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History in the News Our heritage trees

By Virginia Bruce

In the iconic 1905 photo of the JQA Young House on Cornell, you can see a pear tree with a ladder



leaning against it. That tree has survived along with its neighboring apple tree, but both of them were in bad shape. Cedar Mill Historical Society grew concerned that a couple of branches were rubbing against the house and might have damaged the roof.

[Badger Tree Service](#) agreed to prune away the threatening branches and was able to fit the project into their busy schedule last August. Their services were pro bono but CMHS paid for the insurance and written safety plan required by the property owner, Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District. But more was needed if the trees were to thrive. Fruit trees can be remarkably long-lived with proper care, but it had been a long time since even basic maintenance pruning had been done.

Enter [Bartlett Tree Experts](#). We had read about their project to save a heritage apple tree in Vancouver, and I had attended a pruning workshop at Cornell Farm Nursery with a couple of their folks, so we knew they were the right people to call. CMHS members met with them and they agreed to take on the labor for the project pro bono. Funds from previous fundraising will be used to cover the materials.

Before they begin the specialized work to brace the trees, we

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Welcome to the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market!

by Vicky Siah

Pull into Safeway's parking lot on a Saturday to see the space transformed—gone are the cars, replaced by tented outdoor shops and a vibrant, bustling community. Here, vendors call out to customers while arranging displays of lavender and bright florals; intricate, woven textiles dangle from canopies. Fresh produce lines the aisles—splashes of orange, yellow, green, and red—tantalizing passing shoppers with their ripe, bold flavors. Children, baskets in hand, hold out their POP tokens, exchanging them for natural treats.

This is the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market, one of the oldest community gatherings in Cedar Mill.

Twenty-two years ago, Rhonda Edmiston and Leilani Esping founded the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market to bring the Cedar Mill community together. Esping had

been inspired by the Hollywood Farmers' Market and envisioned

farmers and artisans who handcrafted items that related to the



The Market in June, 2003 at its first location in the Safeway lot

her Cedar Mill market as a place where locals could mingle and build support for Oregon farmers. Edmiston and Esping rallied volunteers and in June of 1999 the market opened in the space between the Cedar Mill Library and the HiSchool Pharmacy.

"Through word of mouth and fliers posted in nearby businesses,

home and food applied to launch the first market," Leilani Larsen recalls. Vendors, including Rossi Farms, Duyck's Peachy Pig Farm, Dot's Bakery, Talk Rock garden art (and many more) showed up with their wares to fill the stalls. The market's first season was a success, attracting people from all over the

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Development News

Dogtopia opening in Kirkland Place

Award-winning dog daycare and boarding will be coming to Cedar Mill this summer when Dogtopia opens its third Portland-area location in the Kirkland Place development at 118th and Barnes, across from Market of Choice.

Services will include: open-play daycare; overnight and long-term boarding; spa services, including baths, brush-outs, nail trims, ear cleanings, and teeth brushing; and fun for dog owners, including web cams; periodic report cards for daycare attendees; and visits that benefit

Dogtopia Foundation's charities.

"To date, we've hosted hundreds of Oregon's most delightful dogs at our South Waterfront and Lake Oswego locations, and we're excited



Concept drawing of the Dogtopia storefront

to offer that same level of quality service and fun to new four-legged friends in the Cedar Mill area," says Anita Davis, Dogtopia's Oregon partner.

Dogtopia will announce specifics around the grand opening, including the opening date, in the coming weeks. For more information about Dogtopia Cedar Mill, [visit them online](#).

[Stickmen Brewing](#) is now announc-

ing they will open in February 2022.

Milltown update

We're delighted to share the news of another new tenant for the Milltown Center. [Wildwood Taphouse](#) will open its second location in the space across the driveway from CVS. We'll bring you more details as soon as we get them!



Peterkort parking lot

It looks like the new Peterkort parking lot adjacent to the [Sunset Transit Center](#) is nearly finished, but we've been unable to confirm an opening date. The main entrance is on Barnes Road.



Dogtopia and Stickmen will be in the building shown in blue. A hotel is being built in the purple space.

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

Ackerly opening up to public events!

Katie Smith, Sales Manager for the Ackerly at Timberland, A Leisure Care Community, shares this good news!

"In early April, our community moved into 'green' phase. Our visitation restrictions have been lifted. We are still enforcing PPE usage, physical distancing and screening protocols. Family and guests can join our residents in the restaurants, their apartments, and attend our activities/events.

This also means we can open our doors to hosting groups again, with the same safety protocols in place. If the Cedar Mill community is in need of a meeting place, they should contact Katie Smith at The Ackerly at Timberland (503) 350-3400.

To get an idea of the activities that have been held in the past, [visit their Facebook page!](#) If you're interested in a schedule of lectures, musical performances, and other events, contact the Ackerly for a May schedule.

Ackerly offers veterans a discount

The Ackerly at Timberland is offering a discounted rate on their deluxe studio apartments to veterans. Select apartments renting at \$3000/monthly for veterans. Includes 2-3 meals daily, weekly housekeeping and transportation services, including appointments at the VA.

Call The Ackerly at Timberland to Tour! 503.350.3400

Second Edition Sidewalk Sales

Thursdays and Fridays, 9 am-2 pm, 1050 NW Saltzman Road (East end of the library building). (Depending on weather)

Second Edition Sidewalk Sales now include limited indoor shopping! Featured items in May are Gardening, Mother's Day, and Camping. Always great merchandise at even better prices!

Village Gallery

Gallery Hours: Thursdays-Saturdays, 10 am-4 pm, 1060 NW Saltzman

As COVID restrictions ease, hours and days will change, so please check our website for up-to-date information.

