SHERWOOD CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Happy 10th Birthday to the Sherwood Center for the Arts! Join us as we celebrate a decade of inspiration, culture, and community.



10th Annual FAMILY MATINEE SERIES

This family favorite tradition brings unique cultural experiences to the Sherwood community. Explore a diverse and highly entertaining season of performances from all around the world.

Upcoming performance: Portland Taiko Drumming | 3:00 p.m. | Doors Open at 2:30 p.m. | \$7 all ages | General Seating



Portland Taiko blends the tradition of Japanese taiko drumming with a sense of Asian American dentity, creativity, and mpowerment.

Through innovation and excellence in taiko. Portand Taiko affirms Asian American pride, inspires udiences, builds community, and educates

about our heritage and culture.

Since its founding in 1994, the group has headlined at arts festivals and concert halls, and has performed at hundreds of community events and school assemblies. Portland Taiko performs throughout the Pacific Northwest, offers classes and workshops at the Oregon Buddhist Temple, and conducts team-building workshops for businesses and community groups. Sherwood is pleased to host Portland Taiko once again for this special performance.

Tickets may be purchased online, over the phone or in-person.

Upcoming performance: OBT2 | 3:00 p.m. | Doors Open at 2:30 p.m. | \$7 All Ages



Join Oregon Ballet Theatre's second company, DBT2, on a stop during heir 2025 Spring Tour! OBT2 serves as a cultural imbassador of the perorming arts throughout he Pacific Northwest.

DBT2 has performed in a wide variety of performng arts centers, college campuses, and outdoor

festivals. This year's tour features work by George Balanchine, Ben Stevenson, OBT Artistic Director Dani Rowe, and OBT2 Director Dominic Walsh. Sherwood Center for the Arts is thrilled to welcome them back on their spring tour.

Meet the ballet dancers and have your photo with them after the performance!

Tickets may be purchased online, over the phone or in-person.

ArtSmart Summer Camp Registration is OPEN.

Sign your student up for a creative, arts-infused summer—guitar, ukulele, theatre, STEM, painting, mixed media, fairy houses, botanical art and more!



MARJORIE STEWART SENIOR CENTER

Upcoming Activites at the Marjorie Stewert Senior Community Center Coffee & Chat: Spanish! First Friday of the month at 10:30 a.m. - \$1 per session

¡Únete a nosotros! Join us the first Friday of every month for a Spanish conversation with some fun, snacks, and coffee along the way! This group is for fluent speakers as well as those who are looking to practice their Spanish skills.

¡Únase a nosotros el primer viernes de cada mes para una conversación en español con diversión, refrigerios y café durante el camino! Este grupo es tanto para hablantes fluidos como para aquellos que buscan practicar sus habilidades en español.

Potty Talk with a Professional - Info on the Pelvic Floor - March 7 at 1:30 p.m.

Did you know that the pelvic floor muscles that are in charge your urine and bowel control also impact low back, hip, neck, and jaw pain? Or that there can be significant changes in the pelvic floor through aging and menopause/andropause? The pelvic floor provides support for our abdominal organs, pelvis, and back; they contain a compact and complex passageway for many of our vital bodily functions. Join us to learn different methods to strengthen and control these muscles better to improve your life!

Potty Talk with a Professional will be hosted by Evolve Physical Therapy. Our Director of Pelvic Health, Lorena Kelly-Turner, PT, DPT, will dive into pelvic floor anatomy, the impact it can have on our daily life, and how we can be empowered to manage change.

Write Your Life Story - How to Write Your Own Obituary - March 13 & 14 at 1:30 p.m. - Jamie Passaro, Dear Person Obituaries

Writing your own obituary is an opportunity to reflect on your life, your accomplishments (and foibles!), your passions, your quirks. What do you think people love about you? What do you want this world to remember about you? It's a tough assignment for sure, but why not start a working document that you can edit through the years? Your family will thank you for it. Join us for a two-day writing class that focuses on your personal legacy. Jamie Passaro will help you prepare a thoughtful and well-written obit over two days. Participants will walk away with a working document and will also receive Jamie's 25-page booklet on obit writing and a free spot on Elegy, a brand-new website that features memorial tributes with words and photos.

