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Impacts on land, roads, and open spaces for Thompson Woods

By Mary D. Edwards, Staff Writer

In June, Washington County Hearings Officer Joe Turner approved the development of 235 homes on 45 heavily wooded, sparsely-populated acres east of Findley Elementary School and between Thompson and Laidlaw roads. To be built in six phases, the development, called Thompson Woods, will generate a number of changes to the land and the surrounding area.

In the coming months, the Cedar Mill News will look at several aspects of the project as it was approved, and what to expect from this first large-scale development in what was formerly called Area 93 and now called Bonny Slope West (BSW). In this issue, we will look at the changes to the land and streets from intensively developing this land. We will cover the impact on schools in the next issue.

The land

Ward Creek runs through the northern part of the forested acres approved for development by West Hills Development (which includes



The Ward Creek area was logged so long ago, some of the surrounding woods are almost "old growth."

Arbor Homes). It also includes wetlands and "Vegetated Corridors," which the county notes are Oregon Land Use Goal 5 resources. According to the State of Oregon, "local governments shall adopt programs that will protect natural resources for present and future generations." West Hills Development will set aside 7.8 acres of its land for these resources, and will remove the rest of the trees to build houses.

The Hearings Officer (HO) decision notes that, "clearing

and development of this site will eliminate habitat for wildlife. But the Community Development Code (CDC) does not prohibit such an effect. On the contrary, it is an inevitable consequence of concentrating new development in the urban area." It also said the animals aren't endangered or threatened, and the fringe of trees along the creek will give animals a wildlife corridor as required.

A state geologist also noted the creek area was "moderate to highly susceptible to shallow- and deep-seated landslides." The HO decision says, "The applicant has acknowledged the landslide susceptibility identified on these maps and has taken the necessary steps to address this constraint in the preliminary development plans, including the submittal of a geotechnical and geology engineering report."

Parks and trails

The 7.8 acres—the "Vegetated Corridor"—to be set aside as a protected natural area, which includes Ward Creek, will be private property, unless the park district decides

to obtain it later. Most of the trees will be preserved.

Unlike in North Bethany (NB), parks are not required

in BSW. The only requirement from developers is "to have a conversation" with THPRD about land for parks, which West Hills did, said Jeannine Rustad, Superintendent of Planning for Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District (THPRD).

County Senior Planner Suzanne Savin, who was involved in the BSW process from the beginning, explains that the Board of Commissioners (BOC) made it clear early on that they didn't want the BSW

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Our concert in our park!

Thursday, August 11, 6-8 pm, Cedar Mill Park, 10385 SW Cornell, FREE

Celebrate summer at our very own annual [concert at Cedar Mill Park](#), with headliner Britnee Kel-

logg. Her love of country music started when she first heard Reba McEntire sing "Does He Love You?" Every day since then has brought her one step closer to her dream.



Excitement was high at last year's Cedar Mill Park Concert. Photo by Bob Wayt, THPRD

logg, an American Idol finalist performing her own style of country!

What to do, eat, and bring

Open seating is provided on the park lawn. Low (beach/sand) chairs and blankets are encouraged; taller lawn chairs must be placed to the side or rear of the seating area. Leashed dogs are welcome.

Food and beverages will be available to purchase from Big O's Wood Fired Pizza and Ruby Jewel Ice Cream, or you can bring your own picnic.

This family-friendly event features THPRD's Rec Mobile and Nature Mobile, which will engage kids with games and other activities. We'll also have sponsors, community partners, and volunteers on hand with information, prizes and other activities.

The [Cedar Mill Business Association](#) is bringing back its popular Passport Contest. Concert goers will get a Passport card at the entrance or from most booths. Visit all "community partners" to get your Passport stamped, and you will be entered in a drawing for a gift basket. Drawing will be held right after the music stops, must be present to win!

Entertainment

Britnee Kellogg was three years old when she started singing, and she's never

Getting there Shuttle bus available 4:30-9 pm from Cedar Mill Bible Church, 12208 NW Cornell that will run every 15 minutes. VERY limited parking available in Cedar Mill Park parking lot; ADA parking located

in Cedar Mill Park parking lot off NW Cornell Rd. In addition, there's a trail that leads to the park from NW 107th near Reeves, so nearby neighbors could use that. Questions? Call THPRD at 503-629-6300

NW 113th sidewalk islands to be joined

The sidewalks on NW 113th Avenue will no longer end – and then begin – and then end again. By the end of the year walkers will have a

continuous ribbon of sidewalks between NW Rainmont and Cornell roads. They won't have to crisscross the steep, busy road to get to islands of sidewalk safety or walk alongside cars or drainage ditches as they make their way up or down the hill. The long-awaited project is due to begin in October, and according to Matt Meier of Washington County, be completed by the end of 2016.

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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



New Preschool Open House

Friday, August 12, 4-6 pm, 8808 NW Irving St

Cornell School is a brand-new kindergarten-prep preschool, set on a wooded three-acre site in Cedar Mill. Highly experienced teachers bring a broad range of learning opportunities in a lovely environment.

We are hosting an open house for prospective families to join our school. We are currently enrolling children ages 3-5 starting in fall 2016. Please stop by to meet the teachers, learn more about our program, and have your children explore our classrooms.

To RSVP check out our [Facebook event page](#) or send us an email at thecornellschool@gmail.com. For further information please visit our website at thecornellschool.com.

We have limited openings available with an introductory tuition pricing. Please share this event with friends and family of those who may be interested.

Village Gallery of Arts news & events

August featured artist: Nancy Chesler

Reception: Sunday, August 14, 2-4 pm

Nancy Chesler's first creative outlet was a landscaping design business in California. Since

moving to Portland in 1991, she still designs garden pots and also began to paint watercolors. Nancy finds watercolor

to be a challenging medium, saying, it's "meditative and it inevitably draws me to try to bring nature into focus."



August and September classes

For complete details on all classes please visit villagegallery-arts.org

Kristi Roberts: Children's art classes

Weekly Monday or Wednesday afternoons. For ages 7 to 14.

Liz Walker: Suminagashi marbling
Tuesday, August 9, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm

Explore this fascinating Japanese paper marbling technique using water-based inks floated on plain tap water. Suminagashi means spilled ink. Create intricate, patterned rice papers using this ancient method and then use these papers to build gorgeous layered collages.

