

Monthly newsletter of the City of Wilsonville

September 2017

# Hundreds Attend Wilsonville Community Block Party



Wilsonville residents turned out in droves in August to attend the City's free Community Block Party that had a focus on receiving public input on the Wilsonville Town Center Plan re-development effort. See page 7 for more photos.



# City Staff Member Named 'Oregon Building Inspector of the Year'

Wilsonville Building Inspector Melissa Gitt was selected as the 'Building Inspector of the Year' in July during the Oregon Building Officials Association (OBOA) annual conference in Lincoln City.

The award is given once per year from OBOA in recognition of an individual in Oregon with outstanding service to the public and dedication to building safety. Gitt's noteworthy accomplishments include:

- Served as a multi-certified Building, Mechanical and Plumbing Inspector, completing 4,000 buildingsafety inspections last year.
- Continued her fourth year of service as a Governor's Office-appointee to the Oregon Plumbing Board.

Melissa's ability to problem-solve and work with contractors in a *helpful customer friendly manner* makes her highly respected in the contracting community.

• Served as Chair of the Plumbing Code Review Committee for approval of the 2017 Oregon Plumbing Code slated for adoption this October by the Oregon

Building Codes Division of the Department of Consumer and Business Services.

· Obtained two additional national certifications from the International Code Council (ICC) as a Fire Plans level for many years. Prior to this, she operated her own plumbing business. Extremely knowledgeable



Wilsonville Building Inspector Melissa Gitt examines a new commercial plumbing installation.

not just to the citizens of Wilsonville, but the State of Oregon. Out of the nearly 1,500 certified inspectors in Oregon, this award by her peers is quite an honor. "Melissa genuinely serves from a caring heart in making sure installations are safe and code compliant for homeowners. Melissa's ability to problem-solve and Continued on page 2 City Manager's Message

## **Community Mourns Loss,** Celebrates Life of Jon Gail

n July, the community was shocked and saddened to learn of the passing of Jon Gail, the City of Wilsonville's Community Relations Coordinator. Although his career background focused on marketing housing programs, when starting with the City

in February 2014, Jon readily adapted to his new role in a revamped position dedicated to local public engagement.

Growing up in Newberg, Jon became deeply involved in the Wilsonville-area community that he cherished. And with children in Wilsonville schools, the Gail family is well known in the com-



Jon Gail

munity. Jon had taken on managing the City's new Community Enhancement Program, where he could help direct public resources that fund a range of community-oriented projects.

The City has lost a valuable member of the team with the passing of Jon Gail. Jon had an infectious

Jon represented the City with pride and professionalism, and went the extra mile to address citizen concerns. personality. He was warm, positive, and always had a smile on his face. He took great pride in his job. Jon transformed

the City's communication and outreach

efforts. His role required him to interface with every department to communicate City programs and services through The Boones Ferry Messenger and social media, as well as communicating Council business to the public. Jon represented the City with pride and professionalism, and went the extra mile to address citizen concerns. We will miss Jon greatly.

Gitt has been a licensed Journeyman Plumber for over 17 years. Wilsonville **Building Official** Dan Carlson stated, "Melissa is one of the

most talented, hardworking, and dedicated individuals I know. This award is a wonderful recognition of her ex-

emplary service

in the area of

plumbing codes

and plumbing

installations,

Examiner and Commercial Building Inspector.

· Organized and accompanied 10 middle school-age girls to the 2017 Women in Trades Fair to promote opportunities for careers in the trades.

Gitt has worked for the City since January 2006 and has been involved with plumbing codes at the state

#### Bryan Cosgrove, City Manager

The obituary for Johnathan Charles "Jon" Gail may be found online at obits.oregonlive.com.

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# Wilsonville Hosts Visiting African Nations Delegation



In August Mayor Tim Knapp and Council President Scott Starr, together with City staff, welcomed a visiting 12-person delegation from four countries in Central/East Africa-Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia- that included a Zambian member of Parliament and a Ugandan city mayor. The visit was part of a U.S. State Department-sponsored program on the development of democratic institutions of government in conjunction with the World Affairs Council of Oregon; the City has previously hosted international delegations from Albania and South Korea.



# **Question of the Month**

Every month throughout the 18-month-long Wilson-Ville Town Center Plan initiative the City is asking community members a Question of the Month. The questions are designed to gather feedback on a wide range of issues related to developing the plan that captures a community-driven vision and strategies to guide the development of Wilsonville's Town Center.

# Which land-use improvement ideas do you like best for the Town Center area?

1. Create better bike and pedestrian connections

- 2. Add new, public streets within Town Center Loop
- 3. Place buildings along streets with parking to the side or rear
- 4. Centralize parking in key locations
- 5. Add mixed-use buildings around Town Center Park that include small-scale retail (*e.g.*, coffee shop, small restaurants, services, etc.) on the ground floor
- 6. Focus new development along Wilsonville Road and Town Center Loop
- 7. Add multi-story, smaller-scale buildings at the edges of large format retail (*e.g.*, Fry's) properties
- 8. Include four- to six-story, mixed-use buildings with office, residential and retail in the central and western portions of Town Center

To share your feedback, visit the project's website, where you can sign-up for updates and get more information, at **www.WilsonvilleTownCenter.com**, or contact Miranda Bateschell, Planning Manager, at bateschell@ci.wilsonville.or.us or 503-570-1581.



#### work with contractors in a helpful customer friendly manner makes her highly respected in the contracting community."

