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Columbia Sportswear to expand in Cedar Mill

In late August, Columbia Sportswear announced that they had bought three buildings from Electro Scientific Industries (ESI) on Science Park Drive, near the existing Columbia headquarters at Science Park and Cornell. The new buildings are adjacent to the existing employee store.

The new buildings will add around 200,000 square feet to the existing HQ's 450,000 square feet of space. Some Columbia employees work in leased space around the county, and they'll be able to move into the new spaces once they're renovated. One of the



buildings is anticipated to be ready next summer, and the other two will come on line the following year.

The company reported \$97.2 million in net income for the first half of 2019, a 77% increase over the same period in 2018, according to a news release. As of December 31, 2018, Columbia Sportswear employed more than 6,500 people around the world, according to its 2019 annual report.

ESI, which manufactures laser cutters used in the chip-making industry, was sold last year to a Massachusetts company, MKS. The buildings that were sold to Columbia were considered surplus property, since much of the ESI di-

vision's workforce was laid off even before the sale.

Paul Lamfrom, father of current chairperson Gert Boyle, founded the company in 1938 as a hat distributor (Columbia Hat Company). In the '60s the company began manufacturing its own products and changed its name to Columbia Sportswear. In the '70s, Gert's son Tim Boyle took over operations. Her grandson Joe Boyle is Columbia's brand president.

The company has been expanding

its product line since that time, and with the acquisition of Sorel and other companies, has become

one of the world's leading leisure and sports clothing and shoe companies. They're known for their technical fabrics, including thermal outerwear that is popular among skiers.

A recent Marketplace segment profiled problems that Columbia and other clothing manufacturers faced with tariffs, pointing out that by adding a small pocket to some shirts, known as a "nurse pocket," the company could avoid tariffs on them. Tim Boyle is an outspoken critic of Donald Trump's trade and immigration policies.

Columbia's decision to invest in expansion in Cedar Mill is great news, and we congratulate them on the acquisition.

Cedar Mill Cider Festival

Sunday, September 22, 1-4 pm, JQA Young House, 119th and Cornell in Cedar Mill (12050 NW Cornell Road, Portland, OR 97229)

The annual Cedar Mill Cider Festival will bring together history, music, food, and fun for the community on the grounds of the historic John Quincy Adams Young House in Cedar Mill. The site is part of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD), which sponsors the event.

Scouts from Boy Scout Troup 208 have made it a yearly tradi-

tion to crank two antique cider presses to make free samples of fresh cider for everyone. Apples will be donated by Safeway.

Guests can browse the food and craft offerings of local vendors along Vendor Alley. The THPRD Rec Mobile will be onsite to provide games and activities for kids.

Lunch will be available from Retrolicious, a local mobile food vendor. Guests



Bales Cedar Mill nears closure

by Virginia Bruce

Empty shelves, dwindling staff, and unpaid suppliers all point to the inevitable conclusion that Signature NW, the company that owns the Cedar Mill and Aloha Bales Marketplace stores, is winding down Cedar Mill operations.

In December 2004, Ken Findley sold the stores in Cedar Mill and Aloha that made up the Bales' family grocery business to Miller Family Holdings LLC, a Private Equity Investment Company. Signature NW was formed to manage the stores. Mark Miller, son of Robert Miller of the Albertsons chain, is the CEO, but it's recently been managed by his brother Barry. We can't get any information from Signature NW, so we have to observe what's happening in the stores. Rumors are flying, but here's what we know:

None of the remaining employees, including those in the Post Office, know anything about how long the store will stay open. The manager, Lyle Blow, said there's nothing he can share. There's no indication that the business has been sold.

At least one supplier told us that they haven't been paid for their

products for months. That could explain the empty shelves. The refrigerated meat and dairy display bins at the back of the store have been emptied and turned off. Much of the stock that remains on shelves appears to have come from overstock from the back room. Some shoppers have noted, on NextDoor and other social sites, that there's outdated food on the shelves.



The meat counter is empty. Meat is located in a different case.

The Post Office is a contract store, and the employees work for Bales. We spoke to the Beaverton Post Office, who told us that if it closes, PO Box holders could transfer their accounts to Aloha or Beaverton Post Offices, or get a refund, although it's unclear how much that might be. The private businesses nearby that offer PO Boxes charge two to three times as much as the USPS. The other option will be for box holders to have their mail forwarded to homes or other locations.

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can enjoy lunch or dessert while listening to the folksy bluegrass music of Lauren Sheehan and her String Band,

The History Tent will provide information about Cedar Mill history and the plans for restoration of the JQAY House, along with displays about the Atfalati (Tualatin) Indians who lived here before the pioneers.

New this year, we will be recording Oral History stories in a tent near the JQA Young House. Anyone

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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

Farmers Market is bursting with goodness!

Saturdays through October 12, 9 am-2 pm, corner of Cornell & Murray Roads.

September and the Cedar Mill Farmers Market is an excellent combo. The late summer/early fall bounty will be fresh, local, beautiful, and delicious!!

Not only that but we have some fun stuff coming up. There will be a Square Dance demo on September 14 at 9:30, a Chili Cook-Off on September 21, and a Sustainability Fair on September 28. Learn more by [visiting our Facebook page](#). All this is in addition to our weekly fun, music, kids club, and lots of vendors



to check out. Oh, and there may even be a Hula Hoop dance demo at some point...

Our last market date for the season is October 12 so make sure you make the most out of this great



Volunteers help set up the market and get a workout having fun!

market season and come visit us.

