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Thompson Realignment Detours

Thompson Road will be connected to Kenny Terrace west of Saltzman Road. The new connection will eliminate the existing sharp curve. The new Thompson Road connection will be a three-lane road (one travel lane in each direction and a center turn lane) with bike lanes, multiuse (cyclist and pedestrian) paths and landscaping.

Construction begins this month and is expected to continue through February 2025. Two closures of Thompson Road are planned:



Closure 1: West of the curve, for about 45 days between June 15-Sept. 1.

Closure 2: West of Saltzman Road, for about 30 days in the fall. [Ed. Note: we had previously been told that the second closure would come first to avoid disrupting Findley Elementary student dropoff.]

Drivers will be detoured to Saltzman Road, Cornell Road, and Bethany Boulevard. Cyclists, pedestrians, and local traffic may use

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local routes. See map.

[Ed. Note: many people notice that there are a few shorter ways to get around the closures, but Heather Sturgill, Senior Communications Specialist at LUT, notes "Thompson Road is an arterial and designed to handle more traffic than 143rd Avenue, which is a collector. Detour routes use streets of the same classification or higher. See our Road Classification Infographic for more information."]

The \$7.48 million project is funded through the MSTIP Bonding Cost-sharing Program for improvements in the North Bethany/ Bonny Slope West area.

Work Beginning on Cornell Sidewalk Repair

Construction on a repair that will replace over 3200 square feet of sidewalk on Cornell Road from Saltzman Road to Dale Avenue is scheduled to begin Monday, June 3.

The sidewalks were damaged by

trees that were planted as part of a County project in 2007. The trees species are not appropriate for the size of the tree wells and have damaged the tree grates and surrounding sidewalk. The County has since updated its approved street tree list enhancements, with species suitable for the roadside.

The trees will be replaced as part of the project. The County consulted an arborist who determined that the trees need to be

removed to bring the sidewalk into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Other solutions like only cutting the roots of the trees that were damaging the sidewalks would kill them.

Cast-iron tree grates will be removed by the contractor and sold for scrap. Pedestrian access will be maintained during construction and no traffic impacts are expected on Cornell Road. Construction

is scheduled to finish June 19. Schedules are subject to change.

Community-led PCC nature project receives grant from Metro Council

A Metro Grant is helping to

improve trail accessibility, provide space for gathering and art, and support first food gardens at the Rock

Creek Campus

Portland Community College (PCC) is one of 15 parks and nature projects that were recently awarded grants totaling \$2.3 million by the Metro Council. Made possible by the 2019 parks and nature bond measure, PCC received \$166,667



Environmental Center

for capital improvements provided by Metro funds while the college is awarding \$83,333 matching funds. The three-year project at the Rock Creek Campus will primarily focus on enhancing accessibility and cultural relevance within the Rock Creek Environmental Studies Center (RCESC) and the campus' learning garden. Val Brenneis, faculty coordinator of the RCESC, and Miriam Latzer, coordinator of the Rock Creek Learning Garden, are guiding the implementation.

Major components include trail accessibility improvements, trailhead

installation of Indigenous artwork, and the cultivation of culturally significant plants. "Our goals are to build healthy

and reciprocal relationships, support land stewardship and healing, increase educational opportunities, and provide space and access for cultural connections with the land," Brenneis said. "The community choice grant process has provided an exciting opportunity to engage with more of our neighbors. Together, we imagined how this public resource could become more accessible and welcoming to all through trail improvements, new Continued on page 8 signage, artwork, and culturally

Photos and Story by James Hill, PCC significant plantings. "Underlying all of this is a commitment to highlight and strengthen the deep connection between the land and local Indigenous communities," she added. Val

Brenneis, faculty coordinator of the RCESC, teaches Environmental Studies and serves as the RCESC faculty coordinator for the 100-acre natural area.

Led by this coalition, the project supports accessibility improve-

ments, community learning and visitor experiences at several locations across the campus. Organizers will plant culturally significant plants and First Foods at the learning garden. On the north side of campus, the grant funds will be used to improve the accessibility of existing trails through conifer forests to Oregon oak woodland. New informational signage will be created and installed at the trailheads and along the trails to welcome the community and reflect Indigenous cultural and ecological knowledge. In the learning garden, access to a covered gathering area

> and raised beds will be improved in collaboration with PCC's Accessible Education and Disability Resources team. Finally, artwork by Indigenous artists will be commissioned for the site.

> The grant will allow staff to build upon

the work of the PCC Oaks Partners, which includes Clean Water Services, the Five Oaks Museum, Wisdom of the Elders, Friends of Tryon Creek, Tualatin Soil and Water District, Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District, and more. Facilitated by PCC alum Serina Fast Horse of Kimimela Consulting, the group aims to foster healthy relationships, support land stewardship, expand educational opportunities, and facilitate cultural connections with the land.



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Cedar Mill Business Roundup

Do you have news or events or know of something that you would like to see covered in the Cedar Mill News? Please write to Virginia Bruce at info@cedarmillnews.com

Cedar Mill Farmers Market about what is coming when!!!

Saturdays through October, 9-2, Safeway parking lot at Murray & Cornell

Happiness is a trip to the farmers market! We are open, we are here and each week more produce is becoming available. Fresh, local, delicious! Something different each week in the Community, Sustainability, Power 0f Produce booths, plus live music and ready-to-eat food. Come for the produce and other goodies, stay for lunch!

We have had many questions (which we love) at the Information Booth. One that was asked several times is "where is all the produce???" Here is the answer: Seasonal fresh local produce, picked/gathered fresh, is from their farms/orchards. Six of them are here now & are bringing what is currently ready. Our farmers/ growers will bring more & more as the season progresses. Please keep coming back...it is changing every week!

