

City of Weston



City Council

Duane Thul, Mayor

Liaison: City Hall, UCSO (Police)

Shannon Hoehna, Councilor

Council President

Liaison: Planning

Mike Dowd, Councilor

Liaison: Code Enforcement, Public Works

Shawn Monaco, Councilor

Liaison: Parks & Rec, Historic Landmarks

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 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

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Burn Prevention Helpful Tips

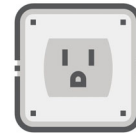
More than **73%** of burn injuries occur in the home! Learn how to keep your family safe as you balance work and play within the home.



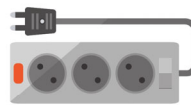
Prevent Electrical Burns



When doing outside work which requires a ladder, pay attention to the location of overhead power lines.



Use covers to protect to keep fingers and other items out of outlets.



Don't overload outlets or power strips with too many cords.



Keep electric cords, including phone chargers, away from areas in the home with sources of water such as the kitchen and bathroom.



ameriburn.org

**City offices will be closed on
Monday February 21, 2022
For President's Day**

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

- 2/1 Library Board 5pm at Library
- 2/7 Parks & Rec at 6:30pm at Elliott Memorial Park Kitchen
- 2/8 FOWL 4:30pm Board at Library
- 2/9 Council at 6pm held at Memorial Hall
- 2/17 Hall Board at 6:30pm held at Memorial Hall
- 2/22 WCDC at 6pm held at Memorial Hall
- 2/23 Planning at 6pm held at City Hall

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www.westonpubliclibrary.com

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The Gale Databases

January

It's time for a reminder about the Gale databases, a wonderful resource offered through a link on the Weston Public Library website. The Statewide Database Licensing Program provides Oregon residents with this access. Gale contains a variety of databases offering magazine, journal, and news articles, reference eBooks, statistics, images, audio, and video content. Included are student favorites like Gale In Context (very helpful for writing research papers) and newly designed databases like Gale Presents: Peterson's Career Prep.

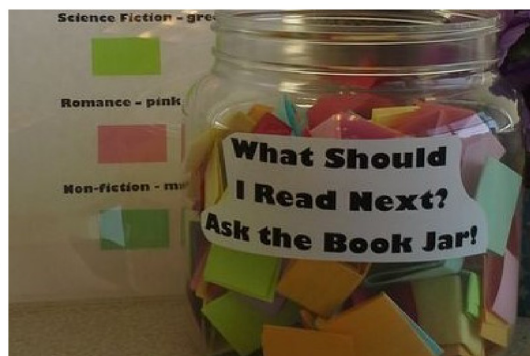
You will find the Gale databases on the library website under resources. Your login is your library card number. If you can't find (or don't have) a library card, call the library and we will set you up. Once you have accessed the database, look around to see elementary, middle and high school resources as well as many subject headings. You can read your favorite magazines and many newspapers here as well.

From full-text journal articles and newspapers to archives and eBooks, there is a resource in the Gale Databases to meet every need. Call the library at 541-566-2378 or stop in if you need help.



What to Read Next?

Wondering what to read next? Ask the book jar. Pick a color-coded category (fiction, mystery, nonfiction, biography, fantasy, graphic novel, romance, etc.) and reach in to pick a suggestion. Find this handy helper on the check-out counter at the Library!



- 1/4 Library Board
5 pm (Library)
- 1/12 UCSLD Mtg
9-12 am (Library Closed)
- 1/27 Novel Readers
5 pm (Library)
- Preschool Storytime
Fridays 10 am (Library)

New at the Library

The Dark Hours,
fiction by Michael Connelly

Wish You Were Here,
fiction by Jodi Picoult

Forging Fire, fiction
by Lisa Preston

This Land of Snow,
nonfiction by Morley Anders

They'll Never Catch Us, YA fiction by
Jessica Goodman

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Imagination Library

We're excited to announce that United Way of the Blue Mountains will be sponsoring the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program for all children in Umatilla County.

Children from birth through age 4 are eligible. We've participated in this awesome program for several years, but with the sponsorship of United Way, we are able to sign up all preschoolers who are interested, with no restriction on numbers.

