



PENDLETON

Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon

December 2017

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

LOOKING BACK ON 2017

I have a hard time believing that 2017 has passed by so quickly! A lot of things have happened and I think it is productive to review some of the issues and progress we, as a City, have made in the past year.

Infrastructure- Much remains to be done because we have deferred the maintenance of our streets, utilities, and buildings for many years. There is cause for optimism however. The bad news is that we have about 33 miles of water lines that are close to 100 years old. The good news is that we have a plan in place to replace them and we have money to do it. The City has a \$14.8 million line of credit at 1.4 % interest, and we have enough revenues coming in to service our loans. This money will be used in the next five years to put in new water lines. Once the water lines have been replaced, we will start fixing the streets above them. All of this seems to take much longer than we would like, but we are making progress. We are still not putting enough money into paving our streets, and the City Council has made it a priority to make better progress in this area.

Fire Station- Thanks to the support of our voters, we have the resources to build a new fire station and buy much needed safety equipment. Design of the station is underway, and McCormack Construction is the general contractor. Ground breaking is scheduled for the summer of 2018 with completion of the building scheduled for the summer of 2019. Thanks to a premium on the bond sale, we got about \$10 million in revenue for about \$9 million in actual debt, saving our taxpayers nearly one million dollars.

Airport and the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) test range- After operating for years in the red, the airport and test range are now making a profit. Boutique Airlines is booking customers at a rate that matches what we had ten years ago. We have enough customers wanting to use the test range that we are exploring ways to build more hangars and improve the facilities. More potential customers talk to us every month. We purchased the Community Bank building and it is now producing a profit as the innovation/ command and control center. We have applied for federal grants to improve the range and are looking at ways to reduce the airport's debt to the City. The Governor even mentioned the Pendleton UAV test range as a bright spot in the State's economy in her annual address to the Business Summit this month.

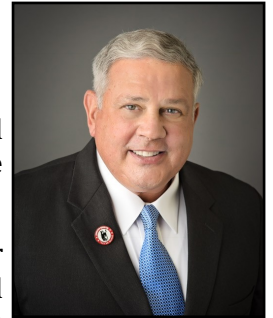
Tourism- 2017 was a great year for tourism, with the Pendleton Whisky Music Fest, the Harley Davidson Bike Week, and of course the Round-Up. Pat Beard is doing a nice job in modernizing our Convention Center and booking new events. Harley Davidson will sponsor Bike Week again in 2018, and the Round-Up and Happy Canyon have strong ticket sales and revenues. Congratulations to the Round-Up for winning the PRCA's "***Best Large Outdoor Rodeo***" for the third year in a row! I am looking forward to finding out who will be the headliner for the Whisky Fest next year.

Housing- This is one of the City's top four goals and we want to add at least 50 new housing units (including apartments) each year. I think we will do this in 2018. There is a lot of construction going on.

Of course we don't have sufficient resources to solve all of our problems in one year. We do have specific goals and we have measures of effectiveness that will tell us if we are making progress. I want to thank all of our City employees for accomplishing so much with what we have. We are lucky to live in special place where crime is low, schools are good, traffic is light, people are friendly and the future is bright.

HAVE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY AND A HAPPY YEAR IN 2018!

John Turner
Mayor



COUNCIL MEETINGS

December 19

City Council 7pm
Council Chambers

January 9

Pendleton Development Commission 6pm
Council Chambers

January 2

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

500 SW Dorion Ave. Pendleton, OR

visit our website at

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



PENDELTON REGIONAL AIRPORT

The Eastern Oregon Regional Airport is the largest public airport in Northeast Oregon (east of Portland). This city-owned airport is located three miles northwest of Pendleton, Oregon. The airport covers 2,273 acres at an elevation of 1,497 feet above sea level. The airport, open 24 hours/day, is centrally located between Portland, Spokane, Boise, Salt Lake City, and Seattle.

Boutique Air provides 3 round trip flights from Pendleton (PDT) to Portland (PDX) per day, 7 days a week.

Visit boutiqueair.com or call 1-855-268-8478 to book your flight today!



