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July - August 2014

Town Crier

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

Official Newsletter for
the City of Wilton Manors

A Message from Mayor Resnick



First of all, I hope everyone had a **great 4th of July**. We often take for granted the benefits and freedoms we have living in this great country and it was nice to get together with friends to celebrate the holiday!

**WILTON MANORS
PROPERTY VALUES TOP COUNTY
& OBTAINS GRANT**

As we begin our budgeting season, we have some wonderful news to share. We continue to make substantial investments in our neighborhoods. With strong budgeting policies that have contributed to our fiscal wellbeing, we are in an excellent position to make substantial investments in our neighborhoods, including expanding and improving our parks. One of our parks that is in need of significant improvement is Mickel Field, located next to Powerline Road. This park was actively used for little league, softball and other recreation. In the past few years, it has fallen into disuse and needs to be repurposed and substantially improved to make it a viable and attractive recreational area for our City. We are happy to report that the **City was awarded \$55,835.50 from the State Recreational Trails Grant Program**. The Recreational Trails Program is a federally funded competitive grant program that provides financial assistance to federal, state and local projects for the development of recreational trails and facilities. This is a highly competitive grant issued by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. Our plan to create a walking exercise trail in this park was ranked #1! We budgeted \$100,000 this year to begin this project; leveraging these additional funds will give us a great start as we continue to pursue further funding and finalize the plans for this park. Please join me in thanking our City staff for supporting this grant effort.

Pursuing Federal and State Grants: Such federal and state grants are going to become vital to our City as we look to continue to invest in our parks and recreational resources, water/sewer infrastructure, roadways and parking, and other resources that are so important to our City. We will continue to work with appropriate state and federal agencies and officials to pursue further grant funds for these important projects.

Property Value Increases Top the County: We received some great news to start our budget season. Once again, Wilton Manors topped the county in terms of increases in property values! Aside from Lazy Lake, Wilton Manors had the highest property value increase in the county with the **City's property values increasing by 9.38%**! County-wide property values increased 6.41% and our neighbors of Oakland Park and Fort Lauderdale increased 7.44%

and 6.16%, respectively. This is a tremendous accomplishment for our City. As a built-out City, we have very little open space for new development. The property value increase in Wilton Manors is the result of policies put in place over the past 10 to 15 years to invest in our neighborhoods, improve code enforcement, improve commercial districts, strengthen our fiscal resources, and adopt a vision that makes Wilton Manors a desirable place to live and to operate a business. Thanks to all our wonderful community volunteers who participate in these policies on our boards and committees and to our City staff and fellow Commissioners. Whether you're looking to sell a property in Wilton Manors or invest here, Wilton Manors is HOT!

We certainly hope you will participate in the budget process. While property taxes account for only about 25% of our overall budget, the increase in values certainly puts us in a good position to commence budgeting. Our budget process is designed to encourage maximum resident participation with some 13 public meetings. The schedule for these meetings is on our website, www.wiltonmanors.com. Please join me in celebrating our City's significant achievement with once again having the greatest property value growth in our area.

Lastly, as I mentioned in my last article, the City is in the process of developing a strategic plan to establish goals for the future of our City. An important part of the process is gathering feedback through the resident survey that was delivered with this issue of the Town Crier. Please take a few moments to complete and return it.

As always, I welcome your feedback and suggestions. Please feel free to contact me at GRESnick@wiltonmanors.com or (954) 390-2123. Thanks for your continued support!

Please remember to complete your resident survey and drop it in the mail by July 31st. If you have any questions regarding the survey or need a replacement please call City Hall at (954) 390-2120. We thank you for helping us make Wilton Manors the BEST city in which to LIVE, WORK and PLAY!

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CITY COMMISSION AND BOARD MEETING DATES

JULY – AUGUST – SEPTEMBER

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

No July Meeting
Wed - Aug 6
Wed - Sept 3

Historical Society 7 PM

Thurs - July 17
Thurs - Aug 21
Thurs - Sept 18

Pension Bd 5:30PM

Tues - Sept 2

Plan & Zone Bd 7PM

Mon - July 7
Mon - Aug 11
Mon - Sept 8

Rec Adv Bd 6:30PM

Thurs - Sept 17

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

Monday, September 1, 2014
in observance of Labor 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 newly designed city website at www.wiltonmanors.com and following the “online services” link.



Wilton Manors City Officials

Mayor Gary Resnick **Vice Mayor Julie A. Carson**
Commissioner Ted Galatis **Commissioner Tom Green**
Commissioner Scott Newton **City Manager Joseph L. Gallegos**
City Attorney Kerry Ezrol

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) 567-6062
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



Modern horse psychology attempts to anticipate probable behavior of horses under different conditions and establish those situations that encourage responses consistent with goals of the horse handler. Sadly, while horseback riding recently, I catapulted through the air and hit the ground *helmet-head-first*. After a finale somersault, I lay sprawled in the field with a broken leg - my horse grazing by my side.

Since horse psychology is obviously not my strong suit, sharing some thoughts about the City accomplishments may be more helpful. Because our Mayor and Commissioners are truly collaborative, cooperative, and committed to the well-being of the Island City, we can more easily reach our identified goals.

Our Community endured a severe economic depression, but today we can celebrate the second highest estimated property value increase in Broward County! Wilton Drive boasts dozens of successful businesses that cater to the destination vacationer and the resident. The Andrews and

Powerline corridors are getting a makeover, and are next up for some capital attention.

Mickel Field re-purposing is underway. With Staff and stakeholder input along with unanimous Commission support, the Field will soon re-emerge as Mickel Park – a City social center for recreational activities and cultural events. An investment in our parks pays city-wide quality of life dividends forever.

Our Police Department is nearly fully staffed, and crime rates remain below average. Officers patrol on bicycles, and a motorcycle (electric) officer will be committed solely to traffic enforcement. A small police “substation” is even planned for the Westside.

A Marketing Coordinator assists us with developing our City *brand* and *tag-line*, and she is increasing our presence in electronic, social, and print media. Our Grants Advisor is identifying new City funding sources as well as providing ways to better leverage our resources.

Wilton Manors distinguishes itself as a City that embraces diversity, preserves history, and creatively invests in the future. Our internationally recognized urban village is sought after by those who want to live simply yet authentically.

I guess my horseback riding adventure gave me pause to reflect on the generosity of all who work to make life in the Island City so extraordinary. Thank you. As always, I welcome your comments at 954-288-8174 or emailed to JCarson@wiltonmanors.com.

