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Roads and offramps create traffic tangles District begins redrawing High School boundaries

by Virginia Bruce

Traffic is becoming an increasing problem in Cedar Mill, with Cornell looking like a parking lot between 4 and 7 pm on weeknights between Sunset High and Saltzman. The eastbound offramp from Highway 26 is nearly impossible to use and has remained a problem for years. And growth in the northern part of the county is funneling more cars onto the unsafe stretch of Saltzman just south of Laidlaw.

Cedar Hills Offramp

If you're traveling to Cedar Mill from the west on Highway 26 (Sunset Highway), you've probably learned not to bother to use the [eastbound offramp leading to Cedar Hills Boulevard](#) (CHB), if you need to go anywhere north of the highway. Cars stack up in the CHB left-turn lane waiting to get on the highway eastbound, which

no visible progress has been made on the Peterkort Master Plan.

Recently, however, we have heard that talks are underway to find a solution to the problem. According to Washington County Land Use and Transportation (LUT) sources, "The Peterkort's traffic consultant, ODOT, Washington County and the City of Beaverton* are discussing a possible public-private effort to fund installation of a signal prior to the future Peterkort development, but there are many unknowns at this time."

Don Odermott, a Traffic Engineer working with the Peterkort Co., says, "While J. Peterkort & Company has no obligation at this time to fund such an improvement, it is seeking to find a solution as a good citizen and neighbor to address an intersection that has become increasingly dangerous as other development in the community has occurred without funding a solution. We are early in the discussions and are hopeful that a funding proposal and agreement can be reached soon to bring forth a new traffic signal to address the current safety challenges."

Multiple road improvements will be needed as the Peterkort Master Plan is fulfilled. Rather than build and tear up smaller improvements as each segment comes on line, it has been suggested that ODOT and the county could issue a bond to fund the Peterkort portion of the work, which would be paid off as developers sign on to build parts of the proposed Station Complex shopping center, housing, offices and large retail developments that comprise the Plan.

County representatives claim that the offramp mess doesn't add significantly to Cornell traffic. "A signal at this location could reduce traffic volumes on Cornell, but not

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This fall, the Beaverton School District (BSD) began a [process to redraw the District boundaries](#), beginning with high school attendance areas. The process began in October, and will end in March 2016.

The preliminary "springboard" proposal released by the district will affect many families with students at Sunset.

In May 2014, voters approved a \$680 million bond measure for BSD. One of the purposes of the bond program was to increase school capacity to address overcrowding and future projected

enrollment across the system. The district decided to build a new high school in the South Cooper Mountain area in the southern portion of the district. As a result, school attendance boundaries throughout

the district need to be adjusted.

The boundary changes will take place at the start of the 2017-18 school

year, but will not affect that year's seniors. They will be allowed to remain at their existing high schools. Only freshmen, sophomores and

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"Sunset would lose about 65% of its current area to Beaverton High."

"Middletown" Opens at Sunset on November 5

November 5-14, doors open 7 pm, curtain 7:30, Sunset High School, 13840 NW Cornell Road, in the "Black Box" theater

In [Middletown](#), Sunset's talented cast explores the playful, poignant portrait of a town with two lives, one ordinary and visible, the other epic and mysterious. Mary Swanson, who just moved to Middletown, is about to have her first child and is eager to enjoy the neighborly bonds a small town promises. But life in Middletown is complicated. Neighbors are near strangers and moments of connection are fleeting.

The play, by award-winning playwright [Will Eno](#), is directed by Sunset's theater director, James Farmer, and presented by special arrangement with publisher Samuel French, Inc.

Performances take place Thursday-Saturday, November 5, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14. General admission tickets, \$10 Adults; \$8 Students and Seniors, can be purchased at the door or online at: seatyourself.biz/shstheatre. Seating is limited for these performances. Due to the adult nature of the content, parental guidance is recommended for children 13 and under.

Celebrating 56 years of live theater production, Sunset

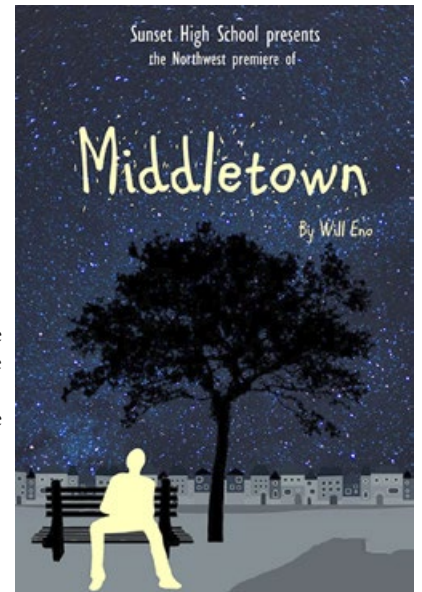
High School produces a diverse selection of productions, from musicals such as popular classics like *The Addams Family*, *Bye Bye Birdie* and *Damn Yankees* to some of Shakespeare's greatest works like *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Hamlet* and *Macbeth*. These productions push the boundaries of design, creativity and interpretation, enabling students to experiment with different styles, roles and historical eras. More information on Sunset's theater programs is available at: shstheatre.yolasite.com/



Drivers take chances to turn left off the offramp

prevents people from turning north from the exit.

When Peterkort Co. announced their Master Plan for the array of properties around the Barnes-CHB intersection, back in 2004, it was anticipated that new developments would eventually pay for at least part of the improvement to the intersection. Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is responsible for the offramp and intersection, but just like Washington County, they have myriad unfunded but needed improvements in other areas. Between the recession and the complexity of handling such a large development,



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

Self Myofascial Release Class

Saturday, November 7, 12-2 pm, Sunset Yoga Center, 12923 NW Cornell Road #203, \$30

Feeling tight? In this workshop, participants will learn how to use foam rollers and trigger point balls to release tight muscles, prevent injuries, and improve circulation. Muscle groups targeted will include calves, quadriceps, hip muscles, and the rotator cuff. There will also be a discussion on how muscle restrictions lead to common pain patterns. A printout of the techniques taught in the class will be provided.

Self-Myofascial Release foam rolling techniques are performed on the floor, using the arms to support part of the body's weight. Participants must be comfortable getting up and down from the floor and bearing some weight in the arms.

