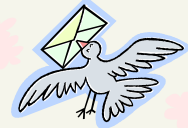


The Mill City Messenger



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COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT – SANTIAM CANYON SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

FOR WATER AND SEWER EMERGENCIES CALL US **FIRST**

- Monday - Friday
7:30AM-4:30PM
(503) 897-2302
- Public Works Supervisor
John Dickinson
(503) 930-8256
- Public Works Maintenance
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(503) 930-3887

A new group is forming in the Santiam Canyon as concerned parents band to-



Join the newly formed SCSD PTO!

gether with Santiam Canyon School District employees to create the Santiam Canyon School District Parent-Teacher Organization (SCSD PTO).

The purpose of a PTO is to support the educational experience and to develop a closer connection between school and home by encouraging parent involvement. SCSD PTO has held two meetings at which a mission statement was identified and officers were nominated for the positions of President, Angela Moreno; Vice-President, Nancy Horning; Secretary, Karen Widmer, Communications Secretary, Elaina Turpin; and Treasurer, no candidate.

Once all Executive Board members have been identified and officially elected into position, the

PTO's next step is to identify potential projects for the group to focus on. Items discussed have been installation of the remaining playground equipment, volunteer organization and fundraising opportunities.

At the close of the last meeting attendees were asked to come to the next meeting with possible goals for the group to review and discuss. In addition, the group will be reviewing draft By-laws for possible adoption.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the SCSD PTO, plan to attend an upcoming meeting. Meetings are held the first Monday and third Wednesday of the month in the Santiam Elementary Multi-purpose room from 6:30p.m. to 7:30p.m.

Interested in learning more about what a PTO is all about? Check out these informative websites:

<http://www.ptoday.com/>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Parent_Teacher_Organization

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MILL CITY COUNCIL MEETING TIMES CHANGE

The Mill City City Council has voted to change the time that Council meetings are held from 6:00p.m. to 6:30p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. The new time will begin November 13, 2012.

The Council has asked for input from the public as to how this change affects your ability

or willingness to attend City Council meetings. Please submit answers/general comments to the following questions to City Hall no later than Friday, November 30, 2012 either in writing or by calling (503) 897-2302. Results of this survey will be compiled and provided to the Council for consideration.

1. Have you attended Mill City Council meetings in the past?
2. If no, was that due to the 6:00p.m. start time?
3. With the change in time to 6:30p.m., will you be more or less likely to attend City Council meetings?

We look forward to hearing from you.

**MILL CITY MUNICIPAL CODE
SECTION 8.04.140 - JUNK**

Section 8.04.140 of the Mill City Municipal Code states:

1. No person shall keep junk outdoors on a street, lot, or premises or in a building that is not wholly or entirely enclosed except for doors used for ingress and egress.
2. This section does not apply to junk kept in a junkyard or automobile wrecking yard in a location, which has been zoned for that purpose and which has been approved by the City in accordance with established zoning procedures.

Section 8.04.10 of the Mill City Municipal Code defines "junk" as:

"Junk" means any object or material which is manufactured or man-made, whether of artificial materials or natural materials, which has been abandoned or discarded, or which is operable; or which is useless to serve its intended purpose in its current condition; or which is being kept or stored to serve some useful purpose in the future. Junk includes, but is not limited to, one of the following classifications:

1. *Inoperable household appliances, including, but not limited to washers, dryers, refrigerators, dishwashers, water heaters, stoves, and similar items, or parts thereof;*
2. *Used household furniture, including, but not limited to, sofas, beds, chairs, tables, mattresses, and similar parts thereof;*
3. *Used machinery or motor vehicle parts, including, but not limited to, motors, tires, wheels, chassis and similar items, or parts thereof;*
4. *Used building materials, including, but not limited to, lumber, stone, brick, plywood, wire, glass, metal, plumbing fixtures, heating fixtures, and similar items, or parts thereof;*
5. *Discarded, useless or abandoned vehicles or recreation equipment, or parts thereof.*

For more information, contact City Hall at (503) 897-2302



Did you know:

Can't make it to City Hall between 9AM and 4PM? We may be able to help! Give us a call at (503) 897-2302. to schedule a special payment drop-off or assistance with other City business.

BINGO! BINGO! BINGO!

Come one, come all, bring your family and friends for hours and hours of unending fun and support for the Mill City Rural Fire Protection District.

The 68th Annual Mill City Fireman's Benefit is set for Saturday, November 17, 2012 from 5:00p.m. to Midnight at the local fire department, 400 S 1st Avenue, Mill City.

Be looking for volunteers to be coming door-to-door for raffle ticket sales November 5th through 7th. If you miss your

chance to purchase tickets at home, never fear, tickets can still be purchased by visiting the Fire Department business office during regular business hours or the night of the event.

Raffle prizes include:

\$100 cash; \$50 cash; turkeys, hams, slabs bacon, \$25 gift certificates to local businesses.

Bingo begins at 5:00p.m. sharp. Cost is \$0.25 per game.

The SJSHS International Club will be hosting kids games in the early evening and turkeys and hams

will be awarded throughout the night as Bingo prizes.

Volunteers will be selling hamburgers, hot dogs, beer sausage, donuts and soda as well as serving free coffee all night long. Make sure to visit them regularly to obtain sustenance to get you through the evening.

Questions about the event? Call (503) 897-2390.

MAKE SURE YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

It's an election year! Get out and VOTE!!!

Have you completed your ballot yet? There are only days left to do so.

Ballot drop sites are available at City Hall in Mill City and US Bank during normal business hours. However, on election day, Tuesday, November 6,

2012, ballot drop sites will be open from 7:00AM to 8:00PM to allow voters to have their say.

