## **City of Harrisburg**

# <u>Our Town</u>

## **July 2021**

#### City Administrator's Message

All of Harrisburg, and our surrounding communities are looking forward to our favorite holiday; the Old Fashioned 4th of July Celebration! There is no better time for us to appreciate our town, our local festivals, and what we mean to each other as families, friends and fellow Americans. At the time that I write this message, the state hasn't yet met the 70% vaccination guidelines that will allow all the restrictions to be dropped in Linn County. Therefore, we remind everyone that if they are still in place on the 4th of July, that everyone should follow the standards required by the Oregon Health Authority. The Parade will still be held, along with the Fireworks, but we ask that if standards still apply, to watch that everyone maintains 6' of separation between people if they aren't family, and wear masks if we are closer than 6' in crowds. The Fireworks are bigger than ever, and should be visible from more households in Harrisburg! Please keep watching social media from the HFEA and City for more information, and of course, a flyer with a preliminary schedule of events is included with this newsletter. July 3rd looks to be a fun day with the Firecracker 5K, the Kids Bike Decorating Contest, and the Car Hop in Harrisburg Plaza, complete with DJ. This event is made even better, because it involves our local businesses. Many of them, like Harrisburg Gallery are open on the 4th of July, so please be sure to drop in!

**HFEA needs volunteers!** Lots of Volunteers! Please Facebook message the HFEA at www.facebook.com/

HarrisburgJuly4thCelebration. You can also call Michele at 541-995 -2200 or Rhonda at 541-729-5492 .

#### Harrisburg Small Business Emergency Grant Program

The City Council is currently offering a Small Business Grant Program; this one designed to cover emergencies. Many businesses are still struggling, and this grant is based on a financial need, based on a business receiving shut-off notices, and past due amounts. The City will pay for a businesses past due amounts on utilities, rent, mortgage, payroll, and outstanding invoices necessary to continue with normal business functions, up to a maximum of \$500 per month for each business. Program funds are limited to \$20,000. Drop by City Hall, or visit the webpage at www.ci.harrisburg.or.us, under Business & Development, Small Business Grant Program. Call Michele at 541-995-2200 or Cathy Nelson at 541-995-6655, if you have any questions.

#### Harrisburg Public Library News!

*Welcome OverDrive!* Starting July 1st, Harrisburg Public Library will be part of the Digital Library Consortium offering E-Books to

#### **Contact Information Change**

To better serve you, please indicate any contact changes			
below. Thank you.			
Name:			
Address:			
Phone:			
Email:			

Account Number:

our Patrons. Please visit our City Website at <u>www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/library</u> for more information or download the Libby app and enter Harrisburg Public Library.



<u>**Book Sale:**</u> Sunday, July 4th; 9am to 2pm at the Harrisburg Public Library

**Available Now:** Rocket Languages is an award winning interactive online language learning system available to our Patrons at no charge. Please visit the City Website at <u>www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/</u><u>library</u> for more information.

**Summer Reading Program:** Join the "**Magic Tails Summer Reading Program!**" Visit the Library and pick up your Magic Hat grab bag! Each hat includes magic tricks, drawing pad and pencils along with two summer reading logs. You can earn up to two \$5 Barnes and Noble gift cards for logging your reading hours. While supplies last! We hope to see you soon!

<u>Now until September 30th:</u> School of *Magic Lessons*: Presented by Daniel Lusk. Six magic lessons available with three levels of difficulty. Please visit <u>www.facebook.com/harrisburgoregon</u>. Magic lessons will be available through September 30th.

**Fine Free Trial Period!** Harrisburg Public Library will be starting a *one year fine free trial period*. This will apply to late fees generated by overdue materials. If you currently have outstanding "late fines" effective July 1st, those fines will be forgiven. We hope to see you soon!

**July 1st – July 30th:** *Marty Pants Workshop*: Presented by Mark Parisi. A virtual experience that's engaging, funny that includes a book reading, live drawing lessons, cartoons and cartooning advice. Please visit the City Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/</u>

#### Residential Utility Rates FY 2021-2022

The City Council and Budget Committee voted in the new budget for FY 2021/2022 on June 22, 2021. *There is no utility rate increase for this fiscal year!* The utility bill is a combination of water, sewer and storm drain charges. Please contact City Hall for more information.

 Water:
 Base Rate: \$21.30
 Sewer:
 Minimum Charge:
 \$21.18

 Per Unit:
 \$1.74 (per \*EUU)
 Sewer User Fee:
 \$7.68 (per \*EUU)

 Storm Drain:
 \$3.60

\*An EUU is equal to 748 gals of metered water

#### **Xpress Bill Pay**

Xpress Bill Pay is our online payment provider. You can pay your utility bill by e-check, Visa, Mastercard, Discover or Debit at no extra cost to you. Visit <u>www.ci.harrisburg.or.us/utilitybilling</u> for more information.

#### **Important July Dates**

July 1-31, 2021:	Harrisburg Library Virtual Program-Marty Pants Work Shop
July 3, 2021:	Firecracker 5K & Harrisburg Plaza Car Hop & DJ!
July 4, 2021:	Happy 4th of July! Please see enclosed flyer.
July 5, 2021:	City Hall will be closed for 4th of July Holiday!
July 8, 2021:	Library Board Meeting at 6pm.
July 14, 2021:	Harrisburg Municipal Court at 2pm
July 20, 2021:	Planning Commission Meeting at 7pm
July 27, 2021:	Harrisburg City Council Business Meeting at 6:30pm

## 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Old Fashioned Harrisburg July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration

Follow us at www.facebook.com/HarrisburgJuly4thCelebration. It is the best source for accurate and current information. If you didn't read it there...it may or may not be true. Events subject to change based on CDC/OHA.

