

COLUMBIA CITY NEWSLETTER APRIL 2019

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ONLINE BILL ACCESS – AVAILABLE NOW

You can now access your water and sewer bills online. You can see your billing and usage history. Also save paper by signing up for e-bills and receive the newsletter electronically. See more details on the enclosed flyer.

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<https://columbiacity.merchantransact.com>



WIN ME - BIRD FEEDER



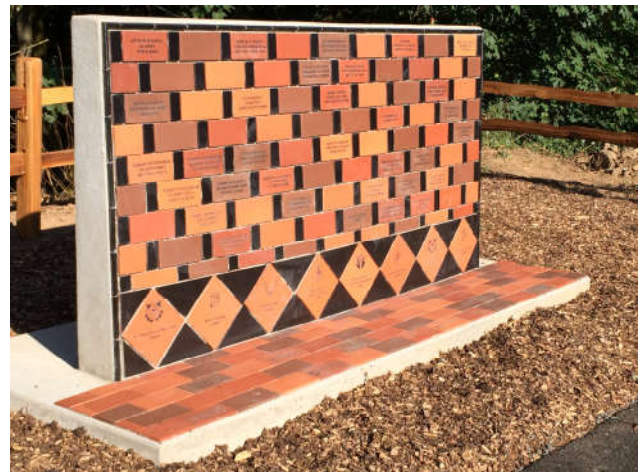
Columbia City resident John Weinman generously donated this hand crafted bird feeder to the City. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. Come to City Hall to get your tickets or get your ticket at

the City's 2nd Annual Easter Benefit Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, April 20, 2019. The winner will be drawn that day. Proceeds benefit the continuing needs of the Columbia City Community Hall.

STILL TIME TO GET BRICKS FOR THE VETERANS PARK MEMORIAL WALL

In May we have our annual Memorial Day event at the Veterans Park. There are a limited number of bricks available on our 5th and final wall. If purchased by Monday, May 13th they will be engraved before the event.

You can also purchase a brick in support of the Park or as a sponsor. These bricks are located at the base of any of the walls.



All bricks are \$75.00. Forms are available online at the City's website or at City Hall.

BIANNUAL BURN PERIOD

The biannual burn period will **begin on Saturday, April 7th, and end on Sunday, April 22nd**. The burn period is for yard debris only and it must be a burn day. Burn barrels are prohibited. **Call (503) 397-4800 for burn day information before you burn. Burn permits are required prior to burning!** Permits may be obtained at City Hall or at any Fire Station within the Columbia River Fire & Rescue District or online at www.crfr.com.

MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

Join us in honoring all American veterans on Monday, May 27 from 11 am to noon at the Columbia City Veterans Park. Here's the tentative program for this year's ceremony:

"Dawning of the Day"
Master of Ceremonies
Welcoming Comments
The Importance of Memorial Day
Color Guard
"To the Colors"/Flag Raising
Pledge of Allegiance
"Star Spangled Banner"
United States Service Branch Flag Raising
"Taps"/Placement of Wreath
Missing Man Table and Honors Ceremony
"Why I Honor the American Flag"
Prayer
"God Bless America"
"Amazing Grace"
"Scotland the Brave"

Shuttle service to and from the event will be provided again this year. Please mark your calendars and watch for more details in next month's newsletter!

2nd ANNUAL EASTER BENEFIT BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 20, 2019, come enjoy a strawberry pancake breakfast with scrambled eggs and ham before heading out to hunt for Easter eggs. Breakfast is available from 7 to 10 am, \$10.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children ages 10 and under.



Also for a donation you can take your picture with the Easter GGGGrinch from 9 to 11 am. Bring your own cameras.

The event will be at the Community Hall, 1850 Second Street. All proceeds benefit the Columbia City Community Hall.

FREE WATER CONSERVATION KITS

The City has free water conservation kits available to water customers while supplies last. Kits include a moisture meter, leak detection dye tablets and a deluxe water efficient hose nozzle. Limit one kit per water customer, while supplies last.



