



# Town Crier

*Life's Just Better Here*

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

September/October 2018



Halloween Spooktacular  
Wilton Manors Elementary School  
Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>—6:30-9p.m.

Improvements coming to Colohatchee Park  
Construction begins soon...

See more info in Commissioner Newton's article on Page 6

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THE PRIDE CENTER  
AT EQUALITY PARK  
PRESENTS

**WICKED MANORS**

**G A M E N I G H T**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2018**



**CALENDAR**

September 5/October 3  
 Congressman Deutch  
 Community Outreach-1st  
 Wednesday—most months  
 10:30 a.m.—12 p.m.  
 Commission Chambers



**Upcoming Events:**  
 Friends of the Library  
 Lecture Series:  
 Alyn Darnay  
 Thursday, October 11  
 6:30pm –Library  
 Halloween Spooktacular  
 Thurs, Oct 18—6:30-9pm  
 Wilton Manors Elementary  
 Wicked Manors  
 Wed., Oct 31-Wilton Drive

**City Offices Closed:**  
 Monday, September 3  
 Labor Day Holiday  
 Monday, October 8  
 Columbus Day

**Wilton Manors City Officials**

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

**City Commission and Board Meeting Dates**

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

Comm. Aff. Adv. Board 7pm	WDID 6:30pm	Historical Society 7pm	Pension Brd 5:30pm	P&Z Board 7pm	Rec. Adv. Brd 6:30pm
Wed Sept 5	Wed Sept 12	Thurs Sept 20	Tues Sept 4	Mon Sept 17	Thurs Oct 11
Wed Oct 3	Wed Oct 10	Thurs Oct 18	Meets Quarterly	Mon Oct 15	Meets Every 2 Months
Wed Nov 7	Wed Nov 14	Thurs Nov 15		Mon Nov 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](http://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 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 6 p.m.-3.a.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, September 20      Thursday, October 18      Recycling Day: Thursday**

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

**Tuesday, September 18      Tuesday, October 16      Recycling Day: Friday**

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

**Wednesday, September 19      Wednesday, October 17      Recycling Day: Wednesday**

**Condominium bulk pickup (quarterly): Saturday, September 22 & December 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](mailto: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.

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

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

### 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](http://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

### Wilton Manors 2018-2019 Budget



We started the process to finalize the 2018-2019 budget. This provides some information about the process as well as details about the proposed budget.

Increased Property Values: Once again, we benefited from increased property values, although the growth rate is slowing, and we expect a much slower rate of growth in future years. Our policies have translated into very high increases in property values. Wilton Manors has enjoyed one of the highest increases in property values not only in Broward County but in the United States for the last seven years. However, there is a very real possibility property values will flatten. In addition, Amendment One (on the ballot in November), which provides an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption, is estimated to reduce City revenues by more than \$300,000 per year. The budget reflects planning for these impacts to City revenue, increasing our reserves, while maintaining a high level of service without increasing taxes.

Taxable values in the City went up 7.74%. Our budget proposes maintaining the same ad valorem operating millage rate of 5.9837 mills as the current year. The fiscal impact to the average single-family home taxpayer with homestead exemptions under the Save Our Homes amendment would be an additional \$22.21 annually, or \$1.85 per month. The fiscal impact to the average single-family home taxpayer not subject to the Save Our Homes amendment is an additional \$165.48 annually, or \$13.79 per month.

Decrease in Debt Service and Total Millage Rate: The millage rate for debt service will be decreasing 0.0306. Thus, even though the operating millage rate is proposed to remain the same, the total millage rate paid by taxpayers is proposed to decrease from 6.4854 to 6.4548 (-0.5%) for the 18-19 fiscal year that begins October 1.

Water & Sewer Rates: The proposed budget reduces water and sewer rates for the standard connection. This is expected to result in a decrease of about \$2.59 per month (-2.4%) for an average homeowner.

Employee Salaries: We value our employees and strive to maintain competitive wages to recruit and retain excellent workers. The Commission reduced employee salary increases slightly from the initial proposed budget, providing a 1.5% cost of living increase, and a 0 – 3% merit increase based on performance.

Health Insurance: As I have written previously, last year the City reduced expenses for employee health insurance by over \$200,000, a considerable savings, without reducing coverage benefits. We budgeted for a 10% increase for next year, but expect to still realize significant savings in health insurance costs.

Total Budget: The total budget proposed at this point for our City for FY18-19 is \$36.6 million. This budget reflects our priorities, including devoting resources for programs that will contribute to increasing our tax base with targeted new developments including a hotel, more diverse and stable businesses and more office space within the City. Our City's fiscal position remains very strong.

In addition, of course one of our main priorities remains public safety. The 3-year contract for police services that I signed last year ensures a highly professional, qualified police department that we can sustain for many years. In FY 18-19, we will obtain a grant of \$52,000 from the School District for a school resource officer for Wilton Manors Elementary, and increase recruitment efforts to fill open positions.

Budget Process: Our budget process is designed to have maximum transparency and opportunity for public input. I want to thank the Budget Review Advisory Committee for their efforts in reviewing the budget and making recommendations, and our staff for the hard work on the budget. Please join us at one of the budget meetings:

Tuesday, August 28th	6:30pm	Budget Workshop #3
Wednesday, September 12th	6:30pm	First Public Hearing on Proposed Budget and Millage
Monday, September 24	6:30pm	Final Budget Public Hearing

As always, your input and comments are important and welcomed. Feel free to contact me at [gresnick@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:gresnick@wiltonmanors.com), or call me at (954) 390-2123. Thank you for your continued support for our community.

## Vice Mayor Justin S. Flippen—Future Priorities



Our Island City faces many opportunities as we move forward as a community. The city commission directed staff to proceed with the AARP's livable community program, which not only seeks to equip city government, businesses, and neighborhoods with preparedness for an aging population but also foster collaboration between and among private and public sectors to find ways to address livability needs regardless of age or physical challenge. Recognizing and meeting the needs of those who comprise our city community from our junior to our senior citizens is a priority I am proud to share with so many of you. I personally wish to thank members of the Community Affairs Advisory Board and our former Mayor and former State Representative Tracy Stafford for bringing this to my attention and that of others at city hall.

