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Life's Just Better Here

Your Guide To What's Happening In The Island City

July/August 2018



**Friends of the Wilton Manors Library Summer Book Fair
Inside Hagen Park Community Center
Saturday, July 14, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

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The rain did not dampen the spirit of the participants in the Annual Canoe Race and City Anniversary event that was held Saturday, May 19th.



CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 1
 Congressman Deutch
 Community Outreach-1st
 Wednesday—most months
 10:30 a.m.—12 p.m.
 Commission Chambers
 The Regular Commission
 Meeting that would occur
 Tuesday, August 14th is
CANCELLED
 For Summer Recess



Mark your calendar for:
 Woof & Wine
 Thursday, September 13th
 5-7pm Colohatchee Park

Wednesday, July 4
 Independence Day Holiday
 City Offices Closed
 Monday, September 3
 Labor Day Holiday
 City Offices Closed

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
No Meeting In July	Wed July 11	No Meeting In July	Tues Sept 4	Mon July 9	Thurs Aug 16
Wed Aug 1	Wed Aug 8	No Meeting In Aug	Meets Quarterly	Mon Aug 13	Meets Every 2 Months
Wed Sept 5	Wed Sept 12	Thurs Sept 20		Mon Sept 17	

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.



The City’s newest parking lot is 23@23—23 spaces at the corner of NE 11th Avenue and 23rd Drive, one block east of Wilton Drive. This new parking lot is the City’s first “pay-by-app” only lot, using the convenient Parkmobile smartphone app. Parking is free every day until 6p.m., then \$1.50 per hour from 6p.m.-3a.m., 7 days a week.

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:

Thursday, July 19 **Thursday, August 23** **Recycling Day: Thursday**

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

Tuesday, July 17 **Tuesday, August 21** **Recycling Day: Friday**

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

Wednesday, July 18 **Wednesday, August 22** **Recycling Day: Wednesday**



Document Shredding-City Hall parking lot Sat. Aug 25 9-11am * Condo bulk pickup (quarterly): Saturday, Sept 22

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.

AT YOUR DOOR-HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PICK-UP



Residents in single family homes can contact Waste Management AtYourDoorSM (by phone: 1-800-449-7587 or by e-mail: atyourdoor@wm.com) to schedule a pickup.

The AtYourDoorSM 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 7am 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 7pm. 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 AtYourDoorSM directly to schedule a pickup.

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.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE CITY’S E-NEWS AND STAY INFORMED ON AM1630

Don’t forget to sign up for the City of Wilton Manors e-news service to begin receiving important City information. The City sends weekly e-mail updates and reminders to members of the service. Subscribe at www.wiltonmanors.com by clicking on “Connect with Us” at the top of the page. You will be able to choose the types of notifications you wish to receive, and you may unsubscribe at any time.

Don’t forget to tune in your radio to AM1630 before, during and after a storm for updates from the City of Wilton Manors and the National Weather Service.

Message from Mayor Resnick

Happy 50th to Florida Home Rule! What is Home Rule and Why Does it Matter?



This year marks the 50th anniversary of Constitutional Home Rule in the State of Florida. Prior to 1968, Florida's cities and counties were only able to enact local laws after approval of the state legislature. This not only bogged down state government but also created a system where the most local of needs were being debated by members of the Florida legislature with less familiarity and contact with the local community and without the ability to make decisions in a diligent fashion for a benefit of a particular community.

One size doesn't fit all. Wilton Manors is a unique community, as is each city. Can you imagine legislators from throughout Florida deciding our local property maintenance regulations, zoning districts, purchasing decisions, traffic control devices, building permitting, what local community events we could host, and police and fire operations?

In 1968, Florida voters approved an amendment to the Florida Constitutional granting Home Rule power to municipalities, affirming their authority to perform government functions except as pre-empted by law. Home Rule is the ability of cities to establish their form of government through a charter, and to enact ordinances, codes, and resolutions without first asking for approval from Tallahassee. This allows local representatives to make the decisions that are most desired, needed, and appropriate for their own neighborhoods and communities.

We have some troubling concerns, though. Home Rule is under assault by our state representatives who are lobbied to preempt local authority. Each year, highly-paid lobbyists representing special interest groups have successfully pushed bills that preempt local governments from exercising their constitutional Home Rule authority. Just last session, there was a bill that would eliminate cities' and counties' ability to regulate businesses in any way. Really! For example, we would not be able to regulate where various goods and services could be sold, hours of operation, or any other business regulations. Another bill proposed that cities could no longer require permits for tree removal – any developer could remove all trees on a property with no restrictions. Yet another – obtained with the help of 90 lobbyists hired by AT&T and others -- restricted cities and counties from regulating telecommunications facilities that communications and cable companies seek to install within the rights-of-way. Did you get that? Telecommunications companies can build, with limited local regulation, towers and facilities on publicly-controlled property in front of your homes and businesses. We understand that private property owners have the right to use their property and businesses need flexibility and some common standards such as the Florida Building Code, that apply throughout the State. However, local regulations are needed to ensure that uses of property and business operations do not harm the quality of life of residents or interfere with other businesses. Imagine a company's generators to be able to operate in residential areas all ours of day and night, or Sprint building a new tower on a Wilton Drive sidewalk that restricted patrons from enjoying a restaurant or business. The special interests are attempting to severely restrict our communities and because they are bigger, wealthier, can hire dozens of lobbyists, and are relentless, are making gains.

This is why organizations like the Florida League of Cities matter. It allows the 412 cities in Florida to pool our resources, work together, and have a fighting chance to protect our communities. I not only believe that Home Rule authority is the foundation of local democracy and self-governance but I have volunteered countless hours and days fighting to protect it. Because I care so much about Home Rule, I am extremely honored that the Florida League of Cities has once again selected me as a Home Rule Hero. I will continue to work hard with my colleagues to protect our communities and preserve Wilton Manors' and all other cities' constitutionally-granted rights.

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact me at GResnick@wiltonmanors.com or (954) 390-2123. Thank you for your continued support!

Vice Mayor Justin S. Flippen—Budget Preparedness



Being a responsible fiscal steward of your tax dollars is one of the most important roles I have as your elected public official. As we enter budget preparation, we have two significant issues impacting our fiscal future. The first is the increase in our assessed property values. The second is the foreseeable passage of the additional homestead exemption on this year's ballot. Both of these items have a direct impact on our city budget.

The Broward County Property Appraiser's recently released estimate of taxable value reflects another year of growth for us with the total taxable value for Wilton Manors, inclusive of new construction, having increased by 7.73% (down from our 12.76% increase last year) and property values excluding the value of new construction up 7.56% (down from a 8.83% increase last year). Our city is pretty much tracking the county's average increase of 7.74%. What this means is that if the tax millage rate stays the same, the average homeowner with a Save Our

Homes homestead exemption would likely see only a minor increase in out of pocket city-assessed property taxes. I have often felt that absent the city demonstrating a budget necessity or shortfall, as property values go up, the tax rate should come down to limit what you pay in city taxes to only what is needed.

In light of the forthcoming November ballot measure that would add an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption to residential property, the city anticipates a loss in annual revenue around \$330,000 as \$55.5 million (or roughly 4.3%) would be taken off the tax roll if the ballot measure passes. To keep or improve our city operations, my approach to this city's budget process will be two-fold. First, I want to remain ahead of the curve to fiscally prepare our city for the likely loss in annual revenue from the additional homestead exemption. Second, I want whatever comes out of your pockets in city taxes to be fully justified and to not sacrifice the standards of city services or our quality of life we have come to expect in the Island City.

Therefore, I invite you to take part in and look forward to the upcoming budget dialogue we will have, knowing that properly managing your tax dollars and avoiding fiscal irresponsibility are reasons why 'life's just better here' in Wilton Manors.

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

In your service,

Justin S. Flippen, J.D.

Vice Mayor and "The People's Commissioner"

Commissioner Julie Carson—Foster Care, Stonewall & Independence Day



On May 23, the City celebrated National Foster Care Month by honoring devoted foster parents who add a measure of security and stability to the lives of abused or neglected children and teens. These caring adults often form meaningful lifetime connections and are a supportive presence in the lives of these youth until they reunite safely with their parents, are cared for by relatives, or are adopted by loving families. Sadly, every year, over 27,000 youth "age out" of foster care without a permanent family, or the emotional, financial, and housing support necessary to succeed.

