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Cedar Mill Farmers Market seeks sponsors and volunteers for 2024

Saturdays through October 14, 9-2, corner of NW Cornell & Murray

We had such an incredible 2023 season at the Cedar Mill Farmers Market! A big THANKS to our board and our staff! We wouldn't be able to maintain our market without the help of these awesome people. We also greatly rely on sponsorships that, for 2023, included: Oak Hills Dentistry, Sunset Athletic Club, Dirk Hmura, Miller Paint, Safeway, Cedar Mill News, Sunset Science Park Federal Credit Union, The Farmers Market Fund, and Tualatin Soil & Water Conservation District. A big thank you to these incredible businesses and organizations for supporting our market!

Fun facts from 2023: 54 vendors took part during the season; 46 kids participated in the Power of Produce Kids Program each week; a total of 1100 interactions during the season; 1275 was our average number of guests each week, with 30,663 people total for the season. We appreciate all who volunteer, support our vendors, and help make our neighborhood stronger. We look forward to getting more of you involved in our 2024 season.

Speaking of the 2024 season, planning is beginning now. Here are some important dates: Seeking volunteers and sponsors now; vendor applications go live January 15; musician requests begin February 15, and community booth requests begin February 15.

We would love for more local businesses and families to get involved in 2024. You can get involved by sponsoring our market or one of our programs. For example, we need \$2500 for our Power of Produce to bring this awesome program to our children for 24 weeks each season. We also need \$2500 to bring the music program to our market each season.

Here are some volunteer roles we need filled: Market Day volunteer

scheduler/recruiter, Power of Produce Activity Coordinator, Fund Raising Coordinator, Social Media Promoter, and Market day volunteers. We need you to volunteer for several dates, such as weekly, once a month, or something consistent so we can get to know you and you



can really learn the ins and outs of the market and be confident in your volunteer role. Volunteering only once is hard because it doesn't give you the training and confidence you need to really feel comfortable to help. Volunteers are essential to the market's success and the last couple of years it has been hard to get volunteers.

Please contact us at ourcmfm@gmail.com to start a conversation about how you can get involved. We need people to get involved pre-season as well as during the season. Planning is vital to a successful market. We are excited for the 2024 season and want you to be excited too! Please [contact us today](#) to get involved. Thank you!

Recycling news

Food scraps can now be included in your Yard Debris cart!

Community members in urban unincorporated Washington County can now include food scraps in their yard debris roll carts. The Washington County Board of Commissioners approved the new program along with collection rate changes in June 2023. As of October 1, all urban areas and cities in Washington County, except Banks, will offer food scraps composting collection service to single-family homes.

Participation in food scraps collection is optional and easy. Current collection schedules will remain the same. Community members can collect food scraps in containers they already have, like plastic

Road news

Cornell Road Ribbon Cutting

Saturday, October 14, 10 am, Cedar Mill Park

Washington County Board of Commissioners, Department of Land Use & Transportation, and agencies and jurisdictions are celebrating completion of the Cornell Road project. Washington County leadership and staff will provide brief remarks, followed by ribbon cuttings. Attendees are encouraged to walk, roll, or bike along the projects following the event.

[Cornell Road](#) was widened to three lanes (one lane in each direction with a center turn lane) between 102nd and 113th avenues. Other improvements include bike lanes, street lighting, storm drain improvements, and the traffic signal at the 107th Avenue intersection. Construction began in February 2022 and was completed in July. The project was funded by the County's Major Streets Transportation Improvement Program (MSTIP 3e).

Sidewalk Repair Grant Program

The [Sidewalk Repair Grant Program](#) offers financial assistance for sidewalk repair and replacement. Timely repair or replacement of damaged sidewalks keeps our streets accessible to all travelers. Well-maintained sidewalks are important to the health, safety, and

welfare of our community.

Sidewalk maintenance is the responsibility of adjacent property owners. Property owners within the [Urban Road Maintenance District](#) (URMD) are eligible for the Sidewalk Repair Grant Program to help with the cost. We provide grants as reimbursement for County-



approved work. You must pay for the sidewalk repair or replacement out-of-pocket before we can approve a grant. The maximum reimbursement amount is \$2,000. Your reimbursement will be whichever of these options is lower: 50% of the lowest bid, even if you use a more expensive contractor, or 50% of the final invoiced amount.

[Learn more here](#)—please read carefully so you will understand how to be eligible!

Keep your storm drains clear: Prevent urban flooding

It's officially fall and the rain has arrived. Help prevent urban flooding by keeping storm drains clear. Storm drains help keep storm water off roads and streets in the urban

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regularly to prevent odors and pests. [Learn more here.](#)

Thomas Egleston, Solid Waste & Recycling manager, notes "A 2016 Oregon Department of Environmental Quality study found that almost 30% of residential garbage is food. When food starts to break down in landfills, it releases methane gas, which traps heat in our atmosphere and contributes to climate change. The good news is community members can help reduce food waste sent to landfills by participating in a curbside compost collection."

Greg Walker of Walker Garbage, which provides collection service to

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Cedar Mill Business Roundup

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

Hometown Taste Restaurant & Lounge grand opening!

Wednesday, October 18, 11 am-10 pm, 12890 NW Cornell Rd (former Chiam Restaurant location)

The new owners of this Szechuan-style, full-service restaurant/bar/lottery are excited to serve their new style of food to the Cedar Mill area. Three friends—Jack, Hill, and David—joined in their partnership with 30-plus years in the food industry, and can't wait to meet all the patrons and serve outstanding Szechuan dishes to the neighborhood!



We want to invite everyone to our grand opening! We will be giving out gift certificates to all customers who come and fill out a raffle ticket. Please come and try our new culinary experience!!

Early Music Studio

Fall session September 22-December 22, Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman, pro-rated price to join now, [see website for details](#)

A brand-new preschool music studio has opened in Cedar Mill! The Early Music Studio invites you to join us in a grand musical adventure with your child. Preschool teachers Caroline and Wendy invite your 16-month to 5-year-olds to sing, dance, learn rhythm patterns,

and make new friends. Currently enrolling for fall classes. More class options coming in January! Find us at [our website here](#), email us at info@earlymusicpdx.com, or call 503 928-4571 for more information.

Preschool Open House

Saturday, October 7, 3-5 pm, 1045 NW 123rd Ave

Come and discover all the magic and learning waiting for your little ones at Safari Kid Cedar Mill.

Get to know the heart and soul behind our school. Our director will be there to answer all your

questions and share our vision for your child's education. Tour our renovated facility: Our school has undergone some exciting changes, and

we can't wait to show them off! Take a tour and see the amazing spaces where your child will learn and play.

Discover our curriculum: our enriching curriculum nurtures your child's growth and development. We're dedicated to providing a well-rounded education that prepares them for a bright future.

Fall-Themed Fun: Enjoy the autumn spirit with a special fall-themed game and activity. It's a great way for your child to make friends and have a blast while you explore our wonderful facility.

CMBA October Meeting

Tuesday, October 10, 12 pm-1 pm, The Ackerly at Timberland, 11795 NW Cedar Falls Drive

Please join us for the Cedar Mill Business Association's monthly networking meeting! Lunch will be provided. Learn more on the [Cedar Mill Business Association website](#).

Fall Festival at Anthology of Beaverton

Thursday, October 19, 11-5, 910 NW 185th

You won't want to miss our fall festival at the welcome center of this soon-to-open senior living community. It's an opportunity to learn about and to look at upcoming plans for Anthology of Beaverton, opening early 2024. Stop by for fall refreshments and treats. RSVP required at 971-251-2166. Visit the [Anthology of Beaverton website](#).

VGA October news

Village Gallery of Arts is honored to congratulate the recipients of our 2023 Scholarships: Rachel Bourne and Eclipse Strasser! Both high school graduates are continuing their art education in the fall: Rachel at UC Santa Cruz, and Eclipse at OTIS College of Art and Design in Los Angeles. In addition to the scholarship, they each receive free one-year student memberships at VGA. We look forward to watching their artistic growth through the coming year and beyond!

Fall Award Show

Through October 26

We are delighted to have Christine Helton as our juror for the 60th Anniversary Fall Award Show! She taught at Beaverton's Arts and Communication Magnet Academy, was a long-time member of VGA, and exhibits her work with Watercolor Society of Oregon, the Oregon Society of Artists in Portland, and Current Gallery in McMinnville, OR.

Art Chat and Refreshments

Sunday, October 15, 3-5 pm, free & open to all

Come see the winning art, mix, mingle and talk art with our artists at the October Award Show reception!

Big and Bold: Medha Joshi

"On the outskirts of London, I discovered Denham Hill on my morning walk. The air was cool and crisp and fragrant with thousands of dainty bluebells that carpeted the woodland floor. An unforgettable sight!"

