



# Town Crier

*Life's Just Better Here*

Your Guide To What's Happening In The Island City

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Monday, July 4, 2016 for  
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## Wilton Manors City Officials

Mayor Gary Resnick • Vice Mayor Scott Newton  
 Commissioner Julie A. Carson • Commissioner Justin S. Flippen  
 Commissioner Tom Green • City Manager Leigh Ann Henderson  
 City Attorney Kerry Ezrol

## City Commission and Board Meeting Dates

All City Commission and most board meetings are held in the commission chambers (2020 Wilton Drive). The public is always welcome to attend. Visit [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) for the most up to date meeting info.

Comm. Aff. Adv Bd 7 p.m.	WDID 6:30 p.m.	Historical Society 7 p.m.	Pension Board 5:30 p.m.	Plan & Zone Bd 7 p.m.	Rec. Adv. Bd. 6:30 p.m.
No July Meeting	Wed - July 13	No July Meeting	Tues - Sept 6	Mon - July 11	Thurs - Aug 18
Wed - August 3	Wed - August 10	No August Meeting	Meets Quarterly	Mon - August 8	Meets every two months
Wed - Sept 7	Wed - Sept 14	Thurs - Sept 15		Mon - Sept 12	

The City Commission meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.

### Quick Tips for Parking on Wilton Drive:

- Parking Office hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.
- Citations can be deposited at the “payment drop box” across from the commission chamber’s entrance.
- Citations can be paid online by visiting [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) and following the “online services” link.

## Phone Numbers

City Hall.....	(954) 390-2100
City Clerk .....	(954) 390-2123
Mayor and City Commission .....	(954) 390-2123
City Manager.....	(954) 390-2120
Community Development .....	(954) 390-2180
Emergency Management.....	(954) 390-2133
Finance Dept. ....	(954) 390-2141
Utilities Billing.....	(954) 390-2145
Fire/EMS Administration.....	(954) 390-2110
Fire Prevention/Marshal.....	(954) 390-2110
Fire Rescue*.....	(954) 764-4357
(*Ft Lauderdale non-emergency)	
Human Resources.....	(954) 390-2125
Risk Management.....	(954) 390-2126
Leisure Services:	
Library.....	(954) 390-2195
Parks Division .....	(954) 390-2115
Recreation Division.....	(954) 390-2130
Police Department:	
Administration .....	(954) 390-2150
Code Enforcement .....	(954) 390-2151
Non-Emergency Dispatch.....	(954) 764-4357
Police/Fire/EMS Emergency.....	911
Utilities/Emergency Management.....	(954) 390-2190



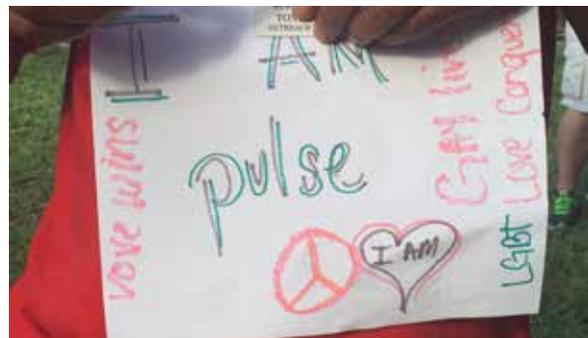
# *Wilton Manors Mourns Over Orlando Massacre*

June 12, 2016 will forever and always be remembered as a sad day in our history. A day when the most deadly terrorist attack following those of September 11, 2001, left many saddened, heartbroken, and longing for a brighter future that doesn't include crimes of hatred.

Hours after the Orlando massacre targeted the gay community, our Wilton Manors community came together in unity. "Wilton Manors is not just a physical address, we are the heart and soul of the LGBT community," said Mayor Gary Resnick.

The City's pride flag, which was permanently raised at Jaycee Park on May 24, 2016, was lowered to half-staff in honor of the reported 50 individuals who lost their lives and the 53 more who have been injured in the massacre. The United States and Florida State flags were also lowered to half-staff.

The Pride Center at Equality Park, in partnership with the City of Wilton Manors, held a public vigil on Sunday, June 12, 2016





to honor those whose lives were lost and those who were injured in the massacre.

With more than 600 individuals in attendance, Mayor Gary Resnick, Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz, U.S. Representative Ted Deutch, Senator Chris Smith, Broward County Mayor Marty Kiar, Broward Sheriff Scott Israel, and local clergy members provided heartfelt and uplifting remarks. In addition, vocal performances were offered by the Gay Men’s Choir of South Florida.

“I thank our friends and colleagues at the Pride Center for putting the vigil together. I also want to thank the law enforcement agencies particularly the Wilton Manors Police Department and the Broward Sheriff’s office for providing security during the event,” said Mayor Resnick.



## Message from the Mayor

City Hall



**Strong volunteerism has been a cornerstone of the success and history of the City of Wilton Manors.**

According to Benjamin Little, author of “Wilton Manors: From Farming Community to Urban Village”, “from the

1940’s we have been a focused community, fortunate in both our elected and appointed officials, and our volunteers,” and this high degree of civic involvement has distinguished Wilton Manors from its surrounding communities since the very beginning. In 1946, one year before its incorporation, the City of Wilton Manors boasted an adult population of nearly 125. Today, we are proud of at least that many volunteers in our many Boards and Committees or specialized volunteer efforts that support our “Island City” that is now home to 12,000 residents.

On May 14th, we celebrated our volunteers at the annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon. It was an honor to thank those in attendance for the contributions of their time and talent to our community. Whether their efforts are geared toward historical and cultural preservation, facilitating healthy lifestyles, raising levels of educational achievement, fiscal or environmental stewardship, or another important cause, each of our volunteers is dedicated to improving the quality of life for our residents.

At the lunch, I presented proclamations to the winners of the Community Affairs Advisory Board’s Community Spirit Awards, which honor a single individual and business as the city’s 2015 Volunteers of the Year. Resident Paul Rolli was chosen as Volunteer

Individual of the Year and the Courtyard Café, with its owners Nick Berry and Shawn Bombard, was selected as Volunteer Business of the Year.

The City is examining ways to augment the current group of dedicated volunteers. In addition to providing support to City staff in the areas of office assistance, City beautification, and special events, the vision for the volunteer program is to extend into the larger Wilton Manors community including coordination with local non-profit agencies and assistance for residents in need. As the volunteer program grows, the City will look to designate a Volunteer Coordinator from its pool of volunteers who will assist in the administration of the program. If you would like to become a City of Wilton Manors volunteer or have ideas on how to enhance the volunteer program, please visit [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) to download and complete an application or send an e-mail to [volunteer@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:volunteer@wiltonmanors.com).

As always, I welcome your feedback and comments. Please feel free to contact me at [GResnick@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:GResnick@wiltonmanors.com) or (954) 390-2123. 



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# Message from the Vice Mayor



### Vice Mayor Scott Newton

As July comes in, the worst of the summer heat is beginning. It's a great time to visit one of Wilton Manors Parks to cool off under the shade of a tree, rent a kayak and slide down the Middle River, or have a picnic

with the family.

The Island City has ten parks, all with their own special charm. Colohatchee Park, on NE 15th Avenue is a beautiful space with several acres of mangroves and all the nature that comes with that habitat. Colohatchee is bordered by the Middle River, is cool and serene, and combines many of the amenities that make a great park. If you have a permit, you can bring your dog – the dog park portion of Colohatchee has recently been expanded and renovated, and there are areas for small, medium and large dogs. If you bring your pup to the park, please be courteous to other visitors and clean up after your furry family! For more information, visit Colohatchee Park's Webpage (from [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) select the "Residents" tab, then select "Parks and Facilities" from the dropdown menu to select Colohatchee or any of our other park facilities).

The City's budget process also heats up in July. If you have an interest, questions or ideas, now is the time to reach out and get involved. The City Commission appoints members of the community to the Budget Review and Advisory Committee, who meet many times in July to consider the city's draft budget and make recommendations.

Here's a list of meetings in July:

### **BRAC Meetings at 6:30pm**

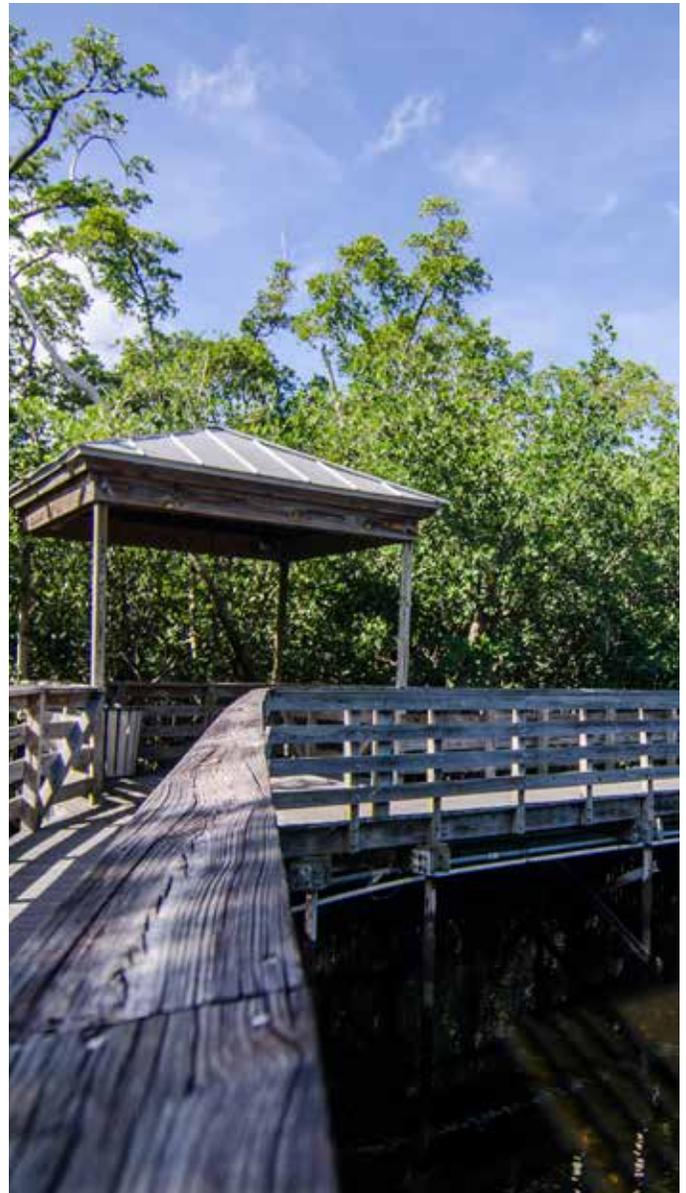
- July 11     July 13
- July 14     July 18

### **City Commission Meetings**

- July 12
- July 26

Finally, please educate yourself and vote in the Florida Primary on August 30th. The greatest privilege and responsibility we have as Americans is to participate in the democratic process. Exercise your privilege and get involved!