Here's how it works. After registration, every month a new, specially selected book will be mailed to your home, addressed to your child. Each month until they turn 5 years old a book will show up in your mailbox. So exciting! Children who are enrolled at birth

will amass their own personal library of 60 books. This is a free program, with no obligation to the family. Follow this link to sign up online and learn more. <https://www.uwbluemt.org/DPIL> We also have paper forms, if you would prefer to sign up in person at the library. Reading together is the single most important way to help children get ready to read, so come on and sign up your preschoolers! It's quick and easy!



Does this seem familiar?

*"Snow pile in front of
O'Harra store in Weston"*

February 1916.

Weston Public Library Photo

W642-2A



- 2/1 Library Board
5 pm (Library)
- 2/8 FOWL Board
4:30 PM
(Library)
- 2/21 Presidents' Day (Closed)
- 2/24 Novel Readers
5 pm (Library)
- Storytime
Fridays 10 am

New at the Library

The Horsewoman,
fiction by James
Patterson

Targeted, fiction by
Stephen Hunter

*Robert B. Parker's
Bye Bye Baby*, fiction
by Ace Atkins

*The Hag: The life,
Times, and Music of
Merle Haggard*,
nonfiction by Marc
Eliot

Alone, YA fiction by
Megan Freeman



Giving Tree 2021



Operation (Weston) Giving Tree 2021 complete! Who knew a casual conversation amongst coworkers 5 years ago would come to fruition the way it has? From tag takers, those offering to help wrap, those who rally for last minute tags to be filled, those offering words of encouragement, delivery helpers and those who made donations (personal & business), THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart.

Our community coming together for our kiddos in such a way is truly commendable, and one I am proud to be a part of. Your time, dedication and thoughtfulness is SO appreciated. Cheers to another year!



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!



Historic Weston, Oregon

A Town Rich in History



<http://historicwestonoregon.com/>

Weston, Oregon History

History Notes

Cully Fire

Looking Back

Pea Production

Canning Process

Weston in 1922

Weston-Elgin Highway
Celebration

Historic District

Commercial District

Historic Buildings & Sites

Traveling The Oregon Trail

Century Farms &

Ranches

Key Century Farm

Sams Century Farm

Cemeteries

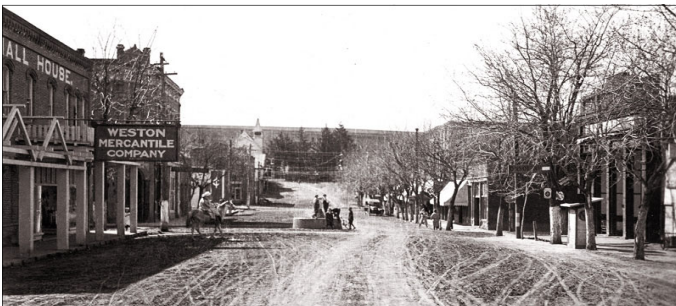
Weston Cemetery

Blue Mountain (Kees)

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

Schmidtgal 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.*

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).



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.



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-



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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**



Vendor Opportunity!

**Looking for local vendors at
Elliot Park in Weston, Oregon**

Event: Pioneer Days

Saturday June 4, 2022

This is an outside event. Ask for
applications/more details for
interested individuals.

Email: jonieminkler@gmail.com



WESTON FOOD PANTRY

Behind City Hall in Weston – Across from
the Post Office.

3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

DOORS OPEN

10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.



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

****POLICY UPDATE: DOG LICENSING FEE
REQUIRED YEARLY (DUE BY JAN 1ST)****



**PROOF OF CURRENT RABIES VACCINATION
REQUIRED TO LICENSE.**

**LICENSE FEE REQUIRED REGARDLESS OF
VACCINATION EXPIRAITON DATE.**

**LET'S GET THOSE FURRY FRIENDS
REGISTERED!**

**CITY HALL HOURS: MON-THUR 7AM-11AM & 1:30PM-
5:30PM. CLOSED ON FRIDAYS**

**Please give us a call to obtain forms OR visit
www.cityofwestonoregon.com 541-566-3313**