From the Desk of Commissioner Ted Galatis



Welcome to the July/August town crier. School is out for the summer and some folks are fortunate enough to be taking vacations, while others have to stay at home and work. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the volunteers who continue to help Wilton Manors be all that it can be – the work performed by each and every advisory board/task force member is critical to the effective functioning of the Commission. We are always looking for new volunteers for our boards and a complete listing of board openings is available on the City website.

A special thank you goes out to the Mickel Field Re-Purposing Task Force. They have worked tirelessly for over six (6) months on a plan to save this important piece of open space on the west side of Wilton Manors. Just like Colohatchee Park on the east side, Mickel Field has fallen into disrepair and needs to be updated. With the construction of a new rental apartment complex on N.E. 24th

Street, the City is gaining a new right of access to Colohatchee Park off of N.E. 24th Street that will allow law enforcement to shut down the illegal activities carried on by mostly non-residents – activities that prevent our residents from using the park for birthday parties, picnics and other outdoor activities. I support these efforts and the finance director's recommendation for complete funding of the Mickel Field renovations in the 2014-15 fiscal year.

FDOT recently released a traffic study that recommends reducing lanes on Powerline Road in an effort to reduce speeding and to make way for bicycle paths. I would like to see more police presence along Powerline Road, Andrews Avenue and Wilton Drive to help stop the speeders. Bike paths are planned from five-points to Andrews Avenue, but we need to connect the bike paths to Powerline Road and our west neighborhoods, including Jenada Isles.

Hurricane season is upon us – be prepared. I hope you enjoyed the Stonewall Pride event and had a great 4th of July! As always, I welcome your input and comments and invite you to call my office anytime at 954-522-6700, ext. 16 to discuss your concerns.

From the Desk of Commissioner Tom Green



The city will soon begin an ambitious program to completely “repurpose” the use of one of the largest parks in Wilton Manors. Mickel Field has been under-utilized and neglected for many years. Plans now call for 1.4 million dollars to be spent in approximately two years to transform Mickel into a multiuse park with activities for everyone in the city. Last year the city commission placed \$100,000 in the 2013-2014 FY Budget to begin preliminary planning for the new “Mickel Park”. The additional 1.4 million dollars will allow the development of a combination ball field/ small concert area, a signature pavilion, a jogging/walking path, a volleyball court, new estate-style fencing, a greatly increased tree canopy, restrooms, and a covered children’s play area. An office area will allow Wilton Manors Police Officers to spend time at the park. Total funding for the new “Mickel Park” will come from general tax dollars, enterprise funds, grants, city reserves, and loans. This is a big financial commitment for a city of our size.

At the June 10th City Commission meeting an okay was given to apply to the Florida Department of Transportation for a project to make significant improvements to Powerline Road from the south city limits northward to NW 29th Street. The change will reduce one traffic lane in each direction and add designated bike paths. This proposal would be similar to a design to be used in Fort Lauderdale on its part of Powerline. These improvements will be an additional enhancement to the changes at Mickel benefitting the property values in that area.

The development of next year’s city budget is now underway. Meetings have been held by city staff, the city commission, the Budget Review Advisory Board, and other groups within Wilton Manors. Workshops will be held during July and August and public hearings on the budget will be held on September 12th and 22nd at city hall. Please participate in these meetings if you wish to have a voice in how your tax dollars are spent. You can also help decide how much is spent! Let us know how much you desire the city to spend on such things as our parks, library and public safety. And remember that only about 25% of your total tax bill is for all the great things provided by the city of Wilton Manors.

I hope that everyone had a chance to participate in the Stonewall Pride Celebration on June 21st. Participation by new groups and individuals such as the Fire Department Emergency Rescue and Broward School Board shows the growing importance of the observance of this event. Let us know how you felt about the one day festival format used this year.

Don’t forget to contact me with your ideas and questions. You may reach me by email at tgreen@wiltonmanors.com or my cell phone at 954-290-0561.

Greetings from Commissioner Scott Newton



I’d like to welcome our readers to the July/August edition of the Town Crier. On the evening of June 3rd, 2014 the Commission met with a citizens’ focus group who had been working over several months to plan for a complete renovation of a 5 acre park located at 2675 NW 7th Ave. Many of you know the “Mickel Field” park and realize the location hasn’t seen an “upgrade” in over 30 years.

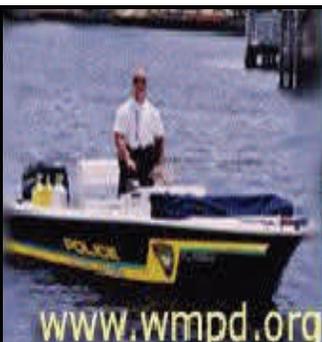
With just a few minor “tweaks” of the proposed site plan, the Commission authorized a \$1.4 million budget to make the park a community center-piece for the area. Included are a new walking trail around the park and a new pavilion suitable for family reunions and community get-togethers. The building will have a “stage area” capable of scheduling “movies and the park” and other smaller live performances in the future. New shade trees, volleyball courts, picnic tables, water fountains and such will be provided.

Also, at this time of year we should check our homes and emergency supplies/preparedness for hurricane season. We all know how crazy it will get as a storm draws close, so make a list, shop smart and feel better as we hope for another “lite” storm season.

In closing, let’s remember that schools are on vacation and kids will be out on their bicycles, skateboards, and walking to our local parks for fun in the sun. So, please watch out for kids, slow down in the area of our parks and have a safe and enjoyable summer of 2014. As always, please send me an email at SNewton@wiltonmanors.com if you would like to share your thoughts or suggestions about the City.



**Chief of Police
Paul O'Connell**



From the Desk of Chief of O'Connell

NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME

Mark your Calendars! Please join me, 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 5, 2014 at various neighborhood locations throughout the city. Please check our Wilton Manors Police Department website for details: www.wmpd.org. I 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 essence of Night Out Against Crime as it gets us out of the house and into the neighborhood to meet our neighbors and band together to make Wilton Manors a great community!

HURRICANE SEASON IS HERE!

The time to prepare is **NOW**. Here are some things to consider:

Have a plan in place to safeguard your home and your property. Start with holding a family meeting to discuss the hazards of hurricanes and encourage your children to research on their own the many things they can do to prepare themselves.