SERGEANTS CORNER

During the upcoming spring season all of the trees and plants will begin to grow and need to be trimmed back. If you choose to place the trimmings in a recycle bin please be careful where you set your recycle bin for pick up. They can often block your view when backing out of a driveway, pulling out of a side street and of children waiting at a bus stop. If you choose to transport the trimmings in your own vehicle be sure to cover it up so it remains in your vehicle and doesn't blow out during transport. Play it safe and enjoy the improving weather.

The Police Department would like to request your continued support in being our eyes and ears in the community. Please feel free to contact us with your thoughts, questions, or any information that you feel would help us in keeping our community safe. We can be reached via 9-1-1 (emergency), (503) 397-4010 (office), or (503) 397-1521 (non-emergency dispatch).

Best Regards ~ Sergeant Jerry Bartolomucci

OREGON STATE POLICE (OSP) NON-EMERGENCY MOBILE NUMBER

People on the road can call Oregon State Police about nonemergency issues like reporting minor crashes, highway hazards and requests for assistance outside local City jurisdictions.

Mobile phone users can dial *677 for a mobile phone-direct call to the Oregon State Police dispatch center. It is answered by a live dispatcher around the clock, seven days a week, but is separate from the 911 emergency system.



LOST AND FOUND

A pair of hot pink gloves were found at Harvard Park. If you think they belong to you, please contact City Hall.

ADU & CORNER LOT DUPLEX DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENTS PROPOSED

On March 19, 2019 the Planning Commission unanimously voted to recommend to the City Council proposed amendments to the Columbia City Development Code related to Chapter 7.112 Accessory Dwelling Units and Chapters 7.45 and 7.50 (R-2 and R-3) zones.

The purpose of the code amendments is to 1) ensure accessory dwelling unit regulations are consistent with recent state law changes to promote affordable housing options and 2) add design standards to ensure duplex development on corner lots are consistent with the single family character in Columbia City.

The City Council will do a first reading of the ordinance on Thursday, April 4, 2019 and a second reading will occur on Thursday, April 18, 2019. Both meetings will start at 6:00 p.m.

Interested persons are invited to submit written testimony prior to any of the meetings or in person at the meetings. Comments submitted in regard to these matters should be directed toward applicable sections of Title 7 of the Columbia City Development Code. 7.160.060 (Procedures for Decision Making: Legislative).

The proposed amendments and all related documents will be available for review at City Hall located at 1840 Second Street, Columbia City, Oregon. Copies can also be purchased for a fee.

SPRING CLEANUP - APRIL 13TH

Now is the time to get rid of that unwanted junk - old appliances, scrap metal, yard debris, old furniture, newspaper, unwanted items, etc. The annual Spring Cleanup Day will be held on **Saturday, April 13th, 2019, from 8 am to noon** at the Columbia City School. Extra bulky waste or hard-to-dispose-of items, such as old furniture or mattresses, more than two loads of yard debris, lawn mowers, etc. will be accepted for a fee. The following minimum charges apply to other items:

Yard debris, trees and limbs
First two loads FREE - \$5.00 per load after two
Car load - \$5.00 / Pick-up load - \$10.00
Trailer load - \$15.00
Refrigerators/freezers/air conditioners - \$10.00
Other appliances - \$5.00

Car batteries FREE

Car or truck tires - \$2.00/ea

Commercial truck tires - \$4.00/ea

NO tires on rims, **NO** commercial truck loads, **NO** wet garbage, **NO** burn piles, **NO** painted wood, **NO** lumber, **NO** construction debris, **NO** sod

Also Habitat for Humanity ReStore will be onsite to accept gently used residential building materials, appliances, fixtures and home furnishings.

