



A Bi-Monthly Newsletter from the City of Stayton

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Distracted Driving Enforcement

The Stayton Police Department will be dedicating resources over the next few months to reduce distracted driving within our community, with an emphasis on cell phone usage.

According to Distraction.gov, distracted driving is any activity that could divert a person's attention from the primary task of driving. All distractions endanger driver, passenger, and bystander safety. These types of distractions include texting; using a cell phone or smartphone; eating and drinking; talking to passengers; grooming; reading (including maps); using a navigation system; watching a video; and adjusting a radio, CD player, or MP3 player.



As you see above, using a cell phone while driving is considered "distracted driving" and is an increasingly dangerous behavior across the country. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in 2012 distracted driving was responsible for 3,199 crashes across the United States, including 7 fatalities in the state of Oregon.

Although most drivers believe texting and hand-held cell phone usage while driving is unsafe, some still choose to do this. The Stayton Police Department has seen an increase in traffic enforcement by our officers regarding cell phone usage while driving. Since the beginning of 2015, our officers have conducted 175 traffic stops regarding cell phone usage.

It is our hope and goal to decrease the use of cell phones while driving within our community, and ultimately allowing drivers to pay more attention to their surroundings and reducing motor vehicle crashes.

If you have questions, or for further information please contact the Stayton Police Department at (503) 769-3421.

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Don't Forget — Stayton's Annual Clean-Up Days!

The City of Stayton is offering disposal of yard debris, including leaves and brush, on Saturday, November 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 5th from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

The collection site is at the City of Stayton Shops located at 1820 N. 1st Avenue, Stayton. The only cost to you is a donation of canned food to be given to the Stayton Food Bank.

Seniors who need assistance raking, bagging, or having their yard debris picked up and delivered to the drop-off site are asked to sign up by contacting Stayton Public Works at (503) 769-2919.



Spaghetti Dinner K-9 Fundraiser

Join us on Friday, November 6th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser for the Stayton Police Department's K-9 Drug Dog Program. It will be held at the Stayton United Methodist Church, located at 1450 Fern Ridge Road SE in Stayton. All donations will go to the Stayton Police Department's K-9 Drug Dog Program.



Upcoming Water Department Routine Maintenance

As winter approaches, the Stayton Public Works crew will be performing routine maintenance on the City's water system. This will include cleaning valve boxes and operating them over the next couple of months. In addition, the crew will be flushing fire hydrants to make certain they are operating properly.

Please note that residents shouldn't experience any dirty water, but if you do, just turn on an outside faucet and let it run for a couple of minutes. This should flush out any dirt or sediment.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us at (503) 769-2919.



Covered Bridge Café Annual Community Dinner



On Wednesday, November 25th from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., the Covered Bridge Café is once again hosting its annual Community Dinner. This event is open to everyone in the community, no questions asked!

The dinner is a traditional Thanksgiving feast plus dessert. The cost is **FREE** and is open to anyone in the community!

Please call (503) 767-3945 to make your reservations,

whether you prefer to dine in or have your meal delivered. Donations are greatly appreciated.

City Meeting Calendar

City Council

7:00 p.m. at the Community Center
Nov 2 / Nov 16 / Dec 7 / Dec 21

Planning Commission

7:00 p.m. at the Community Center
November 30 / December 28

Parks & Recreation Board

7:00 p.m. at the Stayton Public Library
November 3 / December 1

Library Board

6:00 p.m. at the Stayton Public Library
November 18 / December 16

Commissioner's Breakfast

7:30 a.m. at the Covered Bridge Café
November 10 / December 8

Community Leaders Meeting

7:30 a.m. at the Covered Bridge Café
November 13 / December 11

Library Calendar

Motion Monday

Mondays at 10:15 a.m.

Story Time

Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.

Thumpin' Thursday

Thursdays at 10:15 a.m.

Lego Club

Third Thursday of the month at 3:00 p.m.

Art Club

Second Monday of the month at 3:30 p.m.

Trivia Night at Ugo's Pizza

Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Santiam Senior Center Activities

Pinochle & Pinochle Lessons

Wednesdays and Fridays at 12:30 p.m.

Bingo

Mondays and Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.

Cribbage & Cribbage Lessons

Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m.

Hand & Feet Cards

Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m.

Veterans Group

Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.

Second Annual Talent Show

Tuesday, November 17 at 1:00 p.m.

Annual Holiday Potluck Party

Tuesday, December 15 at 1:00 p.m.

For more upcoming activities visit

www.SantiamSeniorCenter.com
or call (503) 767-2009