Happy Independence Day! 🇺🇸





City Clerk's Corner

# Calling All Volunteers!

As part of its five-year strategic plan, the City is examining ways to support and make use of resources in the community. One very important resource for Wilton Manors is its people! With this in mind, the City is looking to augment its current pool of dedicated volunteers. In addition to providing support to City staff in the areas of office assistance, City beautification, and special events, the vision for the volunteer program is to extend into the larger Wilton Manors community including coordination with local non-profit agencies and assistance for residents in need. As the volunteer program grows, the City will look to designate a Volunteer Coordinator from its pool of volunteers who will assist in the administration of the program. **If you would like to become a City of Wilton Manors volunteer or have ideas on how to enhance the volunteer program, please visit [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) to download and complete an application or send an e-mail to [volunteer@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:volunteer@wiltonmanors.com).**

## Looking to make a positive impact on your community?

Become an Advisory Board Member!  
The City of Wilton Manors is recruiting residents, local business owners and commercial property owners for volunteer positions on the following boards and committees:

**Community Affairs Advisory Board**

(Applications due July 5, 2016)

**Library Advisory Board**

(Applications due August 22, 2016)

**Pension Board**

(Application due September 5, 2016)

Please visit our website at [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) or call the City Clerk's office at 954-390-2123 or 954-390-2128 for more information on each board.

\*Interested parties must meet certain criteria to be considered to serve on boards. This information can be found on the city's website or by calling the numbers above.



Congratulations to the first graduating class of the ICU! The Class of 2016 was given a behind the scenes view of the operations of the City of Wilton Manors. The students met their local elected officials and City staff, learned about each city department and enjoyed many hand-on experiences.

Would you like to become more civic-minded by learning about your City? Keep an eye out for future updates on the next Island City University. Applications will be available in November for the Class of 2017!



## Hurricane Season - Additional Planning

### DECIDE NOW WHERE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY WILL GO WHEN THE NEXT HURRICANE THREATENS:

- Decide on a specific place: Your own residence, the protected house of a friend outside the evacuation zone, a secure motel or hotel within the County or, as a last resort, a public shelter.
- During a hurricane, do not stay in any structure that does not have good shutters or properly designed and installed hurricane protection.
- Do not count on driving north on the Turnpike or I-95. They will be jammed.
- Do not count on going to the airport and flying out.
- Plan on staying in South Florida.

### DURING THE HURRICANE:

- Monitor local media, including the City of Wilton Manor's 1630AM emergency radio station, for information and instructions.
- Stay indoors. Stay away from doors and windows. Stay in a safe room or area in the interior of your house, preferably a room without windows.
- Do not go outside in the calm of the hurricane "eye." In the "eye," winds and rain may stop for a few minutes or more than an hour. Beware—winds will return with greater intensity from the opposite direction.
- Call 911 ONLY for emergencies. Avoid using the telephone unless necessary.
- Make sure the gas is turned off. Unplug unnecessary or sensitive electric equipment before a storm. Turn off electricity or circuit breakers if you've noticed leaks in the roof or windows of your home, or if there is flooding. Use flashlights and battery-powered lanterns. Do Not Use Candles!
- Don't leave your shelter at any time during a hurricane unless you must deal with situations that could be fatal without your intervention.

### A PUBLIC SHELTER SHOULD BE THE LAST OPTION:

A public hurricane shelter should always be considered a last option; a place to go if you can't stay at home or with a relative or friend. Shelters are in schools or other solidly constructed buildings that provide a large, safe area. They lack many comforts, which visitors must bring with them.

Information about which shelters are open in your area will be available before a storm. To check the status of a shelter or for more information, call the Broward Red Cross at (954) 797-3823 or the Broward County Emergency Management Hurricane Hotline at 3-1-1 or (954) 831-4000. Because space can be limited, go to a shelter as soon as an announcement is made that it is open.

The Red Cross runs public shelters, but medical care will not be available. Shelters have food, but if you have special diet needs or want snacks, bring your own. Don't expect to find a bed. You'll need to bring with you the following:

- Flashlight (extra batteries) • Identification • Special-diet foods • Toiletries • Eyeglasses, hearing aids • Radio (extra batteries) • Medicines • Baby food and diapers • First Aid Kit • Games, books, playing cards • Sleeping bags, cots, blankets, pillows • Snacks • Comfortable clothing • Cash • Copies of valuable documents

### DO NOT BRING: Guns Alcohol Illegal Drugs Pets (see below for details on the pet-friendly shelter)

**One pet-friendly shelter** is available in Broward County, but it has limited space and is an option of last resort. It is available on a first-come, first-served basis, only to pet owners living in evacuation areas or in mobile homes throughout Broward County. The human side of the shelter is operated by the American Red Cross. The pet side of the shelter is operated by the Humane Society of Broward County. Pets cannot be sheltered unless their owner(s) are also utilizing the shelter. This is a pet-friendly shelter only, and not a general population shelter. Residents living in an evacuation zone or in a mobile home can pre-register for the pet-friendly shelter in person at the Humane Society of Broward County, 2070 Griffin Road, Fort Lauderdale, or by phone at (954) 989-3977. To pre-register, you must present:

- valid proof of residency in an evacuation area, such as an electric, water or cable bill (a driver's license is not sufficient proof)
- valid proof of current rabies vaccination and Broward County pet license
- name, address and phone number of your veterinarian
- a current photo of the pet(s) you are planning to bring (photo is non-returnable)

Please note that the animals are housed in individual crates in a separate space from the human side of the shelter, so you will have limited contact with your pet. 🐾

# *Did you know that pizza boxes can't be Recycled?*

Pretty much everyone loves pizza – that is: everyone except for Mother Earth.

An environmentally-friendly pizza lover recently asked if pizza boxes were recyclable. Since they are cardboard, many of us may assume they can be broken down and reused for paper, insulation—or even more boxes.

## **But that's not the case.**

The Natural Resources Defense Council set the record straight on why you should stop dumping pizza boxes into the recycling bin.

Porous paper is “particularly susceptible to food and beverage contamination” and, in comparison to other recyclables like cans, it “ends up suffering the most from getting mixed with other materials,” they explained.

Pizza boxes are tainted by gooey leftover cheese, toppings, and oily stains. The grease from pizza likely soaks into the cardboard—even if you've diligently scraped it off. Food and oil cannot be separated from the paper during the pulping process.

A clean pizza box lid can be cut off if it does not have greasy residue on it. But if not, the box, along with any other soiled paper products like napkins and paper towels, belongs in the trash.

**For more information on recycling please contact Lee Rickles at Sun Bergeron (954) 680-6100 or [lruckles@bergeroninc.com](mailto:lruckles@bergeroninc.com).** 



*Now you know.*

## Schedule for Bulk Trash & Recycling

### Bulk Trash and Recycling Schedule:

If your regular garbage pickup days are Monday & Thursday, your bulk trash days are Thursdays:

**June 23      July 21      August 18      Recycling Day: Thursday**

If your regular garbage pickup days are Tuesday & Friday, your bulk trash days are Tuesdays:

**June 21      July 19      August 16      Recycling Day: Friday**

If your regular garbage pickup days are Wednesday & Saturday, your bulk trash days are Wednesdays:

**June 22      July 20      August 17      Recycling Day: Wednesday**

### PLEASE NOTE:

Bulk pickup is NOT scheduled for a particular week of the month (such as the third week of the month), but varies from month to month—so it's important to mark your calendar for the actual date each month. 🌍



## Watering Schedule

Residents and businesses are limited to a two-day-per-week landscape irrigation schedule with two “watering windows.”

ODD Street Addresses	Wednesdays & Saturdays	12 a.m. - 10 a.m. and/or 4 p.m. - 11:59 p.m.
EVEN Street Addresses	Thursdays & Sundays	12 a.m. - 10 a.m. and/or 4 p.m. - 11:59 p.m.

**REMEMBER: NO lawn watering is allowed between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. any day of the week!**  
The Code Compliance Unit is issuing citations for violations of the water usage schedule!

For additional information on the water shortage, irrigation restrictions or water conservation, call the South Florida Water Management District’s toll-free Water Conservation Hotline at 1-800-662-8876 or visit [www.sfwmd.org](http://www.sfwmd.org).

Helpful water conservation tips are available at [www.savewaterfl.com](http://www.savewaterfl.com). 🌍

## Message from the Commissioner



**Commissioner**  
**Julie A. Carson -**  
**Taking Inventory**

My father owned a Feed and Grain Store and sold farming products to the agricultural community of Southeast Missouri. In the summer months when the crops were out and the sun was beating on the flatlands of the Bootheel, Dad would hire me to do Inventory at the store. This annual accounting gave my family an idea of the yield of the local farmers and our own profits.

Periodically, I do a critique of my work as a public servant and an inventory of the accomplishments of our City. Municipal inventory management involves evaluating systems and services provided; setting goals; and supervising public resources. Balancing service availability with constituent needs is a critical daily practice.

Our City has again established itself as a leader in responsible governance and fiscal integrity. We were awarded a near perfect Budget audit, and remain financially vibrant with healthy reserves.

We have finally reached preliminary agreement with the DOT and MPO to narrow Wilton Drive; established a Downtown Business Improvement District; expanded our economic development focus to include Andrews and Powerline corridors; and broadened our “Green Building” ordinance.

Residentially, we strive to protect our neighborhoods and welcome a continued rise in property values. The new Metropolitan 176-unit Apartment community provides more rental inventory, but the need for

affordable housing in our City is becoming a priority. With only 2 square miles, Wilton Manors must also foster compatibility between commercial areas and our neighborhoods.

Recreational activities enhance quality of life in the Island City. Older residents attend programs like Brains & Balance Exercise Class and Exceptionally Experienced Social Group. Kids enjoy story time at the Richard Sullivan Library and eco-Kayak tours launched from Richardson. Mickel Park is a community gathering place, a concert venue, and an exercise spot. Colohatchee Park is a special haven for canines and their companions. Concentrated efforts to rid the Park of illicit activity are proving successful and hundreds of people and pets enjoy Colohatchee’s dog play areas and amenities each week.

WMPD is operating at near full force, and vehicular and pedestrian traffic are better managed. Code Enforcement has an Administrator who has streamlined operations. HR continues to assist in hiring qualified new employees. The City Clerk Video Streams our meetings and provides accessible data bases for the public. Employees are treated well, and remain loyal to our Community.

Our City Manager Leigh Ann Henderson and Assistant CM Pamela Landi comprise a leadership team that is second to none in South Florida. Under their responsive, respectful and dedicated tenure, our City will mature and grow in ways that prove Life Continues To Be Just Better Here.

I welcome your comments at 954-288-8174 or JCarson@wiltonmanors.com and ask that you share your inventory of the successes and failures in Wilton Manors. 🌍



## Message from the Commissioner



### **Commissioner Tom Green**

#### **How Many?**

When is enough, enough? The number of people killed because of hate keeps growing and growing. How many deaths are necessary to show we need change, 50, or 500 or 1,000? Some people aren't accepted because of their color, what they speak, how they worship or who they love. But you can't just kill someone you don't approve of. This tragedy was a strange combination of religious intolerance, easy access to military rifles, anti-gay feelings, and perhaps even self-hate and guilt. We don't yet know the full story on this killer. You can be interviewed several times by the FBI and still buy an assault rifle. Can you be on a "no-fly" list and still buy a rifle? And the fact that some political leaders have made it acceptable to insult some groups of people because of who they are has made things even worse. The Lt. Governor of Texas even quoted the bible to justify what happened in Orlando.

At a recent city commission meeting I suggested it was time to again look at the possibility of a private-government partnership for the development of the city property at city hall. The economy has now reached the point where I think this is feasible. This valuable land is currently being wasted on a very basic parking lot and a drainage area. The parking lot was supposed to be "temporary" several years ago. The area could be used for a mixed-use facility that would incorporate retail space, residential use or a small hotel, a parking structure, and most importantly a space for community use and assembly. We need an area in Wilton Manors where large numbers of people can gather and meet when appropriate. We need an area that would give us a "sense of place". We need a focal point of Wilton Manors, not an asphalt parking lot. When moments of tragedy or celebration occur we need a central "place" in which large numbers of people could gather to share their sorrow or their joy.