Know where to go if the call for evacuation comes. Remember, there are two Plans in Place depending on the strength of the hurricane:

Plan A: Category 1 or 2: evacuation will be recommended for those living east of the Intra-coastal Water Way

Plan B: Category 3, 4 or 5 evacuation will be recommended for those living east of US 1. Although these plans "exclude" all of Wilton Manors; each of us needs to make an honest assessment of our house....can it withstand the coming storm? If the answer is no, then you need to strongly consider evacuation to a shelter or to the stronger home of family or friends.

For Wilton Manors the closest evacuation center is located at the campus of Rock Island Elementary / Arthur Ashe Middle Schools, 1701 NW 23 Ave. (just west of I-95).

Have a Pet? Then you will need to find a Pet Friendly Evacuation Shelter and you will need to Pre-Register (do it early because space is limited!). Call 954-989-3977 (Broward Humane Society) to register. The location of this shelter is Millennium Middle School in Tamarac. This location is for pet owners only from throughout Broward County. Make sure your cats and dogs have collars with identification tags or, if they have a microchip, make sure the registration data is current.

Are you a care-taker? Contact the Broward County Human Services Department (954-357-6385) to arrange for public transportation for elderly or special needs individuals.

Finally, take advantage of the many sources of information regarding hurricane preparation starting with www.broward.org/publications. There you will find a detailed outline of tips and suggestions on how best to prepare for the 2014 hurricane season.

Personal Safety Tips on the Street

1. Stay in well-lit areas as much as possible. Avoid empty or dark parking lots, wooded areas, alleys and other short cuts or unpopulated areas.
2. Let a family member or friend know where you're going, how long you'll be gone and what time you'll be back. This will make it easier to notify the police if there is a problem.
3. Walk in groups whenever you can. Remember the old saying that there is always safety in numbers. If possible, do not walk alone during late night hours.
4. Walk on the sidewalk whenever possible. Walk close to the curb, avoiding trees, bushes, doorways and other possible hiding places.
5. Do not stop to talk to strangers. Always walk confidently, directly, and at a steady pace.
6. Unlike riding your bicycle with traffic if you have to walk in the street, walk against or facing traffic. A person walking with traffic can be followed, forced into a car, and abducted more easily than a person walking against traffic.
7. If you can, wear clothing and shoes that give you freedom of movement. Try not to burden yourself by carrying too many packages or items.
8. Avoid carrying large sums of cash, or displaying expensive jewelry in public.
9. Always be aware of your surroundings. If you are wearing headphones, don't turn up the volume so high that you cannot hear outside noises.
10. Report any suspicious person or activity immediately to the Police Department by calling 9-1-1.

More from the WMPD: Unlicensed Contractors

A major problem in South Florida is the hiring of an unlicensed contractor. Although it may sometimes seem cheaper to hire such a person, the downside can be very expensive. Here are some of the reasons you should not hire an unlicensed contractor.

- **Poor qualifications.** Unlicensed persons typically do not have the education, insurance, or qualification required of a licensee.
- **Poor quality work.** Unlicensed contractors typically do poor quality work or do not finish the project, leaving the homeowner on the hook to repair or finish the project.
- **Possible criminal background.** Unlicensed persons often have criminal backgrounds that may include fraud, theft, violent crime, sexual offenses, and substance abuse.
- **Likelihood of being the victim of a scam.** Unlicensed persons often disappear after taking your money, and the department cannot discipline an unlicensed person, help get your money back, or require the person to finish or improve the work done. Scams in the construction industry, especially home improvement, are sadly widespread. Con artists pose as contractors and often target vulnerable people and take advantage of homeowner's need for urgent post-hurricane property damage.
- **Limited resources for broken contracts.** When you have a dispute with a licensed contractor, you call the department, which has the authority to discipline and even revoke the license. This gives the licensee more incentive to play fair. However, this type of action is not available against unlicensed contractors and homeowners often find the only answer is an expensive, and generally futile, civil suit.
- **No insurance and liability for injuries to others:** You may end up being liable for personal or financial injuries to others. An unlicensed contractor typically is uninsured and will have no way to pay you back for any property damage.
- **No coverage under homeowner's policy.** Most homeowner policies require that work must be done by a licensed contractor and provide no coverage for work that is not.
- **Noncompliance with building codes.** Most projects, even small ones, require permits and inspections that unlicensed contractors ignore or are unfamiliar with. If your project isn't permitted or doesn't comply with the building code, you may have to remove or repair the work at your own expense and be subject to fines by local government.
- **Liens being imposed on your property.** You may be subject to liens placed on your property by subcontractors or supplies. Please see <http://www.dbpr.state.fl.us/reg/Liens.html> for more information about Florida lien law.

The Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation's website is filled with information pertaining to your rights whether the contractor was licensed or not. To learn more about licensing or if you have a complaint against a company/contractor, contact Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation at 850-487-1395 or visit their website at <http://www.myfloridalicense.com/dbpr>

Sharing a letter to the Wilton Manors Police Department:



Ms. Hansen's 3rd Grade Class

June 5, 2014

Dear Chief O'Connell,

I would like to take a moment and thank you for adopting my classroom this year. Your support means so much to me and my students. With your donation this year, I was able to purchase two mini Ipads for my students use. Words cannot express my gratitude for the many years of continued support from Wilton Manors Police Department. My students are forever mentioning that if it weren't for the Police Department we would not have the extra technology. Thanks to you we have had another successful school year and we owe you a special shout out. Thanks again and we hope we can continue to work together in the future.

Sincerely,
Ms. Hansen

Community Affairs Advisory Board (CAAB) Update

SUMMER CAMP

Did you know the City of Wilton Manors has its own summer camp program for youth? According to the city's website: "The Leisure Services Department operates the Annual Summer Camp as well as special camps throughout the school year. More than 100 children attend the summer camp. Throughout the summer, campers take classes in activities they are interested in, such as cheerleading, fun science, Polynesian Dance, sports, computers, etc. Campers also participate in trips to local movie theaters, bowling, Miami Metro Zoo, the Broward Center for Performing Arts, etc."

CAAB recognizes the important opportunities for our youth to build on their interests and skills and be provided with a summer time activity. At CAA's May meeting, the board approved funding for scholarships for the city's summer camp program. The scholarships are intended to provide financial assistance to Wilton Manors families who would otherwise not be able to afford to provide a child in their care with this amazing opportunity.

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

CAAB's COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD UPDATE

At our April meeting, CAAB initiated the Community Service Award. It may have been a bit ambitious as our original goal was to highlight the outstanding efforts of our Island City community and celebrate community service and spirit to coincide with the city's May 13 anniversary of its founding.

