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## Cougars and Bobcats and Bears, Oh My!

Wildlife has sure been in the news lately! From bears in trees in northeast Portland, to cougars spotted at Jackson Bottom, and euthanized in east Portland, our ever-present coyote population, to bobcats prowling our neighbor-

hoods in search of fresh chicken, had foxes with curly tails, floppy ears, and very tame and docile behavior.

What's to be done? The best advice for the safety of your kids and pets is simple prudence. Keep pet food in a protected place where

wild animals can't get to it. Seal garbage cans to deter scavenging. Make sure your chickens and other vulnerable animals are behind predator-proof fencing.

As to the controversy around the euthanizing of the cougar, it's quite clear that was the only choice. Cougars need very large territories for their hunting grounds. They protect their territory from others of their species, so dumping an unwanted cougar "away from the city," as some people suggested, is NOT a humane solution. Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has specific criteria for when an animal must be euthanized, including "Loss of wariness of humans, displayed through repeated sightings of the animal during the day near a permanent structure, permanent corral or mobile dwelling used by humans at an agricultural, timber management, ranching or construction site."

The same is true for most wild animals. Trapping a skunk, raccoon, or other "pest" and dropping it off in an unfamiliar territory, aside from being a tricky and dangerous undertaking, is probably a waste of energy. The animal will be hugely traumatized, and most likely won't survive in its new "home." If you prefer the sentimental approach, know that you're doing it for yourself and not for the animal.



*Puma concolor*, image from Wikimedia by Art G.

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Human reaction to these incidents ranges from fear to outrage. And of course, there's the question of "Why now?" What has changed to bring these normally "shy" critters into our yards? There are no definitive answers, and the truth is probably a combination of factors.

Certainly, preserving wildlife habitat corridors has contributed. However, coyotes show up in city centers far away from any habitat - did you hear about the coyote that got on an elevator in downtown Seattle? Some lay the blame for the cougar increase to the ban on dog hunting. But that doesn't explain the bears and bobcats.

And the march of development across ever-greater patches of land crowds these top predators and puts pressure on them to find new food sources. It could be that evolution is breeding wild animals with less fear of humans. It doesn't take very many generations of selection to bring about such changes. Some Russians bred successive generations of foxes to be tame, and after only about ten generations, they

## Sunset Transit Center MAX Station construction and temporary closure

Sunset Transit Center MAX Station is undergoing maintenance improvements this summer. Construction began on July 2. The station opened in 1998, and its platforms need to be repaved along with other essential updates. TriMet and our contractors have limited options to do this work because it must be done when the platform is not in use. TriMet's [Project Page](#) will provide updates.

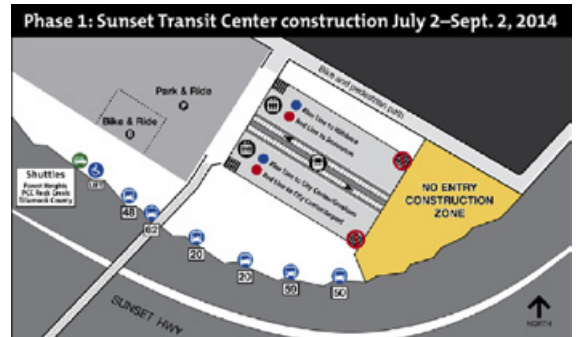
### Phase One: July 2-September 2: Expect some noise

You may notice some noise between July 14 and September 2 during the early morning hours (1-3:30 am) as crews cut the current pavement. Depending on where you are located, the sound may vary. According to the Federal Highway Administration, the sound of concrete cutting is about 90 decibels at 50 feet. This is the noise equivalent of a power tool or lawnmower with

no buildings or highways nearby to break up the noise. Of course there are many obstacles around the Sunset Transit Center which will help absorb the noise.

### Phase Two: Approximately September 3-19: Sunset Transit Center MAX Station will be closed

Beginning September 3, the STC MAX Station will be closed for about 16 days. Vehicle and bike parking will remain open during this time as convenient, frequent shuttle buses provide service



from STC to Washington Park or Beaverton Transit Center where riders transfer to trains. Regular bus service will remain the same.

Please plan your new trip in advance at [trimet.org](http://trimet.org).

## A sidewalk to the school?

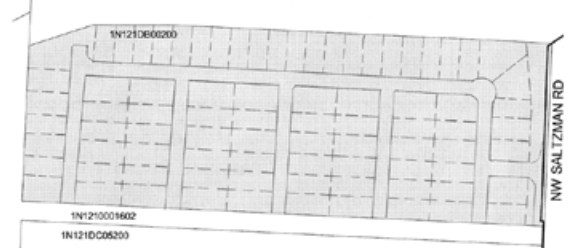
In January 2014, West Hills Development submitted a development application to Washington County for an 81-lot subdivision, currently called "Findley Heights," on a 14.38 acre parcel of land on Saltzman, north of Thompson. The land,

part of the old original Findley family farm, is currently owned by Elaine Paul, sister of Ken Findley. Arbor Custom Homes will be building the houses.

A public hearing was held on April 17 to review the application. Among the issues brought up at that hearing was a concern that

elementary school students from the new subdivision, who would be attending nearby Findley Elementary, would have no safe way to walk to the school and would have to be bused.

The lot between the proposed development and Findley Elementary is owned by Karl Schmidt, and includes the family residence and some plant nursery operations of



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# Cedar Mill Business News

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](mailto:info@cedarmillnews.com)

## New owner, new services at Mailboxes and More

Van Treska and his wife Lana purchased the Mailboxes and More business, located in the "triangle" shopping center on Saltzman, just



south of Cornell, earlier this year. They provide a variety of products and services for businesses and individuals, including, of course, mailboxes, and assistance with packaging and shipping for US Postal Service, UPS, FedEx, and DHL. They also carry greeting cards, stationery, and office and packaging supplies. They can cut keys for you, or order rubber stamps.

Need to send a fax or make a copy? They have the technology! Talented employees Ben, Justin, and Brian can also help with design and layout for flyers and other business printing, including binding and laminating. Printing and copying is self-service or full-service, your choice.

