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## New Business Roundup

### White Birch Design Company

The next business to open in the Milltown Center is something really different for Cedar Mill! [White Birch](#) will bring a variety of home goods, clothing, specialty food items, and more. They currently have a location in Hillsboro, at 137 SE 2nd Ave, and the new store will carry a similar range of products.

They can't say exactly when they will open but hope it will be before the end of August. The shop is in the same wing as Insomnia Coffee, right next door. Owner Darcy Debord says, "We were given

established community separate from our existing community in downtown Hillsboro."

The Hillsboro shop has an assortment of food items, including oils, gluten free options, and other upscale specialty foods. "We will carry similar food items in the Cedar Mill



location, and are actively working on finding new and exciting items for the new space," she explains.

The Hillsboro store occasionally offers workshops, classes, tastings, and other special events and as they settle into the new space, we hope we can look forward to similar offerings.

In addition to the retail side, Debord has been an interior designer for 16 years. The Hillsboro store includes an office

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information on the new development from our neighbors Tyler and Evan who own Insomnia Coffee. We are excited to move into a well-

### Cedar Mill Cider Festival returns!

Sunday, September 18, noon-4 pm, JQA Young House Park, Cornell Road at 119th, free to attend

Enjoy free freshly pressed apple cider, live music, cultural and craft booths, the History Tent where you can learn about the community's history, kids' activities, and one or more food trucks serving lunch!

This year's Cedar Mill Cider Festival is occurring in the middle of "Welcoming Week." We want to offer visitors a chance to meet some of the wonderful immigrant groups who make this community so vibrant and diverse! Early Cedar Mill was settled by immigrants from many countries! If you know of, or are part of, a group that might be interested, please get in touch! Send an email to [vr@teamweb.com](mailto:vr@teamweb.com) or call

503-803-1813. We offer free space with canopies and tables provided by THPRD.

There will be more information in the September issue but put our only original Cedar Mill Community festival on your calendar now!

Parking is available in the Cedar Mill Bible Church lot after 1 pm. Walk-in from noon.



### An ash tree's worst nightmare

By Susan Mates, Washington County Treekeepers

The [emerald ash borer \(EAB\) beetle](#) (*Agrilus planipennis*) is being called the most destructive forest pest in North America, and that's saying something when you consider the devastation caused by other pests such as gypsy moths and bark beetles. They are native to parts of Asia and were first detected in North America in 2002 — but now they are here in Oregon.

A Portland city biologist discovered [evidence of the pest in June in Forest Grove](#), years ahead of when they were predicted to reach our state. In twenty short years, EAB have killed hundreds of millions of ash trees in the United States and have the potential to cause the local extinction of Oregon's native ash species. That loss could result in wide-reaching economic impacts, damage water quality, create direct human health impacts, and endanger important cultural resources.

Cedar Mill and Bonny Slope have numerous [Oregon Ash trees](#) along our many streams, so as you walk our trails and explore the natural areas of our parks, keep your eyes open for any sign of this pest.

The EAB is a small (1/2 inch long) metallic-green jewel beetle. Their larvae burrow into the tree's bark and then eat their way along the insides of the tree's cambium and phloem. This creates tunnels that are invisible from the outside but prevent the tree from transporting enough water and nutrients to its extremities, eventually resulting in the tree's death.

EABs aggressively kill both stressed and healthy trees, and no effective native predators or parasites have been found to date. Ash trees often do not show symptoms during the first years of an EAB infestation, so the beetles may go unnoticed for several years. After about four years the EAB larval density builds up to a critical mass that means rapid decline for the ash trees—too late to be saved.

Scientists and foresters have been preparing for this moment. They have been insisting on increased diversity in species when new trees are planted in order to protect the tree canopy as a whole. The state has created a [repository of ash seeds](#) that can help with an eventual replanting. And a diverse [group of stakeholders has prepared a plan](#) that we can only hope will serve to create EAB resilient communities.



Here is what you can do to help curb the spread of Emerald ash borers:

- Be aware of signs of the beetles and [report them immediately](#).
- Don't move firewood from one place to another, as that is one of the main ways they are thought to be spread.
- Keep your ash trees healthy and unstressed. For example, [keep your trees watered](#) during our summer drought.
- Learn to [identify and locate ash trees](#). One way to do that is to assist [Treekeepers of Washington County](#) with their street tree inventory.

We face the devastation of whole habitat types such as ash swales and sensitive riparian zones as well as the reduction of our urban forest



cover. The loss of ash trees by EAB mortality is expected to clear the way for invasive plants, alter the soil pH and moisture levels, increase soil erosion, and elevate

stream temperatures. Once-forested areas will become shrub- or grasslands. In sensitive riparian corridors, those changes could be disastrous for many species of fish, freshwater mussels, and aquatic insects. Please help us include our entire community in being a part of the effort to save our ash trees.

# 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](mailto:info@cedarmillnews.com)

## Farmers Market as a teaching tool!

Saturdays 9 am-2 pm, May to October. Safeway parking lot.

When the [Cedar Mill Farmers Market](#) was founded, the founding members wanted the market to be educational for all, especially for children. They wanted children to know where their food comes from and to support local farmers and vendors.

Here is a wonderful example of how this year's market has been educational. "I took Anna to the Farmer's Market this morning. I taught her how to find the prices and stand in line and pay. She wants to do more things that are grown up and I realize with the pandemic there have been lots of things she hasn't learned how to do. Then we went to the grocery store. She managed the list and the cart. I'm glad we took the time."

OSU Master Gardeners will be back at our market four more times this season to "talk plants!" Mark these dates on your calendar: 8/27, 9/3, 9/10, & 10/1.

Cedar Mill's own Farmers



Market is held every Saturday with an array of produce, crafts, personal items, and hot food. [Sign up for the newsletter](#) to get weekly updates with what's new in the market.

