

Spring Fling 2022

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS WEEK

APRIL 25 - APRIL 30

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Parks and Recreation Report | March 2022

Directors Report:

Spring has sprung and as always the Parks and Recreation Department is excited for this time of year. Our reservations have begun and our Program Coordinator, Laura Ruggles has been very busy with tours, reservations, and scheduling. As we emerge from the pandemic there definitely seems to be pent up excitement and demand for our facilities and programs. Our team is very busy with planning and preparation to ensure that residents and visitors enjoy their experience and return with their friends and family members.

Beyond their normal maintenance routines the parks team has been working on some special plantings in Town Center Park and Murase Plaza. They were also able to finish up a parking lot drainage project in Memorial Park. The Memorial Park Skate Park Project wrapped up at the end of March and... wow, what an improvement! We will host a grand opening event for this exciting new amenity in June. The Memorial Park Rest Room Project is still moving along and should wrap up in June.

The recreation team has a full slate of activities planned for April—too many to list (see below for details). They have also been planning ahead to summer programming with movies, concerts, summer camps, and more. Again, too many to list here, look for all the details in the Spring/Summer Activity Guide, which will be mailed to all Wilsonville residents in early April.

The Community Center continues to increase it's offerings and attendance in those offerings as our patrons comfort level with social gatherings increases. Fitness classes and Tai Chi continue to be popular and we are excited to have recently added four more virtual reality headsets to our arsenal that will increase our capacity in those classes.

Another exciting new addition is the formation of the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Commission, which will hold its first meeting in April.

So many exciting things happening in the world of Parks and Recreation and we wouldn't want it any other way! Get outside and enjoy a park!

-Kris Ammerman

Community Center Updates:

- Community Center classes continue to draw in community members. In March the second sessions of Tai Chi and Healthy Bones and Balance classes began with 47 total students enrolled.
- Met with local skate park advocate to discuss a kick off event for the new Memorial Park Skate park. The skate park event is planned for June 4 from 1:30 – 3:30 pm.
- Plans are in place to return to in-person lunches at the Community Center. Beginning May 18, the senior lunch program will be back to in person dining two days per week (Wednesday and Friday).

Recreation Updates:

Summer Registration Opens April 18: The Recreation team has been hard at work planning summer activities and camps for the community. Over 70 different summer camps will be available this year, as well as plenty of new adult fitness and educational classes. Check out WilsonvilleParksandRec.com for a full list of offerings.

Board Highlights

Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board: The Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board continued preparations for the Cherry Blossom Week event series this month, which was held on April 4-10.

Wilsonville Community Seniors Inc.: The Board continues to explore fundraising ideas and is currently looking at the possibility of a BINGO event in the fall. Senior Trips have resumed post pandemic and will be offered once per month.

Upcoming:

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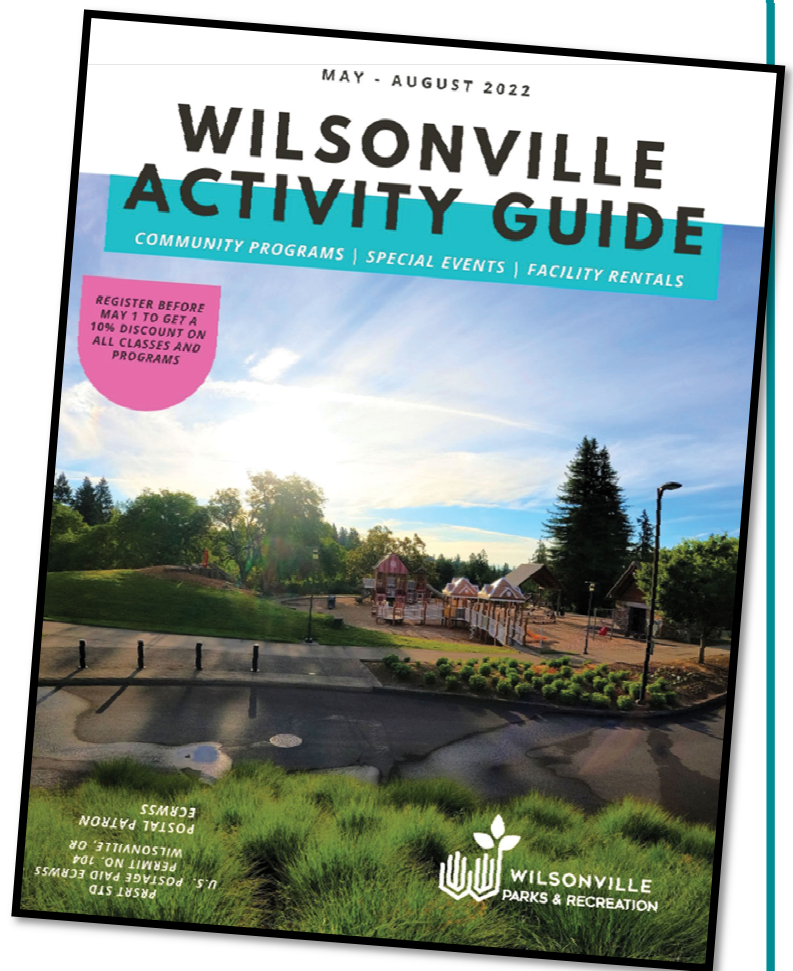
Spring Fling: April 25—May 30, locations vary

Learn to Skate Day: May 21

Wilsonville Family Fairy Dance: June 3 & 4, 7pm—9pm, Stein-Boozier Barn

Skate Park Opening Event: June 4, 1:30pm

Laser Light Show: July 4, 9pm, Town Center Park



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Mon 25

Nature
Photography
Contest
Virtual
All week

Tues 26

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Introduction to
Nature
Journaling
Community Cntr.
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Wed 27

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Documentary
Screening
"2040"
Community Cntr.
6:00 pm

Thur 28

Stonecrop
Giveaway
Parks Admin
4pm - 6pm

Fri 29

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Training and
Pruning Fruit
Trees
Memorial Park
10 am

Sat 30

W.E.R.K. Day
Memorial Park
8am - 11:30 am

Goat Petting
Memorial Park
10 am - 12 pm

Healthy Kids Day
Memorial Park
11:30 am - 1:30 pm



Asterisk* = pre-registration required

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Spring Fling 2022, April 25—30

Event Descriptions

Nature Photography Contest - All Week

Share your best Wilsonville nature photos and be entered to win an eco-friendly prize basket valued at \$50! Entries must be submitted by May 1. Three winners will be chosen at random and announced on Monday, May 2. Submit your photos via email to Recreation Coordinator, Erica Behler at behler@ci.wilsonville.or.us or use the hashtag #WilsonvilleSpringFling to be entered into the contest.

Nature Journaling – Tuesday, April 26

Nature Journaling is the practice of drawing and writing in response to observations of nature. Enjoy a “conversation with nature” by slowing down to focus on drawing from observation and recording your experience in a journal or sketchbook. Using pencils and/or pens and markers, quiet your mind and relax into the present moment by following guided exercises based on the viewing of an item from nature. We will spend the first thirty minutes of the workshop outside, observing and connecting to the natural outdoor setting of the community center. The remaining hour of the workshop will be spent indoors, following easy instructions for ways in which one can reflect on nature in a journal. All levels are welcome. Supplies needed: writing tools (any pencils, pens or fine tip markers you enjoy using); a journal or drawing paper. Watercolors or colored pencils are optional.

2040 Documentary Screening — Wednesday, April 27

Come enjoy a live screening of the documentary film '2040'. Motivated by his 4-year-old daughter and concern for the planet she will inherit, Damon Gameau, Australian award-winning director (That Sugar Film, 2015) and actor, embarks on a global journey to meet innovators and changemakers to discover what the future of the planet could look like by the year 2040 if we embraced the best solutions already available to us, and shifted them rapidly into the mainstream. Guided by the voices of 100 child interviewees aged between 6 and 11 who describe the kind of world they would like to see by the year 2040, Damon draws on the best minds from around the world to focus on climate, economics, technology, civil society, education, agriculture and sustainability to conjure a positive portrait of what ‘could be’ instead of the current dystopian future we are so often presented.