Spring Show

This month, we celebrate mothers, daughters, sisters, and spouses! We just may have the perfect gift to honor that special someone in your life—beautiful and unique cards, jewelry, ceramics, glass, sculpture, and wall art—in sizes that range from miniature to very large in many media. If you can't come in person, check out the new [Spring Show Video Tour on our website](#) or our [Facebook page](#).

Featured Artists for May: Mother/Daughter Duo: Nancy Norman and Teal Buehler

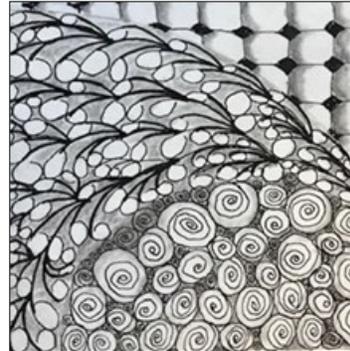
What could be more appropriate than celebrating a mother/daughter show this month? Come see their lively interpretations of nature's bright spring colors in watercolor, acrylic, and mixed media.

Big Bold Painting for May: Fran Gilleland

"My painting is called 'Nobel Lion.' It's done in watercolor. I don't usually paint animals, but a photo of a lion from South Africa piqued my interest. I especially liked his eyes."

Adult Classes and Workshops

Masks and social distancing are required as COVID-19 precautions for in-person classes. [Please see our website for details.](#)



Organized Doodling, by Jean Anderson

Jean Anderson: Organized Doodling for Fun and Relaxation

Thursday, May 27, 10 am-12:30 pm. Maximum of eight students per class, via Zoom.

The Zentangle® Method is an easy-to-learn, relaxing, and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns. If you can write your name, you can do Zentangle—the example shown is the first Zentangle I had ever done! Zentangle relaxes you like no other

while keeping your creative spirit happy. During the class, you will master different techniques, including learning how to use strings and tangles. This is a wonderful technique for individuals who are concerned about building up their brains and keeping more active. As additional benefits, Zentangle does not require excessive equipment and can be done anywhere.

Students will need a pencil, paper, and a smudger that can be made or bought. Each class is recorded, and students will be provided with the recording post-class. [Village Gallery of Arts](#) is a non-profit (501c3) organization, receives no taxpayer money, and is staffed entirely by member volunteers. Our mission is to ignite the joy of



Nancy Norman is one of the featured artists.

learning, creating and appreciating art in our community. We support professional and emerging artists by providing high quality affordable art education to children and adults, as well as providing venues for sharing their work.

Skyline Memorial Events

All events are outside and socially distanced, and will take place at Skyline Memorial Garden Funeral Home, 4101 NW Skyline Blvd

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 9, 12-2 pm

Skyline Memorial Garden Funeral Home will provide free ice cream sundaes and cold brew coffees. The first 25 visitors will get free pink carnations! A tent will be placed in the main parking lot on Mother's Day weekend with grave information and maps.

Memorial Day Weekend – We are open for visitors!

Saturday, May 29 and Monday, May 31,

Free flags, free hot dogs, and free lemonade will be provided.

Pets Honoring Patriots

Sunday, May 30, 12-3 pm

After a COVID hiatus, we are pleased to hold our Pets Honoring Patriots event. We are proud to partner with Legacy Hospice and veterans' organizations for a special community event that brings veterans and animals together. Please join us for giveaways, raffles, and the very popular pet costume contest—as well as prizes for the best trick, best tail wag, and best kisser!

Bring the family for fun, food, and to learn more about the Legacy Hospice Pet Pals Program.

Cedar Mill Farmers' Market

Saturdays, May 1 to October 16, 9 am-2 pm, corner of NW Cornell Rd & Murray

We are so excited to bring the Cedar Mill Farmers Market to our community again this year. This season, we are offering a great mixture of returning and new vendors—we can't wait to see you!

We want you to know that we care about you, our vendors, our staff, and our volunteers. Amidst the ongoing pandemic, we will continue to do our best in making

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CPO 1 News

CPO 1 May meeting

Tuesday, May 11, 7-9 pm, [via Zoom](#)

Join us on Zoom to hear from our State Senator Elizabeth Steiner Hayward about the ongoing legislative session, the federal COVID packages, and how Oregon is moving forward.

Then we'll hear from Peter Leonard, Cedar Mill Library Director, with an update on library services and the experiences of running a community library in the midst of the pandemic shutdown.

Meetings are simulcast on our [Facebook page](#), thanks to the expertise of Ian Siah, our student tech guy! They are available to watch later if the meeting time doesn't work for you

Comment on Long Range Planning Draft Work Plan

Comments due by May 7

Each year, the staff of Washington County Land Use & Transportation Department's Long Range Planning division prepares a "[Work Program](#)" to describe the projects they will spend time on during the coming year. After taking input from commissioners, advisory groups including CPOs and CCI (the CPO leadership group) and the public, they assemble a grid with three "tiers." Tasks in Tier 1 are high priority; many are multi-year so are carried forward from previ-



ous Work Plans. Tier 2 tasks are medium priority and may not get as much attention if other work, staffing issues, or other factors interfere. Tier 3 tasks are a combination of low-priority tasks, topics that have been on the "back burner" for a while or ones that are deemed to have insufficient staff to work on them. A fourth category describes tasks that staff is not recommending be included in the upcoming year's tasks for various reasons. Most of them are topics suggested by others.