It would be an area or plaza that we would know was there for us. This can be accomplished over a period of time with proper coordination with city departments, advisory boards, and with consultants that are currently studying economic development possibilities for the city. This "smart" development would provide a much better experience for pedestrians walking by this area and might actually help slow the increase of business rents along the Drive. It's time to start discussing it again.

I hope you had a chance to attend some of the events associated with the Stonewall Festival during June. Celebration of this event is important because of its historical significance that marked a starting point for greater LGBT equality and inclusion in the American dream. The Stonewall Inn where the "Stonewall Riots" occurred is in the process of being declared a national monument by the federal government. Now we need to continue to keep moving forward and not letting extremists, of any type, push back the clock. Participation is vital to demonstrate that we will not become victims of fear. Too many do not have a history of the struggle to simply gain equality. No one is asking for "special" rights. How many people know that 32 people were killed in New Orleans in a 1973 arson attack on a MCC meeting being held in a nightclub building? The news largely ignored these stories at that time. Not many people even know of the local history in the fight for equality and inclusion. It was not possible to even meet publicly to discuss these issues. We had to use generic names such as "the Tuesday Night Group". There were raids by the sheriff's department on gay nightclubs. Now everyone has to be part of the solution. How sad and ironic that we raised a Pride Flag in Wilton Manors in time to be able to lower it to half-mast.

As always please contact me with your comments and concerns at [tgreen@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:tgreen@wiltonmanors.com) or my cell number 954-290-0561. 



## Message from the Commissioner



**Commissioner Justin S. Flippen**  
**Summer Savings,  
 Find Your Park**

No school, family vacations, beach days, cold lemonade, and ice cream. These are some of my fond childhood memories of summer.

By now I trust you and your families are enjoying the making of your own special summer memories. While there are certainly far away places to visit, too often we overlook the adventures found here in our own backyard. Many know how important tourism is to our local economy, but also our local economy thrives on our own dollars, not just those of visitors. To that end, Broward County's Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau is promoting 2-4-1 summer offers now through September 30th. From an Everglades airboat adventure to a trip to a museum or a kayak excursion around the waters of our own Island City, I encourage folks to visit [www.sunny.org/summer](http://www.sunny.org/summer) and spend less money and more of the summer exploring our own destination.



As a lover of parks, I deeply appreciate the Find Your Park initiative, especially as we celebrate the centennial of the National Park Service in 2016. Find Your Park is about more than just national parks. It's about the National Park Service working in our communities through education programs, community assistance projects, and more. It's about state parks, local parks, trails, museums, historic sites, and the many ways that the American public can connect with history and culture, enjoy nature, and make

new discoveries. This is why I am very proud to share the news about and encourage you to attend Songs and Stories of Our National Parks on Friday, August 5th at 7:30 PM at Mickel Park featuring one of our Wilton Manors residents, National Park Ranger Gary Bremen. So come celebrate our parks this summer. Launch a kayak, canoe, or boat from Snook Creek or Colahatchee. Grab a picnic lunch at Mickel Park with a book checked out from the Wilton Manors Public Library for some summer reading. Catch a glimpse or take a photo of our resident foxes living in Richardson Historic Park. Enjoy the nature and park system of our Island City that makes others 'green' with envy and gives us a quality of life to be proud about.

As always, I invite you to share your comments with me on any and all matters you deem important to the future of our Island City where together we have come to know,



"Life's Just Better Here." Please feel free to contact me by email at [JFlippen@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:JFlippen@wiltonmanors.com) or by phone at 954-390-2123.

In your service,

Justin S. Flippen, J.D.  
 "The People's Commissioner"  
 City of Wilton Manors



## Christmas In July



In 2001, Dr. Celia Earle, then Lt. Governor of Kiwanis Division 23, discovered that there were hundreds of students in Broward County who could not list a home address because they were homeless or living in cars or shelters. These kids are rarely prepared for and are often dreading the first day of school. Dr. Earle implored the other Kiwanis clubs in the Division to make a difference in the lives of these unfortunate children from newborns to age 19 and also reached out to the Broward County Board of County Commissioners who embraced the concept and set up collection facilities at their court houses. Thus, Christmas in July was born, an event that would provide a ray of hope to children who are homeless due to no fault of their own. It would show them that others truly care about their plight. In the last 15 years, Christmas in July has helped over 15,000 children.

Today it is estimated that there are more than 2,000 homeless children in the Broward County School System, plus thousands more under the age of 5. The Kiwanis Clubs of Broward County and the Broward County Commission team up each year to host a huge event in late July to provide these needy children with

everything they will need to start school, especially clothing, shoes, backpacks and supplies, plus lunch and a day of fun for the children and their families. Santa and his helpers distribute gifts to the children. There is also a free store with diapers, toys, books, clothing, etc. for their preschool siblings.

Each homeless shelter or facility is contacted repeatedly to provide the name, age, gender, underwear size, clothing size, and shoe size of every homeless child, so that the gift packages can be personalized for each child. It takes about seven to eight months to prepare adequately for this event. Preparation includes working closely with shelters and facilities, seeking sponsorship and donations from local organizations and businesses (whether monetary or in-kind) through advertisements, letters and word-of-mouth, locating a packing facility, shopping for the items, storing the goods in a central location, preparing labels with the children's names and relevant information, packing the personalized backpacks, transporting them to the facility, and arranging for entertainment and food for the event day. The children only receive new items. Santa and his helpers are on site to distribute the gifts to the children.

We have been hard at work for months planning, seeking assistance and sponsors with financial or in kind gift/donations (clothing, underwear, shoes, diapers, toothbrushes, toothpaste, hygiene items, books, school supplies, backpacks, and shoes). The Wilton Manors Police Department always participates at this event, and this year has given us a most generous \$1,000 check, from confiscated funds, thus turning bad money into great money. We are asking the rest of the City Government, its businesses, and its residents to partner with us as well. Donations to Christmas in July may be made online through our website (<http://www.wiltonmanorskiwanis.org/service-projects/christmas-in-july>) or by sending a check to our Club (Wilton Manors Kiwanis Club, 2749

NE 14th Avenue, Wilton Manors 33334). Kate Donohue is our club representative and would be happy to answer any questions or provide additional information. She can be reached at 954-644-3042 or at [emmykate48@hotmail.com](mailto:emmykate48@hotmail.com).

There will be collection boxes located in the City Hall Lobby, Library, Hagen Park and Island City Community Centers for in-kind donations of new items only. A list of items needed will be posted above each box and sent out as a City email blast.

Sign up to receive the City's weekly eNews on the City's website at [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) and click on the "Notify Me" button. 

*CERT - Ready for Anything.*



The City of Wilton Manors would like to extend its appreciation to our local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for assisting with our annual Canoe Race that was held on Saturday, May 21, 2016. The City, in conjunction with the Fort Lauderdale Fire Department, is accepting applications for community-minded volunteers interested in being trained as CERT members. The CERT program helps train people to be prepared to respond to emergency situations in

their communities. When emergencies happen, CERT members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims, and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site. CERT members can also help with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the community.

For additional information, call Area Captain CERT 16 Jamie Costa at (954) 839-7188. 

## Message from Leisure Services



**“You can dream, create, design and build the most wonderful place in the world but it requires people to make the dream a reality.” --Walt Disney**

As we continue to focus on park redevelopment, the City received a grant from Broward County for \$356,752 to renovate field lighting, with energy efficient lighting, (an estimated more than \$12,000 annual savings), electric car charging station and to replace the existing playground with a new accessible and inviting playground upgrading, play features, surfacing and adding a splash feature area.

We are also conducting a Citywide Focus Group to determine the best uses for Colohatchee Park and to develop a Park Site Master Plan. Please feel free to contact me for more information regarding the project. The City recently added ICPP Park Expansion at 811 NE 28th Street as a pet welcoming location. Finally, City Team members will be seeking your input this summer during City Public Hearings regarding the most appropriate use of CDBG funding in the amount of \$64,000. Please contact the Leisure Services Department for more information.

May and June 2016 provided unique activities to enhance quality of life. Kiwanis continued their considerate tradition of serving the members in the U.S. Navy during Fleet Week. The Community Affairs Advisory Board continued their outreach with a Bicycle Safety event on May 7th. The Volunteer Appreciation Lunch was a fun gathering to recognize the countless hours contributed by our volunteers. The Annual Canoe Race was truly memorable with 24 teams entering the race, which started at Colohatchee Boat Ramp and finished at Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve. Blazing Paddles continued their reign as overall and coed champions. The Islanders finished 2nd overall and 1st in the Men’s Division. Team Seiler finished 3rd overall and 2nd in the Men’s Division. The participants and spectators had so much fun, which culminated with celebrating our City Anniversary. You do not need to be in the race to attend this event. For information about this event or other happenings, please call or check our website.

*By Department Director Patrick Cann, CPRP*

On May 24th the City of Wilton Manors celebrated the raising of the Pride Flag at Jaycee Park. The Mayor provided a special thank you to all of the participants that contributed toward this happening. The Stonewall Street Festival and Parade was held on Saturday, June 18th with more participants than ever enjoying the festivities and fun. I would like to personally thank the many volunteers that contributed toward conducting this event.

July is Parks and Recreation Month! The City will celebrate with events such as the indoor Book Fair at Hagen Park on Saturday, July 9th, Friday, July 22, 2016 is Music at Mickel Concert and Thursday, July 28th is Parent’s Night. The City remains committed to offering many meaningful activities and special events while ensuring library and park facilities meet the leisure interests of our community. If you would like to share any ideas that would add to your park and library visiting experience, please feel free to contact me directly. I would greatly appreciate your input.

Please visit us online at [wiltonmanors.com/parks](http://wiltonmanors.com/parks) for more details regarding our activities, events, park hours, fees, volunteer opportunities, etc. You may also contact one of our Guest Services Team members at 954-390-2130. We have programs, amenities and services available just for you.

**Quick News Alert:** What can you personally do to help prevent the spread of the Zika Virus and other threats from mosquitos? Empty any outdoor containers with water when possible and continue to read and learn more about current preventive measures. The CDC has published best practices for public agencies and individuals to prevent mosquito bites ([www.cdc.gov/zika/prevention](http://www.cdc.gov/zika/prevention)).

**“Q: What can we actually do to be helpful to the world? A: Make a gift of your life and lift all mankind by being kind, considerate, forgiving, and compassionate at all times, in all places, and under all conditions, with everyone as well as yourself. That is the greatest gift anyone can give.”**  
David Hawkins 



## Try a Featured Class Today!

### FITNESS BOOT CAMP

The time is now to tighten up that summer body so come out to the park today! Fitness Boot Camp is offered Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7-8pm and Saturday and Sundays at 8am. Fitness Boot Camp is instructed by Lucky Pericles, a local fitness professional with one goal: Providing REAL people, with REAL workouts that produce REAL results. The cost is \$10 per class or \$50 for a 6 class punch card. For more information please call Lucky at (954)931-8711 or visit him on facebook at [www.facebook.com/LucksFitness](http://www.facebook.com/LucksFitness), [instagram.com/lucksfitness/](http://instagram.com/lucksfitness/) or tweet at him, @LucksFitness on Twitter.