Locally, ChildNet serves as the Community Based Care lead agency. It is the single private non-profit entity responsible for managing the local system of services and supports for the communities' most vulnerable children. Kids in Distress, Inc. is located in Wilton Manors, and creates strong community partnerships that are driven by compassion, trust, and safety for children and teens in need.

Foster Care month provides an opportunity to shine a light on the positive experiences of children and youth in the foster care systems, and the accomplishments of providers like ChildNet and KIDS. It also serves to raise awareness of the urgent needs of foster kids and to encourage individuals to get involved as foster or adoptive parents, volunteers, mentors, or guardians with the hope of making a positive impact on a young life. Please consider serving the foster care community in one of these ways.

June was Pride Month, and the City joined together with thousands in the LGBT community, our friends, family and Allies to recognize the Stonewall Riots that prompted our ensuing struggle for LGBT and civil rights in the United States. This local event is known world-wide as the premier celebration of LGBT life and culture. Highlighted by a parade and dozens of vendors, Stonewall Wilton Manors has an economic impact on the City measured in the millions of dollars!

The Fourth of July follows and remarkably ties the celebrations of May, June and July together with the common threads of Freedom, Individuality, and Independence. As we celebrate our country's Independence, the values illustrated through our foster care system and the cause for equality intersect with the Freedoms framed in our Constitution. Three glorious months of opportunity and celebration that add to a year of why *Life's Just Better Here* in our Island City.

As always, please share your comments and concerns with me at (954) 288-8174 or by email at jcarson@wiltonmanors.com.

Commissioner Tom Green—What's New In Green's World

A working group comprised of department directors and other key staff was created last year to examine the City Code and Unified Land Development Regulations chapter by chapter. Among other things, the group is in the process of deleting obsolete provisions and adding new provisions to incentivize businesses and residents to “think green”. I am particularly interested in provisions to make installation of solar technology in the home much easier and to encourage greater water and energy efficiency. Plans are being discussed to also address building setbacks, zoning changes and building heights.

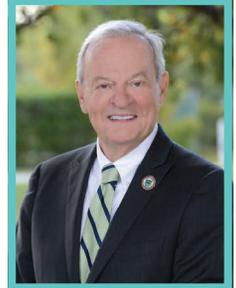
Back in February city staff held an Open House at Hagan Park to encourage people to voice their opinions and concerns about existing regulations and the need for changes. Staff is expected to soon bring these ideas to the Commission for approval. Do you have an idea about a needed change? It's still not too late to add comments about this holistic review of the building codes and ordinances that govern our City. Give a call to Community Development Services Department at (954) 390-2180.

I think we have to undergo more planning for the effects that rising sea levels will have on our “island city”. We have seen the effects that the “king tides” are having on sections of Hollywood and the Las Olas Isles neighborhood of Ft Lauderdale. Sometimes water levels are so high that homeowners put up “no wake” signs to discourage drivers from sending “waves” onto their property. Street flooding is now an expected and regular event. The Alton Road area of Miami Beach has had to install massive pumps to clear their flooding and parts of Wilton Manors has water issues during heavy rains and high tides. But the problem is more complicated than that. Rising sea levels make us more vulnerable to storm damage, impedes eastward drainage flow, and have accelerated saltwater intrusion.

On May 24th I represented Wilton Manors at a countywide meeting of cities to discuss the threat of climate change to Broward's cities and possible changes in local codes to react to the problem. Some cities are now building their roads higher (a problem for adjacent property), building higher seawalls, and requiring higher building pads for new construction. At the meeting I mentioned that Wilton Manors has a new multi-family development in the works that will have a higher seawall and have no housing on the ground floor of a four-story building. Perhaps this should be encouraged. We also have a problem, as do adjacent cities, of boat clearance under our already low bridges.

The Stonewall Pride Celebration was another successful event that brought thousands of visitors and residents to the Drive. Quite an economic boost to our community. Next year's event should really be interesting after construction begins late this year on the Drive. And we should remember the significance and history of all holidays and festivals including Stonewall.

As always contact with your suggestions and comments at (954) 290-0561 or tgreen@wiltonmanors.com.



Commissioner Scott Newton—See Something, Say Something



One of the reasons our Island City stands “head and shoulders” above the rest is because of our home town values. We know (or at least know *of*) our neighbors, and most of us take care of each other. As someone who has lived in Wilton Manors my entire life, I really believe that this principle makes us a healthier community.

Recently my wife and I were walking the dogs in our Coral Gardens neighborhood when I smelled something burning. After looking around, I followed my nose and saw a small puff of smoke behind a six foot fence. I looked over the fence, saw flames, and called 911. Then I jumped the fence, grabbed a hose, and put out the fire. The fire-fighters were probably disappointed, and I sure am glad that my neighbor didn't have a Rottweiler waiting for me on the other side. But when I knocked on the door and saw the 2 dogs through the window, watched the fire spread near the vent to the house attic, I was afraid that the roof could go up in flames if I waited on the fire truck. I acted

on instinct, knowing that I would want my neighbors to do the same for me if they saw what I saw over that fence. So if you see something, say something.

As we enter the 2018 hurricane season, please be sure you are prepared to be self-sufficient for *at least* 3-5 days. While you're preparing, take a moment to look at the homes around your own. Is there a neighbor nearby who is elderly or handicapped or maybe just alone? If you are able, maybe you could check in with them and ask if they need help getting ready for storm season. If you have neighbors who may be vulnerable during and after a storm, encourage them to register with the City. We have a dedicated group of staff and volunteers who work hard to check in with vulnerable folks before and after a storm, and to help wherever possible. More information can be found at <http://www.wiltonmanors.com/249/Special-Needs-Database>.

One lesson we learned well from Hurricane Irma was that overgrown trees and trees near power lines strongly contributed to power outages. An important part of storm prep is trimming your trees away from power lines. If the tree is on my property, trimming is my responsibility. Be smart, and hire someone to do the work who is certified in line clearing by FPL. Learn more at:

<https://www.fpl.com/reliability/trees.html>.

It is my honor to serve as your commissioner, and I want to hear from you. You can reach me at (954) 390-2120 or email to snewton@wiltonmanors.com.



Chief O'Connell-Police Office Super Stars 2017!



2017 was a special year for our community as we saw a reduction in our **Uniform Crime Report (UCR)** numbers (the seven Part I crimes are: Homicide, Aggravated Assault, Sexual Battery, Burglary, Larceny, Robbery and Auto Theft). The total number of Part One crimes is then factored against our 2017 population to give a "**Crime Rate.**" Our community's 2017 number was **4.32 Part One Crimes per capita**; the lowest **UCR** in the past 20+ years! WMPD has many excellent employees all of whom contributed in 2017. Here are five employees we honored as our "**super stars.**"

Detective Patrick Newton was selected as our Employee of the Quarter for the **1st Quarter of 2017**. In February 2017, a high profile armed robbery occurred in the CANA area. Detective Newton was assigned the investigation which included little evidence other than a grainy surveillance video. With that snippet of information, Patrick worked his street sources and developed a suspect. Within 48 hours two suspects were arrested and interviewed. Confessions were secured and two additional suspects were identified and arrested within two days. Detective Newton has also been a vital member of the Broward County Gang Task Force which has helped glean information regarding gang activity in our area. This information has been shared with our entire Department in our continuing effort to curb the nexus of crime related to gang activity.

Officer William Findlan was our *Officer of the Quarter (2017 2nd quarter)* based on his work ethic as he took the lead to train all of our employees on the use of *NARCAN* in our effort to mitigate the wrath of the opioid epidemic. Our police department had several "saves" in 2017 as officers applied the *NARCAN* as trained by Officer Findlan and brought back victims who had overdosed. In addition, Bill was awarded a Life Saving Award when he entered the canal waters just off the Colohatchee boat ramp to rescue two children who fell from their overturned wave runner and were struggling to stay afloat.

