



Town Crier

Life's Just Better Here

Your Guide To What's Happening In The Island City

January/February 2018



Annual Tree Giveaway
Mickel Park 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
& Document Shredding
City Hall Parking Lot 9-11 a.m.
Both events:
Saturday, January 20



Jazz Cardio—New program at
Island City Park Preserve!
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Equality Florida
Welcome to Wilton Manors!



This issue of the Town Crier contains the **2018 Resident Satisfaction Survey!**
Please remove the survey from the very center of this issue, and complete and return it by January 31, 2018.
Business Reply Postage will be paid by the City.
Please fold the survey so the address is showing, tape it closed and drop it in the mail to our facilitator!



CALENDAR Items

Wednesdays, Jan 3 & Feb 7
 Congressman Deutch
 Community Outreach-1st
 Wednesday of each Month
 10:30 a.m.—12 p.m.
 Commission Chambers

Saturdays, Jan 13 & Feb 10
 Island City Yard Sales
 8 a.m.-2 p.m.—Hagen

Fridays, Jan 19 & Feb 16
 Music @ Mickel Concerts
 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Saturdays, Jan 20 & Feb 17
 Wilton Manors Art Expo
 6-9 p.m.—Wilton Drive

Saturday, January 20
 Tree Giveaway
 9a.m.-12p.m.—Mickel Park
 & Document Shredding
 9-11 a.m. City Hall

City Hall Closures:
 Monday, January 15
 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 Monday, February 19
 Presidents' 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 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 Jan 3	Wed Jan 10	Thurs Jan 18	Tues Mar 6	Mon Jan 8	Thurs Feb 15
Wed Feb 7	Wed Feb 21	Thurs Feb 15	Meets Quarterly	Mon Feb 12	Meets Every 2 Months
Wed Mar 7	Wed Mar 14	Thurs Mar 15		Mon Mar 12	

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

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 and following the “online services” link.



Please complete the Resident Survey that is included in the center of this issue of the Town Crier and return it by January 31, 2018. Your answers to the survey will help us make sure that we are providing the very best services to our residents and businesses and meeting the goals and objectives of the City’s Strategic Plan.

Phone Numbers

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

Thursday, Jan 18 Thursday, Feb 22 Recycling Day: Thursday

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

Tuesday, Jan 16 Tuesday, Feb 20 Recycling Day: Friday

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

Wednesday, Jan 17 Wednesday, Feb 21 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.

Christmas Tree Pickup



The City of Wilton Manors will be offering free curbside pickup of Christmas trees during bulk pick-up in the month of January 2018. Please remove all lights, ornaments and tree stands before placing trees at the curb. The trees will be taken to the Waste-to-Energy Plant and burned to create energy.

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.

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 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.

CUSTOMER SERVICE SURVEY IS HERE!

The 2018 Wilton Manors Customer Service Survey is included in the center of this issue of the Town Crier. The survey repeats the questions asked in the 2015 Survey, so that we can measure our progress and your concerns in a meaningful way.

Florida Atlantic University's Dr. Leslie Leip and her Masters of Public Administration class will be coordinating the collection and analysis of the responses. In order for the surveys to be statistically representative and valid, we request you complete the hard copy of the survey and mail it postage free.

City staff takes pride in providing our residents, businesses and visitors the best service possible. But we can always improve, and we want to hear from you!

All responses will need to be received by January 31, so please complete and return the survey as soon as possible.

Message from the Mayor

Economic Development in the Island City



I hope you had a nice holiday season. As we get past the holidays, we wanted to provide information on important City plans. Wilton Manors is poised on the cusp of the redevelopment of key corridors, and the recently completed Economic Development Strategic Plan will provide a roadmap for the metamorphosis. The Plan includes six main goals:

- Promote the City Image, Business Climate and Brand
- Position the City for Economic Redevelopment
- Promote Redevelopment Throughout the City
- Develop Infrastructure for Balanced Growth
- Develop Product
- Maintain Quality of Life

The Plan is ambitious, aspirational and will take several years to implement, as all strategic plans do. Within each of the goals there are several objectives, and more than 80 strategies.

Here are key elements of the Plan that the City will be implementing this year.

- We will find accurate ways to identify vacant space and parcels for sale, and recruit Class A office space. We have joined the Broward Alliance and will be aggressively working to raise our profile as an attractive place for businesses to locate. We have budgeted funds to market the City as a great place to do business.
- We have increased the amount and scope of our business enhancement grants, so that existing businesses can improve the exterior of their properties. Our Code Compliance Action Plan is resulting in improved appearances of businesses throughout the City.
- We have begun the process to determine the best use of the City Hall property. We funded an initial study that will include public input and careful consideration of all options with ample opportunity for public input.
- What about parking? We have increased parking substantially over the past few years, but there is not enough to accommodate our peak crowds. One element of our ongoing efforts will be to explore solutions through a master plan, which should be completed by the end of this fiscal year. Staff will also be restarting the free shuttle, from 8 p.m. until midnight on weekends.
- Will there be a train station near NE 26th Street? We were one of only four municipalities to be awarded a grant to create a Master Plan for the area, so that we will be ready and competitive when commuter rail finally comes to the FEC tracks.
- Marketing the City as a tourism destination is a key effort. We continue to pursue efforts to get a boutique hotel in Wilton Manors. Our efforts on our own, as well as collaboration with the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention and Business Bureau (CVB) is bearing fruit. Investing in our signature events, such as this year's Stonewall Festival also provides a return on investment, and this year's Stonewall Festival and Parade created a regional economic impact of \$4 million, with more than \$2 million of that being from tourists. In addition, we are working to support and increase arts and culture opportunities, and use our parks, recreation and venues as economic drivers.
- And speaking of hotels, the City must use every tool at its disposal this year to encourage a developer to find a site near downtown for a hotel. Until a hotel is built, we can't realize the full extent of the benefit of tourism. I have been meeting with potential developers to discuss locations and franchises, and look forward to finding the right fit in the coming year.

Redevelopment is important but must be handled carefully. While we want to encourage businesses to consider projects, we do not want to sacrifice our quality of life. I will be working in the year ahead to ensure progress in economic development.

As your Mayor, your input is very important to me. I want to hear from you. Contact me at (954) 390-2123 or gresnick@wiltonmanors.com. And thanks for your continued support!

Looking to make a positive impact on your community?

Become an Advisory Board Member!

The City of Wilton Manors is always recruiting residents, local business owners and commercial property owners for volunteer positions on City Boards and Committees. Please visit www.wiltonmanors.com or call the City Clerk's Office at (954) 390-2123 for more info!

Vice Mayor Justin S. Flippen—Looking Ahead: Sea Level Rise & Livability



The New Year allows us to look ahead and set priorities for our future and the long term sustainability of our city. Respected friend of the city, Paul Kuta, shared with me a timely Florida Trend business magazine article “Learning to Live with Water.” Citing research by the University of South Florida College of Marine Science; the University of Florida Civil and Coastal Engineering Department; the University of Florida College of Design, Construction and Planning; Florida Sea Grant; and Broward County, the article forecasts the effects of climate change, sea level rise, and saltwater intrusion. Between 2050 and 2075, the Fort Lauderdale region is forecasted to indeed become America’s Venice, “with water at residential doorsteps, U.S. 1 under water and downtown awash at three feet of rise, and gone at four.” (Florida Trend, Nov. 2017, pg. 118). By 2075, the southern half of Broward risks being lost. Now these projections come at the risk of doing nothing, and while everyone may not be alive beyond 2075, for our city’s sustainability and our families living here then, the time to plan is now. Policies and practices that keep drainage systems ahead of rising seas and freshwater ahead of saltwater intrusion should be pursued. We must join with other cities and counties to secure necessary infrastructure funding as flood zones are expected to change. The American Institute of Architects Florida Chapter adopted a policy to plan for three feet of sea level rise in dealing with clients, city building codes, and engineers. Broward expects two feet of rise, and some Florida cities, like St. Petersburg, have raised its minimum elevation requirement for the lowest finished floor of new construction to two feet above the National Flood Insurance Program minimum. This higher elevation requirement “saves property owners on flood insurance premiums, anticipates sea-level rise, and makes property more resilient in flood events.” (pg. 113). The City of Wilton Manors has also worked to implement new regulations anticipating sea level rise and now requires base flood elevation of two feet above the highest adjacent grade. To whatever extent we are projected to be impacted, experts warn it will be far cheaper to begin adapting now to higher seas than deal with expensive retrofits later. Therefore let’s work to keep water surrounding the Island City, not flooding it.

