

City of Union News Letter

"Promote rural values, protect local assets and foster community pride"

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December 2014

CITY HALL HOURS: Monday thru Thursday
10:00 am - 5:00 pm - Open during lunch

Union Carnegie Public Library
Mon 10:30am - 6:00pm Thurs 1:00pm - 6:00pm
Tue 10:00am - 5:30pm Fri 9:00am - 3:30pm
Wed 4:00pm - 8:00pm



Merry Christmas

Help make this Christmas a very Merry Christmas for our local children!

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A small donation of a new unwrapped toy, game, gloves, hats, or cash (with which the EMS volunteers will buy needed items) are just a few suggestions. Again, this year the age group is for children up to 12 years of age.

Look for drop boxes at local businesses and at City Hall

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Help us make this a special Christmas for a child who may otherwise do without. All of your donations are tax deductible and receipts are available upon request.

Contact Laura at City Hall if you have questions
541-562-5197



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Quote of the month.....

One of the most powerful decisions you can make in your life is to do something for someone who does not have the power or the resources to return the favor.

~Anne Godwin

AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION IS WORTH A POUND OF CURE.....

Frozen pipes cause a huge amount of damage each year, this disaster is largely preventable. By taking a few simple precautions you can save yourself the mess, money and aggravation frozen pipes can cause.

Your Best Bet:

- ❖ Know where your shut off valve is located
- ❖ Insulate pipes in your home's crawl spaces and attic
- ❖ Heat tape can be used to wrap pipes, be sure to use approved products and follow manufacturer's installation and operation instructions
- ❖ Open cabinet doors to let warm air to exposed pipes
- ❖ Let the faucet drip slightly as a trickle, the dripping water will keep the water in pipes from freezing



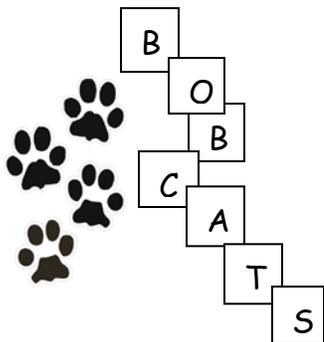
A 1/8-inch crack in a pipe can spew up to 250 gallons of water a day, causing flooding, and serious structural damage.

The city understands your concerns about over usage during these freezing months, and the small additional cost that may occur. However, the comparison to the huge costs that can be caused by frozen pipes can be disastrous. The city **recommends** that our residents let their water drip slightly as a trickle to prevent such disaster. learning.center.statefarm.com

As 2014 is drawing to an end and we reflect on the past year it is the perfect time to recognize our fantastic youth!

Excellence in academics, sports, and citizenship!

The City of Union is proud of all our students!



Historic Preservation Committee; HPC

Quick!

There is still time to apply!
One position remains open.

HPC is an advisory committee to the City Council. Committee members create policies for the historic district and review applications for compliance. Committee meets four times a year on average.

For more information contact Sandra at city hall

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During the December 8, 2014 City Council meeting at 7pm or shortly after, Union City Council will have its second reading of the following Ordinances. Public comment on the ordinances is welcomed at the beginning and end of the meeting. If you need further information please call city hall or visit the city website www.cityofunion.com

Ordinance 541 regulating solid and other waste

Ordinance 543 fire protection and regulation

Ordinance 544 an ordinance amending and restating City of Union code Chapter 92 relating to fire protection and regulation



UNION PUBLIC CARNEGIE LIBRARY
HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
DECMEBER 10TH 6:00pm~8:00pm



Have your picture taken with Santa, enjoy our refreshments, enter and stay for our raffle drawings. This year we have an Angel tree and a Snowman tree.

Tickets are for sale at the library and from Friends of The Library members or by calling 541~562~5807

Children's Christmas ornament making class. December 12th from 2:00pm~4:00pm

Sign up at the library, or call 541~562~5811

Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult



UPCOMING EVENTS!!

Lions Club Basketball Tournament! December 5th & 6th

Union Holiday Classic Basketball Tournament! December 11th ~ 13th

See the enclosed Basketball Schedule for times!



**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS**

A BENEFIT TO BOTH YOU AND YOUR COMMUNITY.....



One of the better-known benefits of volunteering is the impact on the community. Unpaid volunteers are often the glue that holds a community together. Volunteering allows you to connect to your community and make it a better place. Even helping out with the smallest tasks can make a real difference to the lives of people, animals, and organizations in need. And volunteering is a two-way street: It can benefit you and your family as much as the cause that you choose to help. Dedicating your time as a volunteer helps you make new friends and expand your network.