Mary Burgess: Morning or evening watercolor classes

Wednesdays, September 14-October 19,

Morning class: 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Evening class: 6-9 pm

Both classes will focus on methods for painting luscious florals.

Jo Reimer: Collage boot camp
Saturday, September 24, 10 am to 4 pm

An introductory workshop on collage for any skill level.

Chris Keylock-Williams: Afternoon watercolor class
September 27, October 4, 18, 25 and November 15, 1-4 pm

You don't have to paint in class, but you do have to bring in your paintings for critiques and help, and to share with the other students.

Rent a Village Gallery classroom

Our classroom can be used by any group that needs a place to meet for \$20 an hour for non-members. It's ideal for painting parties, sewing groups, homeschool classes, informal lectures, or workshops. Contact our class scheduler, Bobbie Willard, at bobbienewt@gmail.com
Village Gallery is a non-profit, cooperative gallery for arts and crafts. It is located next to the Cedar Mill Community Library at 12505 NW Cornell Road. Hours: Monday through Saturday 10 am-4 pm; Sunday 12 pm-4 pm. Phone: 503-644-8001.

Pip's closes

Readers have been curious about what happened to Pip's Frozen Yogurt shop. The family enjoyed serving their many fans, but unfortunately, while the business did well during warmer months, it wasn't able to sustain enough business throughout the year, and they decided to close.

Westside Music School offers free music class

Open house: Saturday, August 20, 1800 NW 167th Place, Suite 110, Beaverton

Are you thinking about starting music lessons this fall but aren't sure where to start? Want to try before you buy? Come join us for an open house and a free music class. We offer piano and keyboard classes for all ages, early childhood music and movement classes, as well as saxophone, flute, clarinet, trumpet, and brass instruments, guitar, voice, and violin lessons. Class sizes are limited, so call 503-533-5100 to reserve your time for a



free preview lesson. More information is available at WestsideMusic-School.org

Art & Crafts Studio School fall registration opens

General registration begins August 5, visit the website for more information

Fall is a great time to focus on learning! Dive in with fall Studio School classes and workshops for adults. These hands-on courses can help you ignite ideas and build creative skills for work, life, and play. We look forward to seeing you. See class offerings and register online.

Areas of study include: Book and Print; Ceramics; Cross Media; Digital Fabrication; Drawing and Painting; Fibers; Metals; Photography; Wood; and Professional Practice.

[Visit the OCAC website](#) to explore all our offerings and to register for classes.

Hoffman Academy Open House

Saturday, August 20, 10 am-2pm, 12660 NW Cornell Rd in the Saltzman Village shopping center

Are you looking for a music teacher in Cedar Mill? Hoffman Academy is having an Open House! Visitors will have a chance to meet several of our teachers and see what we're all about.

Come and meet Hoffman Academy's newest voice and piano teacher, Stephanie Kitson, who received a bachelor's degree in Music Education with a Vocal Emphasis from Northern Arizona University. Ms. Stephanie completed an intense curriculum of music theory and history while teaching private voice lessons on the side, and recently worked as an elementary music teacher in Arizona.

If you are interested in a FREE mini-lesson during the Open House, visit our website to sign up! We will be offering a limited number of mini-lessons in piano, guitar, and voice. This will be a great chance to talk with our teachers and learn more about the Hoffman Method. We will be having a raffle as well!

If you can't make it to the Open House, feel free to stop by the office or call any time and we would be happy to answer any questions. Hoffman Academy's phone number is 503-336-3121. You can also check out our website to learn more about

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Cedar Mill Farmers Market offers free jam and pickling classes

Why preserve? There are many great reasons to learn to preserve! For Chef Lannie Kali it is the continuation of a family tradition passed on throughout generations, a way to connect with the past. Maybe you have a tree brimming with fruit and you would like to taste it in winter, maybe you'd like to make the most of the Farmers Market bounty and have healthy vegetables preserved in a tasty vinegar brine to give as a personalized gift during the holidays. Preserving can be creative, thrifty, and even a necessity in times of adversity.

Whatever your personal reason is, Cedar Mill Farmers Market would love to help you preserve both that food and those memories. Join Lannie Kali, the resident Chef and Manager in August and learn all about it! Sign up and take the entire class or just stop by and ask all of your canning questions! These classes are offered free of charge, but space is limited!

Jam making:
Saturday August 20, 11-12:30

Come over to watch and learn as we make sweet jam! We will make a fresh fruit jam, and preserve it in a water bath right at the market! Learn the mechanics from start to finish.

Pickling:
Saturday August 27, 9:30-12:30

Come watch and learn in this combination demonstration and hands-on class. We will be using a vinegar pickling brine and learning to make almost any vegetable into a pickle! Learn about the process of water bath preserving from start to finish.

To sign up for either or both classes, send an interest email to ourcmfm@gmail.com

Washington County Pie Bake Off!

Lots of excitement at the Cedar Mill Farmers Market on Saturday July 23rd as a hundred plus spectators showed up to watch the action in the first annual Washington County Pie Bake Off! Twelve feet of tables were covered completely in the most enticing array of pies—all beautiful, all delicious and all home-made!!!

After much deliberation and tasting, our three judges made their

decision; The winner was Ellen and her son Nikita with an amazing Fruit Tart Pie. With fresh berries from their booth (ELA Farms) combined with a few other ingredients



(cream cheese, heavy cream, orange zest, powdered sugar) and their special shortbread crust, to make a delightfully delicious creation. Ellen says her son Nikita was the "driving force" in entering the contest. And we are so glad they did!

After the competition, pie slices were sold to spectators to benefit the Power Of Produce Children's Program of the Cedar Mill Farmers Market!

Soil Health Workshop for School and Community Gardeners

Wednesday August 17, 9 am-1:30 pm, Forest Park Elementary, 9935 NW Durrett St.

West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District has been working hard to protect the health of soils in West Multnomah County. Every year, they teach local farmers that improving soil health can help protect natural resources and improve their operations.

They are excited to share that education with school gardens and community gardens this year, and hope you will join them for a special, free workshop! Learn the basics of soil health, how to protect it in the school garden, and how to teach it in the classroom!