Administrative Coordinator Julie Kunz was selected as our *Employee of the Quarter (2017 3rd quarter)* for her unwavering support of the home we call the Wilton Manors Police Department. In September 2017, as Hurricane Irma approached, she went into hyper drive as she planned for the many meals for all our troops for the time frames of pre-storm and storm landfall. She coordinated the shopping, the preparation and the delivery of these meals. This was not an easy task with which to deal; especially in light of her having to care for her own family at the same time. Then, she rode out the storm with the troops staying in the station to ensure the needs of the troops were serviced as they tended to their heightened patrol duties under difficult conditions. Grateful cannot begin to summarize how we felt about Julie's service during this challenging time.

Officer Michael Havemann was our *Officer of the Quarter (2017 4th quarter)* for his diligent work in keeping our community safe. For example, during the late night hours of a December evening Officer Havemann was working a Burglary Suppression operation when he encountered two individuals as they emerged from an unlit area of a residential neighborhood. He investigated and discovered four other individuals who were also prowling the area. All six were arrested and post arrest intelligence confirmed that they were indeed "casing the neighborhood" for potential burglary targets. No doubt Officer Havemann's actions prevented some crimes from being committed.

Officer Fernando Arias was our *Officer of the Year (2017)*. Knowing that our community values traffic safety, Officer Arias made it a priority to provide a balanced approach to education and enforcement of our traffic laws as in 2017 he wrote over 480 citations. Traffic stops often lead to other criminal intelligence and that rang true in December when he stopped a car for a traffic violation. A records check revealed the driver to be on probation out of Palm Beach County for a violent felony; with a restriction not to leave the County. The driver was challenged on this and fled the scene (per policy, no car chase began). Working with our Detective Bureau and the Palm Beach State Attorney's Office, the subject was located, arrested and his probation was revoked. Thus, our streets were made a little safer as a result of his work. Some statistical facts which demonstrated his work ethic throughout 2017 were as follows: 81 arrests (28 of which were felonies); 157 field interviews (meaning he walked our streets and made contact with people) and over 270 offense reports (meaning he did not shy away from the paperwork). Taken together, Officer Arias earned the respect of his peers who selected him as our **Officer of the Year for 2017!**

We congratulate the above five persons for their incredible work ethic and dedication to making our community a safe place to live, work and play. They, along with the entire team we have at **WMPD**, make me so proud to wear our uniform!!

As always, the Wilton Manors Police Department is at your service day or night, 24/7. Feel free to visit us in person at our Front Desk in City Hall, 2020 Wilton Drive (the hours are M – F, 7AM to 10PM and Saturday, 9AM to 5PM, closed on Sunday) or our website at www.wmpd.org for all the information you need to contact us or report code issues, etc.

DISTRACTED DRIVING

WMPD: (954) 390-2150

More and more we are seeing the negative effects of modern technology when it comes to mobile devices. Although these resources are valuable to us in many ways, they can also create havoc when coupled with driving. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 3,450 people were killed in 2016 in distracted driving crashes. With more than 300 million wireless customers in the United States and the growing number of services designed to keep people constantly connected, distracted driving has become a common occurrence and a national problem. Distracted driving is defined as any activity that could divert a person’s attention away from the primary task of driving. These types of distractions include:

- ◆ Texting
- ◆ Using a cellular phone or other smart device
- ◆ Eating and drinking
- ◆ Talking to passengers
- ◆ Grooming
- ◆ Reading, including maps
- ◆ Using a navigation system
- ◆ Watching a video
- ◆ Adjusting a radio

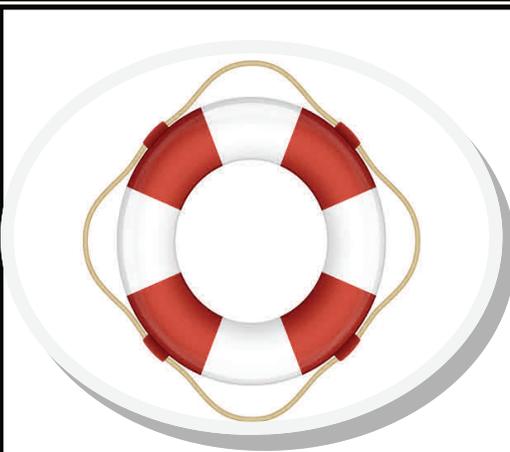


Because text messaging requires visual, manual and cognitive attention from the driver, it is the most alarming distraction. In the time it takes to look down and send a text, it is estimated that you have traveled the length of a football field. Shockingly, statistics also show that texting while driving is equally as dangerous as operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. Like alcohol and driving, texting and driving do not mix!

Research tells us our younger drivers reported the highest level of phone involvement in crashes or near-crash incidents, but phone distractions have negatively impacted people of all ages.

The Wilton Manors Police Department wants all of you to put your cellular phones and other mobile devices down while driving so we all can have a positive impact on traffic safety. Your decision on whether or not to use your mobile device while driving can be the difference between life and death...and life is the best option! Be safe on the roadways and enjoy your summer!

BOATING SAFETY



With the official start of summer just around the corner, so is the perfect weather for getting out on the waterways. We just want to discuss some general waterway safety issues for everyone to have a fun and safe summer on the water. Every person aboard a vessel under the age of 6 must wear an approved Type I, II, or III life jacket while the vessel is underway. Every vessel less than 39.4 ft in length must carry an efficient sound-producing device. Vessels are required to display navigation lights between sunset and sunrise and during periods of reduced visibility (fog, rain, haze, etc). All boaters must abide by the posted wake zones for their safety and that of others. When planning a day on the water make sure to check the weather forecast. Also depending on your vessel size make sure to check the tides to insure you are safely able to navigate your vessel under bridges. If you are the

operator of a vessel avoid alcohol. Boating under the influence is against the law the same as operating a vehicle under the influence. Wilton Manors Police recommends beginning boaters and experienced experts alike take a boating safety course to be familiar with the boating safety rules of operation. If you’re going to have your pet join you make sure you keep plenty of fresh drinking water available, and provide them a shaded area on the vessel to avoid excessive sun exposure.

LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE



As important as it is to keep properties free of litter and nicely painted, the maintenance of landscaping on properties enhances curb appeal, while at the same time prevents potential sanitary nuisances and safety hazards. The City's landscape maintenance standards help ensure that grass, hedges, and trees are cut and properly trimmed:

- ◆ No weeds, grass, undergrowth or other vegetable material, except for trees, shrubs or other permitted landscaping materials, shall be permitted to grow upon properties and the adjoining portions of the public right-of-way, swales, alley, water's edge and canal banks in excess of eight inches in height. *Overgrown vegetation looks unsightly and can invite unwanted pests such as snakes and rodents.*
- ◆ Trees, bushes, shrubs, hedges, vegetable matter and/or other landscaping matter shall not extend over or into the path of a sidewalk, walkway or other pathway at heights of less than eight feet in single family residential zoning districts and 10 feet on properties abutting state or county roads, in order to maintain a safe and clear passageway for bicycle and pedestrian traffic.
- ◆ Landscaping shall also not extend over the roadway at heights of less than 15 feet in order to maintain a safe and clear passageway for vehicular, pedestrian, or bicycle traffic, and not obstruct the view of any traffic control devices such as traffic signs.

For additional information and to report any observed violations, please contact the Wilton Manors Code Compliance Department at (954) 390-2151. Thank you for helping us keep our City safe and looking great!

Long-Term or Vacation Property Rental



Did you know that....? If you are renting property on either a long-term or vacation basis you must register your property with the City of Wilton Manors prior to having tenants? The City of Wilton Manors regulates both residential rentals and vacation rentals. Residential Rental applications and Vacation Rental applications can be found on the Community Development Services Department's webpage at:

(<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/133/Building-Permit-Applications>) or by visiting the Department 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. Vacation Rentals are defined as "any unit or group of units in a condominium or cooperative or any individually or collectively owned residential property, house or dwelling unit that is rented to guests more than three times in a calendar year for periods of less than thirty days or 1 calendar month, whichever is less, or which is advertised

or held out to the public as a place regularly rented to guests, but that is not a timeshare project".

If you have a Bed & Breakfast that has been granted conditional use approval from the City or if you reside on the property as your permanent residence you are exempt from the Vacation Rental regulations.