The new service they can provide is "Notary on the Run," a 24/7 mobile Notary service. Families sometimes need to have important documents notarized for a family member with limited mobility. Or something needs to be signed and

notarized outside regular business hours. Van Treska is available 24/7 to help with this service, at 503-644-8504.

The store is located at 515 NW Saltzman. Regular hours are Monday-Friday 8 am-7 pm, and Saturdays 9 am to 3 pm. Their informative website, which includes package tracking, is [pdxmailboxesandmore.com](http://pdxmailboxesandmore.com).

## Cedar Mill 7-Eleven Store closing

We just received word that the store at the corner of Saltzman and Cornell will be closing on July 24. According to a clerk at the store, employees are applying for transfers to other stores, so it's not likely that the corporation is planning to open another store in the area in the near future. She mentioned that their lease was up and the company chose not to renew it.

The store is corporate-owned—some stores are owned by franchisees, but this one is not. We're reaching out to the corporation but haven't heard anything at this point

## Cheese tasting at Dinihanian Farm

Saturday, July 19, 1-4 pm, Dinihanian Farm Market, 15005 NW Cornell

Love good cheese? Love to eat



local? Get the best of both when [Ancient Heritage Dairy](#) cheesemaker Emily Brown visits the Farm Market with samples and information about their Madras specialty dairy. Many of the AHD cheeses will also be available for sale.

Cheese is only one of the many non-produce items that this unique CSA and Farm Market offers. Other goodies include local eggs, honey, nuts, grains and more. Discover how delicious local food can be!

## Striding Stronger

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7 am-4 pm; Tuesday, Thursday 10 am-7 pm

Stride Strong Physical Therapy is an outpatient physical therapy clinic located in front of Bales Thriftway, next to the Cornell Shell Station, at 12849 NW Cornell Rd. Their therapists specialize in lower extremity injuries and post-surgical rehabilitation, though they also treat all injuries, including motor vehicle accident cases.

Their therapists pride themselves in giving attentive one-on-one care for 45 minutes to one-hour appointments. They accept and are in-network with all major commercial insurance groups, with the exception of Kaiser and Providence. A physician's referral is not needed to come in for physical therapy, but they can gladly send progress reports to local physicians. Visit their website at [stridestrong.com](http://stridestrong.com).

## Village Gallery News

Current show: July 8 - August 2, Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-4 pm; Sunday 12-4 pm

Featured Artist: Shauna McKain-Storey—Collage, book arts, acrylics and abstract landscape paintings. A mostly self-taught artist, McKain-Storey has studied drawing, printmaking, painting, pottery and jewelry making, and draws inspiration from many types of scenery. Her home in rural Hillsboro allows

her close observation of the natural world, which often influences her creations.

Featured Workshop: Rene Eisenbart—Botanical Watercolor, July 7, 8, and 9, 9 am - 3 pm, \$275. All levels. Eisenbart will demonstrate techniques for painting plant portraits, leading participants from an initial sketch to a finished painting, with lots of individual attention along the way. Winner of local and

national awards, Eisenbart paints expressive portraits of plants and creatures using vibrant color and texture. Hundreds of her botanicals and birds have been published in *The Oregonian's* Homes & Gardens section, and in the book, "Plant This" by Ketzell Levine. Visit [www.rene-art.com](http://www.rene-art.com) for more information.

Classes: Kristi Roberts Children's Art Classes: Mondays 3:30 - 4:30 pm for ages 7 -12 years; July 7, 14, 21, 28, \$40. Mondays 4:45 - 5:45 pm for ages 10 -14 years; July 7, 14, 21, 28, \$40. Wednesdays 3:45 - 4:45 pm for ages 7 - 12 years; July 9, 16, 23, 30, \$40.

Fine art concepts and techniques taught through drawing, watercolor, acrylic, pastels, clay and mixed media. A variety of subjects are explored, including landscapes, people, faces, animals, cartooning, and perspective. This is a weekly class and requires registration one month in advance. See [www.kristisfineart.com](http://www.kristisfineart.com) for more information about the instructor.

Emma Achleithner - Traditional Watercolor: Thursdays, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; August 7, 14, 21, 28.

On-going morning drop-in class. Pay for four classes at a time



Landscape collage by Shauna McKain-Storey

to be used within three months. Students can start on any Thursday, any month. \$120 for four classes.

## "Christmas in July"

9 am-noon and 2-5 pm, Monday-Thursday, all of July, HealthSource, 13305 NW Cornell Rd., Suite E

HealthSource Chiropractic and Progressive Rehab will host Children's Health Month along with the "Christmas in July" canned-food drive throughout the month of July,

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### Party in the Park—free fun for all

Saturday, July 26, 11 am-5 pm, Howard M. Terpenning Recreation Complex, 15707 SW Walker Road

Party in the Park is the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District's largest community event of the year.

Most activities will run from 11 am to 5 pm. That includes the Beaverton International Celebration, .

Other attractions will include a Beaverton Police K-9 Unit demonstration, giant inflatables, climbing walls, arts and crafts, and face painting as well as swimming, sports, a tennis clinic, Radio Disney, and the THPRD Rec Mobile and Nature Mobile – all free.

The Classic at T-Hills will again showcase lovingly restored or preserved cars and trucks of decades past. Sol Mars will perform '60s



surf music followed by the Fabulous Farelanes playing '50s and '60s rock 'n roll. All exhibitors are welcome. The car show, now in its 10th year, will run from 8 am to 4 pm. Exhibitors pay a modest fee to benefit the Tualatin Hills Park Foundation, but viewing the vehicles is free.

The Family Triathlon, a Party in the Park staple since 2007, provides children, parents and grandparents the opportunity to have fun together in a 50-yard swim, two-mile bike ride, and 1/3-mile run. The non-competitive activity draws hundreds of family members each year. The triathlon, which will start at 9 am, has a small participant fee to defray costs.

