



Community Newsletter



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E-Water Bills

We are excited to announce that we are launching e-bills! Water customers will be able to view their statements online, but unfortunately payment is not able to be submitted directly through the statement view. That is our next goal! For the time being, you can always make a payment through the website www.cityofnp.org. Click the red button that says “Pay Online” and you will be directed to the payment portal.

To set up e-bills visit <https://northplains.moonlightbpo.com/default.aspx> First time users will need to register. Enter your name and account number exactly as it appears on your water statement.

Once registered go to your profile and select “send e-mail” under Delivery Method. You will receive an e-mail to the e-mail address you provided during registration once the new water statements are ready, typically around the 1st of each month.

Leaf Pick-up

The City of North Plains will be providing its annual curbside street tree leaf pick-up program again this fall. To help us better serve you, place loose street tree leaves curbside by the first day of the scheduled pick-up. Loose leaves should be raked into a windrow 18 inches away from the curb to allow storm water to drain. Keep leaf windrows less than 3 feet high.



Please do not park vehicles, or leave refuse bins or other obstacles near the leaf windrows.

Our scheduled window for pick-up will be the week of **Monday, November 14**. If your leaves are not in the street during the scheduled window we

will not have the opportunity to provide you with this curbside service.

Please keep in mind that emergencies, severe weather, and light/heavy leaf fall may cause delays in the schedule. We will keep you posted of any changes on the City’s website at www.cityofnp.org Please continue to use your yard debris bins provided by Garbarino’s for the leaves from your backyard.

Items other than leaves will not be picked-up.

News from the North Plains Senior Center

HOMEMADE PIES FOR SALE—Large 12-inch homemade apple for sale. Pies are \$16 each; proceeds support the Meals on Wheels program, providing hot, nutritious lunches to our seniors—at the Senior Center and through home delivery. Call 503-647-5666 and order a week ahead so we can have your pie ready on the following Tuesday or Thursday.

BINGO, Wednesday, Nov. 2—Join the fun on our new night—the first Wednesday of the month from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. \$5 at the door buys your first card. Every card thereafter is \$1. Hot dogs, soda and chips available for purchase. Cash prizes for all games.

DT & COUNTRY, Monday, Nov. 14th—Enjoy the classic country sounds of DT & Country who perform during our lunch hour every second Monday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

COME BACK LITTLE SHIBA—Karen Shell from SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance) will be available by appointment only in November to help seniors sign up for medical insurance, call the senior center for an appointment 503 647-5666

DONATE A DINNER 2016—Volunteers needed to distribute Donate a Dinner cards at Jim’s Thriftway in Banks. Cards encourage shoppers to “donate a dinner” to a homebound senior when they check out. Donate a Dinner takes place between Nov. 19 and 23

and shifts are just two hours. Call Angie at 503-647-5666 to sign up.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA—Sunday, Dec. 4 at Loch Lolly Christmas Forest from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. \$10 per person. Menu includes french toast, sausage, eggs and juice. Reservations must be made in advance. Please RSVP for the Breakfast with Santa to lochlolly1@aol.com. Proceeds from this breakfast go to the Kyron Horman Foundation, a perpetual foundation. Each child will be able to make an ornament to take home with them at no additional charge.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! For kitchen help prepping food, serving and cleaning up. We also have openings for drivers to deliver meals to homebound seniors. Mileage reimbursement for those who would like it. Please come in and fill out a registration form if you have spare time to volunteer. Once a week, once a month or whenever you are available. We'll work with your schedule.

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

BUNCO—Thursday, Nov. 10 and Nov. 17 at 1:00 p.m.

LIVER & ONIONS LUNCH—Monday, Nov. 21.

Community Night of Comedy

Acting with Mo is producing another Community Night of Comedy Friday, November 11th at 7 p.m. The M.C. is last year's winning comedian Tucker Beesley. Admission is 2 cans of food. Pizza and cookies will be available for purchase at the event. As always, all proceeds go to the North Plains Food Pantry!

A very big thank you to Gerald's for donating the pizza and cookies, and to the Treasure Chest and Antique Mall for decorating the stage!

See you November 11th!



Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue is Recruiting Volunteers

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue is seeking a few good men and women who are willing

to donate their time and serve their community as volunteers. This exciting opportunity gives members of the general public a chance to be part of their fire district's mission to create safer communities.

TVF&R offers three volunteer opportunities:

- **Volunteer Firefighter:** These volunteers are trained to respond to emergencies. They have to complete a Volunteer Fire Academy, attain

an EMT-Basic certification and attend weekly drills. They also assist with public education and support community activities.

- **Incident Support Volunteer:** These volunteers bring rehabilitation units to major incidents to provide TVF&R firefighters with assistance with breathing apparatus, medical monitoring and other support. They also participate in public education, attend community activities and attend monthly drills.
- **Auxiliary Volunteer:** These volunteers play an active role in TVF&R's public education program and attend community events. Auxiliary volunteers are non-emergency response volunteers. They may work once or twice a week or even a few times each year, depending on their area of interest and commitment. They can also help restore and maintain TVF&R's fleet of antique apparatus.

