



SMART a Saving Grace for Wilsonville Centenarians

SMART recently paid a visit to two valued passengers who rely on the City's on-demand transit services. The City's transit agency's house calls were to celebrate these new centenarians (both recently celebrated their 100th birthdays).

Ruth, a Moline, Ill., native, moved to Wilsonville in 2002 and began riding SMART the following year. After learning about SMART's services in the Boones Ferry Messenger, she began using SMART's Dial-a-Ride service for medical trips. She soon added shopping trips.

"The drivers are so nice," she said. "They get out in the rain with no complaints to help me with the lift getting into and out of the bus with my walker."

Ruth says every SMART employee she has encountered just wants to help. When the 2021 ice storm hit, dispatchers Gregg and Becky checked in on her to make sure she was OK.

"They brought a generator, electric blankets and a hot meal over; It was so wonderful! It was 40 degrees inside our home, with no end in sight!"

Thelma, who hails from Independence, Missouri, moved to Wilsonville in 1987. After giving up her car age 90, she began to rely on SMART Dial-a-Ride.

"They take me to the beauty salon once a week in Charbonneau, and I also use it for doctor appointments," Thelma said. "Since I have no immediate family in the area it is such a great help using the SMART bus for daily living."

She, too, sings the praises of SMART drivers.

"I would be lost without SMART, family is a long way away," Thelma said.

Ruth credits a daily dose of crunchy peanut butter on toast for her longevity. She and Thelma are just two of the many older adults who are grateful to SMART for the independence that Wilsonville's award-winning service provides.

"Using SMART has made my life a lot easier," she said. "Asking for help you begin to lose your dignity and SMART gave that back to me."

About Dial-a-Ride

SMART's Dial-a-Ride service provides door-to-door transportation for Wilsonville residents unable to use the fixed route service. Customers may schedule trips up to two weeks in advance.

To learn more about Dial-a-Ride and other SMART services, visit ridessmart.com or call 503-682-7790.



Local centenarians Ruth (above, with SMART supervisor Gregg Johansen) and Thelma rely on SMART's Dial-a-Ride service.

Mayor's Message

Moving Forward With Strong Leaders, Diverse Skill Sets

We have a lot to be thankful for in Wilsonville. If I were to ask 10 different people what they most appreciate about living and/or working here, I suspect I might get seven or eight different answers.



The things we love — and those things we would change — vary from person to person and change over time. Therein lies the challenge for our five-member City Council, which is tasked with understanding and representing many diverse interests, and making (sometimes difficult) decisions in the collective best interest.

As the new City Council begins its work, I expect our decision making to benefit from the rich variety of skill sets, professional experience, viewpoints and life experience represented among our five seated members.

From higher education, to medicine, to agriculture, to organizational leadership to city planning, to marketing, to management, to business analytics, there is a lot of professional expertise on which we can draw.

Hearing my colleagues — Council President Kristin Akervall, Councilor Dr. Joann Linville, Councilor Caroline Berry and Councilor Katie Dunwell — discuss their work researching and deliberating on challenges and opportunities that matter to Wilsonville, gives me confidence that we will accomplish a lot.

Each Councilor has taken on multiple committee and board assignments to ensure that Wilsonville's interests are well-represented regionally. These assignments cover areas of importance to our community including transportation, public safety, parks, jobs, housing, clean air and plentiful drinking water, to name a few.

I am honored to serve with Councilors who go above and beyond the call of duty. And while our backgrounds are very different, we have in common the passion and the commitment to Wilsonville and to our region.

This month we are finalizing Council Goals for 2023-2025. This process establishes community priorities, identifies strategies to support these priorities, and establishes measurable goals that hold us accountable. These goals direct how we allocate the City's budget and helps the City Manager identify areas of focus for City staff.

For decades, Wilsonville's strong Council leadership has yielded many gifts, including a diverse business economy, neighborhoods and parks connected with bike and walking paths, a well-regarded library, and a strong record of fiscal health.

As we continue to build, I am inspired by the experience, ingenuity, and work ethic on our City Council. More than ever, I'm looking forward to goal-setting and working to further strengthen a community where everyone feels welcome, safe, and inspired ... a place we're proud to call home.

Julie Fitzgerald, Mayor

Developing Frog Pond West Neighborhood Park: Park Concept Design Survey Closes March 7

A project is underway to design and build a new 2.9-acre neighborhood park in Wilsonville's Frog Pond West neighborhood.

Three draft park concepts have been completed, and are available to review at LetsTalkWilsonville.com. The City is now seeking public feedback to inform a preferred park concept. The survey closes on March 7.

To inform community members who wish to complete the survey, the project team has produced a short video presentation at "Let's Talk, Wilsonville!" that provides a project overview, highlights a few of the park's planned amenities, and notes the differences in the three concepts.

The new park is to be located adjacent the future primary school that is to be constructed on Boeckman Rd. The project is being developed by the City in partnership with landscape architects from Mayer/Reed.

This \$3 million project, identified as a priority in the Frog Pond Master Plan, is funded in part by an award from Metro's Local Share program.

