

Spring showers bring May Flowers and ARTS classes!  
Come join us for some in-person art time! Winter classes are in full swing and spring classes are officially OPEN. The Center for the Arts offers weekly small group classes, as well as interactive workshops for children, adults, and families. Revisit a hobby or try something new! Dive into candlemaking, fiber arts, botanical creations, ukulele, guitar, cupcake decorating, upcycled arts, painting, acting, ceramics and MORE. With new classes offered each session, you are sure to find a class that inspires you!



Visit our website at [SherwoodCenterfortheArts.org](http://SherwoodCenterfortheArts.org)

**Family Matinee Series: Murray Irish Dance | March 17 | 3:00 p.m. \$5/all ages**



**Monday Mic Nights | March 18, April 29 & June 3 | 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. | FREE**

Calling poets, writers, actors, musicians and artists alike -- of all ages! Come share your talent(s) with an appreciative live audience. We provide the mic - you bring the talent. Not interested in performing? That's fine too! Come support emerging artists as part of the live audience and hear some exciting new work. Sign-ups begin at 6:30 p.m. Each participant will be allotted at least one four-minute slot.

**Family Matinee Series: Oregon Ballet Theatre 2 (OBT2) | April 28 3:00 p.m. | \$5/all ages**



**Summer Camp Registration Now Open**

Our Art Smart summer camps are perfect for kids who want to create, meet like-minded peers, and expand their imagination. Each week we offer a choice of morning sessions from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and afternoon sessions from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Your child can attend one session per day, or stay for a full day with a supervised lunch break. We are offering some of our FAVORITE RETURNING CAMPS such as Northwest Children's Theater, Voices for the Performing Arts, Engineering for Kids, Metropolitan Performing Arts' Hogwarts, as well as some new and exciting summer camp opportunities! Visit our website at [SherwoodCenterfortheArts.org](http://SherwoodCenterfortheArts.org) for the full ART SMART summer camp schedule.

**Summer Camp Counselors!**  
TEENS! Consider joining us this summer as a DAY CAMP COUNSELOR! We are looking for creative, outgoing students ages 15+ who want to grow their leadership skills and make a difference as a volunteer this summer. Email us at: [arts@sherwoodoregon.gov](mailto:arts@sherwoodoregon.gov) or come talk to a Center for the Arts staff member.

PLANNING NEWS

2024 Development Highlights

The City of Sherwood continues to facilitate private development and investment in commercial, industrial, and residential land that is driven by local and regional businesses choosing to locate or expand in the community. A few development highlights include:

**Rock Creek Industrial**

Panattoni has submitted an application for a Type IV Site Plan Review and Type III Conditional Use Permit to develop a 413,250 square foot warehousing and industrial structure with secondary office uses. A Conditional Use Permit is requested to allow a standalone warehousing and distribution facility over 150,000 square feet. The subject parcels are zoned Employment Industrial (EI), 20.00 acres and 8.16 acres in size, and located at 13700 SW Tonquin Road. The Planning Commission has its first evidentiary hearing on the application on February 27 and moved to continue the hearing to March 12, 2024.

**Moser Pass**

The City Council approved the Moser Pass Planned Unit Development (PUD) on March 7, 2023. The applicant now proposes a Final Development Plan and Final Subdivision Plat for the PUD. Like the approved project, the Final Development/Subdivision Plat proposes a 30-lot residential subdivision and Planned Unit Development (PUD) with a community park on a 12.36-acre property. The property is zoned Very Low Density Residential (VLDR) and is located in the Southeast Sherwood Master Plan area on the northeast corner of SW Murdock Road and SW Upper Roy Street. The applicant is proposing a minimum lot size of 10,000 SF and overall density of approximately 3.06-units per acre. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on the Final Development Plan and Subdivision Plat on February 27 and moved to approve the PUD.



