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Town Crier

City of Wilton Manors
2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

Official Newsletter for
the City of Wilton Manors



Happy New Year from Mayor Gary Resnick



In recent articles, I have been highlighting the various Departments of our great City. Perhaps one of the most important factors in our quality of life is being able to live in a safe community. For as long as I have been serving this City as an elected official, I have been an advocate for public safety programs and the Police Department.

The Wilton Manors Police Department holds the distinction of being accredited by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, recognizing that they maintain the highest level of professional law enforcement standards. Police Chief Paul O'Connell recently graduated from the prestigious FBI national academy, the gold standard in professional law enforcement leadership training. Throughout the Department, the men and women protecting and serving Wilton Manors share a dedication to creating a safe community for our residents and businesses through maintaining the highest professional standards and working together with our neighbors.

The Wilton Manors Police Department is committed to community policing, which means knowing our residents and working with them to ensure the safety and welfare of our citizens. Having our own local police department is one way to ensure the success of that mission. The men and women of the WMPD know the community, our residents, and business owners, many by name. The Code Compliance Division, which is housed in the Police Department, takes the time to work with our neighbors to educate and ensure that property maintenance standards are achieved. Each year on National Night Out, our neighbors

throughout the City host block parties where building those relationships with the people on our streets and the department is fostered. If you have ever attended one of the many community meetings where Police Chief Paul O'Connell has spoken, you know that he stresses "Know your neighbor, know your neighborhood." I hope that you will take that to heart. If you see something that doesn't look quite right, trust in our Police Department and ask them to come take a look.

We recently had the privilege of swearing in five young men and women as officers in our PD. Many of these new officers had offers from other departments but chose the WMPD because of our community spirit and diversity of our City. WMPD is now fully staffed, and the men and women who make up our Department are a reflection of the diverse residents who make up our City. Our WMPD serves as the eyes and ears of our City, trying their best to make our community as safe as possible.

Another way the Department builds community partnerships is through the Citizens Police Academy. If you would like to become more involved or get to know the Department better, I encourage you to apply to the 2014 Academy. This is an eight-week program where participants meet each Thursday to discuss topics from Drug Enforcement and K-9 operations to Special Investigations and Code Compliance. A "ride-along" with Patrol Officers is made available to interested attendees who want a first-hand experience. Applications and more information are available on the Department's website at www.wmpd.org.

The hard work and dedication of police officers and the administrative and support staff in the department often goes unrecognized. They work protecting our community 24-hours a day, 365 days a year. This holiday season, as we tally up the many things for which we will be giving thanks, I ask you to keep them in mind as I will in appreciation for the dedicated and self-sacrificing nature of their service. For more information on services provided by Wilton Manors, please visit www.wiltonmanors.com or feel free to contact me at GResnick@wiltonmanors.com, or 954-390-2123. As always, thank you for your input and your continued support!

CITY COMMISSION AND BOARD MEETING DATES

JANUARY– FEBRUARY– MARCH

ALL CITY COMMISSION AND MOST BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE
COMMISSION CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 2020 WILTON DRIVE, WILTON MANORS
THE PUBLIC IS ALWAYS WELCOME TO ATTEND

Comm Aff Adv Bd 7 PM

Wed - Jan 8
Wed - Feb 5
Wed - March 5

Historical Society 7 PM

Thurs - Jan 16
Thurs - Feb 20
Thurs - March 20

Pension Bd 5:30PM

Tues - March 4

Plan & Zone Bd 7PM

Mon - Jan 13
Mon - Feb 10
Mon - March 10

Rec Adv Bd 6:30PM

Thurs - Jan 16

DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

THE CITY COMMISSION MEETS EVERY 2nd and 4th TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED

Wednesday, January 1, 2014
in observance of New Years Day

Monday, January 20, 2014
in observance of M.L.K. Jr Day



Quick Tips for Parking on Wilton Drive!

- Parking Office hours are Monday through Friday from 10am until 6pm.
- Citations can be deposited at the “payment drop box” across from the commission chambers entrance.
- Citations can be paid online by visiting the city website at www.wiltonmanors.com and following the “online services” link.



Wilton Manors City Officials

<p>Mayor Gary Resnick Commissioner Ted Galatis Commissioner Scott Newton</p>	<p>Vice Mayor Julie A. Carson Commissioner Tom Green City Manager Joseph L. Gallegos City Attorney Kerry Ezrol</p>
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IMPORTANT CITY DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBERS

City Hall	(954) 390-2100	Human Resources	(954) 390-2125
City Clerk	(954) 390-2123	Risk Management	(954) 390-2126
Mayor and City Commission	(954) 390-2123	Leisure Services:	
City Manager	(954) 390-2120	Library	(954) 390-2195
Community Development	(954) 390-2180	Parks Division	(954) 390-2115
Emergency Management	(954) 390-2133	Recreation Division	(954) 390-2130
Finance Dept.	(954) 390-2141	Police Department:	
Utilities Billing	(954) 390-2145	Administration	(954) 390-2150
Fire/EMS Administration	(954) 390-2110	Code Enforcement	(954) 390-2185
Fire Prevention/Marshal	(954) 390-2110	Non-Emergency Dispatch	(954) 828-5700
Fire Rescue*	(954) 828-6800	Police/Fire/EMS Emergency	911
(*Ft Lauderdale non-emergency)		Utilities/Emergency Management	(954) 390-2190

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From the Desk of Vice Mayor Julie A. Carson



As we begin 2014, I will continue to be your responsive and concerned public servant. As always, I will look to you for direction, insight and guidance in establishing our municipal priorities.