Unfortunately, most of the projects that CCI has been asking for fall into the fourth category. These include additional work on Significant Natural Resources; a Tree Code; and a study on governance for urban unincorporated areas. In its response to the Draft, CCI included this note: "We respectfully request that these remaining issues—better SNR protections, Tree

Code, Heritage Trees, Governance, and Light Pollution—be retained in Tier 3 until adequate staff time is available to address them."

The [Staff Report](#) that goes along with the Draft narrates both the recommended items and the reasons for not including the remaining projects. Both the chart and the Staff Report are easy to read and give us a window into how the Transportation and Community Planning work is determined.

Download the document, including the Staff Report, here. Submit comments by 5 pm, May 7, by either email to lutplan@co.washington.or.us (Include full name, street address, company/organization affiliation (if applicable) and other relevant contact information); or U.S. Mail: addressed to Long Range Planning Section, Department of Land Use & Transportation, 155 N. First Ave., Ste. 350 MS14, Hillsboro, OR 97124. All comments received in time will be provided to the Washington County Board of Commissioners prior to adoption of the final work program. Learn more: [Annual Long Range Planning Work Program](#).

New online system provides easier access to Board of County Commissioners information

The Washington County Board of Commissioners is now using a new online agenda management system, known as [BCC iAgenda](#), that provides a portal on the county's main website that allows for easier access to key information including: How to Testify; board member profiles; board public meeting calendar; agenda packets and meeting minutes; meeting updates; board meeting packet archive going back to 2010; and a Document Center with advanced search capabilities.

Neighborhood Meetings

We have received no Neighborhood Meeting notices for May. If any are received after we publish, we will send a notice to [CPO members who have signed up for our news](#).

Land Use actions

J. Peterkort Company is seeking a time extension from Beaverton for a [previously approved Preliminary Partition](#) at the northwest corner of Cedar Hills Bl. and Barnes Road. Kindercare is actually part of the same lot as the remainder of the site

though it only uses a small portion of the site at the northeast corner. The partition they have asked to extend the time on would create a lot just for Kindercare which would separate it from the remainder of the site (and create one additional lot and a tract for the natural resource area).

The Hearings Officer approved Catlin Gabel's Master Plan for the new middle school "Catlin Gabel East Campus" which will replace the Oregon College of Art & Craft. We wrote about [the plan in March](#).

April CPO 1 Summary

By Vicky Siah, CPO 1 Secretary

Virginia Bruce, CPO 1 Chair, began the April meeting with a recap of development news. Target will move into the building previously occupied by Bales' Thriftway—Washington County has agreed to allow the left turn from Cornell into the parking lot on an interim basis.

Brenda Schaffer from the Washington County Sheriff's Office presented information on a free women's self-defense class for any woman living in Washington County. In further news, the Sheriff's Office wants to clarify that they are unable to see crime tips on social media sites. Residents should call the Sheriff's Office using their emergency or non-emergency lines to report tips. If a mental health problem is involved, please notify the Sheriff's Office so they are equipped to help that individual. Common crimes in the area include internet scams, mailbox thefts, and other forms of criminal mischief. The latest "crime map" is posted on the [CPO 1 Facebook page](#).

Registration opens for the THPRD summer session on May 1 for in-district residents and May 2 for those who reside out-of-district. A larger variety of classes will be offered, and as COVID-19 restrictions loosen, spectators are now able to observe classes and sporting events. THPRD is expanding their Multilingual Welcome Center. They are also adding walking paths, a new playground, drainage improvements, and restoration work to Somerset West Park. To assist in their efforts, THPRD is hiring part-time and seasonal employees.

Pam Treece, Washington County District 2 Commissioner, gave us updates on her issues and the various challenges facing the

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Sidewalk Sales!
plus limited indoor shopping!
 Every Thursday & Friday
 9 am-2 pm (weather permitting!)



In May, find great items for Mother's Day, gardening, camping, plus so much more!

2nd edition resale

1050 NW Saltzman Road
 Sales benefit Cedar Mill & Bethany Libraries

CPO1 Neighbors Working Together!

May 11 Meeting
 7-9 pm on Zoom

Our State Senator Elizabeth Steiner Hayward
 Peter Leonard, Cedar Mill Library Director

Open to all—visit Facebook or the web page for the zoom meeting link, and sign up for email news!

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History, continued from page 1 called [Cornell Farms Nursery](#) to see if someone would be interested in taking cuttings so they can be grafted and grow into trees for future generations. Owner Ed Blatter volunteered to bring his crew, and the cuttings are being grafted now. The plan is to offer the grafts for sale as a future fundraiser, but it will take a couple of years before they're ready to plant. Keep that in



Removing cuttings from the apple tree for grafting

mind if you're making long-term garden plans!

Since the pandemic began, CMHS hasn't been visibly active in the community beyond this work, but we are continuing to negotiate the terms of the agreement with THPRD so we can begin to raise money to restore the house for use

as a museum and community space. CMHS is a 501c3 non-profit and donations are gratefully accepted, contact us at info@cedarmillhistory.org for details.

You'll be able to see the tree preservation efforts up close and learn more about our plans when we resume the Cedar Mill Cider Festival on September 19.

Website help wanted!

We've been working on a new website for the Historical Society, and we're ready for some help! We have a large collection of digital copies of history photos gathered over the years, and they need to be processed (organized, cleaned up, cropped, and resized) for the new site. If you have digital image experience and software (Photoshop preferred), and some time to work with us, we'll be happy to teach you the specialized techniques for historical image processing.

The new site has been designed on the WordPress platform and we could use help on some of the more advanced tasks for that also. Please contact us at info@cedarmillhistory.org if you can help.

Park News

Somerset West Park is transformed!