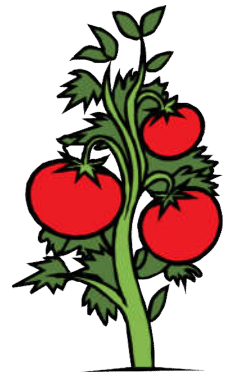
Handicapped or elderly citizens needing assistance with transporting items to the event site may contact City Hall prior to the day of the event by calling (503) 397-4010.



ANNUAL SPRING GARDEN FAIR

Don't miss the **Columbia County Master Gardener™ Association's 24th Spring Garden Fair** on **April 27th** at St. Helens High School Commons, 2375 Gable Road. The sale starts at 9 am and ends at 3 pm. Admission and parking are free. Please carpool.

Certified Master Gardeners offer 5,000 tomatoes in more than 30 varieties and peppers too at \$1.50 each. Tomato and general gardening information, raffle tickets, hourly prizes and displays also available.



Raffle tickets are on sale now for \$1.00 each from many Master Gardeners and at the OSU Extension Service in St. Helens. Dozens of local vendors will offer annuals, trees, shrubs, perennials, vegetables, ceramics, trellises, garden art, herbs, containers, hanging baskets and more as prizes.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REMINDER



Keep grass and weeds cut:
Between April 15th and September 30th weeds and grass cannot exceed 10 inches in height within the City limits.

"Volunteers are not paid – not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless."

LIBRARY NEWS

We are so pleased that our equipment requests were fulfilled immediately! Mike Chartier of La Luna Computers donated a new computer for public use, Gordon Thistle donated a five drawer file cabinet and Kim Karber donated an adding machine for our treasurer's use. Thank you all so much!

Now, this month's request: for the day of our Columbia City Celebration, September 14, we need a golf cart. If you have one we can use just for that day, please contact the library.

Columbia County Reads: Libraries in the county are reading Phillip Margolin's *Worthy Brown's Daughter* (fiction) and Gregory Nokes' *Breaking Chains* (nonfiction). Both books cover the story of a black man whose daughter was kept as a slave after they were brought to Oregon in 1844. The authors will be speaking at the following locations and times:

- St. Helens Public Library, April 25, 7 p.m.
- Vernonia Public Library, April 26, 6 p.m.
- Scappoose Public Library, April 27, 3 p.m.
- Clatskanie Library District at Clatskanie Cultural Center, April 27, 7 p.m.

Both books are available for check out.

Second Hand Prose: In conjunction with the St. Helens Public Library and the Scappoose Public Library, we are having a book sale in Second Hand Prose on Saturday, April 13. All media is \$1.00 for the day. Remember, we have 4000 books and media available all the time when we're open.

After School Program: We held our after school program on Wednesdays in February and March at the Columbia City School. We had 19 children

participate. Thank you to our volunteers from the library, Wendy Wells, Karen Brooks, Don Jeanroy, Chan Springer, Katrina Clift, Chip and Kit Gardes, Dana Belisle; the sixth grade helpers James Sessions and Justice Stanton; and the Columbia City School, Jennifer Vanderschuere, Michelle Haase, and Steve Fransen for making it a successful program.

Library Hours:

Monday through Thursday 3-6 pm
Saturday 10 am-2 pm

Book Sale Day

Saturday, April 13 – 10 am to 2 pm

Friends of the Library Meeting

Monday, April 15 - 6 pm

Novel Quilters

Wednesday, April 17 - 6:30 pm

Mystery Book Club

Wednesday, April 24 - 7 pm

2000 Second Street / PO Box 189 / Columbia City
503-366-8020 / ccclibrary@live.com

Reach our book catalog:

<https://columbiacitycommunitylibrary.follettdestiny.com>

CITY COUNCIL NEW MEETING SCHEDULE

The City Council will soon have a new schedule for Regular City Council meetings. Beginning in May of 2019 Council will start meeting on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. This move to a single meeting per month, instead of the currently scheduled two monthly meetings, is being made in order to promote a more efficient, effective use of staff and council time and resources. Please continue to join us in our meetings in order to remain involved in your local government.

