



PENDLETON

Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon

February 2024

AQUATIC CENTER CHANGES PASSES FOR 2024 SEASON

The 2024 Pendleton Aquatic Center season is coming with early bird season passes on sale NOW and registration for Learn to Swim classes coming May 30th.

One change this year is the Aquatic Center is no longer offering a family pass as structured in the past. But don't worry you can still get everyone in your family a pass to use the aquatic center this summer.

Historically, the Pendleton Aquatic Center offered a family pass. This was a single purchase that covered up to five family members. Our customers told us this was a great deal for families with exactly five family members, but a single parent with one or two children did not get to benefit from this deal.



Therefore, we set out to find a way to sell season passes that was fair to small and large families alike. A few years ago, we changed to a system where customers would pay for a head of household, then each subsequent dependent paid a discounted rate. Last year, the pricing on this was \$100 for the head of household plus \$30 for each dependent. This meant a family of 4 would pay \$190 excluding any discounts. However, many people told us they found this system confusing.

This year, our goal was to find a system that was fair for both large and small families and simple for everyone to understand. We did away with the all the different pricing levels for youth, adult, and family passes and instead created one single price point of \$50 for each person who wants a season pass, no matter who you are.

How this compares to last year's pricing (excluding discounts):

- Family of 2: Last years price would have been \$130 (\$100 head of household plus \$30 for each dependent). This year's Price will be \$100 (\$50 per pass holder)
- Family of 3: Last years price would have been \$160 (\$100 head of household plus \$30 for each dependent). This year's Price will be \$150 (\$50 per pass holder)
- Family of 4: Last years price would have been \$190 (\$100 head of household plus \$30 for each dependent). This year's Price will be \$200 (\$50 per pass holder)
- Family of 5: Last years price would have been \$220 (\$100 head of household plus \$30 for each dependent). This year's Price will be \$250 (\$50 per pass holder)

In addition, we are offering discounts for those who purchase passes early. Passes purchased before March 31 will receive a 20% discount, and passes purchased in April and May will receive a 10% discount.

Order passes online, by giving our office a call at 541-966-0228, or visiting the Recreation Center office by the library.

Liam Hughes
Parks & Recreation Director

COUNCIL MEETINGS

March 5

City Council 7 pm

March 20

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 1	541-969-6744
Carole Innes	Ward 1	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	



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PARKS & RECREATION



A day in the ASP:

- Transportation from elementary school provided by PSD and First Student, Inc.
- Snack and circle time
- Structured rotations:
 - Gym activities
 - Art or science project
 - Loft area games
 - Literacy component at the Public Library
 - time and help available for homework

Steps to register:

1. Call or register online.
2. Complete the student information form and the alternate bus form located on the ASP page on our website.
3. Communicate which days your child will be going to ASP to your child's school.

Cost: \$15 per day or \$60 per week

Location: Recreation Center

510 SW Dorion Ave. in Pendleton

Time: 2:30-5:30pm, Monday-Friday

Ages: 1st-5th grade

QUESTIONS?
541-966-0228



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SCHOLARSHIP POLICY 2023-2024

Possible financial assistance levels: 20%, 40%, 60%, 80% based on need.

Please allow for up to 5 business days for processing and notification to awarding families.

Recreation Program Scholarship application process is separate from Aquatics scholarships.

Participants can use the granted scholarship for **one** childcare based program (After School Program or Summer Adventure Camp) and **one** additional program per quarter*.

All Recreation Program scholarship applications must be submitted in person to the Recreation Center at 510 SW Dorion Ave. in Pendleton.

Scholarships are granted for the fiscal year and will expire on the final day of June each year. Families can reapply in July.

All paperwork required for application must be present at time of submission.

Questions?
541-966-0228

*eligible programs do not include events or drop ins.



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 authorizing the City 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.



PAY ONLINE



Seasonal Adjustment



Is your utility bill lower or higher this month than you expected?

During the winter months, from December to February, the City of Pendleton

estimates customer utility usage based on a location's previous bill instead of manually reading meters. In February and March, crews resume manual checking of water meters and usage and will adjust utility bill amounts. Known as the "seasonal adjustment," this may result in a lower utility bill (if your usage was lower than predicted and you overpaid during the winter) or a higher utility bill (if your usage was higher than predicted and you underpaid during the winter) on your March bill.

