

# City

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THE CITIZEN'S SOURCE OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE CITY OF ASHLAND

## Annual Appointments for Commissions/Committees

*If you are interested in being considered for a volunteer position on a City Commission, Committee or Board, please submit; a letter of interest and a completed application to the City Recorder's Office by March 12, 2010. Applications are available at the City Recorder's office, 20 E. Main Street or on-line at [www.ashland.or.us](http://www.ashland.or.us). ▼*

## 2010 Census

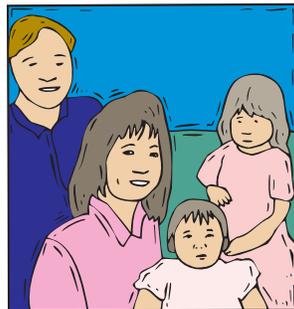
The U.S. Constitution

(Article I, Section 2) mandates a headcount every 10 years, of everyone residing in the

United States: in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the Island Areas. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, citizens, and noncitizens. The first census was conducted in 1790 and has been carried out every 10 years since then.

The 2010 Census kicks off in March. Residents can expect to receive letters in early March notifying them that the census forms will arrive between March 15 – 17. The 2010 form is a short form — just 10 questions.

(See *2010 Census*, Page 3)



## Car Seat Installation

Ashland Fire & Rescue is offering child safety seat installations to the public. If you are interested in having a child safety seat installed, contact Ashland Fire & Rescue at 482-2770 during normal business hours (Monday through Friday, 8-5) to schedule an appointment.

The installation of the child safety seat is free and will teach you how to install the car seat correctly. Low cost child safety seats are available to those who are unable to afford one.

According to Safe Kids Worldwide, properly installed child safety seats increase a child's chance of surviving a vehicle accident by 80%. Adults are encouraged to set the example to their children by using seatbelts. Statistics indicate that children are more likely to use proper restraints when parents also use the proper safety restraints.

***Remember to use the following installation tips when installing the child safety seat yourself:***

Follow the manufacturer's instructions to ensure the child safety (See *Car Seat Installation*, Page 3)



## Ragland Award Volunteer Spirit Community Service Award

Each year, the Mayor and City Council recognize an Ashland citizen for their volunteer spirit and contribution to the Ashland community.

The Volunteer Spirit Community Service Award was established by the Mayor and Council in 1994 in honor of James M. Ragland. Mr. Ragland was a former councilor and planning commissioner who was involved in numerous citizen volunteer efforts.

A committee of the Mayor and Council review the nominations and determine the annual award winner. Criteria is based on public sector volunteer service performed,

length of service, absence of adequate recognition in the past, and any other attributes the nominee may have that should be considered. Consideration is also given to people who volunteer hours beyond their regular work day to perform a service which benefits the community.

The award is given annually during the second City Council meeting in April each year. This year's award will be presented at the April 20, 2010 Council meeting.

If you know of an individual or organization eligible for the Volunteer Spirit Community Service Award, please answer the questions listed below on a separate sheet of paper and return it to the Mayor's office, 20 E. Main Street, Ashland, Oregon 97520, by Friday, March 19, 2009. You may also download the applica-

tion form at the city's website [www.ashland.or.us](http://www.ashland.or.us) or pick up a form at City Hall. For more information please call 541-488-6002.

### *Previous Ragland Award Recipients*

- 1994 - Frank D'Entremont
- 1995 - Donna Daniels
- 1996 - Barbara Jarvis/Terry Skibby
- 1997 - All the Citizens of Ashland (in recognition of the countless volunteers who helped during the flood)
- 1998 - Marty Bryant
- 1999 - Jim Lewis
- 2000 - Midge Thierolf
- 2001 - Hal Cloer
- 2002 - Bill Modesitt
- 2003 - Sue Graham
- 2004 - Pete Belcastro
- 2005 - Pamela Joy
- 2006 - Melissa Mitchell Hooge
- 2007 - Ashland City Band
- 2008 - Amy Amrhein
- 2009 - Ashland Woodlands and Trails Assoc. ▼

## Ragland Award Volunteer Spirit Community Service Award

Name of nominee or organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person making nomination \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

- 1) Please describe nominee's public sector volunteer service.
- 2) How long has the nominee performed that service?
- 3) How has this effort benefited the community?
- 4) What awards or recognition has the nominee received for the service?
- 5) What other information about this nominee should be considered?

## 2010 Census

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The information collected is used to draw congressional districts and to allocate Electoral College votes to the states. Congress also uses the count to distribute more than \$300 billion each year in federal aid to state, local and tribal governments.

***The Federal government uses population data to allocate funds in a number of areas:***

- Title 1 grants to school districts
- Head Start programs
- Women, Infants, and Children (WIC and food grants)
- Public transportation
- Road rehabilitation and construction
- Programs for the elderly
- Emergency food and shelter
- Empowerment zones

The data will help the private sector as well as State and Federal governments determine where jobs and job programs are needed.

***Additionally:***

- Census data helps potential homeowners research property values, median income, and other demographic information about a particular community.
- Corporations use population data for market research to determine locations for commercial enterprises, such as food stores, pharmacies, and other essential services.