Caption: Bluebells on Denham Hill, UK. 24"x 24"; mixed media.

Washington County Open Studios

Saturday & Sunday, October 21-22, 10-5, free, open to all (Note: we will open an hour earlier for this event)

VGA is again participating in the event. Come observe artists and artisans demonstrating and explaining their art. There will be a variety of different artists throughout the weekend. More info can be found on the [Washington County Open Studios website](#).

Drop-in classes for all ages

Saturdays, 1-3 pm, free

Make a Mask, Oct 28; Illuminated Medieval Letters, Nov 4;

Wood Cookies, Nov 25; Kirigami Trees & Origami Stars, Dec 2; Holiday Ornaments, Dec 9 and 16. All materials provided! No registration needed.

Children's classes

Thursdays, October 5, 12, 19, and 26, 3:45-5:15 pm, max 8 students, ages 7-11, taught by the VGA Instructional Team

Join an exciting class learning a variety of art forms! A team of rotating instructors provides a chance to explore a variety of media and approaches while building artistic concepts and skills. All supplies included. Featured projects for October include: Ceramics, Blackout Poetry, Watercolor: Birds & Boats, and more!

Adult classes

Autumn Wreath with Jeannine Bamberg

Saturday, October 7, 10 am-12 pm, max 8 students

Any level. With the onset of Fall and the beautiful ever-changing colors, this class is for nature lovers who enjoy seasonal shades. Of course, if Spring is your favorite season, feel free to select other shades. Come create this delightful pine cone wreath in your favorite blend of colorful hues.

Coiling on a Gourd with Jane A. Wilson

Friday, October 13, 9:30-4:30 (bring your lunch), max 12 students



Beginner to advanced levels. Coiling is a fun and easy basket-weaving technique. Learn how to: attach hand-dyed Danish cord to the edge of a gourd; weave open and closed coiling; free-form coil; attach a row of beads to the coil. Choose from several color combinations to personalize your own creation. Jane will share her own technique for dyeing the gourd and cording to match. You should be able to finish this project in class. No weaving experience is required.

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CPO news

October CPO 1 meeting: Domestic Extremism in our county; WCSO and scanners

Tuesday, October 10, 7-9 pm, hybrid [via zoom](#) and at Cedar Grove E. Community Rm, 13400 NW Cornell

After the Land Acknowledgement and updates from our service providers, we'll share any development information we have received and provide time for announcements from CPO members.

At around 7:45 we'll learn about Domestic Extremism in Washington County. Detective Jeremy Chedester, of the Washington County Sheriff's Office Investigations Division, [FBI/ Joint Terrorism Task Forces](#), will share with us the interrelationship and motivations of domestic extremist groups operating in the county, state, and nation.

Following that presentation, Tabitha Alkire, WCSO Public Affairs, will explain why WCSO has temporarily stopped providing information to the public via Broadcastify, an application that [allows the public to get information on police activity](#). She will also give us an overview of WCSO Public Affairs operations.

You now have the choice of meeting online via zoom, or in person in the East Community Room at Cedar Grove Apartments at the corner of Murray and Cornell. If you are driving, please either park on the street or in the southeast corner of the Safeway lot. If you can't attend the meeting, it is recorded and available on YouTube for viewing later. [Visit our YouTube channel and subscribe!](#) Our [Facebook Group](#) is a good place to discuss current issues and get timely updates.

Future of the CPO/CCI system: BCC to hear latest OEICE proposal

October 17, afternoon (TBD), [via zoom here](#)

The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) asked the Office of Equity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement (OEICE) to revise [the plan they presented](#) during a BCC Work Session in May. The presentation was originally scheduled for early October but is now on the agenda for the October 17 Work Session.

The original plan called for CCI system oversight to be transferred to either Land Use & Transportation, the Planning Commission, or a BCC-appointed group. Each of those options would seem to threaten the independence of the

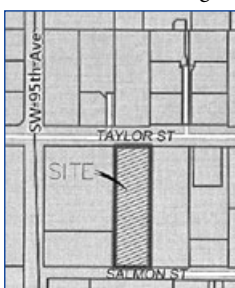
organization whose purpose is, according to the 1974 law ([OAR 660 -015 -0000\(1\)](#)) that established Oregon's Land Use Laws: "To develop a citizen involvement program that ensures the opportunity for citizens to be involved in all phases of the planning process."

BCC Work Session meetings are open for the public to watch but no comments are allowed. However, if you want to let them know your thoughts, you can send a [message to Commissioners using this form](#).

Neighborhood Meetings

9400 SW Taylor Street
Saturday, October 14, 11:30 am,
Cedar Mill Library Community Room

A three-lot partition is proposed to create three single-family homes.



The existing home will be demolished. Neighborhood meetings give the developer ([Welkin Engineering PC](#)) the opportunity

to share plans with the neighbors and for them to share any information about the property. Notices are sent to nearby neighbors but all interested parties may attend.

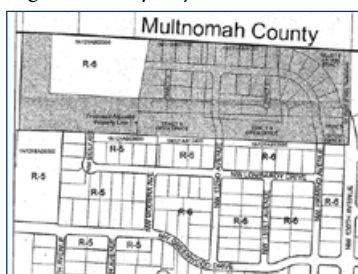
Development Applications

Malia Lane two-parcel partition

NW Engineers LLC is representing property owner Jo Gold to request a Preliminary Plat Approval to partition their lot at 10862 NW Malia Lane to add an additional lot on the property for another home that would share the existing driveway. The [Neighborhood Meeting was held on April 27, 2023](#). CPO 1 comments are due by October 1—if you wish CPO 1 to comment, send information to [cpo1leaders@gmail.com](#)

Mountain View Ridge

A [38-home subdivision has been proposed](#) for land on the boundary between Multnomah and Washington County, adjacent to the



northern end of 130th Avenue. It's in CPO 7 but will undoubtedly affect all of us, because the extension of 130th is part of the rationale for the [realignment of the upper end of Saltzman](#). The proposal doesn't include any improvements to 130th at this time. We will bring you more information next month.

Proposed Plan Amendment

November 1, 1:30 pm, [via Zoom](#)

The Planning Commission will hear a request to change the land use designation for a 3.33-acre site north of SW 66th Avenue and SW Canyon Ct. from R-5 (five lots per acre) to R-25 (25 lots per acre). Westlake Consultants represents owner Commons at Sylvan Highlands LLC that proposes to build more multi-family residences adjacent to the existing complex to the south.

This is the second recent proposed Plan Amendment in CPO 1. An [Amendment was approved](#) to change zoning from Neighborhood Commercial to R-9 for the property opposite Bonny Slope Elementary on McDaniel. Some people think it would be good to have a new look at all the Community Plans. The [Cedar Hills Cedar Mill Community Plan](#) was first adopted in 1983 and has been amended over the years.

CPO1 September meeting notes

The Beaverton School District's (BSD) Clothes For Kids service is experiencing huge demands as the service provided over 100,000 articles of clothing in 2022 and is on track to exceed that this year if enough people volunteer. Please consider this rewarding opportunity. [Register to volunteer with the BSD here](#).

People living in CPO 1 get our water from the Tualatin Valley Water District (TVWD). TVWD shared their considerable progress installing the new [Willamette Water Supply System](#) and that we can anticipate our water rates to increase in the future to cover this critical service.

The [Onsite Septic Financial Aid program](#) offered by Clean Water Services to help homeowners replace septic systems with connections to the regional sewage treatment system is available through Oct 25, 2023. The meeting was recorded and available [on our YouTube channel here](#).

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Arts & entertainment

Big Horn Brass Classy Afternoon Concert

Saturday, October 7, 3-4:30 pm, St Matthew Lutheran Church, 10390 SW Canyon Road, free

Join the Big Horn Brass and the Exaltation Handbell Ensemble for a "Classy Afternoon Concert" that includes: Copland's "Fanfare for the Common Man," Martin Luther's "A Mighty Fortress," a classy melding



of Bach's "Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring" with Fanny Crosby's "Blessed Assurance" to a classic "Great Is Thy Faithfulness," and other classical works.

The Exaltation Handbell Ensemble from St. Matthew Lutheran Church keeps the bronze instruments in motion as they handle over 60 chromatic handbells and almost 80 handchimes (the largest almost five feet tall). The Big Horn Brass is a 16-member large brass professional ensemble founded in 1983 by Andrew Harris. Performing members come from symphonies, bands, and brass ensembles across the Portland/Vancouver area.

The concert is a gift to the community from the St Matthew Lutheran Church Foundation and the Erik Weswig Memorial Fund. Erik was a Sunset Senior who enjoyed playing the baritone. The Memorial Fund was established to support activities that he enjoyed. For details, visit the [Big Horn Brass website](#).



