

# Newsletter Winners Announced — Come Claim Your Prize

## *River City Briefs*

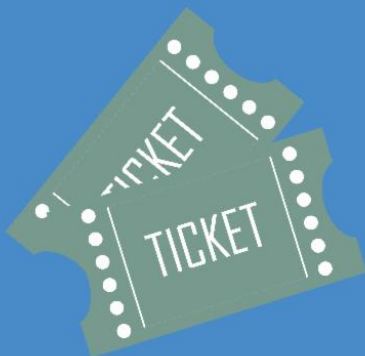
August 5, 2022

The City of Independence, Oregon | 555 S Main St, Independence, OR 97351 | 503 838-1212

Para La Versión En Español

### Congrats to our Newsletter Winners — Come Claim Your Movie Ticket Prize

## NEWSLETTER MOVIE TICKET WINNERS



- Paula Rodriguez
- Vincent Pontier
- Mary Runyon

Drumroll, please!

Our newsletter subscription movie ticket winners are Paula Rodriguez, Vincent Pontier, and Mary Runyon.

Congratulations on each winning FOUR FREE movie tickets to our very own Independence Cinema! To claim your tickets, please visit the front

desk of the Independence Civic Center and show us this email.

If you, or someone you know, has not yet signed up for our email newsletter, please send them to the link below.

Thank you to everyone who signed up for our newsletter. The City of Independence looks forward to continually finding ways to better inform our residents on the most current happenings in our beautiful river city.

[Sign Up for Newsletter Here](#)

## Intersection at 4th and C Street is Now an All-Way Stop



The intersection of 4th and C Street, right by Independence Elementary School, is now an all-way stop-controlled crossroad. Traffic Control Change Ahead signs, supplemental stop bars, road paint, and fold-out stop signs have been posted.

The fold-out signs will remain in place for the next two weeks, and the Traffic Control Change signs will remain in place for 90 days.

The City of Independence urges residents to be aware when driving through this area as we work to increase the safety of our students during and after school operating hours.

## Festival Informativo Garners Great Turnout



11 area service organizations came to the St. Patrick Church community to participate in “Festival Informativo”, a resource fair event with a primary goal of promoting various services that are available in the greater Independence area. The event was a success, and we are looking forward to offering a similar event in the fall.

For questions about the event, or if your organization would like to participate in a future resource fair, please email Ramon Martinez at [Rmartinez@ci.independence.or.us](mailto:Rmartinez@ci.independence.or.us)

[Email Ramon](mailto:Rmartinez@ci.independence.or.us)

---

**Movies & Concerts in the Park Continue All Summer**

# CONCERTS IN THE PARK



## WHEN

Friday, August 5, 2022  
6:30 PM

## WHERE

Independence  
Riverview Park

Have you been enjoying our weekly movie and concert in the park as much as we have?

These music-filled events could not be possible without our sponsors who help bring these talented bands from all over Oregon, and beyond, to Independence. We especially thank our presenting sponsor **Capitol Subaru** for all the great work they do to better the communities they serve.

To see the full concert lineup, visit our website:

[Full Summer Series Schedule](#)

---

Community Development Update



Several items move through the Independence Community Development Department in any given month. This section of River City Briefs showcases some of the projects that are occurring in the community.

- **Independence Housing Needs Analysis** – Work has begun on the Independence Housing Needs Analysis. The project, funded through a grant received from the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development, will consider housing needs in Independence over the next 20 years, and break the housing need into various types and prices. Strategies to promote affordable and available housing to all income levels will also be identified through the process. A kickoff presentation for the project will be made to a joint meeting of the Planning Commission and the City Council at the City Council meeting on August 9, 2022 and a community survey about the project will be sent out within the next couple of weeks.
- **Monmouth-Independence Trolley Project** – Work continues on the trolley project. Vehicles have been ordered and stop locations have been identified. Progress is additionally being made on the branding for the service. Expect more information about the service and a survey to request feedback about the branding soon.

In addition to these projects, the department has been at work on the following development code change:


- **Changes to Garage Requirements** – At the City Council meeting of August 9, the Council will consider a code change that would modify the requirements for garages. The changes would no longer require new single-family homes and duplexes to have a garage and would allow individuals to convert their garages to habitable space, so long as certain conditions are met.

To see details of the proposed code change, please click the button below.

If you have questions about the projects or anything else, please contact Fred Evander, Community Planner at (503) 837-1168 or by email at fevander@ci.independence.or.us.


