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Eugene Springfield Fire Hosts Fourth Annual Young Women's Fire Leadership Camp

This year, nine new campers and five returning campers have converged at the Emergency Services Center at 2nd and Chambers to participate in a week-long free camp. This camp focuses on leadership skills development for young women aged 16 to 20 years of age. They are outfitted with department equipment and participate in fire and emergency medical service activities, which are used as a springboard for personal growth. Campers are mentored and instructed by Eugene Springfield Fire firefighters who have a high level of dedication to the camp mission.



Some of the activities the campers experience are using self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), rappelling off a training tower, fighting actual fires with fire hoses, manipulating fire equipment including extrication equipment and finally participating in a "live burn" at the training field burn building as an observer.

Graduation of camp participants will be on Friday, July 11, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

For further information, please contact camp coordinator Captain Jean Woodrich at 541-530-3717, or Battalion Chief Matt Ennis at 541-682-7103.

An Inside View into Animal Services New Video!

Get an inside look at the City of Eugene's Animal Services. In addition to the normal type of animal contacts, Eugene's two Animal Welfare officers, who together provide coverage seven days per week, have had some unique encounters, including rounding up loose llamas and pigs. The officers address lost or hurt pets and licensing. They investigate animal welfare and abuse, respond to take care of pet-related disputes between neighbors, barking dogs, public safety concerns, and address livestock issues when they happen within the city. They are the busiest from March 15 until mid-November. To see the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ejsZ9QWsFJo&list=UUjPk274Wr88c65PoZWW8lYg>

For more information, contact Animal Services at 541.682.5748.

Summer Reading Book Sale at Eugene Public Library

The Friends of Eugene Public Library will hold a Summer Reading Book Sale at the Downtown Eugene Public Library On Saturday, July 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Book lovers can browse and choose from thousands of popular, gently used novels and mysteries perfect for summer reading. Each book is priced at just \$1.

The sale is a fundraiser by the volunteer Friends of Eugene Public Library to support Eugene Public Library programs. Admission and parking are free.

While visiting the Library, all ages are invited to sign up for Summer Reading. Adults get a free tote bag with the Friends of the Library logo on it, plus a coupon for a free coffee from Novella Cafe or \$1 off a purchase at Second Hand Prose Book Store. Kids and teens each get to choose a free book to keep.



Upcoming Summer Reading events for kids, teens, and adults include free hands-on arts and writing workshops, live music, author talks, the annual Teddy Bear Picnic, and lots more. For more information, visit www.eugene-or.gov/library or call Eugene Public Library at 541-682-5450.

Water Volleyball Makes a Splash

City of Eugene Recreation is “testing the waters” for a sport that’s new to Eugene and being played in a way that’s new and different, too. Six teams competed in the first games of the City’s Water Volleyball League on Thursday at Amazon Pool.



The six-member, co-ed teams use the same rules as land-based volleyball, but in four feet of water. “You can’t move as fast,” says Recreation Manager Dave Battaglia, “but it’s a softer landing when you dive for the ball.” Battaglia, who runs the City’s Athletics program, organized this first water volleyball season that will run for six weeks.

There is high demand for pool time during the summer, so Battaglia had to fit three volleyball courts into one pool. To do that, he had net poles and bases specially fabricated by Seattle-based, Volleyball USA. If six teams all playing at the same time in one pool works for Eugene’s league, other recreation programs around the country may decide to offer the sport to their patrons, as well. For more information, contact Dave Battaglia, 541-682-5212.