Each participant should bring his or her own foam roller. Foam rollers can be purchased online or in most sporting goods stores and generally cost about \$20. Black foam rollers provide a more intense massage, white foam rollers are more gentle. A 6" by 36" roller is recommended for this workshop. Trigger point balls will be provided for participants to use during the workshop and will be available for purchase.

Julie Burtis is a physical therapist and a certified Iyengar Yoga instructor at the Introductory II level. She is a graduate of the teacher training program at the Iyengar Yoga Institute of San Francisco and has traveled to India twice to study with the Iyengar family. Her teaching integrates mindfulness,

breath work, and precise therapeutic exercise. She enjoys working with students of all levels and is particularly interested in chronic conditions such as fibromyalgia and myofascial pain syndrome.

Village Gallery of Arts News & Events

Tuesday - Saturday 10 am - 4 pm; Sunday 12 - 4 pm, 12505 NW Cornell Road, next to the Cedar Mill Library

Featured artist: Leslie Dugas. Watercolor paintings by Leslie Dugas will be featured during the month of November. Meet the artist and enjoy refreshments at her open-



Beneath the Bough, by Leslie Dugas

ing reception on November 8, 2-4 pm. Leslie has been painting watercolors for over 25 years, gravitating towards figures, in which she strives to capture expression or gesture. She is also inspired by shape and color and enjoys exploring these elements of style.

New classes

Mary Burgess - Beginning/Intermediate Watercolor
Wednesdays, 9:30 - 12:30,
November 4, 11, 18 and December 2, 9 and 16

This six-week series of classes will focus on the fundamentals of painting portraits in watercolor. Study facial structure and learn keys to painting skin tones, facial features, hair and expressions in order to achieve a likeness. Some watercolor experience is helpful. Mary Burgess - Watercolor For The Absolute Beginner
Wednesday evenings, January 20, 27, February 10, 17, 24 and March 9

If you have been thinking about learning to paint with watercolor, but were unsure of how to start, now is the time. This six-week course provides structured, easy-to-follow lessons to get you started. In

each class, students will be guided through the process in a fun, supportive manner with plenty of individual attention.

Village Gallery is a non-profit, cooperative gallery in operation since 1963. For complete details on all of these classes please visit villagegalleryarts.org or call 503-644-8001.

Bark Market

Bark Market pet supplies will be moving from their current location on Barnes Road to 8745 SW Canyon Lane in Portland the weekend after Thanksgiving, opening Monday November 30 at noon. Bark Market has spent the past decade giving advice on pet nutrition for dogs and cats.

They will also be hosting the Greyhound Pet Adoption NW's annual Christmas Tree Sale and fundraiser in the new parking lot, on Saturday December 5, from 9 am-4 pm. This will be the sixth year they are hosting this event. Bark Market also hosts G PANW every first Saturday for greyhound adoption meet and greets from 1-3 pm.

Toys for Tots

November 1 through December 31, 10940 SW Barnes Rd,

The UPS Store in Cedar Mill, in conjunction with The UPS Store locations across the country, invites you to stop by and donate to help a child in need with the Toys for Tots Literacy Program (TFTLP). The mission of the TFTLP is to offer our nations most economically disadvantaged children the ability to compete academically and to succeed in life by providing them direct access to resources that will enhance their ability to read and to communicate effectively.

This program provides you with the opportunity to have a direct impact on the children in our community. Just one dollar donated buys a book for a child in need. With your support, you can help make a difference in the lives of the more than 14 million children who live in poverty. Remember, 100% of the proceeds donated to the TFTLP benefits local children in need or the libraries, schools and programs that serve them. Also, throughout the year the center will have a coin box program for customers to

donate their spare change.

For more information, please visit ToysforTotsLiteracy.org.

The UPS Store is open Mon-



day thru Friday 9 am- 7 pm and Saturday 9 am- 5 pm. For more information, call 503-646-9999 or visit their website at theupsstorelocal.com/3379

Du Fresne's Coat Drive

10690 NW Cornell Rd

Du Fresne's Auto Service is having it's third annual coat drive! They're partnering with the Portland Rescue Mission to collect new, or clean and gently used, coats and jackets during the month of November.

They will also be collecting gloves, scarves, blankets, and hats. They're offering coupons for service to customers who donate. Contact them at 503-646-2940 or visit www.DuFresnes-AutoRepair.com/coatdrive for more information.



Repair Fair!

Saturday, November 7th, 10-2, Beaverton ReStore, 13475 SW Millikan Way, Beaverton

Repair Fair volunteers will offer help for repair of household items such as kitchen appliances, clocks, clothing, vacuums, bikes, etc. Bring only items that can be carried; no gas-powered equipment/tools.

Contact Repair Fair with a product number and description of your item for the best chance of repair where a part may be necessary.

This event is free! For more information contact Heather Robinson at repairfairoregon@gmail.com or visit repairfair.org/

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Leedy Grange News & Events

Leedy Market—from fleas to artisans!

Saturday, November 7, 9 am-1 pm, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman

Bernadine Capell, better known as “Bernie,” has taken over the



management of Leedy’s first-Saturday marketplace as of this month. The previous manager, Jeannine Claar, recently changed jobs and found it impossible to keep up with the demands of managing the project, so the market took the summer off.

Bernie has been a vendor at the Market for several seasons, and previously managed special events for Uwajimaya Grocery in Beaverton. She plans to continue the “homey and welcoming” atmosphere, while striving to attract fewer “garage sale” type vendors and more folks offering arts, crafts, collectibles and antiques.

Come on down and check out the variety of stuff for sale, and if you have a collection of goodies, consider getting a table—it’s only \$15 with no percentage of sales. For more information, visit leedy-grange.org, email leedymarket@gmail.com or call 503-626-9065.

Eat Smart Food Movie Series
Saturday, November 21, 6:30 Social, 7 pm screening, Leedy Grange Hall

The award-winning documentary, *The Real Dirt on Farm John*, will be the November film in the series. This free program is co-sponsored by the library and Leedy Grange.