I trust that our City can build on its many successes to ensure a relevant, fiscally healthy, and prosperous future. Please consider sharing your talents by volunteering at a local non-profit, joining a service organization or by offering your services to a City Board or project. You can make a positive impact on the Community in which you live!

My family and I send our best wishes to you for a healthy, happy and peaceful Holiday Season and New Year. I remain available to meet with you and welcome your comments or questions at 954-288-8174 or by email at jCarson@wiltonmanors.com.

CAAB CORNER

Wilton Manors' Community Affairs Advisory Board (CAAB) is proud to have participated in or sponsored recent events such as Spooktacular, Wilton Manors Elementary School's Walk for Peace, Taste of the Island, the City's Holiday Lighting Ceremony, and South Florida Family Pride's holiday party to name a few. If you are aware of an event that would improve or maintain the high quality of life in our city that could benefit from CAAB participation or financial sponsorship, please contact CAAB City Liaison John Goodnight at jgoodnight@wiltonmanors.com or (954) 390-2120. CAAB typically meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, but please check the calendar on the City's web-site, as meeting dates may vary for observed holidays. All meetings are open to the public and public comment is welcomed. At the February 5th meeting Director Dave Archacki will present the scope of responsibilities of the Emergency Management/Utilities Department and at the March 5th meeting Finance Director Bob Mays will discuss the City's annual budgeting process. Please join us!

From the Desk of Commissioner Tom Green



I hope the holidays were a great time for you, your family and friends. It's the time of the year to remember how fortunate we are to live in a country and a community such as ours. I hope you were able to attend one of the many holiday events sponsored by the city. The tree-lighting ceremony in Jaycee Park and several events for the kids with Santa were fun for everyone. City staff, the city commission and

volunteers from many organizations worked to make this a memorable holiday season.

Some of the things that I will remember fondly about 2013 include:

- the improving economy and all the things associated with it.
- Wilton Manors being returned to the list of future commuter rail stations on the Florida East Coast Railroad.
- the City Commission being able to budget raises for its city employees for the first time in several years.
- the City Commission deciding to post signs thanking everyone for not smoking in our city parks.

- adding improvements to our "green" building code.
- acquiring additional land to expand Hagen Park.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteers, city staff and police department for the wonderful job they do for the residents of Wilton Manors. The volunteers make it possible to do so much more for the community because of their help. Our city boards do an amazing job wading through a great deal of paperwork and making informed decisions. The city staff has always been dedicated to our city and often works late into the night for special events throughout the year. They do an amazing job with a limited number of employees. The police are always quick to respond when needed. Many of them have received citations for outstanding service to our residents and visitors. They have a unique job and face real life and death situations every time they go to work.

Best wishes for a happy and rewarding New Year. I hope it is a time of good health and happiness for you. Let's work together to make Wilton Manors an even better place to live, work and play. It is an honor to serve as your city commissioner and I can always be reached at

tgreen@wiltonmanors.com or by phone at 954-290-0561.

From the Desk of Commissioner Ted Galatis



Best wishes for a happy New Year to everyone! 2013 was an amazing year. As a community we made many great accomplishments during the year, all of which position our City toward maintaining our high quality of life in our great city and the excellent level of service to our residents and businesses.

While your City Commission and City Staff work to guide the City toward greatness, none of our accomplishments could have been achieved without the efforts of the countless volunteers on City boards and committees. 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 holds true to this day, if not more so! Looking to the future, we are well positioned to make even greater accomplishments in 2014.

Exactly one year ago, I wrote of the City's newly hired Economic Development Coordinator, Randy Welker of the Community Development Services Department. Heading into 2014, Randy is challenged with leading the department as Acting Director, with the exit of Director Heidi Shafran. We all wish Heidi the very best as she takes on the responsibility of Village Manager of the Village of Biscayne Park; knowing that she has left the Community Development Services Department in Randy's capable hands. Read more about the Community Development Services Department in Randy's article on page 8 of this issue of the Town Crier. As Randy states, it is "an inevitable fact that there will be change", but through change we shall achieve greatness!

To you and yours, best wishes for a very happy, healthy, and successful New Year, and as always feel free to call me with your ideas or concerns at 954-522-6700, ext. 16.

Greetings from Commissioner Scott Newton



Happy New Year! My New Year's resolution this year is to not make any New Year's resolutions. Sure, I'd love to say that I'm going to eat healthier or train to run a marathon in 2014 but, if I'm being honest with myself, I know it's not going to happen. What I do think is important, though, is to look forward in a positive, realistic way. Setting a vision and goals for myself for what I want to accomplish as a business owner, husband and father, and public servant.

As a City, we do Strategic Planning – looking to the next year, five years, and beyond for what we want to accomplish. It's important for us to determine the goals and direction that will serve as a guide for policy development, budgeting, and management decisions. The goals we define must be specific, concise, and be followed up with criteria for measuring their success.