Washington County Open Studios Tour

Saturday and Sunday, October 21 and 22, 10-5, free

This is an event open to the public that takes place at over 50 artists' studios throughout Washington County. To start the tour, simply [locate a studio on our website](#) and you're on your way. Use a printed map available at each studio or use the interactive map on our website.

Euphonos Ensemble offers concert to benefit BSD Clothes Closet

Friday, October 27, 7 pm, Portland



State University, Lincoln Recital Hall, suggested donation \$10-20

Five local high school musicians, Emily Seo, Andrew Lee, Luke D'Silva, Kaylee Nah, and Alex Tran, formed Euphonos Ensemble and are raising funds for [Clothes for Kids](#), run by the Beaverton School District, which provides free clothes and shoes for BSD students in need. This organization holds a special place in our hearts because most of us either attended or are currently enrolled in BSD schools. We believe that every student deserves the opportunity to go to school with confidence, and having a fresh set of clothes can make a difference.

As winter approaches, we've set our sights on ensuring that no child in our community faces the biting cold alone. Clothes for Kids desperately needs winter jackets to keep children warm and snug, both in and out of the classrooms. We invite you to be part of this heart-warming mission, to be the warmth that these kids so desperately need. Your generosity is a beacon of hope in their lives. Help contribute to making a positive impact on the lives of students in our community, all while enjoying an evening of classical music.

We would appreciate donations to our GoFundMe and your presence at our Benefit Concert. More information can be found on the [Euphonos Ensemble website](#) and it has a link to the GoFundMe page as well.

Annelies: The voice of Anne Frank

Saturday, October 14, 7:30 pm; and Sunday, October 15, 3 pm, The Reser, 12625 SW Crescent St., Beaverton, [tickets \\$26 available here](#)

Choral Arts Ensemble of Portland brings to life the diary written by Anne Frank and has been described as "wondrously beautiful." Set to music in 2005 by James Whitbourn, "Annelies" takes

the teenager's remarkable and penetrating observations, written while hiding in an Amsterdam attic, as the basis of its extraordinary and moving libretto. The score reflects sounds of the Westerkerk bells and tunes heard on the radio in the Annexe, along with representations of Anne Frank's Jewish and German heritage—details that add to a score "whose respectful understatement is its greatest strength" (The Times).

"You can't listen to this incredible, emotional piece of music, and the important story it tells, and not be moved," says Artistic Director David De Lyser, a Cedar Mill resident. "We all need to hear this, and we all need to be reminded of this incredible and tragic story."

The event is co-sponsored by the [Oregon Jewish Museum and Center for Holocaust Education](#) (OJMCHE) with support from [Congregation Beth Israel](#).

A sampling of October events at the Reser

Please visit [The Reser website](#) for a full listing of all their events.

First Friday

October 6, 6-9 pm, artist demo 7-8 pm, free

Local artists Karl LeClair and Miroslav Lovric have many visual stories to tell along with their unique making processes. Demonstrating the elements of printmaking, artist Karl LeClair shows how the image is always imperfect, and always changing, much like the way our mind stores and retrieves information. Focusing on dreams and memories, artist Miroslav Lovric tells how these moments permeate the brushwork of his paintings.

Sona Jobarteh in concert

Friday, October 13, 8 pm, lobby opens at 6:30 pm, theater doors open at 7:30 pm, all ages, \$41

Back by overwhelming popular demand, Soul'd Outs presents Sona Jobarteh! "Sona is Africa's first

female griot kora virtuoso, and also a fine singer and composer, blending traditional music, blues and Afropop to impressive effect".

Jarabe Mexicano: Dia de Los Muertos

Friday, October 27, 7:30 pm, \$30-\$40

The vibrant celebra-

tion of Dia De Los Muertos hits the stage with Jarabe Mexicano in concert! This extraordinary ensemble ignites the atmosphere with the rich cultural sounds of Mexican music that honor the past while embracing the present. Jarabe Mexicano beautifully captures the nostalgic spirit of their roots, blending traditional melodies with a modern twist. Their lively and unforgettable performance showcases an eclectic mix of genres, from Mariachi and Bolero to Cumbia and Rock, creating a truly unique musical experience.



Diwali Bazaar

Friday, October 27, 4-8 pm; Saturday & Sunday, October 28-29, noon-6 pm, Hillsboro Futsal, 330 SW Walnut St., Hillsboro, free admission, free parking

Sushmita Poddar, WashCo Rising, and M&M Marketplace are very excited to invite you to celebrate at our Second Annual Diwali Bazaar Festival of Lights, open to the entire community.

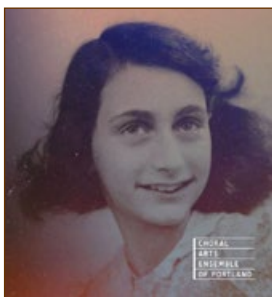
Shop for clothing, jewelry, home décor, candles, soaps, packaged food, and handicrafts by local BIPOC vendors. There will be kids' craft activities too! Also enjoy Indian music, snacks, and delicious Mexican food at the M&M Market while celebrating community.

34th Annual Sunset Classic Marching Band Competition

Saturday, October 21, 12-9, Sunset High School Stadium, 13840 NW Cornell Rd. Ticket prices will be announced via the [Samba website](#) before the event.

Experience the electrifying rhythms and vibrant performances at this dazzling showcase of talent, hosted by the Sunset Apollo Marching Band and Auxiliary (SAMBA). This event, made possible by the dedication of SAMBA volunteers and in partnership with the Northwest Association for Performing Arts (NWAPA), promises to be a celebration of music, teamwork, and community spirit.

Bands from across Oregon and Washington, including our own SAMBA, take the stage to compete in categories like music, visual, and general effect. The festivities kick off before noon during the Opening Ceremonies, followed by thrilling preliminary performances. Finals





performances begin around 5 pm, promising an evening of musical excellence that you won't want to miss.

The Sunset Classic serves as a vital fundraiser supporting all band programs at SHS throughout the year. Under the visionary leadership of Greg Hall, Director of Bands, Sunset High School boasts one of the most esteemed band programs in the Pacific Northwest. Our students are enriched with a wide spectrum of musical experiences, including marching band and color guard, jazz band, funk band, and symphonic band.

The SAMBA Parents' club is committed to ensuring that these opportunities remain accessible to all students, regardless of their financial circumstances. It takes around \$100,000 annually to sustain the Sunset High School band and color guard programs, as the school district cannot fully fund these activities. We rely on the unwavering support of our community to preserve these avenues for student participation and leadership.

SAMBA's existence is a testament to the generosity of our community, dedicated volunteers, and the remarkable talent of our students. As we prepare for the Sunset Classic, we extend our heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers, guests, and participating bands for their invaluable contributions. We also express our gratitude to those who donate cans and bottles monthly, our poster sponsors, and all the supporters of the band and color guard.

Cultural Coalition of Washington County 2024 Grant Applications Now Open

Deadline is Friday, October 20 at 11:59 pm, Apply through this new [website portal](#).

It's fall which means that it's time to seek arts, heritage, and humanities program funding for the next calendar year. The Cultural Coalition of Washington County (CCWC) is one of Oregon's long-standing regional funders. CCWC has been the re-granting body for

the Oregon Cultural Trust since 2006 for this northwest section of the state. Arts, heritage, and humanities nonprofit organizations

based in and/or directly serving Washington County are invited to apply. Please visit the [CCWC website](#) for more information.

CCWC Grant Cycle Applications accepts applications for programs/projects taking place between January 1-December 31, 2024. New this year, applications and the grant process will be managed through [the new portal, available from the CCWC website](#). Funding for this grant program comes entirely from the Oregon Cultural Trust, which distributes money to Oregon counties and tribes annually to support local community cultural programs. For details on the program or to make a donation, [contact CCWC](#) at or visit the [Washington County site](#).

The Cultural Coalition of Washington County (CCWC) is the re-granting entity for the Oregon Cultural Trust. Monies donated to the Oregon Cultural Trust come back to Washington County and are distributed as grants to cultural nonprofits per the Washington County Cultural Plan. The CCWC promotes the cultural identity, quality of life, and economic vitality of Washington County and its over 100 heritage, humanities and arts nonprofits.

TVC Artist Mingle

Friday, October 13, 5-6 pm,
Breakside Brewery, 12680 SW
Farmington Road, Beaverton

Join Tualatin Valley Creates (TVC) for monthly networking events—a casual way for creatives to connect. Participate in conversations with other local creatives and learn about new programs and opportunities for artists of all modalities and businesses. Each event brings new chances to introduce yourself and your creative background. We will also learn about local opportunities shared by our host and co-host and you can meet local peers in your discipline to exchange ideas, ask questions, and build connections.



