



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

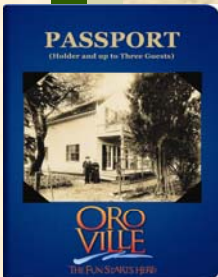
FALL
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CELEBRATE MUSEUM ROW !

On Veterans Day, Sunday, November 11th all of Oroville's Museums will join together to once again "celebrate" their incredible uniqueness.

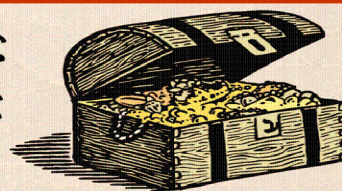


- Museums open at 10:00 A.M.
- Annual Veteran's Day Parade on Montgomery Street at 11:00 A.M.
- Museum activities continue until 4:00 P.M.
- Special films & displays at the State Theatre presented by the Lake Oroville Visitors Center
- Free shuttle buses will loop between all locations
- A flat fee of \$5.00 will allow individuals or families into all eight participating locations!
- Tickets are available at City Hall or at any of the museums the day of the event.



Great value!
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Discover Oroville's Historic Treasures By Visiting Museum Row



EVENT "SAMPLER"

- EGG ROLLS
- PIES
- COOKIES
- BROWNIES
- POPCORN
- LEMONADE
- TEA/COFFEE
- HOT DOGS
- DANCERS
- CARVINGS
- BLACK SMITH
- WILDLIFE
- SPECIAL DISPLAYS
- & MUCH MORE!



MIDAS PROGRAM PROJECTS

Includes projects that will complement:

- Economic Development
- Public Works
- Housing & Business Assistance
- City Facilities
- Arts, Culture & Entertainment
- Sustainability

Completed projects to date:

- Spencer Avenue Transit Station
- City Council Chambers
- Chinese Temple Repairs
- Surveillance Cameras
- Montgomery St/Hwy 70 Landscaping
- Montgomery St/Hwy 70 Icons
- Oroville Hospital Bond Program
- Lake Oroville Monument Company
- Park Expansion
- Police Vehicles

More information about the MIDAS Program is available at:

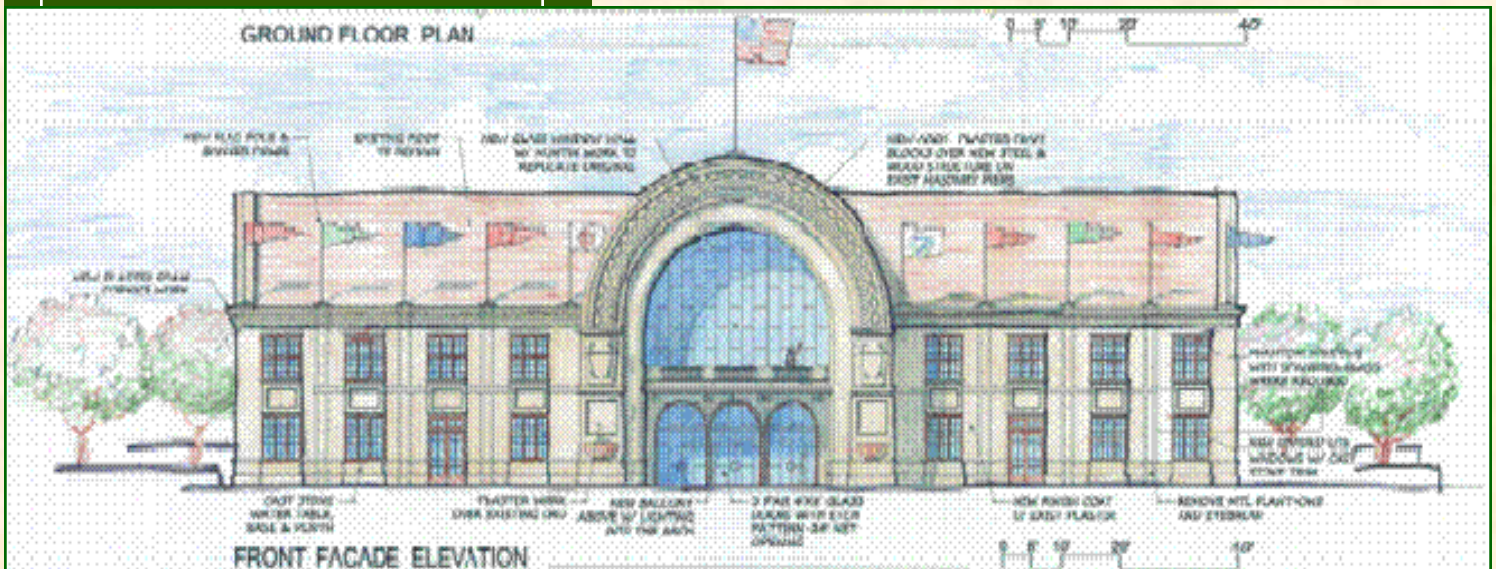
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If you haven't been out to the new "digs" at the **Table Mountain Golf Course** you need to check it out. The re-building and expansion of the Club-house, restaurant and banquet areas are now completed. Improvements also include outdoor seating and a shade structure adjacent to the driving range.