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

HURRICANE SEASON – ADDITIONAL PLANNING

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

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

DURING THE HURRICANE:

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

A PUBLIC SHELTER SHOULD BE THE LAST OPTION:

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

Information about which shelters are open in your area will be available before a storm. Although the closest shelter location to Wilton Manors is at Rock Island Elementary/Arthur Ashe Middle School (1701 NW 23rd Avenue, Fort Lauderdale), it may not be one of the shelters opened. To check the status of a specific shelter location when a storm is anticipated, call the Broward Red Cross at (954) 797-3823 or the Broward County Emergency Management Hurricane Hotline at 3-1-1 or (954) 831-4000. Because space can be limited, go to a shelter as soon as an announcement is made that it is open.

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

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| ● Flashlight (extra batteries) | ● Medicines | ● Special-diet foods | ● Toiletries | ● Eyeglasses, hearing aids |
| ● Radio (extra batteries) | ● Non-perishable snacks | ● Extra change of clothing | ● First Aid Kit | ● Cash |
| ● Sleeping bag, cot/air mattress, blankets, pillows | ● Identification (e.g. driver's license) | ● Baby food, formula, juice, diapers, wipes and a stroller, portable crib or playpen | ● Copies of valuable documents | ● Games, books, playing cards |

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

One pet-friendly shelter is available in Broward County, but it has limited space and is an option of last resort. It is available on a first-come, first-served basis, only to pet owners living in evacuation areas or in mobile homes throughout Broward County. The human side of the shelter is operated by the American Red Cross. The pet side of the shelter is operated by the Humane Society of Broward County. Pets cannot be sheltered unless their owner(s) are also utilizing the shelter. This is a pet-friendly shelter only, and not a general population shelter. Residents living in an evacuation zone or in a mobile home can pre-register for the pet-friendly shelter by calling (954) 266-6871. Call or visit HumaneBroward.com for details on what you will need to provide in order to pre-register. The pet-friendly shelter is located at Millennium Middle School in Tamarac.

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

Every family should be prepared to be self-sufficient for the first three to five days after a major storm so recovery efforts can focus on those who can't help themselves. A preparation checklist was included in the last Town Crier to assist you in getting ready. For additional information and ideas, please go online to www.wiltonmanors.com/139/Emergency-Management.

Subscribe to Broward County's Free Emergency Update E-mail System

To subscribe to Broward County's free Emergency Update E-mail System, visit www.broward.org/hurricane. The system provides residents with important information from the Broward County Emergency Operations Center before, during and after a hurricane. E-mail notifications will be sent to subscribers with news about hurricane watches and warnings, evacuation orders, recommended protective actions and related public safety information.

Hurricane Preparedness for Businesses

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

Planning

- Review property insurance with the company's insurance agent concerning the hazards of a hurricane. Make sure you understand what is not covered. Most policies don't cover flood damage. The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) provides coverage to property owners. Go to the NFIP Website at floodsmart.gov. Consider business interruption insurance. It covers operating expenses, like utilities, and compensates you for the income lost after a temporary closure.
- Assemble insurance policies and financial records necessary to expedite quick settlement of claims; package in waterproof container.
- Make a complete inventory of your business and take pictures and/or video of your business inside and out to aid in insurance or tax credit claims after the storm.
- Determine and establish written hurricane protective procedures for the business property and its contents.
- Specify conditions under which hurricane protective procedures may be implemented.
- Appoint an individual and designate an alternate to implement hurricane protective procedures.
- Establish plans for the protection of computer files (e.g., a backup system to secure data and safe storage). Make multiple backups of critical computer data and store them off premise. Keep checks, purchase orders, financial records, and property and vehicle titles off premise as well.
- If appropriate, develop a system for the identification of employees (e.g., I.D. cards, vehicle permits, badges, etc.).
- Make arrangements to pay employees, preferably in cash, as it may be some time before banking institutions are operational.
- Inform key employees or essential staff of their specific responsibilities under the established hurricane procedures.
- If appropriate, establish an employee training program concerning your hurricane procedures.
- Determine and acquire emergency protective equipment and supplies (e.g., heavy plastic sheeting, duct tape, masking tape, sandbags, emergency generator (and fuel for it), storm shutters, chain saw, large pieces of plywood, hand tools and other essential items).
- Create a clear-cut hurricane policy for employees and post it in advance. If appropriate, inform all employees on when and how they will be notified to report back to work.
- Make sure employee emergency contact information is up to date, and that you have an employee communication plan in place, which includes a designated out of town phone number where employees can leave an "I'm okay" message in a disaster.

Before the Event, as the Storm Approaches

Building Exterior

- Check drains, gutters and downspouts on the roof of the building to ensure they are clear and able to drain off the heavy rain which usually accompanies a hurricane. Clogged roof drains could cause the roof to collapse from weight of accumulated water, or cause damage to the interior of the building if water on the roof becomes deep enough to cover vent pipes and run down inside the building.
- Strap, anchor or remove antennas or loose objects from the roof.
- Protect all vent hoods, exhaust louvers, etc., from wind and rain.
- Bring in display racks and other objects usually left outside. Secure all loose objects, such as trash cans and potted plants, which might cause damage during strong winds.
- Remove outdoor signs, especially those that swing or are portable.
- Secure storage of flammable liquid drums, or move them to a shelter area (but never into main facility areas).
- Anchor all portable buildings and equipment (e.g. trailers) to the ground.
- Dumpsters (and large trash containers) can be secured by lashing two or more together with rope or chains and chocking the wheels. They might also be secured to a tree or telephone pole, if available.
- If a building has exterior glass frontage, clear out that section of the building as much as possible and use shutters or board up to protect glass. Cover all glass windows and doors on at least the first floor of the building with shutters, paneling or other protective material, such as plywood or masonite.
- Secure first floor doorways against flood waters with sandbags or heavy plastic sheeting and duct tape.
- Service and test the building's emergency power generator under load to make sure it is operating.
- Fill the fuel tanks of generators, fire pumps and all company-owned vehicles.

Building Interior

- Clear all desk and table tops of small loose objects. Box or place in desk drawers or storage cabinets any loose papers, books, hanging plants, etc.
- Take down all loosely secured pictures, plaques, etc.

- Remove contents of lower file cabinet drawers on the ground floor of the building and secure contents elsewhere.
- Move important documents away from windows.
- Protect/relocate vital records including your insurance policies.
- Relocate files, boxes, computers, office machines and other equipment to the innermost portion of the building or a safer location. Do not leave boxes or equipment on the floor; elevate them by placing items on desk or table tops.
- Backup all data on servers and personal computers. If the backup site is within the area that may be affected by the storm, take backup tapes with you in an evacuation.
- Check the integrity of the uninterruptible power supply (UPS). Move the UPS to the highest level possible above the floor.
- Disconnect all electrical appliances and equipment such as computers, copiers, coffee makers, electric clocks, calculators, etc. (except for refrigeration), so they do not create excessive surge when electric power is restored.
- Unplug and wrap all electronics, including computers, in large plastic bags to protect against water damage. Store them off the floor, in locations that are high and dry.
- Cover merchandise, office machines, specialized equipment, file cabinets, copy machines, computer terminals, etc., with tarpaulins or plastic sheeting and secure with sturdy tape.
- If time permits, make an inventory of all moved items to ease unpacking after the storm.
- Close all windows and draw blinds or drapes.
- Check out all equipment, utilities, fire equipment and first aid materials. Repair and replace faulty items as necessary.
- Prepare a portable hurricane kit that you can take with you once you've secured your business. This could include copies of essential documents such as site maps, building plans, and insurance policies; a battery-powered radio; batteries; a hardline telephone; a laptop; camera; and anything else essential to keeping your business running.
- Turn off incoming gas and water. Turn off power, except for refrigeration, at the power box.
- Before leaving the property, re-check the securing of the outdoor objects.
- Lock all doors when you leave.

General

- Stay up-to-date on the storm's progress via radio, TV or NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards receiver.
- Allow your employees adequate time to secure their homes and make personal preparations.
- Review your Shelter-in-Place plan, making sure your Disaster Kit is fully stocked and fresh batteries and supplies are included.
- Alert a third party about your company's relocation plan in the event the storm makes your location inaccessible.
- Ensure that any employees who volunteer to stay on site have proper supplies and equipment (drinkable water, nonperishable food, medical kit, flashlights, walkie-talkies). If an official evacuation order is in place however, no employees should remain behind.
- Have cash on hand for post-windstorm needs, such as buying food and supplies, or paying employees and contractors.
- Ensure remote access to your company's website so updates about your availability can be made.