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

Leedy Grange began the series last year, and is delighted to partner with the Cedar Mill Library, who

is assisting with obtaining public screening rights and media. For more information and to join the mailing list, visit the Facebook page and click “Sign Up.”

Leedy partners with Sunset Credit Union for homeless students

Maybe you’ve seen them around the Beaverton School District (BSD) neighborhoods—families, and even solo teenagers, living in their cars, a tent, or other makeshift shelter in the area. Our area, like many others, has hundreds of people who, for a variety of reasons and hardships, are forced to live on the streets.

This year, to help those local folks in need, Sunset Credit Union and the Leedy Grange have created a “Giving Tree.” In Sunset Credit Union’s lobby (located at 1100 NW Murray Blvd.) there is a tree with tags on it. The tags will have requests for much-needed items and for gift cards, which will then be donated to these families. Gift recipients will be selected by BSD’s HELP Center staff.

If you’d like to help, stop by the CU and take a gift tag request off the tree. You can purchase the item on the tag anywhere it is convenient for you, and bring it back to the CU. We will also have pre-purchased gift cards in a variety of dollar amounts, so you can purchase the card at the CU. All donations will be given to these homeless families on Monday, December 21st.

This holiday season, please help



Sunset Credit Union and the Leedy Grange make a positive impact for homeless families in the area. The ‘Giving Tree’ will be in Sunset Credit Union’s lobby from November 2 through December 14. Please stop by the credit union, grab a gift-tag and help make the holidays

enjoyable for everyone!

Look for an article about the Beaverton School District homeless student support program in the December issue of the News.

Leedy Grange meeting
November 19, 6:30 pm, Leedy Grange Hall

Leedy Grange meets on the third Thursday monthly to plan activities and make decisions that help the community. Open to anyone interested in finding out more about Grange.

Sunset news

By Sydney McRae, school reporter

Sunset High School winter sports (basketball, swimming, and wrestling) are all starting in early December. Check the metro league website, metroleague.org for game schedules and scores.

Bonny Slope Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, November 14, 7:30-10:30 am, Bonny Slope Elementary cafeteria at 11775 NW McDaniel Rd.

The Bonny Slope Elementary fifth grade students are hosting a pancake breakfast as a fundraiser for outdoor school. Tickets are \$6 per person or \$22 dollars for up to six family members at the door. There is a small discount to purchase tickets in advance from Bonny Slope Fifth Graders.



CPO 1 meeting

Tuesday, November 24, 7 pm, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman

Join your neighbors at the last Citizens Participation Organization meeting of 2015 to meet our Metro Councilor Kathryn Harrington. She’ll give us an update on Metro projects and activities.

The Bethany Neighborhood Coalition will give us a report on their effort to appeal the Bonny Slope West Funding proposal.

We will also have an update on the [CPO system Transition Process](#). We won’t meet in December because it’s very close to Christmas.

The meeting opens with announcements about land use and other upcoming issues, an “open mic” opportunity for citizens to air their concerns, and an update from Tualatin Hills Park & Rec. Come and meet your neighbors and stay informed about what’s going on in the area.

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Big Horn Brass

Sunday, December 13 at 6:30 pm,
St. Matthew Lutheran Church at
10390 SW Canyon Road

Save the date! The 25th annual Big Horn Brass Holiday concert is part of many family holiday traditions. Make this free event part of your celebrations this year.

Hoffman Academy Holiday Concert

Sunday, December 6, 6:30 pm,
Christ United Methodist Church,
12755 NW Dogwood

Hoffman Academy of Music will hold their annual Holiday Concert to benefit the Oregon Food Bank. Mr. Hoffman, director of Hoffman Academy of Music, and several Academy teachers will entertain the audience with songs of the season. The Academy has hosted benefit concerts since 2011 and is happy to bring this event back to the Cedar Mill community this year.

This family-friendly event is open to everyone in the community, and is free with the donation of two cans/boxes of food per person. Refreshments will follow the performance. For more information contact Hoffman Academy at 503-336-3121 or go to www.hoffmanacademy.com/portland.

Hunger continues to be an issue in Oregon. The Oregon Food Bank has been fighting hunger statewide for more than 30 years. Last year, the Oregon Food Bank statewide network of regional food banks distributed more than 44.2-million pounds of food, including 1 million emergency food boxes and 3.9-million emergency meals that were served at soup kitchens and shelters. Thirty four percent of those receiving emergency food are children. In addition to providing food to those in need, the Oregon Food Bank works to eliminate the root causes of hunger through advocacy, nutrition

education, garden education, and through working with communities to strengthen local food systems. Your donation to the Oregon Food Bank will make a positive impact to many in our community. For more information about the Oregon Food Bank and their programs go to www.oregonfoodbank.org. Your donation can make an impact on someone this season.

Oak Hills Holiday Bazaar

December 4 and 5, 10 am - 4 pm,
Sunset Presbyterian Church, Cornell
Road.

All handmade items and foods, local artists and crafters are welcome! Contact Micki Sparr for more information at msparrpdx@gmail.com.

Second Edition Holiday Open House

Saturday, November 21, 1- 3:30 pm,
12505 NW Cornell Road

Second Edition Resale is hosting their annual Holiday Open House. Everyone is invited to come see the magical transformation of the shop as they feature beautiful holiday décor, household items and dazzling seasonal clothing. Volunteers will be modeling some of the outfits, which will be for sale at the event. Guests can view glamorous holiday fashions and sparkly jewelry while enjoying delicious holiday treats, coffee and cider.

Come find an amazing look for the holidays at an unbeatable price while supporting Cedar Mill Library Association. The event is free, no reservations required. Contact Susan Still for more information at 503-644-6395.

Skyline Artisans' Holiday Arts Fair

Saturday and Sunday, November
21 and 22, 10 am- 4 pm, Skyline
Grange, 11275 NW Skyline Blvd.

Skyline Artisans are pleased to invite the public to their craft fair and sale. This will be a weekend event, with about 20 booths showcasing the work of local Skyline area artisans. Included will be book arts, jewelry, home

décor & accessories, pottery, glass, and more. As in previous events, local food vendors will have their baked goods, pickles and other foods available for purchase.

