

CITY NEWS

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CUSTOMER OF THE QUARTER

Please join us in recognizing **MARGE ROFF** as **Customer of the Quarter**! Marge has served on several city advisory committees and has been a staunch supporter of our community for several decades.



Mayor Lewis Key and Customer of the Quarter, Marge Roff

Marge was recognized at our recent City Council meeting on March 11th by our City Councilors, Mayor Key and City Manager Linda Hall for her many decades of community support and volunteerism.

"Her tireless energy, positive spirit and her CAN DO attitude will be missed." – City Manager, Linda Hall

Marge, thank you so much for your dedication and years of perseverance to help make Milton-Freewater a great place to call home. We will miss you very much but always remember – Milton-Freewater is *HOME* and we will welcome you back with open arms! Our loss is North Dakota's gain apparently!

Congratulations Marge! Enjoy your retirement! You have earned it.

SPRING 2015



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City Council Welcomes Councilor Patten!

We are pleased to introduce our newest City Councilor, Steven Patten. He was sworn into office on March 9, 2015 at the regular council meeting. Steven will serve the remaining term of office of City Councilor At Large Position #1, which will end December 31, 2016. The council seat was vacated when Sam Hopkins-Hubbard announced his resignation due to leaving the area. Steven is the Senior Environmental Scientist with the Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council.



Three City Councilor's Re-elected

Also, at the January 26, 2015 Council meeting Orrin Lyon was sworn into office of City Councilor Ward 1. He has held this seat since August 21, 2001. He has also been the Council President for the past six years and was re-elected for another two year term.

Steve Irving was sworn into office of City Councilor At Large Position #2. Steve has held this seat since October 11, 2004.

Edwin Chesnut was sworn into office of City Councilor At Large Position #3. Ed has held this seat since January 8, 2007.

Councilor's Patten, Lyon, Irving and Chesnut join fellow Mayor Lewis Key and Councilor's Brad Humbert, Ward 2 and Jeff Anliker, Ward 3 as our local governing body.



By: Leanne Steadman, City Recorder

Need Help Budgeting Your Utility Bill? Want A Consistent Utility Payment Amount?

Equal
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Join our Equal Pay Plan – also known as Budget Plan.

Here is how it works ...

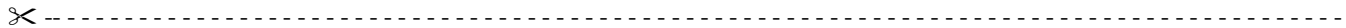
We compute the amount of your utilities used over the previous 12 months (you must have lived at the residence one year). The total of your previous year's utilities along with your account balance at the time of your May statement are divided into 12 equal payments. *Note: If your account balance at the time of your May statement is more than \$50.00 you may not qualify for the plan.* Your first payment will be on your May statement. Each May your budget payment amount will be recalculated. Adjustments may be made within the budget year (May-April) should the budget amount not cover increased usage. The budget amount is required to be paid each month on time. Non-payment of a budget amount may cause you to lose the privilege of participating. Your final billing for the budget year will be issued in April and will need to be paid in full unless it is a CREDIT.

IMPORTANT! If you were on last year's PLAN, you will be put on next year's plan automatically if your account balance at the time of your May statement is less than \$50.00. Should you NOT wish to continue on the plan please note below.

How do I join? Complete the form below and return it on or before April 17th.

_____ Yes! Please include me.	_____ No. I do not wish to continue on the plan.
Name: _____	Account Number: _____
Address: _____	Phone Number: _____
Signed: _____	Date: _____

Questions can be directed to our Finance Department at 541-938-5531.



Aquatic Center

Open for weekend - June 6th & 7th
Closed June 8th, 9th & 10th
Open June 11th for season
938-9166

Spring Clean Up

City refuse paying customers only
April 16 – 18 @ landfill
Must have ticket & most recent utility bill
for admittance

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Memorial Day

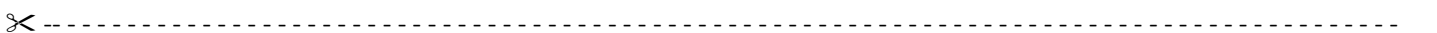
City Offices **WILL BE CLOSED**

Observed: Monday 5/25

Refuse & Recycling Service for Monday
Route: Tuesday 5/26



Wednesday's starting June 3
4-7 p.m. @ Orchard Park



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.

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

<p>(check one below)</p> <p>_____ One Dollar (\$1.00)</p> <p>_____ Two Dollars (\$2.00)</p> <p>_____ \$ Dollars</p>	<p>(check one below)</p> <p>_____ One Month</p> <p>_____ Six Months</p> <p>_____ Continuous</p>	<p>_____ Signature</p> <p>_____ Date</p> <p>_____ Name & Address (please print)</p>
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Individuals interested in applying to receive Energy Assistance benefits may do so by calling the Salvation Army at 509-529-9470.

