

# COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

## COVID-19 Information

- CDC website: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html)
- Oregon Health Authority website to sign up for daily notifications or learn info: [www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASESCONDITIONS/DISEASESAZ/Pages/emerging-respiratory-infections.aspx](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/DISEASESCONDITIONS/DISEASESAZ/Pages/emerging-respiratory-infections.aspx)
- Marion County Oregon, [www.co.marion.or.us/HLT/COVID-19/Pages/Default.aspx](https://www.co.marion.or.us/HLT/COVID-19/Pages/Default.aspx)
- Phone call 211 to learn about community assistance programs and emergency management responses

## Community Member of the Month

If you know someone, a group or a business that is doing or has done something to demonstrate community spirit, kindness or compassion; nominate them for Community Member of the Month! Nominating someone is a beautiful way to show your support and simply say "thank you" while recognizing their efforts. At a time when our beautiful State has seen unprecedented devastation we could all use a reminder that through kindness and compassion we can persevere and build an even stronger community. To nominate someone, please visit the City's website at [www.DonaldOregon.gov](http://www.DonaldOregon.gov), click on the "More" tab and find "Community Member of the Month." You can also contact City Hall and request a form be sent to you.

### City Hall:

City Manager: Heidi Bell  
10710 Main Street  
P.O. Box 388  
Donald, OR 97020-0388  
**Phone: 503-678-5543**  
**City Website:**  
[www.donaldoregon.gov](http://www.donaldoregon.gov)

### Public Works:

Director: Alonso Limones  
Phone: 503-678-1411  
**Donald's Emergency**  
**Pager: 503-301-6479**  
Subscribe to  
**Flash Alerts** to receive  
Urgent & Emergency Notices

## City Calendar for October 2020

Thurs. 8: Donald Municipal Court 10am  
Tue. 13: City Council Meeting 6:45pm  
Thurs. 15: Water & Sewer Bills Due  
Mon. 19: Street Sweeper—Move Property Off Street  
Mon. 19: Donald Beautification Group Meeting 6:30pm  
Fri. 23: Meter Reads  
Sat 31: Happy Halloween!



## City Hall Open Limited Hours

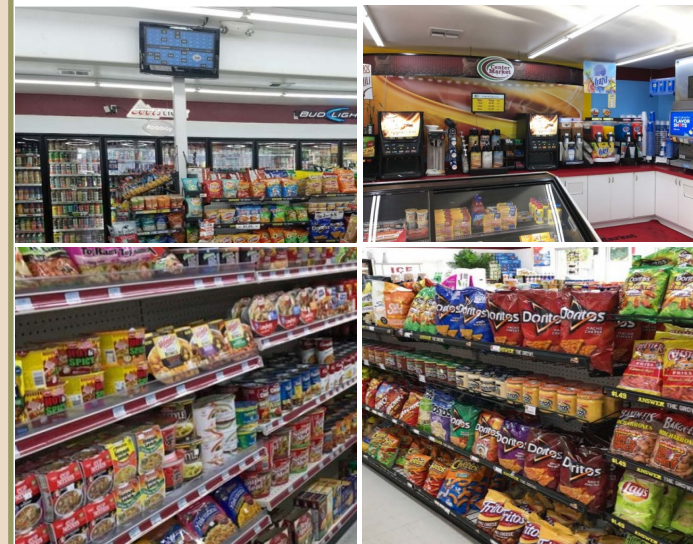
**Mondays and Tuesdays: 1pm to 3pm**

**Wednesdays and Thursdays: 9am to 11am**



## Center Market NOW OPEN!

10801 NE Main St.  
Hours: Everyday, 5am - 12am



## N.M.S.D. Meals for Children

North Marion School district will be continuing the Summer Food Service Program through December 21, 2020. They will be offering breakfast and lunch for any child 1-18 years of age. All meals will be FREE.

### Grab and Go Meal Sites:

- Donald Skate Park: Mon. & Thurs. 10:30am - 11am
- Hubbard, Rivenes Park: Mon. & Thurs. 10:30am - 11am.
- Middle School Bus Lanes: Mon. & Thurs. 9am - 12pm.

For community assistance programs for individuals or families phone call 211.



## City-Wide Cleanup Day

Due to the devastating wild fires and hazardous air conditions, the Donald City Council decided to cancel the City-Wide Cleanup Day that was scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2020. The Council is discussing rescheduling the event, though a date has yet to be determined. Please check the City's website and community boards for updates.

