



Friends of Bandon Parks

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Message from Christine Hall

Hi Members and Supporters,

Thank you for taking your time to read this monthly newsletter. Let me know if there is a topic you want discussed or an update on what is happening with our three City Parks. Write an email and I'll do my best to find answers or cover the info in the next newsletter.

Please share this newsletter. And encourage others to join friends of Bandon Parks. We use our dues to pay for improvements in our parks and the City. We write grants to fund bigger projects. We partner with the City, the Library and GBA.



Johnson Creek Greenway

The City of Bandon completed the purchase of the Old Golf course property on Beach Loop— all 37 plus acres. This is an amazing piece of property that generations will thank the visionaries who decided this land needs to belong to the City.

But, What's a Greenway?

According to Oxford dictionary, it is a strip of undeveloped land near an urban area, set aside for recreational use or environmental protection.



Visited Seedlings for Fall Planting

We got a HOT Tip on Sitka Spruce and Doug firs

A Bandon neighbor saves seedlings that grow in her yard. And there are lots. These happy accidents are cared for and placed in pots until she finds them a home.

Johnson Creek Greenway and City Park will be their future new home. Come Fall, its all hands to plant 25 trees in City Park and 50 at Johnson Creek Greenway. Stay tuned.



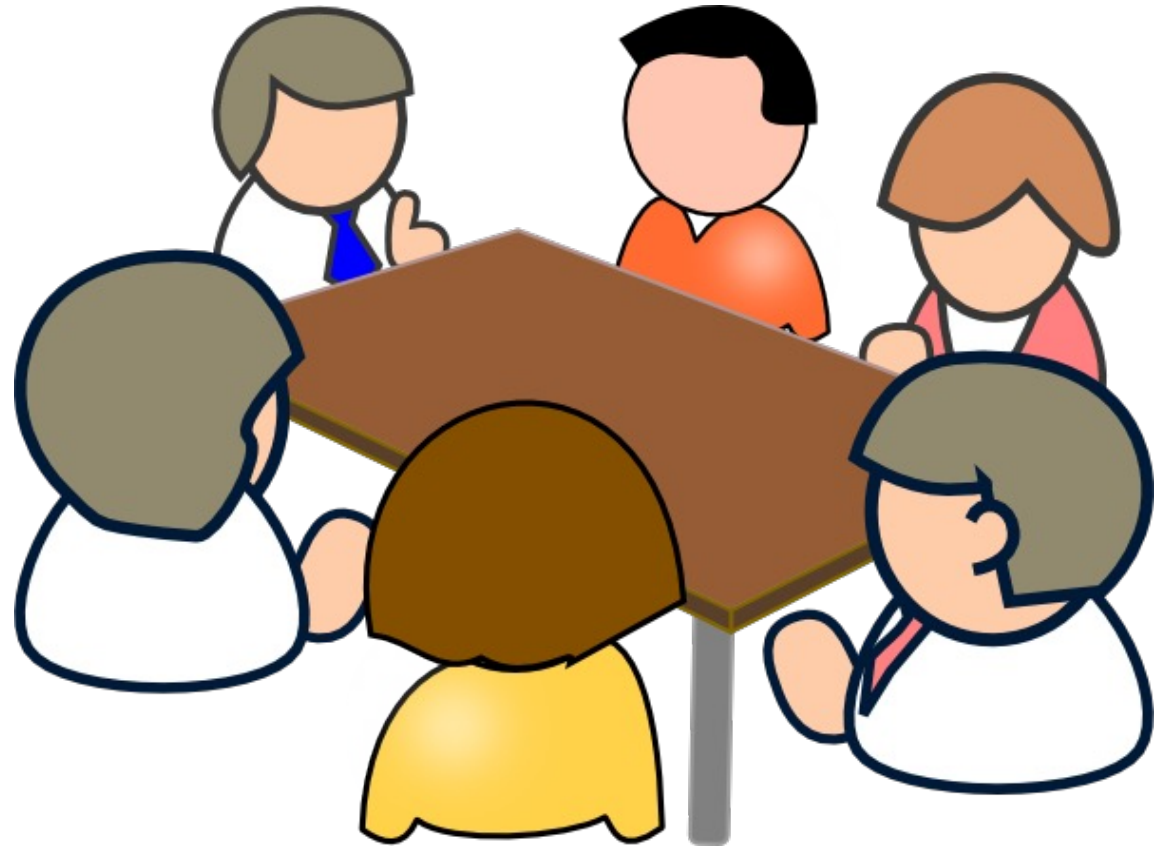
Recap of Arbor Day in Pics

The Bandon Park and Rec Commissioners Nicole Cline and Shannon Hartlep created an entertaining and educational event for all ages.



The Park and Rec Commission News

- Plans are just beginning for a Cleanup and Work Party at City Park. We'll paint, water trees, clean up brush and whatever it takes to spruce things up.
- We have written a **Letter of Intent** for a grant to begin to create the the StoryWalk Path accessible to all users.
- Completed writing two grants to the Oregon Park and Rec Dept for a playground equipment grant and a Planning Grant- —both for City Park.



Wish us LUCK!

Friends Award Up Close!



This is quite an honor for our small town to compete with much larger communities. It says a lot about our volunteers.

Pollinator Garden Coming Near You?

What's a pollinator garden?

Using mostly native species, these plants attract our ever decreasing pollinators. Bees, birds and insects all thrive on shrubs and flowers that bloom.

Right now Darcy Grahek is searching for public sites (sunny and non-windy preferred). The pollinator garden that could be enjoyed by nearby homes and businesses is ideal.

To learn more about creating gardens to support pollinators, contact Darcy of Stillwater Natives, <https://www.stillwater nativesnursery.com>

