

FRIENDS OF BANDON PARKS & RECREATION

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CONNECT WITH NATURE

Message from Christine Hall

Hi Members, Supporters, and Especially our Volunteers.
This past month had lots of newsy items to let you know about.

Here are the highlights that are hot!

- Bandon and ODOT partner in a Transportation System Plan Study.
- City of Bandon issues a City-wide Survey. Read how to express your views.
- City Park Work Day & Appreciation Day Sat. April 29
- And a Shout Out to Samantha Stanger who served on the Park and Rec Commission and who will now lead the City's Tree Sub-committee.

Thank you for your work for our Community!

Friends of Bandon Parks and Recreation supports all of the above initiatives.



When a driver goes over 40 mph and hits a pedestrian, the walker has a 55% chance of survival. At 20 mph, they have a 93% survival rate.

TAKE THE SURVEY



Did you take the Survey?

The City of Bandon wants to know your opinions about Bandon's parks. Let them know your thoughts on what is important and what's not.

Developed by the efforts of the Park and Rec Commission, this survey informs the City where the focus of its resources should be placed.

Click on link below or copy and paste link in the search path.

<https://www.cityofbandon.org/general/page/survey-parks-recreation-bandon>

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Planning with ODOT

This is a Big Deal!

Oregon is investing in Walking, Biking, and Transit and Bandon is partnering with them.

The grant is up to \$174,700 with Bandon matching \$23,823.

Bandon and the Oregon Dept of Transportation (ODOT) will conduct a study with the objective to better integrate transportation, land use planning and developing new ways to manage growth in order to achieve compact pedestrian, bicycle, and transit-friendly urban development. Dana Nichols of the City's Planning Department is the Project Manager.

And what is the translation?

With these funds, as a community we can better plan for safer streets for all. This is a big win for Bandon.

Improvements in our transportation infrastructure benefits both residents and tourists: Investments in safe and accessible pedestrian walkways and bike lanes are investments in the health, sustainability and economic future of our community.

Bandon can open its streets and sidewalks to more people safely while walking and cycling.



Cycling in Bandon

Submitted by Michael Roderick of Bandon Bicycle Work | info@bandonbicycleworks.com

If you are a cyclist in Bandon you want to stay safe while riding our neighborhoods and catching ocean views.

More people of all ages are looking to live and work in areas that support their outdoor recreational opportunities and their desire to travel by bike or foot.

This creates economic development opportunities for Bandon.

We all benefit when Bandon invests in bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure —Motels, markets, restaurants, shops, local events.

In Bandon we can easily cycle or walk to jobs, schools, stores, services, and parks. We also want to find ways to be active while having fun. Creating a framework that supports non-motorized travel is an investment in which we can all benefit.

Communities who invest in infrastructure, see upticks in economic prosperity as well as public health and safety. Bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure will continue to rise in both popularity and importance for all cities who have an eye to the future.

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Surface Update on Playground in City Park

City Staff and the Park and Rec Commission has been considering a new surface for City Park's playground. The current surface has deteriorated overtime and is considered by some, an obnoxious material. To protect children from serious injury from falls, a new playground surface is needed and the old rubber tire surface removed.



This is a combination of turf and poured in place surface.

But what to Choose?

LOTS OF OPTIONS FOR SURFACES



Poured in place rubber

Easily accessible for children and families of all abilities, lots of colors and has a low maintenance cost.



Engineered wood fiber

Economical playground surfacing that is used in many playground spaces. It absorbs impact from falls; slip resistant surface.

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MORE PLAYGROUND SURFACES



Rubber Tiles

Eco-friendly, comes in a variety of colors and prevents serious injuries in case of falls.



Turf

Looks like grass and has a shock and drainage pad underneath.

City Park Appreciation Day Saturday April 29

Remember last year and how much FUN we had at Park Cleanup Day? Nearly 75 people showed their support of City Park. Back again with a new name is, Park Appreciation Day. Rain or shine, we even have indoor projects lined up.



City Park used to be a dense urban forest.
Help Friends and the Community to plant more trees.