Review the concepts and take the survey by March 7 at LetsTalkWilsonville.com.

Frog Pond Park Survey Closes Tue., March 7 LetsTalkWilsonville.com



Legislators Woods, Neron to Host March 4 Town Hall Meeting

The two State legislators whose districts serve greater Wilsonville — Senator Aaron Woods (Senate District 13) and Representative Courtney Neron (House District 26) — are visiting with constituents at a Town Hall meeting to be held at Wilsonville City Hall, 29799 SW Town Center Loop E., on Saturday, March 4, from noon to 1 pm.

Town Hall Meeting Sat., March 4, noon-1 pm Wilsonville City Hall 29799 SW Town Ctr. Loop E.



Sen. Aaron Woods



Rep. Courtney Neron

The one-hour event provides an opportunity for Woods and Neron to discuss their legislative priorities. Attendees will have an opportunity to discuss what's happening in the community, ask questions, and hear more about what's taking place during the current legislative session and how any changes in

State law may affect Wilsonville.

SMART transit is offering a free shuttle service for Charbonneau residents. Service includes pickups at Charbonneau Village, Spring Ridge and Spring Ridge Court. To reserve a shuttle seat, RSVP is required by Friday, March 3, at 4 pm. Call 503-682-7790.

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The Best Overall Photo, submitted by Charlie Hyman, was one of more than 400 submissions last year.

Enter Now! #BestofWilsonville Photo Contest Closes on March 11

The second annual “Best of Wilsonville” Photo Contest is closing soon; submit your photo by the March 11 deadline.

The City is inviting amateurs and professionals alike to capture and celebrate the joy and beauty of our community! All original photographs are eligible for prizes, including a \$100 gift card to any Wilsonville retailer for the photo judged Best Overall. Winners in ten categories are to receive prizes.

Prize-winning submissions and other selections are to be featured in City publications, including the Annual Report, the 2023-24 Budget and the 2023-24 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

Last year, more than 400 photos were submitted. Prizes were awarded in nine categories.

To enter, upload photos onto Instagram with the hashtag #BestofWilsonville. Or, submit photos at LetsTalkWilsonville.com by March 11.

Photos are to be judged by a panel of City staff; criteria includes quality, creativity and how well a photo captures Wilsonville.

There is no fee to enter; entrants may submit up to 20 different photos. Entrants accept and agree to be bound by Official Rules. You can find these contest rules and additional information about the contest online. Visit LetsTalkWilsonville.com.

Open House Provides Details on Boeckman Road Construction

The City welcomed dozens of community members to an open house event at Meridian Creek Middle School to learn more about the Boeckman Road Corridor Improvement Program, a collection of projects that upgrade Boeckman Road to urban standards.

Project managers shared details on proposed lane widths, bike and pedestrian facilities, and the process of smoothing the Boeckman Dip. The program provided an opportunity for community members to talk face-to-face with City engineers and representatives from the contractor, Tapani Sundt.

With construction expected to begin this summer, many questions were related to the pending construction activities. Some of the most asked questions appear below, with answers from the project team.

Where are construction vehicles parking?

The preliminary plans include a staging area on a City-owned property on the corner of SW Canyon Creek and Boeckman Roads.

During what hours is construction taking place?

Typically, work will occur weekdays between 7 am and 6 pm; these hours may be adjusted seasonally. Occasional night and Saturday work could take place during peak construction season to shorten the closure of SW Boeckman Road. Notifications are to be provided before night or Saturday work takes place; work is not allowed on City-observed holidays.

Will streetlights be included in the alignment?

Yes. Planning is underway for streetlights along SW Boeckman Rd. The exact placement of streetlighting is under design.



At a January open house, City engineers developing the Boeckman Road Corridor Improvement Program detailed the project, introduced the contractor and answered questions about the pending construction on Boeckman Rd.

What is being done to minimize noise and dust during construction?

Crews are adhering to City of Wilsonville dust and noise ordinances. During the dry weather conditions, dust is generally controlled by covering exposed soils and spraying with water.

Will lights be placed under the bridge?

Yes, there will be lights under the bridge.

Does the project include a trail connecting Frog Pond to Canyon Creek Meadows?

Yes. A link to the regional trail system is included in the plan. Final trails designs are not complete.

To learn more about the project, visit ci.wilsonville.or.us/Boeckman.

Sign Up for Project Updates

The City is providing two ways for neighbors and Boeckman Rd. commuters to stay up to date on construction timelines and activities:

- Visit ci.wilsonville.or.us/Boeckman to sign up for the project e-newsletter, or;
- To receive text message alerts, text BOECKMAN to 866-935-0125.



8200 SW Wilsonville Road

503-682-2744

Renew items at 503-659-8634

WilsonvilleLibrary.org



Judge Tiny Art Show Submissions

Come view and vote on artworks that were submitted to our first-ever Tiny Art Show.

Throughout March, local artists’ tiny canvases are being displayed at the library. Viewers will vote for their favorites from the different age categories, from toddlers through adults. The last day to vote is March 26.

