Scouting for Food
Cub pack 355 will be coming to the North Plains main city area to collect donations for Scouting for Food. **Nov 18, 9:30-11:30am.**
Non-perishable donations are gratefully accepted. You may leave a bag on your front porch labeled "Scouting For Food." Donations will be given directly to the North Plains Food Bank.

Housing Design Workshop

**Housing Design Workshop**
Are you a renter or homeowner in North Plains? Are you interested in how your community grows, and how it accommodates current and future residents?
The City of North Plains is hosting a workshop on housing design. We will be talking about housing issues specific to North Plains including design challenges and solutions, different types of housing that meet your needs, and looking at examples in other communities. Please join us! This event is free and open to the public.

**Better designed higher-density housing can lead to a more diverse, connected and cohesive community.**
Higher density, compact development supports transportation choices in the community. The project may inform future zoning code amendments, but **zoning code amendments are not part of this project.**

**Project Timeline**
March through November 2017

**More Information**
Please see the City’s website for updates on the workshop and other project materials. You may also contact Erika Warhus with questions:
erika@urbsworks.com

Leaf Pick-up
The City of North Plains will be providing its annual curbside street tree leaf pick-up program again this fall. To help us better serve you, place loose street tree leaves curbside by the first day of the scheduled pick-up. Loose leaves should be raked into a windrow 18 inches away from the curb to allow storm water to drain. Keep leaf windrows less than 3 feet high.

Please do not park vehicles, or leave refuse bins or other obstacles near the leaf windrows.

Our first scheduled day of pick-up will be **Tuesday, November 7.** Have your leaves set out in the way prescribed above. If your street tree leaves are not in the street on the scheduled date we will not have the opportunity to provide you with this curbside service.

A second pick-up dates is scheduled **Tuesday, December 5.**
Please keep in mind that emergencies, severe weather, and light/heavy leaf fall may cause delays in the schedule. We will keep you posted of any changes on the City’s website at www.cityofnp.org
Please continue to use your yard debris bins provided by Garbarino’s for the leaves from your backyard.

Items other than leaves will not be picked-up.

Library News

ANNOUNCEMENTS: YOUTH SERVICES
The following items summarize our upcoming program offerings for younger library patrons.

TUTORING SERVICE
Stacie our tutoring volunteer will be providing her excellent Homework Help again this school year and will be here on Mondays. The booking window is 2:30pm until 4:30pm for half hour blocks of time. Please contact the Library to book a free appointment. The tutor will provide help with all subjects including math from an elementary school level through calculus.

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.

Storytimes
Children ages 0-6 are invited to participate every Wednesday at 11:30am in the children’s section of the library.

October 18. Storytime with Mr. Will, Planes, Trains and Automobiles.
October 25. Storytime with Mr. Will, Spooky Tales.
November 1. Storytime with Mr. Will, Down on the Farm.
November 8. Guest Storytime with National Guard recruiter Anthony Cox.
November 15. Storytime with Mr. Will, Puddles and Rain.
November 22. Storytime with Mr. Will, Robots Attack!

Family Fun Night
Join us at the Library on the First Friday of each month for a free showing of a PG-rated movie, and a chance for parents to get their holds or have a quiet moment!

November 3 @ 6:30pm, Captain Underpants
Two overly imaginative pranksters named George and Harold hypnotize their principal into thinking he’s a ridiculously enthusiastic, incredibly dimwitted superhero named Captain Underpants.

Super Saturday.
Come join the library at Jessie Mays Community Center for fun performers and activities for all ages! These events occur from 1 until 2pm. Events are always a blast, and always free of charge.

Saturday November 25th Super Juggling with Rys Thomas
Rhys Thomas dazzles you with improbable juggling, unique comedy and amazing acrobatics. JuggleMania shares the heroes that taught him how to juggle: BOOKS! By reading and practicing, this Oregon boy gained enough skills to become an internationally touring juggler, magician and comedian. Chinese yo-yos, cowboy lassos, Indian clubs, Egyptian juggling balls and other toys come alive in the hands of an artist that has toured four continents.

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.

Oregon Military History Book Talk
Join us at the library October 19 at 7pm. Oregon’s military heritage goes back thousands of years with native warrior traditions. From 1847 to 1880 Army in eight major conflicts. The Army built several forts from Oregon’s coast to the Snake River. The Oregon Militia was first created in 1843 and this led to creation of the Oregon National Guard in 1887. As the Pacific Northwest’s well-trained National Guard unit, the 41st Infantry Division served commendably from 1941 to 1945. Oregonians served heroically in Korea and Vietnam. Recently Oregon Army and Air National Guard units have been serving in Afghanistan and Iraq conflicts.

