

The Chamber Connection: Community Relations? What are the City's organizations up to?

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Things are happening every week and every weekend in the month of May.

The Chamber has become a resource for local nonprofits and these members are busy reaching out to help our neighbors and provide wonderful events and opportunities for the area:

The City is working on the fiscal year budget for the next annum. TRT funds and Tax based funds (Money) are being considered and the budget committee meets to consider proposals. The City is also preparing for the Mayor's clean-up day on the first Saturday in June. The City works with the Let's Pull together folks from Deschutes County and they host a day of getting the City to sparkle for the summer season. 541-536-1432

The Community Kitchen is still serving daily meals and is working hard to help the families who need a hot meal and supplemental foodstuffs for their pantry. They open on Wednesday and Friday outside in the food pantry to give away produce and other items. The Closet is open daily and between meal service, pantry boxes and clothing they are helping thousands of people each year. 541-536-1312

Habitat for Humanity is building two new homes this year and you can donate funds, donate gently used items for resale at the La Pine ReStore or become a part of the volunteer team by signing up with Dan Varcoe at 541-771-9177. Help build La Pine one home at a time!

St. Vincent De Paul's Manager, Wende Redmond has been doing a great job with marketing her retail space, supporting many of the social services at the Morson Street location. If you sign up to get on her mailing list, you will get a sale notice every day of items on a special sale price. Currently they have lots of furniture and books and would love for you to come in and take a look. It is located north of the post office on Huntington Road. 541-536-1956

The La Pine Park and Recreation District has been getting ready for their new summer Adventure days program. They will be taking kids to a variety of special fun-filled days that are published in the summer brochure. Stop in at the counter and find out what adventures your children can try this summer at LPRD! 541-536-2223

SCOOTR (S. County Outreach and Toy Run) kicks their season off on May 16th with an Ice Breaker Run starting at Vic's Tavern with Biscuits and Gravy at 8 and the first hands out at 10 am. It is out to the Cascades Lakes Highway and back to Wickiup Station for end of the day stories and libations! Call Jay at 541-536-6060

The American Cancer Society is hosting La Pine Sunriver Relay for Life in June, with a Survivor's Brunch slated for May 16th at Crescent Creek Clubhouse. It will be from 11-1PM and you can stop and meet others who have gone through having cancer or are going through the process of surviving cancer right now. The Relay folks are looking to have people sign up to be part of the relay for life on June 20 and 21 at the Frontier Heritage Park on Huntington Rd. You can go

online and sign up today or get any updated info for all of the ACS events and programs
www.acsevents.org look for La Pine Sunriver relay for Life on Facebook and online.