Stonecrop Giveaway

Stop by the Parks and Rec Admin Office main parking lot between 4pm and 6pm on Thursday April 28 to receive a FREE stonecrop plant in exchange for a completed parks and recreation survey. Stonecrop is easy to grow given good drainage and adequate sun. They are economical because they grow quickly, and are simple to propagate. Plus they are outstanding performers in containers, pathways, parking strips and much more.

Training & Pruning Fruit Trees

This special arbor day class will demonstrate how to properly prune young shade trees to improve structure and prolong the life of the tree. This class will provide hands on pruning and will discuss what tools are needed to perform proper tree cuts. Lastly, it will discuss when to prune to reduced pest and disease outbreaks. If you are looking to improve your pruning skills, then this class is for you! All tools and equipment will be provided. Please wear long pants and closed toe shoes.

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PHOTO CONTEST

MON. APRIL 25 - SUN. MAY 1 | VIRTUAL

SHARE YOUR BEST WILSONVILLE NATURE PHOTOS AND BE ENTERED TO WIN AN ECO-FRIENDLY PRIZE BASKET VALUED AT \$50! ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MAY 1. THREE WINNERS WILL BE CHOSEN AT RANDOM AND ANNOUNCED ON MONDAY, MAY 2. SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS VIA EMAIL TO RECREATION COORDINATOR, ERICA BEHLER AT BEHLER@CI.WILSONVILLE.ORG OR USE THE HASHTAG #WILSONVILLESRINGFLING TO BE ENTERED INTO THE CONTEST.



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INTRO TO NATURE JOURNALING

WITH INSTRUCTOR AND ARTIST ELIZABETH HIGGINS

TUES. APRIL 26 | 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM | WILSONVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER | COURSE #10282

NATURE JOURNALING IS THE PRACTICE OF DRAWING AND WRITING IN RESPONSE TO OBSERVATIONS OF NATURE. ENJOY A "CONVERSATION WITH NATURE" BY SLOWING DOWN TO FOCUS ON DRAWING FROM OBSERVATION AND RECORDING YOUR EXPERIENCE IN A JOURNAL OR SKETCHBOOK. USING PENCILS AND/OR PENS AND MARKERS, QUIET YOUR MIND AND RELAX INTO THE PRESENT MOMENT BY FOLLOWING GUIDED EXERCISES BASED ON THE VIEWING OF AN ITEM FROM NATURE. WE WILL SPEND THE FIRST THIRTY MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP OUTSIDE, OBSERVING AND CONNECTING TO THE NATURAL OUTDOOR SETTING OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER. THE REMAINING HOUR OF THE WORKSHOP WILL BE SPENT INDOORS, FOLLOWING EASY INSTRUCTIONS FOR WAYS IN WHICH ONE CAN REFLECT ON NATURE IN A JOURNAL. ALL LEVELS ARE WELCOME.



SUPPLIES NEEDED: WRITING TOOLS (ANY PENCILS, PENS OR FINE TIP MARKERS YOU ENJOY USING); A JOURNAL OR DRAWING PAPER. WATERCOLORS OR COLORED PENCILS ARE OPTIONAL.

*WHILE THIS CLASS IS FREE, PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AS SPACES ARE LIMITED.