By THPRD staff

You may have noticed a few changes coming to Somerset West Park (off of 185th and Parkview) next to the Somerset West Swim Center. The park has been redeveloped with field and playground improvements funded by the 2008 bond measure.

The construction began in the summer of 2020 and continued through the winter. The contractor completed the improvements in early April 2021. THPRD staff are inspecting the improvements and preparing the park to reopen and welcome community members. THPRD is hopeful the park will reopen this month.

Improvements to the park include walking paths with improved ADA access, a new playground with nature-based play equipment, youth athletic fields for practice and free play, drainage improvements, and creek daylighting with natural area

restoration. In THPRD's recently completed visioning process, people spoke of the importance of more nature play equipment and the



district is excited to share this new space with neighbors.

Additional information and project updates can be found on the [project webpage](#). [\[We wrote about the plans in 2019\]](#)

In addition, Somerset Swim Center will be welcoming the community back on Monday, May 10. You can make reservations for the pool on the district's website at thprd.org/portal.

CMN news

Overwhelmed and grateful!

by Virginia Bruce

That's how I felt as donations came rolling in from my plea for a new computer and software! I created a "GoFundMe" last month and posted it to the [Cedar Mill News Facebook page](#) the night before we went to print, just to see what would happen, and by morning there were several hundred dollars already. Once the April issue was published, the momentum increased, and donations exceeded my original target. Good thing, because it turned out I needed a more expensive machine! I increased the goal and even that was exceeded. Adding in the checks that arrived in the mail, and I had enough to get my new iMac, the Adobe suite of software, and an updated version of Office. I'll likely find additional new software that will be required to run on the latest operating system (OS) so the surplus will come in handy! Heartfelt thanks to all who donated!

While it takes some work to move into a new computer, the worst is over, and this issue was created with the new stuff! Thanks to Bob Russell, who volunteered to get me a good price with his reseller account, and is also providing valuable tech support! As a self-employed person for the last 20 years, sometimes I long for an IT department I can call on! It's nice to know he's there to help me figure things out.

Viva Village

Please come participate in Viva Village's May events! RSVP by calling 503-746-5082 or emailing vivavillageevents@gmail.com. More information regarding these events can be found at the [Viva Village calendar page!](#) A full listing is in the [online version of the News](#).

Online Viva Village 101
Saturday, May 8, 10-11:30 am

A fun and informational session about Village life for prospective members and/or volunteers. RSVP for the Zoom link.

Online Age Cafe
Fridays, May 14 & 28. 11 am-12 pm

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Garden News

Discover Epimediums!

by Margie Lachman

Spring is the busiest season for many gardeners. Pruning, weeding, fertilizing; there is so much to do at once it seems. "Editing" is an important task, too. Trimming plants that have overgrown their spaces or removing them if they aren't doing well or do not please you will make a spot for something better. Choose a new plant carefully, making sure it will have what it needs to thrive. Sun or shade, good drainage, rich

columbine and come in white, pink, yellow, orange, lavender, purple and red. They can be as small as 1/4 inch up to 2 inches depending on the plant. They are a good plant under shrubs and trees.

With lots of variety you may find some of these tough plants to try in your garden. Once established for two years or so they are long-lived survivors. While they will spread slowly, they are not considered invasive.



Epimedium grandiflorum 'White Splash' Photo from the Epimedium website.

The nursery I ordered from is [Garden Vision Epimediums](#).

There are photos to tempt you and if you pay attention to the needs of your plants, you will enjoy them for years. They are not usually eaten by deer and, oh did I mention they don't seem to attract slugs? That is a plus with me! This is the last year that the nursery will be selling mail order plants so look soon. Varieties of Epimedium are also

available at local nurseries, including Cornell Farm.

Garden learning resources

Thanks to the pandemic (!) all workshops offered by East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District are online and recorded for later viewing! View their schedule with classes that include Naturescaping Basics, Urban Weeds, and Creating an Edible Landscape, [here](#).

Naturescaping Site Design will be offered by Tualatin Soil & Water Conservation District on May 27. [Learn more and sign up here](#).

Washington County Master Gardeners [educational events are listed here](#). Learn more about their services and offerings on [the main page](#).

soil or not—if you are mindful of what the plant requires you are likely to have a happy plant. Garden books or a web search can help if you're unsure.

Weeding is a never-ending chore and probably not a favorite one. Bare soil is an invitation for weeds to sprout, so groundcover is a good prevention technique.

I recently came across a website that sells Epimediums and fell in love. Common names are barrenwort, bishop's hat, and fairy wings. The heart shaped or oblong leaves are attractive, and spring is bloom time with loads of delicate flowers. These plants make a good ground cover for shade and many are drought tolerant. The leaves emerge in early spring and flowers follow shortly. The blooms remind us of

Fundraiser for "The Halloween Guy" of Vista Cornell

Sunday, May 9, from 10 am, Vista Cornell Apartments, 13050 NW Cornell

Saturday, May 15, 9-3, Cedar Mill Bible Church parking lot

Vista Cornell resident Howard decorates the entire apartment complex for Halloween every year. "Folks come from all over town to marvel at his spooky hard work and it's the best part of my year," says his

neighbor, who's helping organize the event. "Unfortunately, he's been diagnosed with cancer. And it sucks so hard; he's the most wonderful and caring man. He even shares his homegrown veggies with neighbors." Residents have been collecting items for a garage sale fundraiser to help him out. "He, of all people, deserves as much help as possible

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 area, and soon, interest magnified. Invigorated, Edmiston and Esping decided to bring the market back in 2000 and began to plan for the second season. But they soon received news that the Cedar Mill Library was expanding. The library would have temporary buildings in the parking lot, and it became impossible for the market's future seasons to continue there. Edmiston and Esping knew that the future of the market depended upon their ability to relocate.

