



City of Oroville



Where you can Live, Work & Play ... all in a day!

SPEND TIME AT...

- Museum Row
- Centennial Plaza
- State Theatre
- Historic Downtown



- Lake Oroville
- The Feather River
- Riverbend Park
- Artists of River Town Gallery

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER WINTER 2013



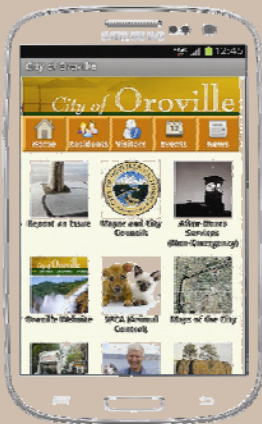
NEW YEARS 2014
 "Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year"
Ralph Waldo Emerson



MAGNIFICENT EAGLE SCULPTURE

The City of Oroville recently became the proud recipient of a magnificent stainless steel sculpture depicting an eagle in flight. The sculpture was commissioned by the Artists of River Town (A.R.T.) who had received a grant from the Supplemental Benefits Fund (SBF).* The sculpture was designed and crafted by local Oroville resident & artist, Steve Nielsen. The eagle took over two thousand hours to complete and is adorned with over four thousand, hand cut and polished, stainless steel feathers. Metal Works donated the steel and Nor Cal Laser provided special laser cutting. Both firms are located in the City of Oroville. The sculpture is currently on display in the Oroville City Council Chambers.

Stop by Centennial Plaza, above the Feather River, off Arlin Rhine Memorial Drive & see the dedication plaque that says in part, "In honor of the city's Centennial, the Plaza was designed & constructed for the enjoyment of the beautiful Feather River, its abundant wildlife, historical & cultural significance, and as a gathering place for all to enjoy nature. The Plaza is a living memorial to be enjoyed by all who pass through it and view the expansive vistas offered."



Stay connected
 download the City App!
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* see article about the SBF on page 2

CONSERVE WATER USAGE!



- Check for leaking faucets ...
- Wash only full loads in washing machines & dishwashers ...
- Turn the tap off when you brush your teeth ...
- Shorten your shower by 5 minutes ... This single tip can save up to 70 gallons of water



- RECYCLE paper, glass, plastic, cans ...
- RECYCLE yard-waste ... aluminum ...
- RECYCLE oil, cardboard ... computers
- RECYCLE magazines & much more!
- Need recycling tips...visit <http://americarecyclesday.org/recycling-tips-of-the-day>

CITY OF OROVILLE MUSEUM PASSPORTS

A great value & a **super gift idea**...Passports are good for one year & admit up to 4 people and cost only \$25.00. Available at City Hall or Bolt's Antique Tool Museum.



WHAT IS THE SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FUND?



The SBF was created as part of the licensing negotiations for Lake Oroville and may have a long term value of \$61,270,000 for the Oroville Community once the new license for Lake Oroville is approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The SBF, though not part of the license, is a separate agreement between over fifty stakeholders, The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the State Water Contractors (SWC). The City of Oroville is the administrator of the SBF.

Prior to license approval DWR and the SWC have released \$6,935,000, with most of these funds used for improvements at Riverbend Park. The intent of the SBF is to provide funds for recreational and economic development benefits to the local community. Other projects funded to date include the Eagle Sculpture, GEM patrol cars for the Oroville Police Department, swimming pool repairs at the YMCA, improvements at the Oroville Library, landscaping near Bolt's Antique Tool Museum, Metal Sculptures at the Nature Center, assistance to the Forebay Aquatic Center, funding of an event coordinator for local major events, and printing the Walking & Greenline tour brochures. For more information & a complete listing of funded projects visit the City's website at: www.cityoforoville.org (City Services/SBF).



SPOTLIGHT ON THE LAKE OROVILLE VISITORS CENTER



From Lake Oroville Visitors Center's 47-foot viewing tower, visitors can see the lake, the new Bidwell Bar Bridge, and the Sutter Buttes, one of the worlds smallest complete mountain ranges. In its theater, view videos on the Oroville Dam construction, the State Water Project, and other water topics. Outside, take a stroll along nearby nature trails. With the exception of the viewing tower, all areas are ADA accessible.

Inside are exhibits showing how Oroville Dam, the nation's tallest, was constructed from more than 80 million cubic yards of local materials and how a pump-back operation is used to generate power via the lake's three power plants. Among them is Hyatt Power plant, excavated out of the bedrock beneath the lake.

