MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: April 15, 2016

Youth Advisory Council

The Youth Advisory Council will be meeting on Monday, April 18th from 6:15 to 7:30 pm.

Go Cottage Grove

If you go to Portland you may see a TriMet Bus or Max Train with a big covered bridge saying, "Go Cottage Grove". The





campaign is a full media blitz of the Portland and Eugene markets sponsored by Travel Lane County, Eugene Cascades and Coast for Cottage Grove, Florence, McKenzie River and Oakridge. The campaign includes the wrapped buses and trains (including a wrapped LTD bus), a You Tube Video (located at: https://youtu.be/XfG145Em1to), FaceBook ads, television ads, radio spots and even ads on Pandora.

Story Time at the Library

The Cottage Grove Public Library welcomes families with children to join us for weekly Story Time. Pre-school Story Time is every Friday at 10:30 am with Stories, Songs, and crafts. Bilingual Story Time happens each Monday evening at 6:30 pm with stories and activities in English and Spanish. Please join us soon with your children for Story Time at the Cottage Grove Public Library.

Behind The Pages Book Club For Kids

Join us at the Cottage Grove Public Library for the next meeting of our Book Club for Kids on Saturday, April 16th from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. We will be discussing "When You Reach Me" by Rebecca Stead. Behind The Pages is a Book Club for 4th to 6th grade students and regular club meetings are the 3rd Saturday of each month. We hope to see you soon at the Cottage Grove Public Library for Kids Book Club.

Let's Talk Books - Book Club for Adults

This free book discussion group happens at the Cottage Grove Public Library and will meet next on Monday, April 18th from 6:30 to 7:45 pm. The next book to be discussed is "Astoria" by Peter Stark. Please join us next week for Let's Talk Books at the Cottage Grove Public Library.

Lynn Ash Author Event Success

A special thank you is extended to local author Lynn Ash for sharing her author adventures with us at the Cottage Grove Public Library on Tuesday night. Her books on "Solo Camping" are an enjoyable read and you can find more information about Lynn and her books on her web site: www.alynnash.com

Earth Day Celebrations

On Saturday, April 23rd in Coiner Park, there will be an Earth Day Celebration from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. The organizers of the event are expecting in excess of 50 vendors and organization displays. There will be live music, food, prize giveaways, demonstrations, and kid's arts and crafts. In case of inclement weather, the Earth Day celebration will be held inside the Armory. This event is sponsored by the City of Cottage Grove, the Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council, the City's Urban Forestry Committee, and the First Presbyterian Church Earth and Social Justice Committee.

On Friday, April 22nd in Bohemia Park, there will be an Arbor Day celebration beginning at 10:00 am. Mayor Tom Munroe will read an Arbor Day Proclamation and the City's Urban Forestry Committee will plant three White Oaks in observance of Arbor Day. So come to Bohemia Park on April 22nd and Coiner Park on April 23rd to help celebrate Arbor Day and Earth Day.

Police Department TASER Training

The Police Department conducted TASER re-certification training on Thursday, April 14th. Officers are now equipped with the TASER X26P conducted energy weapons. In addition to training in the proper use of the device, officers also got a legal update on TASER use-of-force court decisions and policy directives.

Quote of the Week

"Honesty is the first chapter in the book of wisdom."

~Thomas Jefferson~