

LIBRARY NEWS

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www.sherwoodoregon.gov/library

Library Birthday Party

The Library & City Hall Civic Building is 10 years old and we're having a party to celebrate Saturday, January 16, with a visit from the Cat in the Hat for Dr. Seuss storytime at 10:30 a.m., cake at 1:00 p.m., more visiting and photos with Cat in the Hat at 2:00 p.m., and live steel drums by Northwest Panman at 3:30 p.m.



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More programs below and at www.sherwoodoregon.gov/library. See you at the Library!

Teens & Adults:

Fiction Friends - The book club just for middle schoolers. Enjoy a lively discussion of Jinx by Sage Blackwood. Snacks provided. The first 7 to register receive a free copy of the book. For grades 6-8 on January 14 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

Teen Movie Night - Enjoy a movie on the big screen! Movie selection is made by the group. Bring your own snacks or enjoy the popcorn provided. Enter through the parking-lot lobby. No other library services offered during this after-hours program. The 3rd Friday of the month from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm, for grades 6 through 12.

DIY Craftshop: Wearable Art Pins - Unleash your inner crafter at our monthly craft series inspired by Pinterest on January 21 at 3:30 pm. Supplies provided and registration required for ages 12+.

Eat Smart, Waste Less, Recycle More - Want to save up to \$1,600 a year on groceries? Learn how from Washington County's Waste Prevention team on January 23 at 2:00 pm.

Music-SLAM! - Bring your band instrument, your whole band or just your voice. No other library services will be provided during this after-hours event in the Library's Teen Area. January 30 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Registration required and must be age 12+ to perform.

DIY Craftshop: Pennant Banners - Decorate for your party day or every day with a felt pennant banner. Thursday, February 18, 3:30 pm. Supplies provided. Registration required. Ages 12+.

Composting with Worms - Deb Jones, OSU Master Gardener, talks dirt on February 27, 1:00 pm

Youth & Family:

Homework Help - Free tutoring on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm and on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:00 pm for grades 3-12.

Mario Kart Tournament - Racing, competition and prizes! Stop at the Perler Pit Crew station to make your favorite Nintendo characters. January 2 from 2:00 to 3:30 pm for grades 4+.

The Gaming Club - It's an early release day! Wii-

U in the Community Room and board games in the library. Bring your own device, or use ours. on January 6 and 20 from 12:30 to 2:00 pm for grades K-12.

Ultimate Building Academy - Calling all builders: we have LEGOs, magnetic tiles, PVC pipe, and a mystery station! On January 6 for 3:30 to 4:30 pm for grades K-5.

Lil' Busy Builders - Drop by the Children's Area for DIY building with giant cardboard blocks, Duplo bricks, and PlayHut units. On January 6 at 3:30 pm for ages birth-5.

Paperback Pals - This month we're reading and discussing *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* by Chris Grabenstein. Free copies of the book for participants, thanks to Friends of the Library. On January 20 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Registration required. Grades 3-5.

Family Storytime: Snow - Children and their grown-ups will enjoy hearing stories, singing songs and playing action rhymes. A simple craft activity follows on January 23 from 10:30 to 11:30 am, all ages.

The Library will be closed on January 1 for New Years Day and January 19 for MLK Jr Day. Return materials to the Pine Street book drops. Find 24/7 access at wccs.org.

Note: All library programs are free to attend and open to the public. Unless otherwise stated, programs are held in our Community Room. See sherwoodoregon.gov/library for newly added events, follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, or call us at 503.625.6688. Sherwood Public Library is a Washington County Cooperative Library Services member library.

MAYOR UPDATE

Sherwood Continues Moving in a Positive Direction

As we ring in the New Year, I am excited as your Mayor for the year ahead of us. Together let's celebrate the many successes we achieved in 2015 and set our sights on transitioning into the New Year focusing on our community's many opportunities for the future.

There are a couple of significant events from last year I'd like to highlight. In 2015, Sherwood was nationally recognized in Money Magazine as one of the top 10 small cities to live in the United States. This article reinforced what our residents have known for years - we are fortunate to call Sherwood our home. I was very pleased to see that our City recently received news from the Washington County Visitors Association (WCVA) of our successful grant application for approximately \$30,000 in bike-related infrastructure. Last year I encouraged staff to apply for this grant to bring infrastructure that will be incorporated into the much-larger Cedar Creek Trail project. This trail project is moving closer toward actual design in the coming year and is largely funded by a previously awarded \$5.6 million grant. Special thanks to my fellow Mayor John Cook from Tigard who shared his successful grant information from WCVA on a similar grant received in their redeveloping downtown area which dramatically cut down on staff time needed to prepare our grant application. I appreciate collaborating with my fellow Washington County Mayors as we support each other in building up our respective cities to strengthen the whole of Washington County together.

