



ADAIR VILLAGE NEWS

From the City

Welcome to the Adair Village News! We hope you will find the City's newsletter useful, relevant and timely. It is an important part of the Council's new goal to better communicate with you. We want you to know what is happening in your City and we want your feedback. With your help we will continue to improve the newsletter in the coming issues. Also watch for updates to our website, www.cityofadairvillage.org, in the coming months. We will keep you posted. As always, you are encouraged to attend council meetings to give your input. -Mayor Bill Currier



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Welcome

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Upcoming Events:

- City Council Meeting: 11-6-2007 @ 7:00 pm
- City Council Meeting 11-20-2007 @ 7:00 pm
- Office Closed November 12, 2007 November 22 & 23, 2007

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: Drew Foster has been officially hired as our new City Administrator. He will begin working full time for Adair Village on 10/29/07. Drew has worked as a Community Development Planner/Regional Investment Program Coordinator for the Oregon Cascades West Council of Governments for the past 12 years. We look forward to working with Drew and feel sure that our town will benefit greatly from his experience and professional relationships with officials in other cities and communities as well as state-level employees.

We also want to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to Wanda Tobiassen for her service for the past 6 months as Adair Village's interim, part-time City Administrator. Wanda retired in 2000 after 24 years as Adair's City Administrator. She then worked for the next four years for the City of Sheridan before retiring from there. We are grateful that Wanda was willing to "fill in" for us between Administrators and are glad for her that she can now retire, (for the 3rd time) and enjoy her life with visits from her sons and grandchildren. Thank you, Wanda, for a job well done and a Happy Retirement to you!

HIBISCUS & BARBERRY STREETS UPDATE: Randy Johnson gave the Council an update on the development of the property that is being improved at Hibiscus and Barberry at the October 16 Council meeting. Kevin Armstrong has donated dirt that will be used on the property. The Oregon & Southern Idaho Laborers-Employers Training Center has built a school bus shelter for our children and Randy presented a landscape design for an irrigation system and a variety of hardy plants. Thank you Kevin, Randy and the workers of the Laborers Center for the generous donation of your time and efforts! All who enjoy the beautification of this area appreciate your donations.

STATUS OF FIRE STATION NO. 5, (AV MARKET AND PUB BUILDING): At the October 16 City Council meeting our project manager Candice Dinnis gave an update on the rebuilding and repair of the AV Market/Pub, (Firehouse #5). Electrical wiring has been installed which meets today's codes and building permits have been issued by Benton County for the repair and restoration of the building. New windows and some doors have been ordered for the entire building. The Council members discussed how best to preserve the history of the building and also to serve the needs of the community. This building is the only remaining structure from the days of "Camp Adair" during the 1940s and preserving it as a historical building is important to many of the residents of the City of Adair Village.

COUNCIL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE No. 2007-03: At the October 16 City Council meeting the Council adopted an ordinance by emergency clause, (which means it takes effect immediately), which says containers, (garbage, recycling, yard debris, etc.), must be removed from the curb by no later than 8 a.m. on the day following the actual day that the container material was collected. Except as provided above, containers, (garbage, recycling, yard debris, etc), must be placed/stored upon the property of the customer/user in such a manner so as not to be visible from the street adjacent to the property but may be stored adjacent to the garage. Our Code Enforcement Officer will be warning violators of this ordinance and citations may be issued with accompanying fines.

CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATE: Matt McLin stated that he has located some of the owners of abandoned cars stored at the Wastewater Plant and will continue to dispose of the other vehicles. He is also continuing to enforce all of the City ordinances and is doing a good job for our citizens. Any concerns please call Matt at 541-230-4146.

ADAIR VILLAGE MISSION STATEMENT

To build a safe, attractive, vibrant environment with a welcoming sense of community.



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU

OREGON SOUTHERN IDAHO
LABORERS TRAINING CENTER
PROVIDED GENEROUS TIME AND
LABOR TO TWO PROJECTS.
THEY HELPED SHELTER OUR KIDS BY
BUILDING A BUS SHELTER AT THE CORNER
OF HIBISCUS AND BARBERRY.
THEY ALSO WENT ONE STEP FURTHER AND
CONSTRUCTED THE PLATFORMS FOR THE
PICNIC TABLES AT THE ADAIR CITY PARK
FOR ALL OF US TO ENJOY.

*Happy Thanks Giving to all,
be safe and enjoy friends,
family and loved ones.*

RARE PARTICIPANT: This City is fortunate to have as our RARE participant a person of the quality of Angela Lazarean. Angela will be working for Adair Village for the next 11 months. She will work with the City Planner and City Administrator on planning, development and research to create a downtown district and to develop our industrial property. Soon she will hand deliver a survey to the residents of Adair Village to get a current update on the community census. To encourage folks to fill out the survey she requested approval from the Council to conduct a raffle incentive program by offering three raffle prizes of \$100, \$50, and \$25 to be deducted from the winners' utility bill. At the October 16 Council meeting the Council approved Angela's request. The names for the winners will be drawn at a public City Council meeting. Please return raffle tickets to the City offices drop box or come on in and deliver them in person. Good Luck!

EDITORIAL: By Charline King, Adair Council

Have you been BOO'D? For the past couple of years a new Halloween tradition has been active in Adair Village. It goes like this: In the early evening, (but after dark), a few days ago, our doorbell rang. When I answered the door no one was there, HOWEVER on our welcome mat outside the door was a small, decorated, paper bag. Inside the bag was a variety of candies. Also, included in the bag were two sheets of paper: one with a picture of Frankenstein, named L.R. Smitt, with the words, "I'VE BEEN BOO'D" above the picture and the words, "HAPPY HALLOWEEN" below. The second sheet of paper was filled with cute poems explaining the BOO game as well as directions to me for BOOing someone else. What a fun and kind way to give someone a sweet surprise and say, "Hi" to a neighbor or friend at the same time! Thanks to whoever came up with this "sweet" way of celebrating Halloween. Of course, since this is a pass-along activity I had to wonder how many Adair residents got to participate and share in the fun. Many of you, I hope.

This is my 34th Halloween in Adair Village and I have never heard about or experienced a mean or destructive "trick" being done here. As I hand out treats to our little princesses, firemen and hobos I am pleased to see familiar faces in the parents who accompany their children. Some of these parents were the little "Trick or Treaters" at my door 30 years or so ago.

To quote L.R. Smitt: This Halloween there's something new,
 This sweet surprise we call a "BOO".
 L.R. Smitt left it here
 To bring a bit of "ghostly" cheer.
 It's not a fright, it's not a scare,
 It's just a secret smile to share.

Now that you know what we call a BOO
A happy Halloween to all of you.

