

## Camping, Run, more added to Art & Air Festival

Hard-rocking rock'n'roll artist Joan Jett will perform on the Main Stage at the Oregon Amphitheater as the headline act for the 2011 ATI Wah Chang Northwest Art & Air Festival.

With her band, the Blackhearts, Jett's concert begins at 8:00 p.m. Saturday, August 27, 2011, at Timber-Linn Memorial Park. Admission is free, but donations are encouraged.

Jett's music career began at 15 when she cofounded the Runaways, an all-girl punk quintet. In more than 30 years of performing since, she has had eight platinum and gold albums and nine Top 40

singles including classics such as "I Love Rock 'N' Roll," "Crimson and Clover," "I Hate Myself for Loving You," and "Bad Reputation."

This year, she has released a two-disc greatest hits collection, and the story of the Runaways is told in a feature film starring Kristen Stewart as Jett. Jett was executive producer for the film.

Jett and the Blackhearts tour continuously; some of this year's tour includes stints with Aerosmith and Green Day.

Jett is a devoted supporter of the U.S. military and is a spokesperson for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

The 12th annual Northwest Art & Air Festival runs August 26-28, 2011, at Timber-Linn Memorial Park and Albany Municipal Airport. New this year:

- Dry camping on site. Cost is \$65 per space for the weekend. No hookups available.
- Car shows on Saturday and Sunday will benefit children's charities. The shows move to the interior of the park near the Festival Stage, where local acts will complement them with oldies-but-goodies music.
- Sunday morning 5K, 7K, and kids' run to benefit the Albany Community Pool.

As always, the weekend features hot-air balloon launches at dawn every day; a balloon "night glow" on Friday; more than six dozen Northwest artists with their wares for show and sale; food; a wine garden; live music; children's hands-on art; free Young Eagles flights for kids; and aircraft displays and other activities at the airport.

More than 40,000 attended the 2010 Festival. The event is presented by Albany Parks & Recreation and the Albany Visitors Association. ATI Wah Chang is the title sponsor for the 12th year.

## City can't take action on tall grass or weeds on private property this year

After all the spring rain, this could be a banner summer for weeds. Unfortunately, Albany residents can't rely on the City to do anything about overgrown private properties this year.

City staff who have handled grass and weed complaints in prior years are also responsible for keeping track of vacant houses and other buildings and making sure they are secure. The increase in vacant homes due to the foreclosure crisis combined with a limited City budget leaves

staff unable to investigate complaints of overgrown lawns, weeds, and blackberries on private, occupied property.

Here's some slightly better news: staff can take action when offending vegetation is on City-owned property or in clear vision areas that must be maintained at each access to a public street (such as driveways) and at any property corners next to street or railroad intersections. (Albany Development Code 12.180)

And some good news: this is a great summer to get to know your neighbors! If there is a yard nearby that hasn't been mowed for weeks, reach out. A neighbor who is physically or financially unable to mow the yard on his or her own might really appreciate some help. A little investment of time and caring can pay off in making the entire neighborhood better!

If you know of a vacant property that is not being maintained, please call 541-704-2321.

## Deputy Fire Marshal bids for berth in Guinness record book

The Guinness Book of World Records is home to the longest, shortest, fastest, strongest and the Albany Fire Department is home to Deputy Fire Marshal Bob Brooks, a Guinness World Record hopeful.

On Wednesday, June 22, Brooks will go for the world record for the most fire service patches collected. His collection of more than 8,300 patches will be on public display from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Linn County Fair & Expo Center. The event is open to the public, and admission is free.

It has taken Brooks 27 years to collect the patches. His collection surpasses the 1996 world record of 3,800 patches set by a firefighter from Madrid, Spain. Brooks' collection is also unique: It consists solely of patches from fire service agencies in the United States with no duplications and no more than one patch per agency. He began by collecting patches from around the world; but when he couldn't identify where some were from, he narrowed his focus to only those in English and from the United States. He obtained most of the patches for free, but he has paid as much as \$80 for one and sold another for \$175.