**Pine Street Live-Work**

The Sherwood Planning Commission approved a new three-story mixed-use building on a 0.11-acre site located at 22415 SW Pine Street. The proposed building consists of five single-family attached vertical live/work units, with ground floor commercial and two floors of residential living space above. The decision was made after consideration of the staff report, application materials, and public testimony. On August 26, 2021, the Sherwood Community Development Director's designee approved the Final Site Plan for Pine Street Live-Work. The project is currently under construction in Old Town Sherwood.



To review the current land use projects, please visit the Planning webpage at [sherwoodoregon.gov/planning](http://sherwoodoregon.gov/planning).

MARJORIE STEWART SENIOR CENTER

Here are some ongoing events that are starting soon at the Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center! Please call 503.625.5644 or stop by the center to register.

**Give & Take Fridays 3/1, 4/5, 5/3 - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - FREE**

This free monthly event will provide the opportunity to bring in useful items you don't need for those who will put them to use. Likewise, you might find some items from others that you might want! Some suggestions are newspapers, yogurt containers, planting containers, dishes, small appliances, etc. Bring these by and more! To register visit or call the front desk with what you'd like to bring and what you're looking for. Items that are not taken are to be disposed of by the person that brings them.

**Circle of Friends - Thursdays Starting 3/21 - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

We had a great group for our first Circle of Friends and it's time to start another group! Are you feeling isolated or lonely? Are you new to the area and looking to connect? Have you gotten separated from your social life during Covid? The Circle of Friends group is geared towards older adults (aged 62+) in need of more social support and connection to their community. The group will be initially structured to meet for 6 weeks on a once-a-week basis with a facilitator who will guide the group in discussion, activities, and fun. Activities and discussions are based on participants interests.

**Memory Relationship Support Group - Tuesdays - 3:00 p.m. - FREE**

Are you caring for a loved one affected by cognitive impairment such as Alzheimer's, dementia, or TBI? Do you feel overwhelmed and alone in your journey? Find support from peers who are facing similar challenges and experiences in the supportive and confidential facilitated program. Share your experiences, learn from others, and build meaningful connection.

**Let's Talk About End-of-Life Decisions - April 3rd - 10:30 a.m. - FREE**

Considering end-of-life realities can be overwhelming and easily set aside. Let's talk about making plans and asking questions about these decisions. Note: This conversation will not provide legal advice but instead offers a safe environment to explore and share feelings, fears, and thoughts that surround end-of-life issues.

**Medicare Counseling (SHIBA) - 2nd Wednesdays - 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. - FREE**

Washington County Senior Health Insurance Benefits counselors are at the Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center to help those on or new to Medicare make informed choices about benefit plan options. Counselors are highly trained and certified volunteers who will work with you to review plan options, including Advantage Plans, Medigap supplemental insurance policies, and prescription drug plans. They can also assist in understanding a bill or fee charges, help file a grievance or appeal for a change, explain timelines, and ensure you are receiving all possible eligible benefits.

**Open Art Studio - Tuesdays - 1:30 p.m. - FREE**

Celebrate your creativity! Practice and hone your skills with this supportive group of artists. This group is participant driven so bring your materials and tools to work on whatever project you feel like - watercolor, pastels, pencils, oils, acrylic, mixed media. Pardon our dust! Over the next couple of months, the Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center is getting a facelift! Using funding from the Community Development Block Grant program with Washington County, new windows and siding is being installed. This will help us keeping our building in tiptop shape for future aging generations in our community. It will help to keep our building insulated, lowering our energy costs and keeping us all at just the right temperature. It'll be so worth the temporary inconveniences so please be patient with us while we make a bit of a mess. Construction is anticipated to be completed before June 1.

The Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center is a Sherwood community resource, offering daily lunches M-F, classes, activities, mental health support, social events, transportation, and a place to gather for our 60+ neighbors. We are always looking for volunteers to help. We have a current need for shuttle drivers to help with our transportation program, helping our Sherwood older adults get to where they need to be - medical appointments, grocery shopping, etc. If you are interested in helping, please visit [sherwoodoregon.gov/volunteer](http://sherwoodoregon.gov/volunteer) for more information. Looking to host an event? Ask us about our evening and weekend rental space!

