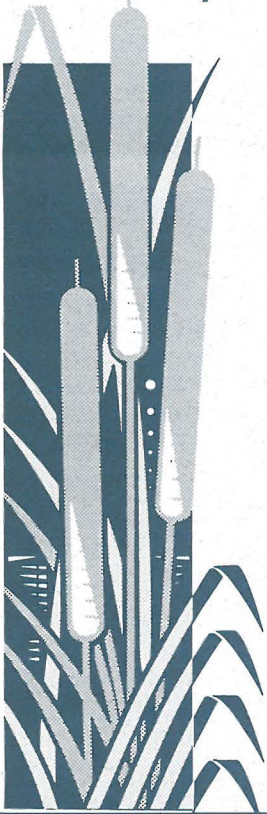




## Try Your Skill with this Fun Facts Water Quiz!



With holiday bills coming due, you'll be happy to know that Milwaukie's water and sewer bills will hold steady at last year's rate. The all-volunteer Citizen Utility Advisory Committee reviewed the rates and determined that the city could continue to provide top quality service without a price increase. Their recommendation to the City Council was unanimously approved.

Milwaukie's water department works hard day and night to ensure that you have a high quality, reliable water supply at an affordable rate. The seven-person crew maintains over 65 miles of pipes, 750 fire hydrants, and three storage tanks. To learn more about your water system, take the quiz below. Answers are on the back page.

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| <p>1) How many water customers does Milwaukie serve?<br/>a) 5,000   b) 6,700   c) 20,000   d) 25,000</p> <p>2) How many water quality tests does the city do every year?<br/>a) 52   b) 100   c) 200   d) 350</p> <p>3) Where does Milwaukie get its water?<br/>a) underground wells<br/>b) Clackamas River<br/>c) Bull Run</p> <p>4) How many wells serve the city?<br/>a) 7   b) 10   c) 27   d) 200</p> | <p>5) How much water does the city pump on an average day in winter?<br/>a) 50,000 gallons   c) 3 million gallons<br/>b) 300,000 gallons   d) 6 million gallons</p> <p>6) How much water does the city pump on an average day in the summer months?<br/>a) 50,000 gallons   c) 3 million gallons<br/>b) 300,000 gallons   d) 6 million gallons</p> |
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In the event of an after-hours water emergency, call 786-7500.  
It is the fastest way to get a response in evenings or weekends.

## Milwaukie Information Sources...Changes and Comments

### City Channel Offers New Reader Board

The city recently introduced a new interactive reader board on its cable TV channel 12. Unlike our prior reader board, this one can be programmed by TV viewers. To use it, turn on cable channel 12. A menu will list information on the reader board. Use your phone to call 659-6639, and when prompted, dial in the menu number you want to access. Your topic will appear within a matter of seconds.

Information on the interactive reader board includes meeting schedules and agendas for city council, the planning commission, and neighborhood associations. The city job line is also featured. As time goes by, more and more information about your city government will be featured. If there is something you would like to see added, call 786-7502 or 786-7545.

### Cable TV Franchise Renewal - Your Comments Needed

Your comments about Milwaukie's cable TV service are needed. Now is the time, because the 15 year franchise with Jones Intercable expires in 1998. FCC rules require re-negotiations begin three years prior to expiration.

In order to get the best cable TV service for Milwaukie customers, the city is beginning the contract renewal process by seeking your input. In early November, you should have received a survey requesting comments on cable programming, public access and ideas for future services or technology. In addition to the survey, staff will meet with each neighborhood association to gather comments on cable services for Milwaukie. People unable to attend their neighborhood

meeting are invited to attend a meeting:

7 pm, Thursday, January 18  
Public Safety Building,  
3200 SE Harrison  
Community Room

We need your comments to provide you with the services you want and need. For more information, please call JoAnn Herrigel, 786-7508.

### Open House for the Transportation System Plan

Milwaukie is sponsoring an Open House on February 22nd to review the City's Draft Transportation System Plan (TSP) and solicit public comment. The meeting is at 7 pm in the Community Room of the Public Safety Building.

The TSP discusses Milwaukie's street, pedestrian, bicycle, transit and freight needs to the year 2015. Copies are available at Ledding Library, City Hall, and the Johnson Creek Facility. Comments received by February 1st will be incorporated into a Final Draft which will be discussed at the February 22 meeting. The revised TSP will then be sent to the Planning Commission and the City Council for consideration in Spring. The final version will be the new Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan. For more information, please call Debbie Bischoff at 786-7652.



