



PENDLETON

Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon

February 2017

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

"A January to Remember"

Most of us expect the pace of our lives to slow down after New Year's Day, but not so for our City street crews. On January 16th, I was talking with Jeff Brown, our Public Works Superintendent, who told me his street crews had worked to keep our streets sanded for two and a half weeks straight, 24 hours a day, without anyone taking a day off. By the end of the month, Pendleton had consumed more than 700 tons of street gravel.



An article in the EO a few days ago talked about the extreme weather Pendleton has suffered through so far this winter. Here are some statistics quoted from that article: A record-breaking 29 days with below freezing temperatures; 40 inches of snow so far this winter when the average yearly snowfall is 12.3 inches; and 43 days of snow on the ground compared to a norm of 15 days a year. And we still have more than a month of winter left! For Pendleton Public Schools, the cold weather can't end soon enough. Just after the School Board extended the school year by five days because of days lost to weather closures, the schools were forced to close another two days.

In spite of beginning operations on December 19th, just ahead of the January storms, Boutique Airlines had a banner month in January. While 13 flights were canceled due to the weather, there were 469 enplanements at the Regional Airport- the best January in 10 years.

On February 7th, the City Council listened as our auditor, Rob Tremper, gave the City a clean audit, without any significant findings or discrepancies. This type of audit only happens when a finance department does a consistently thorough job with every transaction throughout the year and our hats are off to Linda Carter and her team.

We also learned that Pendleton is a safe place for its public employees to work. Our annual safety report showed some 334,000 hours worked with only two time-loss injuries in 2015-2016. As a result, the League of Oregon Cities presented Pendleton with its Silver Safety Award.

The sun was out for a while this past weekend. Let's hope for more sunshine!

Let 'er Buck!
John Turner



Mayor Turner confers with Representative Greg Smith during a recent visit with Legislators on February 8th.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

February 21

City Council 7pm
Council Chambers

March 7

City Council 7pm
Council Chambers Workshop

March 21

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	541-966-0207
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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CITY COUNCIL GOALS

Goal: Sustainable Infrastructure Funding for Buildings, roads, and utilities

Proposed Measures of Success:

Eliminate backlog of building maintenance (\$14,317,965)

Sinking Fund to address annual accumulation of maintenance

Eliminate backlog of road maintenance (\$16M)

Maintain road condition PMI > __ (score) (est. \$2.8M/year; currently \$800k/year)

Meet planned replacement schedules for water, sewer, and stormwater as per 2015 master plans

Fund Emergency Equipment plan

Goal: Increase Economic Development Activities

Proposed Measures of Success:

TRT Tax Revenue

Land Valuation

Airport land Leased

Create an accounting of unfilled jobs at key employer sites

Work with BMCC to create another economic model

Goal: Development of Quality Commercial, industrial, and residential property

Proposed Measures of Success:

Create additional "shovel ready" industrial lands (acres)

Building permit numbers

Goal: Increase Available Housing

Proposed Measures of Success:

Show new home construction by class year over year

SUBSCRIPTION INFORMATION

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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. www.pendleton.or.us

PUBLIC SERVICE

AARP is offering free tax assistance with filing your 2016 taxes.

The AARP Tax-Aide program is available Monday's from 9am to 3pm at the Community Room located at City Hall through April 10.

For more information including what to bring with you, visit; www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide

UTILITY BILLING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The City of Pendleton is offering a discount program for income eligible households on their water and sewer utility services. This discount does not apply to any additional fees including, but not limited to safety or street utility fee. The program will be administered through HELPING HANDS and is voluntary. If you choose to apply for this assistance you will need to provide all required information during the application process.

Please make an appointment with HELPING HANDS at 541-276-3418 to determine if you are eligible.

*The City of Pendleton will NOT determine eligibility. All requests for The City of Pendleton Utility Billing Financial Assistance Program need to be directed to HELPING HANDS. 541-276-3418

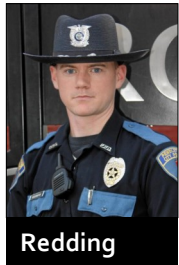
PENDLETON POLICE



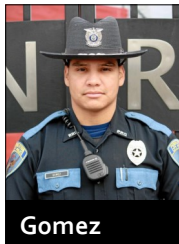
16-year veterans Chuck Byram has been promoted to Lieutenant.



Tony Nelson has been promoted to Lieutenant.



Tyler Reddington has been promoted to Sergeant.



Brandon Gomez has been promoted to Sergeant.



Nathan Bessette has been promoted to Corporal.



Drew Hubel is now a Detective with the BENT team.



Shelly Studebaker has been promoted to Community Service Officer (CSO)

PENDLETON FIRE AND AMBULANCE



The Pendleton Fire Department was proud to provide certificates of commendation to Reserves, Firefighters Melissa Griffin/paramedic and Patrick Williamson/EMT who braved the terrible conditions from Pendleton through the Gorge on January 18th to safely deliver a patient to OHSU.