They welcome multiple people from your group. Register by sending the following information to Laura Taylor at laura@wmswcd.org: The names of the people in your group; The name of your school garden or community garden; An email address and phone number to contact you about this registration; Any dietary restrictions for lunch. Space is limited! They have room for 20 community gardeners and 20 school gardeners (teachers or volunteers).

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Neighbors voice traffic concerns for planned Dale Avenue commercial building

By Mary D. Edwards

The owners of Foot Traffic at 13306 NW Cornell Road, are planning to build and lease a 6,100 square-foot one-story building, behind the running store, at 725 NW Dale. David Pietka and Joel Jorgensen, who bought the former Apollo Pools building and the adjacent 17,000 square-foot vacant lot in 2014, told the 13 neighbors attending a Neighborhood Meeting that the building would be for commercial



The vacant lot just south of the Foot Traffic building is proposed for a one-story commercial/retail building.

use only, not industrial or residential. Pietka said he hopes to start construction in October if all the permits can be obtained by then.

Many of the people who attended the meeting expressed concern about additional traffic in general, and parking on Dale Avenue. Much of their concern was related to Foot Traffic, which hosts events at the store. "There's not enough event parking," said Richard Rodriguez. "People park on both sides of the streets and block mailboxes and driveways."

But neighbors also worried about the new building drawing more cars into their residential area, just



A sign in the Foot Traffic parking lot directs customers to drive through the neighborhood.

off busy NW Cornell Road, and the safety of neighborhood children playing outside. Pietka and Jorgensen suggested that speed bumps and "Children at Play" signs may be

a condition of the development, once final plans are submitted.

Neighbor Sheila Hobernicht suggested a left-turn only sign to route drivers out to Cornell and prevent them from driving through the neighborhood. She wondered where runners attending Foot Traffic events will park once the planned affordable housing complex is built on the Murray-Cornell corner. Pietka said 40 parking spaces will be split between the new building and

Foot Traffic.

Regarding the development, Pietka assured neighbors that the future tenants would not be "vice" businesses. "No porn, no marijuana, no negative influences,"

he said. In September a medical marijuana dispensary was proposed for a house at 730 NW Dale Avenue, across the street from the proposed development. Neighbors objected: some opposing the marijuana sales, and others saying the business posed a risk to neighbors from increased traffic. We haven't heard anything further about that proposal.

Washington County zoning for 730 NW Dale, Foot Traffic, Java Lounge, and the proposed development at 735 NW Dale, is commercial/retail. Jorgensen said he and Pietka have not sought any zoning changes. They have received queries from a few potential tenants, but people are waiting for more detailed architectural plans, he said, adding he hopes to have his completed development application submitted for county approval this month.

Chip Drop

A company called "Chip Drop" does an amazing job at pairing tree companies with people who want or need wood chips! The process is free and only requires an account on the website. Once someone creates an account they can request wood chips for ground cover, mulch, etc. Tree companies can sign up to find out where wood chips are needed! To create an account and find out more [visit their website](#).

Transportation Safety Action Plan: comments due August 20

All who live, work and play in Washington County are asked to share their comments on the draft Transportation Safety Action Plan. [Review the plan, highlights](#) and important points pages online. [Share your comments and suggestions](#) by August 20.

The Washington County Transportation Safety Action Plan reviews serious injury and fatality crash data on all roads in the county to determine crash trends. After analyzing this data, action items will be developed to reduce these types of crashes. Funded by a grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), the plan is a collaboration among multiple agencies including law enforcement and emergency responders.

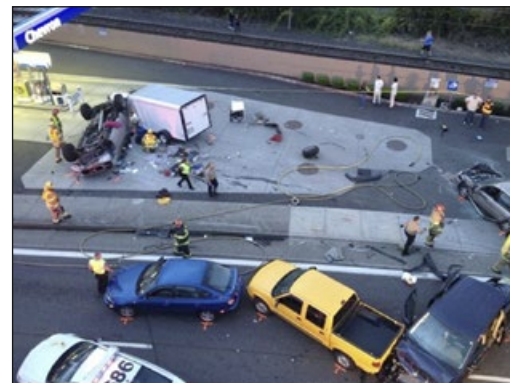
For more information, alternate communication formats, translation services or other languages contact Washington County at 503-846-7937 or 7-1-1.

Critical High Crash Corridors (2010-2014)

Specific roads and segments appear to have a higher frequency of serious injuries and fatalities. Crash data for these roadways were analyzed to obtain a crash rate per mile for each corridor. For comparison purposes, ODOT's statewide average crash rate per mile for urban non-freeway is 15.2 and urban interstate is 16.5. Crash rates on these roads (identified in the map above) are higher than ODOT's average rates. Additionally, the frequency

of alcohol, pedestrian and bicycle crashes is noteworthy for the length of these corridors, specifically Tualatin Valley Highway-OR 8. View this and other figures, tables and charts in the draft [Transportation Safety Action Plan](#)

The plan reviews transportation-related serious injury and fatality crash data on all roads in the County. Crash trends, such as types of crashes, functional road class, road-user type, etc are determined. After analyzing this data, action items are developed to improve transportation safety



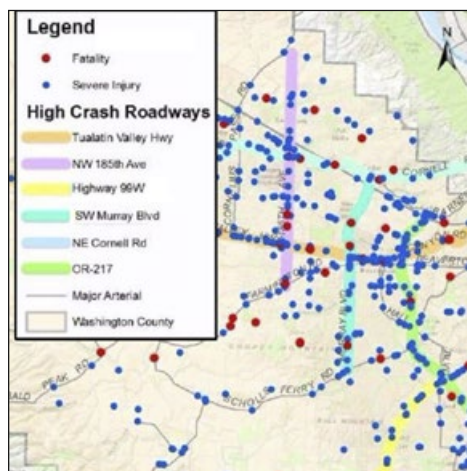
A memorable fatal crash occurred at a gas station at 185th and Baseline

and end traffic-related injuries or deaths. Action items may include enhancing nontransportation-related programs (i.e., drug and alcohol prevention) to implementing road engineering-related changes.

Improved safety can be achieved in many ways, including: supporting public education, providing incident response, monitoring high-risk environments, enforcing traffic laws and engineering the roadway to reduce conflicts between users. Transportation safety strategies are multidisciplinary and involve the 4 E's: Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and Emergency Response.

