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Arson suspect arrested

After months of careful work which included numerous interviews and search warrants, a law enforcement team of Washington County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) detectives along with deputy fire marshals with Tualatin Valley Fire

the charges on January 4. Following his arraignment, he posted bail and was released from custody.

No information is available about a possible motive for the fires. Detectives ask anyone with any information about this case to please call the Washington County Sheriff's Office at 503-846-2500.

At the time the fires were set, and up to the day of his arrest, Townsend was a THPRD Park Security employee. THPRD spokesman Bob Wayt says, "We take pride in hiring excellent people and have done so thousands of times in our 60-year history. Our people conduct themselves in a professional, law-abiding manner every day. We will continue to place emphasis on employees who uphold that standard."

Mike Janin, Superintendent of Security Operations for THPRD, discussed what the district looks for in hiring security personnel. "Our usual candidate is college age, studying Administration of Justice at a local community college or enrolled at PSU. They usually have already shown an

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& Rescue (TVFR) identified John Michael Townsend as the arsonist who set fires at two THPRD locations in Cedar Mill in [April](#) and [May](#) 2015.

He was arrested on December 31 at THPRD's Howard M. Terpening Recreation Complex. He was lodged in Washington County Jail on \$250,000 bail and arraigned on

Appeal filed for Sunset Station development extension

As expected ([see December issue](#)), Beaverton approved an extension of the expiring, previ-

ously approved, J Peterkort & Company's Planned Unit Development (PUD) at and around Sunset Transit Station. Normally, a development approval extension would be routine. However, in this case, the decision is being challenged by Westhaven Neighborhood residents and [Neighbors For Smart Growth](#).

The appeal is being filed as a result of J. Peterkort & Company's recent attempts to fence off the historic 95th Avenue Trail that provides

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Help Terra Linda build a running track!

Act quickly to support Terra Linda Elementary School's effort to build a standard quarter-mile all-weather track for students and the community. They need to raise \$32,000 by January 27 to be eligible for a \$20,000 grant.

Terra Linda has been part of the Cedar Mill community for over 40 years. The school is located just east of 143rd, between Cornell and Burton. A Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD) park is located north of the school, but it has a severe drainage problem and wasn't considered for this project.

An initial anonymous donation of \$25,000 got the group effort underway. The Track Committee has currently raised \$31,608, which, once they receive the match, will be \$67,716.60. In December, they submitted two grant applications: one to the Nike Community Impact Fund for \$20,000, and the other to the Trailblazers, "Take it to the Court for Education" fund for \$10,000. Another anonymous donor has stepped up to match

whatever the group can raise. If they win those grants, the donor will also match them.

Want to be a part of the project? Any size donation is helpful, and whatever you donate will be doubled! Visit the website TerraLindaPTC.org/track and make a donation today. For only \$250 you can have your family's name permanently stenciled onto the track!

Apart from any grants, Nike will double-match donations that its employees make through their WE donating portal. So a Nike employee donation actually generates an amount six times the original donation. For example, a Nike employee can donate \$25, which is matched with \$50 by Nike

= \$75. This is then matched by the anonymous donor with another \$75 = \$150 total!! Or a \$250 donation through Nike actually yields \$1500 with all the matching donations, plus a name on the track! Visit the group website for a link to the Nike donation portal.

THPRD provides maintenance for sports facilities at area schools so that its sports leagues can use them outside school hours. This is expected to occur with this facility. Design and engineering for the



project will be jointly undertaken by THPRD and the Beaverton School District (BSD). A joint meeting is scheduled for mid-January, according to volunteer Project Chair Kelly Olson.

Parent volunteers recently established a Running Club to encourage kids to get enough exercise. Participation is free and all students are members. Over 82% of students have been participating. Olson explains that because the students currently have to run on grass, they're prevented from using the field when it's wet, even if it's not raining. A permanent all-weather track will enable everyone to get more exercise, more safely.

The initial fundraising push

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Cedar Mill Business Roundup

Do you have news or events or know of something that you would like to see covered in the Cedar Mill News? Please write to Virginia Bruce at info@cedarmillnews.com

More wellness at Bales!

Thursdays, January 7 & 21, Bales Thriftway Cedar Mill

Bales Thriftway is now offering their popular Wellness Fair on both the first and third Thursday every month. Most of the items in the Wellness Department are offered at 20% off regular prices, with the discount taken off at the register.

Additionally, Wellness Manager Lisa Taylor brings in vendors and other experts to demonstrate products and offer samples! She's a great resource to the community, with her knowledge about natural health, and her willingness to research your product and condition needs. Stop in and say hi!

Mid-Day dog walking in Cedar Mill

Hi! I'm Cathie. I started 'A Happy Dog NW' to offer personalized, mid-day dog walking in the Cedar Mill area. A bored dog is not a Happy Dog! But I understand how hard it is



to leave work mid-day to walk your dog. Or how frustrating it is if you are recovering from an illness or injury and can't do it yourself. It is

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Hoffman offers free online piano lessons

The Hoffman Academy of Music opened the doors of its Saltzman Village location in 2012. Since then it's grown to a faculty of fifteen teachers giving piano, voice, guitar, and preschool music classes and lessons to over 300 local students. To keep up with their expanding numbers, Hoffman Academy plans to lease space in the new professional building under construction on Cornell Road (behind Peninsula Insurance), with a targeted move-in date of March 2016.

Hoffman Academy isn't only growing here in our area. Five years ago, Mr. Hoffman began offering online video piano lessons, for free! These lessons have had over 4 million views collectively, and average 2000 hits per day. People all over the world are learning the piano with Mr. Hoffman's unique, research-based

teaching method, which appeals to a child's sense of curiosity and fun while also providing a rigorous, well-rounded music education. Mr. Hoffman recently appeared on Portland's AM Northwest television program to talk about Hoffman Academy's free online lessons. To see the segment, go to: katu.com/amnw/lifestyle-health/learn-to-play-the-piano-for-free. To learn more about Hoffman Academy's online video piano lessons, visit hoffmanacademy.com.

