

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mike Sauerwein, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: June 13, 2025

Yard of the Week



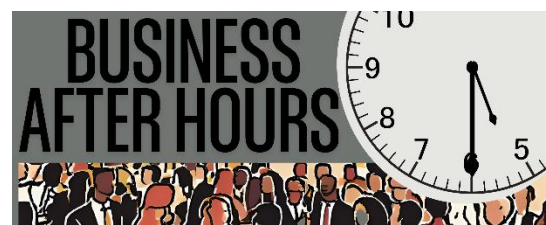
Congratulations to 720 N O Street for being recognized as Yard of the Week!

This yard is well-maintained with a beautiful gazebo area and landscaping. Thank you for your contribution to the beautification of the community.

Business After Hours at Middlefield Golf Course

On Thursday, June 19th, the City of Cottage Grove will host the Cottage Grove Area Chamber of Commerce's 'Business after Hours' at Middlefield Golf Course. Join us for a putting contest, a tour of the greens, and snacks. Learn all about the improvements and additions that have been made to the course and the incredible impact it has had.

The Cottage Grove area Chamber of Commerce hosts 'Business after Hours' monthly to provide the businesses and community with an avenue to learn about what is happening in Cottage Grove. This is a great way to learn about the local businesses and make new friends. We hope you can join us.



June 19th
5:30-7:00 pm

91 Village Drive
Cottage Grove, Oregon 97424



It's a Bird, it's a Plane, it's a Drone!

The Aviation UAS Program at Lane Community College will be in town on Friday, June 13th, finishing up the drone survey of the trees and plant health, this time in North Regional Park from 10 am to 4 pm. UAS stands for Unmanned Aircraft Systems, and can provide high-resolution imagery, plant health analysis using multispectral bands of light, and 3D models. The LCC UAS students are FAA-Licensed Commercial Remote Pilots and hold Amateur Radio licenses for radio operations. The City of Cottage Grove is excited to have these students help assess the trees in our parks.

Gas Main Leak Downtown Historic District

On Thursday, June 12th, at approximately 10 a.m., a gas main leak occurred at the corner of 7th Street and Main Street in the historic downtown area. The Police and Fire Departments promptly responded to the scene to provide assistance. For public safety, the area was closed off, and evacuations were carried out.

Northwest Natural arrived and successfully secured the area to address the gas leak. All evacuations were lifted within two hours, and all buildings and businesses were cleared for re-entry. Northwest Natural remained on site to complete the necessary repairs.

EDA Main Street Revitalization Project

The Wildish team has finished pouring the sidewalks from the 7th Street intersection up to the lot adjacent to KNND Radio. Additionally, on the south side, the bollards and truncated domes have been installed at the corner of 7th and Main Street.

Progressing westward, the curb and gutters are now in place between 6th and 7th Streets. The sidewalks in this section are scheduled to be poured on Monday, June 16th. Please note that the front access on Main Street to the Thai on Main Restaurant will remain available.

Looking ahead, we anticipate beginning the pouring of the black concrete roads towards the end of this month. Once the roads and intersections are complete, we will proceed with Phase 2 of the project. Given the preparatory work already accomplished, we expect Phase 2 to be completed in a shorter time frame.

Crews have been diligently working to keep business owners informed of our progress and to ensure access to all businesses is restored as quickly as possible.

Please exercise caution when driving through the construction zone. The speed limit has been reduced to 10 mph, and lane sizes have been decreased within the construction area. It is crucial to reduce speed and remain attentive to pedestrians and workers. Please be aware that traffic violation fines are doubled in construction zones.

Cleveland Street Infrastructure Project

Traffic alterations and manhole work will take place at the intersection of South 6th Street and Cleveland Street. Delta Construction is scheduled to install a manhole on 6th Street starting Monday, June 16th. During this time, traffic will be directed to the west side of 6th Street, managed by flaggers. Once the manhole is installed and backfilled, traffic control will be adjusted to facilitate the connection to the existing manhole on the east side of 6th Street.

Please be prepared for traffic changes on Monday, June 16th, and Tuesday, June 17th.

All Downtown Businesses are OPEN during construction!

Did you know, you can win up to \$500 in gift cards just for shopping or eating at downtown businesses?

The City of Cottage Grove has partnered with the Cottage Grove Area Chamber of Commerce on a promotional stamp card. Go shopping in Historic Downtown Cottage Grove, get 6 stamps and turn them in at the Chamber of Commerce (836 E. Main Street) for a chance to win up to \$500 a week in local gift cards.

Check out the drawings every Friday live on Facebook and KNND. For more details, visit: <https://www.cgchamber.com/shoplocal/>



UPDATE: Due to the success of this program, the City of Cottage Grove and the Cottage Grove Area Chamber of Commerce will add additional prizes to the Friday drawing.



Saturday Stroll – Father's Day Poker Stroll

Participating local businesses will be handing out cards. Stroll through downtown and collect your cards. Make Good Bones Mercantile your final stop to reveal your winning hand.

Historic Downtown Main Street
Saturday, June 14th, from 2 to 4 pm

Quote of the Week:

“A father is neither an anchor to hold us back, nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way.”

~The Afterparty Radio~