Currently the produce vendors at the market are: Dairy Creek (only honey now but will bring some



veggies later in the season); Granja Nuevo Horizonte; Kjelsrud Mushrooms; Martinez Family Farms; Nuts About Berries; Sweet Oregon Berry-feel free to talk with them

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Coming in the very near future: Baird Family Orchards (coming 6/8 or 6/15); Flamingo Ridge (possibly 6/22); Kiyokawa Family Orchards (7/6); Peachy Pig Farm, Duycks (possibly 6/22)

Last Day of School Celebration at Bethany Village Centre

Wednesday, June 12th, 2-5 pm, 4720 NW Bethany Boulevard, free

Goodbye school, hello summer vacation! Join us for an unforget-



table Last Day of School Celebration! Bethany Village & Bethany Library are hosting a summer kick-off event for students from Beaverton and Portland. Enjoy music, free activities from Bethany Athletic Club, free access to the game truck and a fun and safe environment. Explore various vendors offering Kona ice, crafts, Churros, permanent jewelry, and henna tattoos. Come ready to support and have a great time with us!

Bodelite Grand Opening

Thursday, June 20, 3-7 pm, 15160 NW Laidlaw Rd #100, free, RSVP appreciated, see ad in this issue for a QR code

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Some highlights of the event include educational speakers for Coolsculpting, Cooltone, and Skin Medica products; exclusive pricing packages for those who attend; a raffle with giveaways; and Cooltone and Red Light Therapy demo for those that want to try out those treatments. Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails included!

Financial Literacy for Kids and Teens at our own CU

If you have a child or teenager, vou should know about Sunset Credit Union's free educational course called Banzai, a webwhere kids get their own accounts, and they work through assignments that are based on real life.

With Banzai, students learn to manage unexpected expenses such as parking tickets, interest

charges and overdraft fees. The educational program also introduces students to auto loans, bank statements, entertainment costs, savings, and more.

To get your child or teenager started with the course, visit Sunset's website at sspfcu.com and select the age-appropriate Banzai course. Upon completion of the course, Sunset will deposit \$25 into your child's savings account. If they haven't become a member of the credit union yet, they'll deposit the first \$25 into a new account with the credit union.

Sunset Science Park Federal Credit Union is open to anyone who lives, works, or attends school in Washington County. For more information, stop by their office at 1100 NW Murray Blvd #200) or visit their website at <u>sspfcu.com</u>.

How to Prepare for College AND Pay For It

Tuesday, June 18, 6-7 pm, online, register here.

Gain insights about the college admissions landscape, recommendations about

preparing strong applications

and strategies to stand out. We will also discuss college costs and how to maximize financial aid and scholarships. Space is limited and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. All registrants will receive a confirmation email with a link.

Presented by Apella Wealth.

How will commission changes affect buying or selling a home?

By Jan Dempsey, Realtor, Windermere Realty Group

A landmark settlement between a number of parties with the National Association of Realtors (NAR) is bringing major changes to how you buy or sell a house, with new rules set to go into effect in August. Who pays the fees for agents representing buyers will be at the core of the changes.

As a licensed Realtor in Oregon, based financial literacy program I am required to be a member of NAR and other trade associations. The MLS (Multiple Listing Service) is a database of properties for sale used by real estate brokers and shared with their clients. Currently, the Buyer Broker fee/commission is published under the BAC, or buyer's agent's commission, in RMLS. Historically, the fee paid to the buyer's agent has been determined and paid by the seller out of their proceeds from the buyer's purchase amount. From August on, the buyer will pay their agent's commission.

The premise of the lawsuit is that having the commission listed on the MLS would incentivize buyers' agents to only show their clients homes which would result in a good payout. It also incentivized the seller to set a competitive rate in order to get access to more buyers. A series of lawsuits from sellers said that this arrangement amounted to antitrust behavior by the National Association of Realtors. In March the trade group settled for \$418 million.

The settlement is an attempt to change past practices to address the allegations of collusion and antitrust behavior, thereby changing the industry significantly. The biggest change is that buyers will now have to sign a contract with their agent laying out what services they will be receiving and the amount they will pay for those services. With home prices so high, and budgets so tight, the temptation for buyers to go their own way may be too much to resist. My worry is that the home buyers who have the least resources, will end up resorting to using the seller's agent (who represents the seller) or they will try

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CPO News

CPO 1 June meeting: Middle Housing **Basics**

Tuesday, June 11, 7 pm online via zoom (no in-person meeting this

Anne Kelly, Senior Planner, Washington County Land Use & Transportation, will ¥provide an overview of this new type of allowed housing that does not need to comply with existing maximum density rules. Will neighbors receive notice of proposed Middle Housing developments? How many units can be allowed? What is allowed/required for parking, setback, and siting issues, and how will Middle Housing fit into existing neighborhoods:

Middle Housing law was adopted by the Oregon Legislature in 2019. It included very prescriptive standards that local jurisdictions must apply. It is meant to increase the variety of housing choices in certain land use districts/zones in cities and jurisdictions including urban unincorporated Washington County, and to increase overall housing supply statewide. CPOs 1 and 7 have seen the first few Middle Three-parcel partition approved **Housing** development applications in the last couple of months.

Senate Bill 458 requires jurisdictions to allow "Middle Housing" lot divisions for any middle housing type (duplexes, triplexes, quadplexes, townhouses, and cottage clusters) on existing residential zoning types. The applicant must submit a tentative plan for the division and the county must apply an "expedited land division" process.

Jurisdictions retain the ability to require or condition certain things, including further division limitations, street frontage improvements, and right-of-way dedication if the original parcel did not make such dedications. They may not subject applications to approval criteria outside of what is provided in the bill, including that a lot or parcel require driveways, vehicle access, parking, or min/max street frontage, or requirements inconsistent with House Bill 2001.