They quickly began searching for a second venue. Edmiston and Esping made phone calls and visits to potential space-lenders, but despite their outreach, they were rejected repeatedly. It was a discouraging, slow process—Ron Roden, a current Board Member, recounts location being the most difficult issue in the market's early days—but they persisted. By the market's second opening, they landed in the Sunset Mall parking lot at Murray and Cornell.

The market flourished in the early 2000s, attracting vendors through signage and the Cedar Mill News. Yet the growth of the market created more work, and in 2002-2003, both Esping and Edmiston left the Cedar Mill region. Volunteers Dina and Mark Gross took over the market's management. Finding it hard to cope with the workload, Dina Gross approached THPRD for assistance and presented the concept of a park-sponsored market in her appeal. In the spring of 2005, THPRD General Manager Ron Willoughby agreed to incorporate the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market in THPRD's scope. Willoughby believed that helping manage the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market would contribute to their urban service goal.

The Grosses retired from the market mid-season in 2015 and were replaced by Danny Rodriguez. Rodriguez was previously a vendor with the Farmers' Market, but without the direction of the markets' founders, the market began to deteriorate. Participation in the Farmers' Market diminished, and Jonella Malinowski, who joined the market in the

mid-2000s, described the difficult situation. "It became apparent that something would have to change for [the market] to survive," she states, citing issues with THPRD's flexibility and market management. "We were losing vendors and customers, as well as the reputation we had for being family and community friendly." Those who remained watched as the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market struggled to stay afloat and their dream of a community hub dissipated.

The late 2010s proved to be the most turbulent time in the market's existence, but even so, the market remained true to its roots. It was birthed from a movement of resiliency, and after weathering past struggles, the market's staff refused to surrender.

In response to this crisis, a few of the remaining vendors formed a coalition. They established a formal market Board of Directors in the fall of 2015, making efforts to bring back their customer base and bring positive attention to the market's offerings. Having invested over a decade of work into the market, these vendors were passionate about

the market's survival. They wanted the freedom to rebuild the community-oriented market that thrived in the early 2000s, and they believed in cooperative leadership. When Rodriguez resigned, the Board hired two new market managers—Karen Carroll and Lan-

nie Thompson-Kali—to catalyze restoration efforts.

Carroll and Thompson-Kali united their skill sets to best suit the market's needs. With the board's support, they brought energy and experience to re-create the community vision. The management was tasked with adapting and executing solutions before the 2016 market season, a process that was often frustrating. "We met every week in the beginning...we had to recover passwords, reset emails, formulate vendor rules, and a multitude of other things in order to have a market open in 2016," writes Malinowski, recalling the demands of the restoration period. During that time, the market's site shifted again—the Board simultaneously negotiated for the market's present location at the southeast corner of the Safeway parking lot because demolition and reconstruction of a building forced the move.



One of the most dedicated volunteers, Ursula made lavender wands and taught crafts to kids

The Board met regularly with THPRD to discuss the market's future, and eventually, they developed a focus for the market. Carroll outlines the market's two objectives as "[becoming] our own non-profit and [becoming] an independent entity again." Under THPRD leadership, the market was bound to THPRD's direction, and to implement a vendor-run business model, the Board felt that independence was key. In 2019, the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market separated from THPRD as a 501(c)6 non-profit.

The Farmers' Market has flourished since then, although they remain deeply appreciative to THPRD for their past support and guidance. An abundance of vendors applies to the market each year, and over the past seasons, the market has attracted record numbers of customers. "I am so proud of what we have accomplished," Malinowski says. "We have back the family and community-friendly feel that we so value."

Today, the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market is known as one of the most hospitable farmers' markets in the area—a center to socialize while shopping for weekend groceries. With the introduction of fun programs like the Chili Cook-Off, Pie-in-July, and Power of Produce, the Farmers' Market appeals to people of all ages and all walks of life. Malinowski points to an increase in the SNAP population and the market's efforts towards inclusiv-



Mark & Dina Gross in 2006

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ity. “We managed to get back our Double Up Food Bucks grant so we can double the first \$10 of SNAP tokens,” she remarks. Sponsors, such as the Sunset Athletic Club, The Olive Branch, Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District, the Farmers’ Market Fund, and others have allowed the market to cater to recent demographics. Rick

memories together—and each person brings their own anthology of market stories. Carroll remembers her most memorable experience at the market: “I think one of the sweetest things actually happened last year—a child who comes to the market every week with her family made hero ‘badges’ for several of her favorite vendors and myself to thank



Malinowski Farms beef and eggs are still found most weekends at the Market.

Edmunds, Safeway’s manager, has given his support from the start.

Over the course of 2020, market practices have changed to curb the spread of the pandemic. Masks, sanitation, and social distancing requirements are in place; customers browse the market in a counterclockwise direction, moving through booths in a conveyor-like motion. The market capacity is decreased, and some activities, including Chef at the Market and the music tent, have been temporarily paused. These guidelines will continue into the 2021 season, but the spirit of the market remains.

As with previous years, the market is continuously looking for community partners, either through volunteering or sponsorship. “Olive Lady” and Board Member Deborah Politi reminds us that volunteers are always needed to make the Market work. “We have a variety of positions available, and people can select dates and times they can work. We will take someone for even once a month or once a season.”

“We are an incubator market for new hot food vendors from Adelante Mujeres,” says Carroll, now the sole market manager. “We welcome new vendors and offer help/insight.”