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Senior Aging: Embracing Our New Normals

Saturday, November 11, 1-4 pm,
Southminster Presbyterian Church,
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\$10 per person; \$15 per couple (fee
assistance available); free for Viva
Village members and volunteers.
Registration opens October 2, at
vivavillage.org, or call 503-746-
5082.

For many seniors, the sense of
normal changes suddenly; others
experience gradual shifts. Changing
our "old normal" to a "new normal"
forces us to redefine who we are and
how to adjust and go forward.

Changes related to aging make
us question how to adapt while
still moving forward. For expert an-
swers, join the upcoming workshop,
Aging with Grace: Embracing Our
New Normals, sponsored by Viva
Village. Learn strategies that help
you and your loved ones.

Hear Glenn Rodriguez, MD,
explain the physical changes to
expect as we age, how our definition
of normal evolves throughout life,
when to seek professional advice,
and how to navigate the health-
care system. Jenny Sasser, PhD, a
gerontology professor at Portland
Community College, will focus on a
holistic approach to aging.

Aging with Grace: Embracing
Our New Normals is open to the pub-
lic and includes time for questions,
answers, and small group discus-
sions. For more information, read the
longer article in the web version of
Cedar Mill News or [click this link](#).

Viva Village news & events

Viva Village is a Beaverton
grassroots organization of members
and volunteers who focus on en-
hancing and expanding the ways we
can age well. We provide connec-
tions, programs, volunteer services,
and referrals so members can lead
engaged, healthy lives.

Events open to the public. (Member-
only events are listed in the [online](#)
[version of Cedar Mill News](#) only)

Women's Coffee

Wednesdays, October 4, 11, 18, 25,
10 am, 4130 SW 117th

Meet at Jim and Patty's coffee for
some coffee and a conversation with
other women.

Age Cafe

Friday, October 6, 11-12 pm,
Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW
5th St.

Small group conversations
exploring topics of interest to older
adults with a new topic each month.

Online Viva Village 101

Saturday, October 14, 10-11:30 am,
online, free

A fun, informative session
about Village life for prospective
members/volunteers. RSVP for
Zoom link.

Viva Village Forum

Monday, October 16, 2-3:30 pm,
United Methodist Church, Wesley
Room, 12555 SW 4th St, Beaverton,
free

A representative from the As-
sistance League of Greater Portland
will talk about how the organiza-
tion supports youth and families
and how their consignment shop
is an option for seniors who are
downsizing. Refreshments served.
RSVP recommended. Register on
the [website calendar](#) or contact the
Viva Village office.

Men's Coffee Break

Monday, October 23, 10-11:30 am,
Ki Coffee, 4655 SW Griffith Dr #160

Conversation and coffee with
other men.

Online Viva Village Book Club

Tuesday, October 24, 1-2:30 pm,
Zoom

Selected book: News of the
World by Paulette Jiles, RSVP for
Zoom link

Powerful Tools for Caregivers

Tuesdays, October 17-November
28 (no class Nov 21), 1:30-3 pm,
Hillsboro Library Shute Park, free

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for unpaid family and friend care-
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while you are caring for another
person. Learn how to reduce stress,
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connect with resources. Call 503-
846-3089 to register.

For more information on
services offered by the Disability,
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areas. When the drains are clogged with leaves, plants, and other debris, the water “ponds,” sometimes causing flooding on streets, bike lanes, adjacent sidewalks, and properties. “Urban flooding can cause problems for all travelers,” said Todd Watkins, Division Manager, Washington County Operations and Maintenance. “Keeping drains clear can help prevent accidents for those driving, walking, biking and rolling.”

CHB/Barnes intersection unsafe for bicycles

A reader noted that after all the roadwork for the Life Time complex at the southwest corner of Cedar Hills Boulevard (CHB) & Barnes, there is no bicycle lane between Barnes and the Highway 26 onramp. He wrote, “cyclists must move left into the southbound car lane to comply with the road markings on the SW corner of this intersection. No markings or signs indicate the path for cyclists. The cyclist is then exposed to southbound cars changing lanes to the right and entering 26 westbound, and cars trying to merge left after turning from eastbound Barnes onto southbound CHB. Drivers are eager to enter 26 and accelerate, so speeds are high in the merge area. Cyclists seem to be completely left out of the design and from my own experience on bikes, this is a very dangerous situation.”

We asked the county Land Use & Transportation Department to respond. “Washington County has jurisdiction over this section of Cedar Hills Boulevard. Life Time Fitness was conditioned to pay Washington County for construction along their frontage.

“Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) has jurisdiction of the area adjacent to the exit/entrance ramps and underpass of U.S. 26. ODOT has plans for a southbound bicycle and pedestrian pathway undercrossing of U.S. 26. Due to the complexity of the area, the location of the County/ODOT jurisdictional break, and the lack of a bicycle facility in ODOT’s jurisdictional area, it was determined most prudent to end the Cedar Hills Boulevard southbound bicycle lane at the signal on Barnes Road.

“This gives bicycles the option to either use the signal to cross to the sidewalk on the east side of CHB and travel as a pedestrian along the

sidewalk under U.S. 26, or to take the lane and travel with traffic to continue southbound under U.S. 26. This avoids ending the bicycle lane at the dual lanes of the westbound on-ramp or forcing bicycles onto the westbound on-ramp.

This situation is temporary until ODOT can construct the bicycle and pedestrian pathway undercrossing of U.S. 26. We have posted “bike lane ends” in the southbound bike lanes on Cedar Hills Boulevard approaching Barnes Road.”

BEF’s Annual Fundraiser—Answer the Call

October 17-26, or [donate online today here](#)

For 25 years, student volunteers from all Beaverton public high schools have asked community members to participate in our annual Beaverton Education Foundation (BEF) fundraiser—Answer the Call. Your investment makes an impact and provides funding for hands-on, innovative, academic programs and projects that go beyond normal school funding to ensure Beaverton students have an opportunity to learn, thrive and reach their highest potential. Together we can incubate promising ideas, create hands-on learning



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opportunities, and fill in funding gaps, all while connecting the community to the classroom. Your continued support will help all Beaverton’s 39,000 students reach their brightest potential.

Beaverton Education Foundation is a 501(c)(3) community-based nonprofit organization that connects community and classrooms. Since 1988, BEF has helped Beaverton School District educators access community resources for innovative classroom projects, after school and summer programs, and classroom materials. Our mission is to ensure Beaverton School District students thrive and to prepare them for their brightest future. We transform teachers’ ideas into powerful solutions that benefit thousands of students and advance equitable education.

Should Oregon taxpayers subsidize the Hops’ Hillsboro stadium?

By Jody Wiser, Tax Fairness Oregon

The owners of the Hillsboro Hops want the legislature to help build a new home for the team they own. According to an Oregonian story [Stadium funding shortfall puts baseball team at risk of leaving Hillsboro](#), the legislature is being asked to step up and hand a few wealthy investors \$20 million dollars towards the cost of a new \$120 million stadium that will meet the demands of Major League Baseball. The city of Hillsboro has offered \$18 million, and the owners are offering \$82 million. They want the state’s taxpayers to pay the rest.

“The plan” is that the new, bigger stadium will be owned by the City and used for concerts and other events, as well as baseball. But the current stadium accommodates over 3500, is already used for concerts and other events, and relies on those events to help pay off the debt that remains. The average Hops baseball attendance in 2022 was only 2400.

Clearly, the need for a new facility is a requirement for the owners of the Hillsboro Hops, not the other uses. The current stadium is only ten years old, and playing fields used by the public will be destroyed to build the new stadium.

I think the team’s owners should go buy some land and build their own stadium. Car dealerships get told they must improve their facilities just as have Oregon’s A-level baseball clubs. No one would think it is the legislature’s job to help auto dealerships. Likewise, the legislature does not help build movie theaters for Regal Theaters, grocery stores for Safeway, or dealer lots for Toyota. Why should the public provide facilities for owners of sports teams?

Of course, the desire for baseball stadium subsidies might not end with the Hops. Major League Baseball has made new stadium demands of the Emeralds in Eugene as well. Will the legislature hand out another \$20 million for an upgraded stadium in Lane County too?

I hope our local legislators and those from the rest of Oregon will not be willing to send taxpayer money to support facilities for these private businesses in either Washington or Lane County.

Historically, privately owned

teams have succeeded in getting the public to pay for their facilities. They defend their appeal with claims about economic activity and employment. Sports economist JC Bradbury, PhD debunks these claims in [So Your City Wants to Build a Stadium](#). Anyone who is tempted to consider the Hops’ funding request should read his



The proposed stadium, upper left, would be built adjacent to the existing stadium near Highway 26

article. He quotes University of Chicago economist Allen Sanderson who once said that “If you want to inject money into the local economy, it would be better to drop it from a helicopter than invest it in a new ballpark.”