If you can't attend the meeting, it will be recorded and available on YouTube for viewing later. Visit our YouTube channel and subscribe! Our Facebook Group is a good place to discuss current issues and get timely updates.

CPO 7 meeting

Monday, June 10, 7 pm, Bethany Presbyterian Church, 15505 NW

Springville Road, and via Zoom.

ing to Bethany: Plans are in the

Improved Transit Service Com-

works for a shuttle service between Sunset Transit Center and Portland Community College Rock Creek Campus beginning Fall 2024. Reza Farhoodi, Senior Planner, Washington County Land Use and Transportation, and Tangerine Behere, Lead Service Planner, Ride Connection, will provide details about the joint effort. Join us to provide feedback on the proposed route and stops. Let us know if there are certain times of the day that you would potentially use this service. There will be time for questions after the

Followed by CPO 7 updates including recent Land Use Applications in our CPO. Next meeting will be Monday, September 9, unless a meeting is needed to address a time sensitive issue over the summer.

Development News

presentation.

The proposed partition between Taylor & Salmon, east of 95th that we reported on in the April issue was approved by LUT in early May. Required public improvements include a half-street improvement to SW Taylor St. and to SW Salmon St., adjacent to the development including street trees, sidewalks, drainage, and lighting.

Cedar Mill Terrace approved

The eight-lot subdivision we reported on in May for the 1.75-acre site on NW Kearney east of 116thwas approved by LUT on May 29. Public improvements required include halfstreet improvements to Kearney and Kenzie, including sidewalks, trees, drainage, and lighting. Three comments made at the neighborhood meeting were addressed in the Staff report, including a) Loss of green space; b) increase of "heat-island;" and c) increase of traffic on Kearney because of the new east-west connection. A pedestrian and bike path will lead from Kenzie to Kearney. A private street leading off Kearney will give access to seven of the lots, the eighth lot is directly on Kearney.

Neighborhood meetings West Village

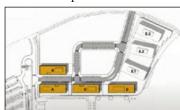
Representatives of David Evans & Associates presented an update on design changes for West Village

Phase I project (formerly Sunset Town Center Phase 1), the mixeduse project proposed for the land north of the Sunset Transit Center. The project is now proposed to consist of four seven-story mixed use buildings northeast of the existing, unused parking lot adjacent



An urban streetscape is planned for the development near Sunset Transit Center

to the Sunset Transit Center. The first building may focus on studio units for about 95 dwellings. The complex is designed to offer an urban streetscape and is aimed at young professionals who can walk and cycle to nearby shopping and who primarily use transit for commuting, given its proximity to MAX and various bus lines. After the presentation they fielded a number of questions from the



attendees. People were concerned about additional traffic in the area including impact to the nearby hospital, parking for residents, the need for street trees to offset the "heat island" effect, and phasing of the development. Construction on the first building is expected around 2026 with a building a year after that. You can view the meeting on YouTube here, with this presentation beginning around 1hour 27 minutes. The earlier part of the meeting was a discussion with TriMet covering aspects of service to our area and information about how to pay for rides.

Another presentation was scheduled for June 3 at the Central Beaverton Neighborhood Association Committee before we publish the June issue. If there are significant changes noted at that meeting, we'll bring them to you on both the CMN Facebook page and in the July issue.









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Reconnecting with Our Roots: Reviving Agricultural Education in Washington County

By Casey Blake, Washington County Programs Coordinator, Oregon AITC

Over the last few decades, Washington County has gone through a transformation and shifted from its historically agricultural roots. As development for housing and commerce replace farmland, a growing chasm from our agricultural history widens. How do we ensure that the next generation understands the importance of agriculture in a region where urban development increasingly overshadows our farming roots?

room Foundation (AITC) is helping bridge this gap by bringing agricultural education (AITC) is

Oregon Agriculture in the Class-

cultural education into county classrooms, fostering a connection to something that makes our state special. With less direct exposure to farming, many students grow up with an

incomplete understanding of where their food comes from, the natural resources that exist around them, and the environment that makes Oregon amazing. A detachment from agriculture is a stark contrast to the county's historical reliance on farming and can have long-term implications for community values and environmental stewardship.

AITC is dedicated to reversing this trend by reintegrating agricultural education into the lives of students. By providing hands-on <u>learning</u> opportunities and engaging educational resources, AITC helps students reconnect with their agricultural roots. AITC offers a wide range of programs designed to make agriculture accessible and engaging for students including comprehensive lesson plans, virtual field trip opportunities, educator workshops featuring a variety of agriculture topics, and an annual Literacy Project, to name a few things.

Lessons are crafted to meet educational standards while providing practical, hands-on learning experiences. For instance, students might study the lifecycle of a plant by growing their own vegetables in classroom gardens, observing the process from seed to harvest.

A vital component of AITC's approach is facilitating interactions between students and local farmers. We offer numerous virtual farm field trips every school year, allowing students the chance to interact with the people who grow their food and learn about the daily challenges and rewards of farming. These experiences demystify the agricultural industry and highlight its relevance.

Every Spring, AITC hosts a <u>Literacy Project</u> which connects students to the agricultural community. The project entails reading the featured agriculturally-themed book

and leading an activity with the students, reinforcing the message or theme of the book. The book and activity change from year to year and participating schools receive both a copy of the book and a bookmark for every student. This year's book, Up in the



Casey shoots a video at Schoch Dairy to share in the classrooms.

Garden, Down in the Dirt, has been shared with over 150 classrooms in Washington County. At the beginning of May, students at Cedar Mill Elementary School participated in a school-wide reading. This event allowed students to learn more about agriculture and engage with additional AITC resources.

