



# West Linn Press Release

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## **Friends of the McLean House Dedicate New Waterfall**

**WEST LINN** – On Sunday, July 20, The Friends of the McLean House will be hosting the dedication celebration of a new waterfall feature that was created in memory of former West Linn resident Judy Nelson. The event will be held at 5350 River Street, West Linn and will include the dedication of the waterfall, 1:00-1:30, followed by an old fashioned ice cream social and tours of the house from 1:30-4:00. The Park was newly renovated in May.

Nelson, who passed away in January, was an active member of the community and one of the founders of The Friends of the McLean House. Funds given in her memory were used to construct the new waterfall. As a Friend and one of the Founders, she helped create a historical location for the City of West Linn by restoring, preserving, and enhancing the interior of the house. “She did everything from wallpapering to weeding, planting, and ensuring the history of Dr McLean and his family had a place in time,” said Leanna Lindquist, treasurer for the Friends.

“Our board wishes to dedicate the water feature to the life, spirit and energy of Judy Nelson as a symbol of the ever-flowing passion she had for living and the support she gave to the McLean House and Park,” said Mike Watters, President of Friends of The McLean House and Park. “A memorial fund has been established in her name.” Tax-deductible donations to the water feature may be made to Friends of McLean Park and House, 5350 River Street, West Linn, OR 97068.

The McLean House is owned by the City of West Linn and cared for by The Friends of the McLean House. It is used as a venue for celebrations of all kinds, including weddings, birthdays, business retreats, civic and other meetings, family reunions and the like. Cost to rent the McLean House and Park start at \$20 an hour. For information and directions, please call 503-655-4268, or visit the website at [www.mcleanhouse.org](http://www.mcleanhouse.org).

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**About the City of West Linn:**

The City of West Linn is a community where citizens, civic organizations, businesses and city government work together to ensure that the community retains its hometown identity, high quality of life and its natural beauty. The estimated population is 24,180. The City Council consists of the Mayor and four Councilors who act as the board of directors of the City of West Linn municipal corporation. The Council sets policies for the city government, enacts ordinances and hires, directs, and evaluates the city manager. Municipal services are provided by City employees and headed by the City Manager. The city operates its own police department, a municipal court, water, wastewater and storm water utilities, street operations, planning, engineering, fleet management, library and an extensive year-round parks and recreation program.