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CALENDAR

Sherwood 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 ground-water and surface water, including the Willamette River
- The Willamette River has fish species listed as threatened by state and federal agencies including:

- o Winter Steelhead trout
- o Spring Chinook salmon
- o Coho salmon
- o Bull trout
- o Oregon chub

• The Willamette River supports a variety of other native fish species, including Pacific lamprey, northern pike minnow, mountain whitefish, and redeye shiners

**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 shower-heads and faucet aerators. Indoor 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](http://sherwoodoregon.gov/utilitybilling) or [conserveh2o.org](http://conserveh2o.org)

While water conservation is important year-round, it is especially 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 water it diverts.

SPOTLIGHT ON CITY STAFF

Welcome back to Spotlight on City Staff! Each edition we want to put the spotlight on some of Sherwood's hardworking City Staff and what they do! In this edition we want to introduce you to one of our Utility Billing Technicians Sierra Lane and Administrative Assistant II Emily Nelson.

**Sierra**

**Q: How long have you been working as a Utility Billing Technician?**

A: Almost 5 months now.

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

A: About 5 months

**Q: What does an average day look like for you?**

A: My day typically starts with a big cup of coffee and is followed by emails, phone calls, and preparing utility accounts for billing.

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

A: The people I work with, and the office atmosphere are at the top of my list. I haven't been here very long, but I come to work excited to be with people I now call friends, and they make the hours fly by.

**Q: What are some typical challenges of this position?**

A: Having to call residents listed on our weekly leak alert report is always a challenge. It's not fun news to deliver, and its heart wrenching to hear the panic in people's voices. Additionally, many of the processed we handle in Utility Billing are very detail-oriented, so ensuring steps aren't missed can be stressful.

**Q: What advice would you give someone who is just beginning in this role?**

A: Don't take things to heart. There's always going to be the challenging phone calls that are tough to get through but don't let those ruin your day. Also, take notes for yourself. As I mentioned before, the processes we handle involve a lot of steps, and having detailed notes to refer to makes things a lot easier.

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

A: It might sound unusual, but without my 5 years of barista experience and 2 years in a dental office, I wouldn't have developed the interpersonal and technical skills I believe are crucial for success in this position.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

March/April 2024

| Sunday              | Monday  | Tuesday                                | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday | Saturday |
|---------------------|---|--|---|---|--------|----------|
| 17                  | 18  | 19<br>City Council<br>7:00 p.m.        | 20  | 21<br>Police Advisory Board<br>7:00 p.m.<br>Charter Review Committee<br>6:00 p.m. | 22     | 23       |
| 24                  | 25  | 26<br>Planning Commission<br>7:00 p.m. | 27  | 28<br>Traffic Safety Committee<br>6:00 p.m.                                       | 29     | 30       |
| 31<br>Easter Sunday | April 1<br>Parks & Recreation Board<br>7:00 p.m | 2<br>City Council<br>7:00 p.m          | 3   | 4   | 5      | 6        |
| 7                   | 8   | 9<br>Planning Commission<br>7:00 p.m.  | 10<br>Senior Advisory Board<br>5:00 p.m                                     | 11  | 12     | 13       |
| 14                  | 15<br>Cultural Arts Commission<br>6:30 p.m.     | 16<br>City Council<br>7:00 p.m         | 17<br>Library Advisory Board<br>6:30 p.m.<br>State of the City<br>5:00 p.m. | 18  | 19     | 20       |

SPOTLIGHT ON CITY STAFF Continued

Emily

**Q: How long have you been working as an Administrative Assistant II?**

A: I have worked in an administrative role for about seven and a half years in jobs in education, healthcare, and now local government.

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

A: I have been with the city of Sherwood since June 2022, so a year and a half plus a few months.

