

The City of Mt. Angel Newsletter

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Written by the City of Mt. Angel for Mt. Angel residents

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Thank You Pepsi Northwest!

A special thank you to General Manager Al Fiedler and the employees at Pepsi Northwest who are rehabilitating the public restroom building downtown next to the Gazebo. The restroom has a new roof, new exterior and interior paint, and new backsplash boards holding the soap and towel dispensers. The City has replaced broken facilities, unplugged lines, and will install roof



gutters. Overall, it's a vast improvement and is a great contribution to the city by Pepsi Northwest. Thank you Al and team!

City to Ask Voters about Annexation in November

In November, city voters will have the opportunity to advise the City Council whether to annex 20 acres of land into the city limits. The property is located in the city's urban growth boundary on the far west side of the city between W. Marquam Street and W. Church Street. If annexed, the property would be zoned single family residential. A vote by the electorate is required by the City Charter. It is advisory only will help the City Council decide whether to approve the annexation. The election will be held on November 3, 2015. For more information, contact Justin Hogue, Assistant to the City Manager, at City Hall.

Smoke Testing Completed

This year's sanitary sewer smoke testing has been completed for the year. In Basin 1, we found one defective service and we will follow up with that property. Next July we will do Basin 2 and continue yearly until we rotate through all five basins. Thank you to property owners in Basin 1. We hope this testing wasn't too inconvenient or alarming. This periodic inspection of our sanitary sewer collection system is required to comply with our permits and certifications with the Department of Environmental Quality. But more importantly, it ensures the City's sanitary sewer collection system is well maintained and functions as efficiently as possible.

Welcome New Employee, Darlene Bishop!

We have a new employee at City Hall, Darlene Bishop, who started with the city this month. Darlene will work on Fridays and Mondays as back up support for reception, utility billing and planning. Look for a profile on Darlene in next month's newsletter, but for now, come by and welcome her.

Important Dates:

City Hall Closure - Monday, Sept 7th, in observance of Labor Day

City Council Meeting - Tuesday, Sept 8th, 2015 at 7pm in the Library Community Room, tentative

Municipal Court - Wednesday, Sept 9th, 2015 at 6pm in the Library Community Room

Summer Reading Programs a Success!

Our children’s, teens and adult summer reading programs have been an outstanding success! The children’s and teen programs just wrapped up a fantastic season of superhero-themed celebrations of reading and books on August 4th! Thanks to everyone who participated and attended our performances and events! We truly have a community of super-readers! By the way, our first annual Adult Summer Reading Program is continuing on a bit longer, running through August 31st, so there is still time to sign up and participate for the chance to win prizes from local businesses and attractions.

We would like to extend our sincerest thanks to the many organizations, individuals and attractions that so generously have supported this program with donations of funding, supplies and raffle items and gift certificates. This important all-ages literacy program simply could not continue without the support of our fantastic community partners—thank you so much for the support! If you’d like to help support this program in the future, just ask us how. This program truly enriches our entire community by cultivating a love of reading, creativity, and lifelong learning.

Please join us in thanking the following:

- Oregon Ready to Read grant funding from the Oregon State Library
- Oregon College Savings Plan
- Columbia Bank, Mount Angel
- Glockenspiel Restaurant
- Leona’s Bakery and Café
- Friends of the Mount Angel Public Library
- Randall Adams, Attorney at Law

New Library Website

Hot off the presses: our new library website has gone live! You can find it at <http://mountangel.ccrils.org/>. Bookmark it for easy 24 hour access to multiple resources such as downloadable e-books and audiobooks, databases, events calendar , and more. The site is hosted by the Chemeteka Cooperative Regional Library System. It is still under construction, so please continue to provide your suggestions to make the site more helpful, engaging and informative. There is a link to the site from the City’s website Library page as well.

Humpert Park Playground Equipment

New playground equipment has been ordered for Humpert Park. The new equipment will replace older equipment that was recently removed.



Tall Weeds and Grass Frequently Asked Questions:

This time of year brings tall weeds, overgrown blackberries, fire hazard, and other ordinance violations. Here are some answers to frequently asked questions:

- 1 Does Public Works cut grass and tall weeds on private property? No, Public Works maintain publicly owned property and parks. If there is a bare or empty lot around you that needs attention, contact the owner of the property. Or a complaint can be filed.
- 2 How does the complaint process work? City Hall and the Police Dept. have Code Enforcement Request forms that can be filled out and turned in.
- 3 Will I remain anonymous? Yes, but please fill out the contact portion of the complaint in case more information or clarification is needed.
- 4 Will I get them in trouble? Most complaints are just warnings and requests and are not used for crimes.

For more information or other questions call City Hall or the Police Dept. numbers below. Download the form from our website or stop in the office.

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Public Works	503-845-6260
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