The Beaverton International Celebration, now in its fourth year, includes music, dance, art, crafts, food, traditional dress and ceremonies representing many of the diverse ethnic populations that make up the Beaverton area. Two stages will feature artistic, dance and



musical performances. In addition, information tables will highlight organizations, associations and businesses representing local ethnic populations. The annual show is produced by the City of Beaverton in partnership with THPRD.

Free drop-in sports activities are scheduled inside the Athletic Center throughout the day, including basketball, volleyball, badminton, pickleball, and table tennis. Free swimming will be available at the Aquatic Center from 1:30 to 3:30 pm and 4 to 6 pm.

The THPRD Rec Mobile will host supervised athletic, artistic and educational programs all day for children. THPRD's mobile classroom, the Nature Mobile, will provide nature and science learning opportunities, along with fun activities and games.

Food and beverages will be available for purchase from several local vendors. Parking is free for all activities, but spaces are limited. The HMT Complex is served by bus routes 59 and 67, and bicycle racks are available. In addition, THPRD will run a shuttle between the complex and the Merlo Road/SW 158th MAX light rail station. An electric car charging station is in the lot near 158th and NW Schendel Avenue.

### Safe Driving!

Friday, August 1, 9 am-4:30 pm at the Cedar Mill Library

Once again, Tom Wilson, instructor for AARP Driver Safety, will be putting on an AARP Driving Class at the Cedar Mill Community Library. It only costs \$20 or \$15 depending on your membership type and is a six-hour class aimed at drivers 50 years or older. There is a possible insurance discount with participation. Registration fee is payable in class, check preferred. There will be an hour break for lunch. Bring a ballpoint pen. A Guidebook and an Oregon Driver Manual will be provided. For more information contact Tom Wilson at [PDXCats@Comcast.net](mailto:PDXCats@Comcast.net) or 503-286-9688.

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## Blueberries and other bounty

Saturdays, 8 am-1 pm, parking lot on Cornell in front of Safeway

All of us at the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market, sponsored by Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District, have been hard at work for months, and we're now seeing the fruits of our labors, including helping to bring a bountiful blueberry crop to Cedar Mill. The abundance of blueberries will be a big part of an amazing month at the market, culminating in our annual Blueberry Bash on the last Saturday of July. We've already had beautiful berries on a few Saturdays, and we can't wait for more, especially the legendary quarter-sized blueberries we always see in late July.

### Special Event: July 26—Annual Blueberry Bash

Plan to make it to the market on July 26 for the annual Blueberry Bash, with all kinds of fun and games, the fabulous music of the market's sweetheart, Carley Baer, and a visit by perennial costumed favorite, Ima Blueberry.

The music starts at about 9:30 am, and we're expecting Ima to be on-site by 10 am to spread her blueberry-themed joy, but the fun, and especially the blueberries, will be around all day, from the opening bell at 8 am through closing at 1 pm, at the market's well-established location in the Sunset Mall just west of Murray on NW Cornell.

Besides the chance for fun selfies with Ima Blueberry (your friends will love them), the abundance of outstanding blueberries and entertainment, market guests can take advantage of games and the chance to win prizes donated by our very own market vendors and local merchants. Maybe this year you will be the lucky winner of the annual guessing contest, or perhaps you'll win the blueberry toss! Everyone should give it a try! As usual, we'll have a great selection of free recipes, including a great many of the blueberry variety, available at the market.

If you're not willing to wait until you get home to cook something up with your market purchases, we have tamales, agua fresca, hibiscus tea, and horchata by La Popular Tradiciones, hot dogs with market toppings by Spot's Dawg House,

French pastries by La Provence Bakery, goodies by RhoJo's, and the assorted hand-pie, cake, cookie, scone, and other treat selections at local award-winning bakery, Decadent Creations. You'll find lots of choices for breakfast, lunch, and in-between, so don't worry about staying all day. Long-time market regulars, like the Olive Lady with her wonderful olive oils, olives, and more, will be around, as well as the Nice Boys popping up kettle corn, and Bennett's Urban Farm Store with jams and jellies, and their coffee made from locally-roasted beans.

Our vendors proudly offer a wide array of locally grown goodness, running the gamut from incredible vegetables, nuts, and honey to gorgeous perennial flowers to fresh eggs, and lamb, turkey, pork, chicken, beef. The great mix of new vendors and their offerings sprinkled among the long-time vendors with their fabulous and familiar goods makes every trip to the market interesting and unique.



If you're looking specifically for organic-grown foods, we have Malinowski's Organic Farm at the market every-other-week, offering their organic grass-fed local beef, chicken, and eggs, with orders welcome anytime. A new face at the market this month is Tanglewood Farms, featuring organic lamb, pork, turkey, and chicken grown in the Forest Grove area. Ask them for CSA information!

Another certified organic vendor to keep in mind is Dinihanian's Farm, who had a limited presence at the market last year, but this year, much to market guests' delight, they've been a weekly vendor, and we're thrilled with their truly organic offerings.

If you don't get hung up on labels, you can find chemical-free, though not certified organic, vegetables and fruits at Galin-Flory Farms, our all-natural-practices grower who has been with the market for nearly a decade. Hard-working family farmers Teresa and Matt of Galin-Flory Farms are thrilled to share their dedication to growing high-quality food with all of us, while promoting sustainable farming practices, a healthy

environment, and stewardship of their Canby-area property, once the world-famous Steele's Pansy Gardens.

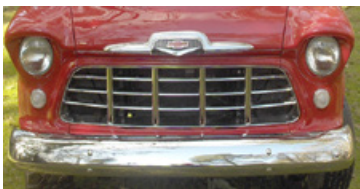
So if you're looking for good food for your family, grown without chemicals, without herbicides, without pesticides, and without genetically-modified seed, be sure to stop in at Dinihanian's Farm and Galin-Flory farm. Another natural-practices option for "just berries" at the market is ELA Farms of Woodburn (formerly called Efmoff Berries). They offer the widest berry selection, usually with several different kinds of berries (various blackberries, raspberries, and blueberries) offered on any given market date. [Dinihanian's](#) and [Galin-Flory](#) both offer CSA programs, and you can learn more about them at the market.

