April 2024

THERE IS A LOT HAPPENING IN PENDLETON

On April 9th, I attended a Pendleton Candidates' Forum hosted by the Umatilla County Board of Realtors. It was well organized and attended. I commend all the candidates for being well prepared and for having constructive ideas about steps to ensure a prosperous future for our City. You can learn more about the candidates when your voters' pamphlet arrives in late April, and please vote when your ballot arrives in early May.



You may have heard that I am not seeking re-election this year. I am proud of the progress we have made over the past eight years in fixing our streets, renovating buildings, constructing

about 700 new housing units, modernizing the airport, and expanding our economy. There is still a lot to do, and I will leave office in January secure in the knowledge that I will be replaced by an effective new mayor and we will continue to be served by a strong and cohesive City Council.

Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon

Twenty years ago, there was very little in the way of public transit in Pendleton. Today, the City provides about 33,000 free rides each year and Linda Carter, the head of the City's Finance Department, provided much of the leadership for our robust transit program. On April 4th, we had a ground breaking for our new bus barn on NW H Street near the airport. This facility is paid for mostly by the Federal Transportation Administration, the Oregon Department of Transportation, and the Energy Trust of Oregon. It will provide a barn to store and maintain the buses, along with some office space to manage operations.

The Bisnett family recently donated the old "Christian Science" building on north Main Street to the City. This unique building sat empty for several decades and now has generated a lot of public interest. The City will be reaching out to our citizens to ask for ideas about the building's potential highest and best use. Look for a booth at the Farmer's Market and for an announcement about a public forum.

Also look for road work as the weather turns nice and construction season begins. In addition to an ambitious street sealing plan, we will rebuild 6-7 blocks of NW Despain, and we plan to rebuild part of North Main. That will be a difficult and very expensive section of road and our progress will depend on how much is left in the road budget. The City has begun the rough grading of the roads leading to the "Goad/ Rees" properties near the Water Filtration Plant, with the intent of being ready to begin building houses there in the summer of 2025. Construction of the water pump station that will serve this area is already underway, and a builder has submitted plans to develop about 190 new lots on the first 49 acres of this land.

Large tourism events are almost here, beginning with the Cattle Baron's Weekend on 3-4 May. The Jackalope Jamboree comes in late June and is growing each year. In July we will have the Pendleton Whisky Music Fest, beginning with the Kick-Off party on Main Street on 12 July. I will see you out there!

> John Turner Mayor of Pendleton

COUNCIL MEETINGS

May 7 City Council 7 pm May 21 City Council 7 pm PDC Meeting 6 pm

> All meetings in the Council Chambers FOR A FULL LIST OF **MEETINGS VISIT** http://www.pendleton.or.us/

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

John Turner	Mayor	541-922-8605
Addison Schulberg	At Large	541-379-1677
Steve Campbell	At Large	541-379-0130
Kevin Martin	Ward I	541-969-6744
Carole Innes	Ward I	541-377-7935
McKennon McDonald	Ward 2	541-969-3345
Sally Brandsen	Ward 2	503-351-6624
Dale Primmer	Ward 3	541-240-1117
Linda Neuman	Ward 3	541-969-1188

CITY OF PENDLETON

Administration	541-966-0201
Airport	541-276-7754
Convention Center	541-276-6569
Community Dev.	541-966-0203
Finance	541-966-0207
Fire	541-276-1442
Human Resources	541-966-0222
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





Vacancies on Boards and Commissions

Multiple opportunities for community members to get involved

City of Pendleton cannot do the important work of a municipal government without the help of its many citizen volunteers. Many of these volunteers serve as members of the City's various boards, committees and commissions. Some of those boards and committees have openings:

Historic Preservation Commission – 1 seats2

The Historic Preservation Commission is charged with supporting the enforcement of all state laws relating to historic preservation and adopting guidelines to assist applicants in developing complete and viable applications to designate, alter, rehabilitate, relocate, or demolish Landmarks

The Transportation Committee—1 seats

The Transportation Committee provides direction on transportation programs, including senior/disabled taxi tickets, general public taxi tickets, senior meal site transportation, a daily van service serving the general public, parks and recreation summer inter-park rides, and an aquatic center summer transport.

If you wish to serve, please complete the application form at www.pendletonor.gov/bc and submit it to the Administration office at City Hall.