At our May meeting, CAAB voted to postpone the award until our next fiscal year to allow for additional marketing and planning. The postponement will provide CAAB with additional opportunities to engage the Island City Community in dialogue and opportunities and for us to explore ways to help maintain a high quality of life in our city.

You can learn more about the city's founding by visiting the Wilton Manors Historical Society's website at: www.wiltonmanorshistoricalsociety.org

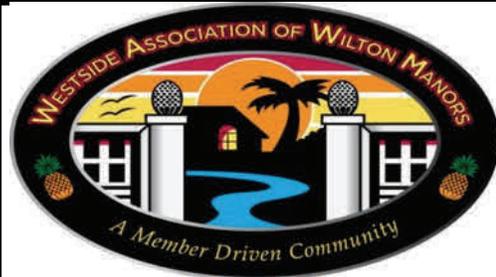
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT SERIES

At our May meeting, CAAB continued its civic engagement series with a presentation on the city's website by Assistant City Manager Leigh Ann Henderson. The city recently acted on CAAB's recommendation to add a tab for neighborhood associations and also expanded additional information in the schools section of the website. The city is welcoming of input as part of its continuous improvement efforts with the website. The website can be accessed at: www.wiltonmanors.com

At our June 4th meeting, CAAB hosted the Wilton Manors Police Department where Commander Gary Blocker provided us with an overview on the departments operations and efforts. Betty Winslow, a Wilton Manors resident and volunteer with the WMPD for a presentation on National Night Out hosted annually on the evening of August 5. If you are interested in participating and plan an event for National Night Out, contact the WMPD to learn more about this great opportunity to engage your local neighborhood to increase their awareness on crime prevention.

In mid to late July, CAAB will host a special meeting to award funds to assist neighborhood associations that are working closely with the Wilton Manors Police Department to host events in their neighborhood. The meeting will be posted on the city's calendar at www.wiltonmanors.com and we encourage your participation.

More than 700 Wilton Manors youth attend Broward County Public Schools, and with students returning to classrooms on August 18, CAAB is working to develop and host a "Back to School" evening at our August 6 meeting. We are working to secure the participation of our local area schools and we will also have a presentation by Wilton Manors' Richard C Sullivan Public Library. It important for families to be familiar with all the local resources available to provide our youth with every opportunity for academic success.



WESTSIDE ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS

WAWM is a voluntary civic and social association of people dedicated to building a sense of community for the benefit of all residents. Additionally we provide a voice for mutual neighborhood concerns when working with our local government. Our neighborhood activities include crime prevention, code enforcement, economic, educational, and recreational activities.

Our new Board of Directors was recently elected at our annual meeting held on April 24th, 2014. After the election, the board voted on the officers of the association.

2014 Board of Directors

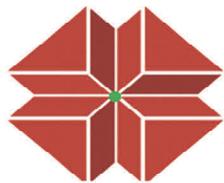
Sal Torre, President
Scott Altschuler, Treasurer

Rick Ellison, Vice President
Matt Ferrelli, Director
Juan Carlos Cortes, Director

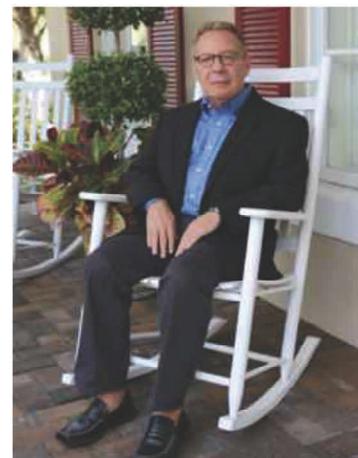
Kate Donohue, Secretary
Jake Valentine, Director

WAWM is currently working on moving the Mickel Field Re-purposing forward ASAP with all appropriate funding, working with city staff on solutions to traffic calming and cut through traffic within the neighborhood, requesting zoning changes along commercial areas of Andrews Avenue and multi-unit zoned areas of Powerline Road to attract redevelopment, and successfully advocated that the city move ahead with foreclosure of the abandoned property on the corner of NW 30th Court and Powerline Rd.

For membership information and other questions or comments please email wawm.org@gmail.com or visit our website, www.wawm.org.

CANA's Corner: A message from the President...

**CENTRAL AREA NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS**
The Heart of Wilton Manors Beats Here



The Central Area Neighborhood Association (CANA) of Wilton Manors provides a forum and community voice for the residents of the central area to meet, discuss and solve issues that impact the well being of area neighbors.

CANA serves as a conduit for information to and from the City Commission and Staff. These issues may include, but are not limited to zoning, city ordinances, crime, traffic patterns, beautification, special events and the overall welfare of the neighborhood residents.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- The three Neighborhood Association Presidents met in June to collaborate on city-wide issues
- Next CANA meeting is July 16 @ Hagen Park @ 7pm (free parking)
- Police National Night Out Events – August 5 – stay tuned for locations
- Help shape the future of the City – Take the Resident Survey
- Resident input was received at the May Strategic Planning Workshop
- Hagen Park Expansion Focus Group kick off meeting held on May 20
Future meetings will be announced in advance
- Don't get "Railroaded" - Stay on track with train issues impacting you!
- City Election Year – Mayor and 2 Commission seats – Candidates Forum coming in the fall – Early voting begins Oct 20 @ City Hall.
- Hurricane season has begun – have a plan!

Upcoming General Meetings

July 16, Nov 12, 2014 and Feb 4, 2015

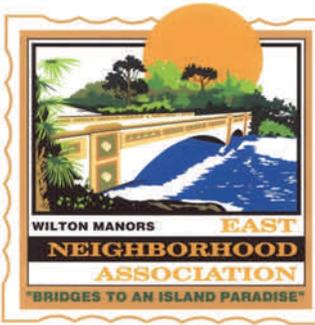
Held at Hagen Park Community Center @ 7pm

Free parking at Hagen Park from ½ hr before until ½ hr after meeting ends

**Contact us by email: membership@canawm.org
or visit us on the web at www.canawm.org**

Paul J. Rolli, President • Fred Caplan, Vice President • Don D'Arminio, Treasurer
Brent White, Secretary • Constance Ruppender, Director • James Cromar, Director

WILTON MANORS EAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS



The East Neighborhood Association (ENA) has had a change in leadership. President Martin Nixon announced his resignation at the May 5th meeting. He told the ENA members that he regretted having to resign, but he no longer had enough time to lead ENA and take care of his family. At a special ENA Board of Directors meeting held on June 3rd, ENA Vice President John Fiore was appointed as President. President Fiore accepted the position and said he looks forward to enhancing communications with neighborhood residents, increasing membership and improving cooperation with the central and west neighborhood associations.

