#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: October 6, 2017

#### No Ivy Day

The Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council (CFWWC) is having an ivy-pulling work party at Riverside Park (South River Road & Main Street) on Saturday, October 28, 2017 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. The CFWWC needs the public's help in removing this invasive species from local streams and rivers. RSVP is requested by emailing <a href="maggie@coastfork.org">maggie@coastfork.org</a> or by calling the office at (541) 767-9717. CFWWC will provide tools, water, snacks and gloves. Bring your refillable water bottle and dress for the weather. The event will be rain or shine.

### Yard of the Week

Last week was the last Yard of the Week for the 2017 season. Twenty-one residences were awarded the coveted Yard of the Week prize during this year's season. All the 2017 Yard of the Week winners can be seen on the City's webpage at: <a href="www.cottagegrove.org">www.cottagegrove.org</a>. Congratulations to all the 2017 Yard of the Week winners.

Thank you to the Chamber of Commerce and the Cottage Grove Sentinel for participating in the Yard of the Week program. Every winner of the Yard of the Week received a credit from the City for the water portion of their City utility bill, a gift certificate from the Chamber of Commerce that could be used at Chamber businesses and a year subscription to the Cottage Grove Sentinel provided by the Sentinel.

#### Mayor's Ball

Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm the Cottage Grove Armory will be alive with music and people as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mayor's Ball will get underway. This year should be even more spectacular than last year. Come help support the restoration efforts and see what has been done and what is planned for the coming year. For more information call: (541)942-2441.

#### **Largest Model Railroad Show in Lane County**

The largest model railroad show in Lane County is coming to the historic Cottage Grove Armory for three days at the end of October. The Willamette Cascade Model Railroad Club, City of Cottage Grove and the Cottage Grove Chamber of Commerce are hosting the show for the second year in the Armory on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm and on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Admission is free and there will be fun for all ages.

# **U.S. Bank Annual Economic Outlook Presentation**

The City Manager and Finance Director attended the annual U.S. Bank Economic Outlook presentation in Eugene on Wednesday. The presentation sponsored by U.S. Bank brings John Mitchell an economic consultant to speak to business and government leaders from throughout Lane County. The presentation is very thought provoking and provides valuable insights into current global, national and local economic conditions. The information from the presentation is useful as staff begins preparations for the next budget.

## Quote of the Week

"To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment."

~Ralph Waldo Emerson~