



PENDLETON

Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon

January 2018

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Looking Forward

A year has come and gone since I took the oath of office as your new mayor. As I got to know our City employees a bit better, one thing stood out: a collective sense of pride in service to Pendleton. Prior to taking office, I had heard a number of complaints of poor customer service. In my travels around town, I sometimes ask people about this issue and I usually get a response that indicates a higher degree of satisfaction when dealing with the City during 2017. As our employees gather on Martin Luther King Day for their annual training event, I say *"Thank you!"*



Communications: You may remember that about 15 months ago we were debating a perceived lack of communications with our citizens. This newsletter is but one tool we are using to try to remedy this. We are not going to hire a public affairs officer, but instead your Council and City Manager are reaching out to civic groups and talking to them about what is going on. In the month of January, City Councilors are talking to about a dozen different groups concerning City goals, finances, and issues in 2018. If you belong to a group that has not yet scheduled a City presentation, just ask me or one of the Councilors to come meet with you. We plan to talk to about 35-40 such groups in the coming months.

Infrastructure: The highest City priority at this time is finding the means to sustain our streets, buildings, and pipes. With the help of new fees implemented in 2016, we have about \$800,000 to spend on our streets each year. This isn't enough. We estimate that if we want to keep our streets in good condition, we need to spend about \$1.2 million each year. We can anticipate new revenues of about \$200,000 per year when the new state-wide gas taxes come into effect over the next few years, but this still leaves us about \$200,000 per year below our goal. We don't have the answer yet, but we are working on it.

A couple of sources of optimism are our regional airport and tourism. Boutique Airlines reported finishing their first year of operations with 5689 enplanements at Pendleton, the best since 2007. The UAV test range continues to generate revenues that can be used to modernize our airport facilities and help pay down debt. New customers are talking to us about using our ranges, and in the meantime current test team members are filling our hotels and restaurants. I don't know the name of the Pendleton Whiskey Fest headliner for 2018, but we will have this event again and Harley-Davidson has agreed to sponsor Bike Week again. We continue to modernize our Convention Center and its customers are increasing. We are proud to be called the *"Round-Up City"* and I know you join me in congratulating the Round-Up as it was named the *"Best Large Outdoor Rodeo of the Year"* for an unprecedented third year in a row.

Before I conclude, I want to cite a couple of examples of good government in action. You may recall that when we sold our bonds for the new fire station, we got about \$10 million in revenues for about \$9 million in debt. On January 2nd, the Council approved re-financing three bonds that will save us about \$750,000 over the remaining life of the bonds. These savings will not solve all our problems, but they show our citizens that our City employees are always on the lookout for new grants or ways to spend our limited dollars more wisely.

I look forward to 2018.

John Turner
Mayor of Pendleton

COUNCIL MEETINGS

February 6

City Council 7pm
Council Chambers

February 13

Pendleton Development Commission 6pm
Council Chambers

February 20

City Council 7pm
Council Chambers

FOR A FULL LIST OF MEETINGS VISIT

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

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

John Turner	Mayor	541-922-8605
John Brenne	Ward 1	541-276-2778
Neil Brown	Ward 3	541-276-3407
Jake Cambier	At Large	541-969-2252
Paul Chalmers	At Large	541-276-7111
Becky Marks	Ward 1	541-276-9147
McKennon McDonald	Ward 2	541-969-3345
Scott Fairley	Ward 2	541-240-1825
Dale Primmer	Ward 3	541-240-1117

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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visit our website at

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



PENDLETON MOURNS THE LOSS OF REPRESENTATIVE BOB JENSON



The City of Pendleton notes with sadness the recent passing of one of its great citizens.

Bob Jenson was an instructor at Blue Mountain Community College for more than two decades before he retired and was elected to the Oregon House of Representatives. He was a man of honesty, integrity and wisdom who always placed the needs of Northeast Oregon above his own. He traveled extensively throughout his district for 18 years as he sought to listen to the issues facing his constituents. He was widely respected by his colleagues in the House and his influence was great, allowing him to bring funding for numerous beneficial projects back to his district. He was a champion of education and mental health. We celebrate the achievements of Bob Jenson and mourn his passing.