Another item we must pursue is updating our city's outdated code provisions and implementing Transit Oriented Corridor (TOC) regulations as the next phase of the Andrews Avenue and Oakland Park Boulevard study. The study demonstrated the need for an overhaul of land use designation and codes that have lagged behind the times leaving these two corridors with unattractive structures both to the eye and business development. The type of TOC regulations the city adopts should be tailored in a way that invites business reinvestment along these commercial corridors without infringement upon our small town neighborhood charm that uniquely defines Wilton Manors from the heavy development we see in places like downtown Fort Lauderdale. I am committed to finding a way to achieve both of these important objectives. The specific TOC regulations we adopt do not need to exactly duplicate the Dixie Highway TOC regulations. Neighbors should participate with other stakeholders to provide input as to how we tailor our regulations for Oakland Park Boulevard and Andrews Avenue. Let's not fear finding a way forward but have confidence in our ability to see a way for Wilton Manors to grow in a way that preserves our neighborhoods yet allows for some modest smart growth along our aging commercial corridors.

Finding our way forward together is just one more reason why "life's just better here." As always, please feel free to contact me at (954) 390-2123 or [jflippen@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:jflippen@wiltonmanors.com) on any matters you deem important to our city.

In your service,  Justin S. Flippen, J.D.  
Vice Mayor and "The People's Commissioner"

## Commissioner Julie Carson—Let' Talk About Affordable Housing



For nearly a decade, I have advocated for the investment of the City's Affordable Housing Trust dollars into our economy. With a thoughtful strategy, the City can assist in providing affordable housing opportunities to its residents.

**What is it?** *Affordable housing is housing* for which monthly rents or mortgage payments (including taxes and insurance) do not exceed thirty (30) per cent of an amount representing a percentage (very low = 50 percent; low = 80 percent) of the median income limits adjusted for family size.

**Where is it Established?** Section 080-090 of the City Code of Ordinances (the "Section") establishes the *Affordable housing program*. Its goals include:

1. Providing housing opportunities for lower income families to meet existing and anticipated housing needs;
2. Maintaining a socio-economic mix in the community; and
3. Offering a range of housing opportunities for those who work in Wilton Manors and who provide the community with essential services but cannot afford to live here.

Future prosperity and economic vitality of the City are linked to our ability to house our workforce, our elderly, and those others of varying economic means.

**How is it Funded?** Part B of the Section, establishes an *affordable housing fee* to be paid when building permits are issued. While there are some exemptions, the fee for residential construction (including multifamily) is twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per square foot of construction. When new construction is commenced and there is no "set aside" of affordable housing units, the Developer and/or Owner must pay such fees.

**Where do the fees go?** Part E of the Section creates the "Affordable Housing Trust Account" which is maintained separate and apart from all other City accounts and is where fees are deposited and held. To date, there is \$310,000.00 in the Trust Account.

**What can we do with the Funds?** The Funds must be used solely for the purpose of implementing an affordable housing program within the City. The power to establish such Program is granted to The City Commission.

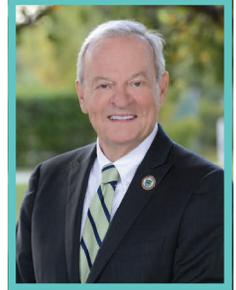
**The time is now:** To be clear, the funds in the Trust Account cannot be treated as an arbitrary pot of money to provide housing in the City. Instead the Section requires great communication and coordination among all stakeholders to connect residents to affordable and supportive housing – rental or otherwise which are essential to a successful housing strategy. After a decade of advocating for this, it is time to create a program that utilizes these funds wisely and achieves the goals of the ordinance that created this fund. I will continue to address this matter to ensure that *life IS just better here!*

Please contact me at (954) 288-8174 or [jcarson@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:jcarson@wiltonmanors.com) to discuss this or any other issue.

## Commissioner Tom Green—Skip The Plastic Straw!

The problem is plastic. It is a very large component of our trash. It now has virtually no value for recycling and ends up being burned, put in landfills, or even in the ocean. No matter which sorting bin you put it in, plastic becomes part of the environment. Plastic is not bio-degradable and breaks into small particles called micro-plastics that are harmful to oceans and rivers, wildlife, and human health.

We have a plastic problem. It's not just straws. We have plastic bags, polystyrene "to go" containers, and a multitude of plastic consumer products. And while Seattle bans all polystyrene containers the Florida legislature preempts cities in our state from banning their sale and use. And we have swizzle sticks. Do we really need them? A local bartender recently told me "it's just automatic to put a straw or swizzle stick in the drink. It's the last step in making a drink".



Earlier this summer at the National League of Cities Leadership Conference in Little Rock, AR a representative from Starbucks told us that they would eliminate all plastic straws from their stores by 2020. This will eliminate over one billion plastic straws per year. They will make the change-over region by region and will use an "adult sippy cup" for all beverages.

Now everyone is getting on the bandwagon to eliminate plastic straws. National companies such as American Airlines, Marriott and Hilton Hotels, and Disney are in the process of eliminating plastic straws by 2019. And Disney will eliminate Styrofoam and plastic bags as well from their resorts and ships. The J.W. Marriott Marco Island was using 65,000 plastic straws per month before it banned them. And many cities are getting into the act. Seattle, WA became the first American city to ban their use and Miami Beach banned them this year. Hallandale Beach plans to become the first city in Broward County to ban their use on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

A small plastic straw might not be the most significant thing in our lives but we have to start somewhere. And plastic straws are designed to be used once, for a very brief period of time, and then thrown away. Many environmentalists say that letting go of a single piece of plastic could be the first step in a much-needed larger behavior change.

Just thinking about the use of plastic will have an effect. No one on the City Commission seems to be supportive of a "ban" on plastic straws in our city but I hope business owners in Wilton Manors will think about eliminating or providing for an alternative to plastic. In some cases the change has already started. Hunter's Lounge has eliminated the use of plastic straws except upon request and Bona Restaurant now provides an interesting alternative to plastic by providing "pasta straws" for their customers. Different types of materials that are compostable (in addition to paper) will soon be on the market. And a simple sign that states "straws upon request" will cut down on plastic straw use and save the business owner money.

I hope the Wilton Drive Improvement District Board, the WM Economic Development Task Force, and the Wilton Manors Business Association will support these efforts. And I hope residents and visitors will join in by saying NO to plastic straws. This will contribute to a cleaner and more sustainable city.

Update on the Broward County Quiet Zone for the FEC railroad (after many delays) and the beginning of construction on Wilton Drive (after several delays). I have now been told by the appropriate transportation authorities that both are scheduled to begin "before the end of the year".

## Commissioner Scott Newton—Colohatchee Park



As another summer winds to a close and we look to the fall for a little relief from the heat, I thought you might like to hear a little about the City's plans for the renovation of Colohatchee Park.

Colohatchee is a natural gem, a mangrove estuary that is a magnet for wading birds, and an oasis of shade in an increasingly urban neighborhood.

Back in 2016 our Leisure Services Department conducted a resident focus group to determine the highest and best use for this east side sanctuary. The consensus results were a larger dog park, a boating element, and a jogging/fitness trail.