Hopefully our current legislative leaders have realized that this is just one more way we make the rich richer. Agree with me or disagree, let our legislators know. North of Sunset Highway we’re represented by [Rep. Lisa Reynolds@OregonLegislature.gov](#) and [Sen. Elizabeth Stein-er@OregonLegislature.gov](#)

[Read more in this article from the Hillsboro Herald.](#)



Cedar Mill Community Club meeting

Wednesday, October 18, 6-7 pm, Cedar Mill Library Meeting Room, 1080 NW Saltzman Rd, free

We meet every third Wednesday of the month. In September, we organized two committees: Adopt-A-Block and the Holiday Tree Lighting event (December 9). Both committees are looking for volunteers, so if you are interested, please contact Jan at [jdempsey@windermere.com](#) or 503-706-6358.

Washington County News

Sheriff Garrett announces retirement, recommends Massey as interim

In a recent letter to the Washington County Board of Commissioners (BCC), Sheriff Pat Garrett announced his retirement after 12 years leading one of Oregon's largest law enforcement agencies. Sheriff Garrett expressed his gratitude to the hardworking and professional staff that have played a crucial role in



accomplishing public safety goals and earning the community's confidence. Sheriff Garrett has served our community with dedication and distinction throughout his 35-year career, and his leadership will be deeply missed. Garrett's father died in June and his mother's need for care is the reason he expressed for this transition.

Sheriff Garrett took steps to ensure a smooth leadership transition within the Washington County Sheriff's Office. At the Washington County BCC work session on September 26, Sheriff Garrett recommended that Undersheriff Caprice Massey be appointed as the successor for the remainder of the term. [Video of that meeting is here](#), starting at about 45 minutes:

Garrett was appointed sheriff in 2011, following Rob Gordon's retirement. Garrett was then elected to the position in 2012, winning again in 2016 and 2020. The permanent position is up for election in the May 21, 2024 primary. Massey has already filed for that seat, according to county filing records.



SNR: A Focused Look Online Open House

Friday, October 20-Friday, November 10

This project will update the County's natural resource program including limited updates to the County's Significant Natural Resources (SNR) inventory maps, policies, and land use development standards.

This effort was mandated as the result of an [order by Oregon's Land Conservation & Development Commission](#) after a member of CPO 5 said that the county's Ordinance 869, issued in October 2020, failed to provide the "clear and objective" standards required. Read more in the [December 2022 article here](#).

Visit the online open house to

learn more and share your thoughts about the Focused Look at Fish and Wildlife Habitat. A [link will be provided on the county webpage here](#) on October 20.

In-person SNR Open House

Tuesday, October 24, 3-5 pm for affected property owners; 5-8 pm all interested public welcome, Washington Street Conference Center, Ground Floor, 102 SW Washington St.

[Join us to learn more about Washington County's work](#) to map locations of significant natural resources and to make standards for both development and preservation more clear. Share your comments and ask questions.

Boards & Commissions Fall Open House

Thursday, October 19, 6-8 pm, Washington Street Conference Center, 102 SW Washington St., Hillsboro

The Washington County Office of Equity, Inclusion and Community Engagement (OEICE) will host a Boards and Commissions Open House. The BCC receives input from more than 25 community boards, commissions, advisory councils, and committees that advise them on critical issues. Visit with current members, and learn about what they do, and what's involved in applying to become a member and serve on County boards and commissions. Everyone is welcome!

TVWD rate increase

The Tualatin Valley Water District (TVWD) board voted to establish new rates during its September 20 meeting. The changes involve increases to both usage rates and fixed rates, which will come in two adjustments: one effective November 1, 2023, and the other November 1, 2024. The first rate adjustment would increase the average single-family water bill by \$15.53 per month, and the second would see an increase of an additional \$15.04, according to the [report in the Beaverton Valley Times](#). A major component of the 2023-25 budget is allocated to funding the Willamette Water Supply System—a joint venture involving the cities of Beaverton and Hillsboro, as well as TVWD. TVWD visited CPO 1 in September and discussed the project. The meeting was recorded and available [on our YouTube channel here](#).

Development Forum

Thursday, October 12, 8:30-10 am, Public Services Building Conference Room 120D, 155 N. First Ave., [Register here](#)

Washington County Land Use and Transportation invites interested parties to attend this meeting to learn more about the development process in the county.



"The twice-yearly Development Forums create opportunities for our building and development industry customers to learn more about our development-related services, initiatives, and processing timelines. They also provide participants the chance to network and provide us with valuable feedback on our services." Topics for this session include building trends; the development review process; grading permit process, and the SNR and LCDC Enforcement Order and how that affects development.



4-H Open House

Saturday, October 7, 10-2, Westside Commons, 801 NE 34th Ave, Hillsboro, OR.

Please join the Oregon State Extension Service for our second annual [4-H Open House](#). This free event is open to families with youth ages 5-18 and will include opportunities to learn about 4-H club activities and find a short-term 4-H class. Other highlights will include: hands-on learning opportunities; archery, and a hot lunch fundraiser for the 4-H Wagon Train program!

The four H's stand for Head, Heart, Hands and Health. You can follow local 4-H activities [on their Facebook page](#). Volunteers are an essential part of the 4-H program. Information on volunteering is found on the [Washington County 4-H web page](#).

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most of Cedar Mill, says, "We have been hauling compost in Portland and the City of Beaverton for a while, and it's nice that our unincorporated Washington County customers have this service available now."

One reason for the delay is that Japanese beetle that has plagued our gardens since 2016. Egleston explained, "When the ODA was enforcing and facilitating the yard debris quarantine, the material was heading to the Hillsboro Landfill for deep burial. The Hillsboro Landfill is a permitted 'dry' waste landfill, which means they cannot accept food waste. That was a limiting factor for sure. We talked with the ODA about alternative treatment methods over the last year and half or so, and [when they announced they would end the facilitation](#) of moving that material to Hillsboro Landfill that removed that barrier!"

"We also were waiting for [Recology Organics](#) of North Plains, the compost facility, to get their site improvements up and running and any kinks worked out. They updated the facility and increased how much material they could handle in 2022. That also made this program more possible."

"Finally, we wanted to ensure there was resiliency in the system—so we were not just relying on one facility to take the food waste and yard debris mix. Pride, down in Sherwood, finished some improvements to their transfer station last year and are now able to accept that material for transfer. That was another big barrier that got resolved."

"Those three things combined really opened up the window for us to bring all 65,000 households in the unincorporated areas online. We are excited to be able to do so—so many folks have been asking for it for years now!"



Free Recycling Event

Saturday, October 7, 10 am-1 pm, parking lot at NW Jackson St. and N 1st Ave. in Hillsboro, free

The Westside Planet Alliance and Washington County Solid Waste & Recycling will host this community recycling event during the Hillsboro Saturday Market. Accepted materials include various polypropylene (PP #5), polytherapthalate (PET #1) and polystyrene (PS #6) plastics that

cannot go in the mixed recycling program at home. Computer Drive Connection will also be at the event collecting electronics and small appliances. For more detail and to sign up to volunteer, check the [PlanetCon website](#).

SHS Recycling Drive!

Saturday, October 21, 10 am-2 pm, Sunset high school 13840 NW Cornell Rd.

Sunset High School's Climate Change Club is hosting a styrofoam recycling drive! This free event will be at the front of the school. We collect styrofoam, #6 plastics, and other specified items that we then recycle through neighboring companies in our area. Check out our [website](#) for more information!

Leedy Grange news

Leedy Grange has all kinds of fun new activities starting up this fall. We are working with our talented renters and members to provide Free After School Programs.

Swing Kids

Thursdays, October 12-December 7, 4 pm, (no session on Thanksgiving Day), Leedy Grange Hall, 835 NW Saltzman Rd

This afterschool program is for students 9-13 to learn to kick up their heels with one of the most popular partner dances ever! Participants will learn to dance East Coast Swing and explore other ballroom dances. Everybody gets to learn how to do both the Lead and the Follow parts. Information will be posted on the [Leedy Grange web site](#), or parents can contact instructor Cynthia Hively at [Impressions-DanceClub@gmail.com](#)

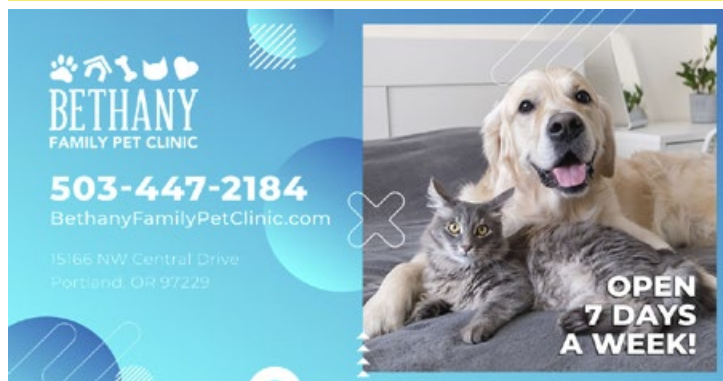
Community Dances

Second Saturdays monthly, 7-10 pm, \$10

DJ'd ballroom and swing music that starts with a 30-minute lesson at 7 pm, followed by open dancing. Go to [LeedyGrange.org](#) for more information on various activities, rentals, and membership information.