PENDLETON CONVENTION CENTER

February	2	Happy Canyon Helpers Party
	3	Daddy Daughter Dance
	10	Rocky Mt. Elk Kids
	14	Pendleton Economic Outlook Summit
	16 & 17	District 2A Basketball
	19	Presidents Day
	21	Buck Boosters
	23 & 24	Catholic Men Conference
	26	2A Basketball Volunteer Appreciation
	March	1 - 3
7		Youth Leadership Conference
9 - 11		Pendleton Gun Show
14		City of Pendleton Safety Training
16		Happy Canyon Suitcase Party
17		Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Banquet & Auction
19		Irish Dinner – World Youth Fundraiser
24 & 25		Jehovah's 16 – Spanish Speaking

For more information visit our website at:

www.pendletonconventioncenter.com

COMMUNICATIONS

The City Council is planning to visit about 35-40 civic groups in 2018 to talk about our goals and answer questions. If you are part of a group that would like to have them talk to your organization, please contact Donna Biggerstaff donna.biggerstaff@ci.pendleton.or.us

ELECTIONS

The City of Pendleton will hold a Primary Election on Tuesday, May 15th, 2018 for an office of the following:

- Four Positions of Ward Specific Councilors. Each with a four-year term and Candidates must file for office no later than 5:00 pm on March 6, 2018. For more information click on this link <http://pendleton.or.us/city-recorder/2018-election>



PENDLETON FIRE & AMBULANCE

Strategic Plan We are past the half way mark on our work on the strategic plan. We have completed our Mission Statement, identified our core values, and adopted our "vision". Our team is in the process of developing the goals, objectives, and key performance indicators for the plan. Our tentative plan is to have a draft to the City Manager by the beginning of March. We anticipate this going before the City Council at their April 3rd meeting.

Bond Measure – Promises Made,

Promises Kept Our internal design team had the very challenging task of cutting approximately two million dollars from the plan (for the new fire station). The cost had increased due to multitude of factors, primarily due to additions made to the plan since the election. While some much desired items needed to be removed from the plan (training area, heated concrete, etc.) the basic layout and ability to meet our needs remains.

A community meeting will be held on February 6th at 5:30 in the community room to provide an update on the project to the public.

PENDLETON POLICE



As part of no shave November and in support of the Anson Strong campaign, students across the district participated in a fundraiser. The winning class got to choose the beard design that School Resource Officer Zaugg would wear for the day. Congratulations to students of Washington Elementary for winning. Great job to all students who raised just over \$867!

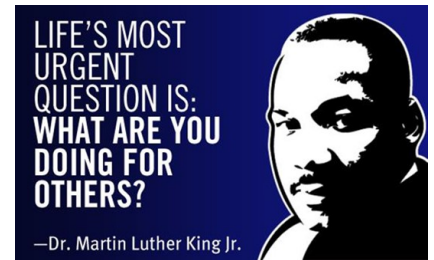
VOLUNTEERS

Everybody Can Be Great

Since 1986 the third Monday of January has been designated a Martin Luther King Jr. Federal Holiday to celebrate the life and legacy of a man that brought hope and healing to America. Thousands of people across the country unite to provide acts of volunteer service in their communities, treating it as a "day on, not a day off". Volunteering need not be a one day act though. Look around the community for opportunities that match your interests, passions and time requirements and get involved. There are many organizations that welcome the skills, talent and time that volunteers provide and are open to working together to match up needs. The City of Pendleton has a formal volunteer program that matches community volunteers with departmental requirements, helping to enhance, expand and deliver quality programs and services. In the words of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.:

"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

What are you doing to serve?



UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

February 3 Daddy Daughter Dance: Decorating, sign in, help at the event, clean-up

Ongoing: Document Scanner: Digital file archiving (Library, City Hall Administration)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Interested in volunteering but not sure where? We can help locating a good match for you. Call 541-966-0244 and speak to our Volunteer Coordinator Tiffany Hegarty. City of Pendleton volunteer applications are available at the library, City Hall administrative offices, or can be downloaded [HERE](#).



COFFEE *with the* 
8-10 am CITY

Join City Staff at Hamley's Café on Monday, February 5

This time is for the City Manager to meet with community members who have concerns, questions or simply want to engage in conversation regarding happenings in our community. City Manager Robb Corbett invites you to join him for coffee and conversation.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITION OPENINGS

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.

The following job opportunities are available with the City of Pendleton

- **City Planner**
- **Facilities Maintenance Technician**
- **Convention Center Laborer**
- **Parks and Recreation Aides and Instructors**

You may apply online at

www.pendleton.or.us/employment

Or by picking up an application in the Administrative office located on the second floor of City Hall, 500 SW Dorion Avenue.



PARKS & RECREATION

The Mother and Son Dance

We are hosting another Mother and Son Dance for K-5th grade on **Saturday, February 24 at 6:30 - 9:30 PM**. This exciting night will consist of semi formal moms and sons dancing the night away. The \$12.50 per person registration cost includes tickets to the dance and a commemorative photo of the evening. This night is such a special treat we do not want anyone to miss out, *so register early (There is an 866 person limit)*



The Daddy Daughter Dance

Let your little girl get gussied up to spend a special evening with her father, on **Saturday, February 3 from 6:00—9:00pm.**

The DJ, the decorations, the famous chocolate fountain, random drawings, gifts at the door and a posed picture to capture the memory are all a part of this fun-filled evening. The registration fee is **\$17 per person. Please register each individual.**

The photo studio will open at 5:30 p.m. with the main hall opening at 6:00 p.m.

