Ice Cream Social

Come and join your neighbors at the Annual North Plains Ice Cream Social on the first Thursday in June at 6:30 pm on Commercial Street and 314th Avenue. This is a free community event; no reservations required - just show up and have a good time! It's the perfect way to start your summer! We will be kicking off our Concerts in the Park series with Macey Guard Trio. This year's event is presented by the City of North Plains and the North Plains Events Association (NPEA).

Concerts in the Park

Concerts in the Park will be starting up again this June, with the first performance at the Ice Cream Social. This year, we are trying something different by switching up the parks where the concerts will be hosted, and inviting food trucks!

- June 6th: Commercial Street at the Ice Cream Social, featuring Macey Guard Trio.
- July 26th: Sunset Ridge Park, featuring Tom Mann (Country).
- August 23rd: Jessie Mays Park, featuring Hillsboro Symphony Jazz Band.

We hope to see you there!

Library News

Book Babies story times

Babies 0-12 months are invited to hear stories, enjoy finger plays, and share songs and rhymes with Early Childhood Specialist, Ms. Em every Tuesday at 10:00am in the program room in the library.

Story times

Children ages 2-6 are invited to participate every Wednesday at a new time of 10am in the children's section of the library. Here is a rundown on some of our upcoming story time themes for the next few months:

- May 15 – Tales from the old country.
- May 22 – Tools are grand.
- May 29 – Special guest story time with K-9 and his Sheriff’s deputy Michael Zaugg!
- June 5 – Tooth fairy.
- June 12 – Turtle time.
- June 19 – Summer fun.

Summer Reading lineup

Sign-ups for summer reading start on June 1 and the program ends at the Carnival on August 24, although some finisher prizes will be kept in the library until Saturday September 14 for parents who cannot attend the Carnival.

We will have our SRP STEM kickoff on June 6 at NP elementary.
Volunteers Matter in this Community
We have over 100 volunteers who show up to do things like sort books, scoop ice cream and plan for the future. Without them, North Plains would not function. An enormous THANK YOU to all of our VOLUNTEERS and an even bigger CONGRATULATIONS to this year’s winners:

- **Teen Volunteer**: The Library's Teen Council (Colleen Doran, Remington Spitz, Rebecca Sohler, Kyla Daskalos, Amanda Nelson, Paulino Gonzales, David Poole and Ada West)
- **Volunteer of the Year**: Larry Gonzales
- **Lifetime Achievement Award**: Michael Basile.

This poem, written by Anonymous, pretty much sums it up.

WHY I VOLUNTEER
It's not for the money, nor for the fame,
It's not for any personal gain.
It's just for the love of fellow man,
It's just to lend a helping hand.
It's just to give a little of self,
That's something you can't buy with wealth.
It's not for the medals won with pride,
It's just for the feeling deep inside.
It's that reward deep in your heart,
It's the feeling you have been a part of helping others far and near
That makes you be a volunteer.

Email volunteeryourtime@northplains.org if you are interested in learning more how you, too, can be a VOLUNTEER in North Plains.

Angel Ocasio, June 20 at Jessie Mays at 1pm
A high energy, very funny one man variety show, perfectly suited for family audiences. This wonderfully interactive performance combines physical comedy, jokes, juggling, object balancing, comedy magic and impromptu comedy situations. You will have such fun!

Takohachi, June 27 at Jessie Mays at 1pm
Takohachi has a repertoire that includes songs and drumming in the modern Kumi Daiko style, popular among Taiko troupes in the US, as well as many songs in the traditional Dentou Geinou style of ancient Japan. This strong presence of traditional style Taiko is what makes Takohachi so unique among American Taiko troupes.

Penny and her puppets, July 11 at Jessie Mays at 1pm
Penny's Puppet Productions is a professional one-woman puppet company dedicated to making the world a better place, one puppet show at a time! Offering joyful programs that ignite the imagination and fill the room with excitement and laughter, Penny's live performances use puppets, story, and song to inspire and entertain children of all ages. Penny is a professional storyteller who specializes in puppet shows for kids.

The Alphabeticians, July 18 at Jessie Mays at 1pm
The Alphabeticians play clever, upbeat, family appropriate songs, including songs about numbers, size, dads, metaphors, extinct fish and multiple alphabet songs. What more could you ask for?

Nathalia, July 25 at Jessie Mays at 2pm
Originally from Barranquilla, Colombia, Nathalia moved to the United States to study Music Therapy at the Berklee College of Music. Upon completion, she began her career in Los Angeles and later received a Master's degree in Clinical Psychology from Antioch University.

Nathalia’s experience as a music therapist and early childhood music educator inspired her to use music as a tool for teaching her own children Spanish. In doing so, she had inadvertently written songs that would later become her debut children’s album, *From Here To There*.

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.

**Word Play**
The library is proud to host a monthly writers group titled *Word Play* for patrons 18 and older. It meets once a month on the first Thursday of the month from 5pm until 7pm at the library.