In November, at my request, the commission agreed to pursue AARP Age-Friendly Community recognition. This idea came forward by way of former Mayor Tracy Stafford, who apprised me of the program which helps cities prepare for their growing population of older adults. Improvements in eight domains that influence the health and quality of life of older adults are pursued which include: 1) Outdoor Spaces and Buildings, 2) Transportation, 3) Housing, 4) Social Participation, 5) Respect and Social Inclusion, 6) Civic Participation and Employment, 7) Communication and Information, and 8) Community Support and Health Services. Cities participating in the program commit to improving their age-friendliness and submit to a rigorous 3-phase assessment cycle of Planning (Phase 1, years 1-2), Implementation, (Phase 2, years 3-5), and Continual Improvements (Phase 3, year 5 and beyond). Well-designed, livable communities promote well-being and sustain economic growth, and they make for happier, healthier residents – of all ages.

In a move that saved budget dollars and made ‘sense,’ the commission voted to switch city employee health care insurance from Cigna to United Healthcare without compromising the quality of coverage and saving taxpayers almost \$200,000.

Preparing for our city’s environmental and sustainable future are part of the city’s adopted strategic plan, and adapting to the changing needs of our neighbors are important reasons why ‘Life’s Just Better Here.’

As always, please feel free to contact me at (954) 390-2123 or JFlippen@wiltonmanors.com on any issues you deem important.

In your service,

Justin S. Flippen, J.D.

Vice Mayor and “The People’s Commissioner”

Commissioner Julie Carson-What Do I Do With a 4-Year Old in Wilton Manors?



As a young child, I remember cutting paper dolls - babies, toddlers and children - out of the Sears & Roebuck Catalogue. I was going to have seven children, including two sets of twins. Each paper child was given a unique name that he or she would bring into my future family. As I got older and the Sears Catalogue was no longer available, I still thought about having children, until about 14 years ago when I decided on a Yorkshire Terrier instead!

It is ironic that on the “down-curve” of both my energy and my career, I am the guardian of a four-year old (nephew) pending a custody transfer to my brother in Arizona. He is a toddler equipped with a dozen fully charged batteries and a generator!

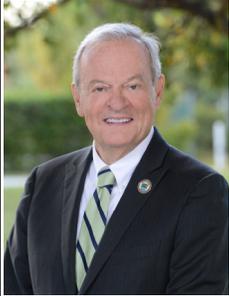
Raising a child in Wilton Manors has allowed me to see other strengths of our Community and how dynamic it is for even the youngest of City dwellers. Each day we walk or “scooter” to school, saying hello along the way to neighbors who know us by name. Afternoon routines include a visit to *811 Park & Bark* with our two dogs where we catch up on area news. Mr. Brian or Mr. Alan or Ms. Alex often bring sweets or silly string for fun and Uncle Michael is often there for support!

My little one has joined me at City Commission Meetings, and ribbon cuttings for the South Florida Symphony and Equality Florida. He attended Halloween costume parties at Kids, the New Pres Church, Pride Center at Equality Park, and Wicked Manors.

We journey to get ice cream cones and grilled cheeses on the Drive and spend time at Hagen Park dancing in the sand of the Volleyball court and exploring the playground. We attend art openings at Gallery 21, a health expo at the Pride Center, the Veterans’ Day Celebration, a Dolphin Democrats Meeting, and Transgender Day of Remembrance. We swim together, play with remote control cars in vacant lots, and toss footballs down long hallways. Next up are a visit to the Library, exploring a few yard sales and a short kayak through local waters - all within the boundaries of the Island City. I am grateful for the opportunity to challenge myself beyond the catalogue cutouts and raise this little boy within the soulful embrace of our Wilton Manors Community.

I welcome your comments about any City matters at (954) 288-8174 or by email at JCarson@wiltonmanors.com

Commissioner Tom Green—Andrews Ave./Oakland Park Blvd Update



As we all know, Andrews Avenue from Oakland Park Boulevard to the River, and Oakland Park Boulevard from I-95 to NE 6th Avenue, could use a facelift. Reinvestment in those portions of our City have not kept pace with other more prosperous areas like the Drive, and the City is committed to using all the tools in the toolbox to invite property owners and developers to collaborate on new commercial projects.

The City commissioned a study of the matter, and the consultant offered the following recommendations:

- Adopt the “complete streets” philosophy on the roads mentioned above, with any redevelopment dedicated to the idea that cars, bicycles and pedestrians all deserve the same access and safety.
- Change the land use designations along Andrews Avenue and Oakland Park Boulevard to Transit Oriented Corridor (TOC), which could allow zoning and density changes. Currently NE 26th Street, east of the railroad tracks, and North Dixie Highway are TOCs. TOCs allow for “mixed use” of a property, usually with businesses on the ground floor and residences on upper floors. Land use designations allow for future planning.
- Create at least two additional sub-districts within the Urban Center Mixed-Use district which address and encourage redevelopment while preserving the unique character of Andrews Avenue and Oakland Park Boulevard.

The land use amendment process can take about two years to be approved. After that, we will talk with residents, property owners and businesses about the kinds of businesses they would like to see in the corridor. Once that step is complete, the City will proceed with developing zoning regulations that will bring the new vision to fruition.

In the meantime, the City is encouraging existing property owners and businesses to:

- Better maintain existing exteriors,
- Install landscaping,
- Where possible, share driveways and parking to reduce the number of curb cuts, and
- Negotiate with local franchised utilities to remove old wooden poles.

To make this process a bit easier, the City offers grants to reimburse businesses for a portion of the improvements.

Land use, zoning and redevelopment are complicated subjects and I know most people just want to know what it will look like and when it will happen; whether property values will go up or down, and how it will affect the single family homes to the west of Andrews Avenue. We don't know the answers to those questions yet. The best thing you can do is stay in touch with the City. You can learn more about the project [on the Wilton Manors Corridor Study page](#).

I attended an outstanding Holiday Home Tour organized by the Broward Trust for Historic Preservation. The event was held December 1st and 2nd and began Friday evening with a reception at the Firehouse Museum in Sailboat Bend. It was originally a fire station built in 1927 and designed by famed architect, Francis Luis Abreu. Saturday was a tour of eight homes dating from 1914 to 1958 and included the Annie Beck House which was built in 1916. It is located in Middle River Terrace Park on Dixie Highway and can be visited throughout the year. The tour was a great reminder of this area's early history. Try to catch the tour during the next holiday season.

Don't forget to attend or participate in the Pride Center's 3rd Annual Rainbow 5K on January 21st. The event will include runners, walkers, and slow walkers (this includes me). There are many, many age categories. The run is a great use of Wilton Drive and other city streets on a Sunday morning.

As always, please contact me with your comments and concerns at tgreen@wiltonmanors.com or by phone at (954) 290-0561.

Free Secure Shredding Event

When: Saturday, January 20, 2018
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Where: City Hall/Hagen Park Parking Lot
2020 Wilton Drive
Wilton Manors, FL 33305



The City's solid waste, recycling and household hazardous waste contractor, Waste Management, has contracted with Shred-It to provide this FREE, secure and confidential shredding service. Shred-It uses cross-cut shredding technology, and all resulting paper shreds are removed from the waste stream and recycled into new products.

Wilton Manors residents will need to bring proof of residency (such as a driver's license or utility bill showing your Wilton Manors address).

Wilton Manors business owners will need to bring a copy of your current Wilton Manors Business Tax Receipt.

For more information, contact the Emergency Management/Utilities Department at (954) 390-2190.

