### THE *FLASH* OF TALENT

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# Medals of Honor Awarded to Talent Officers

At the August 15, 2001 meeting of the City Council, Lieutenant Kevin Kriz and Police Reserve Officer Jim Whalen were awarded Medals of Honor for saving the life of baby Miles Chamberlain.

On the night of July 1st, Officer Tracy Lenhardt and Reserve Officer Jim Whalen responded to a call of a newborn not breathing. Lieutenant Kriz, who arrived shortly after the two officers, coached Officer Whalen as he administered rescue breathing and a midwife performed chest compressions. Because of their quick-thinking and determination, Miles **Whalen** Lloyd Chamberlain is alive and well today.

The City would like to recognize these two individuals for their heroism. Even though both officers say the real hero was baby Miles, we'd have to say he learned from the best!

## City Council Agenda Items

September 5, 2001 - 6:45 p.m.

#### New Business:

Discussion of Resolution No. 01-602-R, setting fees for the use of the Community Hall. Subject to adoption.

Review Resolution No. 01-601-R, regarding the City of Talent's membership in the City/County Insurance Services Trust.

Review agreement between the City of Talent and Montgomery Watson Americas, Inc (MW).

Review repair recommendation which is subject to the change order policy the City Council enacted upon entering into the construction agreement.

(Complete agenda packets available for review at City Hall, 204 East Main Street)

## Planning Department Focuses on Comprehensive Plan

In early July, the City of Talent hired Kevin Cronin as its full-time City Planner. Since his first day of employment, Kevin has been working on a project that was started in 1995 - updating a number of the City's Comprehensive Plan elements and implementing ordinances to reflect changing needs of the community. Some of these updates are required by the Department of Land Conservation and Development's periodic review

process, while others are being implemented to help meet the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan.

The public is invited to review the documents and provide comments and suggestions for improvement.

If you have any questions or would like to know how *you* can participate in the process, please contact Kevin Cronin, City Planner, at 535-7401 or send him an e-mail. His address is kevin@cityoftalent.org.

## "Cop Talk" By Officer Shane Wilson

The Talent Police Department is looking to expand its reserve officer program. Reserve officers act in close support of, and in many cases in replacement of, police officers employed by the City of Talent. Although reserves are not paid, their performance and ability levels are expected to match those of department personnel. Reserve officers are an integral supplement to the department and are provided with the training necessary to achieve a high level of professionalism.

To become a reserve officer you must be at least 21 years of age and have a valid Oregon driver's license and a high school diploma.

Applicants must submit an employment application and pass and complete academic, practical, and field training curriculums.

If you are interested in becoming a reserve officer for the City of Talent, you can pick up an application at the Police Department at 604 Talent Avenue, 8 a.m.- 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you have further questions, please contact myself (Officer Wilson) or Officer Freeman at 535-1253. My e-mail address is wilsontpd@hotmail.com.

Schedule of Events for Harvest Yard Debris Service Comes to Talent

Starting in September 2001, Ashland Sanitary & Recycling will begin bi-weekly, **curbside** yard debris collection in Talent.

# Festival

The City of Talent and Jackson County Fire District No. 5 will be hosting this year's Talent Harvest Festival on Saturday, September 8th.

Plan on bringing the entire family – there will be something for everybody!

The day will start with a run followed by a **parade at 10 a.m.** After the parade, come on down to the festival area. There will be **food and craft booths, games, pony rides, face painting, a cake walk, coloring contest for kids, blacksmithing demonstration, art exhibit, and lots more!** 

You can also check out activities happening at both the Downtown Park (skatepark) and Library Park (behind City Hall). The following events have been scheduled:

### Library Park Band Shell

11:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Kaikamahine O'lesu Hula Dancers

12:15 p.m. to 12:45 p.m. Talent Youth Strings (violinists)

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. "Thirty Years After" (classic rock 'n roll band)

### Downtown Park (Skatepark)

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. KBOY 95.7—Broadcasting live

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bike It Exhibition—bikes, skateboards, and inlines residents inside the city limits, even if you do not have garbage service.

Each participant will be provided with a 95-gallon roll cart. All you have to do is fill it with your yard trimmings, then Ashland Sanitary & Recycling will pick it up every other week on your regularly, scheduled trash day (on Wednesdays in Talent). The collected yard debris will then be composted at the Dry Creek composting facility, keeping it out of the landfill. It is important that you do not mix trash or garbage with yard debris.

On Tuesday, November 13, 2001, Ashland Sanitary and Recycling will be hosting a *free*, one-day, leaves and grass disposal event from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Water Street Recycle Depot in Ashland. You can also bring your yard debris at *any time* to the Valley View Transfer Station (3000 N. Valley View Road) for a cost of \$5.00 per cubic yard.

If you have any questions, please call Ashland Sanitary & Recycling at 482-1471.

### Council Adopts Greenway Master Plan

On August 15, 2001, the Talent's City Council unanimously adopted the Greenway Master Plan for Bear and Wagner Creeks. This plan provides a "framework" for city staff and volunteers to enhance the existing system and continue to develop a "green infrastructure" inside city limits and the urban growth boundary (UGR) 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. "Knumb" (grunge rock band)

### **Community Hall**

12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Chautauqua Lecture: "La Raza Sin Fronteras," by Jim Garcia, Diversity Coordinator at Lane Community College in Eugene.

Join our community as we celebrate the harvest. Don't let the fun pass you by – mark your calendar and plan to attend the Talent Harvest Festival!

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City staff plan to produce a condensed version of the Master Plan for the public. An Executive Summary will highlight the findings of the natural resources inventory, summarize the recommendations of the Greenway Committee, and provide direction on a list of action strategies for implementing the vision of the Greenway Master Plan. After final edits and formatting, staff will search for local publishers and graphic artists to assist in the final production of the document.

If you would like to review the Greenway Master Plan, please stop by City Hall, 204 East Main Street. Or, if you plan on attending the Harvest Festival (Saturday, September 8th), stop by the Greenway's information booth—the master plan will be on display.