On the horizon is another very visible project in Sherwood that will benefit our Old Town. The city is in the process of developing a new public parking lot on vacant land behind the property formerly occupied by Rays Produce. Purchase and development of this new parking lot has been funded through the city's urban renewal district. The project will be going through the land use review process at the Planning Commission and we are hoping to see construction in the early summer months.

One of the traditions started by former Mayor Bill Middleton was the selection of the Mayors Citizen of the Year award each December. I was proud to continue this recognition program and earlier this month, I selected Lee

Weislogel as the 2015 recipient of this award. Lee is one of those unique community leaders who has served, and continues to serve, Sherwood in so many different capacities over the past two decades. Whether as a previous Sherwood City Councilor and Planning Commissioner or as a key leader within various nonprofit organizations such as Sherwood Main Street, the Historical Society or the Robin Hood Festival, Lee has been a consistent champion for Sherwood, with a special emphasis on Old Town as the heart of our community. Please join me in congratulating and thanking Lee for his selfless service over the past 20 years.

I recently had the opportunity to attend our city staff holiday luncheon held at our new Arts Center. This is an event I look forward to attending each year because it is one of the few times when all of the city's staff from different departments gather together at one time. While the City Council members meet twice monthly to set policy, the city staff members are the ones to implement those policies on a daily basis. In my first year as Mayor, I have had the chance to work directly with many of our city staff members and I certainly appreciate all of their hard work and dedication to providing a high level of services to our citizens. One recent example is our response by many Public Works staff to heavy rains and street flooding during the winter storms. As I drove through the community, I saw many of our staff clearing storm drains of fall leaves or providing safety signage to flooded streets temporarily to ensure driver safety. This dedication to the day to day operation of our City can often go unnoticed and I want to be sure it does not go unmentioned. Staff - you are appreciated!

Lastly, I want to invite all Sherwood citizens to my annual State of the City address which is scheduled to be delivered at the City Council meeting on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 7:00 pm. If you cannot make the actual address in person, it will be broadcast live on our local public access channel and city website (as all of our City Council meetings are now broadcast live). In the address, I plan on reviewing some highlights of the past year as well as identifying projects and initiatives that I want to see accomplished as your Mayor in 2016.

It has been my great honor and privilege to serve as your Mayor and I look forward to, with your support, continuing to move Sherwood positively forward.

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DON'T IGNORE YOUR HEART DURING THE HOLIDAYS

BY TUALATIN VALLEY FIRE & RESCUE (TVF&R)

With the holiday season in full swing, it's natural to be thinking about family and what the New Year may bring. Heart health may not be near the top of your list as you start to make your resolutions and personal goals for 2016.

Chest pain, shortness of breath or discomfort in your arms, back or jaw can easily be attributed to the stress and strain of the season and not recognized as signs of an oncoming heart attack.

An American Heart Association study stated, "The number of cardiac deaths is higher on Dec. 25 than on any other day of the year, second highest on Dec. 26, and third highest on Jan. 1." In the 2004 national study, researchers at the University of California, San Diego, and Tufts University School of Medicine studied 53 million U.S. death certificates from 1973 to 2001 and found an overall increase of 5 percent more heart-related deaths during the holiday season.

A number of factors can contribute to a higher rate

of cardiac deaths during the holidays, but one thing is certain, delaying treatment and ignoring the signs and symptoms can be deadly.

TVF&R encourages you to call 911 immediately if you or a family member experiences the following symptoms:

- Chest discomfort in the center of the chest that lasts for more than a few minutes or goes away and returns. It can feel like uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness or pain.
- Upper body discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw, or stomach.
- Shortness of breath before, during, or after other discomforts.
- Other signs, including breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness.

Our highly trained paramedics can diagnose if a heart is failing and start treatment on the scene. Calling 911 right away will connect you with trained

call-takers who will immediately dispatch emergency responders. Visit www.tvfr.com to learn more.

