

Columbia City Newsletter

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BUSINESS LICENSE REMINDER

Now is the time of year to renew business licenses for 2020. Be advised that late fees or penalties may apply if the license is not purchased prior to starting work. Business license applications are available on our website at www.columbia-city.org. If you have any questions about business licenses please contact City Hall.



LOST AND FOUND

A pair of gold framed glasses were found at Trestle Beach and a light blue sports headband was found in front of the Community Hall. If you think either of these items might be yours, please contact City Hall.

SPRING CLEAN UP SAVE THE DATE!

Spring cleaning is just around the corner! Now is the time to get rid of that unwanted junk - old appliances, scrap metal, yard debris, old furniture, newspaper, etc. Saturday, April 4, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



CODE ENFORCEMENT REMINDER

Burning garbage or trash is prohibited! Garbage or trash includes food packaging, cardboard, plastic food containers, food products, paper (except as needed to start a fire), etc.

CHANGES TO CCRIDER

Columbia County Rider announced the following changes:

- Beginning Monday, January 13, 2020, the Line 3 Flex will have 5 runs, alternating between Line 3A and Line 3B. The full schedule is available on their website: www.nworegontransit.org.
- Fares will be adjusted beginning March 1, 2020. The changes will be as follows:
 - \$2 In-County single ride ticket
 - \$3 Out-of-County single ride ticket
 - \$120 Monthly pass

Discounts are available to seniors, students, veterans, disabled persons, or those with low income. Go by the CCRider office to enroll and receive an eligibility card to show to your driver when boarding or to dispatchers when purchasing tickets.

EASTER BREAKFAST-BEFORE THE EGG HUNT

Save the date... Saturday, April 11, 2020 is our strawberry pancake breakfast from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the Columbia City Community Hall.

Adults \$10.00 and children age 10 and under \$8.00. Funds raised benefit the Columbia City Community Hall.

VALENTINE'S TEA

The Caples House Museum, 1925 First Street, will host a high tea including sweet and savory bites. The event is on Sunday, February 9, 2020, from 2 to 4 pm. For more information and reservations call (503) 397-5390 or email



capleshouse@comcast.net.

LIBRARY NEWS

We are kicking off our 20th year as your community library! We held a volunteer training and luncheon at the library on January 14. We welcome people who would like to volunteer in any way.



Volunteering is a great way to meet and visit with others in our community.

Our library has been donating books to support the "Wash and Read" program to put books in the local laundromats. Thank you to Colleen Menze for keeping this current!

Art in the Library: Dana Belisle and Bonnie Kelsch will exhibit their work at the library from February 3-29. Stop by and enjoy!

We are working on a series of speakers. Our first speaker will be Rosemary Jeffries, talking about her travels in the Himalayas. She will speak on Thursday, February 20 at 6:30 pm.

New Books at the Library: 75 items were added to the library in the last month, including 10 videos. Noteworthy books include:

- Blowout* by Rachel Maddow (recent best seller)
- The Journals of the Expedition Under the Command of Capts. Lewis and Clark* (a lovely two volume complete journal)
- Revolutionary Brothers: Thomas Jefferson, the Marquis de Lafayette* by Tom Chaffin
- Then She Was Gone* by Lisa Jewell (recent best seller)
- Cilka's Journey* by Heather Morris (next book by author of *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*, a best seller)
- Criss Cross* by James Patterson (best seller)
- Bloody Genius* by John Sandford
- Once Upon a River* by Diane Setterfield
- Little Secrets* by Anna Snoekstra

New books for younger readers:

- Doll Bones* by Holly Black (Newbery Honor winner for middle grades)
- Ali Cross* by James Patterson
- Project Apollo: The Moon Odyssey Explained* by Norman Ferguson

Library Hours:

Monday and Tuesday 10 am to 2 pm
Wednesday and Thursday 3 to 6 pm
Saturday 10 am to 2 pm

Storytime:

Every Monday at 11 am

Friends of the Library Meeting:

Monday, February 17th at 6 pm

Novel Quilters:

Wednesday, February 19th at 6:30 pm

Rosemary Jeffries-Travel Presentation:

Thursday, February 20th at 6:30 pm

Mystery Book Club:

Wednesday, February 26th at 7 pm

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Reach our book catalog:

<https://columbiacitycommunitylibrary.follettdestiny.com>

IMAGINE

Imagine a visitor to Columbia City strolling along one of our beautiful walking paths. They spot an interesting plant and walk toward it to get a closer look. Imagine the joy of stepping on a pile left behind by one of our beloved pets.

Imagine a hard working public works employee faithfully mowing the grass along the walking paths or at the dog park, and dog droppings flying out all over the place. Imagine that fun!

Or instead, imagine dog owners all over Columbia City using the poop bags provide throughout our parks to pick up after their own pooches! Imagine stopping by City Hall to pick

up a roll of bags to make the neighborly practice of picking up after your own dog even easier! (Yes, they are available!).

Imagine all the people picking up poop and

keeping Columbia City CRAP Free!