The Cedar Mill Farmers Market just wouldn't be the great community venue that it is without the local artisans who share the beautiful results of their hard work with us when they get a chance, so be sure to stop in to the ever-changing booths of garden art, metal work, fine art, quilting, other sewing, and knitting work, fused glass, clever and beautiful jewelry, origami-themed art, soaps & other skin-care products, "green" glass, batik, and even massage. There's always something new at the market, so why not join your family and friends in our community and make it a part of your Saturday ritual?

**Cruisin' Broadway**

Friday, August 1, 5-8 pm, Old Town Beaverton

Do you love old cars? Enter yours in this Car Show, or just come down and enjoy the parade! There will be live music, refreshments,



and raffle prizes available. Registration begins at 4 pm, donations benefit the Beaverton Historical Society & Beaverton Downtown Association. Early registration accepted at the Beaverton History Center on Thursday, July 31 between noon and 4 pm.

Presented by the Beaverton Historical Society in association with the Beaverton Downtown Association. For more information call 503-430-0106.

**Yarn and fabric drive**

Leedy Grange member Yvonne Clarke is collecting all kinds of yarn, and cotton fabric, for several groups and projects she works with. "Baby yarn is made into hats and blankets for preemies, and they are distributed to some of the non-profit, low-income health organizations like Virginia Garcia clinic," she says. "Regular yarn is made into "Hats for the Homeless."

Cotton fabric pieces are made into dresses and shorts that will be sent to needy kids in orphanages in Haiti. "Some of the work is done by members of my church, and also members of my Garden Club. And some people just like the idea and want to get involved, even if they're not a member of a group," she says.

Donations can be brought to the Leedy Flea Market, 10-4 on the first Saturday of each month at the hall, 835 NW Saltzman. Securely bagged donations may also be left on the porch of the hall, located up the short stairway near the parking lot.

For more information, or if you'd like to help, call Yvonne Clarke at 503-649-5962

**Skyline Artisans Guild Summer Festival**

Friday, July 25, 4-7 pm; Saturday and Sunday, July 26-27, 10 am-4 pm, Skyline Grange Hall, 11275 NW Skyline Bl.

The public is invited to our Third Annual Summer Festival, presented by Skyline Artisans Guild. About 20 booths will showcase the work of local Skyline area artisans. Included will be book arts, jewelry, hand-sewn clothing, accessories, pottery, glass, and more.

As in previous events, local food vendors will have their baked goods, pickles and other foods available for purchase, and we hope to have local produce available as well. The weather will be predictably beautiful, and we're planning for music out on the grass, with informal acoustic bluegrass & folk jam sessions presented between the scheduled music (Lynn Conover and others).

There are also plans in the works for artisan demos open to the public during the weekend. Discover the beauty that is being created in your neighborhood, and come out to strengthen our shared community bond. We look forward to seeing you. For more information (including inquiries about vendor spaces), please contact Ken Pincus at [ken@pincuspotterystudio.com](mailto:ken@pincuspotterystudio.com)

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**Martin Schmidt & Sons.** The existing right of way (land adjacent to a road that is available to the county for expansion) between the Schmidt property line and Saltzman Road is no more than seven feet wide. At the time of the hearing, Arbor stated that they were willing to construct a pathway along the right-of-way, but that they had not yet reached an agreement with the Schmidts about any additional land to increase the width and improve the safety for kids on the way to school.

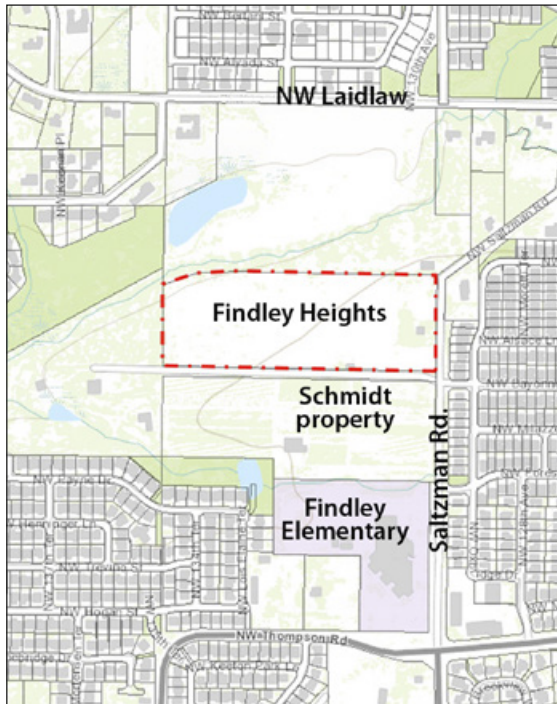
The hearings officer, in the decision published on July 1, required Arbor to, “use its best efforts to obtain County Engineer approval to construct a pedestrian pathway and associated improvements across the street frontage of property at the south to provide pedestrian access to Findley Elementary School.”

Neighbors were concerned, because the county decision also stated, “Should the applicant demonstrate to the satisfaction of the County Engineer that it is not practicable to construct the pathway either by obtaining the necessary approval from the property owner(s) to the south or within the existing right of way, the applicant shall not be required to construct the pedestrian pathway.” Some neighbors said they would appeal the decision to ensure a path is constructed between this subdivision and the neighborhood school.

West Hills/Arbor has created preliminary plans for a five-foot-wide asphalt path that would fit inside the right-of-way. They have received a letter of approval from the Beaverton School District stating that the plan satisfies the District’s request for pedestrian access to the school. Reportedly the County Engineer is satisfied that these preliminary plans will meet

county requirements as well.

Dan Grimberg, Director of Land Development for Arbor Homes, says that they are still working with the Schmidts to increase the width of the path to a full sidewalk by purchasing a little more land



along the frontage. “Karl and Julie Schmidt have been great to work with, and want to work out what’s best for the community,” he said. These agreements mean that the development can go forward without the likelihood of an appeal from community members.

Arbor has generally been responsive to community input regarding their many local developments. We hope the full-width sidewalk is available for the children who will live in Findley Heights. The project is scheduled to begin construction in Summer, 2015.