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FILM SCREENING: '2040'


WED. APRIL 27 | 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM | WILSONVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER | COURSE #10287



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FREE PLANT DRIVE-THRU


THURS. APRIL 28 | 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM | PARKS & REC ADMIN OFFICE



SEDUM OREGANUM

"SMALL BUT MIGHTY, THE SEDUM OREGANUM (OREGON STONECROP) CAN BRING MANY BENEFITS TO YOUR GARDEN. EASY TO CARE FOR? CHECK. YEAR-ROUND INTEREST? CHECK. HABITAT VALUE? CHECK. IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A VERSATILE GROUNDCOVER TO FILL SPACE IN LESS HOSPITABLE AREAS OF YOUR YARD WHERE OTHER PLANTS WON'T FIT OR HAVE STRUGGLED, OREGON STONECROP JUST MIGHT BE THE PLANT FOR YOU." (BACKYARDHABITS.ORG)

SEDUM OREGANUM GENEROUSLY DONATED BY BEAVERLAKE NURSERY



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W.E.R.K. Day

W.E.R.K. (Wilsonville Environmental Resource Keepers) Day is all about volunteer service in our local parks! Join the Parks Crew to work on projects like bark dusting, planting, painting, and more! Register with friends and family, or come solo and we'll get you put into a group. Pre-registration is required. All participants will receive a complimentary 'DO WERK' hat, as well as coffee and a donut. Pre-registration required.

Goat Petting Event with Westside Goat Girl

Join Wilsonville Parks and Rec Staff and the Westside Goat Girl for a goat petting event on Saturday, April 30 from 10am - 12pm! Goats will be stationed in Memorial Park behind the maintenance barn. Each goat will have a handler present, so you can get up close and personal. The week prior, the goats will be just up the hill from the Parks Maintenance Barn in Memorial Park, munching away on invasive plants such as blackberry and ivy. Make sure to stop by and see the goats in action!

Healthy Kids Day

Healthy Kids Day® is the YMCA's national initiative to improve the health and well-being of kids and families. Wilsonville's Memorial Park is the site of a Healthy Kids Day Event on Saturday, April 30, from 11:30 am-1:30 pm at Memorial Park. Activities for kids include crafts, field games, story time, family fitness and water safety. YMCAs across the country host free community events aimed to inspire kids to keep their minds and bodies active throughout the summer. The program encourages kids to get active and helps families develop routines that support mental and physical health at home.

We hope to see you at an upcoming Spring Fling Event!

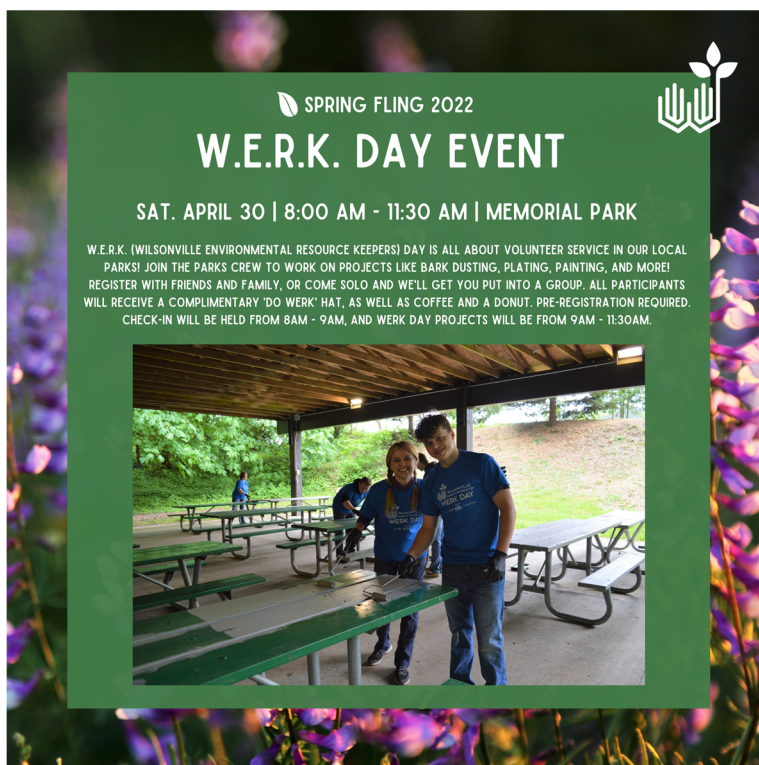


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**TRAINING & PRUNING
YOUNG TREES**
FRI. APRIL 29 | 10:00 AM | MEMORIAL PARK | MUST PRE-REGISTER