"I have known Melissa for about 10 years," said Matt Rozzell, incoming 2017-18 President of OBOA and Deputy Building Official for the City of Happy Valley. "I nominated Melissa because of her leadership, work ethic and willingness to serve. We have worked together on code committees, the State plumbing board and at the Plumbing Chiefs meetings. She is always



Oregon Building Officials Association 2016-17 President Eric Schmidt, Community Development Director for the City of Gresham, presents the 'Building Inspector of the Year' award to Wilsonville Building Inspector Melissa Gitt at the July 2017 association annual conference.

professional, thoughtful and willing to listen to others. When talking with contractors or other inspectors, if Melissa's name is mentioned, there are always positive comments. She is well respected and we are lucky to have her in our industry."

Gitt works in the City's Community Development Dept., where she performs building safety inspections of new construction for the Building Division. The Building Division is responsible for the administration and implementation of residential and commercial building codes and regulations for all development within the jurisdiction of the City of Wilsonville.

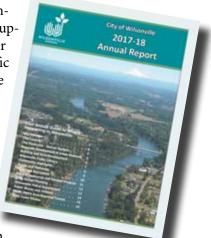
OBOA is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to represent, support and enhance the efforts of building officials by providing for public safety through code administration. OBOA provides education to building officials contractors, architects and engineers.

# City Releases `2017-18 Annual Report': *A Recap of 2017 Highlights and Plans for 2018*

The City distrubuted in August the 2017-18 Annual Report to all residences and businesses in Wilsonville. The Annual Report reviews community highlights and key accomplishments by the City over the past year, examines the fiscal year 2017-18 operating budget that commenced July 1, and presents information on various City programs, services and volunteer boards and commissions.

The *2017-18 Annual Report* marks the sixth year that the City has produced an annual report-type docu-

ment that reviews the prior fiscal year highlights and previews upcoming projects over the next year. Specific topics covered in the full-color, 16-page publication include reviews of community economic development, public library operations, transportation infrastructure, parks and recreation,



police, public works and SMART transit.

City Manager Bryan Cosgrove said, "The Annual Report provides our residents and businesses an overview of major public- and private-sector projects accomplished over the past year, an update on key Council goals and a preview of the activity slated for the upcoming fiscal year."

The current 2017-18 Annual Report and prior annual reports are available online at: www.ci.wilsonville. or.us/AnnualReport. For more information, contact Mark Ottenad, Public/Government Affairs Director, at 503-570-1505; ottenad@ci.wilsonville.or.us.

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# Children's Fall Library Programs Start-up on Sept. 5

Starting Monday, September 5, our story times for all ages return for their fall session.

**Baby Time** features books, rhymes, and songs for you and your baby ages 0-12 months. Baby Time occurs at a **new time** on Tuesday afternoons 1-1:45 pm (including playtime).

For children ages 1-2 years old we have **Toddler** 



#### Book Notes Concert Series Returns Sept. 9

The Book Notes Concert Series kicks-off with a performance by The Whiskey Darlings. This local folk-based duo performs sweet harmonies, a little

blues and a taste of the '70s at this free concert in the Reference area.

The concert series is sponsored by the nonprofit Friends of the Wilsonville Library.

Saturday, September 9, 2–3 pm. Free. www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/concerts

Friday, September 22, 6:30-8:30 pm. Free.

www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/teens

# Teen Event: Library After Dark



## Upcoming Classes and Events

Library Closed for Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 4

#### Library Artist of the Month: Molly Van Austen September is Banned Books Month Throughout the month the Library features displays and activities highlighting this form of censorship. www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/banned

#### First Friday Film

Frank, a single man raising his child prodigy niece Mary, is drawn into a custody battle with his mother.

Time. Enjoy stories, bubbles and parachute time for



you and your 1- to 2-year-old child. Toddler Time occurs at a **new time** on Tuesday mornings 10:30-11 am. Bring the whole family to

Family Story-

**time** for crowd-pleasing fun with books, stories and songs.

Storytime occurs four times each week:

- Tuesday evenings: 6:30–7 pm
- Wednesday mornings: 10:30–11 am
- Wednesday afternoons: 1–1:30 pm
- Thursday mornings: 10:30–11 am

For more information about these programs, contact Youth Services Librarian Shannon Belford at 503-570-1592; belford@wilsonvillelibrary.org. www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/kids **V V** library after the sun goes down? We don't want to spoil the surprise, but we can tell you there will be games, prizes and a whole lot more. You'll just have to come to find out! For students in grades 6–12.



Friday, Sept. 1, 6–8 pm www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/films

**Book Club** *"The Dovekeepers" by Alice Hoffman* Thursday, Sept. 14, 6-8 pm www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/bookclub

# Genealogy Club

Monday, Sept. 18, 1–2:30 pm www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/gc

#### **Great Books Discussion Group**

*Book of Job from the Bible* Tuesday, Sept. 19, 6–8 pm www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/greatbooks

#### **History Pub at Wilsonville McMenamins**

"Catch a Thief: International Art Theft and the FBI" Tuesday, Sept. 26, 6:30–8 pm www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/hp



## Curiosity Cafe: Mexico's Aztec Eagles

Celebrate Mexico's Independence Day on Sept. 16 with this fascinating talk about the Mexican Air Force unit that fought

alongside U.S. military forces in WWII. Saturday, September 16, 1–3 pm. Free. www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/curiosity

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# Wheelchair Users Have Special **Permit-Parking Placard**

regon law provides qualified drivers with disabilities special parking privileges. Not everyone

with a disability qualifies for a disabled parking permit, and there are several different types of permits.

Wheelchair-only parking spaces require a special type of parking permit - extra space is provided around the vehicle to navigate in and out of it. Several shopping centers around Wilsonville, including the popular Old Town Square, have designated wheelchaironly parking spots.