**Q: What does an average day look like for you?**

A: My job looks very different from day to day, but on an average day, I work on processing business license applications, assisting people who come to visit City Hall, answering phones, providing administrative support for the Planning and Building departments, creating graphics and newsletters for the Economic Development office and the City of Sherwood Safety Committee, and various other projects that come my way.

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

A: One of my favorite things about working for the city is the opportunity to be involved in projects that have a real-world, positive impact on the community. Especially working so closely with the Building and Planning departments, there's a sense of connection with the various commercial and residential projects that are underway throughout Sherwood. I get to have a behind-the-scenes perspective on how something transforms from an empty plot of land to a home or a commercial space that adds value to the community. That's pretty cool.

**Q: What are some typical challenges of this position?**

A: One of the challenges of this position is that no two days are alike. There are days (or weeks) that are really busy, and others that are much slower. Whether a day will be busy or not is often dependent on walk-in customers or phone calls, so it's very unpredictable a lot of the time. Balancing existing projects and responsibilities with meeting the needs of the person on the phone or at the counter can sometimes be challenging, because I want to get everything done and do it well. I think that's kind of the nature of administrative roles, though. You have to get good at juggling many tasks at once.

**Q: What advice would you give someone who is just beginning in this role?**

A: My advice to someone who is just beginning in an administrative role would be to find a system for organizing your responsibilities that works for you. Life in an administrative role, at least in my experience, is a series of never-ending interruptions as you're working on accomplishing tasks, so having a system to keep you on track is essential.

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

A: I have worked in people-facing, customer service-oriented roles pretty much my whole adult life. Being able to easily communicate with the public has served me well. I worked as a receptionist in a medical office and as a school secretary - both roles very similar to this one. Learning how to be interruptible and also stay on top of my responsibilities is a skill learned by experience, and that has been an integral part of my role here at the City of Sherwood.



## LIBRARY NEWS National Library Week

At Sherwood Public Library, we invite all community members to visit the library during National Library Week, April 7-13, to explore all we have to offer. Join the fun on Friday April 13, for our Open House. National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries of all types across the country each April since 1958.

### All Ages:

#### STEAM Saturday

Drop in for a dose of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) fun on the last Saturday of every month. Explore stations at our pop-up event including VR headset (ages 10+), a robot station, Snap Circuits, 3-D pens, and craft station. March 30, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

#### Open House & Golden Tickets

Join us on April 13, for cake and refreshments, prizes, and fun activities for all ages!

- Play life-sized Memory, hopscotch, and other games, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Technology petting zoo from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (VR headsets) and 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. (Nintendo Wii).
- Tours of the library at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Look for “golden tickets” hidden in the library. Bring it to staff to claim a \$25 Target gift card. We are hiding 5 tickets in total at various times during the day.

Stop by various stations in the library to learn about the new Sherwood Library Foundation, play “I Spy” with Sherwood history motifs in the painting in memory of

22560 SW Pine Street 503.625.6688

Virginia Hite, and share your ideas about the library. Fill up your “idea card” and be entered in a raffle giving away fifteen \$10 gift cards to Starbucks.

### Events for Adults

#### Spring 2024 Computer Classes

Computer classes in English and Spanish are back and held in the library before we open. Classes made possible in part through Friends of Sherwood Public Library. Registration is required.

- April 6, 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. - Email Basics
- May 4, 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. - Mobile Device Basics

#### Clases de computación de primavera de 2024

Vuelven las clases de computación en inglés y español. Las clases se llevan a cabo en la Biblioteca Pública de Sherwood. Las clases son posibles en parte gracias a la Biblioteca Pública Friends of Sherwood. Es necesario registrarse.

- 20 de abril, 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. -- Conceptos básicos del correo electrónico
- 11 de mayo, 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. -- Conceptos básicos de los dispositivos móviles

### Events for Youth:

Celebrating Our Heritage: Día de los Niños // Celebrando Nuestra Herencia: Día de los Niños

Join us for this bilingual event to celebrate children with Vikki Gasko Green, a celebrated ventriloquist. This event is a part of a series made possible by a grant from the Cultural Coalition of Washington County and the Oregon

www.sherwoodoregon.gov/library

Cultural Trust. April 20 at 11:00 a.m. Ages 3 and up.