Children of all ages through high school are invited to participate in these contests. Please drop off entries in box at Harrisburg City Hall by June 25<sup>th</sup>, and our committee will pick them up at the end of that day. Prizes! Fun! Patriotic!

**Coloring Contest**—Coloring pages went home with Harrisburg students on June 16. Also available from link on our Facebook page, or at City Hall. Will display in windows downtown. Prizes for each age group.

**Rock Painting Contest**—Decorate any size rock with a red, white, and blue design. Decorated rocks as you like. Every participant will receive a prize. Our July 4<sup>th</sup> Committee (HFEA) distribute the rocks all over town for everyone to enjoy

Scavenger Hunt—It's time to strap on those walking shoes and explore downtown. Visit local businesses to find flags. Prizes.

Food/Drinks/Music-We will post specials, events, bands, and DJs at local restaurants and businesses on Facebook soon!

#### Saturday, July 3rd

7:00AM-10:00AM—Breakfast by Volunteer Firefighters (500 Smith St) 0-2 free, 3-12 \$6, 13-64 \$8, 65+ \$7, family \$28

9:00AM—Firecracker 5K & Fun Run Register at http://www.eclecticedgeracing.com/harrisburg-firecracker-5k.html.

2:00PM—**Bike Decorating Contest** Bring your decorated bicycle or pet to the Harrisburg Museum to compete. Please arrive between 1:30-2:00pm. Judging begins at 2pm. Prizes for small and large breed pets, and four age brackets of bicyclists.

5:00PM-8:00PM—**50's "Car-Hop"** The 99 Grill parking lot. DJ. 50s & 60's music. Trivia. Door prizes. Non-sanctioned cruise-in. Watch for a flyer on our Facebook page with more details and The 99 Grill, Dollface, and Casa Toreros specials for this event.

#### Sunday, July 4th

6:00AM-10:00AM—Breakfast by Volunteer Firefighters (500 Smith St) 0-2 free, 3-12 \$6, 13-64 \$8, 65+ \$7, family \$28

7:00AM—Museum Open & Lighting of the Steam Engine Stop by for a tour and blow the steam engine horn.

8:00AM—Flag Raising Ceremony (Museum-490 Smith St)

9:00AM–1:00PM—Harrisburg Library Book Sale (354 Smith St. in front of library)

10:00AM—Flag Raising Ceremony (Gazebo–Riverfront Park)

10:00AM-2:00PM-Chicken BBQ by Life Bible (Old Fire Dept-500 Smith St)

10:00AM–6:00PM— Meet the Artists at The Gallery (294 Smith St)

11:00AM–12:30PM—**Parade** Register at <u>https://events.com/r/en\_US/registration/harrisburg-july-4th-parade-registratison-oregon-harrisburg-july-809050</u>. Candy Float with candy bags assembled by volunteers with masks/gloves. **Need candy**!

12:00pm-10:00PM—Vendors Will be spread out and fewer, but we'll have some great vendors coming back this year.

8:30PM—Presentation of Colors and Pledge of Allegiance at the Gazebo. Flag Waving boat parade on riverfront.

Dusk—**Fireworks** Will be **largest fireworks show in Harrisburg's history**, as we replaced some smaller fireworks with larger ones to go higher in the sky. Consider watching the fireworks from home. If you watch from riverfront, please stay 6' apart from other people and bring a chair or blanket to sit on. However, please leave your pets, fireworks, & grills at home.

"Long May She Wave

### **Grand Marshall: Byrdene Brown**

**Parade Route:** Starts at 7<sup>th</sup> & Smith St, goes down Smith St, then onto 3<sup>rd</sup> St (hwy 99), then onto LaSalle St, then onto 9<sup>th</sup> St, ends at High School. Be sure to **register online** to enter a float, car, bike, costume, band, etc into the parade.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration is organized by the **all-volunteer** Harrisburg Festival and Events Association. Fireworks and activities are supported <u>entirely by donations</u> from generous individuals and companies. **To donate**, please contact Rhonda at 541-729-5492. If you want **to be a vendor**, contact Michele, City of Harrisburg, 541-995-6655.

Traeger & Jet Boat Tour raffle for sale at Hurds & from any Harrisburg firefighter now and at breakfasts! \$5 or 5/\$20

T-Shirts at City Hall & at breakfast! \$15 or 2/\$25

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## **COLORING CONTEST**

Coloring sheets are available at Harrisburg City Hall. Ages 3 -18, Grades Pre-K - 12<sup>th</sup>. Prizes for each grade/age level.

Completed coloring sheets must be turned into Harrisburg City Hall by June 25<sup>th</sup>.

## Bicycle and Pet Dress-Up Contest

Bring your decorated bicycle or pet to the Harrisburg Museum before 2pm on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> to compete. Judging begins at 2pm. Please arrive between 1:30-2:00pm. Prizes for small and large breed pets, and four age brackets of bicyclists.



Racing begins Saturday, July 3rd at 9am.

Event website: http:// www.eclecticedgeracing.com/harrisburg-firecracker-5k.html

## Patriotic Rock Painting Contest

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Decorate any size rock with a red, white, and blue design. Turn in as many decorated rocks as you like to Harrisburg City Hall by June 25<sup>th</sup>. Every participant will receive a prize from City Hall when rocks are presented. Rocks will be distributed all over the city for everyone to enjoy!

## Scavenger Hunt

Visit local businesses to find the flags, then turn in your completed form to Harrisburg City Hall by June 25<sup>th</sup>. Winners will be announced July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Forms are available to pick up at Harrisburg City Hall.