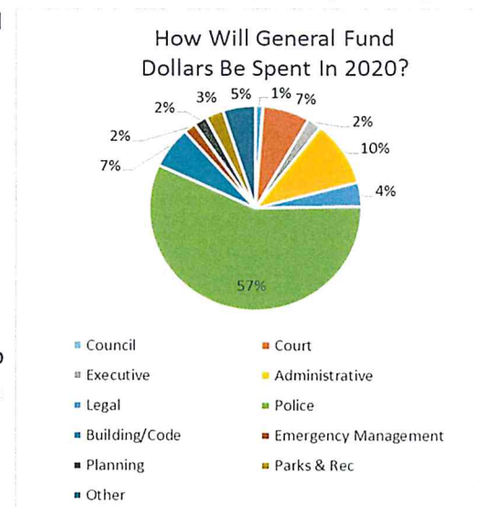
2020 City of Orting Budget

On November 25th, the Orting City Council adopted the 2020 Budget. The focus of this year's budget discussions were primarily how to appropriate the general fund. The general fund budget which pays for services including the police, court, council, planning, building, executive, recreation, animal control, jail, some administrative costs like the city clerk and the finance staff has a forecasted revenue of $3.67 million and budgeted expenses of $3.66 million. Priorities in the general fund for 2020 include making investments in emergency management, purchasing an additional police vehicle and code enforcement vehicle, and continuing to fund the construction of the new municipal building consisting of the Police Station, Court Chambers, Council Chambers and City Hall. The pie chart to the right shows how general fund dollars are budgeted to be spent.



In addition to the services listed the city also maintains parks, streets, a cemetery and water, sewer and stormwater utilities. The big goals of these services include: investing in the Southwest Connector which will help improve traffic flow through town; continuing to seek partners for the funding of the evacuation bridge over Highway 162; constructing a new soccer field at Gratzer park; design work on sewer facility improvements; and design and construction of improved stormwater conveyance along Calistoga Street West.

For more information on the budget please visit the city's website.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Saturday December 7th

FUN ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES!

*Senior Center Bazaar *Eagles Kids Events *Holiday Vendors in the Park
*Entertainment *BBQ Area Fire *Strolling Carolers *Santa & Friends
*Community Caroling at Bell Tower *Jazz Band *Christmas Music
*Army (Cookies, Drinks and Crafts) *Tree Lighting
*Community Gathering for the Holidays

For questions please contact Beckie Meek at recreation@cityoforting.org or 360.893.2219 ext. 120

WHO IS DECORATING THE TOWN?

Do you wonder how this Small Town with a Big View gets prepared and so Festive each year for the Christmas Holidays? There are many people behind the scenes! Without them the place would not be beautiful this time of year!

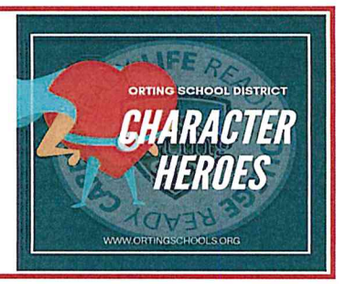
*****A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR MANY VOLUNTERS*****

*George Wilson, Vickey Wilson, Kurt Thibodeau, James Merritt, Becky Lorasch, Ron Johnson, Kimberly Johnson, & Jesses Naylor prepare the garlands by adding the lights all day on the Saturday before Thanksgiving to hang above the street!
*Orting Community Baptist Church does the layout of Nativity Scene up at the North Park!
*Banners, Garlands, Bells and Christmas Lights are hung by our great City Crew!
*Gazebo is decorated in white lights by organizer Arlene Dannat along with Dr. Ehlen and many others helping out donating funds to replenish the lights that are broken lights each year!
*Beckie Meek adds the bows and organizing the Home for the Holidays Event Day!

*****HOME FOR THE HOIDAYS EVENT PREPERATION WORK*****

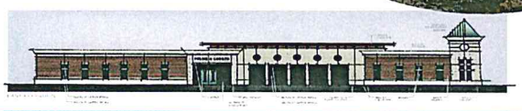
*Eagles prepare for the Kids Activities at the Eagles from 2-4pm!
*Orting Senior Center does their Christmas Bazaar from 9-5pm!
*Kelly with Shepard of the Valley organizes the Caroling!
*Kristin Merrill organizes the Holiday Vendors in the park!
*Pierce County Fire District #18 prepares the Wood in the BBQ Area to keep us warm 3-5pm!
*JBLM comes and participates with us on our fun day and provides cookies, drinks and activities!
*Santa and Friends come to Visit for the Tree Lighting and Pictures in the Gazebo!
*The Mayor counts down for the tree lighting at 5pm Sharp!