Únase a nosotros en este evento bilingüe para celebrar a los niños con Vikki Gasko Green, una célebre ventrílocuo. Este evento es parte de una serie financiada por la Coalición Cultural del Condado de Washington y el Oregon Cultural Trust. Sábado 20 de abril, 11:00 a. m. Para mayores de 3 años.

#### Storytimes

Join us for an interactive session where we read books, sing songs, and play action rhymes. Storytimes take a break March 26-28.

- Baby Storytime: Thursdays 10:15 a.m. Designed for ages 0-12 months, and their caregivers.
- Fun for Ones: Tuesdays 9:30 a.m. Designed for walking youth, ages 12-23 months, and their caregivers.
- Toddler Storytime: Tuesdays 10:15 a.m. Designed for youth, ages 24-36 months, and their caregivers.
- All Ages Storytime: Wednesdays 9:30 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. Designed for youth, ages 0-6 years, and their caregivers.

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](http://sherwoodoregon.gov/library). Sign up for our monthly e-newsletter at [askusSPL@sherwoodoregon.gov](mailto: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

### Groundbreaking Ceremony Marks Start of Sherwood's New Pedestrian Bridge Project

On a momentous occasion, Sherwood city officials, alongside community members and representatives from the Engineering, design, and construction partners, gathered earlier this month for a groundbreaking ceremony heralding the commencement of a transformative infrastructure endeavor - the construction of a new pedestrian bridge. Set to span the bustling Highway 99W, the bridge will serve as a vital link, connecting North and South Sherwood at the intersection of Highway 99W and Sunset Boulevard.

The genesis of the pedestrian bridge project can be traced back to 2018. The School District had recently announced that the New High School would be placed on Elwert, and we had just started doing concept planning for what Sherwood West (1291 Acres of Urban Reserve lands) will look like and how we will integrate it into the rest of our community. It was time to examine how we will connect North and South Sherwood. A pedestrian bridge quickly rose to the top of the list as a key piece of required transportation infrastructure.

I quickly realized the importance of community support in garnering legislative backing and funding from Salem. At that time, I asked the residents to express support for the project through emails and letters. Overwhelmingly, more than 300 endorsements poured in, reflecting the widespread community enthusiasm and underscoring the critical need for such an initiative. These endorsements played a pivotal role in securing crucial funding from the state legislature in Salem. With these letters in hand and the support of Representative Neron, 4M in lottery funds was allocated to our efforts, and a project was born!

Over the next four years, we worked on completing the engineering and securing the remaining funding; this funding will be sourced from our Urban Renewal Agency, ensur-

ing that the project can proceed without placing undue financial strain on the city or necessitating increases in taxes or fees. Let me repeat that we are not raising any property taxes or fees for this bridge.

The significance of the pedestrian bridge extends beyond its functional purpose as a safe crossing. Seamlessly integrated with Sherwood's existing trail systems, the bridge will serve as a conduit for connectivity, facilitating pedestrian and cyclist movement throughout the city. Moreover, plans are underway to harmonize the bridge with future trail systems in the Sherwood West expansion area, amplifying its impact on neighborhood connectivity and enhancing the city's allure as a pedestrian-friendly, livable community.

Crafted with meticulous attention to detail, the pedestrian bridge will feature stainless steel arches that elegantly traverse five spans and three roads with interactive lighting and ADA access. Beyond its utilitarian function, the bridge will be a striking architectural landmark emblematic of Sherwood's commitment to innovation and community enhancement and will act as a gateway to our community.

This amazing project would not have happened without the support of our community, the dedication of our city staff, Representative Neron, and the support of my peers on the City Council. Thank you everyone!

Currently the project is underway and is target for completion in September of 2025.