We sure could use some volunteers! Are you up at 6:30 am and want a work-out? Come help set up the market – I only takes 90 minutes. Or maybe you'd rather help at the Information Booth or Kids' booth—I have a place for you too. Are you free at 1:45 pm??? Come and help up close up. We would LOVE & APPRECIATE THE HELP!!! It is fun too!! Contact Karen - ourcmfm@gmail.com

Treating Chronic Pain with Cannabis

Tuesday, September 17, 6 pm, Fieldstone Cornell Landing, 9860 NW Cornell Road

Dr. Kim Dupree Jones will lead an in-depth discussion of the uses of cannabis to effectively treat and manage chronic pain and other medical conditions.

Dr. Jones, PhD, RN, FNP, FAAN, is a Professor and Dean at Linfield College School of Nursing and a Research Professor at Oregon Health & Science University. Her area of research is fibromyalgia, a chronic pain disorder primarily affecting women. Dr. Jones has over 300 publications and her work is cited in national and international fibromyalgia treatment guidelines and texts. She has completed 60 studies in fibromyalgia to date.

She is the president of the Fibromyalgia Information Foundation, a non-profit organization whose aim for the past three decades has been to disseminate scientifically sound fibromyalgia data. Dr. Jones speaks nationally regarding chronic pain and cannabis. She has received numerous awards and accolades,

including being recognized as a Fellow in the American Association of Colleges of Nursing for her overall body of work.

Call 503-292-9222 by September 13 for more information and to reserve your place. Admission is free and open to the public.

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Save the Flower Baskets!

We need your HELP! Did you know that the Cedar Mill Business Association (CMBA) raises the funds and provides the coordination to hang lovely flower baskets in the local community? The baskets hang along NW Cornell Rd—from

NW Saltzman, partially along NW Saltzman to just before NW 143rd, ending around Sunset Athletic Club. The baskets hang from approximately May to October. For several years, we have been having a difficult time finding funds and volunteers to run this program. This year we have actually run out of funds to hang the baskets for the entire season, so the baskets will be taken down early

The nature of the CMBA has dramatically changed since its beginning, as has the community, which is more developed, and includes areas like Bethany, Timberland and Forest Heights. Some of the businesses along NW Cornell Rd are "corporately" owned and no longer have a strong interest in the local community. The CMBA has changed as well, with many of our business owners being located in the surrounding areas including Bethany and Timberland. A large



portion of our members are service providers (insurance, real estate, mortgage) and small business solopreneurs who are not in a position to fund these expensive baskets along commercial roads. We are a 501c6 non-profit run mostly by volunteers.

The Flower Basket program costs around \$9000 a year, and this year we were only able to fund about half of this, leaving us with a \$4500 short fall. We have put together a team of both local businesses and local community members to brainstorm, and try to figure out a sustainable solution for both funding and coordination in the coming

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CPO News

September meeting: preparedness, getting around, clearing the air

Tuesday, September 10, 7-9 pm, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman

Earthquake Preparedness: Alita Ostapkovich, [Washington County Emergency Management](#), will fill us in on what we need to know to be prepared for the predicted "big one." Bring your questions!

Ride Connection: Aryka Hanto will discuss [Ride Connection](#). This program provides free transportation options to older adults, Veterans, and people with disabilities in Washington, Multnomah, and Clackamas counties. Along with partner organizations they provide over half a million rides annually to people who otherwise may not be able to participate in their community.

Open house for Springville Road improvements

Monday, September 16, 5-7 pm, Bethany Presbyterian Church, 15505 NW Springville Road



Springville Road is currently a two- and three-lane urban arterial serving the rapidly growing North Bethany area. Road sections are not standardized, with narrow shoulders and multiple pedestrian-and-bicycle conflict areas. The project will widen Springville Road, between Kaiser Road and Joss Avenue, to three consistent lanes (one lane in each direction with a center turn lane). Bicycle lanes, sidewalks and street lighting will also be added.

The project is in the design phase. Construction is expected to begin in summer 2020, with completion anticipated by spring

Land Use Ordinances

To learn about this season's ordinances, which adopt, amend, or repeal land use laws, visit the [county website](#). Several ordinances have an effect on our community, including one on Accessory Dwelling Units and one outlining requirements for Telecommunication facilities (including cell towers).

Woodstove Exchange Program:

Tim Davis will describe how the [county's program](#) works to clear the air and provide safe, efficient heating to people who use woodstoves.

The meeting will be live-streamed on the [CPO 1 Facebook page](#), and also available for viewing after the meeting.

The Cedar Mill Library has CPO meeting notices, neighborhood meeting notices, and other information available. Find the information in the Community area on the mezzanine in the northeast corner of the library, or check with the reference desk for assistance.

2021. The \$6.8 million project is funded through the North Bethany Service District.

The Washington County project team will be available to answer questions. No formal presentation is planned; stop by any time during open house hours.

For more information, visit the [project webpage](#) or contact Capital Project Services at 503-846-7800 or lutproj@co.washington.or.us. For a sign or spoken language interpreter, please call 503-846-7822 (or 7-1-1 for Telecommunications Relay Service) at least 48 hours prior to this event.

Public Affairs Forum

Mondays, September -June, noon, Coyotes Grill, 5301 W. Baseline Road, Hillsboro

The Washington County Public Affairs Forum meets every Monday at noon. Attendance is free, but only paid members may ask questions of speakers. Lunch is available for purchase starting at 11:30 a.m. Visit the [forum website](#) to learn more and purchase your membership.

September 9: State Representative Ken Helm of Washington County, House District 34, chair of the House Committee on Energy and Environment, is going discuss recent efforts to address climate change with a statewide Cap and Trade policy, and the future of Oregon's environment.

Japanese Beetle yard debris site closed for the winter

The Japanese beetle yard debris drop off site at Northwest Landscape Services in Hillsboro will be closing for the Fall and Winter on Friday, October 4. Northwest Landscape Services will not be used for the Japanese beetle yard



debris in 2020, and we will notify everyone with the new location of the yard debris drop off site before the quarantine starts again.

