



# Tradin' Crows

July 2017 Edition



## City of Rogue River

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**City Hall Hours:** Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. & Closed  
for Lunch from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30  
p.m.

**City Council Meetings:**  
4th Thursday of every month  
at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall  
Council Chambers

**City Council Workshops:**  
1st & 3rd Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.  
in the City Hall Council Chambers

See Calendar (page 2) for other  
meetings

**Mayor:** Pam VanArsdale

## City Council Members:

- Bill Jones
- Fred England
- Robert Catherwood
- Shelli Spencer
- Don Daugherty
- Mark Poling

## Planning Commission Members:

- Rick Kempa
- Evan Goeglein
- Dean Stirm
- Cindy England
- Don Collins
- Carolyn Riley
- Vacant

**City Administrator:** Mark Reagles

**Chief of Police:** Chris Snyder

**Public Works Director:** Michael  
Bollweg

## City Council Update ...

The June 2017 meeting began with an invocation delivered by Pastor Evan Goeglein with Faith Lutheran Church and followed with the Mayor leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item on the agenda was to swear in the City's newest Reserve Officer Chad Gray. Chad came just in time to get his feet wet during the Rooster Crow weekend.

Other items on the agenda included:

- ◇ A Resolution authorizing the issuance and negotiated sale of full faith and credit refunding obligations to refund outstanding loans; designating an authorized representative, special counsel, and underwriter; authorizing the execution and delivery of a financing agreement and trust agreement; and related matters.
- ◇ Authorized the Mayor to sign a 2017-2018 Maintenance Assistance Program (MAP) grant.
- ◇ Approved a request from the Rogue River Veterans of Foreign Wars & Auxiliary to hang a banner over Depot Street for the "12th Annual Patriots Run" on September 9, 2017.

◇ Adopted the final summary of the Rooster Park Master Plan as presented by Galbraith and Associates including cost estimates for the park layout which included equipment and structures.

◇ The Mayor ended the meeting reading the annual Proclamation declaring June 23-25, 2017 as a time for people of all ages to celebrate the "64th National Rooster Crowing Contest" weekend in the City of Rogue River, congratulating **Lawrence Martin** for being chosen as this year's Grand Marshal along with providing a 24-hour amnesty for all roosters attired in their finest plumage to crow to their hearts content without fear of retribution.

The Mayor, City Councilors and Staff want's to congratulate the "Rogue River Kiwanis" and the "Chamber of Commerce for another successful "National Rooster Crowing Contest" weekend.

Thank you for all the hard work that the volunteers put in to make the event so much fun for the whole family. Now, what you've been waiting for, the winners...

## WINNERS OF THE 2017 ROOSTER CROW WEEKEND EVENTS

### ROOSTER CROW WINNERS:

(Out of 6 participants)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place - 45 crows from **Carson**, owner Junior Cater
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - 36 crows from **Foghorn**, owner Anna Lake
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - 15 crows from **Runt**, owner Jenny Garcia
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place - 3 crows from **David Bowie**, owner Samantha Cussen

### CAGE WINNER:

Winnebago, occupant **Foghorn**, owner Anna Lake

### CAL-ORE RACE WINNERS:

(Top 10 Racers)

- 1st **Roger Sanderson**, Hoopa, CA #B200
- 2nd **Jesse Reinhart**, Grants Pas, OR #17
- 3rd **Cameron Kirkland**, Grants Pass, OR #68
- 4th **Jeff Lewis**, Grants Pass, OR #007
- 5th **Michael Dickson**, Willow Creek, CA #20
- 6th **Robert Buckman**, Hoopa, CA #05
- 7th **Brian Dickerson**, Grants Pass, OR #622
- 8th **Virgil Moorehead**, McKinleyville, CA #40R
- 9th **Karl Norton**, Hoopa, CA #77
- 10th **Dereck Ely**, Grants Pass, OR #11



### ROOSTER CROW PARADE WINNERS:

(Out of 60 entries)

#### Theme Related (Redneck Rooster)

- 1. River Belle Red Hats
- 2. Red Dog Pet

#### Adult Riders

- 1. Tarasco Mexican Restaurant
- 2. Old Guard Riders

#### Junior Riders

- 1. Tarasco Mexican Restaurant

#### Golden Shovel

- 1. Tarasco Mexican Restaurant

#### Non-commercial Float

- 1. Rogue Valley Community Church
- 2. Miss Gabriel Foundation

#### Commercial Float

- 1. Tarasco Mexican Restaurant
- 2. Le Fleur Bouquet

#### Youth Entry

- 1. Rogue River Martial Arts
- 2. Expressive Method Dance

**NOTE:** Trophies can be picked up at City Hall

#### Adult Entry

- 1. Bahari Court (Ladies Oriental Shrine)