Mr. Hoffman's teaching has received such a positive response, he's planning to publish a series of Hoffman Method piano books. These books will be used by students at Hoffman Academy, but will also be available for purchase by anyone who wants to teach or learn with the Hoffman Method. The Academy hopes to publish its books by the end of 2016. Teacher trainings in the Hoffman Method are also held periodically at the Academy.

Hoffman Academy's Cedar Mill studio is currently enrolling private and partner lessons, and group music classes. Call 503-336-3121 or visit hoffmanacademy.com/portland for more information.

Sunset Credit Union offers Community 'Shred-It' Day

Friday, January 15 or Monday, January 18, 10 am-5:30 pm, 1100 NW Murray Blvd (across from McDonald's)

If you have old financial statements, bills etc. that need to be shredded, bring them to Sunset Credit Union's 'Shred-It' Day. You can get up to two shopping bags or banker's boxes shredded for free. Simply bring the documents to Sunset Credit Union and your important documents will be securely shredded and sent out for recycling.

This is a fabulous opportunity to get rid of tax documents (2007 and older), old financial statements and outdated personal records at no cost. To learn more, send an email to cuteam@sspfcu.com.

Please note: Items will

be securely stored in the Sunset Credit Union facility until they are shredded onsite via a mobile-shredding truck on Tuesday, January 19. Sunset Credit Union is a not-for-profit full-service financial institution serving anyone who lives, works or attends school in Cedar Mill. To learn more, visit their website at sspfcu.com.

Village Gallery of Arts January events

Featured Artist: Liz Walker;
Opening Reception Sunday, January 10, 2-4 pm

"The Look of Love" - Acrylic monotype paintings of people in



Coat of Many Colors, by Liz Walker

love, including some marbled onto sheet music from the 1930s and 40s. Liz's favorite subject matter is fanciful figures in everyday settings. A new signature member of National Watercolor Society, Liz keeps her website up to date at www.lizwalkerart.com.

Upcoming Classes

For complete details on all of these classes please visit villagegalleryarts.org

Kristi Roberts - Children's Art Classes: Mondays and Wednesdays, for children ages 7 - 14 years. Children will be given the opportunity to try out different media in order to learn what they will enjoy. Units in drawing, watercolor, acrylic, pastels, clay and mixed media will be covered. Classes held weekly, registration is required one month ahead in order to hold a spot.

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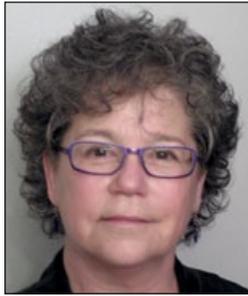
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13 years and counting

As we begin the 14th year of publishing the Cedar Mill News (CMN), it's a good time to reflect on where we've been and look forward to what we want to accomplish.



When the first issue came out in [January 2003](#), it was mainly seen as a way to help grow the Cedar Mill Business Association. We were trying to figure out why our attendance was dropping, and we agreed that hearing the latest "gossip"—what was going on around town—was what kept us involved. Having a background in local publications, I suggested a newsletter. The relationship with CMBA lasted through January 2011, when CMN became completely independent.

We quickly realized that The News could serve the general population, not just the business community. With advertising support, we grew to four pages by April 2003, eight in June 2005, and twelve in January 2009. And that's big enough for our small community, although I have to use a shoehorn every month to fit everything into the print version.

From the beginning, CMN was published online as well as in print. In the next few months, we will be revamping the website to allow us to continually update events and articles, bring on more contributors, and incorporate social media, classified ads, and more. Online readership now far exceeds print

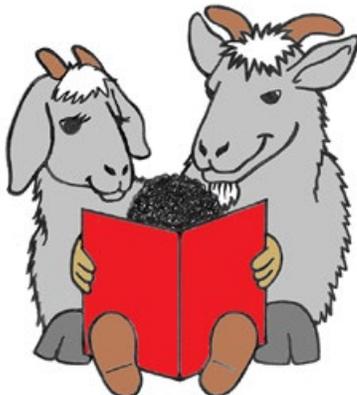
Library News and Events

By Dawn Anderson

Read for Goats

Join our "Read for Goats" Winter Reading Challenge and help earn a pair of goats for a family living in a rural area through Mercy Corps. The family will use the pair to start their own goat herd, sell the milk to earn income, and purchase goods they need. Our community goal is to read 5,000 hours to earn the goats.

Reading trackers are available at



(800 paper copies, over 2500 online subscribers).

Nationally and regionally, local journalism is being dumped by corporate publishers. I understand that. It's only because I live frugally that I can afford to keep publishing while living off the advertising revenues! But here's a shout out to the advertisers who continue to support CMN—they value what we offer and they want you to see that they're involved in this unique community. If you are part of, or know of, a business like that, encourage them to [get on board](#) so we can continue to improve!

I believe in community. Whether your family has lived here for generations, or you've just recently found this wonderful part of Oregon, being connected to neighbors, businesses, and organizations that comprise Cedar Mill enriches your life. Understanding what's going on around you—whether it's in government, development, education, or where your favorite restaurant is moving to—reduces stress and increases connection. And research tells us that's good for our health, both mental and physical!

So here's wishing you a very good 2016. Make sure you share CMN with your friends and neighbors, [like us on Facebook](#), support our advertisers, and let them know you appreciate their community spirit!

both the Cedar Mill and Bethany Libraries and online on the library's website <http://library.cedarmill.org/>. Look for the goat display and watch as we track the community's progress toward our goal. Kids of all ages are welcome to participate; Remember, time spent reading, being read to, or listening to a book all count! Challenge yourself to turn in as many trackers as possible.

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Saturday, January 23, 7 pm
 Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman, Cedar Mill
 followed by discussion and a SEED SWAP!
 Presented by Leedy Grange #339
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North Tualatin Mountains Natural Area

by Joanne Drake

Hikers, mountain bikers, and horseback riders will have access to a new recreational area beginning in the fall of 2017. The Burlington Creek portion of the planned North Tualatin Mountains Natural Area will be the first site open to the public, followed by three other parcels as the areas are restored and developed.