The reason for the closure is the reduced risk of spreading adult beetles during the fall and winter. Other businesses in the area that handle yard debris waste can take loads from the quarantine area during the closure. Curbside yard debris will continue to be redirected to the Hillsboro Landfill as part of the Japanese beetle eradication and containment project. Please continue to use your curbside bins normally.

Also, loads of fall leaves *do not* need to be taken to the Japanese beetle yard debris drop off site in Hillsboro. Loads of fallen leaves are not a risk to spread Japanese beetle and are not part of the quarantined material.

If you have any questions, please contact the project coordinator Ashley Toland at 503-881-5198 or atoland@oda.state.or.us. Thank you for your cooperation.

For up-to-date information and answers to Frequently Asked Questions, [visit our website](#).

Leedy Grange Ice Cream Social

Saturday, September 14, 12-2 pm, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman Road

Come see what Leedy Grange is all about. In addition to ice cream and toppings, of our members will present short workshops about weekly classes held at Leedy. Come to any or all of these brief sessions to learn: Self-Defense Techniques, Israeli Folk Dance, Basic Sign Language Skills, Swing Dancing.

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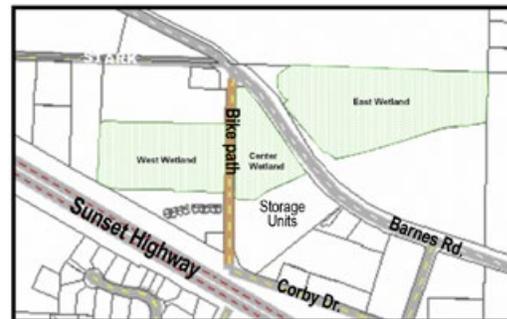
Cedar Mill's Wetlands: An Update

by Auveen Hajar, CMN Intern

Over the past few decades, Cedar Mill's two big wetland areas have undergone a great amount of change, and on multiple occasions, have been damaged and restored. Today, the wetlands go relatively unnoticed to the many who pass by the properties on a daily basis. Nevertheless, they have been important to wildlife that actively use the areas, as well as serving important functions in improving the quality of our water. So where do we stand with the wetlands? How did they

become what they are today? Then, in the 1980's, the Cedar Mill Wetland faced unavoidable consequences from the establishment of the Sunset Transit Center and the realigning of Barnes Road. Due to the cooperation of multiple organizations, it was again converted into a wetland and, soon after, was acquired by [The Wetland Conservancy](#). Ever since, the organization has maintained and protected the wetland.

The Saltzman wetland, located on the east side of Saltzman Road, is privately owned by the Bauer Oaks Homeowners Association, but is maintained and protected by [Clean Water Services](#). The wetland was constructed originally as a requirement for development of Bauer Oaks. It is primarily used to improve water



quality by filtering pollutants from stormwater that runs off the impermeable surfaces—roofs and roads—in the upstream developments. The [Saltzman wetland](#) is funded by ratepayers and preserved by the Clean Water Service. The Cedar Mill Wetland has a path that goes from the northwest part of Corby Drive to Barnes Road which people are welcome to walk and bike on. The Saltzman wetland also has a small trail along the south side of the property, however, since the Saltzman wetland is

become what they are today? Wetlands play a big role in the health and habitability of our environment. They serve a handful of important purposes that affect the way we live. A wetland can hold water in order to slow the runoff and prevent flooding, and also purify the surface water. Wetlands can prevent erosion caused by storms and flooding by binding or stabilizing the soil. Lastly, wetlands are also capable of filtering water by removing sediments and chemicals that flow from yards and roads into

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In February 1997, as the project began, the Cedar Mill Wetland wasn't very pretty. White sticks supported saplings.

storm drains, reducing the need for purification. Often, this can be the sole purpose for the creation of an artificial wetland.

The [Cedar Mill wetland](#), located in the center of Cedar Mill, is a sixteen-acre property along Barnes Road. It had historically been a wetland, but in the early 1900's the land was drained to become a horse pasture and was later used for agricul-

privately owned and resides on private property, the use of the trails around this wetland is up to the Homeowners Association. When asked in 2015 by the Cedar Mill News regarding walking on trails around the Saltzman Wetland, Steve Keenon, the Surface Facilities Maintenance Supervisor for Clean Water Services, stated that, "This is private property so any discussion

of trails would be up to the HOA”.

It is worth noting that the Saltzman wetland has had its fair share of problems and setbacks in the past. In 2015, during heavy rains, the wetland overflowed and



Restoration was done in waders in the early days of the project

flooded Saltzman. Steve Keenon, CWS technician, noted that, “detention facilities are intended to hold high water and meter it out slowly, but this older facility was not functioning properly because three larger pipes drained to a 12” pipe. The problem was compounded by the beaver (or nutria) activity.” When he was interviewed back in 2015, he talked about the solutions that Clean Water Services had to tackle the problem: “In addition to repairing the berm, our crews will install another overflow pipe to allow the area to drain better. We will also revegetate with native wetland plants and hydro-seed the disturbed areas to protect against future erosion.”

The Wetland Conservancy has relied on volunteers in the community to help maintain and protect The Cedar Mill Wetland. In the past, the organization sponsored [restoration parties](#) for community residents to aid in the effort of removing invasive plants and replacing them with new native species. In the past, students have also aided in this effort and the wetland has drastically changed from when restoration work initially began. Remember the white sticks that were visible in the early days? Vibrant vegetation now fills the wetland.

The wetlands have become a habitat for wildlife in the community. Among the many animals that actively use the wetlands are deer, reptiles, many species of birds, amphibians, and beavers. In addition to the wildlife that inhabits the wetlands, the properties have turned into homes for a variety of

vegetation types, which include wet meadow communities, forest upland, and scrub-shrub areas.

