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WCSCO and the homeless population in Washington County

We asked James M. Coley, Lieutenant – Patrol Division, Washington County Sheriff’s Office to help us understand how the Sheriff’s Office responds to homeless folks in the county, and what residents should do if they encounter campers. *What should residents do if they see or encounter people camping on public or private property?*

If they are on public land, and not on private property, and are not doing anything illegal, violent, or causing environmental hazards or safety concerns, then you can contact the County’s [Homeless Camp Management Program](#) and report the location of the encampment online

Anyone with concerns about potential criminal activity or any suspicious behaviors is encouraged to contact the Washington County Sheriff’s Office (or local law enforce-

ment agency) by calling non-emergency dispatch at 503-629-0111.

To learn about forming a Neighborhood Watch Program within unincorporated Washington county, call 503-846-5578.

For an immediate threat to life or property, please dial 9-1-1 for an emergency response.

For more information, review this handout created by the many county offices involved in the houseless response efforts during the COVID-19 Pandemic. *What about people living in a vehicle parked on public streets or private property?*

If a person is camping on private property without permission, this could be considered trespassing. The landowner can call non-emergency to report this at 503-629-0111.

Camping on public streets, shoulders, and right-of-way is also often not allowed and should be reported. If you are unsure, report to non-emergency 503-629-0111 and a deputy will clarify and provide alternatives and support services for those living in the vehicle.

Fortunately, here in Washington County, we also have several Safe Park options. These are undisclosed parking lots where houseless people can safely park their vehicles with sanitation services onsite. To help someone in need gain access to available services, please contact the County’s coordinated entry system, Community Connect, at 503-640-3263 or [visit the website](#).

What is legal in terms of people living or staying outside? Is it ever legal to camp or live in a vehicle?

In an effort to adhere to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance on homeless encampments, Washington County has [temporarily suspended enforcement](#) of its camping ordinance during the Pandemic. Per the CDC, “if individual housing options are not available, allow people who are living unsheltered or in encampments to remain where they are. Clearing encampments can cause people to disperse throughout the community and break connections with service providers. This increases the potential for infectious disease spread.”

Other considerations regarding camping on public property: Washington County continues to monitor efforts by the Oregon Legislature as they consider new laws in light of the Supreme Court case [Martin v. Boise](#) that prohibits enforcement action against homeless individuals sleeping outside because they have no other place to go.

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History in the News

The Bauer house

Jim Bauer is a descendant of one of Cedar Mill’s early families. He shared his recollections of the Henry & Erna Bauer house that is slated for imminent demolition on

South Dakota, and arrived in Cedar Mill in 1905. They had a large farm in the area now known as Science Park Drive. Henry and his wife Erna purchased around 40 acres on Saltzman Road in 1929. The house on Saltzman was built around that



The Henry and Erna Bauer house is about to be demolished to make way for development.

time. The family hosted the Union School teacher one year. It was common for teachers to board with a community member.

Henry and Erna raised chickens for eggs. Jim recalls that Erna would gather the eggs and

“candle” them (a test for freshness) in the dim basement. She would then crate them up and load them

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Saltzman to make way for a new subdivision.

Henry was the oldest son of Gottlieb and Caroline Bauer, who had immigrated from Germany, via

Road news

Thompson Road realignment

A community meeting was held on August 31 to update neighbors on the county project to realign Thompson Road west of Saltzman to eliminate the two right-angle turns. Neighbors in the adjoining subdivision have been very concerned that the county’s plan will eliminate most or all of the street trees that were planted along

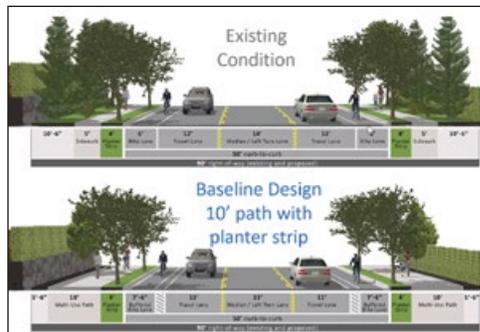
Creek at Bauer Meadows was developed and are now tall enough to provide shade along the sidewalks. Arborists hired by the county said the trees had some disease and their roots might damage the sidewalk.

The county wants to create a wide multi-use path to accommodate pedestrian and bicycle travel. They cite the commercial area at the

Thompson/Saltzman corner, the park that will eventually be developed at the opposite corner, and Findley Elementary as destinations that would be served by a broad path on both sides of the road. Choices included a curb-tight ten or nine-foot path with plant-

ing nearer the houses, or a ten-foot path with a four-foot planter strip

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the route, which is currently called Kenny Terrace. The trees were planted in 2002 when the Arbor

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

CMBA tackles cybercrime

Tuesday, September 14, noon, via Zoom

The Cedar Mill Business Association continues Monthly Speaker/Networking meetings on Zoom. Join us to learn about the current

threats to small businesses and what they can do to prevent their business from falling victim to cybercrime. Speaker Frank Bubenik is a partner in Beaverton based Compass Computing Group. Frank, the mayor of Tualatin, has over 20 years of experience in IT.

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

Teach your kids about internet security with free course from Sunset Credit Union

With kids spending more time on the internet because of virtual learning, understanding the importance of internet safety is critical. Sunset Credit Union is proud to introduce the 'Internet Safety' course presented by Banzai



Financial Education.

The 'Internet Safety' course allows teens and kids (recommended ages 9-15 although any age can benefit from the information) to practice safely navigating through online decisions. During the course, the

user downloads an app, Cybr, and works toward reaching a goal while sifting through both veiled and real ways to earn Cybr Points. Along the way, the user defends their computer and mobile device against malicious attacks from hackers and humored netizens. This course touches on important

online practices: keeping information private, password protection and developing research skills. Cybr's storyline and characters provide a fun and entertaining way for the user to learn about internet safety. Getting started with the Internet Safety Course is easy and free—visit sppfcu.com and click on the 'Online' button then 'Banzai Financial Training.'

