

Halsey Happenings



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Check the website
for more information
and to sign up for
text or email
updates!



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Food Preservation Class

Jennie Gilbert from the Oregon State Extension Service will be hosting a FREE Food Preservation Workshop on Thursday, May 11th at 6:00 pm. Jennie will introduce several ways of preserving food, the equipment needed, and samples! There will be demonstrations and an information session about the equipment. The class is limited to 25 participants, so please call City Hall to sign up. If slots fill up a waitlist will be made available.

Committee Members Needed!

City Council has voted to combine the Parks Committee and the Library Advisory Committee to form one Parks and Library Committee. If you are interested in joining, please fill out an application. Applications are available online at www.halseyor.gov or in person at City Hall. If you have any questions, feel free to contact City Hall.

Highway 99 Project Update

As you all are probably aware, the Highway 99 project is well underway. So far the stormwater pipes and basins have been installed and the swales on Crowell Lane and in front of the Elementary School are complete. The new walls in front of the gas station and along the road have been completed and will be stained later this summer. Please also note that the speed through town has been reduced to 25 MPH due to the construction.

We can expect to see a lot of activity happening over the summer as the weather begins to get nicer. The first phase includes new asphalt from F Street to American,

and will also include the curbs, sidewalks and the base layer. This process is expected to take 6 weeks and begin mid-May. Starting mid-September, we can expect to see F Street through the end of town to get the same scope of work. Because this stretch is longer, it is expected to take a little more time with estimated completion by the end of October, weather permitting.

Project updates are posted on our website as they become available from ODOT. For specific questions, please contact Dave House with ODOT at 503-551-8641 or david.j.house@odot.oregon.gov



Millions of Americans live with mental health conditions, such as schizophrenia, bi-polar disorder, and major depression. In fact, studies have shown that about 1 in 5 people will experience a mental health issue in their lifetime. If you are not personally affected, chances are you love someone who is. Too often, individuals do not receive proper care, and end up in unfortunate situations. No one should suffer in silence.

During Mental Health Awareness month, we should be encouraged to seek to better understand mental illness, and find ways in which we can help those who are suffering.

For more information, please visit www.mentalhealth.gov. We also have a directory of Mental Health & Crisis Resources available on our website under Community> Local Resources> Mental Health & Crisis Resources.

Mayor's Corner

Greetings and welcome to May!

April is gone already...I am pretty sure it was just here...gone fast I dare say.

One thing I want to let you all know about is that the winner of the "If I was Mayor" contest and I were finally able to get schedules to match up and we met for lunch in Brownsville.

Lots of awesome conversation and laughs. Elizabeth is quite obviously a very kind and courteous young lady who absolutely loves animals and wants everyone to be happy and safe.

I want to extend an invitation to kids to feel free to enter the "If I was Mayor" contest when it comes back next year. Middle school

and High school age students are eligible.

As for invitations, I want to extend an open invitation to Third Thursdays. Third Thursdays are an opportunity to meet your Mayor and Council members who host the event each month. Each Third Thursday has a subject or activity suitable for kids and adults.

I am happy to say that I have been getting communication from you all, and that is awesome! Thank you!

And with that, I extend my best wishes and hope that you have an awesome May.

I remain YOUR Mayor, I work for you and hope to hear from more of you.

- Mayor Jerry

Upcoming Events

- 5/9- **Regular City Council Meeting**
City Hall, 7pm
- 5/11- **Food Preservation Class**
Community Center, 6 pm (sign up required)
- 5/16- **Election Day**
Ballot Drop @ City Hall 7am to 8pm
- 5/17- **Shut-Offs for Past Due Utility Accounts**
- 5/18- **Third Thursday**
7 pm, Community Center
- 5/25- **Utility Payments Due**
- 5/29- **City Hall Closed in Observance of Memorial Day**
- 6/3- **City Wide Garage Sale**
- 6/10- **Spring Clean-Up Day**
- 6/24- **Boat Safety Day**
City Hall Parking Lot

Dog Owners, Please Read!

As the weather gets nicer, more folks will be out and about walking their dogs. Please be respectful to your fellow citizens and neighbors by picking up after your pet, no matter where they decide to go; whether it be at the park, along the street, or in someone else's yard...