Earlier this year, the boardwalk was restored, the City began to budget for the proposed changes, and the first phase is now in process. An RFP was issued to enlarge the dog play area, and selection of a vendor is expected soon.

The renovations in phase one include the dog park, a perimeter walking/jogging trail with outdoor fitness zones that include shade structures, and gazebo structures.

The park is expected to close for these initial renovations in September, hopefully for only about three months.

Future phases include the creation of a lagoon area where canoes, kayaks and paddleboards can be rented, and lessons can be offered. (NOTE: The City is having difficulty finding an interested vendor for kayak rentals at Richardson Park – if you know of a company, please pass the information along to us!) In addition to the water amenities, parking lot renovations, estate style fencing, and the demolition of the outdated restrooms and pavilion and subsequent building of building new facilities is planned for the future. I am excited that Colohatchee will soon be joining Mickel and Island City Park Preserve as Wilton Manors' home town parks that residents of other cities want to visit.

I take my job as your commissioner seriously, and work every day to make good, common sense decisions that maintain our small town feel but also provide the opportunity for careful growth and increased tax revenue.

What do you think? I would like to hear from you. Contact me at [snewton@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:snewton@wiltonmanors.com) or (954) 390-2120.



## Chief O'Connell-The New "You"



In a recent article published in Kiplinger's Personal Finance (August, 2018) it was revealed that there is a new form of identity theft. The article, written by *Julie Conroy*, describes how there is a new wave of "synthetic ID theft" and it is on the rise.

What is "synthetic ID theft"? Criminals fabricate new identities for the purpose of opening fraudulent lines of credit. The new person created by these thieves is the combination of personal information from various persons from whom personal identity information has been stolen and then it is sold on the dark web, sometimes in bundles.

Ms. Conroy wrote, "A perfect storm has been forming over the past few years. We have been in a very steady credit recovery, and some of the old barriers to getting credit have eased as creditors try to find more people to give credit to." In addition, almost 10 billion records have breached since 2013 (yes, that was a B!). Thus, there has been and continues to be plenty of stolen personal information out there to use in the attempt to create a "new you" or a combination of personal information from various persons to create a "new you," apply for credit in the form of a credit card or a loan. Before you know it, the money and the "new you" are gone; never to be found. We all pay for the monetary loses in the form of higher prices which we pay to enjoy the life we live.

The same personal safeguards apply: monitor your bank and credit card accounts on a regular basis. Check your credit reports from the three credit bureaus (**Equifax, Experian and TransUnion**) as often as possible. **NEVER** share your social security number with unknown entities. Remember, the IRS never calls you, this organization communicates only in writing.

**Halloween:** Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> – parents must take an active role in guiding their children to ensure they make the right choices during this fun night. First and foremost, the younger the child the more necessary it is for at least one parent to accompany the child on their "trick or treat" travels. Common sense needs to apply here. Second, be sure to assist your children as they do an "inventory" of the goodies they collected during their travels. Discard **ANYTHING** that is not pre-wrapped or where the wrappings have been compromised (for your own personal safety, I suggest you do this when your child is NOT looking). Finally, **Be Like a Wolf:** travel in packs!! If the wolf has taught us anything it is this: there is strength in numbers.

As always, the Wilton Manors Police Department is at your service day or night, 24/7. Feel free to visit our website at [www.wmpd.org](http://www.wmpd.org) at any time or visit us in person at City Hall, 2020 Wilton Drive, Monday through Friday, 7am – 10pm and Saturday 9am – 5pm.

## 2018 Annual Public Safety Insert

**Don't miss the annual Public Safety Insert in the center of this issue of the Town Crier, providing an introduction to our Detective Bureau which is responsible for conducting in-depth investigation of crimes and incidents that occur in the City of Wilton Manors. You'll also find crime statistics, information on the Hate Crime Data Initiative and other pedestrian, bicycle and traffic safety information. Remember, SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!**

**Non-emergency dispatch: (954) 764-HELP (4357) or 9-1-1 for emergencies.**

**CYBER CRIME****WMPD: (954) 390-2150**

With the progression of the baby boomer generation and the acceleration of technology there seems to be a new playground for criminals and this falls into the digital world. As we surf the World Wide Web people tend to get relaxed and forget about the digital sharks lurking. These digital criminals prey on people who aren't making safe choices in this virtual world. These crimes are becoming more lucrative and popular because they are able to remain anonymous. This criminal does not have to be strong, fast, or have nerves of steel, because they can do the crimes from the comfort of their home. These criminals also know how hard it is to track them and this just fuels their feeling of being nameless.



The most prevalent item we would like to address is the emails that plague our inboxes on a daily basis. Emails can be a nice way to communicate and share information. They are popular in the business world because there is an electronic copy and the time stamp, date, and received information is recorded digitally. The problem is criminals know this and they can include viruses within the message. If you see an email that is from an unknown source, the best option is not to open the email and delete it. Another tip is to stay weary of email addresses that you believe you may know. Something as simple as johnsmith@att.net versus john'smith@att.net could be the difference between a friend and someone attempting to steal your information. There have been numerous instances of "retailers" sending emails requesting previous clients to provide a credit card number to keep on file. Furthermore, if the email is a solicitation that was not sought after then the offer really is too good to be true. We promise there is no Prince in Nigeria with a billion dollars who wants to give it away and the Publishers Clearing House is not going to ask you for money upfront to claim a prize. Even simply opening the email and clicking the link could allow a virus to capture your most sensitive information.

We would also like to address telephone scams, because it falls under the anonymous identity that many digital criminals work under it is extremely difficult to track and follow. If anyone ever calls you and asks for sensitive information over the phone you can JUST SAY NO! Places such as doctors' offices don't need your entire social security number. They can work simply off your last four digits in their medical billing system. The few extra steps it takes to employ these items can be time consuming for both parties involved, but in the long run it can help keep your identity "yours" and not the digital criminals victim.

There are many programs and services that are offered that can keep your identity safe. Depending on your budget and how many problems you have with the digital crimes will dictate what is best to keep your identity yours. But all these services are wasted unless "you" keep your personal information personal.

**CODE COMPLIANCE—OUT OF SIGHT, BUT NOT OUT OF MIND**

The Code Compliance Unit has begun placing an increased focus on property maintenance violations for residential properties. Throughout this process the Code Compliance Officers will be inspecting specific areas of the City at a time, and looking for violations at severely neglected properties. Contrary to popular belief however, we can only cite those violations which are in plain view, and are not allowed to walk into the rear yards of properties unless authorized by the property owner. The Fourth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution which protects people from unreasonable searches and seizures, prevents us from inspecting areas where there is an expectation of privacy. With the help from our residents though, we may be able to also cite those violations in the rear of properties that can be seen from the yards of neighboring homes.