Let's Talk Aging - First Wednesday of each Month - 1:30 p.m. - Free

Let's Talk offers a setting for open, honest, and facilitated discussion on topics unique to people over the age of 60. These interactive conversations provide a forum for discussion as well as an opportunity to explore new possibilities, resources, and connection. In partnership with Cascadia Health.

Adult Children - How's it Going? - March 5 at 10:30 a.m.

How do you get along with your adult children? Meet to discuss how your relationship has or has not weathered the test of time.

Creating Home as You Age - April 2 at 10:30 a.m.

Living in a place that's safe and comfortable and surrounded by cozy memories is a natural human desire. Let's talk about the things that are most important to you regarding your living situation and how we might adapt as we age.

Mind Over Matter - March 21, April 4, and April 18

If you have issues with bladder or bowel control, you are not alone. More than half of women aged 50 or older experience urine or bowel leakage sometimes! The Mind Over Matter; Healthy Bowels, Healthy Bladder workshop is designed to give women the tools they need to take control. Scientific studies show that attending this workshop reduces or even cures symptoms for many! Even if you don't have leakage symptoms now, it's never too early or too late to think about your bladder and bowel health! This is a 3-session workshop for senior women that include information, group activities, and simple exercises to do at home.

If you have questions about any of these activities, please call 503.625.5644 or visit sherwoodoregon.gov/marjoriestewartcenter.

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7:00 p.m.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

7:00 p.m

PLANNING NEWS

Obtaining Residential Building Permits for Additions and Remodels in

venient with online submission options through Oregon ePermitting.

Here's everything you need to know about obtaining a residential building permit in

Step 1: Start with Digital Plans

All applications for building permits in Sherwood are processed online via Oregon ePermitting (buildingpermits.oregon.gov). Homeowners or contractors need to submit digital plans of the proposed work. If you don't have digital plans, Sherwood's permit specialists can assist with scanning up to 11 x 17 size plans. These specialists are avail-

Step 2: Submit Your Application

Homeowners can submit the application themselves, or they can have their contractor handle it. The online system makes it simple to fill out the necessary forms and upload your plans, speeding up the process. The timeline for receiving initial feedback on your submission depends on the complexity of the project. Generally, you can expect to receive comments within 2-4 weeks.

Step 3: Key Considerations for Home Additions

there are important safety considerations. For instance, adding a bedroom typically requires an egress window—an essential safety feature that allows easy escape in case of an emergency. Be sure to account for this in your plans. Additions require approvals from the Building Department, Planning Department, and the Engineering Department to ensure they meet local and State code criteria.

Step 4: Permit Fees Based on Project Value

The cost of the permit is based on the value of the work being done and is usually reflected on the amount of square footage being added. This value includes the total amount your contractor is charging you, which may encompass labor, materials, and overhead. Be prepared to pay a plan review fee upon submitting your application. Once the plans are approved, you'll need to pay the permit fee before it can be issued. Step 5: Plan Approval and Distribution

Once your plans are approved, you will be able to download and print them. These approved plans are essential to moving forward with your project and must be shared with the contractors involved. You'll also need to keep the approved plans on hand for

Step 6: Inspections During the Project

An open permit means that inspections are required throughout the project to ensure it is being completed according to the approved plans. City inspectors will visit the site to verify that the work meets safety and building code requirements. Be aware that plumbing, mechanical, and structural work will require individual permits for each aspect, and inspections will be conducted accordingly.

We are here to help

Sherwood: A Step-by-Step Guide

For homeowners in Sherwood planning to add onto their homes or remodel, obtaining a building permit is an essential step in ensuring the project is safe, legal, and compliant with local regulations. Navigating the permit process has become more con-

able to help make the submission process smoother and more efficient.

When adding to your home, especially if the project includes adding a bedroom,

inspection purposes.

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State of The City

Though the permitting process can seem daunting, it's designed to ensure the safety, structural integrity, and overall quality of home improvement projects. With clear guidelines and support from permit specialists, homeowners can confidently move forward with their remodeling or addition projects. Be sure to account for required safety features, permit fees, and inspection timelines to ensure your project stays on track from start to finish.