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

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| <b>Police (records)</b>               | 503.625.5523   |
| <b>Police (non-emergency)</b>         | 503.629.0111   |
| <b>Public Works (Ops.)</b>            | 503.625.5722   |
| <b>Marjorie Stewart Senior Center</b> | 503.625.5644   |
| <b>Utility Billing</b>                | 503.925.2315   |
| <b>Volunteer Program</b>              | 503.625.4213   |



Attention all moviegoers! Scan the QR code to participate in the citywide Movies in the Park survey to help us select our feature presentations for this summer. We are excited for warmer days ahead, cool evenings under the stars and fun flicks with our community at Stella Olsen Park!



This survey will close on Friday, March 29, 2024.

Visit [sherwoodoregon.gov](http://sherwoodoregon.gov) to learn more about this program!

**SHERWOOD STATE CITY OF THE CITY 2024**

WITH MAYOR *Tim Rosener*

**SHERWOOD CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17  
5 PM RECEPTION | 6 PM LIVE PROGRAM

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## POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

2023 was another challenging but great year and we are super thankful for all the support we receive from our community. Our department grew quite a bit and we had three amazing employees retire (2 sergeants and one officer). We had goals of enhancing our social media by creating Live Pd documentary style videos and the community voted on the name “Crimey Chronicles”. We released 11 episodes showing your Sherwood officers responding to calls, making traffic stops, making arrests, and simply interacting with the community. We received a significant amount of feedback on Crimey Chronicles with some videos reaching between 50,000 to 100,000 views. We have plans in 2024 to release Season 2 with even more episodes that will be a little longer in length.

If you follow our social media you know we post regular updates on what our officers are up to, which is called the weekly recap. The weekly recap gives the community another understanding of what we do and how we do it by sharing a sample of calls for service or self-initiated activity. It also breaks down statistics of the week in terms of types of calls and the number of arrests made. Let's take look back on what your Sherwood officers experienced in 2023:

In 2023, Sherwood officers were engaged in approximately 18,017 activities which includes self-initiated and calls for service (554 higher than 2022).

- We encountered:
- 1,741 Behavioral Health calls (229 higher than 2022)
  - 1,511 Suspicious Activity calls
  - 657 Theft calls (40 higher than 2022)
  - 634 Disturbances (41 lower than 2022)
  - 399 Traffic Crashes (10 lower than 2022)
  - 736 Arrests (129 higher than 2022)

During the year, officers made 4,653 traffic stops (922 higher than 2022) and from those traffic stops, officers gave 3,378 warnings and only 1,202 tickets. Officers also arrested 105 people for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII), which was 33 higher than 2022.

Bowling with a Cop is coming up on May 20th, 2024 at Langer's Entertainment Center! Langer's Entertainment Center created “Make a Difference Monday” which gives 100% of the proceeds of the entire day from bowling and shoe rentals to a non-profit organization. The Sherwood Police Foundation was chosen to benefit that night and within that we created Bowling with a Cop, where the community can spend time bowling with Sherwood's finest.

Back in 2022, we created Coffee with The Force. This is a Coffee with a Cop event that is designed to be unique and family-oriented. Kids and families can order their favorite drink from Dutch Bros and hang out with officers and characters from across the Star Wars Galaxy. We will be hosting this event again this year, stay tuned for the date!

If you are interested in supporting us in another way, the Boots and Bling Gala is on April 26th, 2024. The Sherwood Police Foundation created this annual dinner and auction. You can visit [SherwoodPoliceFoundation.org](http://SherwoodPoliceFoundation.org) for more information.

In 2024 we are striving to continue growing and fostering the relationship with our community. Following us on social media also keeps you updated on what is going on throughout the year.



