

This January, embrace your resolutions at the library

It's the time of year to focus on all we are capable of, stretching to meet our potential and making life more rewarding through building skills, relationships, and new habits. Use the library databases, books, videos and programs to make it happen.

Focusing on health and wellness this year? Use the Health & Wellness Resource Center, a database of articles, directories and assessment tools @ [wccls.org](http://wccls.org) (click "Online Resources", then "Health & Self Help").

Studying harder in 2015? Use our practice exams at Learning Express Library, research colleges at Oregon Career Information System and explore homework tools @ [wccls.org](http://wccls.org) (click "Online Resources", "Homework").

Adult & Teen programs:

**Financial Literacy Seminar** - January 13 at 6:30 pm. Join Korrin Fyall from the Oregon Society of CPAs for this workshop on budgeting tips and tools, credit score dos and don'ts, debt reduction and savings. Bring your questions.

**Remembering the Holocaust - a survivor's story**— January 24, from 2:00-3:30 pm. Alter Wiener, author of *64735 - From a Name to a Number* and Hillsboro resident, is one of the few Holocaust survivors in Oregon. Hardcover copies of his memoir will be available for purchase.

**DIY Craftshop: Steampunk Trinket Boxes** - January 28, from 4:00-5:00 pm. Materials provided. Registration required. For ages 11-adult.

**A Will is Not Enough** - January 28, 6:30 pm. Join Richard B. Schneider to learn about the legal documents everyone needs. Discover the differences between wills and living trusts and ascertain which one is right for you and your family.

**E-books are Easy** - January 31, from 3:00-4:00 pm. Introduction to 3M and Library2Go, services that offer free e-books and more with your library card. Registration required. Bring your device.

Kids & Family programs:

**Stone Soup** - January 7 at 6:30 pm. Join us for this interactive retelling of the folktale "Stone Soup" as we celebrate National Soup Month and personalize pet rocks. All ages.

**Read to Sasha** - January 9, 2:00-4:00 pm. in the Children's Area. Brush up on your reading skills while reading with a trained therapy dog for 20 minutes. Designed for independent readers. Registration required.

**Saturday Crafterday: Winter Crafts** - January 10, 10:30-11:30 am. Drop-in for gingerbread-themed coloring & crafting. All ages.

**iPad Apps & Little Kids** - January 11, 2:00-3:30 pm. Overview of what researchers are finding about touch-screens and pre-K kids, along with some guidelines for identifying the best apps out there.

Open to families. Children ages 2-6 may attend. Registration required.

**Paperback Pals Book Group** - January 14 from 3:30-4:30 pm, in the Children's Department. Students in grades 3-5 are invited to discuss current Oregon Battle of the Books nomination *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* by Kate DiCamillo over snacks. Registration required. The first six students to sign up receive a copy of the book.

**Fairy Craftshop** - January 17 from 10:30-12:00 pm. Join us to make custom fairy houses. Registration required. For ages 6-10.

**Lego Lab** - January 31 from 1-2:30 p.m. This drop-in program features custom LEGO sets and free building blocks. Use our blocks, or bring your own. For ages 7+.

Storytimes Join us for interactive storytimes for the whole family.

- Babies: Tuesdays 9:30 am.
- Toddlers: Tuesdays 10:15 am and Wednesdays 11:30 am.
- Preschool: Tuesdays 11:00 am and Wednesdays 1:00 pm.
- Family Storytime: Snowy Stories - Jan. 24, 10:30 am. All ages welcome for stories, songs, and a craft.

Note: All library programs are free to attend and open to the public. Unless otherwise stated, programs are held in our Community Room. Sherwood Public Library is a Washington County Cooperative Library Services member library.

FEATURED PARTNER: TUALATIN RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Just a few short miles from Old Town Sherwood, the honking of geese replaces the honking of cars at Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge. Thanks to the combined efforts of Sherwood residents and the US Fish & Wildlife Service, this land was set aside as a refuge in 1992. Since then, our staff, partners, and volunteers have been working hard to turn the land back to a more natural state within the floodplain of the Tualatin River basin. We manage the Refuge to mimic the natural seasonal cycle, so whatever the season, you'll see many kinds of wildlife there.



Photo by USFWS

One of the Refuge's major partners in conservation is the Friends of Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge. This growing non-profit organization partners with the Refuge solely to support the mission of conserving, managing, and restoring native wildlife and their habitats. A good example of this partnership is the upcoming restoration of 10 acres of native forest. The project will entail planting 13,000 trees with volunteer support on most Wednesdays and Saturdays from January-March 2015. We're looking for Volunteers to plant and Volunteer Crew Leaders to help lead groups of volunteers on planting days. If you're interested in learning more or becoming a Volunteer Crew Leader, please email us at: [restoration@friendsoftualatinrefuge.org](mailto:restoration@friendsoftualatinrefuge.org).

