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

Ashland Green and
Solar Home Tour*Saturday, October 14, 2006**9:00 a.m. to 3 p.m.*

Find out how to use solar energy to power and heat your home and how your home can be more energy efficient, healthier and better for the environment. Homes on this year's tour showcase solar and wind electricity, solar hot water, solar space heating, rainwater harvest and storage, water conservation systems and energy efficient designs and techniques. Learn about current technologies and financial incentive programs to implement them.



The tour begins at 9:00 a.m. at the Ashland Civic
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Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs

Now through December 1, 2006, the City of Ashland has joined select retailers and manufacturers of Energy Star lighting to offer special lower prices on Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs (CFL's). Look for CFL's priced as low as 99 cents at the following participating retailers:

In Ashland at Ashland Hardware, Albertson's, Bi-Mart, Rite Aid, in Medford at Big Lots, Bi-Mart, Fred Meyer, Grover Electric & Plumbing Supply, Rite Aid, Wal-Mart, Winco and in Talent at Wal-Mart.

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Annual Salmon Festival

On Saturday, October 7, the North Mountain Park Nature Center will host its 3rd Annual Salmon Festival from 11 am to 4 pm at 620 North Mountain Avenue in Ashland. The event is free and offers activities for all ages and information on how to help protect and enhance salmon habitat, including water and energy saving ideas. Learn about local salmon habitat conservation and restoration efforts, observe wild salmon up close and personal with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's 350 gallon salmon tank.

Participants can purchase a wild salmon barbeque, checkout exhibits and activities and enjoy live entertainment from bands *Montana Sour* and the *Rutendo Marimba Band*. Native American demonstrations will take place throughout the day and will include traditional salmon cooking around an open fire, traditional uses of plants, drumming and storytelling. Wild salmon will be cooked, using a traditional open fire method and dinners will be available for purchase. This event will
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Center, 1175 East Main St. and returns around 3:00 p.m. Homeowners will be graciously opening their homes for the tour. To minimize our impact and to respect the hospitality of our hosts all tour participants will travel by bus to the sites; the use of personal vehicles will not be permitted. Participants are asked to bring a sack lunch to enjoy at a stop at the North Mountain Park Nature Center.

Pre-registration for the tour is required and is limited to 100 participants. The cost is \$5 and tickets are available at the North Mountain Park Nature Center, at

the Ashland Parks Department Office, or online at ashlandparks.recware.com.

October is Energy Awareness Month. The Ashland tour is one of hundreds of events planned throughout the state and across the country to raise awareness of energy conservation and clean, renewable energy. The City of Ashland and Home Power Magazine sponsor the tour. Contact Larry Giardina or Joe Schwartz if you have questions. Look forward to seeing you on the tour!

For more information contact Larry Giardina, Conservation Analyst, City of Ashland giardin@ashland.or.us, 552-2065 or Joe Schwartz, CEO and Technical Editor, Home Power Magazine joe.schwartz@homepower.com, 944-0780. ▼

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offer ideas to help protect and enhance salmon habitat including water and energy saving tips, and local salmon habitat conservation and restoration efforts that citizens can participate in. If you are interested in being a volunteer, sponsor or an exhibitor please contact the Nature Center at 488-6606 or email cottled@ashland.or.us.

For more information visit www.bearcreeksalmonfestival.org. ▼



New Laws for School Zone Safety

In 2005, the Oregon legislature acted to simplify the school zone traffic laws under House Bill 2840.

The law has two categories of school zones:

Condition A: Crosswalk is next to school grounds.

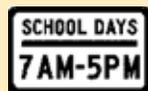
Condition B: Crosswalk is away from school grounds.

Drivers should be aware of these two conditions.

Condition A
Crosswalk is next to school grounds



Or



Condition B
Crosswalk is away from school grounds



Or





Low Income Assistance

Once again, the City of Ashland has set aside money during the budget process for the Ashland Low Income Energy Assistance Program to assist low-income Ashland residents with electric bill costs during the cold winter months. Recipients will be Ashland residents with household incomes not greater than 125% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines for 2006.

Applicants may call City Hall at 552-2038 to request an application packet which will provide information on needed documents and screening dates and locations.

Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs

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CFL's provide high-quality light, smart technology, and design, requiring less energy while lasting longer than standard light bulbs. CFL's have light quality closest to daylight. There are many shapes, sizes and color temperatures available for all household applications. CFL's are ideal where lights are on for long periods of time or are difficult to reach.

NOTE: Each customer is limited to 8 bulbs. The City cannot guarantee that product will be available at any given time, and offer is valid while supplies last.