We invite you to use these resources to <u>get involved</u> in the AITC Foundation. Community support is crucial for the success of <u>this small non-profit</u> which exists through the support of volunteers, donors, and local businesses. Thanks to funding from the <u>Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District</u>, there is <u>dedicated personnel</u> to serve just county Classrooms.

If you want to reinforce this learning with kids in your family over the summer, visit <u>oregonaitc.</u> org and check out the <u>Resources tab</u> or scroll to the bottom of the home page to sign up to receive monthly programming updates. There are also opportunities to volunteer to help the AITC mission. Together, we can reconnect with our agricultural roots and ensure that the next generation understands the vital role of agriculture, even in an increasingly urban landscape.

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Nature & Garden News

Master Gardener programs

For more information on all our programs, please go to the WCMGA website. The Washington County Master Gardener™ Association (WCMGA) sponsors a wide variety of gardening—related demonstrations, lectures, seminars, and workshops in various locations. for trees in urban unincorporated Most of our events are free and open to the public. The WCMGA is a 501c3 non-profit. In-person events free. Visit the <u>Treekeepers website</u> to are held at the PCC Rock Creek campus, 17705 NW Springville Rd., unless otherwise noted.

Open Garden: Invertebrates and **Vertebrates Family Event** Saturday, June 1, 10 am-1 pm, WCMGA Ed Garden at PCC, free

Join us in the garden for handson activities for the whole family that celebrate invertebrates and vertebrates. Learn about the insects and other wildlife in our garden and meet some farm animals from the PCC Rock Creek Farm, including the endearing miniature horse, Tootsie! Please visit the event webpage for more details. Strategies for Integrated Pest Management Webinar Tuesday, June 4, 7-8 pm, Zoom,

free, pre-registration required Logan Bennett Small Farms and Master Gardener Program Coordinator for Douglas County, OSU Extension Service, will present a webinar on Strategies for Integrated Pest Management. What actions should be taken on your land or in your garden to contend with diseases, pests and weeds? Includes a focus on biological controls and what can be done to encourage natural and introduced controls. Please visit the event page for registration. **Grow Together: Families in the Garden** Saturday, June 29, 10 am-1 pm, The Gazebo at the WCMGA Learning

Garden at Jenkins Estate, free Join Volunteers from the Washington County Master Gardener Association at our beautiful Learning Garden for this Free Family Event which is open to the public. There will be fun, hands-on gardening activities for the whole family including scavenger hunts, tours, vegetable seed planting (to take home!), and pollinator education. Don't forget to visit our carnivorous plants! For information and maps to our gardens, please visit the <u>Demonstration Gardens page</u>. To learn more about the event, please visit the event webpage.

Find more WCMGA events in the online version of CMN here.

Interested in Growing Food?

Tualatin Soil & Water Conservation District has a web page for you! Get motivated and find useful information and resources on this page.

Treekeepers programs

We work to protect and advocate Washington County. Don't miss our upcoming events! All of them are learn more.

Tree Conversation Meetup Wednesday, June 19, 6:30-8 pm, Cascade Commons, 4377 SW 94th Ave., register here, free

This month's agenda will focus on the status of our current projects. We look forward to your ideas and input for ways to help trees. Tree Walk: Jordan Woods Saturday, June 22, 10 am-12 pm, Jackie Husen Park, 10955 NW Reeves St., register here, free

Learn to identify some of the trees in the Cedar Mill area: Douglas fir, Western redcedar, Alder, Oregon whiteoak, and six species of maple. From Jackie Husen Park, we'll walk a paved trail that goes through the natural area above Cedar Mill Creek.

Urban Wildlife Information Network

Tuesday, June 18, 6:30-8 pm, Heron Hall, Bird Alliance of Oregon's Wildlife Sanctuary

Are you interested in learning what species of mammals and birds live in Portland parks and green spaces? The Urban Wildlife Information Network (UWIN) project tracks urban wildlife using camera traps, working with community members to place cameras along habitat corridors and identify the many squirrels, songbirds, and other species photographed. Find out more about the UWIN PDX Community Science project, get trained on how to place and use the camera traps, and meet the other volunteers and partners involved in this program.

The event will include a training session led by PSU grad student Clarissa Cressotti focused on camera trap deployment and common species identification. We will also explore recent data collected through UWIN PDX and highlight the methodology and future goals of the project. Sign up link for this session is on the information page.

Visit the Bird Alliance (formerly Portland Audubon) website for many more classes, events, and field trips.

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Library News

[Abbreviations: Cedar Mill Library is CML, 1080 NW Saltzman Rd.; Bethany Library Annex is BLA, 4888 NW Bethany Blvd, Suite K-2; Bethany Library is BL, 15325 NW Central Drive, Suite J-8y).]

Find event calendars, storytime schedules and more on the Library website. [Ed. Note: the entire CMBCL submission is in the online version of <u>Cedar Mill News</u>. The print/PDF version is shortened and leaves out many repeating classes.] Visit this page to read the latest newsletter and sign up to get it in your inbox. For more information, call (503) 644-0043, visit the website library.cedarmill.org; or email us: askuscml@wccls.org All Ages

Summer Reading 2024

June 1-August 31

Kids Birth-5th Grade

First, read or listen for 5 hours or set your own goal. Then pick up a reading log from the library or log online with Beanstack. Return your log between July 15 and August 31 to collect your free book.

Teens entering 6-12th Grade and **Adults**

Read 5 hours to finish. Track your reading, write reviews and complete activities in Beanstack to enter weekly drawings and earn more grand prize tickets, or pick up a paper log at CML. Teen finishers can collect a free book between July 15 and August 31, and earn one ticket for grand prize drawings. Visit the Summer Reading webpage to learn about Beanstack, events, and prizes.