What happens after the plan is completed?

The [Transportation Safety Action Plan](#) will be finalized in September and taken to the Washington County Board of Commissioners. After it is completed, the plan will help prioritize projects and leverage needed funds for programs or projects that address the plan's goals.



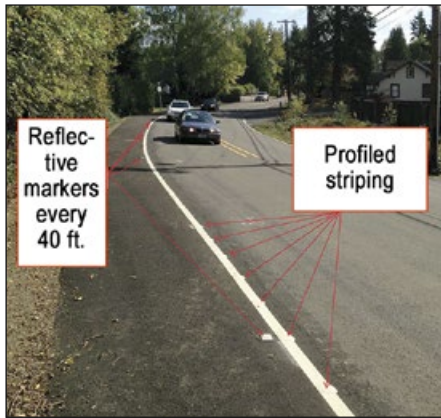
Laidlaw pedestrian project finally underway

This Urban Road Maintenance District (URMD) Safety Improvement project will construct a widened paved shoulder on the north side of Laidlaw, install an aluminum pedestrian bridge, and will include a separated pathway at the project's west end. Although it was approved for construction in 2014, the project encountered obstacles along the way to completion.

According to County Project Manager Zachary Morris, "The biggest challenge of the project has been the design of the pedestrian bridge and its foundations, along with how to convey storm water in its vicinity. Finalizing this design took longer than anticipated earlier in the year. This project has by far been the most complicated out of the group of projects with which it was selected."

He continued, "The changes

earlier this month. Flaggers will control single-lane closures 8:30 am-4:30 pm weekdays through September 2. Starting September 6, work hours will be 9:15 am-3 pm to avoid school traffic.



A typical county "widened margin" pedestrian path similar to portions of the Laidlaw project

The contract calls for substantial completion by September 16. Work on seeding establishment may go on after that date.



The aluminum bridge for the Laidlaw project was built offsite

Clean Water Services wanted were significant, so we had to meet with them to discuss a different approach. Then the plans had to get updated. So instead of going to bid in early May, the project didn't

The exact route and extent of the project, moving west to east on the north side of Laidlaw, is: from approximately 150 feet east of NW 140th Avenue to the ravine where the pedestrian bridge will be installed, it will be a five-foot-wide concrete separated pathway. Crossing the ravine will be an aluminum pedestrian bridge with a six-foot inside surface. From the east



go to bid until June 16. The bid was awarded to GT General Contracting on June 28.

Construction finally began

side of the pedestrian bridge the path will be a five-foot-wide wide asphalt widened shoulder.

Tualatin Hills Pool Closure

Monday, August 1-November

The Tualatin Hills Aquatic Center, the largest of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District's eight swimming pools, closed on Monday, August 1, so that the facility's roof and structural roof deck can be replaced. Work is expected to be completed at the end of November. The scheduled maintenance project, funded with capital replacement dollars, will yield a more energy-efficient facility when the pool reopens in early December.

"We're taking off the roof and putting on a whole new roof with four inches of insulation instead of one inch," said Peter Foster, project manager. "We're also installing digital controls in the HVAC (heating/ventilating/air conditioning) system to increase air quality and energy efficiency." Foster said the roof and structural roof deck will be removed from the building, which opened in 1978. Any rusted joists will be replaced, and the new roof will be installed.

THPRD and 2KG Contractors have worked with Energy Trust of Oregon to make these energy-efficient design choices. The district has already been awarded a \$17,000 credit for the additional insulation and air barriers; other credits could be forthcoming. "Energy Trust is currently studying the impact of a change to the HVAC fan motors," Foster said. "Putting variable speed motors on the fans would allow us to slow down air movement at night for additional energy savings."

Parking availability at the Howard M. Terpenning Recreation Complex will be affected by this project. An extensive portion of Lot B (west of the facility and parallel to SW 158th Ave.) will be utilized by construction crews for its duration.

During the closure, Aquatic Center patrons are encouraged to use THPRD's Sunset Swim Center, located at 13707 NW Science Park Dr., next to Sunset High School. Additionally, the district's two outdoor pools: Somerset West Swim Center (18300 NW Parkview Blvd.) and Raleigh Swim Center (3500 SW 78th Avenue) will remain open this fall; both outdoor pools typically close after Labor Day weekend.

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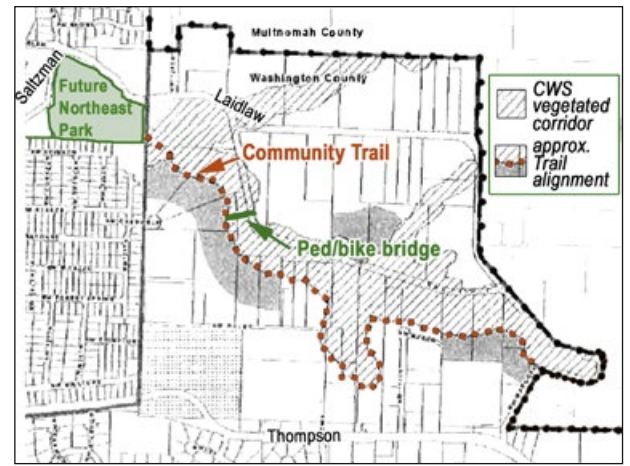
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 planning effort to have the level of detail or the prescriptive requirements of the North Bethany Master Plan. The landowners had waited long enough, after the delay because of the jurisdictional difficulties ([transferring the land from Multnomah to Washington County](#)), to realize profits on their land. In addition, BOC members noted mixed feedback from developers and service districts on the North Bethany (NB) process.

