

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

jaspersons@qwestoffice.net

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"

Mayor's Corner - January 2019

I continued to be amazing and humbled by the kindness and love seen in our community (and Athena, too!). From the Giving Tree to the 4th and 5th Grade Food Drive and the individuals who quietly share, support, and love this town, there is much good to be found here in Weston. I am so thankful to live in a community like this. From the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU!

We anticipate a lot of activity in Weston this year: a bridge replacement, a major street improvement, and I still have high hopes for faster internet!! Updates in this newsletter and at Council meetings are always available, but if you have specific questions, please route them through City Hall.

On a personal note, I want to share with my community my current health journey. Five years ago I had surgery for stage 1B cervical cancer. It was believed that surgery completely removed the cancer and in June I was considered cured. Recently, after several medical tests, it was discovered that the cancer has returned. Localized, recurrent cervical cancer is treatable and my treatment includes additional surgery and radiation.

I will be having surgery in January and radiation in February. I will continue to serve as Mayor and continue to advocate for rural communities like Weston at the local, State, and Federal levels, but I want my community to know the circumstances surrounding the current state of my health.

There are many in our community and surrounding area dealing with crises, medical or otherwise. I encourage each of us to continue to support one another, care for one another, and keep showing the kindness and generosity that I have seen in the past.

You could live anywhere, you've chosen to live here. Thanks for continuing to help make Weston a great place to live!

Jennifer McClure Spurgeon

City Hall: 541 566-3313

Hours 7:00am-5:30pm Monday—Thursday

Closed 11:00am-1:30pm

Closed on Fridays

WESTON LIBRARY PAGE

www.westonpubliclibrary.com
Visit us on Facebook!

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Imagination Library

Here's the latest information about Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program. We will receive funding from Dolly Parton's organization, as well as from local sponsors. Currently we have funds to register a dozen children, who will receive a book each month delivered in the mail to his or her address. We still have spaces available for children to be enrolled.

As a reminder, children from birth to age 5 who live in the 97886 zip code area are eligible to participate. The short and simple form is available at the library. Four to six weeks after registration, your child will receive his or her first book. There is no cost to the families.

Holiday Library Schedule

December 24, 25, 26—CLOSED

December 27, 28—OPEN

December 31—CLOSED

January 1—CLOSED

January 2-4—OPEN



1/4 Storytime and Crafts 10:00 (Library)

1/8 Library Board 5:00 pm (Library)

1/9 District Librarians (Closed 8:30– 12:00)

1/21 MLK, Jr. Day Library Closed

1/24 Novel Readers 5:00 pm (Library)



New Weekly Library Schedule

Beginning January 2, we will be making some small changes to the library schedule, aimed at creating a more convenient experience for patrons. Stop in soon and pick up a bookmark which shows the new schedule!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30—1:00 1:30 - 5:00	12:30 - 6:00	8:30 - 1:00 1:30 - 5:00	12:30 - 6:00	8:30 - 1:00 1:30 - 5:00

New at the Library

Nine Perfect Strangers, Fiction by Liane Moriarty

Night of Miracles, Fiction by Elizabeth Berg

The Long Road to Mercy, Fiction by David Baldacci

Becoming, Nonfiction by Michelle Obama

Winter is Here, Kids' fiction by Kevin Henkes

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.



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 with in this community."

www.westonchamberofcommerce.com



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!



ATTENTION!!! Umatilla Alerts



Sign up to receive emergency alerts and severe weather warnings that could directly impact you and your family.

With AlertSense, you can receive life-saving emergency alerts from public safety agencies, advanced warning of severe weather and community notifications that impact you and your family. To receive emergency messaging on a smartphone or by email:

Go to the Umatilla County homepage on the internet at: <http://www.co.umatilla.or.us/>

- Click on the AlertSense Icon on the Top Right of the Banner
- Click on the Green "Sign Up" tab
- Scroll down and enter the necessary information
- Be sure to check the "agree to terms" and "I am not a robot" boxes then "sign me up"
- Once completed, you can proceed to the GOOGLE PLAY or APP STORE to download the app for your device if you chose to use that feature for receiving.