Just north of Forest Park, the Burlington Creek Forest site is expected to have over six miles of trails for mountain bikers, with three of those miles off-road. There will be areas appropriate for both beginners and intermediate bikers, which is welcome news to the Portland bike community, which has been asking for places to ride that are closer in to town. Old logging roads will be developed as mixed-use trails for both walkers and bikers, and there will be approximately two miles of new hiking trails that will wander through the Forest Park Conservancy's Ancient Forest Preserve.

While there is some opposition to this plan, from neighbors who fear that the noise and activity on bike trails would disrupt the local elk population and damage the ecosystem, Metro says they have taken seriously the need to balance preservation of habitat along with recreational use. They state that, "with careful planning, it's possible to create opportunities for people to enjoy nature while also protecting it."

The entire natural area is composed of four separate parcels:

Caregiver Support Group

Saturday, January 23rd, 10-11:30 am, 5050 SW Griffith Dr., Suite 206, Beaverton

For individuals caring for family members or friends of all needs and ages: you don't have to go it alone—learn self-help strategies to help yourself as you help others.

United Homecare Services, a Beaverton in-home nonprofit care agency, is sponsoring this no-cost informative support group with sessions facilitated by Camille Keith, MS, LPC-intern.

Burlington Creek Forest, McCarthy Creek Forest, Ennis Creek Forest and North Abbey Creek, for a total of 1300 acres. Metro



has protected these properties by drawing on voter-approved bond measures, including the Parks and Natural Areas Operating Levy in 2013, which allows for large-scale restoration. Invasive species will be removed and replaced with native plants, with the long-term goal of recreating original habitat in an area that has previously been used for logging. Metro intends the North Tualatin Mountains Natural

Area to become another spectacular resource alongside Forest Park.

Over the past year, Metro has conducted four community forums, asking for input on the land use from the various stakeholders. Bal-

ancing the needs for recreation and natural resource management of this delicate area, Metro is planning to take all inputs and create a development plan to be implemented during 2016. Based on the information that has come out of the public meetings, Metro is putting together a comprehensive plan for the parcels that is should be completed and submitted for approval to the Council by spring of 2016, with work beginning on improvements thereafter.

In addition to the trail system, other improvements will include the development of viewing spots, to allow visitors to enjoy the natural beauty of the area. The Burlington Creek Forest has views of Sauvie Island and the Columbia River, while from the McCarthy Creek Forest, there are vistas of the Tualatin

Valley over to the Che-

halem Ridge across the Coast Range. Burlington Creek will be accessible via NW McNamee Rd, with a parking lot that will accommodate 15 cars, and McCarthy Creek will have a similar-sized parking lot off of NW Skyline Drive.

Learn more at the [Metro web-site](#). A grand opening is planned for fall of 2017. As more information becomes available, we will keep you updated on what promises to be one more beautiful reason to live in Cedar Mill.

provide information about special areas of need or interest.

For more information, see the blog at [www.HomecarePartner.org](#) or contact Regina Ford, Area Manager, 503-433-8079 • [regina@homecarepartner.org](#)

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Park District seeks project ideas

The Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD) is in the process of creating a list of capital improvement projects. These include development of new parks, trails and fields, along with expansion and improvement of existing facilities, and are eligible for funding from the system development charges that the district receives.

A system development charge (SDC) is a one-time fee imposed on new or redeveloped residential

and commercial construction. SDC fees are designed to allow service districts to increase their capacity to serve our growing population. For THPRD, it contributes to the cost of building new parks, trails, and recreation facilities. Funded through SDCs, THPRD's master project list identifies new development projects needed throughout the district.

CPO 1 January meeting

Tuesday, January 26, 7 pm, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman

Everyone's invited to attend the Citizen's Participation Organization meeting for the Cedar Mill/Cedar Hills area. We will be focusing on the Beaverton School District's High School Boundary Change process, with invited guests from the District.

In addition, CPO 1 members are invited to attend the CPO 7 meeting on Monday, January 11, to hear about Washington County plans for major streets in our area. County Commissioner Greg Malinowski will review how major county streets are improved via the Major Streets Transportation Improvement Program (MSTIP). He will briefly review the 'how' and the work that's been done with MSTIP 3D, and then get our feedback on the proposed project list for MSTIP 3E, which is targeting work in the years 2019-2023. The meeting will be held from 7-8:30 pm, at the TVF&R Station 68 Community Room.

Information about the CPO program is [available on the website](#).

To facilitate public involvement on prioritizing projects, the district will host two neighborhood meetings, one in the northern half and one in the southern half of the district. This input will be considered when preparing the master

Meeting #1: Wednesday, January 13, 6 pm, Fanno Creek Service Center Sequoia Room, 6220 SW 112th Ave., Suite 100, Beaverton.

Meeting #2: Thursday, January 21, 6 pm, Howard M. Terpenning Complex Dryland Room, 15707 SW Walker Rd., Beaverton.

project list, formally called the Systems Development Charge Capital Improvement Project List. At the two neighborhood meetings, staff will present the draft master project list, respond to questions, and request

feedback to help guide the project prioritization for the next five years, as funding becomes available.

Feedback can also be provided through the [Project Prioritization Survey via this website link](#). The input received will help advise the Board of Directors as they consider and approve a final Systems Development Charge Capital Improvement Project List. A THPRD representative will also present this information at the upcoming January 26 CPO 1 meeting (see below).

Washington County Forum schedule

Mondays, 11:30 am-1 pm, September through June, Peppermill Restaurant Banquet Room, 17455 SW Farmington Rd

The forum meets over lunch at the Peppermill Restaurant in Aloha. There is no charge for admission. Doors open at 11:30 am, and the speakers start at noon. Lunch is available to order from the menu. Following the speaker, there will be an opportunity to ask questions—a privilege of Forum membership. Monday, January 11: Erik Lukens, Editor, Oregonian (Editorial & Commentary), "Inside the Oregonian Editorial Department—How It Works"

Monday January 18: Matt Davis, Washington County Health Department, "A look at the County's new woodsmoke abatement program"

Monday January 25: Mark Harmon, Washington County Museum, "What's New in our County Museum?"