### START SMART SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

Start Smart Sports Development prepares children (ages 3-5) for organized sports in a FUN, non-threatening environment. This program allows children to work one on one with a parent to learn a variety of sports skills including: throwing, catching, kicking, and running/agility. Start Smart Sports Development offers exercises that become increasingly more challenging as the class progresses and children show improvement. The Start Smart Sports Development program is only \$20 per 4 week session and is instructed by Recreation Leaders from our Leisure Services team. So don't just throw your child into a youth league without them learning the basics first. Class space is limited so sign up today. For more information please call the Leisure Services Department at (954) 390-2130.

### LIVE MUSIC AT MICKEL: SUMMER EDITION

In honor of July being Parks and Recreation Month, the Leisure Services team will be hosting "Live Music at Mickel Park" on Friday July 22, 2016. The special summer concert will be performed by the Ty Billings Band, a popular, local favorite will perform classic rock hits for you to dance and party to from 7:00pm-9:00pm. So get your weekend started right and come out to Mickel Park for this special summer concert. Food truck and cash bar will be available during concert.

### EMPOWER HOUR- ACTIVE MOVEMENT AND POSITIVE THINKING CLASS

Learn to control your emotions, reduce stress and anxiety and focus your energy on the most important aspects of living. This program will provide enlightening, evolving and empowering through movement, music, visualization, yoga, meditation, and aromatherapy. Cost is \$3 for residents and \$4 for non-residents on Wednesday evenings 6-7pm, \$1 for residents and \$3 for non-residents on Friday mornings 10-11am. This program is held at the Woman's Club building at Hagen Park.

### OPEN TABLE TENNIS FOR SENIORS

Come out to Hagen Park and enjoy free Table Tennis play on Tuesday mornings from 10am-12pm. Playing table tennis is a great way to stimulate the brain and promote quick thinking while improving hand-eye coordination. Table tennis is a low-injury risk sport that keeps one fit and flexible, without putting severe stress on joints. Playing table tennis also increases one's agility and flexibility, and most of all their reaction time. Tuesdays 10am Hagen Park 2020 Wilton Drive. 🏓



# Capital Projects & Grants

## OLD DIXIE HIGHWAY

Roadwork has started on Old Dixie Highway between NE 26th Street and the City limits to the southeast at approximately the 1900 block. This area has been significantly redeveloped in recent years, with the addition of a number of nearby residences and businesses. The project will include sidewalks, dedicated bicycle lanes, roadway resurfacing, signage, guardrails, landscaping, irrigation, and decorative pedestrian safety lighting. The work will occur on one side of the road at a time and only one travel lane in one direction will be closed at any given time. The project should be completed by early fall. The majority of this project is being financed through a grant received by the City. Almost \$1,000,000 was awarded through the MPO's competitive Transportation Alternatives Program. If you have any questions about the project please contact any of the following:



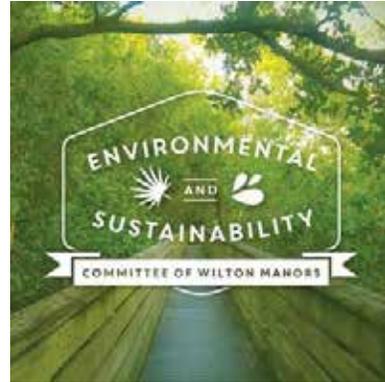
- Robert Brinkman of Weekley Asphalt (954-444-1040)
- Azita Behmardi – City's Construction and Engineering Inspection Manager (954-599-3726)
- Todd DeJesus – City's Capital Projects and Grants Manager (954-390-2105)



## WILTON MANORS ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

A fairly new committee began meeting this year to discuss environmental and sustainability issues throughout the City. This group of residents is

project-focused and have started coming up with ideas to “green” our City. They are also taking on the roles of the former NatureScape committee. Please check out their new Facebook page. “Like” it and/or post to it please. (On Facebook - Environmental & Sustainability Committee of Wilton Manors).



## RICHARDSON CARRIAGE HOUSE COURTYARD AND CANOPY

Construction has begun for a new courtyard on the north side of the Carriage House at Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve. The courtyard will be covered by a new canopy structure. These amenities will be available as part of the rental package for the Carriage House. Any questions related to the rental of either the Manor House, Carriage House, or Pavilion at the park may be addressed to Michael Herman (mherman@wiltonmanors.com).

If you have questions regarding these or any other capital projects in the City, please contact Todd DeJesus, Capital Projects and Grants Manager at (954) 390-2105 or tdejesus@wiltonmanors.com.

## Activities at Every Turn!



### RICHARDSON HISTORIC PARK & NATURE PRESERVE RENTALS

Richardson Historic Park & Nature Preserve is now available to host your next event! The Manor House offers an excellent venue for your special event or meeting, featuring a food preparation area with refrigerator, ice machine, warming oven and microwave. The facility is available for rental seven days a week from 8 a.m. to midnight. We also offer the newly completed Carriage

House and attached bar prep area. Rental of either the manor or Carriage Houses includes use of the parking lot, courtyards and gazebo for your event. Also located on the premises and available for rental is the 30'X64' pavilion, which is ideal for reunions, birthday parties, corporate events and more. The pavilion has a capacity of 150 and offers water, electric and a large grill. For more information or to schedule a tour of these facilities to see how we can meet your event needs, please call us at (954) 630-3118.

### COLOHATCHEE PARK FOR NATURE ENTHUSIASTS

Colohatchee Park is a mangrove preserve which is home to many types of plant, animal, and bird life that can be viewed as you walk through the elevated walkways and green spaces of the park. It is an excellent setting for nature enthusiasts to enjoy some of the best environmental sights that Wilton Manors has to offer. We welcome residents to explore Colohatchee Park which is surrounded by the previously mentioned native mangroves which are home to a variety of bird and animal life. Colohatchee Park is located at 1975 NE 15th Avenue and is open for viewing from 8:00am-Dusk, Monday through Thursday.

### YOGA CLASSES

Yoga is for everyone!! The practice of yoga offers increased health and wellness, a clear mind, and focused emotions and intellectual clarity. Yoga can help anyone achieve increased muscle tone, balance, strength, and improve your mood as well. Come see what yoga can do for you!! Yoga classes are being offered at Richardson Historic Park in the Manor House twice a week, Tuesday nights from 6:00pm-7:30pm and Saturday mornings from 9:30am-11:00am. Cost per class session is \$8, please call instructor Peter Multach at (305) 607-3520 or email him at [pmultach@gmail.com](mailto:pmultach@gmail.com) for more specific program information. 





# Adventurous Adventure Camp 2016



The Summer Adventure Camp is designed as a highly structured three week program with the ultimate fun plan before school starts. The camp is sponsored by the City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department and is organized and supervised by our certified Recreation and Childcare Professional. Any child in Kindergarten through Eighth grades may participate. The highly structured camp with many special activities and planned fieldtrips. Some of these trips include: Movies, Jungle Island, Metro Zoo, Roller Skating, Bowling and much more.

- Days:** Monday –Friday
  - Week #1 August 1-August 5, 2016
  - Week #2 August 8-August 12, 2016
  - Week #3 August 15-August 19, 2016
- Hours:** 7:30am-6:00pm
- Fees:** Registration Fee: \$40.00  
(one time non-refundable registration fee)  
If you did not attend the first 7 weeks.



### ADVENTURE CAMP PROGRAM – Includes Trips

- Resident \_\_\_\_\_ \$115.00 Per Week (\$88.00 Second Child) (\$80.00 Third Child)
  - Non Res. \_\_\_\_\_ \$145.00 Per Week (\$120.00 Second Child) (\$80.00 Third Child)
  - Resident \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 Daily
  - Non Res. \_\_\_\_\_ \$35 Daily
- (Lunch, Snack and Trips Daily included)

Location: Island City Park Preserve, 823 N.E. 28th Street, Wilton Manors.

For more information and a registration form, call 954-390-2130 or 954-390-2115.

## Island City Summer Camp 2016

This will be a seven (7) week program from June 13th –July 29th 7:30am – 6:00pm, for ages 4 – 15 years, held at the Wilton Manors Elementary School, 2401 NE 3rd Avenue., Wilton Manors. Breakfast, Lunch and snack will be offered daily.

All children will participate in a program divided into age groups which will rotate through various activity areas. These areas include activities in arts and crafts, outdoor group games, dance, modeling, free play, board games, story time and reading, science fun, contests, and special events on each Friday. Each week several trips will be offered for additional fees if you choose to participate.

The trips will include: Kabooms, roller skating, ice skating, bowling, Miami Seaquarium, cultural art performances, movies, and more. Register today and participants must be age 4 or older on or before September 1, 2016. 



### REGISTRATION FEE - ONE TIME NON-REFUNDABLE FEE:

\$10per child /\$15per family

Discount Package – Entire 7-Week

-1st Child \$490.00 2nd Child \$420.00 3rd Child \$350.00

\$80.00 per Week (\$70.00 Second Child) (\$60.00Third Child) \$30 Daily

**There is limited space available. For more information call 954-390-2130 or 954-390-2115**

## Songs and Stories of our National Parks

### Celebrating the Centennial Anniversary of Our National Park Service

National Parks are best known for wildlife and scenery, but the reasons parks matter go far beyond the tangible. From Yellowstone to Hawai'i Volcanoes, Gettysburg to Biscayne, national parks are powerful places that impact people in extraordinary ways. Biscayne National Park Rangers Megan Davenport and Gary Bremen celebrate the National Park Service Centennial by blending music and storytelling to share deeply personal experiences from national parks across the country. The journey wends through a full range of emotions, from laughter to tears, leaving audiences uplifted, proud, and anxious to create their own memories in THEIR national parks. Bring your sweet-tooth! Also, bring a blanket or chair. We will be roasting marshmallows and making S'mores around the camp fire! Songs and Stories of Our National Parks will take place at 7:30pm on Friday, August 5th at Mickel Park, 2675 NW 7th Avenue. For more information, contact the Leisure Services Department at 954-390-2130. 



## Before / After School Care

### Wilton Manors After School Program School starts on August 22, 2016



Where is the “BEST” place to send your children after school? The best place is B.A.S.H. (Best After School Hours) License #45455, where your child will be cared for year round by certified staff. B.A.S.H. offers each child a nutritious healthy snack, assistance with completing homework and an opportunity to develop positive social interactions. The youth engage in challenging educational and recreational activities, arts & crafts, and dramatics. Most importantly, B.A.S.H. is a place for children to have fun after a long school day.

**To register, please come by Hagen Park Community Center, 2020 Wilton Drive Wilton Manors. For more information please call (954)390-2130 or 954-390-2115.**

### Before School Care At Wilton Manors Elementary School Offering Before Care For The 2016-2017 School Year

The City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department will be offering Before School Care starting August 22, 2016 from 6:45am-7:45am at Wilton Manors Elementary School 2401 NE 3RD Avenue Wilton Manors for Wilton Manors Elementary School students ONLY.

**For more information and to register, call 954-390-2130.**

## Island City Yard Sale!

The City of Wilton Manors sponsors six City Yard Sales each year at Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive, on the second Saturday of November 2016 – March 2017. The City Yard Sales at 2020 Wilton Drive will be open from 8:00am to 2:00pm and spaces will be available to purchase for the November 12, 2016 starting August 1, 2016. Last year, the yard sales hosted from 60 to 90 vendors, so register early while there is still space. Tents, Chairs and Tables are available for rental. For space reservations at Hagen Park and information, please call the Leisure Services Department at 954-390-2115 or 954-390-2130.