Discover the beauty that is being created in your neighborhood, and come out to strengthen our shared community bond. For more information, please contact Ken Pincus at ken@pincuspottersstudio.com

Holiday Bazaar at St. Pius X

Thursday, November 12, 6-9 pm;
Friday-Saturday, November 13-14,
9 am-7 pm; Sunday November 15,
8 am-1:30 pm, St. Pius X Catholic
Church Community Center, 1280
NW Saltzman Rd

St. Pius X Women's Club's 55th Annual Christmas and Holiday Bazaar is Cedar Mill's biggest holiday sale, and will include over 70 vendors displaying handcrafted items. The event also includes a bake sale, a vintage corner and a raffle. The Preview event on Thursday evening from 6-9 pm requests a \$2 donation. All other sessions are free to enter.

Wine Cellar Gift Show to benefit animals

Saturday, November 28, 12-6 pm,
The Wine Cellar, 525 NW Saltzman

The Wine Cellar is hosting an artisan gift sale as a fundraiser to support our local no-kill pet shelter, [Oregon Friends of Shelter Animals](http://OregonFriendsOfShelterAnimals.org). Handcrafted gifts from local artists will be on display for purchase. Booth/ stations will be free for the artists, who will donate 15% of all sales to our favorite no-kill pet shelter (we're currently finalizing details with them on this event).

The Wine Cellar is a beautiful 2,500 sf shop in Cedar Mill. We have free-off street parking and we will offer \$5 mimosas with \$1 of each going to our charity. So, puppies, and kittens. We are working with a wonderful organization that does

great things in our community, and it's our pleasure to support them with this event.

For more information, contact Erin Marie Palmer, The Wine Cellar, 503-643-5655 or at wine@portlandwinecellar.com.



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Sklina Memorial hosts supply drive

The [Salvation Army West Women's Shelter](#) provides opportunities for self-sufficiency to homeless and abused women and children through shelter and support services. This "giving season," Skyline Memorial Gardens is collecting supplies and gift cards to support their mission.

Needed supplies include household items, cleaning supplies, hygiene products, diapers and wipes. Target or Fred Meyer gift cards in any denomination are also very welcome to help their clients—women and children recovering



from domestic violence—get back on their feet and enjoy the holidays.

Drop donations off through December 31 at Skyline Memorial Gardens, 4101 NW Skyline Blvd, Portland, OR 97229 (gift cards may be mailed) or call 503-292-6611 for pick-up.

Sunset Athletic Club Bazaar

Thursday, November 19, 10 am-7 pm, 13939 NW Cornell Road

The twelfth annual Holiday Art and Craft Fair is open to the public and is free! A portion of sales will be donated to the Oregon Food Bank. We're collecting donations of non-perishable food items as well!

Join the Great Toy Drive with TVFR

November 10 through December 24, TVFR stations

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue firefighters are dedicated to responding to the fire and emergency medical needs of the community at a moment's notice. This holi-

day season, firefighters are asking community members to help them come through for less-fortunate children as well.

For more than three decades, the KGW Great Toy Drive has provided hundreds of thousands of toys to our community's less-fortunate families in Oregon and Southwest Washington. The toys collected during the toy drive are distributed to needy kids in our area with the help of more than 130 local non-profit organizations and hundreds of dedicated volunteers.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue is joining more than 400 local organizations as a partner in KGW's Great Toy Drive. All TVF&R fire stations will begin accepting new, unwrapped toys for children of all ages beginning November 10 through December 24.

With the help of generous community members, TVF&R volunteer firefighters were able to fill a fire engine and box truck full of toys to deliver to the KGW studios last December. This year, the need continues to be great, and firefighters hope to exceed last year's collection effort.

Cedar Mill residents can drop off any new, unwrapped toys at their local TVF&R fire stations:

- Bethany Station 68, 13545 NW Evergreen St.
- Butner Road Station 61, 13730 SW Butner Road.
- Somerset Station 64, 3355 NW 185th Ave.

All toys donated by December 15 will be donated to the KGW Great Toy Drive. Any toys collected after that date will be taken to the Washington County Girl Scout Christmas Breakfast for the Homeless on Christmas morning to be distributed to Washington County children who attend the breakfast with their families. Oregon has the fifth highest percentage of homeless children, with more than 38,000 kids considered homeless in the state.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue knows that they serve a generous, compassionate community. For a complete list of TVF&R fire stations, visit www.tvfr.com.



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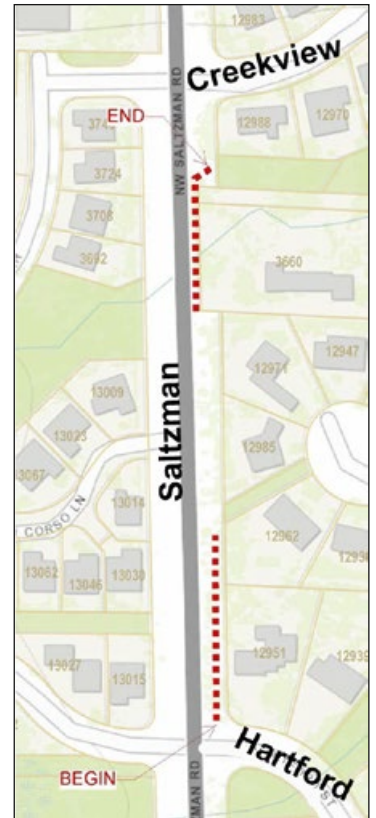


URMDAC recommends sidewalk improvements for Saltzman

The [Urban Road Maintenance District Advisory Committee \(URMDAC\)](#) recommended seven Safety Projects at their October 21 meeting. If they are adopted by the Board of County Commissioners at a meeting in June 2016, they will be included in the 2016-17 Road Maintenance Program

The only Cedar Mill area improvement included in the recommendation was a pathway along [Saltzman Road](#) from Hartford to 12962 NW Diamond Drive and from 3660 Saltzman to 12988 NW Creekview Drive. The project will fill gaps in existing sidewalks/pathways along Saltzman Road between Hartford and Creekview so pedestrians do not have to walk in the travel lane with vehicles or alongside the road in the grass and mud.