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Home is Where the Heat Is

By Kym Miller

Smoke billows toward the ceiling as I plunge my arm deep into the belly of “the beast.” This nickname for our tempestuous wood-burning stove seems fitting as my attempt to create an updraft—positioning a torch of flaming paper high up into the flue—backfires. The smoke from the kindling blaze I’ve just lit is thwarting my efforts by stinging my eyes and making me cringe back, thus creating more of a down, out, and all around draft. I persevere, pushing the pile of sticks closer together, squeezing my eyes shut and thrusting my arm forward. Where there is smoke there is fire and where there is fire there must be heat—and heat is what I am after. These fledgling attempts at heat production are not the result of a hiatus in a wooded cabin or temporary furnace failure, but are part of an odyssey which has turned our house of once-disparate individuals into a thriving humming home of inter-reliance.

Each morning in fall and early winter, family members were pulled from our cozy beds by the same sense of purpose and enthusiasm. We were attempting to make it through November heating our three-story, 3,000-square-foot house using only this temperamental smoke-belcher tucked in the corner of our basement.

The motivation for this messy endeavor originated from our year without buying: twelve months in which our family purchased only what we could eat or use up completely. Left cold and dissatisfied by the perpetual want/buy cycle, my husband Tim, our three young daughters, and I embarked on our purchase-free experiment in hopes of discovering a warmer, more fulfilling existence. While copious lessons ensued from our minimalist year, the most impactful result was our sharpened awareness of the plentiful resources at our disposal.

As we faced twelve solid months without the ability to buy things, our thinking morphed into a depression-era mentality in which every object was potentially valuable—its worth just waiting to be realized. This lesson first came into sharp focus when an errant ball smashed through a little window-pane in our basement. Unsettled by the prospect of a plastic bag fixit job for the remainder of the experiment, my husband discovered, in the back of the furnace room, a

picture frame with a broken pane of glass, which was soon cut to size and fit perfectly. In years past we would have thrown the glass away and ordered a new custom-fitted pane. Why had we failed to see solutions that were right under our noses? For the rest of the year, as necessity gave birth to invention, we began to see how items already in our possession, in one form or another, could take the place of things we would have purchased. Stickers sealed our packages together in lieu of tape, old shower rods sufficed to support our aging grill, and a burbling fountain took the place of a room vaporizer.

Even as the end-date to our experiment floated by, our eyes had so adjusted to the new light of possibility that we continued to view our home as a “free store.” No matter the season, we found ourselves refueling our dormant imaginations by morphing vitamin bottle filler into cotton balls, a vase into a wooden-spoon holder, or beads and string into kid birthday presents. Where once money and the ability to earn it had been the most prized attribute, now creativity and resourcefulness became equally valuable. Suddenly everyone, down to our four-year-old, contributed to the prosperity of the family.

“What does that do?” our littlest

daughter asked, pointing to our antique wood burning stove. After quickly explaining to her that it made heat, she replied, “like the furnace.” This started us wondering whether

it could really take the place of the furnace for at least part of the cold season. As if trying to drive home the point, gusts of autumn wind daily cleared the leaves from our neglected woodpile and scattered fire-starting twigs across our yard.

Why hadn’t we thought of using the free fuel at our disposal to heat the house? In the haze of marketing, it seems we had been compartmentalizing all of our possessions into their touted purposes. Only vaporizers moisturized, only tape stuck things together, and only oil made heat. We had been throwing away the plastic sacks our produce came in, only to spend hard-earned

cash on sandwich bags, and disposing of our grass clippings and fruit peels only to turn around and buy prepackaged compost. Our minds had failed to unearth the potential in our possessions because we had been trained to acquire our wants from the mall.

Nor had we previously allowed for the time necessary to realize what lay before us. The forced compartmentalization of our stuff seemed to apply to our lives as well, splintering our days into shards of remote activity. We were off to our clubs to exercise instead of mowing our own lawns, driving our kids to soccer instead of having them organize pick-up games, racing to the mall for bed covers instead of turning leftover fabric into a quilt, and gobbling down someone else’s version of food as we drove.

The houses that we passed as we sped by seemed cold and unlit, because—as was the case with our own abode—no one was home. We had fallen for clarity and efficiency over diversity and spontaneity, and the subsequent emptiness and persistent want that we often felt was the payback for our folly.

The transformation brought about by our buy-nothing year allowed us to finally produce the heat which had eluded us—the spark of ingenuity, the flame of engagement, and the resulting warmth of a purposeful experience—right where we live. Whether we’re cutting bottles into drinking glasses, sewing together old jeans to make a dog bed cover, or fashioning tea tins into Farkle containers (a



The Miller family around the time of their year without buying.

surprisingly addicting dice game!) to give as Christmas presents, the pursuit of our wants now adds to the warmth of our home rather than detracting from it.

This homemade life doesn’t always look pretty. My latest project is figuring out how to prevent last summer’s fruit fly infestation from returning to our three compost bins. Nor are the kids always up for patches on their jeans (our eleven-year-old still professes that, “newer is cuter”). Yet the fulfillment we derive from this creative and empowered approach to our wants seems to make them fewer and further between.

As our November 31st “alternative heat” deadline passed and the hum of the oil furnace filled our place, we still found numerous occasions, such as a surprise visit from a neighbor, to relight our wood stove. All winter long and into early spring, we knelt, soot streaked and smelling of smoke, before this altar of interconnected richness, paying homage to those waving, dancing, rising banners of heat.

Kym and her family undertook this transformation in their lives over ten years ago. Since that time, the kids have grown, Tim now works for Enhabit and the house has undergone an energy-efficient makeover, and Kym continues to publish books and articles on frugal living and other topics.