PENDELTON CONVENTION CENTER



January	12 - 14	Clash At The Border Basketball
	16	Martin Luther Day – <i>City In Service</i>
	20	Columbia Basin Robotics Championships
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	State 2A Basketball
	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

When you visit the Convention Center be sure to take note of the updates we've made to enhance and improve your visit to our facility. New way finding signs, fresh paint, new roof, improved and FREE WIFI!

COMMUNICATIONS

The City Council is planning to visit about 30 civic groups in 2018 to talk about our goals and answer questions.

If you are part of a group that would like to have us talk to you, please contact Mayor Turner at 541-966-0310

PENDLETON FIRE & AMBULANCE



Congratulations to Lieutenants Jeff Perry, Craig Murstig, and Brandon Schmidtgall on their promotion December 5th. Mayor Turner swore them in and their wife's pinned on their badges.

PENDLETON POLICE



Pendleton officers participated in Cops for a Cause waiting tables at Hamley Steakhouse, raising \$4000 to benefit the local chapter of the American Cancer Society and a Pendleton family.

The Fairbank's, a local family have a 2 year old son who is recovering from Leukemia and requiring regular trips to Portland for treatment.

VOLUNTEERS

Holiday Lights Strung by Volunteer Elves

The start of the holiday season officially begins in Pendleton with the festive decorations installed around town. Lighted wreaths adorn Main Street lampposts, holiday banners are strung across major intersections, and the spirit of the season begins to spread throughout the city. While it may seem that Santa put his helpers to work early, it's the work of many dedicated volunteers that ensure Pendleton is properly dressed for the holidays. Each year the effort kicks off with volunteers gathering at a local storage unit to diligently check that all lights are working before the decorations are distributed to various locations. Several local businesses volunteer the equipment and manpower necessary for the displays to be hung. In total, 37 volunteers put in over 146 hours as a gift to the community during the holiday season.



Special thanks to:
Chamber of Commerce, Gordon's Electric, Palmers Roofing, VFW, Les Schwab, Pacific Power, Pendleton Electric, City of Pendleton Fire Department, and Facilities Department.

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)

NEW VOLUNTEERS

Taylor Hatfield, Martha Olney

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 CITY
8-10 am

Join City Staff at Hamley Steakhouse on Monday, January 1
This time is for the community to meet with community members who have concerns or want to engage in conversation regarding happy community. City Manager Robb Corbett invites you to join for coffee and conversation.

**Closed for New Year's Day
CANCELLED**

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

- **Municipal Court Judge**
- **City Planner**
- **Part Time Building Inspector**
- **Building Inspectors**
- **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



SKATE WITH SANTA

Santa will make his appearance and be available for candid photos. Activities and games on the ice for kids. Bonfire and warm drinks, too! Come on out to the ice rink for this new event!

Saturday, December 16 from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm



LET'S SKATE

Grab your friends and your warm clothes! Time to put on your ice skates and make some memories!

Hours: M-F 3-6 PM Sat-Sun Noon-8 PM

FEE: \$2.50 SKATE RENTAL: \$1 Saturday is Family Skate Day! \$12 for family 5:30-8 PM



PENDLETON YOUTH BASKETBALL

Ages: girls 3rd-6th grades & lil bucks
Fee: 3rd-6th \$35 1st-2nd \$25 Pendleton

Youth Basketball Girls 3rd—6th grades and Lil Bucks (1st-2nd) Boys and Girls. **Skill assessment for 3rd-6th Girls is Saturday, January 6th at Sunridge Middle School. Register by Wednesday, January 3rd to be placed on a team.** Teams are formed based on total kids registered available coaches. *3rd-6th practices twice per week and games on Saturdays.* Lil Bucks no skills assessment and only meet on Saturdays.

