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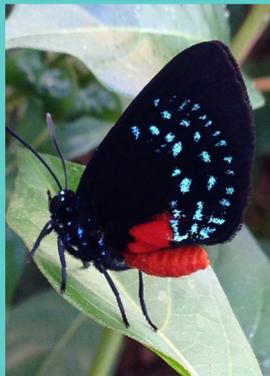
*Life's Just Better Here*

*Your Guide To What's Happening In The Island City*

March / April 2017



"Spring Forward"—March 12th



Spring Begins—March 20th



Eggstravaganza—April 8th



Waterway Clean-Up—Saturday, March 4th—9 a.m. Colohatchee Boat Ramp

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**CALENDAR Items**

**Saturday, March 4**  
**Waterway Clean-Up 9am**  
**Colohatchee Boat Ramp**

**Saturday, March 11**  
**City Hall Yard Sale 8am-2pm**

**Saturday, March 18**  
**Wilton Manors Art Expo**  
**5pm—9pm Wilton Drive**

**Friday, March 24**  
**LIVE @ Mickel Park**  
**Concert Series 7:30-9:30pm**

**Saturday, April 8**  
**Spring Eggstravaganza**  
**10am-noon**  
**St. Clement’s Church**

**Friday, April 21**  
**LIVE @ Mickel Park**  
**Concert Series 7:30-9:30pm**

**City Hall Closures:**  
**Monday, May 29**  
**Memorial Day**  
**Tuesday, July 4**  
**Independence Day**

**Wilton Manors City Officials**

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

**City Commission and Board Meeting Dates**

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

Comm. Aff. Adv. Board 7pm	WDID 6:30pm	Historical Society 7pm	Pension Brd 5:30pm	P&Z Board 7pm	Rec. Adv. Brd 6:30pm
Wed Mar 1	Wed Mar 8	Thurs Mar 16	Tues Mar 7	Mon Mar 13	Thurs Apr 20
Wed Apr 5	Wed Apr 12	Thurs Apr 20	Meets Quarterly	Mon Apr TBD	Meets Every 2 Months
Wed May 3	Wed May 10	Thurs May 18		Mon May 8	

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

**Quick Tips for Parking on Wilton Drive:**

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



**[www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com)**

The City’s website has a new look! Please check it out at [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) and let us know your thoughts via email at [community@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:community@wiltonmanors.com). While you’re there, be sure to sign up for our weekly enews or any desired notifications by visiting [www.wiltonmanors.com/248/online-Services](http://www.wiltonmanors.com/248/online-Services). You can also read the Town Crier on the website from the “Town Crier” option on the “News & Events” tab. If you would like to “go-green” and discontinue receipt of the paper copy just give us a call at (954) 390-2120.

**Phone Numbers**

City Hall..... (954) 390-2100  
 City Clerk.....(954) 390-2123  
 Mayor and City Commission.....(954) 390-2123  
 City Manager..... (954) 390-2120  
 Community Development.....(954) 390-2180  
 Finance Department..... (954) 390-2141  
 Utilities Billing.....(954) 390-2145  
 Fire/EMS Administration..... (954) 390-2110  
 Fire Rescue\*..... (954) 390-2110  
 (\*Ft Lauderdale non-emergency)  
 Human Resources..... (954) 390-2125

Risk Management..... (954) 390-2126  
 Leisure Services  
 Library..... (954) 390-2195  
 Parks Division..... (954) 390-2115  
 Recreation Division..... (954) 390-2130  
 Police Department  
 Administration..... (954) 390-2150  
 Code Enforcement..... (954) 390-2151  
 Non-Emergency Dispatch..... (954) 764-4357  
 Police/Fire/EMS Emergency..... 911  
 Utilities/Emergency Management.(954) 390-2190

## Utilities/Emergency Management

### SCHEDULE FOR BULK TRASH AND RECYCLING

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

**Mar 23                  Apr 20                  May 18                  Recycling Day: Thursday**

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

**Mar 21                  Apr 18                  May 16                  Recycling Day: Friday**

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

**Mar 22                  Apr 19                  May 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”. NO lawn watering is allowed between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm any day of the week. Code Compliance is issuing citations for violations of the water usage schedule.

<b>ODD street addresses:</b>	<b>Wednesdays &amp; Saturdays</b>	<b>12:00am-10:00am and/or 4:00pm-11:59pm</b>
<b>EVEN street addresses:</b>	<b>Thursdays &amp; Sundays</b>	<b>12:00am-10:00am and/or 4:00pm-11:59pm</b>

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

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

#### **At Your Door—Household Hazardous Waste Pick-Up**

Residents in single family homes can contact WM At Your Door (by phone: 1-800-449-7587 or by e-mail: [atyourdoor@wm.com](mailto:atyourdoor@wm.com)) for pickup.



### Spring Ahead to Prepare for Disasters



Daylight Savings Time starts Sunday, March 12th—turn your clocks forward one hour.

- The Federal Emergency Management Agency encourages everyone to implement emergency preparedness measures.
- Review your disaster response plan and restock disaster emergency kits.
- Fire departments and safety officials remind everyone to replace your alarm batteries.

### **“Who You Gonna Call?”**

The handy “Who You Gonna Call?” flyer is available on the City’s website here:

<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/Admin/DocumentCenter/Document/View/309> and provides phone numbers to call for questions or information regarding tree removal (954) 519-1224, dogs barking or running loose (954) 764-4357, or potholes, sink-holes, street lights, street signs, broken traffic signals, leaking fire hydrants, water/sewer breaks, dead animals—all to (954) 390-2190—plus much more!



## Prune Your Trees Before Hurricane Season Begins

Although the City has not experienced an active hurricane season recently, it's still important to do some preparation at this time of year to minimize damage in the event of a storm during the 2017 hurricane season. Damage from trees becomes a major issue after a hurricane, so it is essential to make sure they're pruned before hurricane season begins.

Before pruning your trees, please refer to the bulk schedule on the front of your water bill, on the City's website, or in every Town Crier, so that you can plan on the trimmings being picked up in a timely manner.

In addition to pruning trees to keep them at a manageable size, trees should be trimmed throughout to allow wind to pass through. Also, although a tree canopy over a road is beautiful, FDOT standards state that the lowest branches must be at least 10' above a sidewalk and 14'6" above a roadway. This is necessary to allow access for garbage and fire trucks.

If you decide to have a tree company trim your trees, we would recommend you consider asking them to trim the trees back further than the minimum required, in order to allow the trees some room to grow before you have to have them trimmed again. Please note that the City's bulk trash pickup does not pick up trimmings from professional tree companies, so if you hire a tree company to do your pruning, please ensure that they remove all of the trimmings before they leave.

One further thing to remember is that if an FPL crew cuts away trees or vegetation as a result of a named storm, it is the responsibility of the property owner to move the cuttings and tree debris to the swale area, in order for the City's debris removal contractor to pick it up.

We appreciate your assistance in preparing the City for the upcoming hurricane season in an effort to minimize damage caused by tree debris. For further information, please contact the Emergency Management/Utilities Department at (954) 390-2190.

## **New Parking Lot on Dixie Highway**

The City has provided 21 new parking spaces easily accessible to the north end of Wilton Drive. The lot is open to the public from 6pm until 3am every day. The entrance to the parking lot is on the west side of the intersection of Dixie Highway and NE 24th Street (2309 N Dixie Highway). There is a pedestrian walkway at the back (west side) of the lot that opens onto NE 11th Avenue just a short walk from Wilton Drive. Payment for parking is made through Parkmobile only, the convenient pay-by-app service that's available throughout Wilton Manors.

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

## **Become an Advisory Board Member!**

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

*Community Affairs Advisory Board (2 positions open-residents or business owners)*

*Economic Development Task Force (1 resident position)*

*Planning and Zoning Board (Applications due March 27, 2017)*

*Recreation Advisory Board (Applications due May 29, 2017)*

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

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

## Message from the Mayor



The past several months have been very busy. First of all, we hope you will visit the City's website [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) and watch our Annual Report Video. It's full of the 2016 highlights, from concerts at Mickel Park to updates on safety projects. Speaking of concerts, we have had many events

for residents to enjoy from concerts and the Tree Give-Away at Mickel to our annual Tennis Tournament at Hagen. We hope you were able to enjoy some events and reconnect with friends and neighbors. Please visit our calendar on the website to find out about upcoming events.

**Economic Development:** One of the ways the City is working to make life even better is through an increased focus on Economic Development by luring and maintaining appropriate businesses in the City. Planning for Economic Development ensures that the City's business districts provide a high quality of life for all residents through the creation of a supportive tax base, as well as providing resources for local jobs and commerce.

In December, the City's consultant, Strategic Planning Group, presented the Economic Development Strategic Plan to enhance the business climate by making the City even more attractive for redevelopment and business location and expansion. The plan establishes primary goals for economic development and provides a series of objectives and strategies. We will decide which to implement and when at upcoming Commission meetings.

The critical actions that the consultant identified included:

- Working toward securing a Tri-Rail Coastal Link Station for Wilton Manors
- Implementing improvements on Wilton Drive and creating City branding through signs

- Attracting a Hotel

We are already working toward implementing many goals of the plan. We recently approved financial incentives for businesses to improve their exteriors through lighting, painting, and signage. We will be reviewing proposals for a wayfinding sign consultant in early 2017 to begin branding the City's corridors. The Plan is available for downloading through the City's website where you can read more about the goals, as well as a synopsis of the current economic profile of our community.