The market has seen children grow up while old friends leave; conversely, seasons bring new faces to incorporate in the Farmers’ Market family. Those who have taken part in the market’s journey reflect on the changes that occurred through the years. The market symbolizes a project greater than any individual—it is the heart of a community that learns, helps, and creates

us for being there. It was awesome!”

Malinowski says the market has had an interesting impact on her life. “I knew people at the market to say hi to, but being an extreme introvert, I really didn’t engage much more than that,” she says. “Now, some of them (particularly those on the board) are valued friends.”

This month marks the start of a new season, happening every Saturday between 9 am and 2 pm until October 16. The Board of Directors has worked swiftly to prepare for the market’s 2021 opening. It is a flurry of phone calls, Zoom meetings, and final checks—but on the first day of May, the market’s stalls shine once again with its characteristic, vibrant joy.

Families, with children and pets, flood in to join the festivities, packing their bags with Oregon foods, locally sourced produce, and art and craft items. They will admire each booth’s wares, make friends with the owners, and in the years to come, their children, too, will cultivate their own market recollections. Amidst the quintessential Farmers’ Market charm, newcomers may be surprised by what they find: our Cedar Mill Farmers’ Market is special, because it is a home where everyone belongs. To learn more, visit the [Market website](#) or send an email to ourcmfm@gmail.com.

Let’s Talk Transportation

Tuesday, May 4, 8:30 am, [register for Zoom link](#)

If you’re searching for sustainable commute options or looking for ways to improve your company’s benefits package, the [Westside Transportation Alliance](#) has you covered. On this Washington County Green Business Leaders webinar, they’ll share about their programs, workplace projects, and more. You do not have to be a WTA member to attend.

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CPO News, continued from page 3 county. Although she voted against the WashCo Kids Group’s proposal to raise money for after-school childcare, she has begun plans to initiate a larger group with Washington County mayors. The area is known as a “childcare desert” due to the lack of childcare accessibility; Treece aims to fix this through the “equity lens.”

Washington County will soon be receiving money from the federal relief fund. “We are preparing in a vacuum relationship to what we have and how we can spend that money,” Treece says. Multnomah, Clackamas, and Washington County will come together to talk about common issues and learn from one another soon.



Washington County Land Use and Transportation (LUT) described the Filbert Street Sidewalk Project. The County will build a sidewalk on the south side from Murray to Saltzman. This will definitely affect constituents’ front

yards and driveways—in addition to purchasing any needed additional right-of-way, the County will pay those experiencing disruptions a “small amount of compensation” to move or replace landscaping.

Bruce Bartlett, CPO 1 Vice Chair, gave us an overview on the OSU Extension Service. The Extension Service began bringing university expertise to communities in the 1900s, and as of today, they comprise 213 faculty, 8,900 trained volunteers, and 2,339,468 engaged student learners. OSU Extension Service is committed to making Oregon agriculture sustainable with core program areas: agriculture and natural resources, forestry and natural resources, family community and health, 4-H youth development, and

sea grants. Bruce showed slides and gave details about some of the programs

available to help us garden, preserve food, and protect the environment.

The meeting was recorded on our [Facebook page](#) and is available to view anytime. The chat box from the meeting had many useful links and is also posted on the page.

May election update

Ballots for the May 18 election began to be mailed out April 28. It’s now too late to update your registration for this election. Visit the [county elections page](#) for questions and more information.

A [list of ballot dropboxes can be found here](#). The boxes should be available now. They will remain open until 8 pm on Election night. All library Dropsites

into book returns, use only the officially designated Drop Box.

The ballot boxes nearest Cedar Mill are:

- Cedar Mill Community Library, 1080 NW Saltzman Rd
- Bethany Library, 15325 NW Central Dr Ste J-8
- Washington County Service Center East, 3700 SW Murray Blvd.

No postage required, drop your ballot off at any Elections Office or Official Dropsite in the state. Your ballot must be in the Elections Office or an Official Dropsite by 8 pm Election Day. Postmarks do not count.

Ballot tracking (for the November election)

Washington County Elections has partnered with i3ballot to provide ballot tracking service through BallotTrax to Washington County voters. Participating voters will receive notifications throughout their ballot’s journey by text, e-mail, or voice alerts. [Registration is available starting May 3](#), and ballot tracking services will begin in September, 2021.



(excluding Garden Home) are now outdoor, 24-hour drop boxes. You do not need to enter the library to cast your vote. Please do not deposit any ballots or election materials

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Meet Jess Fong

We have been publicizing recycling events at Sunset High School for several months, and we got curious to learn more about one of the students behind this great community service.

How long have you been interested in recycling and other environmental issues? What got you interested?

It took a while for me to remember this, but I think my interest for Climate Change started in grade five, a bit shocking when I thought back that far. At my elementary school, the big end-of-the-year project for all fifth graders was our exhibition night, where students got assigned groups and picked a research topic for our presentation.



The April collection gathered batteries and styrofoam and filled a large truck!

My group did Global Warming. This was probably the first time I learned about greenhouse gases, the greenhouse effect, endangered species etc. From then, I think those impacts were just always stuck in the back of my mind, and as I got older and was able to understand more, I was just naturally drawn into wanting to improve my lifestyle.

Did you start the Club or just get involved?