Commissioner Scott Newton—2018



Happy New Year! 2018 is an election year, and I thought you might find some information about the upcoming election cycle helpful. As American citizens, our guaranteed right to vote is sacred, and I am proud to say that neither Cindy nor I has ever missed voting in an election. As Franklin D. Roosevelt said, “Democracy cannot succeed unless those who express their choice are prepared to choose wisely. The real safeguard of democracy, therefore, is education.” The time goes by so fast, and the elections will be here in a flash!

Important Dates

Last day to register to vote in the 2018 Primary Election	July 30, 2018
Early Voting for the 2018 Primary	August 18 – August 26, 2018
Primary Election	August 28, 2018
Early Voting for General Election	October 22, 2018 – November 6, 2018
Last day to register to vote in the General Election	October 9, 2018
General Election	November 6, 2018

Wilton Manors City Hall will once again be an early voting site, and vote by mail has become much more user friendly, so voting is easier than it has ever been before.

Is your voters’ registration up to date? Do you need to register to vote? Some may be eligible to register to vote online. [Visit the Florida Online Voter Registration website](https://registertovoteflorida.gov/en/Registration/Index) at <https://registertovoteflorida.gov/en/Registration/Index>

Our Supervisor of Elections is always in need of election day workers. Want to volunteer? You must be a registered voter in Broward County and take a minimum of four hours training. On the upside, you can be paid between \$165 and \$200, depending on the position you fill.

Need more information? Call City Hall, or the Supervisor of Elections Office at 954-357-7050, or go to the [Supervisor of Elections website](https://www.browardsoe.org/) at <https://www.browardsoe.org/>

Mickel Field Park Grand Reopening

My childhood stomping grounds, Mickel Field is looking good! Thanks to grants from Broward County (kudos to Commissioner Tim Ryan) and the State of Florida, Mickel Park has a brand new playground! Feedback from residents and users led staff to purchase new playground equipment for the older kids, and the new splashpad will be enjoyed by the young AND the young at heart! The 2018 concert series promises to be the best ever! Mark the dates on your calendar:

January 19 February 16 March 16 April 20

There will be a ribbon cutting on the 19th. The music always starts at 7:30 p.m., and you can buy food and drinks, or bring your own, along with a blanket or a chair.

Happy New Year! Here’s hoping 2018 brings good things for each of us.

Please contact me with any issues or concerns at snewton@wiltonmanors.com or (954) 390-2128.



ISLAND CITY UNIVERSITY

It’s not too late to sign up for the third year of the Island City University! This seven week program will begin in late March and will give you a behind the scenes view of the operations of the City of Wilton Manors. Classes are Monday evenings from March 19 through April 30, with dinner served at 6 p.m. and the program beginning at 6:30 p.m. and concluding by 8:30 p.m.

Apply online at www.wiltonmanors.com or visit a City facility for an application. If you have questions or comments, please call Patricia Staples, Interim City Clerk at (954) 390-2123.



From the Desk of Chief O'Connell

EQUIFAX-The Perfect Storm is Coming



As you know, on September 7th this past year Equifax announced a security breach of biblical proportions. I refer to it as the *Perfect Storm Coming!* With tax season around the corner, each of us should consider filing early (ahead of the bad guy) and taking extra steps to secure our identity going forward.

In a recent article in the *Washington Post*, *Michelle Singletary* wrote about some ideas you may consider in protecting your social security records. Here is what she wrote:

The financial exploitation of seniors is already a problem. Now with the massive data breach by Equifax, it's just one more thing to concern the elderly.

Many people are scrambling, trying to put in place credit freezes to prevent identity thieves from opening up credit in their name. But if you expect to get a Social Security check or you're already getting a benefit there's something else you should do and fast.

You need to go online and open a [my Social Security account](#). Do this before someone uses your stolen information to hijack this extremely important portal for your Social Security benefits. (www.ssa.gov/myaccount).

As the Motley Fool's Maurie Backman points out, "Someone could, in theory, access your information at some point or another, file for benefits as you (either immediately or once you become eligible), direct those benefits to a new address, and collect them for years with you none the wiser. Then, when you finally decide it's time to file for benefits, you'll learn that you have supposedly been receiving them for years."

Armed with publicly available information and data stolen in the Equifax breach — your address, Social Security, driver's license and credit card numbers — identity thieves could have enough to get through the security to set up an online Social Security account.

"A my Social Security account is your gateway to many of our online services," wrote Social Security's **Jim Borland**, acting deputy commissioner for communications in a blog post last week. "Create your account today and take away the risk of someone else trying to create one in your name, even if they obtain your Social Security number."

Here's something else to keep in mind. If you've placed a freeze or fraud alert on your credit file, you will not be able to open the account until you unlock the file. Social Security uses information in your file to verify your identity. You can open an account in person by going to a [local Social Security office](#).

Get ahead of possible identity theft by creating your Social Security account.

Our thanks to Ms. Singletary! In addition, each of us should consider placing a "freeze" on our credit report; but each of us is in a financial different situation. You certainly cannot do this if you are buying a home, applying for an auto loan or credit card. But, if you are in a stable situation, you may want to consider a credit freeze for an extended period of time.

As always, the Wilton Manors Police Department is at your service day or night, 24/7. Feel free to visit us on our website at www.wmpd.org or visit us at City Hall during normal business hours.

Don't Be A Victim!

THE WILTON MANORS POLICE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE YOU TO ALWAYS BE AWARE OF YOUR ACTIONS AND SURROUNDINGS.

A few tips to remember:

Do not leave any valuables in your car.

This includes purses, computers, wallets, jewelry, cellular phones, briefcases and backpacks.

Don't Lose It



Be Smart. Stay Safe.

Do not leave any containers, packages, bags, etc. in plain view.
Secure your automatic garage opener.

Park your car in a well lit area with high pedestrian activity.

Do not be seen using your interior trunk release button.
Place all valuables in your trunk prior to reaching your destination.

Always lock your doors and keep your windows up while pumping gas.
Many items have been stolen by persons walking by reaching into cars and running away while people pump gas.

Do not leave a running car unattended.

Vacation Rentals



If managed incorrectly, vacation rentals can often lead to violations which disturb the enjoyment of surrounding properties.

The following are some requirements that vacation rentals need to abide by in order to minimize any negative impacts within our community:

- They are required to obtain a Vacation Rental License from the City if the owner of the home does not live there.
- A manager is required and must be able to respond to emergency situations within one (1) hour.
- Vehicles cannot park on the grass, and no more than one (1) vehicle per bedroom is allowed.
- Garbage receptacles must only be placed curbside during pick-up hours.
- All vacation rentals are subject to all other City codes including our noise ordinance.
- Complaints can be filed several different ways depending on the violation.
- To file noise complaints during non-office hours (Monday through Saturday 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 a.m.) please call the police non-emergency number at (954) 764-4357.
- Please Contact Code Compliance at (954) 390-2151 for all other violations.

It is always helpful to file neighborhood complaints to the rental agency such as Airbnb, HomeAway and VRBO. Filing complaints with the agency helps them regulate the rentals to make sure they are abiding by their rules as well as the City's codes. It is encouraged that all affected neighbors submit concerns with them as well. Concerns may be filed by using the following contact information:

<https://help.homeaway.com/articles/How-Can-I-Stay-Neighborly-as-a-community-member>

<https://www.airbnb.com/neighbors>

Email: community@homeaway.com



Tips to Discourage Break-Ins

CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS

- After purchasing new televisions, computers, appliances or other high end electronics, do not leave the boxes outside next to garbage cans or recycling bins. This lets everyone know what you have inside your home.
- If you're going to leave your blinds or curtains opened try not to have expensive items in plain sight.
- When out of your home for the day, evening or extended periods of time, leave a light or television on. You may want to put them on a timer when you are away for those longer periods of time.
- Secure windows and sliding glass doors so they cannot be opened from the outside. Check all door locks to be sure that they are working properly and are secure.
- Do not leave spare keys hidden outside. Instead give one to a neighbor, friend or family member that you trust.
- Trim bushes and trees to keep thieves from hiding behind them or using them to gain entry into your home.
- While away you can request a "House Check" from the Wilton Manors Police Department. The form can be found at www.wiltonmanors.com via the Public Safety link.
- If you know you are going to be away for an extended period of time ask a neighbor, friend or family member to collect your mail, packages and newspapers until you return. Nothing says "I'm not home" like an overflowing mailbox.
- Get to know your neighbors not only to help keep an eye on your homes but someone you do not recognize will stick out. If you see something, say something.
- Try to keep your travel plans to yourself as much as possible. The less strangers know about your travel away from home, the better off you are.
- Remember to lock your doors and windows before leaving your home. Use deadbolts instead of thumb latches. Keep your garage doors down as often as possible and do not store spare keys in your garage.

