

September saw the first annual "Howl-A-Ween" Event at the Memorial Park Dog Park. Reynolds Dog Resort, Cambry Lain Pet Photography, and Abundance of Love Pet Services came out to sponsor the event. Gift baskets from Nature's Pet Wilsonville were also given out to prize winners. The turnout was great for the first year, and there were plenty of creative costumes! The winner for most creative was "The Portland Tail Blazers" (see below). The prize for best couples costume went to a themed Oktoberfest family where the Great Dane pretended to drink out of a beer glass! Finally, the most well behaved award went to "Papa Jack" the doctor. This event will definitely see a return next year in the new dog park by the community garden!









#### Wilsonville Sister City Association

Recreation Coordinator, Erica Behler has been acting as the City Liaison for the Wilsonville Sister City Association (WSCA) for the last year. On September 16, Erica presented to City Council about the possibility of the Association becoming an official City Board. On the first of October, Erica, along with five WSCA members traveled to Kitakata, Japan to visit. A story about her visit, and additional pictures will be presented in the October report. Stay tuned!

#### Harvest Festival and Fall Frolic 5k Planning

The annual Fall Harvest Festival and Fall Frolic 5k will take place on the same day this year, on October 26 at the Stein-Boozier Barn. September was a big planning month for these events. This year the event will include pumpkin decorating, cider and cookies, horse and carriage rides, face painting, story time with the library, a 5k through Memorial Park, and a costume parade! The event will be held from 9am to Noon.

### **Upcoming Events:**

Mini Hoopers Basketball Begins: Oct. 21, Boones Ferry Elementary—5pm Harvest Festival & Fall Frolic 5k: Oct. 26, Murase Plaza 8:30am—12pm

Welcome Dinner for Kitakata Student Delegation: Oct. 26, Stein-Boozier Barn—6pm

## **Board Updates:**

**Parks & Rec. Board:** The Board met on September 26 to discuss park bond and task force information and procedures. The Board will meet again on October 10 to distribute the Community Opportunity Grant. The Board has also expressed interest in doing research about the possibility of hosting City run summer programs. **Wilsonville Community Seniors Inc.:** The WCSI Fashion Show was postponed until spring due to low registration numbers. The Board is partnering with Community Center staff to offer a free Emergency Preparedness Program on Saturday, January 18 at 1:30pm at the Community Center.

- Met with dog park users to walk new dog park site and hear feedback
- Installed new park rules signage at all parks
- Fixed balance beam structure
- Posted illegal campsite under I5
- Planted new native plantings at Murase Garden Bed
- Laid new soil at Murase Garden Beds
- · Repaired vandalism and graffiti
- · Hosted volunteer work event for Lyon
- Repaired broken spinner at Sofia Park
- Demoed new equipment at Memorial Park Fields
- Spread grass seed at new dog park site
- Steaked fencing at new dog park site
- Seeded dirt pile at existing Memorial Park Dog Park