Here's what's planned:

- Expand and improve the gravel pathway for the StoryWalk.
- Work with Disc Golfers to install course expansion
- General clean-up of flower beds, ivy removal, and cleaning projects
- Grounds Maintenance (if needed)
- Inside the Sprague Theater, some interior cleaning and painting projects

*People don't remember each tree in a park but
all of us benefit from the trees. - Yoko Ono*

OUR BANDON VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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Time for Renewals and Membership Drive

Friends of Bandon Parks and Recreation help support community projects and groups promoting our City's parks, sports, and recreational activities.

Just fill out application, attach a check and drop in mail.

Thank you for joining us!

BECOME A MEMBER!



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



FRIENDS OF BANDON PARKS AND RECREATION

First name: _____

Annual membership \$25

Last name: _____

Family \$45

Phone: _____

Student \$5

Email: _____

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Interests and skills: _____

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Bandon, OR 97411

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SECOND ANNUAL 5K

COLORFUL BUNNY RUN 2023

APRIL 15TH - 3PM
CITY PARK



SPONSORED BY:



Come join the fun (run/walk) ~ bring the family or run/walk alone. Watch for the Bunny!
\$10.00 person or \$25.00 for 3 or more (group)

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/second-annual-5k-colorful-bunny-run-tickets-521536097507>

Spring is coming

ANNUAL CITY PARK SPRING CLEANUP

Park Appreciation Day

Volunteers needed

**Parks and Recreation Commission
City of Bandon**



Saturday, April 29th

10 am to 1 pm

Meet at the Gazebo to sign-in

Paint, clean, rake & mulch

**Parks and Recreation
Commission**



Bandon by the Sea

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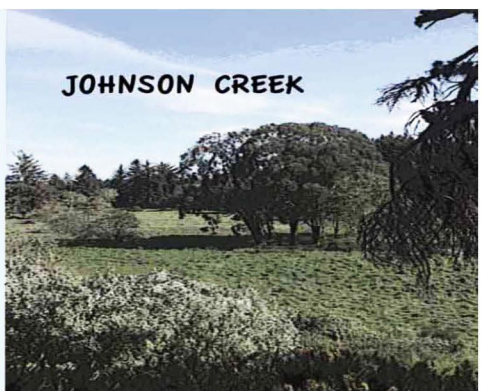
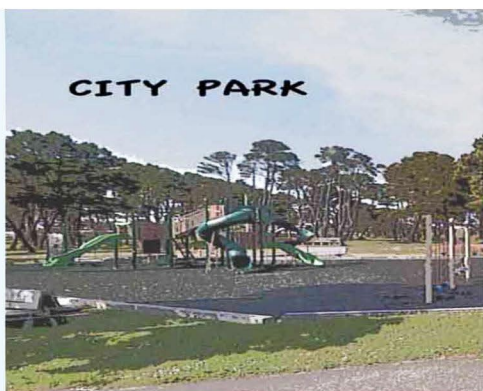
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What we do

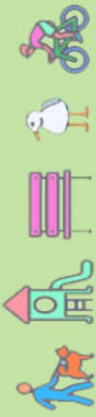
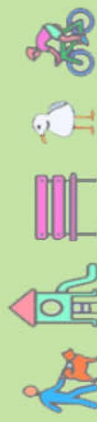
- Raise funds for special park projects
- Produce fun recreational events
- Craft community volunteer activities

Funding sources

- Membership fees
- Local funds from community and business
- Grants from private and public funding
- Endowments and memorial gifts

100% of funds are used for park programs and projects. All members are volunteers

Friends is affiliated with Greater Bandon Business Association, non-profit 501c3



Member benefits

- Receive priority invitations to events
- Get involved in education and leadership opportunities
- Share in selecting project priorities
- Research funding sources and writing

Volunteer benefits

- Attend events throughout the year
- Connect with local people
- Learn about Bandon and surrounding area
- Get some exercise
- Use your own expertise and talent
- Promote our city and our parks



JOIN US

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"Parks and playgrounds are the heart of the city"
Marty Rubin



Our mission is to encourage thriving parks for a healthy community for generations to come.



Bandon by the Sea
bandoncares.org