The Center is staffed by DWR guides and State Parks docents. Exhibits by the California Department of Parks and Recreation display the rich historical heritage of the region when Oroville was a bustling Gold Rush town. Others depict the culture of the local Native American tribes and tell the story of Ishi, the sole survivor of his tribe. Nature displays show the kinds of wildlife that inhabit the forested areas around the lake. Docents & Rangers also provide informative walking tours of the immediate area.



The Lake Oroville Visitors Center is open every day except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. It is located at 917 Kelly Ridge Road. For more information, call (530) 538-2219. **Free** admission. Also visit DWR's Lake Oroville web site at www.lakeoroville.water.ca.gov. For TTY phone service, call (916) 653-6226.



Pictures courtesy of California Department of Water Resources



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Incorporated 1906
City Hall
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Oroville, Ca. 95965



City Council Public Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers

Public Meeting information and key city information on the web at: www.cityoforoville.org
City Administrator: Randy Murphy



Helpful Telephone Numbers

- Administration 538-2535
- Business Assistance 538-4307
- Deputy City Clerk 538-2535
- Code Enforcement 538-2401
- Parks & Trees 538-2415
- Planning 538-2430
- Public Works 538-2420
- Police/Non Emergency 538-2448
- Fire/Non Emergency 538-2480

Business & Tourism Information

Chamber of Commerce 538-2542
www.oroVillechamber.net

City staff is the best place to go for answers to your questions regarding the City of Oroville.

Mayor Linda L. Dahlmeier, Vice Mayor Thil Wilcox
Council Members Gordon Andoe, Jack Berry, Cheri Bunker,
David Pittman, Allen "JR" Simpson

Mission Statement— The City of Oroville is dedicated to serving the public, ensuring the safety and vitality of the community, and promoting prosperity for all.

Vision Statement— The City of Oroville will be a vibrant and thriving Community with strong economic, recreational, and cultural opportunities, where you can live, work, and play, all in a day

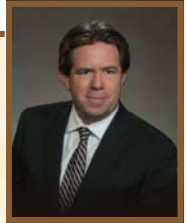
Core Values— Integrity & Honesty, Professionalism, Respect for Others, Customer Service, Open Communication, Accountability, Teamwork, and Cooperation.

The City of Oroville continues to look at innovative ways for the public to communicate with the city and the app method is now available

Seen a shopping cart lingering on the street or sidewalk? Noticed a pot hole, tree down, graffiti? Want to send a message to the Mayor, City Council, City Administrator or a Department Manager? Interested in visiting a park or museum? See a loose animal? Need a map of the city? These are just a few of the items that are readily accessible on the City of Oroville's new app for Androids and iPhones

For those with an iPhone simply go to the App Store on your phone, type in City of Oroville and download the app. If you have an Android go the Market Place on your phone, type in City of Oroville and download the app.

If you don't have an iPhone or an Android but have a computer you can access the app by entering <http://obimobile/Oroville> in your URL & download the App.



**...from the desk of
Randy Murphy, City Administrator**

The first 100 days, I mean days, as your new City Administrator have passed quickly by. I have met a number of interesting people with one thing in common: they all have a passion for the City of Oroville and want it to succeed. Many have thanked me for taking on the job. A number of you have also wished me luck. As an aside, I hope I don't need ALL of the luck I have been wished!!

I have a number of goals for the City, including: I want to improve the transparency of what we do. To that end, we will implement a new online software program early in 2014 that should make our budget process more understandable. I am also working on many ideas to reduce expenses and also increase revenue so that we can improve our service level for the citizens of Oroville.

I continue to be excited to serve you and I encourage everyone to attend and participate in our City Council meetings that are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

Wishing you and yours a happy and safe holiday season! – Randy ...

About the City & the Oroville Region

CITY OF OROVILLE'S POPULATION — 16,260

AREA — APPROXIMATELY 13 SQUARE MILES

ELEVATION— 175-750 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL

AVERAGE ANNUAL RAINFALL— 27.34 INCHES

GREATER OROVILLE POPULATION — 55,000+

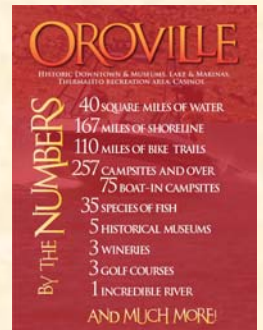
COUNTY SEAT — BUTTE COUNTY

40 SQUARE MILES OF WATER — LAKE OROVILLE AND THE
AFTERBAYS

110 MILES OF BIKE TRAILS/EQUESTRIAN TRAILS/WALKING TRAILS

3 GOLF COURSES...WINERIES...OLIVE REGION...MANDARIN REGION...FARMERS MARKETS...

MUSEUMS...NATURE CENTER...PARKS AND THE BEAUTIFUL FEATHER RIVER ...



SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY!