



MAY 2019

# PENDLETON

*Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon*

## A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

### Budget 101

On May 9<sup>th</sup>, the City Budget Committee finished its annual chore of approving the budgets for both the City and the Pendleton Development Commission (our urban renewal organization). I expect this budget will be formally adopted by the City Council during June. As usual, there was not enough money to do everything we want to do, but there won't be any significant cuts to services either. The biggest challenge to the City in this coming year's budget is paying for more than \$500,000 in new PERS costs. This is a half-million that won't get spent on roads, social services, or public safety. When people complain that the cost of government seems to keep going up, they should be aware that paying for PERS is one of the primary culprits.



There are some large capital projects scheduled for the coming year. The City has increased its spending on street repairs to \$1.2 million, which is about \$300,000 more than we are spending in the current fiscal year. The amount we need to spend on the streets each year if we want to actually fix the problem is \$2.2 million. We have received assurances from the EDA that our \$3 million grant for airport infrastructure will be approved soon. Since it is a grant specifically for the airport, those funds can't be used for street repairs. Other dollars from the water fund will be spent at the airport on water projects that are necessary to provide adequate pressure to fight fires and expand the airport infrastructure. The FAA is also going to spend about \$6 million to resurface the main runway. Those dollars must be spent on that specific project. The 8<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge will be completed in the coming fiscal year. A new after-school program will be started by the Parks and Rec Department and user fees will pay for it.

Sometimes letters to the EO show that a few citizens don't really understand how the budget works, what makes up the 32 different funds in the budget, and the restrictions most of those funds have. For example, one person wrote in April that if the City had used the funds from the Airport Road project we could have fixed our streets for 10 years or more. Not really. That capital project used \$6 million in Federal dollars that were not allocated for street repairs. Voters added another \$1.5 million dollars from a gas tax that no longer exists. Ten years of street repairs are going to cost about \$22 million. Another person appeared in front of the Council and said that if we would just put a two-dollar surcharge on each Round-Up ticket, we would have more than enough money to fix our streets. Wrong, again. This plan might generate \$150,000 each year which is just a fraction of the true cost of street repair. Other ideas sometimes advocate using Pendleton Development Commission funds for projects outside the urban renewal zone, which is not legal. The City of Pendleton just completed its budget meetings, there were four meetings this year, all advertised in the EO and online. We encourage those who wish to learn more and gain better understanding of our budget process to attend meetings, and ask the questions.

John Turner  
Mayor

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

### May 21

PDC Meeting 6pm

City Council 7pm

### June 4

City Council 7pm

### June 18

PDC Meeting 6pm

City Council 7pm

All meetings in the Council Chambers

### FOR A FULL LIST OF MEETINGS VISIT

<http://www.pendleton.or.us/>

## CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

John Turner	Mayor	541-922-8605
Jake Cambier	At Large	541-969-2252
Paul Chalmers	At Large	541-276-7111
Becky Marks	Ward 1	541-276-9147
Carole Innes	Ward 1	541-276-0644
McKennon McDonald	Ward 2	541-969-3345
Scott Fairley	Ward 2	541-240-1825
Dale Primmer	Ward 3	541-240-1117
Linda Neuman	Ward 3	541-969-1188

## CITY OF PENDLETON

Administration	541-966-0201
Airport	541-276-7754
Attorney	541-966-0206
Convention Center	541-276-6569
Community Dev.	541-966-0203
Facilities	541-966-0201
Finance	541-966-0207
Fire	541-276-1442
Library	541-966-0380
Municipal Court	541-966-0209
Parks/Rec/Cemetery	541-276-8100
Police	541-276-4411
Public Works	541-276-3078



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## Join City Staff at Hamley's Café on Monday, June 3

City Manager, Robb Corbett invites community members who have concerns, questions or simply want to engage in conversation regarding happenings in our community to join him on the first Monday of each month.

**COFFEE** with the CITY  
8-10 am

## PENDLETON CONVENTION CENTER

<b>MAY</b>	21 <sup>st</sup>	Portland State University CSE Training
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Portland State University SSA Training
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Leadership Academy
	24 <sup>th</sup>	Lil Angels Pre School Graduation
	29 <sup>th</sup>	Serve Safe Class – Pendleton Chamber
<b>JUNE</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	Blue Mt. Conference – OSHA Conference
	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup>	Bonanza Art, Antiques, & Gourmet Expo
	11 <sup>th</sup>	City – Safety Training
	12 <sup>th</sup>	BMCC rehearsal
	13 <sup>th</sup>	BMCC Commencement Ceremony
	and Reception	
	14 <sup>th</sup> ~19 <sup>th</sup>	Eastern Star State Convention



Visit us online:

[www.pendletonconventioncenter.com](http://www.pendletonconventioncenter.com)

## GOATS ARE BACK IN TOWN

The goats are in town, the contractor delivered about 1,400 on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.



People are welcome to view the goats. We ask you to use extra caution in walking your dogs in the vicinity of the goats – pets need to be leashed – as the goats are protected by a guard dog(s) within the electric fence pens. The electric fences are signed and typically off during the day when people are walking the levee.

If there are issues with the goats, like getting out of the pen area, or a mass escape, city staff can be reached at 541.276.3078 or 541.966.0202 during work hours. If after work hours or on weekends, please contact dispatch 541.966.3651.

## EMPLOYMENT LISTINGS WITH THE CITY OF PENDLETON

All position openings with the City of Pendleton are posted on our website. For additional information or questions, please contact Andrea Denton in the Human Resources Office at 1.541.966.0222.

[After School Program Site Supervisor](#)

[After School Program Recreation Aides](#)

[Public Works Department Seasonal Laborers](#)

[Seasonal Summer Openings](#) [Electrical Inspector](#)

[Convention Center Laborer](#)

[Parks & Recreation Aides & Instructors](#)

[Police Officer](#)

[Firefighter Paramedic](#)

[Recreation Supervisor](#)

*The City of Pendleton is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, gender, age, disability, national origin, or any other category protected by law.*

Thank you for your interest in employment with the City of Pendleton!

# VOLUNTEERS

## Volunteers Respond to Community Need

The unprecedented wet weather in April brought more than May flowers. Multiple Pendleton neighborhoods experienced flooding of their yards and homes over the course of several days. City crews did their best to get in front of the situation by offering sandbags for homeowners to utilize to block encroaching water. Word quickly got out via social media of the urgent need for sandbags to be filled, and community members revealed themselves to be good neighbors by showing up and working with the crews to fill and distribute sandbags. It is estimated over 300 people from the community volunteered approximately 1,792 hours, working tirelessly to ensure that their fellow citizens could have the best opportunity to protect their property. This community spirit is what makes Pendleton the special place it is!



There are many opportunities to be of service to our community. Apply to be a volunteer with the City of Pendleton and we can help match you to something that is meaningful to you. Contact volunteer coordinator Tiffany Hegarty (541-966-0244 or [tiffany.hegarty@ci.pendleton.or.us](mailto:tiffany.hegarty@ci.pendleton.or.us))

Thank you to the many volunteers who donated food and beverages to support those who were "boots on the ground" all contributions were appreciated.

## UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**CURRENT:** **Library check-in.** Transports materials in from the library materials drop box (located outside the library) and from the front desk drop, and checks them back in using a computer and scanner. Also inspects condition of items and places them in the appropriate area for re-shelving or mending. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old.

**JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup>:** **Wild West Beerfest** – Fundraiser for Pendleton Parks & Recreation Afterschool Program scholarships. Volunteers are needed to help set up and break down event, pour beer and ticket sales (over 21 only).

**ONGOING:** **Document Scanner:** Digital file archiving (Library, City Hall Administration, Community Development)

### NEW VOLUNTEER *Elena Cantelon*

Volunteer Applications Available [HERE](#) , Return to the Administrative office at: 500 SW Dorion Avenue.

*New volunteers are required to complete an application and consent to background check. For more information contact the Volunteer Coordinator [tiffany.hegarty@ci.pendleton.or.us](mailto:tiffany.hegarty@ci.pendleton.or.us)*



**Pendleton Public Library**  
502 SW Dorion Avenue Pendleton, Oregon 97801  
**HOURS: Monday-Thursday 10am to 8pm**  
**Friday & Saturday 10am to 5pm**

## CRAFTERNOONS

Each Tuesday at 4:15  
Ms. Jennifer will lead a fun craft.

Be sure to pick up a schedule at the front desk so you can plan ahead.  
Meet in the National Parks area at the Library 502 SW Dorion Avenue



## Wiggle Jiggle & Shake Story Time

Wednesday, May 22nd 4:30pm - 5:00pm

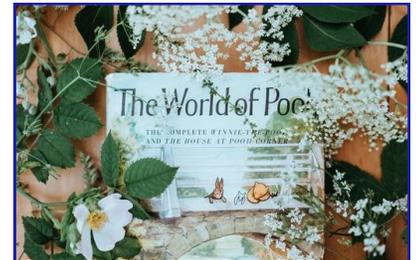
Come get your wiggle on with Miss Angel as she leads a fun movement based story time. Children will end this class by creating their own movement storybook.  
Registration Required. Ages 0-8.

## THURSDAY STORY TIME

Thursday, May 23 from 10:15am - 11:00

All are welcome to attend though stories and crafts are tailored toward children ages 6 and under.

Meet in the National Parks area at the Library 502 SW Dorion Avenue



## Friday Story Time

Friday, May 24 from 10:15—Noon

All are welcome to attend though stories and crafts are tailored toward children ages 6 and under.