The next ENA meeting will begin at 7:00 pm on July 17th at Independence Hall, 1639 NE 26th Street. At the meeting, east side residents will get crime updates from the Police Department. The City's new Community Development Services Director, Roberta Moore has been invited to introduce herself to the neighborhood and there will be a presentation from Pet's Broward, a non-profit advocacy group which promotes saving shelter pets and to end the killing of all adoptable shelter pets in Broward County. Additionally there will be information about National Night Out and ENA's annual Neighborhood Associations Bowling Tournament which is held at the end of August. All residents who live east of the railroad track are invited to attend the meeting and to also join ENA. The annual membership is \$25.

All three neighborhood associations recently received a generous grant from the Wilton Manors Community Affairs Advisory Board to promote and host National Night Out street parties on August 5th. The purpose of National Night Out is to bring neighbors together to meet each other and learn about crime prevention in our neighborhoods. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet Police Chief Paul O'Connell and members of the Wilton Manors Police Department, Mayor Gary Resnick, City Commissioners, City Manager Joseph Gallegos and other City employees. ENA's National Night Out Party will be held at 2845 NE 17 Avenue from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Everyone on the east side is invited. Neighbors attending are asked to bring a snacks, deserts or beverages to share.

ENA continues to be involved with the redevelopment of the neighborhood. ENA Board Members held meetings with the developer of the Yawt Trailer Park property on NE 24th Street to ensure that the new rental apartment development will not adversely impact the neighborhood. Also, Mayor Resnick told ENA at their last meeting, that the Center for Spiritual Living Church, at NE 26th Street and NE 15th Avenue, has settled the law suit with the developer that was trying to buy the property. ENA intends to closely follow, and be involved with any proposed future development of the site.

If anyone wants any additional information about ENA they can call President John Fiore at (954) 564-3821.

Did you know?.....

The Vulnerable Population Registry



Broward County maintains a "Vulnerable Population Registry" of residents who are at risk due to disability, frailty or health issues, regardless of age, who elect to stay home in the event of a hurricane or other emergency. The Registry is a partnership between Broward County and municipalities to help emergency responders better plan for recoveries from hurricanes and other emergencies. It is not a guarantee of assistance.

After a hurricane or other emergency, residents may experience prolonged power and phone outages. Residents may not be able to leave their homes to get assistance or let others know that they are in need. Municipalities may use the Registry to help evaluate resident needs and to assist in planning their response in an emergency. While registering in the database is not a guarantee that you will be provided services or placed on a priority list for responders, it will help responders be better prepared to meet resident needs in a recovery.

You can register online (www.broward.org/registry) or by calling 311 in Broward or 954-821-4000 (TTY: 954-831-3940), or by contacting Wilton Manors Emergency Management Department at 954-390-2190. All information provided will be held in the strictest confidence as required by State law.

The Vulnerable Population Registry does not automatically register you for a special needs shelter or evacuation transportation. For sheltering and transportation information visit www.broward.org/atrisk and select the "Special Needs" tab. See additional articles in this issue of the Town Crier for hurricane preparedness.

Upcoming City Partnered Events



Poverello Bowling to Fight Hunger

When: Saturday, August 9, 2014
Where: Sawgrass Lanes, 8501 N. University Dr.
Tamarac

Time: 11 am – 3 pm

Register Online at www.poverello.org



Join Poverello and hundreds of community supporters on August 9th at Sawgrass Lanes to fight hunger among people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) in Wilton Manors and throughout Broward County. Poverello's Bowling to Fight Hunger is Broward County's longest, continuous running, annual fundraising event to benefit local residents living with HIV/AIDS. During the past 23 years the event has raised more than 1 million dollars to feed thousands of PLWHA who live at or below the poverty level.

Poverello recently celebrated 28 years of service to Broward County residents and 15 years being a leading agency in Wilton Manors. Wilton Manors Mayor, Gary Resnick, was on hand May 28, 2014 for the celebration as he provided Father William Collins, the agency's founder, with a proclamation designating May 28, 2014 as Poverello Day in Wilton Manors. As part of the annual bowling event, hundreds of local businesses provide gifts for raffle and auction items awarded during the event. DJ Alex Maximus 3000 Ferbeyre will be providing music at the event.

For more information about Poverello and how you can participate in the 24th Annual Bowling to Fight Hunger, go to www.poverello.org or call (954) 561-3663.

Contact Information: Ron Wudarsky, Development Director
(954) 561-3663 ext. 103 rwudarsky@poverello.org



Convention and Visitors Bureau to Be Presenting Sponsor of Gay Nuptials-a wedding showcase

Organizer Strives to Create Greater Understanding of this Burgeoning Industry

(Wilton Manors, Fla.) -- Bobby Kyser, the owner of Panche Style, a Wilton Manors-based floral design and events planning firm, announced today that the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) has agreed to become the presenting sponsor of the first annual *Gay Nuptials* wedding showcase. The event, which will be held on August 17, 1-4 p.m. at Hagen Park Community Center, will feature 35 local vendors that offer a wide variety of wedding ceremony services to same sex couples, including venues, catering, flowers, invitations and more.

"We are thrilled that the CVB understands that gay weddings are an exploding business that will bring a valuable economic impact to our community," said Kyser. "The purpose of this event is to create an awareness of this important business opportunity as well as to increase understanding of and sensitivities to the couples seeking wedding services."

According to Bernadette Coveney Smith, the author of *The Business of Gay Weddings*, the national gay and lesbian buying power is estimated at \$790 billion and gay weddings are expected to continue to grow at a rapid pace.

"We are proud to be part of this upscale event, which will help educate wedding vendors and better prepare Fort Lauderdale for same sex couples who want to choose our area for their destination weddings," said Richard Gray, managing director, LGBT Market for the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Ignorant statements like, "Which one of you is the bride and which is the groom?" hopefully will diminish after the showcase, added Kyser, who said that nationally-known diversity trainer Doug Cureton will be on hand to offer wedding vendors etiquette hints and methods for breaking down stereotypes at a private industry professionals luncheon from noon to 1 p.m. Cureton is the founder of CreativiTEAM, Inc., a training and leadership consulting firm in Fort Lauderdale and owner of *Some Men like it Haute* fashion consignment store in Wilton Manors. Kyser also will be presenting advice for planning equality-based weddings.