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TAL CUST

erwood and the Willamette River April and May are important months for

fish spawning and migration. The State of Oregon established fish flow targets in the Willamette River, which vary throughout the year. In April and May, the fish flow target is to protect high flows to help juvenile fish with out-migration.

Since much of Sherwood's water supply comes from this source the City encourages its customers to conserve water and help fish.

Quick Facts

- Sherwood's water sources are groundwater and surface water, including the Willamette River
- The Willamette River has fish species

listed as threatened by state and federal agencies including: Winter Steelhead, Spring Chinook, Coho, Bull trout and Oregon chub.

 The Willamette River supports a variety of other native fish species, including Pacific lamprey, northern pike minnow, mountain whitefish, and redside shiners year-round, it is especially important What can you do to conserve water? The most gains in water conservation in April and May will likely be found indoors. A variety of options are available to help you conserve more water indoors. For example, take shorter showers, check for water leaks, and install low-flow showerheads and faucet aerators. Indoor water it diverts.

conservation items and information are available for free at the Utility Billing Department.

For more water conservation ideas and details, check out: sherwoodoregon.gov/ utilitybilling and conserveh2o.org.

While water conservation is important when fish flow targets are not being met. As a condition of Sherwood's permit to use the Willamette River, the City is required to provide its water customers with this information. If fish flow targets aren't met, Sherwood may need to reduce the amount of Willamette River

SPOTLIGHT ON CITY STAFF

Welcome back to Spotlight on City Staff! In this edition we want to not only put the spotlight on a member of Sherwood's hardworking City Staff, but also to highlight a program that we are proud of. In this edition we want to introduce you to our Property & Evidence Clerk, Sheena Burke and Building Official, Jared Bradbury.

Sheena Burke

Q: How long have you been working as the Property and Evidence Clerk?

A: Just over a year

Q: How long have you been with the City of Sherwood? A: I started with the City in September 2023

Q: What does an average day look like for you? A. No day is the same as yesterday, which keeps my job interesting! Even though every day is different, my main duties include going to crime scenes to help officers with collecting evidence and taking photos.

I catalog and store items the officers, or myself, have recovered from a crime scene or a found item that a civilian has turned in. I release property to civilians and suspects. Provide fingerprinting services to civilians for background checks, licensing, TSA precheck, etc. There are days I transport evidence to and from the crime lab or the Washington County District Attorney's office, and any digital evidence is sent electroni-

Q: What are some of your favorite things about working for the city?

A:. I moved to Sherwood when I was 5-years old. I have seen this town grow from a very small town, to what it is today! Although Sherwood has grown drastically it still has that small-town feel. The city staff is amazing, there's lots of community engagement and support, and the police department has a comfort dog - making the job even better!

Q: What are some typical challenges of this position?

A: When collecting and ensuring proper documentation and chain of custody for evidence to be admissible in court, there's always a potential for human error, possibility of being exposed to hazards (biohazards, chemical hazards or physical hazards), unpredictable work environment, the potential to deal with distraught or difficult individuals and keeping up with the ever-changing State laws!

Q: What advice would you give someone who is just beginning in a Property and Evidence Clerk role? A: Don't be afraid to ask questions! Get to know your coworkers and who you will be working with – an evidence tech's job is only as easy as

SPOTLIGHT ON CITY STAFF Continued

their coworkers help them make it. Connect with outside agencies and other evidence techs. Signup for training opportunities - you learn a lot from the group discus-

Q: What experience do you feel helped prepare you for your current role?

A. I spent almost 10 years working as a Legal Assistant for the Yamhill County District Attorney's Office. Working within the DA's Office provided me with general knowledge of law enforcement terminology and procedures. I was also able to build a working relationship with the Crime Lab - and those relation-

ships I carried with me to my new position. Additionally, navigating the Court system on a daily helped build my awareness of what evidence is needed for the DA's office to properly prosecute a criminal case.

Jared Bradbury

Q: How long have you been working as a Building Official?

A: Almost 2 years. I was the Building Official for Jefferson County for a year and a half

Q: How long have you been with the City of Sherwood?

A: Almost 4 months. Q: What does an average day look like for you?