Brooks can quickly provide examples of which patches are most memorable to him. The most challenging patch was for the Sherwood, Oregon, Fire Department,

which ceased to exist in early 1970. It took him 15 years to locate a Sherwood patch, which he just recently added to his collection. Probably the most difficult patch for anyone to obtain is from the Skywalker Ranch Fire Department, home of movie producer George Lucas. The patches are forbidden to be released. Brooks managed, through a trade, to obtain one of very few in circulation.

Brooks' next goal is to increase his collection to 10,000 patches from the approximate 25,000 fire service agencies in the United States. His patch collection will eventually be on display at the Oregon Fire Service Education and Heritage Center, which will be constructed through donations at Antique Powerland in Brooks, Oregon.

Brooks joined the Albany Fire Department in 2005. He served previously as a firefighter in the U.S. Air Force, worked for Klamath Falls Fire Department and, in Washington state, Mason County Fire District #2. He plans to retire in December 2011 but will continue collecting patches and being a world record holder. Fire service patch enthusiasts can reach Brooks at firebucketbob@msn.com.

## The 28th annual River Rhythms series:

See [www.riverrhythms.org](http://www.riverrhythms.org), or [facebook.com/riverrhythms](https://facebook.com/riverrhythms)

- July 7 – Coco Montoya.** Montoya was voted best new blues artist in the W.C. Handy Awards competition in 1996.
- July 14 – Plena Libre.** Based in Puerto Rico, this 12-piece band combines rhythm, horns, vocals, and dance for a high-energy performance.
- July 21 – Lonestar,** country, at the Linn County Fair.
- July 28 – Crazy 8s.** Formed by Todd Duncan in Corvallis in 1984, the band has been called one of the hardest-working and most energetic American ska groups of the 1980s with a loyal Northwest following.
- August 4 – Sammy Kershaw.** Louisiana-born with an early career in ballads, updated honky-tonk, Southern rock, and Cajun flavor, Kershaw's best-known music is cross-over country-pop.
- August 11 – B.J. Thomas.** One of the most successful country-pop stars of the late 1960s and '70s, Thomas's hits include "Hooked on a Feeling" and "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on my Head."

## Mondays @ Monteith:

See [www.mondaysatmonteith.org](http://www.mondaysatmonteith.org)

- July 11 – Willamette Valley Concert Band
- July 18 – J.T. and the Tourists
- July 25 – The Hilltop Big Band
- August 1 – Men of Worth
- August 8 – Willamette Master Chorus

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# Police Citizens Academy taking applications for fall session

The Albany Police Department is accepting applications for the 2011 Citizens Academy September 6- November 15, 2011. Classes are held from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Tuesdays, with two Saturday classes also planned.

The Citizens Academy is designed to promote awareness and understanding of the Albany Police Department's role in the community, the criminal justice system, and to educate citizens as to the Department's daily functions and operations.

Participants will attend 39 hours of interactive classroom and hands-on instruction. Topics include police officer selection, training, and duties; investigation skills; tactical operations; use of force and defensive tactics; canine procedures; firearms use; narcotics investigations; crime scene processing; and crime prevention. Students will be actively involved in a variety of educational and interesting activities.

The Academy is offered free to Albany citizens age 18 or older who pass a criminal background check. Academy applica-

tions are available at the Albany Police Department, 1117 Jackson Street SE, or download a copy from the link at [www.cityofalbany.net/police](http://www.cityofalbany.net/police).

Limited space is available. Applications must be returned to the Department no later than 5:00 p.m., August 19, 2011. One credit hour plus tuition costs are available from Linn-Benton Community College upon successful completion of the Academy. For further information, please contact the Albany Police Department at 917-7680.



## Sign up for Safety Camp

Albany kids who will enter fourth, fifth, and sixth grades can sign up now for Safety Camp, scheduled this year June 27-30 or July 25-28.