**Legislative Priorities:** While the Legislative Session will not start in Tallahassee until March, there are already a number of bills that threaten our home rule authority. Most notably, HB 17 prohibits cities and counties from adopting regulations unless expressly authorized by State law. Imagine not being able to require permits and inspections for construction, food establishments and other business activities. Other bills address carrying guns including allowing guns in schools and in City Commission chambers. Recently, I co-chaired the Broward League of Cities' separate meetings with our School Board and with our legislators from Broward County. The good news is that our local state legislators understand and respect our home rule authority and will not support legislation that would preempt or eliminate our authority. The bad news is that others in Tallahassee do not feel the same way. I will keep you informed – often through emails – about bills that require action and urge you to reach out to legislators to make your opinions known.

We have a busy few months coming up. I look forward to sharing information with you. As always, please feel free to contact me at [GResnick@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:GResnick@wiltonmanors.com) or (954) 390-2123. Thanks for your continued support!

## Electric Vehicle Charging Stations @ City Hall & Mickel Park

The City has installed two new electric vehicle (EV) charging stations for public use. One is located inside Mickel Park. This charging station was paid for through a Broward County grant. This is a level 2 charging station and the average vehicle will receive approximately 25 miles of range per hour of charge. This EV charging station can charge all new generation electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles such as the Chevy Volt, Nissan Leaf, Ford Focus Electric, Honda Fit electric, BMW ActiveE, and more. The station is operated by SemaConnect. There are several ways to utilize the station. For more information please visit [www.network.semaconnect.com](http://www.network.semaconnect.com). The station is located in the northwest corner of the park, adjacent to Powerline Road. The second EV charging station is located next to City Hall, adjacent to Wilton Drive. This station has been paid for by EVgo, a company that will be responsible for its management and maintenance. This is a level 3 EV charging station (aka DC fast charger) and is for Battery Electric Vehicles (BEV) only. BEVs are the automobiles with the highest relative fuel efficiency. Any BEV may utilize the station but plug-in hybrid electric vehicles may not because their battery is too small. This station will work with cars such as the Nissan Leaf, Ford Focus Electric, and Chevy Spark EV. The station can charge an EV to approximately 80% capacity in 30 minutes when starting at zero charge. For a list of the most current plans and programs, visit [www.EVgo.com](http://www.EVgo.com).

**Vice Mayor Justin S. Flippen-Working Together from Women’s History to Our Economic Future**



In December, the city commission was presented with the economic strategic plan completed by the firm of Strategic Planning Group contracted to conduct a city-wide economic development study. This plan contains numerous recommendations on ways to improve and enhance the economic vitality of Wilton Manors. I believe it to be important to our city’s future for the commission to adopt and articulate a clear vision for Wilton Manors, and this economic strategic plan provides the necessary framework to do just that. The plan calls for the city to work on ways to secure a passenger rail station, implement the Wilton Drive Streetscape Project, attract a hotel with meeting space and the opportunity to increase the city’s parking inventory, develop unified signage and gateway branding, and much more. So I look forward to working with my colleagues on your behalf to formally adopt the plan and its various recommendations. As a policy maker and your public servant, I believe I owe you as residents the responsibility to lead by taking action on studies we have authorized, like we have done with the park master plan, the Wilton Drive Task Force recommendations, and the resident satisfaction surveys.

As a program I was proud to create when first elected in 2008, I am excited to celebrate Women’s History Month by having the commission recognize women of distinction who will now join the ranks of Diane Cline, Celeste Elich, M.E. DePalma, Poco French, Rita Silverman, Sandy Steen, Sherrill McCarthy, Virginia Flaherty, Ilene Schall, Constance Ruppender, Mary Kalis, Mary Ulm, Laura Burke, Marcia Stafford, Arlene Lancaster, Merrie Myers, Sherri Miller, Roxanne Isaacs, Shirley Nolan, Betty Winslow, Rabbi Noah Kitty, Leigh Ann Henderson, Naomi Cobb, Adrienne Foland, and Hope Gallegos. Wilton Manors has benefited from the positive contributions of these women, and it is altogether fitting and proper that we acknowledge them for it.

The Florida Youth Pride Coalition recently bestowed upon me their Lifetime Achievement Award. At the coalition’s gala, I shared with those present what I’ve often said and firmly believe – no man or woman is an island, not even in the Island City, and measures and policies would not be passed without the support of my commission colleagues. So gratitude is due also to Mayor Resnick and Commissioners Newton, Carson, and Green, as together we have advocated for important issues affecting those in our community from LGBT equality and water quality protection to gun safety and the protection and preservation of Medicare and the Affordable Care Act. Together we celebrated marriage equality with a Valentine’s Day group wedding at which I was proud to officiate. Together we permanently placed the Pride Flag along Wilton Drive as the foundation to a monument and memorial dedicated to the LGBT community and allies of equality. And together we banned the harmful practice of conversion therapy on minors within our city. Together is how I see our community moving forward, and from the Commission Chambers to neighborhood blocks, together we still have much to accomplish.

As always, I invite you to voice your comments to me on any matter you deem important. Please feel free to contact me by email at [JFlippen@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:JFlippen@wiltonmanors.com) or by phone at (954) 390-2123.

At your service,

Justin S. Flippen, J.D.  
Vice Mayor and “The People’s Commissioner”

**Commissioner Scott Newton—Spring Forward**



Spring has sprung in Wilton Manors! Look for yard sales, concerts and the Waterway Cleanup here in the Island City.

The annual budget process will be kicking off shortly. This is the best time to share your ideas and budget priorities with me and other members of the City Commission. The more residents we hear from, the better decisions we can make. City staff will be working with the Budget Review Advisory Committee, and there will be many opportunities for public input.

On another front, many of you have mentioned to me that you did not know the City has rules that require proper upkeep on properties– better known as code compliance. For example, the City Code requires properties to be kept in a neat and orderly appearance. That means driveways and swales must be maintained, grass should be kept trimmed and trash and debris should be disposed of. Businesses must keep their parking lots and facades in working order, and signs must be of a certain size and material.

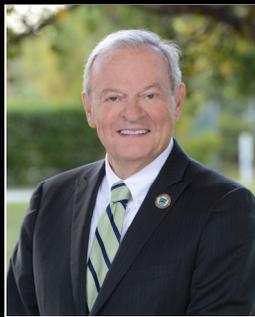
If you are a business, you may be eligible to have your property improvement costs reimbursed. Check out the Business Enhancement Grant program at [wiltonmanors.com/business-development](http://wiltonmanors.com/business-development), or give the Community Development Services Department a call at (954) 390-2180.

The purpose of the rules is to maintain and improve the property values, safety and visual appeal of our City. The Code Compliance Unit wants to work with residents and businesses to bring properties into compliance, not to penalize them. Give them a call at (954) 390-2151 or visit their website at [wiltonmanors.com/code-compliance-unit](http://wiltonmanors.com/code-compliance-unit).

If you have not yet made it to one of the concerts at Mickel Park, you still have two more chances: March 24 and April 21 at 7:30pm. These concerts in the park are another great example of our small town life in Wilton Manors – it’s a great chance to visit with neighbors, meet new friends and listen to live music. There are food trucks and drinks for sale too!

I want to know what you think! Please feel free to contact me at [snewton@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:snewton@wiltonmanors.com) or (954) 390-2128.

## Commissioner Tom Green—Tri-Rail Update



Recently I attended a meeting hosted by the South Florida Regional Planning Council to offer updates and ideas for the proposed Tri-Rail Coastal Link Commuter rail system on the FEC tracks bordering Dixie Highway in our area. The plan would connect 85 miles of downtowns from Miami to Jupiter. As you may know, the City of Wilton Manors is one of the proposed stops, but many details remain unresolved.

Don't confuse the Coastal Link with the Brightline, the high speed rail project being constructed and operated by the owners of the FEC tracks, All Aboard Florida. These trains will go between Miami Dade and Orlando, with stops in Fort Lauderdale (Broward Blvd) and West Palm Beach. Phase One of this project (Miami to West Palm Beach) is expected to commence later this year.

The Coastal Link commuter rail would be operated by the SFRTA TriRail, and would be in addition to the Tri-Rail system currently operating on the CSX tracks that are further to the west, bordering I-95.

The project is currently in progress in Miami Dade County, and funding and construction are underway from downtown Miami to the Aventura area. However, further north, complications abound. The New River is one big obstacle, and there is talk of a tunnel. Of course, funding is always a primary obstacle.

Wherever stations are built, economic growth and redevelopment are guaranteed. Our recently completed Wilton Manors Economic Development Strategic Plan agreed with me that the single most important component of economic development for our city into the next decade is a railroad station in the vicinity of NE 26<sup>th</sup> Street and Dixie Highway.

I believe this project will eventually make its way north, and firmly believe that we must do everything possible to ensure that Wilton Manors is chosen for a station. This includes dedicating funding and preparing a proposal that includes property parcels, demographic data and economic impact information. Staff is working to coordinate this effort, and the Commission has begun the process of dedicating annual funding to the effort. Stay tuned!