A The average day starts with routing the days inspections to the appropriate inspector. Then checking emails and phone calls mixed in with some plan review. After that I hit the field and start doing inspections. Most day I am able to come back into the office after the inspections are completed to do more plan review and office work. No two days are the same, might be doing the same type of inspection but the projects can be totally different.

Q: What are some of your favorite things about working for the city?

A: I really enjoy the people in city hall. Everyone has been so nice and welcoming. Another great aspect of Sherwood is the diversity of the work that is going on. From single family dwellings to water treatment plants and everything in between.

Q: What are some typical challenges of this position?

A: A typical challenge is managing expectations. I find that by communicating those expectations can be easily managed and project completed in a timely fashion.

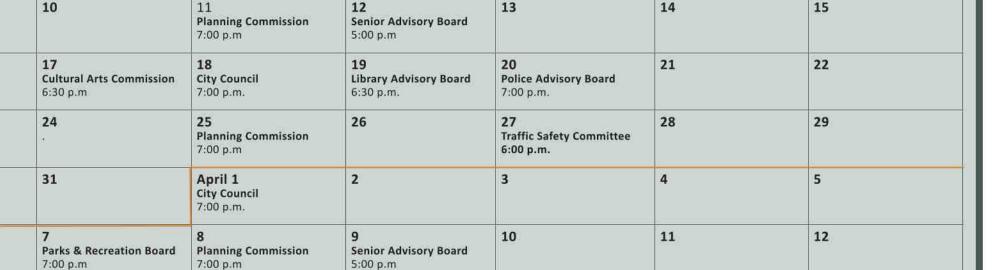
Q: What advice would you give someone who is just beginning in this career? A: Listen, don't be afraid to ask for help and always tell the truth.

Q: What experience do you feel helped prepare you for your current role?

A: I cant pin it down to just one experience. I would say that all of my experiences working and personally have helped me prepare for being Sherwood's new Building







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THE SHERWOOD ARCHER

MARCH/APRIL 2025

March 1 through 23, and you could win prizes, fame, and glory. You might even win a place in literary history. There's a literary legend that Ernest Hemingway, while having dinner with fellow writers of the famous Algonquin Round Table in New York City, bet he could write a story in just six words. They bet not. He grabbed a pen and a napkin and wrote: "For Sale: baby shoes, never worn." They paid up and Hemingway called it his best work. Now it's

SIX WORD

STORY CONTEST

March 1-22

your turn! A special team of judges, including published authors will review submitted stories. Winners will be announced during National Library

Week, April 6-12.

Details at sherwoodoregon.gov/library/SixWordStories.

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Comes to Sherwood

Now available in our region! Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is dedicated to inspiring a love of reading by gifting books each month to children from birth to age five. Thanks to funding shared by Dolly Parton and the United Way of Columbia-Willamette, children are mailed high-quality, age-appropriate books free of charge each month. Sign up today at bit.ly/spldolly

Tax Resources

Tax season is here! We have Federal tax forms 1040 and 1040-SR, instruction booklets, OR-40 forms, and tax tables. Printing is free for the first 25 pages. Ask library staff for assistance. More tax resources at sherwoodoregon.gov/library/taxes.

Reading Recommendations

Follow along with our monthly reading recommendations for all ages at sherwoodoregon.gov/library/reading.

Free Events and Activities for Children & Families:

Storytimes

Storytimes will be on break March 25-27.

Join us for fun and interactive reading, rhymes, music,

- Toddler Storytime: Tuesdays 10:15 a.m. Designed for ages 2-3 years.
- All Ages Storytime: Wednesdays 9:30 a.m. and 10:15
- Baby Storytime: Thursdays 9:30 a.m. Designed for ages
- Fun for Ones: Now on Thursdays 10:15 a.m. Designed for ages 12-23 months.

Louis Foxx, Magician

The One-Man Side Show is full of unique magic tricks for the whole family. March 25, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00

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Free Events and Activities for

Digital Navigator Tech Help

Need help with devices? Have technology-related questions? Want help with job searches? Bring your own device or use library computers. Mondays March 3, March 17, and March 31 from 10:00 a.m to 2:00 p.m. in the Pick up our fresh 2025 booklists for adults at the library. library. Reservations can be made for 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Drop-in hours are 12:15-2:00 p.m. (and if no one signs up for reserved time). This free program is provided by a visiting Digital Navigator and is in partnership with American Connection Corps & The Washington County Broadband Action Team.

