

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

April 2017

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

"Why Should I Vote for the Fire Station Bond?"

On May 16th, Pendleton voters will be asked to support a bond to build a new fire station. Hopefully, they will ask themselves "What's in it for me?" before marking their ballots.



Rapid and effective emergency response is the foundation for public safety. Sixty years ago, the citizens of Pendleton decided that the antiquated and tiny fire station located behind the old city hall no longer met the city's basic needs. They stepped up and built Fire Station #1 on Southwest Court Avenue. This new facility was designed to house the typical crew and equipment of a 1950s era fire station.

Six decades later, Fire Station #1 has passed the end of its useful service life. Like its predecessor, it is now too small to house modern equipment and inadequate for housing women fire fighters and volunteers. It no longer makes sense to keep pouring maintenance funds of about \$40,000 a year into a facility that is not healthy for its occupants. Its HVAC systems are worn out, it has mold, the roof leaks, engine fumes can't be exhausted, and its electrical systems are unsuited for the information age. Because of its unfortunate location, just renovating the current building won't solve its problems.

By choosing to build a new fire station on the site of the old St. Anthony hospital, voters will give themselves faster average response times to 911 calls. They won't have to wonder if the fire engines and ambulances are trapped behind traffic jams at 10th and SW Court. They will provide better training for their fire fighters because there is room to train at the new site. They will know that paramedics will have the necessary equipment when they respond to medical emergencies. When seconds count, a "yes" vote just might save a life.

So please ask yourself "What's in it for me?" and vote yes for a new fire station.

City Council 7pm Council Chambers <u>May 2</u> City Council 7pm Council Chambers <u>May 16</u> Pendleton Development Commission 6 pm City Council 7pm Council Chambers

COUNCIL MEETINGS

April 18

FOR A FULL LIST OF MEETINGS VISIT

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

CITY COU	NCIL	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



John Turner Mayor

AIR QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION

The AQC wanted to expand its air quality educational outreach and approached Sherwood Heights Elementary Science teacher Celia Hampton about the Air Quality Poster contest as well as a new model *Air Inversion Box*. Celia Hampton invited the AQC to demonstrate the Air Inversion Box in her four 5th grade science classes.



The Air Inversion Box is a scale model of Pendleton

constructed inside a large plastic tub. Dry ice is placed in a low-lying cloud in the tub, hot water added to the dry ice, a fog cloud immediately forms and settles to the bottom half of the tub creating the same type of weather phenomena that Pendleton is subject to in the winter months. The box was built by AQC members Roy Jones and Stan Prowant. Roy Jones' wife Julie painstakingly created all the detailed downtown Pendleton building models.

Additionally, Celia Hampton's 5^{th} grade students participated in the Air Quality Poster contest, which the AQC judged on Feb 16th. Posters were judged on cre-



ativity, design, air quality message conveyed and spelling. On March 1st, the AQC made presentations in each of Celia Hampton's four 5th grade science classes. Presentations started off with a very fun and dynamic Air Quality Jeopardy game complete with treats and ended with award presentations for the top three poster winners. Winners received a Air Quality T-shirt, a gift card and a congratulatory letter signed by Councilor

McKennon McDonald, who serves as the City Council liaison to the Air Quality Commission.

COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

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. <u>www.pendleton.or.us</u>

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.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Need a ride to the store? Work? Baseball practice? College? Auto repair? We've got options for you! The City of Pendleton transportation programs consists currently of senior/disabled taxi tickets, general public taxi tickets, senior meal site transportation, a daily van service serving the general public, parks and recreation summer interpark rides, and an aquatic center summer transport. The services are contracted by Elite Taxis, Inc.



Senior and Disabled Taxi Ticket Voucher Program

The senior and disabled taxi ticket voucher program provides rides within Pendleton and the Urban Growth boundary. The City provides rides to participants who live within seven driving miles of the City of Pendleton boundary and do not live within another transit provider agency's boundary. The taxi service provides rides 7 days a week between the hours of 5 am to 3 am daily except for holidays. The service is provided to citizens 60 years of age or older or disabled individuals. The participants pays \$1.75 per one way ride. Limited tickets are available dependent on grant funding and are distributed among all participants on a semiannual basis. The City distributes more tickets than funds are budgeted knowing that there is a historical percentage of unused tickets quarterly. The phone number is 276-8294.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT; ROAD REPAIR UPDATE

The following is a schedule of road construction taking place in the moths of May through June;

- Crews will work to finish road repairs on SW 1st Street in the 600 block
- Work underway for repairs on NW Horn Ave and NW Ingram Ave
- Crews will be working on electrical upgrades in the Convention Center Parking Lot
- There will be a rebuild of the Crabby's Parking lot as well as the JC Penney parking lot
- A waterline replacement in the 300 block of NW 6th Street and 100 block of SE 5th Street will take place
- Continued pick up and clean up of rock. Pass 1 followed immediately by pass 2 through the entire town.
- There will be pothole patching and general asphalt patching throughout May and June as well as striping and sign work.

