

# City of Weston



## City Council

**Jennifer Spurgeon, Mayor**

Liaison: City Hall

**Duane Thul, Council President**

Liaison: Public Works,

**Lois Phillips Councilor**

Liaison: WCDC, Parks, Library

**Jessica Aldrich, Councilor**

Liaison: Planning Commission

**Shawn Monaco, Councilor**

Liaison: Historic Landmarks

## 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](http://www.CityofWestonOregon.com)

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Weston Mayor Jennifer McClure Spurgeon poses with Rep. Greg Walden in his Washington, D.C., on Jan. 29, 2019, along with Scott Rogers, left, who chairs the Athena-Weston School Board, and Baker School Board members Kevin Cassidy and Andrew Bryan. The four school board members, representing the Oregon School Board Association, met with Oregon legislators about educational

Mayor Jennifer Spurgeon passed away on February 25th, 2020. As the mayor of Weston Jennifer worked diligently to ensure safe walking routes for our Weston Middle School students. Jennifer served on the Athena-Weston School board for 6 years beginning in 2014. She actively supported the passing of the most recent district bond focused on facilities safety and security. She was a champion of early learning programs and academic investments to meet the needs of all learners. Jennifer was invested in the local schools and community and will be missed by all. — Reprinted from Athena-Weston School District.

# WESTON LIBRARY PAGE

www.westonpubliclibrary.com  
Visit us on Facebook!

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## New Shelving!

Many thanks to Friends of Weston Library (FOWL) for the beautiful new shelving in the children's area of the library. The old shelving was various heights and depths, and while it had served us well for many years, we were due for an update. With FOWL's generous contribution and Charley's Cabinets' fine workmanship we have gained functional shelf space and reduced the risk of splinters. Come check it out!



## Food For Fines

"Food for Fines in February" was a great success this year. Weston Public Library collected more than 50 pounds of food, which will be donated to the Weston Food Pantry for distribution in our community. Folks who donated food wiped out their library fines, and also generously brought down the fines of other library users with accumulated fines. Thank you for supporting this collaboration between Umatilla County Libraries and local food banks. We look forward to continuing this tradition next year.



3/4 Library Board  
5:00 pm (Library)

3/11 Dist. Librarian's Mtg  
Library closed AM

3/12 FOWL Board  
4:30 pm (Library)

3/26 Novel Readers  
5:00 pm (Library)

Preschool Storytime Fri-  
days 10:00am (Library)

### New at the Library

*Game of Snipers*,  
fiction by Stephen  
Hunter

*The Range Detectives*,  
fiction by William  
Johnstone

*Thunder Bay*, mystery  
by Douglas Skelton

*Just Ask: Be Different,  
Be Brave, Be You!*  
children's nonfiction  
by Sonia Sotomayor

*Dogman: Fetch 22*,  
children's fiction by  
Dav Pilkey

## 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 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](http://www.westonchamberofcommerce.com)



Happy St. Patrick's Day!!!



So proud of our generous library users, who are donating non perishable food items in lieu of fines. Food For Fines continues through the month of February! All proceeds will go to the Weston Food Pantry.

**City Hall: 541 566-3313**

**Hours 7:00am-5:30pm Monday—  
Thursday**

**Closed 11:00am-1:30pm  
Closed on Fridays**

**New email address:  
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](http://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](mailto: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!

The Senior Menu for Weston and Milton-Freewater is posted on Community of Weston's Facebook page, the city's newsletter, and at [www.WestonOregon.com](http://www.WestonOregon.com) under the "Senior Citizen" tab.



**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, [WestonOregon.com](http://WestonOregon.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](http://www.WestonCommunityDevelopment.com)

Weston Historic Landmarks Commission: [www.WestonHistoricLandmarks.com](http://www.WestonHistoricLandmarks.com)

Weston Parks and Recreation Commission: [www.WestonParksandRec.com](http://www.WestonParksandRec.com)

Weston Public Library: [www.WestonPublicLibrary.com](http://www.WestonPublicLibrary.com)

Weston Chamber of Commerce: [www.WestonChamberofCommerce.com](http://www.WestonChamberofCommerce.com)

Historic Weston Oregon: [www.HistoricWestonOregon.com/](http://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**

# 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](mailto: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

## 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

Attorney General Ellen F. Rosenblum

**JUST HANG UP**  
THE PHONE ON IMPOSTER SCAMS!

### IF THE CALLER...

- ✓ asks you to wire money or buy a prepaid card;
- ✓ says you have won a prize or a gift but you need to pay fees or taxes first;
- ✓ asks you to visit websites or download software;
- ✓ asks for usernames, passwords, account numbers, or your home address;
- ✓ says the offer is only good for today; or
- ✓ asks you to keep the call a secret, **JUST HANG UP!**



OREGON DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Gift Packs!**



## March Promotion

**JUST USE YOUR CARD DURING THE MONTH OF  
MARCH FOR A CHANCE TO WIN ONE OF FIVE  
EARLY LEARNING GIFT PACKS.**

This program is funded by Greater Oregon Behavior Health Inc., and grants from the Wildhorse Foundation, and CommuniCare Program.



