

COLUMBIA CITY NEWSLETTER

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FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS RETURN TO ST. HELENS!

The fireworks display in St. Helens is scheduled to start at 10 PM off of Sand Island. In addition, **family fun is scheduled all day long!** The planned festivities include a Patriotic Pet Parade, Pancake Breakfast, Classic Car Show, Ice Cream Eating Contest, Scavenger Hunt, Movie Premiere, and more. For information or to make donations, contact Melissa Sarafin by calling (503) 366-8232 or send an e-mail to Melissas@ci.st-helens.or.us.

OLD-FASHIONED ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Caples House Museum is hosting an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, July 7th from 2 to 4 PM. There will be a sing-along of patriotic songs and other songs from days gone by led by the Yankton Grangers. Ice cream sundaes available for \$3.00. The Daughters of the American Revolution invite you to **come join in the fun!**

LIBRARY NEWS

We are still working on the Columbia City Celebration, planned for September 14. Our next planning meeting will be Tuesday, July 23. We have a great group working on the planning, but would welcome ideas and more people.

Our raffle quilt is finished and hanging at the library. It is a queen or king sized square in a square quilt made of batiks which will enhance any décor. Stop by and buy a few chances to have this lovely quilt on your bed!

Summer Reading Program: Dig Into Reading.

The summer reading program started the last Monday in June with *Diary of a Worm*, dancing the Hokey-Pokey, and eating dirt and worms! Come in and join us each Monday at 11 AM. Monday July 1 the Bug Ladies will be helping us be bees, and will show us what real bugs look like. The younger children will count books read, and race around the

dirt track. Older children (and adults!) will keep track of pages read. Pick your dirt-related mount and let's race! If Mondays don't work out for you, you can still fill out the reading logs and participate in the racetrack! Come in to the library any time and sign up.

Changes Coming to the Library. We purchased some sturdy bookshelves and will expand our in-library sale book offerings. We hope to avoid hauling boxes of books to the Community Hall three times a year, while still having a great selection. Give us a few weeks to get everything in place, or stop by and volunteer to help! We hope this will increase the income from sales of books, so keep donating as you have been! We appreciate every book.

New Books. We added 89 books to the library during the past month. Some recent additions to our library include:

Extraordinary, Ordinary People: A Memoir by Condoleezza Rice
Personal Finance for Seniors
My Beloved World by Sonia Sotomayor
Marry Him: The Case for Settling for Mr. Good Enough by Lori Gottlieb
The Baby Whisperer Solves All Your Problems by Tracy Hogg
The West Coast Trail and Other Great Hikes by Tim Leadem
The Man Who Ate His Boots: The Tragic History of the Search for the Northwest Passage by Anthony Brandt
How Do Dinosaurs Get Well Soon? by Jane Yolen
The Last Time I Saw You by Elizabeth Berg
Back of Beyond by C.J. Box
Six Years by Harlan Coben
Shadow Tag by Louise Erdrich
Believing the Lie by Elizabeth George
Where Lilacs Still Bloom by Jane Kirkpatrick (fictionalized story of the Woodland Lilac Gardens)
The City and the City by China Mieville

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LIBRARY NEWS (Cont.)

Library Hours

Monday 10 am - 2 pm
Wednesday 4 pm - 8 pm
Thursday 2 pm - 6 pm
Saturday 10 am - 2 pm

Story Time:

Every Monday at 11 am

City Celebration Planning Meeting:

Tuesday, July 23 at 7 pm

Friends of the Library Meeting:

Monday, July 15 at 7 pm

Mystery Book Group:

Wednesday, July 31 at 7 pm

CODE ENFORCEMENT REMINDERS

Fireworks - many types are prohibited! Cone fountains, cylindrical fountains, flitter sparklers, ground spinners, illuminating torches and wheels are permitted. All other exploding fireworks are prohibited by City Ordinance and Oregon State Law. Refer to ORS 480.110 through 480.165 for additional information.

Keep grass and weeds cut! Between April 15 and September 30 of any year, weeds and grass cannot exceed 10-inches in height and blackberry bushes cannot extend across property lines or into the City's right-of-way, including streets, alleys and sidewalks.

RVs storage must be owned by the occupant of the property. In residential zones, the storage of an RV that is owned by a legal resident of the property is permitted provided it is stored in a location allowed by City Ordinance. However, when an RV is not owned by a legal resident of the property, the RV storage is not permitted.

RV storage is limited to one in certain cases. Only one RV designed for human occupancy (such

as a travel trailer, motor home, camper, or boat with a head and galley) may be stored upon each residentially zoned property.

HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

The Columbia County Transfer Station will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Event on Saturday, July 27, 2013 from 8 AM to noon. The following hazardous waste materials are accepted during the event:

- ✓ Pool and spa chemicals
- ✓ Pesticides herbicides, fertilizers, and poisons
- ✓ Thinners and solvents
- ✓ Household cleaners and disinfectants
- ✓ Art and hobby chemicals
- ✓ Aerosol spray chemicals
- ✓ Propane tanks and bottles
- ✓ Fluorescent lamps ad ballasts
- ✓ PCB's
- ✓ Batteries
- ✓ Medical sharps
- ✓ Used oil
- ✓ Gasoline/diesel
- ✓ Antifreeze
- ✓ Fireworks
- ✓ Paint
- ✓ Small arms ammunition

Items not accepted during the event:

- No radioactive materials
- No household trash/empty containers
- No explosives
- No bio medical waste
- No asbestos
- No prescription/over the counter medications
- No business hazardous waste from small (SQG) or large quantity (LQG) generators

MONTHLY MEETING AND EVENT CALENDAR - JULY 2013

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| July 4 | CLOSED | City Hall is closed for Independence Day |
| July 4 | 6:00 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting at City Hall - CANCELED |
| July 9 | 7:00 p.m. | Planning Commission Meeting at City Hall - CANCELED |
| July 11 | 7:00 p.m. | Municipal Court at City Hall |
| July 15 | 7:00 p.m. | Friends of the Library Meeting at the Library |
| July 18 | 6:00 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting at City Hall |
| July 30 | 6:00 p.m. | Parks Committee Meeting at City Hall |