If approved, about 375 feet of five-foot-wide paved pathway will be constructed. This will provide a continuous pedestrian walkway along the east side of Saltzman Road from Hartford to Thompson. The estimated cost is \$135,000, assuming some drainage improvements may be required and adequate right-of-way exists.



Metro planning North Tualatin Mountains Natural Area

Monday, November 17, 6:30-8:30 pm, Skyline School Gymnasium, 11536 NW Skyline Blvd., Portland.

Just north of Forest Park, a collection of four voter-protected properties forms the North Tualatin Mountains natural area. Metro is actively restoring this former timberland to a diverse native habitat, and is asking the community to help

Please Join Metro, and Skyline Ridge and Forest Park neighbors for the last community event to help shape the future of the North Tualatin Mountains Natural Area.

We will share the preferred alternative, which reflects community



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input, supports healthy habitats and offers a variety of opportunities to experience nature. Stop by to see where new amenities, such as trails, parking, benches and viewpoints are proposed, and provide input on the plans.

Learn more at [Metro's website](#)

Boundaries, continued from page 1
 juniors will change schools or start at the new high school in South Cooper Mountain. The district has about 7,800 students in grades 9-11, and many will stay in their existing schools.

According to Wendy Owen of the Oregonian, "Sunset High Gains: The boundary would shrink

a middle school in about 5 years.

Public input is encouraged throughout the process. BSD's Community Involvement and Information phone number is 503-356-4434. To email your letter, please send cc's to the following addresses:

1. Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us (Bare minimum - this gets it to the

taken during the Committee meetings, although they are open to the public. All Committee meetings are at the BSD Administration Office, 16550 SW Merlo Rd., Beaverton.

- Thursday, November 12, 6 pm
- Thursday, December 3, 6 pm
- Thursday, December 17, 6 pm
- Thursday, February 4, 2016, 6 pm
- Thursday, March 3, 2016, 6 pm
- Thursday, March 17, 2016, 6 pm

Public Hearings
 The Public Hearing, on Thursday, January 21, 2016, 6 pm, Five Oaks Middle School Commons, 1600 NW 173rd Ave., Beaverton, will give parents and community members an opportunity to review and comment on the preliminary High School Boundary recommendations.

A formal hearing regarding the High School Boundary and transition recommendations will occur on Thursday, February 18, 2016, 6 pm, Five Oaks Commons. The Committee will review and adjust the recommendations in response to the input given at the hearing and email comments. The final decision will be made by the District Superintendent, Jeff Rose.

Park District organizes new Citizen Advisory Committees

The Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District has restructured its citizen advisory committees to be more cross disciplinary and to increase their effectiveness. Committees will work with staff and members from the board of directors to help carry out important projects and track the success of goals. The new committees include:

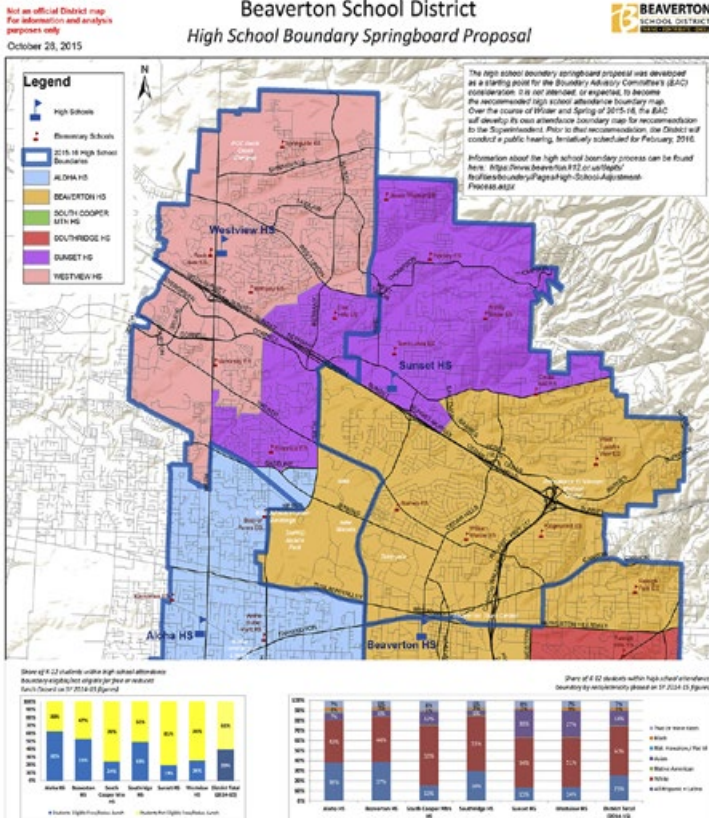
Nature & Trails—Will guide the management of natural areas and any associated community engagement, as well as trail use and development. This committee is currently full.

Parks & Facilities—Will review development and use of outdoor physical assets, buildings, and any associated community engagement.

Programs & Events—Will guide programming, cost recovery, diversity and inclusion in recreation, sports, volunteering, environmental education, and aquatic activities.

If you are interested in joining one of these advisory committees, [applications are available here.](#)

Committee meetings will start up again in January 2016. For more information, please contact Bruce Barbarasch at bbarbara@thprd.org or 503-614-1214.



The high school boundary springboard proposal was developed as a starting point for the Boundary Advisory Committee's (BAC) consideration. It is not intended, or expected, to become the recommended high school attendance boundary map.

Over the course of winter and spring of 2015-16, the BAC will develop its own attendance boundary map for recommendation to the Superintendent. Prior to that recommendation, the District will conduct a public hearing, tentatively scheduled for February, 2016.

This map shows only the Sunset High area. Click on the map image to see a larger view of the full map, or [visit the website.](#)

substantially in the south and gain a bit on the southwest side, adding students from Westview. Losses: Sunset would lose about 65 percent of its current area to Beaverton High, which is nearly everything south of Northwest Cornell Road except the area directly around Sunset High.