On another subject, great turnout for the city's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tree Giveaway and the Pride Center's Rainbow 5K. Thanks and congratulations to all who helped and participated!

As always, I look forward to hearing from residents and business owners about their ideas and opinions. Please contact me at [tgreen@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:tgreen@wiltonmanors.com) or call directly at (954) 290-0561.

### Tri-Rail Coastal Link

## Project Description

- **New 85-mile commuter rail service from Miami to Jupiter as an integrated extension of Tri-Rail**
- **Up to 25 stations identified for further evaluation during Project Development phase**
- **Shared tracks with FEC freight and Brightline Intercity Passenger Service**
- **Co-located stations with Brightline in Miami, Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach (under construction)**
- **Phased project implementation likely based on availability of local matching funds**
- **Project governed by partnership *Memorandum of Understanding* executed in 2013.**

# System Map

**KEY**

- Tri-Rail Coastal Link Blue Line
- Tri-Rail Coastal Link Red Line
- Tri-Rail Coastal Link Green Line
- Existing Station
- Proposed Station
- Proposed All Aboard Florida Station
- ⚙ Maintenance and Layover Facility
- ✈ Airport
- ⚓ Seaport
- Metrorail Green Line
- Metrorail Orange Line
- ▬ Connections

Note: Proposed station locations are identified for further study but subject to change.

South Florida Regional Transportation Authority  
DRAFT May 6, 2014  
[www.Tri-RailCoastalLink.com](http://www.Tri-RailCoastalLink.com)

## Commissioner Julie Carson—"Bang"



As a real estate paralegal, my work days are mundane. In comparison, the shifts of Wilton Manors Police Department (WMPD) Officers are action packed. Following are recent vignettes of happenings on regular Officer patrols.

- A lone gunman kills 5 people and wounds 8 at Ft. Lauderdale Airport. As part of a mutual aid agreement with Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO), WMPD responds.
- Resident and Transgender activist dies by a self-inflicted gunshot to the head. WMPD assists in securing her car and personal belongings.
- Man found dead from drug overdose – alone in a parked car. WMPD and BSO respond. Scene secured, interviews conducted, body taken away by Medical Examiner.

- Elderly woman gets scammed by homeless felon. WMPD Officers ensure her safety.
- Armed robbery at 7-11. WMPD Officers are on the scene.
- EMS responds to report of man found unresponsive in car. WMPD Officers assist and man is transported to hospital.
- WMPD Officers rescue three people from the Middle River after their watercraft overturns.
- Elementary School *locked down* because of suspicious person on campus. WMPD sets perimeter and stands guard.
- Man crashes his automobile into parked car. WMPD Officers administer battery of sobriety tests. Driver is ultimately arrested and transported to jail.

I am grateful that our Police Force is highly trained and acutely sensitive to the needs of our diverse community. I see good character and brave heroics displayed every day by members of the WMPD – from the Chief through the ranks!

Several people contacted me to offer support of efforts by the Community Affairs Advisory Board to circulate an opinion survey on our Police Department. At its February 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, the Board voted not to proceed with a survey on the Police Department and instead decided that a recommendation be made that a future city-wide Resident Satisfaction Survey include specific questions geared toward obtaining our residents' satisfaction with the Police Department. In the meantime, I want to know your thoughts about the WMPD. What has been your experience with Officers? How can the WMPD improve? Do you feel safe?

Please contact me at [JCarson@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:JCarson@wiltonmanors.com) or by phone at (954) 288-8174 and share your thoughts on public safety in Wilton Manors or about any other matter.

### Be Prepared: Sign Up for the CodeRED® Emergency Notification System



The City of Wilton Manors recently entered into a service agreement with Emergency Communications Network, Inc., for the use of the CodeRED® Emergency Notification System. The CodeRED® system is designed to assist the City in disseminating information to residents, business owners, and visitors during active emergency situations via a 24-hour a day, 7-day a week cloud-based notification network. During an active emergency situation, landline and cellular telephones within the geographic boundaries of the City can be instantly notified of active threats to life and property.

Please visit the Wilton Manors CodeRED® Community Notification Enrollment page at <https://public.coderedweb.com/cne/en-US/BFBC495B2FD0> or simply click the CodeRED® logo on the City's homepage, [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com), to register. This is an important step in making sure that you and your family receive critical life- and property-saving information during an emergency. There is no charge to register for or use CodeRED®.

Additionally, cell phone users who download the [CodeRED Mobile Alert app](#) will receive notifications of emergency situations if they are physically present in the City or are approaching the City's geographic boundaries. Other functionalities of the CodeRED® system enable residents, business owners, and visitors to elect to receive non-emergency information updates such as road closures and water main breaks.



## From the Desk of Chief of O'Connell—"Our Children Are Dying"

The following is taken from a report by Dr. Nora Volkow to the US Senate:

The abuse of and addiction to opioids such as heroin, morphine, and prescription pain relievers is a serious global problem that affects the health, social, and economic welfare of all societies. It is estimated that between 26.4 million and 36 million people abuse opioids worldwide, with an estimated 2.1 million people in the United States suffering from substance use disorders related to prescription opioid pain relievers in 2012 and an estimated 467,000 addicted to heroin. The consequences of this abuse have been devastating and are on the rise. For example, the number of unintentional overdose deaths from prescription pain relievers has soared in the United States, more than quadrupling since 1999. There is also growing evidence to suggest a relationship between increased non-medical use of opioid analgesics and heroin abuse in the United States.

Prescription opioids are one of the three main broad categories of medications that present abuse liability, the other two being stimulants and central nervous system (CNS) depressants.

Several factors are likely to have contributed to the severity of the current prescription drug abuse problem. They include

drastic increases in the number of prescriptions written and dispensed, greater social acceptability for using medications for different purposes, and aggressive marketing by pharmaceutical companies. These factors together have helped create the broad "environmental availability" of prescription medications in general and opioid analgesics in particular.

Locally, the Broward Medical Examiner's Office reports that between April 29, 2015 and November 30, 2016 there were 94 deaths here in Broward County directly related to Fentanyl (a form of opiate) abuse. The decedents, male (72) and female (22) come from all across ethnic lines and ages (average age of 34.46 years). The Florida Medical Examiners' 2015 Annual Report indicates that fentanyl occurrences increased by 69.3 %, with deaths caused by Fentanyl increasing by 77.6 % when compared to 2014. The report indicates that in Florida there was a total of 911 Fentanyl related deaths.

The current epidemic of Fentanyl overdose deaths is alarming; not so much in the number of deaths, but in the lack of legislative action! Your Wilton Manors Police Department will be forming a partnership with Broward House in an effort to educate our community and our legislature. The time for action is now!

## VEHICLE BURGLARIES

The Wilton Manors Police Department has seen a recent increase in vehicle burglaries. We hope this article will help prevent you, as well as your friends and family, from being victims of a vehicle burglary.

While there is no way to completely stop anyone from breaking into your vehicle, there are ways to help prevent it. According to some law enforcement agencies 25% of vehicle burglaries are due to the vehicle being left unlocked. Even if you are running into the store for a soda it really is too long to leave your vehicle's contents vulnerable for the taking. Simply locking the doors and rolling up the windows could deter those who might just be waiting around for an easy target.

Try not to leave any valuables in your vehicle. Believe it or not some things that are simple items to you and me, like loose change and sunglasses, may be considered worth taking by a thief. If you absolutely have to store items in your vehicle please try to conceal them from view. A vehicle with nothing in it is quite possibly one that a would-be thief might just pass up.

Park in a busy, well-lit area and avoid concealment from larger vehicles, fences, or foliage. The greater the chances are that someone might see a crime in progress; the lower the chances are that the potential thief will attempt it.

Also don't hand them the keys. Do not leave spare vehicle keys or house keys in the vehicle; this opens you up to also being a possible victim of a home burglary or having your vehicle stolen. If you think you have a great hiding place for your keys, think again. Chances are the thief will know of that great place too.

Trust your instincts and report your suspicions to the Police and never confront anyone yourself. Always remember if you "See Something, Say Something".

## ALARM REGISTRATION



Did you know that the City of Wilton Manors has an ordinance which requires all alarms to be registered with the Wilton Manors Police Department? The purpose of this City law is to encourage security alarm users to ensure the proper use of alarm systems, thereby limiting unnecessary police emergency responses to false alarms/alarm malfunctions. National studies have shown that 98% of all alarm calls to Law Enforcement involve false alarms. This means that City resources are being misused, time taking Law Enforcement Officers away from deterring and responding to potential crimes.

**False alarms are caused by a number of reasons:**

- Errors by employees, cleaning crews, friends, caretakers, maintenance employees, delivery personnel, contractors, landscapers and apartment management.
- Pets, birds, rodents, bugs and/or wildlife.
- Open, unlatched or defective doors or windows.
- User error.
- Faulty, defective or malfunctioning equipment.
- Lack of adequate training.
- Lack of proper maintenance, including battery replacement.

The examples listed above show significant causes of false alarms to which public safety agencies respond. You can be part of the solution by registering your alarm and taking precautions to prevent false alarms.