Tips for a heart-healthy New Year

As you and your family make your resolutions, TVF&R encourages you to make this a heart-healthy 2016.

Don't let the stresses of shopping, traveling, cooking and cleaning during the holidays keep you from carving out time to take care of yourself - that includes a good night's rest.

Go into the New Year with a plan to start each day with a healthy breakfast.

If you know you will be attending a festive feast with friends in the evening, plan on eating a lighter lunch and healthy snack before you go so that you don't arrive hungry. Choose to eat less and savor each bite. If you plan to host a party, challenge yourself to offer a delicious heart-healthy menu.

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

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Safe and Secure Online Shopping

It's that time of year again; holiday gift shopping. It seems online shopping is becoming more popular all the time, and why not? Online shopping grants us the ability to find the perfect gift while offering savings in time and money. But online shopping comes with a price we don't want to pay; realities like identity theft, malware on your computer, and other cyber unpleasantness. By being cautious where you shop online, and by following these ten (10) simple security precautions, you can reduce the chances of being a cyber-victim.

1. Be cautious what devices you use to shop online. Mobile devices, such as smartphones and tablets, make shopping convenient at any time and place, but they frequently lack the security precautions of a regular computer. If you use a mobile device to shop, make extra sure you are taking all the precautions listed below.

2. Do not use public computers or public wireless for your online shopping. Public computers and wireless networks may contain malicious soft-

ware that steals your information when you place your order, which can lead to identity theft.

3. Secure your computer and mobile devices. Be sure to keep the operating system, software, and/or apps updated/patched on all of your computers and mobile devices. Use up-to-date antivirus protection and make sure it is receiving updates.

4. Use strong passwords. The use of strong, unique passwords is one of the simplest and most important steps to take in securing your devices, computers, and online accounts. If you need to create an account with the merchant, be sure to use a strong, unique password.

5. Know your online shopping merchants. Limit your online shopping to merchants you know and trust. Do not create an online account with a merchant you don't trust.

6. Pay online with one credit card. A safer way to shop on the Internet is to pay with a credit card rather than debit card. Debit cards do not have the same consumer protections as credit cards. By using one credit card, with a lower balance, for all

online shopping you limit the potential for financial fraud to affect all of your accounts. Always check your statements regularly.

7. Look for "https" when making an online purchase. The "s" in "https" stands for "secure" and indicates that communication with the webpage is encrypted. This helps to ensure your information is transmitted safely to the merchant and no one can spy on it.

8. Do not respond to pop-ups. When a window pops up promising you cash or gift cards for answering a question or taking a survey, close it by pressing Control + F4 for Windows and Command + W for Macs.

9. Do not auto-save your personal information. When purchasing online, you may be given the option to save your personal information online for future use. The convenience is not worth the risk.

10. Use common sense to avoid scams. Don't give out your personal or financial information via email, text or on the phone.

COUNCIL CORNER

Renee Brouse, City Councilor

THANK YOU. It has been an honor and privilege to serve as one of your City Councilors. Thank you for bestowing your confidence in me to serve this wonderful City.

I have been asked repeatedly how I like serving as an elected official. I can honestly say it has been great! There is a lot to learn which keeps my mind stimulated and quenches the need for continued learning and development. The staff has been wonderful to work with. I am so very impressed with the professional and hard working staff that the City has employed; a HUGE shout out to Craig Sheldon and his team in Public Works (specifically with the recent rain and flooding). Another thank you to Sylvia Murphy for all the work she does behind the scenes and of course the Sherwood Police Department for keeping our community safe. My list could go on and on. Suffice it to say - we are blessed to have such wonderful City staff!

Serving in this capacity is not without its challenges, but challenges are opportunities. Since being elected we have hired a City Attorney, Josh Soper, who has been a great addition to the team. We have gone through the review process for our City Manager; wrestled with the backyard Chicken issue; waded through the Brookman Annexation measure; tackled medical marijuana legislation and much more. 2016 will prove to be just as exciting! Recreational

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marijuana will be discussed further and decisions made; zoning changes will come before council; and several other matters that are of importance.

