



PENDLETON

Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon

September 2017

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

“Before Round-Up”

The folks from Montana like to say they have two seasons: Winter and the 4th of July. In Pendleton, we like to say we have two seasons: Before and After Round-Up.

“Before Round-Up” was a busy time this year. In mid-July we had a great concert with Maroon 5 and 17,000 people in the Round-Up stadium. This was followed a few days later by Harley Davidson Bike Week with about 15,000 participants. Harley said they had a great time and want to return as a sponsor next year. Our hotels and restaurants also benefited from the August eclipse. On August 30th, the City of Pendleton and a dozen sponsors hosted a housing conference that brought in builders, property owners, lenders, realtors, and City officials for an event that showcased why Pendleton needs more homes and emphasized that the City was willing to work with prospective investors to help produce more living units at all levels of income.

There is evidence that more housing is on the way. Dusty Pace has agreed to buy all of the remaining Sunridge properties from the City and he has plans to build 10-12 houses per year on more than 40 lots. Work should commence soon on more apartments at Pendleton Heights by Olney Cemetery. We recently had a pre-design meeting with some folks who plan to build apartments next to Roosters restaurant. Construction has begun on some new duplex townhouses on SW 12th Street and a property owner has shown interest in building some duplexes in the vicinity of Juniper House.

You may have noticed that the City sold the bonds for the new fire station at a premium. We were able to raise almost \$10 million in revenues for only about \$9 million in debt. This means that our tax payers get a break. After the first five years, their tax rate drops from 61 cents per thousand to 51 cents per thousand. Please congratulate Linda Carter on her leadership in selling the bonds.

Let’s all congratulate our Police and Fire Fighters for their professionalism during the Round-Up. We couldn’t put on this wonderful yearly event without their help. I also noticed a lot of City employees who volunteered to help with Round-Up, Happy Canyon, and the Main Street Cowboys this year, and it is important to note that the Round-Up and Happy Canyon would not exist without the participation of so many great volunteers.

Let ‘er Buck and get ready for “After Round-Up”!!

John Turner
Mayor



COUNCIL MEETINGS

October 3

City Council 7pm
Council Chambers

October 17

Pendleton Development Commission 6pm
Council Chambers

October 17

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 I	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 I	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>



PENDLETON FIRE & AMBULANCE

Personnel

Congratulations to Mark Cave who was promoted to Lieutenant on August 18th. He will be "officially" sworn-in at the September 19th City Council Meeting.

Welcome to our newest Reserves: Noah, Jesse, Josh, Raquel, Deanna, Laken, and Danielle! I know everyone is excited to have these new folks here.

Bond Measure

The bond sale occurred last week and as I'm sure you may have heard, we received nearly 10 million dollars for only nine million. It's fairly complicated, but the bond market is very favorable right now so people were willing to pay more for the bonds than we anticipated. The bottom line is that the citizens of Pendleton will be paying much less than expected, which is fantastic and in line with our bond motto: **Promises made, promises kept.** We actually receive the money today, thus we are diligently making all the purchases that were planned with this money.

Fire Station Construction:

Work continues on the purchase of the land and land surveying. The design committee has met several times and has made some modifications to the original design. The architect is busy updating the drawings and we should be issuing a RFQ soon for the general contractor.

Grants

We are still waiting to hear the results of our applications for two federal grants under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) as well as the SAFER grant request. We should hear in the next month or so.

Community Paramedic Program

Kristin Schmidtgall and Shawn Penninger made a presentation to City Council on a potential Community Paramedic Program. The presentation was well received by the council. Work continues behind the scenes on the potential establishment of this program by years end.



PENDLETON URBAN RENEWAL

**What's nearly as enjoyable as a shopping expedition?
Talking about shopping!**

In our efforts to attract viable businesses to downtown Pendleton, the Pendleton Downtown Association is teaming with the city's urban renewal program to better understand the shopping habits of Pendleton residents. We need your help!

The Pendleton Downtown Association is offering a \$50 stipend and refreshments if you participate in an hour and a half focus group to discuss shopping habits. We'll discuss topics such as shopping preferences, when you shop, where you shop, how often and more. You would be joined in the focus group by 10 to 12 other Pendleton residents.

