DECEMBER 2021

City of Weston



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Liaison: Code Enforcement, Public

Works

Shawn Monaco, Councilor

Liaison: Parks & Rec. Historic Land-

marks

Lois Phillips, Councilor

Liaison: WCDC, Parks, Library

City Phone Numbers

City Hall: 541 566-3313

- Hours 7:00am-5:30pm M-Thurs
- Closed 11:00am-1:30pm Lunch

Sheila Jasperson, City Recorder Recorder@cityofwestonoregon.com

Library: 541-566-2378

Police/Dispatch: 541 966-3651 Public Works: 541-566-3976

We're online at:

www.CityofWestonOregon.com

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer"

We are open this Saturday December 4 from 8am to 12pm

The landfill will be closed the months of January and February.





City of Weston Meetings are slowly starting to resume, but may go back to virtual.

Library Board Meeting 12/7 5pm at Library Council 12/8 at 6pm-@ Memorial Hall FOWL Board meeting 4:30pm at Library Memorial Hall Board-No December meeting Planning-No December meeting WCDC-No December meeting



www.westonpubliclibrary.com Visit us on Facebook!

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Santa at the Library

ton Public Library will again be host- 5 wear a mask in the library. Of ing Santa for kids of all ages! Santa will be making his appearance at the picture taking. Thank you for your Library on Thursday, December 16th from 4 pm until 6 pm.

Santa's been cooped up in his workshop all year, and he's ready to see everyone at the Library! Santa has a lot of patience, and wants to hear all about what kids want for Christmas this year. He's also a pro at helping parents get the perfect picture of their children enjoying a little oneon-one attention with Santa. There will be no photographer on site for this event, so please plan to take your own pictures of your kiddos with Santa.

We are happy to announce that Wes- We ask that everyone over the age of course, masks may be removed for compliance. There will be free books and candy canes for everyone!

> Questions? Call the Library at 541-566-2378, or check our Facebook page for updates.



Kids Make a Gift!

Children are invited to the Library on Wednesday, December 15 at 4pm to create a gift for a special someone. We will provide the materials, and help to make it happen. Preschoolers should bring an adult along for individual help. This is an easy project, and kids will be able to create a gift and be on their way by 4:45 pm.





- 12/7 Library Board 5 pm (Library)
- 12/14 FOWL Board 4:30 pm (Library)
- 12/15 Kids Craft 4 pm (Library)
- 12/16 Santa 4-6 pm (Library)
- 12/23 Novel Readers 5 pm (Library)

New at the Library

Twisted Tea Christmas, fiction by Laura Childs

Never, fiction by Ken Follett

Cloud Cuckoo Land, fiction by **Anthony Doerr**

The Christmas Pig, fiction by JK Rowling

Circle Under Berry, children's fiction by Carter Higgins

Weston Public Library

These theme backpacks are available for checkout. They contain books and objects relating to these subjects: Space, Birds, Dinosaurs, Bugs, and ABCs. Perfect for daycare and preschools, families, and hot summer days!



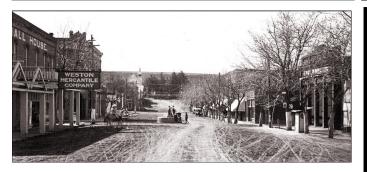
Historic Weston, Oregon A Town Rich in History

http://historicwestonoregon.com/

Weston, Oregon History
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Historic District
Commercial District
Historic Buildings & Sites

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Key Century Farm
Sams Century Farm
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Weston Cemetery
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Cemetery
Hyatt Family Cemetery
History Links



Weston Public Library Photo Archives

The Weston, Oregon Public Library Photo Archive contains about 413 photo images, 7 maps, and 60

Weston Weekly Leader newspaper display ads.

This digital archive is dedicated to the memory of Margaret Sutherland, who took special interest in collecting and preserving local history and photo images while serving as the City Librarian from 1955 until her retirement in 1995, and to Kathleen

Schmidtgall who took over as City Librarian in 1995, and has carried on to preserve and expand the archive.

http://www.weston-publiclibrary.com/

City Hall is now open to the public. A mask is required to conduct business inside the building. Payments can be made via phone (debit/credit) and/or the drop box on the side of City Hall.

City Hall: 541 566-3313
Hours 7:00am-5:30pm Monday—
Thursday
Closed 11:00am-1:30pm
Closed on Fridays
Recorder@cityofwestonoregon.com

Code Enforcement
Evening office hours are Tuesdays
from 6:00-8:00pm.
Complaints can be filed then or at City
Hall during regular business hours.



Umatilla County Pioneers Seeking Photographs

Do you have photographs of past Pioneer Queens or Grand Marshals? Photographs of past parades? Someone is looking for photos of the 1973 parade with

the float for Pioneer Queen Ruby Collins. Wasco County Pioneer Association would like to have photographs for the website to add to the history of the organization. We're also looking for biographies for many of the past Queens and Grand Marshals. Check the website to see what we have so far: www.UmatillaCountyPioneers Association.com

If you scan photos, please scan them at least at 300 dpi and email them to Trish Neal at TrishaNeal@hotmail.com Don't have a scanner? Please let Trish know and arrangements can be made so that the photos never have to leave Weston.



Be sure to "Like" the Community of Weston Facebook page.

Keep up to date on what's happening, important notices, etc. This Facebook page is intended to supplement the City of Weston's website and the community website, Weston-

Oregon.com You may post items to this page, too!

Be sure to invite your friends and family to "Like" the page, too.



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Attention Weston Senior Citizens!