Sunset Science Park Federal Credit Union is open to anyone who lives, works or attends school in Washington County. For more information or to get a pre-approved auto loan, stop by their office (1100 NW Murray Blvd #200) or [visit their website](#).

Village Gallery of Arts

Our mission is to ignite the joy of learning, creating, and appreciating art in our community. We support professional and emerging artists by providing high quality affordable art education to children and adults as well as providing venues for sharing their work. Village Gallery of Arts is a non-profit (501c3) organization, receives no taxpayer money, and is staffed entirely by member volunteers.

Featured Artists, New Member Showcase: Jeannine Bamberg: Drawing on the beauty of the Pacific Northwest and her strong background in arts and crafts, Jeannine is fascinated by a variety of techniques including acrylic pouring that result in dramatic, intriguing pieces.

Lucy Nonnenkamp: Lucy enjoys painting a little bit of everything—bright colors, memories,

and people's homes. She's been watercolor painting since 2004 and says, "Life is much richer once I began painting and seeing all the shapes, colors, lines and shadows of everything around me."

Featured Artisan: Margie Simmons: Learning new metalsmithing processes and techniques to expand her designs of creative artisan jewelry, Margie says, "has opened up so many new possibilities for my art...the designs have evolved into something even more unique."



Big, Bold Painting: Nancy Norman: "Sundance," in acrylic and mixed media, bright colors and a lively subject create a striking work of art.

Artists' Reception
Sunday, September 19, 3-5 pm

Cancelled, sorry.

Gently Used Art Supply Sale
Friday and Saturday, September 24 and 25, 10 am-4 pm

Bring new creative energy into your world while also supporting local artists. Purchase gently used art supplies at discounted rates. This is a FUNdraiser to keep your non-profit, community gallery open and thriving. Bring your friends and tell your neighbors.

Children's art classes: Returning in October—[see website for details!](#)

Adult classes and workshops:

Online registration for all classes, [see website for details](#).
Debbie Teeter: In-Person Facial Drawing—Two session class
Tuesdays, September 21 and 28, 9:30 am-noon. Max. 8 students; masks required.

Learn to combine direct observation and use of light and shadow with principles of facial proportion to depict a realistic, expressive face. We will explore drawing faces from direct observation and different points of view, using conte crayons on toned paper, and by an adventurous mixed-media self-portrait. Specific supply list online.

Cedar Mill Farmers' Market is in full swing

September doesn't slow down at the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market! If anything, it picks up with all the beautiful bounties of colorful fruits and vegetables coming from farms right in our area.

August's POP to GO kit was a hit! POPtato Pals were fun and interactive—kids learned all about the difference between fruits and vegetables. To find out about this month's project, swing by the Power of Produce booth!

There's a winner each market day who will receive a \$100 gift certificate for the market and a \$25 gift certificate to Safeway! If you also

stop by the information booth on September 4, 11, and 18 from 9 am-1 pm, you'll receive a raffle ticket for that day's drawing. From 1-2 pm, we will give out two raffle tickets. Come grab a ticket (or two) for the chance to win!

We're open this year through October 16, so there are plenty of opportunities to join us, shop for local goods, and support businesses in our community.

Patriot Day Service of Remembrance at Skyline Memorial Gardens

Saturday, September 11, noon, 4101 NW Skyline Blvd

Please join us to honor the 20th Anniversary of the September 11 tragedy. Service of Remembrance to take place under the flag in our Main Parking Lot. As the service is outdoors, masking will not be required. Social distancing is encouraged.

Touchmark retirement communities requiring staff be vaccinated for COVID-19

Guided by its values and commitment to protecting residents and staff from rising cases of COVID-19, Beaverton-based Touchmark announced that staff must be fully vaccinated with the coronavirus vaccine as a condition of employment. Explaining why Touchmark took this action, President Jay Leo said, "One of Touchmark's values is, 'I am always aware that I work

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CPO News

CPO Meeting

Tuesday, September 14, 7 pm, [via zoom](#)

As usual, we'll start with an open mic and community briefings by service providers as they are available: Washington County Sheriff's Office (WCSO); Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD); Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue (TVF&R); and Beaverton School District (BSD). The public is welcome to share information about what's happening in their neighborhoods.

Redistricting: A Rep of our own?

CPO 1 Co-Chair Virginia Bruce will discuss the process underway now to [redraw State and Federal representation districts](#) based on the information from the 2020 census. Currently residents "north of 26," have four separate Oregon State Representatives, each of which also represents areas with very different situations: some are in cities, some are in different counties!

Hit the trails in CPO 1!

[THPRD Nature & Trails](#) staff will present information about current habitat projects, Early Detection/Rapid Response weeds, trails, and wildlife information for the greater Cedar Mill area. The presentation will be about 15 minutes. Questions are welcome.

Presented by Crystal Durbecq, Nature & Trails Specialist, and Sebastian Ford the ranger in our area.

Middle Housing: what does it mean, how will it be implemented

Anne Kelly, Washington County LUT Senior Planner, will connect with CPO 1 members about County implementation of the [middle housing bill](#) (House Bill 2001) and how it can increase housing variety to help meet people's needs.

8:45 pm Open mic, community comments, adjourn.

Neighborhood Meetings

Catlin Gabel School Master Plan

A Neighborhood Meeting was held on August 28 to discuss the school's Master Plan, and more specifically the new planned entrance

to the campus on Leahy Road that will provide access to the new proposed athletic facility. Funds will be raised over the coming years to complete all the planned improvements, but they need to submit the plan to the county before proceeding. Separate Development Applications will be submitted for each phase of development. Demolition and remodeling of some of the buildings of the former Oregon College of Art & Craft campus that was added to the Catlin campus are currently underway.

Estates at Leahy Park

A second neighborhood meeting was held on August 9 for this proposed development. Westwood Homes is proposing to divide the approximately eight-acre property into 15 lots. One house on Tax Lot 2400 will remain. Tract A is a Significant Natural Resource area containing a stream, and it will be



A few changes were made to the design since the first meeting. This new image better illustrates the preserved natural areas.

enhanced with removal of invasive plants and native plant restoration, to be brought up to Clean Water Services "good" condition.