Have you heard about the City's household hazardous waste and electronics door-step collection program?

Residents in single family homes can contact WM At Your Door Special CollectionSM (by phone: **1-800-449-7587** or by e-mail: atyourdoor@wm.com) to schedule a pickup. The At Your DoorSM representative will ask about the quantity and types of materials you want collected, so be prepared with this information. Depending on



the types of materials to be picked up, they may mail a kit to your home to safely package the items for pickup. Before 7 a.m. on the day of your scheduled pickup, follow the instructions received to safely place the items in the agreed-upon location, and the materials will be picked up by 7 p.m. Materials are taken to a sorting facility, and then sent to be recycled and/or disposed of properly. **In order to have your household hazardous waste collected, you must contact At Your DoorSM directly at 1-800-449-7587 to schedule a pickup.**

Historical Society Annual Meeting

You are invited attend to the Wilton Manors Historical Society Annual Meeting on **Thursday, January 18, 2018** in the Manor House at Richardson Historic Park, 1937 Wilton Drive. **Refreshments at the Carriage House will begin at 6:30 p.m. with the business meeting to begin at 7:00 p.m.** Parking is free for attendees. We will have a number of exciting things to tell you about our activities in the last year and our discovery of new treasures.

Please join us for an informative and entertaining evening!

Support your Wilton Manors Historical Society, Inc. by becoming a member. Membership forms are available on our web site (and you may pay with PayPal), fill out the form below, or pick up our brochure at City Hall, Hagen Park, or the Wilton Manors Library. You may join and pay dues at the meeting. **The Wilton Manors Historical Society is an IRS 501(c)(3) approved tax exempt not-for-profit corporation.**

Mary G. Ulm, President

 <p>WILTON MANORS HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2020 WILTON DRIVE, WILTON MANORS, FL 33305 WWW.WILTONMANORSHISTORICALSOCIETY.ORG WMHS@WILTONMANORSHISTORICALSOCIETY.ORG</p>	<p>Support the Historical Society Annual Dues - \$25.00 (per household, organization, or business)</p> <p>To join, or renew and pay for your membership online go to WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org then click on Membership or Join Us.</p>
<p>Or, complete the form below, attach a check made payable to WMHS, and mail to us at:</p>	
<p>2020 Wilton Drive ■ Wilton Manors, FL 33305</p>	
<p>Name(s): _____</p>	
<p>Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____</p>	
<p>E-mail Address(es): _____ Phone Number(s): _____</p>	



Message from Central Area Neighborhood Association (CANA)

The Heart of Wilton Manors Beats Here ...

CANA wishes everyone a Happy Healthy New Year

This year will be a busy year in the Central Area where several developers will be coming before the City and CANA involving town house and commercial property proposals. There is a lot of redevelopment going on where existing houses are being razed for new homes. The narrowing of Wilton Drive is scheduled to begin in June. We look forward to the completion of the new public parking lot and the reopening of the renovated Fire Station.

Code of Ordinances

The City of Wilton Manors is currently updating several portions of the Code of Ordinances. Neighborhood Association Presidents recently met with the Director, Community Development Services to discuss Code of Ordinance updates impacting residents. This matter will be discussed at our next general meeting.



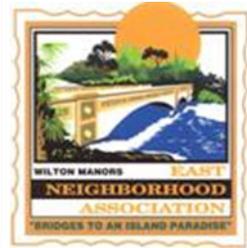
February 7th Annual Meeting

We will hold elections for the Board of Directors at this meeting. In addition, several developer presentations are scheduled, including an update by the new owner of the Shoppes of Wilton Manors. We look forward to seeing everyone and sharing information. As always, our meetings are open to everyone.

CANA MEETINGS: Feb 7, May 2, Jul 25, Oct 24, 2018 @ 7pm @ Hagen Park

Contact us: membership@canawm.org or visit us: www.canawm.org

Paul J. Rolli, President · Ray Carrier, Vice President · Fred Caplan, Treasurer · Matthew Gill, Secretary · Brent White, Director



WILTON MANORS EAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Wishes everyone a happy and healthy 2018!

Visit us online at <http://wiltonmanors-ena.org/>

WESTSIDE ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS—(WAWM)

BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR!!!

WAWM is looking forward to another great year for the Westside and our city!! Looking to continue the momentum on the following projects by working together with city staff and our elected officials:

- Andrews Avenue Redevelopment Initiative
- NW 29th Street Complete Streets Project
 - 33305 Zip Code Project
- Improved Public Safety and Code Enforcement
- Neighborhood Traffic Concerns and Road Safety

Mark your calendar for the 2018 Music at Mickel Concert Series
Fridays- Jan 19th, Feb 16th, March 16th, & April 20th

New to the Westside? Have not yet joined your neighborhood association? Here are some of the 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.

For information on joining WAWM, please contact Sal Torre at salmtorre@gmail.com, or visit our website at wawm.org



January 2018

Dear Wilton Manors Resident,

In 2014, The City of Wilton Manors completed a Resident Survey in conjunction with the updated Strategic Plan. A critical dimension of the achievement of the Goals and Objectives of the Plan is the opinion of residents on City services and relationships. We were pleased with the results of the survey back then, but want to continue to measure residents' satisfaction.

Whether or not you completed a previous survey, please complete and **return the attached survey by January 31, 2018**. Please answer the survey questions honestly, because your opinions will be used in conjunction with other Strategic Plan outcomes to determine if the City really is on the right track. The survey will remain anonymous unless you choose to include your name. Should you wish to opt into the enews and still remain anonymous, you can click [Here to sign up for weekly City emails](#) (if this is a digital version of the survey) or you can go to Connect With Us on www.wiltonmanors.com.

The survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Please complete the survey, fold it so the P.O. address is showing, tape it closed and mail it to our facilitator Dr. Leslie Leip. If you have a friend or neighbor who lives in Wilton Manors and did not receive the Town Crier but would like a copy of the survey, please ask them to contact Mr. John Goodnight at (954) 390-2120 and one will be mailed or emailed to them.

This study is important for residents and businesses of the City of Wilton Manors, and we appreciate you taking the time to answer the survey questions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leigh Ann Henderson".

Leigh Ann Henderson
City Manager

City of Wilton Manors Resident Survey

1. During the past two years, approximately how many times have you contacted any of the City of Wilton Manors departments?

- 0 times **(Skip to question 2)** 1-3 times 4-6 times 7 times or more

1.a. Based on your contact(s) with the City of Wilton Manors, how do you feel about the following:

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
The professionalism of employees	1	2	3	4	5
The knowledge of employees	1	2	3	4	5
How well your question/request was answered	1	2	3	4	5
Courteousness of employees	1	2	3	4	5
Timeliness of response	1	2	3	4	5
Access to employees	1	2	3	4	5

2. Based on your experiences while living in the City of Wilton Manors during the past two years, please rate these services:

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Haven't Used Service
City Clerk Services (records, bids, public information)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Code Compliance	1	2	3	4	5	6
Community Development Services (building permitting & inspection, zoning)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Fire/EMS Services	1	2	3	4	5	6
Financial Services (paying bills)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Park Facilities (Colohatchee, Mickel Field, Hagen Park, Richardson)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Police Services	1	2	3	4	5	6
Recreational Services (classes, events, fitness/tennis, boat ramps)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Richard C. Sullivan Public Library	1	2	3	4	5	6
Utility Services (water, sewer, garbage collection, recycling, road upkeep)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Overall City Services	1	2	3	4	5	6

3. Please rate your level of satisfaction of the resources you use to get information about City services/events/activities/meetings.