The following violations are examples of some issues in rear yards, which can negatively impact neighboring residences and the quality of life in our Island City:

- Pools that do not have safety barriers
- Pool water that is not clear due to lack of maintenance
- Hard junk and litter
- Overgrown grass
- Stagnant or standing water
- Deteriorated paint
- Deteriorated fences

If, from the rear of your property, you are able to observe any of these or other potential issues, please contact us at (954) 390-2151. Thank for being one of the reasons why *life's just better here*

## Flood Dangers are Real

It is a fact that much of the Florida coastline is prone to flooding during hurricane season. Nearly 25% of flood insurance claims come from moderate to low risk areas.

***Flood Watch:*** A “Flood Watch” means that conditions are right for flooding to occur in your area.

***Flood Warning:*** A “Flood Warning” means that flooding is either happening or will happen shortly. Closely monitor the situation. If advised to evacuate, do so immediately. Stay on high ground, or move immediately to higher ground before access is cut off by flood water.

### Before a Flood:

- ◆ Make plans of what you will do and where you will go in a flood emergency.
- ◆ Know the elevation of your property in relation to nearby rivers and waterways.
- ◆ Go to [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) for Flood Preparedness information, including a link to your property’s flood map information on FEMA’s website.
- ◆ The Department of Homeland Security also has useful flood information on their website: <https://www.ready.gov/floods>.

### Property Protection:

- ◆ Use sand bags to reduce erosion and scouring.
- ◆ Elevate furniture and important documents above flood protection levels.

### Flood Safety:

- ◆ Do not walk through flowing water. Drowning is the number one cause of flood related deaths, mostly during flash floods. Currents can be deceptive: just 6 inches of moving water can knock you off your feet and 2 feet of water can sweep your vehicle away. If you walk in standing water, use a pole or stick first to determine the depth of the water.
- ◆ Do not drive through a flooded area. Nearly half of all flood fatalities are vehicle related.
- ◆ Do not drive around road barriers; the road or bridge may be washed out. If your vehicle stalls, abandon it immediately and seek higher ground. Rapidly rising water may sweep the vehicle away.
- ◆ Stay away from power lines and electrical wires. The number two flood related killer, after drowning, is electrocution. Electric current can travel through water. Report downed power lines to Florida Power & Light (1-800-4-OUTAGE).
- ◆ Keep children away from culverts and storm drains.
- ◆ Don’t use appliances or motors that have gotten wet unless they have been taken apart, cleaned and dried.

**REMEMBER: *Turn Around, Don’t Drown!***

### Flood Insurance:

Most people learn too late that standard property insurance does not cover flood damage or that there’s a 30-day waiting period before newly purchased coverage goes into effect. There’s also about a 25% chance of experiencing a flood during the life of a 30-year mortgage. Please note that, even if flood insurance is not considered mandatory by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for a particular address, a mortgage-holder may require it in order to meet the requirements for a mortgage on that property.

Call the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) at (888) 379-9531, or go to [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov) to learn how to purchase flood insurance and become eligible for flood assistance through local programs. The NFIP Claims Department can be reached at (800) 767-4341.

**To report Flooding & Drainage Complaints,** call the City’s Emergency Management/Utilities Department at (954) 390-2190.

## Broward League of Cities Addresses Cities' Common Goals

The Broward League of Cities Executive Committee met with *Sun Sentinel* new Publisher & General Manager and Editor in Chief to discuss cities' common goals. Included in the meeting were Oakland Park Mayor Tim Lonergan (President of League), Weston Mayor Dan Stermer (1st Vice President), Wilton Manors Mayor Gary Resnick (Past President, Treasurer, and Legislative Chair), Hollywood Commissioner Traci Callari (2nd Vice President), and Lauderdale Lakes Commissioner Beverly Williams (Secretary). Issues raised included workforce housing, climate change and sea level rise, recycling, public safety, and cities' home rule authority.



### Special Needs Database

The City maintains a database of our special needs residents who elect to stay at home in the event of a hurricane or other emergency. Registration with the City is entirely voluntary. If you are interested in providing the City with your information, please go to [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) and search for "special needs registration form". Print and complete the form, sign it and drop it off at City Hall. Registering in this database is not a guarantee that you will be provided services or placed on a priority list for responders, but it will help responders be better prepared to meet resident needs in a recovery.

### Broward County's Vulnerable Population Registry

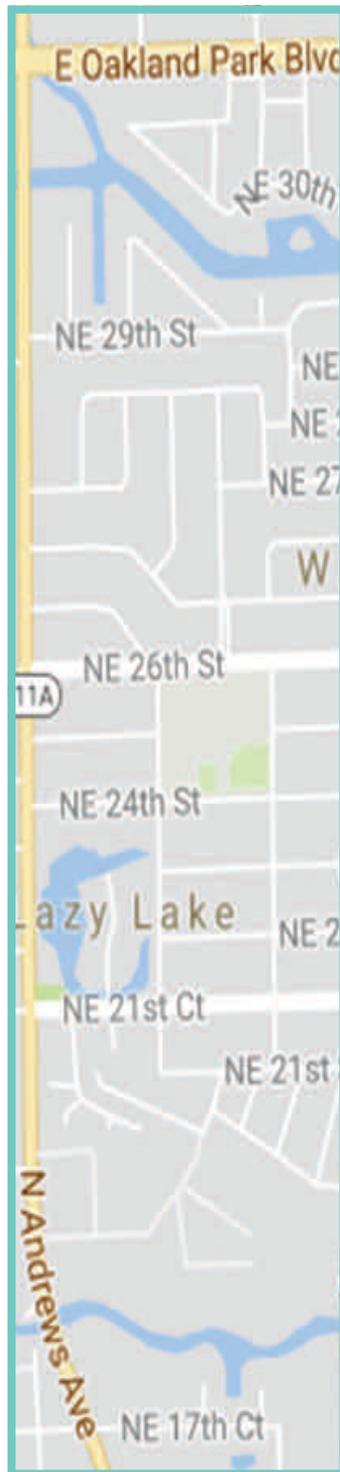
Broward County has a Vulnerable Population Registry for residents who are at risk due to disability, frailty or health issues, regardless of age, who elect to stay at home in the event of a hurricane or other emergency. The Registry is a partnership between Broward County and municipalities to help emergency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

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

You can register online at [broward.org/registry](http://broward.org/registry) or by calling 311 in Broward or 954-831-4000 (TTY 954-831-3940). All the information provided will be held in strictest confidence as required by State law.

Note: The Vulnerable Population Registry does not register you for a special needs shelter or evacuation transportation. For sheltering and transportation information, visit [broward.org/AtRisk](http://broward.org/AtRisk) and click on Special Needs.