All volunteers must be 18 years old, be a high school graduate or have an equivalent certificate, pass a criminal background check and live within TVF&R's service area, which includes North Plains.

Want to learn more? TVF&R is holding three Volunteer Interest Night Open Houses on October 25 at Station 17, 31370 NW Commercial St. in North Plains; November 1 at Station 20, 414 E Second St. in Newberg; and December 13 at Station 50, 12617 SW Walnut St. in Tigard. All three open houses will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For more information about TVF&R's volunteer program or to apply to become a volunteer, visit www.tvfr.com. Applications will be accepted through December 16.



Library News

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.

November 2. Miss Marion hosts, "What do you like to eat?" A themed Storytime.

November 9. Miss Barbara hosts "Some monkey business".

November 16. Guest reader Teri Lenahan with Thanksgiving tales.

Tutoring assistance

Math and Science tutoring help is available during the school year. Volunteer Aaron or Stacie will be available for half-hour segments each Saturday morning, from 10 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. and from 10:30 a.m. until 11 a.m. Half-hour segments will additionally be available from 6 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. and from 6:30 until 7 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. The tutors will provide help with math from an elementary school level through calculus. In science help will be provided from an elementary school level through college level. Call the library at (503) 647-5051 to book a free tutoring session.

Halloween fun at your library!

Yes there will be spooky going on at NPPL for Halloween. Make tracks to the North Plains Public Library Monday, October 31 from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. for a special trick or treat gift.

Come in costume if you like, and bring your brothers and sisters, but watch out for the Bogle!

First Friday Flick.

Join us at the Jessie Mays Community Hall on the First Friday of each month for a free showing of a PG-rated movie. Popcorn will be provided!

November 4 at 6 p.m. *Alice through the looking glass.*

After slipping through a mirror, Alice (Mia Wasikowska) finds herself back in Underland with the White Queen (Anne Hathaway), the Cheshire Cat, the White Rabbit, Tweedledee and Tweedledum. Her friends tell her that the Mad Hatter (Johnny Depp) is in a funk over the loss of his family.

Foreign Film Night Concept

The Library Director has submitted a grant to the Oregon Cultural Coalition to finance a new foreign film night project similar to the one that he hosted at Garden Home Community Library in the past. The decision on this grant request will come on or before December 14, 2016. The amount requested is \$1120. Mr. Bertony Faustin of the Abbey Creek Winery has most kindly agreed to allow his facility to serve as the

venue for this series of Friday night screenings, if the bid to obtain funding is a success.

Quilt of the month

The quilt for October was made by Renee Wallace of North Plains. Crossroads to Jericho was a Block of the Month designed by Jeri Lindstrom for the Shibori Dragon, a fabric store in University Place with specialty batik fabric. Renee started this quilt in 2006 and added additional blocks over the years as she found fabrics to match. The border and backing are made of multi-colored batik, and the work is machine-quilted with leaves, vines, and flowers. This gorgeous quilt was just recently completed with the addition of binding.

Artist's trading card

Each month Marie Buckley and other local artists meet to share Artist Trading Cards (ATCs). These miniature works of art are designed to match a set theme and are about the size of a baseball card. The event occurs at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday evening of each month. This is a fun way to meet other artists and exchange art creations. The ATC exchange is free and open to the public.

Our ATC topic for November is **Portals**. The swap will occur on November 17.

In library art display

In October we will continue to feature the drawings and photography of talented Glencoe High School student and teen library volunteer Cassidy Fink.

In November and December the fine line drawings of Francis Ahn will be on display. These remarkable images lead the eye on an incredible journey of light and dark contrasting patterns.

Craft Guild Meeting.

Join our informal group of knitters, and quilters from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. on the first Tuesday evening of each month. Anyone interested in gathering for camaraderie as you work on your individual projects is welcome to do so at the library. Bring your yarn or cloth and needles (or other craft projects). This is intended to be an informal get-together of crafters not a formal class. Contact the library for more details.

Those were the good old days...



If These Walls Could Talk

By Melvin Van Domelen
Mountaindale, OR

Last February a birthday party was held for Sheila Hardwick in the Knights of Pythias Hall. This place

has been known to the locals as the K. P. Hall for years. It gave me a chance to just sit in the room, take notes and recall past memories. I then told Kevin Hardwick, "There is a story here".

On the past October 7th, Kevin was kind enough to open the hall for me. He gave me information on the community support the Knights of Pythias provide. They are involved in the Garlic Festival, support our troops, the Boy Scouts, the Senior Center, the library, and help for cancer patients. The current membership of the Knights is around 40.

So, we have the door open, take my hand and I'll steady you going up the steep, count them, 21 steps.

At the top of the stairs the door into the main hall has this small tin funnel with a peep-hole that I'm told was used for the pass-word during meetings for over 100 years.



The fold down chairs are gone from the sides of the hall. The pool table is in a different location, but otherwise the hall looks the same as I remember it some 80 years ago.