“The Beast”

Remembering Terry Moore

In December 2015, Terry Hofferber Moore (1949-2014) was co-recipient of the 17th annual Harold M. Haynes Citizen Involvement Award, honoring outstanding leadership in engaging community members in civic affairs.

She was nominated for her extensive work in her community and the metro area. Among her many contributions to community livability, she was influential in advocating that TriMet design all light-rail trains and buses in the low-floor style, making stops and vehicles accessible for all users per the Americans with Disabilities Act. This influenced transit design throughout the United States.

She was elected to the Metro Council and served from 1992-1995. During this time, she advocated for the Sunset Transit Center Pedestrian Bridge over Highway 26. As a citizen and Board Member of the Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District, Moore preserved key sections of the Fanno Creek Trail. She guided the completion of the section from Oleson Road/Garden Home Recreation Center to SW 92nd and Allen Blvd. She also

Eat Smart Food Movies

Saturday, January 16, 7 pm screening, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman

The award-winning documentary, *The Real Dirt on Farm John*, will be the shown. This free program is co-sponsored by the library and Leedy Grange, (rescheduled from November.)

Defying all odds, John Peterson, a Midwestern farmer, gradually transforms his land into the revolutionary CSA farming community Angelic Organics, a cultural mecca, where people work and flourish providing fresh vegetables and herbs to thousands of people every week.

Leedy Grange began the series last year, and is delighted to partner with the Cedar Mill Library, who is assisting with obtaining public screening rights and media. For more information and to join the mailing list, visit the [Facebook page](#) and click "Sign Up."

served as the board's president and worked to balance the needs of organized sports and facilities, while providing opportunities for non-organized recreation in open spaces, trails, and natural spaces infrastructure.



Willy Moore, Terry Hofferber Moore's husband, gives a tribute to Terry during the Haynes Award Ceremony.

Her family, friends and other supporters are now advocating for TriMet to name the Sunset Transit Center Pedestrian Bridge over Highway 26 as the Terry S. Hofferber Moore Memorial Bridge. They are asking all who agree to attend the January 27 TriMet Board meeting to show support. The meeting is at 9 am, in the Portland Building Auditorium, 1120 SW 5th Avenue, Portland.

The following is excerpted from a letter delivered to Neil McFarlane, TriMet General Manager, in November.

"Terry was instrumental in many projects that make the Portland region a nicer and easier place to live. The most visible is this pedestrian bridge. In 1995 and 1996, as an elected Metro councilor, Terry identified the need for a pedestrian bridge across Highway 26 (Sunset Highway) connecting the Sunset Transit Center/Max Light Rail Station and parking garage to the Cedar

Temporary Housing Needed!!

We have bowed to the inevitable march of development in the neighborhood and have sold our place for development! They'll be tearing the house down starting in April, and building us a new one in the same place. That means we need a place to live from April-December 2016.

Ideal would be a house-sit, granny flat, guest house, or share. We want to save as much money as possible! Even more ideal: somewhere with storage space for the stuff we are keeping. And it does need to be close to Cedar Mill.

My partner John and I are nearly 70, and we have a small dog and an old cat, both well-behaved. (We're pretty well-behaved, too...well, most of the time.)

Please let me know if you have any ideas, leads or offers (Virginia Bruce, vr@teamweb.com) Thanks!

Hills Shopping Center and the Cedar Hills neighborhood. Terry convinced the other Metro councilors and Tri-Met leadership and staff of the need for this important infrastructure link as the Westside Max Light Rail was being built. Terry was on the front line working with Metro staff and councilors and Tri-Met leaders and staff to find funding within the Metro budget and from the Federal and State

regional transportation funds that Metro manages for the pedestrian over-crossing. Without her foresight and hard work, this pedestrian over-crossing would not have been built. (Please see the five photos of the bridge and approach walkways below.)

"In 1984, prior to Terry's success with the Sunset Transit Center, she spearheaded the coalition to persuade the Tri-Met

board to buy all future MAX light rail train cars and buses in the low-floor (no steps) style. Terry lobbied to make all MAX light-rail stops fully and completely accessible, as required in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The result was an easier boarding process for

Join the band!

John Wickham and his friends are putting together a community band. Here's the plan thus far. This band will be about having fun and making music. It will be a Concert Band—brass, woodwinds, percussion...not really an orchestral thing...strings will most likely be out of place in this group...but it's all new and experimental...so I'm open to whatever.

Age requirement: 21 and over. If you have kids who want to be involved, they can only be involved if you, the parent or legal guardian, are also in the band and present for the practice, event or gig.

Practices are on the first Saturday of the month, 6-7:30 pm, at 12830 NW Laidlaw Road (Blueberry Hollow) Portland. Our first practice will be on Saturday, February 6th. Contact John Wickham Sr. at john@imwick.com if you're interested. Include what instrument you play.

all users—parents with strollers, elderly with walkers, bicycles, etc—and consequently, improved schedule reliability. During this period in transit development, Tri-Met and the Portland region were



The pedestrian bridge connects the Sunset Transit Center to the Cedar Hills shopping center.

regarded as the national model for transit revival. Tri-Met's decision to go with low-floor light-rail cars and buses greatly influenced other U.S. metropolitan areas to adopt the low-floor design. Low-floor transit is the predominate mode in Los

Angeles, Phoenix, Denver, Minneapolis, Houston, Atlanta and Charlotte.

"Our request for naming the Sunset Transit Center bridge is not to glorify

Terry but recognize this project as one of the many visible, important contributions she made for her community and the metro area. It is also a reminder for all of us, and those who come after us, of the importance of civic contributions.

"Terry's work is certainly worthy of a celebration of a citizen who worked very hard for the civic good. We hope you agree and will work with us to make this naming happen."

School News

by Sydney McRae

Sunset News: In January, there are Sunset basketball games, swim meets, and wrestling matches coming up. For full schedules of varsity, JV and JV 2, (home and away games) please visit www.metroleague.org.