Here is a statement from the organizer Marie Buckley:
“*If you like to write and would enjoy meeting with others to exercise your creative muse, this is the opportunity! Come and play with*
words at the library! Each meeting will begin with a short shared writing warm-up and then move into the monthly topic. We will discuss the topic, brainstorm ideas, and spend 20 to 30 minutes writing. After that, we will take turns sharing what we wrote by reading aloud. Participants will gain new ideas to write about and commit memories and life experiences to paper. This is not a critique group, but rather a time to create, move words around, and have fun”.

Free Yoga for All
Free Yoga occurs at the Jessie Mays Community Center 7pm until 8pm most Thursdays until June 13. You’re invited to join Kim in an exploration of western yoga styles in a relaxed and informal setting. This 10-week series will introduce you to popular asana (poses) that will be sequenced with the breath (flow or vinyasa style) or held for a couple minutes (hatha or restorative style). Join us if you would like to learn modifications to poses (because everybody is different) and start to relax your mind near the end of the week. Bring your yoga mat or borrow one of ours.

Japanese culinary literacy – Sweet treats
North Plains Library has been offering a series of workshops entitled Culinary Literacy. This popular series has covered growing herbs, understanding spices, author presentations and holiday cooking to date. This June, we are pleased to offer a presentation by Japanese Pastry Chef Ayumi from 6:30pm until 7:30pm at the Jessie Mays center. Discover the delightful sweet flavors of Japan as Chef Ayumi uses authentic Japanese ingredients to create delicious Japanese sweets. The class will feature demonstrations and tastings as well as a time for questions.

Terrarium Fun
DIY Terrariums and Seed Swap Friday, August 16th 6pm at Jessie Mays add some low maintenance greenery to your desk or office space! Learn how to make an enclosed terrarium, what plants work best and how to troubleshoot & maintain your terrarium. Materials will be provided and reservations are required for this event.

June Calendar

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Parks & Recreation Board
The Parks and Recreation Board has a vacancy opening on July 1, 2019. Please check www.northplains.org for more information!

I Love a Mystery
By Melvin Van Domelen
Mountaindale, OR
Ever since I was a small child I’ve heard my parents talk about cousins of ours who lived up on Pumpkin Ridge. These folks were the Hobin family. We were related way back through the Herman Harmes family. My Grandmother was Mahala Harmes. Her father,
Herman, was drug to death by a team of run-away horses, June 1st, 1881. We refer to this as being the only drug death in our family. (I had to get that in here.)

This is an old photo of Richard and Myrtle Hobin. There were 10 children in this family. Richard Hobin was away from home a lot. It was up to his wife, Myrtle, to hold the fort. Their oldest daughter, Olive, told me of cutting cedar logs with her mother, using a cross-cut saw. They then split shakes to patch the roof of their home.

Myrtle Hobin died in 1935. Olive had married Kenneth White in 1931. Olive immediately took in 3 of her sisters and helped the rest of her siblings as best she could. Times were tough.

Let’s go back to 1934, give or take a year. There was a wild fire going across Pumpkin Ridge. My Mother took me up to the second floor sleeping porch of our house. She held me up to see out of the screened opening and told me “Your daddy is up there.” My Father and some of the neighborhood men had gone to the Hobin place to try and save their home.

My Father later told me that they filled a dug well with some furniture. Their plan was if the fire came over them, they would get into the well and pull a large, round kitchen table over the top of them. Dad said they even practiced this escape. That night the men were able to save the home.

I have a copy of a newspaper clipping given to me by Elaine (Gardner) Olson. It tells of her 10th birthday party, March 27th, 1936. I was surprised to see two Hobin names here since their home on Pumpkin Ridge had been miles away. Thelma and Gerald had lost their mother in 1935. It’s possible they were visiting or staying with my parents. I just can’t remember, too young.

A breakthrough in my search for the Hobin home came last May 9th in two conversations with Judy Goldmann on the telephone. Judy was able to come up with a record of the 1930 census of Pumpkin Ridge. This census shows Richard and Myrtle and children living between a Smith and a Hutchison with Millers as a neighbor and Reynolds near-by. I have a map that shows these properties and could zero in on them.

This information called for a road trip to Pumpkin Ridge May 11th with Mitch Ward, my partner in adventure. We first contacted Joyce Reynolds to get our bearings. Joyce sent us to Mrs. Kresal, a gracious lady, who has the records of the Arcade Cemetery. No Hobin’s in that Cemetery. I showed her my map and the properties we were looking for. She directed us a half-mile up the ridge to a building that was once used as a church around the 1940’s. The group that met there were sometimes referred to as the “Holy Rollers” by the local folks. This church building still stands today. Mrs. Kresal told us that directly across the road from the church building is the place you are looking for. This would put the Hobin family a long half-mile north of the Arcade Cemetery, east side of the road. My curiosity was satisfied.