PENDLETON CONVENTION CENTER

The Pendleton Convention Center, located next to the world-famous Pendleton Round-Up grounds and Happy Canyon, has facilities to host your meetings and provide substantial exhibition space.

Top-notch amenities are available for your meetings at very competitive prices. The Pendleton Convention Center has 26,000 square feet of air conditioned floor space to accommodate up to 5,000 people. There are nine breakout rooms that surround the Main Hall. We have an on site kitchen and a world class banquet chef as our caterer. Her food and beverage service is notable for its excellent quality and very reasonable prices.

We invite you to visit the <u>Pendleton</u> <u>Convention Center's official web</u> <u>site</u> for more information.

CONGRATULATIONS



Officer Chase Addleman was awarded as Officer of the Year at the Eagles Lodge Law Enforcement Banquet.



Congratulations to Pete Nichols for being chosen as the 2016 Firefighter of the Year.



Congratulations to Jackie Berentsen for completing her first year with our Pendleton Fire department.



Congratulations to Zack Peterson of Public Works for completing his State Wastewater Certification.

PENDLETON POLICE

Now that temperatures are FINALLY rising, Chief Roberts reminds residents of Pendleton there are important guidelines to follow regarding the posting of yard sale advertising signage within city limits.

You CANNOT place signs on roadways, sidewalks, medians or affixed to light poles, stop signs, utility poles, fire hydrants or on any other public property.

If your sign is posted in violation it will be removed by Code Enforcement and can result in a fine of \$500.

Yard sale signs may be placed in private yards with the property owner's permission. Those signs need to be removed once the sale is over. Signs that blow into roadways could become a traffic hazard for motorists. Those who leave signs



posted for longer durations can be cited for littering.

WOOD STOVE REPLACEMENT PLAN

Are you concerned about the amount of smog that occurs in the City in the wintertime? Wood burning is one of the main contributors to this problem.

To encourage the replacement of older, inefficient wood stoves, the City has developed a zero interest loan program for replacing your wood burning stove with a newer, more energy efficient heating system. By converting to a new heating system you will not only increase fuel efficiency (SAVE MONEY), but you will also improve the air quality of our great city.

Stay tuned for another article coming soon regarding renewed funding for this program. In the meantime, <u>click here to learn</u> <u>more</u> about this program from Public Works.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT TREEHAVEN PET CEMETERY

Treehaven, opened in December 2006 and was Eastern Oregon's first pet cemetery. The facility is able to accommodate most domestic pets with a variety of burial options from which to choose. Treehaven is located just inside the main gate of the cemetery near a row of tall pines.

Memorialization options in the pet cemetery include statuary, traditional upright and flat headstones, stone markers and simulated boulders with cremation vessels inside.

We are here to be of assistance - call 541-276-8100 or stop by our office.



Join City Staff at Hamley's Café on Monday, May 1

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.

CITY VOLUNTEER

Measuring the Impact of Volunteers

Each year City of Pendleton volunteers work alongside city staff to enhance, expand and deliver quality programs and services. In 2016 citizens, including 266 individuals and 26 community groups, contributed 3,554 hours of volunteer service throughout the city's departments.

The impact of their time and effort is clear through the difference they make in our community. Volunteers help maintain parks and parkways, set up and help at community events like the Halloween Carnival and Daddy Daughter

dance, provide coaching for the Youth Basketball Program, and assist the library in its programs and operations.

Roy Raley Ice Rink is maintained with the help of volunteers, and the Recreation department is able to hold open gyms and recreation programs due to volunteer assistance. Community members have access to genealogy expertise thanks to a skilled library volunteer.

Departments city wide are able to leverage what they are able to do for the Pendleton community because of many generous volunteers.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK APRIL 23-29, 2017 Established in 1974, National Volunteer Week is an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the people who share their time, talent and support to causes they care about in their community. The City of Pendleton will honor our volunteers at the April 18th City Council meeting, followed by a dessert reception. All City volunteers are invited and encouraged to attend.