REGISTER TO VOTE THIS MONTH

Multiple elected offices for the City of Pendleton will be on local ballots for the May election. The candidate that receives the most votes in each race will take office in January 2025, or, if no person receives a majority of the votes cast in a specific race, the two candidates who receive the most votes will run for election in the General Election on November 5, 2024. Elections will be conducted by mail. Ballots are due May 21.

The last day to register to vote in order to participate in the May 21 election is April 30, 2024. To check if you are registered to vote, visit https:// secure.sos.state.or.us/orestar/vr/showVoterSearch.do? lang=eng&source=SOS or call the Umatilla County Elections Office at 541 -278-6254.

Sign up for Direct Payment of Your Utility Bill

Did you know you can have your City of Pendleton utility bill paid automatically with our free Autopay program?

Autopay is a free service and enrollment is easy!

Simply complete the form and return to us with your current City of Pendleton utility payment or mail anytime.

Once you are enrolled, you will continue to receive your monthly statement, which will state AUTO PAY. It's that simple!

Questions? Call us! (541) 966-0207

Bills are paid automatically from your checking or savings account on the due date. Our Autopay program is a free service and you can withdraw anytime by contacting us at least 10 days prior to your due date

City of Pendleton Application for Direct Pay Plan Utility Bill

Name:			
Phone Number:			
Address:			
Utility Account			
Financial Institution:			
	Checking 🗖	Savings 🗖	
Bank Account #:			
Routing #:			
By signing below, I am au	thorizing the City o	of Pendleton utility	department to

automatically withdraw my utility payment from my checking/savings account.

Signature:

Date:

Mail completed forms to:

City of Pendleton Attn: Utility Billing 500 SW Dorion Ave. Pendleton, OR 97801 _____

Questions? Contact:

Utility Billing Department at (541) 966-0207 or UBill@ci.pendleton.or.us

Rather Pay Online?

Payments can be made by visiting https:// www.municipalonlinepayments.com/pendletonor/utilities or clicking"Pay Online" or scan the QR code below.







City updates email addresses, website

The City of Pendleton updates website to www.pendletonor.gov

Emails from the City of Pendleton look a little different this month. The City has transitions from the domain Pendleton.or.us to pendletonor.gov, and this means emails now come from first-

name.lastname@pendletonor.gov instead of firstname.lastname@ci.pendleton.or. For now, emails sent to the old addresses will be forwarded to the new ones, but if you have City of Pendleton emails in your contacts, you should update those accordingly.

We have tried to catch everything, but if you run into a page that shows a "404" error or any broken links on our website, please let us know!



Library, cemetery welcome author Gail Carriger

Bestselling author will appear at two public events

New York Times Bestselling author Gail Carriger will visit Pendleton this May and participate in two events to benefit local nonprofits.

Best known for the Parasol Protectorate and Finishing School series, Gail Carriger has multiple NYT bestsellers and millions of books in print in dozens of different languages. The author visit is funded by community donations and the Gayle E. Blek Endowment to Pendleton Friends of the Library.

Carriger is the featured speaker at the Pendleton Friends of the Library annual meeting and author presentation. The evening will begin with a dessert bar featuring multiple treats from local businesses and a brief PFOL annual meeting and election of officers. Carriger will then speak on [topic]. Doors open at 5 p.m., and the event begins at 5:30 p.m. Friday, May 3, in the Vert Club Room, 480 SW Dorion Ave. Attendance is free, pre-registration is required.

On Saturday, May 4, Carriger, a known tea aficionado, will be a special guest at the fundraiser "Tea with your Quiet Neighbors" at Olney Cemetery, 865 Tutuilla Road, Pendleton. Event guests will enjoy tea and refreshments on the lawn of the historic Olney Cemetery while learning more about Quiet Neighbors and ongoing efforts to preserve and improve the cemetery. Catering will be provided by AK's Tea Room and will feature four distinct teas and a full menu. Tickets for "Tea with your Quiet Neighbors" are \$40, and all proceeds will go to the nonprofit Friends of Olney organization. This event is limited to attendees age 16 and older.

While Carriger is in Pendleton, she will also speak at an assembly at Sunridge Middle School.

Registration links for both events are available on the City of Pendleton's website at https:// pendletonor.gov/community/page/bestselling-author-gail-carriger-visit-pendleton For specific questions about the author visit and Pendleton activities, call 541-966-0380. Learn more about the author and her works at www.gailcarriger.com

About the Pendleton Friends of the Library

Pendleton Friends of the Library is an association of persons interested in books and libraries. Our goals are to focus public attention on our library's services, facilities, and needs; and to stimulate gifts of books, magazines, desirable collections, endowments, bequests, and memorials to enhance our library and its service to the community.

