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The Word on the Street

City of Stayton's Monthly Newsletter

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Stayton Public Library

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Xpress Bill Pay

We have received reports about an online payment system for Stayton utilities, however it is not an authorized site nor endorsed by the city.

There is only one online method of payment for City of Stayton's utility bills and that is thorough Xpress Bill Pay at xpressbillpay.com.

Scan the QR below to review or register your account. For additional questions call the Finance Dept. at (503) 769-3425.



[Xpress Bill Pay](http://xpressbillpay.com)

Continuing to Plan for New Improvements

We are entering the fall season which means we are switching gears from construction to planning the next line-up of city improvement projects. The approved budget is our guide to determining priorities of projects, what needs repair, and what new additions can be brought to Stayton. However, while Stayton has a set budget, we can also seek and apply for funding in other places. As you may already know, grants are state, federal and sometimes private financial support that have are used for specific projects, such as upgrading a city's infrastructure and kickstarting the development of a new community space.



Concept map of Mill Creek Park project.

Earlier this year, City staff applied for an Oregon Parks and Recreation (OPRD) Local Government Grant for improvements at Mill Creek Park. We recently received notice that the City would be awarded a \$1 million grant for the Mill Creek Park project. In addition to the grant award, the City of Stayton budgeted a match of \$750,000 towards the Mill Creek Park project bringing the total funding available to \$1,750,000.

This funding will enable the City to begin Phase 1 of the project, which will lay the foundation for the park. Phase 1 will include elements like park fixtures (benches, picnic tables, etc.), playground equipment, infrastructure (water, wastewater, electricity, etc.), and land preparation for the next phases (grading, wetland mitigation). Project design will begin later this year and we hope to start construction some time next year. As funding allows, the City will continue to move forward with the next phases which will add additional elements to Mill Creek Park such walking trails, a skate park, and an outdoor amphitheater.

Please share any questions or comments about the project by emailing them to citygovernment@staytonoregon.gov. All input is important and your support is invaluable with projects like these.

To learn more about the Mill Creek Park Project, visit our Public Work's Project Page at www.staytonoregon.gov/page/pw_projects/.

Best wishes,

Julia Hajduk, City Manager

Stayton Halloween Activities

It's the season for ghosts and ghouls to dress up as their favorite characters, tell spooky stories, and collect sweets from generous folk. There are several activities available at the Stayton Public Library, check their [calendar](#) online for dates and times. Plus, visit Downtown Stayton on October 31st for **Downtown Trick or Treat** event, led by Revitalize Downtown Stayton.



Trick or Treating will be from **3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.** from Washington St. to Water St. on 3rd Avenue.

Breast Cancer and Domestic Violence Awareness



During the month of October, you will see Stayton Police Officers and staff wearing purple and pink undershirts and hats in support of Breast Cancer Awareness and Domestic Violence Awareness.

Officers will wear pink in support of survivors and to bring attention to finding a cure for breast cancer. In late October, officers will wear purple to raise awareness about domestic violence in our country.

In addition, the City will show their support and help raise awareness with illuminating their buildings' interior with pink and purple lights. To learn more visit www.nationalbreastcancer.org and www.thehotline.org.

Friends of the Library - Annual Used Book Sale

Join us at the Stayton Community Center this October 3-5 to discover thousands of books, CDs, and DVDs for bargain prices while supporting programs at the Stayton Public Library at the Friends of the Library annual **Used Book Sale!**

The sale will be open at:

Thursday, October 3 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday, October 4 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 5 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

STAYTON FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
Used Book Sale
OCTOBER 3 - 5
Stayton Community Center
400 W Virginia St., Stayton, OR

PSA: Disposal of Lawn Trimming and Fallen Leaves

As a reminder, make sure that yard debris is properly disposed. Make sure that trimming/leaves have not fallen into the street/curb. If you have hired a landscaping company, ask them to collect any run-away debris at the curb.

Some may shrug and say 'The street sweeper will get it'. But everything flows downhill, debris collects, which affects the function of storm drains and leads to blockage, which leads to potential flooding. Help us keep the drains open, if you see a drain blocked in your neighborhood, please help us to clear the drain. If there are further issues, contact Public Works at (503) 769-2919.



City of Stayton Calendar - October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Parks & Recreation Board 6:00 p.m.	2	3	4	5
6	7 City Council 7:00 p.m.	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 Library Board 6:00 p.m.	17 Public Arts Comm. 6:00 p.m.	18	19
20	21 City Council 7:00 p.m.	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Planning Commission 7:00 p.m.	29	30	31 Halloween 		

*To learn more about City Council, Boards, and Commissions, visit our City [website](http://www.staytonoregon.gov) or watch live on our [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) page.

Stayton Public Library

Library's October Schedule

Fun for all at the Stayton Public Library! You can check the Library's calendar online at calendar.staytonlibrary.org

For more information, please call (503) 769-3313 or send an email to info@staytonlibrary.org.

DIY Craftshop: Haunted Mini Bookshelves
Thursday, October 10, 11:00 a.m.

Join us and create a miniature haunted scene inside of a mint tin. Supplies will be provided.

Fiber Arts Connections
Friday, October 11, 11:00 a.m.

Do you like to knit, crochet, embroider, stitch, or sew? Join other fiber arts enthusiasts of all ages and abilities for crafting and conversation. Bring a project you're working on, or try one provided.

It's a Story-Palooza!

Tuesday, October 15, 10:30 a.m.

Instead of our regular storytime, join us for a celebration of stories and storytelling with activities for all ages.

STEAM Days: Robots, Galore!

Tuesday-Friday, Oct. 15-18, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Plug into the world of robotics with our selection of robots including Ozobots, Cubelets, and more!

Pumpkin Painting & Contest

Tuesday, October 22, 11 a.m. & 4 p.m.

It's time for the annual pumpkin painting contest! Join us at the Library to decorate a pumpkin for the contest or design one at home and bring it in! Check in at the beginning of October for contest categories. Vote for your favorite pumpkin by October 26th!

Cyber-Tricked at the Library!

Thursday, October 31, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

While you're out trick-or-treating downtown, stop by the Library for themed tricks and treats!