

City News

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New Veneta city pool opens this month

By Ephraim Payne

City residents have gone four years without a municipal swimming pool, but they will have one this summer. City officials tentatively plan to host a grand opening celebration for the new city pool on June 26.

The seasonal, outdoor 25-yard/six-lane competitive pool and adjacent bathhouse were built on the site of the old city pool at City Park at the end of East Broadway. The facil-

ity is designed and plumbed for a separate teaching/play pool and therapeutic spa pool. But because of a fundraising gap, those much-desired features have not yet been installed.

Veneta Community Services Director Brian Issa said that the grand opening will feature a ribbon cutting ceremony from 12:30 to 1 p.m. followed by a free swimming session open to all community members between 1 and 5 p.m.

"We want people to come check out the pool and have fun," said Issa, adding that food, music and activities are planned for the opening.

The city will publish pool hours and fees in its summer recreation guide, which should be available throughout the community during the first week of June. Learn more about the pool in the expanded city newsletter online at: <http://www.ci.veneta.or.us/default.htm>

Friday market growing

By Ephraim Payne

The farmer's market is back. This year's Veneta Downtown Farmers' Market will run every Friday between June 4 and Sept. 24 from 2 to 6 p.m.

For its first four weeks, patrons will find the market at its customary location next to Our Daily Bread Restaurant on Territorial. Then, the market will move south on Territorial to the Veneta Elementary School parking lot.

The first Friday of each month will feature entertainment as well as local craftspeople and the customary farm vendors. The market's website (<http://www.ci.veneta.or.us/farmersmarket.html>) will have an event schedule and weekly updates of produce available at the market.

Learn more about the market in the expanded city newsletter online at: <http://www.ci.veneta.or.us/default.htm>

West Broadway work sets stage for development

By Ephraim Payne

Work starts this month on a construction project that will set the stage for Veneta's long planned downtown redevelopment.

The project area runs along West Broadway Avenue from Territorial to 4th Street, and will include the creation of a new street, Waldo Ave-

nue, and a 10-foot wide pedestrian pathway north of the new street.

Aside from building the new street, contractors will install municipal water and sewer pipes, new sidewalks and storm water treatment swales. The project will also feature new decorative street lighting to help give the new downtown the feel of a destination location.

Local residents can expect temporary traffic rerouting and some delays, but will have access to their properties in the affected area.

Officials say that low construction costs make this the time to build.

Learn more about the project in the expanded city newsletter online at: <http://www.ci.veneta.or.us/default.htm>

Notice to abate high grass

City of Veneta Municipal Code, Chapter 8.05.060 (3) requires that, between June 1 and September 30 of any year, no owner or person in charge of

property shall allow noxious vegetation to be on the property or in the right-of-way of a public thoroughfare abutting the property. An owner or person in charge of

property shall cut down or destroy grass, shrubbery, brush, bushes, weeds or other noxious vegetation as often as needed to prevent them from becoming un-

sightly, becoming a fire hazard, or, in the case of weeds or other noxious vegetation, from maturing or from going to seed.