Fourth of July Parade

**GLENCOE LODGE #22**
The 4th of July Parade is Back! The Knights of Pythias are sponsoring a 4th of July parade starting at two p.m. from Jessie Mays Community Park. After the parade there will be hot dogs and soda at the park. There will be prizes for the best entry in a number of categories. Check the city website for details. [www.NPFun.org](http://www.npfun.org)

Library News

**Freezer Paper Stencils – a Teen event for July 25!**
Teens join us for this event at 2pm. Freezer paper is a widely available material with miraculous properties.

We’ll cut stencils out of freezer paper, exploring the concept of positive and negative space. Then we’ll fuse the stencils to fabric using an iron on a low setting, and apply fabric paint. When the freezer paper is removed, a crisp, one-of-a-kind image appears. All of the materials we’ll use are readily available, and teens will leave the class armed with the skills to do this project on their own at home.

**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 10:30am in the children’s section of the library.

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**A FRIENDLY REMINDER!**

It’s that time of year again to make sure your lawns and the right-of-way areas are mowed in compliance with the City Municipal Code. Between April 1st and October 31st of any year, no owner or person in charge of property may allow noxious vegetation to be on the property or in the public right-of-way abutting the property. It shall be the duty of an owner or person in charge of property to cut down or to destroy grass, shrubbery, brush, bushes, weeds or other noxious vegetation as often as needed to prevent them from becoming unsightly, from becoming a fire hazard, or, in the case of weeds or other noxious vegetation, from maturing or from going to seed. (Ordinance 4.10.090)

Noxious vegetation includes: Weeds or grass more than 10 inches high, poison oak, poison ivy, blackberry bushes that extend into a public thoroughfare or across a property line; vegetation that is a health hazard, a fire hazard because it is near other combustibles, or a traffic hazard because it impairs the view of a public thoroughfare or otherwise makes use of the thoroughfare hazardous.

We appreciate you taking the time to keep our community safe and looking its best. If you have any concerns or questions, feel free to contact City Hall at 503-647-5555 or [info@northplains.org](mailto:info@northplains.org).

Thank you!
Storytimes.
Children ages 0-6 are invited to participate every Wednesday at 11:30am in the children's section of the library.
June 21. Mr. Will & the Pot Belly Pig!
June 28. Little Tykes Summer Reading program!
Emmy Blue will share her very own bright and happy fairy tales, folktales and legends about the magical creatures who live deep in the enchanted forests of the Pacific Northwest. All participants will receive a magical stone from the enchanted forest! Join us to kick-off Little Tykes Summer Reading program!
July 5. Fish and Frogs are wonderful with Mr. Will.
July 12. Storytime with Barbara.

Wacky Wednesdays – A summer of reading fun!
Aimed at school aged children there will be a summer reading related event every Wednesday usually at the Jessie Mays Community Center. These events will kick off in July. They will run from 1pm until 2pm each Wednesday through the summer!
Wednesday July 5. Border Collies Int’l K-9 Team.
Rescued border collies play football, basketball, baseball, soccer, perform skits & show off their world class Frisbee skills! All ages welcome!
Wednesday July 12. Vikki Gasko Green has performed her one-woman ventriloquism show at libraries and schools all over the world. Her family-friendly show features puppets, stories, and fun.
Wednesday July 19. Michael O’Neill is the Co-founder of Nomadic Theatre Co. and is acting, directing, and clowning extraordinaire. Join him for family fun and lots of laughs!

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.
July 7 at 6:30pm  LEGO Batman movie.
There are big changes brewing in Gotham, but if Batman (Will Arnett) wants to save the city from the Joker’s (Zach Galifianakis) hostile takeover, he may have to drop the lone vigilante thing, try to work with others and maybe, just maybe, learn to lighten up. Maybe his superhero sidekick Robin (Michael Cera) and loyal butler Alfred (Ralph Fiennes) can show him a thing or two.

Super Saturday.
For the summer Super Saturdays are on hold to make way for our summer Wacky Wednesdays events! The details are listed above.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: ADULT SERVICES
Here is a rundown on the adult focused news and programs that occurred recently or are scheduled to occur next month. All are welcome at our programs.
Saturday June 24, Culinary Literacy at the Library.
Please join us at the library for the presentation Growing Herbs. This is the first in a series of culinary literacy events scheduled for 2017 and 2018. It will be delicious.