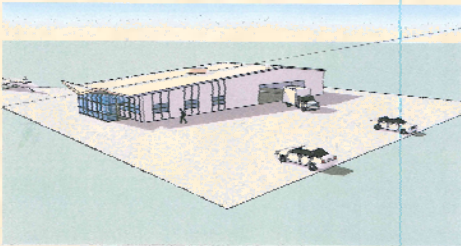
OROVILLE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

Planning continues for the future renovation of the Municipal Auditorium. The architectural rendering below depicts how the front of the building facing Montgomery Street may look. If this concept is approved it will transform the entire south side of the building to how it looked in the early 1900's. This is a large & exciting MIDAS project for the City and will ultimately provide a state of the arts facility for the Oroville community.



Speaking of improvements ...

...the complete re-build of the FBO Oroville Airport reception and pilots area is in full force with construction expected to be completed by November 2012 this is another MIDAS project moving forward.



The Feather River Fish Hatchery is in operation as the salmon move towards the fish barrier dam and fish ladder. The viewing windows are open and provide a glimpse into the process which includes:

- Artificial Spawning
- Tranquilizing
- Sorting
- Preparation



A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS ...

ENJOY THIS COLLAGE OF FUN AND EXCITING EVENTS & HAPPENINGS IN OROVILLE!



OROVILLE

THE FUN STARTS HERE!

Falling Leaves...



Autumn is another incredible time of the year for the Oroville area. Mother nature is in full co-operation with cooler days, delightful evenings, spectacular sunsets and leaves changing colors almost on a daily basis.

Taking a drive around the Oroville area to witness the seasonal transformation is fun, but for a special treat head north-east on Hwy 70, designated a scenic highway just outside of Oroville.

This route travels across Butte, Plumas and Lassen Counties following the north and middle forks of the Feather River. Total estimated driving time is about 3 hours, one way for this 130 mile venture. Few California highways feature such natural beauty and diversity in terrain, landscape, wildlife and elevation as this one. It also highlights mankind's feats of hydroelectric power, railroad and highway construction along the steep, rugged canyon walls. *The drive is particularly stunning in the fall* when the steep mountainsides are ablaze with orange and red oak trees. It starts eight miles north of Oroville on Highway 70, winds through the magnificent Feather River Canyon, connects with Highway 89 on through Quincy to Blairsden/Graeagle, resumes as Highway 70 through Portola, dropping down onto the eastern slope of the Sierra Nevada.



Much to see...much to do...**ENJOY!**

INFRASTRUCTURE — THE HIDDEN ASSET



380,160 feet or 72 miles...that's the length of the City of Oroville's sewer system, some of which has been operating for over eighty years. **Infrastructure** is the term generally used by cities and municipalities to describe public services such as water, wastewater, transportation, utilities and roads. These elements are critical for day-to-day living but are also equally important for economic growth. SC-OR (The Sewerage Commission — Oroville Region) serves the City of Oroville along with two other local districts treating over 1.2 billion gallons of wastewater annually. The City has been in a *preventative vs. reactive mode* for some time including replacing an aging inspection van with one that has current state of the arts equipment with a scoping and above ground viewing system. Detailed information about the system and the City's Public Works Department is available at the City's website: www.cityoforoville.org



**THE CITY OF OROVILLE NEEDS
ADDITIONAL MUSEUM DOCENTS!**

The Museum Docents have many responsibilities including staffing the various museums. They act as tour guides and interact with visitors to insure that they have a memorable experience. They collect admission fees, staff the gift shops, update records, and assist with special projects. *Docents truly are ambassadors to all who visit the City museums.* They are also the life blood of making the museums work. This is a fun way to meet people, learn about Oroville's history, and network. Better yet...you get to pick the museum and name your own hours and days.