After attending the League of Oregon Cities conference last September, a topic that really interested me was an initiative regarding creating a healthier community. There is a program called HEAL (Healthy Eating Active Living) that several communities have launched; an initiative I believe would work well with our community. Sherwood is poised for such a program with our parks, trails, youth sports, field house and recreation center. At the Council goal setting in January, I hope to suggest and discuss this with the full council for possible program implementation. Another project that I would like to suggest we discuss is affordable housing; possibly working with Habitat for Humanity. There is a shortage of affordable housing in Sherwood. There are a number of families who find themselves homeless, couch surfing or living with family and friends. There is also the Citizen Academy concept that Councilor Kuiper suggested, hopefully this program will launch in the spring enabling our citizens to become more civic minded.

For me, finding the balance of working with City staff needs/wants, the comprehensive planning process and the needs/wants of you as citizens is a continual process - I welcome your comments and concerns; after all, you, the citizens of Sherwood, are whom we as councilors serve. Again, I feel very honored and blessed to continue to serve this community. I pray you each have a wonderful holiday season and a blessed new year. Blessings to you!

FEATURED PARTNER: TUALATIN RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Riverboat Unit Oak Savanna Restoration

When the General Land Office (GLO) of the US Government was conducting land surveys in the mid-1800s, surveyors described large swaths of the Willamette Valley, including the Tualatin Basin, as prairie lands. These prairies were both wet and dry, were dominated by grasses and wildflowers, and supported very few tree and shrub species. Grazing by elk, as well as naturally occurring fires and low-intensity fires set intentionally by the Willamette Valley's indigenous Kalapuya people, were the primary forces shaping these open, mostly treeless landscapes. These open prairies in turn supported a wide array of plant and animal species that were important for Kalapuya subsistence and culture. While few tree and shrub species were hardy enough to withstand grazing pressure and periodic fires, one species in particular persisted and found its niche on many of the Willamette Valley's prairies, the Oregon white oak.

While it's not uncommon to see these noble giants of the Valley's prairie past driving south on I-5 or 99-W, both the oaks, and the native prairies that supported them, comprise one of Oregon's most imperiled habitat types known as oak savanna. Not surprisingly, many of Oregon's most sensitive plant and animal species are associated with oak savannas; like Kincaid's lupine, Fender's blue butterfly and the Western meadowlark. To address the loss of these rare systems and the plants and animals that rely on them, restoration efforts are occurring Valley wide, including right here in Sherwood at the Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge.

One site in particular, the 117-acre Oleson parcel of the Refuge's Riverboat Unit (just to the NW of Sherwood), is in the early stages of prescribed management that will eventually re-establish native prairie and scattered oaks characteristic of the savannas that were once common place right here in our backyard. The USFWS ac-

tually began restoration efforts on this parcel during 2007 and 2008 by establishing thousands of Oregon white oak trees across the site. While oaks are very sparse on a typical Willamette Valley savanna, the Oleson site was overplanted to compensate for expected tree mortality. Fast forward to 2015, and most of the originally estab-

lished trees had unexpectedly survived. In most restoration scenarios such a result would be cause for celebration; however, in this case the density of trees was far too high. To nudge the site closer to a typical oak savanna where 1-2 trees might persist per acre, Refuge staff recently began a project to thin the original plantings with help from local natural resource restoration firm Ash Creek Forest Management, LLC.

In the coming years, our emphasis will shift to re-establishing native grasses and wildflowers that make up the prairie understory, and eventually transition towards long-term maintenance of an open savanna by periodically mowing, grazing, or even possibly prescribing low-intensity burns on the site. Eventually, the Oleson site will not only give us a glimpse of the area's ecological past, but with any luck (or careful restoration planning) breeding Western meadowlarks and large majestic oak trees!



THE Sherwood ARCHER

Sherwood Archer edited by Joseph Gall and Tina Ouellette

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LIVE BROADCASTS

As a result of new digital cameras and other upgrades within the community room at City Hall, the City has been able to recently begin live broadcasts of City Council meeting. Live broadcasts can be seen on Comcast Channel 23, Frontier Channel 24 and on our YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/cityofsherwood. Our plan is to begin broadcasting Planning Commission meetings live early in 2016. If you have questions about this new enhancement or experience technical difficulties utilizing, please contact Brad Crawford, IT Director at 503.625.4203 or email at crawfordb@sherwoodoregon.gov.