More about Visisting the Library

The library will open at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, March 7, for a staff training. Bookdrops will be open and e-books and accounts are available at wccls.org.

Preview our space at Sherwood Public Library with virtual tours at sherwoodoregon.gov/library/tours.

All library events are free and open to the public. Library cards or ID are not required to attend. See more events and activities, and registration information, at sherwoodoregon. gov/library. Sign up for our monthly e-newsletter at sherwoodoregon.gov/library/newsletters. Contact us at askusSPL@ sherwoodoregon.gov or 503.625.6688

Sherwood Public Library is a Washington County Cooperative Library Services member library. Hours: Mon-Thu 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Fri-Sat 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Sun 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

MAYOR UPDATE

As we move into another long legislative session in Salem, I want to take a moment to update you on what's at stake for Sherwood and how we're working hard to ensure that decisions about our city's future remain in our hands—not dictated by legislators who don't live here.

For the past decade, the Oregon State Legislature has steadily eroded local control, imposing laws that affect our neighborhoods, growth, and financial stability-without giving us a meaningful seat at the table. From mandates that dictate higher housing densities to policies that give developers more control over how our community grows, we've seen an alarming trend of state interference. On top of that, we continue to face unfunded mandates-requirements imposed on cities without the necessary funding to implement them—putting a strain on our already tight budget.

One of the most significant issues we are facing this session is the continued push for top-down housing mandates. While we fully recognize the need for and are working on creating diverse housing options, the current approach from Salem is forcing communities like Sherwood to absorb growth without taking into account local infrastructure, traffic, or community character. Housing decisions should be made with input from the residents who live here—not through one-size-fits-all legislation handed down from the Capitol.

In this session, we're also addressing industrial land use bills like HB 3062 that would require expensive, repetitive regulatory efforts and studies, adding up to a year to an already lengthy land use process. Instead of streamlining local planning, the state imposes new bureaucratic obstacles that could delay economic growth and discourage job

At the same time, the Governor's housing bill is being pushed forward, allowing developers to maximize profits at the expense of the long-term vitality of our city. This bill would strip away local decision-making, forcing communities to accept high-density developments without adequate infrastructure, increasing traffic congestion, and putting further strain on city services. For example, it would allow developers to convert cottage clusters into row houses, defeating the purpose of creating single-level housing for those who want to age in place and starter homes for our community. These policies prioritize high housing densities and short-term gains for developers over the lasting well-being of our community.

Our Advocacy Efforts

Alongside my fellow mayors in the Metropolitan Mayors' Consortium, we have been working to push back against legislative overreach and ensure Sherwood's voice is heard in Salem. We are advocating for laws that support—not hinder—our ability to make decisions that are right for our residents.

For example, we strongly support SB 5528, which would provide technical assistance grants to local governments for housing and climate planning. Additionally, we support infrastructure funding for industrial site readiness, which ensures that local governments have the resources to prepare for economic development without placing undue financial burdens on taxpayers. If the state insists on placing these burdens on us, they should at least help fund the work needed to implement

A Vision for Sherwood's Future

Sherwood is a special place—one we have built together with thoughtful planning and community engagement. We don't need bureaucrats in Salem telling us how to grow. Growth is inevitable, and if we don't plan for it, others will. That's why we are working hard to stay ahead of these challenges, ensuring that Sherwood remains a well-planned, vibrant community while embracing smart, responsible growth.

I encourage each of you to stay informed and engaged. Your voices matter. Whether it's talking to your state legislators or simply spreading the word about what's happening in Salem, your involvement is crucial.

We are at a crossroads, and the decisions made in the coming months will have lasting impacts on our city. Together, we can ensure that our community remains a place where families thrive, businesses grow, and local values guide our future—not mandates from Salem. My message to Salem is that we need partnership and tools, not mandates and rules!

Thank you for your continued support and trust. Let's keep Sherwood strong.