Parking in a special designated spot without an authorized permit is illegal. Drivers in Oregon who abuse disability parking may have their vehicles towed and may be subject to a fine as high as \$450. Illegal use of a disabled parking permit can result in a fine of \$720. See ORS § 811.625.

Wheelchair-user parking permit has a "W" to signify wheelchair user.

## CHIEF'S CORNER – BACK-TO-SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS

Each September our schools are met with children ready and eager to learn. Of course this also means that many of our streets, sidewalks and bike lanes

around schools are also occupied by kids, especially right before and after school.

In order to ensure that our children arrive and return safely to and from school, now is a good time of the year for some back-to-school safety tips for both kids and adults.

#### For motorists remember that:

• Pedestrians always have the right of way, whether or not the pedestrian is in a crosswalk.

ready.gov

- Crosswalks exist at any public street intersection, whether they are marked or unmarked.
- · Crosswalks may also exist between intersections if they are marked with white painted lines.
- Drivers must stop and remain stopped for pedestrians until they are out of the lane in which you are traveling/turning and the next lane.
- Drivers must stop and remain stopped for pedestrians until they have cleared the lane into which your vehicle is turning and at least six feet of the next lane.

# September is National Preparedness Month 50%

more disasters declared annually since 2003 than in the previous 10 years. Being prepared is more important than ever.

Prepare. Plan. Stay Informed.

#### • When driving through a school safety zone, the speed limit is 20 MPH during times or conditions as outlined on the speed sign.

For kids headed to school remember: • Walk or ride in groups to be seen by drivers. • If possible, walk or ride to school with an adult family member or

Police Chief Adam Phillips



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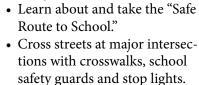
• Page 8: 'Learn About

Emergency

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• Before crossing an intersection, check for vehicles by looking left, right and left again.

• Wait for vehicles to come to a complete stop before crossing in front of traffic.

See also page 5 for information on Safe Routes to Schools for students and parents.

• As a driver, always signal your intentions when

#### Adam Phillips, Chief of Police

Chief Philips retired at the end of August to accompany his spouse as they relocate to Japan for a work-related promotion.



# **Snap-Shots of Summer 2017 Wilsonville Community Events**





Wilsonville BrewFest: Above, right, below: The second annual event, popular with visitors and residents,



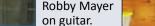
featured a variety of local craft beverages and foods. and singer





Fun in the Park: Above: Colorfully costumed clowns made a fun appearance and generated many laughs. *Left:* The climbing wall was a fun challenge for many who scaled the 30-foot-tall structure safely with ropes and helmets. National Night Out: Right: Meadows neighborhood residents gathered to share a potluck and meet with Wilsonville Police. **Community Health** Fair: Right bottom: Residents learn about local resources for health, active living and well-being.









Wilsonville Rotary Concerts Top, left: Community members and visitors enjoy listening and dancing Revolution (right) in Town Center Park.









# September Is National Preparedness Month: "Disasters Don't Plan Ahead. You Can."

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Ad Council are sponsoring the Ready Campaign with a focus this September on National Preparedness Month (NPM), with an overarching theme of "Disasters Don't Plan Ahead. You Can."

We can all take action to prepare! We are all able to help first responders in our community by training

Wilsonville Emergency Preparedness Fair See page 8 for details Sat, Sept 9, 11 am - 2 pm LDS Church, 29350 SW Town Center Loop East how to respond during an emergency and what to do when disaster strikes — where we live, work, and visit. The goal of NPM is to increase the overall

number of individuals, families, and communities that engage in preparedness actions at home, work, businesses, school, and places of worship.

The NPM campaign is divided into four segments that encourage individual, family, organizational and community emergency preparedness.

#### Week 1: September 1-9 Make a Plan for Yourself, Family and Friends

- Make an Emergency Plan www.ready.gov/makea-plan
- Sign up for local-area alerts and warnings www. publicalerts.org/signup
- Learn your evacuation zone and have an evacuation plan.
- Check on flood insurance coverage www.fema. gov/national-flood-insurance-program
- Plan financially for the possibility of disaster.

#### Week 2: September 10-16 Plan to Help Your Neighbor and Community

- Learn skills you need to help yourself and others until help can arrive – www.ready.gov/untilhelparrives
- Check on your neighbors.
- Learn about dealing without electrical power www.portlandgeneral.com/outages/prepare-my-home



Administration Building, 29600 SW Park Place Parks Programs: 503-783-7529 Community Center, 7965 SW Wilsonville Road 503-682-3727 www.WilsonvilleParksandRec.com

## Wilsonville Thrive! Wellness Group

A re you looking for more joy, meaning and purpose in your life? Would you like to connect with others who want to re-create themselves and launch the next chapter of life? You are invited to become part of an emerging vibrant community, Wilsonville Thrive!

You may find a renewed sense of purpose, discover new connections, gain fresh perspectives and learn new ways to positively impact family, friends, and your community. This is an opportunity to combine • On National Prepareathon Day—Friday, Sept. 15 hold or attend an event.

#### Week 3: September 17-23 Practice and Build Out Your Plans

- Complete an emergency financial first aid kit https://go.usa.gov/xNhp6
- Build a basic disaster supplies kit www.ready.gov/ kit
- Maintain emergency savings just in case.
- Participate in an emergency drill.
- Know how to access community resources (e.g., shelters, food banks) www.redcross.org

#### Week 4: September 24-30 Get Involved! Be a Part of Something Larger

- Get your campus, business, faith-based organization and community organization prepared for an emergency – www.ready.gov
- Join Weather Ready Nation www.weater.gov/wrn/
- Sign up for ready business workshop www.ready. gov/business



# Fall Registration Now Open

Registration for fall activities is now open and participants can register online on the Parks and

Recreation website. Wilsonville Parks and Recreation offers a variety of programs and services for citizens of all ages with recreation offerings ranging from sport and fitness to lifelong learning. New programs this Fall include: Juggling, Partner Acrobatics, Snow Camping, Country Heat, Furniture Restoration, and an Alzheimer's Education Series.