International Movie Night
With the kind support of the Cultural Trust of Oregon, the Cultural Coalition of Washington County, and the Abbey Creek Winery we are able to bring you fresh foreign film every month. All showings occur at the Abbey Creek Winery tasting room on Commercial Street. Fine food and wine are available to purchase.
Friday July 21, International Movie Night 1944 from Estonia at Abbey Creek tasting room at 6pm. 1944 centers on the bloody Baltic Eastern Front. Estonian soldiers find themselves torn between two mighty powers with some heading towards the Red Army and others pledging allegiance to the Waffen SS.

Library Book Club.
New members are always welcome to join in the monthly discussions. The group meets regularly once a month, usually on the last Wednesday of each month at 7pm at the North Plains Public Library.
The next selection will be reviewed on June 28, 2017. The book under discussion will be A Constellation of Vital Phenomena by Anthony Marra. In a small rural village in Chechnya, eight-year-old Havaa watches from the woods as Russian soldiers abduct her father in the middle of the night and then set fire to her home. When their lifelong neighbor Akhmed finds Havaa hiding in the forest with a strange blue suitcase, he makes a decision that will forever change their lives. He will seek refuge at the abandoned hospital where the sole remaining doctor, Sonja Rabina, treats the wounded.
For July 26 the book reviewed will be Dead Wake: The last crossing of the Lusitania.

SAVE THE DATES: KEY DATES FOR LATER IN THE YEAR
August 1. National night out. A chance to ask the Library Director anything you like.
August 11. At the Garlic Festival our friends group annual book sale will kick off.
August 16. Summer reading celebration, Carnival!
August 17. International Movie Night.
August 22. Seed exchange day at the Library.
Senior Center News

MUSIC MONDAY — DT & Country will return to the Senior Center on September 11th
Pancake Breakfast, July 1st 7:30 – 11:00 am All you can eat pancake breakfast during the car show, along with sausage, eggs, coffee or juice. Adults $7.00 Seniors & Kids $5.00 Family $30.00 (up to 6)

EXERCISE CLASS - Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9:30 – 10:30 AM, down stairs at the Senior Center, this class is FREE and open to anyone.

JULY CALENDAR.
BINGO—Wednesday, July 5th, 6:30 p.m.
BUNCO—Thursday, July 13 & 27th
Liver & Onions Lunch—Monday, July 17th

Those Were the Good Old days...

Ups and Downs
By Melvin Van Domelen
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As I look back on my 85 years, I’ve come to realize I’ve had way more “ups” than “downs”. I have been up to the top of the Empire State Building, up over the Brenner Pass in the Austrian Alps, up to the top of the Leaning Tower of Pisa, up across the Continental Divide in British Columbia, up to the summit of the Haleakala volcano on Maui.

The “downs” have been less exciting. ‘Been –
Down in the Crystal Cave in South Dakota;
Down under a tractor and bridge collapse in Dairy Creek;
Down under the streets of Rome on Christmas day;
Down walking on the bottom of the Devil’s Punch Bowl on the Oregon Coast.

Tried to never be down in the dumps.

A local “up” I’d like to zero in on – a climb to the top of Mount Hood. I worked with the Teufel Nursery on Barnes Road in Cedar Mill for over 30 years. I always stress “worked with” instead of “worked for”. The Teufel family always made me feel that I was one of them.

About 1985 a group of four Teufel employees made plans to scale Mt. Hood. I worked with the Teufel Nursery on Barnes Road in Cedar Mill for over 30 years. I always stress “worked with” instead of “worked for”. The Teufel family always made me feel that I was one of them.

We left after work on the Friday before the Rose Festival parade in Portland. This time of year is just about the end of the safe climbing season on the mountain.

We stopped in Sandy for supplies. By the time we reached Timberline Lodge we found the rental shop was closed and wouldn’t open until 8:30 the next morning. Harry Keifer had his equipment, ice axe, rope and crampons. I needed to rent an ice axe and crampons.

Most climbing parties start up at daybreak or before. We had to wait until 9:00 a.m. to get started. As we took off, another group, starting late, passed us. We questioned them if they thought they could reach the top. Their reply was “Nothing is going to stop us”. Keifer cautioned me about my pace and taking too long of a step, told me I wouldn’t last two hours at that rate.

This going up the south face had been called only a long walk but it is uphill all the way.

Some so-called climbers bypass the long walk by taking a chair lift to high up on the mountain. A few hours into our climb we met the “Nothing is going to stop us” group going back down. They had failed. By the time we get close to the Illumination Rock, its mid-afternoon. Many of the early climbers have reached the top and are on their way down.

