



Community Newsletter



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National Night Out Tuesday, August 2, 2016 6:00 p.m. at Jessie Mays



National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods

safer, better places to live. National Night Out has been celebrated across North America on the first Tuesday of August since 1983. It's a day when people hold neighborhood block parties to strengthen community cohesiveness and crime resistance, and get to know their neighbors and their local public safety officials. When neighbors get to know each other, they create a connected and safer community.

The City is holding its annual National Night Out event at Jessie Mays Community Park on Tuesday, August 2nd beginning at 6:00 p.m. Meet the North Plains Police Department along with Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue, Washington County Sheriff's Office, Hillsboro Police Department and Oregon State Police men and women who serve your community.

The Hillsboro Optimist Group will be hosting a **FREE Bicycle Rodeo** and the Knights of Pythias will be providing **FREE bike helmets**.

The City of North Plains will provide a light dinner of hot dogs, chips, refreshments and dessert. Please feel free to bring a picnic dinner and hang out with us.

Come out and meet your local Police Officers.

"IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY, WE PLEDGE TO"

- * **Protect the lives and property of our fellow citizens and impartially enforce the law.**
- * **Reduce crime both by preventing it and by pursuing violators of the law.**

* **Maintain a higher standard of integrity than is generally expected of others because so much is expected of us.**

* **Value human life, respect the dignity of each individual and render our services with courtesy and civility.**

19TH ANNUAL NORTH PLAINS ELEPHANT GARLIC FESTIVAL

AUGUST 12-13-14

Music, games, food and fun! North Plains Events Association and the City of North Plains has three full days of it planned for the community at Jessie Mays Community Park. Lots of garlicky goodness can be found at the food alley. Art vendors will offer a variety of



wares. A large kids' area will include bounce houses, slides, a rock wall, and other attractions. Join us for this 19th Annual Elephant Garlic Festival—bring your neighbors, friends and family to enjoy a tantalizing taste of garlic while enjoying some great local music.

Be sure to come out for the parade at 10:00 on Saturday morning. You will see floats, hear music and even see our Garlic Queen and King. This parade still remains a small town event, as children line the streets ready to receive lots of free candy and garlic cloves...and remember, admission is always free!

Mayor and City Council Election Year

This is an election year for the City of North Plains. Three City Councilor terms and the Office of the Mayor are all expiring December 31, 2016.

Now is the time to begin the paperwork to commence your campaign for the November 8, 2016

elections. If you are interested in running for a City Council or the Mayor position you will need to declare your candidacy. There are numerous steps in the process so if you are interested don't delay. You have until August 23, 2016 to complete all the steps. Contact City Recorder Margaret Reh at margaret@northplains.org or download a General Election Candidate Packet on the North Plains City website at: http://cityofnp.org/files/6414/6800/7500/2016_ANNOUNCEMENT_of_City_Council_Candidacy_packet.pdf Look for the Form SEL101 and read up on the manuals for campaign finance reporting and voter pamphlet forms.

Vacancy on Planning Commission

The City of North Plains Planning Commission has an opening that needs to be filled. If you are interested in serving your community with the planning and future development of the city please stop by City Hall for an application or download a copy of the application at:

http://cityofnp.org/files/2614/2739/5531/Current_Planning_Commission_Application.pdf

More info on the rules and terms Planning Commission can be found in Chapter 1.35 of the Municipal Code at

http://cityofnp.org/files/2613/8142/5749/chapter_1.35_planning_commission.pdf

Library News

Quilt Display. The two quilts to be displayed in **August** are provided by West Side Quilters Guild member LoisMarie Mayer. Both antique quilts were made by famous children's author Laura Ingalls Wilder and by her friend, Bertie LeCount, both of Mansfield, Missouri, sometime in the late 1930s. Bertie's son and daughter-in-law were Boy Scout friends of LoisMarie and her husband. When Bertie's son passed away, his wife offered LoisMarie these two quilts, and she was delighted to accept. One quilt is hanging above the checkout desk, and the other is displayed on a quilt rack with a selection of the *Little House on the Prairie* books by author Wilder.

Art Exhibit. The art exhibit in **August** features photographs of the quilts exhibited in the library above the checkout desk during the previous 15 months, April

2015 through June 2016. The photos were taken and framed by Library Board member Stephanie Farris.

Book Babies Storytimes. Babies 0-12 months are invited to hear stories, enjoy finger plays, and share songs and rhymes with Early Childhood Specialist Lauren every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the children's section of the library.

