

October 2016

# PLUMMER NEWS

CITY OF PLUMMER

**DATES OF INTEREST:**

- October 13  
Regular City Council Meeting  
6p.m.
- October 27  
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## PCAT– Plummer Community Action Team

We would like to recognize each of our city businesses and residential neighbors who have made improvements to their property. Look around and tell them thanks for caring. It really helps give our town a face lift. Whether it's a store front or yard it deserves notice. Our town is a natural beautiful location. Those of you who have jumped on board to give it a more welcoming appearance are adding to its surrounding beauty. Please look around you and say thanks to those who are making a difference. Hopefully it will encourage others to join P.C.A.T to help us obtain our goal in improving the appearance of Plummer.

Thank you,  
PCAT

## Haunted House 2016

**Place: Plummer Community Center**

**Tickets: \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 per family**

Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> 6pm-10pm  
Theme: Goriest  
Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> 6pm-10pm  
Theme: Scariest  
Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>  
CLOSED  
Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 6pm-9pm  
Theme: Funniest  
Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> 6pm-9pm  
Theme: Dirtiest  
Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 6pm-9pm  
Theme: Macho  
Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> 6pm-9pm  
Theme: Cutest  
Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> 6pm-10pm  
Theme: Goriest  
Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> 5pm-10p  
Last Day  
Theme: Goriest



Please dress warm and bring your flashlight. Don't forget your carved pumpkin to win your trophy!!

**Be Prepared to be frightened.**

Bring a toy, and receive a \$1.00 off your ticket. Toys will be collected and donated Friday October 28th and Saturday October 29th by Toys for Tots

### Concession Stand on Site

For Directions or information please contact Earlene Williams 208-686-0829

Apple Bobbing: 6pm Daily  
Treasurer Hunts: 6:30 Daily  
Best Costume: 7pm Daily  
Pumpkin Carving Contest: 8pm Daily  
Judging & trophies for best costume & pumpkin contest: will be awarded according to the day's theme  
Haunted House: Daily

There will be special games and decorations for all the little ghosts and goblins.

Attention business owners (including small businesses) & residents of the community: The Lakeside Plummer Chamber of Commerce Inc. would like your input. Please visit our website at [lccchamber.com](http://lccchamber.com) or facebook: Lakeside Chamber of Commerce Inc. You will find a link to a survey. Any questions call Tom Nuss at Umpqua Bank 686-1921 or Kay Stivers 208-596-5289

Plummer Gateway Fire Protection District welcomes sub district one fire commissioner James Tim Bonnell - Hall

## Message From The Mayor

We had our first two of five Q & A sessions about the electrical system project proposal going to bond in November. The first one was primarily just to get the hard questions from the people that showed up since I was still waiting on reports and stuff to come in from the financial analysis, mapping, and engineering teams. I wasn't disappointed! There were a ton of good questions and I was hoping the oppositional folks would show and again I wasn't disappointed. But that just gave us the questions that need to be answered in a clear and concise way so everybody understands the threshold we stand on. The last one was at the same time the "Itchy & Scratchy show" was on (presidential debate, and no offense to The Simpsons was intended). So turn out was small, but we had some good conversation about the project and again came away with good feedback.

There are arguments about why don't we just do a little bit at a time with what we already bring in? That's what we've been doing, but there is always something causing an outage and that money to try to get ahead of the game goes on just keeping up! KEC made us spend our reserve money, not because they felt like hey, lets soak the city out of its reserves, but because the poles were too rotten and posed a risk of one of their linemen getting injured or killed! A majority of our poles are in the same condition! Would you want your father, mother, husband, wife, son or daughter or anyone else close to you to exposing him or herself to excessive risk of being maimed or killed working on our system? If you don't think our poles are that bad, I had Leonard cut sections out of the "best" of the worst from that last pole project so you can *see* what condition those electrical workers were exposed to. You come to the next meeting and you can see for yourselves! I can't make this stuff up!

Another aspect of this thing that people don't understand, and maybe I don't explain it well enough, but a cool million of that bond loan goes back in to our reserves to replace the million we had to spend on the KEC project. So we reload our reserves, and then once the system (project) is done, the excess money (and there will be, even after making the loan payment) that would have otherwise gone to repair things in the "keep up game" goes back into the reserves to build them up more so this kind of situation *never* happens again, no matter who is mayor or on the city council in the future! We will also have an annual maintenance program in effect too, so the system will be taken care of on a cycle of maintenance and inspection to monitor and replace aging equipment before it gets too old and that alone will save tens of thousands of dollars and prevent this kind of thing from ever happening again!

The next Q & A sessions are slated for ***October 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>***, and then one last one the evening of ***November 7<sup>th</sup>***. All will be at 6 pm. **October 11th will be held at the Plummer Community Center. October 25th and November 7th will be held at Plummer City Hall.**

We have added a feature to our city web site too ([cityofplummer.org](http://cityofplummer.org)). You can go to the web page, go up to "Utilities," at the top of the page, then when you put your mouse cursor over that a drop box opens and you click on "Electricity," and in the middle of the page you'll see a link "[plummer.maps.arcgis.com](http://plummer.maps.arcgis.com)." If you click on that link a map will open up showing our system and poles. If you hover over and click on a pole, a dialogue box will open showing you the data about that pole. It is being built as we speak, and pictures are being added so you can, not only see the descriptions of the condition of the pole, but you will see a picture of the pole too! There is also a link to the "write up" of the project proposal.

We have the write up and FAQ sheets about the project available at city hall as well.

I hope to see you on the 11<sup>th</sup> and the 25<sup>th</sup>!

## Police News

Make sure your stuff is locked up and put away. There have been a lot of thefts and burglaries recently.