



## Living with Wildlife

Recently, there was a report of a mountain lion or cougar killing a family pet within the City limits. The owner did an excellent job of preserving the animal tracks by covering them with a bucket. The City contacted the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) and had their agent come out to identify the tracks left in the homeowner's yard. *The tracks were identified as that of a canine (most probably a large dog).* Large dog paw prints are frequently mistaken for mountain lion or cougar tracks. The major difference between dog tracks and mountain lion tracks is that dog tracks have claw marks. The tracks left behind in the recent incident clearly showed claw marks.

If you believe your pet or livestock has been killed by a mountain lion, you should leave the remains undisturbed and contact the local office of ODFW (503-657-2000). If there are any tracks left behind, cover the tracks with a bucket or pie plate. Leaving the site undisturbed is essential for agents to determine what killed the animal.

A brochure entitled "Living with Wildlife, (Mountain Lion and Cougar)" from ODFW is available at City Hall. Please stop by to pick up a copy if you would like further information on this largest member of the cat family.

## Contacting Law Enforcement

Emergency: 911

Non-emergency: 503.655.8211

*Do not call City Hall to reach law enforcement.*

## Notes From the Mayor's Desk

### City Manager

We recently interviewed five finalists for the City Manager position: Bruce Cleeton - Harrisburg; Gene Green - Mollala; Jim Hough - Reedsport; Clint Holmes - Brown City, Michigan; and Phil Vawter - Walled Lake, Michigan. We were impressed with the quality of the candidates and believe whoever is selected will be a great asset to the City. The Council will soon hire one of the candidates and schedule a community open house to give everyone a chance to meet the new City Manager.

The entire City Council publicly thanks our Interim City Manager, Wanda Kuppler, for her tireless efforts to manage the City through this stressful transition. We were fortunate to have Wanda at the helm these last several months, thus avoiding the expense of hiring a temporary City Manager.

### Law Enforcement

I am pleased to report that the County approved Happy Valley's withdrawal from the Enhanced Law Enforcement District and the implementation of our new law enforcement plan that was approved by the voters in the November 2002 election. Once again, I want to thank all of the staff and volunteers who worked so hard to improve our Happy Valley law enforcement services. You did a great job. Under the

new plan, the County will dedicate approximately one officer per 1,200 city residents for providing law enforcement services inside the city. The new law enforcement program commences July 1, 2003, the start of the next City and County fiscal year. Between now and then, we will negotiate the details of the new program by means of an intergovernmental agreement with the County Sheriff. We expect that the agreement will expressly require that all deputies paid for by the City will provide services only to City residents, except during a truly extraordinary emergency outside the City. If unincorporated areas want to share in our law enforcement services, they will need to petition for annexation to the City and help pay for those services. Of course, our ultimate protection is the right to obtain our law enforcement services from another source or by another means if the actual services from the County Sheriff are unsatisfactory. Our agreement will require renewal by the City each year, based upon satisfactory performance by the Sheriff's office.

### Construction

The City and the County are working hard on the 147<sup>th</sup> Avenue project to reconnect to Sunnyside Road. We are still working towards construction this summer. However, the schedule is very

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## Mayor's Desk

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tight and cooperation of the property owners providing right of way is essential to finish the project this year. It is certainly possible that one or more unexpected delays may push construction to 2004. From my perspective, the City and County elected officials and staff are using their best efforts to avoid any further delays. Whether we succeed is yet to be determined. By the next newsletter, we should know whether or not construction will occur this summer.

Sewer work will continue on Idleman Road and Mt. Scott Boulevard in the near future. Please be cautious and patient around the sewer construction work. If you have specific questions or concerns about the sewer work, please contact the City Public Works Department or the County Sewer District.

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## YMCA

The City Council extends its thanks to Kristin Mitchell, former Planning Commission Chairperson, who has resigned to spend more time with her family. We are sad to see her leave the Commission, but are pleased to know she is chairing the YMCA Community Support Campaign for the newly formed Clackamas/Sunnyside/Happy Valley YMCA. Over the next five years, local volunteers hope to fund the Clackamas YMCA Center. Right now, the YMCA is located in the basement of the City Hall, but we expect Kristin will be leading the charge in this campaign to bring a real YMCA Center to our area. You shouldn't be surprised if she asks for your financial support of this charitable nonprofit organization.

You may have noticed an article in *The Oregonian* about the Red Cross's "Prepare Oregon Campaign." Emergency preparedness is an important concern of the City Council and should be important to everyone. The Red Cross's great website on family emergency preparedness is [www.prepareforlife.org](http://www.prepareforlife.org). I hope every reader of this article will visit and use this great resource.

## Wildlife Precaution

Recently, we had another report of a pet killed at night near its home. The USDA Wildlife Service officer checked the tracks, and concluded the attacker was canine and likely dogs or possibly coyotes. There has been concern about past evidence of one or more cougars being in the City, but this instance does not appear to involve one. Nonetheless, children and small pets should be properly protected and controlled, particularly in natural areas of the City and at night even in your own yard. While we all live in an urban area, there are large natural resource areas in and around our City that contain significant amounts of wildlife. While the City has a leash law, everyone also needs to take proper precautions against pets running loose in the City.

