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• MILWAUKIE'S LOCAL LEADERS •

Thanks for your service

It is the opinion of many that there is no greater commitment to be made with your local government than to serve as a City Councilor. Many also say there is no more thankless job than this volunteer position.

In the case of Milwaukie, two dedicated Council members are about to complete their service to the City.

After completing more than nine years on Council, Councilor Joe Loomis will step



Greg Chaimov



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down in January, as will Councilor Greg Chaimov after more than five years of service. They leave behind a long list of accomplishments, some of which will shape Milwaukie for decades to come.

Leaf Drop dates diminishing

Only three more dates remain in this year's Annual Leaf Drop Program - the opportunity to get rid of your leaves for FREE at the Johnson Creek Boulevard facility located at 6101 SE JCB.

The drop site will be open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday Dec. 1st, Dec. 8th and Dec. 15th. Residents need to provide a copy of their utility bill as proof of residency each time the site is visited.

Participating in this program helps reduce localized flooding issues during heavy rains and helps improve the quality of water going into our streams and rivers.

Join the Toy Drive tradition

In what has become one of the City's proudest Holiday Season traditions, the Ledding Library is in the midst of its eleventh Toy Drive collecting new toys for less fortunate children in Milwaukie.

Every year citizens have donated hundreds of toys to local elementary schools and the Annie Ross House. Please consider dropping off a new toy at the Ledding Library (10660 SE 21st Ave.) before Friday, Dec. 21st. The Library accepts toys for all ages, mainly through eighth grade. Arts, crafts, games, LEGOs, models, puzzles and sports equipment are always popular items.

E-Services on City's page

The City's website strives to provide not just information but services. Visit the E-SERVICES tab on the City's homepage and take care of the following:

Pay utility bill; download Building forms, permits, and applications; reserve a book, CD, DVD and much more from the library; apply for City jobs; report a code violation; subscribe to receive email notices when specific items on the website are updated or for particular topics; review agendas, minutes, and video of council meetings; view bids for City projects; request a public record; buy a parking permit.

'Tis the season to celebrate

The Milwaukie Winter Solstice event has been a cherished tradition for years. Come down to the Milwaukie Riverfront park and watch the Christmas Ship fleet cruise the Willamette River on Saturday, December 15th at 5 p.m.!



Warm by the bonfire, enjoy yummy treats for sale by the Lewelling Neighborhood Association and listen to the carols.

Help identify local flooding issues

Milwaukie residents are invited to attend an Open House on Dec. 5th, at the Milwaukie Pond House, from 6 to 7 p.m. to help staff identify flooding trouble spots and water quality issues in the neighborhoods, and to provide input on the stormwater projects that are being proposed as part of the City's periodic Stormwater Master Plan update process.

A key component of the update process is gathering citizen input. Staff hopes residents will attend the Open House and help the City better manage its stormwater issues and protect its local waterways.

Transportation Plan gets touch-up

Milwaukie's Planning staff has begun updating the City's Transportation System Plan (TSP) to remain in compliance with regional planning policies.

The TSP is the City's long-term plan for transportation improvements and includes policies and projects that could be implemented through the City's Capital Improvement Plan, development review, or grant funding. Since the TSP was significantly updated in 2007, this project will be a more focused effort resulting in smaller modifications, such as updating existing conditions, addressing bike and ped connectivity gaps, and connecting ensuring bike and ped access to mass transit. An Open House showcasing these updates will be held in the spring of 2013.

Neighborhood News

News From Your Neighbors - Neighborhood Association Officers discuss Holiday Events, goals for the New Year and pressing issues.

Read all about this and more in the Pilot's Neighborhood News section written by neighbors, for neighbors.

The City Code Corner

Go online and checkout this year's annual Code Corner Holiday Carol!

This year's installment is sung to the tune of Nat King Cole's, "Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire."

The Police Chief's Corner

The holiday season is often an occasion for gift giving and shopping. Go online and read the Chief's tips for making sure those gifts wind up in the right hands.

BE PREPARED

Check this month's BE PREPARED section for some important tips for winter driving, including remember to have an Emergency Supply Kit IN YOUR CAR!

Learn lessons of Katrina



Gregg Ramirez, Emergency Manager for Clackamas Fire District #1, will talk about the lessons he learned while assisting in the recovery efforts

of hurricanes Katrina and Rita at the next Mayor's Emergency Forum, to be held Dec. 11th, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Dr.

NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION (NDA) INFORMATION

ARDENWALD-JOHNSON CREEK

Meetings held on second Tuesdays
6:30 p.m., Ardenwald Elementary, 8950 SE 36th Ave.
Co Chairs, Matt Rinker & Jeff Davis
Neighborhood Website: www.ardenwald.org

HECTOR CAMPBELL

Meetings held on second Mondays
7:00 p.m., Public Safety Building, 3200 SE Harrison St.
Chair, David Aschenbrenner
Neighborhood Website: www.hectorcampbellnda.org

HISTORIC MILWAUKIE

Meetings held on second Mondays
6:30 p.m., Library Pond House, 2215 SE Harrison St.
CoChairs, Dion Sheppard & Jean Baker, 503-659-4070

ISLAND STATION

Meetings held on second Mondays
6:30 p.m., Milwaukie Grange, 12015 SE 22nd Ave.
Chair, JoAnne Bird, (503) 653-0857
email: evenstar@hevanet.com

LAKE ROAD

Meetings held on second Wednesdays
6:30 p.m., Rowe Middle School, 3606 SE Lake Rd.
CoChairs Debby Patten & Vince Alvarez
email: lakeroadna@netscape.net

LEWELLING

Meetings held on second Wednesdays
7 p.m., Lewelling Elementary, 5325 SE Logus St.
Chair, Pepi Anderson, (503) 320-6577
email: pepi.anderson6@gmail.com

LINWOOD

Meetings held on second Thursdays
7 p.m., Linwood Elem., 11909 SE Linwood Ave.
CoChairs Lynn & Beth Kelland,
(503) 652-8589
email: LinwoodNA@msn.com

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