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

May 20 ALL COMERS YOUTH TRACK MEET

Help with registration and youth track events (Parks and Recreation)

June-Aug. SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Assistance Tuesdays 4:15-5pm with reading program for 3-12 years of age. (Library)

OngoingDOCUMENT 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)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW VOLUNTEERS

Volunteer more

New Roads– Columbia Care Service, Joy Rana and Sherry Zweig

VOLUNTEERS

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 <u>HERE</u>.









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

- **Seasonal Public Works** • Department
- **Seasonal Parks /Cemetery** Laborer
- Parks Aids and Life Guards
- **Summer Pool and Recrea**tion

You may apply online at http://www.pendleton.or.us/sites/ pendleton.or.us/files/File/humanresources/employment/ APPLICATION-fillable.pdf

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

PARKS AND RECREATION ANNUAL ARBOR DAY FREE TREE GIVEAWAY

This year's annual tree giveaway has been scheduled on Earth Day, April 22 at Roy Raley Park from 11am to 3pm. It will coincide with the Earth Day Community Science Fair.

Members of Pendleton Parks and Recreation Department, the Pendleton Tree Commission, the Pendleton Parks and Recreation Commission, and the Umatilla National Forest Service will be giving away seedling trees to citizens interested in planting them at their homes or elsewhere with permission. 500 seedlings will be distributed to the community, free of charge. Trees include sugar pine, ponderosa pine, water birch. and ninebark.

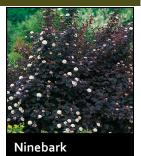
This event will help Pendleton Parks and Recreation reach the goal of the "Pendleton Plant 1,000 Trees Initiative." As of writing this release, 973 out of 1,000 trees have been planted in Pendleton.

More information about the initiative can be found on the Pendleton Parks and Recreation website http://www.pendletonparksandrec.com/pendleton-trees.

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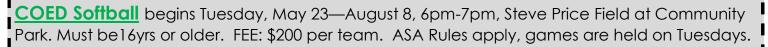
Mother Daughter Night Pajama Party Saturday, May 6th 6pm - 8pm Ages K-8th arade Fee: \$25 couple\\$10 additional



All Comers Youth Track Meet Saturday, May 20th 🕈 Pendleton High School Track. 18 mo. to10 years. [time to be announced] FREE

Adult Softball Spring Kickoff Tournament Saturday May 20th, 8am-4pm Community Field Must be 18yrs old. Register before May 16th. FEE: \$100 per team. ASA rules apply with a twist!

I Men's Softball begins Monday, May 22—August 7, 6pm-8pm, Steve Price Field at Community Park. Must be16yrs or older. FEE: \$200 per team. ASA Rules apply, games are held on Mondays.







APRIL (a) THE LIBRARY



Wednesday, April 26th at 6:00pm at The Prodígal Son 230 SE Court Meet Shaindel Beers, who will read her work!

Shaindel Beers is the author of two full-length poetry collections, *A Brief History of Time* (2009) and The Children's War and Other Poems (2013), both from Salt Publishing. She is the Poetry Editor of Contrary Magazine and teaches at Blue Mountain Community College.

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





Thursday, April 25th at 6:00pm Attendance is limited to 10, please phone 541-966-0380 to register.



Saturday, April 22nd at 2:00 pm



The next series in our popular technology lesson



Learn to download eBooks and audiobooks with your library card!! Call to register 541-966-0380



Tuesdays at 4:15 pm for all ages!

Drop in for a different craft each week \sim sometimes our craft will be a group effort and sometimes our craft will be an individual project









PENDLETON FIRE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS BY INCIDENT TYPE MARCH 2017

ASLT	Assault	1
CIT ASST	Citizen Assist	1
CSEM	Confined Space Emergency	1
CSEN	Confined Space Entry	6
DEATHINV	Death Investigation	1
DIST	Disturbance	2
DOMESTIC	Domestic Disturbance	1
DOWN	Subject Down	1
DRUNK	Drunk Driver	1
DRVC	Driving Complaint	1
EMS	EMS	180
ETSP	EMS Transport	33
FAFA	Automatic Fire Alarm	4
FAIR	Aircraft Fire	1
FIGHT	Fight	1
FILL	Illegal Burn	7
FIRE	Fire Call	13
FSMK	Smoke Check	4
INTOX	Intoxicated Subject	2
LINE	Lines Down	1
MENTAL	Mental Subject	1
MVA	Motor Vehicle Accident	6
SUICIDAL	Suicidal Subject	4
SUSP	Suspicious Activity	1
TRESPASS	Trespass	1
TSTOP	Traffic Stop	1
WCHK	Welfare Check	1
Total Incidents		278