## COUNCIL CORNER

*Kim Young, City Councilor*  
**Sherwood's Community Spirit Shines Through Volunteerism**

In the heart of Sherwood, a vibrant community thrives on the dedication and passion of its volunteers who selflessly give their time to support our wonderful city. Beyond the volunteers of the City Council and the City's Boards and Commissions, there are many other volunteer opportunities in the city. From the Police Department to the Library, the Sherwood Center for the Arts, Public Works, and the Marjorie Stewart Senior Center, these amazing volunteers play a crucial role in enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

At the Police Department, a dedicated team of two to three volunteers work tirelessly to support law enforcement efforts, whether it is through administrative tasks, community outreach programs, or assisting officers in various capacities. Their commitment to public safety is truly commendable and highlights the strong bond between law enforcement and the community.

Over at the Library, a dozen volunteers come together weekly to foster a love for reading and learning among visitors of all ages. From checking in returned books, pulling hold requests, to assisting at various programs, these individuals play a vital role in making the library a welcoming and enriching space for all.

The Sherwood Center for the Arts benefits from the contributions of episodic volunteers who bring their creativity and passion for the arts to various projects and events. Whether it is helping with exhibitions, events, or performances, these volunteers help nurture a thriving arts community in Sherwood.

Sherwood's Public Works Department runs an adopt-a-road program and organizes events like Trashpaloosa with the help of dedicated volunteers who are committed to keeping the city clean and beautiful. Their efforts not only enhance the local environment but also instill a sense of pride and ownership among residents.

The Marjorie Stewart Senior Center in Sherwood is a hub of activity thanks to the many volunteers who generously give their time to support its ever-expanding programs. From kitchen help to serving meals, staffing the front

desk, teaching classes, and driving the new shuttle van, these volunteers play a vital role in ensuring that seniors in the community are well-cared for and engaged.

In Sherwood, volunteerism is not just a duty but a way of life—a testament to the community's strong spirit of giving back and supporting one another. The selflessness and dedication of these volunteers serve as an inspiration to us all, reminding us of the power of community and the positive impact we can make when we come together for a common cause.

The city is continuously seeking additional volunteers. There is a dedicated volunteer coordinator who excels in recruiting and organizing volunteers across various departments.

If you are interested in volunteering you can find more information at [sherwoodoregon.gov/volunteer](http://sherwoodoregon.gov/volunteer) or contact Tammy Steffens at 503.625.4213 or [steffent@sherwoodoregon.gov](mailto:steffent@sherwoodoregon.gov).

## FEATURED PARTNER: SHERWOOD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

### The Sherwood Historical Society, Heritage Center and Museum

Spring is emerging again! It's a perfect time to take a stroll about Sherwood Old Town. While you're exploring, pay a call to the grand house with the welcoming porch on the edge of Veteran's Park. Morback House has watched over Old Town since 1892, and now proudly hosts the Heritage Center Museum. See our model train, make a call on a rotary phone, browse our permanent displays and tell us your stories. Beginning in March, “All Dolled Up” is our latest special exhibit showcasing dolls from our collection and also those loaned from antique doll owners in the community.

In May and June, we'll be hosting fourth grade students for Pioneer Days. Students arrive with their classes for interactive Oregon Trail curriculum. If you know any fourth graders, ask them about their experience. You will be amazed! If you'd like to help with this annual project, we invite all volunteers. Volunteers are also encouraged for various other projects throughout the year. We welcome visitors of all ages and interests to glimpse life from prehistoric indigenous people through the beginnings at the end of the Oregon Trail. Travel in time through the historic Morback Museum and Smock Settler's House.

You can visit the Sherwood Heritage Center & Museum on Wednesdays or Saturdays from 1:00 p.m to 4:00 p.m. Drop in for free and donations are always welcome. We are also happy to arrange small group tours and activities during other hours.

Find the Sherwood Heritage Center & Museum at the corner of First & Main, Veteran's Park, Old Town. Please email [morbackmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:morbackmuseum@gmail.com) or call 503.625.1236 for details or to arrange tours. Visit our website accessed on the City of Sherwood website, under the Community tab or scan the QR code here, for direct access to the Heritage Center website.