Camp happens on the campus of South Albany High School, 3705 Columbus Street SE, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. each day. Activities include water safety, snake safety, Zumba fitness, swimming, and field trips. Lunches and snacks are included each day.

Cost is \$35, and scholarships are available. Campers register at the Boys & Girls Club of Albany, 1215 Hill Street SE.

Safety Camp is sponsored by the Albany Fire Department, Albany Police Department, Albany Community Pool, Greater Albany Public Schools, and the Boys & Girls Club of Albany.

# Bicycle Safety Rodeo set for June 18, 2011



The annual Albany Bicycle Safety Rodeo will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday, June 18, 2011, in the Target parking lot, 2255 14th Avenue SE.

The purpose of the Bicycle Safety Rodeo is to increase bicycle safety through educating children about safety rules, bicycle skills, and helmet use. Personnel from the Albany Police Department, including bicycle officers, and other agencies will be present.

Children may participate at any time during the event. Activities will include

bicycle skills testing, bicycle safety inspections, and bicycle identification engraving. Helmets and bikes are required for all participants.

A drawing will be held at 1:30 p.m. for bicycles, helmets, and bicycle-related items. Rodeo participants must be present to win.

The event is sponsored by the Albany Police Department, Kiwanis Club of Albany, and Target. For more information, contact Carmen Westfall, Community Education Specialist, at the Police Department, 541-917-3206.

# Get involved in Albany's parks and natural areas

Individuals, neighbors, businesses, service organizations, clubs, youth groups, and schools all partner with the City of Albany to improve the community by working in our parks, waterways, and natural areas.

Groups that work on such projects get the opportunity to practice teamwork, build relationships, and make a lasting difference. Individuals get a chance to learn how to manage outdoor areas while building skills through new experiences.

Group projects typically last a few hours in an evening or on a weekend. Individual projects range from a few hours up to internships that might last six months.

Projects can be habit-forming – once the work is completed, volunteers want to come back for more. City staff work diligently to match individuals and groups with projects that inspire commitment. Here are a few that might inspire you:

- Adopt a Flower Bed – Individuals or groups can adopt flower beds or other

features in neighborhood parks, assisting with planting, providing care for, and beautifying the area from May through October.

- People in Parks – We know that we can't be everywhere. This is an opportunity for park users to report concerns, ask questions, and make suggestions through a computerized database. Sometimes resources limit what we can do, but we are always open to ideas and observations.

- Natural area management – The City manages several hundred acres of natural areas, wetlands, and riverfront. We hope the work we do today will still serve Albany residents in 2050. You can be involved in:
  - Maintaining or adopting a section of natural or urban trail
  - Removing invasive plants, planting and caring for native plants
  - Working within the regional effort to improve water temperature and fish

habitat through streamside plantings and maintenance.

- Teaching others about our natural areas.
- Scientific work and study – Good management requires good data. Students and individuals are always welcome to help gather data. Current projects include:
  - GIS mapping. This system allows us to quickly and accurately map park infrastructure and features so that we have easily accessible information that saves time and money. Opportunities are available throughout the park and natural area system.
  - Documenting numbers and types of birds at each of pond and lakefront parks. Individuals or families who live near Waverly, Grand Prairie and Timber-Linn Memorial Parks are needed to visit the park regularly, identify, document, and report the number and types of birds present

over the period of a year, giving a baseline for future years and better park management.

- Internships – College students and others interested in a focused project may apply as an unpaid intern with Albany Parks & Recreation. We work with the intern to find one or a set of projects that fit their academic needs and our work need while supporting their work in a professional environment. Successful past projects include recycling, community activities, event programming, and natural area and park management.
- Scout and youth organization projects. Build organizational and leadership skills. Contact us as you are preparing your project plan, and we can help with project ideas.

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# Community Garden brings neighborhood closer together

Starting its second season, the Willamette Community Garden grows more than peas and beans. Cooperation, generosity, and a sense of community are the garden's real fruits.