Haven't received your ballot yet and believe you're a registered voter? It's not too late to check.

Marion County residents should contact the Marion

County Elections Division at: 4263 Commercial St. SE, #300, Salem, OR. (503) 588-5041 or 1-800-655-5388.

Linn County residents should contact the Linn County Elections Division at:

300 4th Avenue SW, Albany, OR. (541) 967-3831.



**Have your voice heard--
VOTE TODAY!!**

SANTIAM JUNIOR / SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

The Santiam Junior/Senior High School (SJSHS) International Club and Wolverettes have a number of fundraisers outlined to assist with costs related to their programs. Both clubs will be selling Poinsettias just in time for the holiday season.

Poinsettias in all sizes and colors are available for sale including 4", 6.5", 8" and 10" varieties in colors from red, white and pink to Monet, Jingle bells and Marble.

Costs range from \$5.00 for the 4" variety to \$20.00 for the 10". Poinsettias are scheduled to be delivered the week after Thanksgiving.

Deadline to purchase is November 14, 2012 so get your orders in as soon as possible. Order forms are available with Interna-

tional Club and Wolverette members as well as at City Hall in Mill City.

The International Club is using this as a fundraiser to help with costs associated with their 2014 summer trip to Europe. The students along with several adult chaperones will be visiting Paris, France, London, England, Munich, Germany and Lucerne, Switzerland. This is a once in a lifetime trip for most of the students but it's not all for fun. The International Club trip is an educational experience organized by the Education First (EF) organization. For more information on EF visit their website at www.eftours.com.

In addition, the International Club is hosting a Holiday Bazaar in the SJSHS commons on Saturday, November 17 from 9AM-2PM then will move to the Fireman's Benefit where they

will run a mini carnival from 5PM-9PM. Make sure to bring your children by the carnival for some fun and games while you're playing Bingo! The Bazaar is open to anyone interested in having a table. Cost is \$10.00 per table.

Beginning Thanksgiving Day, International Club members will be manning a coffee stop at the Maples Rest area off of Highway 22. If you are traveling for the holiday make sure to stop by and see the kids. Have a little refreshment and make a donation to their cause.

For more information or to purchase Poinsettias contact Caroline Gillaspay at SJSHS, (503) 897-2311.



WHAT'S NEW IN PLANNING

The Mill City Council and Planning Commission continued a joint public hearing, **File 2012-08—Buildable Lands Inventory**, on Tuesday, October 23rd to consider updates to the City of Mill City Buildable Lands Inventory (BLI).

An open house was held immediately preceding the continuation of the hearing to allow residents the opportunity to review materials and gather information concerning how the BLI may affect their property.

On Friday, October 26th the Planning Commission deliberated on the issue and forwarded a recommendation to the City Council to adopt the BLI as presented.

The Council will deliberate at their November 27, 2012 meeting. At that time, the Council may approve the application as submitted, approve the application with modifications or request further review by the Planning Commission. If the application is approved, an Ordinance

outlining the changes must be adopted. The ordinance must be considered at two separate meetings prior to adoption.

The Buildable Lands Inventory does not change a property owners ability to use their property as is currently outlined in the Mill City Municipal Code. It is merely a tool/resource used to help identify available lands.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact City Recorder Stacie Cook at (503) 897-2302.

Planning Commission Members:

- Nancy Kelle, Chair
- Gay Stuntzner, VC
- Dennis Chamberlin
- David Leach
- Frances Villwock
- Cheryl Lundquist
- Ann Carey

HINTS AND HELPERS THANKSGIVING FACTS

Did you know:

The first Thanksgiving is said to have taken place in 1621 but it wasn't declared a national holiday until more than 200 years later by President Abraham Lincoln.

It took Congress another 100 or more years to declare Thanksgiving an official national holiday (1941).

According to the US Census Bureau, Minnesota is the top turkey producing state in the US.

Six states; Minnesota, North Carolina, Arkansas, Missouri and Indiana account for nearly 2/3 of the turkeys raised in the US.

In 2011 cranberry production was expected to reach 750 million pounds—Wisconsin, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Oregon

and Washington are the top cranberry producing states in the US.

According to the Guinness Book of World Records the largest pumpkin pie ever baked weighed 2020lbs and measured just over 12 feet long.

Snoopy has appeared in the Macy's Day Parade more times than any other character in history
Courtesy of: History.com



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Council Meetings, Second and Fourth Tuesday of
 Each Month, 6:30PM

Planning Meetings, Second Friday of Each Month,
 9AM

4th of July Meetings, First Wednesday of Each
 Month, 7PM

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C O U N C I L O R ' S C O R N E R

Councilor Highlight:

M. Susann Heller, Building Comm.

Ms. Heller states:

My parents came to Mill City from Los Angeles, CA for my father to work on the construction of Detroit Dam. I grew up in Mill City, graduating from Santiam High School and proudly celebrated my 45th class reunion this summer.

After graduation I attended Oregon College of Education in Monmouth and completed my degree in education.

My first teaching job was an internship at North Salem high School followed by 30 years teaching handicapped youth for Pendleton Public Schools.

While in Pendleton I was a dance team coach, wrestling tournament worker

and gymnastics judge.

Upon retirement I returned to Mill City where I had a home built on the original property my parents owned. I was fortunate to be able to care for my mother, Isabelle, until her passing at the age of 102.

Since I spent a good deal of my summers here in the community I always felt a connection with Mill City and with my mother residing here until her death my family has always had strong ties to the community.

When asked what I do now that I am retired I tell folks that I am a "Professional Volunteer". My current community service includes: volunteering at the Mill City Library; the food bank; Mill City Council; Mill City 4th of July Committee and other various

clubs and groups working in our community to make it a better place to live.



Councilor M. Susann Heller