#### **Recommended Items to Include** in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit

The Federal Emergency Management Agency encourages Americans to prepare an emergency supply kit, make a family emergency plan, and be informed about the different types of emergencies that could occur. Residents should

# BUILD A KIT

Include enough food, water, and medical supplies for your needs in your emergency kit to last for at least 72 hours.



have some basic supplies on hand in order to survive for at least three days if an emergency occurs.

Following is a list of basic items that every emergency supply kit should include. Individuals should consider having at least two kits, one full kit at home and smaller portable kits in their workplace, vehicle or other place they spend time.

- □ Water, one gallon per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- □ Food, at least a three-day supply of nonperishable canned/freeze-dried food
- □ Battery-powered or hand-crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- $\hfill\square$  Flashlight and extra batteries
- $\hfill\square$  First aid kit
- □ Whistle to signal for help
- Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air, and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- □ Wrench or pliers to turn-off utilities
- □ Can opener for food
- □ Local maps

#### Upcoming Classes and Events

#### **Soccer Shots**

Saturdays September 9–November 11 Memorial Park–near tennis courts \$170

> Ages 2-3 9–9:30 am Ages 3-5 9:40–10:15 am Ages 3-5 10:25–11 am Ages 5-8 11:10–11:55 am

Partner Acrobatics Ages 10–14 Saturdays September 16–October 7 9 am–12 pm Mary S. Young Park 19900 Willamette Drive West Linn, OR 97068 \$160



your innate talents, wisdom, and strengths for a better you and your world. The eight-week program includes a one-hour weekly gathering and two

individual 30-minute coaching sessions on the phone. Learn how to shift from 'negative thinking' to 'possibility thinking,' how to re-imagine your desired future, and make it a reality. Most importantly you may rediscover a sense of community and connection with results that may be more than you ever expected.

The group is limited to 10 participants and meets on Fridays, September 15 through November 3, 1 - 2 pm, at the Parks and Rec Admin Building. The cost is \$125; for more information, contact Brad Moore, Fitness Specialist, at 503-570-1522; moore@ci.wilsonville. or.us.

# Basketball

**Mini Hoopers** 

Mini Hoopers is a noncompetitive basketball league for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade boys and girls centered around fun, skill development and fair play. *Games are 4-on-4 played on 8-foot hoops.* 

Registration Fee: \$50 Deadline Sunday Sept 24 Season runs October 23 - December 16





More information: WilsonvilleParksandRec.com/MiniHoopers Brian Stevenson at 503-570-1523 **Beginning Tai Chi** 

Adults 18+ Tuesdays and Thursdays September 19–November 2 1–2 pm Community Center \$65

Tap DanceAdults 18+WednesdaysSeptember 20 - November 291:30 - 2:30 pmCommunity Center\$70

# Tired of Driving in Traffic Congestion? Try Getting There the SMART Way!

Sit back and relax! You can catch-up on reading, check your smart phone and leave the driving to us!

# September Is a Great Month to Try Out a Range of SMART Transit Services In or Out of Town

Increasing traffic congestion on I-5 and other arterials causes frustration and extra time on the daily commute. Whether you commute to or from Wilsonville, or just ride in town, SMART has transit services designed to help you get where you want to go. Rides are free on bus routes in Wilsonville.

SMART provides commuter service to Barbur Transit Center, Tualatin Park and Ride, and Canby for only \$1.50 each way. Our most popular route with service to Salem is \$3 each way and runs five days a week. All commuter routes align with TriMet's WES Commuter Train for seamless transfers. By taking SMART, you can reduce your time in the car and ride free within Wilsonville!

#### **Emergency Ride Home Service**

SMART provides employees of registered Emergency Ride Home businesses with four emergency rides home a year in the event of an unexpected emergency. While there is no cost for the program, participants must ride SMART, vanpool, carpool, bike or walk to work to participate in the program. An emergency is defined as a family illness, unscheduled overtime, personal crisis or vanpool driver illness. The service is available Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Interested in getting involved? Contact Program Coordinator Michelle Marston at marston@ridesmart.com.

#### **Bike Lockers and Repair Station at SMART Central**

Calling all transit-riding bikers! Having a bike stolen is aggravating and upsetting. By using the bike lockers and bike-repair station at the SMART Central Transit Center, locking your bike has never been easier. With room for a bike, helmet, saddle bag and air pump, our lockers are spacious and free to use. To claim a locker, visit ridesmart.com to complete the agreement and begin the set-up process.

#### **The Westside Shopper Shuttle**

Stuck at home and need to visit the grocery store? Our free service runs every half hour Monday through Friday from Villebois to Old Town Square (Fred Meyer) and Town Center (Safeway) shopping centers. For more information, please visit: www.ridesmart.com/villebois.



## Back-to-School Tips for Safe Travel by Students

Parents and guardians of Wilsonville school children have alternatives for safe and reliable backto-school travel options by students of many ages, including:

- Use the free SMART system: Children over the age of seven are allowed to ride the SMART bus without a guardian. In-town service is free to ride and connects all over town. More information on local bus routes are online at www.ridesmart.com.
- Help establish a Safe Routes to School Program for your school! Coordinate with other parents or teachers to lead a morning and



afternoon 'walking school bus' of student walkers and bikers. For more information online see www. OregonSafeRoutes.org.