During the Event

- During the height of the storm, personnel should remain in a place that has been identified as safe from wind and flood.
- During a power failure, turn off electrical switches to prevent re-activation before necessary checks are completed.
- Constantly monitor any equipment that must remain online.
- When it is safe to do so, patrol the property and check for roof leaks, pipe breakage, fire or structural damage.

After the Event

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

2018 Business Enhancement Grant Program

The City of Wilton Manors Community Development Services Department is pleased to announce the 2018 Business Enhancement Grant Program (“Program”). The city will award a grant of up to \$1,000.00 towards the improvement costs to the exterior of commercial properties city wide.

Although the cost of improvements will likely exceed the amount in the Grant, the program is meant to act as a catalyst to mitigate code deficiencies and improve the exterior conditions of business properties throughout the city. The program is designed in a way to encourage participation and be expeditious.

The objectives of the Grant are:

- To encourage private investment in the improvement of commercial parcels
- To encourage the appearance of the streetscape along the major corridors
- To reduce vacancies in storefronts
- To provide an incentive to improve commercial properties

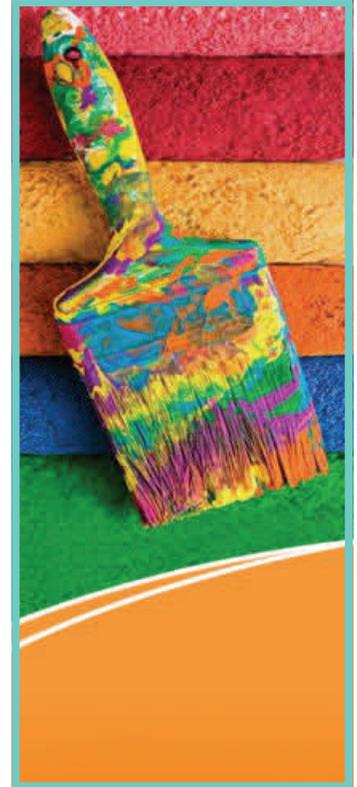
Eligible projects include:

- Permanent signage
- Exterior painting
- Lighting
- Awnings
- Components of Green Building Program
- Irrigation
- Landscaping
- Directional Signage
- Paving
- Striping
- Murals

Eligibility for Business Enhancement Grant Program:

- Applications must be submitted no later than August 1.
- Eligible projects must be completed by September 30 and copies of all required documentation provided no later than October 15.
- All projects must conform to all applicable Federal, State, County and City Code of Ordinances and Unified Land Development Regulations.
- Applicants for the Grant must have no outstanding fees, taxes, fines or liens to the City of Wilton Manors.
- Grant application must be submitted by a property owner or tenant with approval of the property owner.
- Each applicant may be awarded only one Grant per fiscal year.
- New Commercial construction will not be eligible for the Grant program.
- At completion of the project, 50% of the approved expenses, up to \$1,000.00, will be reimbursed by the City.

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



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!



Message from Central Area Neighborhood Association (CANA)

The Heart of Wilton Manors Beats Here ...



Carrfour, the non-profit developer working with the Pride Center to build affordable low-income senior housing will discuss their proposal at our July 25th meeting. This proposal differs significantly from what was presented in late 2016. The presentation will be made by the developer and the representing attorney.

Island City Arts Advisory Committee – One committee group that has already completed their first project is **Wilton Art™**. Wilton Art™, website WiltonArt.org, was founded by Ken Stone, Matt Gill and Ron Falk, and installed their first city wide art project titled “**Art Sign.2018**” on May 24 in just 97 days from idea to implementation. Information on Wilton Art's “**Art Sign.2018**” can be found on their website or on their Facebook page. Ken Stone, co-founder, said “*Wilton Art has been created to identify, create, and fund unique public art projects that impact the City of Wilton Manors to embrace, engage and raise our art quotient, engagement and awareness.*”

For information on this and future projects, please message them via their Facebook page or by email to:

LoveWiltonArt@gmail.com.

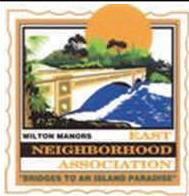
Welcome to – Ruthanne Stadnik, CANA's newest Board member!

Upcoming **CANA MEETINGS**: July 25 & Oct 24, 2018 @ 7pm @ Hagen Park—free parking

Happy July 4th! ----- Vote August 28, 2018 in Florida Primary Elections

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 & Ruthanne Stadnik, Directors



WILTON MANORS EAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Join us on Saturday, August 25th for the ENA Summer Picnic at Colohatchee Park from 11a.m.-3p.m.—weather permitting. ENA Members: Free Non-Members: \$10 per person

We will be serving burgers and hot dogs and you may bring a covered side dish or dessert to share!

Collectively, we can accomplish more for our Neighborhood!

Contact us: wiltonmanorsena@gmail.com or visit us: www.wiltonmanors-ena.org

Laura Carter-Nixon Carol Clark (Treasurer) Joshua Clark Randy Comer
John Fiore (Vice President) Martin Nixon (President) David Walker



WESTSIDE ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS—(WAWM)

Summer Fun 2018: The long hot days of summer always serve as a reminder about two neighborhood events that take place each year. First there is National Night Out on Tuesday, August 7th, and then WAWM's Annual Bowling Social on Saturday, August 18th. Both events offer Westside residents an opportunity to come together, meet neighbors, and have some fun socializing with fellow Westside residents.

If you are interested in participating in this year's Bowling Social or have any questions about these two events contact WAWM at wawm.org@gmail.com.

Neighborhood Beautification Project: Many thanks to members who volunteer a few hours helping clean-up areas of the Westside community. The regular periodic clean-up takes place at Snook Creek Boat Ramp along Powerline Road and also at Don Eisele Park on NW 29th St. If you have suggestions of future projects or would like to participate please contact WAWM at wawm.org@gmail.com

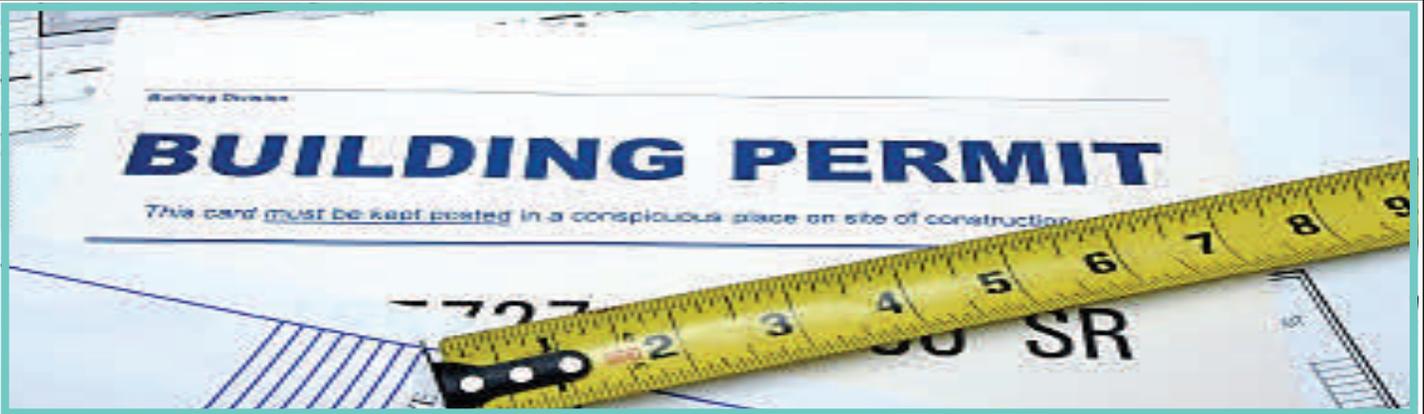
New to the Westside? Have not yet joined your neighborhood association? Here are some of the benefits of joining WAWM and participating in your community:

- 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 email wawm@org.gmail.com or visit our website at wawm.org

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (CDS)



Community Development Services Department reminds you that 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 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.

