

# City of Reedsport

## NEWSLETTER

July 2021

### New Girl At The Altar!

Hi! My name is Courteney and I have been here at the City of Reedsport since June 2020, first as a temporary Administrative Assistant and in February of this year I was offered a permanent position as the Deputy City Recorder/Executive Assistant. I am honored and humbled to be a part of this team and am excited to see what the future brings.

I came to the City with about 10 years of experience in the legal field primarily in family law as well as criminal and business law. I grew up in the small rural community of Monroe, Oregon where six generations of my family were born and raised. I spent my childhood and teenage years on my Granddaddy's farm. I graduated from Junction City High School with honors and I went on to earn my Bachelor's in Criminal Justice from Western Oregon University.

My Fiancé and I moved here last April when he was hired as a Police Officer. By the time you read this we may just be married as the date is set for July 17th and I do not anticipate much changing that. Amidst COVID, a major move and both of us starting new careers it has been a whirlwind of a year and we are grateful to be here in Reedsport.

I look forward to continuing to serve this community for years to come.



### Greetings from City Hall

It is hard to believe but I have now officially been in the City Manager position for more than 6 months. While it has been challenging wading through all of the practically daily changes to our Covid 19 guidance and restrictions, there seems to be light at the end of the tunnel. In the next six months, I am looking forward to getting out in the community and visiting with more of you. While I have been mostly holed up in my office these last months, I have been putting a lot of plans in motion for the future of Reedsport. Thank you for all of the words of support that I have been given so far and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Deanna Schafer  
City Manager

### Umpqua Discovery Center



#### SUMMER HOURS:

Tues-Sat. 10:30-4:30 / Sun. 12-4



Watch for Riverfront  
Rhythms Concerts!

Check Facebook & Website.

New Items  
In Gift Shop



[www.umpquadiscoverycenter.com](http://www.umpquadiscoverycenter.com)



# City-Wide

## 2021 Fire Season

For the 9th year in a row, the Reedsport Volunteer Fire Department will not issue burn barrel or debris burning permits within the Reedsport City limits for the 2021 Fire Season. There will be no exception to this policy for the duration of fire season.

The Fire Department stopped issuing permits on Friday, June 4th, 2021. This occurred at the same time Coos Forest Protective Association announced that fire season had started.

The reasons for this policy are:

- ◆ To protect the welfare of the community
- ◆ Reduce the cost of fire operations
- ◆ Alignment with neighboring fire agencies
- ◆ To provide for firefighter safety

Warming fires, otherwise known as campfires or recreational fires (for cooking and other non-debris burning activities in approved containers), are still allowed year round (Except during Extreme Fire Danger) and do not require a permit. We ask that you burn safely and responsibly. Use clean, dry firewood, do not leave the fire unattended. Please, put fire out when completely finished and be aware of smoke intrusion in your neighborhood, which is regulated by City Ordinance 6.08020 (1)

City Council Work Session	Monday	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Conf. Room
City Council Regular Session	July 12th	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Chambers & Zoom
Traffic Court	Wednesday	9:00 am-Noon	Council Chambers
	July 21st		
Planning Commission Meeting	Tuesday	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Council Chambers
	July 27th		
City Council Work Session	Monday	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Conf. Room
City Council Regular Session	August 2nd	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Chambers & Zoom
National Night Out	Tuesday	5:00-7:00 pm	Lions Park
	August 3rd		
Riverfront Rhythm's	Thursday	6:00-7:30 pm	Riverfront
	August 5th		
Traffic Court	Wednesday	9:00 am-Noon	Council Chambers
Reedsport Main Street Meeting	August 18th	4:30 – 5:30 pm	Via Zoom
Riverfront Rhythm's	Thursday	6:00-7:30 pm	Riverfront
	August 19th		
Planning Commission Meeting	Tuesday	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Council Chambers
	August 24th		
City Council Work Session	Monday	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Conf. Room
City Council Regular Session	September 13th	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Chambers & Zoom
Traffic Court	Wednesday	9:00 am-Noon	Council Chambers
Reedsport Main Street Meeting	September 15th	4:30 – 5:30 pm	Via Zoom
Planning Commission Meeting	Tuesday	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Council Chambers
	September 21st		



## FOREST HILLS GOLF COURSE REEDSPORT, OR

Reedsport's Forest Hills Country Club will be conducting the 2021 Jack Dunn Memorial Fundraiser on Saturday, July 24.

