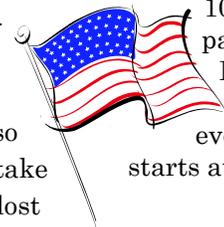


Creswell Connection

Join us for the Annual 4th of July Celebration!

Do you ever miss that small town charm filled with familiar faces and community get-togethers? Well, for those not familiar with Creswell's ever-growing 4th of July celebration, it is a taste of Americana that is becoming harder and harder to experience. For Creswell, the big day is not just about patriotism— but also coming together as a town to partake in a variety of festivities and get lost



in the simple splendors of our own "Friendly City".

Stop by Harry Holt Park to start off the day with a hearty breakfast of pancakes, eggs and more from 7:00 to 10:30 a.m. Next, head over to the parade that is headed by South Lane County Fire & Rescue and attracts more than 100 entries every year! This special event starts at 11:00 a.m. at Creslane

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Summer Fun Program

So, school gets out for summer and everyone is enamored with joy... Until two weeks later, when the initial excitement wears off, and the statement, "There's nothing to do!", becomes more prevalent in the mouths of children, and in the ears of parents. Sound familiar? Well, that's why the Summer Fun Program is such a great, and fun, way to keep busy all summer long!

Recreation and swimming trips are being offered to kids in grades 3-8. This year, the City of Creswell and the Creswell



School District, have teamed up with Willamalane Park & Recreation District to make the program possible.

All trips leave from Creswell Middle School and advanced registration is required. (See page 2 for schedule). Payments can be received at the Willamalane Center located at 250 S. 32nd St. Springfield, OR 97478, or over the phone. Please do not drop off payments at the school or office.

Participants must be signed up by 12 pm the day before

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Deputy's Corner



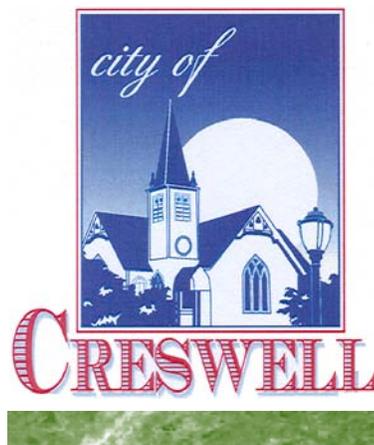
Water Safety: When you're on the water, keep your life jacket on, especially in the river the first month or so of summer. Make sure that anyone who is not a strong swimmer keeps one on regardless. Remember, this time of year the water is cold, and frequently runs stronger than it does later on in the summer; be very aware of water conditions when you go to cool off.

4th of July Safety: The 4th of July is lots of things to lots of people. Adults, remember that there should be adult supervision for younger kids that are playing with their fireworks. Be sure to have water handy in case of an inadvertent ignition.

Pet Safety: Please don't leave your animals in the car during



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Dates to Remember

July 4th	Independence Day
July 8th	City Council Meeting
July 10th	Municipal Court
July 18th	Planning Commission
Aug. 12th	Council meeting
Aug 10th	2nd Annual Fly In
Aug. 10th	Municipal Court
Aug. 15th	Planning Commission
Sept. 2nd	Labor Day
Sept. 9th	Council Meeting
Sept. 19th	Planning Commission

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the trip in order to participate in the event. Limit is 25 children per event.

Call 541-736-4544 to sign up!

Dates include:

June 26	Willamalane Park Swim Center
July 10	Splash! at Lively Park
July 17	Willamalane Park Swim Center
July 24	Splash! at Lively Park
July 31	Willamalane Ctr – Climbing wall
August 7	Splash! at Lively Park
August 14	Willamalane Park Swim Center

Summer Food Program



Food for Lane County (FFLC) and the City of Creswell have worked together to bring another year of the Summer Food Program to Creswell's youth. Lunches will be served Monday through Friday from 12pm to 1pm, beginning Monday, June 17th. This year, lunches will be served at 3 locations in Creswell. Lunches are available to children of 2 to 18 years old. Toddlers ages 1 to 2 years old may eat when accompanied by a responsible adult. See below for locations. If you have any questions, please call (541) 895-2531.