Census information is protected by law, and everyone who works for the census must swear that they

will never disclose any personal information. Penalties for any employee who might share that information are severe: up to five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine. By law, the Census Bureau can't share your information with anyone — including other Federal agencies and law enforcement. Your information is safe.

For more information visit [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov). ▼

## Car Seat Installation

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seat is properly installed.

- Rear facing child safety seats can never be installed in front of an airbag.
- Infants should be in a rear-facing child safety seat up to one year and 20 pounds.
- Forward facing child safety seats should utilize a five-point harness up to 40 pounds.
- Booster seats should be used until the child fits a lap and shoulder belt correctly. ▼

## News Notes

### ***Introduction to Permaculture***

Grow more food with less effort by working with, not against, nature. Spring is the best time to plan for the year's bounty! Create a garden design that will be beautiful and sustainable. This class is appropriate for beginning gardeners. Class

(See *News Notes*, Back Page)

## ***Reminder from Ashland Police Department***

The Ashland Police Department reminds residents and visitors to lock their cars and homes.

There have been a number of break-ins of automobiles and homes, and the majority occurred because the owners left doors unlocked. Remember to lock all doors including; garage doors, sliding glass doors, front and back doors, and all car doors. Citizens can do a lot to deter crime by taking away easy opportunities.

**Lock your doors!**



## News Notes

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will be held on Wednesday, March 3 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at North Mountain Park. Ages 12 and up, please. The class costs \$10.00 and registration is required. Please register online at <http://ashland.or.us/parks> or call the Nature Center at 541-488-6606.

### *Rainstorming--integrating Rainfall into Your Landscape*

This class will offer assessment, design, and techniques for the integration of alternative stormwater management practices into your home landscape. We will cover how to determine what opportunities are already present within your property, what the current techniques for residential scale stormwater management are, and how to design a suite of techniques into your property and implement them. Class will be held Mondays, March 8 through 29 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at North Mountain Park. Ages 14 and up only, please. The class costs \$48.00 and registration is required. Please register online at <http://ashland.or.us/parks> or call the Nature Center at 541-488-6606.

### *Spring Garden Work Party*

Cultivate new acquaintances and exercise your green thumb while volunteering as a gardener at North Mountain Park. Nature Center staff and volunteers will provide an orientation to the Demonstration Gardens, greenhouse, and composting facility to kick off the season. Tools and snacks will be provided including a little green tea in honor of St Paddy's Day. Monthly mini-workshops on a variety of gardening topics will be offered once each month from 10:00 - 12:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, starting March 17, during the volunteer sessions. Ages 10 and up, please. The workshops are free and pre-registration is not required for individuals.

### *Youth Soccer Camp*

Fuego Soccer Academy Camps teach soccer at a beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels. Technique will be the focus, but strategy and tactics will also be included in each camp training session. Participants will be taught by the Fuego semi-pro players themselves, which includes local and national talent, as well as some great players from around the world. Sign up and show up with a good attitude and be ready to hone your soccer skills with some of the best players in the valley. Don't forget to dress for any kind of Oregon weather and bring water. For more information visit [www.fuegosoccer.com](http://www.fuegosoccer.com).

The Fuego Soccer Academy Camps will be held at Ashland Middle school and are for ages 6 and up (groups will be divided by age, gender, and ability.) Session 1 will be held Wednesday through Friday, March 17 - 19, from 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. and costs \$65.00. Session 2 will be held Monday through Friday, March 22 - 26, from 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. and costs \$105.00. Registration is required. Please register online at <http://ashland.or.us/parks> or call the Ashland Parks & Recreation office at 541-488-5340. ▼

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# City Calendar

- ☐ **City Council** meets on the first and third Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. Study sessions occur on the day before at 5:30 p.m.
- ☐ **Planning Commission** meets on the second Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Study sessions occur on the fourth Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
- ☐ **Airport Commission** meets on the first Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.
- ☐ **Conservation Commission** meets on the fourth Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.
- ☐ **Forest Lands Commission** meets on the second Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.
- ☐ **Historic Commission** meets on the first Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. (the Wednesday prior to the Tuesday Planning Commission)
- ☐ **Housing Commission** meets on the fourth Thursday at 4:30 p.m.
- ☐ **Parks and Recreation Commission** meets on the fourth Monday at 7:00 p.m. Study session occurs on the third Monday.
- ☐ **Public Art Commission** meets on the third Friday at 8:15 a.m.
- ☐ **Transportation Commission** meets on third Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
- ☐ **Tree Commission** meets on the Thursday before the Tuesday Planning Commission Meeting

◆ Many of the above meetings are cablecast live on channel 9 and replayed on channel 30. ◆ Meetings are held at Council Chambers, 1175 East Main or at 51 Winburn Way. ◆ For information about all City meetings please call City Administration at 488-6002. ◆ Back issues of the City Source are posted under "Documents" on the City's Website, [www.ashland.or.us](http://www.ashland.or.us). ◆ TTY 1-800-735-2900