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 a fresh foreign film every month. All showings occur at the Abbey Creek Winery tasting room on Commercial Street. Fine wine is available for purchase.

Thursday, October 26, International Movie Night will be the film Glory from Bulgaria at Abbey Creek tasting room at 6pm.

Tsanko Petrov, a railroad worker, finds millions of leva on the train tracks. He decides to turn the money over to the police, for which the state rewards him with a new wristwatch that soon stops working. Meanwhile, Julia Staikova, head of the PR department of the Ministry of Transport, loses Petrov’s old watch, a family relic. This starts his desperate struggle to recover both his old watch and his dignity.
Thursday, November 16, International Movie Night will be the film *Moka* from France. This screening is in French with English subtitles. Diane Kramer is led by one obsession: to find the driver of the mocha color Mercedes which hit her son and devastated her life. With a few belongings, some money and a gun, she goes to Evian, where she's learned the driver lives.

**Seed exchange day at the Library**

Have fun and get a start on your 2018 garden. On November 18 from 11am until 1pm bring your seeds to show and share. Gardeners can bring seeds they’ve saved, or seed from partially used packets, to share with others. In turn, participants take away new seeds for their 2018 garden. Bring your questions! We will have plant smart volunteers on hand to answer them!

**SAVE THE DATES: KEY DATES FOR LATER IN THE YEAR**


**Those Were the Good Old days…**

**Remembering Sam Barret**

*By Melvin Van Domelen
Mountaindale, OR*

There was a living history tour called Monumental Moments held at the Hillsboro Pioneer Cemetery last October 1st. Actors and volunteers portrayed some of the local folk buried there, standing by their grave site and telling of their problems and accomplishments. My good friend, Judy Goldmann leaned on me to take part in this event. I was to play the part of a German immigrant who ended up buried in an unmarked grave in a corner of this cemetery. Judy fed me some information, I filled in some holes.

The following is my talk from October 1st.

Guten tag – sprechen sie Deutsch?

My name is Sam Barrett. I am here in this Washington County lot looking for my grave marker. It has probably disappeared long ago as it was only a wooden board. I was brought here from my first resting place at the County Poor Farm.

I was born in Prussia, a part of Germany, in 1837. Germany had no room for younger sons in a family. The oldest son usually inherited any land the family might own. And, there were always those wars going on.

When I was 22 years old, I came to America by sailing ship in 1859. I never learned to read or write, never married, never had a home. I could speak English. All I ever knew was how to work alles arbeit.

I was a woodsman all of my life, worked in good weather and the bad. By 1880 I had been working for farmers clearing land for many years. I was known as Old Sam.

Some of the tools I would work with were a peavey, a grub hoe, axe and a powder spoon. Dynamite had been invented in Sweden and was being used here in the late 1880’s. Three sticks of dynamite would do wonders under a stump if the landowner could afford it. The powder spoon was used to dig a hole under a stump to hold the dynamite charge.

It was mostly horse power and man power that cleared the land. Trees and stumps had to be removed to make more farm land to grow the crops. Some trees were used for lumber and firewood but many of them were cut and just burned where they lay.

Most farms that I worked on had a place for me to stay. Sometimes in the house, sometimes in a shed or barn. I stayed one night in George Bowsen’s barn on Pumpkin Ridge. Hung my back pack up on a peg with the horse harness. I had a sandwich in it to save for tomorrow. Some critter ate this hole in my pack and stole my lunch. I keep my stuff in this back pack. Gloves, file, socks, blanket and an axe. I don’t have many belongings, but the axe is mine.

I was never paid much for my work on the farms. It was mostly just for a place to stay and food to eat. My entire savings are in this leather pouch, only a few silver dollars. I slept with the pull string tied around my wrist at night for safety.

Over 30 years of hard work clearing land left me worn out and twisted. I became a cripple, had no family here, had no home. I went to live at the
Washington County Home, or as most called it, the Poor Farm. There was a large house there, built in 1883 and other outbuildings.

The Poor Farm stood north, off the road to Glencoe. There is a landmark there called Starkey’s Corner. The Poor Farm was just west of Starkey’s Corner on Zion Church Road.