# *Transit Info Online at* www.RideSMART.com

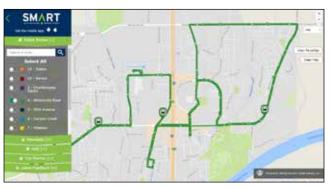
## Download the SMART Bus App ETA SPOT to Get Route Info and Up-to-the-Minute Bus Updates

Wondering when the next bus is coming? Want to know which bus to take? You can download ETA SPOT, SMART's mobile app that provides riders real-time arrival predictions for all of its buses, automated on-board announcements, and system alerts.

ETA SPOT can be downloaded for free from the Apple Store or Google Play. You can also access ETA SPOT online at smartpublic et



SPOT online at smartpublic.etaspot.net.





SMART Central Transit Center, 9699 SW Barber St. 503-682-7790 • smart@ridesmart.com www.RideSMART.com

## **Routing Trips on SMART or Tri-Met Is Easy with RideWise**

Wilsonville commuters and in-town riders can use SMART's Travel Training Program to plan transit trips across locally or across the region. At no charge, a RideWise

Travel Trainer can help older adults and people with disabilities learn how to use the transit system.



- **Transit travel planning:** Personalized, route-planning and information using the regional transit system, including transfers.
- **Group transit trips:** Learn how to use transit to get to popular destinations in a group setting.
- **Support for special educators:** Assistance with classroom training and other support for teachers of older adults or students with disabilities.

#### To Reach the SMART Travel Trainer:

- Online www.RideSMART.com
- Email TravelTrainer@RideSMART.com
- Phone 503-682-7790 ext. 1438



## Take the 'Oregon Drive Less Challenge' in September: Log Your Trips to Win Prizes!

The Oregon Drive Less Challenge is a statewide campaign running September 16-30 where you can log any commute trip via walking, biking, carpooling or using public transit services and be entered to win prizes. Compete with coworkers, family, or friends to see who can log more trips and have a chance to win!

Weekly prizes at the statewide level include gift cards for products from REI, Dutch Bros, Black Star Bags, and KEEN. In addition, Hydro Flasks are also awarded to select participants.

Grand prizes include one of three GenZe electric bikes or one of three \$500 cash cards.

# *To sign-up for the `Oregon Drive Less Challange,' go online to the website*

The beginning of the new school year is the perfect time for families to create healthy, fun and safe travel habits to get to school. If your child plans to walk, ride, or take the bus to school, accompany him or her on the route at first to ensure safest paths and that your child knows the way. The best way for children to remember skills is to practice and teach them to others.

Real-time bus routes can be viewed on the ETA Spot app for Android and Apple smart phones as well as online via the www.RideSMART.com website.

# **Volunteers Needed in September to Count Walkers and Cyclists**

E ach September, volunteers throughout the region gather along trails and busy intersections to

count and survey people biking and walking the system of trails, parks, natural areas and roadways. The count is part of the National Bicycle and Pedestrian Docu-



mentation Project's ongoing effort to gather accurate trail-use data to help decide when and where to

build new trails and road infrastructure in order to respond to the needs of all cyclists and trail users. SMART coordinates Wilsonville's participation

SMART coordinates Wilsonvilles participation in this national and regional event. SMART seeks volunteers to count walkers and cyclists at various locations throughout Wilsonville during the period of Tuesday–Thursday, Sept. 12–14, 4–6 pm, and on Saturday, Sept. 16, 9–11 am. To volunteer, contact Bryce Yoshikawa, SMART Transit Intern, at 503-683-7790 x 1492; yoshikawa@ridesmart.com; or register online at www.ridesmart.com/bikped2017. www.DriveLessConnect.com.



#### September 2017

# **Reports from City Boards and Commissions**

## **City Council Approves Frog Pond West Infrastructure Fees, Annexes** Roadway Land for School and Declares Wilsonville a "Bee City USA"

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t the August 7 City Council meeting, the Coun- $\mathbf{\Lambda}$  cil approved a methodology for calculating an infrastructure supplemental fee payable by developers designed to finance infrastructure that serves the proposed Frog Pond West residential area. The Council's action implements the Frog Pond West Infrastructure Funding Plan adopted by Council on July 17 that called for additional fees to underwrite costs to extend City infrastructure to the Frog Pond area. The primary infrastructure projects to be funded include road and utility improvements on Boeckman Road and Stafford Road, a neighborhood park, and a proportional cost-share of a future new bridge on Boeckman Road crossing Boeckman Creek. For more information, see www. ci.wilsonville.or.us/FrogPond.

The Council held a public hearing and on first reading adopted an ordinance that annexes into City limits a small portion of land acquired by

the West Linn-Wilsonville School District to be used as a road right-of-way for the new Meridian Creek Middle School under construction southwest of the intersection of Wilsonville/Stafford Roads and Boeckman/Advance Roads. Once construction of the new SW 63<sup>rd</sup> Avenue road is completed, the school district plans to dedicate the road right-of-way to the City.

The City Council also approved a resolution designating Wilsonville as a "Bee City USA® Affiliate," as part of a nationwide effort to increase understanding and appreciation of the value of pollinators and their habitat. The Council action implements a Council goal that seeks to address the community aftereffects of the infamous "Bee Kill" event of June 2013 brought about by the unlawful application of neonicotinoid pesticides by commercial licensed applicators at a shopping center parking lot.