About Quiet Neighbors and Friends of Olney

Each October, costumed performers help bring residents of the historic Olney Cemetery to life in the "Quiet Neighbors" cemetery tour. Quiet Neighbors is a joint venture between Pendleton Public Library, Olney Cemetery, and the Umatilla County Historical Society. As an organization, Friends of Olney is dedicated to helping preserve the historic and aesthetic attributes of Olney Cemetery.







TRANSIT BUS BARN GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY



On Thursday, April 4, The City of Pendleton and other partners held groundbreaking ceremony at the site for the new Bus Barn Facility for City of Pendleton Transit.

The City of Pendleton operates public transit programs. This projects creates a facility to safely house transportation vehicles - up to four Category C buses, six Category E vehicles, and four minivan or sedan class vehicles - on 8.9 acres of undeveloped land adjacent to the Eastern Oregon Regional Airport. The facility will also provide storage, bathroom, and breakroom facilities for transit employees.

The City of Pendleton Bus Barn Facility will include:

- 2,618 sf Bus Barn
- 3,212 sf Bus Shelter

This project is funded through:

- A \$2.01 million grant through Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) program
- A \$90,000 grant from ODOT through the STIF program to cover planning and engineering
- Umatilla County committed a grant of \$504,966 through STIF funding
- The City of Pendleton has set aside \$500,000 in transportation funds

Read more about the project on the Pendleton Projects website at <u>https://pendletonprojects.com/</u> node/122

There's always something to do in Pendleton



Upcoming Events & Activities



It's time to level up your gaming and your dance moves in the Mother Son Digital Disco at the Pendleton Recreation Center. TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Ages: Sons 5-14 years old (age restrictions due to the activities that will be provided)

Date: April 27th, 2024 Time: 5:00 pm-8:00 pm

SURE SPRING 2024 RIVER CLEANUP & TREE GIVEAWAY

Come join us on Saturday, April 27, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Pendleton's Roy Raley Park! If you don't have your own gloves, we will supply them, along with trash bags. Please wear long pants and sturdy shoes

Pendleton Tree Commission and Pendleton Parks & Recreation are excited to announce that this year's tree giveaway will be 500 trees and shrubs. We've been listening and this year will include more large shade tree varieties. These will be in limited supply and will be limited to each person to allow the most people to get these saplings. Visit the Facebook event for more information

WALKING FOR WELLNESS

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Start your day off right and get walking! This FREE program is a great way to meet friends, listen to music, and get your body moving in a safe and warm environment during the autumn-spring months.

ALL AGES FREE REC CENTER

510 SW DORION AVE. MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:30 AM-9:30 AM OCTOBER - APRIL 30

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US: 541-966-0228



Join Maura at 4:30pm Wednesdays in the Harry Potter Room. Knitters are welcome to bring an existing project, or start a new one. Maura will be on hand to troubleshoot tricky patterns and help beginners get started.

Upcoming Events & Activities



Summer Registration Night MAY 7TH 6-8PM

Join us at the Recreation Center! Families can register for upcoming activities, learn more about the programs, and get information regarding scholarships and volunteer opportunities.

- Summer Adventure Camp
- UAV camps
- TACO
- Itty Bitty Sports
- · Lil' Bucks Soccer
- Smart Kids 101
- Babysitting 101

Swim Lesson Registration Night MAY 30TH SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION

OPENS ONLINE & IN-PERSON 6PM



Reese Witherspoon Book Club

6:10 p.m. Wednesday, May 15

Join the Pendleton Public Library for the next pick in our Reese Witherspoon Book Club. The May book is "Starling House" by Alix E. Harrow.

"This book has everything you could possibly want...a cursed town, a haunted house, a vivid & eerie setting—plus, characters

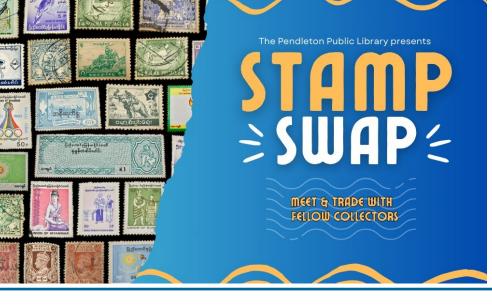


willing to risk everything." —Reese Witherspoon (Reese's Book Club October '23 Pick)

Starling House is a gorgeous, modern gothic fantasy from the New York Times bestselling author of The Ten Thousand Doors of January.