Neighbors are concerned about the trees that will be cut to make way for homes. Most developers prefer to start with a "clean slate" when creating a new subdivision for reasons of efficiency. Until Washington County changes its regulations about tree protection developers have little incentive to preserve trees. For more information about efforts to preserve trees, see the Treekeepers NW item in Community News.

Let's hear it for these teams!

To the people of our community, My Cedar Mill neighbors and I hope that other residents of the area—and around our region—will find a way to express our gratitude to the caregivers of Oregon.

Whether it be for our nurses, our doctors, technicians, the support teams of janitors and supply room stockers, first responders, administrators and their staffs, the caregivers of our area are exhausted and need to be honored.

A year ago, when all of us were trying to understand and manage the new-now of COVID, we found ways to work together as a community and support one another. Today, our collective fatigue and, in some cases, our anger, seems to have dulled our compassion for others.

But our caregivers aren't escaping into the luxury of retreat. Instead, they are digging deeper into their well of humanity to find strength and compassion to take care

of people no matter how negligent those people may be in regards to their own and our collective health.

Public health is a team sport. Perhaps we can find a day or week very soon, at some pre-determined hour, where we can safely gather to express our deep, collective gratitude to all the caregivers who ensure our safety 24-hours a day.

Many people support their Ducks, their Beavers, their Trailblazers, Thorns, and Timbers. If we could find a way to cheer loudly for our OSHU, our Legacy, Providence, Kaiser, TVF&R, and others, we will go a long way toward helping our teams beat COVID.

This is a battle we can't afford to lose. We need to support the teams of caregivers on the front lines right now. If they know we care about them, they may still be there for us when we need them for other emergencies. To every caregiver out there, thank you.

Stephen Goldsmith, Cedar Mill



CPO1 Neighbors Working Together!
September 14
 7-9 pm on Zoom
Nature & Trails in our Parks
 Habitat projects & more
What is Middle Housing?
 What will it mean for our neighborhoods
 Open to all—visit Facebook or the web page for the zoom meeting link, and sign up for email news!
 Community Participation Organization serving the communities of Cedar Mill, Cedar Hills, Bonny Slope
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Redistricting: a Rep of our own?

By *Vicky Siah (research) and Virginia Bruce (opinion)*

In [September 2020](#), Cedar Mill News encouraged residents to complete the 2020 census. The result of that census shows that Oregon is due for changes in both state and federal congressional and legislative boundaries—and this month, lawmakers are soliciting public input on how to best draw new districts.

How the census data affects Cedar Mill

State and Federal House districts are supposed to represent roughly equal numbers of people. As population grows in some areas and shrinks in others, adjustments must be made. That's what redistricting is all about. Oregon Senate districts are made up of two House districts, so the boundaries will change according to redrawn House districts.

In the Oregon House, Cedar Mill—a mostly [urban unincorporated area \(UUA\)](#) of Washington County—is primarily represented by Maxine Dexter (District 33). She also represents some of the Pearl District and Forest Heights which are both in the City of Portland. Lisa Reynolds represents the portion of Cedar Mill in District 36, which also includes Beaverton and some of Raleigh Hills (UUA). Ken Helm (District 34) represents some of Hillsboro as well as Rock Creek and other “North of 26” UUAs.

This means that our concerns, as people living not in any city but in the urban unincorporated areas of Washington County “North of 26,” are split among several representatives, all of whom also represent city dwellers. While Rep. Dexter has been very responsive and interested in learning about our issues, some of our concerns are actually opposed to those of people living in The Pearl—for example the lack of road capacity getting over the hill into Portland.

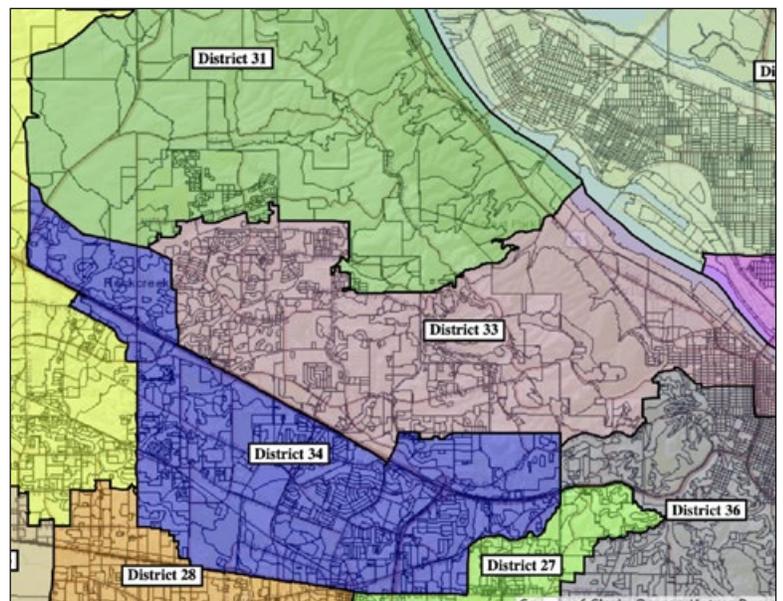
We're not sure how this might be improved through redistricting, but it's definitely time to try. Use the mapping feature listed below under “opportunities for public involvement” and see if you can figure it out! And please attend as many of the sessions listed there as you can. The solutions to some of our issues are definitely in the hands of the state legislature and many of us think we

deserve a united voice. COVID gave us a very short window for providing input (the census data wasn't released until August, for example) but we shouldn't wait another ten years to improve the situation.

By the numbers

The 2020 census shows that HD33 exceeded the average House District population of 70,621 individuals by almost 11,000 people, and SD 17 (currently Elizabeth Steiner Hayward) displays a similar growth pattern. Congressional District 1 (currently Representative Suzanne Bonamici) is also a high growth area and will likely be altered.

US Congressional District 1 had



the highest population increase in Oregon, surpassing the Average Oregon Congressional District Population (706,209 individuals) by 157,843 people. Each of Oregon's five Congressional districts has seen [population growth of over 110,000 individuals](#), and the total population qualifies Oregon for an additional Congressional seat.

