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Neighborhood NEWS



Story Mansion: *Repairs are on the Way*



The Story Mansion is set to undergo an extreme makeover, one which will restore the proud structure and reconnect it to its nearly 100 year roots.

The huge restoration project is set to begin this fall. The aging exterior wood will be replaced, new gutters and downspouts installed, and a fresh coat of historically accurate paint will revitalize the building and prevent further deterioration.

The City of Bozeman has received \$1 million in federal appropriations to finance the project—part of an ongoing commitment to carry out the estimated \$4 to \$5 million restoration, made possible by the efforts of countless people including Montana’s Senators Conrad Burns and Max Baucus.

“The outside of the building is going to sing once again and you’ll be able to feel the history of what this place is about,” says Ben Lloyd of Comma Q Architecture, the project architect.

After this first phase, restoration goes internal and will include foundation work, electrical overhaul, improved accessibility, and fire and safety issues. Completing those phases of work could take a couple of years.

If you would like to learn more about the Story Mansion or the projects of the Historic Preservation Advisory Board – visit <http://www.bozeman.net/planning/historic/>.

Walking History: *Pioneer Museum Tours*

The Pioneer Museum is offering a walking neighborhood tour beginning and ending at the museum. Neighborhood tours occur on Mondays at 6pm and Tuesdays at noon through September 1st. The tours are free of charge (organized groups are charged a small fee and need to schedule prior to the tour). Tours of downtown and Sunset Hills Cemetery are also available.

city projects

Code Corner: *Definition of a Household*

The Definition of a Household is, perhaps, one of the City's most misunderstood ordinances and a timely one to review as rental properties begin filling up with the arrival of students. Household is defined as a person living alone, or any of the following groups living together as a single nonprofit housekeeping unit and sharing common living, sleeping, cooking and eating facilities: 1.) Any number people who are related by blood, marriage, adoption, guardianship or other duly-authorized custodial relationship; 2.) Not more than four unrelated people, including persons enrolled in an institution of higher learning; 3.) Two unrelated people and any children related to them; 4.) Not more than four people who are residents of a "Community Facility" or "handicapped" as defined in the Fair Housing Act. This means that if two persons are related, they may live in a household with two additional persons. If a household has three related persons, they may share a household with only one additional person.

Traffic Report: *City Projects*

North Rouse Avenue will continue to be closed between Lamme and Peach, Oak Street is expected to be opened to through traffic by August 18th. Crews will soon move between Lamme and Mendenhall in front of Hawthorne School and hope to complete work before the first day of class. Completion of the project is expected to be early October.

North 15th Street is now open between Peach and Oak Streets and the light is fully operational. The speed limit on North 15th is 25 mph.

Pedestrian-Activate Signal in front of Bozeman High School is scheduled to be operating by the first week of September. City Street staff will also be inserting curb cuts for ADA accessibility.

Photo Gallery—*Gallatin Valley Farmers Market*



Sacajawea Park: *Partnering to Make a Difference*



The Bozeman Beautification Advisory Board (BBAB), in partnership with several organizations and N. 7th Avenue businesses, has done it! Tremendous improvements to the area surrounding the Sacajawea statue located next to Darigold on N. 7th Avenue are likely to be noticed by the more than 4,000 visitors each year who stop at the Chamber of Commerce information cabin next door.

The statue, created by Pat Mathiesen, was originally dedicated in 1994 and the landscape around the statue was pretty much "natural occurring flora." The area is often the first stop for visitors to our community and seemed like a worthy cause to Bonnie Martin and Terry Quatraro of the BBAB. Business owners along N. 7th Avenue agreed and became involved in the project early on to help it succeed. Darigold agreed to provide water and mowing around the statue. Murdoch's provided plants and held a pond-building class at the location to install a water feature. Future caretaking of the area will be done by groups and organizations such as the Gallatin Gardeners who will plant annuals and weed the area, and the Book and Paper Arts Guild who have agreed to do the yearly cleaning of the statue. Carl Solvie of the Grantree and the Chamber of Commerce encouraged other businesses along N. 7th to financially support this project as well. Businesses helping to cover the improvement costs included Ferraro's Fine Italian Restaurant, Comfort Inn & Suites, Van's IGA, Bozeman Inn, Days Inn, Holiday Inn and Wal-Mart. The Lewis and Clark Federation brought an educational component to the site with the donation of a bronze sign explaining Sacajawea and her role in our history.

A wonderful example of community partnership!

spotlight

September 11th Remembrance

The Bozeman Public Library will host several community-oriented activities to reflect on September 11th and our democracy. The Community Mediation Center will work with the Library to bring Bozeman residents a panel discussion, small group dialogues, and creative activities to spark thought, consideration and discussion on this important time in American history. For more information call the Library at 582-2400.

Inter-Neighborhood Council

Community Discussion

BOZEMAN CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN

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SEPTEMBER 14

7-9PM

CITY COMMISSION
ROOM

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This will be a panel discussion and an opportunity to ask questions about Bozeman's first Neighborhood Plan.

The discussion will include challenges and rewards of neighborhood planning, details of the planning process and how does organizing help the process.

If you have ever wondered about "Neighborhood Planning" - do not miss this discussion.