Storytimes. Children ages 0-6 are invited to participate every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in the children's section of the library.

- **August 3** Storytime with Miss Marion: Cats and Dogs
- **August 10** Storytime with Miss Barbara: Friendship
- **August 17** Special Guest Storytime: MetroWest Ambulance
- **August 24** Storytime with Miss Carol: Kangaroos and Pockets
- **August 31** Storytime with Youth Librarian Jackie: Dragons

Wacky Wednesday – STAGES. Join us at the Jessie Mays Community Hall, 30975 NW Hillcrest Street, on **August 3** at 1 p.m. for an hour of free entertainment and fun. The STAGES Performing Arts Youth Academy will present *ARF, A Real Friend*. Since 2010, STAGES has offered a variety of theater classes to children in grades K-12. Come see these talented kids perform!

First Friday Flick. There will be no First Friday Flick in August. The next movie showing will be held on September 2.

Friends of the Library. There will be a general meeting of the Friends on Monday, August 8 at the library beginning at 7 p.m. New members are welcome to attend.

Wacky Wednesday – Presto the Magician. Join us at the Jessie Mays Community Hall, 30975 NW Hillcrest Street, on **August 10** at 1 p.m. for an hour of free entertainment and fun. This show is perfect for the entire family. Presto brings the amazement of magic, the fun of his unique comedy style, and excitement for reading! His high-energy style and audience interaction make him a favorite with children.

Wacky Wednesday – Reptile Man (program provided by the Washington County Cooperative Library Services). Join us at the Jessie Mays Community Hall, 30975 NW Hillcrest Street, on **August 17 at 12:30 p.m.** for an hour of free entertainment and fun. Please note that this Summer Reading Finale Program has a **Special Start Time**. Come celebrate the closing of the Summer Reading program with the Reptile Man. Meet

snakes, turtles, lizards and more! You don't want to miss this party!

Library Board. The Library Board will meet on **Wednesday, August 17** at the library beginning at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Bluegrass Banjo with Tommi Poelstra. If you've ever wanted to know more about bluegrass banjo, how to become part of the Portland bluegrass community, or just want to hear what bluegrass music sounds like, join us on **Thursday, August 18** at 6:30 p.m. at the North Plains Public Library for an entertaining evening of bluegrass banjo and guitar accompaniment. Poelstra will provide an opportunity to learn more about the basics of bluegrass banjo and how it differs from clawhammer or Irish banjo. She will be accompanied by fellow "bluegrasser" Fred Coates, who will assist with singing, harmony, and guitar backup. This free event promises a memorable performance of music and educational entertainment. All ages are welcome to attend.

Artist Trading Cards. Connect and swap art with others on **Thursday, August 25** from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the library. Hillsboro craft artist Marie Buckley first introduced Artist Trading Cards (known as ATCs) to our community in February. Once a month since then, she and other local craft artists who have created these miniature works of art – about the size of a baseball card – bring them to the library to trade with others. This is a fun way to meet other artists and exchange creations. The get-together is free and open to the public.

Library Book Club. On **Wednesday, August 31** beginning at 7 p.m. at the Library, the book *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman will be discussed. From the publisher: "A grumpy yet loveable man finds his solitary world turned on its head when a boisterous young family moves in next door. Meet Ove. He's a curmudgeon, the kind of man who points at people he dislikes as if they were burglars caught outside his bedroom window. He has staunch principles, strict routines, and a short fuse. People call him *the bitter neighbor from hell*, but must Ove be bitter just because he doesn't walk around with a smile plastered to his face all the time? Behind the cranky exterior there is a story and a sadness. So when one November morning a chatty young couple with two chatty young daughters move in next door and accidentally flatten Ove's mailbox, it is the lead-in to a comical and heartwarming tale of unkempt cats, unexpected friendship, and the ancient art of backing up a U-Haul.

All of which will change one cranky old man and a local residents' association to their very foundations." New members are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Math Help Available. North Plains Public Library now has a math and science tutor to assist students. Volunteer Stacie will be available for two half-hour segments each Saturday morning, one from 10 to 10:30 and the other from 10:30 to 11. She will help in math from an elementary school level through calculus and in the sciences from an elementary school level through the college level. Call the library at 503-647-5051 to sign up for a free tutoring session.

SAVE THE DATES:

Handkerchiefs – The Artful Little Squares of History. The handkerchief, although small, is a textile rich in history. The North Plains Public Library will welcome Terese Blanding of Billings, Montana on **Thursday, September 8, 2016** at 6:30 p.m. for a program that explores the wide-ranging historical and literary adventures of hankies. Blanding will also display her collection of over 1,000 vintage handkerchiefs – little 3-inch squares to one 36-inch square.

