

# DONALD MONTHLY RECORD



#### Councilor's Corner: Gloria Nicholson

all is in the air with Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas just around the corner. That means a lot goes on in our homes and in our City. As mentioned last month, Trunk or Treat will be taking place again on Halloween evening at the Donald Fire Hall. Many activities are taking place at the Donald Community

Center; check the City's website for dates and times. Of course, we can't forget the Holiday Sing-A-Long that will be taking place on December 7th at 6pm in the Donald Fire Hall (Thank you Aurora Fire District #63). Please join us to have some fun! The Aurora Fire District #63 will have their Bingo Night on March 2,

Mayor	Term
Rick Olmsted	2018
Councilors:	
Jan Olsen, Coun. President	2020
Fred Hartley	2018
Abby Hungate	2018
Katie Gonzalez	2018
Brad Oxenford	2020
Gloria Nicholson	2020

# Citizen of the Month: October Dawn Scheller

Dawn has lived in Donald for a little over a year, and in that short time, she has made a positive impact on her neighbors. Krista Fogelson, the neighbor



that nominated her stated that "She is incredibly friendly and took time right away to get to know her neighbors. She is always willing to lend a helping hand when needed." After 20 years in Tualatin, Dawn discovered Donald and immediately "felt right at home. I love our little street and community" she said. Dawn shared her insight regarding the importance of neighborhoods "people watching out for one another. There's always someone keeping an eye out. It's very important to have a closeknit neighborhood." Dawn wanted to share with her fellow Donaldites that, if anyone is ever in trouble or in need, her door is always open. Thank you Dawn, for being a wonderful addition to our Community! And as she so beautifully stated "wave, smile and be kind. We're all in this together." Thank you Dawn for showcasing the sprit of being a great neighbor!

#### **Planning Commission**

This is a recruitment request for replacing two expiring Planning Commissioners'; for Cammi Hungate and Rick Perdue. Both deserve a BIG thank you for their service. They are welcome to reapply, but it is assumed if Gerry Waller is elected to City Council, then three people will need to be recruited to serve on the Planning Commission. This is because there are three City Council candidates and three open Council seats. To get more info on what the PC does, and an application, visit City Hall, the City website, or a community board. Aps are due on November 6 at 4pm. Aps will be reviewed at the Planning Commission Meeting on November 15 at 6:45pm.





2019, with much good food, fun, and laughter! Thank you, Heidi, and your staff for the Meet and Greet that took place on August 18th. My wish is that 2019 brings much health and happiness for all. Happy Fall & Winter!

#### **Water Update**

Since August 1, 2018, water customers were put on a water conservation program. On October 1 the restrictions are lifted. However, Public Works will continue to monitor the daily water consumption and if it becomes too high then another conservation might be required through the fall season.

Here is a summary of how things went:

- The well's pump was able to keep up with supply around mid-September but still needed to run 12-14 hours a day.
- Three violators were reported.
- Able to accommodate five special requests for water usage.
- Water usage stats show conservation program was effective.

 Water Usage Stats
 2018
 2017

 (reported in gallons)
 July: 3,784,000\*
 July: 3,305,000

 \* higher amount
 Aug.: 3,519,000
 Aug.: 4,209,000\*

 Sept.: 2,445,000
 Sept.: 2,590,000\*

**Next Steps:** The well's pump is petering out and we are waiting for a price quote for a replacement. At some point in the winter, the citizens will be put on a water restriction for about a week so the reservoirs can fill to the top, the pump can be replaced, and then the new pump can catch-up and refill the reservoirs. On the property that is slated to come into the City, there is a well that is being investigated to see if it could be a source for municipal use.

#### **Donald Beautification Volunteer Group**

On Saturday, September 15th, volunteers of all ages gathered to help the citizens of Donald get rid of their trash, yard debris, and recycling materials. The City collected \$168 in donations to go toward the estimated cost of \$1,300. Loren's Sanitation and N. Marion Recycling donated de-



livery costs to help reduce our costs, but did charge for hauling. A Master Recycler & N. Marion Recycling employee were both available to answer tough recycling questions. The event was sponsored by the Donald Beautification Volunteer Group and the City Council. There were three 30-yard dumpsters filled of garbage and two with yard debris. We recycled one cart of glass, over 100 cans of paint, a

dumpster of scrap metal, and two large cartons of e-waste as well as household batteries. Plastic bags were taken to be woven into mats for the homeless, too. Thank you, Volunteers! If you are looking for a creative outlet and a productive volunteer experience, join the Donald Beautification Group. Next meeting: Monday, October 8 at 6:30pm at City Hall. Topics: sidewalks downtown and the park grant.