## OSU Master Recycler Course Set for March

The next Oregon State University Extension Service Master Recycler course is set to begin Tuesday, March 11, 2003, at the Sunnybrook Service Center in Clackamas. This popular eight-week course includes two field trips, provides 30 hours of instruction in topics such as waste prevention, recycling processes, alternatives to hazardous household products and composting.

Once certified, course graduates put their skills to work to help others learn the three **Rs**: **reduce** the amount of solid waste generated, **reuse** material for the purpose for which it was intended and **recycle** material that cannot be reused. Master Recyclers volunteer to staff information booths at community events, make presentations and work on special projects. Participants agree to volunteer at least 30 hours after completing the course.

The \$50 course fee includes materials. Scholarships are available. Advance registration for the spring course is required by February 27, 2003. Information and applications are available by calling OSU Extension Service Agent Megan Cogswell at **503-725-2035**. Class size is limited, so call early to reserve your spot.

Master Recyclers is an OSU Extension Service program supported by Metro, the City of Portland, Clackamas County Recycling Partnership, Recycling Advocates and the Department of Environmental Quality. OSU Extension Service offers educational programs, activities and materials—without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, age, marital status, disability, and disabled veteran or Vietnam-era status.

# FEBRUARY - MARCH 2003

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>The new "Tot Park" in Parkside Estates #4 (located on SE Parkwood Way) has a drinking fountain. Mary E. Kisor's very generous gift to the City, will keep giving back to our community for some time. If you haven't visited the park yet, stop by with your toddler to enjoy the equipment and take a refreshing drink of cool water. Thanks again, Ms. Kisor!</i></p>						<b>1</b>
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<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<p><i>Sunrise Water Board Meetings are held at 10602 SE King Road, Happy Valley; call 503.761.0220 for info</i></p>		<p><i>Clackamas County Fire District No. 1 Board Meetings are held at Fire District Training Center, 15990 SE 130th, Clackamas; call 503.655.8534 for info</i></p>		

## News from the Planning Commission

The City's Planning Commission is made up of seven City residents who are elected to a two-year term. Public meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 pm to consider applications for land use development. The Planning Commission schedule is posted on the Notice Board at the front door of City Hall one week prior to the scheduled Hearings.

The following are scheduled, upcoming Public Hearings:

February 11 • 7 PM

- Kensington Bluff: 107 Unit Planned Unit Development
- Conditional Use Permit for a Sewage Pump Station

The following applications have been submitted, but a Public Hearing date has not yet been scheduled:

- Happy Valley Town Center: Master Plan for 73.48 acres of land with a mixture of retail and office uses and a variety of multi-family and single family residential uses
- Burgundy Rose: 151 Lot Subdivision (a part of the Happy Valley Town Center Plan)

If you have any questions about any of the Hearings, contact the Planning Department at City Hall (503-760-3325).

## Thank You from the Happy Valley Concerts in the Park Coordinator!

Thanks for coming out and supporting the Concerts in the Park again this year. It's been fun to see all the familiar faces and it's been great to get to know many of the new Happy Valley residents.

The Concerts Committee would like to thank all those who helped out this year. Thanks to Bridget and Jordan Braun, Andy and Nick Sassen and all their friends for their help with the banners, and especially to Linda and Tom O'Grady who took over the task. My family thanks you! Thanks also to Terri Bliss, Linda Thomas, Tracey Monette and James Botts for all the time and energy you have given. We would also like to thank the City staff, especially Dennis, who weekly ensures picnic tables are removed from the covered area.

The Concerts in the Park series is free entertainment, thanks to our generous sponsors. James Botts of Papa Murphy's Pizza was not only a very generous sponsor, but really helped out this year in other ways. He will be taking over all concessions next year. Thank you so much, James!

Thanks also to our other sponsors:

- Dr. David Doyle, Sunnyside Dentistry for Children
- Dr. Gary Chapman, Clackamas Orthodontics
- Jeff Carrier, Metro Auto Wholesale
- Providence Milwaukie Hospital
- Sunrise Salons
- Ken Hoffman Realtors
- Ross & Associates Insurance Services
- All the Happy Valley citizens who gave donations

It's important that we, as a community, support the businesses that make events such as these possible and make a point of using their businesses whenever possible. When you do, let them know we appreciate all they do for Happy Valley.

We hope to see all of you at the concerts again next year starting on the third Thursday in July. If your business would like information about sponsoring a concert next year, please contact me at 503-761-8401. Thanks for being a great audience!!  
*Linda Sassen*

## City Clarifies Sign Ordinance

The City's Sign Ordinance regulates the erection, placement and maintenance of signs to protect and enhance public health, safety, welfare and property. **No signs are allowed in the public right of way**, except those required by law, i.e. speed signs, street signs, construction zone signs, etc. Please take this into account when you are putting up your garage sale signs this spring and summer. City personnel patrol the streets on a regular basis and signs found in the right of way are confiscated and destroyed.

In accordance with our Sign Ordinance, certain types and sizes of signs require a permit. The permit fee is \$40. Applications are reviewed by both the Planning Department and Building Department to ensure they comply with City ordinances and the Oregon State Building Code. If you have questions regarding a sign, please contact City Hall.

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