Beatrix Potter – Life and Works. Join us at the North Plains Public Library as we welcome Terese Blanding of Billings, Montana on **Saturday, September 17, 2016** at 1 p.m. for a program in which she shares the story of one of the world's most beloved writers and illustrators of children's literature, Helen Beatrix Potter, the creator of *The Tale of Peter Rabbit* and numerous other well-known books. Included in the program is a display of the many books authored and illustrated by Potter as well as drawings, photos, wallpapers, fabrics, garments, games, porcelain figures, and other memorabilia relating to Potter and her endearing characters.

NEWS & NOTES FROM THE SENIOR CENTER

A FESTIVAL OF FOOD AND FUN!



We'll be cookin' up a storm in conjunction with the Garlic Festival.

Garlic Festival PANCAKE

BREAKFAST—Saturday, August 13, 7:30 to 10; \$6 per person. Its all-you-can-eat pancakes plus sausage, egg frittata, juice and coffee. Then from noon to 3:30 we'll



be serving **PULLED PORK SANDWICHES**, hot dogs, chips, sodas or water. Come down and support our Senior Center, have breakfast,

enjoy the Parade and stay for the Jasper & Company

Bike Show. There's plenty of fun and good food for the whole family at our Garlic Festival festivities.

COWBOY UP!



ENJOY THE CLASSIC COUNTRY SOUNDS OF D.T. & COUNTRY SPAGHETTI DINNER & DANCE

Saturday, September 17, Jessie Mays Community Hall

Dinner & Dance \$12; Dance Only \$5

MENU: Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert & Drink
Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.; dancing 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

MUSIC AT THE CENTER

Dick & Sherry Thompson and their band D.T. & Country will play Monday, August 8 from 11:00 to 1:00. Come and join us for lunch and some great music.

AUGUST CALENDAR

Bingo—Tuesday, August 23, 6:00 p.m.

Bunco—Thursdays, August 4 & 18, starting at 1:00.

Pop & Paint—Wednesday, August 17, 6:30 p.m.;
"Narcissus"

Music at the Center with D.T. & Country—Monday, August 8, 11:00 to 1:00

Liver & Onions Lunch—Tuesday, August 16

Those were the good old days... On The Road Again



**By Melvin Van Domelen
Mountaindale, OR**

As I get along in life and look back, I am in total amazement of the driving habits of the young boys of our neighborhood in the 1940's. All

of us, Herbert Corey, Merlyn Connolly, John Crocker and myself were on the road long before we had drivers' licenses. We didn't think anything about it. This was being done with our parents O.K., sometimes with the family car. Traffic was almost non-existent.

All of us had been driving trucks and tractors on our parents' farms. During the time of World War II help for the farm was hard to come by.

We were pretty careful on these early drives, didn't try to speed or get into the cute stuff. Never had a problem. A good Sunday afternoon trip would be up Dairy Creek, past the Sherman Mill and over the bridge below Panther Creek. This would take us over the ridge

and down to Scappoose. We wouldn't see a half dozen cars. Another ride might be to Strassel, through the logging town of Timber and then down to Glenwood.

Merlyn Connolly, we called him "Punk", seemed to have a corner on the vehicle available for these rides. His father, George had bought a Nash sedan. This was the model that looked like an inverted bath tub. The front wheels were closer together than those on the rear. There were a lot of problems with this car.

In those days there were at least eight dealers in Hillsboro selling new cars.

George would take his Nash in for repair and they would give him a loaner car. We boys would try to see how many miles we could run up on the loaner speedometer. That Nash went in for repair time and time again. Another loaner car – Bethany, Helvetia and the Logie Trail.

I bought a 1940 Plymouth coupe from my Uncle George Corey before I had a driver's license. This was a one-seater, but you could sleep in the trunk. I took my Plymouth to Hillsboro to try for my driver's license. The driving examiner asked me "Whose car is this anyway?" When I replied that it was mine, he threw up his hands and shook his head.

He didn't like the emergency brake, couldn't take the driving test with the Plymouth. I went



and borrowed my sister's car, went right back and passed the driving test in a car I'd never driven before.

After high school John Crocker and I had both had Model T Fords for our Sunday afternoon drives. John's Model T had been used as a tractor and wasn't much more than a seat and windshield. A wooden flatbed had been built on the back.