The 6-person, team scramble format of this event makes it fun for golfers of all skill levels.

Sign up as a team, or individually to be placed onto a team. Participation is \$50 per person. Power cart rental is an additional \$15 per person. Lunch is included following golf.

There will also be a Silent Auction, 50/50 drawing and several fun games during the golf play. All proceeds benefit Reedsport's hometown, not-for-profit golf course. For a printable entry form, visit [www.golfreedsport.com/2021\\_Jack.pdf](http://www.golfreedsport.com/2021_Jack.pdf)

Forest Hills Country Club welcomes public play year-round, and is a 501(c)(4) non-profit, member-managed organization.



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# The Buzz at Bumblebee...

Through collaboration and grant funding from Travel Southern Oregon Coast (TSOC), the Reedsport Main Street Program (RMSP) was able to secure a kayak launch which was recently installed at Bumblebee Boat Launch off Riverfront Way. The Grand Opening Celebration was held in a quiet setting on June 5<sup>th</sup>. Our launch is the second of fourteen launches to be installed on the Oregon Coast and we are proud to bring this project to our community. RMSP and TSOC will continue to work together to improve the launch and the overall space for the benefit of our boating community.

RMSP is looking forward to seeing our community members enjoy this space for years to come and



encourage both locals and visitors to come check out Bumblebee Boat Launch throughout the summer to see the many improvements that will be happening. We thank you for your continued support and donations to our program to accomplish projects just like this. Check us out at [www.reedsportmainstreet.com](http://www.reedsportmainstreet.com).

## **"AARP" Food Pantry**

810 Greenwood Ave. at Henderson Park

Thursday's 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

PROVIDES MUCH NEEDED FOOD ITEMS  
TO THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

ELIGIBILITY IS BASED ON MONTHLY HOUSE-  
HOLD INCOME AND NUMBER OF PERSONS  
IN HOUSEHOLD.

PROOF OF INCOME REQUIRED.

Phone (541) 271-3609



# We Need YOU!

The Lower Umpqua Senior Center has operated out of its current location at 460 Winchester Ave. since 1989; that same year the center was incorporated as (LUCC, Inc.) a 501(c)(3) Nonprofit operating under a volunteer board of directors. The board currently has six members and is always looking for additional volunteers.

The Center's commercial kitchen is used to prepare and serve home-bound seniors



and disabled citizen's meals three-days a week. Meals are served on Tuesdays, Thursdays' and Fridays. Although the Center is currently closed, they are providing curbside pickup and delivery for those in need. If you are interested in volunteering or in need of the program please contact Karen Robertson (Douglas County Senior Services) at 541-271-6211 for information and assistance.

The program continues to seek volunteer drivers whom are willing to give a minimum of 2 hours per week to deliver and prepare meals for citizens. If you are willing to give any amount of time to the program please reach out to Karen. Volunteers will need to complete a County volunteer application and submit to a background check.

The Center is not currently accepting equipment donations such as wheelchairs, walkers or other items due to the pandemic. If you would like to help seniors in our area, please consider a monetary donation to help offset the fundraising deficit caused by the mandatory closure of the Center. All donations are tax deductible and go to help individuals right here in our community.

The meals-on-wheels program and the Center is a multi-agency collaboration between the City of Reedsport, Douglas County Housing Authority, Douglas County Senior Services, Bateman Community Services and LUCC, Inc.



