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City of Weston



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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

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Mayor's Corner -

We are getting close to having a new bridge on North Franklin Street to replace the old bridge that was restricted to 6 tons, restricting fire trucks from using it.

The rating on the other North Franklin Street Bridge will now be rated higher, as it is in better condition.

The standards for a new bridge are much higher than in years past. So are the costs.

When we accept grant dollars, we are required to comply with all the criteria that goes along with it. Total estimated cost of the bridge replacement is \$721,000. The city has received multiple grants for funding of this project, paying for almost all of the expenses.

Too many people to list here have helped make this project possible. The main people being Sheila Jasperson, our City Recorder who keeps close watch on the dollars. Scott Spendlove and Loy Knutzen, Public Works. Adam Schmidtgall, Engineer from Anderson Perry. ODOT, Region 5 Local Agency Liaison Mike Berry has played an integral part in this large project as well. Finally, a big thank you to those residents that have been affected by the construction. Your patience and understanding is appreciated. Whether directly or indirectly, many thanks to ALL those involved to help make this project happen.

Council October 14th at 6pm Meeting held in Gizmo, aka Weston Food Pantry City Hall IS open to the public (masks required of course).

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 Visit us on Facebook!

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Current Library Services

The library is open to walk-in visitors. Just remember to wear a mask, and limit visits to 15 minutes. We are limiting occupancy at 3 people at Email: wcolibrary@ cityofwestona time, but this has been very manageable.

Weston Public Library is also happy to continue our popular Curbside Delivery service. Reserve any of your favorite library items (not just books!) online and, when they are ready, we will notify you to come by the library building for a pickup out front. As per American Library Association guidance, all returned library materials are quarantined to ensure safety. Please note that items will remain on your account during this time until they are checked in after the quarantine period. Once items

are checked in, all fines will be waived. To place your request: Visit: www.westonpubliclibrary.com, oregon.com, or call: 541-566-2378.

You may also get photocopies made at the library or make an appointment to use a computer.

Stay tuned for preschool storytime news. As the weather changes we will be making adjustments to our Friday morning outdoor schedule.



Don't Forget LIBBY!

For three years in a row we have seen an increase in our circulation of ebooks and audio books through Library2Go. Libby is the user platform for this awesome service. Library2Go is accessible through the Sage Library System catalog; the link can be found on the library website, www.westonpubliclibrary.com. If you would like help using this free collection, just call the library. This service is an especially valuable resource for use during the pandemic, as you can access these items from home.



10/1 FOWL Board 4:30 pm @ the Library

10/6 Library Board 5pm @ the Library

10/12 Columbus Day Library Closed

10/29 Novel Readers 5 pm @ the Library

Fridays at 10am Preschool storytime

New at the Library

Robert Parker's Fools Paradise, fiction by Mike Lupica

Elizabeth is Missing, fiction by Emma Healey

The Book of Two Ways, fiction by Jodi Picoult

The Daughters of Yalta, nonfiction by Catherine Grace Katz

Codi, YA fiction by Jerod Cullum

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!



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





Weston Public Library Photo Archives

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



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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/

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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

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 Athens and in the Waster City Hal



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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

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:

 \Rightarrow Awakening House in Pendleton

 \Rightarrow 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





FRANKLIN STREET BRIDGE PROJECT UPDATE:

- August 10, 2020 is the "start date" for the bridge replacement.
- The reason for the delay is due to a hold up with the manufacturing of the bridge beams.
- When this project does start, because of the heat, work will start in the early morning.
- Paving of Arman and Pomeroy streets will completed in conjunction with the bridge work.

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.







www.BlueMountainCemetery.com

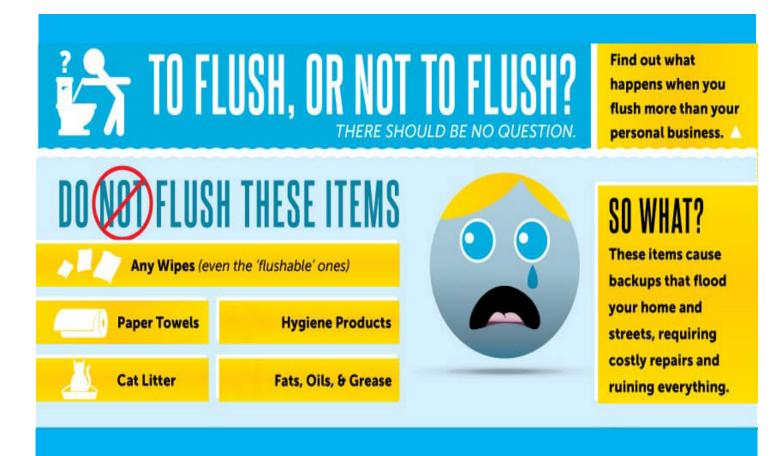
Andrew F. Kees was born in Washington Co., Pennsylvania in 1817 and died in Umatilla Co., Oregon in 1886. In 1860, he married Nancy Osborne (a survivor of Whitman Massacre) and they settled 2 miles south of Weston. From his farmland Mr. Kees deeded 1 and 9/16 acres for a cemetery site in 1875.

All official records of the Blue Mountain Cemetery were destroyed. Fortunately, Mrs. E.C. Miley and Mrs. O'Neal spent many days researching and reestablishing 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



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



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!

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Contact us at 877-877-9392