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

Did you know that the status of your permit can be found through the City’s website? Select the “Building Permits” option from the “Online Services” page (<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/248/Online-Services>) - this will take you to the Citizen Serve site where you can select “Permitting” to “view your permits” or “search for permits” on your property by permit number or property address.

SEARCH FOR A PERMIT

Permit #:

Address:

100 North Main Street Unit 500

Permit Type:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (CDS)



Please join the City of Wilton Manors in welcoming new businesses that opened in April & May 2018.

<u>Address</u>	<u>Name of Business</u>
2300 NE 7 Avenue	Greater Fort Lauderdale LGBT Chamber of Commerce
2201 Wilton Drive, Suite 3	SES Advisors Inc.
1881 NE 26 Street, Suite 201A	Dynamic Wellness Solutions LLC
1881 NE 26 Street, Suite 201A	Martha Grace Marquez
1881 NE 26 Street, Suite 201A	Rachel Beth Simpson
2000 Wilton Drive	Grille on the Drive
2041 Wilton Drive	Art Bistro
2201 Wilton Drive, Suite 3	SES Advisors Inc.
2201 Wilton Drive, Suite 5	All About Construction & Development LLC
2211 North Dixie Highway	Robins Chiropractic Center Inc.

“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.

ELECTION INFORMATION-SAVE THE DATE-JULY 9TH



Representatives from the County’s Supervisor of Elections office will be at City Hall on Monday, July 9 from 10am-3pm. The Broward SOE Outreach Team will be at City Hall to check voter status, register new voters, and update voter information . They will also be seeking bi-lingual poll workers.

LEISURE SERVICES (954) 390-2130

Message from Leisure Services Director, Patrick Cann



This summer, the City is pursuing Phase I of repurposing Colohatchee Park, which will expand the dog play area, add a walking trail and install an outdoor fitness zone. Also, amenities less desired will be removed to enable the expanded dog play area. This project will begin August 2018 and be re-opened in November.

May and June 2018 provided unique activities to enhance quality of life. Kiwanis continued their considerate tradition of serving the members in the U.S. Navy during Fleet Week. The Annual Canoe Race was truly memorable with 14 teams entering the race, which started at Colohatchee Boat Ramp and finished at Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve. However, due to the very inclement weather, the City Anniversary was held indoors at Hagen Park. Congratulations to the Blazing Paddles who finished in 1st Place overall and in the Co-ed division; the Islanders who finished in 1st Place in the Men's division; and Blazing Paddles who finished 1st Place in Woman's division. The participants and spectators had so much fun, which culminated with celebrating our City's 71st Anniversary. I would like to thank all of the participants and provide special thanks to our sponsors, Broward County Parks and Recreation, Blue Skies Florida Kayak and the Elbo Room.

The Stonewall Street Festival and Parade was held on Saturday, June 16th with an estimated 34,000 visitors attending this annual event. I would like to personally thank the Wilton Manors Entertainment Group along with the many volunteers and City Team members that contributed toward conducting this event.

The month of July is Parks and Recreation Month! The City will celebrate with events such as the indoor Book Fair at Hagen Park on Saturday, July 14th, and Parents' Night on Thursday, July 26th. 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.

To add excitement to your day, please visit your local parks and library today. There is so much here for you right in your own backyard. Please visit us online at wiltonmanors.com/parks for more details regarding our activities, events, park hours, fees, volunteer opportunities and programming or give us a call.

Community Development Block Grant Projects

The next CDBG cycle is approaching and the City will be preparing its application to the County. Two public hearings will be held this summer at Commission meetings to solicit ideas. Please attend if you would like to provide project input for this program at that time. Please note that it is not mandatory to attend a meeting in order to ask questions or provide project ideas. Ideas for capital projects in eligible areas (the Highland Estates area and West Side of Wilton Manors) may also be sent to tdejesus@wiltonmanors.com anytime. This is an ongoing program and staff welcomes input all year round.

Colohatchee Park Upgrades

Colohatchee Park will be getting a new look this summer. New amenities include an eight foot wide walking trail, a fitness zone, minor parking lot improvements, and a significantly expanded dog play area with pavilions and a water station. The park will be closed for approximately three months during the construction phase. A portion of this project is being funded through a grant received by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

Facility Rentals

Don't forget to consider your City facilities when planning your next special occasion! Richardson Historic Park is the perfect venue for a wedding, birthday, baby shower, reception, corporate event or private party! This scenic park is home to three separate facilities that can be rented separately or combined. Island City Park Preserve is another great option for your special event with its scenic view of the Middle River. And these are just two of your many options! Call us for more information or to schedule a tour of the facilities!



EVENTS & PROGRAMS**LEISURE SERVICES: (954) 390-2130****Adult & Senior Programs****Yoga Classes—Join us for yoga at Hagen Park Community Center!**

Yoga is for anyone and everyone. Matt's Yoga classes will improve your mind, your body and your life. Bend and stretch through a series of yoga poses while embracing elements of deep breathing & inner strength. Improve your flexibility & balance. You will leave Matt's classes feeling calm and centered. Classes are 60 minutes in length and for ALL Yoga levels. Please feel free to come 5-10 minutes before classes to meditate & stretch. This is your time, your Yoga practice. Give yourself this time every week to stretch & relax. Please contact instructor Matt Gillespie to sign up for classes.

Where: Hagen Park Community Center, 2020 Wilton Drive.

When: Wednesdays 6:30p.m.-7:30p.m. / Saturdays 10:00a.m.-11:00a.m.

Cost: \$10 per class.

For more information please contact instructor Matt Gillespie at (954) 706-6007.

**Fitness Boot Camp & 55+ Boot Camp Classes**

Come join Luck's 55+ Boot Camp on Tuesdays at 10am at the Hagen Park Community Center. The goal of the 55+ Boot Camp is to improve your flexibility, balance, core and back which will make your everyday activities easier on your body. Classes are only \$5. For more information please call Lucky at (954)931-8711 or visit him on Facebook at www.facebook.com/LucksFitness, Instagram at [instagram.com/lucksfitness/](https://www.instagram.com/lucksfitness/) or @LucksFitness on Twitter.

Regular Boot Camp is offered Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7-8pm and Saturday and Sundays at 8am. Fitness Boot Camp is instructed by Lucky Pericles, a local fitness professional with one goal: Providing REAL people, with REAL workouts that produce REAL results. The cost is \$10 per class or \$50 for a 6 class punch card.

Square Dancing

Yee Haa!!! Come on out and kick up your heels for a stomping good time and learn to Circle Left/Right, Do Sa Do, Forward ...

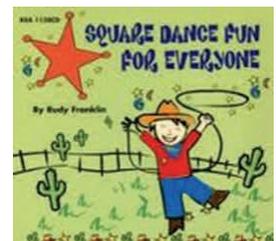
This is a great way to meet new people, exercise, and have a lot of fun. This is a beginner's class held every Thursday from 7:00pm – 9:30pm at Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street in Wilton Manors. The cost is only \$5.00 per class. For more information call 954-390-2115.

Where: Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street

When: Thursday 7:00p.m. – 9:30p.m.

Cost: \$5 per class.

For more information please call (954) 390-2115.

**Jazzercise**

They are back, Jazzercise!

Come check out our new and improved Jazzercise class. Jazzercise develops and markets fun and effective fitness programs and products that enhance the well-being of people of all ages. Come visit Jazzercise of Fort Lauderdale - Wilton Manors today! Jazzercise exercise programs are 60-minute fitness classes incorporating cardio, strength, and stretch moves for a total body workout. Jazzercise class combines moves from yoga, Pilates, jazz dance exercise, hip-hop, and kickboxing. All ages, levels, and sizes welcome to join our dance exercise programs so find a class!

We offer classes 6 days per week. For more information, please go to www.jazzercise.com for general info, or <http://jcls.jazzercise.com/facility/jazzercise-of-fort-lauderdale-wilton-manors> for specific Wilton Manors class info.

Where: Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street

When: Saturday-Thursday—varying times

Cost: Monthly & Single Visit Rates Available.

For more information please call (954) 390-2115.



Leisure Services Department Presents...