## Wine Cellar offers in-person events!

Various dates, Wine Cellar, 525 NW Saltzman Rd.. Pre-registration appreciated but not required, however, event space is limited. Early registration guarantees your space. 21+ per OLCC regulations

**August 6, 2-5 pm: Pop-Up Wine Tasting with Lobo Hills Winery of Washington**

Kick off the celebration of Washington Wine Month with Tony Dollar of [Lobo Hills!!!](#) Inspired by minimal interventionist methods, Tony and his team will pour a minimum of five wines including Chenin Blanc, Rosé, and beautiful Washington red varietals. Tasting Fee \$15.

**August 12, 5:30 pm, Around the World in Five Wines Scavenger Hunt**

Swing by for Happy Hour with Andy & friends for a wine tasting game that will take you on a tour around the world of wine! Taste through wines made from lesser-known varietals, then use your wine knowledge and helpful clues

to hunt for the wines in the shop. Outside food is allowed, cheese and crackers will be provided. We encourage you to order food from one of our neighboring restaurants.

**August 20, 2-5 pm: Pop-Up Wine Tasting with Eagles Nest Reserve Winery and Flipturn Cellars**

We're letting you in on the ground floor... Come be a part of the origin story for these two up-and-coming wine labels, Eagles Nest Reserve and Flipturn Cellars!!! [Eagles Nest Reserve Winery](#) is a

family-owned winery and vineyard in the Tualatin Hills AVA. Karl prefers the term "winegrower" to winemaker because of his firm belief that quality wine starts in the vineyard. Unfortunately, they cannot bring their alpacas, but they will be pouring delicious Rosé and elegant Pinot Noir.

Next up, grab a selfie with Meg of [Flipturn Cellars](#) so you can say "I knew her when..." Meg will be pouring her inaugural Syrah from Oasis Vineyards in the Yakima Valley. After back-packing through incredible wine regions, Meg put her love of wine into practice by taking the leap on a label of her own. [Register online](#) or by calling The Wine Cellar at 503-643-5655.

## Luau Party at the Ackerly

Thursday, August 25, 11 am-1:30 pm, The Ackerly at Timberland, 11795 NW Cedar Falls Dr., free

Join us for a summertime luau! There will be dancers, authentic Hawaiian food, and music. Please call 503-462-1181 for more information and to RSVP.

## CMBA August networking meeting

Tuesday, August 9, noon-1 pm, The Ackerly at Timberland, 11795 NW Cedar Falls Drive

Come network with other businesspeople at the Cedar Mill Business Association monthly meeting and enjoy lunch. More [details to follow on this meeting](#) will be posted on our website!

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## Village Gallery of Arts

Wednesday to Saturday, 10-4, and Sunday 12-3; 1060 NW Saltzman .

**Featured Artist for August: Kathryn Oliver-Garnett:** "I have been involved with creative arts all my life, concentrating in recent years on ink and watercolor media



"A Screw, Loose" by Kathryn Oliver-Garnett

and creating handmade books for notes and nature journals. The natural world inspires me most: forests, seascapes, mountains, water, stars, planets, and living things of all kinds are central to my art."

**Big and Bold: Medha Joshi:** "Fall Moon in Baker Park;" Come see this amazing high contrast, graphic style work.

## VGA at Cedar Mill Farmers' Market

Saturdays, August 6, September 24, 9-2 pm, 1027 NW Murray Rd

Watch an art demo, pick up a free Art Kit to take home, check out our classes, find volunteer opportunities, ask for membership details, or just talk about art. After two years away, this is an important opportunity to renew our acquaintance with our neighbors and let you know what we have to offer you and your families. We'd love to see you there!

## Village Gallery in the Community

Through August, 14805 SW Barrows Rd. Beaverton

See our show at New Seasons Market in Progress Ridge! Sixteen of our members have artwork on display in the dining area.

## Classes and workshops

[Registration is online](#) for all classes and workshops. As a result of the wide range of students, age limits are strictly adhered to. Please see the [Village Gallery of Arts' website](#) for details and return for regular updates.

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## CPO 1 News

### No August meeting, see you in September!

For our CPO 1 September 13 meeting we plan to have a visit with our State Senator Elizabeth Steiner Hayward MD, who will give us an update on her work, and in particular, what the Oregon legislature is doing in response to the SCOTUS decision on reproductive freedom.

### Neighborhood meetings

A meeting was held on July 21 to discuss a proposal for a three-parcel partition with three single-family detached homes (existing house to remain) at 925 NW 107th Avenue at Cornell.

A meeting was held on July 28 to discuss a proposal for a three-parcel partition with three single-family detached homes (existing house to remain) on a 2.62-acre property at 10875 NW Rainmont Road. The property owner is doing a minimum-density application, with “shadow plats” to show that the additional homes could be built. Two of the new houses would be on the Tudor Lane segment of the property.

No other meeting notices were received at press time.

### Development applications

#### Gas station next to a wetland

Robert Barman has submitted the fourth revised application to build a gas station at the corner of 185th and West Union. The community first learned of his plans in [April 2020](#).

He seeks a “[Special Use and Development Review approval](#)” for an approximately 4,428 square foot commercial development. “Chevron Market” consists of a convenience market, a gas station with four fueling islands (eight pumps), and a drive-thru. The application has an Access Management Plan for access to NW West Union Road, and a Half-Street Exception for improvements to NW West Union Road. A public hearing is scheduled for October 20.

A group of neighbors has come together to oppose the station because it’s adjacent to a THPRD/CWS wetland, and damage to the fuel storage tanks would cause [irreparable harm to the wildlife habitat](#) and the recreational use of the pond across 185th at Bethany Lake Park.

Brandon Phillips, who organized the Neighbors Against Bethany Gas

Station ([NABGAS](#)) effort says, in response to the latest proposal, “We hope two things happen: Bob Barman realizes he should do the right thing and find a gas station location 500+ feet away from our wetlands—say in the Albertson’s parking lot; and Washington County Commissioners do something beyond saying, “Hm, putting a gas station right there doesn’t make sense.”