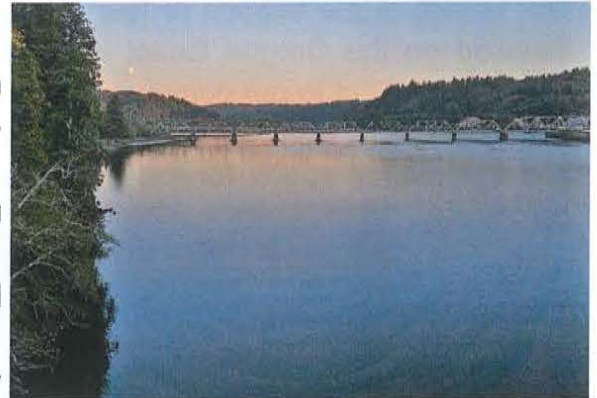
# Save & Conserve

*With a water Eco-Kit*

The City of Reedsport has partnered with Central Lincoln People's Utility District (CLPUD) to offer our customers energy efficient water saving kits, FREE of charge. Proper installation of the items in these kits should result in annual savings on customers' water\* and electric bills.

## Water Saving Kit Contains:

- ◆ 1.5 gpm Showerhead. Replace existing bathroom showerhead with water saving showerhead. Recognized in Good Housekeeping and Newsweek.
- ◆ 1.5 gpm Swivel Kitchen Aerator. Replace Existing kitchen aerator with this water saving model.
- ◆ Toilet Tank Bank. Fill the bag to line with water and insert into toilet tank to save water with each flush.
- ◆ Flow Meter Bag. Use this bag to measure the water your showerhead/aerator uses.
- ◆ Leak Detection Tablets. Drop these tablets in the toilet tank. If water in the toilet turns blue, you have a leak.
- ◆ 1.0 gpm Faucet Aerator. Remove existing bathroom aerator by unscrewing it. Replace with this aerator for savings.
- ◆ Fill Cycle Diverter. To use, attach it to the fill hose and it can save as much as 0.5 gallons per flush.
- ◆ Pipe Sealing Tape. Use this tape to form a tight seal when installing your showerhead to avoid costly leaks.



- ◆ Toilet Flapper. Replace existing leaky flapper to prevent tank water from leaking into the toilet.

If you are interested in a kit, please download an application at [www.cityofreedsport.org](http://www.cityofreedsport.org) or pick up a form at City Hall. This form MUST be filled out, signed, and returned in person to City Hall in order to receive your FREE WATER SAVING ECO-KIT. Persons who wish to receive a kit must have active accounts with both the City of Reedsport and CLPUD. Supplies are limited, so hurry in and get yours today.

**Limit:** one kit per customer and/or household.

**\*Only metered water customers may see a savings. Flat rate customers will conserve water by installing these kits, but will not see a reduction in their water bills. \*Provided in partnership with CLPUD.**



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## REEDSPORT CLASS OF 2021

**Graduates:** Joseph Allen, CJ Anderson, Aidan Bright, Cora Bruce, Senella Caldwell, Alex Carson, Elijah Carson, Nicole Cartier, Justin Cassaro, Randi Dexter, Jacob Dukovich, Divinity Farris, Desaray Gomez, Samantha Klier, Courtney Manicke, Cheyenne McCart, Ricki McCarty, Chase Moon, Alexander Neufeld, Jadyn Ollivier, Jesse Padilla, Payton Plagmann, Aubree Rohde, Haylee Sams, Zoe Sandberg, Shane Saxon, Brittany Smith, Christian Solomon, Nathen Stemper, Ashley Swift, Phillip Taylor, James Thornton, Marin Turney, Riley Wright, Sean Williams, Thomas Wolford.

**Valedictorian is Jacob Dukovich.** Jacob is the son of Ron and Joanna Dukovich. He has 2 siblings: Alex and Sawyer. In high school Jacob was involved with the National Honor Society and Track and Field. Jacob volunteers with the Reedsport Fire Department and also plays the guitar. After high school Jacob plans to attend SOCC taking general course studies and then will transfer to a university. He also plans to continue to find new ways to help the community. Jacob's advice for future generations is: Enjoy time with loved ones. Don't take life so seriously, loosen up and have fun. "Pride leads to disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom." Proverbs 11:2