It's been a while since we last went through the strategic planning process. At that time, a vision was created for 2006 and Beyond. The Goals were to: Create a Sustainable Urban Village; a Financially Sound City Government; Strong Community Identity and Pride; Wilton Drive: Destination Point; People Want to Live in Our Neighborhoods; and Quality City Services, Valued by Our Citizens. I'm proud to say that many of the objectives under those goals have been achieved. We have seen redevelopment without sacrificing our small-town feeling. Our financial position is strong with well-funded reserves and a growing revenue base. The community identity and pride is strong and based on a foundation of people working together for the betterment of Wilton Manors. Lastly, Wilton Drive is now a thriving, pedestrian-friendly downtown that hosts annual festivals attracting tens of thousands of people.

While we have reached great levels of success, there is still much to do. The future holds a lot of exciting changes for our city. During the next decade, we expect to see passenger rail on the FEC corridor realized, incredible improvements to Dixie Highway, repurposing of Mickel Field and expansion of Hagen Park, along with many other positive opportunities for change. It is important that we have a shared vision for these upcoming changes so that there is a unified approach in accomplishing these goals.

Thank you for all you do to make Wilton Manors such a great place to live. Please feel free to share your thoughts and visions for our future. I look forward to us working together to achieve it! [SNew-](mailto:SNewton@wiltonmanors.com)

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**Chief of Police
Paul O'Connell**



COFFEE WITH THE CHIEF—ARE YOU IN?



The Wilton Manors Police Department is strongly considering the concept of a semi-annual meeting between members of the community and the Chief of Police entitled “**Coffee with the Chief**”. The purpose of this twice yearly gathering is to allow citizens to meet with the Police Chief and members of his command staff to discuss those issues of concern that citizens may have, what the Police Department can do to address those concerns and how we, as members of the Police Department, can improve in our job performance in addressing its primary task of protecting our community. In essence, it is an opportunity to exchange ideas and ideals in the subject of law enforcement and its impact on the community. One rule that will be in place at these meetings just as it is in any public meeting: respect for the individual.

Here is the concept currently under consideration. Once each six month period five (5) interested individuals will meet with the Police Chief and his staff to hold an informal discussion on issues relevant to our community. Here are some questions:

- ◆ Where should we hold the Coffee meeting..... the Police Station, at a local coffee shop or in Commission Chambers?
- ◆ How should the five individuals be selected....first come first served from a reservation list or simply by random?
- ◆ What should the topics of conversation be....crime trends, safety tips or recent events and should some topics be “off-limits”?

These are some of the initial formation questions that are currently under consideration and the Wilton Manors Police Department turns to you, the Community, for your input. Please reach out to us by calling 954-390-2150 and speak with our Front Desk Community Service personnel and submit your suggestions or simply email the Chief's office at poconnell@wmpd.org. All reasonable suggestions will be reviewed and considered.

The Wilton Manors Police Department's **Citizens Police Academy** (CPA) is back! Just as in 2013, this 2014 edition will be a unique opportunity for citizens within our community to view what we do and how we do it. In essence, WMPD pulls back the veil and gives you a peek into our professional world. Classes will be held on eight (8) consecutive Thursday nights from January 23 – March 13, 2014. Please visit our website at www.wmpd.org and hit the link for Programs found on the left column. The Citizens Police Academy link will be found there and it contains all the information you will need to apply for this exciting program. More exciting...it is **FREE!**

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 for all the information you need to contact us or report code issues, etc.

Happy New Year and may it be a prosperous and healthy New Year for all!

JOIN THE W.M.P.D. FAMILY—BECOME A VOLUNTEER

The Wilton Manors Police Department implemented our volunteer program 7 years ago and ever since its inception our Agency and the members of our community have gained the benefits therefrom. All of our volunteers have been adopted into our law enforcement family and have assisted us tremendously with improving our efficiency and effectiveness with providing public safety services to our community. Our volunteers actively participate in facilitating department functions which allow our agency to be more responsive to our citizens' needs. They also assist our Agency with our very important and continued partnerships with great organizations such as the Kiwanis Club, Wilton Manors Elementary School, The Pride Center and many more organizations that give back to the Wilton Manors community. Most recently volunteer Betty Winslow was nominated for the Broward County Crime Stoppers Citizen Spotlight Award for her commitment to serving the Wilton Manors Police Department, the City of Wilton Manors, the citizens of Wilton Manors and other organizations she volunteers for. Our Agency's respect and admiration for Ms. Winslow and all of our volunteers is immense, and their tireless and unselfish efforts are truly appreciated.

Our Agency is always looking for volunteers to join our family and should you have the desire to enter the law enforcement family we encourage you to apply to our volunteer program. Volunteer applications are available via our website at www.wmpd.org, by stopping by our police station to pick one up or via email upon request. For more information about this program you can contact Administrative Manager Jim Kirchoff at (954) 390-2156 or jkirchoff@wmpd.org.

Remember to “LIKE” us on Facebook to stay connected to the W.M.P.D!