SUMMER
READING



Starting on **June 1st** come down to your public library and sign up to join us for our Summer Reading program!

Summer Reading is a **FREE** program that is offered to preschool and school age children that encourages children to read while not in school. This **FUN** program has special activities, games, performers and prizes. This year's theme is **"Every Hero Has a Story"**. We will be celebrating our community heroes with special weekly programs. For more information contact the library at 541-938-8246.

In the meantime check out our story time and new books!



WEEKLY SCHEDULES



Preschool Story Time Themes

Thursday's @ 10:30 a.m.

- 6/18 Superhero
- 6/25 Tall tales
- 7/02 Police
- 7/09 Fireman
- 7/16 Military
- 7/23 Animal
- 7/30 Tall tales
- 8/06 Kid Heroes



EVENTS FOR EVERYONE

- 6/01 Sign up's begin
- 6/12 Summer Reading Kickoff Party – 4 p.m.
- Sign up & enjoy pizza with us!
- 6/23 Rick Huddle Juggling Program – 6:30 p.m.
- 8/04 Reptile Man Program @ Community Building



LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Wed	12 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Thur & Fri	10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sat	10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

School Age Events

Tuesday's – times noted

- 6/16 Superhero Training Academy Party – 6 p.m.
- 6/23 Rick Huddle Juggler Program – 6:30 p.m.
- 6/30 Police Heroes Party – 6 p.m.
- 7/07 Fireman Heroes Party – 6 p.m.
- 7/14 Military Heroes Party – 6 p.m.
- 7/21 Animal Heroes Party – 6 p.m.
- 7/28 Kid Heroes Party – 6 p.m.
- 8/04 Reptile Man - 4:30 p.m. @ Community Building

Conservation

Summer Is Just Around The Corner!

Saving Energy = Saving Money!

Upgrade your air conditioner to a new ductless heat pump with rebates available up to \$600 and/or install new energy efficient windows with rebates up to \$3 per square foot.

Contact the Conservation Office at 541-938-8237 for more information and approval PRIOR to any work being done to ensure such measures qualify.

ENERGY SAVING TIPS

- Open your foundation vents for the summer.
- Change the air filter in your furnace/ac unit every 3 months.
- During cold sunny mornings, open the curtains/blinds on south facing windows to take advantage of the solar heat.



BURN BARRELS ARE PROHIBITED IN THE CITY LIMITS AT ALL TIMES.

City Code – 6-1-10 (Ord. 940)

If you are planning to burn on your property please call the Police Department at 541-938-5511 to make sure it is a burn day and to get a burn permit. **Typically** a BURN BAN is in effect by July 1st, but depending on weather conditions it may be sooner.

Corner

City of
Milton-Freewater

Aquatic Center	938-9166
City Manager	938-8242
City Recorder	938-8233
Community Development	938-8236
Conservation	938-8237
Electric Department	938-8232 or 938-8231
Engineering	938-8238 or 938-8230
Finance Department (Utility bill payments/taxi tickets)	938-5531
Fire Business	938-8256
Golf Course	938-7284
Human Resources	938-8243
Library	938-8247
Municipal Court	938-8203
Planning & Zoning	938-8234 or 938-8235
Police Business	938-5511
Public Works	938-8270, 938-8272 or 938-8274

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Meetings & Events

April 2015

- 6 Planning Commission – 7 p.m. – Albee Room
- 13 City Council - 7 p.m. – Albee Room
- 27* City Council – 7 p.m. – Albee Room
- 30 Budget Committee Meeting – 7 p.m. – Albee Room
- 30* Library Board Meeting – 7 p.m. – Monahan Room

May 2015

- 4 Planning Commission – 7 p.m. – Albee Room
- 11 City Council – 7 p.m. – Albee Room
- 25 Memorial Day – Offices Closed
- 28 Library Board Meeting – 7 p.m. – Albee Room

June 2015

- 1 Planning Commission – 7 p.m. – Albee Room
- 8 City Council – 7 p.m. – Albee Room
- 22* City Council – 7 p.m. – Albee Room
- 25 Library Board Meeting – 7 p.m. – Albee Room

***TENTATIVE MEETING DATE**

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 if you will need any special accommodations or an interpreter to attend or participate in the meeting.

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April 2015

- 10 Scholarship Applications Due – 4 p.m.
- 12-18 National Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week
- 12-18 National Library Week
- 16-18 Spring Clean Up
- 18 National Lineman Appreciation Day
- 22 Administrative Professionals Day

May 2015

- 4 International Firefighters Day
- 10-16 National Police Week
- 17-23 National Public Works Week

June 2015

- 1 Summer Reading Signup's
- 3 Farmer's Market (Wednesday's 4 -7 p.m.)
- 6 & 7 Pool Open
- 8-10 Pool Closed
- 11 Pool OPEN for summer
- 12 Summer Reading Kickoff Party – 4 p.m. @ Library