Following the completion of the high school process, the District will begin a similar process for the elementary level, targeted for completion in December 2016. The middle school boundary process will be delayed until closer to the new Cedar Mill area campus opening as

people who post public comments)

2. BSD Communications c/o maureen_wheeler@beaverton.k12.or.us - Please make sure to ask her to forward to the committee's Sunset community representatives Stuart Hall and Kevin O'Donnell.
3. John Huelskamp, Sunset Principal - john_huelskamp@beaverton.k12.or.us (He is also on the committee!)
4. Eric Simpson - our School Board representative - eric@ericsimpsonforschools.com

Committee Meetings

There will be no public comment

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County issues new rules on wood burning

In early October, the Washington County Board of Commissioners approved new rules to protect the public's health by reducing wood smoke. The ordinance is designed to raise awareness of wood smoke as a health issue and prevent unnecessary burning when the air quality is particularly poor. It goes into effect on November 6, 2015.

Washington County Public Health monitors daily air quality for levels of PM2.5, a type of fine air pollution caused in large part by wood smoke. The county is at risk for exceeding federal health standards, especially in the winter months when cold air inversions trap particle pollution near the ground for hours and sometimes days. Exposure to wood smoke and PM2.5 can be dangerous, especially for children, older adults and anyone with existing respiratory conditions like asthma.

There are two parts to the ordinance. The first addresses the use of fireplaces, wood stoves and wood stove inserts by residents who live in unincorporated Washington County. The ordinance allows the County to issue air quality advisories between November 1 and March 1. Advisories will be issued in consultation with air quality monitoring experts at the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality.

A "red day" means that air quality is unhealthy and that no fireplace or wood stove use is allowed, unless a resident is exempt (for example, if they rely solely on wood heat and/or are low-income, among other criteria). The ordinance does not restrict the use of pellet stoves. A "yellow day" means air quality is unhealthy for sensitive groups, and a "green day" indicates that air quality is healthy.

Residents are encouraged to sign up to receive air quality and wood burning alerts for red days at publicalerts.org. Washington County will also post the daily status on their website at co.washington.or.us/air.

The second part of the ordinance prohibits yard debris burning year round for anyone who lives in unincorporated Washington County and receives yard debris pick-up from their hauler. This new rule does not apply to agricultural burning

or restrict recreational fires, such as backyard fire pits or chimineas.

The County is developing a free "hardship permit" for circumstances where burning may be the only possible option for disposing of yard debris. Residents can enter their address into a map linked at co.washington.or.us/air to see if this part of the ordinance applies to them.

"We recognize that wood burning is a preferred and often times necessary source of heat in our community," says Marni Kuyl, director of the Department of Health and Human Services. "Keeping families warm this winter remains a top priority, and we will continue to work in a way that supports—not restricts—our residents' ability to



RED: Air quality is unhealthy. No fireplace or wood stove use, unless exempted.*

YELLOW: Air quality is unhealthy for sensitive groups. Voluntary limitations on fireplace and wood stove use.

GREEN: Air quality is healthy. No restrictions.

stay warm and healthy."

Enforcement of the ordinance will be complaint-driven. Information on how to submit a complaint will be posted to the County's air quality webpage at co.washington.or.us/air before the ordinance takes effect on November 6.

In addition to these new rules, the County is working toward developing a wood stove change-out program that will support families who wish to replace their older wood stove or wood stove insert. More details will be provided as they are known.

Regardless of the red, yellow or green status of the air quality, residents are asked to practice clean burning techniques to minimize pollution, such as:

- Burn dry wood that has seasoned for at least six months.
- Make small, hot fires.
- Do not burn garbage or household waste.
- Don't keep a fire burning overnight. Doing so is a fire hazard and can create serious indoor and outdoor air pollution problems.
- Keep your stove or fireplace clean and well maintained.

For more information, call 503-846-8722 or visit co.washington.or.us/air.

Bonny Slope West Ordinance passes, appeal anticipated

An area of approximately 160 acres, north of Thompson Road and east of Saltzman, was transferred from Multnomah County to Washington County in January 2014, paving the way for urban development, as anticipated when the area was included in the 2002 Urban Growth Boundary expansion. As planning proceeded, Washington County named the area Bonny Slope West (BSW).

On October 27 this year, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) finished its "ordinance season," (March-October each year) by passing Ordinance 802, which enables the development of the BSW properties to urban-level densities.

As part of the process of approving the urbanization, an Infrastructure Funding Plan was developed by the consulting group ECONorthwest. This plan estimated how the buildout of the area would impact BSW-area infrastructure, including roads, and determined how to allocate the expense of improvements to the developers. Section 3 deals with transportation needs and funding, and begins:

"The Washington County 2014 Transportation System Plan calls for development within urban growth boundary expansion areas to provide adequate funding for transportation. Strategy 10.2.4 states, "Prior to allowing urban development within urban growth boundary expansion areas, develop and implement financing strategies that provide adequate funding for the transportation systems and services necessary for the anticipated urban development as appropriate." As part of adoption of the Bonny Slope West Plan, the Board of County Com-

missioners is charged with the task of how to implement this strategy by determining what is 'adequate,' 'necessary,' and 'appropriate.'"

One of the major concerns of area residents has been the impact of new residents on the portion of Saltzman Road south of Laidlaw. Currently labeled as substandard, the road is narrow, steep, and winding, with inadequate and crumbling culverts to handle Ward Creek which passes beneath the road. It is classified as a collector, but has a paved width of less than 20 feet in several areas, and has horizontal curves with posted 15 mph advisory speeds.

A group has formed around the neighbors' concerns. The Bethany Neighborhood Coalition has hired land-use lawyer William Kabeiseman (Garvey Schubert Barer) and traffic engineering consultants Clemow Group to represent them in a planned appeal of the Funding Plan. If the Funding Plan is overturned by the Land Use Board of Appeals, development will not go forward until the situation is resolved.

The Funding Plan estimated only a 5% increase in traffic on Saltzman Road as a result of the buildout. The forecast was based on the "Metro 2035 regional travel demand forecast model." The Staff Report for the final BCC meeting notes that the model, "expects an older population and a smaller average household size in the future than observed today throughout the Portland region." Many critics say the model isn't realistic, and allows developers to pay too little to fund needed road improvements.

The Staff Report also states that, "The road improvements identified in the Infrastructure Funding

information on the [Light a Fire Awards](#), visit the website.

Viva Village events

Viva Village Planning Group meeting.