If you are not registered, you may go to [www.crywolfondemand.com/alarms/wiltonmanorsfl/](http://www.crywolfondemand.com/alarms/wiltonmanorsfl/) to register online. Registration forms are also available for download from the City website at: [www.wiltonmanors.com/alarms](http://www.wiltonmanors.com/alarms). You may submit the registration form and \$25 fee by mail or in person to: Wilton Manors Police Department, Attn: Alarm Administrator, 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305. If you need help guiding you through the alarm registration process or for any questions, please contact the Alarm Administrator, Kelly Ajo at (954) 390-2151, [alarms@wmpd.org](mailto:alarms@wmpd.org) or [kajo@wmpd.org](mailto:kajo@wmpd.org).

*Thank you for helping us keep our Island City safe.*



**Tip-A-Cop  
For  
Special Olympics**



**This year's TIP-A-COP EVENT will be held on Friday, March 24, 2017 at Shawn & Nick's Courtyard Café located at 2211 Wilton Drive from 6pm – 9pm. Join the Wilton Manors Police Department as Wilton Manors Law Enforcement Officers and Staff volunteer as Celebrity Waiters to raise money for Special Olympics Florida.**



**SAVE-THE-DATE:** This year's [Annual Florida Law Enforcement Torch Run](#) benefitting the Special Olympics Organization will be held in Broward County on **Thursday, April 20, 2017.**

**The Special Olympics Organization** provides year-round sports training and competition to children and adults 8 years of age and older with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Organization transforms lives through the joy of sport, every day, everywhere, offering 22 different sports. The Special Olympics is the world's largest sports organization for people with intellectual disabilities with 4.4 million athletes in 170 countries. Here in Florida, we are serving over 31,000 athletes with the help of 21,000 dedicated coaches and volunteers. For more than 40 years, Special Olympics Florida has been spreading the message that people with intellectual disabilities can – and will – succeed when given the chance.

**Prices for Shirts & Hats:**

- Cotton T-Shirt \$13** (Sizes Adult Small – XXXL)    **Baseball Cap (BLACK CAP) \$10**  
**Dri-Fit Tech T-Shirt \$20** (Sizes Adult Small – XXXL)    **Baseball Cap (CAMO CAP) \$10**

**Prices for Combination Shirt/Hat::**

**Cotton T-Shirt & Baseball Cap (BLACK or CAMO CAP) Combo \$20**

For more information on the Torch Run, the Tip-A-Cop event, making a donation, or to purchase merchandise please contact: Officer Jennifer Bickhardt (954) 866-5848 or [jbickhardt@wmpd.org](mailto:jbickhardt@wmpd.org)

## SAFETY DOESN'T HAPPEN BY ACCIDENT



The Wilton Manors Police Department recently initiated an Action Plan, “**Florida Pedestrian and Bike Safety Enforcement Campaign**”, throughout the major thoroughfares in the City. The Plan is designed to improve the safety and quality of life for the residents, visitors and businesses in the affected areas. The main roads are Wilton Drive, North Andrews Avenue, Powerline Road, Oakland Park Boulevard, N.E. 26<sup>th</sup> Street and North Dixie Highway.

We all know that some pedestrians and motorists do not always adhere to laws that prohibit walking into traffic and motorists yielding to pedestrians in walkways. This sometimes lax attitude can be a recipe for disaster. Attempts have been made to improve lighting and street markings on Wilton Drive in hopes to enhance pedestrian safety. New crosswalks and directional signs have been put in place by DOT at various locations on Wilton Drive.

Between January 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 and June 5<sup>th</sup> 2016 there have been a total of 1,342 traffic crashes with 100 of these accidents involving pedestrians and/or bicyclists in our City. Out of these accidents, four were fatalities. Oakland Park Boulevard, North Andrews Avenue, Wilton Drive, Powerline Road, N.E. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and North Dixie Highway continue to be our roadways where the majority of these accidents occur.

WMPD has just completed the **Educational Phase**, which was between December 28, 2016 and January 23, 2017, contact was made with 342 citizens who were given educational material after being observed violating one of the many traffic statutes ensuring pedestrian, bike or motorist safety. The **Warning Phase** of this Action Plan will begin on January 24 and end on February 28, 2017. Anyone that is observed violating traffic safety laws will receive an educational booklet and a warning citation. An electronic message board has been placed on Wilton Drive to warn pedestrians, motorists and bicyclists that this initiative is in progress. Finally, the **Enforcement Phase** of this Action Plan will take place from March 1, 2017 to March 31, 2017. Anyone that is observed violating any of the more common traffic statutes will receive a Citation which includes a fine.

**PEDESTRIANS** should obey all traffic laws. If no sidewalks are present, walk against the direction of traffic so you can see oncoming traffic. Always use the crosswalk. Push the button to get the walk signal. Be visible. Wear bright, reflective colors on your clothes and shoes.

**MOTORISTS** should avoid distractions while driving. Focus on the road and surroundings. Pass bicyclists safely. Allow at least three feet between your vehicle and the bicyclist. Slow down. Speed is the cause of most crashes.

**BICYCLISTS** should always wear a helmet. Ride in the same direction of traffic on the same street. Obey all traffic signs, signals and lane markings. Yield to traffic when appropriate. Be visible. Position yourself in the lane so others can easily see you. Always use a headlight and taillight at night.

### Utility Improvements & Billing Cycle Realignment

#### Phase I: New Water Meters

The City has been working over the last two years to improve meter reading and utility billing for approximately 4,225 utility customers. In March 2015 we installed 81 new “encoded” water meters on Jenada Isle and the new water meters were then installed throughout the City. The new encoded meters can transmit the meter readings electronically, eliminating the need for manual readings. Every meter in the City will still be read manually once per year to verify that the electronic readings are accurate. The new meters also have the ability to store consumption data for a 40-day period, allowing customers to better understand patterns of high consumption.

Another advantage is our ability to take a meter reading as of a specific date each month, helping us to achieve a long-held goal – that of realigning the City’s billing cycles to improve efficiency.

#### Phase II: Billing Cycle Realignment

The City issues utility bills in three cycles each month. There are about 1,400 utility customers in Cycle 1; about 1,700 in Cycle 2; and about 1,100 in Cycle 3. Our goal is to coordinate and align the billing cycles so that all residents of each the West Side, Central Area, and East Side will be billed in a single cycle for each neighborhood. The billing cycle changes will be underway during the period from February 15 through April 1.

Changes will have a minor effect on a small number of customers, and about 68% of customers (2,885) will see no change in their billing cycles. The remaining 32% of customers will see their new billing cycles take effect between February 15 and April 1. Details of the implementation plan are posted on the City’s website at [www.wiltonmanors.com/143/utility-billing](http://www.wiltonmanors.com/143/utility-billing), and will also be explained on flyers inserted in all utility bills through April. Residents with questions may contact our Utility Billing staff at (954) 390-2100, or at [UB@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:UB@wiltonmanors.com).



## Message from CANA

*The Heart of Wilton Manors Beats Here ...*

**CANA BOARD ELECTIONS**—Congratulations to returning Board members Paul Rolli, Raymond Carrier, Matthew Gill, Fred Caplan, Brent White and Constance Ruppender. CANA thanks these volunteers for their time and talent for the benefit of the entire neighborhood.

**MEMBERSHIP**—CANA is the voice of the people and membership helps strengthen the community. We are a voluntary membership organization and strive to keep the membership informed about quality of life issues. Members receive information first via our email list. It is always better to be informed earlier on major projects than to be in the “I wish I knew about this earlier” category later in the game.

We had a packed house at the February 1<sup>st</sup> general membership meeting. We thank all those who attended and welcome all the new members who joined that evening. Information was provided on the following activity in CANA:

- City proposed conceptual plan of sidewalks throughout the city
- Corridor study on Andrews Avenue and Oakland Park Boulevard – large scale rezoning initiative
- Potential development on NE 21<sup>st</sup>, NE 3<sup>rd</sup> and NE 21 St. in a Traditional Neighborhood Overlay District (TNOD)
- Potential Town House Development at 549 NE 21<sup>st</sup> Ct. at NE 22<sup>nd</sup> Drive (TNOD) to be for sale
- Proposed addition to The Venue on Wilton Drive
- Proposed Pride Center low income housing development for the general population, not limited to LGBTQ.
- Wilton Walk – 14 rental Town Houses under construction on NE 28<sup>th</sup> & NE 6<sup>th</sup> Lane – est. completion fall 2017

### CROSS WALK INITIATIVE NE 6<sup>th</sup> AVE

CANA has begun the process of collecting information on installing cross walks on NE 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the area of NE 28<sup>th</sup> St. With the expected increase in traffic on NE 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue due to the Walmart, narrowing of Wilton Drive and increased density in surrounding areas, CANA wants to get an early start on the process. If you are interested in supporting this initiative please email [membership@canawm.org](mailto:membership@canawm.org) with your name and contact information. Your information will be provided to the CANA member coordinating this effort.

**UPCOMING 2017 CANA MEETINGS ARE:** May 10, July 26 and Oct. 25, 2017. Members are encouraged to provide input on topics of interest one month prior to the meeting. Please email them to: [membership@canawm.org](mailto:membership@canawm.org).