## Christmas Tree Recycling



Christmas trees can be recycled at the curb again this year. Set them out instead of yard debris and they will be picked up by your hauler at no extra cost. Even flocked trees can be accepted. Trees taller than five feet, whether flocked or not, should be cut in half so they can fit in the trucks. Boy Scout troops may also be collecting Christmas trees. For more information, call the Metro Recycling Hotline at 234-3000.

## Planning Commission Schedule Changes

The Milwaukie Planning Commission meets on the second and fourth Tuesday each month at 6:30 pm. Starting this month, the Commission will schedule land use public hearings on the second Tuesday at City Hall. Work sessions will be on the fourth Tuesday at the Public Safety

Building. Exceptions may be made.

Agendas are available one week before each meeting, and can be picked up at City Hall, Ledding Library or the Johnson Creek Facility. Need more information? Call Jeanne Garst at 786-7655.

## New Neighborhood Land Use Application Process

The city has a new referral process for most land use applications. Now, neighborhood land use committees will be notified of most applications, and given three weeks to provide comments and input. Other agencies receive two weeks.

This new system will allow neighborhoods the opportunity to research the proposal, talk with the applicant, and take a position supporting, opposing or asking conditions be applied to the project. Planning staff will work with

neighbors and developers through this process. This, combined with the Land Use Training, should improve neighborhood effectiveness in the land use application process. Call Nancy Waddell, 786-7658, for more information.



## Kudos to RSVP Volunteers!

As a result of your support of last Spring's levy, lots of improvements are underway at the library. Our new computer system allows patrons to place books on reserve themselves. Unlike before, there is no charge for this service. Additionally, reference service has been expanded to evenings and weekends.

The library is open longer, too.

Our new hours are:

Monday - Thursday  
11 am to 9 pm

Friday and Saturday  
11 am to 5:30 pm

Sunday  
1 pm to 5 pm

Watch for news about our upcoming remodel, later this year.

Every month, for the past year, a corps of volunteers from the Clackamas Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) have prepared the mailing for the Pilot. These dedicated folks come in for a few hours every month to stuff and label envelopes. This saves the city time and money.

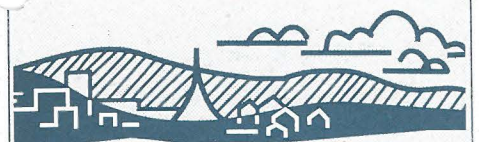
Our sincere thanks to those who have helped over this past year:

Don and Margaret DeBoer  
18.5 hours each

Emily Hibbard  
4.5 hours

Jessie Miller  
10.5 hours

Mary Towhill  
16 hours



## Neighborhood Association Meetings

### ARDENWALD

Tuesday, January 9th

7:30 pm, Ardenwald Elementary School

Contact Michelle Greeley Roberts, 653-2823

### HECTOR CAMPBELL

Monday, January 29th

7 pm, Hector Campbell School 786-7545

### LAKE ROAD

Thursday, January 18th

7 pm, Milwaukie Lutheran Church  
Contact Chuck Kersey, 654-9913

### LEWELLING

Thursday, January 4th

Lewelling Elementary School 786-7545

### LINWOOD

Thursday, January 25th  
7 pm

Contact Tracy Cook, 654-2946

### ISLAND STATION

Next meeting is in February  
Grange Hall

Contact Mary Jo Morris, 653-2146

### NEW-DOWNTOWN/WAVERLY

organizing meeting

7 pm, Wed., Jan. 3rd  
City Hall

*We're looking forward to a great year - thanks for all your help and enthusiasm!*

## City Councilors Now Have Voice Mail

As part of Milwaukie's efforts to increase responsiveness to citizens, your city councilors now have voice mail. You can call and leave messages for them any time, day or night.

Mayor Craig Lomnicki . . . 786-7510

Rick Farley . . . . . 786-7511

Jean Schreiber . . . . . 786-7512

Rob Kappa . . . . . 786-7513

Don Trotter . . . . . 786-7514

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- 1) "c" The city serves water to about 20,000 people.
- 2) "d" The city conducts over 350 water quality tests every year to ensure your drinking water is safe. The tests are conducted by two independent laboratories. Milwaukie's water meets or exceeds all federal standards for water quality.
- 3) "a" All of Milwaukie's drinking water comes from deep underground aquifers, about 300 feet below the surface. The aquifers are part of the Troutdale formation, which is recharged by rainfall and the Columbia River.
- 4) "a" There are 7 operating wells throughout the city, pumping up to 6.5 million gallons per day, or over 4,500 gallons per minute. Each well pumps water from a 200 foot radius around the site.
- 5) "c" In the winter, we pump an average of 3 million gallons every day.
- 6) "d" In summer it doubles to 6 million gallons every day.