The yard sale is free to the public. There will be a concession stand, so you can eat while you shop. Come join us and find value items at low cost. The vendors sell everything from linens and clothes to furniture, and home decorative items. Some vendors specialize in antiques, plants and collectables.

## School's Day Out Program



The School's Day-Out Program is open on teachers' workdays and closed on legal holidays. On non-school weekdays when the City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department is open, the program hours are 7:30 am ~ 6:00 pm. A field trip or special activity will be a part of the day. The cost of the program ranges from \$14.00 to \$25.00 per day/child, which includes the field trip or activity of the day. Children must bring a brown bag lunch unless otherwise instructed. This program will be held at Island City Park Preserve in Wilton Manors at 823 Northeast 28 Street.

For more information please call the Leisure Services Department at 954-390-2130. 

## It's Time To Have a Party!

### Come and check out Island City Park Preserve!

Island City Park Preserve is available to rent for birthday parties, baby showers, weddings, family get-togethers, cookouts, etc. The scenic view of the Middle River is a great place to get away, relax and unwind. ICPP provides a large spacious deck with walking trails along the river, a full sized basketball court, pavilions and a playground. In addition, our indoor facility has a multi-purpose room, meeting room and a kitchen.

For further information please call the Leisure Services Department at (954) 390-2115 or 954-390-2130. 

## Yee Haw!



Come on out and kick up your heels for a stomping good time and learn to Circle Left/Right, Do Sa Do, Forward ... This is a great way to meet new people, exercise, and have a lot of fun. This is a beginner's class held every Thursday from 7:00pm – 9:30pm at Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street in Wilton Manors. The cost is only \$5.00 per class.

For more information call 954-390-2115. 



## New E-Books @ your library

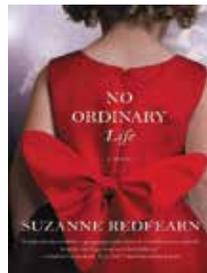
From **Emma Newman**, the award-nominated author of *Between Two Thorns*, comes, *Planetfall*, a novel of how one secret withheld to protect humanity's future might be its undoing.

*In the Time of Dragon Moon* is a rich medieval fantasy novel from an author, **Jamie Lee Carey**, whose work has been called "truly original . . . fantasy at its best."



From the queen of Icelandic crime fiction comes *The Silence of the Sea*, a truly chilling story that will leave readers breathless right up to the memorable ending. This is possibly her best book yet. Bestselling and award-winning Icelandic crime author **Yrsa Sigurdardóttir** has produced here a dazzling display of brilliant crime writing that is both groundbreaking and immensely satisfying.

**Suzanne Redfearn** delivers another gripping page-turner in her latest novel, *No Ordinary Life*, a story about a young mother's fight to protect her children from the dangerous world of Hollywood.



*Curtains for Miss Phym*, a lively cozy mystery set in small-town California, is the second in the Mary McGill dog mystery series by **Kathleen Delaney**.

Manderley Resort is a gleaming, new twenty-story hotel on the California coast. It's about to open its doors, and the world — at least those with the means to afford it — will be welcomed into a palace of opulence and unparalleled security. But someone is determined that Manderley will never open. The staff has no idea that their every move is being watched, and over the next twelve hours they will be killed off, one by one. A shocking thriller, a brilliant narrative puzzle, and a multifaceted love story unlike any other, *Security* marks the debut of a fearless and gifted writer, **Gina Wohlsdorf**.

*Stars Between the Sun and Moon* is an extraordinary memoir by a North Korean woman who defied the government

to keep her family alive. Born in the 1970s, **Lucia Jang** grew up in a common, rural North Korean household — her parents worked hard, she bowed to a photo of Kim Il-Sung every night, and the family scraped by on rationed rice and a small garden. However, there is nothing common about Jang. She is a woman of great emotional depth, courage, and resilience. With so few accounts by North Korean women and those from its rural areas, Jang's fascinating memoir helps us understand the lives of those many others who have no way to make their voices known.

Feeling overwhelmed with work and life demands? Rushing, multitasking, or relying on fancy devices and apps won't help. The answer is to create the conditions for *Two Awesome Hours* of peak productivity per day. Drawing on cutting-edge neuroscience, **Josh Davis**, director of research at the NeuroLeadership Institute explains clearly that our brains and bodies operate according to complex biological needs that, when leveraged intelligently, can make us incredibly effective. From what and when we eat, to when we tackle tasks or disengage — how we plan our activities has a huge impact on performance. Davis shows us how we can create the conditions for two awesome hours of effective mental performance.



From the hellhole of a Taliban prison to sweet freedom, five brave military heroes have made it home -- and they're ready to take on the civilian missions no one else can. Individually they're intimidating. Together they're invincible. They're the men of ARES Security. *Kill Without Mercy* is the first book in a new series by **Alexandra Ivy**.

The Great War shakes the world of a spirited young woman and the brave British pilot she loves, taking her from London to her family's magnificent country estate, and sending him into the war-torn skies over France in **Carrie Turansky's** *A Refuge at Highland Hall*. 

## New Computer System for the Library

Your Library



Users of the Richard C. Sullivan Public Library may have noticed that the public catalog has a new look.

The Library has implemented a new computer system. Library staff began planning for this project as early as 2010 and they ultimately selected Auto-Graphics as the vendor in 2015. After months of preparation, the Library has gone live.

Auto-Graphics' catalog, Verso, is very user friendly and offers more comprehensive searching than the system that it replaces. It is one of the predominant reasons the Library selected this product. It also offers a variety of ways for patrons to use their library accounts, such as saving reading lists to tracking what they've read and saving books they'd like to read, as well as receiving text messages or emails when reserved materials are available. Patrons on the go will now have seamless access to the Library's catalog and their accounts on their smartphones.

The Library has changed to a cloud configuration that will require less local maintenance, therefore helping to lower costs to the Library. New services such as emailed due date reminders are available, while existing services, such as online renewal and the ability to reserve items remotely will continue. Internal Library processes such as issuing cards and compiling statistics will become more efficient for staff.

Library users will find the new Library interface a welcome change and will be excited by the new offerings and options.

Please be patient as we make the transition. There may be short term inconveniences and issues to remedy but we'll do our best to keep things running smoothly.

If you have not done so already, take a look at Verso at <http://rspl-verso.auto-graphics.com>.



### Youth Services @ your library

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME –  
MONDAY MORNINGS @ 10:30.  
For ages 4 and under.

For details, visit the youth services department  
or call 954-390-2195.



### Summer Programs at the Library

DoDad's Lab has created a high energy Comedy Science show called KidFit -- a science show like no other on health and fitness. Professor DoDad brings original music, puppetry, laughter, and health and fitness science to kids of all ages.

Professor DoDad uses an array of wonderful and captivating science experiments and demonstrations to help explain what being KidFit is all about. The Professor will share his own My Plate experience that will leave the kids inspired to be more KidFit. The performance on Wednesday, July 27th, at 4 pm is a mixture of demonstrations by Professor DoDad and hands-on activities for the kids.

On Wednesday, August 3rd, the Library is sponsoring a bowling party at Manor Lanes! The program is for ages 7 to 17. Space is limited, though. Registration is required. Please visit the Library to register.

The End of Summer Ice Cream Party takes place on Wednesday, August 10th, at 4 pm. Prizes for the Summer Reading Program will also be awarded. 🍦

### WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP THE LIBRARY?



Join the Friends! The Friends of the Wilton Manors Library is a volunteer group that exists to enrich the cultural and educational opportunities within our community. The Friends provide funding for the Library's extensive DVD and audio book collections. They also sponsor Library programs and online resources, such as Ancestry.com and our ebooks and digital magazines. Membership applications are available at the Library.

The Friends will host their Summer Book Fair inside the Hagen Park Community Center on Saturday, July 9, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Donations received are an important source of revenue, allowing the Friends to underwrite the cost of Library programming, the purchase of audio and video materials, and the acquisition of computers and other equipment. 📖

## Friends Of The Library - Annual Meeting



by Paul A. Kuta, Vice President

“Friends of the Library photo: courtesy of Ron Gordon.”

The Friends of the Wilton Manors Library held its 59th consecutive Annual General Membership Meeting on May 26th in the Richard C. Sullivan Public Library of Wilton Manors.

Officially, the Friends group is an all-volunteer, non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt corporation registered in the State of Florida. The Wilton Manors Friends is the local chapter in a nationwide series of Friends groups who support the public libraries in their respective communities.

At the meeting, the Friends members present approved some changes to the organization's Bylaws. The most important revision was to change the terms of office for Officers and Directors from one year to two--and to stagger their elections so that only half of the Board is up for re-election each year to provide continuity.

The following individuals were elected to the offices indicated: Arlene Lancaster as President; Paul Kuta as Vice President; Salvatore Torre as Secretary; and Benjamin Little as Treasurer. Elected as Directors were : Carol Clark, Doris Cotnoir, Kathy Dunkel, Ellen Ferrelli, Virginia Flaherty, Earl Graybeal, and Vicky Sharrow.

Also approved was the Friends annual budget of some \$34,000 for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 beginning on June 1st. As a supplement to the city budget for the library, the Friends underwrite the costs of all DVD movies, audio books and large-print books. The Friends also pay for the e-books contract, various digital databases, and all computers in the public areas of the library. We underwrite robust youth programs, a lecture series for adults, and replacement of select furnishings as they wear out.

To become a Friends member you can fill out the application form in the Friends brochure found in public facilities, the target envelope in the library, or by going to the Friends web site, [www.FriendsoftheWiltonManorsLibrary.org](http://www.FriendsoftheWiltonManorsLibrary.org). Annual memberships are for an individual, a household, a business, or an organization. You may be a Basic Member for \$10 or Patron for \$40. We welcome Benefactors for \$100 or more!

The Richard C. Sullivan Library belongs to the residents of Wilton Manors. It is proudly independent and not part of the Broward County Library System. 



# Night Out Against Crime - 2016

By WMPD Chief Paul O'Connell



**Mark your Calendars!** Please join me and other members of your Wilton Manors Police Department and your **City Commissioners** at our next **National Night Out Against Crime** which will be held on *Tuesday, August 2, 2016* at

various neighborhood locations throughout the city. Please check our Wilton Manors Police Department website for details: [www.wmpd.org](http://www.wmpd.org). We look forward to meeting all of you, your families, your friends and your neighbors as we celebrate this event which brings together the very best of our community!

### Remember...**KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR; KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD**

The above phrase is the very essence of Night Out Against Crime as it gets us out of the house and into the neighborhood to meet our neighbors, all banding together to make Wilton Manors a great community!

### **SPEAKING OF CRIME – 2015 UCR Report**

Each year the FBI & FDLE work with local law enforcement to produce the Uniform Crime Report which tracks the seven Part I crimes (Homicide, Sexual Assault, Robbery, Burglary, Larceny, Auto Theft & Aggravated Assault). **GOOD NEWS:** Wilton Manors experienced a significant decrease in the crime rate in 2015 when compared with 2014 (-15.4%)!! 2015 was the lowest crime rate for Wilton Manors in over 20 years! **BAD NEWS:** we experienced an increase in residential burglaries (111 in 2015 vs. 97 in 2014; note: 2014 represented the lowest number of residential burglaries in over 20 years). Two highlights in this 2015

report were: Wilton Manors had a 24% decrease in the number of larcenies in 2015 and a 40% decrease in larcenies from an automobile. Please go the [www.fdle.state.fl.us](http://www.fdle.state.fl.us) for a complete report of these crime statistics which go as far back as 2000. This good news is a direct result of our partnership with you, the citizens of Wilton Manors! Fighting crime truly is a partnership between the police and the community. WMPD is proud of our 2015 achievements, but we understand we have more work to do.