Planning staff worked with the County Planning Commission (a board of volunteers who advise the BOC on planning issues) to refine various aspects of the BSW

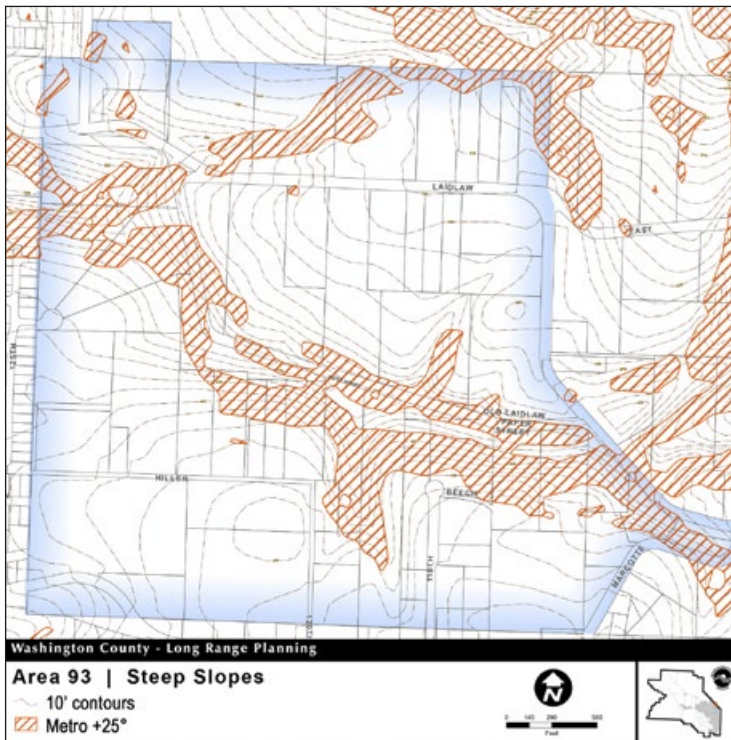
that it's possible that the whole of Bonny Slope West could be developed with no parks. She couldn't comment on negotiations the district may be having with other landowners in the area, outside the Thompson Woods segment. "If you hear of anyone in the area who wants to sell to the park district, send them our way," she said.

Although West Hills claimed during the hearing that requiring dedication of land for a Community Trail would be a "taking," (see the [Nollan-Dolan article in the June CMN](#)), the HO said there was sufficient "nexus and proportionality" to require it. At one point it was unclear whether that decision

didn't connect to the future park, but Rustad argued, and the HO agreed, that since there was not going to be a park in Thompson Woods, a connection to the adjacent park was necessary.



THPRD is asking for a trail alignment that will link to the future park



Steep slopes and protected vegetated corridors limit development in BSW

ordinance throughout 2014-2015. Regarding parks, they suggested two possible approaches: a NB-style prescriptive approach; or simply requiring developers to "have discussions with" the park district. The majority of the PC favored the latter. A couple of PC members suggested an alternative approach, requiring a percentage of parkland be created in each development.

In the end, [Ordinance 802](#), which passed in October 2015 and enabled the development of the BSW properties to urban-level densities, calls for developers to "sit down with" park districts in park-deficient areas. (This isn't required for development in other areas of the county).

Rustad said, and Savin agreed,

would be appealed by West Hills, but the time for an appeal has passed and none was filed, according to planner Paul Schaefer.

The ten-foot-wide paved trail will be constructed by THPRD—at some unknown future date—to connect to the "Future Northeast Park" on property acquired at Saltzman and Laidlaw Roads (Future Northeast Park). The original West Hills proposal showed a trail alignment that

Houses and streets

Some of the remaining buildable land is zoned R-6 (generally six dwellings per acre). West Hills Development plans to build 152 homes on those 33.23 acres. The remaining 83 homes will be built on 11.81 acres that are zoned R-9 (nine dwellings per acre). All houses will be detached. Lot sizes on the R-6 land will range from 4,000 to 7,944 square feet. On the R-9 lots, houses will sit on lots ranging from 2,800 to 4,000 square feet.

Access to the subdivision from NW Thompson Road will be on

"Road A," opposite NW Hibbard Drive. NW Milford Street, NW Brimpton Court, and NW Grenoble Lane in the Bauer Highlands subdivision to the west will be extended



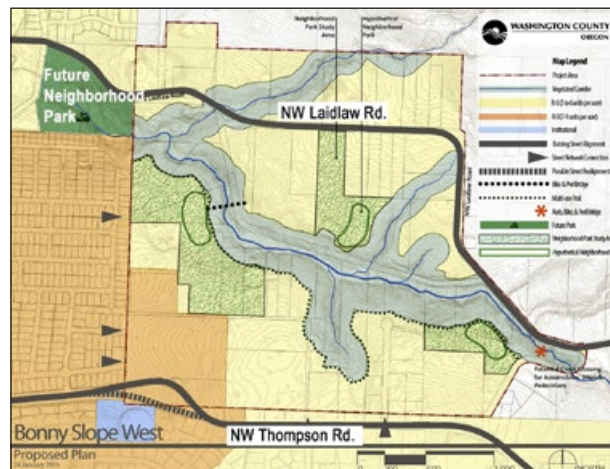
A site visit earlier this year was observed by this resident family

into Thompson Woods.

Turner noted in his decision on the project that the addition of potentially hundreds of new drivers on NW Thompson and the surrounding streets would cause additional congestion and delays. "However, based on the applicant's (West Hills) traffic analysis, the additional traffic will not exceed the capacity of those streets or cause a hazard."

Some of the nine people who testified at the May 19 public hearing begged to differ, especially regarding construction traffic, some of which will be routed through area neighborhoods. But Turner pointed out that while their concerns were "substantial evidence," they couldn't be considered because "they (the residents) are not experts in such matters."

Washington County Principal Planner Wayne Hayson noted the county



The concept plan for BSW called for a park in the general vicinity of the Thompson Woods development, but THPRD was unable to acquire land for that.

code limits construction activities to the hours of 7 am-7 pm, Monday-Saturday. The county has no authority to prohibit construction traffic on local roads. The applicant will be required to repair any roadways or other infrastructure damaged during construction.

Streets within the development will have sidewalks, landscape strips, and streetlights. The only change to NW Thompson Road, currently a two-lane arterial road with no bike lanes, will be the addition of an eastbound left turn lane at Street A and Thompson Road. The developer said at the hearing that they will design the intersection with an eye toward future improvements to Thompson, one of which is realignment to "flatten out" curves in that area. The developer "may participate" in that realignment if the county obtains the needed property within the construction timeframe. The supplemental Transportation Development Tax (TDT) that was approved for BSW will help to pay for the county's work on Thompson, which will eventually include sidewalks and bike lanes.