MONTHLY MEETING AND EVENT CALENDAR - APRIL 2019

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| April 4 th | 6:00 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting at City Hall |
| April 6 th | dawn | First day of open burning season |
| April 11 th | 6:00 p.m. | Municipal Court at City Hall |
| April 13 th | 8:00 a.m. to noon | Spring Clean Up Event at the Columbia City School |
| April 16 th | 6:30 p.m. | Planning Commission Meeting at City Hall |
| April 18 th | 6:00 p.m. | Regular City Council Meeting at City Hall |
| April 20 th | 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. | Breakfast at Community Hall |
| | 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. | Pictures with the Easter GGGGrinch at Community Hall |
| April 21 st | dusk | Last day of open burning season |
| April 22 nd | 6:00 p.m. | Hazard Mitigation Group Meeting at City Hall |
| April 23 rd | 5:00 p.m. | Parks Committee Meeting at City Hall |

Michael Allen Harrison

Playing in Columbia City to Benefit the Community Hall

Monday, May 6th – 6 pm



Tickets \$20

Dinner Menu:

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| Pulled pork sandwich with cole slaw | \$6 |
| Croissant sandwich with potato salad | \$6 |
| Chocolate cake or cheesecake | \$3 |
| Soda, coffee, bottled water | \$1 |

Beer & Wine also be available for purchase

Seating is limited! Purchase your tickets now!!!

Location: Columbia City Community Hall, 1850 Second Street, Columbia City OR
Doors Open: at 5:30 pm

Purchase tickets at City Hall in Columbia City

1840 Second Street, Columbia City OR 97018
503-397-4010 www.columbia-city.org

E-BILLING

Do you want to save paper?

Do you want to receive your newsletter, water and sewer bills electronically?

You can view your bill, usage & payment history & manage your account online...



REGISTER TODAY:

At – <https://columbiacity.merchantransact.com>

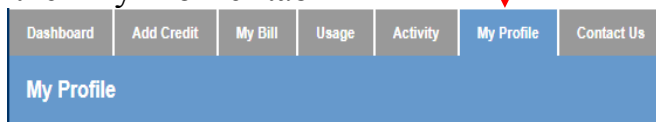


To complete the first time sign in you will be sent a confirmation e-mail that needs to be acknowledged. If you do not see it right away, please check your junk email. If you are still not seeing it, contact us at 503-397-4010.

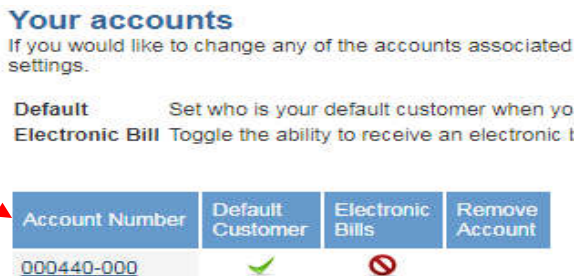
Once your account has been registered and a sign-on created you will instantly be able to see billing, payment, and water usage history. One more step will need to be taken to opt in to receiving e-bills.

Follow the instructions below to 'Opt In' to receiving E-bills:

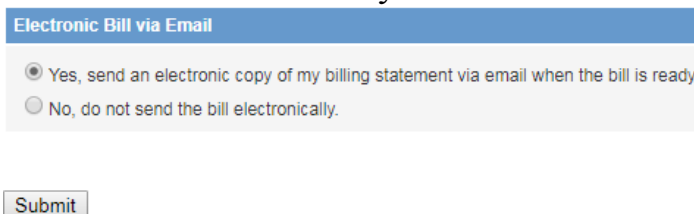
1. Go to the 'My Profile' tab



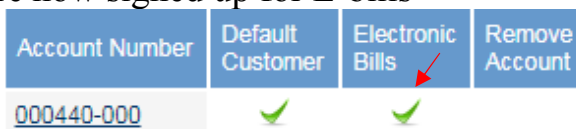
2. Scroll down to the 'Your accounts' section and click on the account number hyperlink



3. Select the radio button next to 'yes' and click the 'Submit' button



4. You are now signed up for E-bills



Easter Benefit Breakfast

Strawberries, pancakes, ham & eggs!

