

MIKE'S FRIDAY MEMO

December 26, 2008

1. Earlier this week Jim Bernard submitted his resignation as Mayor of Milwaukie effective January 2. He will be sworn in as one of Clackamas County's newest Commissioners on Monday, January 5 at 6 p.m. Many thanks to Jim for eight years of leadership and dedication to the City of Milwaukie. It's been a pleasure working with him, and we wish him well in his future endeavors.

Council President Joe Loomis will be the presiding officer at the January 6, 2009 City Council meeting. Municipal Court Judge Ron Gray will administer the oaths of office to Joe and Greg Chaimov who will begin their new four-year terms. The first order of business will be acceptance of Jim's resignation and appointment of the Interim Mayor. Art Ball, Jeremy Ferguson, and Gabe Storm were interviewed for the position at the December 16 Council work session.

2. All City facilities will be closed January 1 for the holiday and will reopen the following day. The Ledding Library will close at 5:30 p.m. on New Year's Eve, and other City facilities will be open 8 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
3. Treat the family to a free adventure during the holiday break by reserving a Family Cultural Pass from the Ledding Library. Patrons 18 and over can reserve a pass for a specific day by visiting or calling any library in Clackamas County. Venues include the Pittock Mansion, Portland Art Museum, and the Portland Children's Museum. Click on <http://www.lincc.org/cp/index.html> for a full listing of institutions and details on how to reserve your pass.
4. While you're at the Library in addition to books check out some of the new styles and colors of shirts and book bags for sale by the Friends of the Ledding Library. All proceeds from these sales support the Ledding Library in one way or another. For information on how to become a member of the very active Friends group, visit <http://www.milwaukie.lib.or.us/adultwebsite/Friends92003.htm>.
5. Plan on ringing in the New Year at the Ledding Library's First Saturday Concert with the Joe Powers Duo. Harmonica sensation Joe Powers and guitarist Lewis Child will put on a performance you will not soon forget. The concert is January 3 at 2 p.m. This free program is sponsored by the Friends of the Ledding Library. For a complete concert listing see attachment 1.
6. Noted local poet David Biespiel will be the Milwaukie Poetry Series' guest reader on January 14. Mr. Biespiel is the Director and Writer-in-Residence of the Attic Writers' Workshop. Among his honors are a Wallace Stegner Fellowship in poetry at Stanford University, a Lannan Fellowship in poetry, and a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship in literature. He has taught at Stanford, George Washington University, University of Maryland, and Portland State University. He has been the Richard H. Thornton Writer-in-Residence at Lynchburg College in Virginia. He currently divides his teaching among three universities: in the fall as the Visiting Poet at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in the spring as an Adjunct

Professor at Oregon State University, and in the summer on the faculty of the low-residency M.F.A. Program at Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington. The guest artist in January is Carlotta Collette, Metro Councilor and former Milwaukie City Councilor. Readings are scheduled the second Wednesday of each month through June 2009 at the Ledding Library Pond House, 2215 SE Harrison Street. The Milwaukie Marketplace Starbucks is graciously donating coffee for all the readings this season. For a complete season schedule see attachment 2.

7. If you find yourself with time on your hands during the holiday break and feel creative, Drive Less Save More is sponsoring a video challenge. They are looking for a 25-second video that motivates people to drive less by carpooling or using transit. The top video will run as a TV commercial, and there are lots of prizes for the winners. To find out more visit <http://www.driveless.savemore.com>
8. Thanks to the recently installed Granicus product those with access to a computer and an Internet connection will be able to watch City Council work sessions and regular sessions wherever and whenever they want. Meetings will be streamed live from the City's website, and as the archive grows, past meetings will be available for viewing as well. The archived video will be available the morning after the meeting. To access the live streaming or check out an archived meeting visit the City's website at www.cityofmilwaukie.org, click on Council Agendas in the Quick Links section in the upper left-hand corner of the homepage, choose the meeting you want to watch, and use the "jump-to" drop down to watch a specific portion of the agenda.

The Council meetings continue to be broadcast live on Channel 30 and are replayed at various times throughout the week, so check *The Pilot* for the schedule. Contact the City Recorder's Office at 503.786.7502 or email duvalp@ci.milwaukie.or.us if you have questions about the agendas. For information on current and past Council meetings visit <http://www.ci.milwaukie.or.us/council/councilagendas2008.html>. City Council meetings are the first and third Tuesdays of each month at City Hall, 10722 SE Main Street. The next City Council meeting is January 6, 2009.

Attachments:

1. First Saturday Program schedule
2. 2008 – 2009 Poetry Series
3. Week Calendar of Events

Ledding Library's First Saturday Program Series



October 4th -- **Mt. Hood Brass Quintet**
Dixieland, jazz and classical

November 1st -- **New Iberians**
Exciting zydeco and cajun soul

December 6th -- **Quartette Barbette**
Saxophones at their best

January 3rd -- **Joe Powers Duo**
International harmonica sensation
with *Lewis Childs* on guitar

February 7th -- **Gideon Freudmann**
CelloBop -- blues, jazz, rock and folk

March 7th -- **Misty Mamas**
Bluegrass, gospel, folk and rock with a beat

April 4th -- **The Muses**
Celtic music with a zing

Programs begin at 2:00PM and
are free to the public.

Sponsored by
The Friends of the Ledding Library.

Ledding Library of Milwaukie
10660 SE 21st Avenue
Milwaukie, OR 97222
503-786-7582

The Milwaukie Poetry Series

~ *The Second Season* ~

7 p.m. ~ Ledding Library Pond House
2215 SE Harrison Street, adjacent to Ledding Library
Scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month.

September 10, 2008 ~ Joseph A. Soldati

October 8, 2008 ~ Lisa Steinman

November 12, 2008 ~ Michele Glazer

December 10, 2008 ~ Carlos Reyes

January 14, 2009 ~ David Biespiel

February 11, 2009 ~ Bill Siverly

March 11, 2009 ~ Mary Szybist

April 8, 2009 ~ Crystal Williams

May 13, 2009 ~ Peter Sears

June 10, 2009 ~ Willa Schneberg





City and Public Interest Meetings Week of December 29- January 4

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Group</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Contact</u> |
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| <u>Thursday 1</u> | All City Offices Closed in observance of New Year's Day |  | | |

Disclaimer: The contact person or their designee provides the meeting information on this calendar. If you need more detailed information about a meeting on this calendar, please contact them at the number listed.