Phillips notes, “Our neighbors in Bethany are adopting electric vehicles three times faster than the rest of Oregon and these zip codes have some of the highest electric vehicle density in Oregon. This high EV adoption will cause neighborhood stations like this to quickly go bankrupt, and in many cases bankrupt gas stations are foreclosed on and require Oregon DEQ to spend our tax dollars to clean up. I invite



all readers to [join our work](#). Cedar Mill News will follow up with more information next month.

#### Cedar Hills Apartments

Beaverton has received the [application to build a mixed-use development](#) consisting of around 4300 square feet of ground floor commercial space and 400 attached dwelling units (apartments).

This is a change from the proposal presented at the CPO 1 meeting and the [community meeting both held in May 2022](#), when High Street Residential told us that there wouldn’t be any commercial use. One of the developer representatives said it will consist of two retail spaces. We’ll follow up when we learn more.

Beaverton Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on September 7. The meeting is virtual and begins at 6:30 pm. Written public testimony can be submitted prior to the meeting by emailing Lauren Russell, AICP, Associate Planner at [lrussell@beavertonoregon.gov](mailto:lrussell@beavertonoregon.gov). More information on submitting testimony is available on the [Beaverton Development Projects site](#).

#### Leahy Estates appeal is denied

On April 4 Joanne Delmo-

nico, on behalf of [Treekeepers of Washington County](#), filed an appeal of LUT’s March 23 approval of the [Estates at Leahy Park development](#) on Leahy Road near 107th. [The appeal](#) failed when the county Hearings Officer denied the request on July 14. Ken Dobson, a land use attorney representing Treekeepers of Washington County, will file a new appeal with the [State Land Use Board of Appeals](#) (LUBA).

The developer plans to cut nearly 300 trees and replace them with saplings with the intent “to enhance the upland habitat.”

Donations towards legal fees are greatly appreciated and can be made on The [Treekeepers of Washington County website](#).

Treekeepers will continue to work to preserve what is left of the Significant Natural Resource areas that provide a home to wildlife such as owls, deer, beaver, hawks, bobcat, coyotes, and many amphibians such as giant Pacific Salamander. Sign up to receive their newsletter and learn about volunteer activities and more. [“Bonny Slope Estates” subdivision approved](#)

#### A 36-lot subdivision at

[11455 NW McDaniel](#) Road was approved by LUT on July 14.

A number of neighbors submitted comments expressing concern about traffic, tree removal and loss of habitat, and increased school enrollment, among other issues.

The developer is being required to construct “half-street improvements” to McDaniel including sidewalk, planter strip, and street trees. NW Elise Lane will also receive improvements.

#### CPO 1 July meeting notes

By *Vicky Siah*, CPO 1 Secretary

CPO 1 Chair Virginia Bruce opened the July 12 meeting with a land acknowledgment. Brian Yourstone announced the return of THPRD’s Concerts in the Park series and the Big Truck Day event at Conestoga Recreation Center. Andrea Watson, Tualatin Valley Water District, asked CPO 1 members to consider serving on TVWD’s water rate committee—as of July’s meeting, TVWD does not have a representative for the area north of Highway 26. TVWD is likely reopening the rate setting process, and the Board is expected to consider rate increases for November 1. They anticipate an approximate

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A resumé isn't necessary but a writing sample is helpful. Contact us at [info@cedar-millnews.com](mailto:info@cedar-millnews.com).

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### Beaverton Flicks by the Fountain presents Encanto

Friday, August 26, City Park, SW 5th and Hall Blvd. Activities begin at 6:30 pm; movie begins at dusk.



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The cost of the proposed projects is much higher than the \$160 million available. Help the Washington County Board of Commissioners trim the project list to make the best use of your MSTIP dollars. Select up to three projects in each of the four Commissioner Districts. Tell Washington County which projects you think will most benefit our community! Visit the online open house through August 12.

Cedar Mill and Bethany are in District 2. We've been writing about the project to make the [north end of Saltzman safer](#), and that's one of the projects on the list! Be sure to visit the survey by the deadline so our voice is heard!

### The Link of Pure Love

Saturday, August 13, 2:15-3:30 pm, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman, free

Join us for a very special in-person Rakshabandhan celebration, filled with wisdom, reflection, and significance. The ancient, auspicious festival of Rakshabandhan focuses on the power of pure love. Within every human soul exists the sacred memory of our eternal connection to God and the subconscious feeling that we belong to the family of humanity. The link of love between my heart and God's is the thread that protects, empowers and heals. The link of love between each human soul is the thread that, when tied with purity, can transcend differences, and unite us in brotherly love. Awaken the memories of these links of love. Feel the warmth of God's presence touching your heart and the spiritual love that weaves each of us together in the tapestry of life. For more information, email [eugene@us.brahmakumaris.org](mailto:eugene@us.brahmakumaris.org), or call: 541-343-5252.

## Walker Garbage offers Recycle+

We are excited to offer Recycle+, a new service offered to residential customers in urban unincorporated Washington County since July 1, 2022. [Recycle+](#) offers collection of materials not included in standard recycling, with convenient on-call pickups, and no commitment—cancel any time. More details about the service are [on our website here](#). If Walker is not your hauler, you can find your company by using the [Garbage and Recycling Day online tool](#).

**Plastic Film/Bags: soft, flexible polyethylene (PE) packaging.** Bags must be free of food residue. Where do plastic film and bags go? [Nextrex](#), where it is made into high performance composite decking.

### Clear Plastic #1 Clamshell



**Containers:** One-piece containers hinged on one side and stamped with #1PET or PETE. Containers must be clean of food residue. No black or other color plastic containers. Where do clamshell containers go? [Green Impact Plastics](#), where they are turned into berry baskets.



**Textiles including clothing, bed linens, and towels/rags.** Where do textiles go? [Pioneer Wiping Cloth](#), where it is downcycled into wiping cloths and rags. TIP: Consider donating usable textiles to reuse organizations.