YMCA ANNUAL DINNER

The Sherwood YMCA is part of the larger YMCA of the Columbia Willamette organization and their regional annual campaign kickoff event is taking place here in Sherwood. The Annual Campaign Celebration will take place on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Sherwood Center for the Arts. For more information about this event, please go to www.ymcacw.org/annual-campaign-celebration. Child care will be available through our local Sherwood YMCA for the event.

DOG PARK CLOSURE

With recent heavy rains and new grass that may not have had enough time to become established, the new Snyder Dog Park has been temporarily closed due to muddy conditions. At their first meeting on January 4, 2016, city staff will discuss possible options with the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee about the facility. During initial design of the facility, the Committee debated pros and cons of a variety of surfaces. We will revisit that question before reopening the park this spring. Thank you to the many dog owners who have expressed their patience and understanding as we move forward.

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CITY NEWS

Citizens University to Launch in Spring

One of the new programs that will be launched in 2016 is our first-ever Sherwood Citizens University. In this five week series of classes, participants will learn how your city government operates. Topics covered will include how city services are funded, how the city plans for future growth and development, and learn about our Council-Manager form of government. Designed to be interactive, participants will learn directly from city leaders about all the services the City of Sherwood provides as a public business.

The series will be free to the public and open to 25 participant. Participants must be at least 18 years old; however, we are planning to hold two positions open for interested high school age student. Classes will be held on Thursday evenings and will last for three hours each night. We are still finalizing the curriculum for the first series, but we are targeting the series to begin on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 6:00 pm. Applications to participate in the Sherwood Citizens University will be available in early January and we encourage interested citizens to apply early. Watch the city website and social media pages for further information about this exciting new program.



New Parking Lot Comes to Old Town

Design for a new public parking lot within the Old Town area of Sherwood is being developed on 1st Street between Pine and Oak. This parking lot will meet current design and building codes and replace the former Robinhood Theater parking lot. Our goal is to construct the new lot in early summer 2016.

The site for the parking lot was purchased by the Urban Renewal Agency in 2014 for development of accessible parking in Old Town. The new lot will contain 18 additional spaces. Construction is estimated to be around \$175,000 and will be funded by the Urban Renewal Agency.

For more information about this and other economic development projects, contact Tom Pessemier, Assistant City Manager at 503.625.2302.



PLANNING NEWS CONTINUED

achieve and sustain this partnership and the civic health of our city. When you get involved it helps:

- Ensure better City decisions that more effectively respond to the needs and priorities of the community.
- Increase the legitimacy and accountability of government actions.
- Identify issues and opportunities, as well as the development of concepts and designs.
- Engage community members and community resources as part of the solution.
- Increases understanding of and support for public policies and programs.

As a community member, you have a right to be involved in decisions that affect the community. You know Sherwood and have ideas about what works best for your city. Getting involved means you can help be a part of the how and why in the decision-making.

In the Planning Division we depend on community involvement to help us know what is important to the community and how to develop and implement plans that reflect the community needs and values. Unfortunately, we don't always have the level of community involvement we would like.

Here are some ways easy ways to get involved:

Like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, sign up for weekly emails at www.sherwoodoregon.gov/subscribe, check the Projects page on our website, turn in a written comment, attend a Planning Commission meeting. (Please note that comments made on Facebook or Twitter are unable to be considered as a public comment, but we do read them.)

Community decision-making processes are intended to be open and understandable. If you have questions about a project, the process, or codes we have to follow, contact the Planning Division at 503.925.2309

PUBLIC WORKS NEWS

Simple Prevention Tips for Freezing Pipes

Save yourself from the financial and emotional impacts of frozen pipes and interrupted water service by taking a few simple precautions this winter. Disconnecting your outside garden hoses and draining your irrigation systems is an easy start. Covering the outside faucets and any foundation vents with insulation, newspaper or cardboard will also help to keep the cold away from your pipes. Insulating any pipes in unheated areas (garage, crawlspace, attic, etc.) with heat tape or pipe insulation will minimize the chance of pipes freezing or breaking.

When freezing weather is forecast simply open the cabinet doors beneath the sinks to allow the air from the home to warm the water pipes. Take a moment to research how you would shut-off your water in case there is an emergency.

If you suspect that your pipes have frozen quickly check several faucets throughout the house. If water flows from any of the faucets the problem is with the household plumbing and not with the flow from the city. Directly apply hot air from a hair dryer or a closely monitored heat lamp or electric heater, moving the heat slowly back and forth along the pipes. Be ready to shut-off the water supply to the house if the pipes have split and a leak is evident.