<u>June 17 - July 5</u>	First Presbyterian Church, 75 S. 4th St.
<u>June 17 - Aug. 23rd</u>	Camas Apartments, 420 S. 2nd
<u>July 8-Aug. 23rd</u>	Harry Holt Park

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Elementary and heads south down 8th Street, to Oregon Avenue. The chain then travels down Morse Avenue and Creswood Drive where it will head back to South A Street, ending back at Creslane. The parade entails a variety of spectacles for everyone in the family: decorated horses, blaring fire trucks throwing candy, hotrods, marching bands and a magnificent fly-over from F-15's, compliments of the 114th Fighter Squadron Kingsley Field, Oregon.

Roads will be closed to accommodate the parade no later than 10:30 a.m. So, for your own convenience, plan alternate routes accordingly if you will be driving during this time. Directly following the parade, make sure to stop back at Holt Park, where an array of music, mingling and all the food you can eat will be available. It is a great way to keep the kids entertained with activities and crafts and gives everyone a chance to relax in a friendly atmosphere.

Just when it seems like all of that would make for a great July 4th on it's own— there's more! At around 10:30 p.m. an amazing fireworks display takes place in the fields between Creswell High School and Creslane Elementary. Everyone is welcome to bring their chairs and blankets and enjoy the show! Please drive slowly, and pay attention to pedestrian traffic around you. Traffic is always congested in town until well after the fireworks are over, so be patient and kind to each other.

In an effort to make this event fun and safe for everyone, please respect others around you and

refrain from bringing alcohol, dogs, firearms or personal fireworks to the park. This event is sponsored by the Creswell Chamber of Commerce, City of Creswell, Ray's Food Place, Foster Farms, South Lane County Fire and Rescue, Creswell School District, Sanipac, and Comfort Inn.

Just in case you are curious, the Creswell Chamber of Commerce organizes this event each year and somehow manages to staff it entirely with volunteers. This amazing display of generous volunteerism is a prime example of why Creswell is such a great town! So, throughout the day, if you see someone working hard while you enjoy the festivities, stop and take time to give them a great big thank you for making Creswell the place to be on July 4th!

Event Schedule Summary:

7:00 am - 10:30 am	Chamber Breakfast
	Adults \$7.00
	Children \$4.00
	6 and under Free
9:00 am - 4:30 pm	Entertainment
10:00 am - 4:30 pm	Food and Craft Booths
11:00 am	Parade
Dusk	Fireworks





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these warm days. Even with the car in the shade and the windows cracked a bit, interior temperature of the vehicle can reach in excess of 120 degrees, which is extremely dangerous for our furry friends.

General Safety: School's out and lots of youngsters are enjoying the heady taste of freedom. They don't often remember such things as looking for traffic before crossing the street, or while riding their bikes, skateboards or scooters. Please keep an extra close eye out for the kids.

2nd Annual Airport Fun Days

On August 10th, Creswell Airport will be hosting the Creswell Airport 2nd Annual Fun Days Fly-in at Hobby Field which promises to be a memorable day of aviation entertainment. Festivities will start at 8am. Organizing efforts are still underway and events are subject to change. Activities will be family-friendly and appropriate for aviators and non-aviators alike! Events schedule will include:

- ◆ Flour Bombing
- ◆ Poker Run
- ◆ Flight Planning Challenge
- ◆ Spot Landing
- ◆ Young Eagle/Old Eagle Flights



The EAA will be giving free aircraft rides for anyone age 8 and up. There will be something for everyone, so come see the variety of aircraft and watch the competitions.

For more information on schedule times, events, or to register call 541-895-2913 or email shumble@creswell-or.us

Community Services Update

Community Sharing Program:

Regular Creswell office hours are closed for the summer, to schedule an appointment call (541) 946-7109 or (541) 942-2176

Womenspace: Services are available by appointment, call 541-543-8515 for Alex Casillas or 541-543-8427 for Liz Caldwell.

Noxious Vegetation

Each year, between June 15th and September 30th, Creswell's noxious vegetation ordinance goes into effect. Noxious vegetation is defined as: weeds or grass more than 10 inches high, poison oak, poison ivy, blackberry bushes that extend into a public right of way or cross a property line, vegetation that is a health hazard, fire hazard or traffic hazard.