The first seeds came from Lyla Heyman and her neighbor, Carolyn Larime. For years, the two friends bonded through a love of plants and the desire to make their neighborhood more livable. Then, one evening at a Neighborhood Watch meeting, City of Albany staff asked, "What would make this neighborhood a better place?" For Lyla and Carolyn the answer was obvious: a neighborhood garden. That was the beginning.

Garden sites were scouted, and other neighbors brought their ideas and dreams. Where to plant these seeds with all their potential? A vacant plot of City-owned property along the Dave Clark Path provided fertile ground. The City ran water lines to the site, and the Central Albany Revitalization Area funded structures and other improvements. Neighbors and

Master Gardeners worked with the City to create a design and decide how the garden could best serve the community. Allied Waste's Pacific Region Compost Facility provided compost, Buena Vista Arbor Care brought in wood chips, and Tom's Garden Center donated seed. Neighbors, friends, and volunteers held work parties to build seed beds and prepare the ground for planting.

In the first season, garden members nurtured their plots, fed their families, and provided local shelters and soup kitchens with a ton of produce. Improvements continued over the winter, and plans are being made with the City to beautify the area adjacent to the garden.

Membership is open for the second season, and anyone from the community can sign up at Albany Parks & Recreation Department for a garden site. Cost is \$20 annually, and sponsored sites are available for low-income individuals. All in all, not a bad result from a handful of seeds.



## Join APD and your neighbors at National Night Out, August 2

On Tuesday, August 2, 2011, neighborhoods throughout Albany are invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 28th annual National Night Out crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out is designed to: (1) heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts; (3) strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

From 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., Albany residents are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights, and spend the

evening outside with neighbors and police. Many neighborhoods will host special events such as block parties, cookouts, flashlight walks, contests, youth activities, and anticrime rallies. If you would like to organize a Neighborhood Watch group or simply support local crime prevention efforts through National Night Out, this is an excellent opportunity to organize to reduce crime, get to know your neighbors, and host a neighborhood celebration.

If you live within the Albany city limits and want more information regarding National Night Out, Neighborhood Watch, or to register your neighborhood event, contact Community Education Specialist

Lynn Hinrichs at 541-917-3208 by Friday, June 24, 2011. Registered neighborhoods are eligible for visits from the Police and Fire Departments.

National Night Out is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and cosponsored locally by the Albany Police Department and Target. This year's event will involve over 35 million people from all 50 states promoting awareness, safety, and neighborhood unity. National Night Out showcases the vital importance of police-community partnerships and citizen involvement to build a safer nation.

The Albany Police Department invites neighborhoods to join us in giving crime and drugs a going away party.

## Fun in the Park is back!

Get your kids up, active, and involved. Join Albany Parks & Recreation for crafts and games in six neighborhoods throughout the summer.

Activities are geared for ages 3-10, but all are welcome to join in. Fun in the Park is sponsored by the Takena Kiwanis Club as perfect opportunities to keep kids physically active and help them experience the joy of the outdoors while engaging in creative play and building socialization skills.

### Activities are scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to noon:

- June 23, Gibson Hill Park, 2880 Gibson Hill Road NW
- June 30, Doug Killin Friendship Park, 4990 Deer Run Street SW
- July 7, Takena Park, 1101 Lawnridge Street SW
- July 14, Kinder Park, 1326 Oak Street SE
- July 21, Lexington Park, 3000 21st Avenue SE
- July 29, Burkhart Park, 550 Burkhart Street SE
- August 4 - Fun in the Parking Lot, Red Robin, 1845 14th Avenue SE

## Parks & Recreation summer camps offer something for everyone

The perfect summer? Spending time with friends. New things to do. A place to cool off in the hot sun. Albany Parks & Recreation summer camps offer all of those things.

Summer camps are a perfect way to keep children physically active and engaged when school's out while building their social interaction skills. They'll enjoy a

wide variety of activities including games, sports, and arts and crafts. Most camps will visit the COOL! pool in the afternoons. Many of the camps include a field trip adventure while others involve performances.

