

# Pride in Serving



*The City of Banks and Your Sheriff's Office*



## Spring Projects Come Together By Mayor Edison

When you live in a vibrant community that gets the job done, it can be tough to keep up! Here's a list of updates on several spring projects:

### Middle School is Open

After months of construction, Banks Middle School opened its doors to 7th and 8th graders on April 7. This state-of-the-art facility will serve our students well for years to come.

### Waterlines Inspected

American Leak Detection recently went through town and listened to all the waterlines to detect leaks. It was worthwhile because they found some leaks. The City will now work to prepare a schedule for repairs.



### Emergency Plan in the Works

Emergency Response Plans help coordinate key resources when systems are interrupted due to natural disaster or other significant events.

We have begun work on our plan in collaboration with Banks School District, Banks Fire District, and the Washington County Sheriff's Office.

### Annexation Applications

Two annexation applications are being reviewed by our City Planner. You just might see them on your November ballot.

### Library Expansion Planning Begins

The library is working on creating a funding campaign to help with the cost of the Phase II expansion of the library.

~ Mayor Pete Edison

## Exchange Info or Call Police?

Driving along, minding your own business, then BAM! Another car collides with yours.

Do you need to call police or just exchange information?



- DO call police if the crash involves injuries, crimes, multiple cars, or happens in a dangerous area such as on a freeway, or if vehicles are blocking traffic. Also call if the other driver has no insurance or if you need help to exchange information with the driver.
- You DO NOT need to call for non-injury collisions if you can safely exchange information with the other driver. In these situations, police do not determine which driver was at fault for the crash; that will be decided by the insurance companies.

## Kids Safety Fair and K9 Competition

### Saturday, June 1

Save the date for this awesome annual competition by local police K9 teams!

The Safety fair runs from 11 am to 1 pm, and the K9 competition is from noon to 3 pm, both events are at the Washington County Fairgrounds.



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POLICE - FIRE - MEDICAL  
**9-1-1**  
Non-Emergency 503-629-0111

## Banks and Washington County Pass Moratorium on Medical Marijuana Dispensaries

In April, the Banks City Council and the Washington County Board of Commissioners passed separate ordinances to temporarily delay the opening of Medical Marijuana Dispensaries (MMD) for up to one year. (A 2013 law made MMD legal in Oregon.)

Sheriff Garrett supports the moratoriums because the 2013 state MMD law does not have enough structure to make dispensaries successful and safe. Local leaders will now have additional time to identify and implement regulations suitable for our community.

## Sharing the Road

As the weather warms, Washington County's scenic rural roads get busy with farm equipment, bicycles, and wide variety of other vehicles.

- Bicyclists must take all steps to be as visible as possible to other vehicles and to mix safely with other users of the traffic system.
- Motorists need to be aware of the increased presence of bicyclists, make safe choices, and avoid distracted driving (texting).



Let's all stay focused and practice patience this year - we can save lives!

## Summer Fun in Banks

Here's the list of events that makes us all dream of summer fun!

### June 1 - Summer Reading Kickoff!

Special library programs begin June 1, with a special visit by BJ the Clown at 2:00 pm. The program continues each Thursday afternoon during summer.



### June 10 - Last Day of School

Summer officially begins for grades 1-12, as the kids run out of school!

### July 4 - Fireworks Display

Banks has one of the few Fourth of July fireworks shows in Washington County! Thank you to Speedway owner Jerry Schram for keeping this tradition alive. We follow the law regarding illegal fireworks - please do not use them in the City of Banks.

### August 5 - National Night Out

Join the City of Banks celebration in Greenville City Park. Mark your calendar for Tuesday, August 5, from 6 pm until dusk. Then we'll enjoy a movie in the park (Rated G of course).



### August 16-17 - Banks BBQ and Tractor Pull

Join in the Tractor Pull at the Speedway, enjoy BBQ, and check out the Car Show and Demolition Derby!

**School's Out in 26 Days!**

(As of May 15, 2014)