Spring Break Take and Make Kits

Spring into spring with a DIY “Take and Make Kit” to keep kids busy during spring break. Pick up a free kit in the Children’s Room, March 27-31. These go fast, so come early while supplies last.

March 27-31, while supplies last

March Classes at the Library

Learn something new this spring by joining any of these free classes offered at the library in March and April.



“Spanish Beginning 2”

Learn the tools you need to use the Spanish language to communicate and function in a variety of real-life situations. Spanish Beginning 1 is not required to take Spanish Beginning 2, but students should be familiar with basic vocabulary, pronouns, and articles.

**Monday evenings, 6-8 pm
March 13 through April 17**

“The Romantic Poets”

Explore what it meant to be a Romantic towards the end of the 18th century. This class focuses on the art and music of the period as well as the verse of five major English poets who influenced the Arts around the world—Wordsworth, Coleridge, Byron, Shelley, and Keats.

**Sunday afternoons, 1:30-3 pm
March 19-April 30 (no class April 9)**

**“What the Heck Does That Say”;
A Genealogy Workshop**

We’ll look at techniques to help you figure out what the seemingly illegible handwriting in our ancestors’ records say and explore what the style of writing might reveal about our ancestors.

**Saturday, March 25, 1-4 pm
Register at wilsonvillelibrary.org/classes.**

Upcoming Classes and Events



Artist of the Month: Anita Gregory
Watercolors are displayed on the Art Gallery Wall throughout March

**PROFILES:
Queen Boudica**

Wednesday, March 1, 11 am–12:30 pm
Online with Zoom. Sign up for the meeting code: wilsonvillelibrary.org/classes

Toddler & Baby Time

Engaging songs, stories, and play.
Tuesday mornings at 10:30 am & 11:15 am
No programs March 25-31

Family Storytime

Storytelling and early learning fun for ages 3-6.
Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10:30 am
No programs March 1 and March 25-31

STEAM Stuff

Drop in for hands-on STEAM activities on Early Release Days. For elementary-age kids.
Wednesday, March 8 & March 22, 1-2:30 pm

**Book Notes Concert:
Lisa Lynne & Aryeh Frankfurter**
Celtic harps, rare instruments and wondrous stories.
Saturday, March 11, 2-3 pm

Visit our website for more events:
wilsonvillelibrary.org



When an Emergency Requires Evacuation, Be Prepared to Move Quickly

Emergencies like fires, floods, and earthquakes can strike at any time. In the event you need to leave your home with little notice, it's good to be prepared so you can quickly and safely get out of harm's way. Here is a short to-do list to be Wilsonville Ready.

Emergency Alerts

Signing up for emergency alerts at publicalerts.org is a quick, simple way to get urgent news via phone, text, or email. Alerts from county officials will relay notices to evacuate, shelter locations, and other important information directly to you.

Develop a Home Escape Plan

When a house fire breaks out, every minute counts. To prepare your family to get out safely, our preparedness partner, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, recommends that you:

- Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home.



- Make a home escape plan. Draw a map of each level of your home and be sure to include all doors and windows.
- Go to each room and point to the two ways out. Practice the plan with everyone in the household.
- Remember to practice "Get low and Go", crawling under the smoke.
- Have an outside meeting place. (something permanent like a tree, mailbox, light pole) a safe distance in front of your home where the firefighters can easily find you.
- Practice, practice, practice!

Pack Your 'Go' Bag

Keep a 'go' bag packed with essential supplies so you are ready to leave your home quickly. Include non-perishable, lightweight food, water, first aid supplies, medications, electronics, batteries, cell phones, chargers, important documents, and cash.

View Regional Transportation Map

In the event of a regional emergency, knowing the appropriate evacuation routes becomes critical. Metro and our partners at the Regional Disaster Preparedness Organization (RDPO) have developed a map of Regional Emergency Transportation Routes, which identifies major regional arterials to be used for mass

evacuation. The map includes information on hospitals, transit hubs, airports, and other essential facilities as well. View the map at ci.wilsonville.or.us/ready/page/transportation-routes-evacuation-planning



Have a Safe Destination in Mind

If you evacuate, you will need a place to stay. Consider your choices (staying with a friend or relative, camping, shelters, hotels, etc.) in different directions, so you have options. Let people know where you leave, and return only when authorized.

For more preparation resources, including videos, home escape planning worksheets, checklists, maps, and tools, visit WilsonvilleReady.com.

Utility Billing Customers Enrolled in AutoPay Eligible to Win \$25 Gift Cards

To thank Wilsonville's residential utility bill customers who have already enrolled in the City's new online AutoPay program — and to incentivize more customers to enroll to schedule monthly payments — the City is raffling off four \$25 gift cards to those enrolled.

Residents who are already enrolled, or who complete enrollment by May 31, will be automatically entered in a drawing to win one of four \$25 gift cards to the local restaurant of their choice. Winners are also to receive City of Wilsonville promotional items.