**Compact fluorescent light bulbs:** A fluorescent lamp that is curved or folded to fit the space of a regular household lamp. Long fluorescent tubes used in commercial lighting are not accepted. Bulbs must be contained in a zip-sealed bag. This protects workers from mercury exposure should bulbs get broken during handling. Where do compact fluorescent light bulbs go? [URT Solutions](#), where they are safely processed into their separate components such as mercury, aluminum, and glass, for recycling.

Once you sign up, you will receive a lidded purple bin and plastic bags from your garbage and recycling company. Sort all materi-

als by type. Put Recycle+ materials in the plastic bags provided and place them in the purple bin. Make sure the container lid can close completely to keep materials dry.

To ensure materials are collected, make sure items are clean, sorted and bagged. Wet materials cannot be recycled in the Recycle+ program. Do not put other items in your purple bin. Items not accepted will be considered contamination and will not be picked up.

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Recycle+ charges include a small base fee plus a pickup fee for each requested pickup. The Base charge (billed monthly) is \$2.50. Each Curbside pickup is \$9.25. See the website for additional fee information.

You can set out your Recycle+ curbside or at another location on your property, such as at your doorstep or porch (additional fees apply). If you qualify as a person with a disability as identified by Oregon state law and do not share a household with an individual capable of placing your container curbside, you can request non-curbside pickup at no extra charge. Contact your garbage and recycling company for more information.

### Sign Up

Have your account information, name, address, and phone number ready, then contact your garbage and recycling company. You'll receive a 20-gallon purple bin with a lid and bags prior to your first collection day.

Recycle+ is an on-call, every other week collection service. You must contact your garbage and recycling company to schedule a pickup at least two business days before each collection day. Your garbage and recycling company will determine your Recycle+ collection day, which may be on a different day from your standard garbage and recycling collection. Download the Garbage and Recycling Day app or use the app on the [washingtuncountyrecycles.com](#) website to view your schedule and set up your reminders. You can choose from push notifications, email or voice call reminders. Consider coordinating pickups with family, friends, or neighbors.

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CPO 1 News, continued from page 3 increase of 14.25% in water rates.

Lt. Ed Rawlinson gave safety updates on behalf of the Sheriff's Office, and a representative from TVF&R urged attendees to discard fireworks properly as the risk of fires heightens.

Virginia Bruce concluded the general update session by drawing attention to a homeless individual residing near the Cedar Mill wetlands. She also asked participants to report sightings of the invasive emerald ash borer, which attacks Cedar Mill ash trees. (see article page 1)

Luke Norman and Clay Thompson from TriMet gave the first feature presentation of the meeting. Norman and Thompson outlined TriMet's challenges, changes to TriMet's offerings, and discussed the end of line 50. TriMet is experiencing difficulties in hiring qualified operators and is participating in a national ad campaign to draw eligible individuals from the hiring pool. Incentives include a pay increase and a \$7,500 signing bonus; Norman and Thompson state that many people within TriMet's agency, including themselves, have been called to assist with the hiring process. Due to these issues, certain services must be temporarily or permanently terminated. These services include the Lift service for para-transit and their line 50 route.

Dyami Valentine, Senior Planner at WashCo Land Use and Transportation, joined us to discuss the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund. STIF provides funds for five main areas: maintaining and expanding existing systems; providing service to priority areas; reducing service fragmentation; improving frequency and reliability; and high school transportation. Washington County is considering adding ten new locations for shuttle services to get people to transit that can be funded with STIF money.

Chair Bruce provided an update on the Thompson Crossing situation. CPO 1 filed an appeal because the development would prevent Thompson from being built as a full arterial. Then Biggi Investments slapped the county with a Writ of Mandamus because the county had already taken 120 days to approve the development application and any further delay is against state statutes. The judge sided with the Biggi family, so our appeal won't be heard.

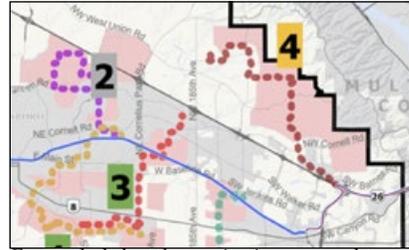
Prashanth Ramesh brought up safety concerns with the intersection

## Washington County News

### Transit Development Plan and Survey

Survey open through August 31

Our [Transit Development Plan](#) helps guide the future of public transit across Washington County for each two-year state budget. Using Statewide Transportation Improvement Funds (STIF), we aim to meet a variety of requirements including expanding frequent bus service to low-income areas and improving service to TriMet and South Metro Area Regional Transit areas.



Expanded shuttle service is proposed to serve 10 areas, including Cedar Mill / Bethany.

LUT Ambassadors will be available to talk about these efforts on Saturday, August 6 at the Cedar Mill Farmers Market.

Visit the [Transit Development Plan online open house](#) and take the survey to help identify improvements to public transportation in rural Washington County and other areas not well served by bus routes. Which public transportation improvements would you like to see in the next two to five years?

The online open house survey asks for feedback on these topics: Maintain, enhance, and add first-last leg community connector services; Rural door-to-door and workforce vanpool programs; Bus stop improvement program; Cross county transit coordination; Expanded shuttle services to fill service gaps.

The Transit Development Plan online open house survey is open

of NW Hibbard and NW Thompson. "The sight distance in both directions is severely reduced or limited to the point of being a safety hazard," Ramesh argued. Ramesh has "personally experienced multiple near misses" and "heard similar concerns from neighbors and visitors."

