

# The City of Mt. Angel Newsletter



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## Employee Profile: John Korecki



John is our Wastewater Treatment Operator as of July 2013. John comes to us from four years working in Public Works for the City of Oakland, Oregon as the Lead Operator of the wastewater treatment plant, and relief operator of the water treatment plant. John has an Associate's degree from Linn-Benton Community College in Water/Wastewater Technology. John's education and experience make him a great fit for the job and we are happy to have him join the team. John retired from the U.S. Coast Guard after a 23 year career both ashore and afloat involved in aids to navigation, marine environmental protection, and merchant marine safety. In the past he's had such varied hobbies as gold panning and prospecting, off-road driving, motorcycles, sailing and horseback riding. In his spare time these days John likes to read and dink around with his tractor.

While John is most often out at the wastewater treatment facility, you might occasionally see him around town working with other members of the Public Works staff. Please join us in welcoming John to Mt. Angel. If you have any questions, John can be reached at 503-845-2720.

## Prevent Flooding - Get Free Sand and Sand Bags

Autumn has arrived which can bring stormy conditions with heavy rain and wind. If you are concerned about flooding near your house or business, free sand and bags are available in the City overflow parking area across from Ebner Park on North Spruce Street. You fill and load the bags. For questions, please call Public Works at 503-845-6260.

## Important Dates:

**Daylight Savings Time Ends-** Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> - (change your clocks back one hour)

**City Council Meeting-** Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 7pm in the community room

**Municipal Court-** Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm in the community room

**Veteran's Day-** Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>  
CITY HALL IS CLOSED.

**Thanksgiving-** Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>  
CITY HALL IS CLOSED for the holiday  
Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>

## Library WiFi is Here!

We have heard many requests at the library for wireless internet access in recent years. Many public libraries now provide this service for their patrons. Also during the budget process the Budget Committee and City Council confirmed that having WiFi (wireless internet access) at the library is a community priority.

And now it's here! So next time you stop by the library, feel free to use the WiFi on your phone or laptop, and let us know what you think. As more people use the service, it will give us information about how well it is working and if any improvements or updates are needed. If you have any questions or comments, please tell your library staff or call Kelsey Lewis at City Hall, 503-845-9291.

## For Your Information



Republic Services (formerly Allied Waste) rates will increase by 3% as of November 1, 2013 for garbage service in Mt. Angel. These are the new rates for the most common services:

- Residential 20 gallon: \$19.50
- Residential 35 gallon: \$21.95
- Commercial 35 gallon \$17.35

Republic Services will provide more information about the change with your bill. If you have questions, please contact Republic Services at 877-981-1278.

## Two City Waterlines to be Replaced Next Year

The City plans to replace water lines on N. Pershing Street and Railroad Avenue next summer. In October the City Council awarded the design of these improvements, along with a street overlay of Railroad Ave, to Westech Engineering. The engineer will work with the City over the winter to design the two projects and we anticipate bidding for construction in the spring.

This project will replace the old and leaking existing water mains with new PVC pipe. The City has also applied for a Special City Allotment grant to widen Railroad Avenue to 24 feet across and overlay the full length of the street. The proposed street project will be a major improvement to the deteriorated street surface. If the City does not receive the grant, the water line on Railroad will still be replaced and the road surface will be patched.

We should find out if the City receives the grant sometime around November.

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