To enroll, visit the City's website, ci.wilsonville.or.us/autopay, and follow the step-by-step guide to

online registration with Invoice Cloud, the City's web portal host. Once a payment method (checking account or credit card number) is added and saved, and status shows as 'enrolled' on the portal's home screen, eligibility for the raffle is automatic.

Customers enrolled in AutoPay never miss a payment. They receive monthly bills and payment confirmation via e-mail and benefit from other features, including payment history and the ability to manage multiple accounts.

For more information and/or to enroll in AutoPay, visit ci.wilsonville.or.us/autopay.

Free Workshop: Growing a Garden That Builds Wildlife Habitat

The City is hosting a free class to help homeowners design wildlife-friendly habitats in their own back yard.

This introductory class, "Introduction to Wildlife Garden Making: How to Create Conditions in Your Garden That Support Wildlife," takes place at the Wilsonville Public Library's Oak Room on Saturday, March 11, from 11 am to 12:30 pm. The class is presented by Habitat Design PDX, informed by information from Bee City USA and the Backyard Habitat Certification Program.

Participants are encouraged to bring a sketch and photos of their garden, so that instructors can provide actionable gardening advice at the conclusion of the class.

Pre-registration is required. E-mail contact@habitatdesignpdx.com to RSVP or learn more.

Wildlife Garden Workshop
Sat, March 11, 11 am-12:30 pm
 Wilsonville Library Oak Room
 8200 SW Wilsonville Rd.

SMART

SOUTH METRO AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT

503-682-7790 RideSMART.com
 28879 SW Boberg Road

March 17: Give Thanks to Transit Drivers and Staff

SMART Fleet employees keep buses in top form to ensure

customers have a safe and comfortable ride. Though you may not see them, they are providing essential services to keep our buses running safely.

Our drivers do it all — conduct pre-trip inspections, answer trip planning questions, provide extra care for seniors and people with disabilities — all while safely maneuvering an extra-large bus through traffic and all sorts of weather.

Our dispatchers are the "voice of SMART" when you call. They and are dedicated to finding you a ride to your destination!

On March 17, join us in celebrating our employees by saying thank you in-person, on social media @RideSMARTtransit, or by e-mail: smart@ridesmart.com



Register Now for Spring Break Learn-to-Ride Bike Clinics

Spring break learn-to-ride clinics are designed for students who don't know how to ride a bike and would like to learn. These low-stress clinics teach students to ride while providing safety education and encouraging biking to school. Each one-hour clinic is held over five consecutive days. Clinics limited to six participants; register at RideSMART.com/Bikeclinics

Spring Break, March 27-31

Session 1: 9-10 am

Session 2: 10:30-11:30 am

iRegístrate ahora Para Las Clinicas para Aprender a Andar en Bicicleta

Estas clínicas son para estudiantes que no saben andar en bicicleta pero que les gustaría aprender. Las clínicas de bicicletas son de bajo estrés y enseñarán a los estudiantes a andar en bicicleta mientras brindan educación sobre seguridad y apoyo para animarlos a ir en bicicleta a la escuela. Las clínicas están limitadas a seis estudiantes por sesión, duran una hora, y se llevan a cabo durante cinco días consecutivos. Regístrese en RideSMART.com/Bikeclinics



RIDEWISE TRAVEL TRAINING PROGRAM

Join Ride Connection and SMART to learn about safe, independent travel for older adults and people with disabilities at no cost. Training includes a classroom style session followed by opportunities to travel to Canby and Washington Square. For more information and to register visit. RideSMART.com/TravelTraining

PROGRAMA DE CAPACITACIÓN PARA VIAJES RIDEWISE

Únase a Ride Connection y SMART para aprender sobre viajes seguros e independientes para adultos mayores y personas con discapacidades sin costo alguno. La capacitación incluye una sesión estilo aula seguida de oportunidades para viajar a Canby y Washington Square. Para más información y para registrarse visite: RideSMART.com/TravelTraining



Community Voices

Doing the Work to Understand and Use More Inclusive Language (or “Hey, Do You Even Realize What You Just Said?!”)

By Diane Imel

Recently, I was called out by one of my dearest friends after an apparent misspeak I had made in casual conversation. A word I chose, I was told, was no longer an acceptable descriptor.

To say I was stunned is an enormous understatement! My words were chosen without malice, and my slight completely unintentional. Nevertheless, it revealed my ignorance regarding the use of now-taboo descriptors that were once commonplace.

How am I to know what the appropriate language should be? Where can I go to educate myself about the acceptable words and phrases of today? How often have I been misusing words that may have made others take offense?

My embarrassment was like a key to a locked door, a wake-up call that underlined the importance of updating my language to correct the use of any derogatory



phrases that may offend.

I know I am not the only one facing this challenge, which can be particularly vexing to people of my generation. The language of diversity, equity and inclusion is novel to many of us, and it always seems to be changing.