Volunteering can provide a healthy boost to your self-confidence, self-esteem, and life satisfaction. You are doing good for others and the community, which provides a natural sense of accomplishment. Your roll as a volunteer can also give you a sense of pride and identity. And the better you feel about yourself, the more likely you are to have a positive view of your life and future goals.

So.....a Special Thank You to local coaches, firemen and women, EMT's, Ambulance Drivers, Union Chamber, tutors, VFW, Lions Club, Stockshow Board, School Board, City Council, Planning Commission, Library Board, and all the other volunteers in and around the City of Union. These people work hard to make Union a great place to live.



From the Fire Chief

New Fire Regulations

As of January 1st 2015 there are a few new burn regulations going into effect. A couple of the new regulations include; All outside burning requires a burn permit, this includes outside decorative fire stoves and recreational fires. All fires are required a 25 ft radius.

Get your new burn permit! New burn permits for 2015 are now available. Burn permits are valid January 1st ~ December 31st, with no burning July 1st ~ October 1st. Burn permits are available only through City Hall, the cost remains \$10.00



Look Out! You're on Camera!

If you use the transfer station you're being filmed. Several camera's are up and running at the site. If you dump trash and other unwanted items it will cost you up to \$500.00 in fines.

Be responsible and respect the rules
If you need garbage service Contact
Union Sanitation 541-562-6393.

UNION JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL 2014-2015

BOYS

Date	Opponent	Location	Team	Depart	Time
Fri. Oct 31st	Powder	Powder	A/B	9:00 AM	
Sat. Nov 1st	Imbler	Imbler	A/B	8:45 AM	
Fri. Nov 7th	Echo/Inone	Echo	A/B	6:45 AM	
Sat. Nov 8th	Wallowa	Wallowa	A/B	7:45 AM	
Fri. Nov 14th	Cove	Union	A/B	*****	
Sat. Nov 15th	Joseph	Union	A/B	*****	
Fri. Nov 21st	Baker/GU	Baker	A/B	7:45 AM	
Sat. Nov 22nd	Enterprise	Union	A/B		
Tues. Dec 2nd	Sports Pictures				
Thurs. Dec 4th		Cove	A/B	5:15PM	
Fri. Dec 5th				8:00 AM	
Fri. Dec 12th	Echo	Union	A/B	*****	
Sat. Dec 13th	Powder/Elgin	Elgin	A/B	7:45 AM	

UNION HIGH BASKETBALL 2014-2015

Date	Opponent	Location	Team	Depart	Time
Tues. Dec 2nd	Sports Pictures				
Fri. Dec 5th	Crane	Union	JV/G/B	*****	
Dec 5th & 6th	Lions Club Tourney		Varsity	*****	
Fri/Sat	Weston Tourney		Varsity	TBA	
Dec 11/12/13th	Union Tourney		Varsity		
Dec 18,19,20th	La Grande Tourney		Varsity		
Fri. Jan 2nd	Cove	Union	JV/Var	*****	
Sat. Jan 3rd	Elgin	Elgin	JV/Var	11:30 AM	
Fri. Jan 9th	Enterprise	Enterprise	JV/Var	12:30 PM	
Sat. Jan 10th	Burns	Union	JV/Var	*****	
Fri. Jan 16ht	G/U	Union	JV/Var	*****	
Sat. Jan 17th	Bye				
Fri. Jan 23rd	Imbler	Union	JV/Var	*****	
Sat. Jan 24th	Cove	Cove	JV/Var	12:00 PM	

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GIRLS

Sat. Jan 3rd	Powder/Imbler	Union	A/B	*****	
Fri. Jan 9th	Echo	Union	A/B	*****	
Sat. Jan 10th	Joseph	Joseph	A/B	9:00 AM	
Tues. Jan 14th				TBA	
Thur. Jan 15th	Cove	Cove	A/B	4:00PM	
Fri. Jan 16th	Elgin/GU	Union	A/no B	*****	
Sat. Jan 17th	Enterprise	Union	A/B	*****	
Fri. Jan 23rd	Elgin/P.E.	PineEagle	A/B	6:30 AM	
Sat. Jan 24th	Wallowa	Union	A/B	*****	
Fri. Jan 30th	Enterprise	Enterprise	A/B	9:00 AM	
Sat. Jan 31st	Pwdr/Wallowa	Powder	A/B		
Fri. Feb 6th	Echo-3 way	Echo	A/B	6:45 AM	
Sat. Feb 7th	GU/Heppner	John Day	A/B	7:45 AM	