Game Truck

Wednesday, June 12, 2-5 pm, Bethany Village Plaza, All Ages

Play video games at the Last Day of School Celebration.

Summer Reading Party Friday, June 14, 6-8 pm, CML, All

Join us for activities, crafts, games and sign up for Summer Reading! Kids

BJ the Clown's Traveling **Comedy Show**

Friday, June 28, 10-10:45 am, Bethany Fountain, Ages 3+

Enjoy comedy, magic, juggling, music, storytelling, puppetry and audience participation.

Find more fun for kids on the Kids' library webpage. Teens & Tweens

What to Expect at College

Wednesday, June 5, 6:30-7:30 pm, CML, Ages 13+

Hear from students about their college experiences.

Teen Crafternoon: **Terrariums**

Saturday, June 22, 2-3:30 pm, BLA, Ages 11-18, Registration Required

Make your own mini garden paradise in a jar.

Visit the <u>teens' library webpage</u> to find resources for teens and tweens.

Adults

DIY T-Shirt Upcycling

Thursday, June 6, 6-7:30 pm, BLA, Adults & Teens; Thursday, June 13, 6-7:30 pm, CML, Adults & Teens

Give new life to old or damaged tshirts by creating rugs, shopping bags, pillowcases and more. Bring your own shirt(s) and any decorations.

Caring for Yourself When You Are Caregiving:

Friday, June 7, 2-3 pm, CML, Adults, Registration Required

The Washington County Family Caregiver Support Program will share practical ways to meet your own needs as a caregiver and as an individual.

Writers' Mill Learns about Agents, Editors, and **Publishers**

Sunday, June 16th, 1-3 pm, CML and on Zoom, Free

This is your chance to get inside knowledge on what agents, editors, and publishers do, and how it feels to be one or sign with one. This month's Writers' Mill meeting coincides with Fathers' Day, and any father or family member wishing to write will benefit. Join us-everyone is welcome. More info on the Portland Writers' Mill website or from your librarians.

Repair Fair

Saturday, June 22, 1-4 pm, CML, Adults

Volunteers help fix small appliances, clothing, bikes, toys, electronics, jewelry and more.

Community Conversation: Does Nature Have a **Purpose**

Wednesday, June 26, 6-7:30 pm, CML, Adults, Registration Required

Explore our attitudes and assumptions about the purpose of the environment in our lives and how they shape our perception of environmental issues and policies.

Questions? Write askuscml@ wccls.org and visit our events webpage.

Learn more about library groups and events for adults on the adults' library webpage.

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Arts & Entertainment News

Get Your Art On at the Reser!

Friday, June 7, 6-9 pm, The Reser, 12625 SW Crescent St., free

Don't miss out on this opportunity to unleash your inner artist! Visitors of all ages can participate in engaging, hands-on activities to unleash their creativity. Explore printmaking, mold and shape your own pigeons inspired by the Endless Pigeons Sculpture located on the Plaza, and contribute to a collaborative mural celebrating our community and the arts. Light refreshments will be served.

The 2024-25 Reser **Presents season**

Membership presale begins Friday, May 31; Public sale begins Friday, July 12.

Highlights include performances by Shoshana Bean, Ari Shapiro, Calexico, The Squirrel Nut Zippers, National Geographic Live, and many more. Sign up for the Reser mailing list here to get information about all offerings.

Beaverton Community Band rocks on!

Sunday, June 9, 3 pm, Jesuit High School, 9000 SW Beaverton Hillsdale Hwy., Adults \$15, Senior/Veteran \$10, Students under 12 free, Family of 4 \$30

Get ready to clap and stomp your feet! The Beaverton Community Band with Conductor Martin Sobelman presents a vibrant concert featuring chart-topping rock 'n roll music from the 60s, 70s, and beyond. Less rock-oriented audience members will not be left out with the performance of Ilari Hylkila's piece "Saga," inspired by legends of the Middle Ages. Hylkila is described as a cinematic and passionate composer, which we hope comes across in our performance of this piece. Visit the Beaverton Community Band website for more information.

If the Shoe Fits: OIBA presents Cinderella

Saturday, June 15, 7 pm, and Sunday, June 16, 2 pm, The Reser, 12625 SW Crescent St. Visit The Reser website for more information and to purchase tickets.

Oregon International **Ballet Academy students** will create magic in a fully staged production of Prokofiev's enchanting, classic, Cinderella. OIBA students and ten top-level soloists will transport audiences in this fully produced fairytale, specially choreographed by award-winning Executive Director Ye Li and Artistic Director

Xuan Cheng, also the Ballet Master of the world-renowned Hong Kong Ballet. Guest dancer Isichel Perez Rivero of Oregon Ballet Theatre will star in the role of the Prince, and guest actor Sarah Smith brings her immense talent to the role of the Stepmother. Learn more and read director biographies on the Oregon International Ballet Academy website.

Community Arts Programs at Catlin Gabel East Campus

Summer term is June 24 through Aug 23, 8245 SW Barnes Rd. Visit the Catlin Gabel website to learn more about classes.

Classes include: Ceramics-Dive in Drinkware with Autumn Higgins; Photo Silkscreen Underglaze with John Driscol; Beginning and Intermediate Pottery with WiL La-Belle; Introduction to Handbuilding & Wheel with Kurtis Pitz; and Hand & Wheel, and Drawing-Ways of Seeing with Dale Rawls.

Village Gallery News

For more details about classes and events please visit the VGA website.

Art Chat, Scholarship Awards, and **New Show**

Sunday, June 9, 3-5 pm. The show runs Tuesdays-Sundays, June 4-30, 11 am-5 pm

Meet the Featured Artist, the Big and Bold Artist, and see scholarships funded by last month's Art Dollars for Scholars Show presented to students.