Over the past decades, restoration projects have turned the wetlands in Cedar Mill into beautiful areas with diverse vegetation communities and wildlife that positively impact our community on a daily basis and have historically served an important purpose in our local ecosystems. For these reasons, it is essential that they are maintained and preserved as, according to the Wetland Conservancy, nearly half of all wetlands on the mainland United States have been destroyed by development.

Oregon Trail of Tears and Other Hidden Native Histories

Saturday, October 5, 11 am-1 pm, Washington County Museum: 17677 NW Springville Rd. \$8 museum members; \$15 non-members, [tickets online here](#).

Washington County Museum invites you to a Local Story event with David G. Lewis, PhD, and Stephanie Littlebird Fogel. Lewis is an esteemed author, Native American historian, ethnohistory consultant, anthropologist, teacher, and a member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. Fogel is guest curator of the museum’s latest exhibit This IS Kalapuyan Land. Together they will discuss Indigenous representation in museums and the Oregon history that is often left out: the creation of reservations, the residential school system, termination, and restoration of Indigenous sovereignty. This traumatic period from the 1850s-1970s was neglected on our museum’s own original panels before Fogel addressed them. Lewis will share his research on the impact of these policies then and now and how people and institutions can address truth and healing today.

This special conversation will be a chance to learn more about essential local history and culture on an intimate scale with some open discussion time at the end.

The Museum is open noon-4 pm Wednesday-Fridays; 10 am-4 pm Saturdays. For admission, memberships, events and more: visit washingtoncountymuseum.org; email info@washingtoncountymuseum.org; call 503.645.5353

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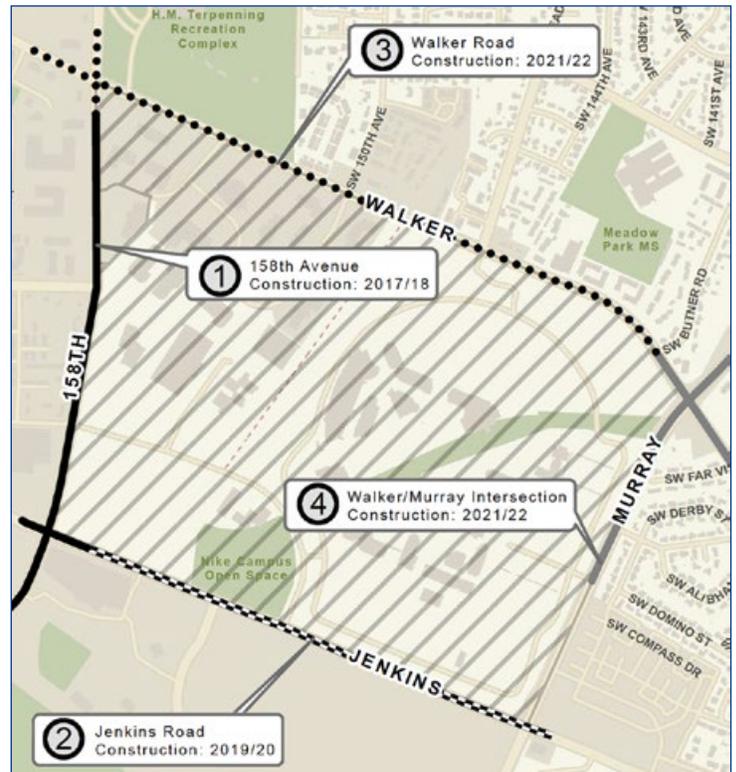
Nike's further expansion adds \$3.1 million to county road fund

The Washington County Board of County Commissioners approved an amendment at its September 3 meeting to accept an additional payment from Nike for road improvements around its campus.

In April 2013, Nike announced a proposed expansion of its World Headquarters Campus. In December 2014, Nike obtained County land use approval for the expansion. In March 2016, the Board of Commissioners adopted an agreement for the funding and construction of the following County road safety and capacity improvements adjacent to Nike's World Headquarters Campus:

- 158th Avenue: 5-lane improvement (Walker Road to MAX line south of Jenkins Road), includes both interim and permanent Westside Trail improvements (complete)
 - [Jenkins Road: 5-lane improvement](#) (158th Avenue to Murray Boulevard) (under construction)
 - Walker Road: 5-lane improvement (from west of 158th Avenue to Butner Road)
 - Walker Road/Murray Boulevard intersection capacity improvements
- Expansion of the Nike campus has afforded an opportunity to leverage Nike's significant Transportation Development Tax (TDT) payments to advance these long-needed road safety and capacity improvements that will benefit County residents and businesses that rely on these roads every day. Funding for these road improvements will be a combination of TDT and Major Streets Transportation Improvement Program (MSTIP).

Key provisions of the original



agreement included:

- Nike's commitment to prepay its \$10.1 million TDT obligation for three new buildings approved in 2014, in order to advance the road projects as soon as possible.
- Nike's commitment to dedicate approximately two acres of right-of-way and/or easements needed to construct the road improvements at no cost to the County.
- Nike's voluntary commitment to provide additional easements needed to facilitate construction of a significant segment of the Westside Regional Trail along its 158th Avenue frontage.
- Washington County's commitment to deliver these much-needed road improvements.

Key provisions of the amendment include:

- An additional Nike TDT payment of \$3.1 million, for a fourth new building approved in February 2017 and currently under construction, will be applied to completing the road improvements identified in the original agreement.
 - Nike will voluntarily dedicate additional right-of-way and easements needed for the road improvements.
 - Updated project delivery schedule.
- Many of us would like to see an additional right turn lane added to the Murray to Jenkins intersection, but that's not in the plans.

US 26/Cedar Hills intersection costs

Washington County oversaw the project for [improvements at the eastbound off-ramp](#) from US Hwy 26 at Cedar Hills Boulevard. The original scope of the project added a signal at the intersection, and pedestrian facilities along the east side of Cedar Hills Boulevard. The scope was expanded to include widening the eastbound US Hwy 26 exit ramp and adding a widened sidewalk along Cedar Hills Boulevard.