If you are curious about the refuge, the Friends group, or planting opportunities please visit our websites at [www.fws.gov/tualatinriver](http://www.fws.gov/tualatinriver) and [www.friendsoftualatinrefuge.org](http://www.friendsoftualatinrefuge.org).

The City of Sherwood log (see right) features the Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge as an essential component of our community identity.



Photo by Barbara Scales



MAYOR UPDATES

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What a great future the City of Sherwood has with our exciting new leadership coming on board! Our community was so involved in this past election, it was great to see. What's even better is that the voters have spoken and shown us that they want new councilors and continued progress in our new direction.

Congratulations to new councilors Sally Robinson, Jennifer Harris, Jennifer Kuiper, and of course our fantastic new incoming mayor, Krisanna Clark. Every one of these ladies has shown that they want to work together for the good of Sherwood citizens. Their varied backgrounds, knowledge, and experience will bring exciting ideas that will move our city forward in a positive way.

This election has brought us some wonderful changes and an even a brighter future for Sherwood thanks to those who got involved and our voters. Join us to celebrate our new city council on January 6, 2015, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers.

Finally, I want to thank you for your invaluable support during my term as mayor. You helped make some great changes in Sherwood, and set us up for many more in the years to come.

COUNCIL CORNER

Mayor Elect Krisanna Clark

The holiday season tends to send me to reflecting on the year past, and begin planning for the year ahead. This year has been one of great change and excitement for me, and for the City of Sherwood. At our first Council meeting in January (Tuesday, January 6th), I will be sworn in as your new mayor. With me, three wonderful new Councilors will also be sworn in: Jennifer Kuiper, Sally Robinson and Jennifer Harris. I urge all who are able to come and join the celebration. There will be a reception following the meeting in the foyer of City Hall. In early 2015, I will be delivering a State of the City address. I look forward to sharing my vision for Sherwood moving forward and working hard together to serve the needs of the citizens of Sherwood.

One of my goals, and immediate needs in the City, are new citizens to serve on our boards and commissions. Positions on these boards regularly become available, so if you are interested in getting involved, please apply. Applications can be held until an opening occurs, so no need to wait. Come be part of the excitement of making this one of the best cities to live in the state of Oregon! Additionally, in March there will be an election for the seat made vacant by Robyn Folsom's resignation. If you are interested in running for this seat, please contact Sylvia Murphy, City Recorder. The deadline for filing is January 5th at 5:00 pm. The election will be held in March. The council seat made vacant by my election to Mayor will be addressed in an election in May. Stay tuned for the filing deadline for that seat.

We are excited to announce the projected completion of our Cultural Arts Community Center in late January. We are blessed to add this amenity to our public facilities and look forward to enjoying many activities and events that enrich our community within its walls.

I wish each and every one of you a blessed holiday season and look forward to the new year with anticipation and hope.

Mayor Update articles are written by the Mayor and reflect his opinion, and may not reflect the opinions of any Councilors.

Council Corner articles are written by individual councilors and reflect their opinion, and may not reflect the opinions of the Mayor or any other councilor.

DON'T IGNORE YOUR HEART DURING THE HOLIDAYS

This time of year you think about the holidays, family and what the new year may bring but heart health may not be near the top of your list. 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.

This time of year especially can be a dangerous time to ignore these signs and delay treatment, according to an American Heart Association study "The number of cardiac deaths is higher on December 25 than on any other day of the year with the second highest on December 26, and third highest on Jan. 1."

A number of factors can contribute to a higher rate of cardiac deaths this time of the year but one thing is for sure, delaying treatment and ignoring the signs and symptoms can be deadly.



Shopping, driving, cooking, cleaning and list of projects may be on your to-do list but if you or a family member experience:

- 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, such as pain or 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.

Call 911 immediately! Our highly trained paramedics can diagnose if a heart is failing and start treatment right away. Visit [www.tvfr.com](http://www.tvfr.com) to learn more.

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

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There has recently been some national and regional discussion about police equipment. Most of the conversations or news stories could be considered fallout from the Ferguson, Missouri protests, but even here in Sherwood a statement was made recently that Sherwood Police Officers don't need AR-15 rifles. So I thought I would take a moment and talk about some of the equipment we carry, and soon plan to carry, and why.