WILTON MANORS **POLICE** *DEPARTMENT*

2020 WILTON DRIVE, WILTON MANORS, FLORIDA 33305

BROWARD COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS CITIZEN SPOTLIGHT AWARD NOMINATION

VOLUNTEER BETTY WINSLOW WILTON MANORS POLICE DEPARTMENT

City of Wilton Manors resident Betty Winslow is well known around our Island City and the law enforcement community. Ms. Winslow is a retired member of the Broward County Public Schools system. She retired in 2003 after a successful and fulfilling 15 year career there as a Records Custodian. After her retirement, Ms. Winslow began pondering her future as most retirees do. Thankfully for the Wilton Manors Police Department, Ms. Winslow decided to commit herself to a retirement career of volunteerism. Ten (10) years ago Ms. Winslow joined the Fraternal Order of Police Association Lodge #47 that is directly associated with the Wilton Manors Police Department. As a member of the F.O.P.A. Ms. Winslow was actively involved in fundraising efforts that helped the W.M.P.D. obtain valuable equipment and resources that assisted in the training of our police officers and allowed our officers to conduct their duties more efficiently, effectively and safely. Ms. Winslow also assisted the F.O.P.A. by assisting the Wilton Manors Kiwanis Club with their annual Kiwanis Kids Day events, fingerprinting and photographing children for their parents and she coordinated many other events the F.O.P.A. helped design, coordinate and facilitate. Ms. Winslow has devoted in excess of 1,000 volunteer hours to the F.O.P.A. over her term.

In addition to this, Ms. Winslow is a very active member of the Wilton Manors Police Department's Volunteers in Police Service Program (V.I.P.s) and has done many good deeds over the last seven (7) years for our Agency. Ms. Winslow is our lead volunteer and she proudly accepts many responsibilities she is asked to complete. Part of her responsibilities include fingerprinting members of the public, fulfilling records requests from insurance companies and assisting the various units of our Agency with much needed tasks. In addition she coordinates and facilitates special events such as National Night Out, Christmas in July, Shred-a-Thon's and much more that have had a positive impact on our community at the adult and children levels. Ms. Winslow is proud to say she has spent over 2,720 hours assisting our Agency so we are able to continue to provide adequate public safety services to our community and continue our endeavor to constantly improve how we deliver these services.

Outside her involvement with our Agency, Ms. Winslow is a volunteer and has been for the past seven (7) years with the Fort. Lauderdale Police Department's Citizens on Patrol program. She is involved in weekly patrols with her C.O.P. partner in order to improve public safety by deterring crime, reporting suspicious activity, assisting citizens in need and improving the Fort Lauderdale Police Department's community relations. In addition to this Ms. Winslow continues to expand on her ten (10) year volunteer career at the Broward Center for Performing Arts and in the past has committed hours to the Keep Broward Beautiful program that empowers individuals to take greater responsibility for enhancing their communities.

In all Ms. Winslow has selflessly devoted more than 5,000 hours to making a positive difference in our community. Regarding her commitment to volunteering in our community Ms. Winslow said, "Being a volunteer is very rewarding and you feel a sense of accomplishment". Ms. Winslow added she enjoys being a volunteer because it is an opportunity to "give back to [her] community" and she truly enjoys "being part of the law enforcement family".

The Wilton Manors Police Department is extremely lucky to have Ms. Winslow as a member of our V.I.P.'s program and the positive impact she has had on the community and our Agency is truly priceless. The many members of the Wilton Manors Police Department and the other organizations she volunteers for have tremendous respect and admiration for her tireless commitment to making our cities, our county and the United States of America a better place for everyone. It is with great pride that Chief Paul O'Connell and the men and women of the Wilton Manors Police Department nominate Ms. Winslow for the prestigious Broward County Crime Stoppers Citizen Spotlight Award.

How to Recognize and Avoid Tax Return Scams

It's that time of the year again, which means the criminals associated with tax scams are out in full force! There are many scams associated with filing your taxes. To help avoid some of the more common scams, you should:

Be realistic: If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Be informed: Before you file your taxes online, spend a little time at WWW.IRS.GOV. Familiarize yourself with how to use the Internet to file your taxes, and with how the official IRS Web site looks.

Never respond to unsolicited e-mail offers or requests for information. The IRS does not use e-mail to communicate any personal information, and legitimate tax-preparation companies should not approach you with unsolicited e-mail. These messages are most likely identity-theft phishing scams. If you've been contacted by the IRS, you can call 1-800-829-1040 to find out if the contact was authentic.

Never sign blank tax forms.

File your taxes As Soon As Possible: Unfortunately, most people are mostly in the dark, at least at first about their social security being misused. The way most people ultimately find out about someone else using their social security number is when an individual files his or her taxes, and gets a notice or letter from the IRS indicating that a tax return has already been filed or stating that you received wages from some employer that you never had.

If you find that someone has filed a tax return using your information you should submit a copy, **not the original documents**, of your valid Federal or State issued identification, such as a social security card, driver's license, or passport, etc, along with a copy of a completed IRS Identity Theft Affidavit - Form 14039. This form can be searched for and downloaded at WWW.IRS.Gov

Send these documents using one of the following options:

Mailing address:

Internal Revenue Service

P.O. Box 9039

Andover, MA 01810-0939

FAX: Note that this is not a toll-free FAX number 1-978-247-9965

Victims should also contact the three credit bureaus to activate a "CREDIT FREEZE".

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
Consumer Fraud Division Phone: 800-525-6285 or: 404-885-8000 Fax: 770-375-2821 P.O. Box 740241 Atlanta, GA 30374-0241	Experian's National Consumer Assistance Phone: 888-397-3742 P.O. Box 2104 Allen, TX 75013	Fraud Victim Assistance Department Phone: 800-680-7289 Fax: 714-447-6034 P.O. Box 6790 Fullerton, CA 92634-6790

Community Development Services

Change Management by Randy Welker, Economic Development Coordinator

It is an important and an inevitable fact that there will be change. It is something that is inescapable...but it can also be a sudden and dramatic shock to one's system. So that is why most businesses react to unexpected events through change management. The theory associated with change management is that we can work to lessen the impact associated with the change by making it a part of the everyday process of running a business. So, we are changing within Community Development Services as Heidi Shafran has moved on to a new position as Village Manager of Biscayne Park in Miami-Dade County.