I did not start the club! In fact, I didn't join ANY clubs my freshman year, so for sophomore year, I was set on at least joining some sort of environmental club because I knew it was something I was interested in. When the club list came out, I saw the Climate Change Club, and ended up signing up during our yearly "Club Fair." It was a small, and brand new club so I took a lot of initiative trying to get it off the ground. I communicated with the then president (Harlene) a lot, started our Instagram account, and

of course attended every meeting that year. Later, a couple months into the summer, I reached out to Harlene asking if she had plans for the club this year, since we would be online due to COVID. She told me that she was actually going to be stepping down and asked if I would fill one of the co-president spots. I obviously said yes, and it has led me here! We've now gathered an amazing board and made lots of improvements since last year. I cannot wait to take this club even further when we can all be back in person.

What grade level are you? Have you made plans to be sure the club goes on after you graduate?

I'm a Junior at Sunset High School, graduating in 2022! To be honest, I haven't put too much thought into the future of our club, but we have a lot of younger members at the moment that have already shown so much dedication, even just as regular members. So I am confident that the club will be in good hands when I leave.

Do you have faculty advisors for the club?

Yes! Mr. Andrew Brown, a history teacher, is our faculty advisor. He shares the same passion for the environment as everyone else in the club, and has helped us tremendously, both in

gathering ideas as well as helping us with all our major events. These have included planting blueberry bushes in our school courtyard and organizing recycling drives. We couldn't have done it without him.

How many kids are involved now? Has it been hard to keep it going during COVID?

We have a small, yet solid group of students that I can tell are truly dedicated, and I am so grateful for them. However, it has definitely been harder to keep things going with COVID, as it's more difficult to keep members engaged, connected, and involved. I hope that when we can finally see and interact with each other, we can have that little boost of morale that I think we all need.

The group hadn't firmed up plans for any May activities by our deadline, but you can [check their website to learn more](#) and see their schedule.



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Business News, continued from page 2 the market a safe and welcoming place to shop. Protecting public health is our number one concern, and we will continue to follow the rules, updates, and guidelines from the OHA, ODA, local government, and the Oregon Farmers' Market Association regarding COVID-19.

Masks are required for the upcoming market season, and we will practice social distancing. The market will have one entry and one exit, demarcated by signs. Lastly, we are limiting the number of people allowed in the market, and if the market reaches capacity, there may be a line. Thank you in advance for your understanding and for your support!

We're always looking for volunteers to help the market run smoothly. This can be a fun family activity and we're very flexible to fit



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April is the National Credit Union Association 'Youth Month.' As part of a nationwide effort to spread the word about the importance of money management, Sunset Credit Union is giving kids the chance to win. All youth accounts (up to 18 years old) opened in the months of April and May will automatically be entered into a drawing to win an Oculus Quest 2, a \$50 Best Buy Gift card, or a \$25 Amazon gift card. Plus, any youth that refers another youth to join will also be entered into this drawing. To learn more and to join Sunset Credit Union, stop by their office located at 1100 NW Murray Blvd, [visit their website](#), or give them a call at 503-643-1335. Sunset Science Park Federal Credit Union is open to anyone who lives, works, or attends school in Washington County.

Cedar Mill Business Association

Tuesday, May 11, 12 pm via Zoom

Our May Speaker is CMBA Past President Lauren Sinha of Eleete Real Estate. She will lead (and create!) a trivia event for us, and it's sure to be a lot of fun!

CMBA Members will receive the Zoom Link through our Monthly E-Blast, so stay tuned. We invite guests to two free visits at no charge. Please contact our admin, Chelsea, at admin@cedarmillbiz.com to receive the Zoom link. For more information about the Cedar Mill Business Association, please [visit our website](#).

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Applications are being accepted for Portland Metro Fire Camp for those who identify as female ages 16 to 20. This camp is an all-encompassing introduction to a rewarding profession—it is designed to instill confidence while building leadership and team skills.

Participants will learn what it takes to be a firefighter while completing hands-on training in hose and ladder skills, vehicle extrication, search and rescue, ropes and knots, live-fire operations, aerial ladder climbs, forcible entry, emergency medical skills, and other firefighting tasks. They will also receive instruction from professional female firefighters from multiple agencies on how to prepare for interviews and gain insight on what it is like to have a career in the fire service, as well as the importance of good nutrition and physical fitness.

[Applications and more information are available online.](#)

Ask WCSO

I think my neighborhood should have a Neighborhood Watch Group. What should I do?

Neighborhood Watch has been an effective tool to enhance safety and foster a sense of community in neighborhoods throughout Washington County for many years. It draws diverse people together as they make a commitment to watch out for one another, and opens up dialog with the the Washington County Sheriff's Office to promote safer, crime-free neighborhoods.

If you live in an HOA, talk to your HOA leadership about a Neighborhood Watch for your community. We will happily join in a question/answer call with your HOA leadership and arrange for a presentation of about 1.5 hours for the entire community. If you do not live within a HOA, talk to your neighbors. Determine the best evening for a presentation of about 1.5 hours for those who are interested.

Contact the WCSO Community Outreach specialist for your area. At any stage in the process, feel free to

contact Brenda Schaffer, your Community Outreach Specialist at (503) 846-5578 for questions or guidance.

Ask WCSO is provided by the Washington County Sheriff's Office. To get started, please [take a look at our website](#) to learn more details about the program.

Power Curve for Women still has openings

Tuesday, May 11, 6-8 pm [via zoom](#), [register for link](#)

Washington County Sheriff's Office invites women 14 years and older to participate in a free personal safety course, "Power Curve-Increasing Self Defense Options for Women". This class in an introduction to



self-defense techniques and not intended for on-going training. While social distancing regula-

tions continue, we're happy to pilot a condensed virtual version of our [Women's Self-Defense class](#). Through virtual instruction, we will focus on situational awareness, identifying risks, utilizing safety tools, exploring options to maintain safety, and using basic self-defense moves.

