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Fall Rec Guide Offers More than “Fun and Games”

Besides having fun, getting exercise and enjoying social activities, many of the activities listed in the new Fall Recreation Guide offer additional benefits.

Research shows that, regardless of age, when a person learns new things by doing, they actually grow brain cells. It’s called “experiential learning”. Watch the [video](#) about Recreation’s tot dance class to hear parents and the instructor describe the effect of the six-week class on the children.

The Fall Guide lists dance classes for all ages and abilities, as well as dozens of other “experiential learning” opportunities from September to December including water and land fitness classes, sports leagues, Wii bowling, gymnastics, biking, martial arts, skiing, swimming, and fun the whole family can enjoy. Many activities are free and scholarships are available.

The 64-page Guide is now available “virtually” at GetRec.org. Get a paper Guide at City Community Centers, Pools, Libraries and many other public offices around town. It will be delivered in the next week to those who have requested to receive it by mail. For more information, contact Kathy Madison, 541-682-6342.



Work Starts Monday on Repairs to West Bank Path

Work is scheduled to begin Monday, August 27, on a project to resurface a portion of the West Bank Path between the Greenway Bridge near Valley River and Stephens Drive, off River Road. The primary source of funding for the estimated \$425,000 project is the 2008 voter-approved bond measure to fix streets and bike paths.



The existing 3,200-foot-long asphalt path will be resurfaced with concrete, and several sections of the concrete path at the south end of Maurie Jacobs Park will be replaced. Brown Contracting of Eugene has been hired by the City of Eugene to do the work. During construction, which is estimated to take about eight weeks

to complete, the path will be closed. Cyclists and other users of the shared-use path can detour around the project on the East Bank Path on the other side of the Willamette River (cross at the Owosso Bridge and the Greenway Bridge) or on the sidewalks and bike lanes along River Road between Fir Lane and Stults Avenue.

On bike paths elsewhere around town, work is substantially complete on the section of the Fern Ridge Path between Chambers and Arthur streets, although occasional closures are likely as the contractor installs railings and does other finish work. Reconstruction of the North Bank Path between the DeFazio Bridge and Leisure Lane is scheduled to begin in early September.

For more information about the West Bank project, contact Project Manager Doug Singer at 541-682-8460.

Open House Looks at Options for Willamette Street from 19th to 24th

A neighborhood open house has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 4, to discuss a 2013 pavement rehabilitation project for Willamette Street from 19th to 24th avenues. The session begins at 7 p.m. at Washington Park Cottage, 2025 Washington Street.

The meeting will include a formal presentation followed by a discussion of design options for the street. Options may include removing on-street parking, adding bike lanes, and making other changes to improve transportation options on this section of Willamette Street. At the meeting, there will be a presentation on the existing street configuration, small group exercises intended to explore hopes and concerns for this section of Willamette Street, and a discussion of next steps.

Those who can't attend the meeting can take an online survey available at: www.eugene-or.gov/willamette19to24. For more information about the Willamette (19th to 24th) project, contact Associate Transportation Planner Reed Dunbar at 541-682-5727, reed.c.dunbar@ci.eugene.or.us or go to www.eugene-or.gov/willamette19to24.

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