Tickets for Gay Nuptials are \$20 and can be ordered online at www.mygaywedding.org or by calling 954-356-9377. All proceeds from ticket sales will be donated to The Pride Center at Equality Park, which provides a welcoming, safe space for the LGBTQ community (www.pridecenterflorida.org).

Sponsorship and vendor booths, ranging from \$100 to \$5,000, also are available by calling 954-356-9377.

Utilities/Emergency Management Department

SCHEDULE FOR BULK TRASH AND RECYCLING

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

July 24 Aug 21 Sept 18 Recycling Day: Thursday

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

July 22 Aug 19 Sept 16 Recycling Day: Friday

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

July 23 Aug 20 Sept 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	12:00am-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.

Remember, NO lawn watering is allowed between 10:00am and 4:00pm any day of the week!

The Code Compliance Unit is issuing citations for violations of the water usage schedule!



Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) classes provide training on two Saturdays for two weeks by City of Fort Lauderdale Fire-Rescue personnel—ALL AT NO CHARGE

With basic CERT training, you will learn to safely assist yourself, your family and neighbors using basic emergency response and organizational skills. These skills will help save and sustain lives until professional rescue personnel arrive after a disaster; as well as apply to everyday emergencies. Course content includes: Emergency Preparedness, Basic Fire Suppression, Basic First Aid and Triage, Light Search & Rescue, Disaster Psychology and Terrorism Response. CERT volunteers living in Wilton Manors will

be assigned to a team that will serve the area covered by Fire-Rescue Station 16 on Wilton Drive, but are also eligible for assignments throughout Fort Lauderdale. **The CERT training course consists of two classes on BOTH of two successive Saturdays, with the next sessions on August 16 and 23 (both Saturdays) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Ford Lauderdale Fire-Rescue Station 53 2200 Executive Airport Way, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309**

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! To register or for more information about the CERT program and CERT training, please call 954-828-6700 with your name, phone number and email address, or check out www.fortlauderdale.gov/fire-rescue/cert.htm

For additional information about the Wilton Manors CERT team and local activities contact: Frank Miller, CERT Captain—Wilton Manors Fire-Rescue Station 16 Voice/Text: 954-612-3599 or email at FLCERT16@gmail.com

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS CHECKLIST

Hurricane Season started June 1st and it's time to ... Be Prepared!

It is **YOUR** responsibility to be sure you are prepared. Make sure you have the following items BEFORE a storm hits:

- FOOD:** Non-perishable packaged or canned food supplies for 3-5 days, and a manual can opener. Don't forget a 3-5 day supply of special needs items for babies such as formula, food, wipes, diapers; special foods for the elderly; toiletries and extra toilet paper
- WATER:** Minimum of 3 gallons of drinking water per person; preferably one gallon per person per day for two weeks. Extra water is needed for food preparation and personal hygiene. To store drinking water, use food-grade containers, such as clean, airtight two-liter soda jugs. If you re-use disposable plastic bottles, do not keep them for more than a month
- First aid supplies and prescription medications for 2 weeks
- Plastic trash bags and ties; extra resealable plastic storage bags, heavy-duty aluminum foil and disposable aluminum pans
- Paper goods such as plates, bowls, napkins, towels, and plastic eating utensils
- Protective clothing, rainwear, bedding or sleeping bags
- Mosquito repellent with DEET, and sunscreen
- Tool kit including cord, rope, hammer, wood nails, saw, hatchet or axe, crowbar, chainsaw blades, tarp, duct tape, and heavy work gloves
- Batteries
- Battery-powered radio, flashlight, clock
- Unscented bleach (and a medicine dropper), soap, detergent
- Hand sanitizer
- Extra charcoal or propane gas for outdoor cooking
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Fire extinguisher (ABC type)
- Full gas tank
- Cash (ATMs won't work during a power outage)
- A simple corded telephone
- Fully charged cell phone with a car charger accessory
- Pet supplies
- A designated out-of-town contact for family and friends
- A list of important phone numbers (doctors, insurance agents, etc.)
- Protective, waterproof storage area for important documents (insurance, property deed, etc.)
- Learn how to turn off electricity, gas and water, if advised to do so



Hurricane Wilma – November 2005



SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTERS

If you have a medical condition that requires a greater level of care than that provided at a General Population shelter, but you do not require hospitalization, a Special Needs Shelter may be appropriate for you. Broward County operates a Special Needs Shelter Program. These shelters offer basic medical assistance and monitoring. They are staffed by qualified medical personnel and have back-up electricity for limited lighting and essential medical equipment. Family members and caregivers are encouraged to accompany residents with special medical needs.

All residents seeking shelter in a Special Needs facility will be reviewed on an individual basis to determine the best placement for their needs. Pre-registration for the Special Needs Shelter is open throughout the year and, while not required, is strongly encouraged to ensure that the shelter will be adequately prepared to meet your needs.

If you are elderly, frail, disabled or have a special medical need and are concerned about your sheltering plan, or if you want the latest information on shelter modifications for individuals with disabilities or special needs, contact Broward County Human Services Division at 954-357-6385 or TTY 954-357-5608.

SPECIAL NEEDS DATABASE

Independent of the Broward County services outlined above, the City of Wilton Manors maintains a database of our special needs residents who may benefit from special City services after a disaster. If you are interested in providing the City with your information, please contact City Hall at (954) 390-2100 for more details, or complete the form available online at www.wiltonmanors.com, and fax it to (954) 390-2199 or mail it to the City of Wilton Manors Finance Department, Attn: Disaster Assistance Registration, 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305.

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:

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| ● 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 may have limited contact with your pet.

Wilton Manors residents – Are you doing your part to Recycle Right?

Did you know that recycling contamination decreases the value of your recyclables and revenue from recycled commodities that is paid to the City of Wilton Manors? What is collected from your home is sorted before it is recycled. Crews manually



sort out various contaminants that **should not have been put into recycling containers, PRIMARILY PLASTIC BAGS**, before true recyclables are processed through the automated facility.

Materials, including garbage, that are improperly placed in recycling containers are collected by your hauler and brought to the single stream recycling facility but are ultimately sent to a landfill if not recyclable.

The materials shown below in a bucket load were taken off the recycling line and included garden hoses, carpet, window blinds, plastic

bags, packaging foam, and an odd assortment of other items that can't be recycled. Each load of the bucket truck is 10 cubic yards and several are brought off the recycling line daily because of contamination.