How to Win Friends and Survive a Disaster: 9 Steps to Neighborhood Preparedness

Wednesday, May 26, 7 pm, via Zoom, free

Do you feel connected to your neighbors? If a natural disaster strikes, your survival may depend on your neighbors because emergency services will be overwhelmed. Your best chance of survival is to be surrounded by people who are knowledgeable and prepared—people who have your back and know what to do. Your neighbors are your first responders! Why wait for a disaster to get connected?

Join Cedar Hills Ready and invite all your favorite people to our next Zoom meeting to learn the nine steps to take after a disaster with the FEMA Neighborhood Ready! program. Get to know your neighbors, have fun, and make a resiliency plan.

Registration is required. For more information and to get on our email list, contact Karen or Lincoln at info.cedarhillsready@gmail.com or [visit our website](#).

School News

Enroll for kindergarten at Terra Linda Elementary

Thursday, May 20, 6:30 pm, Terra Linda Elementary (if possible), 1998 NW 143rd Ave

Enroll for Terra Linda kindergarten today! Students must turn five on or before September 1, 2021 to be eligible for kindergarten. For more information on registering for kindergarten, immunization requirements and much more, please visit the [kindergarten Information webpage](#).

We are hoping this event will be able to be held in person as we have done in previous years. More details to come. Please share this date with any neighbors or friends who may have a child ready to start kindergarten in the fall. Call Terra Linda at 503 356-2490 with any questions.

Bonny Slope Elementary kindergarten orientation

Wednesday, May 26, 6 pm, via Zoom. [Register in advance for this meeting](#).

Please join us for our kindergarten orientation parent night where we will answer registration questions, and share ideas for preparing your student for kindergarten in the fall. Our current kindergarten teachers will be available for questions. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

If you have not already enrolled your kindergartener, you may [do so now online](#). Please let us know if you have any questions! Send us an email at BSLP-communications@beaverton.k12.or.us or call us at 503-356-2040. We look forward to meeting you.

ACMA Dining Fundraisers

Please visit the [Arts & Communications Magnet Academy PTO page](#) to either download and print or find the flyers to display on your phone!

Thursday, May 13, all-day, MOD Pizza, 2695 SW Cedar Hills Blvd

Support ACMA by bringing the MOD Pizza fundraiser flyer to the Cedar Hills MOD Pizza location. Thursday, May 20, 4 pm-8 pm, Panera, 3435 SW Cedar Hills Blvd

Support ACMA by bringing the Panera fundraiser flyer to the Cedar Hills Panera location.

Our new campus construction is nearly complete. The move to return to our permanent campus will be this summer. ACMA has a

Performing Arts Center, where all school performances take place. Our community partners and neighbors are welcome to attend at any time.

Baskets for ACMA raffle

We are unable to have a performance fundraiser this year, but a popular lobby experience—the baskets—will be held online. It will be open to anyone interested in supporting ACMA or winning a wonderful basket donated by our many local community sponsors. Auction winners are announced and notified on June 8.

Basket themes include dog, cat wellness spa, gardening, breweries and sports, wine baskets, date night, reading, coffee, tea, beach weekend, wine tasting, wine club, and many more. The fundraising event is our annual event to raise money for next year's programs, such as dance, theatre, film, jazz, orchestra, choir, band, photography, and other art forms. Go to the [ACMA auction website](#) for more information about the baskets and how to contribute.

Terra Linda Elementary Teacher Appreciation



Be sure to watch the delightful video created to highlight Yolanda's project!

Yolanda, a 5th grader at Terra Linda Elementary, talks about how she came up with the idea to create teacher appreciation cards. She was able to enlist the help of her fellow students to show just how much they care about their teachers. As a result, hundreds of student-made cards were created and handed out.

[See the video here on the BSD site.](#)

Sunset Marching Band Can & Bottle Drive

Saturday, May 8, 10 am-1 pm, old Bales Thriftway parking lot, 12847 NW Cornell Rd.

We are currently taking your curb drop offs—bring us your bags of cans and bottles! Please wear your mask when you drive up to drop off your bags. If you picked up green bags from us last time, please fill and bring them back to us! If you have more bags than will fit in your car, email us at samba@sambanote.org. We have this event year-round on the second Saturday of the month – add us to your calendar!

Sunset Apollo Marching Band & Auxiliary (SAMBA) Parent Club is a 501(c)(3) organization. SAMBA supports all Comprehensive Band & Color Guard Programs at Sunset High School. SAMBA raises funds year-round for travel expenses, entry fees, uniforms, specialized instruction, show design, instrument purchase/repair, purchase of new music/arrangements, and scholarships for students who would otherwise be unable to participate.

Bonny Slope Elementary Jog-a-thon

Monday, May 3-Sunday, May 9

Bonny Slope Community Organization is looking forward to bringing back one of Bonny Slope Elementary's favorite events with this year's Jog-a-thon! Although it may look a little different than in the past, it will get our students moving and having fun—all while helping support our great school. To participate, register on our [school Pledgestar page](#), create your student's fundraising account, and log their miles during the week of the Jog-a-thon.

There are four designated routes for the students to run/walk throughout the BSE community. Parents are encouraged to participate with their children in this always-memorable event.

There will be exciting prizes this year, including an OMSI Reacto-Blast virtual demonstration, a Play.Fit.Fun outdoor event at BSE, dinner for six, and many more.

We are also happy to announce we have included the Pre-K students in this year's event.

See the [Bonny Slope BSCO page](#) for route maps, details on how donations are utilized, matching funds information, and FAQs. We look forward to seeing your students participate in this year's week-long Jog-a-thon!

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