Sheriff's Public Safety Academy

Tuesdays 6-9:30 pm,
September 6-November 15, Sheriff's Office training rooms at 215 SW Adams Ave., Hillsboro

The Washington County Sheriff's Office Community Public Safety Academy is accepting applications for volunteers to participate in this 40-hour training program combining classroom and hands-on instruction. This unique program provides community members with the opportunity to observe first-hand the daily operations of the Sheriff's Office, including: Introduction to law enforcement equipment; Touring criminal justice facilities, including the County Jail; Overviews of crime scene investigations, patrol duties, jail activities and operations; K-9 teams, tactical operations, narcotics enforcement, and much more.

Each academy is limited to 40 students and is free. Classes are every Tuesday with one weekend class. Participants must be at least 18.

For more information, contact Darlene Schnoor by phone (503-846-2774) or by email (darlene.schnoor@co.washington.or.us).

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The county will build 1,000 feet of 5-foot-wide paved pathway, separated from the travel lane behind the ditch, along the west side of 113th Avenue from Anderson Street to Rainmont Road. It will also install radar speed display signs to slow traffic. The posted speed is 35 mph, but cars often go much faster.

The \$559,000 project falls outside of the typical sidewalk installation in unincorporated Washington County in that neither a development nor a major road improvement project spurred it. Funding for the sidewalks came from two



Walking has been a hazardous activity for neighbors around 113th

pots: Minor Betterments and the [Urban Road Maintenance District \(URMD\)](#). Minor Betterments is road money that comes from gas taxes and vehicle registrations. Its aim is make small-scale improvements that are not part of basic maintenance, but not large enough to be capital improvements. The section of 113th from Valros Lane to NW Damascus Street is funded by [Minor Betterments](#).

The URMD is funded by property taxes at a rate of about 25 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. The section from Anderson to Valros and Damascus to Melody Lane (excluding a sidewalk section built by the developer of a subdivision off Melody Lane) is funded by the URMD.

For more information on sidewalks in unincorporated Washington County see [this county page](#).

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Eat Smart! Movie

Saturday August 20, 7 pm, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman.

Come to Leedy Grange for their monthly Eat Smart! Movie, "Root Hog or Die," a film you are unlikely to see in theatres, online or in video stores.

"Root Hog or Die" provides a view into the life of old-time farmers in the rural hills of New England. They earned their living through a remarkably varied combination of seasonal activities like maple sugaring, plowing, planting, cultivating, haying, logging, dairying, and raising their families. All the while they supported each other in tightly knit communities sustained by shared values, mutual needs, and respect for the land.

Come and participate in the film series which you are unlikely to experience anywhere else. Films are free. Donations accepted!

Leedy Grange helping the homeless youth of Washington County

There are over 2,000 homeless students in Washington County. Of those, over 400 are unaccompanied youth who attend school but are not in the custody of a parent or guardian. In addition to these numbers, there are many more youth who are disconnected from schools (and are therefore not counted), have left or graduated school, or are under the radar.

"The members of Leedy Grange were surprised at the number of homeless youth in the Beaverton School District," explained Dean Moberg, who serves on the Leedy Grange Executive Committee. "Although we are a relatively small organization, we decided helping homeless youth was a way for us to contribute to the community. So we contacted HomePlate Youth Services in Beaverton."

HomePlate is Washington County's only drop-in center and outreach team designed to support and empower youth experiencing housing instability. In 2015, HomePlate served over 1,000 youth, with the help of 996 volunteers. HomePlate operates three drop-in centers where youth can get a hot meal, a shower, clothes, bus tickets, and other simple resources that can help them survive with dignity and grow in a safe, supportive environment.

Suburban neighborhoods weren't designed with the safety nets seen in urban centers. During

the economic recession, middle class families, many struggling with foreclosures and job-loss, were with few resources. Youth in these families sometimes struggle with their families, sleeping in cars or shelters, or are asked to leave home to relieve their family of a financial obligation. Across the nation, suburban communities are being confronted with the consequences of a limited social-service safety net.

"Leedy Grange is making it easy to help by accepting donations at a variety of times and locations," Moberg explained, "Folks can drop off donations at the Leedy Grange Hall (835 NW Saltzman) Monday through Friday after 6 pm, the first Saturday morning of each month, or the second, third and fourth Saturday evening of each month after 7 pm. If you want to donate gift cards only (no other items), drop those off at Poppa's Haven coffee shop on Murray Road or at the Second Edition store next to the Cedar Mill library. Leedy Grange will deliver donations made at any of these locations to HomePlate."

The most common needs are bus tickets (available at most grocery stores), granola or protein bars, gift cards (for example, Fred Meyer or Target), hygiene supplies (soap, toothpaste, shampoo), backpacks for school, and new underwear (still in the package). It's also possible to donate directly to Homeplate [on their website](http://www.homeplate.org).

Leedy Grange Artisan Flea Market

Saturday September 3, 9 am-2 pm

Sunny days beckon adventure, so come be a part of a market full of treasures, trinkets and shiny



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bangles, and artsy-craftsy hand-made finds! The Flea Market has a collection of vendors with collected, handmade, salvaged, recycled, one-of-a-kind booty. Come share this fun time with them! Free for all.

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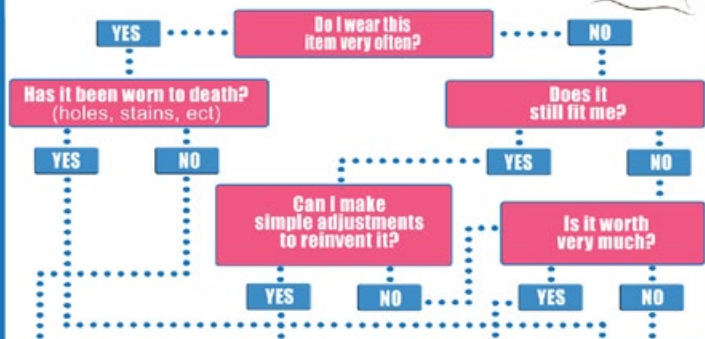
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Family-to-Family mental health sessions offered in Bethany

NAMI of Washington County will be offering their Family-to-Family class in the Bethany area beginning September 8. It is a series of 12 sessions structured to help families and caregivers understand and support adults with serious mental illness while maintaining their own well-being.

Over 250,000 family members have taken this free course across the nation. Many family members describe their experience in the program as life-changing.

