



PENDLETON

Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon

October 2016

A MESSAGE FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Council members have returned from attending the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) annual conference in Salem. The LOC is an association that was created in 1925 to help government better serve the citizens of Oregon. The conference provides training sessions and opportunities for elected officials and city staff to network with each other. The City of Pendleton has a long tradition of councilors attending this conference.

Some of the training sessions this year included a strategic planning workshop, negotiations training, economic development strategies, and using social media to connect with the community. Tours included site visits to a riverfront development project in Independence, historic downtown district in Salem, and a Career Technical Education Center.

The keynote speaker was Adam Bryant, Author and "Corner Office" columnist for the NY Times, who spoke about leadership. Each week Mr. Bryant talks to top executives. In his talk he shared keys of success he has gleaned from years of having these conversations.

The LOC shared the legislative priorities, as determined by a vote of all Oregon cities. These priorities are: PERS reform, restoring recreational immunity, transportation funding, and property tax reform. These strategies all hit on key issues every city faces: controlling costs and liabilities, infrastructure, and local control -

Cities also had the opportunity to attend a trade show, access to state agency directors and congressional staff, and participated in a gubernatorial candidates forum. The City's insurance provider, Citycounty Insurance Services, hosted a safety award reception where the City of Pendleton received a Silver award, taking 2nd place only to the City of Lebanon who had zero injury frequency rate.

The highlight for many of us was the recognition by LOC and the Oregon Mayors Association of our retiring Mayor Phil Houk. Mayor



Houk was honored for outstanding service in local government with the creation of the Phillip Houk Endowment which will help pay tuition for elected officials at future LOC conferences. This seems to be a fitting acknowledgement, after working so hard to promote Pendleton and the league for over

20 years. The award was announced at the annual dinner by Redmond Mayor George Endicott, Independence Mayor John McArdle, and State Senator Betsy Johnson.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

October 18

City Council 7pm
Council Chambers
Pendleton Development Commission 6pm
Council Chambers

November 1

City Council 7pm
Council Chambers

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Phillip W. Houk	Mayor	541-966-0310
John Brenne	Ward I	541-276-2778
Neil Brown	Ward 3	541-276-3407
Jake Cambier	At Large	541-969-2252
Paul Chalmers	At Large	541-276-7111
Becky Marks	Ward I	541-276-9147
McKennon McDonald	Ward 2	541-969-3345
Chuck Wood	Ward 2	541-278-4056
Tom Young	Ward 3	541-310-0351

CITY OF PENDLETON

Administration	541-966-0201
Airport	541-276-7754
Attorney	541-966-0206
Convention Center	541-276-6569
Community Dev.	541-966-0203
Facilities	541-966-0207
Finance	541-966-0207
Fire	541-276-1442
Library	541-966-0380
Municipal Court	541-966-0209
Parks/Rec/Cemetery	541-276-8100
Police	541-276-4411
Public Works	541-276-3078

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<http://www.pendleton.or.us>



LIBRARY PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST:

Turn in your pumpkin decorated like a book, to be displayed in the library between Saturday, October 1st and Friday, October 21st. Winners will be announced on Saturday, October 22nd at Halloween Story Time (winners need not be present).

CONTEST RULES:

Absolutely no carved pumpkins. To decorate you can use paper, glue, paint, markers, fabric, etc. Let your creativity soar! Pumpkins must represent a book. Do not write your name anywhere on the pumpkin. When you bring your pumpkin to the circulation desk library staff will give it an identification card for voting purposes. Voting will be conducted by library visitors. The earlier you bring your pumpkin in the more time you have to get votes!

PRIZES: Prizes will be awarded in the following age groups

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| *K-3rd Grade | *7th-12th Grade |
| *4th-6th Grade | *Adults |



CHIEF STUART ROBERTS SELECTED FOR PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD



Police Chief Stuart Roberts has been selected to receive the Oregon Peace Officers Association Public Service Award for his work performing a security analysis for area schools. In light of the many tragic incidents of violence on school campuses, the Umatilla Morrow Education Service District entered into an agreement with the City of Pendleton, allowing Chief Roberts to use his expertise at each school in the district providing them with information important to improve security measures.

Umatilla Morrow Education Service District recognized Chief Roberts work at the June 21, 2016 Council meeting and then nominated him for this award.

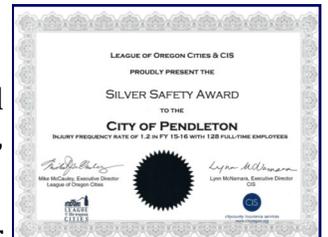
Chief Roberts will receive this award at the annual Oregon Peace Officers Association Award Banquet on November 4.

Chief Roberts has been with the Pendleton Police Department since 1994, is a graduate of Western Oregon University and the FBI National Academy. He is past president of the Oregon Association of Police Chiefs and currently serves on the DPSST Police Policy Committee and Board.

SILVER AWARD GIVEN TO THE CITY

During the 2015-16 fiscal year, the City had a total of 334,057 employee hours worked, with only two time loss injuries!

For this, the City was awarded the Silver Safety Award at the annual League of Oregon Cities Conference.



PARKS AND RECREATION

MESSY PUMPKINS Ages 2-4 years are encouraged to join us for this get down and dirty with pumpkins event. We will explore all the possibilities on Wednesday 19th & 26th from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. \$14 includes all supplies but you might want to wear clothes you don't mind getting MESSY! Please register by Thursday, October 13th. **ADULT PARTICIPATION REQUIRED.** Class will meet at the Recreation Center downstairs in the Foundation Room.