Bonny Slope News: Bonny Slope Elementary is continuing to aid in a winter clothing drive this month for The Janus Youth Foundation. The goal of this drive is to provide items to homeless youths, ages 15-23 during the winter months. If you would like to donate warm socks, hats, gloves, toothpaste and/or toothbrushes then please contact Bonny Slope Elementary at 503-672-3775.

"Heroes are not giant statues framed against a red sky. They are people who say: 'This is my community, and it is my responsibility to make it better.'"

~ Governor McCall interview with Studs Terkel.

THPRD Nature Kids Open House

Saturday, February 6, 10am-noon, Tualatin Hills Nature Center, 15655SW Millikan Way, Beaverton

Nature Kids is a nine-month preschool program that provides

nature-based learning for children ages 3-5 years old. Developmentally appropriate activities are introduced throughout the year in a curriculum with emphasis on

experiential learning through exposure to nature and the changing seasons. Children will form friendships, learn respect, and have the opportunity to grow with the help of caring teachers and supportive parents in a safe, yet active, natural environment.

For more information please call the Tualatin Hills Nature Center at 503-629-6350



Beaverton Historical Society

Tuesday, January 12, 7-8:30 pm; Elsie Stuhr Senior Center, 5550 SW Hall Blvd., Beaverton

Ellen Crauthers brings us a living history presentation of an 1860s one room schoolhouse! Champoeg DAR Museums, including the Newell House, Butteville Academy, and Pioneer Mothers Memorial Cabin (collectively known as the Newell Pioneer Village) share a part of our rich pioneer history through living history tours to students throughout the school year.

Attendees will be "students" in Miss Elliot's one room schoolhouse. Learn the etiquette of an 1863

school day, the history of our flag, and study arithmetic from a text used in the 1860s. This is an excellent experience for children, so families are welcome!

No charge for admission, but donations welcome. Visit [our website](#) or call 503-430-0106 for more information.



Arson, continued from page 1 interest working in law enforcement, as most hires in the last nine years have done, or are involved in either the Washington County Sheriff's Explorer or Search and Rescue Program, or as a Hillsboro or Beaverton police cadet. Many are hired as a sheriff's deputy reserve or police reserve while working at THPRD."

Janin continued, "Park Patrol has proven to be an outstanding training ground for young people who aspire to be police officers. In fact, Park Patrol employees have been hired by numerous local agencies, including the Beaverton and Hillsboro

police departments, Washington County Sheriff's Office, and Washington County Jail. They provide excellent service to our community, as evidenced by the high number of commendations we receive about the way they handle themselves."

"In John Townsend's case, he got along fine with his co-workers, and the two evaluations he received while working here the past two years were exemplary."

Park Patrol employees have a variety of duties, including regular visits to many district parks, trails, and facilities, where they remind visitors about park rules and keep an eye out for problems. In addition, the Security Office on the grounds of the Terpen-

ning Complex gets dozens of calls daily from park neighbors and others reporting problems ranging from suspected gang activity to loose dogs. Patrol members respond to those calls when appropriate,



Saltzman Road house burning. It was slated for demolition before the blaze.

and can also ask for help from other public safety agencies.

The house that was burned at the NE Park was demolished shortly after the fires. Janin said, "There was no value to the structure as it was slated for demolition. We determined that to immediately move forward to get the house demolished was the smarter move, instead of putting money into the cost of boarding up several potential entrances. It had already been determined that it was uninhabitable due to dry rot."

The house on 114th St. is slated for demolition in the spring. That property and the forested lot next door will eventually become an expansion of Foege Park, and will provide the missing piece for a [loop trail to connect to the Timberland parks](#).



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Track, continued from page 1 should raise enough to fund an asphalt track. Olson says their planned auction in April should raise enough additional money to upgrade the project to a rubber track (their auction goal is \$25,000). They may be able to work with Nike's preferred builder, who would likely employ "regrind," a surface

expected to cost around \$160,000. Kelly Olson, who has two children already at Terra Linda, and another child who will be in Kindergarten in the fall, says, "I think it is important for our community to know that our school has 39% economically disadvantaged students. Most people assume that because Terra Linda is located 'N of 26' that

our school is comprised of privileged students like the surrounding schools. We want to emphasize that this diversity makes our school unique and special."

She also notes that many local businesses are stepping up to support the school effort, including ProFocus, TapWire, and World of Smiles Pediatric

Dentistry. This is an exciting project that will be a welcome addition to the community around the Terra Linda Elementary School. Please consider donating today. Every dollar will be at least doubled!



The track will go around the margins of the current sports fields west of the school. The project will also improve drainage for those fields.

incorporating ground-up recycled shoes. That decision will be up to BSD, she says. In all, the project is

Water bill payment changes

Tualatin Valley Water District and Clean Water Services recently updated its online payment system to meet new bank security requirements. **These changes do not affect customers who pay by mail, in person, or through their own financial institution's website.**

By visiting www.tvwd.org/PayOnline, customers can make one-time or automatic payments free of charge using a debit or credit card. At www.tvwd.org/ManageAccount, customers can change the information on their account, view account usage and history, sign up for paperless billing, or pledge a donation.

Tualatin Valley Water District and Clean Water Services would like to extend a sincere thanks to customers for their patience during the transition to the new online payment system. For more information, visit the TVWD website at www.tvwd.org.

Beaverton Library seeks authors for Book Fair

The Beaverton City Library will host a free local authors' book fair in May. They are inviting writers from Washington, Multnomah, and Clackamas counties to apply to share and promote their latest work. All genres are welcome, including adult, young adult, and children's literature.

There is no cost to participate and authors will keep 100% of proceeds from sales. Up to six authors will be invited to speak or read from their work at the event. Participants will be chosen by random drawing. Applications are due on Tuesday, March 15, 2016.

For more information or to request an application, contact Helen Butler at hbutler@BeavertonOregon.gov.