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Have Not Used
Attending City Commission meetings	1	2	3	4	5	6
City website (www.wiltonmanors.com)	1	2	3	4	5	6
City emails (if you want to add your email to the City's list, insert your email address here: _____)	1	2	3	4	5	6
City electronic message boards on roads	1	2	3	4	5	6
Contacting the City directly	1	2	3	4	5	6
Informational brochures and flyers	1	2	3	4	5	6
Town Crier (Bi-monthly printed newsletter)	1	2	3	4	5	6
Other (please specify)	1	2	3	4	5	6

4. Based on your personal experiences, please rate the importance of each of the following reasons why you live in the City of Wilton Manors.

	Not At All Important	Somewhat Unimportant	Neither	Somewhat Important	Very Important
Access to natural resources (waterways)	1	2	3	4	5
Access to good educational institutions (K-12)	1	2	3	4	5
Diverse population	1	2	3	4	5
Good City services	1	2	3	4	5
Proximity to nightlife and restaurants	1	2	3	4	5
Quality health care and social services	1	2	3	4	5
Small-town feel	1	2	3	4	5
Other (please specify)	1	2	3	4	5
Other (please specify)	1	2	3	4	5

5. In regards to quality of life issues, where "quality of life" means how good you feel about where you live, how does the City of Wilton Manors compare to other cities you have lived in previously. Examples of quality of life issues are the natural environment, job opportunities, schools, transportation, and crime. Compared to other places you have lived:

	Poor	Average	Excellent
How would you rate the quality of life in your neighborhood?	1	2	3
How would you rate the quality of life in the City of Wilton Manors?	1	2	3

6. What suggestions can you provide to the City for improving the quality of life in Wilton Manors?

7. How safe do you feel living in your neighborhood? Not Safe Safe Very Safe

8. Compared to a year ago, is your neighborhood: A worse place to live About the same A better place to live

9. How has your neighborhood changed (for better or for worse) during the past year?

10. The list of items on which the City's next strategic plan could focus is provided below. Please indicate how much of a focus you believe the City's strategic plan should have on each item.

	No Focus	Little Focus	Some Focus	Extensive Focus
Communication with residents	1	2	3	4
Commercial corridors	1	2	3	4
Good financial management	1	2	3	4
Make the City a destination point for residents and visitors	1	2	3	4
Parks and facilities	1	2	3	4
Public safety	1	2	3	4
Recreational activities	1	2	3	4
Road maintenance	1	2	3	4
Other (please specify)	1	2	3	4
Other (please specify)	1	2	3	4

11. What do you see as the biggest challenge(s) facing Wilton Manors during the next five years?

12. If you were describing Wilton Manors to an out-of-town friend, what three words would you use?

13. Approximately how long have you lived in the City of Wilton Manors? _____ years

14. Do you own or rent your home? Own Rent Other _____

15. What is your age? ____ years old



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



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16. How many people, including yourself, live in your home? _____
How many children 18 or younger? _____ How many adults 19-65? _____ How many adults 66 and older? _____

17. In what section of Wilton Manors do you live?
 East Side (East of Dixie Hwy.) Central Area (between Dixie Hwy. and Andrews Ave.) West Side (West of Andrews Ave.)

18. Please write additional comments about the City of Wilton Manors here:

Thank you very much for your participation. Your responses will help the City of Wilton Manors provide better services to you.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (CDS)



Community Development Services Department would like to provide a reminder of when a building permit is required to be obtained. A building permit is required for work on your property involving physical changes to an existing structure, or the addition of a new structure. Some examples are: new construction, building alterations, room additions, sheds, driveways, pools, screen enclosures, fences, pavers, re-roofing work, garage conversions, air conditioning unit replacement, new electrical service, rewiring, replacement of exterior doors and windows, hot water heater replacement, tub/shower pan change out, replacement of fixtures, change of use or occupancy, structural repairs, any repair due to a fire, and the demolition or removal of structures including pools, screen enclosures and fences in accordance with the Florida Building Code. This listing is not meant to be complete; if you are unsure whether or not a permit is required for your project, please call the Community Development Services Department at (954) 390-2180. Forms can be found on the Community Development Services Departments webpage. Staff is available to assist and guide property owners and contractors through the building permit process.

A few things to remember when having construction work done in or around your home or business:

- Hire licensed, insured and reputable contractors.
- Get a minimum of three (3) quotes before signing a contract.
- Request references, licenses and insurance information for each contractor. Verify licenses with the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulations at www.myfloridalicense.com.

Please remember that a building permit, where required, must be applied for and acquired before any such work may commence.

Changes have recently occurred in the Community Development Services Department that affect the building permitting and inspection process. Building permit inspection requests are now being accepted until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday for next day inspections. Inspection requests for Monday can be submitted through our online permitting system or facsimile, Friday through Sunday. In the upcoming months, building permit applications will be able to be submitted online.



Kidde Recalls Fire Extinguishers with Plastic Handles Due to Failure to Discharge and Nozzle Detachment: One Death Reported

Name of product: Kidde fire extinguishers with plastic handles

Hazard: The fire extinguishers can become clogged or require excessive force to discharge and can fail to activate during a fire emergency. In addition, the nozzle can detach with enough force to pose an impact hazard.

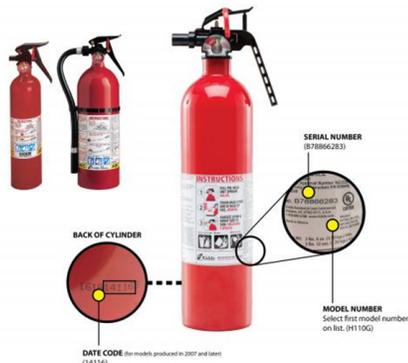
Remedy: Replace

Recall date: November 2, 2017

Recall number: 18-022

Consumer Contact: Kidde toll-free at 855-271-0773 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. ET Saturday and Sunday, or online at www.kidde.com and click on “Product Safety Recall” for more information.

Kidde plastic handle fire extinguishers



Kidde push-button Pindicator fire extinguishers



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (CDS)



Please join the City of Wilton Manors in welcoming new businesses that opened in October and November 2017.

Business Name

Address

Body 20 Global USA	1881 NE 26 St, #101-102
Cornerstone Realty	120 E Oakland Park Blvd 105
Coastal Behavioral Health	1650 NE 26th St., #201
Courtney J Cantrell PsyD	1650 NE 26th St., #201
Wassup Wireless	52 W Oakland Park Blvd.
Marc J Romano ARNP	1881 NE 26th St., #223
Drynk	2255 Wilton Dr.
Neptune's Daughter Tattoo	2412 Wilton Dr.
Garza Massage	1881 NE 26th St., #200
Southern Sands Design	1436 NE 26th St.
Negril Art Gallery	1428 NE 26th St.
Equality Florida	2302 NE 7th Ave.
Sushi Song Gaysha	2223 Wilton Dr.
Arnold Pediatric Dentistry	1749 NE 26th St.
Darshan Center for Spiritual Evolution	1410 NE 26th St

"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:

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



On behalf of the Leisure Services Team, we wish you a Happy New Year. I hope your 2017 was memorable and everything you hoped for. However, if you are looking to meet new friends, experience life enriching opportunities, then look no further than your Leisure Services Team. Set your sight on new goals in 2018 that include using your leisure time to enjoy, reflect, and participate in some of the many activities and events that enhance the quality of life.

Some of the meaningful opportunities that you are certain to enjoy during your leisure time include joining our fitness center, getting your free library card to enjoy a good book at our library, and attending the Tennis Tournament as a participant or spectator. You can also visit the Art Walk Series, attend the Music at Mickel Concert Series, observe the Annual Classical Concert, receive a tree at our Annual Tree Give-Away, volunteer at our Waterway Cleanup, enjoy the Eggstravaganza Spring Festival, experience the excitement at our festive Yard Sales/Book Fairs, attend our vintage Annual Canoe Race and City Anniversary Celebration, enjoy the Stonewall Parade and Street Festival, Parent’s Night, Halloween Spooktacular, Wicked Manors Street Festival, Hawaiian Festival, Taste of the Island, Veterans Day Ceremony, World Aids Day, Holiday Lighting Ceremony, Santa By Sea, Santa’s Enchanted Evening, Senior Activities, Movies in the Park and so much more!