Due to these increases, both HD33 and SD17 must shrink in area to meet their district averages. Some communities will move into other districts. There will also be changes in Congressional District assignments. The five current Congressional Districts will shrink to comply with the district average, and a portion of Oregon will be reassigned to the new HD6.

Challenges and constraints of redistricting

Congressional and Legislative Districts must comply with ORS

188.010, which outlines redistricting criteria:

1. Each district, as nearly as practicable, shall:
 - (a) Be contiguous;
 - (b) Be of equal population;
 - (c) Utilize existing geographic or political boundaries;
 - (d) Not divide communities of common interest; and
 - (e) Be connected by transportation links.
2. No district shall be drawn for the purpose of favoring any political party, incumbent legislator or other person.
3. No district shall be drawn for the purpose of diluting the voting strength of any language or ethnic minority group.

4. Two state House of Representative districts shall be wholly included within a single state senatorial district.

[ORS 188.010\(2\)](#) and [ORS 188.010\(3\)](#) offer Oregonians protection against gerrymandering, but ORS 188.010(1) heavily relies on the relationship each Oregonian forms with their surroundings.

Complying with ORS 188.010(1) is a significant challenge—to ensure that communities of common interest remain intact, each Senator and Representative must develop a thorough understanding of their communities' cultures, networks, and interactions. Factors such as ethnicities, relationships to natural features, infrastructure, economy, political beliefs, town designations, and more all contribute to redistricting.

“As one of the fastest growing areas in the state, HD 33's district borders will become smaller, which means we need to identify and

Homeless, continued from page 1

The County is moving forward with plans to open new shelter facilities, creating opportunities for people currently living in encampments to move indoors and connect with supportive services (see link above for more information).

It is not illegal to live in your vehicle, but there are places it is illegal to park. As shared above, there are Safe Park locations available in Washington County, [Safe Sleep Village and Safe Sleep RV Program](#). *How do WCSO deputies work with people found in the above situations? It seems like there are many types of homeless: those who simply had a run of bad luck (or bad decisions) and want to get back into housing; those who have mental illness and just can't cope with life; anti-social folks who don't want to conform to normal society... Do you have ways to determine what sort of response works best with the different populations?*

Deputies hope to provide help and support to those experiencing homelessness, and connect an individual with services if they are receptive to support.

Every situation is as unique as the individual. Safety is the goal for

every encounter. Safety for the individual, the community, and those helping to respond, be it law enforcement, fire, medical, homeless outreach, environmental services, or a mental health first responder. WCSO deputies are trained in de-escalation techniques and skilled at making the general assessments needed to gain additional support from other county groups if necessary, such as homeless outreach teams, domestic violence support services, or even our Mental Health Response Team (MHRT).

Are there any good resources to help people in these situations?

To help someone in need get access to available services, please contact the County's coordinated entry system, Community Connect, at 503-640-3263 or [visit their webpage](#).

Or see the resource list below.

- [Packet from Washington County's multiple offices](#).
- Expanded Family Promise shelters to provide hotel-based sheltering,
- Hotel voucher system for physically and medically fragile people,
- Temporary Safe Sleep Village and Safe Sleep RV Program,
- Outreach and support for com-

munity members living on the street and in encampments which includes resource referrals, access to portable toilets, handwashing stations and hygiene supplies

- Approximately 200 winter shelter beds.

Are there different responses if it's a family as opposed to a single person?

When law enforcement responds to check on an encampment of a homeless person or persons, the general response is always the same, to help connect them with the appropriate support services and housing. If there is evidence of illegal activity, we address each situation according to its unique circumstances.

If a resident knows of homeless campers who don't seem to be causing a problem (trash, fire danger, loud or obnoxious behavior etc) should they do anything or just leave them alone?

If there are no laws broken or there aren't any environmental concerns, reporting the encampment to Houseless Outreach or non-emergency dispatch is acceptable to inform and connect campers to available services. Use the [Homeless Camp Management Program](#)

[website](#) to report the location of an encampment online.

Are there places in the Cedar Mill area that residents should avoid because of homeless camps?

Not at this current time but reporting the location of campers will help us share this information in the future. Use the [Homeless Camp Management Program website](#) to report the location of an encampment online.

In your observation, are the homeless around here from the area or is there an influx of people either from Portland or elsewhere?

This is a difficult question to answer as many individuals experiencing homelessness may not be forthcoming with this information until trust is established. Often, the answer given is personal and subjective and may match more of what they feel is their recent home vs. where they may physically have last resided.

Anything else you want us to know about?

Working together as a community and as a County, we can figure out the best solutions to these complex issues. Follow the County's [Efforts to End Homelessness](#).

School News

Tumwater Middle School opens

Hundreds of families and neighbors attended a ceremony on September 2 to dedicate the building that finally fulfills the promise of a new middle school for our area. The name means "waterfall" in the [Chinuk Wawa](#) language of the [Kalapuya People](#) and is a reference to the nearby [Cedar Mill Falls](#). The name the students have chosen for their "mascot" is The Rapids. The dedication ceremony and the school name honors the area's Native American heritage and had tribal representation. (We livestreamed part of the ceremony and the remarks on the [Cedar Mill News Facebook page](#).) To learn more about the school, [watch this video](#).

In early 2003 [Beaverton School District \(BSD\) condemned 18 acres](#) in the middle of what was then the Teufel Nursery property. This led to the sale of the remaining land to Polygon Northwest for the development eventually called Timberland. The land sat vacant for many years.

Finally BSD passed a bond measure in 2014 that allocated funds to build the school, meant to relieve crowding in area middle schools. Once completed, the build-

ing was used as a "swing school" for students of other schools that were being rebuilt or remodeled—most recently the Arts & Communication Magnet Academy (ACMA)..

BSD Back-to-School Update

In-person school will resume on September 8 in the Beaverton School District. Based on Oregon guidelines, BSD students are required to wear masks for activities and practices (indoors and outdoors). However, BSD states that "students are not required to wear masks while playing instruments with their mouths; students can opt to wear slitted District-provided masks, designed for this purpose, if they choose." Students who are conducting band, choir, or theater performances are also exempt from wearing masks.