We're not selling anything or trying to persuade you to do anything. We're just seeking community input to make sure we're bringing the right businesses into Pendleton.

The focus groups are scheduled for 5:30pm and 7:15pm, Wednesday, Oct. 11 in Pendleton. If you are interested in attending one of these groups, please call 541-966-0233 and give us your name and a daytime phone number. We will call you to confirm and ask a few questions.

By helping us with our research you provide guidance in our work to lure more retail businesses to Pendleton. With your input we will better target the businesses that are most needed by Pendletonians.



FREE FLU SHOT CLINIC

Wednesday, September 27th
9:30am to 1:00pm

Presented by Walgreens

**Available in the
Community Room
located in the back of
City Hall**

500 SW Dorion Avenue



POLICE

Advice from Pendleton Police

With so much widespread devastation our Country has seen in recent weeks, unfortunately in the rush to provide aid, a number of scams emerged that exploit our altruistic urges.

Before you respond to the avalanche of appeals in every medium, you need to be careful.

It is important to know where your aide is going. By using organizations like GiveWell, Charity Navigator, Charity Watch, or the Better Business Bureau, you can make sure you know your money is being used to help.

How do you avoid a scam? Here are some guidelines:

*Verify the trustworthiness of soliciting relief organizations.

*See if the charity has on-the-ground presence in the impacted areas.

*Find out if the charity is providing directly or raising money for other groups – avoid the middle man and give directly.

*Be cautious about gifts of clothing, food or other in-kind donations – sometimes this is more work and not the quickest way to help those in need.

*Don't feel pressured to give, simply tell the solicitor that you will call back after you've done your research.

COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

The City of Pendleton appreciates citizens who volunteer their time and energy to make our City a great place to live, work, play and visit.

If you are interested in volunteering on a *committee or commission*, please fill out a "Commission Application Form" on the A-Z Index on our website.

VOLUNTEERS

RIVER PARKWAY VOLUNTEERS CLEANUP EFFORTS MAKING DIFFERENCE

City volunteers partnered with community members and organizations at the August 5th S.U.R.E (Stewards of the Umatilla River Environment) Umatilla River clean-up event. More than 60 volunteers pitched in and cleared 480 pounds of trash from the parkway and riverbank at this annual event. According to Casey Brown, City Special Projects Coordinator, the amount of trash recovered this year was less than average. The regular volunteer cleanup by individuals and organizations that have adopted sections of the Parkway through the City's Adopt a Park/Parkway program is clearly making a difference, helping to keep our community's parks and parkways clean and safe.



UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL: Event set up, help with activity booths, clean up. *October 31st*

DOCUMENT SCANNER: Digital file archiving (Library, City Hall Administration)

EVENT FLYER DISTRIBUTION: Post flyers for events at various community locations

HOME DELIVERY: Deliver library books to disabled and senior patrons (Library)

NEW VOLUNTEERS

Lucy Montoya, Pendleton City Police Association, Umatilla County Health

Interested in volunteering but not sure where? We can help find 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, October 2

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

- **Permit Tech**
- **City Planner**
- **Code Enforcement Officer**
- **Building inspector**
- **Convention Center Laborer**
- **Seasonal Parks /Cemetery Laborer**

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.



Book your Saturday birthday party at the Rec Center. Lots of great equipment available to you for all kinds of fun and games. Fun for the tiniest little ones and teenagers too, from climbing tunnels to dodgeball we have it covered! You can also add the bouncy house or putt putt golf to your rental. **Don't delay and book today! 276-8100.**

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Get creative with those costumes and come show us your stuff. Say "trick-or-treat" and enjoy lots of new games and prizes as well as candy, pop, and popcorn. This FREE event for ages 0-13 is always on Halloween, regardless of which day of the week it falls on, and always at the Convention Center from 5:00 to 7:30p.m.



SPONSORS NEEDED! Call 541-966-0228



NEW! PICKLEBALL COURTS

The Eagle Scouts have painted pickleball courts at Roy Raley Park. There are two courts, and they both look fantastic! Equipment including nets can be rented at the Parks Office at 865 Tutuilla Road.