The Public Works Water Division staff is responsible for the maintenance and installation of approximately 5,800 water meters in service citywide. They work closely with the city's Utility Billing Department staff, who are responsible for producing the monthly water bills and monitoring accounts for anomalies that could indicate a leak or other issue.

Questions? Call 541-966-0207.



TOT TIME

is back at the Rec Center!

Mondays and Wednesdays

10 am - 11 am

Tot time is a drop-in activity for kids not yet in school. This is a great way for parents to connect with other parents, toddlers to make new friends while burning off steam. Drop-in cost is \$2 per toddler.



City Council to consider future of Christian Science Building

Historic building donated to city by Bisnett family

For decades, the historic Christian Science Church building on the corner of Main Street and Byers has sat mostly empty. Now, the Pendleton City Council will consider options for the historic building and a potential river corridor project.

The Christian Science building, 13 SW Byers Ave., was built as a church in 1926. The Spanish style of the building and its proximity to downtown and to the Umatilla River make it a unique opportunity in the City of Pendleton. The Christian Science Building and its property appraised for \$385,000 in 2020, and, to encourage its development, the Bisnett family donated the building to the City of Pendleton in December 2023.

At the next Pendleton City Council meeting, Feb. 20, 2024, the council will consider the next steps for that building. The two primary options the council plans to consider are:

Moving forward with a Request-for-Proposal (RFP) process for the building. Under this option, an RFP process would open and developer(s) with a vision for the building would be able to submit proposals for various uses for the facility. A committee would then grade the proposals based on 17 criteria and select a short list of finalists who will be invited to present their project concepts to the City Council. This option could see the building occupied by the end of the calendar year.

Moving forward with designs and planning for The Byers Riverfront Plaza and Bisnett Center Building. Under this option, the City would determine the feasibility of funding a plaza next to the Christian Science building that would host outdoor seasonal events and year-round river access. Moving forward would involve meetings with the public, with appropriate federal and state agencies overseeing the uses along the Umatilla River bank, gathering estimates of cost alternative concepts for the development, and meetings with potential funders to present concepts and determine likelihood of funding. This project would extend the project until at least 2025 but could provide enhanced uses to the river corridor.

Additional alternatives including selling the building to the highest bidder, operating the building as a city rental, donating the building to a non-profit or opening a period for those interested to submit alternative proposals.

City Manager Robb Corbett said the City Council is seeking additional information and discussion about the options.

"This building is a hallmark of our downtown. It's one of the most unique buildings in our community," he said. "The City Council is wrestling with how best to use this building to benefit the community. Do we want to put out an RFP and see what happens or do we want to leverage toward this bigger vision."

The Pendleton City Council will discuss these options during the Feb. 20 meeting. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at Pendleton City Hall and via Zoom. Meetings are open to the public. The agenda and Zoom connection information for the Feb. 20 meeting is available at

<https://cityofpendletonor.civicweb.net/Portal/MeetingInformation.aspx?Org=Cal&Id=7934>



Library of Things



The Pendleton Public Library is home to many different "collections" and one of those collections is called the "Library of Things." This collection features an array of different non-traditional library items. Are you planning an outdoor adventure this spring or summer? Look at these options:

- 2-person tent
- Backpacking kits (sleeping pad & bag, trekking poles, compass, lighter, and a Jetboil to prepare water/food)
- Stand-up Paddle-board
- Hammock
- Butane Stove
- XL Winter Tent (with wood stove unit)

Looking for something more cozy? Come in to look at the needlework kits, robotic systems, board games, American Girl dolls, and more!

There's always something to do in Pendleton



Find events and more on the "Live Pendleton" app, available for both Apple and Android

CONGRATULATIONS

Officers Lopez and Kugler



WE ARE EXCITED TO HAVE OFFICER LOPEZ AND OFFICER KUGLER BACK FROM THE 16-WEEK ACADEMY IN SALEM. THESE TWO FINE OFFICERS WILL CONTINUE WITH THE FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM AND WILL BE OUT ON THEIR OWN IN NO TIME!
WELCOME BACK OFFICERS!