By confronting this challenge directly, and working to update my own vocabulary, I've discovered several useful online resources that may offer useful guidance for others:

- diversitystyleguide.com; designed to help media professionals cover a multicultural world with accuracy, authority and sensitivity
- diversitycenterneo.org/about-us/pronouns/; this “How-To” guide discusses personal pronouns and how to correctly use them.
- writer.com/guides/inclusive-language/; this guide for writers lists phrases/words to avoid and suggests more suitable replacements.
- cdc.gov/healthcommunication/Preferred

[Terms.html](#); suggests words to describe several historically-marginalized groups

- apa.org/about/apa/equity-diversity-inclusion/language-guidelines; includes many general recommendations for inclusive language

I believe it is imperative that we end discrimination of all kinds to make our community a more inclusive place. My own gaffe has allowed me great introspection regarding speech and the inherent strength of the words we choose.

While it is human nature to speak in the moment without thoroughly analyzing what we're saying, we would all benefit by spending time weighing the words we use before utterance.

Diane Imel is a retired Wilsonville resident and charter member of the City's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee.

Views and opinions expressed by the author do not necessarily represent the views or opinions of the City of Wilsonville.

Learn more about the work of the DEI Committee at letstalkwilsonville.com/dei

Fire Camp Gives Women a Place to Explore Firefighting Careers

Applications are now being accepted for Portland Metro Fire Camp.

This annual camp, for young women ages 16-22, provides an all-encompassing introduction to a rewarding profession. It is designed to instill confidence while building leadership and team skills.

Participants learn what it takes to be a firefighter while completing hands-on training in hose and ladder skills, vehicle extrication, search and rescue, ropes and knots, live-fire operations, aerial ladder climbs, forcible entry, emergency medical skills, and other firefighting tasks.



Campers receive instruction from professional female firefighters from multiple agencies to gain insight on fire service careers, learn interview skills, the importance of good nutrition and physical fitness.

- The first camp takes place July 14-16 at the Portland Fire & Rescue Training Center, 4800 NE 122nd Ave., in Portland.
- The second camp takes place July 21-23 at Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue's Training Center, 12400 SW Tonquin Road, in Sherwood.

The deadline to apply for either camp is May 1 at midnight. Space is limited.

For more information and/or to apply, visit portlandmetrofirecamp.com.



Parks & Rec Administration
29600 SW Park Pl.
503-783-7529

Community Center
7965 SW Wilsonville Rd.
503-682-3727



Community Egg Hunt Returns on April 8

The annual Community Egg Hunt takes place at Memorial Park on Saturday, April 8, at 10 am.

About 18,000 eggs are to be dispersed about the Memorial Park fields, egg hunters are divided into age categories for the annual hunt. Anyone 1-11 years old may participate.

There is no charge for the event. Several prizes and gift baskets are to be given away, so grab your basket and come hunt with us for the perfect egg!

A big shoutout to J. Hill Property group for being this year's title sponsor for the event! For more information, visit: WilsonvilleParksandRec.com/EggHunt

Park Rental Season - Opening Soon!

Enjoy company gatherings, family parties, weddings and a variety of sporting events at Memorial Park. Private rentals are available for the Stein-Boozier Barn, River Shelter, Forest Shelter, Grove Shelter, Splash Shelter and sport fields. Reservations open March 13 for Wilsonville residents. The rental season runs from April 8 to Oct. 14. For more information please visit: WilsonvilleParksandRec.com or call 503-783-PLAY

Register Now for March/April Programs

March marks the beginning of Session II programs and activities, spanning March and April.

Several offerings are available, including Body Sculpt, Chair Y.E.S!., Oil Painting, Yoga and more!

Chess Wizards Spring Break Camp returns 9am-1pm from March 27-31 for ages 6-13.

See a complete list at WilsonvilleParksandRec.com. Look for the blue 'register online' button.

Life 101 Lecture Series

The Community Center is proud to present an informative winter 2023 lecture series. These “Life 101” lectures begin at 10:30 am at the Wilsonville Community Center. There is no charge to attend; participants must call 503-682-3727 to pre-register.

Monday, March 6: Attorney Michael Rose of Rose Elder Law presents “Long Term Care 101”. The workshop is centered around Medicaid planning, preserving and protecting assets, and veterans' benefits.

Monday, March 13: Librarian and genealogist Malia Laughton presents “How to Escape the Paper Avalanche: Organizing Your Genealogy Research”. Her talk provides tips on organizing genealogy research so that it is easier to find and maintain information as you explore your family history.

Monday, March 20: The Alzheimer's Association explains how to communicate when someone has Alzheimer's. Attendees will learn how to decode verbal and behavioral messages delivered by someone with dementia, and to identify strategies to help connect and communicate at each stage of the disease.

Monday, March 27: Health and Wellness Coach Brad Moore presents “Mindfulness 101,” which explores Unified Mindfulness (UM), a research-based method used by leading institutions like Harvard and Carnegie Mellon for their research on meditation. Learn how just 10 minutes a day can bring research-supported benefits into your life.

