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Customer of the Quarter

It is a pleasure to recognize **Ken Holady** as Customer of the Quarter. Ken and his wife Sandi have been on the City's utility system since 1980. Ken is service oriented, taking care of many individuals with life challenges. Tracking these individual needs, Ken is seen quite often at City Hall. Ken says, "Everyone at City Hall has great customer service skills and are enjoyable to work with." Ken is known by his many friends and associates as a "go to" person for many services. He has been known to leave the area to help a local citizen with a broken vehicle, sometimes having to tow it back long distance to his shop. All this with a smile on his face and a few skinned knuckles. He's also known to pound nails to help replace a roof for someone in need, hang a curtain or two, fix porches and much, much more.

Congratulations as our Fall 2015 Customer of the Quarter and thank you for all of your service in the community and providing a helping hand where needed. Keep up the great work!





WORKSHOP AT THE LIBRARY

Cloud Making—Come build a sky with visiting theater artist Pearl Damour! Making miniature clouds and then letting them go to float together!

Ages K-5 and their families
Wednesday, January 13, 2016 from 6-7p.m.
AT THE LIBRARY!

FOOD PROVIDED AND IT'S FREE!!!

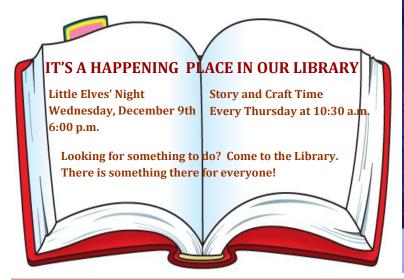
This Cloud Making Workshop is part of a series of creative events where the families of Milton-Freewater can Hablar/Talk, Jugar/Play, and Soñar/Dream about what we want our town to be. More information about other great events coming in January!

City Council

Lewis Key, Mayor Orrin Lyon, Ward 1 Brad Humbert, Ward 2 Jeff Anliker, Ward 3 Steve Patten, AL/Pos 1 Steve Irving, AL/Pos 2 Ed Chesnut, AL/Pos 3

City Manager
Linda Hall

November	Veteran's Day	Wednesday, November 11, 2015	Thursday, November 12, 2015
	Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 26, 2015	Wednesday, November 25, 2015
	Day after Thanksgiving	Friday, November 27, 2015	Monday, November 30, 2015
December	Christmas Eve	Thursday, December 24, 2015	Wednesday, December 23, 2014
	Christmas Day	Friday, December 25, 2015	Monday, December 28, 2015
January	New Year's Day – 2016	Friday, January 1, 2016	Monday, January 4, 2016



WISELY CHOOSE A LIVE CHRISTMAS TREE!

- Needles shouldn't come off when you pull the branches, and branches shouldn't break when you bend them.
- Give a tree a good bounce and watch the needles that fall. Brown needles from the center near the trunk are okay. But fallen green needles are not a good sign.
- 3. Once chosen, make a fresh cut in the trunk and get it into water asap.
- 4. Keep away from heat sources and preferably away from the sun.
- 5. DAILY Water, Water, Water!!!

L.E.D. LIGHTS

BUYER BEWARE::: When purchasing L.E.D. lights, look for the Energy Star logo on the package. There are knock-off brands out there, but they are not quality bulbs, and as such may not perform as you may expect.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact the Conservation Office at City Hall by calling 541-938-8237.

HOME WEATHERIZATION

Conservation

It's that time of year again! Time to service your heating system and change the air filter. Also—remember to close your foundation vents around Thanksgiving to help protect your water pipes this winter. **Effective October 1st,** there are changes to the rebates offered by City/BPA for energy conservation measures. All of our normal programs (insulation, windows, appliances & heat pumps) are still offered, but some are at a lower rate than last year. Insulation rebate = \$0.25/ft², Window rebate \$3.00/ft², Heat Pumps \$500 to \$1,200, Ductless Heat Pumps \$600, Energy Star Clothes Washer \$20 to \$50, Energy Star Clothes Dryer \$20, Heat Pump Water Heater \$250 to \$400. **NOTE: Energy Star Refrigerators, Freezers and Electric Water Heaters are no longer receiving a rebate.**

REMEMBER to contact the Conservation Office at City Hall for approval before starting any projects or you may risk your rebate.