## Andrews Avenue/Oakland Park Boulevard Corridor Land Use Plan Amendment



The City of Wilton Manors is actively studying its commercial corridors to determine ways to enhance the economic activity and look for the means to redevelop the Andrews Avenue and Oakland Park Boulevard corridors. The goal of studying these roadways is to proactively attract economic development investors to the City of Wilton Manors and to provide a more livable environment.

Keith & Associates, Inc. completed a Corridor Study which provided a report detailing existing corridor conditions. Keith & Associates, Inc. used the analysis to identify redevelopment opportunities and as information for public outreach and stakeholder meetings. They provided recommendations for redevelopment strategies based upon the existing conditions and also identified challenges and opportunities and made recommendations for possible solutions and strategies.

From the recommendations outlined in the Keith & Associates, Inc. Corridor Study, the City of Wilton Manors entered into a contract with The Mellgren Planning Group, Inc. to complete the Andrews Avenue/Oakland Park Boulevard Corridor Land Use Plan Amendment.

The City of Wilton Manors is proposing an amendment to the City's and Broward County's Land Use Plan to change the land use designation on 140.9 acres which currently has land use designations of commercial, community facilities, and residential uses to Transit Oriented Corridor.

Transit Oriented Corridor means an area of mixed use development which is pedestrian-friendly and in close proximity of a public transit system. Mixed use is not just limited to a multi-story development that incorporates commercial use on the first floor with residential uses on upper floors. It can include concentrations of offices, retail, cultural/civic and residential uses. Mixed use is a planning strategy that seeks to foster community design, density and compatibility of land uses that serves the economy, community, public health, and the environment with uninterrupted pedestrian connections.

Benefits of mixed use includes stimulating more variety in the design of and options for single and multifamily housing; encouraging more compact development where there is a shortage of land; reducing traffic and pollution by allowing residents to use other means of transportation other than their cars; and creating pedestrian-friendly environments thanks to the short distances between live, work, commercial and recreational destinations.

If you have any questions regarding the Andrews Avenue / Oakland Park Boulevard Transit Oriented Corridor Land Use Plan Amendment project, please contact Roberta Moore, Community Development Services Director at [rmoore@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:rmoore@wiltonmanors.com), Evangeline (Evy) Kalus, City Planner at [ekalus@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:ekalus@wiltonmanors.com) or Jeff Katims, Managing Principal at The Mellgren Planning Group at [Jeff@floridaplanning.net](mailto:Jeff@floridaplanning.net).

***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](http://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 ...*

**Greetings from your CANA Board of Directors** - We hope you all are enjoying the lazy days of summer. We would like to share a little update to those members that missed our summer quarterly meeting on July 25th at Hagen Park.

- A representative from Broward County Property Appraisers Office spoke to us about two property tax amendments that will be on the November ballot.
- Wilton Manors Police and Code Enforcement Departments updated us on current events in our city.
- Representatives from Carrfour, Inc. discussed the new senior affordable apartment building proposed to be built on Pride Center property leased to them.
- We thank everyone who hosted and participated in the August National Night Out Events

### Upcoming Events -

Oct. 4 - Meet the Candidates Forum at Hagen Park at 7PM.

Oct. 22 thru Nov. 4 - 10AM to 6PM - Early voting for November elections will be at the Wilton City Hall

Oct. 31 - Wilton Manors' Halloween Wicked Manors will take place on Wilton Drive

Nov. 5 – Taste of the Island in Richardson Park

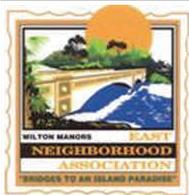
Nov. 6th 7AM to 7 PM at Hagen Park.

*Please remember to vote. Exercise your right and privilege*

**CANA MEETING:** Oct 24, 2018 @ 7pm @ Hagen Park – free parking

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

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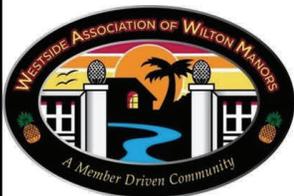
## WILTON MANORS EAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Thank you to the neighbors that joined us at the Thursday, August 23rd ENA Members Meeting! Join your East Neighborhood Association to join your friends in ENA social events and learn about local development, police reports, emergency preparedness and more at ENA members meetings.

Collectively, we can accomplish more for our Neighborhood!

Contact us: [wiltonmanorsena@gmail.com](mailto:wiltonmanorsena@gmail.com) or visit us: [www.wiltonmanors-ena.org](http://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)

**Autumn 2018**

WILTON MANORS MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES FORUM

THURSDAY, OCT. 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

Hagen Park Community Center

Hosted by Wilton Manors' three neighborhood associations-  
ENA – CANA – WAWM

Meet & Greet at 6:30 pm, meeting begins at 7 pm

Great opportunity to meet and hear from candidates running for Mayor and City Commission seats.



*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](mailto:wawm@org.gmail.com) or visit our website at [wawm.org](http://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 June & July 2018.

<u>Address</u>	<u>Name of Business</u>
1881 NE 26 Street, Suite 70	Alena Yankie, LCSW
2039 Wilton Drive	Dudes Barber, LLC
1881 NE 26 Street, Suite 60	Bodytek Fitness Franchising, Inc.
1881 NE 26 Street, Suite 224	EVE Skin Care Studio
1401 NE 26 Street	Moss & Associates, LLC
2300 NW 9 Avenue	The Franciscans of Fort Lauderdale, Inc.
120 East Oakland Park Boulevard	Lauren A Isaac, LCSW
2637 N Andrews Avenue	Marc Labossiere, PA
1881 NE 26 Street, Suite 70	Gaia Therapy, LLC
2133 N Andrews Avenue	Divine Intervention Ministries, Inc.
2312 Wilton Drive, Suite 25A	On Point Custom Dance Floors, LLC

## “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 DATES



SAVE THE DATES! General Election Early Voting is October 22<sup>nd</sup> through November 4<sup>th</sup> from 7am to 7pm at Wilton Manors City Hall in the Commission Chambers. If you are not registered to vote or need to update your voter registration information, please contact the Broward County Supervisor of Elections at (954) 357-7050 or visit [www.browardsoe.org](http://www.browardsoe.org).