Fri. Jan 30th	Elgin	Union	JV/Var	*****	
Sat. Jan 31st	Enterprise	Union	JV/Var	*****	
Fri. Feb 6th	Burns	Burns	JV/Var	9:15AM	
Sat. Feb 7th	GU	GU	JV/Var	*****	
Fri. Feb 13th					
Sat. Feb 14th	Imbler	Imber	JV/Var	11:45AM	
Feb 20/21st	District Tourney EOU		Varsity	TBA	
Sat. Mar 1st	1st Round State Playoffs			TBA	
Mar 6-8th	Final Site	Pendleton		TBA	





Bobcat Foundation
**Dollars for
SCHOLARS®**
A Program of Scholarship America®

SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM THE BOBCAT FOUNDATION

In 1964 The Beach Boys released a Christmas album with the song "Little Saint Nick" which they had released as a single in December, 1963. The gist of the song was about a souped-up sleigh which basically was a rewrite of their hit "Little Deuce Coupe." [She's candy apple red with a ski for a wheel...when Santa hits the gas man just watch her peel] Even so, writer Brian Wilson does - *get around* - to the purpose of the sleigh which is, of course, to deliver gifts. [He don't miss no one, And he's cruising every path with a little surprise]

As the **Bobcat Foundation** well knows, there is no better gift than the gift of giving. Our donors have been giving to support **scholarships** for our **UHS** students for over 18 years!

We would like to **thank our donors so much** and wish you all a **Merry Christmas** and a **Happy New Year!**
Run Run Reindeer!

--Scott Schroeder ('66), President

2014 Recipients; Scholarships; and (College Attending)

McKenzie Evans – Bill Phillips Math, Doug Squire Science, Al & Eldie Peters Lion's Club, Helen Merritt Sheehy Top Scholar, General (EOU)

Cory Andrews – General (EOU)

Madeline Martens – Al & Eldie Peters Lion's Club, Vera Miller, General (TVCC)

Cortin Nowak – Crystal Dawn & Jake Marks, Alumni, General, UEA (EOU)

Daniel Colton – Crystal Dawn & Jake Marks, Don & Maggie Stewart Ag, General (U of Portland)

Riley Sheehy – David Opperman, Alumni, General (EOU)

Courtney Rynearson – Carl Hawkins Ag, General (EOU)

Katriel O'Reilly – General (Boise St.)

Micayla Prummer – General (EOU)

Johnny Kennon – General (TVCC)

Lynn Shoemaker - Crystal Dawn & Jake Marks, Barbara Briggs, Alumni (EOU)

Jacob Crosland – General (TVCC)

Christian Ross – Velma June Hagy Beck, Alumni (EOU)

Rebecca Sanders - General (EOU)

Coby Joseph – Alumni (undec)

Rebecca Pomeroy – Alumni (undec)

Kenneth Sipp – General (BMCC)

Brittany Day – Alumni (WWCC)



