

Commons Facility Manager Report  
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The new carpet squares are wearing well, and getting well deserved compliments. Potential stains have been easily dealt with and the color and pattern hide normal debris that is constantly being tracked in by visitors. A YYFAP volunteer has offered to remove the small piece of carpeting at the base of stairs leading to youth program. The floor is out of level, and the door leading into the program does not open properly. The high spot on floor will be addressed, and carpet squares installed if this seems appropriate.

The organizers of the "By Donation" category of events (exercise classes and other activities) have met and are finding that the recent oversight by the Friends is going well. The drop box installed by the Facility Manager's office door is convenient and safe.

I am working with Stephen Farish to design and install a new cupboard and counter on the West wall of my office. This will eliminate the sink in that area. The cupboard will house a cart for Audio/ Visual equipment (microphones, mixing boards, etc.) and provide an efficient manner to safely store the equipment. The cart will be on wheels, and can easily be maneuvered inside the Commons building, the Picnic Shelter and the 501 building to set equipment up for the variety of amplified events.

Farmer's Market began on Mother's Day - and new manager, Ron Vill, reports that it went well. When the appropriate bollards are installed at the entrance to the "basketball" area behind the commons - traffic and parking will be prevented in this area where there are lots of active kids - and adults. These bollards will prevent cars from entering that area - and will allow occasional loading and unloading of equipment into the Picnic Shelter. These instances are closely monitored for safety. The bollards will also allow emergency vehicles to enter the area and assist with emergencies in and around the playground area.

Recent events - including Rainspout and the Oregon Coast Chorale concert have gone well. Our audio and stage lighting systems helped to make those productions top quality. The Helen West Tribute - a showing of her watercolors, pastels and artistic processes - shepherded by Michael Guerriero - was a wonderful success. The three-day event was well attended. The displays demonstrated her artistic excellence - as well as the richness of her life experiences with art. The 501 building provided a good venue - and the new Pipe and Drape system, provided by Polly Plumb Productions, added to the tasteful presentation.

Things are ramping up for what seems like a busy summer season at the Commons. The [goyachats.com](http://goyachats.com) website continues to evolve - and support the diversity of activities that happen in and around the Commons and our Community. Remember to visit the site - and click on the "events" tab to see the community calendar of events.

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