**WILTON MANORS WELCOME CENTER NEEDS VOLUNTEERS:** Art Gallery 21 is seeking individuals interested in serving as volunteer staff for the “official” Wilton Manors Welcome Center. It will be housed in the Woman’s Club of Wilton Manors at 600 NE 21 Court, at the NE corner of Hagen Park. Volunteer applications are available online at [www.artgallery21.org](http://www.artgallery21.org) or you can request one by email at [artgallery21wcm@gmail.com](mailto:artgallery21wcm@gmail.com) with “Volunteer Application” in the subject line. Art Gallery 21 is a community service project of CANA.



**JOIN CANA** or renew your membership by visiting [www.CANAWM.org](http://www.CANAWM.org) or email us at [membership@canawm.org](mailto:membership@canawm.org).

**CANA MEETINGS:** Next meetings are scheduled for May 10, July 26 and Oct. 25, 2017 @ 7pm @ Hagen Park

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

Paul J. Rolli, President · Ray Carrier, Vice President · Fred Caplan, Treasurer  
Matthew Gill, Secretary · Constance Ruppender and Brent White, Directors



## WESTSIDE ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS

**2017 ANNUAL MEETING:** Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>—Hagen Park Community Center  
Social Meet and Greet begins at 6:30pm with light refreshments—Meeting begins at 7pm  
Parking is free during the meeting.

• **MARTY KIAR**—BROWARD COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER/Former Broward County Mayor & Commissioner now serving as our new Property Appraiser, having taken over the reins from Lori Parrish who held that office for 32 years.

- WAWM'S YEAR IN REVIEW PRESENTATION
- APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO BY-LAWS
- UPDATES FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CITY STAFF

**TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP:** •Mail \$25 check to PO Box 100845 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33310

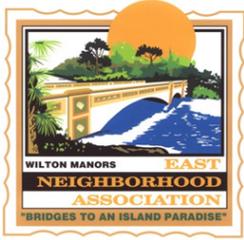
•Or pay online at [www.wawm.org](http://www.wawm.org) with Paypal or renew at the annual meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup>

**New to the Westside?** Have not yet joined your neighborhood association? Here are some benefits of joining WAWM and participating in your community: •Promote & support ideas and projects that will directly impact your neighborhood.

- Be informed about neighborhood activities including crime prevention, code enforcement, and local government.
- Bring neighbors within the community together to support cultural, economic, educational, and recreational activities.
- Keep the community informed on the Association’s position on relevant issues and on the City’s plans and activities.
- Aid government officials in the diligent pursuit of the duties & obligations to all people and businesses of WAWM.

For information on joining WAWM, please contact Sal Torre at [salmtorre@gmail.com](mailto:salmtorre@gmail.com), or visit our website at [wawm.org](http://wawm.org).

**GUEST SPEAKER**



## WILTON MANORS EAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

**ENA Annual General Meeting**—To kick off 2017, ENA held our AGM on January 26<sup>th</sup>.

At the meeting, voting took place to elect four members to join the ENA Board of Directors.

The ENA Board of Directors for 2017 is now as follows: Carol Clark (Treasurer), Joshua Clark, Randy Comer, Barry Deutsch, John Fiore (Vice President), Martin Nixon (President) and David Walker

Members at the AGM also voted to support the concept of the City's Sidewalk Connectivity Project. The Project seeks to design and construct a system of interconnected sidewalks citywide, assisted by state funding. ENA looks forward to working with the City on the Project to help achieve the maximum benefit for residents in terms of safety and accessibility to Wilton Manors amenities.

**2017 Neighborhood Visioning Workshop**— In 2011, ENA hosted a Neighborhood Visioning Workshop that created a forum for neighborhood residents to help decide upon the future of the City's East neighborhood. The ideas identified from the workshop were then presented to the City Manager, and projects that the City could work on, such as the addition of sidewalks and cycle paths on NE 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, were determined and actioned. For 2017, ENA will host a new Neighborhood Visioning Workshop that will look at how the East Neighborhood may be developed and improved over the coming 1, 5 and 10 years. This will be an opportunity for all ENA members to be able to participate in the City's planning process for the East neighborhood. The workshop will be held during the 2<sup>nd</sup> calendar quarter of this year, details will be announced at the next ENA Membership Meeting, Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Upcoming Events

March 4<sup>th</sup>., 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Waterway Clean-up, Colohatchee Park Boat Ramp, 9am-12pm.

April 6<sup>th</sup>., ENA General Members Meeting, 7:00pm Independence Hall NE 26<sup>th</sup> Street.

April 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>—ENA hosts its **2nd Annual Neighborhood Wide Yard Sale**. ENA residents will be allowed to have a yard sale without having to get a City yard sale permit. With the City's monthly yard at Hagen Park on April 8<sup>th</sup> as well, this will ensure that a large number of yard sale aficionados will be roaming our streets, looking for great deals, antiques, household and unusual items. Residents in the ENA area should contact John Fiore, at (954) 564-3821, to provide the location of your sale so yard sale signs can be placed on your street and your home can be included in the advertising.

## The Towers are Back! By Benjamin B. Little—Wilton Manors Historical Society



Replica photographed in the Historical Society Office

The Wilton Manors Historical Society unveiled the just restored replica of the Willingham Gateway Towers at its 2017 Annual Meeting January 19<sup>th</sup> to 70 members and friends! This iconic symbol of Wilton Manors was originally built in 1925/6 and straddled what was then Wilton Boulevard at Five Points. They were the "entrance feature" to what was to be a very upscale community. The housing market crashed and the Towers sat empty until 1945, when the big Tower was converted into a residence. It then became the first home of the Wilton Manors Baptist Church. The Towers were torn down in stages from the mid 1950's thru the mid 1960's. But, they are back, as a four foot wide replica, and on permanent display on the second floor balcony of City Hall! Last August, the Historical Society asked for help in the *Town Crier* to restore them. John Gaillard stepped forward. His restoration is imaginative, careful, and most of all, loving. We do not know who originally built the replica, but it was prominently displayed at the 1989 Broward County Pioneer

Days. The Society presented it to the City at the Commission Meeting January 24, 2017.

At its Annual Meeting the Society also presented Steve Allen and Doug Bachman a certificate of appreciation for their help in documenting trailer life at Trailer Haven, now the site of Belle Isle. Trailer Haven was an important part of Wilton Manors history from the 1940's thru the 1990's. After WW II, housing was scarce and Trailer Haven provided a good place for tourists and new residents to stay in their campers.

Arthur Chabot was an important "mover and shaker" in the establishment of the Village of Wilton Manors. The Society presented historic house plaques to the owners of three of the houses he owned or built near Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve.

Sadly, we lost Nancy Sawallis last year. She and her husband built a little wooden cottage across the street from Parry Mickel's house on NW 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue in the 1940's. During her 70-year residency she was an enthusiastic, if quiet, supporter of many community endeavors. Her picture hangs in the Manor House at Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve and a plaque was added to it saying, "To cross her path was to be loved, appreciated, and encouraged." ([www.WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org](http://www.WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org))

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (CDS)



Please join the City of Wilton Manors in welcoming new businesses that opened in December & January.

<u>Address</u>	<u>Name of Business</u>
2509 North Andrews Avenue	Mr. Al Tax and Immigration Services Inc.
2645 North Andrews Avenue	Generation Tax Center Inc.
2408 North Dixie Highway	John Bruno Salon Inc.
1913 North Andrews Avenue	Yuji Japanese Restaurant
1909 North Andrews Avenue	Happy Lobsters LLC
314 East Oakland Park Boulevard	Florida Insurance & Plus LLC
2219 Wilton Drive	Hush Spa LLC
2217 Wilton Drive	The Ice Pop Shop LLC
2304 North Dixie Highway	Infinite Abyss Productions
1008 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Ste. A	Music Repair Payment Center



### RENTING YOUR HOME?

Are you currently renting your home or considered placing it for rent? If so, are you aware that you are required to register your rental property with the City of Wilton Manors prior to having tenants? The City of Wilton Manors regulates residential rentals and vacation rentals. Residential Rental applications and Vacation Rental applications can be found on the Community Development Services Department's webpage or in CDS on the second floor at City Hall. Prior to the issuance of a Residential Rental License or a Vacation Rental Certificate of Compliance, each residential property must be inspected and found in compliance with all City of Wilton Manors Code of Ordinances, and all applicable codes that provide for the safety, health and general welfare of the occupants of the property.

Contact Community Development Services with any questions you have regarding the requirements for registering your property as a rental at (954) 390-2180.

## “Walk-Through Tuesdays”-Same Day Permitting



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

HOURS (drop-off):  
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

#### STRUCTURAL & ZONING

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

#### ELECTRICAL

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

#### PLUMBING

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

#### MECHANICAL

AIR CONDITIONING UNIT REPLACEMENTS

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

For more information please contact the Community Development Services Department at (954) 390-2180.

Please note that there is a maximum of five walk-through permits per day per customer.

## LEISURE SERVICES (954) 390-2130

### Message from Leisure Services Director, Patrick Cann



I hope you are enjoying the many library, parks and recreational activities and events in 2017. Music at Mickel Park Concerts Series, Classical Concert, Tennis Tournament, Book Fair, Yard Sales and festive art exhibits are some of the recent events that helped us sway into 2017. Additionally, there are so many activities including indoor and outdoor fitness equipment, tennis, volleyball, basketball, softball, Yoga, dance, kayaking, adult balance, coloring and social activities. Coming up in March and April includes the Waterway Cleanup, Yard Sale, Art and Entertainment Expo, Concerts in the Park, Eggstravaganza Spring Festival, and Shred Event. I look forward to seeing you participate.