November 14, 10 am-12 pm, Elsie Stuhr Senior Center, 5550 SW Hall Blvd, Beaverton,

"Being Mortal," a Frontline documentary, with Atul Gawand viewing and discussion, followed by a pot luck supper. RSVP at VivaVillageOR@gmail.com or call 503-208-2290.

Sunday, November 15, 3-5:30 pm, 15005 SW Village Lane, Beaverton
Viva Village Monthly Social
Thursday, November 19, 6-8 pm,

Plan are not necessary as mitigation for traffic generated by the plan amendments related to Bonny Slope West. Rather, as described above, the improvements are intended to provide a multimodal urban network of complete streets." In other words, the BCC, following staff recommendations, is saying that BSW developers can't be held responsible for increased traffic or for fixing the current substandard state of Saltzman Road between Laidlaw and Bayonne, beyond the \$1.2 million from the funding plan. "You would be asking the developer to pay for repairs that were needed prior to the development occurring," Melissa De Lyser, LUT spokesperson, explained after the hearing.

When BCC Chair Andy Duyck announced the inter-county agreement to transfer "Area 93" in August 2013, he was careful to say, "Existing Washington County residents should not have to pay for public improvements needed in Area 93—those who benefit should pay for them." It's the improvements surrounding it that are causing the headaches.

Developers, however, aren't wasting any time in moving forward. On October 29, a Neighborhood Meeting was announced to "provide a forum for nearby property owners and residents to review the preliminary plans" for a proposed 250-lot development at the southwest corner of BSW. Otak Inc. represents Arbor Custom Homes and West Hills Development. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 6:30 pm at the Bonny Slope Elementary cafeteria. This area is similar to the preliminary concept plan noted in our [September article](#).

The Hall Street Grill, 3775 SW Hall Blvd, Beaverton

Introduction to Viva Village and the Village Concept (Village 101). RSVP VivaVillageOR@gmail.com or 503-312-7675.

November 17, 7-8:30 pm, private home in the Oak Hills Neighborhood
Viva Village Book Club will discuss the book, "The Boys in the Boat, Nine Americans and their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics" by Daniel James Brown. RSVP at VivaVillageOR@gmail.com or call 503-644-7417
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Viva Village news

At its annual "Light A Fire" awards dinner on October 20, Portland Monthly Magazine named Villages NW the Best New Non-profit for 2015. Villages NW serves as the "hub" for Viva Village and six other "spoke" Villages in the Portland area. Volunteer organized and developed, with the support and tutelage of Villages NW, Viva Village and the other member Villages are working to provide older adults with the supports and services they need to remain in their own homes and neighborhoods, affordably and comfortably, for as long as possible. Viva Village plans to start providing services in October 2016. For more

Traffic, continued from page 1 significantly. However, the signal would improve safety at the Cedar Hills Boulevard off-ramp. We understand that some drivers take the Park Way exit from eastbound US 26 near St. Vincent and use Barnes/Saltzman as an alternative way to get to the Cedar Mill area.” Comments on the [Cedar Mill News Facebook page](#) indicate otherwise, however.

“By 2011, Beaverton had annexed all the Peterkort properties in this area.

Upper Saltzman

During the hearings this fall on Ordinance 802, which enables the development of “Bonny Slope West,” numerous neighbors brought up the dangerous conditions on Saltzman Road south of Laidlaw, because they believe that BSW will add more traffic to the road.

A major realignment of the road to the west, estimated to cost at least \$11 million, is on the county’s recent Transportation System Plan update, but it’s considered a long-term project. “The “ultimate” alignment of Saltzman could be a potential candidate for future MSTIP [countywide transportation

funding strategy included in the Infrastructure Funding Plan...this interim project will be funded primarily with developer-paid TDT, and a proposed developer-paid supplemental Bonny Slope West Transportation System Development Charge (TSDC).”

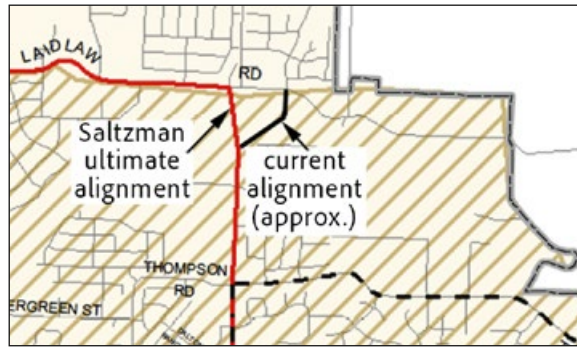
We asked, “What makes anyone think sidewalks and bike lanes are necessary or a good idea? Nobody in their right mind would put their kids on that road, sidewalks or not. Pedestrians and cyclists should NOT be encouraged to use it. Are there regulations that require ped/bike facilities to be included?”

LUT responded, “As noted, there are no pedestrian facilities in place on this portion of Saltzman today, but some people do walk, jog, or bike on this section of roadway.

We need to consider the safety of all road users, particularly these most-vulnerable users. The proposed interim pedestrian improvement on the existing Saltzman alignment

would be a sidewalk physically separated by about five feet from the roadway. A sidewalk separated from the road could help reduce crashes involving pedestrians - by nearly 90%. Separating vehicles and other road users improves safety for all.”

During one of the Ordinance 802 hearings, Chuck Sluyter, who lives on that stretch of Saltzman, spoke regarding project #228 (Saltzman between Bronson Creek and Laidlaw). The minutes state: “He does not support this project. He and his neighbors installed motion activated cameras and have thousands of hours of footage only



The segment of NW Saltzman Road between NW Laidlaw Road and NW Bayonne Lane is anticipated to be realigned west of the current alignment, to the intersection of NW Laidlaw Road at NW 130th Avenue. The realigned segment of Saltzman Road is designated on the Functional Classification Map as a Proposed Collector.

showing one to two pedestrians per day. The area has inadequate lighting and requests for lighting will increase and cost the residents. Clean Water Services has been dealing with several drainage issues in this area as well and this project will not increase safety, but may increase danger. Some residents have suggested closing this portion.”

Our County Commissioner, Greg Malinowski, said he would only support this project if it is NOT at grade with the road. He does not want children and bikes in the lane with dump trucks.