### Beaverton Arts Mix

Calling all Oregon visual artists! The Call for Artists for the 2014 Beaverton Arts Mix (BAM!) is happening now! Call is posted at [www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org) under the title Beaverton Arts Mix! Categories this year include oils/acrylics, watercolor, photography, sculpture/fine craft, jewelry/fiber, mixed media, drawings/pastels/prints and digital/graphic design (including graphic novels). The deadline to apply is Monday, August 4.

The event takes place October 3 - 12, at the Beaverton City Library. To read the artist prospectus and learn more about BAM, visit [www.BeavertonOregon.gov/BAM](http://www.BeavertonOregon.gov/BAM).

## Husen Park expansion meeting

Wednesday, July 16, 6 pm, Cedar Mill Library

Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District acquired another parcel of land adjacent to Jackie Husen Park, 10955 NW Reeves St.

This meeting is a continuation of the first meeting, where neighbors discussed developing a master plan for the new acquisition, as well as removal of the existing home and the intention to construct a community garden. Park Planner Nicole Paulsen says, “At this meeting we will present the preferred master plan, provide a project overview, and ask for feedback.”

Original plans for the current renovation of nearby Cedar Mill Park called for a Community Garden, but when the new Husen parcel was acquired, it seemed like

a better place for the Garden. This allowed Park planners to have more flexibility in placing other needed features at Cedar Mill Park.



The meeting is open to everyone who has an interest in parks in the area.

## Washington County garbage rate increases

Garbage collection bills will go up a little (2.3%) as of July 1 for most residential and commercial can/cart collection service. Commercial container collection will rise by 8.3%.

All garbage haulers in the Metro area are subject to government control of their rates and other activities. In Washington County, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) sets rates, with advice from the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, an appointed group representing citizens and haulers. The Committee recommended the rate adjustment at their June 12 meeting. The BCC approved the change at their June 24 meeting, and it took effect on July 1.

Collection rates are uniform across the county, with all similar customers paying the same rate for the same level of service. For example, all urban residential customers who subscribe to 32-gallon garbage and recycling collection service pay the same rate of \$22.44,

regardless of which collection company provides the service. The rates provide revenue that covers allowable collection costs plus a profit margin for the haulers.

The increase was approved to allow a higher profit margin for the companies. In Cedar Mill, Walker Garbage serves most households. If you pay bills through a payment service or your bank, be sure to make an adjustment for the new rates when you get your next bill.

## Outdoor Movie Night

August 23, 7-10 pm, Cedar Mill Bible Church

See Disney’s “Frozen” outdoors with your friends and neighbors, on the lawn behind Cedar Mill Bible Church. Food and music at 7 pm, movie starts at dusk. Bring blankets or sand chairs to the Cedar Mill Church on Cornell Road. There is no cost and no tickets needed. For more information contact 503-644-3156 or visit [www.cmbc.org](http://www.cmbc.org).

### Cedar Mill scores big in Little League tournament

Cedar Mill Little League's All Stars just won their first-ever Majors championship on Sunday, July 13, beating Raleigh Hills 17-2. The win sends them to the upcoming Oregon state tournament, set for July 18-24 at Alpenrose Field.

Congratulations also to Cedar Mill Little League's 11/12 year Honors baseball team that recently won the Oregon District 4 Little League post-season Honors tournament. This tournament was held from June 21-28 at Alpenrose Stadium in Portland, Oregon and consisted of teams in District 4 including Beaverton/Aloha, Raleigh Hills, SW Portland, Lake Oswego and Tigard Little Leagues.

The championship play-off game was held on Saturday June 28 and Cedar Mill played against Raleigh Hills Little League. Cedar Mill won the game with a close score of 8-7, and represented themselves and our community of Cedar Mill in every way. This team was managed by Cedar Mill Little League's president Glenn Fritts and coached by Paul Michel Brink and Brian Kelso.

### There's only one Cedar Mill!

A lot of people get confused about the name of our community. How many mills are there? Much of the confusion is because of nearby Cedar Hills. People from other parts of the Metro area aren't even sure if there are two distinct places or if it's all Cedar Mills...

Cedar Mill was formally named in 1903, by former mill owner, John Quincy Adams Young, when he was appointed Postmaster. Cedar Hills, on the other hand, was the name of a huge subdivision begun in the 1950s north of Beaverton.



Even before that, however, people pluralized the mill. Here's a photo of George Foege's garage on Cornell. That's George in the middle, with a couple of Standard Oil representatives. The photo is from the '30s (check out those jodhpurs!). Rumor has it that the garage was the location for "happy hour" where local guys would gather and pass a bottle after work. It was torn down in 2005 when veterinarian Rick White needed space for his dog boarding service.



Neither Cedar Mill nor Cedar Hills is a city. Both are communities in unincorporated Washington County. Want to find out why? Read our series, "Urban Needs, Rural Government" to get the full story. [cedarmill.org/news/UrbanNeeds](http://cedarmill.org/news/UrbanNeeds)

### Last Tuesday Concert Series

Last Tuesdays, June-August, 5:30-8 pm

Beaverton Last Tuesdays (BLT) is a free concert series in the Beaverton Round. Attendees can bring their own picnics, or dine at Mio Sushi, Mingo's, or Planet Thai, where they offer both indoor and outdoor seating. Art vendors will also have their work on display and for sale.

July 29: Hit Machine 80's Band, The Reflex. Intermission entertainment by Def Con 5, MVP Dance Elite, and Soul Trigger, this BLT will also be '80s-themed with a costume contest and tunes throughout the evening.

August 26: Pepe & the Bottle Blondes. Intermission entertainment by Argentine Tango dancers Adam Cornett & Alyssa Quinn Jernigan.

Parking is available off of SW Cedar Hills Boulevard at Westgate Drive in the former Westgate Theater lot. For more information, please call the city's Art, Culture & Events line at 503-526-2559 or visit [www.BeavertonOregon.gov/BLT](http://www.BeavertonOregon.gov/BLT). The series receives generous support from Beaverton Family Dental, Decarli Watson Hall, Pepita's Mexican Cuisine, The Oregonian, The Round, Umpqua Bank, and VillaSport.