We decided to take John's Ford for a spin one day and



my brother, Dale, wanted to go along. There was only room for two people in the seat. Dale gets a rocking chair out of our farm shop and puts it on the

flat bed behind the seat. It was a strange sight to see that stripped down Model T doing 45 M.P.H. down the Sunset Highway with Dale in his rocking chair trying to

read the Sunday paper. Not many cars on the Sunset in those days.

We would sometimes have to make a stop with our Model Ts for water at Bill's Richfield Service Station in North Plains. This Richfield station was built on the corner of

Commercial and N. W. 314th Ave. just after World War II. Jones and Russel ran it for a short time and it was then



taken over by Bill O'Connell and became a local hangout. Oil change and grease job for \$3.25.

Roy Shipman would come in from Vadis just to see if Charlie Hatfield was still wearing his house slippers. B. S. Brown might show up, hard hat on his head. B. S. was not his real initials. Allen Van Domelen would smoke up the street burning rubber with his Buick Roadmaster.

The drink of the day was a bottle of Coke with a bag of salted peanuts poured inside. Folks would sit around and watch Piney Miller change truck tires.

Bill O'Connell was noted for selling his "Battery Water", a clear liquid in gallon jugs. That "Battery Water" was well over 100 proof, straight out of the hills.

The Richfield Company donated the gas station to the North Plains Senior Center in 1976. Much of the original building still exists in the front of the Senior Center today.

The kitchen of the Senior Center was once the grease pit area. There could be a joke made here, but I won't go there!

August 2016 Calendar

- 08/01 Historical Society** 1 p.m. at Jessie Mays
- 08/01 City Council Meeting** 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial Street
- 08/04 Thursday Marketplace** 5 p.m. on Commercial Street
- 08/10 Planning Commission** 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center
- 08/11 Thursday Marketplace** 5 p.m. on Commercial Street
- 08/12 North Plains Elephant Garlic Festival** 12 noon at Jessie Mays

08/13 North Plains Elephant Garlic Festival 10 a.m. at Jessie Mays

08/14 North Plains Elephant Garlic Festival 10 a.m. at Jessie Mays

08/18 Thursday Marketplace 5 p.m. on Commercial Street

08/24 Parks Board 6 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center

08/25 Thursday Marketplace 5 p.m. on Commercial Street



NPEA News Corner Events Calendar

- August 12 - 14 - North Plains Elephant Garlic Festival
 - October 13 - Chili Cook-off
 - December 8 - North Plains Jingle Parade
- We are looking for Volunteers to help with the Garlic Festival. Please contact Patti Burns at (503) 319-5428 or email: patti.funstinks@gmail.com

New North Plains Residents,

Welcome to our community! If you have school-aged children, please don't wait to get them registered. Students entering grades Kindergarten-6 will attend North Plains Elementary School, located at 32030 NW North Avenue in North Plains. Students entering grades 7 and 8 will attend Evergreen Middle School, located at 29850 NW Evergreen Road in Hillsboro. Students entering grades 9-12 will attend Glencoe High School, located at 2700 NW Glencoe Road in Hillsboro. Registration information and forms are available on the Hillsboro School District (HSD) website at www.hsd.k12.or.us under Parents/Enrollment Process. School office staff are typically available from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to answer questions or accept enrollment paperwork. Please note that elementary school offices will be closed from June 22-August 17. We are excited to meet you!

North Plains Elementary School
Evergreen Middle School
Glencoe High School
Proud to be HSD!



Celebrating 30 Years of Serving Businesses in Our Community with a

BUSINESS TREASURE HUNT

Stop by the Chamber's Visitor Tent at the North Plains Thursday Marketplace on Thursday, August 25th, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm to pick up your **BUSINESS TREASURE HUNT** packet with full details. Return your completed **BUSINESS TREASURE HUNT** card by 6:00 pm on Thursday, September 1st, and you will be eligible for three prize drawings.

First Prize Drawing includes tickets for four to the Oregon Zoo!

Packet and details will be available at www.northplainschamber.org at 5:00 pm, August 25, 2016.

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FRIENDS

Of North Plains Public Library

Providing funds and educational programs to the library since 2002

Elephant Garlic Festival

BOOK SALE*

Jessie Mays Community Center
30975 Hillcrest, North Plains, Oregon 97133

Hours of Operation

Friday	August 12	12-6pm
Saturday	August 13	10-6pm
Sunday	August 14	10-3pm

*Donations for the Book Sale are welcome and can be dropped off at 31311 Commercial St. in North Plains. Tax receipts are available upon request. All proceeds from our Book Sales benefit the North Plains Public Library.