We are truly grateful for your participation and will continue to pursue creating fun, festive and appropriate forums for quality library, parks and recreational programs. You are sure to find an outlet that will boost your morale and improve your health, relationships and meaning of life with one of our many opportunities from toddler development programs, Brains and Balance, Boot Camp, kayak and waterway programs, table tennis, asphalt and hydro-grid tennis courts, state of the art indoor fitness center, outdoor fitness zones and walking trails, nature walking trails, brand new playground and splash pad and so much more! I am really looking forward to joining you in 2018 for many more enjoyable and meaningful experiences.

To expand your growth, and experience why life is just better here, visit your local parks and library today. There is so much here for you right in your backyard. Please visit us online at wiltonmanors.com/parks for more details regarding our activities, events, park hours, fees, volunteer opportunities and programming. Also, feel free to contact one of our Guest Services Leaders at (954) 390-2130.

*** FACILITY RENTALS*** (954) 390-2130

Whether you're planning a wedding reception for 99 or a business meeting for 10, check out the City of Wilton Manors Island City Park Preserve and Richardson Historic Park & Nature Preserve



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

Richardson Historic Park & Nature Preserve—Check out our 5.4 acre park that features a river board walk and boat dock, observation pier, pavilion area, nature trails, restroom facility, courtyard, natural habitat areas and Historic Manor House and Carriage House.



Leisure Services Department Presents...**(954) 390-2130*****B.A.S.H******(Don't miss out)******School started on August 21ST and don't be left out.******BEFORE AND AFTER CARE***

Where is the "BEST" place to send your children before and 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 before and after a long school day.

Register at the Hagen Park Community Center at 2020 Wilton Drive

**SCHOOL DAYS-OUT PROGRAM 2017-2018**

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 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. A field trip or special activity will be a part of the day. The cost of the program ranges from \$13.00 to \$28.00 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 NE 28th Street. Upcoming dates are: January 8, 2018, February 19, 2018, March 23, 2018 and May 25, 2018.

ADVENTURE SPRING CAMP 2018

March 26-March 30, 2018 (Closing at 2:00pm on March 30th)

Island City Park Preserve
823 NE 28th Street, Wilton Manors
7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.



This Spring Camp is a highly structured five day camp with the ultimate in fun planned for the holiday vacation. The program is sponsored by the City of Wilton Manors and is planned and supervised by "seasoned" and certified recreation and child care professionals from our after school program.

Register now for a Spring Camp to remember!

Deadline: Friday, March 9, 2018.

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

Bring or mail completed form with payment to Hagen Park,

2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors between 7 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. p.m. Friday; Saturday 8 a.m.-12p.m.

Participants: Any child in school -Pre-Kindergarten through eighth grade may participate.

Wilton Manors resident fee: \$100.00/\$85.00 second child

Non-resident fee: \$125.00/\$100.00 second child

Single day fee: Resident -\$25.00/ Non-Resident- \$30.00

T-Shirts: Child -\$10.00/ Adult -\$12.00 (Child must wear T-Shirt)

Fees include all trips, activities, daily lunch and afternoon snack.

NOW OFFERING
BEFORE SCHOOL CARE AT
WILTON MANORS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

LEISURE SERVICES: (954) 390-2130

New Dance Cardio Classes at Island City Park Preserve

For people wanting to have fun and improve their health and fitness in a fun, non-judging atmosphere, Island City Park Preserve is now having 14 [Jazz Cardio](#) classes a week!

[The Jazz Cardio program](#) fuses dance, resistance training, Pilates, yoga, kickboxing in a friendly, supportive environment. Choreographed using a variety today’s top music including pop, hip-hop, alternative, country, rock, and more, every class includes cardio, strength, stretching.

For more information, stop by the park or call/text (754) 224-8244. Start any time – just arrive 15 minutes before the class is scheduled to begin. Start for free in January with no joining fee and no monthly payment until February. Come give it a try!

[Island City Park Jazz Cardio Schedule](#)

Weekday Mornings
9am ~ Monday ~ Wed ~ Thur

Evenings

5:30pm ~ Mon ~ Tues ~ Wed ~ Thurs EXPRESS
6:35pm ~ Mon ~ Tues ~ Wednesday

Weekends

8:30am ~ Saturday ~ Sunday
9:35am ~ Saturday ~ Sunday

[Class Cost](#)

\$49 Unlimited Monthly Class Pass EFT/12 months, \$50 joining fee
\$55 Unlimited Monthly Class Pass EFT/6 months, \$70 joining fee
\$20 Day Pass

Two months Unlimited Classes cash/check \$130 Family Plan \$87 Monthly Class Pass EFT/6 mo. Minimum (unlimited classes immediate family members)



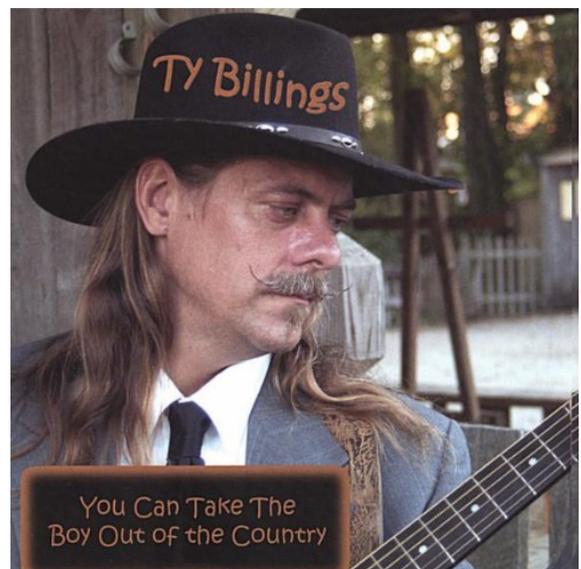
ISLAND CITY TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The annual Island City Tennis Tournament is coming up Saturday & Sunday, March 3rd and 4th! Inquire at Hagen Park or contact our PGTA Tennis Pro, Donna Kocyba at (954) 390-2132 or email her at: donnatennis1@aol.com for more information.

LIVE MUSIC AT 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 bands and music. Inna Sense will be bringing the reggae and rock on Friday, January 19. Ty Billings Band performs rock and classic rock on Friday February 16. Caribbean Chillers, a Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band, will taking the stage Friday, March 16, and Across the Universe, a Beatles Tribute Band will close our concert series out on Friday, April 20, 2018.

All concerts will be held at Mickel Park from 7:30pm to 9:30pm. Overflow parking is available at St Clements Church, with a shuttle service available every 10 minutes. Please bring a lawn chair or blanket. Food trucks and cash bar available on site.



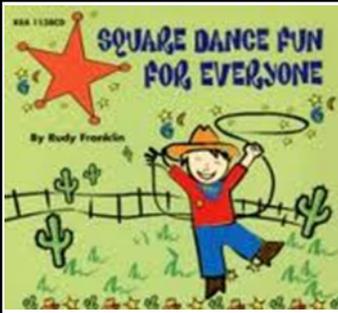


ISLAND CITY-WIDE YARD SALES

The City of Wilton Manors will sponsor four City-Wide Yard Sales at Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Drive, this season, on the second Saturday of December 2017 – March 2018. The City Yard Sales will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Spaces are currently available to purchase for the February 10th yard sale. Last year, the yard sales hosted 60 to 90 vendors, so register early while there is still space. Tents, Chairs and Tables are available for rental. For space reservations at Hagen Park and information, please call the Leisure Services Department.

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.



Yee Haa!!! - Square Dance FUN!

Come on out and kick up your heels for a stomping good time and learn to Circle Left/Right, Do Sa Do, Forward This beginner's class is a great way to meet new people, exercise, and have a lot of fun. Held every Thursday from 7:00 p.m.–9:30 p.m. at Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street in Wilton Manors. The cost is only \$5.00 per class. For more information call (954) 390-2115.