MENU:

Breakfast includes a generous slice of ham, scrambled eggs, and two fluffy pancakes topped with strawberries & whipped cream. Breakfast is served with orange juice and choice of coffee or milk.



Breakfast prices:
Adults: \$10.00
Children: \$8.00
(ages 10 and under)



Bird Feeder Raffle
\$1 for tickets, \$5 for 6
Get tickets at City Hall
Winner Drawn at Breakfast



Pictures with the
Easter GGGGrinch
9 am to 11 am

Saturday, April 20, 2019 - 7 am to 10 am
Columbia City Community Hall
1850 Second Street

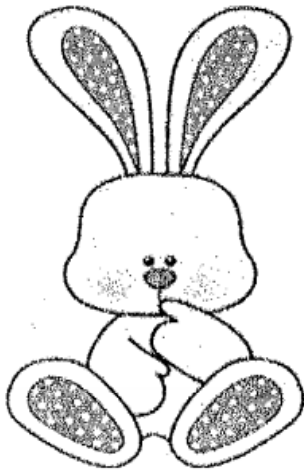
All proceeds benefit the Columbia City Community Hall

mEGGa Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 20, 2019

Columbia County Fairgrounds
Gates Open at 9:30am
Hunt starts at 11am SHARP

Kids 12 & Under * Rain or Shine * FREE EVENT

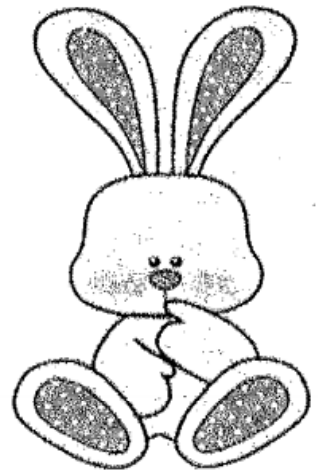


Avoid Parking worries and catch a ride on the Columbia County Rider Bus available for pickup at the St. Helens High school. Pick up will begin at 9:15 am to 10:45 am. Return rides back will run from 11:30 am to 1pm.