The course focuses on the emotional responses families have to the trauma of mental illness. Course topics include learning about mental illnesses, therapies and the brain, the stages of emotional reactions to the trauma of mental illness, and tools for better communication.

For more information, please contact Liz at 503-356-6835, or email her at Namiwashcof2f@gmail.com

New CPO website and program updates

Washington County launched a new set of web pages this month to support Community Participation Organizations (CPOs) countywide. The step is part of a programmatic transition that has shifted administrative support for CPOs from OSU Extension Service to the Washington County organization.

The new website can be found at www.co.washington.or.us/cpo. The site includes:

Links to [sign up for online](#)



[newsletters](#),

An [interactive map](#) to look up which CPOs serve your community, [News items and media releases](#) about upcoming events,

Meeting notices, agendas and notes for [each CPO](#) and the [Committee for Community Involvement \(CCI\)](#), and

Training resources such as the

CPO Handbook

“Transitioning the CPO program management from OSU Extension to Washington County brings a host of potential benefits including a web presence that is integrated with Washington County’s web environment,” said Mike Dahlstrom, the program’s new manager. “The CPOs are a key element of the County’s goal to expand and improve public participation, and a stronger web presence will help us move toward that goal.”

Changes to the County’s public engagement program were prompted in the fall of 2014 when OSU Extension Service announced that it would no longer provide administrative support to the CPOs. In response, after an extensive community advisory process, the Board of County Commissioners brought the CPO Program into the County Administrative Office as the cornerstone of a new Community Engagement Program. More information on the transition can be found at the [Transition Team’s website](#).

CPO 1, the group that serves Cedar Mill, Bonny Slope, and Cedar Hills, takes a break in August, but will return for its regular meeting on September 13. We are planning a forum on improving options for those who commute and travel between Washington County and Portland.

Community input sought for plan on aging

Washington County Disability, Aging and Veteran Services (DAVS) is seeking public input as

they begin to develop their next area plan on aging. Shrinking resources combined with increased demand for services makes it crucial to engage the community in the process.

In addition to conducting targeted focus groups at senior centers and meal sites around the county, DAVS created an online survey. It takes less than 15 minutes to complete and can be found at surveymonkey.com/r/DAVS. The survey, available in English and Spanish, will remain open through August 31. It is targeted toward older adults and those who care for or work on behalf of them. For more information, call

503-846-3060.

Toss Trash off of the Westside Trail

Saturday, August 20, 9 am-noon, various locations

Extending north to south through the district, the Westside Trail is one of the region’s most important corridors. It connects west side neighborhoods and communities while providing access to the region’s distinctive streams, forests and prairies. We need your help to keep it looking its best!

Join forces with First Tech Federal Credit Union, SOLVE, and THPRD to clean up litter along the Westside Trail. Find out about this and other volunteer park improvement projects, and [sign up here](#).

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Bans Outdoor Burning

The Washington County Fire Defense Board, in cooperation with the Oregon Department of Forestry, has enacted a burn ban in Washington County effective Friday, July 29.

Following that decision, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue will ban all outdoor open burning throughout our jurisdiction, including areas served by TVF&R in Multnomah, Clackamas and Yamhill Counties, effective at the same time.

The Burn Ban includes the following:

1. All backyard or open burning (of branches, yard debris, etc.).
2. All agricultural burning (agricultural wastes, crops, etc.).
3. All land clearing or slash burning

The Burn Ban does not include:

1. Small backyard recreational fire pits (maximum 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet high) with clean, dry firewood, natural gas or similar.
2. Outdoor fireplaces and portable fireplaces (chimineas, etc.) with clean, dry firewood, briquettes, propane gas or similar.
3. Permitted fireworks displays.

Individuals intending to burn in this manner should use extreme caution, and all combustible vegetation and materials should be cleared from the area. Additionally, all recreational fires must be constantly tended until the fire is fully extinguished.

If conditions worsen, TVF&R may ban recreational fires as well. The burn ban will remain in effect until weather conditions minimize fire danger.

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Registration is now open for our fall semester. Families can find more information about what we offer and tuition rates on the [Academy website www.hoffmanacademy.com/portland](http://www.hoffmanacademy.com/portland).

Cook with the Doc!

Thursday, August 25, 6 pm, The Wine Cellar, 525 NW Saltzman Road

Dr. Timothy Cleary's monthly MDVIP Patient Education for August will be "Cook with the Doc," and will be held at The Wine Cellar. Please come and learn about portion control, healthy cooking and dining out tips, and enjoy a healthy meal based on these principles! Erin Palmer, The Wine Cellar owner and chef, joins Dr. Cleary at this event starting at 6 pm. Seating limited so please RSVP to 503-526-0994.

Summer Art Workshops

Maya Ceramics Studio, located in Cedar Hills near Commonwealth Lake, is offering ceramics and painting workshops for kids and adults. Instructor and artist Veronica Guzman says, "Adults and kids learn the wonderful way to build things with clay or to learn how to paint!"

The first class includes a studio tour, and working with clay using various hand building techniques. During the second class you will paint your pieces with low fire glazes and see artist demos at the wheel.

If you are interested in painting, she will help you create a painting similar to a "Paint Night," and also offers guidance to make your own creation.

Each session is two hours. All materials are included. Two sessions are \$40 per person, or \$45 parent and child special. Send inquiries to: veroguzmandavalos@gmail.com. Visit her website at www.veronicaguzman.com or find her on Facebook at [veronicas.art.50](https://www.facebook.com/veronicas.art.50)

Six easy ways to teach children about money

Children learn how to read and write in school, but teaching them about money is left to the parents and legal guardians. Kids as early as three can understand the basic concepts of spending and saving. Here are some fun ways to teach them how to be financially savvy.

1. The dime challenge: Ask your children: "How much do you think you'll save by filling up a soda bottle with coins?" It's a fun way to show them how to set goals and save for something special—like a trip to Disneyland.

2. Open their own savings account: To encourage your kids to keep their allowance—instead of spending it on expensive toys—open a savings account for them (like the Sunny Savers Account at [Sunset Credit Union](http://SunsetCreditUnion.com)). Not only will this teach your children the concept of earning interest and having their savings grow, but it will also encourage them to control their impulses to spend.

