

We are in time of transition and at the threshold of the holiday season. At this time of year. I find myself evaluating the past and wondering what the future has in store. We are often bombarded by news that is unsettling and reminds us that we live in a world of chaos and of rapid change. Locally and nationally, we have chosen new leaders and with a change in leadership comes uncertainty.

As we approach Thanksgiving and in this short note, I want to focus on the good things happening in Coburg and remind you of the events we can look forward to over the next several weeks.



Coburg has changed through the years because change is inevitable. Because of the wisdom and planning of past mayors, council members, commissioners, staff and active community members, Coburg has managed growth while maintaining a close-knit community we cherish.

For a small town we have a lot going on. We have an active Grange, an independent bookstore, a welcoming business community, restaurants, a common space for yoga and a variety of community events including the Coburg Community Choir, a food pantry managed by the Coburg Foundation. as well as a re-vitalized IOOF building hosting meals for seniors and serving as home to our Main Street organization.



We also have one of our treasured community gathering spaces in a state of transition. Pavilion Park is currently closed while exciting renovations are made for increased accessibility and general usability for decades into the future. We will do our best to give it a temporary holiday season spruce up with lights and decorations to compliment the work that Main Street has in store for this season.

Upcoming holiday events we know & love:

- <u>December 1</u>: The holiday schedule will begin at 3PM with a performance by The Coburg Community Choir. This event will showcase the talents of many residents.
- <u>December 7</u>: Coburg Foundation Holiday Food Drive collections AND Christmas in Coburg Community Day (see right) >>>
- <u>December 8</u>: Holiday Market & Parade

I wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving and a holiday season full of love & laughter and surrounded by family & friends!

Your Mayor, Nancy Bell





