



# City of N. Bonneville Newsletter September 2009

The last Movie in the Park for this year will be Saturday, September 12th. The free movie will be shown by the gazebo in the city park and begins at dusk (around 8:00 pm). Bring your blanket or lawn chair. Popcorn, candy and drinks will be for sale.



## The movie is **Twilight.**

This event is hosted by the North Bonneville Business & Community Association.

Just a friendly reminder that political signs must be on private property, they cannot be on city property. This includes the property surrounding each home in the city. In some zones that distance in front of a home is 14 feet from the curb, some are 10 feet and some are less. Check with city hall if you are unsure where your property lines are.

City Hall 427-8182

Police 427-9490

Emergency 911

Our Police Chief, Cal Owens, has resigned. Cal has protected the city and kept our residents safe for four years. He knows most residents (and their dogs) by name. Chief Owens was an asset to this city and will be missed. We wish him the very best!

The statement made by Chief Owens at a council meeting was:

There is more to law enforcement than a ticket book. I started with the Sheriff's office in 1991 and worked as a 911 operator, corrections officer, search and rescue coordinator, reserve coordinator, dive team member and swat member. I received every award the sheriff's office had to offer including deputy of the year twice.

I have done CPR over the phone and in the field. I have delivered death notices and acted as coroner for those who have lost loved ones. I have recovered numerous drowning victims as a diver. I crawled into an upside down truck and held traction on a man with a broken neck while gasoline poured down my back giving me second degree burns. I have put out house fires and responded to countless medical calls.

The smell of blood and antifreeze still lingers in my nose from an accident where a truck fan blade sliced through a man's heart. I remember the helplessness I felt not being able to do anything for him. And I can never erase from my memory the faces of small children I zipped into body bags.+

The city is covered for police service from the Sheriff's Office until we fill the vacant law enforcement officer position.

It has been brought to the attention of city staff that there are two N. Bonneville blogs on the internet. A resident came into city hall and asked why their comments were not being posted on one of the sites. We told the resident, and we want you to know, the city does not endorse and is not the administrator of either blog. If you ever have a question, comment or concern about something in the city, please come to city hall or call 427-8182. Staff is always available and willing to provide information.



My how time flies! School starts Wednesday, September 9th. Please make sure you pay attention when driving and slow down! Especially in the morning and afternoon when children are going to and from the bus stops.

**City Hall will be closed  
Monday, September 7th  
in observance of Labor Day.**

The Heritage Trails Committee is looking for volunteers. They meet the first and third Tuesday of each month before the planning commission meeting (usually 6:00pm) at city hall. The committee is currently working on the next trail - Greenleaf Trail. Join the group as they decide where signs should be placed and what information should be shared. And be sure to get out and explore the first trail, Hamilton Creek Trail, which begins at the downtown station (by the bear).

**September Meetings at City Hall**  
**1st & 15th - Planning Commission 7:00pm**  
**Heritage Trails Committee 6:00pm**  
**8th & 22nd - City Council 7:00pm**

**These meetings are open to everyone. Agendas are posted on the window at city hall.**



Elections are comingõ register to vote!

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Reminder: Our city sewer system is capable of handling only human waste and toilet paper. Please do not flush feminine hygiene products or cleaning items that claim to be flushable.

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2008 & 2009 Gorge Days t-shirts are available in city hall for **only \$5.00** each. Sizes vary.

## Library News

The last Summer Concert performance presented by the Skamania Performing Arts Foundation will be September 26. The September show brings **3 Leg Torso** to the Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center. The show begins at 7pm. Information is



available on the website [www.skamaniaarts.org](http://www.skamaniaarts.org) or call 427-7047. You may also call the Box Office at 1-800-494-TIXS. **Coupons for \$5.00 off a ticket purchased at the door are available at N. Bonneville city hall.**

*The N. Bonneville Business & Community Association will meet Wednesday, September 16th, 6:00 pm at City Hall. This group is open to everyone who owns a business or lives in the city. The NBBCA needs your help to continue the activities we provide to the community. Movies in the Park and Gorge Days are wonderful events and we need **YOU** to keep them going. Please attend a meeting or for more information call Roger at 427-4449.*

The population of North Bonneville as of April 1, 2009 is 881. Thank you again to everyone for being so helpful during the local census. The Federal 2010 Census is coming up. This is done every 10 years. You may have already noticed people out writing down house numbers. This is the beginning of the process. Early next Spring, the government will send out individuals to do the actual census.

Did you know that you have many opportunities to use the library? In addition to North Bonneville library open hours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1-5, the bookmobile visits North Bonneville neighborhoods every other Saturday. Pick up the new September-May schedule at the library, or check the calendar on this newsletter for a bookmobile stop near your home.

Besides books for people of all ages, the bookmobile carries videos, DVDs, CDs and cassettes, as well as materials in large print. We have magazines, board books for babies, and even comic books to get reluctant readers started.

Need information about car repairs or have a question about consumer goods? Our friendly and knowledgeable staff can get answers for you.

If you don't find what you want on our shelves, we'll locate items and bring them on a future visit. You can fill your home bookcases with an ever-changing collection of fun, adventure, projects and more, without spending money on expensive volumes.

We look forward to seeing you! For more information, please call the library at 427-4439 or 427-5471.

Chris Hughey,  
Librarian

### Bookmobile Schedule

Sat, Sept 19th

Celilo

9:00-9:30

Windsong Estates

9:45-10:15

Hamilton

10:45-11:15

Wacomac

11:30-12:00

