

# City of John Day

## Newsletter

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### **JDVFD is looking for Volunteers**

Are you looking to volunteer your services to your community? How does becoming a nationally certified fire fighter sound? The John Day Volunteer Fire Department is in need of local volunteers to help fight structure fires.

The training is paid for by the City of John Day. You can become a nationally certified fire fighter and at the same time be involved in a department that does a great service to our community.

For more information, please contact John Day Fire Chief Steve Allen at 575-1855.

**EMT-Basic Classes**  
Classes will be beginning on December 4, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. for the EMT – Basic Classes in the Ambulance Classroom at the Blue Mountain Hospital. You must be 18 years with a high school diploma or equivalent to qualify. For details call 541-575-4159 or the Blue Mountain Hospital at 575-1311, extension 2378.

## **NW Bridge Street Sidewalk Project**

Construction for the Bridge Street Improvement Project began on September 26, 2007. Dice Construction was awarded the bid at the August 28, 2007 John Day City Council meeting.

This project originally began as an Oregon Department of Transportation grant for sidewalk improvements and a

pedestrian bridge on the east side of NW Bridge Street. The project had several additions and now includes add-ons for repair of the sidewalks because of Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative (OTEC) moving their poles and some additional sidewalk placement.

The City received two bids as follows:

Winegar Excavation; total bid \$401,205.24. Dice Construction; Total bid \$399,850.50. Dice Construction has 90 days from the date of the signing of the contract to complete the project. The contract document was signed on September 4, 2007. The City of John Day appreciates everyone's patience during the construction period.

## **Automated Meter Reading System**

At the June 26, 2007 John Day City Council meeting the John Day City Council unanimously voted to accept the bid for the automatic meter reading system from General Pacific utilizing the Orion software and Badger meters.

The Public Works Department has begun the process of installing the new automatic meter reading system. The department will

continue the installation of the new meters as time and weather allows during the winter months. The schedule is to have all installed before the spring reads.

Earlier in the month the office personnel and the Public Works Department were trained on the new system.

### **New Interim Public Works Director appointed**

David Holland has been appointed interim Public Works Director for the City of John Day. David has been with the City of John Day since 1980 and has been the Public Works Foreman since 2002. The interim position will be evaluated at the end of the six-month period that began September 1, 2007.

# Historical old west, DIMENSION OF YESTERYEAR, INC.

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## DIXIE TOWN IS MOVING TO PRAIRIE CITY

### **Mission Statement**

To portray historical events through living interpretations,  
promoting  
Education and entertainment within a community atmosphere.

### **PURPOSE**

Provide an environment portraying the 1800's utilizing an authentically reproduced town depicting various cultural lifestyles of the period.

Dixie Town will be the gathering place for historical and educational opportunities involving the community, families, and youth groups through participation in a variety of events held during the year. Example: Calvary Demonstrations, Rendezvous, Cowboy Action Shoots, Old West Skits, to name a few.

The increased interest brought about by this type of educational and entertainment facility will enhance the economic growth of Prairie City and Grant County.

### **BECOMING A CITIZEN OF DIXIE TOWN**

Becoming a Citizen of Dixie Town today will go a long way to support the town project and your Citizenships will be extended to January 2009. With your Citizenship papers comes one free admission to one event of your choice through out the year. The event schedule will be announced as the plans are finalized for 2008.

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*Please return this part with your citizenship information to  
HOWDY ---- P O Box 275 Prairie City OR 97869  
Make checks payable to HOWDY, Inc.*

\_\_\_ INDIVIDUAL CITIZENSHIP \$25.00  
\_\_\_ FAMILY CITIZENSHIP \$35.00 (2 adults & 2 kids)  
\_\_\_ STUDENT & SENIOR CITIZENSHIP \$10.00  
\_\_\_ BUSINESS CITIZENSHIP \$50.00

Call us if you would like to have a business in Dixie Town

\_\_\_ SUPPORTING CITIZENSHIP \$100.00  
\_\_\_ HONORARY CITIZENSHIP \$1,000.00

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

### **DO YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES?**

\_\_\_ Melodrama      \_\_\_ Stunt & Gunfight Skits      \_\_\_ Live Theater in the Dirt

\_\_\_ Working behind the scenes      \_\_\_ Admissions      \_\_\_ Building Construction

\_\_\_ Sewing replicated clothing      \_\_\_ Fundraising      \_\_\_ Grant Writing

\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_