Ramesh went on to present the information at the July CCI meeting (CCI is the leadership group of all CPOs in Washington County). LUT Director Stephen Roberts attended and has followed up with Traffic

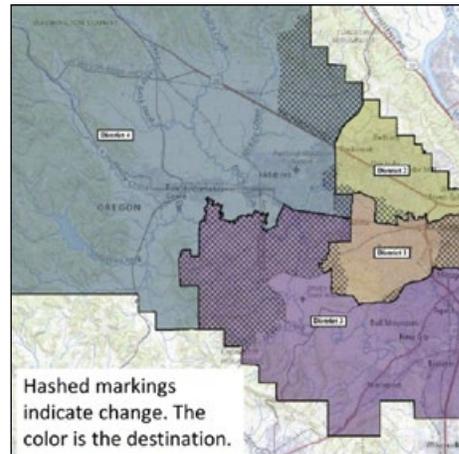
through August 31 and takes about 10 minutes to complete.

### Commissioner boundary changes

The 2020 census told us that our District 2 has a disproportionately large number of residents, and that triggered an effort to adjust Commissioner District boundaries. The Population Research Center at Portland State University prepared [five maps that were presented to the Board of County Commissioners](#) (BCC) during a July 12 Work Session.

The deadline for adopting the new boundaries is January 6, 2023, in time for the 2024 election. BCC will continue to discuss the options and present one or more of the options for a public discussion shortly.

State Factors for Consideration (as nearly as practicable): Be contiguous; Utilize existing geographic or political boundaries; Not divide communities of common interest; Be connected by transportation links; Be of equal population; Not drawn to favor person or partisan concerns;



Map 4 attempts to avoid splitting school districts and parks districts where possible, while also avoiding concentration of population by socioeconomic status

Engineering. He let us know that they trimmed some vegetation that was interfering with sight distance, and they plan to add striping to help motorists and pedestrians know where they are supposed to be.

Roberts said, "I've also briefed our Capital Projects Manager about the need to pay particular attention to the sight distance at this intersection in the upcoming design work for the future Thompson Road improvement capital project. We will begin preliminary design

work for that project later this year."

Some funding has been allocated in the [Fiscal Year 2022-23](#) budget to initiate the project design work for this project. The 2015 update to the MSTIP project list shows the project in the "Years 7-10" section of the list, so it may be addressed before someone gets killed.

### Washington County Boards and Commissions position openings

Additional factors required by the BCC are to: Consider Park Districts, School Districts, Urban Growth Boundary, Urban Service Agreements, Urban Reserves, keep Aloha and Beaverton in one district; Maintain District 1 as the only district that is exclusively urban and suburban; Provide an option that includes rural areas in each district.

Cedar Mill area residents are encouraged to check out positions on a variety of advisory groups. Boards, committees, and commissions advise the Board of Commissioners (BCC) on matters of interest to people who live and work in Washington County. Committees themselves do not pass ordinances to establish policy; their purpose is to study issues and make recommendations. Commission members are volunteers appointed by the BCC. Serving on an appointed board or commission is a great way

for us to participate in decisions that affect us and to learn more about how local government works.

The application process is open now and the deadline is August 30, or open until filled. Applications may be obtained by visiting the [Boards and Commissions website](#).

A summary of positions of interest to Cedar Mill area folks is in the [web version of this article](#). See if there's something that interests you and bring the Cedar Mill viewpoint to the table!

Roberts urged us to use [wc-roads.com](#) to report any road-related concerns, including request for traffic enforcement from the Sheriff's Office.

*White Birch, continued from page 1* for that aspect of the business but, she notes, “The design business is still working through its backlog from the results of the pandemic and is currently booked out for about a year ahead now.”

Debord says, “We are extremely excited to be a part of this beautiful and welcoming community. We look forward to announcing new things to come in the near future!”

You can sign up for their mailing list on the website and be sure to check out the online store if you can't wait for them to open.

Having visited the Hillsboro



store, I can assure my readers that many of you will absolutely love the assortment of goodies you'll find once they open! If you're planning to buy gifts for the fall, be sure to wait until they open!

[Aura Skin Care](#) opened this spring. Aura is located on the second level of Milltown, near the entrance to the new Sunset Athletic building. We'll introduce you to both of these new businesses next month!

## Sunset Marching Band Bottle & Can Drive

Saturday, August 13, 10 am-1 pm, Sunset Church, 14986 NW Cornell Rd.

(Next 3 events on the 2nd Saturday: 9/10, 10/8, 11/12)

Drop off your redeemable bottles and cans to help us raise funds for marching band and music programs at Sunset HS. Bring them in any container (or use bags we provided), and we'll give you a new bag for next time. You can reach us at [samba@sambanote.org](mailto:samba@sambanote.org) with any questions. .

## Scout Troop 207

By Elissa Ryan

Started in 1928, Cedar Mill Scout Troop 207 has been having fun, providing service, and growing youth into resourceful, responsible leaders for nearly 100 years! Troop 207 members develop and practice leadership skills by planning and conducting their own weekly meetings, working on rank advancements, service projects, and taking monthly camping trips.

One weekend a month, our scouts trek to campsites across the area to be in nature and put their outdoor survival skills to practical use. In summer, our members attend a week-long camp where they earn merit badges, make new friends, and have loads of fun. This year they went to Camp Meriwether, near Tilletook, where our Troop earned a total of 30 merit badges and four special awards,

participated in the Polar Plunge, the sand sculpture contest, the triathlon, the mile swim, a chili cook off, the egg drop (from the top of the climbing tower), and were on the winning team for The Sedge—using catapults built from pencils, duct tape, and



## NW Restart presents NW Creations Night Market

Friday, August 5, 6-9 pm, Summa Real Estate Group, 11830 NW Cedar Falls Dr., Ste. 120, Timberland Town Center, free

Celebrating local talented artists and their wares, to benefit the [Domestic Violence Resource Center](#). Those who donate can enter to win a gift basket full of the evening's creations. Please [click here for details](#). For more information please contact: Bethany Marsh, 503-707-7796, [bethany@nwrestart.com](mailto:bethany@nwrestart.com); or Adam Peña, 509-840-2644, [adam@nwrestart.com](mailto:adam@nwrestart.com).

rubber bands, teams attacked their opponent's castle with dice!