SUBSCRIPTION INFORMATION

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PARKS & RECREATION



- ◆ **Early Morning Basketball, Saturdays 7:00 to 8:00 am**
- ◆ **Walking for Wellness, Monday—Friday 8:30 to 9:30 am**
- ◆ **Special Needs (begins Oct 1), Sundays 12:00 to 1:30 pm**
- ◆ **Adult Basketball Open Gym, Sundays 6:30 to 8:30 pm**
- ◆ **Karate, Tuesdays and Thursday 5:00 to 6:00 pm**

- ◆ **Location: Helen McCune Gym at Pendleton Rec Center**

ADULT PAINT PARTY! \$30; Tuesday, Sept 26; 6-9 pm

- ◆ The first Adult Paint Party is just around the corner! We will be painting Red Fall Trees to usher in the new season. Have you registered? Now easier to sign up multiple people. The evening is sure to be a blast with the lovely and talented instructor [Jeny's Heart with Art](#). Follow this link to sign up [HERE](#)



SEPTEMBER @ THE LIBRARY

WEEKLY COMPUTER CLASS



Wednesday from 3-4pm

Beginners' Computers. Classes tailored to the needs of the students. Please call (541)966-0380 to register.

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 10:35am

All Ages, No registration

Join us for fun stories

crafts and songs

DIY @ the Library

Tuesday, Sept. 26 @ 6:00 pm

Water Color for
Dummies!



Attendance is limited to 10 Must register 541-966-0380

• BULLET JOURNAL CLUB

4th Wednesdays at 6pm

No registration necessary

First Meeting September 27th

CRAFTERNOONS
Tuesday's 4:15 to 5:00

STRING ART!
A new craft every
week



Got a Library Card?

Who can get a card: Anyone with a Pendleton address can get a free library card.



How to Get Your Card: Bring a piece of picture ID with your current Pendleton mailing address, and fill out our application. If your picture ID is not current, bring it and something official with your current Pendleton mailing address to fill out the application.

Borrowing Limits: The first time you check out, you can have 2 items. We take a day to put your information into our computer. After that, you have a limit of 50 items!

Placing Holds: When your application has been entered into our computer, you will be able to hold up to 9 items, from any library in the Sage system. You can even access your account online to search for and hold the items!

Renewing Your Borrowed Items: Most of our items check out for three weeks. They can be renewed for another three weeks, if no other patron is waiting to check them out. Our movies, either on video cassette or dvd check out for one week, and can be renewed for a further week. You can access your account online for renewals, or call us to renew things for you, or come in and talk to us in person (we always like that best).



PENDLETON FIRE DEPARTMENT INCIDENTS BY INCIDENT TYPE

911	911 Hangup/Abandoned/Accidental	1
ASLT	Assault	4
ASSIST	Agency Assist	3
CIT ASST	Citizen Assist	1
CIVIL	Civil Complaint	1
CSEN	Confined Space Entry	5
DEATHINV	Death Investigation	2
DIST	Disturbance	3
DOMESTIC	Domestic Disturbance	1
DOWN	Subject Down	8
DRUG	Drug Activity	2
DRUNK	Drunk Driver	1
EMS	EMS	151
ETSP	EMS Transport	30
FAFA	Automatic Fire Alarm	8
FELC	Electrical Fire	1
FGRASS	Grass Fire	8
FHZM	Hazmat	1
FIGHT	Fight	4
FILL	Illegal Burn	2
FINFO	Information	1
FIRE	Fire Call	1
FSTR	Structure Fire	1
FUNK	Fire Unknown	2
FVEH	Vehicle Fire	2
FWLD	Wildland Fire	1
INTOX	Intoxicated Subject	1
MENTAL	Mental Subject	1
MVA	Motor Vehicle Accident	13
PARK	Parking Complaint	1
PROP	Property Found/Lost	2
PUB	WRKS Public Works	1
STALKING	Stalking Complaint	1
SUICIDAL	Suicidal Subject	4
SUSP	Suspicious Activity	3
T911	Transferred 911 Calls	4
THEFT	Theft Complaint	1
TRANS	Transport Orders	1
TSTOP	Traffic Stop	2
WCHK	Welfare Check	1

Total Incidents

281