If students exhibit COVID-19 symptoms while at school, they will be brought to a BSD isolation room, where (with parent consent) they will be given an Abbot BinaxNOW self-administered COVID-19 test. The district "has already provided all necessary plexiglass barriers"—PTOs and/or teachers may not install additional barriers from out-of-pocket funds.

Prospective BSD volunteers are required to show proof of vaccination before volunteering at any school facility. In the case of performances, audience members are encouraged to practice six feet of social distancing and must be masked while on school grounds.

Development News

Milltown update

The "shells" of the five buildings in the new shopping center are nearly complete, and four of them have gotten through the permitting from the county and are ready for the tenants to move in. Insomnia Coffee is beginning to work with the architect on interior finishes. The other confirmed tenants, Wildwood Taphouse and White Birch Design are working with their own designers to complete their spaces. We have no new information about future businesses.

[77 Fitness](#), the new facility for Sunset Athletic, has received the final permits for the interior, so they can begin to make all the indoor improvements.

The [new Target store](#) that will occupy the old Bales grocery space is, uh, on target to open in March 2022.

WashCo Forum resumes

[Mondays, noon-1 pm via zoom](#)

Join us "virtually" as the Washington County Public Affairs Forum kicks off the 2021-2022 season! We continue to do what we can to stop the spread of COVID-19, meeting online as we provide another season of engaging speakers Get the zoom link to join these free events by visiting the [Forum website](#). Free to attend; participation in the discussion is a privilege of membership, see details on the site (click on the Speakers tab).

Founded in 1956, each week the Forum brings together community leaders, members, and guests who care about what happens in Washington County, the Metro region, and our state.

September 13: The Washington County Public Health Department will provide a Covid update.

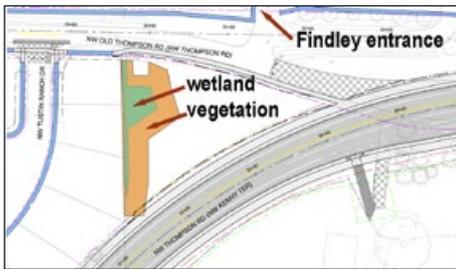
September 20: Forum Special Format: A Listening Session – Local Veterans and Refugees Share Personal Impacts of Recent Events in Afghanistan

September 27: Housing Opportunities and Challenges in Washington County: Affordable Housing, Emergency Shelter

Roads, continued from page 1 next to the road. All options will include a 7'6" buffered bike lane.

During a tightly controlled session, where only the questions chosen by staff were visible to participants and the participants were unable to see other attendees, approximately 26 neighbors expressed concerns about whether the wide path was needed; whether the sidewalk would eventually extend along Thompson to Hartung Farms, and whether a planted strip could be installed in places along the center turn lane. The Power-Point presentation, transcript of the Zoom Q&A function, and the meeting recording are available on the project website.

Toward the end of the meeting, staff noted that access to Findley Elementary for the families east of Saltzman Road would be via the long way around. From the Saltzman/Thompson intersection vehicles would travel along the new alignment, turn right on Old Thompson



The county says they can't allow a road into the Findley entrance because of a previously unknown wetland on the park property near the homes.

near the fire station, and then travel to the existing school entrance using the old Thompson alignment.

Beaverton School District Planner Steven Sparks says, "We have met with WaCo several times to review a few design options over the past couple of years. The County shared this design with us a few months ago. We do not have any concerns. If there are issues with people using the eastern lot, we will address those issues with the parents at the time." Tustin Ranch Drive will be blocked at the northern end to prevent cut-through traffic.

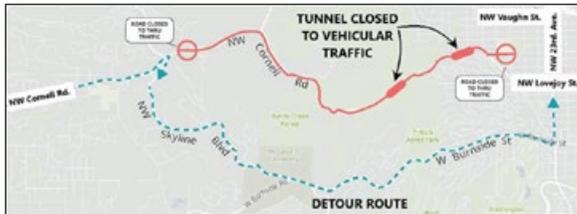
The Board of County Commissioners will consider the alternatives proposed by LUT staff at their September 7 Work Session. The Board does not take formal action during a Work Sessions, and there is no public comment period.

Work Sessions are available for live streaming on the Washington County YouTube Channel.

Another Open House will be held in November, presumably to show the neighbors what the county has decided. If the decision is made soon, construction is expected to be completed summer 2022.

Cornell Road closing through the tunnel

Beginning on Monday, August 30, contractors for the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) closed NW Cornell Road between NW 30th and 53rd avenues for essential repairs to the Cornell Tunnels to prevent structural failure and to extend the tunnels'



lifespan. Eastbound traffic will be detoured to NW Skyline Boulevard. Westbound traffic will be detoured from NW 23rd Avenue to West Burnside. The detour is expected to be in place for the duration of construction which is estimated to be complete in Spring 2022.

A large crack near the crown of the western Cornell Tunnel was observed during recent inspections. An in-depth field assessment in 2019 and subsequent geotechnical engineering report recommended tunnel lining strengthening to prevent structural failure of the tunnels. This project will provide the recommended tunnel lining strengthening and lining coating and considerably extend the useful life of the tunnels.

Traffic will be detoured via NW Skyline Boulevard and West Burnside Street through Spring 2022. Access to Portland Audubon and the Upper Macleay trailhead will remain open with access from Skyline. The project web page, has a link to sign up for project updates.

The road will remain open to pedestrians and bikers, who will be directed to use the existing paved paths that go around the tunnels. Local access will be maintained for residents and businesses located along the corridor, including the

Audubon Society and Adams Community Garden.

MSTIP 2023-2028 Funding Allocation Process Work Plan is in progress

Vicky Siah

MSTIP (Major Streets Transportation Improvement Program) is a series of improvements that Washington County makes to the transportation system in five-year cycles. The current MSTIP cycle ends in 2022. Through September 2022, a MSTIP project work team, a technical work group, the Washington County Transport Advising Committee (WCCC TAC), Washington County Coordinating Committee (WCCC), and Board of Commissioners will develop and approve the MSTIP 2023-2028 Funding Allocation Process Work Plan. Upon implementation, the MSTIP plan directs funds from countywide property taxes to transportation projects selected for funding.

