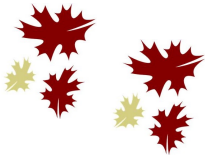


COLUMBIA CITY NEWSLETTER

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COLUMBIA CITY NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING

Please consider coming out to the next Columbia City Neighborhood Watch group! This meeting will be held on Wednesday October 13, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the Columbia City Community Hall; 1850 Second Street (adjacent to City Hall). We want to continue to meet in order to keep open lines of communication within our community and to assist our Police Department in addressing crime and public safety issues.



PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

The City currently has an opening on the Columbia City Planning Commission. Terms are for four years and applicants must reside within the City or the City's Urban Growth Boundary. The Planning Commission meets at 6:30 pm on the third Tuesday of each month if there are topics to discuss. Applications may be picked up at the City Hall, or may be found on the City's website at www.columbia-city.org.

PLANNING NEWS – PUBLIC HEARING

On Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. the Columbia City Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing through Zoom.

The hearing is for a conditional use permit for a short term vacation rental at 2210 The Strand, applied for by property owner Aleksander Deryavko.

Interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing and present oral and written testimony regarding the application. If you would like to comment but cannot participate in the hearing, you may submit your comments in writing to City Hall by 4:00 p.m. on the date of the hearing.

For more information about the hearing or for Zoom meeting access contact City Hall at 503-397-4010.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

The Columbia County Transfer Station will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Event on **Saturday, October 23, 2021 from 8 am to 2 pm**. The following hazardous waste materials are accepted during the event:

- ✓ Pool and spa chemicals
- ✓ Lawn/garden chemicals
- ✓ Pesticides/herbicides
- ✓ Light ballasts - *remove from light fixture*
- ✓ Fluorescent tubes
- ✓ Art/hobby chemicals
- ✓ Solvents/thinners
- ✓ Batteries - *only car, rechargeable, button – no alkaline batteries*
- ✓ Gasoline/diesel/fuels
- ✓ Cleaners/detergents
- ✓ Poisons
- ✓ Fireworks/flares
- ✓ Ammunition
- ✓ Items containing mercury
- ✓ Propane cylinders
- ✓ Compressed gas cylinders



***Bring product in original container and
secure your load***

Items **NOT** accepted during the event:

- ⊗ Garbage or trash
- ⊗ Asbestos
- ⊗ Unwanted/unused prescriptions or over the counter medicines (Safe disposal box now available at City Hall in Columbia City)
- ⊗ Liquid in containers larger than 5 gallons

Contact Kathy at the Columbia County Transfer Station if you have any questions by calling 503-397-7259.

LOST AND FOUND

A pair of sunglasses has been found in the road near Fourth and L Streets. If you think they might belong to you, please contact City Hall.

CURBSIDE YARD DEBRIS EXTRA NOVEMBER COLLECTIONS

Don't forget!! Hudson Garbage Service will provide weekly curbside yard debris collections for subscribed Columbia City customers during the month of November. Yard debris service is provided on an every-other-week basis during the remaining 11 months of the year. Yard debris collection service is provided on the same weekday as the customer's



regular garbage collection service. Interested citizens may subscribe for the yard debris service for a minimum period of one year by contacting Hudson Garbage Service at (503) 397-1534.

OPEN BURNING PERIOD FOR YARD DEBRIS TENTATIVELY COMING IN NOVEMBER

By ordinance, Columbia City's burn period is scheduled to begin **Saturday, November 6, and end Sunday, November 21**. At this time there is a burn ban in effect and it is uncertain when the ban will be lifted. Check November's newsletter to confirm if the burn period will be available and always call the burn line before burning.

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM UNLICENSED WORK

A home rebuild, major repair or renovation requires permits and the use of properly licensed contractors. A properly permitted project completed by licensed contractors protects your investment, and is a requirement to access insurance funds or other rebuild assistance programs.

Specialty contractors like electricians and plumbers need to be properly licensed by both the Building Codes Division (BCD) and the Construction Contractors Board (CCB). Also any business working in the City needs a current City Business License. Verifying a license is quick and easy. A few minutes of research today can prevent problems in the future.

Where do I verify license status? License verification can be done through BCD or CCB, depending on the license being verified: BCD License Verification:

<https://www.oregon.gov/bcd/licensing/Pages/search.aspx>
and CCB License Verification:
<https://www.ccb.state.or.us/search/> or contacting City Hall about business license status.

SERGEANTS CORNER

Fall Traveling. Now that fall is here and the wet weather is going to make a comeback here are a few things to keep in mind. Check your vehicle over to make sure it has safe tires, all your engine fluids are topped off, your brakes are up to par, change out those old dried out wipers and check that your vehicles lights are working properly. Make sure you have some bottled water, snacks, and extra clothing. Communicate with others where and when you plan a trip. Keep safety in mind when you are traveling this time of year. Even a short trip can turn into a long trip if you don't prepare ahead of time.



Shop with a Cop. Columbia City Police Department will now be accepting nominations for the annual "Shop with a Cop" event. If you know of a local family you would like to nominate please complete the nomination form included in this newsletter and mail it to the address listed or drop it off at City Hall. Donations are always appreciated to help support this event.