For Information call: 503-329-3967

OR 503-396-0081 or email

meggaegg hunt@gmail.com



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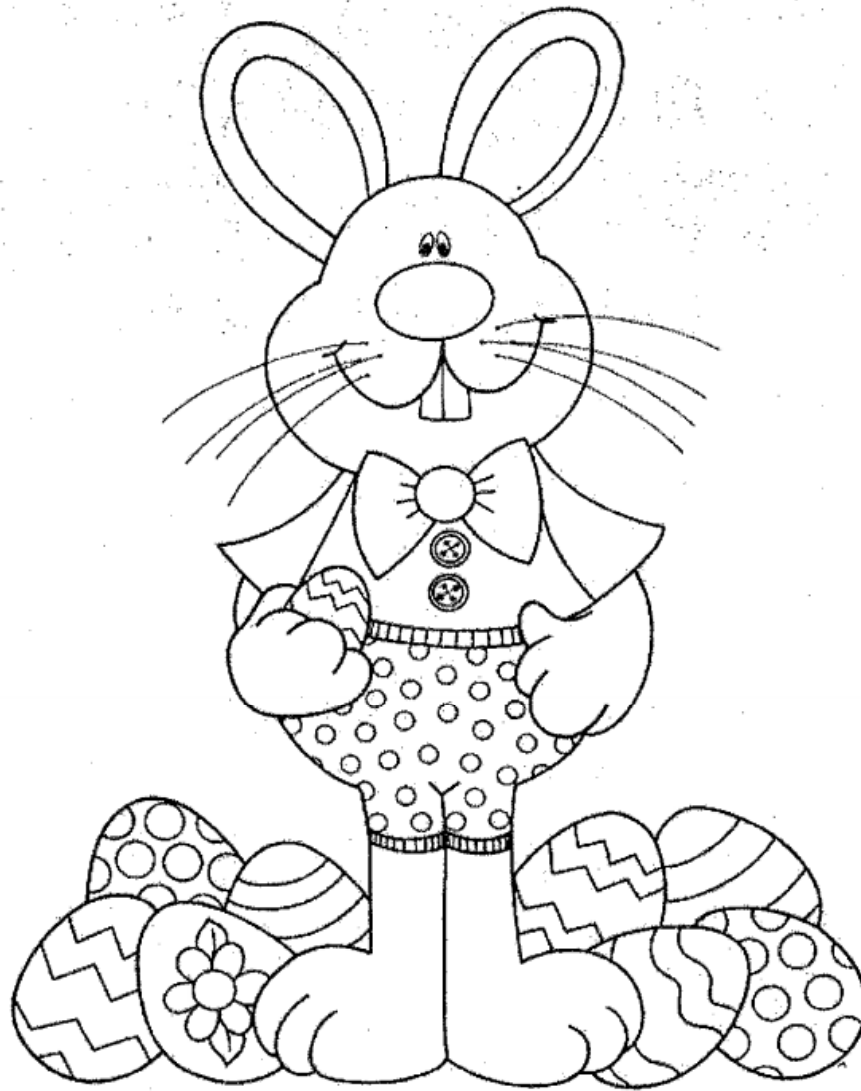
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Located in Deer Island, Oregon

"Proudly Partnering with Columbia County for
Over 50 Years."



3 cash prizes per age group awarded
Only one entry per child



mEGGa Egg Hunt

NAME

AGE: Age Groups: 0-2; 3-4; 5-7; 8-9; 10-12

Please Provide best contact # all winners will be notified by phone

This page can be dropped off early at American Family Insurance at 1570 Columbia Blvd, St. Helens
After April 19th, Please bring this page to the Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20, 2019
Please DO NOT Mail

The Columbia City Veterans Park
BRICK ORDER FORM
 (4" x 8" Quarry Paver Tiles)



Purchaser Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____

E-mail: _____

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Please spell out in the above space exactly how you would like your brick to appear.
 Maximum 17 character spaces per line (including commas and spaces)
 Maximum of 3 lines of lettering

I have double-checked the spelling on the form above and would like the brick engraved as I have it.

Signature

PRICE: \$75.00 per brick

(4" x 8" Quarry Paver Tiles)

Make checks payable to: Columbia City

Return form to City of Columbia City
 1840 Second Street / PO Box 189
 Columbia City, OR 97018



Call City Hall with any questions, 503-397-4010



Spring Clean Up

Saturday, April 13, 2019

8:00 am - Noon



Drop Sites at 3 Convenient Locations:

St. Helens High School – Scappoose High School – Columbia City School

Need some help with your Spring Cleaning? We accept your old appliances, scrap metal, yard debris, newspapers, old furniture, unwanted items, etc.

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| Car Load | \$ 5.00 |
| Pick-Up Load | \$10.00 |
| Trailer Load | \$15.00 |

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|---------------------------|-------------|
| Car Batteries | FREE |
| Appliances | \$ 5.00 |
| Refrigerators / AC Units | \$10.00 |
| Yard Debris after 2 loads | \$ 5.00 |

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| Tires* (Cars and Pick-Ups) | \$ 2.00 |
| Tires* (Commercial Trucks) | \$ 4.00 |

TIRES OFF RIMS ONLY
– No Tires on Rims will be accepted

Yard debris, trees & limbs

FREE for first 2 loads
\$5 each additional load



\$ D O N A T I O N S A P P R E C I A T E D

Habitat for Humanity ReStore will be onsite to accept donated items such as, new and gently used residential building materials, appliances, fixtures and home furnishings. Call Habitat for Humanity at 503-366-1400 if you have questions.