The Orting School District is excited to continue our culture of caring by recognizing the phenomenal feats of strong character by students, staff and community members - and you can help! Character Heroes gives you the power to highlight acts of strong character. Did you see an act of kindness? Did someone show commitment in the face of adversity or selflessly help someone else? Did a student demonstrate commitment to learning? Recognize them as a Character Hero on our website at www.ortingschools.org. No good deed is too small!



New Construction Is Underway!

The New Police Station/ Court Chambers/Council Chambers/City Hall is under construction! Plans to be complete by Late Aug./Early Sept.!



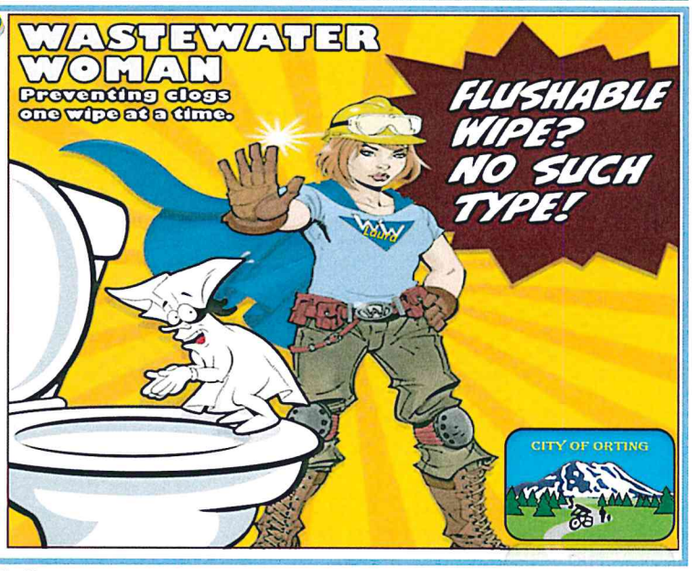
Are Flushable Wipes Safe To Flush???

In recent years, pre-moistened "flushable" wipes have been all the rage. They make promises to help you feel cleaner and fresher all while being completely safe for your sewer system, too. Flushable wipes are marketed in a variety of ways, including "septic safe," "breaks down like toilet paper," and "safe for sewer and septic." But are flushable wipes safe for septic and sewer systems really?

Flushable baby wipes and regular wipes been proven to take longer to break down when compared with traditional toilet paper. As they make their way down the pipes, rather than breaking down quickly, they start clogs that lead to blockages and cause serious damage.

It all starts in your pipes. Because the fabric in wipes holds together much longer than toilet paper, the wipes begin mixing with other particles in your system. Paper bits, grease, and other flushed debris quickly begin to build up, potentially causing a backup in your home.

Yet, in some cases, the wipes don't stop in your drain pipes and continue to flow. They get out into your main sewer line where they not only damage your home but also potentially the entire sanitation system. Once the mess begins meshing and compacting together, it can quickly build in size. Reports have shown backups caused by wipes have occurred around the world in sewer systems and caused sewer overflows, clogs at lift stations, and even disruption within the treatment plants. **Flushable wipes and regular wipe products are not flushable and only add to the problem to your pipes and the sewer system!!**



Orting Parks & Recreation

Orting is proud to connect its citizens and its guests to the beautiful setting around us. You can do everything from walking, running or biking on the Foothills Trail, fishing in the close-by rivers, to skateboarding, participation in a variety of classes sporting activities and all of this can be done within the picturesque backdrop of Mt. Rainier! Recreation is a part of important social interactions; the activity itself and the gains in knowledge and skills from participation. We hope you choose to participate in one or more of our programs. Make an investment in yourself. YOU are worth it! Our Hope is that you will enjoy our "Small Town, Big View" with FUN!

As of right now we offer the following programs: Dance Classes for All Ages (year round sessions), Puppy/Dog Training Classes (year round classes), Youth Baseball (April-June), Tots Soccer (Spring & Fall), Adult Softball (May-July), Mommy/Daddy & Me Soccer (Spring & Fall), Hit-Run-Pitch Competition (May), Youth Volleyball League (September-December), Daddy/Daughter Dance (June), Family Health-Nutrition-Fitness Class (year round classes), Painting Classes (monthly), Tumbling (year round), Movies in the Park (June-August); Giant Slip-n-Slide (Summer Hot Days); facility and athletic field rentals (year round). Successful programs typically have to meet minimum participation levels to make the program a go. Always make sure you register prior to a program/activity.

If you have an idea of a program/activity you'd like to see here in Orting, please share with us by email at recreation@cityoforting.org! We want to make your ideas become a reality.

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