Upcoming Classes and Events

Sounds of Japan

All Ages
Saturday, March 18
10 am

Wilsonville Community Center
Pre-registration required
Course #: 10442

Beginning Tai Chi

Ages 18+
Tuesday/Thursday, March 7-April 20
3-4 pm

Wilsonville Community Center
Cost: \$70
Course #: 10483

Oil Painting Bob Ross Style “Soft Mountain Glow”

Ages 12+
Saturday, March 11
10 am-2 pm

Parks and Rec Admin Office
Cost: \$50
Course #: 10449

Chess Wizards Spring Break Camp

Ages 6+
March 27-31
9 am-1 pm
Tauchman House
Cost: \$255
Course 3: 10500

Visit our website for more events:

WilsonvilleParksandRec.com



POLICE CHIEF'S CORNER

Police Department Welcomes Mental Health Specialist

I am very excited to welcome Brenda Evans to the Wilsonville Police Department as the City's first dedicated mental health specialist.

Commonly referred to within law enforcement as the Behavioral Health Unit or "BHU," mental health specialists serve many roles, including first response to mental health emergencies; follow-up care, support, and connection to resources; and leading training on topics related to mental health.

By providing critical, compassionate care to community members who are experiencing a mental health crisis, Brenda is freeing up other officers to advance more traditional police work, including patrols and investigations.

Brenda comes to Wilsonville with a Master's degree in social work and more than 10 years of trauma-informed experience as a mental health and crisis response professional. I am looking forward to incorporating her skill set, which benefits our department and improves our ability to effectively serve the Wilsonville community.

"I am passionate about helping individuals in crisis and assisting their loved ones in navigating the unknowns that come with crisis," Evans said upon joining. "I am honored to lend my expertise and

support to the community of Wilsonville, and am impressed by the dedicated and compassionate professionals here at Wilsonville Police Department and Clackamas County."

Brenda was assigned to Wilsonville in January by Clackamas County Behavioral Health, with whom the City of Wilsonville contracted for the position. Brenda's hire represents a terrific collaboration among the City of Wilsonville, Wilsonville Police Department, Clackamas County Sheriff's Office and Clackamas County Behavioral Health to meet the community's needs.

Typically, Brenda works at the Wilsonville station from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. every Wednesday through Saturday. For situations that are non-emergency, she can be reached at 503-655-8211.

If you would like to reach a Mental Health Specialist outside of those hours, please contact the 24/7 Clackamas County Crisis and Support Line at 503-655-8585. And, of course, in-progress emergencies are still best handled by calling 911.

Chief Rob Wurpes



Police Chief Rob Wurpes



Brenda Evans has joined the Police Department as a dedicated Mental Health Specialist.

Briefs

Wilsonville Rotary Names Four First Citizen Award Finalists

The Rotary Club of Wilsonville has selected four finalists for the 2022 Wilsonville First Citizen award.

The First Citizen award honors someone each year for exceptional volunteer service to the community.

A committee of Rotarians and other community leaders reviewed 12 nominations, and selected four finalists: Casey Carpenter, a Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue firefighter; Greg Artman, a local photographer; Molly Kalekilo, owner of Innovative Dance; and Tammy Bradley, a Wilsonville High School coach and staff member.

Each finalist is being recognized and the 2022 Wilsonville First Citizen is to be announced at the club's annual Heart of Gold Dinner and Auction, Thursday, April 6, at Oregon Golf Club in West Linn. This year's theme is "Wings of Service," a nod to the new Top Gun movie released last year.

"The amount of incredible leaders and volunteers that actively participate and impact members of our community is mind-blowing," said Kyle Bunch, club president and chair of the First Citizen Award.

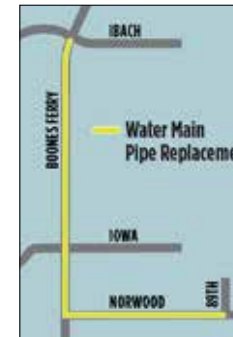
To purchase tickets to the Heart of Gold Dinner and Auction or learn more about the finalists, visit wilsonvillerotary.com.



Tualatin Water Main Replacement to Impact Boones Ferry Rd. Traffic

The City of Tualatin is moving forward with a water main pipe replacement project along Boones Ferry Rd. This work is scheduled to begin early this summer (if supply chain issues do not alter the construction schedule). Once the project begins, it will take about five months to complete.

The project area extends from water storage tanks south of Norwood Rd north to Ibach St., just past Tualatin High School. During construction, travelers should expect some traffic delays, noise, and dust along Boones Ferry Rd. The City of Tualatin website provides detailed information about the project and provides an opportunity to sign up for updates on construction timing and impacts. Visit bit.ly/3wxViiF.



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Oregon Tech Re-Opens Student Veteran Resource Center

In January, the Oregon Tech Portland-Metro campus in Wilsonville celebrated the re-opening of its Veteran Resource Center (VRC).

The center gives military-affiliated students (student veterans, service members, and military family members) a larger, more centralized space to study, relax and connect in a supportive atmosphere.

The VRC provides a variety of services specific to the needs of military-affiliated students, supports the transition from military to student/civilian life, and provides experience-centered connections on and off campus.

Established in 1947 to help WWII veterans successfully transition back to civilian life through technical education, Oregon Tech has a proud history of military-student support, and is providing a top-notch education for active-duty service members, veterans, and dependents.

