

Banks city council looks at placement for a city flag

The June 12 Banks City Council meeting started off with City Manager Jim Hough's announcement that there was now an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in city hall.

Hough went on to report to council that the city is including both the new city address (13690 NW Main Street) and the old one on their letterhead. After September 1, only the new address will be used.

Council approved the application for an Institute of Museum and Library Sciences Learning Lab Grant. These are labs that would benefit middle and high school age children.

Resolution 2012-05, providing workers compensation insurance coverage to volunteers, was approved unanimously, as was Resolution 2012-06 which established a Parks System Development

Charges Fund, retroactive to May 1.

Council discussed the city having a flag, but the problem continues to be placement of a flag. Council asked to have the Hwy 6 interchange site considered for the possible placement of a city flag. This will be reviewed at a future meeting.

Upcoming events include International Society of Arborists Tree Research & Education Endowment Fund holding its annual Stihl Tour de Trees multi-day bike ride starting at Greenville City Park Outdoor Education Arbor on August 5. August 7 will be the Banks National Night Out at Greenville city Park from 6:00 p.m. to dusk.

The next council meeting is scheduled for August 14, starting at 7:00 p.m. in council chambers.

Fair committee seeks to fill vacant seat

Due to a mid-term vacancy, Washington County is recruiting for a Fairgrounds Advisory Committee vacancy.

The Fairgrounds Advisory Committee provides input on the priorities and development of the Fairgrounds Master Plan, and other plans including: capital projects, maintenance, non-fair marketing and other strategic initiatives. As advocates, this committee works with local partners and the community at-large to communicate and encourage participation in Fairground developments.

Nine members who repre-

sent the county geographically and in fields of interest or occupation. Two members are ex officio: a member of the Board of Commissioners and the President of the Fair Board (or designee).

The application deadline is August 28, 2012 or open until filled.

Boards, committees and commissions advise the Board of Commissioners on matters of interest to people who live and work in Washington County. Committees themselves do not pass ordinances or establish policy; their purpose is to study issues and make recom-

mendations. Commission members are volunteers appointed by the County Board of Commissioners. In many cases, members must be residents of Washington County. Serving on an appointed board or commission is a great way for Washington County residents to participate in decisions that affect them and to learn more about how local government works.

For more information contact Rod Rice from the County Administrative Office at 503-846-8685.

ODFW closes boat angling for cabezon

NEWPORT, Ore. — Beginning Saturday, July 21, sport anglers fishing from boats may not retain cabezon. Fishing for other bottomfish — such as most rockfish species, lingcod and greenling — remains open.

Landing data for the sport fishery indicates the ocean and estuary boat harvest cap of 15.8 metric tons for cabezon has been met. Sport boat anglers may continue to harvest other legal species, but may

not retain cabezon.

Shore anglers, including shore-based divers, may still keep cabezon.

"Cabezon have an excellent survival rate when released," said Lynn Mattes, project leader for marine recreational groundfish fisheries for the Oregon Department of Fish

and Wildlife. "Unlike rockfish, cabezon do not have swim bladders and therefore do not suffer from barotrauma (expansion or rupture of the swim bladder when the fish are brought up from deep waters) that can cause stress, injury, and sometimes death in rockfish."

Domestic Violence Task Force being set up by the Governor

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victims' basic human rights.

The new Task Force is de-

signed to bring together stakeholders to identify issues and priorities and to create a long-term strategic plan to eradicate domestic violence in Oregon. The 19-member group will make recommendations to the Governor and to the Oregon Legislature on service gaps and opportunities to improve system efficiency, prevention strategies, and performance and monitoring measures.

Members will represent various civic groups across the state, including nonprofit organizations, the Oregon State House and Senate, and state agencies like the Oregon Health Authority and Department of Human Services. Both the chair and vice-chair will be appointed by the Governor later this summer.

For more information, visit http://governor.oregon.gov/gov/docs/executive_orders/eo_12-10.pdf.



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