Sound interesting?

For more information please call (530) 538-2415

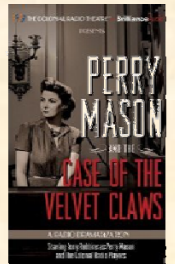
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- Chinese Temple & Museum...**
- Bolt's Antique Tool Museum...**
- Pioneer History Museum...**
- Feather River Nature Center...**



Every October ...

"Perry Mason Days" returns to Oroville as a celebration of Erle Stanley Gardner who was the pre-eminent mystery writer in the minds of his readers. Although the character of Perry Mason is not unique as a "lawyer-sleuth," he is the first to come to anyone's mind when it comes to sheer brilliance in solving courtroom-detective cases by rather unconventional means.

Events include a Mystery Art Show, Archery Tournament, Reception, an Essay Contest, a Spaghetti Dinner & Play and local merchants such as Mug Shots, Golden Poppy & Coffee Diem serving up special beverages and dishes themed in the Perry Mason fashion.



Oroville, as usual, finds great ways to provide fun and family things to do!

The City of Oroville

is a responsible recycling partner and encourages it's employees to recycle at work and home. Information about home recycling programs in Oroville is available by visiting: www.recologybuttecolusa.com



Recycling is more important today than it has ever been before. In order to keep our communities safe and clean, we all must pitch in to help recycle and reuse as much as possible. Recology offers a convenient curbside recycling collection program that is provided to all residential customers in the City of Oroville for no additional charge. Recycling is collected every other week, on the same day as your normal collection.

On Friday September 21st over 300 people gathered on the banks of the Feather River and enjoyed the annual **Salmon Festival Dinner** benefiting the Feather River Nature Center and Native Plant Park.

A delectable dinner featuring grilled salmon and tri-tip with all of the trimmings was enjoyed by those attending.

Music by the "Flow Masters" with the incredible Diversion Dam & Fish Barrier Dam created the perfect background for the guests who also enjoyed a spectacular sunset.

A beautiful metal Salmon Sculpture donated by local artist Steve Nielsen was the grand raffle prize while others won baskets of local items.

Rafting on the Feather River at the Salmon Festival

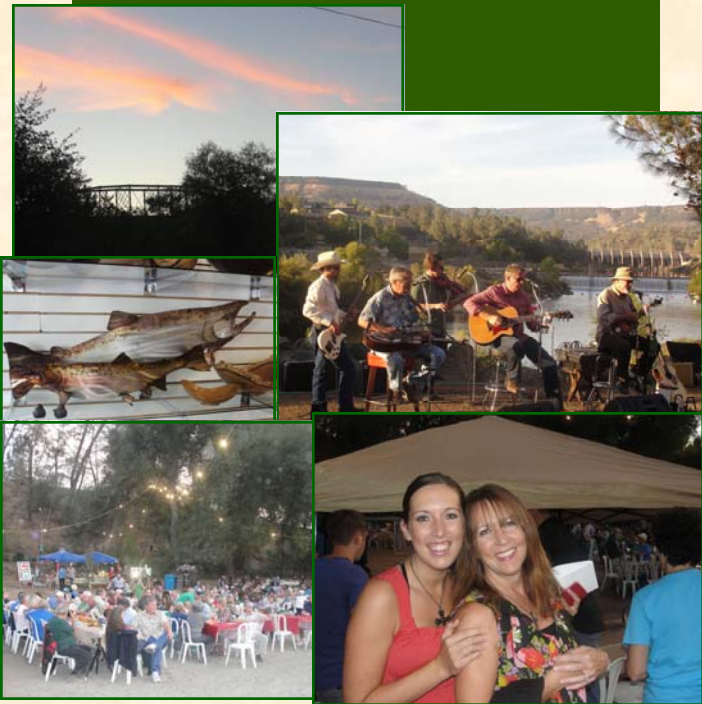
This year the annual Salmon Festival offered a fascinating opportunity to those wanting to "get up close & personal" with the salmon experience. Four rafting tour times were offered holding up to eight people per raft plus a Biologist Tour Guide from the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and two official paddlers.