The Department of Land Use and Transportation (LUT) looks to incorporate public input alongside recommendations from the WCCC and the Board of Commissioners. This process is broken into four phases:

Phase 1 (August 2021-February 2022): Public outreach will focus on learning what the community values to inform the work plan's goals and develop metrics for project evaluations. LUT will solicit project suggestions from local jurisdictions and draft financial targets based on input.

Phase 2 (February-March 2022): All suggested projects will be scored with the project evaluation metrics. The list of projects will be narrowed down.

Phase 3 (March-August 2022): The public will be asked to comment on the project list from Phase 2. The project list will be further refined; MSTIP administrative procedures will be updated for contracting and amendments.

Phase 4 (August-September 2022): Phase 3's project list, funding allocation list, and administrative procedures will be delivered to the Board of Commissioners for approval.

LUT lists the desired outcomes of MSTIP 23-28 as equity, safety, environmental vitality, livability,

and minimizing impact to the natural environment. To reach these goals in a timely manner, project organization remains an ongoing effort from Phases 1 to 4. Each of the five teams (project work team, technical work group, WCCC TAC, WCCC, and Board) reviews work from the other teams and provides recommendations up the chain of command.

More information on the MSTIP Funding Allocation Process Work Plan will be released in the near future. Community Participation Organization (CPO) 1 will host LUT in the fall to discuss the work plan process, and as LUT solicits public opinion to aid them in development, MSTIP 23-28 will be a recurring topic as the year progresses.

I Am My Story Live

Saturday, September 11, 7-9 pm, Alex L. Parks Performing Arts Center at Jesuit High School, 9000 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy, free.

As September 11, an historic day, approaches, The Immigrant Story invites you to join in commemorating this important occasion. "I Am My Story: Voices of Hope" is a live storytelling event presenting powerful voices of survival and soothing musical accompaniment. With storytellers from Burundi, Rwanda, Cambodia and Syria, the program focuses on remarkable, first-person tales of resiliency in the face of unimaginable atrocities of war and genocide, offering hope and inspiration at a time when those qualities are sometimes in short supply.

"I Am My Story Live" will also feature performances from world-class musicians, kicking off with a performance by renowned viola player Dijana Ihas, a professor at Pacific University who is also a survivor of the war in Bosnia. Ihas was a member of the Sarajevo String Quartet, an ensemble that played more than 200 concerts during the longest assault on a capital city in the history of modern warfare, the Siege of Sarajevo.

From 8-9 pm, five storytellers from across the globe will share the stories of the arduous journeys that brought them to the United States. "I Am My Story: Voices of Hope" will be a highlight of Welcoming Week, which is designed to bring together immigrants, refugees, and U.S.-born residents to raise awareness of the benefits of welcoming everyone to our communities.



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Featured Business

The Ackerly at Timberland

Virginia Bruce with Katie Smith, Ackerly Sales Manager
 When did the [Ackerly at Timberland](#) open?

Technically September 1st, 2016. We had a "soft opening" on August 15th, where the eager occupants of seven apartments moved in a bit early and helped us work out the kinks before the big opening. The first night someone stayed in our community, it was just that resident and one staff member. It must have been a big, lonely building that night. The second night, two more people moved in, and we started our journey to filling up the building with residents, staff, love, family, community, and fun.



Describe the variety of living spaces available?

There are studios, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom apartment homes in Independent Living and Assisted Living. We offer private studios and companion suites in Opal, our secure memory care neighborhood.

One thing that sets us apart from many of our competitors is that our assisted living apartment homes have full kitchens (full sized fridge, stove/oven, microwave and plenty of counter and cupboards). All one-bedroom and two-bedroom

We offer a month-to-month rental agreement. A large portion of our original residents are still

living at the community. We've truly become a family and a tight knit community.

Do people have options around meals, in terms of what they pay for?

Our meal plan is quite flexible. Of course, you have a full kitchen you can cook in. Should you decide

to let us cook for you, your Independent Living meal plan includes breakfast and your choice of lunch or dinner, an average of two meals per day. Assisted Living and Opal include all three meals.

What services are offered in the Assisted Living section? Are there various "menus" of service?

There is a wide range of services offered at The Ackerly at Timberland. A resident's care needs are determined by an assessment of your individual needs and preferences by the care team. Our care team will also assess on a regular basis and services are adjusted to meet your specific needs and preferences. These

include medication assistance, showering and bathing, dressing, personal appearance and hygiene, care coordination, mobility assistance, health maintenance, cognitive support, and more.

It's just that we deliver it all with the utmost care, making sure you are comfortable and getting precisely what you want as service needs grow or diminish. Our services are that flexible—easily added or scaled back as you desire.

There is a licensed nurse on staff to direct and oversee the care team, and staff is available 24/7.

What services are offered in the Memory Care section? What's a dementia-friendly menu?

The care is like Assisted Living.

The way it's delivered is different because of the dementia component. Residents of Opal often have unique health challenges, such as vision impairment, that means we approach a person differently. The menu may include more finger foods, as residents have a hard time with utensils.

Any new offerings or features that aren't on the website?

Rent also includes scheduled transportation, social and recreational programs, use of activity areas, routine apartment maintenance, and all utilities except telephone. Assisted living services are added on to the monthly rent as needed.

What are some of the recent events, and any that are planned coming up



The Tamerack dining room is one of two restaurants on site, along with Miller's Pub

We recently celebrated our five-year anniversary with a Luau themed outdoor party. We had five performances with hula dancers and Hawaiian singers. Our Executive Chef provided authentic Hawaiian cuisine. It was open to our residents and their guests and also community members.

As the season turns, we'll start preparing for the holidays, which means plenty more opportunities to join The Ackerly at Timberland for some holiday cheer. Watch the Cedar Mill News for upcoming events. RSVPs are always welcome! Anything else that you want us to know about...

Leisure Care is a leader in the senior housing industry, coming up on 50 years of experience. It's the best of both worlds, in that the company is privately held, the home office is in Seattle with local representation, so they are close enough to be heavily involved in the day to day.