This is a community event made possible by the following organizations:

- Beaver Bark
- City of Columbia City
- City of Scappoose
- City of St. Helens
- Columbia Co Rotary Club
- Columbia Co Transfer Station
- Drake's Towing & Recovery
- Habitat for Humanity ReStore
- Hudson Garbage Service
- Hudson Portable Toilet Service
- Les Schwab Tire Center – Scappoose
- Les Schwab Tire Center – St. Helens
- Scappoose Community Club
- Scappoose School District
- SCC Chamber of Commerce
- St. Helens School District
- Stan's Refrigeration
- Waste Management

NO Sod
NO Scrap Lumber
NO Burn piles
NO Painted wood
NO Wet garbage
NO Yard debris in plastic garbage bags
NO Construction debris
NO Vehicles or boats brought to the sites

**NO COMMERCIAL
TRUCK LOADS**



DRAKE'S TOWING & RECOVERY

FREE REMOVAL of scrap vehicles.
Call Ryan at 503-438-6099
for details.



See next page for disposal of
Hazardous Household Waste materials
Columbia County Transfer Station
Sat. June 22, 2019 / 8:00 am - Noon

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENT

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2019

8:00 AM - NOON

Acceptable Hazardous Waste Materials:

- Thinners and solvents, paint spray cans, auto & marine paint
- Pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers and poisons
- Household cleaners, disinfectants and detergents
- Light ballasts-*remove from light fixture*
- Fluorescent tubes
- Ammunition
- Propane tanks and bottles
- Pool and spa chemicals
- Art and hobby chemicals
- PCB's
- Gasoline/diesel/fuels
- Batteries (*only car, rechargeable, button*)
 -no alkaline batteries
- Fireworks / flares
- Items containing mercury



HAZARDOUS DISPOSAL IS FREE OF CHARGE

Items NOT accepted:

- ⊗ Radioactive materials
- ⊗ Household trash / empty containers
- ⊗ Explosives
- ⊗ Bio medical waste
- ⊗ Asbestos
- ⊗ Prescriptions/over the counter medications
- ⊗ Business hazardous waste from small (SQG) or large quantity (LQG) generators

Businesses with (SQG) hazardous waste
- **contact Michael Mason at 971-401-0367**
at least 2 weeks prior to event for appt.

Items accepted for free during regular business hour at the Transfer Station:

Accepted Products (maximum container size is 5 gallons, original can & label):

- ✓ Stains and shellacs
- ✓ Wood coatings (containing no pesticides)
- ✓ Deck coatings and floor paints (including elastomeric)
- ✓ Lacquers, lacquer sanding sealers and lacquer stains
- ✓ Melamine, metal and rust preventatives
- ✓ Used motor oil and antifreeze
- ✓ Swimming pool paints (single component)
- ✓ Medical sharps (in a sealed, puncture-proof container)
- ✓ Varnishes and Urethanes (single component)
- ✓ Waterproofing, sealers and repellents: concrete masonry and wood (no tar or bitumen-based)
- ✓ Exterior and Interior Paints: latex, acrylic, water-based, lacquers, oil-based and enamel (all types of finishes and sheens, including textured coatings) – **NO SPRAY CANS, NO LEAKING CANS**
- ✓ Electronics-TV's, computers, monitors

Toxic.

Free.

Home.



**THE COLUMBIA COUNTY
TRANSFER STATION**
1601 RAILROAD AVENUE
ST. HELENS OR 97051

Regular Business Hours:
Monday – Saturday / 8:00 am to 5:00 pm