Until further notice.

The Food Pantry is located at the Franklin Street door of City Hall. The Weston Food Pan-



try will distribute food each month on the Saturday after the 3rd Friday between 10:00a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Citizens from Weston, Athena, Adams, and the surrounding area are welcome. Please

bring your own bags or box. Don't be late. We must close on time. Contact person: Greg Phillips 503-880-6360 (Supported by CAPECO).

The Weston Food Pantry is open each month on the Saturday after the 3rd Friday. They have wonderful food supplies for folks in need. BUT, paper

products are not part of what they provide. So, the Weston-McEwen Lions Club gathers paper towels and toilet paper to be part of the offerings. You can help!! There are boxes for your paper donations in the US Bank in

Athena and in the Weston City Hall. We appreci-

Local Links

Weston-McEwen High School: http://wmhs.athwest.k12.or.us Athena-Weston School District: http://www.athwest.k12.or.us

Weston Middle School: http://wms.athwest.k12.or.us/ Athena Elementary School: http://aes.athwest.k12.or.us/

Weston Community Development: www.WestonCommunityDevelopment.com Weston Historic Landmarks Commission: www.WestonHistoricLandmarks.com

Weston Parks and Recreation Commission: www.WestonParksandRec.com

Weston Public Library: www.WestonPublicLibrary.com

Weston Chamber of Commerce: www.WestonChamberofCommerce.com

Historic Weston Oregon: www.HistoricWestonOregon.com/



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Main Office: 541-276-3322 Pendleton

Call to schedule a presentation, explore volunteer opportunities or to make a Donation.

541-567-0424 Hermiston

Call either office for assistance with Domestic & sexual violence or stalking.

24 Hour Crisis Line 1-800-833-1161

Pendleton Advocacy Center

Office: 541-276-3322 Monday-Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm 1103 SE Court Place

DHS M-W and F 8:00am to Noon

Hermiston Advocacy Center

Office: 541-567-0424 Monday-Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm 240 SE 2nd St., Suite B & C

DHS M-W and F 8:00am to Noon

Milton-Freewater Advocacy Center

Office: 541-276-3322 DHS Thursday 8:00am to Noon

Thursday—1:00pm to 5:00pm 722 S. Main (City Hall Basement)

Boardman Advocacy Center

Information — Call 541-567-0424 Thursday—1:00pom to 5:00pm 200 City Center Circle (City Hall)

DHS Thursday—8:00am to Noon

Heppner Advocacy Center

Information — Call 541-276-3322

Heppner Women's Group

Information — Call 541-271-3322

Volunteer Training, Parenting Class, Mental Health First Aid — Call 541-276-3322 Domestic Violence Services
provides direct services to victims of
domestic/sexual and dating violence
and stalking:
24 Hour Crisis Line
1-800-833-1161
Sexual Assault Advocacy
Domestic Violence Advocacy

Bilingual Advocacy

Shelters:

- ⇒ Awakening House in Pendleton
- ⇒ Casa de Esperanza in Hermiston

Confidential Crisis Support Information & Referral

Safety Planning
Confidential Abuse Assessment
Assistance with Restraining Orders
Court Support & Advocacy

Presentations:
Community and Student Education

Speakers available for businesses clubs, schools, churches & civic groups.

Parenting and Mental Health First Aid Classes Call 541-276-3322

Support Groups:

Pendleton Women's Group Call 541-276-3322 for information

Hermiston Women's Group Thursday 6;00pm to 7:30pm

Hermiston Spanish Language
Women's Group
Thursday 6:00pm to 7:30pm
Children's activities provided
Call 541-567-0424 for information

Milton-Freewater Women's Group Thursday 5:30pm to 7:00pm Call 541-276-3322 for information



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE! (TREE IS LOCATED AT CITY HALL)

STOP BY & PICK UP A TAG FOR A BOY OR GIRL & BRIGHTEN THEIR HOLIDAY!

Gifts need to be returned with tag, unwrapped or wrapped, to City Hall no later than Thursday, Dec. 16th. Monetary donations accepted as well. Your donations are greatly appreciated!



A remarkable thing happened. An anonymous individual, through the Blue Mountain Foundation, has pledged \$50,000.00 towards completion of the Gem if an additional \$50K can be raised by January 15, 2022. It is an all or nothing pledge and if successful would place Gem in the middle of the audio/visual stage, the final piece of the project renovation.

This is a tall order for just under two months. The Hodaka coin campaign currently under way can be wrapped into this and there will be another big engraved paver push. Gem is listed in the Valley Giving Guide this year, but beyond those things we believe that revenue will be needed from other partners to reach \$50K in time.

ON THE WAY TO \$50K matching funds campaign--engraved pavers. These can be ordered through the website http://gemtheatre.org/

at any time, but through Dec. 31 your paver eligible \$125 gift is eligible for an additional 10-15% match IF the gift is made on the Athena's Gem page found online at https://valleygivingguide.org/ If your \$125 gift is made here, we will mail you a Gem Theatre Star Saloon Supporter hat. \$125 gifts made either way will count towards the \$50K match campaign.

Use the attached VGG scan code to take you directly to the VGG Gem online campaign page. Provide your paver text (up to 55 characters including spaces spread over up to three lines). If ordering a paver alternatively on the gem website, make sure to include your paver text with your PayPal payment or email it to us.

There are 40 open paver spaces remaining in front of the Gem and 150 remaining in front of the Star Saloon. That's a lot of potential match.

Thanks for supporting the Gem's campaign to reach the match and then finish the facility in 2022.