EXPLORE A CAREER AS A FIREFIGHTER BY TVF&R

Young Women Have a Chance to Explore a Career as a Firefighter

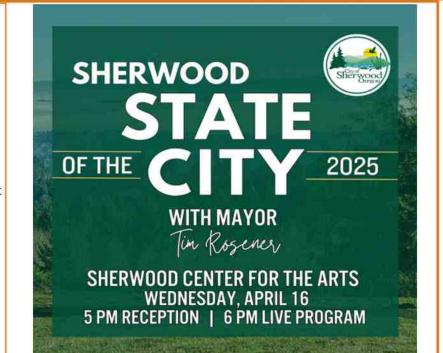
Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue invites young women ages 16 to 22 to apply to participate in this summer's Portland Metro Fire Camp. This camp is an all-encompassing introduction to a rewarding profession. The amp is designed to instill confidence while building leadership and team skills.

Participants will learn what it takes to be a firefighter while completing hands-on training in hose and ladder skills, vehicle extrication, search and rescue, ropes and knots, live-fire operations, aerial ladder climbs, forcible entry, emergency medical skills, and other firefighting tasks.

They will also receive instruction from professional female firefighters from multiple agencies on how to prepare for interviews and gain insight on what it's like to have a career in the fire service as well as the importance of good nutrition and physical fitness.

This free fire camp will take place June 20, 21, and 22 at Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue's Training Center at .2400 SW Tonquin Road in Sherwood. The application period opens March 3, and TVF&R will select as many as 50 participants. The deadline to

apply for camp is May 12 at midnight. Space is limited. Applications and more information are available online at portlandmetrofirecamp.com.



POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Sherwood Police Department, and many other police agencies in the Portland Metro Area have been receiving a significant amount of calls for service pertaining to various types of scams.

There are many variations of scams being used but they all have one thing in common; the people behind the scams are wanting to steal your money. A few examples of the scams we have received reports on lately are:

- Jury Duty Scam: Someone receives a phone call from a person pretending to work as a police officer, deputy sheriff, or some kind of federal law enforcement officer. The scammer claims that the person they are speaking with did not show up for jury duty and there is now a warrant issued for their arrest. The scammer will have personal information including phone numbers, addresses, and provide fake case numbers and warrant numbers. The scammers will request for money to be transferred to them by asking the person to purchase Visa gift cards, transferring money through CashApp, a cashier's check, or using a Coin Star machine.
- Kidnapping Scam: Someone receives a phone call from a person pretending to have kidnapped a loved one and they are requesting ransom money in return. They will have personal information including phone numbers, addresses, etc. The scammers will request for money to be transferred to them by asking the person to purchase Visa gift cards, transferring money through CashApp, a cashier's check, or using a Coin Star machine.
- Romance Scam: Two people will match on a dating site and eventually enter into a long-distance relationship. The victim not realizing that the person they are in a relationship with, had created a fake profile and is scamming them the entire time, which is called a "Romance Scam". At some point in the relationship, the scammer will begin to ask for money for a variety of reasons, including to be able to fly out to see the vic-

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tim. Recently we have received reports of victims who have lost between \$40,000 to \$150,000 to this specific type of scam.

 Sextortion Scam: A male matches with a female on a dating app and eventually exchange social media profiles. They begin messaging through one of their social media apps and eventually the conversation turns sexual in nature. The female profile (which is a fake account) will request nude photos from the male and promise to return the favor. After the male sends the photographs, the female account will then extort the male, known as Sextortion. The female profile will request money and threaten that if money is not given, they will send the nude photographs of the male to their friends and family, which they found through the male's friend's list.

The Sherwood Police Department, or any other department / sheriff's agency, will not call you to collect money because you did not show up for Jury Duty. If you receive one of these scam phone calls, just hang up. If you need to verify the identity

of an officer/deputy in Washington County, you can call non-emergency dispatch at 503.629.0111 to verify they are currently working and the one talking to you.