## Wilton Drive—Complete Streets Project



The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) held a construction open house at Hagen Park on August 9th regarding the improvements on SR811/NE 4th Avenue/Wilton Drive in Wilton Manors and Fort Lauderdale. Construction plans for the project were available for public viewing and you may have already seen the start of construction. The Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is investing over \$300 million to create safer, healthier communities in Broward, and this project is one of many within the larger plan to create enhanced bicycle, pedestrian, and public transportation access throughout the Broward region. Project improvements include: removing old asphalt and resurfacing the roadway, upgrading signs and pavement markings, adding a buffered bike lane in each direction, widening sidewalks, upgrading pedestrian signals and modifying pedestrian curb ramps to meet ADA requirements, upgrading roadway and pedestrian lighting, installing new drainage structures and upgrading the existing drainage system. Traffic impact: lane closures will not be allowed between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. or 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. from Sunrise Blvd. to the South Fork of the Middle River, and pedestrian access will be maintained on at least one side of the street at all times. The project's anticipated completion is late 2019. More information on the project can be found on FDOT's website here:

[http://www.d4fdot.com/bcfdot/sr\\_811\\_ne\\_4\\_avenue\\_wilton\\_drive\\_complete\\_streets\\_project.asp](http://www.d4fdot.com/bcfdot/sr_811_ne_4_avenue_wilton_drive_complete_streets_project.asp), or on the City's website here: <http://www.wiltonmanors.com/575/Lane-Elimination-Project>, where there is a link to provide your comments about the project online (or to [plandi@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:plandi@wiltonmanors.com)).

## 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.

## LEISURE SERVICES (954) 390-2130

### Message from Leisure Services Director, Patrick Cann, CPRP

*"There is never enough time to do everything, but there's always enough time to do the most important things." - John C. Maxwell*



As the budget process progresses toward prioritizing the most essential community needs, it is truly inspiring that the City remains committed to offering meaningful activities, special events and services that add value to our community. In order to provide the many programs, amenities and services that support more than 507,000 annual park and library visits, the City depends on our dedicated community partners such as the Friends of the Library, Historical Society, Kiwanis Club, Library and Recreation Advisory Boards, Community Affairs Advisory Board, Wilton Manors Business Association, Wilton Manors Entertainment Group and many more enthusiastic volunteers to collaborate and assist with the excellent delivery of our many programs, amenities and services.

Thank you for celebrating festivities with us during the month of July as we celebrated Parks and Recreation Month. The City celebrated unique Island City events such as Rumpelstiltskin, Marionette Show on July 11<sup>th</sup>, indoor Book Fair at Hagen Park on Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, Sculpture with Silvie on July 18<sup>th</sup>, Smoothie Making with Chef Dee on July 25<sup>th</sup>, and Parent's Night on July 26<sup>th</sup>. These events truly embraced self-esteem, community pride and unity.

This year Summer Camp was very well attended with more than 175 participants during a 7-week camp at Wilton Manors Elementary School and a 2-week Adventure Camp at Island City Park Preserve. The City of Wilton Manors award winning Youth After School program started August 15, 2018. This program enhances the scholastic process and helps support the growth and development of our youth by teaching them life affirming skills that will enable them to effectively lead adult lifestyles.

I am personally inviting you to attend some of our upcoming special events. The City of Wilton Manors Halloween Spooktacular will be held at Wilton Manors Elementary School on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> and the Wicked Manors Street Festival will be held on Wilton Drive, Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. Save the date for a truly festive time at the Annual Hawaiian Festival on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at Mickel Park, the Taste of the Island event at Richardson Historic Park on Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M., the Yard Sale on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, the Annual Veterans Day Ceremony at Hagen Park on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M. and the Holiday Lighting Ceremony on November 29<sup>th</sup> at Jaycee Park beginning at 6:30 P.M.

With a \$2 million investment with grants and City funding, Mickel Park has been an excellent lure as a popular gathering place. With the addition of the New Playground and Splash Pad, the Entertainment Pavilion, Walking Trail and Fitness Zone has attracted more than 60,000 annual visits infusing tremendous value into the western area of the City. Daily walking and outdoor fitness, BBQ's, youth sports, adult boot camp, concerts in the park, volleyball, softball, playgrounds, summer camp pavilion rentals, and indoor rentals are some of the ways to truly get connected with our parks.

An important focus for the Leisure Services Team in October will be to add more cultural art programs such as acting and art lessons. Also, our team will work toward Phase I of repurposing Colohatchee Park, which will include expanded dog play areas for large and small dogs as well as an 8' walking trail with outdoor fitness zone. Additionally, Leisure Services will follow up with the Jaycee Park Site Master Plan to enhance the park, improve the connectivity and introduce cultural art features. We will be upgrading the multi-purpose field at Mickel Park to ensure a quality experience for all sports and general use. The Island City Fitness Center at Hagen Park will soon receive brand new cardio equipment including a new treadmill, stair climber, stationary bicycle and elliptical machine. If you are not a current member of our Fitness Center, please visit Hagen Park for a Free Tour!

Finally, City Team members are seeking your input related to a future project in the amount of \$65,000. Two Public Hearings will be held; the first on August 28<sup>th</sup> and the final one in September 2018 regarding the most appropriate use of CDBG funding. However, you can simply submit your ideas by email or contact me directly. The final project will be proposed October 2018 at a City Commission meeting after adequate research has been conducted.

Please join our new senior program and participate in activities such as Chair Yoga, Senior Fitness Classes, Ping Pong, Brains and Balance, Field Trips and so much more. You can visit us online at [wiltonmanors.com](http://wiltonmanors.com) for more details regarding our activities, events, park hours, fees, volunteer opportunities, etc. You may also contact one of our Guest Services Team members at 954-390-2130. We have programs, amenities and services available for you.

*"Q: What can we actually do to be helpful to the world? A: Make a gift of your life and lift all mankind by being kind, considerate, forgiving, and compassionate at all times, in all places, and under all conditions, with everyone as well as yourself. That is the greatest gift anyone can give."*  
David Hawkins

**Leisure Services Department Presents...**

**(954) 390-2130**

***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 started on August 15<sup>th</sup>  
Don't be left out!



**SCHOOL'S DAY OUT PROGRAM**

The School's Day-Out Program is open when school is out for teachers' workdays and legal holidays. On non-school weekdays when the City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department is open, the program hours are 7:30am~6pm. A field trip or special activity will be a part of the day. The cost of the program ranges from \$13.00 to \$30.00 per day/child, which includes the field trip or activity of the day. Children must bring a brown bag lunch unless otherwise instructed. This program will be held at Island City Park Preserve in Wilton Manors at 823 NE 28<sup>th</sup> Street. For more information please call the Leisure Services Department.

Upcoming dates are:  
September 10, 2018  
September 19, 2018  
October 19, 2018



**Hagen Park Tennis Center—@ Hagen Park—2020 Wilton Drive**



Lesson and Clinics with USPTA Pros

Playing tennis gets you moving and moving is good for the body and the mind. One of the great things about tennis is that it's a sport that can be played at nearly any age and at any skill level. Tennis has great benefits include enhancing your flexibility and balance, boosting your brain activity, staying in shape and is also a great way to meet new friends. Annual Tennis Memberships available.