Our experience started at 1:00 PM just under the green bridge and after life vest & helmet fitting and a brief safety discussion we helped carry the raft down to the Feather River, got our feet wet, grabbed our paddles and "pushed off" for a 2+ hour adventure.



Though more fish spawn naturally in the Feather River below the Fish Hatchery, those that are artificially spawned at the Hatchery produce offspring that have a relatively high survival rate. Our tour was focused on fish that are in the "natural cycle" ... We were able to see many building nests, mating, and numerous deposits of eggs waiting to hatch. Our Biologist Guide, Jason Kindopp, provided a complete background of not only the hatchery and the State Water Project, but most importantly the life cycle of the salmon in the Feather River. A great experience provided through the partnership of Feather River Recreation Park District & the Department of Water Resources. This is an event that is a "keeper" and should be expanded next year offering the opportunity for many more attending the festival...



ANNUAL SALMON FESTIVAL ATTRACTS 15,000+

The 18th annual Salmon Festival was held on Saturday, September 22nd and over 15,000 visitors experienced another fantastic jam-packed day of tours at the Feather River Fish Hatchery, the Salmon 5K & 10K Run, the Historic



Downtown Street Faire with over 90 booths, a Health Faire sponsored by Oroville Hospital, Art on the Levee, the Butte County Office of Education Annual Family Fun Day at Bicentennial Park and the lively and festive "Salmon Court" on the levee overlooking the beautiful Feather River. Free shuttle busses sponsored by the City of Oroville helped move people around the four distinctive, but connected, events that



make this a great home-town experience and an opportunity to showcase another of Oroville's natural treasures to out-of-towners!



Oroville's Bounty of Butte

County on Sunday, September 23rd was a lively fun, tasting, sipping and visiting event at Sank Park on Montgomery Street...over 40 booths displayed what the area has to offer. Music was enjoyed by attendees and the Historic Lott Home was open for tours...an



absolutely great event sponsored by the Oroville Area of Chamber of Commerce!



... AROUND THE CITY BLOCK ...



City of Oroville
Incorporated 1906
City Hall
1735 Montgomery St.
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

Pat Clark, Interim City Administrator



Helpful Telephone Numbers

- Administration 538-2405
- Business Assistance 538-2534
- City Clerk 538-2535
- Code Enforcement 538-2435
- Community Development 538-2401
- Parks & Trees 538-2415
- Housing 538-2495
- 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.

Mark your calendar for these up-coming events & celebrations...there is always something to do in Oroville!

- Rotating displays at Bolt's Antique Tool Museum
- Farmers Markets:
- Saturday, Downtown Wednesday, Oroville Hospital, Thursday, El Medio Fire Station
- First Friday events Historic Downtown at 5PM
- YMCA Haunted House & Comedy Night Show
- **Veteran's Day Parade, November 11th**
- **Museum Row Celebration, November 11th**
- Holiday Light Parade, December 8th

Event information at: www.oroVILLEchamber.net



MUSEUM PASSPORTS AVAILABLE



The City of Oroville Museum Passport program provides access to the City's five museums for the holder and up to three guests for 12 months. The Passport's are priced at \$25.00 and are available by stopping by City Hall, 1735 Montgomery Street or Bolt's Antique Tool Museum, 1650 Broderick Street. Besides unlimited access to the museums during the year holders will be provided with advance information about displays and special events. The Passport provides a great way for residents to bring family & friends to these historical special places. Have a question about the Passport Program? Call City Hall at 538-2401.

About the City & the Oroville Region

- CITY OF OROVILLE'S POPULATION — 16 260
- AREA — APPROXIMATELY 15 SQUARE MILES
- ELEVATION— 175-750 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL
- AVERAGE ANNUAL RAINFALL— 27.34 INCHES
- GREATER OROVILLE POPULATION — 55,000+
- COUNTY SEAT — BUTTE COUNTY

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