City of Unions

Christmas

Parade &

Tree Lighting



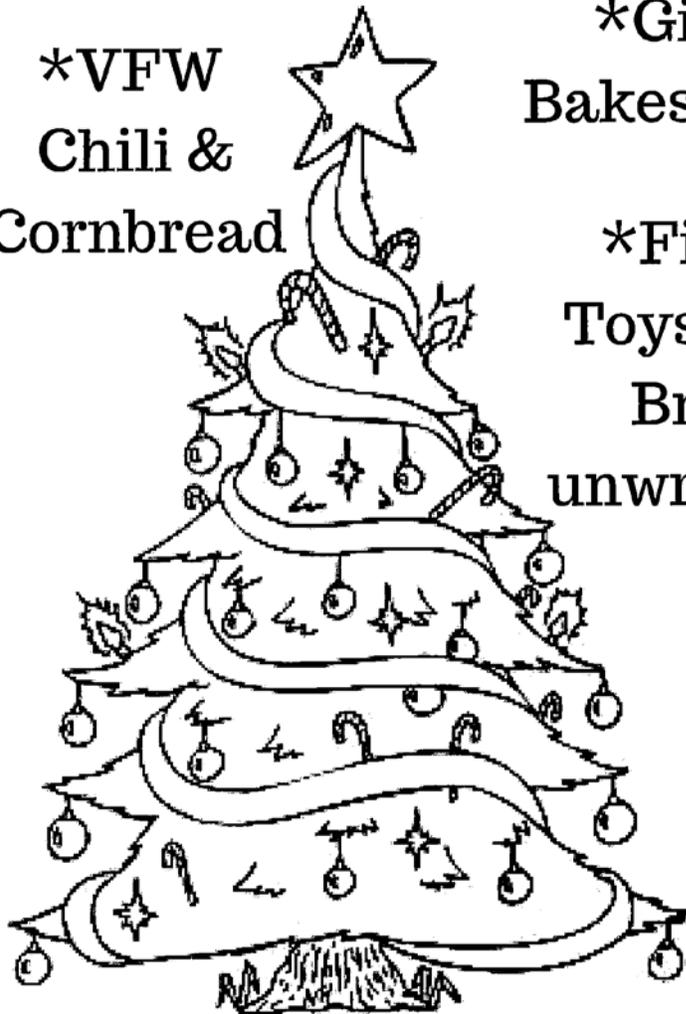
*US Music Dept
Performance

UHS

*Girls Basketball
Bakesale & Beverages

*VFW
Chili &
Cornbread

*Fire Dept.
Toys For Tots
Bring an
unwrapped toy



*Santa &
Mrs. Claus

**Starts @ 4pm on
Sunday, Dec 7th**

Advertisement paid for by Union Chamber

A FRONTIER CHRISTMAS

By the mid 1800's the American Frontier Christmas traditions included much of the same customs and traditions as it does today. Determined to bring the spirit of Christmas alive, soldiers could be heard caroling at their remote posts, and hardy pioneers looked forward to the chance to forget their hard everyday lives to focus on the holiday. Though perhaps modest, pioneers made every attempt to decorate their homes with whatever materials found, such as evergreens, pinecones, holly, nuts and berries. For some there might be a Christmas tree, gaily decorated with bits of ribbon, yarn and paper strings. But most pioneer homes were simply too small to make room for a tree. Gifts were homemade, including corn husk dolls, sachets, carved toys, scarves, hats and gloves. If the family had a good year, purchased gifts might be given and could be as simple as peppermint candy, small toy or a tin cup.

Christmas Eve would generally find most families singing carols around the fireplace or tree. On Christmas Day, most would attend church, return home for the traditional Christmas meal, and spend the day visiting with friends and family.

To these strong pioneers, Christmas would not be forgotten, be it ever so meager and humble.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

If you would like to advertise your monthly event or activity email cityhall@cityofunion.com or call 541-562-5197.

ORGANIZATION	MEETING DATE	LOCATION	TIME	PHONE
Booster Club Meeting		Old Music Room	6:00 pm	
City of Union Chamber	2 nd Thurs of the month	See Nick @ Union Drug	Noon	www.visitunionor.org
City Council	2 nd Mon of the month	City Hall	7:00 pm	541-562-5197
CUP Medical Association	2 nd Tues of the month	Health Clinic	6:30 pm	541-562-5441
CUP Senior Assisted Living	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays	Union Drug Co.	6:00 pm	541-562-5441
Order of Eastern Star	2 nd Wed of the month	Masonic Hall	7:30 pm	541-805-0779
EMS Department	1 st Mon of the month	Rural Fire Hall	7:00 pm	541-562-5660
EOLS Board	2 nd Tues of the month	EOLS Club House	7:30 pm	541-562-5631
Food Bank	Saturday after 3 rd Monday	Methodist Church	9-11 am	541-562-5675
Food Alliance	Every Monday	Methodist Church	12:30-1 pm	541-562-6192
Friends of the Library	2 nd Tuesday of the month	Union Library	7:00 pm	541-562-5807
Int'l Rainbow for Girls	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays	Masonic Hall	7:00 pm	541-975-9495
Library Board	1 st Wed of the month	Library	3:30 pm	541-562-5811
Lions Club	1 st Wed of the month	Union Library	5:30 pm	541-562-5685
Municipal Court	1 st Wed/every quarter	City Hall	5:30 pm	541-562-5197
Planning Commission	3 rd Wed of the month	City Hall	7:00 pm	541-562-5197
Senior Lunch	Every Tuesday	Methodist Church	12:00 pm	541-562-5675
School Board	2 nd Wed of the month	Athletic Complex	7:00 pm	541-562-5166
South County Health Dist	3 rd Tues of the month	Health Clinic	7:00 pm	541-562-6180
TOPS	Every Wednesday	Union Health Cntr	8:30 am	541-562-9009
VFW Bingo	Every Wednesday night	VFW Hall	5 pm	541-562-6035
VFW Formal meeting	1 st Thursday of month	VFW Hall	7 pm	541-562-6035