Olive Hobin married Kenneth White June 13th, 1931. They operated a furniture store in Vernonia. In the evenings Kenneth would repair radios and small electrical appliances in a back room to earn a few extra dollars. Ken was self-taught in electronics and got into making Geiger counters. The Whites moved to Sweet Home and started another furniture store. There they started making metal detectors. This developed into White’s Electronics that had employed hundreds over the years. Ken and Olive also had a corporation in Scotland to make and market a full line of their products. Their son, Kenneth Jr., oversees the company today.
One of the Hobins sons, Leslie, would come down and spend summers at my parent’s farm. Dad said that one year Leslie came walking in barefoot. Times were tough in the early 1930’s. My parents said if they could they would pay Les something – but maybe not.

As an adult, Leslie took up gypo logging out of Vernonia. He had a larger operation at Sweet Home for a while. Leslie ended up at Philomath. There he had 2 sawmills and a planer mill running at the same time along with a fleet of log trucks.

However successful the Hobin children became, they never forgot the kindness my parents, Pearl and Jake, had shown them when it was needed. In later years, whenever my parents were with Ken and Olive White or Les and his wife, Reba, they were treated like royalty. As long as my Mother lived, Olive would mail my Mom a small gift for Christmas.

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**Senior Center News**

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

**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.

**Upcoming event:**

**Meals on Wheels People** Walk-A-Thon went well. Angie’s group name is “Pioneers of North Plains”, they brought in $5,373 for the Walk-A-Thon.

Liver & Onions will be served on Monday, June 17th. Wednesday Breakfast with Tracy, will be June 5th & 19th, Biscuits and gravy with eggs, coffee and juice. Whole breakfast is $5, half is $3.50.

Bunco is June 6th and 27th @ 1:15pm

Bingo here on the first Wed evening of each month starting at 6PM.

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**Historical Society**

North Plains Historical Society will have its annual potluck picnic at noon, June 24, at the home of Doloris Van Domelen, 19441 NW Dairy Creek Rd. Visitors welcome. Bring any dish you like; paper dishes and utensils provided. For more information, contact NPHS President Joyce Reynolds at 503-709-4844 (cell) or Doloris at 503-647-2698.

The North Plains Historical Society will assist in getting the Veterans Memorial project underway. Names of local veterans, branch of service, and which war (or peacetime service years) are being compiled for the memorial which will be constructed sometime in the near future at Vern Galaway Park near McDonald’s. If you would like to contribute information for the memorial and/or lend wartime memorabilia to show at the NPHS booth at the Garlic Festival, please contact NPHS President Joyce Meek Reynolds at (503) 709-4844 (cell) or Dan Stansfield at (503) 985-9619. Memorabilia will be displayed under glass and needs to be collected and framed by late July. Good quality black and white or color copies of documents such as V-mail, photos, ration stamps etc., are also acceptable if you would rather not lend originals. Some 3-D memorabilia will be displayed in a glass case. Any original items on loan must be identified on the back with your name, address and phone so they can be returned safely after the festival. Be sure to visit the NPHS booth at the festival to learn more about the project and hear some stories told by veterans.

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**Fire Department News**

**TVF&R Offers Tips to Prevent Window Falls**

As we welcome warmer summer weather, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue reminds parents, grandparents, and caregivers that window falls are preventable.

Each year, window falls account for about eight deaths and more than 3,300 injuries to young children in the United States, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. TVF&R crews have responded to two window falls in the past month, and we want to prevent any other devastating incidents.

Window screens are not strong enough to keep a child from falling out of a window. They are designed to keep bugs out, not kids in.

Because children frequently land on their heads, many require hospitalization for fall injuries and may have permanent disabilities. In Oregon, a majority of falls occur between May and September but can happen anytime windows are open.
The encouraging news is that simple steps can help prevent injuries. As a partner in the Stop at 4 Inches Campaign to Prevent Window Falls, TVF&R urges parents and families to continue their commitment to window safety.

Please share the following tips with friends, family, or anyone else who has children living in or visiting their home.

- Keep windows closed and locked when not in use.
- Keep furniture and anything a child can climb on away from windows.
- Do not open windows more than 4 inches and install window stops. Window stops prevent windows from opening wide enough to allow a child to tumble out.
- Window stops should be easily removed by an adult in the event of a fire or other emergency, as windows serve as a secondary means of escape.
- For a double-hung window, open the top portion near the ceiling for ventilation while keeping the bottom portion closed.
- Actively watch children near windows — no device can replace adult supervision. Encourage children to keep a safe distance away from windows.
- Ask about window safety when your child visits other homes.

For more information about window safety, appropriate safety devices for your style of windows, and locations to purchase window stops and guards, visit www.StopAt4.com.

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**Work in the Right of Way**

The City requests that any resident that plans to conduct work in the Right of Way contact the City and see if any permits are required. The Right of Way consists of property that is adjacent to a public thoroughfare. While there is no permit to remove trees in the City of North Plains, we recognize the importance of street trees and encourage residents to replant if they are removing a problematic tree. Please call 503-647-5555 if you have any questions!
Strawberry Shortcake Feast

Sponsored by:
The North Plains Events Association

Saturday
June 15th
10 am - 5pm

Come enjoy fresh homemade strawberry shortcake!

Arts and craft vendors on site

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30975 NW Hillcrest St., North Plains, OR
Call or come in for a quote and receive a $10 Visa gift card.

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