- ✓ **NO Plastic Bags** Take clean, dry and empty plastic bags to PUBLIX or participating grocery stores for recycling
- ✓ **NO Materials in Plastic Bags**
- ✓ **NO Household trash**



This Recycle Right article is the first in a series to help you in municipal recycling efforts. If you have any questions about Recycling Right, contact your municipal recycling coordinator at (954) 390-2190 or Lee Rickles at Sun Bergeron (954) 680-6100.



THE LIBRARY CORNER

 **ancestry.com** Now Available @ Your Library!

Ancestry.com, the largest online family history resource, provides you with access to your family history via documents that record the lineage of individuals from the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Europe, Australia, and more. Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Wilton Manors Library, Ancestry.com, the world's most popular consumer online family history resource, is now available at your Library.

Answers await all users – professional or hobbyist, expert or novice, genealogist or historian – inside the thousands of databases of family information. User-friendly search tools and comprehensive indexing make it easy to start discovering your personal history.

Stop by the Library at 500 NE 26th Street and discover the history of you.

Summer Fun at the Library

The Library's Summer program and activities for the whole family continue!



Wednesday, July 16 at 4 PM

Geddy the Gecko's Science Rainforest Show

Wednesday, July 23 at 4 PM

Steadfast Steel Presents Nightfall's Gothic Side Show Experience

Wednesday, July 30 at 4 PM

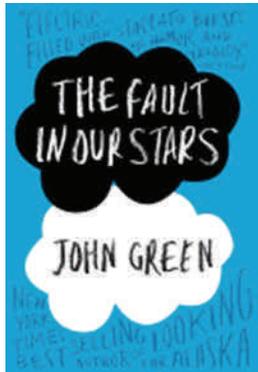
"Shoot for the Stars" Science Lab. For ages 5-12. Pre-registration required.

Wednesday, Aug. 6 at 4 PM

Ice Cream Party and Balloon Animals. Summer Reading Contest prizes awarded.

NEW BOOKS FOR YOUNG READERS

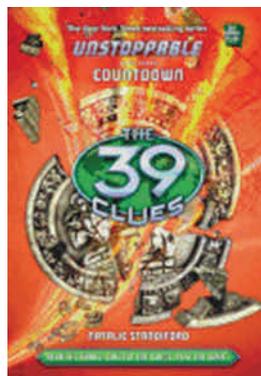
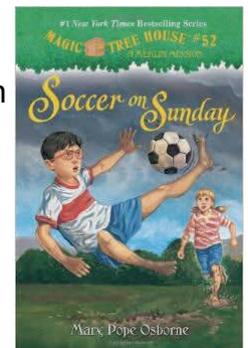
In *Doll Bones* by Holly Black, Zach, Alice, and Poppy, friends from a Pennsylvania middle school who have long enjoyed acting out imaginary adventures with dolls and action figures, embark on a real-life quest to Ohio to bury a doll made from the ashes of a dead girl.



Sixteen-year-old Hazel, a stage IV thyroid cancer patient, had accepted her terminal diagnosis until a chance meeting with a boy at cancer support group forces her to reexamine her perspective on love, loss, and life in John Green's *The Fault in Our Stars*.

Babymouse imagines the biggest, most wonderful birthday party ever for herself and tries to make it happen, but Felicia is planning her own birthday bash for the very same day in Jennifer L. Holm's and Matthew Holm's *Happy Birthday, Babymouse*.

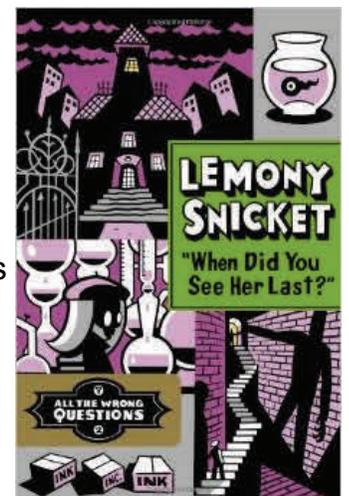
Jack and Annie search for the fourth secret of greatness for Merlin the Magician in Mexico City at the 1970 World Cup Games. They hope to learn something new from soccer player great, Pele in *Soccer on Sunday* by Mary Pope Osborne.



In *Countdown* by Natalie Standiford, the clock has run out for thirteen-year-old Dan Cahill. As head of the most powerful family the world has ever known, he and his older sister, Amy, have been in the crosshairs for too long. Dan and Amy have always managed to stay a step ahead of their enemies, but it was only a matter of time until luck failed them. Now Dan is hopelessly trapped and nothing can save him. Nothing except unleashing an evil into the world even worse than the enemies closing in. As Dan hovers between life and death, Amy has a terrifying decision to make. Just how far is she willing to go to save her little brother?

Called upon to investigate thirteen suspicious incidents in Stain'd-by-the-Sea, young Lemony Snicket collects clues, questions witnesses, and cracks every case in *File Under: 13 Suspicious Incidents*.

In *When Did You See Her Last?* Young apprentice Lemony Snicket has a new case to solve in the fading town of Stain'd-by-the-Sea when he and his chaperone are hired to find a missing girl. Is the girl a runaway? Or was she kidnapped?



Questions about using your new eReader or notebook?

We have help! A volunteer is now available to assist you one-on-one. Please call (954) 390-2195 to make arrangements.

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

May and June offered many exciting opportunities to meet new friends, get to know your neighbors, and participate in fun leisure experiences with family and friends. The Leisure Services Department offers many unique daily programs and services, such as Brains and Balance Past 60, Arts and Crafts ages 2 to 4, Ballet and Hip Hop Dance, Table Tennis, Wing Chun Kuen, Yoga, Kayaking, Tennis, Fitness Center, Outdoor Trails, Line Dance, Zumba, Green Market, and so much more.

I hope you enjoyed the Annual Canoe Race and City Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, May 17, 2014. Congratulations to the Islanders, Blazing Paddles, and Wells Fargo Advisors finishing first in their divisions. It was an outstanding event with hundreds of participants enjoying the festivities. Also, this year, Stonewall Summer Pride Street Festival on Saturday, June 21, 2014 was hosted by Pride of South Florida and offered many exciting festivities, including a parade, kids zone, museum, concerts, featuring Sheila E. and so much more.

Again, I would like to thank the efforts of our volunteers that assisted with the Mickel Park Repurposing Project. Their contributions were instrumental in developing a Site Master Plan for Mickel Park. The site plan was discussed with the City Commission and will include a fitness trail around the entire park along with lighting, estate style fencing, a pavilion and other amenities. The groundbreaking is expected to begin this summer.