In our budget for **FY 2015 – 16**, the City Commission had the wisdom and vision to dedicate additional funds to hire two additional police officers. One position for additional traffic enforcement and one position to be dedicated to our newly created **SET Team** (selective enforcement team). This **SET Team** will be experienced police officers working in plain clothes and in unmarked cars. They will be dedicated to addressing current crime trends in a nimble and flexible fashion. Their **#1 priority** will be to combat residential burglaries. Needless to say **WMPD** has work to do but we are going in the right direction...in partnership with our community.

As always, the Wilton Manors Police Department is at your service day or night, 24/7. Feel free to visit us in person at City Hall, 2020 Wilton Drive or our website at [www.wmpd.org](http://www.wmpd.org). Please remember the following contact phone numbers....

- Emergency:** 911
- Non-emergency need for a police officer to respond:** 954-764-HELP (4357)
- Wilton Manors Front Desk:** 954-390-2150



On Tuesday, August 2nd 2016 neighbors throughout Wilton Manors are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "33rd Annual National Night Out" crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out is co-sponsored locally by the Wilton Manors Police Department. National Night Out is designed

to: (1) Heighten awareness against crime prevention and drug awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts; (3) Strengthen police and community partnership; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized, aware, and fighting back. For more information about this event and/or to host a block party this year visit: <http://www.wiltonmanors.com/index.aspx?NID=305>

## Baby / Pet On-Board Safety Awareness

There is no excuse to leave a baby, child, or pet in a hot, parked vehicle ever. The Wilton Manors Police Department (WMPD) cannot stress enough how dangerous it is to leave a young child or pet in a hot, parked vehicle. WMPD wants to educate the community about these dangers and how simple it can be to remember your “Precious Cargo” is on-board. As the temperatures begin to go up, sadly so do the number of children and pets who die after being left inside hot vehicles. Already in 2016 there have been several deaths nationwide. Leaving a young child or pet in a hot, parked vehicle can cause heatstroke (aka hyperthermia). In the simplest terms it describes heat-related illnesses when a body’s temperature exceeds its normal range. If a body is subjected to extreme temperatures it can overwhelm the body’s ability to cool itself. This is especially true for infants and young children whose body heats at a rate of three to five times faster than an adults. If a person’s body temperature reaches 104 degrees (the clinical definition for heat stroke) their cooling system is overwhelmed to the point it begins to shut down. Continued exposure to very high temperatures can produce brain damage, and at 107 degrees cells with the body start to die and organs begin to shut down, quickly leading to death.

According to KidsandCars.org, a public safety awareness website for child safety, there have been 77 child vehicular heat stroke fatalities in the State of Florida between 1990 and 2015 (Please note: this should be considered an undercount of the actual number of child vehicular heat stroke

fatalities due to no official state data collection systems). Nationwide, 754 children have died from being left in a hot vehicle. Here are a few other facts and tips to keep your child and pet safe:

### The Greenhouse Effect in Vehicles:

- The inside of a vehicle heats up VERY quickly! Even with the windows cracked, the temperature inside a car can reach 120 to 125 degrees in minutes.
- Cracking the windows does not help slow the heating process OR decrease the maximum temperature

- 80% of the increase in temperature happens in the first 10 minutes
- Children have died from heatstroke in cars in temps as low as 60 degrees.

### Contributing Factors:

- Changes in normal daily routine, lack of sleep, stress, fatigue, and distractions.
- Rear-facing car seats look the same whether there is a baby in it or not.
- Children, especially babies, often fall asleep in their rear-facing child safety seats; becoming quiet, unobtrusive little passengers.

### Some Safety Tips:

- Never leave Children or Pets alone in or around cars; not even for a minute.
- “Look Before You Lock” - Get in the habit of always opening the back door to check the back seat before leaving your vehicle. Make sure no child or pet has been left behind.
- Create a reminder to check the back seat:
  - Put something you’ll need like your cell phone,



handbag, employee ID, or brief case, etc., in the back seat so that you have to open the back door to retrieve that item every time you park.

- Keep a large stuffed animal in the child's car seat. When the child is placed in the car seat, put the stuffed animal in the front passenger seat.

If your "Precious Cargo" is your pet place your pet's leash or pet toy in the front with the driver as a reminder that you have your pet in the vehicle with you. It's a visual reminder that the child or pet is in the back seat.

- Make sure you have a strict policy in place with your childcare provider about daycare drop-off. Everyone involved in the care of your child should always be aware of their whereabouts. If your child will not be attending daycare as scheduled, it is the parent's responsibility to call and inform the childcare provider. If your child does not show up as scheduled; and they have not received a call from the parent, the childcare provider pledges to contact you immediately to ensure the safety of your child. (this is very similar to the 'absence-line' used by most elementary, middle, and high schools).

- Keep vehicles locked at all times, even in driveways or garages. Ask home visitors, child care providers and neighbors to do the same. Keep car keys and remote openers out of reach of children.

- If a child goes missing, immediately check the inside passenger compartments and trunks of all vehicles in the area very carefully, even if they are locked. A child may lock the car doors after entering a vehicle on their own, but may not be able to unlock them.

- If you see a child alone in a vehicle, get involved. Call 911 immediately. If the child seems hot or sick, get them out of the vehicle as quickly as possible.

- Be especially careful during busy times, schedule changes, and periods of crisis or holidays. This is when many tragedies occur.

- Use drive-thru services when available (restaurants, banks, pharmacies, dry cleaners, etc.) and pay for gas at the pump.

**Florida State Statute 316.6135- Leaving children unattended or unsupervised in motor vehicles states that a parent, legal guardian, or other person responsible for a child younger than 6 years of age may not leave the child unattended or unsupervised in a motor vehicle:**

(a) For a period in excess of 15 minutes;

(b) For any period of time if the motor of the vehicle is running, the health of the child is in danger, or the child appears to be in distress.

Any person who violates this statute could commit a misdemeanor of the second degree, could be found guilty of a noncriminal traffic infraction, could be punished by a fine not less than \$50 and not more than \$500, could commit a felony of the third degree if leaving the child in the vehicle causes great bodily harm, permanent disability, or permanent disfigurement to a child.

Did you know effective as of March 8, 2016 **Florida State Statute 768.139 HB 131- Unattended Persons and Animals in Motor Vehicles provides immunity from civil liability for damage to a motor vehicle related to the rescue of a vulnerable person or animal under certain circumstances.**

Under this new law, individuals can't be sued for breaking into a car to rescue someone, so long as they have:

- First checked the vehicle is locked;
- Called 9-1-1 / notified Law Enforcement before entering the vehicle or immediately after doing so;
- Uses no more force than is necessary to break in;
- And remains with the person or animal until first-responders arrive.

WMPD urges you to call 9-1-1 if you see a baby, child, or pet left in a hot, parked vehicle. To help in reminding you of your "Precious Cargo" WMPD will be providing stickers for you to place on your vehicle's window so that you do not leave your most valuable cargo (your child and/or pet that is) inside your HOT vehicle. Every time you enter and exit your vehicle you'll be reminded by the sticker to check for your child and/or pet. 🐾





## iTunes Gift Card Scam... Beware

### Scammers Push People to Pay with iTunes Gift Cards



**One thing we know about scammers — they want money, and they want it fast.** That’s why, whatever the con they’re running, they usually ask people to pay a certain way. They want to make it easy for themselves to get the money — and nearly impossible for you to get it back.

Their latest method? iTunes gift cards. To convince you to pay, they might pretend to be with the IRS and say you’ll be arrested if you don’t pay back taxes right now. Or pose as a family member or online love interest who needs your help fast. But as soon as you put money on a card and share the code with them, the money’s gone for good.

If you’re not shopping at the iTunes store, you shouldn’t be paying with an iTunes gift card. Other payment methods scammers might ask for include Amazon gift cards, PayPal, reloadable cards like MoneyPak, Reloadit, or Vanilla, or by wiring money through services like Western Union or MoneyGram. Government offices won’t require you to use these payment methods.

If you get targeted by a scam like this, report it to the FTC at [ftc.gov/complaint](http://ftc.gov/complaint).

Article by: Amy Herbert/Consumer Education Specialist, FTC

## “Walk-through Tuesdays”

The City of Wilton Manors Community Development Services Department staff devotes every Tuesday to assisting residents and contractors to “Walk-In” with complete building permit applications with the following types of building permits.

**HOURS:**

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**STRUCTURAL & ZONING**

RE-ROOFS, FENCES, VINYL COATED FENCES, CONCRETE PATIOS, SHUTTERS, WINDOW REPLACEMENTS, SCREEN ENCLOSURES, SHEDS

**ELECTRICAL**

SERVICE CHANGES, LOW VOLTAGE PERMITS, BURGLAR ALARMS (NO FIRE ALARMS)

**PLUMBING**

SEWER, WATER SERVICE, PLUMBING FIXTURE, WATER HEATER, RESIDENTIAL IRRIGATION SYSTEMS, POOL HEATER REPLACEMENTS

**MECHANICAL**

AIR CONDITIONING UNIT REPLACEMENTS

Walk-through Tuesdays is subject to submission of all required properly completed paperwork. A building permit application may be dropped off in the morning between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and an approved permit picked up in the afternoon.

For more information please contact the Community Development Services Department at (954) 390-2180. Please note that there is a maximum of five (5) walk-through permits per day per customer.



After updating the Code Compliance web page, we have seen an increase in complaints filed with us during the past year. It is good that our residents are using this outlet to inform us of the concerns they have. Though our proactive cases have also increased significantly, the complaints we receive are vital to the understanding of which violations affect our residents the most, and where they are occurring. We are currently in the process of enhancing our page to increase the ease of use, and there are several other ways that we can receive complaints.

Currently, code complaints through the City's website ([www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com)) can be filed by clicking the "REPORT A CONCERN" button found on the right or left hand side of pages throughout the site, and by clicking on the "SUBMIT A COMPLAINT" button on the bottom of the Code Compliance home page (<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/CCU>). A username and password login is then required in order to access the compliant system. If not already obtained, this login needs to be created to enter the system. In the near future we will be implementing a new interface for complaints to be filed online. During our transition, the old system will still be available for those who are familiar with it. Anonymous complaints may also be filed using these online methods.

Our most common way of receiving complaints is through our main number at 954-390-2151. A resident may call and file both formal and anonymous complaints by calling us and select to speak with our Administrative Assistant or the Code Compliance Officer for the area where the potential violation is observed. Since

the Officers are mainly out in the field, email is our preferred method of contact. The contact information for our Code Compliance Team is as follows:

**East Neighborhood Code**

**Compliance Officer:** Kim Holinko

Email: [KHolinko@wmpd.org](mailto:KHolinko@wmpd.org)

Office: 954.567.6062

**Central Neighborhood Code**

**Compliance Officer:** David Cameron

Email:

[DCameron@wmpd.org](mailto:DCameron@wmpd.org)

Office: 954.567.6061

**West Neighborhood Code**

**Compliance Officer:** Jim Wolf

Email: [JWolf@wmpd.org](mailto:JWolf@wmpd.org)

Office: 954.567.6064

**Administrative Aid:** Kelly Ajo

Email: [KAjo@wmpd.org](mailto:KAjo@wmpd.org)

Office: 954.390.2151

**Code Compliance Supervisor:**

Julio Davila

Email: [JDavila@wmpd.org](mailto:JDavila@wmpd.org)

Office: 954.390.2157

A detailed printable map of the assigned areas for our Code Officers may be found online at (<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/codeStaff>). We look forward to hearing from you and continue to work together in keeping our Island City beautiful. 



