



West Linn Update

DECEMBER 2008

Celebrate the holidays...

Holiday Tree Lighting

On Saturday, December 6, 2008 at 5:30 p.m., join your neighbors at West Linn Central Village for the annual holiday tree lighting and community celebration. The West Linn Community Chorus will perform. Enjoy warm beverages, holiday cookie decorating, and special offerings from the Central Village merchants.

Holiday Parade

On Saturday, December 13, 2008 at 10:00 a.m., please attend the Holiday Parade along Willamette Falls Drive. The 2008 theme is "Santa's Little Helpers," and TVF&R will offer visits with Santa and cocoa. Donate a new unwrapped toy at the fire station. Enjoy horse-drawn carriage rides and shopping discounts from the Willamette Merchants. Register online to be in the parade at <http://westlinnoregon.gov>.

Parks Maintenance Projects

Each month, West Linn residents pay a maintenance fee that is used solely for parks maintenance projects in West Linn. A portion of the parks maintenance fee will be used to pay debt service on a \$500,000 bond for the construction of new restrooms and wading/spray pools at Willamette and Hammerle parks. Here are some more parks projects that are funded by your parks maintenance fee:



CEDAROAK BOAT RAMP

The City dredged the Cedaroak Boat Ramp to keep the waterway navigable and useable. Dredgings were placed into the river at a shallower depth to create warm water fisheries. In 2009, the City will conduct a hydrological study at the ramp.



ATHLETIC FIELD UPGRADES

The City sand top-dressed all West Linn athletic fields. Top-dressing prepares fields for all-weather activity so games and matches can be played year-round.



METEORITE INTERPRETIVE TRAIL

The interpretive trail at Fields Bridge Park is complete thanks to a partnership with the Ice Age Flood Institute. The Parks Department also worked with local students to build a fire pit at the park.



DOG PARK & CLIMBING ROCK

Mary S. Young Park has a new climbing boulder near the restroom and concession facility, and a leveled and reseeded dog park. Work continues on the restoration and creation of miles of MSY walking trails.



The City supports a team of volunteers who remove invasive species in Burnside, Fields Bridge, Maddax Woods, Mary S. Young, and McLean House Parks. Please call 503-557-4700 or email tjones@westlinnoregon.gov to learn how you can be a parks volunteer.



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Bend, Oregon Address on Utility Bill

You may notice a Bend, Oregon address on your utility bill payment envelope. Beginning in October, the Finance Department will use a lockbox service for utility billing. The lockbox service, which is based in Bend, will now process the utility payment checks and deposit the payments directly into West Linn's bank. This will increase efficiencies and the security of West Linn's check processing system. Please call the Finance Department at 503-656-4261 if you have any questions.

City Meetings

- 1 - City Council Work Session, 6:00, City Hall
- 2 - Historic Resources Advisory Board, 7:00, City Hall
- 3 - Planning Commission, 7:00, City Hall
- 8 - City Council Meeting, 6:00, City Hall
- 15 - City Council Work Session, 6:00, City Hall
- 16 - Sustainability Advisory Board, 6:00, City Hall
- 16 - Transportation Advisory Board, 6:00, City Hall
- 17 - Utility Advisory Board, 6:00, City Hall
- 17 - Planning Commission, 7:00, City Hall
- 22 - City Council Meeting, 6:00, City Hall
- 25 - Christmas - City offices & library are closed

Events & Activities

- 1 - Library Book Club, 6:45, Library
- 5 - First Friday for Teens, 6:30, Library
- 6 - Ivy League, 9:00 a.m., Mary S. Young Park
- 6 - Computer Class on Digital Photos, 9:30 a.m., Library
- 6 - Central Village Holiday Celebration, 5:30
- 9 - Terrific Tuesday for Kids, 6:30, Library
- 11 - Computer Class on Digital Photos, 6:30, Library
- 13 - Holiday Parade, 10:00 a.m., Willamette Falls Drive
- Library Story Times, ages 0-3, 10:00 a.m. every Thurs. & Fri.
- Library Story Times, ages 3-6, 11:00 a.m. every Thurs. & Fri.
- Tales & Tails (reading aloud to dogs), 3:30 every Weds.

Citizen Advisory Groups

Log on to <http://westlinnoregon.gov> to apply to be a member of a West Linn Citizen Advisory Group. These groups provide input on a variety of topics. The application process is easy, and appointments will be made by the City Council in January 2009. Applications are due on December 22 at 5:00 p.m. There are openings on:

- Citizens' Budget Committee
- Clackamas Cable Access Board
- Historic Resources Advisory Board
- Library Board
- Parks & Recreation Board
- Planning Commission
- Police Advisory Committee
- Sustainability Advisory Board
- Transportation Advisory Board
- Utility Advisory Board

Special Events

Your support and enthusiasm is vital to the success of West Linn special events. We have many events planned this coming year and welcome your assistance with the Annual Holiday Parade in Willamette and the Annual Tree Lighting at Central Village, Music in the Park, Movies in the Park, Arts Festival in the Forest, West Linn Art Festival, Daddy Daughter Dance, park restoration projects and many others. A volunteer form is available at <http://westlinnoregon.gov>, or call 503-557-4700.