You can call the City of Sherwood Public Works Department at 503.625.5722 to assist with shutting off your water at the meter.

Icy Weather Street Sanding

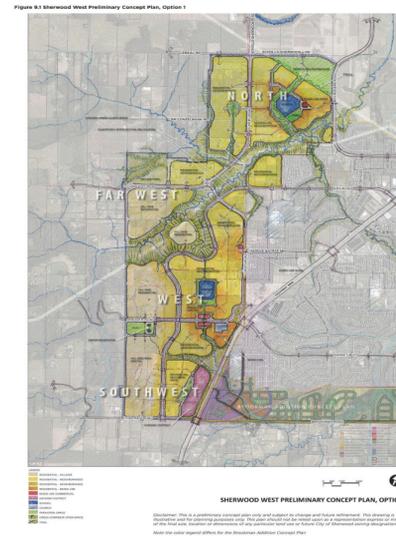
During the worst icy weather our Public Works Crews go into action to spread de-icer and/or sand on the major roads to make them safe for our residents. Review the Street Sanding Map at www.sherwoodoregon.gov/publicworks to see which major roads will be treated and chart your course accordingly if you have to go out.



PLANNING NEWS

Sherwood West Preliminary Plan Update

The Sherwood West Preliminary Concept Plan is a high level concept plan for 1,291 acres generally located north of Highway 99W and Chicken Creek, west of SW Elwert Road, east of SW Roy Rogers Road, and south of SW Scholls-Sherwood Road. The plan is intended to be a tool for citizens, property owners, the City Council, and Metro when considering future decisions on the best locations and timing for urban growth boundary (UGB) expansions within this specific urban reserve. The plan will not place any interim or future zoning designations on any of the properties. The conditions within the area will remain the same until each phase is brought into the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB). The plan includes a phasing plan, a comprehensive look at the costs associated with extending existing utilities into the area, and an action plan for moving forward (i.e. Comprehensive Plan Update, coordination with partner agencies on timing and improvements within the area). More importantly, the Plan represents a significant step in beginning a community discussion about growth, urban development, and governance with Sherwood residents and the landowners in the study area. Zoning and Comprehensive Plan designations will be placed upon the properties once refinement plans are completed after smaller areas are brought into the UGB. The plan is the result of a yearlong process, with extensive public outreach and discussion with area property owners. The Citizens Advisory Committee, a Council appointed committee of 18 members who live or own property with the City as well as the study area and community representatives from local boards and commissions, have recommended that the Planning Commission and City Council accept the plan. Public hearings on the plan are scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2016 before the Planning Commission, and Tuesday, February 2, 2016 before the Sherwood City Council. To learn more about the plan and the process, you can visit the project page at www.sherwoodoregon.gov/sherwoodwest



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Community Involvement

City government works best when community members and government work together as partners. Effective citizen involvement is essential to

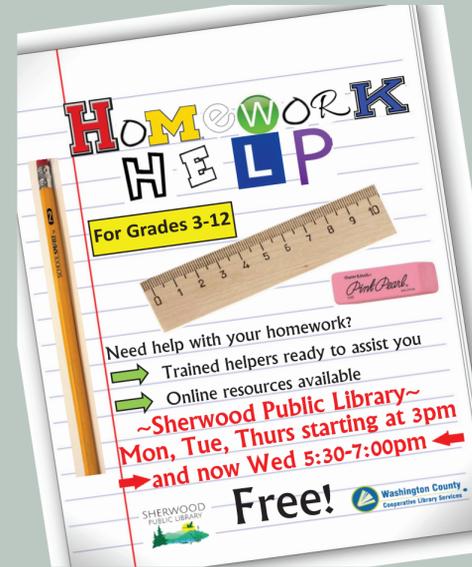
COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2015/JANUARY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26
27	28	29	31	31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day	2
3	4 Parks Board Meeting 7:00 pm City Hall	5 City Council 7:00 pm City Hall	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Planning Commission 7:00 pm City Hall	13	14	15	16
17	18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day City Hall and Library Closed	19 City Council 7:00 pm City Hall	20	21 Police Advisory Board 7:00 pm SPD Community Room	22	23

Parks & Recreation Board Vacancy

The City of Sherwood is currently accepting applications to fill one vacancy on the Parks & Recreation Board. Applicants must be Sherwood residents and have an interest in guiding the City in the management and development of parks, recreational areas and facilities, trails, and open space. The Parks & Recreation Board meets at 7:00 pm on the first Monday of each month. Specific questions regarding the Parks and Recreation Board may be directed to the Community Services Director, Kristen Switzer, at 503.625.4210. Applications will be accepted through Friday, January 15, 2016 at 5:00 pm. Applications for City Boards and commissions can be obtained on the City's website at www.sherwoodoregon.gov, or by contacting the City Recorder's office at 503.625.4246.