With this change comes a need to have a certain amount of flexibility and an ability to solve problems. But equally important is the need to continue the process of creative visioning, evolution of ideas, and implementation of the programs that are underway. The Department of Community Development Services will continue the efforts that are being envisioned and that will be beneficial to the City of Wilton Manors. It is our goal to continue the programs that have been created and continue to provide excellent public service to its citizens and developers.

The City of Wilton Manors is considering the creation of a Business Improvement District along two of its major corridors: one on Andrews Avenue and one on Wilton Drive. The goal for each of the proposed BIDs is to help stabilize and improve the commercial business districts by creating a unified strategy for improvement to the public right of way.

WHAT IS A BID?

A Business Improvement District is a public/private partnership in which stakeholders make a collective contribution to the maintenance, development and/or promotion of their commercial district.

A BID works much the same way as suburban shopping center/mall management. However, the BID is set in an urban context where multiple property owners agree to the extra assessment to their property tax.

A BID raises funds to supplement (not replace) baseline City services, business district marketing, or enhancement of Capital Improvements.

The creation of a Business Improvement District is done by the vote of the landowners in that district. It is proposed that the districts would include only the commercial properties on each corridor and not residential properties. Each BID would be created with an independent Board of Directors responsible for creating and directing the overall strategy for improvement. The Board would be responsible for directing the use of the budget generated through a special property tax and would only be used for completing the strategic tasks identified.

WHY CREATE A BID?

Several years ago, a Task Force was created to look at Wilton Drive to recommend improvements that would enhance it as a retail destination, increase activity for local residents and tourists, and create a unified strategy to decrease vacancies in storefronts. The Main Street Initiative was presented to the City Commission and called for the narrowing of Wilton Drive to two lanes and to incorporate street calming measures to make the Drive more pedestrian friendly.

Although Andrews Avenue is quite different and doesn't require a reduction in the number of lanes, there are many things that can be done to enhance the corridor and make it a commercial destination as well. Therefore, the City of Wilton Manors is looking at the creation of two separate Business Improvement Districts that would be created to enhance each corridor. To ensure that this is an approach that would be accepted and wanted by landowners and tenants on each corridor, we have begun the process of educating and surveying them to determine what level of support exists to create the BID.

If the City Commission supports this effort, our goal is to finalize the creation a Wilton Drive Business Improvement District in the first half of 2014. This would be followed by a review of the same for Andrews Avenue in the second half of the year. A resolution would be passed by the City Commission calling for a vote of all the property owners affected. If approved by the voters, a special ordinance would be needed to create the Business Improvement District and outline the structure of the BID.

This is an example of the change that is being considered in Wilton Manors. It is the goal of the Department of Community Development Services to get as much feedback so that the City Commission can make reasonable decisions that have a positive change on the community. Our goal is to take the theory of change management and use it effectively to make our community a better place to live.

UTILITIES/ EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP!



The City of Wilton Manors will be offering free curbside pickup of Christmas trees during bulk pick-up in the month of January 2014. Please remove all lights, ornaments and tree stands before placing trees at the curb. The trees will be taken to the Waste-to-Energy Plant and burned to create energy.

Upcoming Road Improvement Project



On January 6th, 2014, the Florida Department of Transportation will be starting a roadway improvement project that includes a portion of Wilton Manors. The improvements will take place on N. Dixie Highway from NE 26th Street to McNab Road. This project will include repaving, upgrading existing crosswalks at the 5 Points intersection, upgrading other pedestrian features, and improving drainage, and is expected to be complete by the Fall of 2014. Please note that one lane of traffic may be closed in each direction Monday through Friday between 9am and 4pm, and up to two lanes in each direction may be closed Monday through Friday between 8pm and 5am. We appreciate your patience and caution when traveling through the work zone.

SCHEDULE FOR BULK TRASH AND RECYCLING

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

January 23 February 20 March 20 Recycling Day: **Thursday**

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

January 21 February 18 March 18 Recycling Day: **Friday**

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

January 22 February 19 March 19 Recycling Day: **Wednesday**



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	12:00am-10:00am and/or 4:00pm-11:59pm
EVEN street addresses:	Thursdays & Sundays	12:00am-10:00am and/or 4:00pm-11:59pm

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.

Helpful water conservation tips also are available at www.savewaterfl.com.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP OFF EVENT!

When: Sunday, February 9th, 2014
8:00am to 3:00pm

Where: Municipal Complex, 2100 N Dixie Highway

NOTE: Only residents of the following cities may attend:
(proof of residency is required)

- Cooper City
- Dania Beach
- Deerfield Beach
- Lauderdale-by-the-Sea
- Margate
- Pembroke Park
- Weston
- West Park
- Wilton Manors
- Unincorporated

These are the types of items that can be dropped off:

- Paint and Thinner Cans
- Insecticides and Pesticides
- Household Cleaners
- Automobile Batteries
- Lawn & Pool Chemicals
- Fire Extinguishers
- Drain Cleaners
- Used Motor Oil
- Propane Tanks
- Tires



DO NOT BRING: Explosives, Medical/Biohazardous Waste, Business-Generated Waste

For Safety:

- Keep products in original containers (or label clearly if not in original containers).
- Tightly seal lids.
- If leaking, place in large plastic container.

