

Milwaukie

GIVING VISITORS A SPLASH OF EXCITEMENT

With the trees in full bloom, you'll readily see why it's called the "City of Dogwoods"; but whatever time of year you're here, you'll also recognize why Milwaukie has been hailed as one of the 50 best places to raise a family. A stone's throw from downtown Portland, Milwaukie signals the transition from urban bustle to small town charm. The "main drag", **McLoughlin Boulevard**, was the original eastside route into Portland, and some of its commercial architecture still evokes a nostalgic 50s style.

With the **Willamette River** on the west, Milwaukie is within easy range of numerous wild-to-mild recreational options ranging from **water skiing and kayaking to steelhead and salmon fishing**. Access to the Willamette can be gained from two locations: the **Jefferson Street boat ramp** and **Elk Rock Island**. If the weather isn't cooperating, Milwaukie boasts a great indoor facility, the **North Clackamas Aquatic Park**, where your family can enjoy water slides, wave pools, kiddie pools, diving or lap swimming, then relax in a soothing spa.

Try to arrange your visit around the annual **Milwaukie**

Festival Daze in June and sample local arts and crafts, great food, and special activities such as a parade, carnival, or dog show.

Milwaukie is home also to one of Oregon's most famous landmarks: the "**Bomber**" on McLoughlin Boulevard, where

an authentic **World War II B17G Flying Fortress** (now undergoing full restoration) has caught the attention and affection of visitors and veterans for almost 60 years. The recently restored nose section of the plane, as well as other rare memorabilia of the air war, can be viewed at the **Wings of**

Freedom Showcase, beside the Bomber Restaurant.



Take a look into the past and view the restored nose cone of the "Bomber" WWII B17G plane at the Wings of Freedom Showcase at The Bomber Restaurant on McLoughlin Blvd.



The small town charm of Milwaukie is seen here, nestled pleasantly amongst the rolling hills of Clackamas County with Mt. Hood standing guard in the distance.