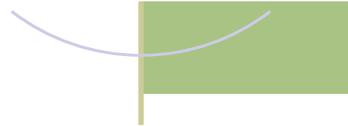




# Neighborhood NEWS



## August 2006

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### **Bogert Park Pavilion:**

#### *Update on the Future of the Pavilion*

The initial analysis of the fire related damage to the Bogert Pavilion has been completed by a structural engineer. The report shows at least 30% of the structural members were damaged including the two arched end trusses which will need to be replaced.

Heavy wind, rain or snow load may threaten the stability of the structure and the City is hurrying to address the situation to avoid any further damages. A contractor has been hired to stabilize and brace the ends of the structure and we are working with our insurance carrier to allow repairs to begin as soon as possible.

In addition to providing shelter for the Farmers Market and other events during the summer, the pavilion also covers one of our most popular ice rinks during the winter. Our goal is to rebuild before the snow flies in the fall, but staff is currently unsure if the rink will be able to return this winter.

### **Sit, Stay, Discuss:**

#### *CC to Continue Discussion on Dog Issues*

The City Commission is scheduled to review and discuss recommendations for addressing dog issues in the community on **Monday, August 21** at the Gallatin County Courthouse.

A survey conducted by the Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trails (PROST) planning committee identified dog issues as a matter of concern and prompted the Recreation and Parks Advisory Board to appoint a committee to investigate dog related problems. The recommendations under consideration are those resulting from four public forums and nine months of review by the committee. During the upcoming meeting, the City Commission will be accepting verbal testimony. **The Commission has already acted to retain the leash free status of Burke Park.**

The discussion began in April 2006, but decision-making was postponed until late in the summer to provide adequate time for Bozeman residents to become aware of the discussion and provide input.

# city projects

## Code Corner: *Corners and Fences*

Do you live on a corner? If so, it is important to know that fences cannot be more than 4 feet high in the front yards and any portion of a corner side yard. The corner side yard extends down the side yard to the back corner of the house. Fences on the side yard therefore must be no more than 4 feet until they reach the back corner of the house and then they can go up to 6 feet. This is the general situation, assuming that the house in question's backyard is backed up to the neighbor's back yard around the corner. For the odd situation where a house on the corner's side yard is adjacent to the neighbor's front yard around the corner, then the fence along that side yard must remain only 4 feet the length of the side yard to the rear property line.

### **Consider these important points before constructing your fence:**

The finished side of the fence must face out to the public or neighbor;

Residents are responsible for the weeds and grass in the alley behind the fence and in the boulevard along the property line;

The City owns one foot inside the sidewalk and fences must be at least one foot from the edge of the sidewalk;

Residents on corner lots with alleys and streets have a special responsibility to provide a vision triangle for motorist, bicyclists and pedestrians safety;

Residents in the Conservation Overlay District require a further review of their fence design and a Certificate of Appropriateness before the fence may be constructed.

The Planning Department has developed a publication on fencing to assist residents in identifying appropriate and creative fences which meet the City's codes. The publication is available at 20 East Olive Street and questions regarding fences can be answered by calling 582-2260.

## Photo Gallery: *Around Town*



Left to Right: *Downtown Crazy Days, Library Book Sale, Langhor Gardens at dusk.*

## North 7th Avenue Design Plan: *Renaissance of a Familiar Street*

Taking Bozeman's middle exit #306 off of I-90 reveals four lanes of unimpressive car-oriented strip development with the occasional brave pedestrian or daring bicyclist darting across an intersection, but North 7<sup>th</sup> may be the next hot destination for Bozemanites as exciting new improvements are planned for the corridor and surrounding neighborhood. Winter & Company, a firm from Colorado, is finalizing a "Design & Connectivity Plan" that includes improved pedestrian and bicycle facilities, new street sections, additional landscaping, new street furniture and streetlights, improved directional signage, "festival streets" (sound intriguing, don't they?) and public art. The study is being funded by "Big Box Money" collected from Walmart, Home Depot, and Lowe's as part of the City's Development Impact Fund of which half was slated to be used to improve the infrastructure for existing in-town development while the other half goes to affordable housing efforts. Over the past few months, a series of workshops has revealed that business owners and residents of the area would love to see North 7<sup>th</sup> become a stronger vein leading to the vibrant heart of downtown as well as to Montana State University. The City Commission will be voting on the plan this fall (date to be determined). To find out more, check out the city's website at: [www.bozeman.net](http://www.bozeman.net) or call Ron Brey at 582-2306.