For more information call office: 954/390-2132. Email: [donnatennis1@aol.com](mailto:donnatennis1@aol.com)

**Island City Yard Sales**



The City of Wilton Manors sponsors five city-wide yard sales each year at Hagen Park, 2020 Wilton Dr., on the second Saturday of November 2018 – March 2019. The City Yard Sales will be open from 8am to 2pm and spaces will be available to purchase for the November 10, 2018 Yard Sale starting September 4. Last season, the yard sales hosted from 60 to 90 vendors, so register early while there is still space. Tables and chairs 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.

The yard sales will be held:

November 10, 2018    December 8, 2018    January 12, 2019    February 10, 2019    March 9, 2019

**EVENTS & PROGRAMS****LEISURE SERVICES: (954) 390-2130****Halloween Spooktacular**

The City of Wilton Manors will host the Annual Halloween Spooktacular on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, at Wilton Manors Elementary School (2401 NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue) beginning at 6:30pm. There will be an assortment of enjoyable activities for all to enjoy. There will be bounce houses, games, food, costume contests, cake walk, and hay rides. For more information, contact the Leisure Services Department.

**13th Annual Taste of the Island**

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of the Island will take place on Monday, November 5, from 6-9p.m. at the beautiful Richardson Historic Park and Nature Preserve (1937 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, Florida 33305). With more than 20 local restaurants and bars in the greater Wilton Manors and surrounding areas participating, guests will have the opportunity to sample the best food and beverage options South Florida has to offer.

All proceeds from Taste of the Island will benefit the Wilton Manors Historical Society, the Kiwanis Club of Wilton Manors, City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department and the Wilton Manors Development Alliance.

To learn more about the event or to purchase tickets visit the event website at: <http://www.tasteoftheisland.org> or call (954) 257-2317.

**Capital Projects & Grants Update*****Community Development Block Grant Projects***

The next CDBG cycle is approaching and the City will be preparing its application to the County. A public hearing will be held at the September 25, 2018 Commission meeting 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](mailto:tdejesus@wiltonmanors.com) at any time. This is an ongoing program and staff welcomes input all year round.

***Colohatchee Park Upgrades***

Colohatchee Park will be getting a new look. 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.

**The Richardson Historic Park Wedding and Event Rentals**

The City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department would like to remind you that Richardson Historic Park is the perfect venue for any occasion- weddings, birthdays, baby showers, receptions, corporate events or private parties. This scenic park is home to three separate facilities that can be rented and utilized for a variety of gatherings and celebrations. The Manor House or the Carriage House is ideal for creating that exceptional experience for your event. These historic structures are nestled among sprawling cobblestone courtyards with the lush greenery of the nature park, helping create an aesthetic and photogenic backdrop for any event. For more information or to schedule a tour of these facilities to see how Richardson Park can meet your event needs, contact us at (954) 390-2104 or [mherman@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:mherman@wiltonmanors.com).

**ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMS****LEISURE SERVICES: (954) 390-2130****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](http://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 & Friday from 7-8pm and Saturday and Sundays at 8am at Mickel Park. 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 Haw!!! Come on out and kick up your heels for a stomping good time and learn to Circle Left/Right, Do Sa Do, Forward ...

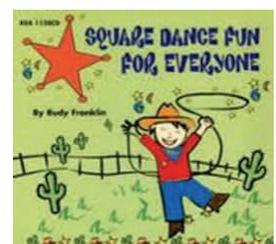
This is a great way to meet new people, exercise, and have a lot of fun. This is a beginner's class held every Thursday from 7:00pm – 9:30pm at Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street in Wilton Manors. The cost is only \$5.00 per class. For more information call 954-390-2115.

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](http://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.





# THE LIBRARY CORNER

## Book Delivery



Did you know that the Richard C. Sullivan Public Library of Wilton Manors offers home delivery of Library materials for City residents who are temporarily or permanently homebound due to illness or disability? If you or someone you know would like to have materials delivered, please contact the Library at (954) 390-2195.

## Ongoing Children's Programs

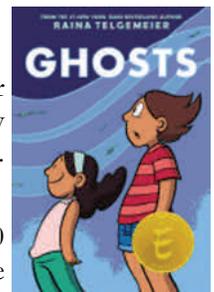


Lego Club and Read with Dogs – Alternate Wednesday evenings @ 5:30. Call the Library for schedules.

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

Some book suggestions ...

Catrina and her family have moved to the coast of Northern California for the sake of her little sister Maya, who has cystic fibrosis -- and Cat is even less happy about the move when she's told that her new town is inhabited by ghosts, and Maya sets her heart on meeting one in Raina Telgemeier's *Ghosts*. (Target age group: 9-12).

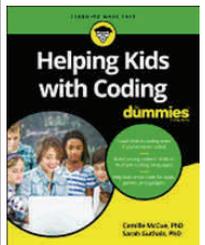


*Science Comics: Dinosaurs: Fossils and Feathers*, a fascinating look at dinosaur science, covers the last 150 years of dinosaur hunting and illuminates how our ideas about dinosaurs have changed -- and continue to change. (Target age group: 9-13).

Bear is hungry. Gertie wants to help. But finding the perfect snack is harder than it looks. Will Gertie and Bear silence Bear's tummy grumbles before hunger gets the best of them? Expressive characters and funny dialogue lead the way in *Don't Eat That*, a story about patience and teamwork, by Drew Sheneman, the author of *Nope!* (Target age group: 3-5).

From celebrated author Jane Yolen comes *Not One Damsel in Distress*, an inspiring collection of 15 folktales from around the world, all featuring strong female heroes. This new edition offers two brand-new stories from Azerbaijan and Indonesia and enhanced illustrations by Susan Guevara. (Target age group: 4-8).

In *Attack on Titan #25* by Hajime Isayama, the final battle rages on between the Survey Corps and the genocidal Colossus and Armored Titans. It's a personal fight that has driven old friends to kill each other, with the fate of humanity and the truth behind the Titan threat in the balance. (Target age group: 16 and up).



Getting a jump on learning how coding makes technology work is essential to prepare kids for the future. *Helping Kids with Coding for Dummies* by Camille McCue and Sarah Guthals breaks beginning coding into easy-to-understand language so parents can help a child with coding homework, teachers can supplement an existing coding curriculum, or have fun learning with a favorite kid. (Target age group: 10-13).

All hell breaks loose in *Spill Zone: The Broken Vow*, the conclusion of the visionary graphic novel duology by *New York Times* bestselling author Scott Westerfeld, author of *Uglies* and *Leviathan*. (Target age group: 13-17). If you have any questions or suggestions, please call 954-390-2195 and ask for Jill.