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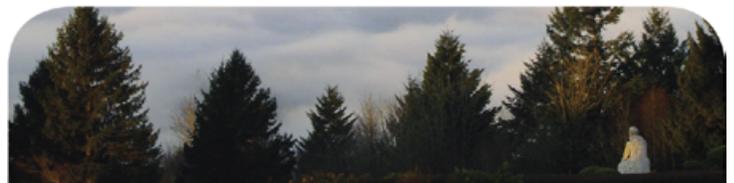
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Susan Pfahl - Beginning Calligraphy: Fridays, 1-3 pm, January 8, 15, 22 and 29. Learn Italic Script, starting from the beginning. All levels welcome.

Chris Keylock-Williams - Watercolor: "Defining Your Designs for Creative, Exciting Watercolor Paintings:" Tuesdays, 1-4 pm, January 19 - March 15, all levels welcome. Think about your subject and the way you want to present it this time. Will it be colorful or moody, simple or more complex? Chris will bring in some older paintings of hers and show students how to "rework" or "re-design" them.

OCAC Studio School

Join Oregon College of Art & Craft on campus for Winter/Spring classes and workshops in all seven studios! Take advantage of their Early Bird discount before February. Please go online to find over 45 courses. The schedule is now online at cms.ocac.edu

Here is a sample of their exceptional offerings. You don't have to be an enrolled student to take these classes which are open to the community.

Visiting Artist Mokuhanga, Japanese Woodcut: March 23-25, 10 am-4 pm

Portray-able; Rendering the Human Form in Clay: January 20-March 30, 6-9 pm, 10-Session Class

Creative Collage: January 23 - March 12, 9 am-12 pm, 8-Session Class

Re-Fashion: January 26- April 5, 6:30-9:30 pm, 10-Session Class

iPhone Photography and Creating the Handmade Photo

Book: April 16- 24, 12 pm-4 pm, 4-Session Class

Jordan Schnitzer Family Foundation Art Adventures Program: Kids Think With Their Hands In 2016! Look for their Spring Break Camp and day-long Sessions!

In-Service Days Of Art: Young artists can come to OCAC for a day of creating while your school has an in-service day. They offer exciting, innovative, and creative workshops that engage kids in unique projects, inspiring the imagination and fostering the future artist. Games, free choice time and snacks round out the day of making. Before and After Care available, 9 am-5 pm, \$75 per child. Grades 1-5, January 25; February 15; April 29.

Spring Break Camp: Grades 1-5, March 21-25, 9 am-5 pm

Make, create, and explore craft with OCAC in their fantastic art camp! Campers will be immersed in 2D and 3D art workshops every day. Games, songs and free time balance out the day and help build the camp community. At the end of the week, family and friends come to campus and view the Friday Art Show. The staff of Art Adventures is made up of teachers, college students, graduates and professional artists from the community, chosen for their leadership skills, strength in working with children, skill in art making, energy and genuine love for sharing the arts. Before and After Care available. \$325/child.

Virtue of the Month: Cleanliness

Cleanliness is treating our bodies with respect and care by keeping ourselves clean, fresh, healthy, eating pure foods, and breathing fresh air. We strive to keep our spirit clean and our mind clear. We rid ourselves of habits that do not serve our dignity. We think and speak in ways that honor others and ourselves.



Cleaning up our mistakes gives us a fresh start. When we forgive, we clean our hearts of negativity. We do our part to care for the earth... Cleanliness around us makes our souls peaceful. Cleanliness within us brings more peace to the world. Written by Linda Kavelin Popov, virtuesproject.com

"In Every aspect of life, purity and holiness, cleanliness and refinement, exalt the human condition... Even in the physical realm, cleanliness will conduce to spirituality". Abdu'l-Baha, Selected Writings p. 146

The Practice of Cleanliness:

I keep myself fresh and clean. I only put healthful things in my body. I cleanse myself of harmful habits. I forgive others and I forgive myself. I am a responsible steward of the earth. I keep my environment clean and beautiful.

Affirmation: I am thankful for the gift of Cleanliness. It frees my spirit.

For more information on the Virtues project, local parenting

classes, and retreats, please contact Delaram Adyani, Virtues Connection Portland, 503-267-0202, www.virtuesconnectionportland.com (like us on FB)

Organic Produce CSA for Bonny Slope

Love Farm Organics is a Forest Grove organic farm operated by Amy Love and family. The farm distributes their glorious seasonal produce to area restaurants and over 200 CSA members in the Portland area. If you prefer not to fight the farmers' market crowds, and want to support local farms growing what's in season, this might be a perfect option for you.

The 2016 season (June-November) brings 23 weeks of organic produce delivered from their farm in Forest Grove to a Bonny Slope pick up site. Memberships open in January for full shares (family of 4) costing \$975; or half shares (for 2) at \$575. Additionally they offer berry shares for \$85 and salad lover shares for \$125. The farm shares begin distribution June 6, 2016 and go weekly through the beginning of November. The produce is delivered to Bonny Slope, and you'd pick up your weekly share on a specified weekday, the very same day the produce is picked, between designated hours such as 4-7 pm.

The produce is delivered and set up like a little farm store, with a blackboard list of what your share includes, and there are choices! You select your own produce, and in some cases you select among a few vegetables in the same family. So if you don't like cauliflower, for example, but you'd love to try romanesco broccoli, you got it!

Please contact Linda Sawaya (linda@lindasawaya.com) if you're interested in signing up for a membership in a Bonny Slope pick up, or if you have questions. Ten families need to sign up to make a Bonny Slope pick up site a reality. Hoping you join in and have a healthy and delicious 2016!

New Orangetheory Fitness Studio in Cedar Mill!

Heather Klemm had tried just about everything when it comes to exercising; yoga, spinning, step classes and lifting weights. But she'd never tried anything like Orangetheory Fitness (OTF). She says, "The new OTF studio will be the second to open in the state of Oregon. The location is still under construction, but soon Cedar Mill will learn all about the Orange

Theory." The studio is set to open this spring.

