



## **MARCH 2023**

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It's March and we're feeling like lucky leprechauns living at the end of the rainbow (Hwy 97!) in this "pot of gold" we call Oroville! We're looking forward to celebrating St Patrick's Day with some corned beef, cabbage and green beer. Speaking of beer, we hear our friends at Pastime may be serving up some Ogre Stout to toast the holiday! This month, we are focused on all things green - green trees, green energy and well, money 😊. So grab your Mint Shamrock Americano and catch up on what's happening in Oroville.

# What's Blooming? (The Streetscape Update)

Green Givers - The annual Streetscape donor letter has been mailed out. We rely on our donors to help us make Oroville an inviting place for residents and visitors to enjoy. Donations are used for the downtown flower pots, flower beds, new trees, various park upgrades, and more. If you would like to donate, donations can be made to "Oroville Streetscape/TOI" PO Box 987 Oroville WA, 98844. Thank you to all our donors and supporters!

Green "Sprites" - Two new trees, City Sprite Zelkovas, have been ordered from Deer Park and will be picked up by Streetscape members in April. The new trees are replacements for existing downtown trees; a tree removed from the west side of Main and Appleway and a tree on the eastside of Ironwood and Central, beside Umpqua. The annual Arbor Day celebration will be hosted by the Friends of the Oroville Library at Madeline Wells Park on Saturday, April 22. The celebration will include some educational opportunities, hands-on activities for children, and maybe even free tree seedling giveaways so SAVE THE DATE!



**Keeping it Green** - The Oroville Initiative is looking at some new "green" initiatives. With a major artery running through the heart of Oroville, our downtown is a prime location for EV charging stations. The TOI has recently been researching different types of charging stations, locations for the stations and the positive economic impact these charging stations could have on downtown Oroville. The TOI is also busy promoting Oroville by placing ads in targeted publications in an effort to bring more visitors to our community. You can see the map they are using to lure cyclists and motorbiking enthusiasts here https://www.theorovilleinitiative.com/discover

A Lucky Ladies Meeting - We are planning our March Streetscape meeting at My Place Coffee and Cream at 811 Appleway Street on Wednesday, March 15 at 11:00AM. Please feel free to join us and find out what we will be up to in the Spring.

# What's Happening in Oroville?

# **March Madness: Oroville Fundraising**

Seems there are a lot of fundraising events going on in March in Oroville. On Saturday March 4, the Oroville Booster Club is hosting "Pork n' Dash" Music Bingo and offering a pulled pork dinner and dessert dash. Tickets are \$35 for Bingo and



Dinner starts at 5PM and \$20 for Bingo only starts at 7PM at The American Legion. Tickets are available at https://ticketstripe.com/OrovilleBooster\_March42023

On Thursday, March 9, the Oroville Scholarship Foundation is hosting a Variety Show and Auction at the Brickhouse. Doors open at 5PM, show and auction start at 6PM. Come out and see local talent and bid on some great items like 4 Omak Stampede Tickets, 2 nights at Sun Mountain Lodge in Winthrop, and golf round for 4 at the Oroville Golf Club.

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A New"ish" Sports Bar - Rancho Grande has reopened their bar! Located in the back of the restaurant, the new Sports Bar features many big screen TVs and a pool table for customers to use. It's great to see businesses in our downtown expanding and providing residents and visitors with more options. Side note: We also found out that Rancho's beautiful new signs were made in-house by Rancho's Manager, Sal.

# Coffee News

MARCH @ OROVILLE LIBRARY
WEDNESDAYS AT 1:00pm
CRAFTERNOON for adults
THURSDAYS AT 10:30am
PRESCHOOL STORY TIME
SATURDAYS AT 11:00am
FAMILY WINTER CRAFT DAY

**March at the Oroville Library** - Wednesdays at 1pm is Crafternoon for adults. Bring a project you are working on and get together with other crafters. Knitting, crocheting, beading, and more are welcome! Come to the library Thursdays at 10:30am for Preschool Storytime. And finally, Saturdays at 11am, the library hosts Winter Craft Saturday with a family-friendly craft.

**Line Dancing at the Grange** - Things are in full "swing" at the Oroville Grange. The Grange is now offering Line Dancing! Come out to the Oroville Grange every Thursday at 7:00PM for some fun!

**Survey Says!** - The Friends of the Oroville Library are looking for community input regarding the renovation of Madeline Wells Park. Let your opinion and concerns be known by filling out their survey available online at

https://Orovillefriends.wixsite.com/parksurvey. Hard copies are available at the library (in English and Spanish).



**Annual Community Yard Sale** - The Oroville Chamber of Commerce is preparing for the Annual Oroville Community Yard Sale. This community event will be held on Saturday April 15. Please contact orovillewa98844@orovillewachamber.com or call Shelly at 509-560-3509 by April 1st to get your address on the yard sale map.

**Did you know?** The DMV office on Appleway is now open again. Thursdays only.



On February 25, **May Festival Royalty** were selected in a ceremony at OHS. Congratulations to Queen Lauren Rawley and Princesses Araceli Esquivel, Deana Lohnes and Samantha Sherrer!



OHS senior, Wyatt Elias, is **State Wrestling Champion**! Wyatt traveled to the Tacoma Dome on February 19, won four matches in the 132 pound class and was named State Champion! Congratulations Wyatt!

**Spring Sports** are starting up at OHS; baseball, softball, soccer, tennis, track, and golf, to name a few. Find the sports calendar at http://www.orovilleathletics.com or see the highlights on the Oroville School District's Facebook page.

**Orchid Hill Flower Shop** - Jenna Watkins met the OHS newspaper crew at the door of the Orchid Hill Florals with a welcoming and warm smile. The Orchid Hill Florals has been opened for business since

October 2021. They sell flowers, plants, balloons, gifts, chocolates, and stuffed animals. "I enjoy working with flowers and putting a smile on people's faces. Oroville needed something like this" said Jenna. Their hours of operation are Tuesday to Friday from 12 to 5. Go visit this beautiful local flower shop for the comforting atmosphere and great service. 811 12th Avenue, Oroville (on the south side of Frontier Foods building) *Article written by OHS student Isabella*.

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