Under Mayor's Business, the Mayor issued a proclamation in support of the American Cancer Society's work by declaring August 17, 2017, as "Wilsonville Relay for Life Day." The Mayor also made several appointments to City boards and commissions that were

confirmed by Council, including reappointment of Caroline Berry to a second four-year POND WEST term to the Library Board and reappointment of Jeff Brown to Position 3 and Albert Levit to Position 4 for second three-year terms to the

Tourism Promotion Committee. Also during the meeting, City Manager Bryan Cosgrove gave an update to Council on staff's status on advancing Council 2017-18 goals. City Attorney Barbara Jacobson presented information to Council on legal research pertaining to government limitations on constitutionality-protected free-speech rights applicable to

panhandling activity.

During work session prior to the meeting, the Council heard reports on several matters, including: a proposed high-speed Internet fiber business plan; proposed form-based code for the Coffee Creek industrial area; potential options for building an access road to the parking lot of the Memorial Park dog-run area and community garden; and a review of the Frog Pond West infrastructure financing plan.

The public can watch a replay of all or a portion of the City Council meeting on Comcast/Xfinity Ch. 30, Frontier Ch. 32 or on the City's video-on-demand service at www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/WilsonvilleTV.

#### **City Council Approves Frog Pond West Master Plan for New Residential Development, Proclaims 'Fun in the Park' Week**

t the July 17 City Council meeting, the Council A gave final approval of the Frog Pond West Master Plan that guides growth and residential development of the mostly undeveloped 181-acre area west of Stafford Road and north of Boeckman Road that is located in the urban growth boundary. The Council also approved the proposed infrastructure financing plan for public improvements like roads and sewer lines that is complicated by many lots under different ownerships. The plan is a sub-element of the City's Comprehensive Plan and includes amendment to the City's Comprehensive Plan Map, Development Code and the Significant Resource Overlay Zone Map. Adoption of the plan allows property owners located in the area to initiate requests to the City's Development Review Board and City Council for annexation and develop-

Under New Business the Council approved a resolution that authorizes the City to enter into a grant agreement with the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority of the Business Development Department to receive a grant of \$251,685 for the seismic rehabilitation of the Public Works/Police Department building located at 30000 SW Town Center Loop East. The grant covers 45% of the estimated \$559,300 for seismic retrofits required by state law for police stations and emergency operations facilities.

Also under New Business, the City Council reviewed a request from Wilsonville Subaru to appeal a City decision regarding the amount of system development charges for the newly opened auto dealership. The Council denied the appeal, determining that the dealership missed the deadline for a timely appeal.



#### Upcoming on the Council Agenda

The following issues are tentatively scheduled for consideration and or discussion by the City Council in September. Scheduling changes can and do occur; check for updated meeting information at the City's website homepage, www.ci.wilsonville.or.us.

Thursday, Sept. 7 (note date change due to Labor Day holiday): In work session, Council may review of water intake intergovernmental agreement, solidwaste collection/disposal franchise agreement issues and potential I-5/Wilsonville Road congestion mitigation improvements. At the meeting, Council is scheduled for a first reading of ordinance amending W.C. Chapter 3, addressing street lighting.

Monday Sept. 18: In work session, Council may review proposed Library improvements, 5th Street to Kinsman Road extension and Memorial Park parking lot issues. At the meeting, Council is scheduled to conduct a public hearing on a supplemental budget adjustment, consider an appeal of a Planning Director's interpretation of City code and hold a second reading of ordinance amending W.C. Chapter 3, addressing street lighting.

#### **Development Review Board Updates**

n July 10 DRB Panel A held a public hearing regarding a Final Development Plan for Regional Park 7 and 8 on the east side of the Villebois neighborhood. After taking public testimony, board members voted unanimously to continue the hearing to Sept. 11 to allow the applicant additional time to work with neighbors of the parks. Members of DRB Panel A also attended a July 24 work session with DRB Panel B regarding the Coffee Creek Industrial Form Based Code project.

At the July 24 meeting, DRB Panel B held a public hearing regarding annexation of an approximately 2,206-square-foot sliver of street right-of-way associated with the new 63rd Avenue access to Meridian Creek Middle School. The board unanimously recommended City Council approve the requested annexation (see adjacent article). Prior to the public hearing, DRB Panel B attended a work session with DRB Panel A regarding the Coffee Creek Industrial Form Based Code project.

On Aug. 28, DRB was scheduled to review the proposed siting of a Marion's Carpet Warehouse on Boones Ferry Road north of Barber Street, additional parking for Swire Coca-Cola bottling facility and a temporary-use permit for short-term mail kiosks and coffee/food carts at the Piazza in Villebois.

At the Sept. 11 meeting, DRB is scheduled to review proposed construction of a Hilton Garden Inn at SW Parkway Avenue and SW Memorial Drive (tear down and replace current Quality Inn hotel).

## Planning Commission Update

The Planning Commission held a work session on ▲ July 12 to review two items currently in process. Commissioners heard an update on the proposed Old Town Development Code and Architectural Pattern Book. City planning staff indicated that further details and changes would be presented to the Commission in response to public comment at the Sept. 13 work session. The Commission also reviewed the proposed Coffee Creek Industrial Area Form-Based Code that is designed to accelerate development through use of pre-approved design elements. The August Planning Commission meeting was cancelled due to a lack of agenda items. The next Planning Commission Meeting is on Wednesday, Sept. 13, 6 pm, at City Hall.

Fun in the Park Co-founder Bob Woodle (center, blue shirt) is flanked by members of the City Council and volunteers with Wilsonville Celebration Days, the nonprofit that produces the annual Fun in the Park event.

ment approval. To review the full plan visit www.ci. wilsonville.or.us/FrogPond.

Under Mayor's Business, the Mayor issued a proclamation declaring August 1–7 as "Fun in the Park Week" in recognition of the annual festival that has been held on the first Saturday in August for the past 17 years. The proclamation also recognizes long-term event organizers, including the late Lyle Fisher and Bob and Judy Woodle, as well as the hundreds of volunteers and the many sponsors each year who support the annual free event.