3. Use cooking to teach them how to shop on a budget: Planning meals and shopping for ingredients at a grocery store is a hands-on way to talk to your kids about how to shop smart and eat healthy. When you're in the store, make it a game to see who can find the best prices for the items on your list.

4. Have a no-money day: Get everyone to find fun ways to spend the entire day without spending a penny. For meals, find online recipes based on what you already have in your pantry; and for family activities, look for free events in your neighborhood.

5. Clear the clutter: Research has found that kids who have fewer toys exhibit more creativity, take better care of their belongings, and enjoy reading and writing. So sell or donate toys they don't play with anymore. They will learn how to let go and find ways to entertain themselves with less.

6. Read with them about money: As soon as your kids can count, you can start teaching them about the value of money. One good book for younger children is "One Cent, Two Cent, Old Cent, New Cent," in which Dr. Seuss' Cat in the Hat tells about the history of money and bartering.

Sunset Credit Union will once again be collecting school supplies for local students who are less fortunate. If you would like to donate school items, please bring them to the credit union located at 1100 NW Murray Blvd.

Cabello Salon opens

Jonathan Bermudez, hair stylist extraordinaire, opens his salon at 765 NW Joy, in the former tattoo parlor. Jonathan has been serving clientele in the area for 15 years, and is moving from a Rock Creek location. He specializes in precision

haircuts, long hair and color. There will be five other stylists added to his staff. Telephone 503-997-6529 to make an appointment or visit his web site www.cabello-studio.com.

Eighth Annual Helvetia Culture Fest

Sunday, August 14, 1-5 pm, Accoyo Norte at Pacific Crest Alpacas, 12995 NW Bishop Road, Admission \$10 adults, under 18 free

The Helvetia Culture Fest showcases the performing arts of ancestral inhabitants of the Helvetia area: the Tualatins (now under the auspices of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde) and the Swiss-German settlers who came to the area in the 1870s. The latter named this area "Helvetia" ("Switzerland" in Latin) because the rolling hills and productive farmland reminded them of their native country.

"With more than 100,000 people visiting Helvetia every year to enjoy its U-pick fruit, lavender, pumpkin and Christmas tree farms, wine tastings, bike riding and upland countryside, we see the Culture Fest as an opportunity to educate people about Helvetia's unique heritage," says Cherry Amabisca, President of Helvetia Community Association."

The festival offers a captivating array of Native American and Swiss culture. No alphorns, but this year's Fest is honored to present Oregon's Poet Laureate Elizabeth Woody! As a brilliant poet and member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, "Woody follows in the tradition of peoples who have understood the power of language, and the place of a poet/singer/storyteller at the center of the world." Be sure to arrive early at the Fest to hear her read and to browse her books. Painted Sky Dancers, a troupe of dancers and drummers from acclaimed Painted Sky Dance Company, will share traditional tribal dances and drumming. The Folsom Band will perform high-energy classic hits by Johnny Cash, with a twist.

In keeping with Helvetia's Swiss and Native-American heritages, locally made food, including bratwurst supplied by The Meating Place, will be offered for purchase at the Fest. Top it off with scrumptious strudel from Beaverton Bakery, local wine from Helvetia Winery and beer from Vertigo Brewery.

To purchase tickets, see highlights of previous festivals and for more information, go to HelvetiaCultureFest.org.

Merle Everett Thorud June 6, 1931 - July 21, 2016

Born July 6, 1931 in Laverne, North Dakota, Merle followed the family to Oregon just before World War II. He moved around a lot, but never too far from the Thorud family.

Merle served in the Air Force. He worked in the banking industry, holding many positions from cashier to examiner.

Merle owned antique stores in Sisters, Seaside, and then Timber Junction. The antique store in Timber was known as the Half Tree Bar, where the hungry could find pickled eggs and hot dogs covered in mustard. The bar, with a tree literally cut in half and finished to perfection, was the focal point for the thirsty traveler as they entered the rear part of the building.

Some of you may remember the perpetual "Estate Sale" on Walker Road across from Nike. Yes, that was Merle. He lived there for many



years, along with his sister Inez and her husband Gil before they passed away.

With the help of his family Merle moved from the old Walker road family home to Cedar Mill several years ago. Merle spent hours at the library researching family history. He also enjoyed visiting and playing lottery games at Dotty's.

During the last few months of Merle's life, the family was able to celebrate his 85th birthday at Godfather's pizza and then the 53rd family reunion in Cherry Grove. In Cherry Grove, he was able to enjoy his final "Ice Cream Social" as he served the many family members vanilla ice cream as he has done for many years.

He will be missed by his family and friends. Thank you for all the memories Uncle Merle

Beaverton Night Market returns

Saturday, August 13, 6-10 pm at The Round, 2600 SW Crescent Drive, just off the Beaverton Central MAX stop

The Beaverton Night Market returns this summer, with a multicultural evening of international food and craft vendors and performances. The market, which has doubled in size, is hosted by the city's Diversity Advisory Board (DAB) and will be held in an expanded layout at The Round. The market will feature more room to visit the now 40-plus vendors, including more food options and a dining area with tables.

"This event was an incredible success last year, and what we heard was that the community wanted more, so we're bringing the market back this year in a bigger way," said Mayor Denny Doyle. "We're excited to build on this great opportunity to come together to share culture, show that we're a welcoming community and that we're proud of our diversity."

The night market is a vibrant, intercultural, event reminiscent of night markets experienced internationally. Exhibitors from many regions of the world represented in Beaverton will share handmade crafts and goods from their cul-

tures. Visitors can sample delicacies from East Africa, Lebanon, Mexico, India, Korea, and more. Hand-crafted items and merchandise will be for sale from Latin America, Southeast Asia, Eastern Europe, Japan, and the Pacific Northwest.

Stage performances will include Japanese taiko drummers, traditional Mexican dance, Italian indie-rock, Latin and Salsa music. City of Beaverton information booths and a Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District kids' activities booth will round out the event.

Admission to the Beaverton Night Market is free. Attendees are encouraged to take TriMet or other modes of transportation as parking is limited. An ATM machine will be on-site near the information booth but some vendors do accept cards.

For more information, visit BeavertonOregon.gov/NightMarket or the [Facebook Event Page](#), or contact Alexis Ball, equity outreach coordinator, at 503-526-2503 or equity@BeavertonOregon.gov

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