Uniquely positioned to support the success of veterans and military-connected students, OIT was acknowledged by U.S. Veterans Magazine as a Top Veteran-Friendly School in 2022.

For more information about Oregon Tech's Student Veteran Program, visit oit.edu/admissions/student-veterans.



Notable Actions: City Boards and Commissions

City Council	Action	What it Means
Feb. 6	The Council approved a \$200,000 agreement with Century West Engineering to provide consulting services to advance the 2023 Street Maintenance Project.	This annual program to fund street resurfacing keeps the City's road infrastructure safe and reliable. This year, road improvements are slated on portions of Wilsonville Rd., Boeckman Rd. and Parkway Ave.
Feb. 6	The Council approved a \$1.47 million agreement with Consor North America, Inc. to provide engineering consulting on an upcoming capital project.	The contract supports a project to add 3 million gallons (3MG) of storage capacity to Wilsonville's water system.
Feb. 6	The Council approved a \$270,000 contract with Asco Solutions to provide security and access controls for the City's new Public Works Complex.	Now under construction, the new facility consolidates Public Works functions on a secure, centrally-located Boberg Rd. property.
Feb. 6	The Council approved an amendment to the contract with Taylor Morrison Northwest LLC to allow permitting to continue within Villebois' Clermont subdivision.	This action allows construction to continue before park improvements are completed, as more moderate weather is required to resurface tennis courts as stipulated in the agreement.
Feb. 6	The Council approved the appointment of two community members recommended by Mayor Julie Fitzgerald to serve on City Boards & Commissions.	Alice Galloway Neeley has been appointed to a two-year term on the Development Review Board. Jenelle Reid has been appointed to a three-year term on the Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board.
Jan. 19	On second reading, the Council adopted two ordinances that annex and rezone 9.2 acres within the Coffee Creek Industrial Area.	These actions enable development of a warehouse/manufacturing building and associated site improvements that are consistent with the Coffee Creek Master Plan
Jan. 19	The Council took two actions, on second reading, to approve a new Flag Policy, which codifies a framework that defines how/when commemorative flags may be placed on City flag poles and in City facilities, among other regulations.	The new code prohibits the display of banners on City streetlights and other poles except for City-sponsored events, and articulates how flags may be displayed.
Jan. 19	The Council approved a \$135,000 contract with Northwest Playgrounds for the purchase and installation of a new inclusive climber and other amenities at the Murase Plaza playground in upper Memorial Park.	The project includes fully-accessible synthetic turf surfacing, and represents the first step toward making the playground completely inclusive.

DEI LECTURE SERIES 2023

DISPLACING BLACK PORTLAND: A HISTORY OF HOUSING DISCRIMINATION

People of African descent have called Portland home since the earliest days of non-Native settlement. However policies of systemic racism have led to waves of displacement and demolition within the city's historically Black neighborhoods. Ripple effects of generations of housing discrimination continue to shape Portland's demographics, and Black Portlanders' opportunities within a rapidly gentrifying city.

Presenter:



Zachary Stocks, Executive Director Oregon Black Pioneers

THURSDAY, MARCH 2 @ 6:30 PM WILSONVILLE HILTON GARDEN INN



DEI Lecture Series Gets Underway on March 2

The City's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee is presenting a series of educational lectures to help shed light on the history and lived experience of people in historically marginalized segments of our population.

DEI Lecture Series
Thu., March 2, 6:30 pm
 Hilton Garden Inn
 30800 SW Parkway Ave.

In developing this series, the DEI Committee has sought a wide array of topics to help people gain a broader understanding of their neighbors and build a more cohesive community.

The series debuts on March 2 at the Hilton Garden Inn, with food and drinks available for purchase. These events are taking place at several locations within Wilsonville, and are free to attend.

The series is funded by a Community Opportunity Grant from the Parks & Recreation Department.

Thursday, March 2, 6:30 pm

Displacing Black Portland: A History of Housing Discrimination

Zachary Stocks, Oregon Black Pioneers

Wilsonville Hilton Garden Inn (30800 SW Parkway Ave.) Doors open at 6 pm. Extended happy hour, food/drink available for purchase.

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home since the earliest days of non-Native settlement. However policies of systemic racism have led to waves of displacement and demolition within the city's historically Black neighborhoods. Ripple effects of generations of housing discrimination continue to shape Portland's demographics, and Black Portlanders' opportunities within a rapidly gentrifying city.



Thursday, April 27, 6:30 pm

Growing up Muslim in Clackamas County

Imran Haider, Washington State University, Morrow College, Professor

Thursday, May 4, 6:30 pm

The Mainstreaming of Antisemitism in America

Bob Horenstein, Jewish Federation of Greater Portland

Thursday, June 8, 6:30 pm

Systemic Racism in Oregon Schools

Rudyane Rivera-Lindstrom

Thursday, July 6, 6:30 pm

The Culture, Language and Etiquette of Disability

Ian Jaquiss, Relay Resources

For more information about the DEI Lecture Series, contact Bill Evans, 503-570-1502; evans@ci.wilsonville.or.us.

