section of the Oregonian. By Dana Tims

## ATTENTION: Oregon Veterans

Of the 350,000 veterans in Oregon, only 80,000 are currently receiving the Federal Veterans Administration benefits available to them. Gov. Ted Kulongoski has launched a statewide effort to ensure our veterans apply for the benefits they have earned through their service. To learn if you are eligible, visit [Oregon.gov/ODVA/VETFORM.shtml](http://Oregon.gov/ODVA/VETFORM.shtml).

## Our 4 Legged Friends

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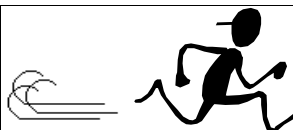
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See you next month... The Editor!