About the rifles; AR-15 rifles have been commonplace in area police cars for a decade or more. Sherwood police have carried AR-15 rifles in every patrol car for about 5 years and there are no plans to change. In a country that now averages an active shooter every 30 days, and saw 30 police officers killed by gunfire in 2013, with 40 gunned down so far in 2014, I am going to make sure that Sherwood police officers have the tools they need. AR-15 rifles are easy to train with, have remarkable accuracy, allow greater distance between officers and a gun pointed in their direction, and they provide officers a tactical advantage when protecting the community against violent threats.

We are safe in Sherwood, but to assume we are immune from a random act of violence is downright foolish.

As your Police Chief, it is my responsibility to make sure we are equipped, prepared and ready to respond. I will do everything in my power to create and maintain a police force that protects, respects, communicates, collaborates and earns the trust of the community we so proudly serve. But I will also make sure that every one of Sherwood's police officers goes home to their family at the end of every shift or assignment.

We are also going to begin equipping every police officer with a body-worn camera. Over the last several years body-worn cameras have become an accepted piece of law enforcement technology. We've had 2 police officers wearing body cameras for about 18-20 months on a trial basis and the results have been positive. These cameras have several advantages, including documenting evidence at crime scenes, documenting any use of force and proving or disproving complaints against police officers.


At the end of the day, the true measure of success for any police department is not based on the number of arrests they make, or the number of citations they issue, but rather on those things that make them worthy of public confidence. Things like trust and cooperation, which are the cornerstones of police legitimacy, are what define a police department as successful.

As always, if you have any questions about this or other topics, I welcome your input and comments. You can email me at [grothj@sherwoodoregon.gov](mailto:grothj@sherwoodoregon.gov).

In your service-Chief Groth



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## PUBLIC WORKS

### New Play Structure for Stella Olsen Memorial Park

Another Sherwood park is getting an exciting upgrade this spring. The Stella Olsen Memorial Park will be saying "good-bye" to the long-standing playground structure in exchange for something brand new and selected by the Parks and Recreation Board and hundreds of citizen voters.

The new structure will feature 6 slides, multiple and varied climbing options and canopies to block out bright sun and Pacific Northwest rains. Demolition of the retired structure is scheduled for January and the new structure should begin to be built soon after. The area will then be covered with engineered wood fiber surfacing for safety from falls. The schedule would have the playground ready for small hands and feet by March (weather pending, of course).

Several options were presented to the Parks and Recreation Board of new playground structure with various themes and activities. The Parks and Recreation Board narrowed the options down to 3 in order to open the issue to the residents for their opinions. Several voters made their selections while enjoying Music on the Green but the rest of the votes were cast through the City's website survey. In all, 570 votes were cast with a narrow margin leaning toward the design in the picture. After suggesting minor modifications to the selected option, the Parks and Recreation Board then recommended the structure to the City Council for their approval.

The current structure was installed in 1998. The expected life span for a playground structure is 12-15 years so this playground has served Sherwood well. While the City would prefer to get a few more years out of the structure, the safety concerns of the deteriorating decking over the past few years has encouraged the City to make the change at this time.

Our new structure follows the emerging trends in playground designs. Today's playgrounds are providing more cognitive choices that encourage problem-solving skills, imaginative play and development of body awareness. Multiple climbing options challenge the child to discover better ways to navigate the obstacles and incorporate the strength and connection of whole body when finding balance and stability. Open platforms and side-by-side slides open the door to more creative and imaginative play.



## PLANNING NEWS

### Sherwood West Preliminary Concept Plan

The Planning Department is excited to announce the launch of a long-range community planning process. Like all cities in Oregon, we must plan for current and future generations. We know that communities that plan for growth have the best chance of managing their destiny in a way that retains the qualities that brought us here in the first place: our small town character, our forests and farms, excellent schools, our thriving businesses, our parks and public spaces.

The City received a grant from Metro to prepare a preliminary concept plan for approximately 1,300 acres west and north of the existing City limits. This area, which we are calling "Sherwood West", is part of the Metro Urban Reserves. Urban Reserves are areas around the existing Urban Growth Boundary that are expected to accommodate the next 50 years of population and job growth.