Special Electronics Recycling Collection
(Recycle your old computers, televisions, fax machines!)



This event is sponsored by Broward County's Waste & Recycling Services and Partner Cities. For further information, please call Broward County's Hotline at (954) 765-4999 or the City of Wilton Manors EM/Utilities Department at (954) 390-2190.



"Artist Materials" oil painting by Celia Diaz

Art Gallery 21

at the Woman's Club of Wilton Manors

PRESENTS

JURIED SHOW WINNERS

January 31-February 21, 2014

Meet the Artists at an Art Social, 7 PM on Friday, January 31st
Art Gallery 21 is located at 600 NE 21 Court, Wilton Manors, Florida 33305
A project of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department
& Central Area Neighborhood Association of Wilton Manors

Open Friday 7-9 PM & Saturday 10 AM to 2 PM

Next Central Area Neighborhood Association Meeting at 7 PM, Wednesday, February 19 at Hagen Park! Please join us!



THE LIBRARY CORNER

Youth Services @ your library

Preschool Storytime takes place every Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the Library. This program of songs and fingerplays is for children ages 2-5 and their parents and caregivers.

Come to Family Storytime – stories, songs, and more, every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. This fun program is for ages 3 and older.



Friends of the Library

Want to help the Library? Join the Friends! The Friends of the 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 throughout the year. Membership applications

are available at the Library.

The Friends will once again set up their Book Tent at the Island City Yard Sale on Saturday, January 11, from 8 am to 2 pm. Held at Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Dr., the Book Tent Event will make available used books, CDs, audio books, DVDs, and videos in exchange for a small donation. Top sellers range from books on tape to children's DVDs, from cookbooks to gardening manuals. All donations benefit the Wilton Manors Public Library. The Friends will also take your donations of books and audio and video materials at the Book Tent, or you may drop them off at the Library, at 500 NE 26th Street.

On Saturday, February 8, the Friends' Semi-Annual Book Fair will take place inside the Hagen Park Community Center. Also held from 8 am until 2 pm, thousands of high-quality, affordable items will be available for your perusal. Come browse the Book Fair's wide selection of super-bargains.

If you are looking for a Wi-Fi hot spot, you need not look any further than the Library. With funding from the Friends of the Wilton Manors Library we are able to deploy a robust and reliable Wi-Fi solution.

Laptops and other personal devices will need compliant wireless network cards to get online.

Cost? Access is absolutely free as a service to our residents.

You cannot print directly from your laptop, but you can save to a storage device, such as a flash drive, then use a library computer and the library printing system.



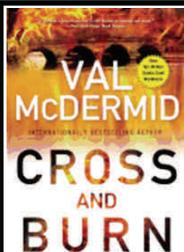
HELP WILTON MANORS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WIN \$10,000!!

The Kiwanis Club of Wilton Manors is participating in a contest to help Wilton Manors Elementary School win \$10,000 towards a Reading Oasis. But we need your help.

Luckily, it's the easiest contest you'll ever participate in.

Just visit www.facebook.com/wiltonmanorsreadingoasis and "like" the page. The Florida school with the most "likes" will get \$10,000 towards its very own Reading Oasis. The Reading Oasis – stocked with books and furniture from Scholastic, Florida Kiwanis and the Florida Kiwanis Foundation – will be placed in a special spot in the school's library as a way to encourage students to read more.

NEW BOOKS @ YOUR LIBRARY



In Val McDermid's *Cross and Burn*, the crime fighting team of clinical psychologist Tony Hill and police detective Carol Jordan investigate a serial killer who is targeting women who look suspiciously like Carol.

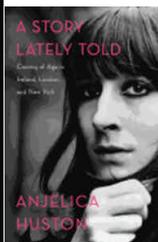
The Aviators by Winston Groom explores the saga of three extraordinary aviators -- Charles Lindbergh, Eddie Rickenbacker, and Jimmy Doolittle -- and how they redefined heroism through their genius, daring, and uncommon courage.

Headwaters is a meticulously crafted new volume from Ellen Bryant Voight, the acclaimed American poet whom the *Washington Post Book World* called a "genius."

From deep in the impenetrable jungles where *New York Times* bestselling author Ted Dekker was born and raised, comes *Outlaw*, an epic adventure of two worlds that perhaps only he could write. Full of harrowing twists, sweeping violence, and wild love, *Outlaw* takes us beyond the skin of this world to another unseen.

Twelve of the most successful people living in the world today have followed a map realizing their greatest dreams, finding a way over obstacles, overcoming challenges, and defying the odds. In *Hero* by Rhonda Byrne, they share their seemingly impossible journeys, and reveal that each of us was born with everything we need to live our greatest dream and that by doing so we will fulfill our mission, find everlasting happiness, and literally change the world.

It's August 1969 in Holloman, Connecticut, and police captain Carmine Delmonico is away on vacation. Back at home, first one, then two anonymous male corpses turn up, emaciated and emasculated. After connecting the victims to four other bodies, Sergeant Delia Carstairs and Lieutenant Abe Goldberg realize that Holloman has a psychopathic killer on the loose. Luckily, Carmine decides to come back from vacation early. Carmine's team begins to circle a trio of eccentrics, who readily admit to knowing all the victims, but their stories keep changing. When another vicious murder rocks Holloman, Carmine faces the revelation that two killers are at large.