We are working on a project to re-landscape around our historic building. If you love planting, we could use some help in late October planting approximately 60 new plants and bushes and laying new mulch and rock. Please contact us at [LeedyGrangeRentals@gmail.com](#).

The Grange Hall is also available to rent for private events. If you are interested, please send us an email at [LeedyGrangeRentals@gmail.com](#) or check out our website at [Leedy-Grange.org](#)





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Wetlands, trees, and community participation are under new legal threat

By Fran Warren

On her first full day in office, Governor Tina Kotek signed Executive Order 23-04. This set an ambitious housing production goal of 36,000 homes per year. It also established the Housing Production Advisory Council (HPAC), a council of experts charged with developing an action plan to meet new construction targets. The annual housing production goal of 36,000 additional housing units at all levels of affordability across the state represents an 80% increase over current construction trends.

This Advisory Committee has met monthly since March 2023. The committee, comprised of 25 appointed individuals with vast experience in dealing with these problems and looking at these issues from many different perspectives, is charged with identifying barriers to expediting land use and development application processes, construction, and delivery. Several of their recommendations aim at removing protections of natural resources such as wetlands and trees. The committee has also made recommendations to shorten the review process which will impede community participation.

The State's Housing Advisory Council recommends that the state suspend jurisdictions' tree code regulations for 10 years. Trees in Development Situations Recommendation: "...No city or jurisdiction shall deny a permit for the removal of trees less than 48" in diameter, nor shall they charge a fee-in-lieu for the removal. For trees larger than 48" in diameter, if the city or jurisdiction has a code regulating the preservation of trees, the city or jurisdiction must offer a program that allows for replacement trees to be planted or for a fee in lieu option, with reasonable caps on fees, when the replacement tree option is not feasible...

The above provisions shall not apply to trees in riparian corridors or environmental protection areas."

There were 110 pages of public testimony submitted to the August 25 HPAC Meeting. The public testimony consistently mentioned that lack of trees on the urban landscape will expose residents to higher temperatures and remove many other benefits of trees—carbon dioxide absorption, decreased air pollution, healthy wildlife populations,

stormwater management, safer and healthier neighborhoods, climate defenses such as cooling and reducing utilities usage.

Oregon has a housing crisis but there are constructive, creative solutions yet to be considered by this committee such as tree-inclusive development. We need incentives to preserve access to nature's serenity—it's called environmental equity.

To learn more and, better yet, to get more involved, please visit the [Housing Production Advisory Council web page](http://HousingProductionAdvisoryCouncil.org).

To submit testimony:

Written comment: May be submitted anytime related to specific agenda items or other topics. To submit a written comment, send an email or document to HPAC.GOV@oregon.gov.

Verbal Comment: Email HPAC.GOV@oregon.gov including your name and the potential recommendation(s) for which you intend to testify.

Of course, Treekeepers of Washington County will be researching and testifying. You can follow their reporting on treekeeperswc.org.

Tour the Hillsboro Pioneer Cemetery

Saturday, October 14, 1-3:45 pm, tours start every 15 minutes, Hillsboro Pioneer Cemetery, 1601 SW Baseline, adults \$8, children 12 and under free

Take a leisurely stroll through the cemetery and visit with eight of Hillsboro's early community members who were buried in the cemetery. Costumed actors bring these characters to life in this history-rich drama. To access the cemetery, travel westbound on SW Baseline Street/Oregon Highway 8. The cemetery is located at the edge of a one-way traffic grid. Register here.

Parking is available at Winco or at the parking lot for AgriServe Enterprises. Dress for weather and bring an umbrella if needed. The cemetery grounds are uneven and ground squirrel holes are present. Attendees are expected to walk cautiously. For more information, please call the City Recorder's Office at 503-681-6120.

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Garden & Nature

Treekeepers of Washington County

We work to protect and advocate for trees in urban unincorporated Washington County. We have a good lineup of events in October. Don't miss these! All of them are free.

Raleigh Park Tree Walk

Sunday, October 8, 12-1 pm, starts at West Slope Community Library

Join neighbors Betsy Ubiergo and Brooke Bachelor for an "awe walk" as we visit key "mother trees" in the lovely Raleigh Park neighborhood. They will share information about the healing energy of forest bathing and how spending time with trees can positively impact our physical and mental health. Please join us for this relaxing one-hour, one-mile loop walk and see your neighborhood through new eyes. Register through this [sign up form](#).

October Tree Talk Meetup

Thursday, October 26, 6:30-8 pm, [sign up for location](#)

Brooke Bachelor hosts us again, indoors this time. We hope to include a discussion with a local arborist about ways to achieve one of our goals: the hiring of a professional urban forester/planner by Washington County. [Sign up](#) if you plan to attend so Brooke knows how many to plan for.

We hope to see you at these events! Contact us at treekeeperswc@gmail.com or visit the [Treekeepers WC website](#) to find out more.

Washington County Master Gardeners

We Study Gardens: An Update from OSU's Garden Ecology Lab

Tuesday, October 3, 7-8 pm, online, free, [registration required](#)

Since 2016, the Garden Ecology Lab at Oregon State University has studied local gardens, as well as the gardeners who tend these unique spaces. Which native plants attract the most bees and beneficial natural enemies? Do native cultivars retain the same benefits to wildlife as their native progenitors? Do the garden systems that are tended by Master Gardeners align with what we teach about soil health? Get the answers

to these questions and others, and hear what we are planning to study next! Approved for one hour of Master Gardener education credit.

Divide and Conquer: Plant Propagation

Saturday, October 7, 10 am-12 pm, WCMGA Learning Garden at Jenkins Estate, 8005 SW Grabhorn Rd, free in person class, no registration needed

Multiplying your plants by dividing them can be one of the most satisfying methods of plant propagation. Some plants take a delicate touch; others respond well to brute force. In this class, Master Gardener Jennifer Rosenquist will demonstrate methods for dividing your plants successfully. Approved for one hour of Master Gardener Education Credit.

For more information, please go to the [WCMGA website](#). The Washington County Master Gardener™ Association (WCMGA) sponsors a wide variety of gardening-related demonstrations, lectures, seminars, and workshops in various Washington County locations. Most are free and open to the public. The WCMGA is a 501c3 non-profit.

CWS Leaf Disposal & Food Drive

Saturday, October 28, 8-4, CWS Field Operations, 2025 SW Merlo Court
Saturday, November 4, 9-3, [Hazeldeale Elementary](#), [Meadow Park Middle School](#), and [Oak Hills Elementary](#)

This fall, bring your leaves and food donations to one or more of our convenient events. Leaves, pine needles, and grass clippings are accepted. Bring debris

loose or in a paper bag (no plastic); Please limit debris to 50 pounds per bag: Program is for residents, not commercial operation. We'll also collect monetary and food donations for local food banks. Visit the [Clean Water Services website](#) to learn more.

We love trees—and we know fallen leaves can block storm drains and cause problems for you and your neighbors. Help prevent localized flooding by properly recycling leaves. Use one or more of these helpful tips: **Drop them off.** Place leaves in paper bags or bins and drop them off at a CWS or partner city event this fall. **Leave your**

leaves. Leaves can make excellent natural mulch. You can leave the leaves that fall on garden areas or mulch them with your lawnmower for use in planting beds. **Hire a service.** Many neighbors work together to manage leaf fall. You can combine resources to hire a service that will collect and dispose of all your leaves together.

Find support for yardwork, if needed, through the 211 [Community Resource Directory](#) online, call 211 or 503-222-5555, or text your zip code to 898211 during office hours.

Tualatin SWCD

Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District hosts a wide variety of free virtual and in-person workshops this Fall. Details and registration can be found [on the website](#).

Naturescaping: Basics

Tuesday, October 17, 6-7 pm, online

This webinar introduces the basic principles of naturescaping or gardening with native plants. We'll help you choose the right native plant for your space, big or small.

Rainwater Harvesting

Wednesday, November 1, 6-7 pm, online

Harvesting rainwater allows us to utilize the water falling on our homes and landscapes, even during the dry season. In this webinar, learn about rainwater harvesting options for spaces big and small!

Audubon October programs

Fall and Winter Birding: Where, What, and When

Wednesday, October 11, 6-7 pm, online

Become an expert on late fall and winter birds! Find more details on the [Audubon website](#).