June Featured Artist: Denise McDonald. In addition to studying graphic arts and printmaking, Denise is a Master Gardener. Her love for the natural environment and fondness for floral and natural landscapes drew her to working with pastels. She loves the vibrant colors and the spectacular beauty of the Northwest, especially the play of lights, darks, and vibrant colors of its plant life.

Big and Bold Art by Leah Jay:

'It's a white egret taking off with a giant oak as backdrop. White egrets and big oak trees were always things I'd yell 'stop the car!' for when

passing, so I could get a better look!" Tanglewood, acrylic, 36"x36".

Children's Classes, VGA Instructional Team Thursdays in June, 3:45-5:15 pm, max 8 students, ages 7-11

Adult Classes: see schedules online

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Road News, continued from page 1

Weeds in the Medians

Washington County put landscaped medians in several of our area roads as part of road improvement projects. In the past, the county maintained them, sending landscapers out to get rid of weeds.

We tried to get the Road Maintenance Department to take care of them again this year, but they say it's no longer their responsibil-



More weeds than landscape plants in the Saltzman medians

ity. They only work on landscaping that encroaches in the roadway or is otherwise a safety hazard. We hope that the adjacent Homeowners Associations (HOAs) for Bauer Crest, Bauer Oaks, and other subdivisions will take this on at least for the overgrown and unsightly median in Saltzman. IF you are a member of those HOAs, let your board know.

The recent Cornell Cleanup performed by members of the Cedar Mill Community Club focused on trash and debris on the sidewalk and curb areas. We may try to schedule another session to focus on the weeds, and pruning and maintaining the trees, after the sidewalk repair has been completed.

The county has an Adopt-a-Landscape program that gives some support to neighbors who want to maintain common areas. If you know of other weedy areas in the public Right of Way, please ask the adjacent HOA (if any) about taking it on. Or reach out to neighbors to organize a cleanup. Nobody else is going to handle it, and it's not a good look!

Cornell Congestion

Neighbors are continually dismayed by heavy traffic along Cornell in both directions during morning and afternoon "rush hour." Some have asked about coordinating the lights to improve the flow of traffic. We asked Washington County Land Use & Transportation about that and here's their response.

Traffic congestion on Cornell Road, between Murray Boulevard and Saltzman Road, is primarily due to limited capacity and increased demand. This section of Cornell was to be widened many years ago in anticipation of the vehicle demands we now see, but the community was

not supportive of this. Instead, the town center is limited to one-lane in each direction to better support pedestrians and cyclists, creating a smaller town feel.

We continue to fine-tune timing along Cornell to better balance demands. The Cornell and Barnes intersection is a bottleneck point and current signal timing allows us to ramp up more green time for the critical eastbound traffic as needed,

while balancing delays for side-street and pedestrian traffic. The trade-off is loss of coordination along Cornell Road between Murray and Saltzman. Once traffic backs up between traffic signals, coordination is lost due to wide variations in speed between the signals.

An eastbound right-turn lane at Cornell and Barnes would help with the bottleneck, but we don't have funding for this improvement. Reducing the queuing at Cornell and Barnes would also reduce delays at Murray and Cornell. Our traffic engineers will continue to watch the area and refine the timing as possible.

130th and the New Subdivision

A proposed development, "Riverside at Deer Fern Ridge" in CPO 7, has added density to the original proposal by converting some of the lots to "Middle Housing" which will increase the number of dwellings. The property is adjacent to 130th, which should eventually be connected at Laidlaw to the proposed new alignment of Saltzman. Right of Way to make the road wider was dedicated in a previously approved application. The CPO 7 past chair, Mary Manseau, has requested a stipulation in the approval that would prevent future property owners from objecting to the formation of a Local Improvement District (LID) to improve the road in the future.

The development is listed on the "Comment on a Project" page as Case File L2400077 while it is under review by county planners.

Hall Boulevard Overpass Across 217 Closed for Nine Months

Crews have been working to improve safety and reduce bottlenecks on OR 217 by adding auxiliary lanes, or ramp-to-ramp connections, between Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway and OR 99W. To make room for these new auxiliary lanes on the south end of the project, the Hall Boulevard overpass near OR 99W

and Pfaffle St. will be replaced with one that is longer and includes wider sidewalks and bicycle lanes.

To build the new structure, the overpass is closed to traffic for nine months. A bike and pedestrian crossing is available throughout the closure.

DMV and the County Line

Some of our neighbors noticed that they had been charged Multnomah County rates when they renewed or initiated vehicle registrations at local DMV offices. It was likely done because most of us have a Portland zip code and the attendant and the customer failed to notice the discrepancy.

We spoke to a DMV representative who encouraged those who had been overcharged to bring their registration to the office. Apparently the situation has been remedied and the clerks are now watching for the situation. If you feel you were charged in error, make an appointment (highly recommended) and take your registration receipt to the office where you paid.

Walker Road Phase 2: Schendel Avenue to Butner Road

This ongoing project will widen Walker Road between Schendel Avenue and Butner Road to five lanes, two travel lanes in each direction and a center turn lane, with continuous bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Storm drainage will be upgraded and additional street lighting will be installed. This is the second phase of capacity improvements to Walker Road. A separate project expands the Walker Road/Murray Boulevard intersection.

The traffic signal at Walker Road and 158th Avenue will be shutdown 9 am-3:30 pm from May 28-June 7. Traffic will be controlled by flaggers. Expect delays. We are temporarily limiting traffic at driveways along Walker Road, starting at 150th Avenue and working toward Butner Road. Retaining wall and stormwater pipeline installation is on-going.