PARKS & RECREATION

NO SCHOOL OPEN GYM - WINTER BREAK Ages: 6-13 FEE \$5



Winter Break

Get your kiddo some gym time on a no school day. We play dodgeball, basketball, foosball, pool, and ping pong. Introducing some new cup stacking contests, too! Be prepared for lots of physical activity! Limited to the first 40 children registered, and we must have 15 minimum registered by December 12 in order to plan appropriate

staffing. Registration fee includes a snack. *Registration open until 12/21 or class fills*

December 27th, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at Pendleton Rec Center



Walking for Wellness Monday—Friday 8:30 to 9:30 am

Adult Pickleball Monday & Wednesday 3:00-5:00 pm

Early Morning Basketball Saturdays 7:00 to 8:00 am

Lil Bucks Open Gym Saturdays 8:00 to 9:30 am

Special Needs Sundays 12:00 to 1:30 pm

Adult Basketball Sundays 6:30 to 8:30 pm

SUBSCRIPTION INFORMATION

To subscribe to this newsletter follow the link on our [home page](#). If you received this newsletter and do not wish to receive it, please reply to the email in the subject line with *REMOVE ME* or contact Donna Biggerstaff at Donna.biggerstaff@ci.pendleton.or.us or 541-966-0220.



DECEMBER @ THE LIBRARY

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

Each week we will run a new craft.

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

Story Time
Friday's at 10:30am

All Ages, No registration

Join us for fun stories
crafts and songs



POLAR EXPRESS
STORY TIME
Thursday, December 20th
at 5:00pm

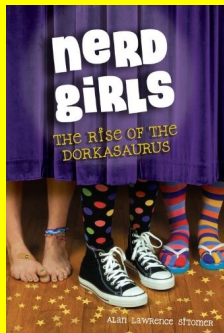


Wear your PJs for a fun evening with a special appearance by the man in red!!

MIDDLE SCHOOL BOOK CLUB

Wednesday
December 20 @ 6:00P

Current Book:
Nerd Girls
The Rise Of
The Dorkasaurus



BULLET JOURNALING

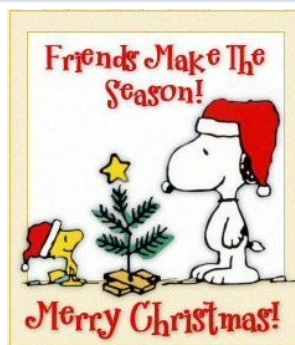
6pm on Wednesday, December 27
Registration required. Call (541)966-0380.

LIBRARY WILL BE OPEN

SATURDAYS DURING THE HOLIDAYS

DIY at the Library!

9am on Tuesday, December 26th
Registration required. Call (541)966-0380.



The Library Wishes You & Yours
A Very Merry Christmas!

We Will Be CLOSED December 22 & 25
We will see you on December 26

We Wish You A Very Happy New Year
We Will Be CLOSED
December 29- & January 1

We will see you on January 2, 2018!





PENDLETON FIRE DEPARTMENT INCIDENTS BY INCIDENT TYPE

NOVEMBER 2017

INCIDENT TYPE	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER THIS TYPE
911	911 Hangup/Abandoned/Accidental	1
ALARM	Alarm	1
ARMED	Armed Subject	1
ASLT	Assault	2
ASSIST	Agency Assist	1
CIT ASST	Citizen Assist	1
CSEN	Confined Space Entry	7
DEATHINV	Death Investigation	2
DIST	Disturbance	1
DOMESTIC	Domestic Disturbance	2
DOWN	Subject Down	2
EMS	EMS	161
ETSP	EMS Transport	35
FAFA	Automatic Fire Alarm	10
FGRASS	Grass Fire	1
FILL	Illegal Burn	9
FINFO	Information	2
FIRE	Fire Call	2
FPUB	Fire Public Assist	1
FSMK	Smoke Check	3
FSTR	Structure Fire	2
FUNK	Fire Unknown	3
MENTAL	Mental Subject	1
MVA	Motor Vehicle Accident	7
SUICIDAL	Suicidal Subject	7
SUSP	Suspicious Activity	2
T911	Transferred 911 Calls	2
THEFT	Theft Complaint	1
TRESPASS	Trespass	1
WCHK	Welfare Check	2
Total Incidents		273