ROAD KILL SALVAGE PERMITS

Beginning on January 1, 2019, salvaging deer and elk accidentally struck by a vehicle became legal in Oregon. The exception to this rule is Columbian White Tailed Deer, these animals are NOT to be salvaged! To obtain a free permit, visit <https://myodfw.com/articles/roadkill-salvage-permits>. Since specific information about salvaging the animal will be needed on the application it is better to complete it when the job is finished. Applications should be filled out and submitted within 24 hours after salvaging. The permit will arrive via email.



A Law Enforcement Official may find it necessary to humanely dispatch a deer or elk that has been struck by a vehicle. If the officer grants permission for the salvage of this animal, please obtain the officer's name and a case number for ODFW.

After the permit is printed out, sign it, then take it and the head of the animal to the nearest ODFW Field Office within 5 business days. Call ahead to make an appointment. The closest office to Columbia City is at 18330 NW Sauvie Island Rd, Phone: 503.621.3488. Animals with missing or removed antlers are not available for harvest.

ODFW has had issues with posts on Social Media alerting people to available deer for salvage. Do NOT apply for a permit until an animal is actually being salvaged! More information can be found at the link listed.

ROAD KILL STEW RECIPE

Who doesn't like roadkill? Wild meat is free of steroids and additives and the price can't be beat!

This recipe is great for camping!

Ingredients:

- 2 pounds of whatever you ran over on the way to camp (don't forget to get a permit!)
- 8 cup of water
- 1 package onion soup mix
- 2 boullion cubes
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 2 minced cloves of garlic
- 1 diced onion
- 4 diced potatoes
- 6 sliced carrots

Directions: Heat a large dutch oven over 24 briquettes. Brown the meat in vegetable oil. Stir in the water, soup mix, boullion, salt, pepper, garlic and onion. Add 12 more briquettes under, place 6 briquettes on top and simmer for 45 minutes. Then add the carrots and cook for 30 more minutes. Add water any time the stew gets too thick and add more briquettes as needed.

Hint: A guide to roadkill edibility is "How fresh is it? How flat is it?". These are the two main characteristics to check before preparations.

And if you like this recipe, you'll love Moose and Squirrel meatballs!



HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

The Columbia County Transfer Station will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Event on **Saturday, February 22, 2020 from 8 am to 2 pm**. The following hazardous waste materials are accepted during the event:

- ✓ Pool and spa chemicals
- ✓ Lawn/garden chemicals-fertilizers
- ✓ Pesticides/herbicides
- ✓ Light ballasts
- ✓ Fluorescent lights
- ✓ Art/hobby chemicals
- ✓ Solvents/thinners
- ✓ Batteries - car, rechargeable & button
- ✓ Gasoline/diesel
- ✓ Cleaners/disinfectants
- ✓ Poisons
- ✓ Fireworks/flares
- ✓ Small Arms Ammunition
- ✓ Items containing mercury
- ✓ Propane tanks
- ✓ Compressed gas cylinders
- ✓ Antifreeze
- ✓ Aerosol Products

Bring product in original container and secure your load

Items **NOT** accepted during the event:

- ⊙ Garbage or trash
- ⊙ Asbestos
- ⊙ Unwanted/unused pharmaceuticals or medicine - *St. Helens Police Department accepts unused prescriptions*

The following are not household hazardous waste and are accepted at the Transfer Station anytime, Monday through Saturday, 8 am to 5 pm:

- Latex and acrylic paint, oil-based paint, enamel, stains, lacquers, shellacs, varnishes, primers
- Used motor oil
- Medical sharps - *must be in sealed, puncture-proof containers (available at local pharmacies, at the Transfer Station scale house, or Walmart)*

MONTHLY MEETING AND EVENT CALENDAR - FEBRUARY 2020

February 11 th	6:00 p.m.	Streets Committee Meeting at City Hall
February 17 th	CLOSED	City Hall is closed on President's Day
February 18 th	6:00 p.m.	Water and Sewer Committee Meeting at City Hall
February 18 th	6:30 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting at City Hall
February 20 th	6:00 p.m.	Regular City Council Meeting at City Hall
February 24 th	6:00 p.m.	Hazard Mitigation Team Meeting at City Hall
February 25 th	6:00 p.m.	Parks Committee Meeting at City Hall



Every town is an important part of the American story.

Make sure your town's story is told by responding to the 2020 Census—the count of everyone living in the United States. When you do, you'll also help your town get the most out of the American dream.

Responding Is Important for Your Community

Census responses provide data that can attract new businesses and the jobs that come with them. The data also informs where over \$675 billion in federal funding is spent each year in states and communities. That includes money for things like:

- Medicare Part B
- Special education
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- Cooperative Extension Service
- Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant
- Water and waste disposal systems for rural communities

Responding Is Safe

Your personal information is kept confidential by law.

Responding Is Easy

To complete the census, answer a handful of questions online, by phone, or by mail. Choose the option that works best for you.

Every Person Counts

Whether it's funding in communities across your state or helping determine the number of seats your state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives—every count makes an equal impact.

For more information, visit:

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