MSTIP 3f Projects

The Major Streets Transportation Improvement Program (MSTIP) is a one-of-a-kind program in Oregon. Since its inception in 1986, MSTIP has resulted in the investment of more than \$1 billion in local funds toward the construction of a robust, interconnected, and multimodal transportation system using countywide property tax revenues to support our grow-

ing county. The program has also helped leverage additional regional, state, and federal funds.

The total <u>proposed MSTIP 3f</u> <u>allocation</u> is \$250 million, based on potential revenues over a five- to sixyear timeframe. Approval for the final tranche of project funding will be requested during the June 5 meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

The only projects near Cedar Mill on this list are two projects to widen Walker Road between Park Way and Highway 217.

Safe crossing to French International School?

Neighbors were asking CPO 1 to weigh in on a petition they submitted to Washington County asking for a crosswalk at the intersection of Cornell Road and 87th Avenue. They were concerned for the safety of students crossing there to get to the French International School (FIS) south of Cornell. We got this response from Washington County:

Pedestrian and vehicle traffic in the vicinity of the Cornell Road and 87th Avenue intersection is challenging weekdays during student drop-off/pick-up times at the FIS at 8500 NW Johnson Street.

The Washington/Multnomah County line runs through the school site. The City of Portland is responsible for the Cornell site frontage; Washington County is responsible for the portion of Cornell that includes the 87th intersection.

Cornell is an urban arterial street with a 45-mph speed limit. To avoid congestion in the school's on-site drop-off/pick-up area, some parents opt to park on streets north of Cornell and then students with or without parents walk across Cornell at the intersection of 87th, where there are no traffic control devices.

Neither the school administration nor the County support or encourage this. Parents and school leadership have expressed concerns about pedestrian safety at the 87th intersection in recent years. A change.org petition calling for a traffic control device at the Cornell/87th intersection has garnered 220 signatures as of May 6. County Traffic Engineering and the City of Portland met with FIS leadership four times over the last year to discuss master planning of major improvements on the school site that have included traffic concerns at the intersection.

Read more in the online version of CMN here.

Christ UMC: Help Build Hope

Saturday, June 15, 8 am, 12755 NW Dogwood St., free

This is our seventh annual community event where we build all the walls for a Habitat for Humanity house in our parking lot. Anyone between 5-105 can join in—the church will have their nursery open for those under 5. Visit the Christ UMC website for more details. Sign up on the registration form.

Neighbors Ready!

This year, our Prepare Your Neighborhood (PYN) team has met with dozens of neighbors and organizations, and we would love to continue the trend by training your group of neighbors to get Neighbor Ready (send us an email to get started). On the topic of cooking, we're publishing a new monthly blog on Eating without Electricity. And in July, we're partnering with the Scouts to host an overnight camping skills event.

Questions? Visit us at www.neighborsready.org or contact info.cedarhillsready@gmail.com with questions. The mission of Neighbors Ready! is to create caring, connected and resilient neighborhoods. We are committed to making sure every neighbor is prepared and has the best chance of survival in the event of a disaster.

Beaverton Volunteer Fair

Saturday, June 8, 10-1, Main Library, 12375 SW 5th St.

Interested in giving back to your community but unsure where to start? Join us for the Beaverton Volunteer Fair! This event is dedicated to raising awareness of local nonprofits and community groups with the hope of increasing donations and sharing more about their volunteer opportunities to help drive their cause.

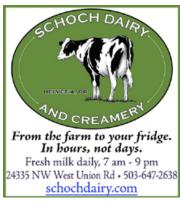
Senior Wellness Resource Fair Monday, June 10, 9-2, Hillsboro Senior

Monday, June 10, 9-2, Hillsboro Senior Center, 750 SE 8th Avenue, free

Get your wellness questions answered and find help on topics ranging from financial planning, retirement facilities, insurance options, medical equipment, vision services and more. Local resources will be on site providing educational workshops and presentations. The fair will be focused on Senior Wellness and other resources available to the Washington County community. The event is co-hosted by the Friends of the Hillsboro Community Center.



















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One of the big questions surrounding this change is, what will it do to home prices? Economists and experts have weighed in on nearly every side, some saying prices will go down, others say they will go up, and others say there won't be any impact at all. In Portland, with our low inventory, and multitude of buyers, our purchases have often been over the asking price, with multiple offers, therefore raising the home's price. One thing we all agree on, it will take time to pan out.

It would be my pleasure to meet with you, to learn your plans, and to help you navigate this transition. This is a very complicated market; I would love to help you understand it. Don't hesitate to contact me at 503-706-6358 or jdempsey@windermere.com.

Ask WCSO: Reporting a Crime

If you SEE something, SAY something! Communicating what you see is key to preventing or deterring crime and helps us keep everyone safe! By reporting what you see, we can watch for trends in suspicious activity and adjust patrols. If you witness an emergency or crime in progress, call 9-1-1. If you observe a crime that has already occurred, you can call our non-emergency dispatch at 502-629-0111. Examples of a nonemergency call include abandoned vehicles, suspicious persons or vehicles, or stolen packages.

While we often post information and safety tips to social media, we cannot monitor others' posts through social media platforms. There are many details you can provide that assist us, including: location of incident: Where did it happen? Subject(s) description: Who was involved? What do they look like? Vehicle description: Make/Model, color, any identifiable features. Sequence of events: What happened?

Ask WCSO is produced by the Washington County Sheriff's Office.

Sunset Band Fireworks Stand

FIREWORKS STAND Saturday, June 23, 10-9; Monday-Friday June 24-28, 4-9 pm; Sunday June 29-Thursday July 4, 10-9;SHS Cedar still resonate. Refreshments served. Mill Target Parking Lot

Get your Oregon-legal fireworks and support the Sunset Band and Color Guard programs.