REGISTER AT
WILSONVILLEPARKSANDREC.COM
COURSE #10113

MEMORIAL PARK
MEET AT TENNIS COURTS



SPRING FLING 2022
W.E.R.K. DAY EVENT
SAT. APRIL 30 | 8:00 AM - 11:30 AM | MEMORIAL PARK

W.E.R.K. (WILSONVILLE ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE KEEPERS) DAY IS ALL ABOUT VOLUNTEER SERVICE IN OUR LOCAL PARKS! JOIN THE PARKS CREW TO WORK ON PROJECTS LIKE BARK DUSTING, PLATING, PAINTING, AND MORE! REGISTER WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY, OR COME SOLO AND WE'LL GET YOU PUT INTO A GROUP. ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE A COMPLIMENTARY 'DO WERK' HAT, AS WELL AS COFFEE AND A DONUT. PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CHECK-IN WILL BE HELD FROM 8AM - 9AM, AND WERK DAY PROJECTS WILL BE FROM 9AM - 11:30AM.



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GOAT PETTING EVENT
SAT. APRIL 30 | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM | MEMORIAL PARK

JOIN WILSONVILLE PARKS AND REC STAFF AND THE WESTSIDE GOAT GIRL FOR A GOAT PETTING EVENT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 30 FROM 10AM - 12PM! GOATS WILL BE STATIONED IN MEMORIAL PARK BEHIND THE MAINTENANCE BARN. EACH GOAT WILL HAVE A HANDLER PRESENT, SO YOU CAN GET UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL. THE WEEK PRIOR, THE GOATS WILL BE JUST UP THE HILL FROM THE PARKS MAINTENANCE BARN IN MEMORIAL PARK, MUNCHING AWAY ON INVASIVE PLANTS SUCH AS BLACKBERRY AND IVY. MAKE SURE TO STOP BY AND SEE THE GOATS IN ACTION!



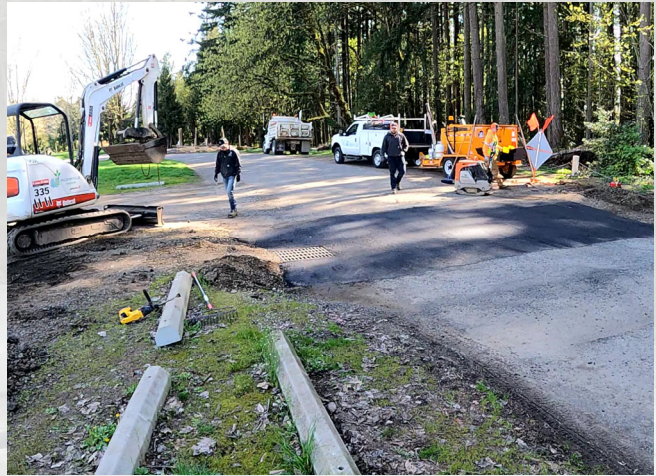
Parks Team Updates

Memorial Park Road Drainage Repair Completed

The collective Parks and Roads team collaborated to complete the project taking advantage of a few dry days in March. Thank you to the Public Works Roads and Storm teams for there assistance with this important park project.



Preparing Base Gravel



Completed Repair

Town Center Landscape Improvements

Parks team members identified an area in Town Center Park that was in need of landscaping improvements.. In a collaborative project with the Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board, the team planted new grasses, shrubs and three weeping cherry trees. This transformation on the entrance to the Korean War Memorial is visually appealing and also will save on maintenance time and costs.



Before Improvement



After Improvement

Parks Team Project Updates

Memorial Park Central Restroom Project Update

Current Projected Completion—June 2022



Restroom Awaiting A Sidewalk



Plumbing Contractor Onsite

Memorial Park Skate Park Project Update

Current Project Completed— March 2022



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