Orangetheory Fitness is a one-of-a-kind, group personal training workout broken into intervals of cardiovascular and strength training. Backed by the science of excess post-exercise oxygen consumption (EPOC), Orangetheory's heart-rate-monitored, high intensity interval training is designed to keep heart rates in a target zone that stimulates metabolism and increases energy. Led by skilled personal trainers, participants use a variety of equipment including treadmills, rowing machines, TRX Suspension Training, and free weights. Participants of all different ability levels can burn 500-1000 calories in one session. The result is the Orange Effect—more energy, visible toning and extra calorie burn for up to 36



hours post-workout.

Heather says, "It's the best one hour, total body workout you've ever had! OTF belongs to a fitness category called "group personal training." Half of it is cardio and the other half is strength and power training. Everyone is wearing a heart rate monitor and your heart rate is displayed on screens throughout the studio. The screens have your name, what your percent output is, heart rate and how many calories you're burning. You're working out with a highly trained coach, and there are up to 24 people in each class."

Visit us at our preview center! We want to meet you, know your physical history, what your fitness goals are. Our state of the art studio is projected to open this March, but we've begun offering pre-sale memberships at discounted rates. We're reserving spots for founding members who have the opportunity to lock in special rates for the duration of their membership! Another perk to becoming a founding member is the privilege of getting a one-week free pass before opening!

The Cedar Mill OTF studio will be located at 11800 NW Cedar Falls Dr, Suite #108 in the Timberland Town Center. Orangetheory Fitness will join neighbors such as Market of Choice, Pharmaca and Mud Bay. For more information, please call 503-427-1915 and visit orangetheoryfitness.com

Appeal, continued from page 1
 a pedestrian connection from the neighborhood directly to Sunset Station, through the PUD. The public has openly and continuously used this trail since at least as far back as the 1950s. The trail's importance was recognized when Washington County adopted new regulations late last year to classify the trail as a regional facility that is essential to the function of Sunset Station area and the extended Regional Transportation System.

The appeal focuses on the City's approval criteria, which provide that, in order for an extension to be granted, there must have been, "no change in circumstances or the applicable regulations or Statutes likely to necessitate modification of the decision or conditions of approval since the effective date of the decision for which the extension is sought."

Neighbors For Smart Growth argues, among other points, that the City improperly granted the extension without adequately

considering relevant changes to regulations and circumstances that impact pedestrian facilities around the PUD, including the classification of the 95th Avenue Regional Trail as an essential service and the fact that J Peterkort & Company has attempted to block the trail. The group points out the City's failure to recognize the importance of pedestrian facilities detrimentally affects the Sunset Transit Center's functionality by further burdening its inadequate parking facility, as well as negatively impacting the viability of the station's adjacent Transit Oriented community and the extended transportation system. More details are available online at: <http://neighborsforsmartgrowth.org/>

The hearing is open to the public to attend, testify, and/or submit written statements. It is scheduled on Wednesday, January 27, 6:30 pm, Beaverton City Council Chambers, First Floor of Beaverton Building (Beaverton Round), 12725 SW Milikan Way, Beaverton, OR 97076

Awesome Ideas wanted!

Tuesday, February 16, 7-8 pm, Java Lounge, 760 NW Dale Ave. at Cornell

read about some awesome projects funded worldwide by visiting the

What would YOU do with a \$1000 grant? The Awesome Beaverton & Beyond trustees are looking to fund projects that positively impact Washington County. The trustees are looking for amazing ideas that will make Washington County a bit more wonderful. Application deadline Tuesday, January 12. Grant winner will receive \$1000 at the February meeting.

Awesome projects cultivate community, foster fun, spread joy, educate, solve a problem, and/or support creativity. Many awesome projects are innovative, original or experimental, and evoke surprise and delight. Awesome sometimes challenges and often inspires. The sky's the limit - anything goes! As long as it makes a positive impact.

The trustees are particularly keen on funding projects where \$1,000 could be creatively leveraged to produce a disproportionate amount of awesome. So basically, the trustees want to read your application and say: "Now THAT would be Awesome!" You can also



High school senior Anirudh Jain was awarded the Fall 2015 Awesome Grant for his [Science Mentoring & Research Tutoring Project](#).

Awesome Foundation at www.awesomefoundation.org/en

Ukulele group

1st Wednesday of each month, 9:30 am to 11:00 am, Beaverton Community Center, 2350 SW 5th

The Beaverton Ukulele Club is a community of ukulele enthusiasts who are dedicated to the enjoyment of ukulele playing, singing and sharing our love for all things ukulele. Come join them for kanikapila (jam sessions) and informal learning on this incredibly fun and versatile little four-stringed instrument.

For more information, visit the Beaverton Ukulele Club website at <http://beavertonukulele.weebly.com/> or beavertonukulele@gmail.com

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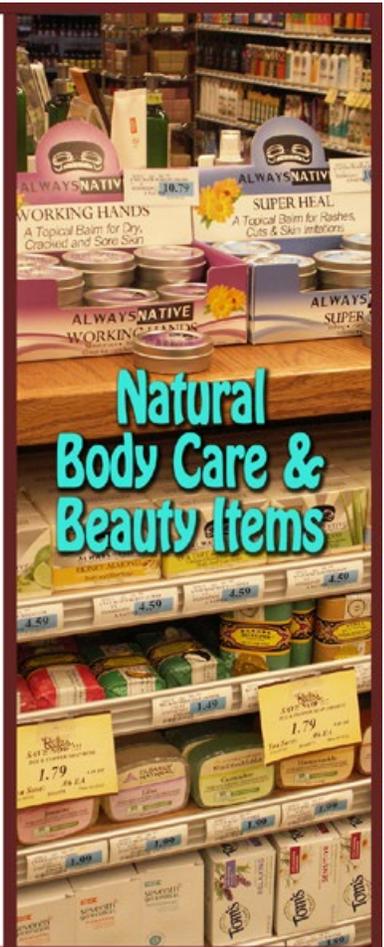
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