There is a new toddler development program on Thursday morning, and an adult coloring program every Tuesday morning. Also there is a program in to enhance tree canopy and aesthetics. Please contact the Leisure Services Department to find out more information.

The City remains committed to offering many meaningful activities and special events while ensuring library and park facilities meet the leisure interests of our community. If you would like to share any ideas that would add to your park and library visiting experience, please feel free to contact me directly. I would greatly appreciate your input.

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

## FACILITY RENTALS

Whether you are planning a meeting, wedding, reception or party, make it special, unforgettable and right here in the Island City! The City of Wilton Manors has several indoor and outdoor venues to rent that offer:

- Affordable rental rates • Full service kitchen space • Stages • Tables & Chairs • Professional sound systems
- Pavilions • Gazebos • Grills • Parking

### Our rental venues include:

#### **Colohatchee Park & Boat Ramp**

1975 NE 15th Avenue

Rental Hours: Daily 8am—6pm

This outdoor space features a 35'x24' pavilion, 8 picnic tables, large grill, playground, volleyball and basketball courts, dog park & boat ramp



#### **Hagen Park Community Center** behind City Hall at 2020 Wilton Drive

Rental Hours: Monday—Thursday 8am—11pm and Friday & Saturday 8am—12am

Indoor Community Center features 48'x67' multipurpose room that can be divided and rented as two separate rooms. Features full-service kitchen, tables & chairs, large screen TV, VCR, DVD player and a piano!

**The Pavilion @ Hagen Park** Rental Hours: 8am—Sunset Features a 31'x21' pavilion with picnic tables, large grill, playground, restrooms, gazebo, volleyball, basketball and tennis courts.

#### **Richardson Historic Park & Nature Preserve** 1937 Wilton Drive—Rental Hours: 8am—12am

The Manor House features a full-service kitchen, tables, chairs, TV and sound system. A perfect wedding venue! Also available are the outdoor space, a 20'x60' courtyard, a 30'x64' pavilion and the recently refurbished Carriage House

**Island City Park Preserve** 823 NE 28th Street Rental Hours: 8am—11pm Feature both indoor (with full kitchen) and outdoor space with a 31'x20' pavilion with picnic tables, grill, playground and basketball court.

**Woman's Club** 600 NE 21st Court Rental Hours: 8am—10pm Indoor space with kitchen, tables & chairs.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

LEISURE SERVICES: (954) 390-2130

### Wilton Manors Art Expo

The Wilton Manors Entertainment Group will host its third Wilton Manors Arts & Entertainment Expo on Saturday March 18th from 6pm-9pm. The Expo will span the length of Wilton Drive, within the Shoppes of Wilton Manors and the north end of Dixie Highway in Wilton Manors.



Interested Artists and Sponsors may register at <http://www.wmae.org> or contact [vpo@wmeq.org](mailto:vpo@wmeq.org) or (754) 200-2979 x602 for more info.

### Live Music @ Mickel Park

Come enjoy a night of live music in the park with your community. Concerts are held monthly from January through April and include a variety of sounds.

Lifeline, A Tribute to Heart will be here Friday, March 24th, and The New Planets will close our concert series out on Friday, April 21, 2017. All concerts will be held at Mickel Park from 7:30pm-9:30pm.



### Waterway Cleanup

This year's Waterway Cleanup will be Saturday, March 4th from 9:00am until 12:00pm at Colohatchee Park (1975 NE 15th Ave.). Wilton Manors is proud to continually participate in every year of this Broward County tradition.

Volunteers will receive refreshments and cleaning supplies (while supplies last). Participating in the Annual Waterway Cleanup is a great way to give back to your community. For more information or to volunteer please call (954) 390-2130 or email at [ccooper@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:ccooper@wiltonmanors.com).



### Island City Yard Sales

The City of Wilton Manors sponsors seven City Yard Sales each year at Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive, on the second Saturday of January 2017– March 2017.

**Don't miss the final Yard Sale of this season on March 11th.** Each yard sale hosts 70 to 90 vendors.

Yard sales are 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. Vendors sell everything from linens and clothes to furniture and home decorative items. Some vendors specialize in antiques, plants and collectables.

### Woof & Wine @ 811 NE 28th Street



On Thursday March 30th from 5:00pm-7:00pm The City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department is hosting a special event for you and your dog. Wilton Manors residents are invited to attend a free Woof & Wine event taking place at 811 NE 28th Street (near Island City Park Preserve). This event is about bringing our residents together to mix and mingle with their pets while enjoying another Wilton Manors facility. Woof & Wine will provide complimentary wine and appetizers while providing dog owners the complete the dog permit registration process (cash or check only). All dog park policies will be in effect during the Woof and Wine.

### Spring Eggstravaganza



The Leisure Services Department will be hosting the Annual Eggstravaganza Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8, 2017 10am - 12pm at St. Clement's Church, 225 NW 29th Street. This event will be for children aged 0-13. Mr. Cottontail will be busy filling thousands of eggs with goodies and hiding those eggs throughout the Church property. This will be fun filled event for whole family. There will be entertainment, concession, pictures with Mr. Cottontail, and much more! It just wouldn't be spring without it.

## Bunnies on the Drive

On Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup> The City of Wilton Manors will be hosting the Bunnies on the Drive Event at Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve from 1:00pm-6:00pm. This year's Easter themed event will be put on by the Renand Foundation and will benefit the SunServe Youth Programs. There will be refreshments, games, and a variety of entertainment. There will also be a Bunny contest as well as a best Bonnet contest.

Please call (954) 594-3473 for more information about this unique and entertaining event.

## Rare Landing of the BANANAQUIT at Richardson Historic Park



During the morning of December 31, 2016, Mary Beth and Bill Mulligan, residents of Wilton Manors, discovered and identified a bird called a "bananaquit" at Richardson Historic Park & Nature Preserve. While bananaquits are common throughout much of the Caribbean, Central America and parts of South America, it is rare for the bird to be found in Florida and there have only been a handful of sightings in Florida within the last 10 years. Notice of Mary Beth and Bill's bananaquit sighting, along with photographs of the bird, were promptly provided to a birding website and birding forum and, by later that afternoon, birders began arriving at Richardson to look for the bird.

Since the initial sighting of the bananaquit on December 31, the bananaquit has continued to frequent Richardson and has been seen by many birders that have travelled to Wilton Manors from all over the USA specifically to see the bird. During the week after the initial sighting, Richardson often had as many as 15 - 20 birders present at once.

The most consistent area of the park to view the bananaquit is the NW corner where the bananaquit likes to feed on the bright pink flowers of the coral bean plant. It is unpredictable as to when it will show up and for how long it will remain.

## Congratulations to Somerset Academy Superstars!

### Somerset Academy Village at Wilton Manors Chapter

National Junior Honors Society

2016-2017

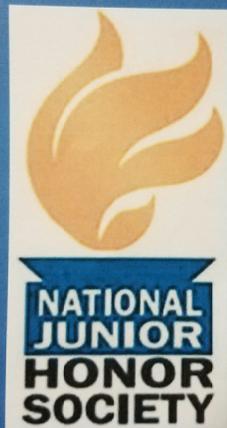
Induction Ceremony

Congratulations!!!

Destin  
Erly A  
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Jayla  
Briana  
Lucas M

SOMERSET ACADEMY VILLAGE AT WILTON MANORS CHAPTER

INDUCTION CEREMONY



February 8, 2017 \* 6:00 P.M.  
Somerset Academy Village Cafeteria  
225 N.W. 29th Street  
Wilton Manors, Fl.

Congratulations to the 2016-2017 inductees to the Somerset Academy Village at Wilton Manors Chapter National Junior Honors Society as announced at the Induction Ceremony on February 8th, and introduced at the City Commission Meeting of February 28th.



### Call for...

### Volunteer of the Year Nominations

The City's Community Affairs Advisory Board has made a call for nominations for the 2017 Community Spirit Awards to recognize the best in individual and business volunteerism in the City during 2016. Additional information and the nomination form can be found here: <http://www.wiltonmanors.com/documentcenter/view/2668> or send an email expressing (in 250 words or less) why your nominee was the best volunteer (individual and/or business) of the past year to: [community@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:community@wiltonmanors.com) by March 31st.



**CHILD CARE**

**(954) 390-2130**

**School Days Out**

The School Days 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.

**Spring Adventure Camp**

The Leisure Services Department will offer a five (5) day Spring Camp for children ages 4 – 13, April 10- April 14, 2017 from 7:30am-6:00pm. at Island City Park Preserve, 823 N.E. 28th Street.

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 \$85.00 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 24, 2017.  
 After registration deadline: \$10.00 late fee per child.