The widened ramp opened and the signals were activated on May 3, 2019. The total cost for the project was \$2,381,606

The project is within the City of Beaverton, and under the State of Oregon's jurisdiction. In July, the Board of County Commissioners approved an amendment accounting for an additional contribution of \$215,000 from the State of Oregon to address pedestrian and bicycle facility enhancements. ODOT was originally obligated to pay \$200,000, but is now paying \$415,000. Beaverton paid \$200,000. J. Peterkort & Co. originally paid \$200,000, and a cooperative agreement with the county added an additional \$366,606. Washing-

ton County's total contribution was \$1,200,000, which included engineering and supervision of the project.

After a few days of frustration, while the signal timing was worked out, most people find that things are working a lot better at the improved intersection! The eastbound offramp from the freeway is now a good choice, instead of a mess, so if you need to go past Murray, you don't have to get off there and negotiate Cornell!

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Metro Transportation Task Force meets in Beaverton

Wednesday, September 18, 5:30-7:30pm, Beaverton City Hall, council chamber, 12725 SW Millikan Way, Beaverton

The [Transportation Funding Task Force](#) advises the [Metro Council](#) on the development of a possible 2020 regional transportation investment measure. The group usually meets in Portland at the Metro headquarters, but local officials, including BCC Chair Harrington, have been urging it to bring meetings to Washington County. The task force will meet regularly through the spring of 2020.

Written comments: Although public comment is welcomed at meetings, you are encouraged to share written comments with the Task Force. Please email comments to getmoving@oregonmetro.gov. Comments received by 2 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be printed for the meeting. This event is wheelchair accessible.

Daughters of the American Revolution join the Parade

Saturday, September 7, 10 am, Griffith Park, free

Participate in the Beaverton Celebration Parade at Griffith Park in Beaverton! In keeping with the theme "Superheroes Walk Among Us" the entry will include women veterans from World War II as well as promoting Constitution Week, September 17-23, which commemorates the signing of the United States Constitution on September 17, 1787. Women 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion or ethnic background are eligible to join once documentation is supplied to prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution.

Beaverton Historical Society

Tuesday, September 10, 7 pm, Esie Stuhr Senior Center, 5550 SW Hall Blvd., suggested \$3 donation

Bob Hill will discuss what motivated pioneers to travel the 2,000 mile Oregon Trail, the harsh realities faced along the way and the conditions they discovered upon arrival in Oregon. Learn why Oregon City is the official end of the Oregon Trail, and the important role that town played in organizing pioneer land claims, early Oregon government, and even Portland's name.

Oregon campaign finance reform forum

September 9, 7-8:30 pm, Shute Park Library, 775 SE 10th Ave, Hillsboro

What state do you think ranks highest on the amount corporations donate to political candidates, per resident? New Jersey? California? Florida? Nope. It's Oregon. We are #1 for corporations influencing who represents us. Timber companies, in particular, spend big money, giving more to Oregon lawmakers than to lawmakers in any other state. Why do our laws fall short of what Oregonians want?

Oregon is one of just five states without campaign contribution limits, and we have some of the weakest campaign finance laws in the country. Here's a sneak preview of the three bills that passed this session and will be discussed:

House Bill 2716 will require political advertisements to disclose who has paid for the ad and their top five donors

House Bill 2983 exposes "dark money" groups by requiring more transparency in reporting from organizations that contribute to partisan political activity

Senate Joint Resolution 18 will give voters a chance to decide in November 2020 whether to amend the Oregon Constitution to allow for campaign contribution limits.

State Representative Dan Rayfield (D, Corvallis) is holding a series of campaign finance forums around the state. Each forum will include a panel of election reform experts, a presentation explaining the reform bills passed, and a community discussion to hear what Oregonians think next steps should be. What kind of campaign contribution limits would you like to see? Learn more on [Rayfield's website](#).

American Sign Language classes

Wednesdays, September 18, 25; October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 6:30-8 pm, Leedy Grange, 835 NW Saltzman Rd., \$120

Join Anne Gray Liversidge, Ph.D., an experienced ASL instructor and licensed Oregon teacher, in learning the basics of American Sign Language and Deaf Culture. The goal of completing this non-credit course is to have each student be able to carry a basic conversation in ASL and have a basic knowledge of Deaf culture and how to interact with the Deaf/HH community. See website at [signclass.org](#). Contact: anne@signclass.org or text 503-926-2836.



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Bales, continued from page

Ryan Egge runs Bales Findley Property Management, which owns the building. He says that he will



try to find a new space for the Post Office, either in the new Milltown Center that's under construction across the street, or into whatever business succeeds Thriftway in the current location. "It's not feasible to keep it open in the current location if the store closes," he says.

Rumors that the building will be demolished to make way for housing are incorrect. Based on a listing

Park News

Dog Park meeting held at Husen Park

A "listening session" was held at Jackie Husen Park on August 29 to gather neighbor input on a proposed "Dog Run" to be installed at the northeast corner of the park, located at 10955 NW Reeves St. According to the [Park District's new guidelines](#), a Dog Run is a smaller facility than a full-size dog park that can be located in a neighborhood park.

Two locations were suggested for the facility: one near the north margin of the area, and one closer to the community garden. Attendees were asked to vote for their preferences, and also to place red or green stickers on a board indicating their support or opposition to the facility.

According to Keith Watson, Community Programs Manager for THPRD, "The data collected at last night's listening session has not yet been evaluated and at this point we have not confirmed next steps."

Watson declined to share images from the meeting, saying, "THPRD is opting not to promote or advertise the installation of dog runs in small neighborhood parks. We want these to be used by local neighbors and not be destination

on [Neville & Butler Commercial Real Estate](#). Bales-Findley is looking for a new tenant. No date is listed for availability, but we understand

that the existing lease expires in October.