Community Egg Hunt Returns to Memorial Park on April 8

Wilsonville Parks and Recreation is hosting the annual Community Egg Hunt at Memorial Park on Saturday, April 8, at 10 am.

About 18,000 eggs are being scattered around the Memorial Park field. Young hunters (ages 1-11) are divided into groups according to age, and sent onto the field for the annual hunt for prize eggs.

Community Egg Hunt
Sat, Apr. 8, 10 am
 Memorial Park Athletic Fields

There is no charge for this event. Parking near Memorial Park is limited, so visitors should consider arriving early or using SMART transportation services.



Prizes, including gift baskets, are being handed out to several lucky guests.

A big thanks to J. Hill Property group for being this year's event sponsor!

Grab your kids and your baskets, and don't miss this springtime tradition.

Clackamas County Seeking "Master Recyclers" For Seven-Week Certification

Clackamas County is accepting applicants for its annual "Master Recycler" Training Program, which takes place on Wednesday evenings in April and May.

The free seven-week training provides best practices from area recycling experts. Participants learn the latest information on repair, reuse, compost, toxics, equity, Climate- and of course recycling. Afterward, participants complete volunteer 30 hours to earn certification and become valued resources for their neighborhoods and communities.

This Metro program is offered annually to inspire people to take sustainable action. Participants tour recycling centers, compost facilities, and hazardous and municipal waste sites to see firsthand how these systems work.

Master Recycler Class
 Apply by March 15
masterrecycler.org

Classes are held in Oregon City, 6-9 pm on April 12, 19, 26, and May 3, 10, 17, 24. Attendance is required at all classes, as well as two Saturdays, April 22 and May 13, from 8 am to 2 pm.

The deadline to apply is Monday, March 15, at



Master Recyclers are trained to become certified experts who help friends and neighbors learn how to take sustainable action.

noon. To ensure a positive learning experience and adequate support for volunteers, the class is limited to 30 people. Applications may be submitted until the deadline; afterward, 30 people will be selected via a weighted lottery.

For more information and/or to apply, visit masterrecycler.org.

City Calendar

For the most up-to-date information, visit ci.wilsonville.or.us/calendar

MARCH

- 2 Thu • DEI Lecture Series: A History of Housing Discrimination, 6:30 pm, Hilton Garden Inn
- 3 Fri • First Friday Films 3 pm, Wilsonville Library
- 4 Sat • Town Hall Meeting with State Legislators noon, City Hall
- 6 Mon • City Council Meeting, City Hall 5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- 7 Tue • Municipal/Traffic Court 2 pm, City Hall
- 8 Wed • Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board Mtg. 6 pm, Parks & Rec. Admin. Bldg. • Planning Commission 6 pm, City Hall
- 11 Sat • Building a Garden that Supports Wildlife 11 am, Wilsonville Library
- 13 Mon • DRB Panel A 6:30 pm, City Hall
- 14 Tue • Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Committee Mtg. 6 pm, City Hall
- 15 Wed • Arts, Culture & Heritage Commission Mtg. 5 pm
- 18 Sat • Wedding & Event Open House 1-3:30 pm, Stein-Boozier Barn
- 20 Mon • City Council Meeting, City Hall 5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- 21 Tue • Municipal/Traffic Court 2 pm, City Hall
- 22 Wed • Library Board Meeting 6:30 pm, Wilsonville Library
- 27 Mon • DRB Panel B 6:30 pm, City Hall

APRIL

- 3 Mon • City Council Meeting, City Hall 5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- 4 Tue • Municipal/Traffic Court 2 pm, City Hall
- 5 Wed • Tourism Promotion Committee 1 pm, City Hall • Arts, Culture and Heritage Commission 5 pm, TBD
- 8 Sat • Community Egg Hunt 10 am, Memorial Park Fields
- 10 Mon • DRB Panel A 6:30 pm, City Hall
- 11 Tue • Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Committee Mtg. 6 pm, City Hall
- 12 Wed • Planning Commission 6 pm, City Hall
- 13 Thu • Parks & Rec. Advisory Board Mtg. 6 pm, Parks & Rec. Admin Bldg.
- 17 Mon • City Council Meeting, City Hall 5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- 18 Tue • Municipal/Traffic Court 2 pm, City Hall
- 24 Mon • DRB Panel B 6:30 pm, City Hall
- 26 Wed • Library Board Meeting 6:30 pm, Wilsonville Library
- 27 Thu • DEI Lecture Series: Growing up Muslim in Clackamas County, 6:30 pm, Hilton Garden Inn

All dates and times are tentative; check the City's online calendar for schedule changes at ci.wilsonville.or.us/calendar

Wilsonville City Council

The City Council usually convenes on the first and third Monday of the month at City Hall, with work session generally starting at 5 pm and meeting at 7 pm. Meetings are broadcast live on Xfinity Ch. 30 and Ziplly Ch. 32 and are replayed periodically. Meetings are also available to stream live or on demand at ci.wilsonville.or.us/WilsonvilleTV. Public comment is welcome at City Council meetings.



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