...for these upcoming events:

Island City Yard Sale, Saturday, Jan 13/Feb 10/Mar 10 - 8a.m.-2p.m. Hagen Park

Mickel Concert Series, Friday, Jan 19/Feb 16/Mar 16/April 20 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Art EXPO, Saturday, Jan 20/Feb 17/Mar 17 from 6-9 p.m.—Wilton Drive

Island City Tennis Tournament, Saturday/Sunday, March 3 & 4 - Hagen Park

Spring Eggstravaganza, Saturday, March 24—10a.m.-12 p.m. at St. Clements (225 NW 29th St.)



Calling All Volunteers!!

As part of our strategic plan, the City is examining ways to grow our ability to help others.

One very important resource for Wilton Manors is its people! Would you like to contribute? The City is seeking volunteers.

The vision for the volunteer program is to extend into the Wilton Manors community including coordination with local non-profit agencies and assistance for residents in need.

If you would like to become a City of Wilton Manors volunteer or have ideas on how to enhance the volunteer program, please visit www.wiltonmanors.com to download and complete an application or send an e-mail to volunteer@wiltonmanors.com.

Capital Projects & Grants Update

Third Annual Free Tree Giveaway

The third annual Free Tree Giveaway will be held on Saturday, January 20, 2018 at Mickel Park. The event will start at 9 AM. Supplies are limited and will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Residents will be able to choose from several different tree and shrub species. Each household will be allocated at least two trees and one shrub (more if possible) and proof of residency is required. Prior to receiving plant material, residents will be required to visit educational stations such as National Wildlife Federation, proper planting and pruning, tree selection, and “right plant – right place”.

Trees in your neighborhood

When landscaping your home or business, remember to:

- » Plant only small trees and shrubs in areas adjacent to power lines.
- » Keep medium and large trees, including palms, at a safe distance from power lines.
- » Keep transformers clear of vegetation at all times.



Nature-In-Art Contest & Recycled Materials Art Contest

We are accepting photographs for the City's second **Nature-In-Art Contest**. The photos must be taken within the city limits of Wilton Manors. Suggested subjects include birds, butterflies, water, plants, or animals. With your submission include the photo date, location, a description, and your name and contact information. Please note that photos may be edited and used in social media and/or displayed at Art Gallery 21 (Woman's Club) in the future. Up to 5 photos per person may be submitted. The deadline has been extended to March 15. Email (jpeg) photos to naturephotos@wiltonmanors.com or mail them to Todd DeJesus, 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305.



We are also accepting submissions for a **Recycled Materials Art Contest**. At least 95% of the art must be from recycled or reused materials and the final product must fit through a standard door and weigh less than 50 pounds. One entry per individual or team.

There will be an exhibit showcasing entries from both contests at Art Gallery 21 (Woman's Club) from April 14 – May 5, 2018.

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



THE LIBRARY CORNER

Want to see more programs at the Library?

Do you need tips on Florida gardening? Are you interested in knowing how to keep your pet healthy and happy? Would you like to hear about hiking in Alaska? What ever your interest or need, tell us. We are seeking ideas and suggestions from you. Call us at (954) 390-2195 and let us know what programs *you'd* like to see.

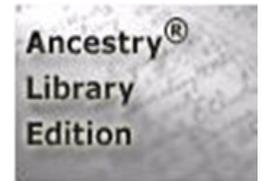
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Did You Know...?

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. Ancestry.com, the world's most popular consumer online family history resource, is available at your Library thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Wilton Manors 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.



Fun at the Library

The Wilton Manors Library has programs and activities for the whole family.

Wednesday Evening Fun. Come to the Library every Wednesday evening at 5:30 for Lego fun or a chance to Read with Dogs (on alternate Wednesdays). Call the Library at 954-390-2195, visit us at 500 NE 26th St., or check the City Calendar at www.wiltonmanors.com for our schedule.

Toddler 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! Relevant age-appropriate books will be offered for check-out.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please call (954) 390-2195 and ask for Jill.

Friends Of The Wilton Manors Library

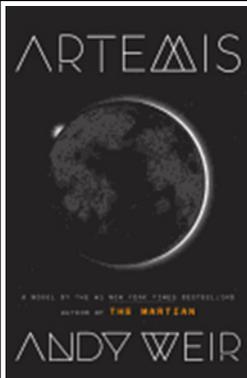


Want to help the Library? Join the Friends! The Friends of the Library is a volunteer group that exists to enrich the cultural and educational opportunities within our community. The Friends provide funding for the Library's extensive DVD, and audio book collections. They also sponsor Library programs throughout the year and provide funding for many of the Library's electronic resources. Membership applications are available at the Library.

The Friends of the Library will once again erect their Book Tent at the City Yard Sale on Saturday, January 13th, from 8 am to 2 pm. The Yard Sale is located in the City Hall parking lot at 2020 Wilton Dr. You will find used books, CDs, audio books, DVDs, and videos in exchange for a small donation. Top sellers range from books on tape to children's DVDs, from cookbooks to gardening manuals. All donations benefit the Library. The Friends will also take your donations of books and audio and video materials at the Book Tent, or you may drop them off at the Library, at 500 NE 26th Street.



New Books @ Your Library



Andy Weir, the bestselling author of *The Martian*, returns with an irresistible new near-future thriller, *Artemis* – a heist story set on the moon’s one and only city, Artemis. Sort-of-criminal Jazz sees the chance to commit the perfect crime, with a reward too lucrative to turn down. But pulling off the impossible is just the start of her problems, as she learns she’s stepped square into a conspiracy for control of Artemis itself.

In *God*, Reza Aslan, the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *Zealot* and host of *Believer* explores humanity’s quest to make sense of the divine, and sounds a call to embrace a deeper understanding of God.

Precious Ramotswe and Grace Makutsi investigate a new mystery and learn valuable lessons about first impressions and forgiveness in *The House of Unexpected Sisters*, the latest installment of Alexander McCall Smith’s irresistibly charming, perennially bestselling No. 1 Ladies’ Detective Agency series.

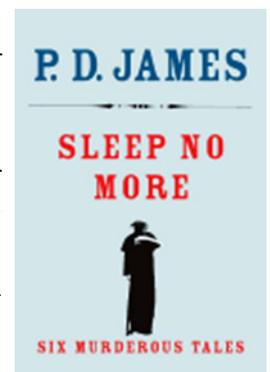
In *Growing Up Fisher*, actress, director, and entertainer Joely Fisher invites readers backstage into the intimate world of her career and family with a hilarious, irreverent, down-to-earth memoir filled with incredible, candid stories about her life, her famous parents, and how the loss of her unlikely hero, sister Carrie Fisher, ignited the writer in her.

In *Renegades* comes a high-stakes world of adventure, passion, danger, and betrayal from Marissa Meyer, the #1 New York Times bestselling author of the *Lunar Chronicles*.

In *An Appeal to the World*, briefly and urgently His Holiness the Dalai Lama addresses our time of division, calling on us to draw upon our shared humanity to overcome the rancor, mistrust, and divisiveness that threaten world peace and sustainability.

Sleep No More contains six previously uncollected stories from P.D. James, the beloved “Queen of Crime” and author of *Death Comes to Pemberley* and other classic whodunits – swift, cunning murder mysteries from throughout her extraordinary career.

Drawing on newly released government tapes, documents, and other fresh information, *The Mafia’s President* by Don Fulsom offers a carefully reported, deeply researched account of Richard Nixon’s secret connections to America’s top crime lords.



LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Library is looking for people interested in volunteering. Programming assistant; book reader; clerical worker; housekeeping volunteer; shelf reader. Opportunities exist for whatever your interests or skills.

This month’s featured volunteer opportunity:

Audiovisual Volunteer

Task Description: Check and clean CDs and DVDs
 When does the task have to be done? Ongoing
 What day and time? Any time the library is open
 How often does it need to be done? 1 day a week
 Approximately how much time is involved? 2 to 3 hours

If you are interested in this position, or want to volunteer in any capacity, call us at 954-390-2195. Make a difference @ your library.