## Bring Back the Gateway Towers?



The Historical Society has a model of The Gateway Towers, installed at Five Points by Wilton Manors founder Edward J. Willingham in 1925! If we can get them presentable, the City has agreed to display them in a public space so that everyone may enjoy them.

The model was displayed at the Broward County Pioneer Days, hosted by Wilton Manors in 1989. They are about four feet wide and made of balsa wood. Unhappily, we have lost who made them and when. They were in the custody of the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society for a number of years.

They need some “tender loving care.” The Historical Society is sure there is

Spain.” These folks clearly did not take Art History. There is a good description by a reporter who seems to have actually visited them. They are, in fact, “Bastard-Spanish-Moorish-Romanesque-Gothic-Renaissance-Bull-Market-Damn-the-Expense style” made famous by Addison Mizner.

The Gateway Towers, as they were called, were substantial, made from rock quarried from what is now the lake at Lazy Lake. The thought was that people interested in buying in Wilton Manors would climb to the top of the large tower, which was 40 feet tall, to pick out their lot.

They were empty through the 1930’s. There



someone in town who has the expertise to help. We ask you to contact us at [WMHS@WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org](mailto:WMHS@WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org) or call us at 954-617-5889.

We would also appreciate any information on their origins.

The Towers were designed by Francis Abreu, a very important architect in south Florida in the 1920’s. They were variously described as “a reproduction of an original entrance to the Casa del Salinas in Salamanca, Spain” and “the old 15th century Gateway to Toledo,

were additions. It was a home, it was a church, it was an icon. The largest Tower was torn down to be replaced by the iconic A&W Root Beer stand. The last of the Towers were torn down in the mid 1960’s to be replaced by a gas station. They are depicted on Frank Starling’s official “City Seal.”

You, or someone you know, can help restore them. The Historical Society urges you to contact us and we’ll talk about it. 🌱

**By Benjamin B. Little –  
Wilton Manors Historical Society**

# CANA's Corner

**CONGRATULATIONS!** CANA President Paul Rolli received the Community Spirit Award – Individual Volunteer of the year and Mayor Resnick proclaimed May 14, 2016 as PAUL ROLLI DAY. Broward County Mayor Kiar proclaimed May 24, 2016 - PAUL ROLLI APPRECIATION DAY as recommended by County Commissioner Tim Ryan.



**WELCOME** to new CANA Board members Matthew Gill and Ray Carrier

**JUDGES FORUM TO BE HOSTED BY THREE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSNS** Meet the judicial candidates on July 20th at 7pm at Hagen Park - Forum moderated by the League of Women Voters

### THE MORE VARIETY, THE BETTER THE SOCIETY

As a founding member and past president, it has been a true honor to also serve as a board member for CANA the past two years. CANA was conceived in 2007 when area residents were concerned about the real estate boom and the impact of development on its neighborhood. The idea was for CANA to be the voice to our city leaders, and, indeed, all these years later, it has served in that capacity quite well.

CANA's membership has grown steadily over the past few years and we continue to add new members as folks discover us. And, while we are pleased with the community's interest in CANA, we are also seeking ways to improve the diversity of our membership so that the organization truly reflects the community as a whole.

Ever wondered about CANA? Maybe you've heard about us, but aren't quite sure if we're your cup of tea. So, accept this invitation to give us a try by attending one of our meetings and/or talking to one of our Directors. We're betting you'll enjoy

your time with us, and we're hoping you'll become a member. We haven't completed our mission yet and we need your help. Membership in CANA requires an individual to be a Wilton Manors resident, either property owner or renter, and at least 18 years of age.

Got questions? Send an email to [membership@CANAWM.org](mailto:membership@CANAWM.org) with your contact information. It would be our pleasure to speak with you directly. In my time with CANA, I've come to agree with what Helen Keller said: "Alone we can do so little, but, together we can do so much." Please, join us. There is much to do! - Constance Ruppender

### ASSOCIATIONS WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE BETTER....

On April 13, 2016, the three neighborhood associations co-sponsored a forum to learn about proposed changes to the City Code of Ordinances. Community Development Services Director

Roberta Moore explained the proposed changes and sought public input. Code Enforcement Supervisor Julio Davila also participated to field questions about code enforcement. We ask



that everyone pay attention to the City Commission and Planning and Zoning calendars to keep up on code changes that are on agendas for public hearings so you can attend and voice your opinion.

JOIN CANA or pay membership dues by using PayPal via the CANA website

### CANA MEETINGS:

CANA meetings are held at 7p.m. at Hagen Park. Parking is FREE. The next meetings are:

- July 20, 2016 – Judges Forum
- October 19, 2016 🌍



### CANA CAN!

Contact us: [membership@canawm.org](mailto:membership@canawm.org) or visit us: [www.canawm.org](http://www.canawm.org).

Paul J. Rolli, President • Fred Caplan, Vice President • Brent White, Secretary  
• Constance Ruppender, Ron Poskus, Matthew Gill & Ray Carrier, Directors

## News from the Westside

Many thanks to our city's Leisure Services Department for the wonderful job hosting the 25th Annual Island City Canoe Race in May. Team WAWM successfully completed the relay race and finished 18th out of 25 teams. Looking forward to next year and continued participation in this great city event.



### WESTSIDE ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS

The Westside Association welcomes our new Board of Directors elected last month at our Annual Meeting and also thanks those who have served this association in the past.

#### WAWM UPDATES

• Andrews Avenue Redevelopment Initiative -

The city is currently in the process of having an Economic Development Strategic Plan completed. Once completed, WAWM believes that the plan will validate what our association has long advocated, that Andrews Avenue and its redevelopment should be the main priority and focus for the future growth and sustainability of our city.

• Westside Beautification Project -

WAWM has established Snook Creek Boat Ramp and Park as an ongoing clean-up project. First identified during the Waterway Clean-up in March as having specific issues, WAWM has begun a monthly clean-up of the facility. Join us for our next clean-up on Saturday, May 14, at 9 a.m.

• 33311 Zip Code Change -

WAWM looks forward to restarting the push to have the Westside of Wilton Manors be included in the 33305 Zip Code, rather than the current 33311.

• City Code and Compliance -

WAWM joined our fellow neighborhood associations in hosting a workshop to assist city staff with identifying specific areas of our Code that need revision, changing and addition.

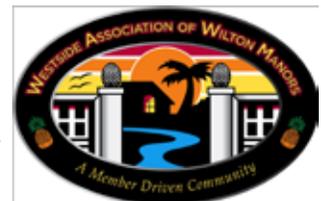
WAWM continues to work with our Code Enforcement officers to identify issues needing attention throughout the Westside.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Snook Creek clean-up – Saturday, July 9th, at 9 am.
- Judicial Candidates Forum- Wednesday, July 20th, 7 pm- Hagen Park Community Center
- National Night Out- Tuesday, August 2nd- host a party with your neighbors
- WAWM's Annual Bowling Social, Saturday, August 27th, 2 pm 

For additional information on the Westside Association of Wilton Manors, please email [info@wawm.org](mailto:info@wawm.org).

*The Westside Association of Wilton Manors is a voluntary civic and social association of people who want to build a sense of community that works together for the benefit of everyone. In addition, our goal is to provide a voice for mutual neighborhood concerns.*



## Want to Enhance Your Business?

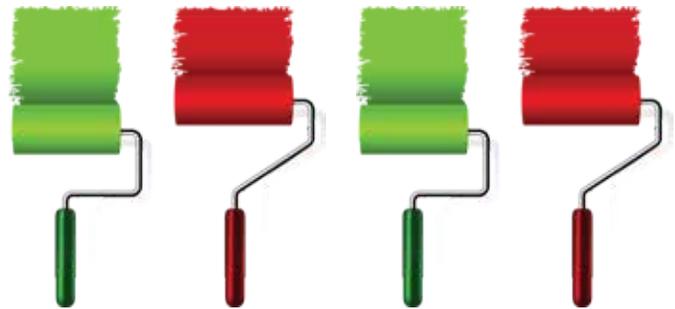
### 2016 Business Enhancement Grant Program

The City of Wilton Manors Community Development Services Department is pleased to announce the 2016 Business Enhancement Grant Program ("Program"). The City will award up to ten (10) \$500.00 grants towards the improvement costs to the exterior of commercial properties along Andrews Avenue and Oakland Park Boulevard.

The objectives of the Grant are to encourage private investment in the improvement of commercial parcels; encourage the appearance of the streetscape along Andrews Avenue and Oakland Park Boulevard; reduce vacancies in storefronts; and provide an incentive to improve commercial properties.

#### Eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

- Permanent signage;
- Exterior painting;
- Lighting;
- Awnings; and
- Providing components of Green Building Program.



#### Eligibility:

- Applications must be submitted no later than August 1, 2016.
- Eligible projects must be completed by September 30, 2016 and copies of all required documentation provided no later than October 15, 2016.
- All projects must conform to all applicable Federal, State, County and City Code of Ordinances and Unified Land Development Regulations.
- Applicants for the Grant must have no outstanding fees, taxes, fines or liens to the City of Wilton Manors.
- Grant application must be submitted by a property owner or tenant with approval of the property owner.
- Each applicant may be awarded only one (1) Grant per fiscal year.
- New Commercial construction will not be eligible for the Grant program.
- The Grant application and approval of the project shall be obtained prior to work commencing.
- At completion of the project, 50% of the approved expenses, up to \$500.00, will be reimbursed by the City.

For additional details and application, please visit the City of Wilton Manors' website at [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) or contact Community Development Services at (954) 390-2180. 

## Welcome New Businesses!

Please join the City of Wilton Manors in welcoming new businesses that opened in April and May 2016.

Address	Name of Business
2031 Wilton Drive Unit C	Smoking Manors
2288 Wilton Drive	The 5 Elements Spa & Longevity Center
2031 Wilton Drive Unit D	Andee's Creamery
2301 Wilton Drive Unit C1-A	Trantalis and Associates
2312 Wilton Drive 20	American Tax & Insurance Services
2217 Wilton Drive	J Miles Clothing Company Enterprises Inc
2207 & 2205A N Dixie Highway	ACRUG.COM
2213 N Dixie Highway	Sarava Acai Cafe
2212 N Dixie Highway	Home Essentials
314 E Oakland Park Boulevard	Inspired by J&F
2734 N Andrews Avenue	Illusions Boutique
1515 NE 26 Street	GSC/CDS LLC
1881 NE 26 Street Unit 223	Acute Hearing and Balance LLC
1201 NE 26 Street Unit 104	David Douglas Spa
1160 NE 24 Court	Elevator Service Repair & Modernization Inc
2430 NE 13 Avenue	Frutera Garden Bar Inc



# Hurricane Prep for Businesses

The workplace is the strength of any community. It provides a wide variety of specialized services to its clientele and an economic base for its employees. The commercial sector should prepare to protect its property against the hazards generated by a hurricane.