For more information on CFL's or this promotion, contact Cathy Cartmill at 552-2063. ▼

Ride The Bus

The bus fare in Ashland is \$.50. Fares to areas outside Ashland are \$2.00. The City of Ashland is committed to providing affordable public transportation and will spend approximately \$290,000 to "buy down" the fare for Ashland riders. Ashland riders can request a transfer, good for 90 minutes. The transfer allows riders to get off the bus in Ashland and get back on the bus within 90 minutes at no charge for service within the city limits.

Bus #10 serves Ashland from Medford via Phoenix and Talent on Highway 99. It circles through

Ashland and then returns to Medford. Service is approximately every 30 minutes. The bus runs Monday through Friday from 5:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. There is no weekend service. The Ashland fare begins at the Jackson Well Springs on the north end of town and at the Ashland Hills Inn on the south end of town. Transfers are available for \$2.00 to areas outside of Ashland.

People wishing to ride the bus outside of Ashland may purchase tokens and passes at City Hall in Ashland.

Full fare rates outside Ashland

- \$20.00 for ten \$2.00 tokens.
- \$70.00 for a monthly pass for unlimited rides.

Discounted fare rates outside Ashland

- Seniors 65 and older
- Youth 10 - 17 (under 10 ride free)
- \$10.00 for ten tokens.
- \$35.00 for a monthly pass for unlimited rides. ▼

News Notes

Work Zone Safety

The Ashland Traffic Safety Commission reminds drivers to be extra careful when traveling through work zones.

- When you see orange signs, barrels and barricades, slow down you are entering a work zone.
- Don't tailgate. Extend the distance between your car and the one ahead.
- Work zone traffic lanes are

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narrow and don't have shoulders or emergency lanes.

- ❑ Be aware of temporary entrances to the roadway from the median.
- ❑ Expect delays. Plan for them and be patient.
- ❑ Call 511 for the latest traffic, weather and highway conditions.
- ❑ View www.tripcheck.com to check routes, work zones or bad weather conditions before you begin your trip.

Prepare with CERT!

September is National Preparedness Month. The City of Ashland's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) will offer its Basic Training Intensive over two weekends beginning September 29. This all-hazards training prepares citizens to take care of themselves, their families and their neighborhoods in disaster. All First Aid and Fire courses are taught by Ashland firefighter paramedics. The 20-plus hour training is free.

Training includes emergency first aid and triage, light search and rescue, extrication of trapped victims, gas and electric shut-off, fire suppression, disaster psychology, incident command-team structure, family preparedness.

Classes are held on Friday evenings and all day on Saturday: September 29-30 and October 6-7. To register call 552-2226 and for more information see www.ashlandcert.org

Emergency Preparedness Community Forum

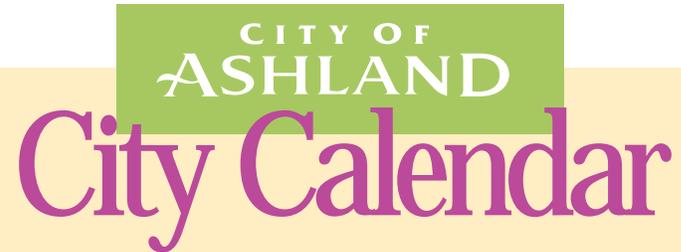
Ashland CERT is hosting a community forum on emergency preparedness on September 13, 7:00 p.m. Southern Oregon University Stevenson Union.

The forum will be moderated by KDRV meteorologist Scott Lewis and includes a panel of elected representatives and local emergency managers who will address questions and disaster scenarios based on the actual risks we face in Southern Oregon including flood, wildfire, extended power outage, earthquake, pandemic outbreak and others.

Panel members include John Morrison, Mayor, City of Ashland, Cindy Parks, Ashland Hospital Emergency Management Task Force, Keith Woodley, Fire Chief,

Ashland Fire and Rescue, Mike Curry, Jackson County Emergency Manager, Kelly Dutra, 911 Dispatch-Communications Manager, Dr. Alan Bates, State Senator, Peter Buckley, State Representative and Lucy Edwards, Ashland CERT.

For more information call 552-2226 or visit www.ashlandcert.org ▼



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City Calendar

September 14	Traffic Safety Commission	7:00 p.m.
September 15	Public Art Commission	8:15 a.m.
September 18	Housing Commission	6:30 p.m.
September 19	City Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
September 21	Bike and Pedestrian Commission	5:15 p.m.
September 25	Parks and Recreation Commission	7:00 p.m.
September 27	Conservation Commission	7:00 p.m.
October 2	City Council Study Session	5:15 p.m.
October 3	Airport Commission	9:30 a.m.
October 3	City Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
October 5	Tree Commission	7:00 p.m.
October 10	Forest Lands Commission	5:30 p.m.
October 10	Planning Commission	7:00 p.m.
October 12	City Council Study Session	5:15 p.m.

◆ 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. ◆ TTY 1-800-735-2900