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www.CityofWestonOregon.com

Sheila Jasperson, City Recorder [recorder@cityofwestonoregon.com](mailto:recorder@cityofwestonoregon.com)

## Council Seat Vacancy

The City of Weston has an open position for City Council seat. The term will begin **immediately, with a term of service expiring December 31, 2020**. Position requires residency within the Weston City limits for a minimum of one year, voter registration in the City of Weston.

The City Council meets the second **Wednesday** of every month, at 6:00 p.m. at Memorial Hall, 210 E Main, Weston, Oregon.

If you are interested in applying for City Council, please submit a letter of interest to Weston City Hall.

If you have any questions, please call City Hall at 541-566-3313.

Sheila Jasperson  
City Recorder

Posted: February 27, 2020

City Hall/Post Office/Library  
[www.cityofwestonoregon.com](http://www.cityofwestonoregon.com)

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**Weston's Chamber Awards Banquet is set for April 18, 5:30 at the Weston Memorial Hall.** The nomination forms for Outstanding Citizen of the Year have been distributed out for the public. Locations where you can pick one up are The Library, City Hall, Post Office, and The Long Branch Cafe. Copies of the past recipients are available either printed on the back of the form or separate. Pick one up, fill it out and send it to P.O. Box 29 Weston Oregon 97886.

**Meetings held at the Memorial Hall unless otherwise noted.**

**Pioneer Association 3/2 @ 6:30pm**

**Library 3/3 @ 5pm**

**Planning 3/3 @ 7:30pm-City Hall**

**Lions 3/5 @ 7pm**

**Council 3/11 @ 6pm**

**Cemetery 3/12 @ 6:30-City Hall**

**Historic Landmarks 3/17 @ 7pm**

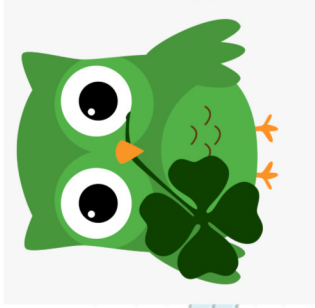
**Lions 3/19 @ 7pm**

**Memorial Hall 3/26 @ 6:30pm**

**WCDC 3/26 @ 7:30pm**







## Milton-Freewater and Weston\* Senior Centers Menu for March 2020

M-F Senior Center  
541-938-3311

*THANK-YOU TO THIS MONTH'S MEAL SPONSORS!*

		Weston*					
		M-F		M-F			
	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
2	3	4	5	6			
	<b>Meatloaf</b> <b>Roasted Red Potatoes</b> Corn Key West Veggies Green Beans Pineapple	<b>Barbecue Chicken</b> Macaroni & Cheese Cornbread Peas Coleslaw w/Pineapple Mandarin Oranges			<b>Turkey Divan</b> Rice Pilaf Wheat Bread Mixed Veggies Mushroom & Onion Saute' Mandarin Oranges		
9	10	11	12	13			
	<b>Beef &amp; Cheese Enchiladas</b> Corn Tossed Salad Pineapple Jell-O	<b>Pork Tenderloin w/Apples</b> Apple Bran Muffin Mashed Sweet Potatoes Pickled Beets Cauliflower & Grape Tomatoes Chilled Pears			<b>Barbecue Chicken</b> Macaroni & Cheese Cornbread Peas Coleslaw w/Pineapple Mandarin Oranges		
16	17	18	19	20			
	<b>Corned Beef</b> w/Potatoes, Carrots, Cabbage Pumpernickel or Rye Bread Pistachio Pudding	<b>Corned Beef</b> w/Potatoes, Carrots, Cabbage Pumpernickel or Rye Bread Pistachio Pudding			<b>Beef Stew</b> Wheat Roll Tangy Green Beans Citrus Salad		
23	24	25	26	27			
	<b>Turkey Sloppy Joes</b> Roasted Brussel Sprouts Mixed Veggies Molasses Cookie	<b>Baked Chicken</b> Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Dilled Green Beans Glazed Carrots Cake w/Frosting			<b>Crispy Oven Baked Fish</b> Blueberry Muffin Scalloped Potatoes Green Beans Malibu Veggies <small>w/lemon butter sauce</small> Brownies		
30	31						
	<b>Baked Chicken</b> Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Dilled Green Beans Glazed Carrots Cake w/Frosting						
		<b>MILK SERVED AT EACH MEAL \$3.50 PER MEAL (suggested donation)</b>		<b>MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE</b>			