Nobody is happy about this! Bales has been a hub of community activity since the original store opened across the street in 1961. Whether it's the [changing grocery scene](#), mis-management and lack of vision, or other factors, we'll miss the friendly staff, wonderful fish, meat and produce, the variety of local specialty products, great beer and wine selection, or just running into our friends and neighbors during the spectacular food and wine shows, it will leave a hole in the community. We hope it can be replaced by something new and wonderful.

Oak Hills Community Garage Sale

Friday & Saturday, September 6 and 7

Residents are encouraged to clear out garages, closets and spare bedrooms to get ready for the Oak Hills Community Garage Sale. Sales will be throughout the Oak Hills neighborhood, in garages and yards, and also at the Rec Center.



Rock Creek Trail Parkrun

Saturdays, September 7 & 14, 8:40 am

A free 5km walk or run in the park along the Rock Creek Trail. All ages, all abilities are welcome. Walk or run at your own pace in a supportive community-led environment. The event starts at the trailhead from NW West Union Rd.

[Register online](#). For more information visit their [Facebook page](#).

future park improvements and environmental education programs.

Help improve trails at Lost Park

Saturday, September 28, 9 am-noon, Lost Park, 2120 NW 111th Ave.

Help improve a staircase at Lost Park, including replacing gravel and wood, trimming hedges, and installing traction treads. Tools, snacks, and a water cooler will be provided. Please bring a re-useable water bottle to drink from throughout the project, and work gloves.

[Sign up](#) to volunteer!

Town Hall Meeting With State Representative

Sunday, September 8, 2-3:30 pm, TVF&R Station, 13545 NW Evergreen Street.

One of the two State Representatives who each represent part of our neighborhood, Brad Witt (he represents roughly the area north of NW Cornell Road) is holding a Town Hall meeting in Bethany. Attend with your questions about the past session and upcoming Oregon Legislature issues.

CiderFest, continued from page 1 with stories about earlier times in Washington County is welcome to visit the History Tent to sign up. The videos will be available on the Cedar Mill History website.

For more information, visit cedarmillhistory.org/ciderfestival or facebook.com/CedarMillCider-Festival. Questions may be directed to Virginia Bruce, 503-803-1813 or info@cedarmillhistory.org.

The grounds are wheelchair-accessible, although the area is not paved and can be rough in spots.



Lauren Sheehan brings her String Band to entertain us!

Free parking is available after 1 pm in the Cedar Mill Bible Church parking lot; look for the signs on Cornell. TriMet lines 62 Murray and 48 Cornell serve the site and depart from the Sunset Transit Center.

The Immigrant Story Live

Wednesday, September 18, 7-9 pm, Beaverton City Library Auditorium, 12375 S.W. 5th St., free

This live event will celebrate our storytellers as well as the broader [Welcoming Week](#), which is designed to bring together immigrants, refugees, and U.S.-born residents to raise awareness of the benefits of welcoming everyone to our communities.

The Immigrant Story Live kicks off with a musical performance featuring a collaboration between [Masumi Timson](#), a renowned musician of the koto, one of Japan's most treasured instruments, and [Fumino Ando](#), a reputed Oregon Symphony violinist from Japan. Afterward, from 8 to 9 o'clock, four different storytellers from across the globe will share unique stories about the arduous and frequently dangerous journeys that brought them to the United States. Doors open at 6:30 pm, seating is limited.

District Seeks Applicants for Middle School Boundary Adjustment Advisory Committee

Submit application online before Friday, September 27, 4 pm [on the website](#). Attend the first meeting on Thursday, October 24

Parents and community members in the Beaverton School District are encouraged to apply to serve on the Beaverton School District Middle School Boundary Adjustment Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee meetings are public meetings where stakeholders will be invited to testify to the Committee and observe the Committee's work.

The District will open a new middle school to students in August 2021. The new middle school is located on NW 118th Avenue in the Timberland neighborhood. Opening the new middle school will require the creation of a new middle school attendance boundary which will necessitate a comprehensive review of all existing middle school attendance boundaries by the Advisory Committee.

The Committee work will begin in October 2019 and will conclude by March 2020. The committee will meet two times per month, typically on Thursday evenings. The first Advisory Committee meeting will be on October 24, 2019 and will be a project orientation meeting. Meetings will be held at middle schools throughout the District.

Membership on the Middle School Boundary Adjustment Advisory Committee will include up to two parent/community members from each current middle school. Beaverton School District staff are not eligible to be members of the Advisory Committee.

The Boundary Adjustment Advisory Committee will use [School Board Policy JC](#) to study and recommend attendance boundary changes to: Create an attendance boundary for the Timberland-area middle school; alleviate student crowding at Stoller MS; and review and adjust the attendance boundaries of other middle schools.

For more information, please contact the Communications & Community Involvement Department at 503-356-4360.

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years. The greatest need will be more volunteers and more funds. Each basket costs approximately \$300 per season, and we are looking for “pledges” of \$100 or more.

We are taking pledges only at this time, with no funds to be collected until later. If we do not have all of the funds ready by January 2020, we will not proceed with the flower baskets program. The CMBA WANTS to help keep this lovely tradition, and keep the Flower Basket program going. We just need more community participation.

If you have an interest in supporting this wonderful cause, please email us at admin@cedarmillbiz.com.

The Ackerly at Timberland Events

All events are open to the public, and take place at the Ackerly, 11795 NW Cedar Falls Dr., in the Timberland Center. Please call (503) 350-3400 to RSVP for events that require it.

Senior Fitness Class

Wednesday, September 4 and 18, October 2, 2-2:45 pm, RSVP required.

Fitness class geared toward 55+ age group. Focus is stretch, strength and maintaining or increasing mobility and balance.