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## Hatchlings!

By Laretta Young

I love my suet feeder in the summer. Some bird watchers don't put suet out in the summer, believing there are plenty of protein foods for the insect eaters. Certainly my roses do have some aphids, and I see the swallows scooping up hatches of various flying insects over my ponds. However, even with this bounty, the suet feeder is even more popular in June than in January.

Most of my summer visitors are harried parents trying to stuff the

beaks of ever-hungry hatchlings. We were delighted again this year to have a pair of Black Capped Chickadees nesting in a birdhouse on our deck. These fearless little urban birds chattered at us while we ate dinner outside, as they went about their family business of raising a brood of three young ones. As the chicks got bigger and bigger, we put our outdoor feral cat in the garage for a few days to allow the chicks to have the opportunity to learn to fly and hide before having the predator around. I don't agree with the concept of outdoor cats, and all of the ones we have formally adopted are indoor only, but this particular cat adopted us, and the best we can do is to lure him into the garage with a heated bed and food, and shut the door at night to keep him safe from coyotes, and shut the door when the hatchlings are on the ground.

This year, for the first time, we also had a pair of Berwick's Wrens that successfully raised several young in another birdhouse. Both of these groups used the suet feeders to help feed the growing youngsters to the point that I often had to put out a new cake every day!

The delight and joy I got out of watching these hard-working parents and hungry young made it worth the trips to Pet Barn to get more suet. More recently we have enjoyed watching a juvenile Downy Woodpecker learn the ropes from his hard-working parents. He tried to climb up the pole from which the suet hung, only to find himself slipping down over and over. The parents, who are adept tree huggers, got beakfuls of suet to him and

encouraged him to keep going after the prize. He eventually made it, but then was so exhausted he sat on the ground for several minutes resting. Thankfully the outdoor cat was snoozing on his warm bed in the garage.

On a recent "walk and talk" meeting at work, in a corporate park in Lake Oswego, I saw a group of newly-hatched Chickadees. My co-worker and I stopped to watch as several of the juveniles did the typical bird "begging" behavior—rapid wing fluttering and vocalizations—



Chickadee hatchling, photo ©2014 by Jeff Young

while following the adults around. This behavior apparently is irresistible to the parents, who must find it as adorable as I do. Hence they pick up bugs off the tree limbs to stuff into the still large beaks of the "babies." My coworker had never noticed this before, and found her

### Library News and Events

By Dawn Anderson

#### Summer Reading July/August Events

During the month of July, the library is hosting special programs for all ages. Free. No registration required.

#### Fizz, Boom, Read!

Summer Reading for babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and school age children.

Both libraries are hosting programs including family storytimes and other offerings - visit the library or our website for the July schedule.

#### Literary Elements - Summer Reading for adults

BAM! Books Adapted to Movies book club: Saturday, July 19, 12:30 pm. Discuss "The Hundred-Foot

appreciation of the daily walk quite enhanced with this new discovery.

This photo is one of the newly hatched Chickadees in our yard. Note the fluffy, newly grown feathers which look very "pristine" since they aren't worn down from flying or age. Also note the obviously large beak, which will morph over the next few weeks to the typical adult shape. At that point, in many birds, the newly hatched ones look very similar to the adult Chickadees. In other species, the coloration or final form takes one to four years to

develop. American Eagles are the best known example, not developing the white head until year four or five.

So look outside. Get a suet feeder and watch our many insect eaters enjoy your treat.

Laretta Young MD is the Chief Medical Officer of Health Republic Insurance, and the Director of Medical Student Resiliency Program at OHSU. She also enjoys

teaching people about the delights of bird watching in Cedar Mill and beyond with her customized bird tour service. See [portland-birdwatching.com](http://portland-birdwatching.com). For more of her husband's photos go to [www.flickr.com/photos/youngbirders](http://www.flickr.com/photos/youngbirders)

Journey," by Richard Morais, in theaters August 8.

#### Spark A Reaction—Summer Reading for teens

Wednesday, August 13, 2-4 pm at the Cedar Mill Library

#### Teen Maker Day

Plan and create your own musical instrument. We'll supply the materials, you supply the ideas. We'll see whose instrument plays the best tune at the end of the program. Free event for grades 6-12. Registration Required

#### Song Circle: Tuesday, August 12, 6:30-8pm.

Adult singers and acoustic instrument players gather to sing and play popular pop and folk songs of the 1960s-70s. For more information, including a song list, visit our [website](http://website).



## Got fruit trees?

By Jen Nelson, OVE Program Manager, Tualatin SWCD

At the Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District, we often get calls from new homeowners uncertain how to care for the small home orchard they just acquired. We enjoy helping small acreage landowners find solutions to local problems too, so we've included the topic in the August 23 Rural Living Field Day. We invited Tonia Lordy, Arboretum Manager for the Home



Orchard Society, to teach a class on home orchard maintenance at the Field Day. Here are her top tips for getting started this summer:

Most important summer activity: Summer pruning of unwanted vegetative growth. Be sure to plan your pruning before you start. A common mistake is over-pruning the trees, so it is good to visualize your stopping point ahead of time.

Looking forward to fall: Get

## Rural Living Field Day

August 23, 8:30 am-2 pm, Howell Territorial Park on Sauvie Island

Rural Living Field Day is a fun event for rural landowners and anyone interested in conservation and sustainable land practices. Speakers address a wide variety of issues that face rural homeowners, farmers, and land managers every day. Topics include wildlife, forests, pollinators, invasive weeds, orchards, riparian restoration, crops and soil health, and manure composting.

The location of the event will give participants the opportunity to visit a stream riparian area, a woodland stand, an orchard, a working organic farm and barn. Folks will participate in some hands-on demonstrations and will be able to ask the experts about specific concerns during the break-out sessions.

