

# City of Carlton Community Updates

August 25, 2023



*"Community is when we are of service to others  
instead of ourselves"*

*~Unknown*



## Upcoming Events

- September 4th Labor Day  
City Offices Closed
- September 5th First Day of School!
- September 5th City Council Meeting  
6:00pm
- September 9th Cycle Oregon Event in  
Wennerberg Park
- September 11 Planning Commission  
Meeting at 6pm

To see a full list of meetings, closures, and events, you can visit the [City of Carlton Calendar](#) on our website.

## News & Events

KEEPING YOU IN-THE-KNOW ABOUT WHAT IS HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY

### Community Alert!

The invasive Emerald Ash Borer has been found in parks in Cornelius, OR. We have several Ash trees in the lower park, please be on the look out and report any sightings of these pests!



### August 2023

**Trees surveyed to date: 9,407 (95% are trees in Washington County)**

**# of trees with confirmed EAB presence: 130**

**Square miles known to be infested with EAB: 2.9**

#### In this issue:

- EAB found in ash trees in Cornelius
- Most calls to the state's invasive species hotline are look-alikes
- Peak emergence of EAB adults has passed
- No EAB found so far in traps in outlying counties

#### EAB confirmed in ash trees at two Cornelius parks

The Oregon Dept. of Agriculture (ODA) has confirmed the presence of emerald ash borer in ash trees in two parks in Cornelius, a community of over 13,000 people in Washington County just east of Forest Grove. Both parks are less than two miles from the site in Forest Grove where EAB was first discovered in June 2022. Tarrybrooke and Harleman parks are only about a quarter of a mile apart on the city's westside. The presence of EAB in ash trees in those parks is not unexpected given the closeness to the first site reported last year. Cornelius residents, like the rest of Washington County, are already under a wood quarantine to help slow the spread of EAB to areas outside the county.

For more information and to report sightings, please click the link below:

[Emerald Ash Borer — Oregon Invasive Species Council](#)

## August News

### Community Health & Safety

*“For a community to be whole and healthy, it must be based on people’s love and concern for each other.”*

*- Millard Fuller*

Emergency preparedness starts with you  
**be prepared**



make a plan



build a kit



stay informed

In thinking about the devastation that the Maui fires have caused, and the amount of suffering the people of the island have endured, we think it wise to prepare ourselves should a catastrophic event happen in our area.

Click the link below to be taken to the National Fire Protection Association page that has some great information and lists on how to prepare ourselves and our homes for wildfire.

<https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Fire-causes-and-risks/Wildfire/Preparing-homes-for-wildfire>



## Planning & Admin Department

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## Department Links

[Planning | City of Carlton Oregon](#)

[City Council | City of Carlton Oregon](#)

[Planning Commission | City of Carlton Oregon](#)

[Carlton Pool | City of Carlton Oregon](#)

# Weekly Report

### Planning

- The Carlton Planning Commission is seeking a youth (under 21) ex-officio member to serve on the Planning Commission. Please contact Aimee Amerson for details on the position and how to apply at 503-852-7575

### Parks & Rec

- Last day for the Carlton Pool is Saturday, September 2nd
- NOTICE—Wennerberg Park will be closed to the public during the Cycle Oregon Event that takes place on September 9th-11th

### NEW—Watch our Civic Center grow!

Follow this link to updates and pictures to the Civic Center Construction Project:

<https://www.ci.carlton.or.us/community/page/general-information>





## Code Enforcement

Code Compliance Team  
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## Code Corner



You have likely noticed some of the construction projects happening within the city. Because of the potential disruption some may experience during work on a construction site, we wanted to share a few applicable ordinances:

### Noise Levels

- Construction crews are responsible for maintaining reasonable noise levels between 7:00am-7:00pm during week days, and 8:00am-7:00pm on week-ends and city holidays
- Emergency work does not require written authorization for special work hours

### Accessible Equipment

- During the course of construction, crews may maintain equipment, devices and materials as necessary, so long as reasonable safeguards are maintained to prevent injury to the public

### Right of Way Access

- No equipment, materials or vehicles are to obstruct the sidewalk, pedestrian path or other right-of-way spaces outside of the construction site

### Permitting

- Any firm or corporation seeking to erect, enlarge, or repair a building within the city of Carlton must apply and receive a permit for the proposed work.

Please obey any signs crews set up to ensure your safety.

The construction crew for the civic center site has been hard at work, and the building is making progress. Please visit the city's website to see updates and learn more about this project:

<https://www.ci.carlton.or.us/community/page/general-information>

You are also free to attend City Council sessions via Zoom each month if you would like to stay up to date on the latest city news.



# Police Department

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## Carlton Police Department Mission Statement

*The mission of the Carlton Police Department is to provide a safe community through the professional delivery of police services and by working in partnership with the citizens of Carlton. To this end, we will provide the highest quality of law enforcement services within our ability. We will hold ourselves accountable to the community and the professional standards of Oregon Law Enforcement. We recognize that our most valuable resource is our officers and will strive to create a positive working atmosphere where creativity and participation abound. We will continually serve the people of the community, striving for excellence in all that we do.*

## Weekly Report



### Slow Down: Back to School Means Sharing the Road

#### Head Up, Phone Down

School days bring congestion: School buses are picking up their passengers, kids on bikes are hurrying to get to school before the bell rings, harried parents are trying to drop their kids off before work. It's never more important for drivers to slow down and pay attention than when kids are present – especially before and after school.

#### Sharing the Road with Young Pedestrians

- Don't block the crosswalk when stopped at a red light or waiting to make a turn, forcing pedestrians to go around you; this could put them in the path of moving traffic
- Be extra vigilant in school zones and residential neighborhoods
- In a school zone when flashers are blinking, stop and yield to pedestrians crossing the crosswalk or intersection
- Always stop for a school patrol officer or crossing guard holding up a stop sign
- Take extra care to look for children in school zones, near playgrounds and parks, and in all residential areas
- Never pass a vehicle stopped for pedestrians
- Always use extreme caution to avoid striking pedestrians wherever they may be, no matter who has the right of way
- If you're driving behind a bus, allow a greater following distance than if you were driving behind a car. It will give you more time to stop once the lights start flashing. It is illegal in all 50 states to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.
- Traffic must stop from BOTH lanes of traffic when the bus is stopped with the red light flashing during the loading or unloading of children

By exercising a little extra care and caution, drivers and pedestrians can co-exist safely in school zones.