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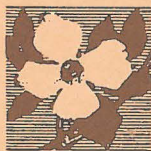
## MEETINGS

Citizens are encouraged to attend all meetings of the following City groups. Watch Jones Cable channel 51 for specific information, or call City Hall at 659-5171. Work sessions, business meetings, and other meetings where a quorum of the body is present are open to the public under the Oregon Public Meetings Law.

City Council ..... 7:00 PM 1st and 3rd Tuesdays	Center/Community Advisory Board .... 10:00 AM 2nd Friday
Planning Commission ..... 6:30 PM 2nd & 4th Tuesdays	Traffic Safety Commission ..... 7:30 PM 2nd Monday
Library Board ..... 6:45 PM 3rd Monday	Parks & Recreation Commission ..... 7:00 PM 4th Monday

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## "OPTICOM"

When is a white strobe light a "life-saving" device? When it is part of a traffic control system for emergency response vehicles.

Recently, two intersections on Harrison St., Hwy 224 and 32nd Ave., have been equipped with "Opticom." Priority control systems provide safer traffic flow and improved response times for emergency vehicles.

"Opticom" works through a system of signals:

**First**, the emitter—a special strobe light mounted on the emergency vehicle—generates an optical signal.

**Next**, the detector, mounted on the traffic light, picks this signal and converts it to an electronic pulse.

***This temporary command of the traffic intersection results in benefits for all.***

**Finally**, the phase selector mounted in the traffic controller cabinet processes the signal. As a result, the traffic signal turns green for the emergency vehicle and red for the lanes of traffic. After the fire or police unit passes through the intersection, the traffic signals return to normal operation.

This temporary command of the traffic intersection results in benefits for all:

- safer priority movement for emergency response units
- accident risk reduction
- quicker response times
- extended emergency vehicle service life

"Opticom" has been proven in hundreds of cities across the United States to be the safest, most cost efficient and effective priority traffic control system available.

It is now in Milwaukie assisting the Fire and Police Department personnel in providing emergency services to you.

## Ledding Library Gives Class

Ledding Library will present craft programs for adults and children on Wednesday, February 13th at 4:00 pm. The children's library staff will teach children how to make their own Valentines. Supplies will be furnished. The program is recommended for ages six and older.

At the same time, a program for adults will be presented by Linda Graham, the owner of the Milwaukie crafts store A Country Collection. She will give a demonstration on how to make Spring crafts.



## Milwaukie Fire Rescue Christmas Program

**UPDATE**

The Milwaukie Firefighters' Christmas program was a great success again this year. The Firefighters assisted thirty families and forty-six children with food and toys.

Firefighters raised funds by selling Christmas trees. Food was collected through neighborhood food drives with Santa and at various banks in the Milwaukie area. Residents and businesses were generous in their donations of food, toys, and money.

With the help of caring people in the City of Milwaukie, Firefighters were able to give a little cheer to those in need and to provide a Merry Christmas to local children.

### Dear Milwaukie Residents:

Milwaukie Firefighters would like to send their greatest appreciation and sincerest thank you for your contributions of toys, food, and money.

Without your generous contributions and goodwill, our needy family program would not exist. Due to the overwhelming support over the past two years, the Milwaukie Firefighters Association for the Needy will be conducting a year-round food program.

This year, the department assisted thirty families with food and children's gifts. Some packages were picked up at the fire station and others were delivered by personnel using fire apparatus. The families were very appreciative, and the children were happy and excited.

Again, thank you for helping us help others.

Happy New Year,

Lt. Robert R. Dixon  
Chairman



### Home Safety Tips

1. Apply Neighborhood Watch concepts, work with your neighbors, mark property, and harden the target.
  - In addition to marking your property with your Oregon driver's license or identification card number, keep a list of items, descriptions, and serial numbers. If your property is not marked and your description is too vague, you won't get your property back even if we find it!
  - Tighten home security. Most burglaries aren't pre-planned — they're just the luck of the draw. A burglar notices an easy target, knocks to see if anyone is home, then forces entry.
2. If you do surprise a burglar in your home, don't try to detain him. You could get hurt. He will usually leave if you let him. Call 9-1-1 immediately instead. However, take note of his physical description, clothing worn, and vehicle description with license, if seen.

## Block Homes... Reorganized

The Block Home program in Milwaukie has been reorganized, and we are gaining new Block Home parents almost daily!

A sign placed in the window of a Block Home lets our children know that the home is a safe place to go when they are lost, frightened, or victims of or witnesses to crimes. Block Home parents have instructions on what to do in a variety of circumstances ranging from medical problems to police matters.

The Block Home program is coordinated through the elementary schools with the Milwaukie Police Department assisting in running background checks for the applicants.

For more information regarding Block Homes, contact Steve Moist, Milwaukie Police Department, at 659-2389.

## Tax Time ... HELP!

As most of you know, income tax time is coming up. The Ledding Library is available to help you.

The most common tax forms and booklets are now available at the library—free for the taking. Single copies of the less-used forms are also on hand. You may photocopy these at the library for 10 cents per page.

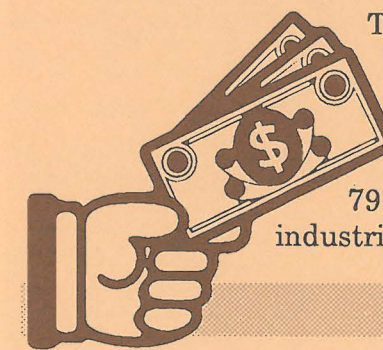
On February 6, volunteer tax preparers will begin assisting people with their tax preparation needs. To take advantage of this program, phone the library at 659-3911.

The Ledding Library is located in downtown Milwaukie, 10660 SE 21st Ave. The hours are Monday through Thursday noon to 8:00 PM; Friday and Saturday noon to 5:30 PM; and Sunday from 1:00 PM until 5:00 PM. Please come see us.



## Lottery Helps Milwaukie

In July, 1986 the City of Milwaukie received a check for \$465,000 from state lottery funds. These funds and funds from a local improvement district supported by Lincoln Properties and the Omark Industrial Park Association financed a storm drainage project in the industrial area.



The project constructed 3,800 feet of storm drain pipe to alleviate a drainage problem. This made 79 acres of buildable industrial land available.

Today, the project has proven to be a major success for the area. Since July, 1989 the project has created 107 new jobs for a total of 496 over the three-year project. An additional 186 jobs have moved to this location from another site since July, 1989. 15,000 temporary construction man hours were also reported.

We feel this has been a great economic success for the City of Milwaukie and its residents.