

City of Independence

River City Briefs

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WESTERN DAYS 2016 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Fri., July 1st: 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm: Carnival opens with \$1.00 rides
8:30 pm – 9:45 pm: Entertainment in the Amphitheater
10:00 pm: Movie in the Park: Jurassic World
- Sat. July 2nd: Noon – 7:00 pm: Kids' Activities
2:00 pm – Midnight: Vendors Open
4:00 pm: Watermelon eating contest in Amphitheater
7:00 pm: Entertainment in the Amphitheater: Diva Dance
8:30 pm – 9:45 pm: Entertainment in the Amphitheater: Petty Fever (Tom Petty tribute band)
10:00 pm: FIREWORKS
10:45 pm – 11:30 pm: Entertainment in the Amphitheater: Petty Fever
- Sun. July 3rd: 10:00 am: Church Service in the Amphitheater
Noon: Carnival opens – Wristband Day (Ride all day for \$25)
2:00 pm – 10:00 pm: Vendors Open
6:00 pm: Entertainment in the Amphitheater: Aaron Crawford (Country Rock)
8:30 pm – 9:45 pm: Entertainment in the Amphitheater: Romancé (Traditional Latino)
10:00 pm: Movie in the Park: McFarland (PG)
- Mon., July 4th: 11:30 am: 46th Annual Mini-Marathon
11:35 am: Children's Parade
Noon: Fourth of July Grand Parade
Noon – 7:00 pm: Kids' activities
Noon – Midnight: Vendors Open
8:30 pm – 9:45 pm: Entertainment in the Amphitheater
10:00 pm: FIREWORKS
10:45 pm – 11:30 pm: Entertainment in the Amphitheater: Infamous Souls (Classic Rock)



HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!

Polk County Fairgrounds Beautification Day

The Polk County Ford Institute Leadership Cohort, in conjunction with the Polk County Fairgrounds Board, invite you to join us on Saturday, July 23rd, 2016 for the "Polk County Fairgrounds Beautification Day." All Polk County residents and families are invited to volunteer from 9:00am to 1:00pm to complete projects around the Fairgrounds. Projects will include repairing, repainting and building sheep and goat panels, constructing and painting small animal trays, and other projects to prepare for the 2016 Polk County Fair and other events. All ages and skill levels are needed, so bring the family! The day will conclude with a celebration of everyone's efforts.

Visit our website at <http://www.polkswcd.com/polk-county-fair-beautification-day.html> for information, to register to volunteer, or to provide a tax-deductible cash donation. All donations collected will be used for supplies needed on July 23.

For additional information, contact Karin Stutzman at manager@polkswcd.com or 503.623.9680 x110.

WaterSense® Showerhead Program

The City of Independence has partnered with the Energy Trust of Oregon to administer a WaterSense® showerhead program.



The Energy Trust is providing free showerheads to Independence customers. The showerheads are available at city hall, and there is a limit of two per customer.

You are not only using less water with these efficient showerheads, but by using less water it means less energy is used to treat it, pump it and distribute it.

By conserving water, you are helping maintain our natural resources. We can all help by going low-flow!

Use this QR code to visit the City's website:



River's Edge Summer Series



Don't forget to check out last month's newsletter for a list of movies and music in the park this summer. Or, check out the website at:

www.independenceamphitheater.com

or on Facebook at:

IndependenceAmphitheater

THIS MONTH AT THE INDEPENDENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

For Kids:

On Your Mark, Get Set... READ! Summer Reading Continues!

Family Story Time: Wednesdays at 10:30am. An hour of stories, songs, finger-plays, crafts and more.

CUENTOS EN ESPAÑOL: Martes a las 5:30pm. Un programa de cuentos, canciones, manualidades y más.

Chess Club: Tuesdays at 4:30pm: Children in first grade and up are invited to join Nancy Albritton for a chance to use and improve their chess skills. No experience is required and children at all levels are welcome.

Motion Commotion. See how many ways you can move. Wednesday, July 6th at 3pm.

Sports Fun! Find out why your favorite sports work the way they do. Thursday, July 7th at 3pm.

Angel Ocasio. – Comedy and clowning fun. Wednesday, July 13th at 3pm.

Library Challenge: Best the Best. Our own library version of world records. Thursday, July 14th at 3pm.

Rise Up with Kacey McCallister! Get motivated. Wednesday, July 20th at 3pm.

The A"mazing" Race. Challenge our box maze plus pa-

per mazes and more. Thursday, July 21st at 3pm.

Border Collies International (at Riverview Park). Dog performance at its best! Wednesday, July 27th at 3pm.

GIANT Games & End Party. Join the fun when your favorite games become gigantic! Thursday, July 28th at 3pm.

For Teens:

Get in the Game...Read!

Goofy Golf. Friday, July 8th at 3pm.

Chocolate Olympics. Friday, July 15th at 3pm.

Duct Tape DIY. Friday, July 22nd at 3pm.

Wii Tournament & Pizza Party. Friday, July 29th at 6:30pm

For Adults:

Exercise Your Mind....READ!

Scrabble with Betty: Wednesday, July 6th at 1pm. Love games? Join Betty and other friends for a fun game of Scrabble.

Mystery Book Club: Thursday, July 14th at 6pm. The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie by Alan Bradley. Copies are available for check out at the library.

City Receives Award for Financial Reporting

For the first time, the Finance Department of the City of Independence received the "Award of Financial Reporting Achievement" from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada, for its 2014-15 comprehensive financial report (CAFR). GFOA states "the Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management."

GRASS & WEEDS



With the warm summer days upon us, please remember to keep your outside areas trimmed back.

The city needs your help in doing your part to keep our city beautiful!

Public Meeting Schedule	Date(s)	Time	Place
City Council	July 12	7:30 PM	Civic Center—Chambers
	July 26	7:30 AM	Civic Center—Chambers
Planning Commission	July 11	7:00 PM	Civic Center—Chambers
Historic Preservation Commission	July 19	4:00 PM	Civic Center—Chambers
Hop & Heritage Festival Commission	July 28	6:30 PM	Civic Center—Event Center
Museum Board	July 13	4:30 PM	Heritage Museum
Library Board	July 25	4:00 PM	Independence Library
Parks & Rec Committee	July 21	6:00 PM	Civic Center—Ash Creek Room
Traffic Safety Commission	Aug 17	6:00 PM	Civic Center—3rd Floor
Western Days Commission	July 13	7:00 PM	Civic Center—Event Center



Want to Recycle?

Brandt's Sanitary Service offers 2 ways to recycle:

1. at their 24-hour recycling center, located at 158 Pacific Avenue South; or
2. curbside recycling. For more information, call Brandt's at: 503-838-0464.

Independence on Facebook

You can keep up-to-date with what's going on in the city and get timely announcements about city-related events and activities. Find us at:

<http://www.facebook.com/IndependenceOregon>



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www.minetfiber.com