Culturally diverse and welcoming all boys ages 11-18, our Troop works hard to make new members feel welcome. Scouts attain advancement ranks by learning a variety of skills in things like pocketknife safety, first aid, cooking, knot tying, camping, swimming, citizenship, and compass use. In addition, there are 138 possible merit badges to be earned including game design, white water rafting, chess, snow sports, and robotics.

As you begin to think about the new school year—help your kids get unplugged, off Zoom, and outdoors. They will make new friends, develop new skills, and experience personal growth through the mentorship of our amazing adult

leaders. Learn more about how to join Cedar Mill Scouts at the Cedar Mill Farmer's

Market on August 20, 27, and September 10. Look for the Troop and a fun activity they will lead at the Community Booth. Interested families are also invited to come to our back-to-school BBQ on Monday, September 12 to learn details of what is planned for the coming year. Email [scouts.ortroop207@gmail.com](mailto:scouts.ortroop207@gmail.com) for the time and location. Check us out on our [website](#) and find us on [Facebook](#).

## Conflict Resilience Workshop

Begins Thursday, August 4, 10 am-12 pm, via Zoom and continues various days and times through August. [Registration is required](#).

Join [Beaverton's Center for Mediation & Dialogue](#) for a four-part workshop on Conflict Resilience where participants will learn skills to transform conflict into productive dialogue. Topics include building self-awareness when in conflict, understanding conflict styles, practicing effective communication skills, and fostering a conflict resilient culture.

The Center for Mediation and Dialogue, a program of the City of Beaverton, provides conflict resolution and community-building services to create safer, more peaceful, and inclusive communities.

## Library News

Find event calendars, storytime schedules, and more at [Library.CedarMill.org](#). Visit the Cedar Mill Library: 1080 NW Saltzman Rd. and the Bethany Library, 15325 NW Central Drive, Suite J-8.

## Kids

### Grab and Go Crafts

Fridays, August 5 and 19, Cedar Mill & Bethany Libraries

Stop by the libraries to pick up fun crafts while supplies last. One craft per child, please. Available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Find more [fun for kids on the website](#).

## Teens & Tweens

### Teen Escape Room: Camp Fairytale Forest

Friday, August 5, 2:30-5 pm, ages 11-18, Cedar Mill Library, [registration required](#)

Can you escape the forest before time runs out, or will you be the witch's dinner? Sign up to test your smarts and communication skills with others. Four sessions will be run in two hours in two separate rooms.

### Teen Game Night: Super Smash Tourney

Friday, August 19, 6-7:30 pm, Bethany Library Annex, 4888 NW Bethany Blvd, Suite K-2, [registration required](#)

Compete in the CMBCL Smash Bros Tournament. Meet your friends or make new ones

and play console games together. Switch, Wii and Gamecube games are available. Bring your own controls or use some of ours.

Visit the website to find [resources for teens and tweens](#).



## Adults

### Spanish Conversation Hour

Wednesday, August 10, Ages 16+, Cedar Mill Library

Want to practice your Spanish with other language learners? Join us in-person at Cedar Mill Library every second Wednesday of the month for an opportunity to chat and improve your Spanish language skills through facilitated conversation. Not an instructional course. [Learn more online](#).

Learn more about [library groups and events for adults](#) online.

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**Park news**

**New dog run at Ridgewood Park**

The district intends to install a dog run at [Ridgewood Park](#) that will include a fenced area with a wood chip surface. In the spring of 2022, the district hired a planning consultant, AKS Engineering, to lead the project through the City of Beaverton's Type III Land Use process. The district is currently coordinating the land use process expectations with the city. Staff anticipates the dog run to be built by end of 2022. Ridgewood Park is just east of Highway 217 on Wilshire.

**Bonny Slope play structure among THPRD projects getting Metro funds**

Metro will soon begin providing up to \$5.3 million in funds for a trio of projects, including a new park planned by the Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District (THPRD). The projects are funded through Metro's voter-approved [2019 parks and nature bond measure](#).

The projects are the [Willow Creek Greenway Boardwalk](#) in Beaverton, Heckman Lane Park and Trail in the North Bethany neighborhood, and two accessible play structures in [Bonny Slope](#) and [Rock Creek](#) parks.

These are the first park projects funded by the bond measure's local share program. The local share program provides funding to the region's 27 park providers so they can make land purchases and build park capital projects that are important to their communities.

THPRD planner Peter Swinton said, "We've got many different communities and they ask for very different things depending on who you're talking to or where. How we're making decisions about that is through the [Vision Action Plan](#) that we did...we feel these projects align well with the priorities and spirit of the bond."

The first project will move and replace a "well-loved section" of boardwalk on the [Waterhouse Trail](#) in the Willow Creek Greenway, in the Five Oaks Triple Creek neighborhood in Beaverton. The boardwalk needs replacing and as it stands, is not currently ADA accessible. The project will receive just under \$950,000 from Metro.

Using low-impact design principles and green infrastructure, the

bond funding will allow THPRD to update the accessibility and move parts of the boardwalk out of the floodplain it currently winds through while maintaining the contemplative solace these natural spaces provide. They'll also restore those areas of the floodplain where the original boardwalk currently sits to keep the natural area in its pristine condition.

The second of the three projects will build new play structures at Bonny Slope Park and at the Rock Creek Park Playground along THPRD's western edge. Like Willow Creek's boardwalk, the existing two play structures will soon need to be replaced to continue serving their neighboring communities. These playgrounds will receive \$1.7 million from the local share program.

With the funding from the bond, Swinton says, THPRD is planning a robust community engagement process to best design and build these spaces according to the vision of the community.

The third project, [Heckman Lane Park and Trail](#), is the largest of the trio, and will build a neighborhood park in the North Bethany area that will serve the neighborhood's rapidly growing community that includes many people of color. The project will make sure the area has walkable access to parks for families living in this southern section of North Bethany and will link both the families and the park with the community trail system that laces throughout THPRD. The park project will receive up to \$3.6 million in funding from Metro.