Firefighter/Paramedic Robert Wolf, joined the Pendleton Fire department on February 6th. Robert comes to us from the Bend Fire Department and was sworn-in by Mayor Turner at the regular city council meeting on February 7th. Welcome to our team Robert!



Jeremy Keene who began working for Pendleton Fire Department in 1998 was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in a swearing in ceremony conducted by Mayor John Turner on January 24. Congratulations Lt. Keene!

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The City of Pendleton, in cooperation with Elite Taxi, has received a short term grant that helps provide rides for low income seniors, disabled or veterans within the Pendleton area thru June 30th. Individuals who believe they would qualify can purchase Ride to Wellness tickets for \$3 each at Pendleton City Hall. Each ticket can provide a one-way ride to doctor appointments, pharmacy, therapy and even grocery stores.

**For more information
541-541-966-0207**

COFFEE *with the* 
8-10 am CITY

**Join City Staff
at Hamley's Café on
Monday, March 6**

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

City Employees Serve

Volunteers serve a vital role at the City of Pendleton, helping to deliver, enhance, and expand community programs and services. Included in the over 300 citizen volunteers are City staff members, who routinely contribute their time, skills and expertise outside of their respective regular work day responsibilities. City employees sign up to be included in volunteer activities, which allow opportunities to be exposed to different departments within the organization.



Employees volunteer in a wide range of service. Jutta Haliewicz, a 19-year employee in the Public Works department, is a veteran volunteer at city sponsored community events. Additionally, since 2015 she has supported the Parks department through the “Adopt-A-Park” program, performing regular trash pick-up at a city Parkway. Jutta has twice been recognized as the City of Pendleton Volunteer of the Year for her commitment. Facilities Manager Glenn Graham, a talented amateur photographer, volunteers his photography skills for multiple City sponsored events. City employees regularly offer their time and talents at annual community events including the annual Halloween Carnival, Daddy Daughter Dance, and National Night Out, helping with decorating, hosting, and overseeing activities. Why do these employees give of their time beyond their workday? Many cite the opportunity to be more involved with their community, as well as meeting others who share their values and interests.

City of Pendleton employees recently came together during an in-service event and performed a group service project for the benefit of the homeless community. Employees assembled “care kits” containing body warmers, a snack, and resource list which were given to city departments to distribute out in the community. It served as another opportunity for City of Pendleton employees to give back to their community beyond their service in their daily jobs. Pendleton has a generous volunteer spirit, and at the heart – the City – it beats strong.

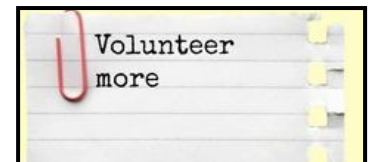
UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

March 28,29,30 **EXPLORE PENDLETON:** Four volunteers needed to assist with Spring Break Camp for K-4th graders 8-12pm daily. (Parks & Recreation)

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)

Ongoing **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)



WELCOME TO OUR NEW VOLUNTEERS

CHRISTOPHER CROWDER, JORDAN DODGE, MICHELLE GOMEZ, FRED ROBINSON JR, KAREN SHAW,
JAMIE STONE, CHRISTINE STUDER, STEWART WUEST

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 [HERE](#).



XPLORE PENDLETON MARCH 28, 29, 30 8:00 AM - NOON COST: \$40

K-1ST , ACTIVITY #5854
DROP OFF 8AM PENDLETON REC
CENTER
PICK UP NOON PENDLETON
CENTER FOR THE ARTS

2ND-4TH, ACTIVITY # 5881
DROP OFF 8AM PENDLETON
CENTER FOR THE ARTS
PICK UP NOON CHILDREN'S
MUSEUM OF EASTERN ORGEON

PENDLETON PARKS AND
REC WILL ESCORT BETWEEN
LOCATIONS

PENDLETON CENTER FOR THE ARTS
CLAY, PAPER MACHE, AND PAINTING

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
ART, MUSIC, SCIENCE, COOKING,
AND GARDENING

PENDLETON REC CENTER
DODGEBALL, OBSTACLE COURSE,
PICKLEBALL, AND PING PONG

PARKS AND RECREATION



The annual Mother Son Dance was held on January 21 at the Rec Center with nearly 130 couples in attendance!



The annual Father Daughter Dance was held on February 4th at the Pendleton Convention Center with an estimate of 200 couples in attendance!