[See Proposed Changes](#)



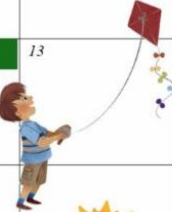




## August Library Schedule



# August 2022

Summer Reading Continues until Aug. 19.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
<b>Independence Public Library</b> 175 Monmouth Street Independence, OR 97351 503-838-1811 www.ci.independence.or.us/library and LIKE us on Facebook		 <b>National Night Out</b> at Monmouth Faith Lutheran Church 6-8 pm	3 <b>Computer Camp</b> 3 pm	4 <b>Turtle Power!</b> 3 pm	<b>Teen/Adult</b> <b>Orienteering</b> 3 pm	6	
7 	8	9	10 <b>Henrik Bothe Library Circus</b> Riverview Park 3 pm	11 <b>Camp Cooking</b> 3 pm	12 <b>Teen/Adult</b> <b>DIY Kites &amp; S'mores</b> 3 pm 	13	
14	15	16 <b>Rhys Thomas Riverview Park</b> 3 pm <b>Mystery Book Club</b> 4 pm Riverview Park	17 <b>Coventry &amp; Kaluza Summer Reading Party</b> Riverview Park 3 pm	18  <b>Last day to turn in your Summer Reading</b> 	19	20	
21 	22	Next session of Storytime begins Sept. 7th.			25	26 	27
28	29	30					

[Learn More Here](#)

## Meet Spiderman at Independence Riverview Park



MID VALLEY PARENTING PRESENTS:

# SPIDERMAN MEET & GREET

STOP BY ANY OF THE FOLLOWING EVENTS TO RECEIVE A FREE KONA ICE TREAT, PLAY LAWN GAMES, TALK TO THE RESOURCE CENTER TEAMS, LEARN ABOUT UPCOMING FAMILY EVENTS, AND GET A PHOTO TAKEN WITH SPIDERMAN

**Tuesday, August 9th**  
**4 PM to 6 PM**  
**Riverview Park, Independence**

**Tuesday, August 16th**  
**4 PM to 6 PM**  
**Main Street Park, Monmouth**

**Tuesday, August 30th**  
**4 PM to 6 PM**  
**West Salem Clinic**



**FREE KONA ICE & PHOTOS WITH YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD SPIDERMAN!**

## Oregon Wine Country Half Marathon to be Hosted in Independence



The Oregon Wine Country Half Marathon has relocated to Independence, Oregon for the return of its annual, in-person event. The event setup will take place on Saturday, September 3, 2022 beginning at 3 PM, and end Sunday, September 4, 2022, at 1 PM.

Managed by the non-profit Sport Oregon, the Oregon Wine Country Half Marathon has a profoundly positive impact on Oregon wine country. With almost half of all runners coming from out-of-state, the

race produces substantial economic benefit throughout the region, along with an innovative partnership with local charities that provides hundreds of

race volunteers and generates critical financial support for important youth and family programs in the community.

This large-scale event will affect the traffic patterns in our city, so please be advised of our traffic control plan which can be found by clicking the button below.

[See Full Route Schedule](#)

## Places by the Sea Exhibit Featured at Independence Heritage Museum



In 1910, visiting Oregon's destinations by the sea wasn't an easy trip. Trunks were pulled down from the attic, bathing suits aired and repaired. Bed linens, clothing, toys, and cooking utensils were packed. The adventure was at least a week long and it could last all summer. Vacationers rented cottages, camped, or stayed in hotels dotting the coast.

The photos on display were taken between 1906 and 1920 and showcase the Oregon coast as a place of bustling activity while also being filled with solitude. The messages accompanying the photographs are small stories inspired by coastal postcards found in the Oregon Historical Society collections.

Come check it out - admission is always free; donations are welcome. The Heritage Museum is open Tuesday - Thursday 10 AM - 6 PM, Friday & Saturday 10 AM - 4 PM, and closed on Sunday & Monday.

[Visit Museum Website](#)



## Submit Your Story Suggestion

**SUBMIT  
YOUR  
STORY**

The City of Independence wants to hear your stories. Whether it be the history behind a local business, your favorite neighbor, or simply a hometown hero—we will work to highlight our community through their voices.

Submit your stories by clicking the link below.



**INDEPENDENCE**  
*Oregon's Story Begins Here*

Have you ever wanted to know the history behind a local business, your favorite neighbor, or simply a hometown hero? So do we!

The City of Independence will work to highlight these individuals through written stories, videos, photos, and include them in our following newsletters and social media postings.

To submit your story or idea, simply click the button below, email our communications office, and we will work with you on constructing the best medium for your story.

We look forward to continuing to tell the story of the people who live in our beautiful river city.

[Submit Your Story](#)

This Newsletter Brought to you by

**INDEPENDENCE**  
*Oregon's Story Begins Here*





City of Independence | 555 S Main St, Independence, OR 97351

[Unsubscribe egoicochea@ci.independence.or.us](mailto:egoicochea@ci.independence.or.us)

[Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by [communications@ci.independence.or.us](mailto:communications@ci.independence.or.us) in collaboration  
with



Try email marketing for free today!