Bethany is majority people of color, and 40% of the community is Asian American. Swinton said THPRD is planning to use bond funding to work with the community to identify what they hope this project looks and feels like, and then turn that input into park design. Swinton cited the community engagement process THPRD piloted with La Raíz Park off SW Baker and Lombard as an example.

"That [project] looked at engaging with communities that historically have not been engaged," Swinton said. "With La Raíz Park, which is in a predominantly Hispanic and Latinx community, we did a lot of work with community-based organizations to make sure we reached those folks with bilingual engagements, materials in different languages, met people where

they were, and offered vouchers and compensation for engagement because we know peoples' time is super valuable. If they're going to spend it with us, that's valuable for us. We want to work with these communities to find something that works for them."

**Summer events at THPRD**

There is a lot happening at THPRD this month! Check out [August events](#), classes, registration information and more. See our website for all the details.

**FREE Fitness in the Park this Summer!**

Through August 27, various park locations

Enjoy the outdoors and achieve your fitness goals in these family-friendly workouts. All ages and fitness levels welcome! [FREE Fitness in the Park](#) runs now through August 27.

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 6 pm: Yoga at Griffith Park. Meet in the middle of the park.

Walk with Me  
 Wednesdays 9:30 am, plan for about a one-hour walk.

- August 10, Hansen Ridge Park
- August 17, Willow Creek Greenway
- August 24, Cedar Mill Trail/Timberland Park

**THPRD is hiring**

Lots of positions are available at THPRD. Enjoy your summer as a camp counselor, maintenance technician, aquatics professional, gym monitor, custodian, gymnastics and sports instructors, inclusion assistants, and more! THPRD can offer flexible hours, a fun work team, and lots of variety in job options. Learn more and apply today at [thprd.org](http://thprd.org)

**Save the date for Fall THPRD registration**

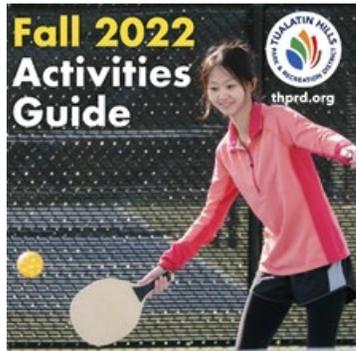
Registration for fall programs, classes, and activities begins Saturday, August 13, at 8 am for in-district residents. Out-of-district registration starts on Monday, August 15. Please [click here for registration details](#).

The district's [Fall Activities Guide](#) is available by clicking here. Print copies are available at all open THPRD facilities and area libraries.

Online registration is encouraged! The fastest, easiest, and best way to register is on our website, [thprd.org](http://thprd.org).

You can also register in-person at one of our facilities: Walk-in

registration at our open facilities is available starting on Saturday, August 13, for in-district patrons that need extra help. Open facilities have different hours, and not all centers are currently open to the public, so



be sure to check the opening times on our website.

**Bilingual assistance for registration**

Tuesday, August 9-Friday, August 12, 4-7 pm. THPRD's Administration Office, Howard M. Terpenning Complex, 15707 SW Walker Rd. Beaverton (Bus #67 and #59)

[Centro de Bienvenida bilingual staff](#) will be supporting Spanish-speaking patrons and Financial Aid Program families in class selection for Fall registration. All English Language Learners needing extra assistance, in any language, are encouraged to attend. For details please visit this [website page](#).

**Financial aid available**

THPRD offers financial assistance to people to help offset the expense of registering for classes. Households whose income fall below the Federal Free Meal Guidelines can receive up to \$300 per person annually in fee waivers. For a family of four, this would result in having \$1,200 per year to register for THPRD programming. To learn more and apply for financial aid, please [visit this web page](#).

**Beaverton Night Market**

Saturday, August 13, 5-10 pm, The Round, 12600 SW Crescent St.

Brought to you by the City of Beaverton, this will be the last market for the summer. Enjoy entertainment, sports and cultural activities, lantern making, and over 65 food and product vendors and 15 performers.



Photo by Diego G Diaz, [Diego G Diaz Photography](#)

See [event guide details here](#). This is an event not to be missed! For all

**Viva Village**

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 our website](#). Please RSVP for all events by contacting [vivavillageevents@gmail.com](mailto:vivavillageevents@gmail.com) or 503-746-5082. Links for zoom meetings will be sent to those who RSVP. Members-only events are listed on our website and in the [web version of The News](#).

**Online Viva Village 101**

Saturday, August 13, 10-11:30 am

A fun and informational session about Village life for prospective members and/or volunteers.

**Age Café**

Friday, August 12, 11-12 pm, Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW 5th Street

Topic: "Boundaries" Small group conversations exploring topics of interest to older adults. Co-sponsored by Viva Village, Beaverton City Library, Beaverton Committee on Aging, and Wash. Co. DAVS. Contact Viva Village for registration information.

**Men's Coffee Break**

Monday, August 22, 10-11 am, Ki Coffee, 4655 SW Griffith Dr. #160, Beaverton 97005.

Conversation and coffee. RSVP recommended.

**Village Forum In-Person**

Monday, August 22, 2-3:30 pm, United Methodist Church, Wesley Room, 12555 SW 4th Street, Beaverton

Topic: "We Need to Talk" The Transition from Driver to Rider. An AARP presentation with tips and advice about determining when it's time to limit or stop driving, plus transportation alternatives when driving oneself is no longer an option. Lots of time for questions!

the details please visit the [Market website](#).

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**Smart watering techniques for summer gardeners**

By Margie Rose

Watering the garden is essential to keep plants thriving. When the weather warms, plants need more water, as the summer sun evaporates moisture from the leaves and ground.

Using mulch is one of the best ways to diminish the amount of water required to keep plants healthy. Thick mulch will suppress weeds, preserve water in soil, and keep plants evenly moistened. However, make sure you don't bury your plants' stems because wet mulch can cause fungal diseases. Leave a two-inch wide donut-like space of thin mulch around each plant; shrubs and trees need a larger area of mulch around trunks.