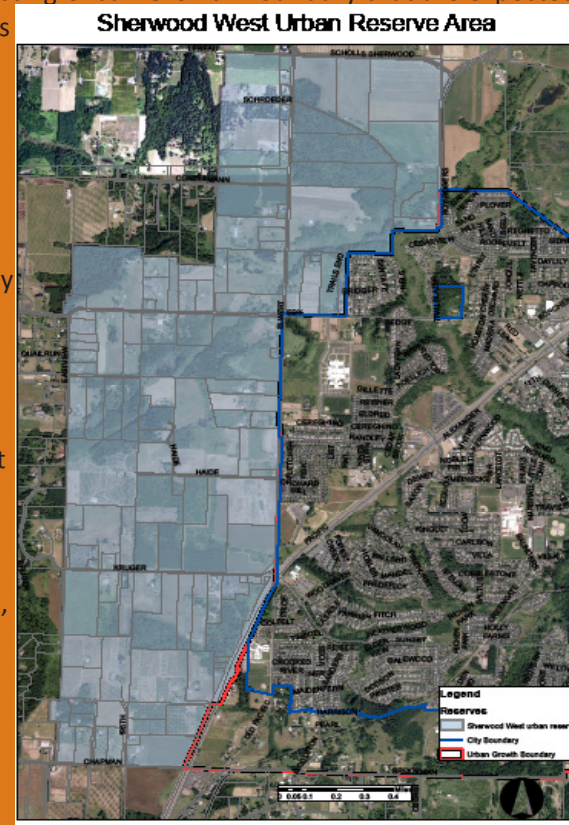
Over the next 14 months, our goal is to develop a preliminary concept plan for Sherwood West that will allow us, as a community, to determine how we grow while continuing to provide quality places to live, work and play over the next five decades. This community planning process will help us all think about the best places to build housing, where to protect farmland and natural areas, and where to build or expand roads and utilities – all with the goal of keeping Sherwood a safe, thriving, and healthy community.

Your help is needed. With input from the community, we will be able to map and manage growth in ways that protect what we love about living here. We will be scheduling a series of public meetings early next year. We are also looking for people to serve on a Community Advisory Committee to help guide the process. If you are interested in joining the committee, please use the information below to contact us. Applications must be submitted to the City no later than December 31, 2014.

If you are interested in learning more about the project or to be added to the project mailing list, please contact Brad Kilby, AICP, [kilbyb@sherwoodoregon.gov](mailto:kilbyb@sherwoodoregon.gov), 503.625.4206 or Connie Randall, [randallc@sherwoodoregon.gov](mailto:randallc@sherwoodoregon.gov), 503.625.4208. We also invite you to subscribe to the Sherwood West Preliminary Concept Plan E-News service at [www.sherwoodoregon.gov/sherwoodwest](http://www.sherwoodoregon.gov/sherwoodwest).

### 2015 City of Sherwood Business License Renewals

Based on a calendar year cycle, all current City of Sherwood Business Licenses are due to expire on December 31, 2014. The City has recently sent two electronic renewal reminders to each of our business license holders using the email provided in each business's 2014 application. If you are operating a business in Sherwood, we encourage you to renew your business license before December 31, 2014 to avoid any late fees that will begin accruing on January 1, 2015. To renew your license, log-in at <https://license.sherwoodoregon.gov/> or contact Patti Ross, Business License Administrator, at 503.625.4205 for assistance.



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## BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS VACANCIES

### Parks & Recreation Board

The City of Sherwood is currently accepting applications to fill two vacancies 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, 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 2, 2015 at 5:00 pm.

### Cultural Arts Commission

The City of Sherwood is currently accepting applications to fill two vacancies on the Sherwood Cultural Arts Commission. Applicants must be Sherwood residents and have an interest in developing Cultural Arts programs and activities in the community. The Sherwood Cultural Arts Commission meets at 6:30 pm, the third Monday of each month. Specific questions regarding the Cultural Arts

Commission may be directed to the Community Services Director, Kristen Switzer, at 503.625.4210. Applications will be accepted through Friday, January 2, 2015 at 5:00 pm.

Applications for City boards and commissions can be obtained on the City's website at [www.sherwoodoregon.gov](http://www.sherwoodoregon.gov), or by contacting the City Recorder's office at 503.625.4246.

## CITY NEWS

### Special City Council Election – March 2015

The City of Sherwood will be participating in the March 10, 2015 Special Election to consider candidates filing for the position of City Councilor to fill a partial term expiring in January 2017. The partial term is due to a recent resignation. The City Council accepted the resignation of Councilor Robyn Folsom in October 2014 and declared the seat vacant. The City Council then proceeded with an interview and appointment process and on November 11, 2014 filled the vacant position, currently held by Dan King. Per the City Charter and Municipal Code, the Councilor King's term of office runs from appointment until the vacancy is filled by an election. If you are interested in filing for the position, the filing deadline for the March 2015 ballot is Monday, January 5, 2015 by 5:00 pm.