# DONALD MONTHLY RECORD

## Councilor's Corner:

**By Council President, Gloria Nicholson**



My term as City Council President is coming to an end and it is time for me to return to full-time retirement! I wish to thank Mayor Oxenford, my fellow City Councilors, City Manager Heidi Bell and the City Staff for the support they have given me as a Councilor and my time as a volunteer at City Hall.

My one thought I have as a citizen of the United States is our power to vote. If you have not registered yet, please do so. We ALL need to vote!! You will also be voting this year for a Donald Mayor and three City Councilors. As my last and final thought, be kind to one another, help where it is needed and support your City officials, Manager and staff. As my mother taught me, "if you can't say something nice, don't say anything at all" ... Take care and may God bless America.

## Donald-Gervais Policing Contract

**By: Gervais Police Chief Mark Chase**

The City of Donald and the City of Gervais entered into a partnership for "enhanced" policing services in the City of Donald. Gervais will be providing this service without adding an officer or scheduling addition overtime hours. Gervais will provide "enhanced" patrol services on random days and times when shifts overlap so that we can afford to send an officer to Donald, causing minimal impact to Gervais. The Marion County Sheriff's Office will continue to respond to calls of services when a Gervais officer is not on patrol in Donald.



The "enhanced" patrol services will focus on developing positive community relationships and traffic enforcement. While the shifts will be random, our goal is to provide consistent services each week for several hours at a time. Our team loves small town policing. I believe you will come to appreciate and enjoy the positive, friendly, upbeat attitude of our staff, even if you're stopped for a violation. It is our pleasure to serve you.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call us at 503-792-4575. You can also email our staff and find our contact information on our website at

## Elections for Mayor & City Councilors

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> and your ballot must be received by 8pm on that day. Marion County is assessing Donald for a drive-up box but no determination has been made yet. Check the back of your voter's pamphlet for ballot drop locations. Candidates that filed for Mayor and Councilor in Donald are listed below in alphabetical order by last name.

### Mayor:

**(One Position)**

Rick Olmsted

Brad Oxenford

### Councilor:

**(Three Positions)**

Sheryl Glenn

Amanda McCracken

Lauren Ostrander

Rod Scott

City Council	Term
Brad Oxenford, Mayor	2020
<b>Councilors:</b>	
Gloria Nicholson, President	2020
Sheryl Glenn	2020
Katie Gonzalez	2022
Troy Hellickson	2022
Rod Scott	2020
Gerry Waller	2022

## Donald Municipal Court



In partnership with the Gervais Police Dept. the City of Donald has started citing people into municipal court for code and traffic violations. If you previously received a warning about a code enforcement issue, you may receive a citation and will need to appear before Judge Lori Coukoulis. This is the first time in many years that Donald has had a court system.

## Voter Registration Drive

By: Councilor Katie Gonzalez

The City of Donald Civic Engagement and Public Health focus group is hosting a Voter Registration Drive on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 12pm—3pm outside of the Donald Community Center (DCC). Voter registration forms will be available in English and Spanish. Please remember to vote in the upcoming election. The deadline to register to vote is October 13<sup>th</sup>.



## MAKE FIRE SAFETY YOUR KEY INGREDIENT WHEN COOKING!

TAKE THESE STEPS TO KEEP YOUR FAMILY SAFE.

### INGREDIENTS

Fire safety when cooking includes these key items:

- Working smoke alarms
- Clean surfaces and appliances
- Kitchen or phone timer/alarm
- Adult eyes on the stovetop when it's in use

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. STAND BY YOUR PAN! This way you can react quickly if flames appear. Stay in the kitchen when cooking food on the stovetop.
2. FLAMES? PUT A LID ON IT!
3. Keep a 3-foot child and pet-free zone around your cooking area. This helps you stay focused so you can KEEP AN EYE ON WHAT YOU FRY.

It's easy to forget about something that's cooking. Use a kitchen timer or a timer on your phone to make sure your dish doesn't become a fire hazard. This can help you to WATCH WHAT YOU HEAT.

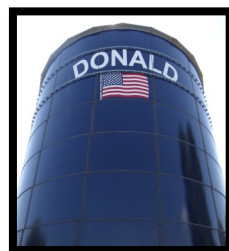
Courtesy of: Oregon State Police Office of State Fire Marshal [oregon.gov/osp/sfm](http://oregon.gov/osp/sfm)



Do you like taking pictures? Email it to [manager@donaldoregon.gov](mailto:manager@donaldoregon.gov) and it will appear in the newsletter with your name!