Hand watering with a hose is time consuming and can be wasteful. A sprinkler can be difficult to place when an area is narrow or irregular in shape. Automatic sprinkler systems are more expensive to set up, but if sprinkler heads are efficiently placed, can be cost effective when considering water usage. Plants grow and change how the water is distributed. It is necessary to check periodically and make sure sprin-

kler heads are watering the garden, not the driveway or the street.

A drip system is ideal for vegetable gardens, narrow spaces, and roses, because water can be placed where it is needed without the chance of overflowing. Drip watering leaves the surrounding soil surface dry, discouraging weed germination. It also does not wet the leaves of plants, decreasing the risk of fungal diseases.



*Drip irrigation is ideal for vegetables and flowers*

Placing plants with similar watering demands together allows for water to be used as efficiently as possible. Adding compost to the soil when planting helps to keep drainage and water retention at the correct level.

A deep soaking once a week (twice in very hot temperatures,

for new plantings especially) is much better than frequent shallow watering. This encourages roots to grow deeper in search of moisture and uses less water. It is also better to water in early morning on sunny days, to allow the leaves and soil surface to dry.

Questions? Email me at [margierose2@gmail.com](mailto:margierose2@gmail.com) or call 503-645-2994

**Grow Together: Families in the Garden**

Saturday, August 13, 10 am-2 pm, WCMGA Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate, 8005 SW Grabhorn Rd, Beaverton, free, no registration required

An Open Garden event with free family-focused activities for all. Plant seeds in soil to take home: preschoolers. Transplant starts to take for a winter garden: school age-adults. Harvest a summer vegetable. Learn wise watering. Inspect carnivorous plants. Help make an apple twig waddle. Relax with a children's story. Do a garden safari.

Come visit, look, feel, smell, and taste what happens in a garden. PNW natives, fruits, vegetable beds, ornamentals, herbs, deer resistant plants, carnivorous plants, water-wise and pollinator friendly plants, as well as composting and mason bee displays will be featured. Pick up gardening tips from Master Gardeners who will answer your

gardening questions. Restrooms and children's play equipment are adjacent to the garden.

For more information, please [go to our website](#).

**Bethany Village summer concert**

Thursday August 18, 6-9 pm, 4720 NW Bethany Blvd.

Join the local tradition spanning nearly 20 years! Live music with [Hans & The Wanted](#).

Intermission Acts: Bethany US World Class Taekwondo Martial Arts Academy and the Portland Dance Center. Participant activities include pony rides from Wish Upon a Pony; carnival rides from National Event Pros, and more!

The [Bethany Village Summer Concert Series](#) features a variety of vendors, live music, intermission acts featuring local young talent, carnival rides, kids activities, and more!

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**VGA Instructional Team: Children's Art Classes**

Thursdays, August 4, 11, 18 and 25, 3:45-5:15, Maximum of eight students per class. In-person, Four-session class for ages 7-11. Face masks required.

Featured projects this month are L.S. Lowry "Match Stick Men" inspired collages, 3-D Pyramid Books, Sculptures, and Diwali Lanterns. All supplies included.

**Adult classes and workshops**

Intro to Watercolor—Debbie Teeter

Wednesdays, September 7,14,21, 28, 9:30-12:30 pm, maximum of eight students per class, in-person,

Learn the basics of watercolor and some creative approaches to working with it. Lessons will cover the unique properties of this medium, composition, color, and a few bells and whistles. We will explore various subjects, and how different artists handle watercolor.

**Annual Music on the Patio summer concert series**

Every other Friday, 6-8 pm, Market of Choice, 250 NW Lost Springs Terrace

Join us this summer at your Cedar Mill Market of Choice for the annual Music on the Patio summer concert series! We host talented musicians performing an array of genres every other Friday.

The August 5 concert features Anna Gilbert. August 19 features [Jawbone Flats](#).

**Blood drive at Cornell Family Dental**

Friday, August 26, 10 am-3 pm, 12889 NW Cornell Road, sign up online

We are excited to be partnering with the American Red Cross for our first Cornell Family Dental Community Blood Drive. Will you join us?

The Red Cross has over 135 years of experience providing humanitarian aid, including more than 75 years of supplying blood to those in need.

An estimated 38% of Americans are eligible to give blood or platelets, but of those, less than 10% donate each year. If you are healthy and eligible, please come out to donate with us. Each pint of blood we

collect can help save up to three lives and will touch the lives of so many more. What a great way to pay it forward and make an impact on people in our community and across the country. Most donations take about 1 hour, so [book your appointment here today](#), and get ready to roll up your sleeve to become a part of the lifesaving mission of the American Red Cross. Spots are limited, so don't delay!

**Back to School Savings Strategies from Sunset Credit Union**

1100 NW Murray Blvd.

Back-to-school is the second-biggest shopping season of the year. This makes it a great time to teach budgeting basics to your children. One idea is to give your children a clothing budget and a list of necessities and let them help make decisions on the rest of the wardrobe.

Head to the supermarket for basic supplies. Check weekly circulars for great deals on pens and loose-leaf paper and get your weekly grocery shopping done at the same time. Bonus: buying everything in one place will save time and gas money!

Partner with another family or two to buy supplies in bulk. Then split the cost and the supplies. Round up a couple of other moms with kids the same gender as yours but different ages and host an annual clothes swap. Trade toys and books, too! You'll save a bundle.

Stick With Generic Items. Most big-box retailers offer their own brands of school supplies with savings of around 30% compared with prices for name-brand options. Even though your kid's teacher may identify a name-brand school item on the supply list, such as Crayola crayons or Elmer's glue, you don't have to stick to that brand.

Remember that September still has plenty of warm days ahead, and many summer clothing staples can be worn through winter by layering them. October will deliver sales on fall clothing and denim, and Black Friday is the next best time to snag a laptop, tablet, or other electronics. If you have items to get through the next few months of school, hold off and make do with what you have until the better sales come.

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