The actress and director, Anjelica Huston, shares the first half of her unconventional life, from her childhood in Ireland and her teen years in London to her coming of age as a model and budding actress in New York in *A Story Lately Told*.

David Baldacci brings back Sean King and Michelle Maxwell -- former Secret Service agents turned private investigators -- in their most surprising, personal, and dangerous case ever, *King and Maxwell*.



**WILTON MANORS
HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Friends of Richardson Historic
Park and Nature Preserve

ANNUAL Meetings

The Wilton Manors Historical Society, Inc. will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, January 16, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Manor House at Richardson Historic Park at 1937 Wilton Drive. Free parking will be reserved for attendees. The public is welcome.

Join us for refreshments prior to the meeting.

We will highlight our progress on remodeling the Willingham Carriage House, preview the Scavenger Hunt, display photographic treasures newly added to our collection and report on the Society's varied activities, and elect Directors to the Board.

The Society depends on its annual membership dues for many of its activities. To show your support, please join or renew your membership. New this year is an option to pay for your membership on-line.

And, remember you can find our book ***Wilton Manors: From Farming Community to Urban Village*** for sale at the Library and at local and on-line booksellers.

Mary G. Ulm, President

WMHS@WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org

Support the Historical Society

Annual Dues - \$25.00

(per household, organization, or business)

To join or renew and pay for your membership on-line go to: **WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org** then click on Membership or Join Us.

Or, complete the form below, attach a check made payable to **WMHS**, and mail to:

Wilton Manors Historical Society
2020 Wilton Drive n Wilton Manors, FL 33305

Name(s):

Address:

City, State, Zip:

E-mail Address(es):

Phone Number(s):

LEISURE SERVICES

Message from the Leisure Services Department Director, Patrick Cann



“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 another year ended, the Leisure Services Team demonstrated their dedication, creativity, and resourcefulness to enhance the quality of life, by delivering unique, high quality programs and services with improved efficiency and effectiveness. The Leisure Services Team continues to protect citizens' investments through paying attention to details. While expenditures have been significantly reduced, Team members increased department revenue by 70% the past seven years. This is an attribute to their approach to exceed Guest expectations.

The City is in the process of developing site 811 NE 28th Street adjacent to Island City Park Preserve. The parks system master plan proved the value of the “power of 10”, which is clearly evident at Hagen Park, where you can participate in Bridge lessons, tennis lessons, fitness center, basketball, volleyball, wing chun, table tennis, walking/jogging, special events, and much more. Additionally, City staff continues to host Mickel Field Repurpose Focus Group meetings to plan for the future of the park. The Focus Group has worked diligently with City staff to enhance the park. City staff has applied for a Florida Trails Grant to leverage the \$100,000 budgeted this fiscal year. There are many other capital projects that are going on to improve the City's park and library system. For more information, please don't hesitate to contact the Leisure Services Department.

If you haven't experienced a Taste of the Island event, you really are missing an extraordinary event. I would like to personally congratulate the Taste Committee for their hard work and leadership with conducting one of the most exciting events in the City of Wilton Manors. It was such an honor to recognize so many courageous veteran's during our Annual Veteran's Day Ceremony on Monday, November 11. We are also so grateful to Courtyard Café for their generous sponsorship of this wonderful event.

Thank all of you who participated in World AIDS Day Candlelight Vigil on Sunday, December 1, to remember those effected by HIV and AIDS. The Holiday Lighting Ceremony held on Thursday, December 5th at Jaycee Park was another opportunity to share in the festive moment to build community support, embrace diversity and foster spiritual growth. Santa by Sea brought holiday cheer to the Island City and Santa's Enchanted Evening held on Thursday, December 19th was another fun opportunity to play in the snow and enjoy the creative festivities.

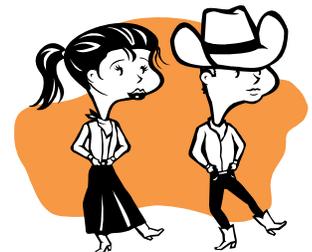
The City Yard Sales have begun and are more successful than ever. I hope you will join us for a night to remember as the Pride Center offers an Evening in Paradise event on Saturday, February 22, 2014. Also, Movie Nights are very popular, so bring your blanket or lounge chair and you may purchase refreshments during the movies, which are shown every 3rd Friday of the month.

Please visit our website for more details regarding our activities, events, park hours, fees, volunteer opportunities, etc. You may also contact one of our Team members at 954-390-2130 and inform us of your leisure service's needs. Please visit our local library, parks and waterways. We have programs, amenities and services available just for you. I hope you enjoy a prosperous and fulfilling New Year!!!

“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

SQUARE DANCING

Yee Haa!!! 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.