Basic hors d'oeuvres and refreshments also included.

Our registration deadline is Friday, January 19th



KIDS IN THE KITCHEN: DELICIOUS VALENTINES Ages: 5-9 Fee: \$12 Come spend some time in the kitchen and learn how to make something yummy with kids your own age! We will be building edible Valentine creations with the help of Miss Angie (*parent assistance appreciated*). We will keep things hopping with a few other entertaining activities mixed in. All supplies included. Location: Rec Center, Pendleton Foundation Room on Tuesday, February 6, 5:30 to 7:00 pm *Instructor: Angie Nash* Registration required by Thursday, February 1.

BEER APPRECIATION 101 Ages: 21+ Fee: \$18 Wonder what an IPA is? Hear people describe what beer tastes like and wonder what they are saying? Too hoppy, not hoppy enough, too bitter? Don't know a porter from a stout? Learn the answers and get a tour of our local brewery right here in Pendleton. There will be a tasting and discussion of different beer styles, their flavors and how that makes for good food pairings. This class fills quickly! Includes taste testing of both beer and appetizers. Yummy! Location: Prodigal Son Brewery & Pub, Backroom Thursday, February 8, Time: 7:00 to 8:30 pm *Instructor: Prodigal Son Staff*, Register by Monday, February 5.

POLAR BEAR CHALLENGE AT THE ICE RINK Ages: 16+ Want to be extreme? Want to help the ice rink raise some money? Sign up to do the event, and then get people to sponsor you for the challenge. Participants will be skating and doing some ice events in their swimsuits on the ice. Some events may include water balloon relays, broomball, and "freeze" tag. Come sign up at the Parks Office where you will get your sponsorship sheet. The pledges will be based on the amount of time you can remain on the ice. Participants are encouraged to get at least \$50 in pledges. **Participant awards will be given.** Let's hope it snows that day! Location: Roy Raley Ice Rink, Saturday January 20, Time: 9:00 to 10:00 am

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DECEMBER @ THE LIBRARY

Join us for **CRAFTERNOONS**
Tuesday's at 4:15 pm

Each week we will run a new craft.

Mermaid Kisses & Starfish Wishes

All materials provided by the library

ALL AGES WELCOME

Pendleton Public Library

502 SW Dorion Avenue

Pendleton, Oregon 97801

HOURS:

Monday-Thursday 10am to 8pm

Friday & Saturday 10am to 5pm

1st Wednesdays, TEEN & ADULT COLOR CLUB at 5:30pm work sheet & color pencils available

**MIDDLE SCHOOL
BOOK CLUB**

Wed., January 17 5:00p

The Princess

Diaries

Discussion &
Movie



MAGIC

The Gathering®

Saturday, January 20 11:00am to 1:00pm

In the Community Room

A fun event for Magic players new & old!

Ages 8 and Up

No Registration required

DIY at the Library

Valentine Card Making

Tuesday, January 23

Registration required.

Call (541)966-0380.



BULLET JOURNALING

6pm on Wednesday January 24

Registration required. Call (541)966-0380.

BEGINNERS COMPUTERS

Wednesday, January 24th

Classes tailored to the needs
of the students. Registration required.

JOIN US IN THE LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

TODDLER DRIVE IN MOVIE

Thursday, January 18th at 5:00pm

Ages 0-6 Registration required





PENDLETON FIRE DEPARTMENT INCIDENTS BY INCIDENT TYPE

December 2017

INCIDENT TYPE	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER THIS TYPE
ALARM	Alarm	1
ASLT	Assault	1
ASSIST	Agency Assist	1
CSEN	Confined Space Entry	4
DEATHINV	Death Investigation	1
DIST	Disturbance	1
DOMESTIC	Domestic Disturbance	1
DOWN	Subject Down	4
DRUNK	Drunk Driver	1
EAMA	Ambulance Mutual Aid	1
EMS	EMS	166
ETSP	EMS Transport	36
EXPLODE	Explosion	1
FAFA	Automatic Fire Alarm	6
FAGA	Fire Agency Assist	2
FILL	Illegal Burn	4
FINFO	Information	1
FPUB	Fire Public Assist	1
FSMK	Smoke Check	4
FSTR	Structure Fire	7
FUNK	Fire Unknown	5
FVEH	Vehicle Fire	2
INFO	Information	1
INTOX	Intoxicated Subject	2
MENTAL	Mental Subject	1
MVA	Motor Vehicle Accident	12
SUICIDAL	Suicidal Subject	5
SUSP	Suspicious Activity	1
T911	Transferred 911 Calls	4
WCHK	Welfare Check	1