Meet in the National Parks area at the Library 502 SW Dorion Avenue

**MONDAY, MAY 27TH**  
**CLOSED IN HONOR OF**  
**MEMORIAL DAY**



Libraries allow children to ask questions about the world and find the answers. And the wonderful thing is that once a child learns to use a library, the doors to learning are always open.

Laura Bush

# PRE-REGISTRATION DAY FOR SWIM LESSONS

Mark your calendars! First pre-registration day  
Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at 5 PM – 7 PM

865 Tutuilla Rd, Pendleton, Oregon 97801



Session: 1 June 17th - 27th

Session: 2 July 1st - 11th

Session: 3 July 15th - 25th

Session: 4 July 29th - August 8th

Prices are for selected sessions: **Resident Group Lessons:** \$45 for 8 lessons total

**Private:** \$70 for four 45min lessons total

**Double Private:** \$80 for eight 45min lessons



*The Pendleton Aquatic Center  
opens June 7th!*

*Memberships on sale until June 6th.*

*Open 12:00pm to 8:00pm*

**Location:** 1901 NW Carden Avenue (shares a parking lot with Pendleton High School)

**Daily Admission & Passes:** Adults \$7.00, Youth \$5.00, and children under 3 free with adult. **Season Passes:** Family of 5 \$155.00, Youth (ages 3-17) \$62, Adult (18 and over) \$72.

Some financial assistance is available for qualified low-income families during 2019. Depending on number of family members and household income, residents inside the city limits of Pendleton may qualify for 50% off regular season pass rates. Forms are available on the website; scroll to the bottom of this, or any, page and select Documents/Forms.

**Phone:** 541-276-0104 (answered during open hours)

*Til Taylor  
Wading Pool*



**Location:** at Til Taylor Park between Dorion and Emigrant on SE 7th Street.

**Daily Admission:** The wading pool is free

*Open 12:00pm to 4:00p.m. and 6:00pm to 8:00p.m. Monday-Saturday;  
Closed Sunday*

The wading pool is intended for children 8 years and younger and they must be directly supervised.

# Wild West Beerfest

PRESENTED BY HILL MEAT COMPANY



Pendleton, Oregon



BEER FOOD MUSIC FUN IN PENDLETON OREGON

[WWW.WILDWESTBEERFEST.ORG](http://WWW.WILDWESTBEERFEST.ORG)

541-276-8100

## June 22nd 2019

12pm-9pm Roy Rajey Park,

A fundraiser for youth scholarships through Pendleton Parks and Recreation



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The Wild West Beerfest is a program of the City of Pendleton.

# PARKS VOLUNTEERING ADOPT-A-PARK

Each of Pendleton's 22 parks is adoptable. Some already have individuals or groups who take great care of them, while a few others are still available and ready to be adopted! Tasks include litter removal, pulling weeds, and more. Volunteers can commit to the amount of time each month that makes sense for them. Adopt-A-Park volunteers set their own schedule and time commitment. Pendleton Parks and Recreation provides all supplies.

Interested in adopting a park? Contact the Parks Department at 541-276-8100 or stop by the Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Office at 865 Tutuilla Road.



## MEMORIAL BENCHES



Memorial benches are just one of the ways the City of Pendleton offers to recognize an organization or to memorialize a loved one. Benches may be placed in a City park, along the Pendleton River Parkway, in Olney Cemetery, or in the Memorial Garden within the cemetery.

*If you would like to place an order for a memorial bench, please call the Parks Office at 541-276-8100 or stop by the Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Office.*

## PARK SHELTER RESERVATIONS

Park shelters can be used without a reservation, but paid reservations take precedence. If it absolutely must be available for your event you'll want to [reserve online](#) or contact the Parks Office, 865 Tutuilla Road, 541-276-8100.

If you are planning a park wedding, parks are open to all as public spaces. However, we recommend that you consider reserving the nearest shelter to ensure privacy during your ceremony.

[RESERVE ONLINE](#)



All parks shelters can be reserved using our online registration system.

Hours

Available from 7:00 a.m. ~ 10:00 p.m.

### Fees

- **Shelters:** \$29 for the first two hours (\$17 rental fee + \$6/hour + 2 hour minimum = \$29) and \$6 for each additional hour.
- **Additional picnic tables** (up to four tables max and must be included and paid for with your reservation): \$30
- **Park Bag** (free with shelter reservation), includes volleyball, net, horseshoes, and more: \$6

### Park Shelter Cancellation Policy

If cancellation notice is received 7 or more calendar days before the reservation date, a full refund will be given. If cancellation notice is given less than 7 calendar days before the event, your payment will be applied toward a future park shelter reservation within the same calendar year.



The City of Pendleton will be closed  
Monday, May 27th in honor of Memorial Day.

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