TED Talk Tuesday & Discussion

Tuesday, September 10, 3:30 pm, RSVP required.

The world’s population is getting older. Across the globe, people are living longer thanks to improvements in healthcare, nutrition, and technology. This population shift brings with it incredible possibilities, but also a new set of challenges. How do we care for our elderly? Watch a video in the theater and join the discussion about the topic.

Guitar Performance

Saturday, September 14, 3:30 pm, RSVP required.

Come enjoy Peggy Schwartz play her guitar for our community. Enjoy folk, country, standard songs and more. This is an acoustic performance with vocals.

Miles for Meals Walk/Run

Saturday, September 21, 8 am-12 pm, free.

Join our residents, staff, neighbors and local vendors to raise money for the Oregon Chapter of Meals on Wheels. The festivities will start with Packet Pick-Up from 8-9 am, warm up to follow.

Race starts at 10 am, and an award ceremony to follow at 12 pm. Options for participation include 1/2 mile walk or 1 mile walk around the Cedar Mill Wetlands, starting at The Ackerly at Timberland.

Infinity Rehab Wellness Talk

Thursday, September 26, 1 pm, RSVP required.

September is Healthy Aging Month! Who doesn’t want to stay healthy? While we can’t slow down time, there are many steps we all can take to maintain our health as we grow older. Come to this month’s Infinity Rehab talk and learn about the important role exercise, diet, proper rest, preventative medical care, social involvement, and stimulating brain activities all play in making the healthiest you possible.

Village Gallery of Arts

Art Challenge Fundraiser:

Everyone is invited to participate! You have 40 days to get creative and try something new. Each artist sets their own price and receives 60% of the sale price! Choose from 3 categories offered:

- 1) Three natural or water media 6”x6” panels, \$40 registration
- 2) One 14” grapevine wreath, \$10 registration
- 3) Wreath AND panels, \$45 registration

By participating in the Art Challenge, you are supporting local artists and are contributing to keeping the Village Gallery open and funded. Help promote this crucial event by posting your progress on Facebook and Instagram (#VGChallenge), emailing family and friends, and handing out flyers (available at the Gallery). THANK YOU!

Learn more on the Gallery website, or drop by and pick up a flyer.

Gently Used Art Supply Sale

Friday, September 27, 12-4,
Saturday, September 28, 10-4,
Sunday, September 29, 12-3, 12505
NW Cornell Rd. #14.

Our artists are clearing their studios! This is your opportunity to purchase gently used art and craft supplies at bargain prices! Some of the items donated include easels, mat cutters, canvas, mat board, watercolor paper, brushes, paints, pastels, oils, and art books. Many

items come in last minute, so be there early to pick up your bargain art supplies! If you have items you would consider donating to our sale, please contact Judy Vatne at mcvatne@comcast.net.

Our small space does not allow for storage so please deliver your donations to the gallery Thursday, September 26, between noon and 7 pm. Thank you for supporting this VGA fundraiser for gallery improvement projects.

Reception for Featured Artists and Crafter for September

Wednesday, August 1, 2-4 pm,
12505 NW Cornell Rd. #14.

September is our New Member Showcase: Members of every category who have joined the Gallery between September 2018 through August 2019 are invited to show work this month. It is a delightful way to welcome our new members each year!

Featured Crafter for September: Eileen Millsap: functional



Fused glass pieces by Eileen Millsap

and decorative works of opaque, translucent and dichroic glass. Come enjoy refreshments while browsing fine art and crafts! Meet our new members and our Crafter of the month. Call 503-644-8001 for additional information.

Touchmark events

Unless otherwise noted, all events are at Touchmark, 840 SW Touchmark Way, and are free and open to the public. To RSVP for any of these events, call 503-954-1640.

Meet the Artist

Tuesday, September 10, 11 am, free.

Molly Cliff-Hilts is an artist whose work is part of an emerging form that fuses painting, photography, and printing using wax,



Incidental Strand by Molly Cliff-Hilts

lithographic ink, oil and graphite. Her Incidental Strand is among the original art collection at Touchmark. Along with her solitary and expressive landscape paintings, Molly studies images of everyday life, and the play between nature and humankind. Her work is in notable collections worldwide, including the private collection of Bill and Melinda Gates.

Parkinson’s Support Group

Wednesday, September 11, 5:30 pm.

This support group meets the second Wednesday of each month and is open to those living with Parkinson’s as well as family members or friends.

Lunch & Learn Presentation

Friday, September 13, 11 am.

Jeanette Leardi, will present “Now, what was I thinking? How to boost your memory.” Do you feel you are forgetting more things on a regular basis? Are you worried this might be a symptom of dementia? In this engaging presentation based on the latest neuroscientific research, Leardi will share details about how memory works and the different kinds of memory processed by the human brain. She’ll also talk about strategies for maintaining—and boosting—the brain’s capacity to remember. Leardi is a social gerontologist, writer, editor and community educator.

Food & Craft Fair and Concert

Wednesday, September 18, food & craft fair: 12-3, concert: 4:30-6, free entry.

Celebrate the close of summer with local vendors, artisans and one of the hottest country-western bands in town. Sample fresh-roasted corn on the cob. Enjoy freshly made lemonade and an all-lemon alcoholic beverage with a donation to support Project Lemonade, which helps support foster youth. Visit local vendor displays, and groove to Chihuahua Desert. No RSVP necessary.

Healthy Aging

Thursday, September 19, 1 pm, free.

Psychotherapist and aging specialist Jamie Levin, LCPC, will discuss the role of fostering acceptance, friendship, and social connections in healthy aging.

Culinary Passport: Cuba

Friday, September 20, 11:30 am

Cuban cuisine blends the influences of Spanish, African and Caribbean food to create a delicious mix of flavors. As an island, seafood is also plentiful and included in favorite dishes as are fruits, root vegetables, rice and beans. The country's music also carries Spanish, African and Caribbean influences as well as Hispanic and European. Come experience Cuba's tastes, sounds and more.