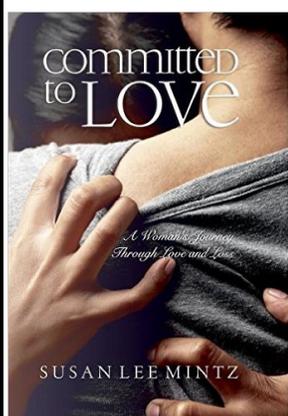
**Wilton Manors Before and After School Program**

Where is the “BEST” place to send your children after school? The best place is B.A.S.H (Best After School Hours) License #45455, where your child will be cared for by year round certified staff. B.A.S.H. offers each child a 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 much more. Most importantly, B.A.S.H. is a place for children to have fun after a long school day.  
 Before Care: 6:45am – 7:45am. After Care: 2:30pm-6:00pm.

To register for any of these programs, please come by Hagen Park Community Center, at 2020 Wilton Drive or call (954) 390-2130 or (954) 390-2115.

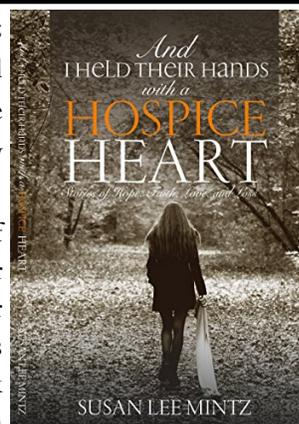


# THE LIBRARY CORNER



In January, HIV/AIDS activist and hospice advocate Susan Lee Mintz spoke at the City Commission meeting about her experiences and work with support groups, AIDS patients, and their families in the South Florida area. Over the years she has worked with Century Village Retirement Community and Hospice by the Sea.

Ms. Mintz has written two books about her experiences, copies of which she donated to the City. *Committed to Love* details her 25 year marriage and the subsequent death of her husband from AIDS. Her second book, *And I Held Their Hands with a Hospice Heart*, includes stories of many of the people that she met during her hospice work and how hospice helped them through an incredibly difficult time in



their lives. Both books are available at the Library or through [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) or [barnesandnoble.com](http://barnesandnoble.com).

## Children's Programs at your Library



Lego Club and Read with Dogs – Alternate Wednesday evenings @ 5:30. Call the Library for schedules. Preschool Story Time – Monday mornings @ 10:30. The programs are suitable for kids aged 4 and under. Caregivers must remain with the children and are encouraged to have fun too! After all, you're never too old to be read to. Age-appropriate books will be available for check-out.

Please call (954) 390-2195 and ask for Jill or Sherry with any questions or suggestions.

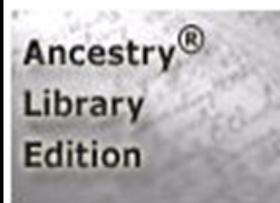
## Be a FRIEND



The Friends of the Library will hold their Book Tent Event at the Island City Yard Sale on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, from 8 am to 2 pm at Hagen Park Used books, CDs, audio books, DVDs, and videos will be available 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 Richard C. Sullivan Public Library of Wilton Manors. 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 26<sup>th</sup> Street.

Want to help the Library? Join the Friends! The Friends of the Library is a private volunteer group that exists to enrich the cultural and educational opportunities within our community. The Friends provide funding for our extensive audio book and video collections. They also sponsor Library programs throughout the year. Membership applications are available at the Library and on their web site, [FriendsoftheWiltonManorsLibrary.org](http://FriendsoftheWiltonManorsLibrary.org).

## Ancestry.com @ Your Library



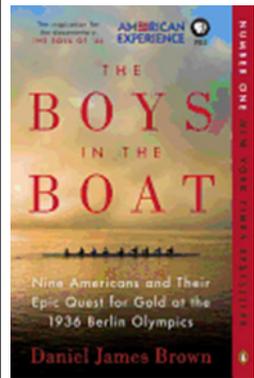
Ancestry.com, the largest online family history resource, provides you with access to your family history via documents that record the lineage of individuals from the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Europe, Australia, and more. Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Wilton Manors Library, Ancestry.com, the world's most popular consumer online family history resource, is 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 26<sup>th</sup> Street and discover the history of you.



## Join the Island City Book Club



Expand your reading horizons by joining our book club. Book clubs are a great way for book-lovers to enjoy reading and the pleasure of each other's company. The Book Club can be a useful discipline for encouraging you to read more, to read outside the genres you normally read, or simply as a way to make new friends and meet like-minded readers.

The Island City Book Club meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM. We will meet at the Library on March 15th to discuss the book *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown, the dramatic story of the American rowing team that stunned the world at Hitler's 1936 Berlin Olympics. Brown draws on the team's own journals, photos, and memories of a once-in-a-lifetime shared dream. Stop by; meet fellow readers; talk about *The Boys in the Boat* and other books you'd like to read and discuss.

## Library Volunteer Opportunities



**Children's Programming Assistant:** Assist Youth Services staff in presenting programs for children and teens. Tasks could include: helping librarians with craft programs, assisting with story times, and preparing flyers for programs. Time commitment: 1 ½ to 2 hours per week. Qualifications: Like and respect children, work effectively with children, ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.

**Technology Assistant:** To provide direct technological support to library users. Qualifications: Excellent oral communication skills; bilingual a plus (Spanish or Creole, especially); organizational skills; a strong desire to work with and help people; ability to work independently; knowledge of basic PC and printer maintenance (i.e., rebooting, refilling paper); familiarity with Windows, Word or similar word processing software, Internet Explorer. Duties include: monitor public usage of available computers, basic computer troubleshooting and maintenance, one-on-one instruction with library users.

For further information please call (954) 390-2195.

## Parking Update & Reminders

Long-Term Parking Plan The City is continuing its efforts to create a Long-Term Parking Plan for the Wilton Drive corridor. The results of a parking study done by Lanier Parking were presented to the City Commission at its February 14 meeting. City staff is taking steps to implement some of the recommendations of the parking study that are easily accomplished in the short term. Some of the longer-term recommendations are also under consideration.

Refer to the City's parking website for more information: [www.wiltonmanors.com/parking](http://www.wiltonmanors.com/parking).



### Don't Be Caught in the Wrong!

By both City Ordinance and Florida Statute, parking the wrong way (opposing traffic movement) is considered a safety hazard and a violation. Parking the wrong way may result in a parking citation!

### No Change?

Don't have change for the parking meter? The meters, paystations, and Parkmobile all accept credit cards!



# Circle of Friends

## at Hagen Park



There is a new activity for adults at Hagen Park. The group was formed by residents Janice Fromal and Benjamin Little.

The goal is to bring sunshine and friendship to whomever would like to attend our functions. We meet the second Wednesday of every month from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Our activities are diverse – from bingo to board games and cards to potluck dinners. We are planning outings to Lauderdale-by-the-Sea for dinner and Hillsboro Park for a picnic. Look forward to a movie and the occasional lecture.

Activities are scheduled through July, and are fun and a great social event. All ages are welcome. Please join us and spread some sunshine of your own .

- January 18 – Bingo
- February 15 – Board Games
- March 15 – Pot luck Dinner
- April 12 – Lauderdale by the Sea Dinner – (Sign up necessary)
- May 10 – Movie at Hagen Park
- June 14 – Hillsboro Picnic – (sign up necessary)
- July 12 – Board Games and Cards

# FREE EVENT

# SHRED YOUR DOCUMENTS HERE



Saturday, April 15th from 9-11am  
Hagen Park on Wilton Drive

[WiltonManorsHomesForSale.com](http://WiltonManorsHomesForSale.com)

Adrienne Foland, MBA, GRI, Realtor® 

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WILTON MANORS RESIDENTS ONLY

**Concerned about identity theft and what to do with all those old tax returns?**

On Saturday, April 15th from 9am until 11am Wilton Manors residents can bring their confidential information, documents, and old computer hard drives to Hagen Park 2020 Wilton Drive, and have it shred for free.

Every day, millions of individuals and small businesses discard valuable information that can be used to steal people's identity. Identity thieves often called "Dumpster Divers" comb through consumer and business trash in search of their ill gotten treasure. The cost of identity theft is in the billions and is the nation's fastest growing crime.

For more information, please contact event sponsor Adrienne Foland at (954) 205-6594, or go to [WiltonManorsHomesForSale.com](http://WiltonManorsHomesForSale.com). Co-sponsored by the City of Wilton Manors with on-site shredding services provided by Shred-it. Visit [shredit.com](http://shredit.com) to see all types of materials accepted for shredding, disposal, and recycling.