Pendleton Aquatic Center

SEASON POOL PASSES



Season pass - any age

\$50

Early bird:

February 12-March 31 20% discount

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

visit our website to learn about

**LEARN TO SWIM
PROGRAM**

&

**SCHOLARSHIP
INFORMATION**



Season Dates:

OPENING DAY: JUNE 8TH

HOURS: DAILY NOON-8PM

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



TEEN NIGHT

AT THE REC CENTER

**FREE
DROP IN**

**VIDEO
GAMES**

PIZZA

BASKETBALL

DODGEBALL

EVERY OTHER
FRIDAY
AGES 12-18
6-8PM

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!

Feb 23, 2024 at 6:00 pm

For ages 12-18

Upcoming Events & Activities

TRAVEL PENDLETON
High tradition. Fine craftsmanship.
Legendary reputation.

POWWOW

FEBRUARY 23-25, 2024
PENDLETON CONVENTION CENTER
1601 WESTGATE • PENDLETON

HOST DRUM: **Northern Cree** HEAD MC: **Ruben Littlehead**

DANCE, DRUM AND SPECIAL CONTESTS • DETAILS AND PRIZES TBA

WALKING FOR WELLNESS

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

Knitting in the Library

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.

STEAM Games

Ages: 8-12—Duration: 90 minutes
Activities: Students will use Sphero Block coding to direct one of our Sphero Bolt rocket ships to the planet of their choice. Once they've "landed" on that planet, they will have to search for their element, harvest it, and bring it back to the rocket ship.

Follow the City of Pendleton on Facebook, visit our website at Pendleton.or.us or call the City of Pendleton at 966-0201 for more information about City related activities and events.



UTILITY WORKER

The City of Pendleton Public Works Department is seeking qualified candidates to fill multiple Utility Worker Positions within our Department.

Qualifications:

- 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.
- Excellent benefits.

Applications are available on our website or at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, Pendleton OR 97801. For additional information, please contact Human Resources at 541-966-0201. Open until filled. First review of applications will be on January 17, 2024.

RESERVE FIREFIGHTER

The City of Pendleton is accepting applications for the position of Reserve Firefighter. High school diploma or GED equivalent required. Previous firefighter or EMS experience desired but not required. Must be 18 years of age, have a valid Oregon driver's license, and be able to pass a background investigation. The salary range is \$13.20 - \$27.50 per hour depending on qualifications. Applications are available from Human Resources, City Hall, 500 SW Dorion Avenue, or HERE. Completed applications should be delivered to Human Resources at City Hall, or via email to human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us. Open until filled.

PART-TIME JANITOR IN THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

The City of Pendleton is accepting applications for a Part-Time Janitorial position in the Parks Department. The primary function of this position is daily janitorial cleaning in the Parks. Common duties include: cleaning restrooms, cleaning floors and other surfaces, and other basic janitorial duties as assigned.

A high school diploma or GED is preferred but not required. The position requires a valid drivers license, at less than 1-year of experience or a satisfactory combination of education and experience. Pay is \$13.70-\$15.41 per hour DOE. This position is open until filled.

Applications are available online, at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, or by calling 966-0201. Completed applications must be returned to the same address or human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RESIDENT INTERN

The City of Pendleton is accepting applications for the position of Resident Intern. High school diploma or GED equivalent. Must become enrolled as a full-time college student in fire science or medical-related field of study. Must be 18 years of age, have a valid Oregon driver's license, and be able to pass a background investigation. Live expense-free at the fire station on shift and off duty in provided Fire Department housing. The salary range is \$13.20 - \$27.50 per hour (depending on qualifications,) plus tuition assistance, and housing.

PART-TIME AFTER SCHOOL RECREATION AIDE POSITIONS.

The position is responsible for helping to provide the community with safe and friendly access to the Pendleton Recreation programs. Duties will include opening facilities, setting up for activities and cleaning up afterward, assisting with an afterschool program, camps, birthday parties, movies, and music in the park, facility cleaning, helping to ensure building security, and lots of positive interaction with youth. Experience in childcare is preferred, but not required. Dependability, effective interpersonal and communication skills are required. Must pass a criminal background check. Up to 20 hours per week, including weekends. \$13.70 to \$15.41 per hour DOE, no benefits.

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.

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

Application and job opening can be found on <https://pendleton.or.us/hr/page/employment>

Contact Reserve Lieutenant Coleman
Email: kevin.coleman@ci.pendleton.or.us