Healthy Eating for Your Brain

Wednesday, October 2, 10:45 am

Executive Chef Dax Erickson will be demonstrating a variety of health foods to prepare and Katrina Kahl, Executive Director of the Brian Grant Foundation, will share tips for eating nutritionally rich food.

Pharmaca events

Women's Wellness Event

Saturday, September 14, 1-5 pm, 240 NW Lost Springs Terrace, free.

Feel vibrant and thrive! Learn how to support your body through all the phases we go through in a lifetime. Women's health is very important to us so we are here to help. Let's chat! We will have samples, education, resources, and a coupon to save.

Wellness Cold and Flu Event

Saturday, October 5, 1-5 pm, free.

It's that time of year! The seasons are changing and it's time to build your immune system to have a happy, healthy fall and winter. We will be discussing the best ways to stay well and handing out lots of fun samples and coupons. Wish-garden will be slinging immune-boosting mocktails – Do not miss this event!

Practitioner Spotlight: This month we'd like to introduce you to Sydne, our store manager and wellness expert. Originally from Denver, Sydne does a magnificent job keeping our store running smoothly and treats our customers as dear friends. When she's not achieving World's Best Boss status, you'll find her hiking a mountain or enjoying the west coast beaches.

Please reach out and introduce yourself next time you see her!

Check Out What's Cooking at Beaverton Restaurant Week

Save the Date! Beaverton Restaurant Week takes place from Thursday, Sep. 26 to Sunday, Oct. 6.

During this week, 46 participating restaurants in downtown Beaverton will offer unique menu items alongside their normal menu. Explore the diverse flavors of downtown Beaverton and discover your new favorite restaurant! Visit BeavertonRestaurantWeek.com for everything you need to know about eating out during Beaverton Restaurant Week!

Last year, Beaverton Restaurant Week spotlighted nearly 40 downtown Beaverton restaurants over the "11-day week." Eateries presented an exclusive dish, delighting diners with flavorful fusions, tasty delicacies, and limited-time ingredients. Dishes ranged from Asian to Latin American and beyond with many locations accommodating food preferences for vegans and meat-lovers alike.

Beaverton's growing food scene gained regional recognition also through the city's partnership with the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce, Beaverton Downtown Association, Beaverton Farmers Market, IMPACT Beaverton, and the Washington County Visitors Association.

CK Hoffman Design Celebrates 10 Years

After finishing a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Design from UCLA, Caryl Hoffman worked in both the Residential and Interior Design industry for about three years in the LA area before moving to Portland in the late 80s. After she arrived in Portland, she worked in commercial interiors, then she and her husband began investing, building and remodeling in Portland and Bend, and in Sacramento, California.

Caryl officially took a pause from her professional design career in the early 90s when she and her husband started their family. In 1999, she realized it would be a while before she re-entered the work force. Trying to think ahead, and still be relevant by the time she started work again, she took a leap of faith and opened her own design business, originally naming it "Interior Design Consultants." While working with her husband in real

estate investment, she began taking on home build and remodel clients to create her portfolio.

She got her General Contractor's license in 2016. After 20+ years partnering and collaborating with other GCs, it just made sense to keep everything "in house" (literally). She had the knowledge and experience to streamline her business, creating a win-win for herself and her clients. She became known as a Kitchen and Bath Designer/Remodeler and is now expanding her business to focus on decorating and home décor. Follow her on Instagram: @the_curated_home_pdx, or on Facebook at CK Hoffman.

Some of her accomplishments over 10 years include being voted Best of Houzz the last 7 years in a row, completing over 40 projects, receiving over 55 positive reviews on Houzz, being nominated for the Best Kitchen Remodel under \$100K through Oregon Home Magazine in 2018 and 2019, and launching a new website (ckhoffmandesign.com) and blog in 2019.

A Down syndrome achievement center is coming in 2020 to Portland!

To help change the way the world views Down syndrome, Gigi's Playhouse is creating a Family Fun Event on November 3 at the Cedar Hills Recreation Center. We are doing this event to raise awareness about Down syndrome and to raise funds to create a Down syndrome achievement center in the Pacific Northwest. This center will offer free therapeutic and educational services. For more information on GiGi's Playhouses go to : GiGi's Playhouse Portland.

We are currently seeking 25 vendors to purchase space at the event. Paid vendors will be able to sell/promote their family friendly product or service, and in return, provide a carnival type game at their booth (ring toss, spin the wheel, etc.) and small prize (candy, sticker, toy, etc), a raffle prize worth a minimum of \$25 retail. Cost for space is: \$250 (corporate business), \$100 (home sales), \$50 (individual start-up business, can share a booth space), \$25 (non-profit). For more information contact kwatts@gigisplayhouse.org. There are eight corner spots in the gym that will be available for an additional \$50.

We are also looking for 5-8 stage performances such as taekwondo,

hula, ballet, jazz, etc. (no costs from them or us), food vendors (\$100 per space—there are two outdoor spaces with water and electrical outlets for an additional \$25). If you're not vending or performing, we could use volunteers. Sign up here, or write us at Portland@gigisplayhouse.org and let us know how you'd like to get involved.

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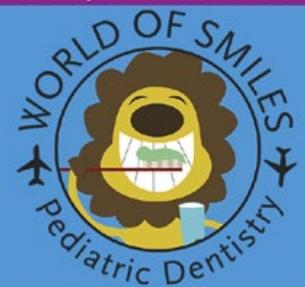
Saturday, October 5, 10 am-2 pm, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman Rd, free

Have you been meaning to find a family photographer you love? A chiropractor who specializes in pregnant bodies, postpartum bodies, or infants? Looking for a great parent-focused exercise class?

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