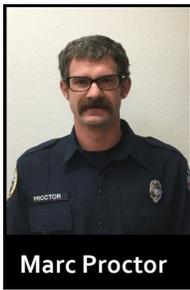
VOLUNTEERS

The City of Pendleton has many opportunities and need for community volunteers! Parks Department, Library, Recreation just to name a few! If you have an interest in volunteering with the City, we invite you to fill out a volunteer application which may be downloaded [HERE](#). Or stop into the administration office and pick one up! Our Volunteer Coordinator is Tiffany Hegarty 541-966-0244.



FIRE DEPARTMENT

Two new Firefighter/ Paramedics were sworn in during the City Council meeting Tuesday October 4th. Being sworn in were: Marc Proctor



Marc Proctor

is a Northwest native who was born in Wenatchee, WA. He grew up in Bend and graduated from Oregon State University with a Bachelors degree in Business Administration. He started his fire service career with Sisters fire and worked as a Paramedic in Madras and most recently he served with the Bend Fire Department. He enjoys the outdoors, traveling to foreign countries and playing the guitar. Jordan Tyer was born in



Jordan Tyer

Iowa and moved to Pendleton in 2002. He attended PHS and BMCC. He became a Reserve with the Fire Department in 2014 and earlier this year completed his Paramedic training. He enjoys spending time in the mountains hunting and fishing.



Also sworn in were three new Reserves for the department: Nelly Arroyo, Terri Clerk, and Sara Burke. Congratulations and welcome to Pendleton Fire!!

PENDLETON DOWNTOWN

Main Street's occupancy has risen over the past decade, from 68 percent to 96 percent as shown in a January 2016 survey. Charles Denight, Pendleton Development Commission



Associate Director, has been working diligently with the Pendleton Downtown Association. Together their partnership has led to better communication and a team effort to bring businesses to Main Street.

Mr. Denight is working to encourage ways of helping current business owners keep their doors open.

Goals for the downtown area are to encourage development and utilization of the second stories, and building of a festival plaza which would be utilized for downtown events.

For more information about the Urban Renewal opportunities in downtown Pendleton, Contact Charles Denight at 541-966-0233

CITY WEBSITE TRANSLATION

The City of Pendleton Website has a new feature to help our readers who are non-English speaking. There is a Google sponsored translation button located at the bottom of the home page at the right hand corner. You may now change the translation from English to Chinese, Filipino, French, German, Hindi, Japanese, Pashto, Punjabi, Spanish and Urdu.

COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Pendleton appreciates citizens who volunteer their time and energy to make our City a great place to live, work, play and visit.

If you are interested in volunteering on a committee or commission, please find a "Commission Application Form" on the A-Z Index on our website, www.pendleton.or.us and submit as instructed.

COFFEE with the 
8-10 am CITY

Join City Staff at Hamley's on Monday, November 7

This time is for the City Manager to meet with community members who have concerns, questions or simply want to engage in conversation regarding happenings in our community. City Manager Robb Corbett invites you to join him for coffee and conversation.

Mark your calendar today!

EASTERN OREGON REGIONAL AIRPORT

SeaPort recently went into Chapter seven bankruptcy, which means all their assets are being liquidated. SeaPort stopped flying and laid off all their employees the week after Roundup.

Earlier this year, the City selected Boutique Air, to replace SeaPort as our commercial air service to Pendleton under the Essential Air Service grant. This grant is provided to develop commercial air service to remote communities, Pendleton being the only city in the northwest to receive it. They were scheduled to begin service on January 1, 2017

After the bankruptcy, the US Department of Transportation put out an order allowing Boutique Air to begin service to Pendleton on October 1. Given the challenge of moving into a market so quickly, Boutique Air has said they hope to begin service on November 1, 2016.

Boutique Air flies executive Pilatus PC-12's (pressurized with spacious leather seats and a lavatory). Flight time to Portland will be 45 minutes each way. *More information about Boutique Air can be found at:* <https://www.boutiqueair.com/>

STATE CHAMPION TREE AWARD

Tree commission President Dave Powell and Donnie Cook Parks Recreation and Cemetery Director measured what they thought was a very large Hackberry tree in Olney Cemetery. They submitted the measurements and leaf samples along with their nomination to the Oregon Big Tree Registry to see if it had the possibility of being either a state or national champ.



It didn't make the national champ, but it is THE STATE CHAMP!!! There are an estimated 692 trees in Olney Cemetery. Take a few minutes and stop by the Cemetery and check it out.

PUBLIC WORKS

Crack seal work is currently underway. As of the writing of this, the contractor is nearly twenty five percent done with the work and completion date is reliant on the weather. The 2016 crack seal bid was awarded to Pavement Protectors out of Bend, Oregon for \$216,149. Contractors are 95% done with the 2016 paving projects awarded to Pioneer Asphalt for \$588,323.

The City is working to complete water and sewer utility line replacement in streets scheduled to be paved in 2017 as part of the two year pavement plan. Go to the city website where we have a special link on our homepage to provide more information about maintaining our streets.

Public works crews are presently working on replacement of a 100-year old water line located from SE 5th to SE 8th along the SE Byers

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ACTIVITY GUIDES AVAILABLE

Fall/Winter 2016 Activity Guide- online registration begins Sept 2, in-office begins Sept. 6 preview guide using link below

https://issuu.com/goplayoutside/docs/2016_fall_winter_web

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Always on Halloween and always at the Convention Center. Free candy and carnival booth activities from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. for kids 0-13 years of age. Sponsors to help defray the costs of prizes and candy needed. If your business or organization would like to staff a booth we would love to have you. Please contact Lisa, 966-0228, for more information.

