

# City Desk

## Preparing for Summer – Water Conservation Checklist

This reminder was released by the city of sutherland and it's good advice for all communities. Warmer temperatures are finally here, and time spent outside will soon increase. Use some of that time to prep your yard and landscape for warmer and drier conditions.

- Inspect your irrigation system:
  - Adjust the position of your sprinklers so they are aimed at your lawn and garden, not the pavement.
  - Look for leaks, broken lines, or blockages in the lines and repair any issues you find.
  - Consider using water-saving technology like weather-based irrigation controllers, soil moisture sensors, drip irrigation, and rotating sprinkler nozzles.
  - Use shut-off nozzles on your hoses.
- Prep your lawn and garden:
  - Adjust your mower to a higher setting as a taller lawn provides shade to the roots and helps retain soil moisture.
  - Aerate your soil so that water can better infiltrate into the ground.
  - Minimize or eliminate fertilizer since application causes your landscape to require additional water.
  - Design your garden based on watering zones of plants. This method allows you to group plants together with similar water needs.
- Know when and how much to water:
  - Water established lawns about 1 inch per week.
  - Schedule your sprinklers to run at night or in the early morning when temperatures are cooler.

## 4th of July 2024 Celebration! Oakland Community Parade

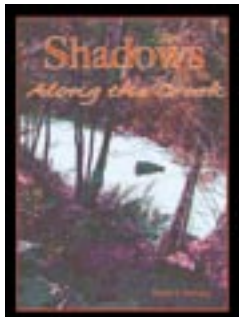
All Entries Encouraged - everyone qualifies!  
 Parade Set Up - 10:30 a.m. at Washington School.  
 Parade Begins at 11:00 a.m. City Park at NOON!  
 Enjoy the water slide - bouncy house and fun games for children! Nachos & Frito Pie, drinks & pickles for sale Sponsored by OCRT Oakland Community Resource Team volunteers

## 2024-25 Project Leadership Roseburg

The chamber is accepting applications for the 2024-25 year of its acclaimed leadership program. The chamber's 35th year of Project Leadership Roseburg begins this fall, on September 12. For details about this distinguished leadership program, check out the chamber's May/June issue of Business Perspectives news-

letter. For 2024-25 curriculum, program specifics and application forms, Get your application and \$50 application fee submitted before the 5:00 pm deadline on Thursday, August 22, 2024. If the class reaches capacity before August 22, the deadline may close early.

### Shadows Along the Creek



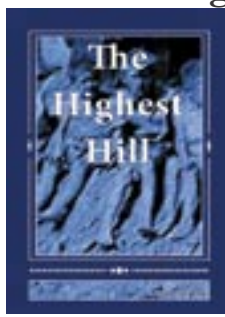
(Paperback) by Rusty L. Savage  
 2.6 out of 5 stars on Amazon  
**\$14.84**

Judson Ringo has not been dealt an easy hand in life. After losing his father, and nine months later his mother, he is left on his own at seventeen in rural 1890s Kentucky. He goes to Tennessee to live with his uncle, but instead of being treated like family, he is a slave. Judson faces each challenge as it comes, thinking only to survive. After four years in bondage, John Harrington dies and Judson is set free. He returns to his father's farm on a cold winter night, finds it in ruins, is suspected of murder, and begins life all over, finding strength in the midst of struggle and love in remnants of buried dreams. Martha Jane gets her buggy stuck in the mud on a cold winter night. She tries everything, but cannot get the buggy back on the road. She is all but ready to leave the buggy, when a horse and rider approaches. The hopes and dreams Martha Jane believed long dead come to life once more.



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### The Highest Hill



(Paperback) by Rusty L. Savage  
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This is the story of two young brothers, Bobby and Jackie Ringo, who struggle to overcome the hardships of an unpropitious home environment in rural western Kentucky in the 1940s and 1950s. Their lives and futures are fraught with pitfalls and roadblocks, both debilitating and deadly. The reader will feel the dreams, aspirations and wonder of the youngest whilst living and growing up in very different time than our own. The boys, left on their own much of the time cope with a drinking and abusive father, barely escape being sent to reform school, struggle to stay in school, graduate and overcome their circumstance and to reach higher and higher to achieve a better life as kids and for their futures. Follow Bobby and Jackie through the early 1950s, starting at ages nine and twelve, through their high school years to a dramatic climax of personal and physical struggle with the "Ringo Streak" and its repercussions. If they survive, it'll be to eventually realize the true lessons of the Highest Hill which continues to reveal its real measure and meaning.



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### A Place to Die (Paperback)



by Rusty L. Savage  
 4.1 out of 5 stars on Amazon  
**\$15.66**

Johnny Ringo's brother was dead. "I'll get 'em Frank, I swear to you I'll get them". What a place to die, there on the frozen banks of the Rough Creek. The Law wasn't doing anything about it and Johnny had decided he would. It was 1938 and the county was full of Bootleggers. One of them "Shiners" did it. Johnny was gonna find out who and he knew how to do it. Trouble is there are a lot of prime suspects and a good deal of danger from any one of them. Johnny has a plan, if he can keep out of sight of the Sheriff long enough and keep from getting killed himself. He knows the woods and hills and he will find out what he needs to know.



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