For more information—Contact Tracy Oulman, Neighborhood Coordinator at 582-2258 or toulman@bozeman.net

FAIRGROUNDS SUBCOMMITTEE

Meeting Schedule

*2nd & 4th Thursday of
every month*

6:30pm

The public is encouraged to attend to stay informed about BRAVO's proposed amphitheater on the fairgrounds property! **Contact Jill Abbot-Stolfus for more information and meeting location @ 587-1445.**

Explained: *Bon Ton Bakery*

Tourists and locals walk past the street corner of Willson and Main and notice the mosaic sign declaring "Bon Ton Bakery", but pastries are nowhere to be found. The Bon Ton Bakery Building was originally known as the Ferris Building during the late 19th century and first operated as a hardware store. Later, in 1925, the building was purchased by an entrepreneur named Eugene Graff who hired architect Fred Willson to renovate the building. Willson, who at the time was influenced by the popular Mission style of architecture, covered the original walls of the building with stucco and tile. If you look closely at the building you will also notice coats of arms incorporated into the design of the front facade. The Bon Ton Bakery was one of Mr. Graff's many businesses in Bozeman and the mosaic-tile sign was added



by Willson to complete the Mission style look to the building. The Bon Ton Bakery no longer exists, but the unique mosaic artwork on the corner of Willson and Main still captures the eyes of tourists and locals alike.

Parking Garage: *Public Process Opportunities*

A series of community meetings on the downtown parking garage have begun. A large number of citizens attended the meeting on July 28th to participate. The attendees were shown several different examples of parking garages and asked to rate the examples based on aesthetic appeal. The results of the meeting can be viewed at the Arts at City Center Office (20 N. Tracy Street), the Emerson Cultural Center, the public library and the Downtown Bozeman Association Office. The purpose of these meetings is to provide project architects with information about public preferences during the design phase. Future meetings will focus on a variety of topics and will be held at 7pm in the ballroom at the Emerson Cultural Center. The public is encouraged to attend.

Parking Garage Comment Opportunities

August 25th—Building Elements;
September 30—View pictorial representation of parking garage;
November 4—Final Public Meeting

Neighborhood Planning—*INC Community Discussion Topic on September 14*

Neighborhood Planning and the Bozeman Creek Neighborhood Plan will be the topic of a community discussion sponsored by the Inter-Neighborhood Council on Tuesday, September 14th at 7pm in the City Commission Room in City Hall. Office-holders of the Bozeman Creek Neighborhood Association and representatives involved in the establishment of the plan will be on hand to discuss and answer questions about the purpose, challenges and benefits of neighborhood planning. The Bozeman Creek Neighborhood Plan will be used as an example to the discussion. This will be an interactive exchange with a panel format and the public is encouraged to attend and ask how, when, why questions about the Bozeman Creek Neighborhood Plan and the concepts of Neighborhood Planning. If you have ever wondered about neighborhood planning—this is a discussion not to miss!

The Bozeman Creek Neighborhood Plan can be viewed online at www.bozeman.net/planning.html. For more info –call 582-2258.

Bozeman Creek Neighborhood Association

Bozeman Creek representatives are currently drafting a Neighborhood Standards letter as a resource for neighbors. For more information—contact Polly Kogel at 582-0326.

New Hyalite View Network

History Project— The Neighborhood History Project is underway in the New Hyalite View! If you are interested in learning more about your neighbors and working to preserve the characteristic that make NHV special by documenting neighborhood history—please contact Dana Huschle or Tracy Oulman at 582-2258.

Northeast Neighborhood Association

Fairgrounds Amphitheatre: The NENA subcommittee is holding on-going meetings through-out the summer to discuss and stay informed about the proposed amphitheater at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds. Contact Jill Abbott-Stoltzfus at 587-1445 for more information.

Centennial Park: If you are interested in joining an effort to ask the City Commission to formally dedicate the area behind the Senior Center known as Centennial Park – contact Louis McCarl at 587-8886.

Parking Garage: If you are interested in being contacted about any future neighborhood meetings to discuss the Arts at City Center and parking garage and neighborhood impacts – contact Tracy Oulman at 582-2258 to be added to a list.

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Northwest Network

No news was reported.

Southeast Neighborhood Association

SENA representatives continue to work on a draft of Neighborhood Standards and will ask for neighborhood review when the document is complete for review and discussion.

Loose Ends

Building Community Block-by-Block! – Residents in the following areas are interested in starting a neighborhood organization – Bogert Park, Cooper Park, Lindley Park, South 5th Street and North 12th Street. If you would be willing to act as a contact for your block or join a planning committee to organize your neighborhood – contact Tracy Oulman at 582-2258.

Neighborhood Watch – Residents of South 4th Street are encouraging neighbors to help bring Neighborhood Watch to their area of town. The Neighborhood Watch program requires interested participants to attend an orientation meeting with a police officer before the area can qualify for Neighborhood Watch. Call 582-2258 if you are interested in bringing Neighborhood Watch to this area of town.

Labor Day Garbage Collection Schedule - Garbage collection the week of Labor Day will occur one day later than regularly scheduled pick-ups. Residents serviced on Fridays will receive garbage pick-up on Saturday. The landfill will also be closed on September 6th.

Valley Unit Park—Neighbors to Valley Unit Park will notice the Futball Club of Bozeman using the south end of the park for soccer practices.

MSU Move In Day: Residents are being encouraged to welcome students back to Bozeman by helping them move into the dorms on August 25th. For more information—contact the Presidents Office at 994-2341.