Understanding Owls

Thursday, October 12, 6-7 pm, online

In this first of three stand-alone classes, learn about owls with Brodie Cass Talbott. Find more details on the [Audubon Website](#).

No School Day Camp Fun Fridays: Salmon Run!

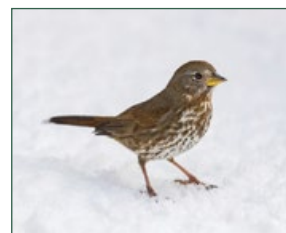
Friday, October 13, 8:30 am-3 pm, Grades 3-6

Join us for a day in the Gorge as we go in search of Salmon trying to find their way back to spawn!

We will learn about the geology that made the Gorge habitat so special, hike the trails, and visit the Bonneville Fish Hatchery to try and find these amazing fish that are so important to the ecology of the Pacific Northwest. Find more details on the [Audubon website](#).

Birding by Ear: Winter Migrant Birds

Tuesday, October 24, 6-7 pm, online



Fox Sparrow, by Mick Thompson

Build your ear birding skills by reacquainting yourself with their vocalizations. Find more details on the [Audubon website](#).

Find more classes and see Audubon of Oregon programs on the [Audubon website](#).

CWS Annual Native Plant Event

Saturday, October 7, 9-3, Tualatin River Farm, 4490 SW Minter Bridge Road, Hillsboro

Add native plants to your landscape at the [Clean Water Services event](#) hosted by Tree for All. You must live within CWS' service area to be eligible for five free plants. Plant species are subject to availability and will be pre-selected in bundles based on your planting location. [Advanced registration is required](#). Reserve a ticketed pick-up time (in 30 minute increments) and select your planting location; shady or sunny. One ticket per household please. Contact trf@cleanwaterservices.org with questions. Register with this [sign up form](#).

Ivy Removal at West TV Elementary

Saturday, October 21, 10 am-noon, West Tualatin View Elementary School, 8800 SW Leahy Road

The trees behind West TV Elementary School need to be rescued from the invasive ivy that threatens to starve and topple them. This first effort is to clip the ivy from the trunks. All ages are welcome to help. Children will need to be supervised by an adult. Please wear washable clothing, long pants, a long-sleeved shirt, and sturdy, closed-toe shoes or boots. Bring gloves and pruners if you have them, as well as water and snacks. You are welcome to just show up, but registering helps us provide enough tools. [Register on this page](#).



Library Events and Programs

Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries (CMBCL) invite you to find event calendars, storytime schedules and more on CMBCL's [website](https://www.cedarmill.org/library). (CML is Cedar Mill Library, 1080 NW Saltzman Rd.; BLA is Bethany Library Annex, 4888 NW Bethany Blvd, Suite K-2; BL is Bethany Library, 15325 NW Central Drive, Suite J-8y). For more information, call (503) 644-0043, website library.cedarmill.org; email askucml@wccls.org.

Multiple Age Groups

From Tokyo to PDX: Transforming Manga

Saturday, October 7, 2-3:30 pm, CML, Ages 10+

Dark Horse Comics Senior Editor Carl Horn discusses bringing mangas to American audiences, like the new "Keep Your Hands Off Eizouken!" Limited copies available for ages 11-18 who commit to attending.

World Languages Conversation Hour

Wednesday, October 11, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm, CML, Adults & Teens 11+

Do you want to practice a language that you are learning or find other fluent speakers of your native

language? Join us for a special session of our Conversation Hour where we welcome people speaking all languages. Volunteers will be available who speak Spanish, French, Japanese, Telugu, Kannada, and Hindi. Please email askucml@wccls.org if you plan on attending to practice a language not listed above. The library will be in contact with you when they match two or more language learners.

Taste of Oregon: Tea Tasting

Wednesday, October 18, 6:30-7:30 pm, CML, Adults & Teens, Registration recommended

Steven Odell of Enthea Teahouse will share the history of tea culture and a few teas for tasting.

Citizen Science: Eclipse Soundscapes

Friday, October 20, 3:30-4:30 pm, BLA, Adults & Teens, Registration Required.



Share and submit your data collected during the

October 14th solar eclipse.

Fall Fest & Maze

Saturday, October 21, 6-8 pm, CML, All Ages

Explore a library maze, play games and more activities! Costumes encouraged.

No School Day Fun!

Friday, October 27, All day, all ages, BL

Drop in throughout the day for a simple craft, a pumpkin finding game and take a selfie with our pumpkin cutout. Costumes welcome!

Bethany Village Halloween Hunt

Tuesday, October 31, 3:30-5:30 pm, BL, All Ages

Drop by the library during the annual hunt and receive a fun Halloween treat!

Kids

Grab and Go Crafts

Friday, October 6, Library Hours, CML & BL

Pick up craft supplies at either

library. Available on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. One per child, please.

Solar Eclipse Craft

Friday, October 13, All Day, CML & BL, Ages 4+

Drop in and make an eclipse craft (while supplies last).

Toddler Harvest Party

Tuesday, Oct 24, 10:30-11:15 am, BLA, Ages 12-36 months

Play in a pumpkin patch, make a craft, and take a picture in our photo booth. Costumes welcome!

Preschool Costume Party

Thursday, October 26, 10:30-11:30 am, BLA, Ages 3+

Enjoy not-so-spooky stories and songs, a craft and an activity. Don't forget to wear your costume!

Dog Man Party

Friday, October 27, 2-3:30 pm, CML, Ages 6-11

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own flip-o-rama, and more as we celebrate this popular book character.

Day of the Dead Craft

Saturday, October 28, 10:30 am-12:30 pm, CML, Ages 5+

Celebrate Día de Muertos (Day of the Dead) with us. Make a craft to decorate your home!

Storytimes Fall Session

through October 21, learn more on CMBCL's [Storytime page](#).

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

Teens & Tweens

Teen Escape Room: Five Nights at Freddy's

Friday, October 27, 2 pm & 3:15 pm, BLA, Ages 11-18, Registration Required.

You are stuck in Freddy Fazbear's Pizzeria. Can you earn your check and escape from the haunted animatronics before you're trapped there forever?

Teen Crafternoon: Sugar Skulls

Saturday, October 28, 2-3 pm, CML, Ages 11-18, Registration recommended

Come celebrate Día de Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) with the

library by decorating sugar skulls

Visit the CMBCL [webpage](#) to find more for teens and tweens.



Adults

Estate Planning & Diminished Capacity

Wednesday, October 4, 6:30-7:30 pm, CML, Adults, Registration recommended

Learn different ways of planning for incapacity and how planning can benefit you and your loved ones.

Composting With Worms

Thursday, October 5, 6:30-7:30 pm, CML, Adults, Registration recommended

A Master Gardener will share tips for composting with worms and demonstrate a working bin.

OBOB 101 for Grown-Ups

Wednesday, October 18, 6:30-7:30 pm, Online via Zoom Registration required

This workshop will provide an overview of the program, what to expect during a battle and tips on preparing kids to have fun and be successful.

Talking About Dying

Wednesday, October 25 | 10:30 am-12 pm, CML, Adults, Registration recommended

Reflect on the stories and cultural influences that shape our thinking about death and share perspectives with fellow community members.

Tips for Being News Savvy Online

Thursday, October 26, 2:30-3:45 pm, CML, Adults

How has technology made it easier to create and spread misinformation? Discuss tools to evaluate news sources and fact-checking sites.

About CMBCLA

The Cedar Mill and Bethany Community Libraries Association is one of the largest nonprofit association libraries in the United States with a collection of over 250,000 items and more than 2.5 million loans annually. The Association operates two locations, CML on NW Saltzman Road in Cedar Mill and BL in the Bethany Village Shopping Center. Learn more on the CMBCL [website](#).

Visit Cedar Mill & Bethany Community Libraries on Social Media!

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Library Addresses

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Garage Sale at Skyline Grange

Friday-Saturday, October 6, 9-5; October 7, 9-7; 11275 NW Skyline Blvd.

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Cedar Mill's real estate market: Prepping your home to sell in 2024

By Jan Dempsey, Realtor,
Windermere Realty Group

During the last two months I asked if you were thinking of selling your home in 2024. Our Spring Market is our highest and fastest selling market. If you plan on getting top dollar for your home, you need to be ready to sell somewhere between mid-January until the week before Memorial Day. The optimum sales price achieved in our Spring market is around April 15.

Many experts are predicting mortgage rates will drop by year's end to around 6%—if so, we may see another sellers' market like Spring of 2022. Will you and your house be market ready? To be prepared to sell, you'll need to do two things: prepare your house for sale and prepare yourself financially. I'll cover preparing yourself financially in this article as knowing your exit strategy will direct all of your steps to moving out of this home, and into your next.