Clackamas County Resource Conservation & Solid Waste Program staff presented on the Multifamily Community Waste-Reduction and Recycling Project funded by the City's Wilsonville-Metro Community Enhancement Program in 2016.

On the Consent Agenda the Council passed a resolution that authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract for engineering-design, acquisition and construction support services to improve Garden Acres Road that runs north-south between Ridder Road and Day Road in the Coffee Creek Urban Renewal Area. The road project re-constructs approximately 2700 feet of the county road into a modern city street with bike facilities and a sidewalk to serve as the primary route accessing the future Coffee Creek industrial and employment district and urban renewal area. During work session prior to the meeting, the Council heard reports and discussed how the City is promoting community engagement and awareness about City related events and news through the City's Facebook page and the use of other social media sites.

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# **City Recruits Members for 2018 Citizens Academy**

The City of Wilsonville is now recruiting community members to participate in the 2018 Wilsonville Citizens Academy. The six-month-long publicengagement program, running January through June 2018, features monthly City-hosted meetings and events designed to prepare community members for roles on local-government boards and commissions, as well as area nonprofits.

Mayor Tim Knapp states, "This program is a great way for residents and area employees to become more familiar with the City and to explore the many volunteer opportunities that exist to make a difference in the greater Wilsonville-area community." The Wilsonville Citizens Academy offers participants the opportunity to learn about the City's programs and operations, meet City staff and elected officials and get to know fellow community members. The monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month, 6–9 pm, at City Hall.

Applications for the free program are now being accepted through the end of October and the program is limited to no more than 25 participants.

For more information, contact Angela Handran, Community Outreach Specialist, at 503-570-1503; Handran@ci.wilsonville.or.us; or visit www.ci. Wilsonville.or.us/Academy.



Members of the 2017 Wilsonville Citizens Academy gather outside City Hall.

# Wilsonville Business Updates

In July Microsoft announced the January 2018 closure of the Wilsonville 'Surface Hub' facility that assembles large-format display screens. The lay-off of 124 workers is set to occur in two phases in September 2017 and November 2017. The closure is part of larger corporate reorganization to result in reported lay-offs of 3,000 to 5,000 workers worldwide.

The plant location is in a Wislonville TIF Zone site that is designed to incentivize building conversion to a higher-value manufacturing facility. Microsoft never applied for TIF Zone benefits that require a significant capital investment and high-wage job creation. **Campbell Soup,** headquartered in New Jersey, announced in July the purchase of **Pacific Natural Foods** for \$700 million in cash in a move designed to further respond to shifting consumer tastes. Pacific Foods, a 30-year-old company with over \$200 million in annual sales, makes organic broth and soups and plant-based, non-dairy beverages. Based in Tualatin with food processing facilities and a mega-large warehouse in Wilsonville, Pacific Foods employs 500 area residents. The company farms organically over 1,000 acres in French Prairie just south of Wilsonville, and also purchases livestock and vegetables on contract with local farmers for use in broths and soups.

# WilsonvilleSTAGE Seeks New Home, Plans Season's Plays

WilsonvilleSTAGE, which had been performing on a temporary basis at Clackamas Community College's Wilsonville campus, is seeking a new performance venue due to remodeling of the college facility. Principals of the community theater group dedicated to promoting the arts in Wilsonville seek assistance in finding a new home.

A grant from the City of Wilsonville Opportunity Grant Program for \$7,000 was awarded by the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board in April for light and sound equipment.

Auditions are to be held in September for the 2017-18 season. Shows being planned include:

- This Fall Award winning farce "Flaming Idiots" by Tom Rooney, where the heroes ("idiots") try to bring fans to their new New York City restaurant by staging a pretend "hit," except the hit man is senile, the local cop can't control his mounted horse, the chef is impaired in too many ways, the waiter is of course an actor auditioning, and it only gets more wild.
- **December** "A Christmas Pudding" by David Birney is a "radio show" performance featuring comedy, drama, songs and a bit of Christmas celebration; to be directed by Sandi Libonati.
- Winter 2018 "Beyond The Dark" by Zoe Niklas is a truly significant premier of a one-woman show performed by and based on Zoe's renowned childhood memoir "Driving In The Dark."
- **Spring 2018** "Life In The Theater" by David Mamet is a wild comedy about a pompous actor at the end of a career and a raw young talent just beginning his career. They crash, compete, quarrel, save and serve each other in 20 different scenes! Stay tuned — Wilconville will have great theater!

Stay tuned — Wilsonville will have great theater! For more information, contact Terry Kester, Artistic Director of WilsonvilleSTAGE, at 703-217-9659, onstageatwilsonville@gmail.com; or online at www. wilsonvillestage.org.

# Wilsonville Community Block Party Focuses on Town Center Plan Redevelopment



better access for walking and biking and new shopping opportunities in order to be more of a community hub.







Public Works Department's rubber-ducky races in the Town Center Park water feature were a hit!







The very popular City Building Safety booth featured 'build your own bird house." www.WilsonvilleTownCenter.com



# Sept. 5 Community Kick-Off Event for Boones Ferry Park Master Plan

The City of Wilsonville is holding a community kick-off event to help plan the future of Boones Ferry Park on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 6 pm, at Boones

Community Kick-Off Event for Boones Ferry Park Master Plan • *Tue, Sept 5, 6 pm* Boones Ferry Park, 31240 SW Boones Ferry Road Ferry Park, 31240 SW Boones Ferry Road. The City seeks community input regarding preferences for enhancing park and openspace amenities and increasing public access

to the Willamette River through development of a new park master plan.