The ordinance also states that: An owner or person in charge of property shall cut down or destroy grass, shrubbery, brush, bushes, weeds or other noxious vegetation as often as needed to prevent them from becoming unsightly, from becoming a fire hazard, or, in the case of weeds or other noxious vegetation, from maturing or from going to seed. The City does abate these nuisances as required by ordinance, resulting in a cost to the property owner.

Please cut your tall grass, eliminate your blackberries or other vegetation in an effort to reduce the potential fire hazard as July 4th approaches. It is just as important to trim those out of control bushes which prevent a driver from having adequate vision to see oncoming cars as well as pedestrian traffic.

Movies in the Park

Movies in the Park is coming back to Creswell so you can watch your favorite movies under the stars all summer long! Shows will be hosted in Harry Holt Memorial Park at dusk, around 8:30 p.m. and they are all FREE! The



movies program is brought to you by the City of Creswell, Ray's Food Place and Willamalane Park & Recreation District. All movies shown (listed below) are family friendly and rated PG. Refreshments will be available for purchase.

Movie Dates:

- July 6th.....Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (1971)
- July 13th.....Back to the Future
- July 27th.....Up
- August 3rd.....The Muppets (2011)
- August 10th.....The Mighty Ducks
- August 17th.....E.T. the Extra-terrestrial
- August 24th.....El Padercito (The Little Priest) presented in Spanish

Paperless Billing - Sign Up For E-Bills Today!



Did you know the City of Creswell now offers paperless billing and online payment services? When you sign up for paperless billing, each month you will receive an email notification to view your bill online. You will also continue to receive the City Newsletter, and other information normally mailed to each customer conveniently by email.

For customers who pay their bill from their online banking service, make sure the account number in your online banking matches the account number on your most recent statement. You do not have to pay your bill online to receive your bill electronically, but you must sign up with an online user account. To sign up for paperless billing and/or pay your bill online, check out our website at: www.ci.creswell.or.us

Tree City USA Art & Essay Contest

In an effort to expand the impact of the annual Earth Day Celebration, incorporate additional students, and connect creativity with the natural environment the City of Creswell's Tree Board hosted an art & essay contest which wrapped up at the end of May.

As a part of the contest, students at Creslane Elementary and Creswell Middle School were asked to draw pictures which answer the question: **What do trees mean to you?** High school students were asked to write a similarly focused essay. By the end of the contest the Tree Board received 23 essay entries and over 60 drawings. Top entries received a small prize package and will be included in a printed calendar which will be sent home to families in the Creswell School District in September.

Conservation Corner

Smart watering not only lowers your water bill, but promotes healthy, disease and pest free plants. Smart watering reduces the amount of fertilizer and pesticide runoff from landscapes into water sources where it can affect birds, fish and other food sources.

Simple tips for smart watering:

1. Add compost and mulch to your soil. Compost helps water to absorb more easily, and mulching prevents evaporation, and suppresses weeds.
2. Group plants with similar watering needs together so they all get the right amount of water.
3. Add drip irrigation for watering only where you need to. For more information on installing drip irrigation visit your local hardware store.
4. Remember watering deeply and less often not only reduces the amount of water you use, but encourages deep roots and healthier plants.

So how long should you water?

Most lawns need only about 1 inch of water per week in the summer and only half that much in September. To determine how much water your lawn is getting, place several clean tuna or cat food cans around

your lawn and turn the sprinkler on for 15 minutes. Then measure the average amount of water collected and use this simple chart to estimate how long and how often you should water your lawn.

Average depth in cans after 15 minutes:

Soil Type:	1/8"	1/4"	1/2"	3/4"	1"
Clay Soil	2 hrs	1 hr	30 min	23 min	15 min
Loamy Soil	1 hr	30 min	15 min	11 min	8 min
Sandy Soil	40 min	20 min	10 min	8 min	5 min

For bedding plants check soil moisture with a trowel before watering. Water for 15 minutes, then wait a few hours and check soil moisture again. Repeat this process until soil is moist as far down as the roots of your plants grow. For annuals, most roots are in the top 12" of the soil spreading just a short distance from the plant. For shrubs and perennials, roots can go down a couple of feet and extend two to five times the branch spread. For more info: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/lane>.