A short time later we arrived at a landmark called the “Hogs Back”. This is a narrow ridge, something like walking the peak of a barn roof. This narrow ridge connects to the main peak of Mt. Hood. We waited for descending parties to come back across the ridge.
Harry says “We don’t want to meet and try to pass anyone on the Hogs Back. From this time on we never saw another person on the mountain. I think back about it and know we had no business being up there. The climb from here to the summit is very steep. Steps have been worn into the frozen surface. Now, it’s one step at a time, around a quarter of a mile to the top. This route takes one through another landmark called the Pearly Gates. We reached our goal and were able to sign in at a register at the summit. I felt uneasy up there, not another person in sight and clouds beginning to roll in.

Going down the steep part was worse than coming up. Climbing up, there was always something in front of you. Going down you are looking at empty space. The trick was to kick your heels in and lean back. After the return over the Hogs Back it is just a long trip down. That cloud bank is right behind us, the lights at Timberline Lodge have come on. We reached an area where trenches had been formed by those before us where one can sit and slide down. They call this to “glissade”, something like using a playground slide. One can pick up enough speed here that an ice axe is needed to slow down.

We headed for the lights of the Lodge, getting there well after dark. Phone calls were made to our wives. We were tired out, but we had climbed Mt. Hood.

About 3 weeks later I had a check-up with our family doctor. He was going to give me a stress test. When I told him about my Mt. Hood climb, doctor said “scratch the stress test”.

We can view Mt. Hood from our kitchen window. I can look up there and remember the climb as one of the better “ups” of my life.

Books for Sale
Love reading Melvin’s stories each month? You can now buy them in print in “Those Were the Good Old Days!” by Melvin Van Domelen. The book is 208 pages long and selling for $25. Please call 503-647-2760 to order your copy!

July Calendar
07/01 Car Show 9 a.m. on Commercial Street
07/03 City Offices are Closed
07/04 City Offices are Closed
07/04 4th of July Parade 2 p.m. starting at Jessie Mays
07/05 City Council Meeting 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial Street
07/06 Food Pantry 5:30 p.m. at the Yellow House, 31311 NW Commercial St
07/07 First Friday Flick 6 p.m. at Jessie Mays
07/12 Planning Commission 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial Street
07/17 City Council Meeting 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial Street
07/26 Parks Board 6 p.m. at North Plains Senior Ctr.
07/28 Food Pantry 5:30 p.m. at the Yellow House, 31311 NW Commercial St

Fire Department News
Got Fireworks? Keep it Legal. Keep it Safe!
By TVF&R Captain Mick Carey

Oregon law bans fireworks that fly, explode, or travel on the ground more than six feet — this includes bottle rockets, roman candles, firecrackers and M80s. To be legal, purchase all fireworks at a licensed Oregon fireworks stand. Fireworks purchased by mail order or in the state of Washington or at Native American reservations may be illegal in our state. Under Oregon law, officials can seize illegal fireworks, and you can be fined up to $500 per violation and/or arrested. You can be held civilly liable for damages resulting from improper use of any fireworks — legal or illegal. Oregon law also makes parents liable for damage caused by their children and allows fire departments to charge for the cost of suppressing fires caused by fireworks. Additionally, the use of illegal fireworks constitutes criminal activity, and your insurance policy may not cover you if you engage in a criminal act that results in damage.

Even legal fireworks are dangerous and have caused injuries and burns to users, especially unsupervised children. Also, during dry summer conditions, an errant firework can ignite vegetation, vehicles and even your roof.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue advises you to celebrate safely this year by following the following safety tips:
- Only adults should light or handle fireworks.
- Supervise children at all times when fireworks are being used.
- Store fireworks, matches, and lighters out of the reach of children.
- Use fireworks outdoors on a paved surface — away from buildings, vehicles and vegetation.
- Never point or throw fireworks at people, pets or buildings.
- Never alter fireworks or make your own. Homemade explosives can be deadly!
- Have a hose or bucket of water nearby to douse misfired and spent fireworks and to extinguish potential fires.

The best and safest plan is to attend a professional fireworks display and eliminate the risk altogether.

For more safety tips, visit Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue’s website at [www.tvfr.com](http://www.tvfr.com).
Car Show Pancake Breakfast

Come join us at the North Plains Senior Center

When: Saturday, July 1st, 2017
Time: 7:30-11:00 AM

All you can eat Pancakes, plus Sausage, Eggs, coffee / juice

Adults $7.00
Seniors & Kids $5
Family $30
(maximum of 6)