



AMITY GRAPEVINE

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MESSAGE FROM MAYOR MICHAEL CAPE

I hope you were able to make it out to National Night Out, which was on August 7 at the Amity City Park. I want to congratulate Caitlin Lopez and Hank Earls who both won a new bicycle donated by First Federal! Many residents attended to participate in the activities. The most popular seemed to be the dunk tank, where Sergeant Clark spent most of his night getting wet. Chief Bolek was able to get his feet wet as well. I wanted to thank First Federal for their generous donations and their participation at the event, the Amity Fire District Volunteers for providing the dunk tank and bringing down on of their fire engines, Councilor Miller, Councilor King, and finally Sergeant Clark, Chief Bolek, and police reserve Mike Brandt!

It's the time when the children and young adults of our community will be heading back to school on foot, bikes, and in cars.

The Amity Police Department would like to encourage motorist's to always be mindful of pedestrians and bicyclists, and especially the youngest members of our community. Children do not always consider or recognize all the dangers around them. Therefore, as motorists, we must be extra vigilant.

As you know, there are a great number of Amity students who walk to and from school, many having to cross Highway 99W. Motorists are reminded to stop and stay stopped for any pedestrian who is in a marked crosswalk or crossing a street at an intersection where there is not a marked crosswalk as Oregon law requires the same response from a driver: stop and stay stopped until the pedestrian has crossed.

If a pedestrian is crossing at any intersection, you must stop and wait until the pedestrian clears your lane and the next lane before proceeding. Additionally, many of our City streets are narrow and do not have sidewalks. All of this increases the need for motorists to be attentive and aware of pedestrians and bicyclists.

Finally, for parents, it is always a good idea to have your child wear bright or reflective clothing, preferably with some aspect of reflection, as they set out for school. This is especially important when the cooler and rainier weather arrives and when the hours of daylight decrease beginning in November.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, you can contact Chief Bolek at 503-835-8606 or by email at cbolek@ci.amity.or.us

Lastly, for information on burn restrictions, please contact the Amity Fire District at 503-835-2311.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Mark your calendar for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event, sponsored by Yamhill County Solid Waste.

- When: Saturday, October 20, 2018
- Time: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Where: Recology, 1850 Lafayette Ave

Acceptable items include any items with the words Caution, Warning, Danger, Poison or Hazardous on the label. Also accepting medications. Please **do not** bring syringes, sharps, tires, asbestos or explosives! For more information visit www.ycsw.org or call 503-434-7516.

DOGGIE DOO'S AND DON'TS

Recently there have been some complaints about dogs running at large and owners not picking up after their dogs. The City would like to remind pet owners that any animal considered to be a nuisance by the way of noise, smell, running at large, etc. may be in violation of Ordinance 640 and/or Ordinance 627, the City's ordinances regulating pet ownership, and **may** be subject to a fine. Please make sure you walk your dog on a leash and that your dog does not trespass onto private property. Also ensure that you pick up after your dog. Let's keep Amity a pet-friendly town by being courteous of your neighbors and community.

GRAND OPENING

We are proud to announce the grand opening of Amity Truck & Auto Parts as an addition to Amity Truck & Tractor Repair. The store is located at 204 4th Street in Amity. The store will include parts for trucks, tractors, cars, as well as, a hardware and clothing department. In celebration of our grand opening, we will be serving hot dogs and chips. We will also have door prizes announced every hour for those who attend. This event is open to the public and we welcome everyone to come and check out the new store!

- When: Saturday, September 22, 2018
- Time: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

~Submitted by Amity Truck & Auto Parts

EVENTS/CLOSURES

City Hall Closed- September 3 all day in honor of Labor Day.

Council Meeting- September 5 at 7pm

Committee Meetings- September 19 at 5pm

- Police committee
- Ordinance committee
- Parks/streets committee
- Water/sewer committee
- Community engagement committee
- Finance committee

Council Meeting- October 3 at 7pm

Pumpkin Decorating- Saturday, October 27 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Trunk-r-Treat- Wednesday, October 31 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Amity Christian Church

Daylight Savings Ends- Sunday, November 4

Election Day- Tuesday, November 6

City Hall Closed- November 12 all day in honor of Veteran's Day.

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Amity City Council:

Council President Max Walker, Rudy van Soolen, Dawn King, Joshua Simonson, Caralyn Miller, William Daley, and Mayor Michael Cape.

ONLINE BILL PAY

Many customers may not be aware that Amity offers a convenient way to pay your utility bill. The City uses a company called Payment Service Network (PSN) to process online/phone payments. Please be aware that there are small "convenience" fees associated with paying online or by phone. The fee to pay with your credit/debit is 2.75% (additional .50 if the bill is under \$100). If you pay with your checking account, the fee is \$1.00. First time users must register and have their account number ready. Please call 877-885-7968.