Whether you're a seasoned landowner or just starting your own

ready to mulch! Spreading ramial woodchips around the base of your trees and removing windfalls (dropped fruit) from the orchard floor will help prevent infestation and protect the roots through the winter. "Ramial" refers to chipped twigs and branches of woody plants. You can ask for help finding this product at a garden center or farm store. Many local tree-maintenance companies are happy to dump a load for you for free.


At the workshop, I'll go over the importance of proper and timely pruning, orchard sanitation, observation, and increasing the biodiversity in your home orchard. It would be hard to pick just one of these as most important!

Want to learn more about keeping the home orchard healthy? Join us for this and many other great topics related to managing your small acreage property at the 2014 Rural Living Field Day on August 23 at the Bybee-Howell House on Sauvie's Island, hosted by the Tualatin, West Multnomah and Columbia SWCDs and several sponsoring partners. For details and registration, see below.

farm, this is the event for you! Rural Living Field Day is also a great time for landowners to meet each other and share concerns and ideas about their properties and operations, and make valuable professional and personal contacts.

Sponsored by West Multnomah, Tualatin and Columbia Soil & Water Conservation Districts and the Oregon Small Woodland Association. To register, just visit the West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District website at [www.wmswcd.org](http://www.wmswcd.org) and click on "Events" or go directly to <http://www.wmswcd.org/content.cfm/Events/2014-Rural-Living-Field-Day>. The cost is \$15 per person or \$20 for families, and includes morning beverages and snacks, as well as a fully catered lunch!

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to help replenish local food banks and shelters. HealthSource Doctors are offering a Complimentary Community Service Health Screenings (a \$189 value) in exchange for canned food / non-perishable donations, or children's book donation. The 19-point screenings can help track down even the smallest amounts of pain, including those suffering from a wide range of problems such as low back pain, headaches, neck pain, shoulder or arm pain, bulging or herniated discs, leg pain, numbness and more. Even X-Rays will be included if necessary. (This offer does not apply to federal beneficiaries and ACN participants.)

"Many people don't realize that this can be one of the toughest times of the year for the local food banks, shelters and Salvation Army. We tend to forget about those in need outside of the holiday season. Even though we're still half-a-year away from the holidays, we thought an early celebration could help jump-start the collections for local donations," said HealthSource CEO Dr. Chris Tomshack. "Together, we can all help build a stronger, healthier community."

Food banks across the country are reporting a record number of Americans seeking food this year. The USDA reported in November 2009 that an estimated 49 million people, including 17 million children, are at risk of hunger. Children's books will be donated to the clubs, Salvation Army and shelters that will always love and appreciate the donations coming in. To find out more about this year's Children's Health Month & "Christmas in July" canned-food drive contact HealthSource at 503-746-5085.

**The "New" Nobleoni**

Leather Storrs, well-known Portland chef and co-owner of Noble Rot Restaurant in Portland with



partners Kimberly Bernosky and wife, Courtney Storrs, opened their second restaurant, Nobleoni on the Oregon College of Art and Craft campus in January 2014. Lunch and Brunch have been wildly popular

with the public, staff, and students. Now, in addition to weekday lunch and Sunday brunch, this talented culinary team are offering dinner service Tuesday through Saturday from 5-9 pm. Perfect timing for summer alfresco dining on the patio, or inside in the cafe!  
Hours: Coffee/Tea/Pastries—Monday-Friday 8 am-11:30 pm;  
Lunch—Monday-Friday 11:30 am-2 pm;  
Dinner—Tuesday-Saturday 5-9 pm;  
Brunch—Sundays 9:30 am-1:30 pm  
For reservations for parties of six or more call 503-297-1480.

**Workplace Recycling promotion**

The Washington County Solid Waste & Recycling Program is offering free tools and technical assistance to businesses interested in improving workplace recycling.

"Workers who find themselves pulling recyclables from their business's garbage cans, or cringing at the sight of disposable coffee cups, are great candidates for our technical assistance," says Justin Gast, program educator with the Washington County Solid Waste & Recycling Program. "We want these folks to contact us so we can help them take



their business in a greener, more sustainable direction."

To encourage businesses to seek assistance, the Solid Waste & Recycling Program is running a promotional campaign. Businesses that request a free workplace recycling evaluation will receive a Green Team Kit containing reusable bags, durable drink tumblers, a thumb-drive stocked with educational materials, as well as informational resources from program partners.

To request a recycling evaluation and Green Team kit, or for more information, call 503-846-3605 or go to [www.WashingtonCountyRecycles.org](http://www.WashingtonCountyRecycles.org).

**Road fee for November ballot**

Following a public hearing on June 17, the Board of County Commissioners decided to refer a proposed countywide vehicle registration fee (VRF) to the voters in November. State law allows counties to adopt a fee of up to \$43 per year. Washington County is considering a \$30 per year fee on most vehicles owned by residents and businesses. A \$17 per year fee would apply to motorcycles/mopeds. Government, school, farm, antique, special interest and recreational vehicles, in addition to vehicles owned by disabled veterans would be exempt from the fee under state law.

"Roads are critical to Washington County's overall economy and the excellent quality of life we enjoy here," said Andrew Singelakis, Director of Land Use & Transportation. "Maintaining our roads in good and safe condition has become increasingly difficult. Traditional funding sources, primarily the gas tax, are not keeping up with road maintenance needs. Getting ahead

of this problem will help keep future costs down."

The VRF is the preferred funding option because it is user-based, practical to administer, and funds are stable over time. All funds would stay in Washington County and be added to what is collected from the gas tax and a weight-mile tax on heavy vehicles to cover the county's road maintenance backlog, plus county road maintenance needs for the next 15 to 20 years.

If approved by the voters, 60% of the funds would be allocated to the county for roads it maintains and 40% to cities for use on roads they maintain. The county would commit its portion of the funds to road maintenance. Cities would have the flexibility to utilize their portion of the funds on road maintenance and other road needs, subject to existing limitations in state law.

More information, including the county staff presentation to the Board of Commissioners, is available at [www.co.washington.or.us/VRF](http://www.co.washington.or.us/VRF).

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## Protect the skin you're in!