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Inside one of the apartments

apartment homes also have washer/dryer in unit. That is extremely rare in Assisted Living. Our units have upgrades like quartz counter tops, tile backsplash, and stainless-steel appliances.

What is the age range of residents?

Currently, we have residents that are spanning from 65 years young to 103 years young. The average age in Independent Living is 75-80, Assisted Living is 85-90.

History in the News

Cedar Mill Historical Society is dissolved but our history lives on

By Virginia Btruce

In July, I received messages from all the board members of the Cedar Mill Historical Society that they were resigning. Since that time, I learned that several of them were forming a new group to focus on the JQA Young House. Since I am interested in the whole story of Cedar Mill, I decided to dissolve the 501c3 and just focus on having

work with local history. While the library's focus is a bit different than the Historical Society, we share a vision of preserving and sharing local historical information with others in our community."

Robert Dupuy, one of the former CMHS board members, says, "Friends of the John Quincy Adams Young House incorporated in Oregon in July and, with THPRD's approval, we're pursuing federal tax-exempt status to begin fundraising efforts. While managing that paperwork, we're focused on outreach with stakeholders to introduce ourselves, learn from their experiences, and identify potential partners, donors, and candidates for our Board. Of course, we continue to help THPRD monitor and "mothball" the house, including looking after its heritage trees and future seedlings. We hope there will be opportunities for the History Group and FJQAYH to partner in the future." Contact Mr. Dupuy at robert@robertdupuy.net or 503-707-4508.

I plan to resume meetings of the Cedar Mill History Club, where old-timers and recent history fans have a chance to get together to learn and share stories. We are likely to do "hybrid" meetings with some attending in person and others joining via zoom. If you don't get our history updates, you can join [our Facebook page](#) or just [sign up for our emails](#).



Photo credit Mary Ann Brucks

fun with sharing our stories. We are now the [Cedar Mill History Group](#).

When you dissolve a non-profit, the remaining funds must be distributed to another non-profit. We selected the Cedar Mill Library as the recipient. Library Director Peter Leonard said, "We are sorry to see that organization close because they accomplished so much while they were operating. The library will use those funds to continue our

Ready-Set-Go! Family Emergency Plan Workshop

Wednesday, September 22, 7 pm-8 pm, via Zoom. Registration required.

Where will you go if you need to evacuate with a moment's notice? How will you contact your family

members? Where will you meet them? Find out how to put together a family emergency plan and get the



tools you need to pull together your important documents. During this interactive meeting, you'll have an opportunity to start filling out your family emergency plan. Take this step to make sure every family member knows what to do when the worst happens. Join your friends at [Cedar Hills Ready!](#) and [QuakeUp!](#) for an hour Zoom discussion of these topics. Everyone is welcome! Share and invite your friends and family.

[Registration is required.](#) For questions, visit our website or contact Karen at info.cedarhillsready@gmail.com

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in the homes of our residents.' We know vaccination is the best way to control the spread of the coronavirus and protect the health of those we serve, who are among the most vulnerable to this virus."

According to Leo, its two metropolitan-area communities, including Touchmark in the West Hills, have a vaccination rate of more than 97% for residents and a substantial majority of team members vaccinated. "Our communities here responded robustly, and we are grateful to the team members who voluntarily stepped up and got vaccinated. With the delta variant continuing to spread and COVID-19 cases dramatically rising, we decided that it was time to require full vaccination of our workforce."

Touchmark's policy took effect Tuesday, August 31, when it began hiring only vaccinated individuals. New candidates must have received at least their first shot by their first day of employment and get their second shot, if applicable, to continue working. The mandate stipulates all team members must be fully vaccinated by October 18, 2021. Additionally, Touchmark will test current unvaccinated team members weekly and continue testing those legally exempt from vaccinations.

"Our commitment is always to provide a safe and fulfilling living and working environment for everyone," said Leo. "This policy supports that effort and our values." More information about Touchmark is available at Touchmark.com.

Bonny Slope Peppermint Tea on the Porch

Thursday, September 23, 6:30-7:30 pm

Tea Circle Meet 'n Greet with Polarity Therapist Sea Cummins followed by Nondenominational Stress Away Meditation.

Free to Bonny Slope and nearby residents but space is limited so RSVP for address to sealove954@gmail.com

Cascadia Taphouse

It's Fresh Hop season and Oktoberfest is here and your friends down at CTH WHQ are working overtime to bring our community a mixed variety of craft greatness finished with PNW nurtured and

grown hops. [Check our website](#) for what we have on tap.

We have our regular fun events and a couple of special events this month at the Taphouse, at 13619 NW Cornell, near the west end of the Safeway shopping center.

Stumptown Bingo
Tuesday September 7, 7 pm

CTH Bottleshare—email info@cascadiataphouse.com to reserve one of twelve spots.

Level Brewing Tap Takeover
Thursday, September 16

Stumptown Trivia (How I Met Your Mother)

Tuesday, September 21, 7-9 pm

Cribbage Night

Wednesday, September 22, 6:30 pm

Congratulations to Amy Touchstone!

We are celebrating her 20 years as a Hygienist at the family dental office of Dr [Lindsay Freed Brown](#) and Dr [Randall Freed](#).



Amy's professionalism, charisma, and natural ability to put patients at ease are a huge asset to our office. Our team and patients are proud to be celebrating an amazing co-worker and hygiene professional that is a joy to

work alongside every day. Thank you, Amy, for the past 20 years.

Bethany Village Oktoberfest

Saturday, September 11, 1 pm-6 pm, 4720 NW Bethany Blvd

Join us for the Bethany Village Oktoberfest! featuring live music from Polkatones, accordion playing, German-inspired food, a carnival ride, kids crafts, and a variety of vendor booths. There will be fun for the whole family. A Voodoo Doughnut truck will be there to provide their treats, are donuts German?

Dust off your best Bavarian attire and experience the Bethany Village Oktoberfest! [Visit our website](#) for more details and for future events.

Sunset HS marching band can & bottle drive

Saturday, September 11, 10 am-1 pm, at the old Bales Thriftway parking lot, 12847 NW Cornell Rd.