For children and youth, summer camps provide the chance to create weird experiments, learn about animal ownership,

explore the powers of superheroes, and learn about various cultures and countries around the world.

Before choosing a camp, find out your son or daughter's interests. Check out camp offerings, philosophies, expectations for campers, and the staff-to-camper ratio at [www.albanyparksandrecreation.org/camps](http://www.albanyparksandrecreation.org/camps). Call 541-917-7777 to register.

## Softball fields ready for tourney play, thanks to local sponsors

Bigger fields, better drainage, and new dugouts are ready for the 25 softball tournaments scheduled to be played in Albany this summer. The changes are the result of a major project completed in 10 weeks this winter and spring by Albany Parks & Recreation and several local sponsors.

Softball tournaments bring teams and other visitors from communities across Oregon and other Northwest states. They stay overnight, eat at local restaurants, and shop at Albany businesses. The impact to Albany's economy ranges from \$150,000 to \$1 million each tournament weekend. The City's investment and those made by sponsors will pay off throughout Albany.

Here's what happened:

City Park Maintenance crews removed more than 2,000 feet of fencing and posts and organized the materials for reuse.

Flooding in Timber-Linn Memorial Park was a particular challenge. Fields that are typically saturated for weeks had to be drained enough to allow equipment onto them without getting stuck. Bobby Pendle of Pendle Excavating devised a plan to pump water from the soggy area to an undeveloped area of the park. Sunbelt Rental Services sponsored equipment that pumped 2.5 million gallons of water in a month, the equivalent of emptying the Albany Community Pool seven times.

The 65-foot light poles in the park had to be moved back 20 feet to accommodate

bigger fields. Pacific Power Regional Manager Doris Johnston, Kelly Marvin, Pacific Power employee, and Pendle donated equipment and time to that part of the work. EC Company's Brandon Elliott, assistant project manager, and Mike Nicholson, employee, reconnected electrical power to the lights in record time, keeping the project on schedule.

Pendle excavated and filled the area with 1,600 tons of loam, 500 tons of sand and more than 75 tons of rock provided by Knife River's Corvallis plant with the help of Knife River employees Fred Parish and Lyle Chamberlain. In 2009, Knife River donated more than 700 tons of sandy loam to renovate infields.

F&W Fencing owner Fred Martin moved existing fencing to the new distance of 305' and included the out-of-play area. Jason Hampton of Ain't 2 Busy Construction and several softball players volunteered to build 12 dugouts; two on each of the six softball fields, with donated materials from Parr Lumber, thanks to Manager Amber Kozlowski.

The quick completion of the project makes it possible for both youth and adult large-scale tournaments. The staff and volunteer labor, donated materials, and services have improved Albany's parks and softball fields and should bring more customers to Albany businesses throughout the spring, summer, and fall play seasons.

# Are you ready?

## Assemble a disaster supplies kit

You may need to survive on your own after a disaster, such as having on hand enough food, water, and other supplies to last for at least three days. Local officials and relief workers cannot reach everyone immediately after a disaster. Help might come in hours or it might take days.

Basic services such as electricity, gas, water, sewage treatment, and telephones may be cut off for days, a week or longer or you may have to leave your home at a moment's notice, taking essentials with you. Don't count on an opportunity to shop or search for the supplies you need.



### Basic Disaster Supplies Kit

The following are recommended for a basic disaster supplies kit:

- Three-day supply of nonperishable food.
- Three-day supply of water - one gallon of water per person per day.
- Portable, battery-powered radio or television with extra batteries.
- Flashlight with extra batteries.
- First-aid kit and manual.
- Sanitation and hygiene items, such as moist towelettes and toilet paper.
- Matches and waterproof container.
- Whistle.
- Extra clothing.
- Kitchen accessories and cooking utensils, including a can opener.
- Photocopies of credit and identification cards.
- Cash and coins.
- Prescription medications, eye glasses, contact lens solutions, and hearing aid batteries.
- Infant formula, diapers, bottles, and pacifiers.
- Other items to meet your unique family needs.