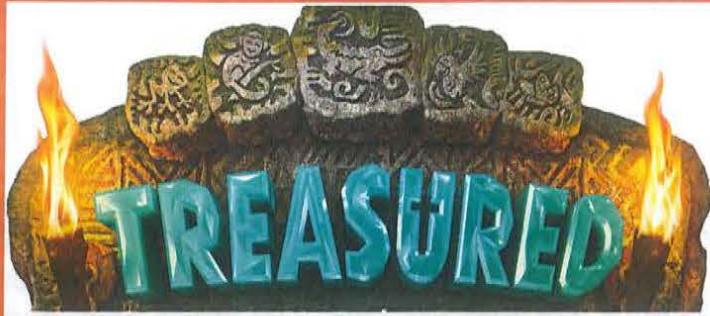


**Salutatorian is Ashley Swift.** Ashley is the daughter of Kevin and Shelley Swift. She has 5 siblings: Katie, Chrissy, Kevin, Mikey and Anthoney. In high school she was involved with National Honor Society, blood drive coordinator for the American Red Cross, danced for Time and Tide Dance Company and is graduating as salutatorian with an Honors Diploma and 29 college credits. After high school Ashley plans to attend SOCC and then transfer to SOU for her bachelor's degree in teaching Early Elementary School Education. Ashley's advice to future generations is: Always make time for

self-care. If you don't replenish your mental and physical well-being, the consequences can be awful. Find ways to rest and refuel both your body and mind.







All kids ages four through entering 6th grade are invited to join us for a completely free "Treasured" Vacation Bible School at the Reedsport Church of God from Monday, August 2, through Friday, August 6, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. to noon each day.

Embark on an epic quest through hidden ruins, ancient caves, and dense jungles. At Treasured VBS, kids dig into action-packed, faith-filled adventures. They'll discover God's greatest treasure isn't diamonds, gems, or gold—it's them!

Lunch will be served each day for every child right before pick-up at noon. On Friday, August 6, at 6:00 p.m., all family members are invited to a Treasured Extravaganza where the children will sing their songs and we'll gather outside for a final barbecue and family festival.

Registrations are open now! To register, please go to [rchog.org/vbs](http://rchog.org/vbs).

## City Budget Update!

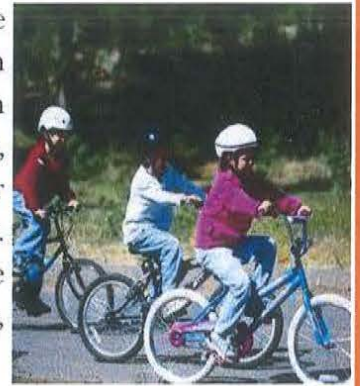
**At our June council meeting the City Council approved the 2021-2022 operating budget for the City. Once again we were conservative in revenue projections for the new year but are looking ahead to several projects being started and completed.**

-Michelle Fraley, Finance Director

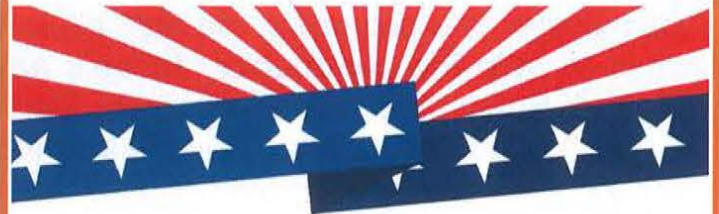
## Summer Safety

from the Traffic Safety Committee

All children under the age of 16 must wear an approved helmet when riding a regular bicycle, skateboard, skate scooter or roller/in-line skates. These may ride on the sidewalk, bike lane/path, or in a crosswalk.



The minimum age to use an Electric Assisted Bike, Electric or Gas Scooter is 16 years of age and they must wear an approved helmet. While they cannot be used on sidewalks, they can be used on bike path/lanes.



## National Night Out

**August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**5-7 PM**

**Lions Park**

**Join us for fun, games, prizes and BBQ**

Sponsored by the Lions Club, Rotary, Lower Umpqua Hospital, Reedsport Police Department and Reedsport Volunteer Fire Department.