## Planning

- Review property insurance with the company's insurance agent concerning the hazards of a hurricane.
- Assemble insurance policies and financial records necessary to expedite quick settlement of claims; package in waterproof container.
- Review your insurance coverage to make sure you understand what is not covered. Most policies don't cover flood damage.
- The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) provides coverage to property owners. Go to the NFIP Website at [floodsmart.gov](http://floodsmart.gov).
- Consider business interruption insurance. It covers operating expenses, like utilities, and compensates you for the income lost after a temporary closure.
- Make a complete inventory of your business and take pictures and/or video of your business inside and out to aid in insurance or tax credit claims after the storm.
- Determine and establish written hurricane protective procedures for the business property and its contents.
- Specify conditions under which hurricane protective procedures may be implemented.
- Appoint an individual and designate an alternate to implement hurricane protective procedures.
- Establish plans for the protection of computer files (e.g., a backup system to secure data and safe storage). Make multiple backups of critical computer data and store them off premise. Keep checks, purchase orders, financial records, property and vehicle titles off premise as well.
- If appropriate, develop a system for the identification of employees (e.g., I.D. cards, vehicle permits, badges, etc.).
- Make arrangements to pay employees, preferably in cash, as it may be some time before banking institutions are operational.
- Implement hurricane protective procedures as conditions warrant.
- Inform key employees or essential staff of their specific responsibilities under the established hurricane procedures.
- If appropriate, establish an employee training program concerning your hurricane procedures.
- Determine and acquire emergency protective equipment and supplies (e.g., heavy plastic sheeting,



duct tape, masking tape, sandbags, emergency generator, storm shutters, chain saw, large pieces of plywood, hand tools and other essential items).

- Create a clear-cut hurricane policy for employees and post it in advance. If appropriate, inform all employees on when and how they will be notified to report back to work.
- Make sure employee emergency contact information is up to date, and that you have an employee communication plan in place, which includes a designated out of town phone number where employees can leave an "I'm okay" message in a disaster.
- Monitor a local radio or television station for official emergency information and instructions.
- Evaluate your short-term and long-term energy needs, and whether your company needs a generator. If so, stock fuel for it.

## Before the Event, as the Storm Approaches

### Building Exterior

- Check drains, gutters and downspouts on the roof of the building to ensure they are clear and able to drain off the heavy rain which usually accompanies a hurricane. Clogged roof drains could cause the roof to collapse from weight of accumulated water, or cause damage to the interior of the building if water on the roof becomes deep enough to cover vent pipes and run down inside the building.
- Remove antennas or loose objects from the roof.
- Protect all vent hoods, exhaust louvers, etc., from wind and rain.
- Bring in display racks and other objects usually left outside. Secure all loose objects, such as trash cans and potted plants, which might cause damage during strong winds.
- Remove outdoor signs, especially those that swing or are portable.
- Check yard for materials that might be blown around. Secure items that cannot be brought inside.
- Dumpsters (and large trash containers) can be secured by lashing two or more together with rope or chains and chocking the wheels. They might also be secured to a tree or telephone pole, if available.
- If building has exterior glass frontage, clear out that section of the building as much as possible and use shutters or board up to protect glass. Cover all glass windows and doors on at least the first floor of the building with shutters, paneling or other protective material, such as plywood or masonite.
- Secure first floor doorways against flood waters with sandbags or heavy plastic sheeting and duct tape.

- Service and test the building's emergency power generator under load to make sure it is operating.
- Fill the fuel tanks of company vehicles.

**Building Interior**

- Clear all desk and table tops of small loose objects. Box or place in desk drawers or storage cabinets any loose papers, books, hanging plants, etc.
- Take down all loosely secured pictures, plaques, etc.
- Remove contents of lower file cabinet drawers on the ground floor of the building and secure contents elsewhere.
- Move important documents away from windows.
- Relocate files, boxes, computers, office machines and other equipment to the innermost portion of the building or a safer location. Do not leave boxes or equipment on the floor; elevate them by placing items on desk or table tops.
- Disconnect all electrical appliances and equipment such as typewriters, copiers, coffee makers, electric clocks, calculators, etc. (except for refrigeration), so they do not create excessive surge when electric power is restored.
- Unplug and wrap all electronics, including computers, in large plastic bags to protect against water damage. Store them off the floor, in locations that are high and dry.
- Cover merchandise, office machines, specialized equipment, file cabinets, copy machines, computer terminals, etc., with tarpaulins or plastic sheeting and secure with sturdy tape.
- If time permits, make an inventory of all moved items to ease unpacking after the storm.
- Close all windows and draw blinds or drapes.
- Allow your employees adequate time to secure their homes and make personal preparations.
- Check out all equipment, utilities, fire equipment and first aid materials. Repair and replace faulty items as necessary.
- Prepare a portable hurricane kit that you can take with you once you've secured your business. This could include copies of essential documents such as site maps, building plans, and insurance policies; a battery-powered radio; batteries; a hardline telephone; a laptop; camera; and anything else essential to keeping your business running.
- Turn off incoming gas and water. Turn off power, except for refrigeration, at the power box.
- Before leaving the property, re-check the securing of the outdoor objects.
- Lock all doors when you leave.
- Advise local law enforcement if the business will be empty of people or if security guards will be on site. If guards are to remain on site, make provisions for their safety, including adequate shelter, communications, food and water.

**During the Event**

- During the height of the storm, personnel should remain in a place that has been identified as safe from wind and flood.
- During a power failure, turn off electrical switches

to prevent re-activation before necessary checks are completed.

- Constantly monitor any equipment that must remain online.
- When it is safe to do so, patrol the property and check for roof leaks, pipe breakage, fire or structural damage.

**After the Event**

- Secure the site and survey for damage and for safety hazards, such as live wires, leaking gas or flammable liquids, poisonous gases, and damage to foundations or underground piping.
- Before restoring service, check all utilities. If you have any question about the condition of your utilities, call the appropriate company.
- Do not turn on computer equipment if there are indications of low voltage power fluctuations, low air conditioning output, water under raised floor, broken windows or damaged equipment.
- Take pictures of your facility inside and out to aid in insurance or tax credit claims.
- Make temporary repairs as needed to prevent looting and/or any further damage.
- If you own equipment that could be useful after the storm, notify local emergency management officials.
- The Broward County Office of Economic and Small Business Development has established a network of disaster relief facilities identified as Business Recovery Centers, to provide information, services and access to financial assistance programs. Centers may become operational in a disaster recovery. 

*Restaurant Owners*  
**Beware**

Several Broward County restaurants have received prank phone calls from individuals posing as the local fire department. They falsely state they are "testing the system" and ask the manager on duty to activate the pull station on their kitchen fire suppression system. A real fire inspector would never make this request.

**If you have questions regarding this scam please contact the City's fire inspector at (954) 390-2180.** 

# Around Town



**#1** - City officials permanently raise the Pride Flag at Jaycee Park on May 24, 2016 **#2** - Annual Canoe Race: 1st Place Team -Women's Division Blazing Paddles Wenches **#3** - The Metropolitan Ribbon Cutting Celebration on June 14, 2016 **#4** - Paul Rolli, Nick Berry and Shawn Bombard win Volunteer of the Year Awards on May 14, 2016 **#5** - 2016 Stonewall Street Festival & Parade on June 18, 2016





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**CALL FOR ARTISTS!**

## ***Fifth Annual Island City Juried Art Exhibition***

All fine art media, including oil, watercolor, pastel, and acrylic painting, mixed media, pen & ink, photography, and collage will be accepted. Maximum size of two-dimensional art is 30-inches in either direction (not including frame). Maximum weight 20 pounds. Work must be clean and wired for hanging (No Saw-tooth Hangers). All protected artwork must use Plexiglas, NOT glass. Unframed works on canvas must be finished on sides with no staples showing. Cash prizes and ribbons will be awarded to 3 winners and includes an art exhibit in January 2017. Rules & Entry Form available for download at [www.artgallery21.org](http://www.artgallery21.org).

**ART INTAKE: Saturday, September 24 | 12-3 PM**

***Art Opening & Presentation of Awards***

**Friday, September 30 – 7 to 9 PM**

***Art Gallery 21***  
600 NE 21 Court, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

All Broward County artists are invited to participate. Art must be original, not a copy of another artist's work. No nudes, please. ENTRY FEE: \$20 per entry, maximum of 2 entries per artist. We accept cash or checks payable to Art Gallery 21, Inc. All proceeds go to support the gallery's programs.

Art Gallery 21 is a nonprofit organization and is located in the Woman's Club of Wilton Manors  
Email: [artgallery21womn@gmail.com](mailto:artgallery21womn@gmail.com) | Call: 954-661-4740



# Public Safety Update



*Life's Just Better Here*





# 2015 Uniform Crime Report

▼ 14.7%

Reduction in number of Part One Crimes(larcenies)

▼ 15.4%

Reduction in the City's crime rate

Based on a comparison of population and the number of crimes.



## WMPD to Launch SET Team!

Congratulations to Officer Patrick Newton and Officer Michael Havemann on their selection to the team. In 2015 residential burglaries increased from 79 to 111. The SET Team's #1 priority will be to work with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department & the Broward Sheriff's Office to combat residential burglaries.



## Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Tips

Stop, Look, Listen, and Be Safe, Be Smart, and Be Seen!



32%

of pedestrian fatalities occur at night.

- **STAY ALERT:** Keep your eyes and ears open and ditch the distractions like texting or talking on your cell phone.
- **CROSS WITH CAUTION:** Don't assume the coast is clear while using a crosswalk and the WALK sign is in your favor.
- **BE CLEAR TO DRIVERS:** If you're not sure the driver sees you, let the vehicle go first. At night carry a flashlight, wear bright colors, use a headlight/taillight and ride in the same direction of traffic on the street.

## Baby /Pet Onboard Safety Awareness



As the temperatures begin to go up, sadly so do the number of children and pets who die after being left inside hot vehicles. **REMINDER:** Pick up your window decal. Every time you enter and exit your vehicle you'll be reminded to check for your child and/or pet.



## 33rd Annual National Night Out 2016!



## SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday, August 2nd, 2016 the WMPD is co-sponsoring National Night Out to:

- Promote Crime prevention and drug awareness.
- Generate support for local anticrime efforts.
- Strengthen police and community partnership.
- Send a message to criminals that our neighborhoods are organized, aware, and fighting back.

## RAIDS Crime Mapping Software



WMPD now utilizes RAIDS Online which maps crimes, analyzes crime data, and alerts community members about crimes in their area. The RAIDS App is free and available to the entire Wilton Manors Community.



## Congratulations Sergeant Rick Shawver



### Florida Police Chiefs Association

Lee McGehee Police Officer of the Year Award Recipient for a medium sized agency (31 – 75 sworn officers). Sergeant Shawver has been ensuring the safety of our citizens for more than 24 years.



### Additional Safety Programs



**Know your Neighbor - Know your Neighborhood:** A collaborative effort between residents who report suspicious activity and the WMPD.

**House/Property Checks:** WMPD provides vacationing residents and property owners peace of mind and security when they are out of town.

**Alarm Registration:** All residential and business alarms in the city must be registered with WMPD. 98% of all alarm calls to law enforcement involve false alarms.

**Bike Registration:** WMPD will document your bike's description and serial number in hopes of tracking the bike down if it is lost or stolen.



### Contact Information



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