No registration required. Snacks are provided!

The book is available through the library both in print and as an ebook or audiobook using the Libby app.



Calling all stamp collectors! Do you have stamps you're trying to trade? Want to meet with others that collect stamps?

The Stamp Swap is where collectors can come together to trade and discuss all things stamp-related. No registration required

12 p.m. Saturday, May 18

Pendleton Aquatic Center SEASON POOL PASSES



Season pass - any age

April 1-June 7th at 4pm 10% discount

Early bird:





Questions? 541-966-0228 jeff.hamilton@ci.pendleton..or.us



OPENING DAY: JUNE 8TH HOURS: DAILY NOON-8PM

Season Dates:

We are partnering with the Pendleton Public Library to bring teens a FREE Drop in night at the Rec Center! Come hang out with your friends and have PIZZA, play video games, open gym, & more! March 22, 2024 at 6:00 pm For ages 12-18

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SUMMER SEASONAL POSITIONS IN THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The City is accepting applications for several seasonal positions in the Parks and Recreation Department:

- <u>SUMMER CAMP RECREATION LEAD</u> – With the direction of the Recreation Supervisor and Coordinator you will lead summer adventure camp, Movies in the Park, youth sports and other recreation programs. Leads will be the point of contact with program participants and their families. Must have CPR/ First Aid certification or ability to obtain one. Wage \$15.50-\$17.95 per hr.

- <u>SUMMER CAMP RECREATION AIDE</u> – Assist the Leads with facilitation of Summer Camp, student enrichment programs, youth sports, movies in the parks, and other recreation programs. Must have CPR/ First Aid certification or ability to obtain one. Experience working with youth preferred. Wage \$13.70-\$15.41 per hr.

- <u>SEASONAL LABORER</u> – Positions perform labor required to landscape and maintain parks and cemetery grounds including cultivation and care of shrubs, trees, flowers, and lawn turf, control of weeds, mowing, irrigation, waste disposal, and maintaining restrooms, shelters, and other park facilities. Wage ranges from \$14.20 - \$16.95 per hour.

- <u>LIFEGUARD</u> - Position requires: Current Red Cross Lifeguard Training, Standard First Aid, AED, CPR for the Professional Rescuer, or equivalent training as recognized by the American Red Cross or State. Must be at least 15 years of age. Wage \$13.20-\$14.20 per hr.

- <u>SWIM INSTRUCTOR/LIFEGUARD</u> - Requirements same as above plus must have Water Safety Instructor certification. Must be at least 16 years of age. Wage \$13.20-\$15.20 per hr.

- <u>SWIM INSTRUCTOR AIDE</u> - Position requires: Current Red Cross Lifeguard Training, Standard First Aid, AED, CPR for the Professional Rescuer, or equivalent training as recognized by the American Red Cross or State. Must be at least 14 years of age. Wage \$13.20-\$13.95 per hr.

- <u>ADMISSION/CONCESSION ATTENDANT</u> - Provide customer service at Aquatic Center admission desk or in food court. Must be 15 years of age at time of employment; have current food handler card; and possess good public service skills. Wage \$13.20-\$13.70 per hr.

- <u>ADMISSION/CONCESSION LEAD</u> - Provide customer service at Aquatic Center admission desk or in food court. Must be 18 years of age at time of employment; have current food handler card; possess good public service skills, and have prior experience. Wage \$14.50-\$15.00 per hr.

- <u>POOL ASSISTANT MANAGER</u> – Assist supervising the Aquatic Center facility and staff. Must be 18 years of age. Position requires: Current Red Cross Lifeguard Training, Standard First Aid, AED, CPR for the Professional Rescuer, or equivalent training as recognized by the American Red Cross or State, CPO preferred. Wage \$15.50-\$18.50 per hr.

- <u>AQUATIC CLASS INSTRUCTOR</u> – Teach various Aquatic Classes such as Lifeguarding, Water Aerobics, Scuba, Jr. Lifeguarding, Kayaking or any other aquatic activity that may be needed. Wages \$15.00-\$17.00 per hr.

- <u>LESSON/EVENT COORDINATOR</u> – Responsible for coordinating aquatics lessons and events at the facility. Must be 18 years of age. Position requires: Current Red Cross Lifeguard Training, Standard First Aid, AED, CPR for the Professional Rescuer, or equivalent training as recognized by the American Red Cross or State, CPO preferred. Wage \$15.00-\$16.50 per hr.

