



# Metzger Park Hall

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## Are you are aware that Metzger has a park dating back to the early 1900's?

The park was part of the 241 acres that Henry Metzger purchased in 1908.

In 1919 the Metzger residents built the original building with donated materials and labor. In 1921 the property was deeded to Washington County for Metzger Park. Later, in 1925, again with donated materials and labor, a gymnasium was added. Through the years Metzger residents and organizations cleared the land, provided picnic facilities and landscaping, and were responsible for operations and maintenance of the building. A war memorial was conceived in 1946. Lunches for Metzger School were prepared at the Clubhouse before the school cafeteria was built.

Washington County assumed administration of the park in 1970. At the time, due to the lack of funding, the building was boarded up and the grounds were no longer maintained. In 1972 Metzger residents approached the County in hopes of saving the park. As a result the, in 1975 the Metzger Park Local Improvement District (LID) was approved by residents and ratified by the Washington County Board of Commissioners, providing a viable funding source to reclaim and upgrade the property and to build a new facility.

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of the Metzger residents, Washington County and the Oregon National Guard, residents can be proud of its neighborhood park The current building was dedicated in May of 1977.

The park is funded by residents and businesses within the LID. The current tax assessment for the residents within the LID is less than ten cents (.10) per thousand of assessed property value. Revenue is supplemented with income from the building rental and other activities.

### The Seven acre park offers:

An indoor rental facility including a kitchen for weddings, receptions, anniversaries, company parties, group picnics, business meetings, memorials services and a host of other events with parking available.

Quiet natural areas, picnic spaces, playground equipment, play area for small children, tennis courts, basketball hoops and horseshoe pits.

The Metzger Park Advisory Board and the Citizen Participation Organization (CPO 4M) both currently use the building. The Park Board meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the Month and the CPO meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday. The public is welcome to attend.

*Park Hall &  
Kitchen Rentals*

*Parking*

*Picnic Grounds*

*Children's  
Play Area*

*Tennis Courts*

*Basketball  
Hoops*

*Horseshoe Pits*

*Open Spaces &  
Wooded Area*