You and your experienced realtor will have talked through your plans for selling and moving, and you will have had a whole house pre-inspection and discussed repairs, if any, that may be necessary to help sell your home (if you choose to make repairs). Most importantly, you and your realtor will know the approximate sales price for your home (multiple offers notwithstanding). With this information, you can meet with your lender to determine the funds you will have to purchase your new home. You may need additional money to make updates to the new house; there are moving and setup costs as well.

One of the best strategies in moving from your house into a new home is if you can purchase the new home without selling your current home. Having enough cash to do so is a terrific strategy, but not always possible. Another plan is a Bridge Loan—a short-term loan designed to provide financing during a transitional period, such as moving from one house to another. Bridge Loans would be secured with your current home as collateral. You would need to be able to afford the mortgage for the existing property plus the new home before your house sells and you pay off your Bridge Loan. Other financing

options are a Home Equity Line of Credit (a HELOC) typically from your Credit Union, or a short-term loan from your savings account such as a 401K.

If you have real estate questions, it would be my pleasure to answer them. I have 38 years of real estate experience and would love to learn your plans and to help guide you through this complicated process. Don't hesitate to contact me at 503-706-6358, or jdempsey@windermere.com.

Polarity Therapy Sessions Available!

Wednesdays, October 4 & 18, 3-5 pm, suggested donation \$40-\$60 by [appointment](#)

New! Longer session times! Join us for our Energy Studies with Student Clinic days that are open to the public. Students of polarity therapy practitioner training will give 50-minute energy balancing session (EBS) bodywork. Wear light comfortable clothing. You will lie on a padded treatment table after intake. There are two sessions per event.

For booking, please visit seacummins.as.me/studentclinic or send a text to 917-588-6015. To learn more about what polarity therapy is visit polaritytherapy.org

Sunset Credit Union now offers fraud protection

With debit and credit card fraud on the rise, Sunset Credit Union offers a way to protect yourself from fraudsters—Text Alerts for Debit and Credit cards. Text alerts or email notifications are notifications available to let you know when your debit or credit card has been used. With this free service, if you receive a notification regarding a charge that you did not make you can notify us immediately and get your card blocked before further transactions are authorized.

"We're always looking for ways to protect our members from fraudulent activity," says Sunset Credit Union's CEO, Rhonda Baggarley. "In the next few months we're looking for even more ways to ensure that our members' identity and card usage are protected from theft."

To learn more about Sunset Credit Union's 'Text Alerts for Debit and Credit Cards', stop by our office located at 1100 NW Murray Blvd, visit the [Sunset Credit Union website](#) or call 503-643-1335. Sunset Credit Union is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, or attends school in Washington County.

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Park News

October Events near Cedar Mill from THPRD

Take a stroll at the Twilight Walk with Me

Thursday, October 12, 6-7:30 pm, Commonwealth Lake Park, SW Foothills Dr. & SW Dellwood Ave, Portland, free

As the sun sets and the tranquil



twilight blankets the park, we invite you to join this staff-led walk and embrace the magic of the season. Gather your friends and family for an evening filled with wonder. Please bring reflective gear to wear.

Volunteer for Ridgewood Park Community Garden

Saturday, October 21, 9-11:30 am, Ridgewood Park, Western end of SW Park Way, at 96th Ave.

Help us spruce up the Community Garden at Ridgewood Park! Volunteers will help weed and mulch, as needed. Please bring a reusable water bottle to drink from throughout the day. Tools and gloves will be provided. No gardening experience necessary. To register, please visit the event page on the [THPRD website](#).

Volunteer for garden help at Nature Center

Saturday, October 21, 10-12 pm, Tualatin Hills Nature Center, 15655 SW Walker Rd.

Help us spruce up the Native Plant Garden at Tualatin Hills Nature Park! Volunteers will help weed and mulch, as needed. Please bring a reusable water bottle to drink from throughout the day. Tools and gloves will be provided. No gardening experience necessary. For more information or to sign up, visit the [THPRD website](#).

Join us for the Fall festival!

Saturday, October 28, 11-3, Cedar Hills Recreation Center, 11640 SW Park Way

THPRD's annual Fall Festival is a family-friendly event with season-

al activities for all ages. For more information about the Fall Festival, including volunteer opportunities, call the Cedar Hills Recreation Center at 503-619-3941.

THPRD budget update

Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD) is looking at options to stabilize funding for park and recreation services to maintain

current service levels and to prepare for future needs and we need the public's help. An upcoming \$16 million gap in the operating budget represents about 21% of

the district's annual budget. Without additional revenue sources, the district would be looking at closing facilities, reducing park and recreation services such as childcare programs, and having to reduce staffing by up to approximately 50 full-time employees and 250 part-time employees.

The THPRD Board of Directors has been reviewing stable funding options for months, including the possibility of asking voters to consider a local option levy, similar to many other local government agencies, for district operations as early as 2024. Volunteers serving on a Levy Task Force will advise the THPRD Board of Directors on whether the district should pursue an operating levy and what services the levy should fund. To learn more about the THPRD budget, visit the [district's website](#).

Apply for Advisory Committees or the Budget Committee

THPRD is encouraging community members to apply for openings on the district's three Advisory Committees (Nature & Trails, Parks & Facilities, and Programs & Events), and the Budget Committee. Submit your application via the [application form](#). The deadline to submit applications is Monday, October 23.

Advisory Committee volunteers review plans, provide feedback, and take part in lively discussions about district programs, facilities, and parks.

Nature & Trails Advisory Committee: Share your enthusiasm and expertise for natural resource management, environmental education, wildlife, and trail development and use. This committee meets once a month, typically the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

Parks & Facilities Advisory Committee: Focus on park design, helping making spaces accessible to everyone, community gardens, dog parks, athletic facilities, and historic properties. This committee meets once a month, typically the third Wednesday of the month at 6 pm.

Programs & Events Committee: Advise the district on what programs should be offered and expanded, provide input on district-wide community events, and review programming content in recreation, sports, aquatics, environmental education, and more. This committee meets once a month, typically the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

Budget Committee: The Budget Committee is responsible for providing public oversight of budget preparations, recommending changes to the proposed budget, and supplying information to the public about district business and operations. The Budget Committee meets at least three times per year to 1) review the current year budget and operating results; 2) discuss the proposed budget for the upcoming year; and 3) approve the budget to be considered for adoption by the Board of Directors. Other meetings may be scheduled as the committee deems necessary.

People of all backgrounds and experience levels are encouraged to apply. These positions are critical to represent the broad perspectives of district patrons.

THPRD Park Maintenance Update

Park Maintenance North staff will be removing and replacing three damaged concrete walkway panels at John Marty Park. Park Maintenance North staff will be replacing a sign at Cedar Mill Park. The previous sign was removed due to the Cornell Road widening project. Park Maintenance staff will build an elevated boulder platform for the sign, which will be surrounded by daylilies. The new sign will be more visible for patrons than the previous sign location.

October Events near Cedar Mill from Hillsboro Parks & Recreation

Hillsboro Art Walk

Tuesday, October 3, 5-8 pm, Walters Cultural Arts Center, 527 E. Main St., free

Join us every first Tuesday of the month to explore Hillsboro's Cultural Arts District and enjoy local galleries and art spaces, live music, food, engaging activities, and shopping. Visit the [Art Walk page](#) for more information and to plan your visit.

Hidden Worlds Exhibit is now open

Tuesday, October 3 to Saturday, November 4, 9-9 (Monday to Thursday) and 9-5 (Friday), Walters Cultural Arts Center, 527 E. Main St., free

A balancing act of colorful fantasies and natural subjects, Hidden Worlds emerge from artists Ed Labadie, Michael Loen, Rich Bergeman, and Tyler Geel. Through additive methods, creations from chaos, moody drips, and highly charged infrared photography, we can find underlying imagery and narratives within the abstract. Please visit the [Event Calendar](#) for more information.

Mental Health Fair invites the community to access resources

Saturday, October 14, 10-1, 5100 NE Hidden Creek Dr., Hillsboro, free

Learn more about opportunities for mental health and self-care in our community.

Halloween in Downtown Hillsboro

Saturday, October 28, 3-10 pm, Main St at SE 3rd Ave., Hillsboro, free

Halloween in Downtown Hillsboro is an annual trick-or-treating event happening in the downtown district of Hillsboro. This year there will be two parts to this event. Trick or Treat on Main St. until 6 pm and Halloween in Downtown Hillsboro Block Party after 7 pm. Hillsboro Downtown Partnership has partnered with Downtown businesses, local schools, and more to provide spooky music, performances, special appearances, and a haunted house or two along a very festive route. Parking is available and some streets will be closed for pedestrians. Please visit the [event website](#) for more information and to plan your visit.



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