# spotlight

## Bozeman is #1 "Dreamtown": *BizJournal Releases New Study*

Bozeman is in the spotlight again. A recent study released by BizJournal ranks Bozeman #1 among small towns across the nation. The study focused on local economy, education, culture and growth and cited the following as attributes possessed by Bozeman:

- Number of small businesses grew by 28% over the last 5 years;
- Bozeman's population increased by 15.3% over the last half decade;
- Bozeman ranks sixth among all small communities studied for adults holding bachelor degrees (41%)

The study also considered commute times and access to big city amenities.

If you would like to read the article online—visit <http://www.bizjournals.com/dreamtowns>.

## @ Our Library

Martel Construction is busy at the new Library this month as they begin work on cabinets, wood wall & stair panels, and millwork, along with tile and terrazo stair treads. Laura Fedro Interiors has ordered the furniture, including maple tables and chairs.

Patrons will be pleased to know that 147 **parking spaces** will be available in the new Library, compared to the 55 spaces available now.

**Wild Joe's Organic Coffee & Tea House**, the Library's coffee shop vendor, has selected JV Restaurant Supply to help them outfit the new space in the Library.

The Friends of the Library held its **summer book sale** during Crazy Days in July. The Friends raised over \$7,000, all to benefit the Bozeman Public Library. The Friends received over 230 boxes of books, which doesn't include the many books that were kept for the Library's use.

Mark your calendars now for the **2006 Library Book Brigade: Sunday, October 8**. We'll have more details later about how everyone can help move some of our books and celebrate 25 years in the present Library.

# neighborhoods

## Bozeman Creek Neighborhoods Association

No news reported.

## Cascade Association of Neighbors

**Nominating Committee**— Participation from every corner of our neighborhood is needed and we are looking for individuals willing to join the nominating committee to assemble nominations for leadership roles during our next meeting currently scheduled for October 2006. If you are interested in joining the nominating committee or running for office—please email [mhcole@mac.com](mailto:mhcole@mac.com).

## New Hyalite View Network

Weather permitting, beginning on 3rd / 4th week of August, Big Sky Asphalt Inc., under contract to the City of Bozeman, intends to begin chip sealing streets in your neighborhood. The process involves spraying hot asphalt oil on the streets and then placing 3/8" gravel on the oil. This maintenance work is being done to prevent further degradation of the pavement and extend the life of the streets. Prior to starting work, Big Sky Asphalt will place "No Parking Signs" along the streets they intend to work on. Once the signs are in place, all vehicles, trailers, or other encumbrances must be removed from the street. This work goes fairly quickly, but during the work access to your residence may be limited. Big Sky Asphalt intends to complete the chip seal work in your neighborhood and on some other streets in the vicinity in two days. The following week City Street Department crews will begin sweeping operations to remove any loose gravel. If you have any questions about this project or need further information, please contact Andy Kerr at 582-2280.

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## **Inter-Neighborhood Council**

**September 12th**

**7-8:00pm**

## **Alfred Stiff Building**

Topic: Neighborhood Issues Inventory

All meetings are open to the public.

## Marwyn-Lindley Neighborhood

**MarLinN Garage Sale:** *August 19th, from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.* This will involve all neighbors on the seven streets within the neighborhood. Susan Swimley is coordinating the annual event this year. Come shop and visit with all of us in the neighborhood. Everyone is welcome!

**Annual Summer Neighborhood Picnic** is scheduled for *September 17<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:30pm.*

**A "Wild" Life Story:** Recent excitement on East Babcock Street at the Bill and Byrdeen Warwood home happened while they were away. One day when Dorothy Burkenpas was taking care of the Warwood goldfish in their backyard pond, she observed some kind of wild animal on the roof of the Warwood home. Dorothy was not able to identify exactly what it was, but was the size of a large cat with pretty markings on its face, remaining on the roof for several days. When Bill and Byrdeen returned home, a meeting was held to decide what to do about the wild animal, now identified as a rock chuck. It was decided the rock chuck would have to be trapped and returned to the wild. Using Dorothy's skunk trap, baited with a sliced potato, sliced carrot, and a slice of honeydew melon, Bill put the trap on the roof near where the rock chuck was hiding under the eave of the roof. Yes, the great trappers had success!! The next morning the rock chuck was inside the trap. Bill removed the trap with the rock chuck inside, from the roof of their home. A drive up Bridger Canyon by the Warwood's and Burkenpas' resulted in releasing the rock chuck back into the wild in a rocky area near a creek, which seemed to be a much more appropriate home for the rock chuck.