Art-Ful New Year Gallery Opening!

Come celebrate the art of Sherwood at the first gallery exhibit in the 2016 Sherwood Center for the Arts Gallery Season. Art-Full New Year will showcase diverse artwork from 20 local artists, including photography, painting and hanging sculpture. The gallery opening reception will occur on Friday, January 15, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, and is free and open to the public.

The Center for the Arts hosts rotating exhibits throughout the year, with guest curators showcasing local and national artistic talent in a variety of mediums. Gallery opening receptions provide an opportunity to meet the artists and feature complimentary hors d'oeuvres and live music in the lobby. For more information about the 2016 Gallery Season, visit the Center for the Arts in person at 22689 SW Pine Street, Sherwood, Oregon, call 503.625.4ART, or go to the website at www.SherwoodCenterfortheArts.org.



Laughing Series Study by Craig Armstrong



Lucky by Teffany Ingram

Industrial Uses in Sherwood

The City is looking at modifying the use categories allowed in industrial zones. Please come share with us the types of industrial uses (jobs) you think would be great to have in Sherwood and the types of uses you would be concerned about. The Planning Commission is holding a public work session on January 12, 2015 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at Sherwood City Hall. This is your opportunity to have an informal dialog with the Commission as they help to develop proposed changes. Once draft language is developed, public hearings will be scheduled with the Planning Commission and City Council prior to Council making a final decision on any changes.

Pirates Invade Sherwood!

Don't miss the wild and zany Pirate Rock Band, BilgeRats & Pyrettes! Come and rock out with the pirates, their stylish back-up singers, their parrot and kooky comedy at the Center for the Arts on Saturday, January 23, 2016! Experience traditional songs of the sea, modern shanties derived from contemporary popular music, six-part a cappella harmonies, up-beat Latin rhythms and Caribbean songs of freedom. The fun begins at 2:00 pm, doors to open at 1:30 pm. Tickets are \$5/all ages, and can be purchased online, over the phone at 503.625.4ART or at the door.

To learn more about the Family Matinee Series performance schedule, visit www.sherwood-centerforthearts.org or stop by the Center for the Arts. The Family Matinee Series launched in November 2015, offering the opportunity for friends and families to experience a diverse and highly entertaining season of performances from world renowned performers of a wide variety of styles and backgrounds. Bring your family and neighbors, and be entertained and enriched by this fabulous season of performances.

More Upcoming Family Matinee Performances:
 * **The Obo Addy Legacy Project**
 Saturday, February 20 | 2 pm | \$5
 ***The Jungle Book by Tears of Joy Puppet Theatre**
 Saturday, April 9 | 2 pm | \$5
 ***Wacky Circus Fun! Featuring Kazüm & Friends**
 Saturday, May 14 | 2 pm | \$5



Online Registration for Classes Now Open

Have you or your kids ever wanted to learn how to sketch, paint, create with clay, dance like a princess or master your photography skills? Registration for a great line-up of arts classes and spring camps is now open at the Sherwood Center for the Arts. We recently mailed the current catalogue to all residents to make it easy for you to see the full range of classes and activities at the Center.

In addition, you can look at the full catalogue of classes on our website at www.sherwoodcenterforthearts.org or for more information, visit the Center for the Arts in person at 22689 SW Pine Street, Sherwood, Oregon or call 503.625.4ART.

Instead of another toy, give the gift of an arts experience this holiday season. The Center offers classes from toddler arts and crafts to writing and adult drawing – there's a little bit of something for everyone. Tap into your creative side and register today! The facility has organized diverse education programs and activities for the Sherwood community, led by some of the best teaching artists in the area.

We have also enhanced our Online registration system. For easy and convenient registration, visit www.SherwoodCenterfortheArts.org, click the "Register for Classes" tab and register your kids today!

