

Small Business Saturday November 25, 2023

As we enter the season of holidays and the changing color of the leaves on the trees gives way to twinkling, colored lights that signal the start of time-honored traditions, remember to keep it local.

Saturday, November 25, 2023, is Small Business Saturday and it is a day to celebrate and support small businesses that provide essential services to the community. Amid the merriment this season, make the choice to share the joy by shopping locally, eating locally and supporting your community.



Thanksgiving Safety

The kitchen is the heart of the home, especially at Thanksgiving. Kids love to be involved in holiday preparations. Safety in the kitchen is important, especially on Thanksgiving Day when there is a lot of activity and people at home.

- Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stovetop so you can keep an eye on the food.
- Stay in the home when cooking your turkey and check on it frequently.
- Keep children away from the stove. The stove will be hot and kids should stay 3 feet away.
- Make sure kids stay away from hot food and liquids. The steam or splash from vegetables, gravy or coffee could cause serious burns.
- Keep the floor clear so you don't trip over kids, toys, pocketbooks or bags.
- Keep knives out of the reach of children.
- Be sure electric cords from an electric knife, coffee maker, plate warmer or mixer are not dangling off the counter within easy reach of a child.
- Keep matches and utility lighters out of the reach of children — up high in a locked cabinet.
- Never leave children alone in room with a lit candle.
- Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button.

Did you know?



Thanksgiving is the leading day of the year for home fires involving cooking equipment.

Have activities that keep kids out of the kitchen during this busy time. Games, puzzles or books can keep them busy. Kids can get involved in Thanksgiving preparations with recipes that can be done outside the kitchen.

Mayor's Message

November is here and for many, the traditional start of the holiday season. In Sutherlin this also means a variety of events/activities to help celebrate this wonderful time of year.

Saturday, November 11 is Veteran's Day. Please thank a veteran for his/her service and maybe take him/her out for a meal! November 23 is Thanksgiving Day, a wonderful time to enjoy family and friends. Remember, the Saturday after Thanksgiving is "Shop Local", and we have so many cool businesses to visit. Also, it is a good time to acknowledge our good fortune and share with those less fortunate. Support for our local food bank is always needed and appreciated.

December events to mark in your calendar:

- ❖ Central Park Tree Lighting – Sunday, December 3rd, 6:00 to 8:00 pm
- ❖ Timber Town Toyland Light Parade – Saturday, December 16, at 7:00 pm

Both of these events are fun for the whole family! Put on your warm and fuzzy wear and come on downtown for some holiday fun!

The November "Coffee with the Mayor" is Saturday, November 4, 10:00 to 11:30 am, at the Books Gallery, 220 W Central Ave. Please stop by and chat.

Hoping you have a warm and peaceful November!



Christmas Tree Lighting in Central Park

The trio of trees in Central Park, festooned with strings of colorful lights, will be the centerpiece for Christmas on Sunday, December 3, 2023. The annual tree lighting begins at 6:00 p.m. and the festivities will continue until 8:00 p.m., to welcome the holiday season.



Timber Town Toy Land Electric Light Parade

A 'Charlie Brown Christmas' is the theme for the 32nd annual Timber Town Toy Land Electric Light Parade. On Saturday, December 16, 2023, beginning at 7:00 p.m., the parade will again light up the holiday season in downtown Sutherlin. The parade is free to enter and the four categories for judging the floats include:

- Best of Theme
- Santa's Favorite
- Non-Profit
- Commercial

The floats are judged prior to the beginning of the parade and the awards will be presented afterwards at the Community Center.



If you would like to be a sponsor or donate, contact Duane Waller, Blackberry Festival Chairman, 541.580.8621.

Checks can be made payable to:
Sutherlin Blackberry Festival
c/o Light Parade
P.O. Box 1248
Sutherlin, Oregon 97479

ODFW Free Fishing Weekend



November 5th, Daylight Savings Time Ends. Clocks Fall Back!
Don't Forget – Change the Batteries in Your Smoke Detectors!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- November 10th** City Hall Closed – Veteran's Day
- November 13th** City Council Meeting – Civic Auditorium 7:00 p.m.
- November 21st** Planning Commission Meeting Civic Auditorium 7:00 p.m.
- November 23rd & 24th** City Hall Closed – Thanksgiving
- November 24th & 25th** ODFW Free Fishing Weekend