## Northeast Neighborhood Association

**North Rouse Avenue Reconstruction**—HKM Engineering and MDOT have set up a website to help residents stay informed and connected to information regarding the reconstruction of North Rouse Avenue. Log onto <http://www.hkminc.com/Rouse/>.

## Southeast Neighborhood Association



Approximately 26 households on six streets participated in the SENA Neighborhood Garage Sale on July 22<sup>nd</sup> and there seemed to be a "carnival-like atmosphere".

Many "customers" commented on how well organized the event was and the weather could not have been better.

Special thanks to Julie Munson for coordinating the event and to the volunteer "street walkers" that made two "sweeps" of the neighborhood passing out notices house-to-house; those that compiled the paper; the fellows that put up the signs and balloons early that morning before the sale; to all others who helped and to everyone that opened their garages and joined in the fun.

## SOUTH CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD

### South Willson South Grand South Tracy

All residents of South Willson, South Grand, South Tracy and the adjoining streets are invited to a **Neighborhood BBQ & Picnic** on the lawn of the Story Mansion. Come and meet your neighbors, enjoy kiddie games, "Name the Group" Contest, tours of the mansion and a string trio from the Bozeman Symphony Orchestra. Bring one dish to share and something for the grill—

A— G—Appetizers, H—L—Entrée, M—R—Beverages, and S—Z—Desserts. For additional information — contact Jane Klockman @ 586-2087 or Tracy Oulman, Neighborhood Coordinator, @ 582-2258.

**Sunday • August 27 • 4-7pm**  
**Story Mansion**

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# community

## Bozeman Recreation Department & Swim Center

*"For all Your Fun and Fitness Needs"*

**Swim Lessons –August 7<sup>th</sup>–August 18<sup>th</sup> or August 21<sup>st</sup>–25<sup>th</sup>** at Bogert Pool. We guarantee your child, 7 years and older, will be able to swim five yards on their front & back or lessons are free until they can do so. Call the Swim Center 587-4724 or Bogert Pool 587-9995 for more information.

**Full Moon Swim –August 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:30-11:00p.m.** at Bogert Pool. Swim under the light of the full moon. Everyone is welcome.

**OPTI Fun Day-Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup> 1:00p.m.** at Bogert Park. Join the Noon Optimist Club and the Bozeman Recreation Department for the 54<sup>th</sup> Annual OPTI Fun Day. Youth ages 5 and up will participate in foot races, games and swimming. Pop and ice cream will be served.

1:00-2:30pm Games 2:30-4:00pm Swimming at Bogert Pool. FREE thanks to the Noon Optimist Club!

**Goldfish Swim-Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup> 12:00-7:00p.m.** Don't miss the annual goldfish swim at Bogert Pool. Goldfish released at 3pm, greased watermelon at 4pm.

**Midnight Swim –August 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:30-12:00p.m.** at Bogert Pool. Stay up late and swim!

Call the Bozeman Recreation Department and Swim Center today at 587-4724 or visit us at 1211 W. Main Street for all the August Program.

## Citizen Advisory Board Vacancies

**Design Review Board (DRB)** – The DRB reviews the design features of development proposals in the entryway corridors of Bozeman and advises the City Commission and City Planning Director. 3 openings (2 architects and 1 Architectural Historian).

**Library Board of Trustees** – The LBT provides governance for the Bozeman Public Library by establishing policies, setting goals and addressing library issues. 1 opening.

**Historic Preservation Advisory Board** – The HPAB advocates for preservation in the community and local preservation efforts (Historic Preservation Days and the annual Historic Preservation Awards). 7 openings.

**Community Alcohol Coalition** – The CAC advises the City Commission on policies and programs to address illegal and high risk use of alcohol. 4 openings.

*Contact the City Clerk's Office for an application or more information.*