#### Trunk or Treat: By DHF President Dave Hetrick



The Donald Hazelnut Festival Committee, and the District 63 Firefighters, are teaming up for the 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat event on Halloween, Oct. 31. We would love to have your

trunk at the Donald Fire Station to help us grow this safe and fun event or donate candy (can drop off at City Hall). More details on the Donald Hazelnut Festival's website at:

www.donaldhazelnutfestival.com. If you have any questions, please account. This is a way for the City to send email the Festival at: info@donaldhazelnutfestival.com.

#### **Donald's Urban Growth Boundary Update**

The Marion County Commissioners approved the City's request to

grow by 77 acres for residential land, and nearly 12 acres for public use land. The City's Engineer is tasked with creating Master Plans for both the water and sewer systems that will address how to handle the anticipated increase in population



need for these resources. Both studies are 100% funded with grant money from the State. Master Plans are a comprehensive study, including alternative ideas, for the Council to consider. Following approval of the Master Plans, the City will update the System Development Charges to ensure that developers are paying the appropriate amount for the needed infrastructure to serve the new areas. The Master Plans will also address any deficiency in the City's current water and sewer systems, so they will be addressed by the City Budget Committee and Council. Around February, citizens can apply to serve on the Budget Committee.

#### **Elections**

In alphabetical order by last name

Mayor: Rick Olmsted Brad Oxenford

Councilor: Katie Gonzalez Trov Hellickson Gerry Waller

# **Election Dates**

Last day to register to vote is October 16. Marion County Elections Office will mail the ballots by October 23. The County's webpage is a valuable resource for all things electionrelated, including a "track my ballot" program. You can register to vote on the State's website, or pick up a card at Donald City Hall. Election Day is Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Donald City Hall is a ballot drop off site. Marion County will staff the ballot box until 8pm on election night. Remember to Vote!

#### **County & State Candidates**

The City of St. Paul is hosting a Meet and Greet event with State and County candidates on Wednesday, October 3rd at their Community Hall, 20239 Main Street, N.E., St. Paul

#### City Hall:

City Manager: Heidi Bell 10710 Main Street P.O. Box 388 Donald, OR 97020-0388 Phone: 503-678-5543

City Hall Hours:

Mon - Thurs = 8am to 4pm

Fridays = 8am to Noon

**Public Works:** 

Director: Alonso Limones Phone: 503-678-1411 Water/Sewer Emergency

Pager: 503-301-6479 Subscribe to

Notification Email List on Flash Alerts City Website: www.donaldoregon.gov



# **Emergency Management** Flash Alerts Account

The City of Donald setup a Flash Alerts out an email to you immediately. You can sign up to receive the City's notifications at: www.flashalerts.net or download the app onto your smart phone. You can get detailed instructions on the City's website. Also, on Flash Alerts you will find many other organizations like: Marion County Sheriff's Office; N. Marion School District; or other nearby government agencies and nonprofit organizations. The notifications email address will no longer be used. For those that don't have an email/smart phone device, the City will continue to post emergency posters on all community bulletin boards, in the top left-hand corner.

#### **Grant Awarded to City for Park!**

The City has been awarded a grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for nearly \$73,000. This money will be used for a new bathroom and playground equipment at the little park by City Hall. Thank

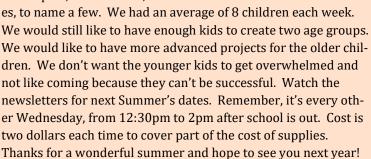
> you, Planning Commissioner Gerry Waller, for spearheading and writing this grant for these wonderful improvements to our City Park! In the spring we will ask for

volunteers to help.



### **Summer Fun!** By Gerry Waller and Carol Lively

We had a successful Summer! The kids loved Summer Fun Craft Days! They did flower pots, sun catchers, and bird hous-



#### **City Calendar for October 2018**

Tue. 2: Business Leaders Meeting, DCC at 9am

Tue. 9: City Council Meeting at 6:45pm

Sun. 14: Game Night/Rock Painting, DCC at 2-4pm

Mon. 15: Water & Sewer Bills Due

Mon. 15: Ballot Box delivered to City Hall

Tue. 16: Red Tags Delivered at 10am Tue. 16: Last Day to Register to Vote!

Thurs. 18: Shut Offs for Non-Payment at 10am

Mon. 22: Storytime, DCC at 10:30am

Mon. 22: Late Fees Applied at 8am

Tue. 23: Marion County Elections mails ballots

Mon. 29: Street Sweeper, move personal items off City streets

Wed. 31: Happy Halloween! Trunk or Treat at Fire Hall