The Poor Farm raised a lot of the food needed for the occupants. I tended the chickens there and helped plant the trees along the road in front of the buildings. Some of those trees are still there. Sometimes I would be paid .25 cents a day if I could dig potatoes or work in the fields.

I got this burn on my face at the Poor Farm. I had lived there for many years. There were rules against smoking but some did it on the sly. My roommate smoked rolled up apple leaves. There was a fire in our room and I got this ugly scar. I inhaled some of the smoke and hot air, it damaged my lungs. It hurt, and I got pneumonia.

I died there in January of 1915 and was buried out in the orchard alongside some of the others. Not much of a ceremony, 8 or 10 folks standing around. Someone read from the Bible.

In time the Poor Farm near Starkey’s Corner was closed. A new County Home for the down and out was built east of Shute Park in Hillsboro. Myself and some of the others buried in the Poor Farm orchard were moved here to this County lot.

So, I have been here today looking for any sign of a grave marker. All I ever wanted was to be remembered. All I ever knew was how to work. Will you remember Old Sam, Old Sam Barrett? Danke.

I am going to have another look for my marker over in that corner. Auf Weidersehen.
For more information, please go to: https://www.facebook.com/choroalegria/
For more information about the concerts, please contact Jason Palmer at jason.palmer@pcc.edu, 971-722-7869, or view the music program’s website page http://www.pcc.edu/programs/music/rock-creek/ and Facebook page at facebook.com/pccrcmp.

Senior Center News

MUSIC MONDAY: DT & Country will be playing at the Senior Center on Monday, November 13th from 11:00 am- 1:30 pm

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR MEDICARE: Do you have questions about Medicare? From October 15th thru December 7th you can make an appointment to speak with Karen Shell and have all your questions answered. Call the Senior Center 503-647-5666.

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.

Circuit Training Bootcamp: Begins October 30th Monday thru Friday 5am - 6am Just show up $5.00 for drop in or $25.00 a month.

OCTOBER CALENDAR:

BINGO: Wednesday, Nov 8th, 6:30 p.m.
BUNCO: Thursday, Nov 2nd & 19th 1:00 pm
Liver & Onions Lunch: Monday, October 16th, salad bar opens at 11:45, lunch at 12 pm

2 Cemetery Plots for Sale

Sunset Hills Memorial Park in the Garden of Forest Lawn, Beautiful hilltop view, 2 lots for the price of one Deeded lot. Priced below the cost of a single lot sold by the mortuary. Both lots for a total of $5,000. For additional information call Jolaine at 360-878-1394

News from the North Plains’ Meals on Wheels People:

Hello! Angie Boyd here, (North Plains’ Nutrition Program Manager for Meals on Wheels People) reaching out to the community of North Plains. We have a couple volunteer opportunities coming up in the month of November that we are in need of volunteers to fulfill as well as ongoing positions at the senior center...

The first one is our annual fundraiser “Donate Dinner.” This fundraiser takes place at several stores. This year it runs from November 18th- November 22nd. We have 4-2 hour shifts each day that require 2 people per shift to stand at the store entrance-passing out cards that encourage shoppers to purchase a dinner for a senior. Shifts start at 11 am and go as late as 7 pm. (11 am-1 pm, 1 pm-3 pm, 3 pm-5 pm, and 5 pm-7 pm) We are particularly looking to fill shifts Mon-Wed Nov. 20th- the 22nd at Jim’s Thriftway in Banks, OR. I have included a link so you can get more information and/or register if this sounds like something that you would like to do...https://www.mealsonwheelspeople.org/news-events/donate-dinner/ Or you can call me at 503-647-5666 and I can register you for a shift.

The second volunteer position is to deliver meals to homebound seniors on Thanksgiving Day. Deliveries take about an hour and we have 5 locations to choose from. This position requires a background check (for anyone 18 and older) before you are able to drive, so if you are interested, please sign up at thanksgiving.volunteer.mealsonwheelspeople.org

The North Plains Meals on Wheels NEEDS DRIVERS to deliver meals to the homebound seniors in your community. Routes take approximately 1 ½ hours to complete. Meals on Wheels People offers mileage reimbursement for those that would like it. Please come in and fill out a registration form or go online to register @ https://www.mealsonwheelspeople.org/volunteer/ if you have any spare time during the week. Can be once a week, once a month OR as many days as you are available—we will work with your schedule! We could also use kitchen volunteers throughout the week. Shifts are 3-4 hours from 10 am-2 pm or 11 am-3 pm, Monday through Friday.