NEW energy products to consider purchasing: Heat Pump Water Heaters, LED lamps and coming to the market soon—Heat Pump Clothes Dryers.

COUNCIL COMMENTS



n ordinance was adopted this year on the 13th of July to address the provision of safety for pedestrian transport on sidewalks while recognizing merchandise displays can enhance the economic well-being of commercial districts.

To address both issues, Council adopted Ordinance 970. This ordinance states that all outdoor merchandise displays are limited in time, dimension and location according to the standards outlined in the ordinance. Prior to any outdoor display of merchandise, a development permit is required and is issued through the Planning Department located at City Hall.

You may find the full ordinance by going to the City's website at www.mfcity.com and clicking on "City Code" located on the left side of the screen. Then click on "Ordinances Pending Codification" and Ordinance 970 will appear in red print below. Click on the "970" and you will be able to view the full ordinance.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our City Planner @ 541-938-8234.



LOOKING AHEAD

Business licenses are due for renewal by January 1st of each year. Renewal notices for 2016 are planned to be mailed in November.

To participate, please cut here and remit with your next payment.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – Customers Helping Customers!

City Light & Power's Energy Assistance Program is managed in cooperation with the Salvation Army to help the under privileged in our community pay their winter heating bills. **The money received through this program stays in Milton-Freewater.**

If you are a customer interested in helping others, simply mark one of the pledge options below and mail this insert back with your next payment or drop it by City Hall. City Light and Power will add the amount to your bill each month for as long as you wish. Or you may send a check payable to "Energy Assistance Program" in the amount of your desired contribution. **ALL DONATIONS RECEIVED WILL BE MATCHED BY CITY LIGHT & POWER (up to a total of \$5,000).** Your contribution is fully tax deductible. There is no obligation and you can cancel at any time.

(check one below)	(check one below)		
One Dollars	One Month	Signature	Date
Two Dollars	Six Months		
\$ Dollars	Continuous	Name & Address (please print)	

Individuals interested in applying to receive Energy Assistance benefits may do so by calling the Salvation Army at 509-529-9470.

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City Recorder	938.8233			
Community Development	938.8236			
Conservation	938.8237			
Electric Department	938.8232 or 938.8231			
Engineering	938.8230 or 938.8238			
Finance Department	938.5531			
(Utility bill payments/taxi tickets)				
Fire Business	938.8256			
Golf Course	938.7284			
Human Resources	938.8243			
Library	938.8247			
Municpal Court	938.8203			
Planning & Zoning	938.8234 or 938.8235			
Police Business	938.5511			

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Meetings & Closures

938.8270 or 938.8272 or 938.8274

October 2015

Public Works

- * 26 CITY COUNCIL MEETING 7pm Albee Room
- * Planning Commission-no meeting for October

November 2015

- * 2 Planning Commission Meeting 7pm Albee Room
- * 11 VETERANS DAY offices closed
- * 9 CITY COUNCIL MEETING 7pm Albee Room
- * 26 THANKSGIVING offices closed
- * 27 DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING offices closed

December 2015

- * 7 Planning Commission Meeting 7pm Albee Room
- * 14 CITY COUNCIL MEETING 7pm Albee Room
- * 24 CHRISTMAS EVE offices closed
- * 25 CHRISTMAS DAY offices closed

All meetings are open to the public. The locations of the meetings are handicapped accessible. Please call City Hall at 541.938.5531, or write the City of Milton-Freewater, PO Box 6, Milton-Freewater, OR 97862 if you will need any special accommodations or an interpreter to attend or participate in the meeting.

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