Besides being unsightly and smelly, bacteria from dissolving pet waste can contaminate grass and soil that kids play on. Dog waste can take up to 12 months to fully break down and parasites and

bacteria can remain in the soil for years. By not picking up after your pet, you are putting people and other pets at risk for exposure to this harmful bacteria. That same bacteria can also be washed into our storm water systems, impacting the health of plants and fish in local creeks and ponds. Studies have shown that 30% of bacteria found in watersheds comes from pet waste! Unlike cow manure, dog waste is not a natural fertilizer. In fact, it will actually kill grass if not picked

up.

So please...when you take fido out for a stroll, remember to take your waste bags and do the right thing! There is also a convenient pet waste station located in the park. Thank you for doing your part to keep Halsey clean and safe for our residents,



City Hall is An Official Ballot Drop Site

As a reminder, City Hall is an official ballot drop site for the upcoming Election.

The ballot receptacle is located on the second floor of City Hall, and is accessible Monday through Friday from 8am to 12pm and 1pm to 5pm. City Hall will be open extended hours from 7am to 8pm on Election Day, Tuesday, May 16th.



Public Notice-Trees & Noxious Vegetation

All Residents and Property Owners in the City of Halsey, Notice is hereby given: Per Halsey Municipal Code 5.05.150 Trees and Noxious Vegetation, between May 15 and September 30 of any year, no owner or person in charge of property shall allow noxious vegetation to be on the property or in the right of way of a public thoroughfare abutting the property. An owner of person in charge of property shall mow, cut, dig, or otherwise remove noxious vegetation as often as needed to prevent it from becoming unsightly, from becoming a fire hazard, or an obstruction to a public right-of-way.

THIS INCLUDES MOWING THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY BORDERING YOUR PROPERTY

The term "noxious vegetation" does include, at any time between May 15th and September 30th: (a) Weeds more than 10 inches high; (b) Grass more than 10 inches high; (c) Poison oak; (d) Poison ivy; (e) Rampantly growing plants or vines (such as blackberries or bamboo) that: (i) Cross property lines without permission of the adjacent property owner; (ii) Cause damage to fences or structures; (iii) Cross onto the public right-of-way, obstruct vision or impede travel on

any part of a street or sidewalk; or (iv) Constitute a fire hazard as defined in an applicable provision of the State Fire Code.

The City will be aggressive in abating this Ordinance. The City is willing to abate the nuisance on a particular parcel of property at the request of the owner for a fee of \$100.00 per hour. Even in the absence of such request, the City may choose to abate such nuisances and charge the cost of doing so to the owner or person in charge of the property, or the property itself as a lien.

The abatement proce-

dures are not exclusive but are in addition to any penalty or procedure allowed through ordinance of the city or by state law. The city may seek nuisance enforcement through a citation proceeding in addition to an abatement remedy. (HMC 5 . 0 5 . 4 6 0)

Contact City Hall if you have any questions: 100 W. Halsey Street Halsey, OR 97348
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-Hilary Norton,
City Administrator

A graphic for a 'Curbside Spring Cleanup' event. The background is a soft-focus image of yellow daffodils and blue flowers. The text is centered and reads: 'Curbside' in a cursive font, 'SPRING CLEAN UP' in large, bold, blue block letters, and 'SATURDAY, JUNE 10th' in bold, dark blue block letters. Below this, it says 'For a list of accepted items visit our website at www.halseyor.gov' in a smaller, dark blue font.

Curbside
**SPRING
CLEAN UP**
SATURDAY, JUNE 10th

For a list of accepted items visit our website at
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Halsey's Annual City-Wide **GARAGE SALE**

SATURDAY, JUNE 3RD

8 AM - 4PM



Maps will be available Friday, June 2nd at 10:00 am. You can call City Hall with any further questions.

Annual City-Wide Garage Sale Registration Form

Saturday, June 3rd, 8am to 4pm

Cost: \$8

(to offset publishing & advertising costs)

If you are interested in hosting a garage sale this year, please complete this form and return it to City Hall along with your payment by May 29th to be included on the map. You may also register and pay online (\$1 card fee applies) at www.halseyor.gov.

Name: _____ Address _____

Phone # : _____ Items for Sale: _____