To be eligible to run for election in Sherwood, a candidate is required to be a registered voter, at least 18 years of age, and a Sherwood resident for at least 12

months. Interested persons must file for candidacy by submitting a City Declaration of Candidacy form, a State of Oregon Candidate Filing Form SEL 101, and by paying a \$10 filing fee or in lieu of the filing fee, submitting a petition for candidacy signed by 20 registered Sherwood voters. The required petition forms are available at the State of Oregon Elections Division. Petitions must be certified by the City Recorder/City Elections Official prior to circulation.

If you have any questions about this special election, please contact the City Recorder/City Elections Official at 503.625.4246.

### Sherwood Receives Budget Award from GFOA

For the 8th Straight Year, the City of Sherwood has received notification from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada that the City has been awarded the GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the current year's budget. The award represents a significant achievement for the city since it reflects the commitment of the governing

body and staff to meet the highest principles of governmental budgeting.

In order to receive the award, the City had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. For budgets including fiscal period 2013, over 1,424 entities are expected to receive the award. Award recipients have pioneered efforts to improve the quality of budgeting and provide an excellent example for other governments throughout North America. The Government Finance Officers Association is a nonprofit professional association serving over 18,000 government finance professionals throughout North America. The GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

For more information about this recognition, please feel free to contact at Julie Blums, Finance Director at [blumsj@sherwoodoregon.gov](mailto:blumsj@sherwoodoregon.gov) or by phone at 503.625.4212.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2014/JANUARY 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 21	22	23	24	25 City Hall and Library Closed Christmas	26	27
28	29	30	31	January 1 City Hall and Library Closed New Years Day	2	3
4	5 Parks Board Meeting 7:00 pm City Hall	6 City Council 7:00 pm City Hall	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Planning Commission 7:00 pm City Hall	14	15	16	17
18	19 City Hall and Library Closed Martin Luther King Jr. Day	20 City Council 7:00 pm City Hall	21	22	23	24

Dates, time, and location of events subject to change. Please check online at [www.sherwoodoregon.gov](http://www.sherwoodoregon.gov) for most recent events and details.

## Cultural Arts Community Center Nears Completion

Construction of the new Sherwood Cultural Arts Community Center is continuing, and the building is taking shape in its location on the corner of Railroad and Pine Streets. Crews are hard at work in the final months of construction and the new Cultural Arts Community Center Manager, Maggie Chapin, is also working hard on what will go inside the center once it is finished.

Maggie comes to Sherwood with a background in arts administration, government community arts programming, and theatre. She was a founding company member of Bag&Baggage Productions in Hillsboro, where she worked as the Education Program Coordinator as well as actor, director, voice coach, spokesperson and many other roles within the company. Maggie then moved on to the Walters Cultural Arts Center with the City of Hillsboro where she programmed arts classes, community events, house concerts, and eventually became lead staff for the Hillsboro Arts & Culture Council. Her new position with the City of Sherwood is a great fit for her and she is thrilled to be the new Manager for Sherwood's brand new showplace for the arts.

The Sherwood Cultural Arts Community Center will serve as the centerpiece of the Sherwood Arts &

Culture community – a hub for cultural activity, and a resource for local artists, arts organizations and arts patrons to expand the Sherwood cultural experience. The Center will also serve as a community center for the residents of Sherwood

With the development of the Sherwood Cultural Arts Community Center the City of Sherwood will gain expanded opportunities for youth and adult arts education; a premiere performance venue for local arts organizations; community access to diverse cultural programs by local, regional and national artists; opportunities for local individual artists who seek to exhibit, teach and demonstrate their craft; meeting and event space for local businesses, organizations and individuals.

We are excited to welcome Sherwood friends and neighbors into the Cultural Arts Community Center upon its completion. Stay tuned for upcoming dates of the Grand Opening, new programs, and exciting events.

### Want to Teach a Class?

The Cultural Arts Community Center is currently looking for teaching artists and instructors who may be interested in offering classes starting in the spring of 2015.

The opportunities are endless: arts, crafts, theatre, music, language, professional development, etc.

Please visit [www.sherwoodoregon.gov/communityservice/page/call-instructors](http://www.sherwoodoregon.gov/communityservice/page/call-instructors) for more information. Or contact Maggie Chapin at [chapinm@sherwoodoregon.gov](mailto:chapinm@sherwoodoregon.gov) or 503.625.4261.

