



THE FRONT PORCH



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Stayton Residents will be voting on a Local Option Levy for the Pool, Library, and Parks at the May 15th Primary Election. In order to vote you must be registered, and voters registered as of the 21st day before an election are mailed a ballot to vote and return by election day. The last day to register to vote for the May 2012 Primary is Tuesday, April 24th.

Oregon's elections are all done via mail-in ballots. The use of vote-by-mail was first approved on a limited basis by the Legislature in 1981 and was made a permanent feature of some elections in 1987. On November 7, 2000, Oregon became the first all vote-by-mail state, after being adopted by nearly 70% of the voters in 1998.

Registering can be done online by logging onto the State's Election Division webpage at <http://www.oregonvotes.com>, then click on "Register to Vote in Oregon." If you are already a registered voter and your name has changed, you will need to use the paper registration form and submit it to the Marion County Elections Office. These may be obtained at Stayton City Hall, 362 N. Third Avenue, Stayton, Oregon 97383. Questions may be directed to the State Elections Office at (503) 986-1518 or (866) 673-8683 or by contacting the City of Stayton Elections Officer at (503) 769-3425.

The Council will be holding another work session to finalize what will be on the ballot, then work on the ballot title to be submitted to Marion County.

Until Next Time, *A. Scott Vigil, Stayton Mayor*

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Calendar

City Council (1st & 3rd Mon): Tues, Jan 3 & Tues, Jan 17, Mon, Feb 6 & Tues, Feb 21, 7pm; Community Center

Planning Commission (Last Mon): Jan 30 & Feb 27, 7pm; Community Center

Parks Board (1st Tue): Weds, Jan 4 & Tues, Feb 7, 7 pm; E.G. Siegmund Meeting Room/Library

Library Board (3rd Wed): Jan 18 & Feb 15, 6pm; E.G. Siegmund Meeting Room/Library

Commissioner's Breakfast (2nd Tue): Jan 10 & Feb 14, 7:30am; Covered Bridge Café

Comprehensive Plan Committee (Last Wed): Jan 25 & Feb 29, 7pm; E. G. Siegmund Meeting Room/Library

PEG Access Commission (2nd Thurs Quarterly): Jan 12, 12:00pm; City Hall Conference Room

Community Leaders Mtg. (Fri) Jan 13 & Feb 10; 7:30 am, Covered Bridge Café

Police Advisory Committee (3rd Tues Quarterly): Feb 21, 6 pm; City Hall Conference Room

Realtor/City Lunch Meeting (Thurs.) Jan 19, 12:00 pm—1:30 pm; E.G. Siegmund Mtg. Rm.

CITY OFFICES CLOSED

IN OBSERVANCE OF THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS:
(Mon) Jan 2nd, New Year's; (Mon) Jan 16th, Martin Luther King Day; and (Mon) Feb. 20th (President's Day).

Newsletter Brief



The Stayton Area Relay for Life is now forming teams for the 2012 Relay for Life event. Show your HOPE and register a team today! Team Captain's meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month at 5:00 pm in the Regis Library.

Relay for Life will be held Friday, July 20, 2012, 6:00 pm through Saturday, July 21, 2012 12:00 pm; Stayton High School.

For event information or to see how you can help create a world with more birthdays, contact **Event Chair Alisha Oliver** at (503) 302-4356 or staytonrfl@gmail.com

You can also visit www.relayforlife.org/staytonor

Preventing Frozen Water Pipes

Before the cold hits: Insulate pipes in your home's crawl spaces and attic. **Disconnect** garden hoses and drain water from pipes leading to outside faucets.

When the mercury drops: A trickle of hot and cold water might be all it takes to keep your pipes from freezing. Let warm water drip overnight, preferably from a faucet on an outside wall. **Open** cabinet doors to allow heat to get to uninsulated pipes under sinks and appliances near exterior walls.

Before you go away: **Never** shut off your heat completely. Set the thermostat in your house no lower than 55°F (12°C). **Ask** a friend or neighbor to check your house daily to make sure it's warm enough to prevent freezing or **Shut off** and drain the water system if you plan to leave your home or business for an extended period. Also, if you do drain your pipes, be sure to turn off your water heater first. Be aware that if you have a fire protection sprinkler system in your house, it will be deactivated when you shut off the water.

If your pipes freeze: **Don't take chances.** If you turn on your faucets and nothing comes out, leave the faucets turned on and call a licensed plumber. If you detect that your water pipes have frozen and burst, turn off the water at the main shut-off valve in the house; leave the water faucets turned on. (Make sure everyone in your family knows where the water shut-off valve is and how to open and close it.) **Never shut off the water at your street meter on your own, always call City personnel, otherwise you could be financially responsible if you break your meter.**

If you feel you have a frozen pipe and/or water meter and you need assistance, City of Stayton Public Works Department maintenance personnel can shut off your water service:

- If you feel you have a frozen water pipe and/or water meter and feel you need immediate assistance during our normal business hours, (8a-5p, Mon—Fri) please contact the City of Stayton Public Works Department at (503) 769-2919 or City Hall (503) 769-3425.
- If you feel you have a frozen water pipe and/or water meter and feel you need immediate assistance after our normal business hours, please contact the 24 Hour-Police Dispatch at (503) 769-3421.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR CITY NEWS,
INFORMATION AND OTHER GREAT FEATURES!
www.staytonoregon.gov



COMMUNITY AWARDS NOMINATIONS!



The Stayton/Sublimity Chamber of Commerce will be accepting nominations for Business of the Year and First Citizens until February 3rd, 2012. Nomination forms can be found on the Chamber website: <http://www.staytonsublimitychamber.org> or call the Chamber for more information at 503-769-3464. Nominate your favorite business or community leader today!

Register Now!

Registration is now open for the 2012 Stayton Sprint Triathlon to be held on May 19, 2012. The second annual event will feature **chip timing**, a revamped run route, and much more!

You **won't** want to miss out on this fun community event, promoting health and fitness and benefitting the Stayton Family Memorial Pool!

For more information visit us on the web at www.staytonoregon.gov.



LIBRARY NEWS

Cultural Passes Are Here!

The Stayton Public Library now offers Stayton patrons passes to various "cultural" destinations.



The passes can be used for free admission into museums and other fun places. Cultural passes can be reserved and checked out for three days. Currently, the Library has passes to the following places:

- A.C. Gilbert Discovery Village in Salem (*admits 5 people*)
- Willamette Heritage Center at the Mill in Salem (*admits 1 household*)
- Portland Japanese Gardens (*admits 2 adults & any children under 18*)
- Portland Children's Museum (*admits 3 people*)
- Stayton Family Memorial Pool (*family pass for 2 adults & 3 children (17 and under)*)
- Evergreen Aviation Museum in McMinnville (*admits 4 people*)
(*water park is not included)

For more information contact the Library at (503) 769-3313.

Santiam Senior Center

Below is a list of ongoing activities at the Santiam Senior Center. For more information contact them at (503) 767-2009 or online at www.santiamseniorcenter.com.

Monday	10:30 a.m.	Games
Tuesday	12:00 p.m.	Cribbage
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Craft & Hobby Day
	1:00 p.m.	Pinochle
Thursday	1:00 p.m.	Veterans Group
	1:00 p.m.	Bingo