- <u>HEAD LIFEGUARD/SHIFT MANAGER</u> – Assists Recreation Supervisor and Asst. Pool Manager with supervising facility and pool staff. Position requires: Current Red Cross Lifeguard Training, Standard First Aid, AED, CPR for the Professional Rescuer, or equivalent training as recognized by the American Red Cross or State. Must be 18 years of age. Wage \$13.75-\$14.75 per hr.

All wage ranges are dependent on experience (DOE) and/or certificates held. All positions require the ability to pass a criminal background check. Applications are available at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, or at www.pendletonor.gov. Completed applications must be returned to the Human Resources Office.

, Employment Opportunities

ARBORIST

The City of Pendleton is accepting applications for a USDA Grant Funded Full-Time Arborist position in the Parks and Recreation Department. The Arborist is responsible for performing a wide range of duties related to the maintenance of publicly owned or regulated trees within the City. The ideal candidate will have a strong background in arboriculture, horticulture, or forestry. This position will be required to either have or be able to obtain, within 6 months of hire, a Tree Climbing Certification. The position will be primarily Monday-Friday 7:00 am-3:30 pm but may be subject to emergency call out.

The wage range is \$4,572 - \$6,193 per month DOE plus excellent benefits. Requires valid driver's license and ability to pass a criminal background check. Applications are available on the city's website, at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion Avenue, or by calling (541) 966-0201. Completed applications must be returned to <u>human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us</u>. The position is open until filled.

ARBOR TECH

The City of Pendleton is accepting applications for a USDA Grant Funded Full-Time Arbor Tech position in the Parks and Recreation Department. The Arbor Tech is responsible for providing assistance to the Arborist, and, as a team, they will perform a wide range of duties related to the maintenance of publicly owned or regulated trees within the City. The ideal candidate will have a strong background in arboriculture, horticulture, or forestry. This position will be required to either have or be able to obtain, within 6 months of hire, a Tree Climbing Certification.

The wage range is \$3,691 - \$4,522 per month DOE plus excellent benefits. Requires valid driver's license and ability to pass a criminal background check. Applications are available on the City of Pendleton website, at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion Avenue, or by calling (541) 966-0201. Completed applications must be returned to <u>human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us</u>. The position is open until filled.

PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE SPECIALIST

The City of Pendleton is accepting applications for a full-time Office Specialist 3 position in the Public Works Department. The position performs secretarial administrative assistance for the Public Works and Community Development Departments. Duties include: preparing bid documents for public works projects, composing letters and compiling reports requiring comprehensive knowledge of departmental policies and functions and state public bidding requirements/laws; maintaining various departmental records and monthly reports; related work as required. Requires skill in office administration and organization, as well as oral and written communication skills and computer proficiency. Requires High School Diploma or GED and at least 1 – 3 years of office experience. An Associate Degree or a Business College certificate in a related field is preferred, or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

The salary range is \$4,037-4,968/month plus excellent benefits. Applications are available at https:// pendletonor.gov/jobs or at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, Pendleton OR 97801 or by calling 966-0201. Open until filled with first review after close of business day on May 10, 2024.

UTILITY WORKER

The City of Pendleton Public Works Department is seeking qualified candidates to fill multiple Utility Worker Positions within our Department. Class A Commercial driver's license may be required within 1 year of hire. Must be able to pass a criminal background check.

Salary range is \$3,691-\$4,968 per month DOE. Applications are available on our website or at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, Pendleton OR 97801. For additional information, please contact Human Resources.

Pendleton Fire Dept. Resident Intern Program



Requirements

Designed for students pursuing a career in the Fire Service or EMS

At least 18 years old w/High School Diploma or GED Equivalent

Valid driver's license and insurable driving record

Maintain GPA 2.0 for tuition reimbursement

Application, Interview, Background, Medical and Drug Screen check

Oregon State Certified EMT-B in first 6 months and DPSST Driver/Operator , FFI and Haz-Mat Awareness/Ops within the first year.

Application and job opening can be found on

https://pendleton.or.us/hr/page/employment

Benefits and Wages

Safety Equipment and uniforms provided

Receive experience and hands on training in Firefighting and EMS

Work schedule 48 on 96 off and assigned to a duty shift

Off duty housing, utilities and Wi-Fi paid

College tuition reimbursement for half of approved tuition

Obtain Fire and EMS certifications at no cost

After obtaining Fire and EMS certifications additional Reserve paid opportunities exist

Contact Reserve Lieutenant Coleman

Email: kevin.coleman@ci.pendleton.or.us