(954) 390-2130

Youth Programs

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. This program will be held at Wilton Manors Elementary School—register at the Hagen Park Community Center at 2020 Wilton Drive or give us a call.

School starts on August 15, 2018
 Registration will begin July 9, 2018



ISLAND CITY SUMMER CAMP 2018

Register your child for a summer they will never forget!

Island City Summer Camp is a 7 week program running until July 27th from 7:30am – 6:00pm, for ages 4 – 14 years and is held at the Wilton Manors Elementary School, 2401 NE 3rd Avenue. Breakfast, Lunch and snack will be offered daily. The children are divided into age groups which rotate through various activity areas. These activities include arts and crafts, outdoor group games, dance, modeling, free play, board games, story time and reading, science fun, contests, and special events on each Friday. Each week several trips are offered for additional fees. Trips this summer include: Zoo Miami, roller skating, ice skating, bowling, Miami Seaquarium, cultural art performances, movies, and more.

Participants must be age 4 or older on or before June 11, 2018.

Registration Fee (One Time Only – Non Refundable): \$20 per child /\$30 per family
 First Child \$80.00 per week Second Child \$70.00 per week
 Third Child \$60.00 per week OR Daily Fee \$30 per child / per day



There is limited space available.

For more information call (954) 390-2130 or (954) 390-2115.

ADVENTUROUS ADVENTURE CAMP 2018

Please join us for a two-week Adventure Camp full of fun and creative activities. The camp is sponsored by the City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department and is organized and supervised by our certified Recreation and Childcare Professionals. Any child from Pre-Kindergarten through Eighth grade may participate. This is a highly structured camp with field trips and off site activities planned each day. Some of these trips include: Movies, Funderdome, Rapids Water Park, Miami Seaquarium, Zoo Miami, Kabooms, Roller Skating, Bowling and much more.

Days: Monday – Friday Week #1: July 30 - August 3, 2018 Week #2: August 6 - August 10, 2018

Hours: 7:30am-6:00pm

Fees: Registration Fee: \$40.00 (one time non-refundable registration fee)
 If you did not attend the first 7 weeks

ADVENTURE CAMP PROGRAM – Includes Trips, Lunch and Snack

Resident _____ \$130.00 Per Week (\$100.00 Second Child) (\$80.00 Third Child)
 Non Res. _____ \$150.00 Per Week (\$120.00 Second Child) (\$90.00 Third Child)
 Resident _____ \$30 Daily
 Non Res. _____ \$35 Daily

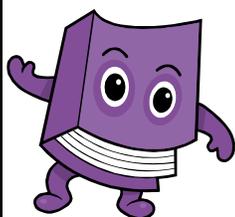
Location: Island City Park Preserve, 823 N.E. 28th Street, Wilton Manors.

For information and a registration form please call (954) 390-2130 or (954) 390-2115.



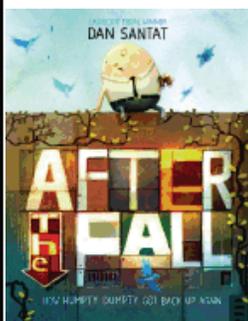
THE LIBRARY CORNER

SUMMER READING CONTEST



Kids! It's that time again -- time for the Richard C. Sullivan Public Library Summer Reading Contest. Read a new book over the summer. Fill out the information on the entry form. Then give the form to a staff member to sign and put in the fish bowl. Repeat as often as you like. Reading more challenging books increases your chances. Win a prize. Prizes will be awarded at the Ice Cream Party on August 8th. No worries -- you don't have to be present to collect your prize.

BOOKS FOR SUMMER READING



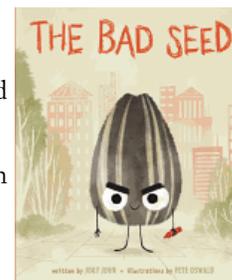
Humpty Dumpty conquers his fears in a most extraordinary result in *After the Fall* by Dan Santat. In *All the Way to Havana* by Margarita Engle, a boy and his family have an unforgettable road trip across Cuba to see his new baby cousin. In *Flying Lessons & Other Stories*, ten authors celebrate diversity through tales of Bigfoot, basketball, girl pirates, and more in a highly readable, relatable short story collection. Have the lessons she has learned growing up in the Renaissance Faire prepared Imogene for her most difficult quest yet....starting middle school? Find out in *All's Faire in Middle School* by Victoria Jamieson.

Reminiscent of the author's beloved *Goodnight Moon*, share a day -- and night -- in the life of a busy little bunny in Margaret Wise Brown's *Good Day, Good Night*.

The Bad Seed by Jory John is the story of a bad sunflower seed who decides it's time for a change.

In *Grand Canyon*, Jason Chin introduces readers to this National Park's unique geology, plants, and animals, as a father and daughter hike up and out of the canyon.

Malu struggles to pull together all the different threads of her life (her love of punk rock, her Mexican heritage, her dislike of cilantro) into an identity all her own in *The First Rule of Punk* by Celia C. Perez.



SUMMER PROGRAMS & YOUTH SERVICES @ YOUR LIBRARY

Wednesday, July 11th at 4 p.m.—Stevens Puppets present Rumpelstiltskin

Wednesday, August 8th at 4 p.m.—Ice Cream Party—For reading program participants.

Read with Dogs and Lego Club – alternate Wednesday evenings @ 5:30p.m.

Preschool story hour – Monday mornings @ 10:30a.m. Ages 4 and under. Celebrate the joy of reading with stories, music, and more.

For details, visit our youth services department or call (954) 390-2195.



Friends Of The Wilton Manors Library

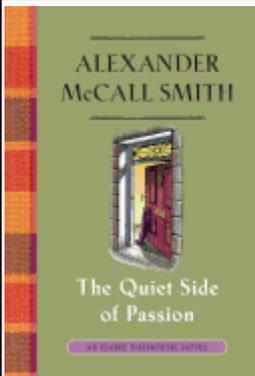


The Friends of the Wilton Manors Library is a private volunteer group that exists to enrich the cultural and educational opportunities within our community. The Friends provide funding for our extensive audio book and video collections. They also sponsor Library programs throughout the year. Membership applications are available at the Library and on the Friends website: FriendsoftheWiltonManorsLibrary.org.

The Friends of Library provide funding for our collection of books-on-CD. These are great to listen to when commuting, traveling, exercising, or just working around the house. We also have newly released and classic DVDs—all available thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Wilton Manors Library.



NEW BOOKS @ YOUR LIBRARY



Isabel Dalhousie grapples with complex matters of the heart as she tries to juggle her responsibilities to friends, family, and the philosophical community in Alexander McCall Smith's *The Quiet Side of Passion*.

Deputy Coroner Clay Edison goes to extreme lengths for a forgotten Jane Doe in *A Measure of Darkness*, the new thriller from Jonathan and Jesse Kellerman, a father-son team of bestselling authors who write "brilliant, page-turning fiction," says Stephen King.

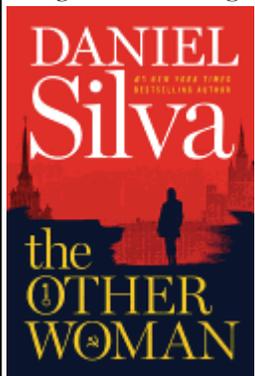
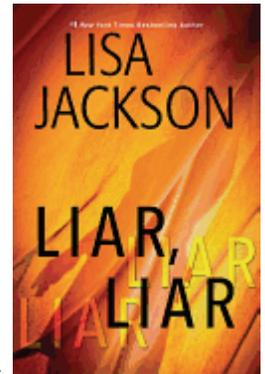
In *Believe Me*, a twisty psychological thriller from J.P. Delaney, the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Girl Before*, an actress plays both sides of a murder investigation.

In *The Briefing*, Sean Spicer takes readers behind the scenes of his turbulent tenure as President Trump's press secretary, shedding new light on the headline-grabbing controversies of the Trump administration's first year.

A seaside town helps one young woman reclaim the light after darkness in *Cottage by the Sea*, a brand-new novel from #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Debbie Macomber.

In *Liar, Liar*, a riveting page-turner from #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Lisa Jackson, a woman searches for the mother she hasn't seen in twenty years, and uncovers a nightmare of greed and deception.