FEATURED PARTNER: SHERWOOD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Spring has sprung and the Heritage Center is blooming and buzzing with activity. Morback House is owned by the City of Sherwood and operated as a local history museum by the Sherwood Historical Society. The City has recently replaced all the old aluminum window frames on both floors of this 1892 house found at the end of Veteran's Park in Old Town. Our collective spirits are lifted by our new views and as the City obtains bids on replacing the electric lift that is currently inoperative and not repairable. The new lift will allow guests to visit the Museum without climbing the porch stairs. It will also aid in transporting exhibit items between floors

Mountain Man bags, quill pens, hand saw, mustache cup and typewriters, oh my. These are found in the Morback Museum to use, see and experience during our annual Pioneer Days. Over several days in May and June, fourth grade students travel to the Heritage Center with their teachers, parent volunteers, and fellow classmates.

Typically we host around 400 of our youth from public, private and home schools from Sherwood, Tualatin, Tigard, and Newberg. This field trip provides the required learning element of our local history. The Sherwood Historical Society and many volunteers come together during th morning to provide around a dozen learning stations, five kids at a time with an adult guardian to spend around 10-12 minutes at each station, learning how life was in Sherwood in the late 19th century. Planning and preparation is beginning now. If you're interested in helping at a station or behind the scenes, please contact us for more information. Some students create their own covered wagons and costume themselves like early settlers.

Our "All Dolled Up" exhibit at the museum is being packed up as we gather various items and elements for our new exhibit, "Stitch in Time". Beginning in late March, we will be showcasing linens and fabric arts, beginning with handsewn quilts for the first phase. As usual for our exhibits, we invite members of the community to loan their own historic items. If you have a quilt and a story to go along with it, please contact us for more information about adding your history to our display.



The Heritage Center is located at 22552 SW Park Street, in Veteran's Park at the corner of First and Main in Old Town. Reach us by phone, 503.625.1236, or email morbackmuseum@gmail.com. Regular visiting hours are Wednesdays and Saturdays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. We are also open by special arrangement for small groups or events. We look forward to your visit, your loan of a quilt, your stories and your volunteer efforts. See you at the Heritage Center.

COUNCIL CORNER

Kim Young, City Councilor

ture Leaders

At the February 4, 2025 Sherwood City Council Work munity impact. Its objectives include: Session, City Staff introduced the Sherwood Youth Advisory Council (YAC), a new proposed advisory board designed to give young residents a meaningful voice in local government and community projects.

The YAC will be a group of young advisors actively involved in city initiatives, providing input on issues that affect youth and collaborating with elected officials to shape policies for their generation. More than an advisory board, the council will engage in community projects, act as ambassadors for youth issues, and promote civic participation among peers.

Assistant City Manager Kristen Switzer emphasized the set priorities for each academic year. benefits of youth engagement, noting that it strengthens community connections and spurs innovative solutions. in Sherwood, and foster volunteerism and leadership determine their own projects. Members will also have

skills among its members.

Sherwood's Youth Advisory Council: Empowering Fu- power youth by creating opportunities for involvement Youth Summit and Sherwood's major community gatherin local government, leadership development, and comings.

- young residents, • Collaborating with city leaders and community organi- lish the YAC, followed by a recruitment and application
- zations to boost civic engagement,

Members will serve two-year terms, with monthly meet- and help organize leadership roles within the council. ings suggested to be from September through June to

The council is expected to drive a range of projects, and empowering the next generation of community leaders. examples suggested were organizing a Drug Take-Back Stay tuned to the city's website and social media chan-The council will offer a direct platform for young voices Program, teen driver safety events, and citywide clean- nels for more details on how to get involved. in decision-making, increase awareness of youth issues ups. These were examples given, but the council would

opportunities to tour city facilities, attend City Day at the The mission of the YAC is to educate, engage, and em- State Capitol, and participate in events like the Oregon

Budget and funding plans would include provisions for • Promoting community projects to highlight youth is- staff support, materials, training, and travel to leadership events. Youth members may also be involved in grant · Offering input on policies and programs affecting writing and fundraising efforts to support their projects. Next steps include a City Council vote to formally estabprocess to be announced on the city's website and shared • Developing future leaders committed to civic respon- with local schools, the YMCA, and community organizations. A City Council liaison, City Manager (or designee), Structurally, the YAC will comprise 7 to 11 members. and staff representative will then interview candidates

By launching the Youth Advisory Council, Sherwood is taking a proactive step in amplifying youth voices and

Photo: Fourth Graders circle their wagons for Pioneer Days, 2024

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