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It's February and love is in the air. This month we are indulging in the variety of ways Oroville shows and receives love. From the love our farmers received this year to the love for some outstanding citizens to the love for our musical Hornets to love letters Oroville has received, Cupid has shot his arrow right down Main Street Oroville this month. So grab your cinnamon heart mocha and read on to find out what's happening this month in Oroville.

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## The Streetscape/ TOI Update



**CITIZENS OF THE YEAR!**

*Lynn & Lee Chapman*

**Citizens of the Year** - We are thrilled to announce that Streetscape's Lynn Chapman and The Oroville Initiative's Lee Chapman were awarded Citizens of the Year by the Oroville WA Chamber of Commerce! Lynn's tireless efforts and love for flowers and trees continue to make the downtown streets of Oroville beautiful and Lee's efforts working on local projects and building partnerships with the City and Chamber continue to make a positive impact on Oroville.

**Show Your Love** - February is donor drive month. If you love what we do (and obviously you do as our "Citizens of the Year" are still blushing!) then why not consider a donation to Streetscape or the Oroville Initiative. You can donate online and indicate which group you would like to allocate funds to. And while you're at it, check out our new and improved website to learn more about the projects we have been working on at [www.theorovilleinitiative.com](http://www.theorovilleinitiative.com)

**Driving Community Engagement** - The Oroville Initiative has three main objectives: increasing community engagement, building partnerships and facilitating projects. We like to believe that this little ol' newsletter is helping grow community involvement! And this month we are asking you to "do us a solid" (*it is the month of love after all!*) and sign up for our online newsletter or give this newsletter to a friend and ask them to sign up. It's a simple way to show us some love!

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## Feeling the Love

**Love For Oroville Farmers** - The love just keeps going. Our friends at BlueBird awarded some of our local Oroville farmers with accolades for their orchards. An award for apples was given to FA Capote Orchards and two of our cherry farmers were awarded with "Best Lapins" to SanBros Farms and "Best Rainiers" to Benjamin & Kate Peterson. We know Kate Peterson is shown the love daily by many of Oroville's smallest residents as she is one of Oroville's beloved preschool teachers. Congratulations all! View the online version of the Coffee News to see the awards video.



**Love Letters To Oroville** - How many towns have love letters written to them?!? With Valentine's Day on the horizon, we were reminded of a sweet love letter to Oroville written by @thetravelingceo and found a new one written by Oroville student Allie F. The junior instructs newcomers to "not judge a book by its cover" and walks her readers down Main Street sharing all the hidden gems Oroville has to offer. She leaves us with "Oroville has the classic small town charm that everyone should be a part of at least once in their life." Read Allie's love letter to Oroville at [theorovilleinitiative.com](http://theorovilleinitiative.com). Happy Valentine's Day Oroville! We love you XOXO.

**Cheers To The Chamber** - The Oroville WA Chamber of Commerce was VERY busy this past month! They hosted the Molson Ice Fishing Derby in January and, despite the cold temps, the sun shone bright and many dedicated fishermen showed up for their chance to win. The Chamber also hosted a VERY successful Appreciation Dinner at the Oroville Golf Club. Over 90 community and business members came out to the event and our very own Lynn & Lee Chapman were honored at the event as Citizens of the Year. And finally, the Chamber retained the services of Rural Website Design (*who knew we had a website design company right here in downtown Oroville!?!*) to rebrand the Chamber website and improve member benefits. The new website will be launched soon. It's a great time to join the Oroville WA Chamber of Commerce

 See Shelly or Peggy at Umpqua Bank to pick up an application or attend the next meeting on February 13 at 6PM.

# The Oroville Coffee News

## Oroville Library

Wednesdays Crafternoon at 1:00 - 3:00

Thursdays Preschool Storytime at 10:30

**May Festival Selection Night** - The May Festival is already gearing up and Royalty Selection Night is Saturday, February 10, 2024 at 7:00 PM in the High School Commons. This year's festival honors 90 years of Oroville's May Festival with its theme of Turn Back Time - 90 years of May Festival.

**OSF Variety Show** - The Oroville Scholarship Foundation set the date for their Variety Show fundraiser for March 9 at the American Legion. For more information see [www.oroillescholarshipfoundation.org](http://www.oroillescholarshipfoundation.org)

**Hornet Reporters** - We are pleased to formally welcome three new Oroville student reporters to the Oroville Coffee News: Allie Frederickson, Isabelle Stokes and Steven Brand. Allie is a Junior at OHS, co-editor of the High School newspaper, a cross country team member and an active participant in Upward Bound. Steven is a Junior at OHS, co-editor of the High School newspaper, a saxophone player in the OHS band and a baseball player. Isabelle is an OHS Senior, a Running Start student and a reporter for the OHS newspaper. Be on the lookout for these three out in the community reporting on what's happening in Oroville.



## THE HORNET REPORT

**Grants For Oroville** - Congratulations to teachers Ali Covey and Marcus Alden for their work on securing a \$187,000 grant for the greenhouse and school kitchen and furthering the school's "Farm to Table" initiative.



**Musical Medals** - The OHS band traveled to Wenatchee the last weekend of January to compete in regionals and returned with 5 "Superiors" and two students, Steven Brand and Dylan Herrick, heading to State! Congratulations to all our musical Hornets and Music Director Valerie Coolidge! If you want to see this talented group perform keep an eye on the Senior Center calendar for performances there.

**Glow in the Dark Fun** - The Class of 2024 is hosting a family dance on Sunday February 25th at 4:00 - 6:00PM. All ages are welcome and the cost is \$10 per family. Dress in your best glow in the dark or neon attire and come out for a night of fun and food, taco plates are available for \$5. Come join the OHS senior class for this fun filled family night and help the Class of 2024 raise money for their senior trip.

**Students Love Their Java** - This month OHS student, Isabelle, did a business feature on Java Junkie Espresso. Isabelle notes Java Junkie is "one of the most popular coffee shops in Oroville Washington, mainly with the students of Oroville High School" and "if you ever need a good pick me-up, go check out Java Junkie!" Read the full article about all Isabelle's favorite drinks and snacks at [www.theorovilleinitiative.com/business-java-junkie](http://www.theorovilleinitiative.com/business-java-junkie)

**Coffee with the Principals** - Grab a coffee with High School Principal Achondo Wednesday Feb 14 at 8:00am & Elementary Principal Theis Friday Feb 2 at 8:15am. Please check in at the office upon arrival.

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## February Community Meetings

Oroville Booster Club  
Tuesday February 6  
6PM OHS Commons

Oroville City Council  
Tuesday February 6 & 20  
7PM City Hall

Chamber of Commerce  
Tuesday February 13  
6PM Library Civic Room

Oroville School Board  
Monday February 26  
6:30 OHS Library

The Oroville Initiative  
Thursday February 22  
6PM Library Civic Room



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