### HUMAN ROOSTER CROW WINNER:


**Cara Ayres**



**Congratulations to all the participants of the "64th Annual National Rooster Crowing Contest" weekend event!**



# JULY 2017

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AUGUST 2017 						
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## Scheduled Meetings JULY 2017

- 4th CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY
  - 5th 9:00 am Sign Review Board  
10:00 am Safety Committee
  - 6th 9:30 am Personnel Committee  
10:00 am Special Council Meeting
  - 12th 6:30 pm Tree City Committee
  - 13th 2:00 pm Finance Committee
  - 18th 10:00 am Police Commission
  - 19th 9:00 am Sign Review Board
  - 20th 10:00 am Council/Staff Workshop
  - 25th 6:00 pm Planning Commission Meeting
  - 27th 6:00 pm Council Advisory Committee  
7:00 pm City Council Meeting
  - 28th 2:00 pm Finance Committee
- First week in August 2017**
- 2nd 9:00 am Sign Review Board  
10:00 am Safety Committee
  - 3rd 9:30 am Personnel Committee  
10:00 am Council/Staff Workshop

### \*\*\* ATTENTION \*\*\*

**With the recent repair to the Wards Creek Bridge it has become apparent that a right hand turn off of East Main Street onto Cedar Street is problematic so the City Council has had a sign placed depicting**

## "NO RIGHT TURN"

**Please drive carefully in this area and be patient until everyone gets familiar with the change!**



## The Mayor's Corner

Well I suppose it wouldn't be Rooster Crow weekend if it wasn't at least 100 degrees! Many, many thanks to all of the volunteers and staff for seeing us through another successful Crow. We couldn't do it without you!

As you may have noticed, we've had to stop allowing right hand turns from East Main Street on to Cedar Street. There's a saying - "Let no good deed go unpunished" - that comes to mind. The sidewalk widening project at Wards Creek bridge was done with the best of intentions - making it safer for pedestrians and mobility scooters. Unfortunately, designing the approaches to meet ADA requirements resulted in the curb at the northeast corner jutting out just far enough to make it difficult to turn without hitting it. We're hoping that this won't be too much of an inconvenience for folks but I think it's the best solution available.

I'll close this month with a little verse from last week's Farmer's Almanac Newsletter:

*When the heat like a mist veil floats,  
And poppies flame in the rye,  
And the silver note in the streamlet's throat  
Has softened almost to a sigh.*

*It is July.  
-Susan Hartley Swett (1843-1907)*

**Respectfully Yours, Mayor Pam**

### \*\*\* ANNOUNCEMENT \*\*\*

The Mayor and City Council has received a resignation from City Councilor Bill Jones. Even though the letter of resignation does not include an effective date, the Mayor is asking interested citizens to stop by City Hall and pick up an application. The main qualification for the position is that you have been a residence for one year prior to taking seat and are a registered voter.



## When is the Best Time to Water?

With the advent of drought, heat waves, and water restrictions, it is now more important than ever to use water in the most efficient and effective manner when watering your lawn. In order to do this, it is important to understand the obstacles to doing so: high heat, evaporation, wind, lawn diseases, and politicians (water restrictions). So here are a few guidelines you can follow: How would you like to improve your lawn? Make it greener? Eliminate patches? Less weeds? Make it thicker?



Always try to water your lawn in the early morning. By early morning, I'm referring to around 5:00 a.m.! This is the BEST time for watering, bar none. Early morning watering is best due to: the lack of evaporation that takes place, low winds that can blow you lawn dry, high humidity and morning dew that adds to the moisture. Early morning watering helps to prevent lawn diseases that can be caused by watering at night because it gives your lawn time to dry by night fall. Obviously, this can be best accomplished with a sprinkler system, unless you just can't sleep, especially during the summer months. For a list of sprinkler system companies near you see: Lawn Companies & Services in your Area.

If you have just planted a new lawn, you will usually need to water once a day so the seeds can germinate and a good solid root system can form. On average, this can last from 2-8 weeks, depending on the type and grass and season.

Try watering a day before mowing if you plan on mowing your lawn and hate the browning that forms on the crowns (tips) of the grass afterwards. This will allow your lawn to recover from the cutting and help it to look nicer as a result.



If you have recently fertilized your lawn, especially with a granular (dry) fertilizer, then you may want to water a few extra times, especially during dry and hot summer months. This can help the fertilizer take hold and aid in preventing the fertilizer from "burning" the grass.