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Despite the cold, the Oroville Chamber of Commerce's Business Trick or Treat was a huge success this year. Thanks to all the businesses who participated! As the leaves change colors and the air turns crisp, we are reminded that the holiday season is upon us. It's a time for reflection, gratitude, and coming together as a community. So grab a Pumpkin Pie latte, get comfy (and warm!) and read on to find out what's happening in Oroville in November!

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## What's Blooming? (The Streetscape/ TOI Update)



**Tree Board Meeting** - Streetscape is looking for new Tree Board members. The Oroville Tree Board recommends locations for new trees and identifies which trees need to be replaced in downtown Oroville. A Tree Board meeting is planned for later in November (date TBD). If you are interested in joining this group please contact Lynn Chapman 509-560-3174, or [leechap46@gmail.com](mailto:leechap46@gmail.com).

**TOI Meeting** - Our monthly meetings have moved to the Oroville Library. This month we meet on Thursday November 16 at 6PM at the Library and will be reviewing information for a visitor brochure. If you have ever been curious about how to get involved in the Oroville community this meeting is for you!

Join us and meet the people who make it their mission to make Oroville an even better place to live and work.

**Goodbye Snowbirds** - 'Tis the season that we say goodbye to many of our Streetscape Snowbirds who go south for the winter. This season, we have a particularly sad good-bye to say to our friends Koop & Sonja Myklebust who are moving away to be closer to family. Sonja has been a great help to Streetscape for many seasons and was the inspiration for "Shine On Oroville". If you didn't catch her performances of Patsy Cline ('23) and Dr Hook ('22) you really missed out! Good luck, Sonja & Koop!



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## What's Happening in Oroville in November?

**Taking on the Texaco Station** - We were thrilled to see the City of Oroville and Building Official Bryan Forbus step in last month and "take on" the Texaco Station on Main street. The broken windows and general state of disrepair at the empty gas station has been a topic of discussion in the community for some time. Last month, with the support of City Council, officials were able to step in and enforce the building codes that were being violated. The property has since been repaired and cleaned up. Great job to all involved!

**Abandoned Building & Vacant Lots Strategies** - With the City of Oroville taking a proactive step in ensuring the cleanup of the vacant Texaco station, it reminds us that there is still more to do to restore Oroville's downtown. To restore our downtown core to its former glory, we must work collectively as a community. Every small effort, every individual's contribution, and every local business's involvement can bring us one step closer to our shared vision. There are resources available online that address abandoned buildings and vacant lots and the Okanogan County Economic Alliance recently released a report on how Okanogan County communities can address abandoned buildings and vacant lots. We hope this is the beginning of more downtown revitalization!

**Realtors Who Rock** - We are cheering on ProStaff Realty this month as they beautify Main Street Oroville. Prostaff "crushed" the weedy ditch that once bordered their Main Street parking lot. Many loads of crushed rock, lots of black plastic, and hours of labor have left this real estate office looking great! Thanks ProStaff for helping make Main Street Oroville look great! *And by the way ProStaff, we think all your new clients moving to town might enjoy our monthly newsletter, just sayin!*

**Music at Rancho Grande** - Check out Jay Blucher on Tuesday November 7 at 6PM and Los Tenampa on Friday November 10 at 9:30PM at Rancho Grande.

**Your Vote Counts!** - Remember to get your ballot in by November 7.





# The Oroville Coffee News

Christmas WITH A COP

**Batiking at Oroville Public Library** - On Tuesday, November 7 at 4pm, the Library will be hosting a Batik class. Design your own book bag using the wax-resist dye method of batik. Supplies will be provided on a first come first serve basis but do bring an apron or shirt you don't mind getting a little messy to protect your clothing. This hands-on learning experience is for adults, teens, and school-aged children accompanied by an adult helper. All library programs are free!

**Christmas with a Cop** - The Oroville Police Department has begun planning their "Christmas with a Cop" event. The event spreads Christmas cheer to community children. Last year's event included pictures with the Grinch, lunch by the American Legion, storytime, a gingerbread house-building competition, interactive games and holiday crafts. Donations can be sent to the Oroville Police Department C/O Oroville Assembly of God 623 Central Oroville, WA. 98844. Checks are payable to Oroville Assembly of God. Please designate "Christmas with a Cop" in the memo section of the check or money order.

**Oroville Community Christmas Bazaar** - Mark your calendar, the Oroville Community Christmas Bazaar is coming. Friday November 17th from 5:00 - 8:00PM and Saturday November 18th from 10:00AM - 2:00 PM, local vendors and artisans will fill the Oroville Elementary Gymnasium with hand-crafted items and Christmas gift ideas. 808 Main Street

**Showcasing Local Artisans** - The Local Granola is once again hosting Vendor Saturdays. Starting Saturday, November 4th from 11am-3pm, the Local Granola will feature local vendors and live music for this weekly indoor event! Vendor Saturdays will continue through April (no Vendor Saturdays in January). See their website for more information.  
<http://www.thelocalgranola.com>



**Coffee and Conversation with the Principal** - Mrs. Achondo, OHS Principal, will be hosting her 3rd Coffee and Conversation with the Principal on Wednesday, November 15th at 8:00am. Parents and community members are invited. Please check in at the main office upon your arrival.

**Growing in the Greenhouse** - The school district greenhouse was popular this past month! Second grade planted some lettuce seeds and the high school students were hard at work starting seeds and getting the Hydroponics going. Once established, the plantings will produce roughly 50 lettuce plants a week for the cafeteria! Way to go Hornets!

**Cross Country at State** - Congratulations to Araceli Esquivel and Allie Fredrickson for qualifying to compete in the State Championship for Cross Country. Go Hornets!

**Oroville Students Go To Oregon** - Several OHS Upward Bound Math & Science students took a trip to Oregon this past month to tour the University of Oregon, visit some museums and the Oregon Coast Aquarium. The Upward Bound Math and Science program is designed to strengthen the math and science skills of participating students. The goal of the program is to help students recognize and develop their potential to excel in math and science and to encourage them to pursue postsecondary degrees in math and science, and ultimately careers in the math and science profession.

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**November Community Meetings**

- Oroville Booster Club  
Monday November 6  
6PM OHS Commons
- Oroville City Council  
Tuesday November 7 & 21  
7PM City Hall

- The Oroville Initiative  
Thursday November 16  
6PM Oroville Library
- Oroville Chamber of Commerce  
Tuesday November 14  
6PM Umpqua Bank
- Oroville School Board  
Monday November 27  
6:30 OHS Library