Wing Chun Kuen Classes Now At Hagen Park

Wing Chun Kuen is a complete system of self-defense and Martial Arts developed in China over 3 centuries ago. Wing Chun Kuen is unique in that you do not need strength to do it, as the system is one of advanced techniques that are easy to do and can be used against all weights, sizes, types and strengths. Because of this it suitable for men and women, and can be learned by anyone of any shape, size, strength or age. Forms are meditative, solitary exercises which develop self-awareness, balance, relaxation and sensitivity. Wing Chun Kuen was Bruce Lee's first martial art, which he began training in at the age of 13, and the art form continued to be his largest influence in his development. This great new program is instructed by Timmie Lee, a certified Wing Chun Gun Fu Instructor under Sifu Augustine and 6th degree Black Belt under Grand Master George Dillman. This class is great not only for self-defense, but it improves your reflexes, increases your confidence and focus, improves your body mechanics and reduces minor injuries, is a healthy outlet for pent up stress and much more! **Classes held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00p.m.-8:30p.m. \$80 per month or \$20 per class. Classes held at Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive. Stop by and register today!**



Zumba with Obey 1

Are you ready to party yourself into shape? Forget the workout, just lose yourself in the music and find yourself in shape at the original dance-fitness party. Zumba® classes feature exotic rhythms set to high-energy Latin and international beats. Before you know it, you'll be getting fit and your energy levels will be soaring! It's easy to do, effective and totally exhilarating.

Join the Party! For more information call 954-661-9127.

Location-Island City Park Preserve 823 NE 28TH Street

Time-7:00pm-8:00pm

Days-Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Island City-Wide Yard Sales are back!

The City of Wilton Manors sponsors seven City Wide Yard Sales each year at Hagen Park / City Hall, 2020 Wilton Drive, on the second Saturday of each month from November to April 2014. The City Yard Sales will be open from 8:00am to 2:00pm and spaces will be available to reserve. Last year, the yard sales hosted from 70 to 90 vendors, so register early while there is still space. Tables, Tents and chairs are available for rental. For 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. The vendors sell everything from linens and clothes to furniture, and home decorative items. Some vendors specialize in antiques, plants and collectables.

“Adventure Spring Camp”

The Leisure Services Department offers a five (5) day Spring Camp for children ages 5 - 13, on March 24- March 28, 2014 from 7:30am-6:00pm at Island City Park Preserve, 823 N.E.

28th Street, Wilton Manors.

All trips, lunches and afternoon snacks are provided in the camp fee:

Resident:	\$100.00 for all 5 days	\$25.00 per day
2nd Child	\$75.00 for all 5 days	\$25.00 per day
Non Resident:	\$125.00 for all 5 days	\$30.00 per day
2nd Child	\$100.00 for all 5 days	\$30.00 per day

The registration deadline is Friday, March 7, 2014.

After registration deadline \$10.00 extra per child fee will be charged.

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

Wilton Manors Day's 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 \$12.00 to \$30.00 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.

*****ALL CAMPERS MUST WEAR WILTON MANORS RED CAMP T-SHIRTS*****

Wilton Manors After School Program

Where is the “BEST” place to send your children after school? The best place is BASH (Best After School Hours) License #45455, where your child will be cared for by year round certified staff. BASH 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. But, most importantly, BASH 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

All can "Come Out and Play" including the kids! The Second Annual Wilton Manors Scavenger Hunt

by Mary Ulm, Wilton Manors Historical Society



2013 winning team and event coordinator

Enjoy looking at old photos of Wilton Drive and discovering how it has changed? How about solving puzzles with your friends in a fast-paced and fun atmosphere? The Second Annual Wilton Manors Scavenger Hunt on January 25, 2014 promises to provide this, along with some quirky facts about the City and a nice walk around town.

The event starts and ends at Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve at 1937 Wilton Drive. Teams of no more than four people, including the kids, can participate in the hunt, starting at 9:00 a.m. You can enter as a team or be assigned to one. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

"I live in Wilton Manors and wanted to expose people to the businesses and historical sites in our little wonderful city," said Adrienne Foland, event organizer and Vice President of the Wilton Manors Historical Society. "We hope to have everyone from nerdy historians to families to groups of friends just looking for a fun event." 46 people on 12 teams, ranging in age from 5 to 73 years old, participated in last year's hunt.

"This event proves that there is something for everyone in Wilton Manors," said Heidi Shafran. My seven-year old daughter and my partner and I had a blast solving the clues at last year's hunt." "It was great to see so many people of

different backgrounds enjoy our city and each other," said Sal Torre, President of the Westside Association of Wilton Manors and scavenger hunt participant. "The WAWM team is going to take top prize this year!"

To win, players need to correctly answer the clues and take pictures of their team in front of designated clue answers in the fastest time. "It's "The Amazing Race" meets Wilton Drive and "Jeopardy," said Krishan Manners, president/CEO of Wilton Manors Development Alliance. Clues will involve a "play area" of about 1½ miles round trip, leaving from the Richardson Historic Park pavilion and extending to a few blocks south of Five Points. Prizes for teams placing 1st (\$100), 2nd (\$50), and 3rd (\$25) will be awarded as gift certificates from local businesses at the "After Party" where a snack and beverages will be sponsored by Courtyard Cafe and Red's Bar and Package Store. Teams that reach the Scavenger Hunt finish line by the cut-off time also will be eligible to win a door prize.

Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 on the day of the event and may be purchased online at WiltonManorsScavengerHunt.com. In addition, paper tickets can be purchased in advance in cash at Hagen Park Community Center, 2020 Wilton Drive, beginning January 2, 2014.

For rules, tips and more information, visit WiltonManorsScavengerHunt.com or contact our friendly event coordinator, Adrienne Foland at 954-205-6594.

Want to try your hand at a practice Clue? How many moons are on Wilton Drive? Sure, you know the answer: To the Moon and New Moon.



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