During the month of August, we have completed 7 new written reports and responded to the following calls: 1 audible alarm, 1 animal complaint, 1 assist outside agency, 6 assist persons, 1 cold burglary, 4 civil calls, 7 civil enforcements, 1 death investigation, 4 disturbances/fights, 1 domestic, 1 domestic with a weapon, 1 DUII, 9 follow up calls, 1 fraud, 2 harassments, 1 hazard, 1 hit & run, 1 juvenile custody dispute, 1 juvenile runaway, 1 motorist assist, 4 noise complaints, 59 premise checks, 1 prowler, 4 suspicious circumstances, 1 suspicious person, 7 suspicious vehicles, 11 traffic stops, 1 unwanted, 2 welfare checks. In total we handled 155 activities for the month of August, 2021.

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 via 9-1-1 (emergency), (503) 397-4010 (office), or (503) 397-1521 (non-emergency dispatch).

Best regards ~ Sergeant Jerry Bartolomucci

LIBRARY NEWS

We held a successful book sale on Saturday, September 18. We had many books donated before the sale, with at least 120 of those making it into the library collection. We made over \$1500 from the book sale. The quilt raised more than \$1100 and was won by Kiera Halsey. The beach cabin raffle raised over \$200 and was won by Don and Marcia Parrott. Thank you to everyone in our community for supporting us!

Special thanks go to the Columbia City staff and Public Works, Paulson's Printing (beach cabin), Cathy Lundberg (quilt), LDS volunteers, the St. Helens School District, Columbia River Reader, St. Helens Chronicle, and KOHI radio station. Volunteers for the sale were Don Brooks, Karen Brooks, Colleen Calkins, Katrina Cliff, Dianne Ebert, Mark Ebert, Simon Ebert, Chip Gardes, Kit Gardes, Peter Johnson, Kim Karber, Paulette Lichatowich, Jacob Longshore, Frank Loyd, Dee Loyd, Cathy Lundberg, Cooper Madson, Sandy McMillan, Edna Morse, Lee Phillips, Scott Robertson, Zakai Sharp, Percy Smith, Seth Strickland, Gordon Thistle, Ethan Van Noy, Wendy Wells and Dennis Willson. Apologies if anyone was missed.

Art Exhibit in the Library. The artist of the month for October is Colleen Menze. She retired in 2007 after 39 years of teaching. Upon retiring, Colleen pursued hobbies that she had never been able to do, such as scrapbooking, card making and watercolor painting. While in a scrapbooking class in 2015, Colleen first heard about the Art of Quilling. She has taken classes once a month for the last six years. She shares her cards with family and friends on special occasions. Her cards can also be used for framed.



Readers' Recommendation. *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles (also a recent movie). *News of the World* is a Western set immediately after the Civil War. A man who reads news of the world to paying audiences takes responsibility for getting an orphaned girl raised by Kiowas to her relatives in Texas.

Columbia County Reads 2021. The organized County read of *Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterby is still happening. Copies of the book are available at the Library.

Events planned related to the book are still ongoing, featuring virtual events provided by OMSI. Watch Facebook for information!

Books we've added include:

Ticking Clock: Behind the Scenes at 60 Minutes by Ira Rosen

Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis by Robert D. Putnam

What We See in the Stars: An Illustrated Tour of the Night Sky by Kelsey Oseid

Magnolia Table by Joanna Gaines

Born a Crime by Trevor Noah (best seller)

A Gambling Man by David Baldacci (best seller)

The Cutting Edge by Jeffery Deaver

The Guest List by Lucy Foley (best seller)

Troubled Blood by Robert Galbraith

Sooley by John Grisham (best seller)

People We Meet on Vacation by Emily Henry (best seller)

The Maidens by Alex Michaelides (best seller)

The Duke and I (Bridgerton) by Julia Quinn

Ocean Prey by John Sandford (best seller)

Friends of the Library Meeting:

Monday, October 18 at 7 pm



Columbia City Community Library

Mon. & Sat. 10 – 2 pm / Thu. 3 – 6 pm

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OCTOBER 2020 MEETING AND EVENT CALENDAR

October 13 th	6:30 PM	Neighborhood Watch Meeting at Community Hall
October 14 th	6:30 PM	City Council Meeting via Zoom*
October 19 th	2:30 PM	Audit Committee Meeting at City Hall
October 19 th	6:30 PM	Planning Commission Meeting via Zoom*

*For Zoom details contact City Hall.



Nomination Form

It is time once again for the Columbia City Police Department's "Shop with a Cop" Program. This is our thirteenth year hosting this worthwhile endeavor within our city and we need your help! For those that are interested, we need assistance in selecting a needy family within the Columbia City community. Our goal is to provide warm clothing, winter necessities, and Christmas wish list items for the nominated family. Please take the time by filling out the information below if you wish to nominate someone who you know could use some assistance during the holiday season.

Thank you ~ Sergeant Jerry Bartolomucci

Name of Family: _____ Family Address: _____

Family Bio (please answer all that apply): ☐ Father ☐ Mother ☐ Number of children

Reason for your nomination: _____

Return completed nomination forms to Columbia City Hall, PO Box 189, 1840 Second Street, Columbia City OR 97018

Nominations will be accepted until 5 pm on Monday, November 29, 2021

Learn to light a candle in the darkest moments of someone's life. Be the light that helps others see; it is what gives life its deepest significance. ~Roy T. Bennett