# Check out a typical BUSY week in Leisure Services!

Call (954) 390-2130 for more information

## Daily

Before Care Program (M-F) 6:45am—7:45am  
 Tennis 7:30am—9:30pm  
 Kayak Rentals 8:00am—4:00pm  
 After School Program (M-F) 2:30pm—6:30pm

Wilton Manors Elementary School  
 Hagen Park Tennis Center  
 Richardson Historic Park & Nature Preserve  
 Wilton Manors Elementary School



## Monday

Fitness Center 7:30am—9:00pm  
 Chair Yoga 10:00am—11am  
 Preschool Storytime 10:30am—11:00am  
 Zumba 6:00pm—7:00pm  
 Hula Dance 7:00pm—8:00pm  
 Boot Camp 7:00pm—8:00pm

Hagen Park Community Center  
 Woman's Club  
 Richard C. Sullivan Public Library  
 Island City Park Preserve  
 Hagen Park Community Center  
 Mickel Park Pavilion



## Tuesday

Fitness Center 7:30am—9:00pm  
 Ping Pong 10:00am—11:00am  
 Adult Coloring Club 10:00am—12:00pm  
 Storytime 10:30am—11:30am  
 Yoga 6:30pm—7:30pm  
 Hula Lessons 7:00pm—9:00pm  
 Step Dance Class 7:30pm—9:00pm

Hagen Park Community Center  
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 1st Christian Preschool  
 Richardson Historic Park & Nature Preserve  
 Woman's Club  
 Island City Park Preserve



## Wednesday

Fitness Center 7:30am—9:00pm  
 Brains & Balance 10:00am—11:00am  
 Italian Language Class 5:30pm—7:00pm  
 Lego Club 6:00pm—7:00pm  
 Reading with Dogs 6:30pm—7:30pm

Hagen Park Community Center  
 Hagen Park Community Center  
 Richardson Historic Park & Nature Preserve  
 Richard C. Sullivan Public Library  
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## Thursday

Fitness Center 7:30am—9:00pm  
 Chair Yoga 10:00am—11:00am  
 Imagination Mornings 10:00am—11:00am  
 Square Dancing 6:30pm—9:30pm  
 Crochet Class 6:30pm—8:30pm

Hagen Park Community Center  
 Woman's Club  
 Richardson Historic Park & Nature Preserve  
 Island City Park Preserve  
 Hagen Park Community Center



## Friday

Fitness Center 7:30am—6:00pm

Hagen Park Community Center

## Saturday

Fitness Center 8:00am—12:00pm

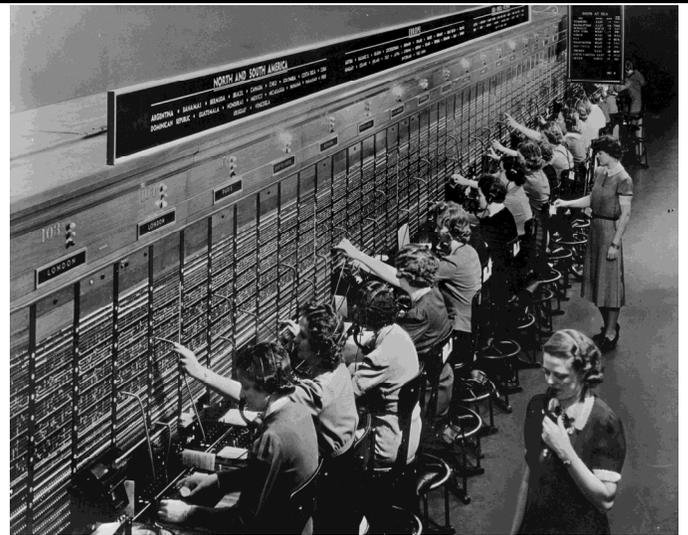
Hagen Park Community Center

## THE SMITHSONIAN IS COMING!

### *The Way We Worked* comes to Wilton Manors

"Who made America,  
Whose sweat and blood, whose faith and pain,  
Whose hand at the foundry, whose plow in the rain  
Must bring back our mighty dream again."  
--Langston Hughes, "Let America Be America Again," 1938

Imagine working in a coal mine. Or in a steel mill. Or at a telephone switchboard. Work and workplaces have gone through enormous transformations between the mid-19th and the late 20th centuries. "The Way We Worked," a photography exhibit that opens on March 24, 2017, at Art Gallery 21 in Wilton Manors, Florida, offers a lens for viewing these changes through photographs held by the National Archives.



National Archives photographs document what we wore, where we were, working conditions and workplace conflict. They also document a workforce whose distinctiveness was shaped by many factors – immigration and ethnicity, slavery and racial segregation, wage labor and technology, gender roles and class – as well by the American ideals of freedom and equality. Most importantly, these images honor those who built this country – the working men and women of America. "The Way We Worked" includes 86 exceptional black-and-white and color photographs from National Archives holdings spanning the years 1857-1987. The exhibition explores five themes:

**Where We Worked** – Americans have worked just about everywhere: on farms, boats, and skyscrapers; in mines, offices, and factories; and in private homes, restaurants and hospitals. Photographs in this section include miners coming out of the Comstock Mine in Virginia City, Nevada, in 1867; Hawaiian cowboys ready to ride the range in Waimea, Hawaii, in 1899, and Pullman Porters working in a railroad lounge car in 1945.

**How We Worked** – Vintage images show workers posing heroically with their tools and as the symbolic "heart of the turbine." They also reveal the effect of technology and automation as operatives sit along a radio assembly line, labor in typing pools or work in a post office sorting room trying to block out the sounds of machinery around them.

**What We Wore to Work** – Work clothes have many functions. They serve as badges of authority and status, make occupations immediately identifiable, and sometimes distinguish male and female roles. Images in "The Way We Worked" show police officers, nurses, soldiers, secretaries and fast-food employees wearing the clothing associated with their jobs.

**Dangerous and Unhealthy Work** – Photography has often documented "the dangerous trades" in the United States. Social reformers have used photographs as evidence to ban child labor, reduce the hours that women could work and expose unsanitary workplaces. Engineers have photographed the details of machinery and processes to improve operations and practices. "The Way We Worked" documents unsafe conditions such as pesticide and radiation exposure and depicts dangerous jobs such as bridge painting and firefighting.

**Conflict at Work** – Workers and managers have clashed over wages, hours of work, working conditions, work rules, and union recognition. Photographs of strikes and picket lines as well as other methods of settling labor problems depict the ways Americans have tried to give workers a voice.

In addition to displaying photographs, "The Way We Worked" provides an opportunity to hear workers talk about their experiences on the job. As they walk around the gallery, visitors hear excerpts from interviews with workers who describe what it was like to be a glove maker in the 1890s, a packinghouse worker in the 1930s, or a coal miner in the early 20th century. A video showing a variety of workplaces and a selection of work songs completes the environmental experience.

"The Way We Worked" will be on exhibit March 24 to May 6, 2017 at Art Gallery 21, located at 600 NE 21 Court in Wilton Manors and is free and open to the public. Presented as a Museum on Main Street project, this traveling Smithsonian Exhibit is presented in partnership with the Florida Humanities Council, the City of Wilton Manors, the Central Area Neighborhood Association of Wilton Manors, The Pride Center at Equality Park, Stonewall Museum & Archives and The Humanity Project. Art Gallery 21, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization registered with the State of Florida.

CONTACT: Constance Ruppender (954) 661-4740 | [artgallery21wcwm@gmail.com](mailto:artgallery21wcwm@gmail.com)

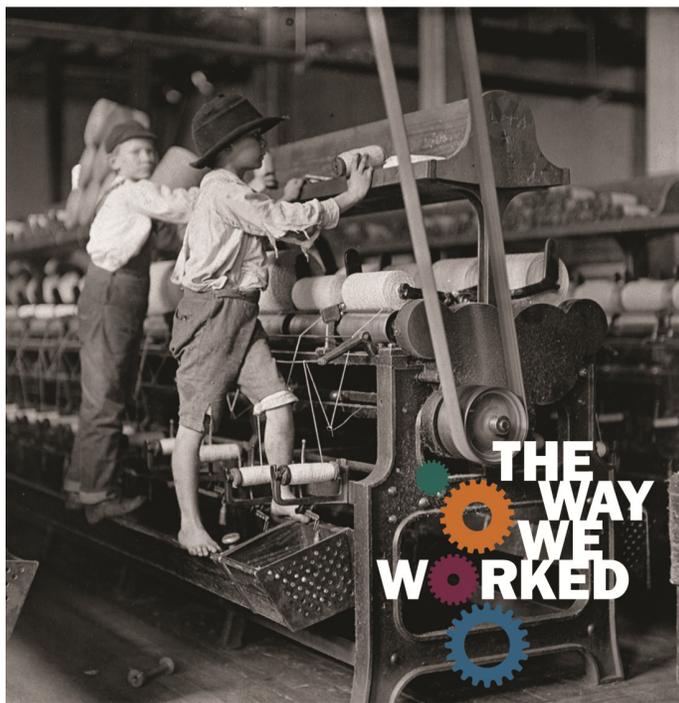


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## *Your Guide To What's Happening In The Island City*

### The Smithsonian is coming!



### How do you make a living?

You are part of the nation's story. Rediscover the strength and spirit of American workers through rare archival images, compelling videos, and fascinating interviews.

Whether you are making a living as a corporate executive, an entrepreneur or a bartender, you are a part of American History. Join us for WILTON MANORS WORKS, a very special one-night interactive event on Saturday, March 18 at 7 PM as we celebrate the arrival of this special traveling exhibit for its only stop in South Florida and explore the LGBT work experience through local photos and live storytelling. To participate, visit [www.artgallery21.org](http://www.artgallery21.org) for details.

**Art Gallery 21**  
 March 24-May 6, 2017  
 Fri-Sat-Sun 12-8 PM

600 NE 21 Court  
 Wilton Manors, FL 33305  
 (Former Woman's Club of WM)  
 954-390-2130 | 954-661-4740



"The Way We Worked" is a Museum on Main Street exhibition created by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, brought to you by the Florida Humanities Council. It is funded by the U.S. Congress and based on photographs from the National Archives.

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