Viva Village June 2024 Events

Viva Village is a Beaverton-area grassroots organization of members and volunteers who focus on enhancing and expanding the ways we can age well. We provide connections, programs, volunteer services, and referrals so members can lead engaged, healthy lives. For more information visit the Viva Village website. Please RSVP for all events by contacting vivavillageevents@ gmail.com or 503-746-5082. Links for zoom meetings will be sent to those who RSVP. More public events and members-only events are listed on the website and in the web version of The News.

Online Age Café

Friday, June 7, 11 am-12 pm.

Small group conversations exploring topics of interest to older adults. Topic: Brain Health. Co-sponsored by Viva Village, Beaverton City Library, and Washington County DAVS. Registration optional. Register on the Library website to receive a reminder email.

Online Viva Village 101

Saturday, June 8, 10-11:30 am

An informational session for prospective members, volunteers, or anyone interested in Viva Village. Register on the website or contact the office for the Zoom link.

Viva Village at the **Beaverton Farmers** Market

June 15, 9-1, Beaverton Farmers Market, 12375 SW 5th Street

Stop by our booth for more information about Viva Village.

Viva Village Forum

Monday, June 17, 2-3:30 pm. UMC, Wesley Room, 12555 SW 4th Street,

Topic: Bringing History to Life: A Broader View of the American Revolution. Lars

Hedbor is a local author with a love of history and a deep knowledge of the American Revolution. Join us as he shares what led to his series of novels about the Revolutionary era, how events from the past can

impact us now, and how the Colonists were different from us, vet their hopes and fears can

RSVP recommended. Register on the website calendar or contact the Viva Village office.

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Park News

Thank You to our Community!

A huge THANK YOU to our wonderful community for supporting the THPRD levy! We are incredibly grateful for your support, and we can't wait to continue providing amazing parks and programs for everyone to enjoy.

Pride Month at THPRD

June is PRIDE Month, and THPRD is excited for the lineup of events happening this month. Join us as we come together to honor and support the LGBTQ+ community, creating a safe and welcoming space for all individuals to express themselves authentically. Together, let's celebrate the beauty of love, celebrate diversity, and foster a sense of unity within our community. Get ready for an unforgettable month filled with empowerment, acceptance, and PRIDE! Visit our website to learn more about all the THPRD Pride events. Read more on cedarmillnews.com

Please visit the website for more details and to mark your calendars for all <u>summer events</u>.

THRPD outdoor pools are opening!

Somerset West and Raleigh Swim Centers will open June 17.

Park Maintenance

Outdoor tennis courts, pickleball courts, and basketball hoops are being serviced across the district. Services include court cleaning, replacing worn out nets, and blowing debris from the courts weekly during the high use season.

June Events near Cedar Mill from THPRD

Walk With Me Wednesday, June 19, 9:30-10:30 am, Cedar Mill Creek Greenway, free Wednesday, June 26, 9:30-10:30

An evening of Civil War Reenactment

Tuesday, June 11, 7 pm, 20001 SW TV Hwy., Aloha, suggested \$5 donation

Tanya Little and Linda Steffen have been civil war reenactors for over 20 years. Both are passionate about history, especially the 1860s. They have been giving school presentations focusing on the life of women and children plus ladies' fashion. This presentation will be a Parlor Talk. Life for women during the war, war efforts, joys, and sorrow. Questions are always welcome. Refreshments provided.

am, Rock Creek Greenway, free

Discover the joy of walking with "Walk with Me" events happening this summer! These guided walks through parks are led by one of THPRD's fitness instructors. Connect with nature and your neighbors and enjoy a walk on THPRD trails, parks, and surrounding areas all while staying active. All levels are welcome. No registration required. Visit the event webpage for more details.

Swim out the Solstice

Thursday, June 20, 6:45-9:15 pm,



Somerset West Swim Center, 185th & Parkview Blvd., Portland, free

Join us for an open swim—we will swim till the sun goes down on

the longest day. Please visit the <u>event</u> webpage for more details.

Eid al-Adha Celebration

Sunday, June 23, 4-8 pm, Cedar Hills Rec Center,11640 SW Park Way, free

One of two major holidays celebrated in Islam, Eid al-Adha is a joyous and celebratory holiday that includes gathering with family for feasts of thanksgiving. All are welcome to join in family friendly activities, bazaar, food vendors, music and more. Co-sponsored by THPRD, Cool Islam, Islamic Community Center of Hillsboro, Islamic Society of Greater Portland, Bilal Masjid, and Afghan Support Network. Please visit the event webpage for more details.

Band in the Park & West Side Trail Event

Saturday, June 29, 5-7 pm, <u>Pioneer Park</u>, 14545 NW Pioneer Rd., free

Please join THPRD and the Bea-

Pride Beaverton Annual Celebration

Sunday, June 30, 11 am-5 pm, Beaverton City Park and Farmers' Market Parking Lot

Pride Beaverton's mission is to



vendors offering pride gear, artisan crafts, local services and more.

verton Community Band for an evening of music and celebration. This free event will also host art activities, and an opportunity to hear about the West Side Trail Project from park district staff. A variety of food vendors will be on site to purchase dinner and snacks or pack a picnic for the whole family. Please visit the event webpage for more details.

Go online at <u>cedarmillnews.com</u> for Hillsboro events.



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Neighbors Working Together! Tuesday, June 11 7-9 pm on Zoom Middle Housing Learn about why this new form of denser development is being used and how it works in our neighborhoods. Open to all-visit Facebook or the web page for the zoom meeting link and sign up for email news! facebook.com/CPO1.WaCounty WashCoCPO1.org cpo1leaders@gmail.com Community Participation Organization serving the communities of Cedar Mill, Cedar Hills, Bonny Slope





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