## Well Site Study

By: City Engineer Matt Huxley



The City of Donald gets its water from two wells at the Water Treatment Plant on Rees Street. These wells were installed when the plant was constructed in the early 1980s. One of the wells no longer produces so the City only has one functioning well. Although the remaining well meets the City's current drinking water needs it is approaching the end of its life and can only support a limited amount of new development. With just one well there is no redundancy if it were to fail. For these reasons it is important to plan for a new well now. The first step in this process is to find a location for it. The City Engineering firm, Tetra Tech, and their partner, GSi Water Solutions, are finishing up a study that will identify the most suitable locations for the new well. The study will also identify locations for a second well that will eventually be needed to replace the existing remaining well. These wells must serve the community's needs for decades into the future, so the study is taking account the City's future drinking water needs and community preferences.



## Recycle Donald 2020

Recycle or Trash it?

By Master Recycler Lauren Ostrander

### What to do with those 2 liter pop bottles?

- Put them in blue bin for recycling.
- Fill and store them with water for an emergency.
- Fill with water and turn upside down for plants in your garden.
- Get 10 cent deposit back.

I recently posted this on the Friends of Donald Facebook page and got some other votes!

- Fill with colored water for target practice.
- Use as bird feeders.
- Use for planting seed starts in, like tomatoes.
- Fill with water and use as ice coolers.



Contact Lauren to participate in Recycle Donald 2020.

[LaurenOstrander@gmail.com](mailto:LaurenOstrander@gmail.com) or 503-453-9228



## Donald Beautification Work

By: Connie Lindsay

The Donald Beautification Group (DBG) continues to work on several exciting and fun projects over the summer and into the fall of 2020:

The group reviewed entries for the “**Name the Park Contest**” and identified the top five finalists. The next step is to put together a survey for all Donald citizens to vote on the winning name of Donald's city park. Look for it in an upcoming city newsletter!

### New City of Donald Welcome Signs

For over a year now, the committee has been working on the design, structure and placement of new Welcome to Donald road signs. Currently, there are three signs into the city limits and the group is making plans for a fourth sign to the west on Donald Road. The metal signs have been laser cut, bolted together and are now heading to the paint booth for color. The estimated install date for the new city signs is late October 2020. The group would like to thank GK Machine for this generous donation.



Excitement was in the air the night Heidi informed the group that it has received \$1,180 in grant funds for **Oregon's Main Street program**! We held a brainstorming session on how to use the funds to meet the group's goals. We are now researching purchasing large planters for flowers/plants to replace some of the trees that were removed last spring for the new sidewalk project.

Two youth members of the DBG are researching the possibility of painting the **Fire Hydrants** in downtown Donald. They approached the Public Works Dept. and the Donald Fire Department to gain their perspective and permission to paint. The youth members have suggested a fire safety theme and the DBG members thought it was a wonderful idea. We'll get more ideas from the youth team about their vision at the September DBG meeting.

The group is also making plans for a **Dedication Ceremony** in the spring of 2021. We are planning a public celebration for the new playground equipment and officially name Donald's city park. We are seeking a few donations for this event, so if you'd like to help, please contact one of the DBG members.

This fun group of local community volunteers enjoys their time serving on the committee as well as creating new improvements in the City of Donald. If you would like to join our group, please do not hesitate to contact one of the DBG members or just show up at one of our upcoming meetings. The group meets on a regular basis, usually the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month. The last couple of meetings were on-line, so it's easy to join in and have some fun!

## Grease goes in the garbage, not down the drain.

By: Public Works Director Alonso Limones

Grease, fats, oils and gravy that go down your sink or toilet can stick to the inside of your kitchen drain Septic Tanks and City sewer pipes.

### What can happen?

- Unpleasant, messy, expensive sewer backups into your home.
- City sewer can back up and overflow into yards, streets or parks, creating a health hazard.
- Sewer overflows reach the stormwater system, flowing into waterways untreated.
- Major damage to Sewer Septic Tank components such as pump and floats system.

### What can you do?

- Collect excess grease and cooking oil from plates or pans and put it in a leftover milk, juice or food container (such as a tin can or plastic tub). Seal the container in a plastic bag and put it in the garbage.
- Wipe pots and dishes with a paper towel to remove any oil and grease before washing.
- Put greasy food or fat trimmings in the trash, not down the garbage disposal.



## Delinquent Water & Sewer Accounts

As time goes on, some customers are falling further behind on their Water & Sewer Accounts. The City Council is encouraging customers that have fallen behind on their accounts to setup a payment plan in hopes of reducing account balances. The payment plan agreements are available on the City's website under the Water & Sewer page or can be emailed or mailed to you upon request.