Gone With the Wind...Storm

By Benjamin B. Little

Friends of the Wilton Manors Library

The Friends of the Wilton Manors Library is pleased to announce that our January speaker for our Cultural Series will be Rose Bechard-Butman. **The program will be at the Richard C. Sullivan Public Library of Wilton Manors. The Happy Half Hour starts at 6:30 p. m. with the lecture at 7:00 on Thursday, January 25th.**

Rose is the NatureScape Broward Outreach Coordinator, organizing programs and community projects that support sustainable landscapes and wildlife habitat. If you moved to Florida from New England, you know that the possibilities for your yard are a great more sophisticated than the oak and maple trees at your former home which are buried in snow for half the year.

How much sun do you get, where? Many of us have sprinklers – what plants need how much water? Wild creatures are fun to watch and if they are not exactly living in harmony, they are living in balance. We have invasive species which just eat everything in sight. How do you discourage them?



Rose's talk "Gone With the Wind ... Storm"

will address the fact that many of us have to take a big step back to reassess our yards. Happily, there was not a lot of damage to buildings from Irma in Wilton Manors. Judging from how high our swales were piled with destroyed vegetation, Mother Nature took a big hit.

Rose is an International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certified Arborist, Florida Master Gardener and a National Wildlife Habitat Steward. She serves on the Broward County Extension Overall Advisory Council and the Regional Advisory Council for the University of Florida Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences. She is a board member of the South Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society, as well as numerous other local boards. Rose was a member of the initial task force for NatureScape Broward and is active in the National Wildlife Federation Flyways Coalition. Her home is registered as a National Wildlife Federation Backyard Wildlife Habitat. Rose has appeared nationally on *Designing Spaces*, locally on NBC 6 South Florida Today Show's *Gardening Tips*, and Bob Haehle's *Gardening Show* on WIOD radio.

The 26th Street Bridge to Federal Highway

by Benjamin B. Little – Wilton Manors Historical Society

William C. Collier moved here from Texas about 1890, and he established an orange orchard on the northeast of what is now the Eastside. The entire area was sparsely populated and devoted to farming.

About 1920, the “Florida Frenzy” started, with a wild building boom. Edward J. (Ned) Willingham arrived and, after a couple of other enterprises, platted “Wilton Manors.” The northern border was Prospect Road (now NE 26th Street) from what is now Andrews Avenue to the FEC tracks and Dixie Highway. Willingham created Wilton Boulevard and Five Points. Prospect Road would have continued east to service the farms, but it did not show up on a 1929 plat of the area.

Not much happened after the crash of 1926 until after WWII. The 1953 Dolph map of the Eastside shows all of the Eastside platted.

The September 25, 1952 edition of the *Wilton Oakland Sun* newspaper headlined that the link from Five Points to Federal Highway was about to start!!!! The bridge was expected to be finished in 55 days and the 28 foot wide roadway in about 60. Interestingly, the road connecting the bridge with Federal Highway had not been finalized. The entire project was privately funded by the real-estate developers on the Eastside.

The developers sponsoring the Sunday, December 21, 1952 opening festivities included Coral Gardens, Middle River Estates, and Coral Point. About 2,000 people attended the opening ceremony of the bridge. There was a drawing for prizes, available to people who had driven over the bridge. First prize

was the 1952 equivalent of an expensive entertainment center. Third prize was a Schwinn bicycle. It was estimated that 4,000 cars had passed over the bridge by midnight.

Mayor Perry Mickel opened the ceremony. Congressman Dwight Rogers acted as master of ceremonies. There were politicians from Wilton Manors, Oakland Park, and Fort Lauderdale in attendance. Rogers paid tribute to former Wilton Manors Mayor, Dave Turner who, as a local developer, had been instrumental in making the project happen, as well as contributing to its construction. The bridge was a big deal for Wilton Manors. Wilton Manors was essentially landlocked to the east. The new bridge opened all of Wilton Manors, but particularly the new development on the Eastside.

In August 1953, James Dean announced the construction of Manor Gate Shopping Center. It was not built as advertised. Dean and Turner offered to donate land to the City to build a new City Hall here, but were rebuffed by businessmen who did not want to shift the focus of “downtown” from Wilton Drive.

On August 28, 2004, the bridge was dedicated to James C. Dean, the last surviving principle of the development of the area.



This is only part of many hundreds jamming the new 26 Street-Galt Blvd. bridge over Middle River Sunday afternoon for the grand opening of the new span which now gives Wilton Manors a direct connection with Federal highway and a shorter route to the beach. Completion of the bridge is expected to quickly accelerate the already rapid development of this entire area.

WILTON MANORS HISTORICAL SOCIETY



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**Art
Gallery
21** presents ...
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JANUARY 6-27, 2018

The Art of Robert Gross & Celia Diaz, et al

Meet the Artists at 7 PM on Saturday, January 6th

Open 6-8 PM for ART EXPO on January 20th

FEBRUARY 3-MAR 10, 2018

Celebrating African American History Month With

The Quilts of Gee's Bend

The Fabric of Their Lives

Exhibit includes two lectures by Jan Dolan, Gee's Bend

Quilters Advocate, on February 3 at Art Gallery 21

and on February 8 at Old Dillard School

QUILT EXHIBIT HOURS:

Thursday, Friday & Saturday 12 Noon to 8 PM



Funding for this project is provided in part by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, as recommended by the Broward Cultural Council.

CALL or TEXT 954-661-4740

Volunteer Opportunities Available

600 NE 21 Court, in the former
Woman's Club of Wilton Manors
Wilton Manors, FL 33305

www.artgallery21.org



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
 After School Program (M-F) 2:30pm—6:30pm

Wilton Manors Elementary School
 Hagen Park Tennis Center
 Wilton Manors Elementary School



Monday

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

Hagen Park Community Center
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 Mickel Park Pavilion



Tuesday

Fitness Center 7:00am—9:00pm
 Ping Pong 10:00am—11:00am
 Storytime 10:30am—11:30am
 Hula Lessons 7:00pm—9:00pm

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 1st Christian Preschool
 Hagen Park Community Center



Wednesday

Fitness Center 7:00am—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
 Boot Camp 7:00pm—8:00pm

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Thursday

Fitness Center 7:00am—9:00pm
 Chair Yoga 10:00am—11:00am
 Square Dancing 6:30pm—9:30pm
 Dog Obedience Class 6:30pm—9:00pm

Hagen Park Community Center
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 Island City Park Preserve
 Hagen Park



Friday

Fitness Center 7:00am—6:00pm
 Boot Camp 7:00pm—8:00pm

Hagen Park Community Center
 Mickel Park Pavilion

Saturday

Fitness Center 8:00am—12:00pm

Hagen Park Community Center



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Equality Florida
Welcome to Wilton Manors!



This issue of the Town Crier contains the **2018 Resident Satisfaction Survey!**
Please remove the survey from the very center of this issue, and complete and return it by January 31, 2018.
Business Reply Postage will be paid by the City.
Please fold the survey so the address is showing, tape it closed and drop it in the mail to our facilitator!

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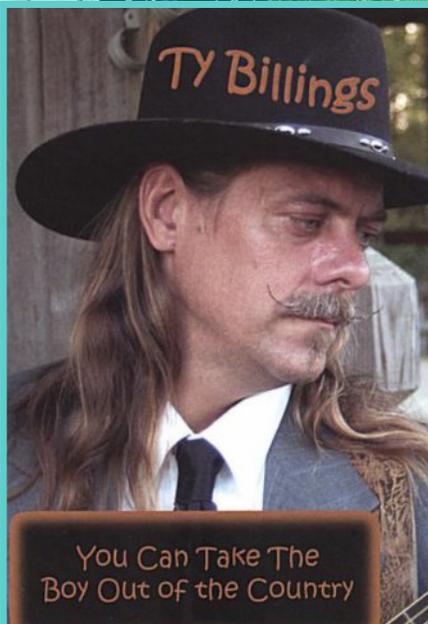


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