East Umatilla County Ambulance Area Health District
Medic 400

Phone 541-566-3813

PO Box 640, Athena, OR 97813

Fax 877-469-6944



December 2018 Newsletter

The staff, crew and volunteers of Medic 400 would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Safe and Healthy New Year in 2019. This year we have set a record by responding to 265 runs with a few days left to go in December 2018. We are very proud of the fact we were able to respond quickly and a few times we were able to staff a second ambulance. A big thank you to all our staff and volunteers!

There was a public informational meeting in Weston on December 11, 2018. The meeting was well attended by community members and directors from the East Umatilla County Rural Fire Protection District, Helix Rural Fire Protection District, the City of Athena and the East Umatilla County Ambulance Area Health District. Two speakers from Special Districts of Oregon gave a presentation on their experiences with agency consolidation in Lane County.

The above agencies are exploring a possible cooperation agreement between agencies to improve efficiencies and service. Public input is welcome. Comments and suggestions can be submitted to this agency at the above address or the other local agencies listed.

New Library Hours Effective January 1, 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Total Hours
8:30 – 1:00 1:30 – 5:00 (8 hours)	12:30 – 6:00 (5.5 hours)	8:30 – 1:00 1:30 – 5:00 (8 hours)	12:30 – 6:00 (5.5 hours)	8:30 – 1:00 1:30 – 5:00 (8 hours)	35

Monthly Meetings

Meetings held at the Memorial Hall unless otherwise noted.

- Planning Commission No meeting January at 7:30pm**
- Lions Club January 3rd at 7:00pm**
- Cemetery January 8th at 6:30pm**
- Library Board January 8th at 5:30pm (Library)**
- City Council January 16th at 6:00pm (Changed date)**
- Historic Landmarks January 15th at 6:00pm**
- Memorial Hall Board January 17th at 6:30pm**
- Lions Club January 17th at 7:00pm**
- WCDC January 22 at 7:00pm**



Memorial Hall Board Meetings have been changed to the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30pm. Meetings are open to the public.



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.UmatillaCountyPioneersAssociation.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!

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 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)



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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 appreciate your help.



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 You may post items to this page, too!

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

<https://www.facebook.com/CommunityofWestonOregon>

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 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
1103 SE Court Place**

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DHS M - W and F 8:00 a.m. to noon

Hermiston Advocacy Center

Office: 541 - 567 - 0424

**Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
240 SE 2nd. St., Suite B & C**

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DHS M - W and F 8:00 a.m. to noon

Milton-Freewater Advocacy Center

Office: 541 - 276 - 3322

DHS Thursday 8:00 a.m. to noon

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**Thursday - 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
722 S Main (City Hall basement)**

Boardman Advocacy Center

Information - call 541-567-0424

**Thursday - 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
200 City Center Circle (City Hall)**

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DHS Thursday - 8:00 a.m. to noon

**Heppner Advocacy Center
Information - call 541-276-3322**

**Heppner Women's Group
Information ~ 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

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Hermiston Women's Group

Thursday 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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**Hermiston Spanish Language Women's
Group**

Thursday 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Children's activities provided

Call 541.567.0424 for information

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Milton-Freewater Women's Group

Thursday 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Call 541.276.3322 for information

Volunteer Training, Parenting Class, Mental Health First Aid - CALL 541-276-3322



Operation Giving Tree

Operation Santa mission complete! Weston Giving Tree 2018. Words cannot express the gratitude I have for this wonderful crew AND our citizens and behind the scenes elves! AMAZING is an understatement!! Photos contributed by Sheila Jasperson



Weston Christmas Parade



Christmas Lighting Contest And the winners are...

Glitz & Glamour-

1. Dusty Hearn
2. Fabricio Barahona
3. Bruce and Connie Carter



Reason for the Season

1. Greg & Lois Phillipps
2. Mark & Jonie Clark
3. Tim & Linda Crampton

Old Fashioned Christmas

1. Joe & Carlene Hearn
2. Jack & Sheila Jasperson
3. Scott Carlson

We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year's Day.

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