"We are excited to hear community members' ideas on how the City should invest and manage Boones Ferry Park," explained Parks and Recreation Director Mike McCarty.

The purpose of the Boones Ferry Park Master Plan project is to advise the City Council, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and City staff on how the park is currently functioning and to set the course for future use. Currently, the park is utilized for drop-in uses of the playground, an open-lawn area and basketball court.

The park is home to the Tauchman House, a popular historical location for City-sponsored programs and



#### Learn About Family Emergency Preparedness on Sept. 9

No one likes to think about community emergencies, but when you're prepared for them, they're less threatening. The Wilsonville Emergency Preparedness Fair is designed to help local families become more prepared, should the unexpected strike.

The free event, sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS), is to be held at the LDS Church, 29350 SW Town Center Loop East on Saturday, September 9, 11 am - 2 pm. The event is

Wilsonville Emergency Preparedness Fair Sat, Sept 9, 11 am - 2 pm LDS Church, 29350 SW Town Center Loop East open to the public, all ages welcome, and includes a barbeque lunch.

More than 25 vendors are to cover a wide

array of topics, including water storage and purification, emergency cooking, emergency communications, self-defense, insurance, preparing families and pets for emergencies, and more! Booths and presentations are being hosted by Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue, American Red Cross, City of Wilsonville, Wilsonville Police, Legacy Health, PGE, NW Natural and more.

For more information, contact Miriam Pinoli, Event Organizer, at 503-317-8265; miriampinoli@yahoo.com.

## School Resumed on August 29

private rentals. The seven-acre park is located adjacent to four acres of forested waterfront property to the east acquired by the City in 2015, and to three undeveloped acres to the west between the railroad tracks and Boones Ferry Road and additional land to the north.

To help develop the plan the City hired GreenPlay, LLC, a national firm based in Colorado with extensive



experience across the U.S. facilitating, researching and developing similar parks and recreation master plans.

For more information, contact Mike McCarty, Parks and Recreation Director, at 503-570-1579; mccarty@ ci.wilsonville.or.us. For more information about the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, visit www.Wilsonville ParksandRec.com/ParksPlan.

# 2017 Water-Feature Season Ends

Sunday, Sept. 17, 10 am–8 pm, is the last day the City's two water features located at Murase Plaza and Town Center Park are open for public enjoyment.



#### **Singers Needed for Holiday Concerts, Rehearsals Start in September**

The I-5 Connection Chorus is calling for both men and women to sing for the 2017 Christmas Concert. Singers must be available to rehearse Thursday mornings from 10 am to noon at the Wilsonville Community Center, 7965 SW Wilsonville Road. Because the Community Center is installing a new sound system, the first two rehearsals this fall, September 7 and 14, are to be held at the Methodist Church located just east of the Community Center at 7355 SW Wilsonville Road.

The I-5 Connection Chorus sings a variety of music from gospel to Broadway and popular songs from the 1950s through the '70s for local senior-living facilities during the fall and spring. The Holiday Concerts



provides family entertainment with both secular and spiritual music to uplift the soul and help listeners enhance the spirit of the season. This year the chorus is

looking for extra singers for "The Hallelujah Chorus"

from Handel's "Messiah." We also will need an extra

tor, at jphiggins@comcast.net, leave your name and

phone number at the front desk in the Community

Center at 503-682-3727, or email your information to

If you're interested, contact Jocelyn Higgins, direc-

piano accompanist for that musical experience.

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4	Mon	<ul> <li>City Offices Closed - Labor Day Holiday</li> <li>City Council Meeting - RESCHEDULED to Sept. 7</li> </ul>
5	Tue	<ul> <li>Municipal/Traffic Court 5 pm, City Hall</li> <li>Boones Ferry Master Plan Kick Off 6 pm, Boones Ferry Park</li> </ul>
7	Thur	<ul> <li>City Council</li> <li>5 pm - Work Session</li> <li>7 pm - Meeting</li> <li>City Hall</li> </ul>
9	Sat	<ul> <li>Wilsonville Community Emergency Preparedness Fair</li> <li>11 am–2 pm, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints</li> <li>29350 SW Town Center Loop East</li> </ul>
11	Mon	<ul> <li>DRB Panel A</li> <li>6:30 pm, City Hall</li> </ul>
13	Wed	<ul> <li>Planning Commission 6 pm, City Hall</li> <li>Wilsonville Community Seniors Inc. Advisory Board 1-3 pm, Wilsonville Community Center</li> </ul>
17	Sun	• Wilsonville Water Features at Murase Plaza and Town Center Park close for the 2017 summer season
18	Mon	<ul> <li>City Council</li> <li>5 pm - Work Session</li> <li>7 pm - Meeting</li> <li>City Hall</li> </ul>
19	Tue	<ul> <li>Municipal/Traffic Court</li> <li>5 pm, City Hall</li> </ul>
25	Mon	<ul> <li>DRB Panel B</li> <li>6:30 pm, City Hall</li> </ul>
27	Wed	• Library Board 6:30 pm, Wilsonville Public Library
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- 17 Tue Municipal/Traffic Court

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West Linn-Wilsonville School District resumed classes for the 2017-18 school year on Tuesday, Aug. 29. For a complete calendar of events and other school information, see www.wlwv.k12.or.us.



**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 Comcast/Xfinity Ch. 30 and Frontier Ch. 32 and are replayed periodically. Meetings are also available to stream live and by video-on-demand at www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/ WilsonvilleTV. Public comment is welcome at City Council meetings.



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#### 5 pm, City Hall

- 23 Mon DRB Panel B 6:30 pm, City Hall
- 25 Wed Library Board 6:30 pm, Wilsonville Public Library

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

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