LIBRARY

Dinosaur Train Party

Wednesday, March 15th 4:30 pm
Ages 0-6 Registration Required

Disney princess party

Thursday, March 23rd 4:30 PM
Ages 3-12

Family Science Night

Thursday March 30th 6:00 PM All
Ages No registration Required

LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday—Thursday 10AM to 8PM
Friday & Saturday 10AM to 5PM

PENDLETON COMMUNITY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

**SIGN UP
NOW**



YOUTH &
ADULT
DIVISIONS

Download registration forms at www.pendletonparksandrec.com

Return to Pendleton Parks and Recreation (visit or call)

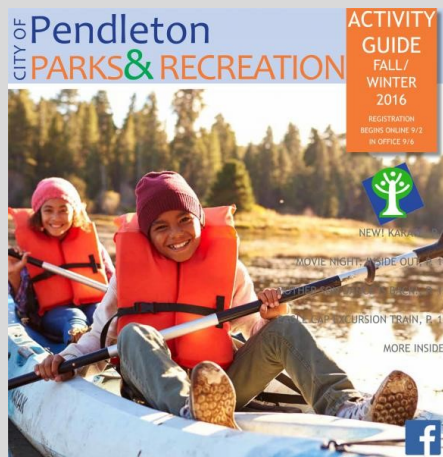
Pendleton Parks and Recreation · Phone: 541-276-8100 · Fax: 541-276-9789

Trophies Provided by: Dean's Pendleton Athletic

Tournament Location: Blue Mountain Community College



ACTIVITY GUIDES AVAILABLE



MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

GAMERS NIGHT A great way to spend Friday night for middle -- high school aged students. Join us at the gym. FREE organized tournament with great leadership to make it fun! No pre-registration required. Grab some friends and plan on a good time. Action begins at 7 p.m. and continues to approximately 10:30 p.m. (or until the competition is done). The next Gamer's Night will be held March 10th

Walking For Wellness Join us Monday - Friday in the Helen McCune Gymnasium inside the Pendleton Recreation Center. Walkers meet from 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. The program is free due to the generosity of volunteer gym supervisors. Nice music, an out of the weather exercise environment, and smiling faces make this a rewarding habit to add to your day.

PENDLETON ON WHEELS starts riding every Saturday at 9am beginning in March. A helmet is required www.pendletononwheels.org



PENDLETON FIRE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS BY INCIDENT TYPE JANUARY 2017

911	911 Hangup/Abandoned/Accidental	2
ASLT	Assault	2
ASSIST	Agency Assist	3
CSEN	Confined Space Entry	7
DEATHINV	Death Investigation	3
DIST	Disturbance	3
DOMESTIC	Domestic Disturbance	2
DOWN	Subject Down	2
EAMA	Ambulance Mutual Aid	1
EMS	EMS	164
ETSP	EMS Transport	59
FAFA	Automatic Fire Alarm	9
FAGA	Fire Agency Assist	1
FELC	Electrical Fire	1
FIGHT	Fight	1
FILL	Illegal Burn	2
FIRE	Fire Call	7
FSMK	Smoke Check	4
FUNK	Fire Unknown	1
FVEH	Vehicle Fire	2
HIT/RUN	Hit & Run	1
INFO	Information	1
INTOX	Intoxicated Subject	2
MENTAL	Mental Subject	2
MVA	Motor Vehicle Accident	13
PROWLER	Prowler	1
PUB WRKS	Public Works	1
SUICIDAL	Suicidal Subject	3
SUSP	Suspicious Activity	2
T911	Transferred 911 Calls	2
THEFT	Theft Complaint	1
WCHK	Welfare Check	1
WRT	Warrant Arrest	1
Total Incidents		307

CRIME REPORT



Pendleton. The crime information contained herein is restricted to the crime data tracked and disseminated by the Federal Bureau of Investigations through National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS). NIBRS is the new/preferred methodology of compiling and collating crime statistics. NIBRS replaces the traditional Uniform Crime Report (UCR), which only showed statistical data in eleven categories. NIBRS tracks crime information in fifty-one categories. All law enforcement agencies are required to migrate from UCR to NIBRS by January 1, 2021. The Pendleton Police Department is currently using NIBRS and the fact the police department changed Records Management System(s) in 2014 contribute to the disparity between 2015 numbers and those that precede 2015.

Crime/Incident Type	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015*	% Change +/-
By Year												
Homicide/Murder	0	0	3	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	Static
Rape	14	16	25	18	8	8	15	2	7	9	4	-56 (5)
Robbery	10	6	20	21	12	14	7	7	12	13	7	-46.2 (6)
Aggravated Assault	40	54	52	57	30	30	17	28	27	9	20	+55 (11)
Burglary	167	157	151	129	119	94	71	149	102	106	61	-42.5 (45)
Larceny	795	778	816	619	492	548	496	646	673	683	637	-6.8 (46)
Auto Theft	67	80	77	36	36	35	30	50	42	56	30	-53.5 (26)
Arson									1	1	3	+66.7 (2)
Total Violent	64	76	100	97	51	53	39	38	47	31	N/A	No longer tracked
Total Persons											197	New
Total Society											309	New (ex: vandalis)
Total Property	1029	1015	1044	784	647	677	597	845	790	845	596	-30 (249)
Total Offenses											1102	New
Population	16820	16909	16620	16490	16378	16612	16789	16903		16935	16969	
Calls for Service					35898	31639	32816	30281	29272	44706	19101	
Officer Initiated Activity										30364	10325	
Traffic Stops					5028	4171	4598	3891	5279	12181	5154	