

City of Weston



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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 Jaspersen, 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

Going to the movies has always been a special treat. But how long has it been since you've seen a movie in a theater? Theaters have been closed since last spring, and who knows when they will be open again. Well, here's an idea. Weston Library has 347 movies in our local collection. And the Sage Library System has a whopping 4,838 movie titles in the 74 libraries with which we share borrowing privileges. Titles can be searched and held placed through the catalog. Or if you prefer, call the library and I'll place a hold for you. Movies check out for one week, and can be renewed.



Each year the C.S. Jackson Foundation provides funding to UCSLD libraries for the purchase of materials of historical interest, with emphasis on Oregon and specifically Umatilla County.



Here are the items I chose this year for Weston Public Library. These are ready for you to check out.

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.

WESTON LIBRARY PAGE

www.westonpubliclibrary.com

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How to Raise a Reader

Start at the very beginning. Begin reading to your child the same week they are born.

Put books around the house. All kinds, and keep them within easy reach of small people's hands.

Be a reader to grow a reader. Especially when they are young and impressionable your child will value what you value.

Take your kids to the local library's storytimes. Our library has pre-school storytime on Friday morning during non-pandemic times!

Ask a librarian for age appropriate recommendations. We have some ideas!

Put limits on screen time. In limiting screen time, you make it necessary

for your child to problem solve and find something else to do.

Make storytime non-negotiable. Set a time, and read every day.

As soon as your child can write their name, get a library card. It will give your child access, ownership and ability.

Let them choose — most of the time.

Encourage your child to go to their school's library. The more libraries involved in a child's life, the better.



Now Showing

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2/2 Library Board Mtg
5 pm @ Weston
Community Church

2/4 FOWL Board Mtg
4:30 pm @ Weston
Community Church

2/15 Presidents' Day
Library Closed

2/18 Novel Readers
5 pm Weston
Community Church

New at the Library

The Cayuse War,
nonfiction by Francis
Fuller Victor

Unsettled Ground,
nonfiction by
Cassandra Tate

American Cowboys,
DVD

Bunnies on the Bus,
children's fiction by
Philip Aardagh

*I Want to Sleep Under
the Stars*, children's
fiction by Mo
Willems

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 day-care and preschools, families, and hot summer days!



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/>

WESTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The chamber is looking for new members! You don't have to own a business to become a member. Come and join the chamber for better ideas and a better future for Weston.

Dues are \$5.00 per person or

\$15.00 per Business

"The purpose of the Weston Chamber of Commerce shall be to foster goodwill among its members, to promote any worthy enterprise that will be for the benefit of Weston or the community at large, and to enter into, and support such area development that will in turn assure better living within this community."

www.westonchamberofcommerce.com



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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.*

Attention Weston Senior Citizens!

CANCELED

Until further notice.



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



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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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

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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

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

Milton-Freewater Advocacy Center

Office: 541-276-3322

DHS Thursday 8:00am to Noon

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

Boardman Advocacy Center

Information — Call 541-567-0424

Thursday—1:00pm to 5:00pm
200 City Center Circle (City Hall)

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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**

With cooler temperatures expected, some may want to use their small space heaters. If so, DO NOT plug them into a power strip. These devices are not designed to handle the energy load of a space heater and can overheat causing a fire hazard. Please Share.



WCDC is Selling Brick Pavers.

A 4x8 sells for \$50.00, COMES WITH A 2x4 bronze plaque that will hold up to 54 letters on three lines.

The 8x8 pavers sell for \$100.00 and come with 4" diameter bronze plaque that holds up to 102 letters on 6 lines.

Monies for this project will be used for landscape around the wall and for future lighting projects.

Forms are available at City Hall or from Tim Crampton, or Chuck Price.

Blue Mountain (Kees) Cemetery

www.BlueMountainCemetery.com



Andrew F. Kees was born in Washington Co., Pennsylvania in 1817 and died in Umatilla Co., Oregon in 1886. In 1860, he married Nancy Osborne (a survivor of Whitman Massacre) and they settled 2 miles south of Weston. From his farmland Mr. Kees deeded 1 and 9/16 acres for a cemetery site in 1875.

All official records of the Blue Mountain Cemetery were destroyed. Fortunately, Mrs. E.C. Miley and Mrs. O'Neal spent many days researching and re-establishing the county records as complete as possible. The list of burial sites on the website is a compilation of their efforts.

Information on Burials including photos of headstones, some obituaries, and other related historical information can be found on this website. There is also a map on the website.

The original website was a labor of love by Bob Gilliland. It was a miracle that it could be recovered from an archive website with only a few items not recoverable as the domain expired.

If you have photos to contribute or updated information that can be verified, please send the information to Trish Neal at TrischNeal@gmail.com Information has to be verified before it will be added to the site to make sure that the information is as accurate as possible. I know that Bob would appreciate knowing his work lives on. ~Trish Neal