Against the electrifying backdrop of the 1960s, Danielle Steel unveils the gripping chronicle of a young woman discovering a passion for justice and of the unsung heroes she encounters on her quest to fight *The Good Fight*.



Clock Dance is a delightful novel of one woman's transformative journey, from the best-selling and Pulitzer Prize-winning writer Anne Tyler.

From Daniel Silva, the #1 *New York Times*-bestselling author, comes *The Other Woman*, a modern masterpiece of espionage, love, and betrayal.

A life-changing secret destroys an unlikely friendship in *Give Me Your Hand*, a "magnetic" – according to Meg Wolitzer -- psychological thriller from Megan Abbott, the Edgar Award-winning author of *Dare Me*.



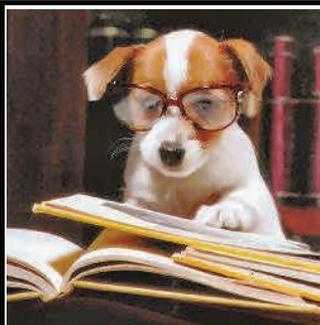
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Friends of the Wilton Manors Library

By Benjamin B. Little

Everyone who has ever stepped foot in the Richard C. Sullivan Library of Wilton Manors is a friend, treated with respect, professionalism and warmth. However, there is an official Friends of the Wilton Manors Library, a 501(c)3. The original charter for The Wilton Manors Public Library Association was dated August 19, 1957. The City did not take over the Library until August 1958, so the ancestor "Friends" organization predates official City involvement. In fact, this organization was predated by the JayCee-ettes Library Board.

The Village Hall was built on NE 26th Street by the Civic Association in 1948 on land donated by Dave Turner, Wilton Manors' first mayor. It was used by all community groups. The City Council met there. The Woman's Club and Boy Scouts used it. Marcia Stafford reported, "You could always tell when the scouts had met there earlier in the day. The place smelled like peanut butter."

When a real City Hall was built on NE 21st Court, the Library moved out of a little space at the back of Manor Market into the old building. This created a problem for the other civic organizations, which precipitated the completion of the "Hagen Park Community Center," as an enclosed building.

With the support of the Public Library Association, the size of the Library was doubled in 1960. In December 1981, the Town Crier announced that the Friends would provide 33 1/3 RPM records for patrons. This was the tip of the iceberg – the Friends moved on to "books-on-tape" and VHS tapes. These, of course, made way for CDs and DVD and Blu-Ray movies. In 1984, they bought an Apple IIe computer. The money for this computer was donated to the Friends by retiring Library Director, Mary Jane Schmidt. It cost \$4,000! The Library had the first public access computers in Broward County. All the Library's public access computers have been provided by the Friends, except for a gift from the Gates Center for Technology Access in 1998. The Friends provide online access to various databases, including Ancestry.com as well as Large Print Books, and numerous fantastic programs for children.

There were major renovations to the building in April 1984. It reopened September 1984. The renovations cost about \$20,000 and were paid for by the Friends of the Library.

Broward County wanted to launch a countywide library system. This came to a head in 1982. There were loud and convincing protests from residents that we wanted to maintain an independent library.

In March 1998, there was a proposal for a bond issue of more than \$3.5 million to increase and improve our parks. Wayne Schotanus led the charge to get the Council to add an additional bond for \$350,000 to increase the size of the Library. More than 72% of voters voted to increase the size of the Library, which was a bigger vote of confidence than the parks got. This addition would triple the present size of the library. Schotanus and the City successfully lobbied the state for an additional \$300,000 construction grant, which allowed the expansion to 6,500 sq. feet. Construction started December 31, 2001. \$40,000 was donated by resident Richard C. Sullivan, to be used only for the Children's Room. The new Library opened in March 2003, including about \$120,000 in new furnishings paid for by the Friends. The Friends raised money from book sales, memberships, and a number of very generous donations from supporters through their capital campaign. They even collected filled piggy banks from local children and adults!

Richard C. Sullivan died in 2005. He left the City a bequest of \$280,000 to pay off the remaining Library bond debt.

The one thing which jumps out of all the Friends' archives, primarily in newspaper clippings, is the friendliness and helpfulness of the Library staff over the last 59 years. Since 1957, we have had 16 Mayors and 15 different City Managers. Richard Sterling, appointed in 2004, is only our fourth Library Director!

All the staff are gems and work well with the Friends. Go ask a Librarian an impossible question and be impressed that they can find your answer. Better than Google, and you get a smile!

Please visit www.FriendsoftheWiltonManorsLibrary.org for more information and a schedule of Book Sale events.

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Library volunteers provide support by sorting donated books, assisting with books fairs, serving as Board members, helping maintain membership lists or assisting in program planning. Call your Library at (954) 390-2195 for more information.



Life's Just Better Here

Wilton Manors began in 1925 as an upscale subdivision north of Fort Lauderdale, created by Ned Willingham. In May 1947, it officially became The Village of Wilton Manors, with a small group of friends working very hard to make it a great community. In 1953 Wilton Manors was granted City status. In 2018, the City still has a “village” feel. The “group of friends” has gotten much larger and the commitment to supporting the City has not diminished.

The Wilton Manors Historical Society was formed in April 1975 by an influential group of City supporters. Their first major project was to tape audio interviews with a number of long-time residents as part of the 1976 Bicentennial celebrations.

In the mid 1980's, the Society took a break and was reconstituted in 2002 by Diane Cline, a long-time civic leader. The Society started videotaping interviews of prominent citizens. Audio Duplicating Services has generously and patiently started converting these to useable formats which will be posted to the Society's website.

Other projects of the Society include the 2011 publication of Wilton Manors – From Farming Community to Urban Village, by Benjamin B. Little. Mr. Little won the Stuart B. McIver Historian's Award from the Broward County Historical Commission for the book.

After some planning, in 2014, the Society, in collaboration with the City of Wilton Manors, began a project to repurpose and restore the Willingham Carriage House at Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve. There is an impressive plaque listing all the wonderful folks in the community who donated funds to help make this project a reality. The end result is a spectacular venue for weddings, birthday parties, and more.

While it is true that your Twitter account is not going to help you learn the answers to your most burning

An Historical Society in the Age of Twitter?

By: Mary G. Ulm and Benjamin B. Little – Wilton Manors Historical Society

questions about Wilton Manors history, a visit to WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org just might. Go to the History/Articles page. There is “good stuff” there, with more to come.

For example, read the verbatim transcript of “The Big Meeting” where the decision was made for Wilton Manors to become a Village. Not everyone was polite. Or, learn how our City arrived at the Commission form of government, or the challenges of former Mayors who had no vote on the City Council.



Read reminiscences of longtime residents, histories of things as varied as the former train station, the Woman's Club, and the circus around selecting a City Attorney in the 1980's. Discover that this is not the first time we have tried to “fix” Wilton Drive. There are also profiles of major movers and shakers within the City to be found there.

The Society has spent more than a year organizing, cataloging, and digitizing massive amounts of paper, mostly newspaper articles, to be made available to scholars. Some of these will result in articles posted to the website. The early 1980's were particularly exciting.

The Society is a 501 (c) 3 charitable organization. Visit www.WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org to learn how you can become a member.

Want to read more about the history of Wilton Manors?
Check out the Wilton Manors Historical Society's website at:
www.wiltonmanorshistoricalsociety.org



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Seventh Annual
**ISLAND CITY
JURIED ART EXHIBITION**
September 29-October 20, 2018

This exhibition is open to all Broward County artists. Art work must be original, not a copy of another artist's work. All fine art media, including oil, watercolor, pastel, and/or acrylic painting, mixed media, photography, and collage, are eligible. Sculptures will be considered if the artist provides pedestal and acrylic cover. The maximum size of 2-dimensional art is 30 inches in either direction (not including frame). Maximum weight 20 lbs. No nudes, please.

ENTRY FEE: \$20 per entry
(Maximum of 2 entries per artist.)

ART INTAKE DATE:
Saturday, September 22
12 Noon to 3 PM

Cash awards and ribbons will be presented to first, second and third place winners at **7 PM on Saturday, September 29, 2018;** in addition, the winning artists are invited to participate in the "Island City Winners Exhibit" from December 1-29, 2018.