Submitted by Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue

When you think of sun and the potential for skin cancer, you may think of places like Florida or California. But did you know that



Oregon has higher rates of skin cancer than both of these states? It's true. Oregon has the fourth highest death rate for melanoma in the nation, higher than both California and Florida. For women, there's even more cause for concern. Women in Oregon have the highest risk of developing or dying from melanoma in the nation, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

"It's easy for Oregonians to put ultraviolet (UV) radiation out of their minds on cloudy days, or to overdo sun exposure when they finally see the sun since our season is short," says Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Emergency Medical Services Chief Mark Charleston. "The truth of the matter is that UV rays can penetrate through clouds and hazy skies and reflect off the ground, sand, concrete, snow, and water."

## Summer curfew hours—a good tool for law enforcement and parents

From Washington Co. Sheriff's Office Updates

On May 24, apartment residents on SW 107th near Beaverton called 9-1-1 to report several kids who were running around pounding on doors and windows, waking people up at 2:45 am. The kids took off running but were tracked by Deputy Akin and K9 Stark to a hiding place on the back porch of an apartment. One suspect was arrested for Carrying a Concealed Weapon (brass knuckles) and all three were cited for curfew violations.

Washington County Ordinance 9.08 sets a curfew for unincorporated areas (Aloha, Bethany, Cedar Mill, Oak Hills, Raleigh Hills, etc.) and outlines parental responsibility. The ordinance basically provides that no unemancipated minor shall be upon any street, highway, park, alley, or other public place during the hours

With summer vacations in full swing and people soaking up Oregon's coveted summer sun, consider the American Cancer Society's awareness message for skin cancer prevention, which promotes the phrase "Slip! Slop! Slap! and Wrap". These four words remind us of key ways to protect skin from UV exposure – important steps that could save your life.

**Slip on a shirt:** Cover up as much skin as possible when you're out in the sun.

**Slop on sunscreen:** Use sunscreen and lip balm with broad spectrum protection and a sun protection factor (SPF) of 30 or higher. Reapply every 2 hours and after swimming, toweling dry, or sweating.

**Slap on a hat:** Cover your head with a wide-brimmed hat, shading your face, ears, and neck.

**Wrap on sunglasses:** Wear sunglasses with 100% UVA and UVB absorption to protect your eyes and the surrounding skin.

Your skin is your largest organ, protecting the network of muscles, nerves, bones, blood vessels, and everything else inside your body. Take precautions when exposing this vital organ to both natural and artificial sunlight so your skin can keep doing its part to keep your body healthy.

of curfew (below) unless accompanied by parent, guardian or other authorized person age 21 or older, unless the minor is engaged in a school activity or lawful employment that makes it necessary for them to be in those areas. Curfew hours for June through August are:  
Youth under 14 years old, 10:15 pm to 6 am the following morning  
Minor 14 and older, 11:59 pm to 6 am the following morning

If you see minors out and about during curfew hours, take time to call it in to dispatch. They are probably not engaged in any good or safe activity. The non-emergency line for curfew calls is (503) 629-0111, but please always call 9-1-1 if you see a crime in progress.

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## Developers may begin to pay a bigger share of road costs

By Virginia Bruce

In 2008, voters in Washington County approved a measure to impose a Transportation Development Tax (TDT) that replaced the older Traffic Impact Fee. County residents had been surprised to find out what a small percentage of the actual transportation costs of new development were borne by the developers who profited from it. The TDT was designed to impose about 27% of the actual costs, with county-wide taxpayers picking up the difference. The theory behind the public support is that growth is desirable, and that we would all benefit from more businesses, houses and roads.

The TDT rates were supposed to be phased in over a four-year time period, from July 1, 2009 to 2013. But then the county, along with the rest of the US, fell into recession. Because of that, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) adopted an Ordinance (A-Engrossed No 746) which delayed the final step-increase of the TDT rate phase-in schedule to as late as July 1, 2015. The Board reviewed and continued the delay in votes in April 2013 and March 2014. The majority of the BCC felt that developers would be hesitant to build if they had to pay their full 27%.

Now, with development booming, and pressure building for the county to address the condition of our roads, they feel the time is right to finally implement the final step increase.

In addition to fully implementing the 27% TDT, the BCC plans to make permanent a discount of the TDT for development applications that are considered to be a "Change-In-Use." This occurs when a structure or property that already exists is going to be remodeled or otherwise changed for a new use. For example, if a building had been a retail store, and a developer wanted to change it to a manufacturing facility, where the traffic impact would be similar or less than the previous use, the TDT that the developer must pay will be discounted.

Discount eligibility is limited to buildings at least three years old that are changing to certain commercial, industrial or office uses. Discounts are applied to the first 5,000 square feet of floor area, and are calculated at 50% for buildings

three years or older, and 75% for buildings 20 years or older. The discount was to expire on June 30, 2015, however the new ordinance proposes to make this discount available permanently.

From the draft ordinance 793: "The effect of these changes in Code will result in an increase in the TDT rates to the rates approved by the voters in 2008, and will result in a continued decrease in the TDT for development qualifying as a change in use. It is necessary and desirable to enact these and other minor housekeeping changes which do not increase the level of the tax beyond the rates approved by the voters or reduce exemptions from the tax."

Developers have the option of deferring payment of the TDT until the development is occupied. The new ordinance also locks in TDT rates that were in effect at the time the building permit was issued, even if rates change when the development is finally occupied.

Ordinance 793 had its first reading at the BCC meeting on July 15, where recently re-elected Commissioner Bob Terry moved to put the change off for another month. He was concerned that developers would abandon projects that they had started if they had to pay the full 27%. (Terry, according to information on the Oregon Secretary of State's OreStar reporting system, received a large portion of his campaign funding from the development community.) The second reading and first public hearing is scheduled for the August 5 BCC meeting (10 am in the auditorium at the County headquarters in Hillsboro). If the BCC votes to approve the ordinance at that meeting, the changes become effective on October 4, 2014.

There may be a connection between the full implementation of the TDT and the proposed vehicle registration fee that will come before the voters in November (see page 10). After all, who's going to vote for a fee increase when we see that developers aren't paying their "full" share of transportation costs?

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