### How much water do I need?

You should store enough fresh water to provide at least one gallon per person per day. A normally active person needs at least one-half gallon of water daily just for drinking.

To determine adequate quantities, consider that:

- Individual needs vary with age, physical condition, activity, diet, and climate.
- Children, nursing mothers, and ill people need more water.
- Very hot temperatures can double the amount of water needed.
- A medical emergency might require additional water.

### Food

When putting together your food supplies:

- Avoid foods that will make you thirsty. Choose salt-free crackers, whole grain cereals, and canned foods with high-liquid content.
- Stock canned foods, dry mixes, and other staples that do not require refrigeration, cooking, water, or special preparation. You may already have many of these on hand. (Be sure to include a manual can opener.)
- Remember foods for special dietary needs.

### Maintaining your Disaster Supplies Kit

Just as important as putting supplies together is maintaining them so they are safe to use when needed:

- Keep canned foods in a cool, dry place.
- Store boxed food in tightly-closed plastic or metal containers to protect from pests and extend shelf life.
- Throw out any canned goods that become swollen, dented, or corroded.
- Use foods before they go bad. Replace them with fresh supplies.
- Place new items at the back of the storage area and older ones in front.
- Change stored food and water supplies every six months. Be sure to write the storage date on all containers.
- Rethink your needs every year and update your kit as your family needs change.
- Keep items in airtight plastic bags and put your entire disaster supplies kit in one or two easy-to-carry containers, such as an unused trashcan, camping backpack, or duffel bag.

## State provides funding for seismic rehabilitation of Albany fire station

Construction begins in August to make Albany Fire Station 12 better able to withstand an earthquake. The project is scheduled to be completed later this year.

Station 12, built in 1973, and the downtown fire station, Station 11, built in 1948, were both evaluated in December 2003 to determine if they met performance objectives as emergency services facilities. This confirmed City officials' concern that these structures were vulnerable to collapse in an earthquake and set in motion the process for determining how or whether these critical facilities could be rehabilitated or replaced.

Rehabilitation was identified as the most cost-effective option for Station 12. The City began looking for outside funding for the project, applying for a grant of \$280,023 from Oregon Emergency Management in November 2009. The grant was accepted in June 2010 and required the City to provide



\$100,000 as a match. The City contribution comes from its Capital Replacement Fund.

Fire Station 12 has provided protection to Albany residents and businesses for the past 38 years and will continue into the future, thanks to the Oregon Emergency Management Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Program.

Evaluation of options for Station 11 is still underway.

## Young Adult Summer Events Calendar

Kids in grades 7 to 12, pick up a schedule at the Young Adult Services desk.

- Thursday Music Programs for preschoolers and big kids: June 23, July 14, August 11, and September 1, 2011.
- All Day Art Table: Make a different project each week at either Library.
- Come early to Carnegie Library events as the room can only hold 64.
- Parents must sit with preschoolers at all events.

CARNEGIE: 302 Ferry Street SW, 541-917-7588; MAIN: 2450 14th Avenue SE, 541-917-7583