My Grandfather, James Corey, was a charter member of the Knights of Pythias when the Lodge was formed at old Glencoe in 1884. I still have the letter of condolence given to my mother upon his death, from the Pythians. She was still a teenager then and inherited a working farm. We still live there.

My uncle, George Corey, gave me a gold pocket watch. He told me the watch was given to him by his father, James, when George joined the Pythian Lodge. Uncle George told me his father cried at the time, so happy. That watch is still in my family, and it continues to run.

In recent visits with Elaine Olson, I've learned that she and Scotty Stigam did a Scottish dance at a Pythian Sister's program when they were in grade school. Elaine went full circle, joined the Pythian Sisters and was one of the last remaining members when the Sisters disbanded, after being active from 1915 to 2009. Elaine had been a member of the



Back Row: Joyce Reynolds
Front L to R: Olive Wise (100 yrs old 2010), Bernice Mathieson, Elaine Olsen, Diane Knorr, Linda Dorland, Letha Tyra, Irene Clink, Suzanne Dailey

Sister's drill team that marched around in colorful formals. They did intricate designs on the dance floor, like squares, wheels and thread the needle.

Many who visit the K. P. Hall don't realize there is a small third floor that I call the cupola. There is just room for a pool table up there. I'll always remember shooting pool with Stanley Hahn up in the cupola. I was given a half-size pool table at home and was pretty good at it. Stanley was probably 70 years of age, myself maybe 14. He beat me, but not by much, a good memory.

Before dances were held, long ago in the 1930's, Arleta Raffety and I would be given boxes of silicone flakes to shake out on the floor. These looked something like soap flakes and made the floor slicker. We would take off our shoes and slide around.

This place and organization has been an asset to North Plains for over 100 years. The dances, quilt shows, weddings and wedding receptions, pine car derby races, and birthday parties, all sorts of activities over the years.

The hall was the voting place for years. I first voted there when I returned from the Army. I had been old enough to be drafted, but not old enough to vote.

These walls have talked to Kevin and I. They echo the sounds of these events of the past. These walls hold Pythian membership names from back over 100 years and the Knights of Pythias emblem with the letters F. C. B. These letters stand for Fellowship, Benevolence, and Charity.



Our hour to reminisce at the K. P. Hall has come to an end. Take it easy going down the stairs. I notice an electric lift chair has been installed along the side of the stairway. My mother was a 50-year member of the Pythian Sisters. In her later years, four men would come with a chair and pack her up the stairs.



This has been a brief look into this place, there is so much more.

Thanks to Kevin Hardwick for his help.

Nov. 2016 Calendar

- 11/04 First Friday Flick** 6 p.m. at Jessie Mays
Alice Through the Looking Glass
- 11/07 Historical Society** 1 p.m. at Jessie Mays
- 11/07 City Council Meeting** 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial

- Street11/09 Planning Commission** 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center
- 11/10 Food Pantry** 5:30 p.m. at the Yellow House, 31311 NW Commercial St
- 11/11 City Office closed in observance of Veterans Day**
- 11/11 Lego Palooza** 11 a.m. at Jessie Mays
- 11/11 Community Comedy Show** 7 p.m. at Jessie Mays
- 11/12 Super Saturday** 1 p.m. at Jessie Mays
- 11/16 Library Board** 7 p.m. at the Library
- 11/21 City Council Meeting** 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial Street
- 11/23 Parks Board** 6 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center
- 11/24 Thanksgiving Day** City Offices closed
- 11/25 City Offices Closed**
- 11/25 Food Pantry** 5:30 p.m. at the Yellow House, 31311 NW Commercial St
- 12/8 Holiday Jingle** 6 p.m. at Jessie Mays



<p>We Deliver!!</p> <p>Thursday, Friday & Saturday 5 – 7:30 pm \$20 minimum \$3 delivery fee</p>	<p>VIDEO LOTTERY PLATINUM SERIES</p> <p><i>New platinum games</i> Enjoy free soda, cookies and chips while you play!</p>	<p>Try our New Thick & Chewy Crust!</p>
<p>GERALDI'S West <i>The Italian Eating Place</i></p> <p>\$4 off ANY X-LARGE PIZZA \$3 off ANY LARGE PIZZA <small>Expires in 30 days. Cannot be combined with any other offers.</small></p>	<p>GERALDI'S West <i>The Italian Eating Place</i></p> <p>\$10.00 LARGE PEPPERONI PIZZA <small>Expires in 30 days. Cannot be combined with any other offers.</small></p>	<p>GERALDI'S West <i>The Italian Eating Place</i></p> <p>\$30.00 Large Pepperoni Pizza Large Speciality Pizza <small>Expires in 30 days. Cannot be combined with any other offers.</small></p>

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City of North Plains
Holiday Jingle

2016

December 8th

6:30 p.m.

*Starting & Ending at
Jessie Mays Community Center
Cookies & Hot Chocolate provided!*

*For more information visit
www.npfun.org*