Construction is also nearly finished expanding Island City Park Preserve, adding fourteen (14) parking spaces, solar lighting, a walking trail, estate style fencing, a well with irrigation and landscaping. The Ribbon Cutting is also expected this summer. The funding for this project was provided under the Community Development Block Grant program.

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 needs. Please visit our local library, parks and waterways. We have programs, amenities and services available just for you. For more information, please don't hesitate to contact the Leisure Services Department.

Wilton Manors Before AND After School Programs start on August 18th

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. 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. But, 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.

Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department is
Now Offering

Before School Care at Wilton Manors Elementary School

The City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department will be offering Before Care starting August 18, 2014 from 6:45am-7:45am at Wilton Manors Elementary School (2401 NE 3rd Avenue) for Wilton Manors Elementary School Students ONLY.

For more information or to register call 954-390-2130.

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.

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

Adventurous Adventure Camp 2014

The Summer Adventure Camp is designed as a highly structured three week (Monday—Friday) 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 consists of many special activities and planned fieldtrips including movies, Jungle Island, Metro Zoo,

Roller Skating, Bowling and much more.

Days: Monday –Friday

Week #1 July 28-August 1, 2014

Week #2 August 4-August 8, 2014

Week #3 August 11-August 15, 2014

Hours: 7:30am-6:00pm

Fees: Registration Fee: \$40.00 (one time non-refundable registration fee)

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 YARD SALES @ Hagen Park

The City of Wilton Manors sponsors six City-Wide Yard Sales each year at Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive, on the second Saturday of November 2014 – April 2015. The City Yard Sales at 2020 Wilton Drive will be open from 8:00am to 2:00pm and spaces will be available to purchase **starting August 1, 2014** for the November 8, 2014 yard sale.

Last year, the yard sales hosted from 60 to 90 vendors, so **register early while there is still space**. 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.



CELEBRATING THE ARTS



Girl Play
A FEMININE VIEW
ON EXHIBIT THROUGH
AUGUST 23

Art Gallery 21

at the
Woman's Club of Wilton Manors

600 NE 21 Court, next to the volleyball court
GALLERY OPEN Friday 7-9 PM and Saturday 10 AM-2 PM
(Closed July 4 Weekend)

CRISTINA Addison	LINDA Bernhard	LINDA Fleischman
JANET Gold	MARY Watkinson	PATTI Maseri

*Art Gallery 21 is a community service project of
Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department
in partnership with the Central Area Neighborhood
Association of Wilton Manors.*



Hot off it's July 1st opening, "Memories" art exhibit continues its month long run. Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender seniors exhibit artwork promoting equality, health and love at the Pride Center's Main Hall in the Schubert Building through July 31st, 2014 (closed July 5th). The exhibit is free and open to the public.

The Pride Center is located at Equality Park, 2040 N. Dixie Highway, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

For more information contact The Pride Center by telephone at (954) 463-9005 or by e-mail to:
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SQUARE DANCING



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Wilton Manors Hidden Mysteries

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If you accidentally sit on your television remote, you will discover that cable television has answers to all sorts of mysteries. Ancient Aliens built the Pyramids in Egypt. Kim Kardashian has a following. Cats have taken over the Internet.

The Wilton Manors Historical Society also has unsolved mysteries. Your help in solving them probably will not get you a spot on cable television, but will help us document and better understand our past.

A recently unveiled mystery is "What happened to the mosaic reproduction of the City Seal, made from more than 4,100 pieces of ceramic tile by Richard Geisler, Jr. and Lorraine Schreiber, and presented to the City Council on October 24, 1967?" The City Manager is confident that if it had been in the old City Hall when we moved to the new one, it would have been uncovered. What happened to it?

The ongoing mystery for the Historical Society is "What was actually built as part of 'Ned' Willingham's Wilton Manors?" The Willingham Carriage House at Richardson Park and the Hiaasen House on NE 21st Court date from 1925 and were certainly part of Willingham's legacy. There were others, described as "boom houses," which are no longer here. Willingham Senior's 1925 plat divided Wilton Manors into individual lots. In 1928, Willingham's son re-platted Wilton Manors, removing the individual house lots, making it easier for other developers to buy and build on entire blocks in the undeveloped area.

But, there were important exceptions to this "replating!" There were 12 individual house lots on the north side of NE 23rd Street between NE 5th and 6th Avenues (across the street from Bill's Filling Station parking lot). Presumably, these had been sold by June 1928, but what had been built on them? There are several homes still there which look to be late 1920', early 1930's.

Nancy and Tracy Stafford provided the Historical Society with an inventory of "old houses" from their mother Marcia. It was compiled by Shirley Cain, and it is undated. Mrs. Cain was friends with Lou Leaver, and Nancy Swallis and was active in the Woman's Club. She lived on Andrews Ave just south of NW 29th Street in the 1940's and 1950's. She included some notes about some of these houses. If you have any information on these houses - pictures, stories, or whatever, the Historical Society would love to hear from you.

1. There were "boom" houses. These would have been two story, probably stucco at least, and "upscale." They would have been built between 1925 and when the housing market finally crashed in 1926 or 1927 or 1928.
 - One was located at 601 NE 23rd St (West of Bill's Filling Station parking lot).

- Three were located at NE 11th Ave (about IberiaBank) and Wilton Drive and north of NE 9th Ave, (about the Texaco Gas Station).
2. There were several houses on Dixie Highway, where Equality Park is now.
 3. A white wooden house stood in a grove of mango trees, owned by a man named Wiggins who left it to his nephew Charlie Fields. (13 - 19 NE 27th Drive?)



Corner of NE 23rd St and NE 6th Ave. - Photo by the WMPD 1962, to support a complaint about visibility at the intersection. Courtesy of Patricia Staples.

4. M.C. Slagle's home at 2815-2817 NE 6th Ave. There are now five new homes on the site. Slagle donated 25 feet of his property to make NE 6th Avenue wide enough to be a major north/south thoroughfare.
5. A small house belonging to the Middleton property at NE 24th St at NE 7th Ave -
6. Small wooden home at 1308 NE 24th St (approx).
7. Morgan Byran Home at about 519 NE 23rd St?

If you have any information on these mystery houses - "My mother grew up with..." "I have pictures of..." "I remember..." "I have a box of 'old stuff' in the back of a closet," please contact the Historical Society at WMHS@WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org, or call 954-617-5889.

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