Please drop your donations off at the curb—the next event will be on October 1 (one week early). You can

Bauer House, continued from page 1 into her 1948 Pontiac to distribute to stores including the Lovejoy Market in northwest Portland.

Henry developed Parkinson's disease and could no longer work. His son Willard built a house nearby so he could be close to help on the farm. He worked with the contractor and learned basic electrical work and plumbing. His daughter Jan mentions that "He did all this and kept the Sabbath and worked full time at Centennial Mills!"

Henry later died from cancer. Erna continued to work on the farm, and Jim enjoyed visiting. He recalls, "When I'd head out through the woods from our house, I'd often aim for their farm. Erna would call my mom to tell her I was there, and she'd say, 'I'm giving him lunch.' I'd grin because I knew I would get a great meal; she was a wonderful cook. Her pies were memorable."

When Jim was old enough, he helped out on the farm. "Erna drove a tractor and worked on the farm as hard as any man. I got to drive the tractor and help out with other chores," Jim recalls.

Willard's house and much of the farm was sold after Erna's death to become the first of the "Bauer" developments in 1982. Jim notes that the contract called for the Bauer name to be used for the new subdivision, Bauer Woods. It was so successful that all the nearby developments were named "Bauerthis" and Bauer-that" even though they were unrelated. It had become a brand!

The small shingle cottage south of the main house was built for a family friend, Oscar Nelson. He was a bachelor but a very good friend and more like part of the family. "Oscar had a television, and I enjoyed watching cartoons there in the afternoon," Jim recalls. Henry and Erna also had a tv, and the whole family would gather on Sunday evenings to watch the Ed Sullivan show and eat popcorn.

The house was later owned by other Bauer relatives, Sally and Jack Jorgenson. Their son Jeff is the developer of the new subdivision.

reach us at samba@sambanote.org with any questions. Thank you!

And, save the date—the 32nd Annual Sunset Classic Band Competition is on Saturday, October 16th at Sunset High School!

Garden News

Time to plant shrubs and trees

By Margie Lachman

Summer is going by so quickly! Autumn will be here before we know it and, hopefully our normal rainfall. Starting in mid-September the weather is great for planting trees, shrubs and perennials. The soil is warm, and days are shorter.

Growth above ground slows as plants get ready for winter dormancy but roots continue to develop underground. Next spring these new plants will take off and grow.

Autumn is a slower time for nursery sales, so usually many plants are offered at reduced prices. That tree or shrub you like could be a bargain at the end of summer. It will have weeks to settle into its new home before the weather cools down. I have had great success adding new plants to my garden at this time of the year.

Choose a place where the plant will receive the right amount of sun or shade and make sure there will be adequate room after 10 years of growth. Make sure you'll be able to provide extra water to the plant during establishment.

Soaking the plant in a bucket of water added up to the soil level for 20 minutes before you plant it greatly reduces transplant shock. While the plant is soaking dig a hole to the same depth as the pot so the plant will be at the same depth when in the ground. Make the hole twice as wide as the pot to allow the roots to spread. To check for optimum drainage fill the hole with water. It should drain away in 30 minutes, but if it doesn't, loosen the soil at the bottom and add an inch of chicken or turkey grit and mix into the soil.

With the pot on its side, remove the plant gently and check the roots. Trim any broken ones or roots that circle around soil. They indicate that the plant is becoming root-bound and will continue to grow in a circle. Gently loosen the roots, trimming any that are circling the root ball. Cutting them stimulates new root growth. Loosening them encourages them to grow into surround soil.

You can now add your tree or shrub and fill in soil around it, firming the soil to eliminate air pockets. Water around the plant and you are finished. A layer of mulch, like com-

post, will help retain soil moisture and reduce weeds. Check weekly and water if needed.

Your new plant should be growing well next spring. Any tree or shrub should be watered once a week for the first year after planting until a good root system is established.

Questions? email me at mar-gierose2.com or call 503-645-2994

Be on the lookout for emerald ash borer

From the [West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District newsletter](#) (visit the site to sign up for their news)

Emerald ash borer (*Agrilus planipennis*) (EAB) is a small, brilliant metallic green beetle about half an inch long, native to north-east Asia, that was unintentionally introduced to the U.S. around 2002, likely in



Emerald ash borer, Photo by Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources-Forestry, Bugwood.org

ash wood used in cargo shipping. The insect has since had a devastating effect on all species of ash trees in North America, in both natural woodlands and cities. It is [currently detected in 35 states](#), mainly in the Midwest and northeast, and 5 Canadian provinces.

EAB has spread from people moving firewood, logs, or ash trees from nurseries, as well as by the natural movement of the insect. There is great concern that this damaging insect could jump all the way from Colorado to Oregon via firewood, a concern held for the spread of multiple invasive insects, which is why firewood should only be purchased locally. EAB could cause immense harm to our forested wetlands since Oregon ash (*Fraxinus latifolia*) is the primary tree species that occupies such habitats, and it is highly vulnerable to attack by Emerald ash borer.

Due to the level of concern, a local partnership effort—initially coordinated by Oregon Department of Agriculture, and now by the Portland office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, [Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service \(APHIS\)](#)—is in place to watch for

the insect in our region. Because of our familiarity with the local landscape and connections to local landowners, WMSWCD was asked to get involved. WMSWCD is contributing to the effort by deploying and checking traps in our district and then identifying collected insect samples, following established guidelines. These guidelines inform where traps should be set and how and when to check them. [Read more](#) about what happens if EAB is found in Oregon, and see photos of how we check the traps.

THPRD Fall Native Plant Sale by pre-order only

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Easy Guide to Fall Native Plant Sale: Step 1: [Select your plants and](#)

[order](#) from August 15 through September 15; Step 2: Select the date and time you want to pick up your plants (Friday, October 8 or Saturday, October 9); Step 3: Visit the Tualatin Hills Nature Park to pick up your plants

ACMA Fundraising at Red Robin

Tuesday, September 14, 5-9 pm, take-out only, 4105 SW 117th Avenue, Beaverton

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