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|--|-------|----------|--|------------------------|
| June 21  | Tues  | CARNEGIE | Tom Waldrop Magician                           | 2:00 p.m.              |
| June 22  | Wed   | MAIN     | Puckett Family Magic                           | 2:00 p.m.              |
| June 23  | Thurs | MAIN     | Snail People music                             | 10:30 a.m.             |
| June 28  | Tues  | CARNEGIE | Jason Ropp's Dragon Theater Puppets            | 2:00 p.m.              |
| June 29  | Wed   | MAIN     | in "Rapunzel Redeems Rumpelstiltskin"          | 2:00 p.m.              |
| July 9   | Sat   | MAIN     | Saturday Parking Lot Sale                      | 9:00 a.m.-noon         |
| July 12  | Tues  | CARNEGIE | Harry Potter Party                             | 2:00 p.m.              |
| July 13  | Wed   | MAIN     | Harry Potter Party                             | 2:00 p.m.              |
| <i>No preschoolers at Harry Potter parties.</i>        |       |          |  |                        |
| July 14  | Thurs | MAIN     | Buck and Elizabeth music and comedy            | 10:30 a.m.             |
| July 19  | Tues  | CARNEGIE | Talent Show                                    | 2:00 p.m.              |
| July 20  | Wed   | MAIN     | Talent Show                                    | 2:00 p.m.              |
| <i>Pick up entry blanks by July 15.</i>                |       |          |  |                        |
| July 26  | Tues  | CARNEGIE | Junk Food Festival                             | 2:00 p.m.              |
| July 27  | Wed   | MAIN     | Junk Food Festival                             | 2:00 p.m.              |
| August 2   | Tues  | CARNEGIE | Teddy Bear Fair                                | 2:00 p.m.              |
| August 3   | Wed   | MAIN     | Teddy Bear Fair                                | 2:00 p.m.              |
| August 4   | Thurs | MAIN     | Teddy Bear Fair for preschoolers               | 10:30 a.m.             |
| August 11  | Thurs | MAIN     | Rich Glauber sings                             | 10:30 a.m.             |
| August 16  | Tues  | CARNEGIE | Watercolor Art                                 | 2:00 p.m.              |
| August 17  | Wed   | MAIN     | Watercolor Art                                 | 2:00 p.m.              |
| <i>Sign up for Watercolor Art; seating is limited.</i> |       |          |  |                        |
| August 22  | Mon   | MAIN     | Reptile Man                                    | 7:00 p.m.              |
| August 23  | Tues  | CARNEGIE | Teen Marionette Troupe in "Tales of Adventure" | 10:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m. |
| August 24  | Wed   | MAIN     | Reptile Man                                    | 2:00 p.m.              |
| Sept 1   | Thurs | MAIN     | The Alphabeticians, fun music for all.         | 10:30 a.m.             |

## Thanks, sponsors: Amerigas, Barrett Business Services

Corporate involvement in the community can have a huge impact on the success of local events and programs. Each year, sponsors contribute more than a quarter of a million dollars in cash, products, and services to support Albany Parks & Recreation events and programs. They know that, when times are hard, these events and programs are more important than ever. They have committed resources, beyond cash, to ensure that Albany is a great place to live, work, and visit.

These businesses are contributing to a better community and their involvement is paying off.

AmeriGas supplies propane, is a propane expert and an invested community partner.

AmeriGas has been a proud sponsor of the ATI Wah Chang Northwest Art & Air Festival since 2001, helping to make possible the three-day event's hot-air balloon flights. AmeriGas has been a true partner, helping festival organizers and balloonists by providing reliable, safe, and responsive propane service.

Providing propane services in nearly all 50 states, AmeriGas is the largest marketer of propane in the nation, with a focus on the kind of friendliness and personal attention found in a corner store. Both are apparent at the Art & Air Festival.

Barrett Business Services, Inc. is celebrating its fifth year as a sponsor of Albany Parks & Recreation events including the

River Rhythms concert series and the ATI Wah Chang Northwest Art & Air Festival. During those same years, Barrett's Albany and Corvallis offices have seen significant growth in the number of clients and accounts that they serve. These offices are No. 1 in the nation for new business and growth. They handle payroll, benefits, and workers' compensation for 156 clients in all 50 states. The Albany branch serves many large regional and national clients on their own or partnering with other branches around the county. Barrett Business Services is a multi-billion dollar company, publicly traded on NASDAQ and employs over 80,000 people.

BBSI sponsors Albany Parks & Recreation events and is also involved locally with organizations including: the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce, United Ways of Benton and Linn counties, Boys & Girls Club of Albany, Mighty Oaks Children's Therapy Center, Teen Challenge, Corvallis Chamber of Commerce, Linn-Benton Community College, Greater Albany Rotary Club, Downtown Wine Walk, Oregon State University Athletics, Corvallis Downtown Association, Center Against Rape & Domestic Violence, ABC House, the Employers Council, and the Zonta Club of Corvallis.