Thank you!

Angie Boyd
North Plains Nutrition Program Manager Direct: 503.647.5666 | Cell: 503.933.2068
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Fire Department News

TVF&R Firefighters Support Military Families and USO with Special Campaign
By TVF&R Captain Mick Carey

This Veterans Day, you might see Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue firefighters and personnel around town wearing customized camouflage shirts.

Our hope is that they will help raise awareness and support for the work of the United Services Organization, a nonprofit that assists troops through every step of their military service — from deployment to rehabilitation to reintegration.

Tualatin Valley Firefighters Union Local 1660 partnered with TVF&R on this project as a way to honor those who have chosen to serve our nation —
both at home and abroad — as members of the U.S. military.

TVF&R personnel wore these special USO shirts on duty for the first time on September 11, and will wear them again on Veterans Day on November 11, Pearl Harbor Day on December 7, Memorial Day on May 28, D-Day on June 6 and Independence Day on July 4 of each year.

Proceeds from the sale of these shirts that our crews purchased will benefit services provided to military personnel and their families by the USO’s Northwest Office at Portland International Airport. For the September 11 launch of these shirts, more than $4,200 was raised for the USO.

The fire service has long welcomed members of the military and veterans to our ranks. TVF&R is proud to have 81 members of our family who are military veterans and answered the call to serve the United States. These veterans share a heart to serve and desire to help where they are needed. Like our law enforcement partners and other first responders, they are willing to put themselves in harm’s way to save lives.

Local 1660’s membership is comprised of representatives from all branches of the military. TVF&R has personnel actively serving on deployments, serving in reserve duty, and retired veterans.

Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments

The City of North Plains is proposing to amend its Comprehensive Plan. The proposed amendments are intended to implement the North Plains 2035 Vision. The vision was crafted by a committee of citizens, elected officials, appointed officials and City staff and was adopted by the City Council in 2015.

The proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan include the following chapters: Introduction, 1 (Citizen Involvement), 2 (Land Use), 5 (Natural Resources), 6 (Air, Water and Land Quality), 7 (Natural Hazards), 8 (Recreation), 9 (Economy), 10 (Housing), 11 (Public Facilities), 13 (Energy), 14 (Urbanization), Plan Implementation and Planning Inventory. The
update to the Comprehensive Plan also includes a Housing Needs Analysis and an Economic Opportunities Analysis.

The Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing regarding the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 7 PM at the North Plains Senior Center. The Planning Commission’s recommendation will be referred to the City Council for a public hearing on Monday, December 4, 2017 at 7 PM at the North Plains Senior Center, or another date certain as stated at the Planning Commission hearing. Public testimony regarding the proposal can be provided in writing at any time up to the final public hearing or in person at either of the two public hearings.

November Calendar

11/03  First Friday Flick 6 p.m. at the Library
11/06  City Council Meeting 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial Street
11/08  Planning Commission 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial Street
11/09  Food Pantry 5:30 p.m. at the Yellow House, 31311 NW Commercial St
11/20  City Council Meeting 7 p.m. at North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial Street
11/22  Parks Board 6 p.m. at North Plains Senior Ctr.
11/23  Thanksgiving City Offices Closed
11/24  City offices Closed
11/24  Food Pantry 5:30 p.m. at the Yellow House, 31311 NW Commercial St
11/25  Super Saturday 1 p.m. at Jessie Mays

North Plains Transportation System Plan

The City of North Plains is updating the Transportation System Plan (TSP) to plan for and provide a safe and balanced transportation system for the next 20 years. The TSP will provide a policy and improvement framework that expands on the Envision North Plains Comprehensive Plan to support planned growth and community development.

We want you to hear from you! We are currently looking for community members to join our Advisory Committees. If you would like to get involved, please contact Sierra White at 503-647-5555, or sierra.white@northplains.org. Want to get involved but can’t commit to a spot on the Advisory Committees? Come to one of the many public and on-line planning meetings where you can stay up to date on progress and provide feedback and ideas. Visit www.northplainstsp.com for a schedule of upcoming meetings and more information related to the TSP.
Jingle through North Plains

December 7th, 2017

6 p.m. line up for the Jingle parade
(starting at Jessie Mays)
6:30 p.m. the Jingle Departs
7 p.m. Visit Santa at Jessie Mays
8 p.m. Dickens Carolers
9 p.m. Tree lighting Finale!

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