Cornell Road

Originally known as the “Road Through Cornell Gap,” [Cornell Road](#) was surveyed in 1868 by a committee who reported that they “proceeded to examine said route and find the same to be one susceptible of making a good road and will be of public utility, will shorten the distance to Portland and will damage no one.” It stretches from the hills of Portland, through the Balch Creek gap, crosses Skyline, and ends in downtown Hillsboro.

Way back in 2002 or so, there was a notion that Cornell would be a pedestrian-friendly street with street-side shops. And that’s how the Cornell “improvement” was built. But the truth is, most of the time, it is a highway for people trying to get to one end or the other. Retail hasn’t changed much since then. People from the surrounding areas don’t drive there to walk around in downtown Cedar Mill. Developers pay lip-service to the street-oriented retail concept because they are required to, but it hasn’t led to a vibrant, walkable downtown.

The county responds, “The town center plan is part of a long-term vi-

sion. There have been a few developments that support this long-term vision, and we anticipate more.”

We believe that one reason for the congestion during rush hour is the short-sighted and/or unrealistic two-lane construction of Cornell. The county says, “In the County’s Transportation System Plan, Cornell is designated as a five-lane road west of Dale Avenue, and a three-lane road east of Dale. That decision was made by the Board in 2000. It was based on substantial community input following a significant evaluation of several alternatives (five-lane Cornell, three-lane Cornell, three-lane Cornell with a Science Park extension from Murray to Barnes). That decision was made in an attempt to reinforce the town-center concept adopted into the Cedar Hills-Cedar Mill Community Plan.

We asked, “Can Cornell be adjusted to provide another travel lane?”

The county responds, “Cornell could eventually be physically widened to a five-lane facility, but doing so would require an amendment to the Transportation System Plan, the purchase of additional right-of-way (and potentially buildings), and funding for construction. Cornell is just one of many road-capacity needs countywide, and the existing three-lane road conforms to the currently adopted Transportation System Plan.”

What do you think? Will Cornell ever serve as the center of a walkable pedestrian-friendly area? Is that a goal worth pursuing? What could make it happen? Continue this discussion on our [Facebook page!](#)

Oak Hills Fun Run

Saturday, November 8, beginning at 8:30 am, Oak Hills green space, parking available at 2625 NW 153rd Ave.

The fun run is a fundraiser organized by local resident, Ryan Pearson, as part of his eighth grade project at Rachel Carson Middle School. His project centers on combating malaria, a common health problem around the world. Pearson has partnered with Medical Teams International (MTI). Proceeds from the fun run will be donated to MTI to purchase and distribute mosquito nets. Non-runners can contribute in bins that will be set up at the event, or donations can be mailed to 15380 NW Westway Street, Beaverton 97006



Close calls are a daily occurrence on upper Saltzman

funds: Major Streets Transportation Improvement Program] or TDT [site-specific charges to developers: Transportation Development Tax] funding. We are also exploring other options for generating local revenue to help finance this portion of Saltzman Road, such as a Local Improvement District (LID) [nearby landowners would have a surcharge on their property taxes for a period of time],” says the LUT source.”

Fact Sheet #2 for the BSW Ordinance states, “A \$1.2 million pedestrian path or sidewalk and other safety improvements to Saltzman Road are included in the proposed Bonny Slope West transportation

Cedar Mill Garden Club meeting

November 18 at 9:30 am, Beaverton Community Center, 12350 SW 5th

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Garden Club group plans March Flower Show School

March 29-31, 2016, Christ United Methodist Church, 12755 N. W. Dogwood

The Cedar Mill Garden Club is helping organize a "Flower Show School," sponsored by the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. The Horticulture Instructor will be David Robson, Illinois, with a program on Bulbs, Collections & Displays on March 29th. The Design Instructor will be Charlene Mutschler, Oregon, teaching Functional and Exhibitional Tea Tables.

Lunch/snacks provided daily. There will be a course fee. Testing is on the 31st. You do not have to test, come to learn. Master Gardeners can earn their credits during this course. Call Registrar Phyllis Olson at 541-467-2601 to register.

Sheriff sponsors "One Warm Coat" drive

Begins Monday, October 26

Washington County is collecting new, or clean and gently used, coats and jackets as part of the One Warm Coat community service project. Coats of all shapes and sizes are welcome. One Warm Coat is dedicated to distributing reusable coats, free of charge, directly to local children and adults. The program is an easy way for you and your family to pass along coats and jackets that you no longer need. Just bring your coats and jackets to one of the following locations during their regular business hours: Public Service Building Lobby, 155 North First Avenue, Hillsboro (Mon-Fri 8am-5pm) Sheriff's Office Headquarters, 215 SW Adams Avenue, Hillsboro (Sun-Sat 8am-9:30pm) Sheriff's Office East Precinct, 3700 SW Murray Boulevard, Beaverton (Mon-Fri 8am-5pm)

Land Use and Transportation Building, 1400 SW Walnut Street, Hillsboro (Mon-Fri 8am-5pm) One Warm Coat is a national non-profit organization that supports and encourages coat drives. It helps individuals, groups, companies and organizations across the country collect coats and deliver them to local agencies that distribute the coats free to people in need. More than one million coats have been provided to those in need at no cost since the program began in 1992.

Newt Day!

Saturday, November 7, 12-4 pm, THPRD Nature Center, 15655 SW Millikan Way, \$2 per person, children two and under are free

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family-friendly event. Take a self-guided adventure into the nature park to find evidence of these plants and animals. For more info contact Karen Munday at 503-629-6350

Washington County Forum schedule

The forum meets over lunch every Monday at the Peppermill Restaurant in Aloha at 17455 SW Farmington Rd. There is no charge for admission. Doors open at 11:30 am, and the speakers start at noon. Lunch is available to order from the menu.

Following the speaker, there is an opportunity to ask questions, a privilege of Forum membership. Monday, November 9: Brad Avakian, Oregon Commissioner of Labor, "A look at the Department: Accomplishments, Goals, and Challenges" Monday, November 16: Ted Wheeler, Oregon State Treasurer, "What's new at the Treasury Department" Monday, November 23: No meeting, Thanksgiving week-Happy Holiday! Monday, November 30: Congresswoman Elizabeth Furse, "Native American Treaty issues"

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