### Did You Know You Can Follow the Library on Twitter?

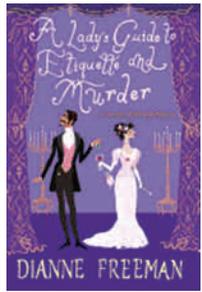
It's easy, and it's fun! Visit [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com) to sign up for a free Twitter account. Once your account is set up, click on the "Find People" link and the "Find on Twitter" tab and type "WiltonManorsLib" in the box. From then on, you'll automatically receive short updates and notices from Library staff.

You'll never miss an event again! You'll know when new books arrive! You'll know all the latest library news! You can even choose to receive library updates on your cell phone! Why not try it out today? Log on to [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com), and follow the instructions for setting up a new account. It's easy, it's fun, and it's free!



## NEW BOOKS @ YOUR LIBRARY

Just when things are getting back to normal in Booktown, Tricia and Angelica have their lives turned upside down by a shocking visitor from their past in *A Just Clause*, the latest entry in Lorna Barrett's *New York Times*-bestselling series.

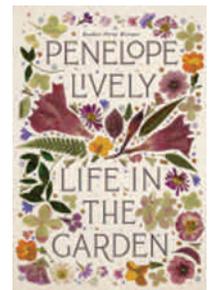


In *A Lady's Guide to Etiquette and Murder* by Dianne Freeman, wealthy young widow Frances Wynn, the American-born Countess of Harleigh, moves from the English countryside to Victorian London, where accusations that implicate her in her late husband's death cause her to begin her own investigation.

In *Safe Houses* by Dan Fesperman, a young woman discovers a nefarious truth at the heart of the CIA's operations in postwar Berlin and goes on the run for her life; years later she's gruesomely murdered along with her husband, and her daughter begins to chase down these startling secrets from her past.

Jean Mason has a doppelganger. At least, that's what people tell her. Jean's curiosity quickly gets the better of her, and she visits the market, but sees no one who looks like her. The next day, she goes back to look again. With the aid of a small army of locals, she expands her surveillance. A peculiar collection of drug addicts, scam artists, philanthropists, philosophers, and vagrants are eager to contribute to Jean's investigation. But when some of them start disappearing, it becomes apparent that her alleged double has a sinister agenda in Michael Redhill's *Bellevue Square*.

Penelope Lively takes up her key themes of time and memory, and her lifelong passions for art, literature, and gardening in *Life in the Garden*, a philosophical and poetic memoir. From the courtyards of her childhood home in Cairo to a family cottage in Somerset, to her own gardens in Oxford and London, Lively conducts an expert tour, taking us from Eden to Sissinghurst and into her own backyard, traversing the lives of writers like Virginia Woolf and Philip Larkin while imparting her own sly and spare wisdom. "Her body of work proves that certain themes never go out of fashion," writes the *New York Times Book Review*, as true of this beautiful volume as of the rest of the Lively canon.



## Audiovisual Treats @ your library

Have you checked out our collection of books-on-CD? They are great to listen to when commuting, traveling, exercising, or just working around the house. We also have e-books and digital magazines, downloadable to your computer, e-reader, or smart phone.

In addition to our collection of audio books, we also have DVDs -- new releases and classics as well. Our audiovisual offerings are available thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Wilton Manors Library.

## Friends Of The Wilton Manors Library



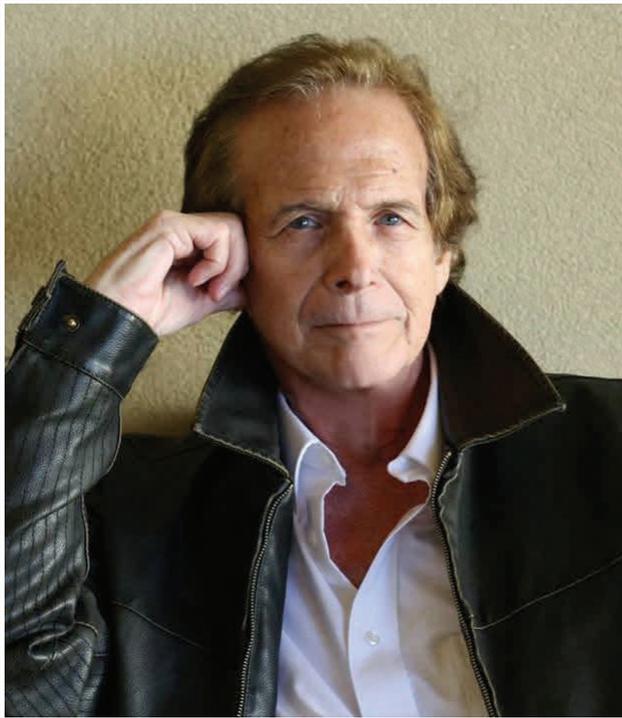
Do you want to help the Library? Join the Friends! The Friends of the Library is a volunteer group that exists to enrich the cultural and educational opportunities within our community. The Friends provide funding for the Library's extensive DVD, e-book, and audio book collections. They also sponsor Library programs throughout the year. Membership applications are available at the Library and on their web site:

[www.FriendsoftheWiltonManorsLibrary.org](http://www.FriendsoftheWiltonManorsLibrary.org).

# Friends of the Wilton Manors Library

## Fall Lecture Series

### October 11, 2018



## Alyn Darnay

### Movie Director / Producer / Actor / Author

### Wilton Manors Resident

Alyn Darnay's peers and producers have consistently recognized his Directorial and Writing work as some of the "best of the best". He has earned thirty-three outstanding awards of excellence for his work in film. "Women In Film/Miami" named him their "Director of the Year" and The 2017 Boston International Film Festival awarded him the Best Director Award for his feature film "Boyfriend Killer". Also in 2017, he was awarded the "Star Achievement" award by the Fort Myers International Film Festival, his film "Girlfriend Killer" took a "Best Feature" award in Fort Lauderdale, and his other feature "Shadow Fighter" with Burt Reynolds won "Best Picture" at three major film festivals this year and will be released late in 2018.

Alyn's acclaimed book, entitled "The Script...A Breakthrough Guide to Script Writing", has sold over 17,500 copies nationwide and has been translated into several languages. He is a frequent guest lecturer at Film Festivals, Colleges, and Universities.

Alyn has traveled the world and is interesting and knowledgeable. He has a lifetime of experience in the Movie Business and his stories are both entertaining and funny. He is also a nice person!

**Please join us on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>** in the Library at 500 NE 26<sup>th</sup> Street to meet and hear Alyn.

Happy Half Hour starts at 6:30 and Alyn's talk will start at 7:00 p.m.

## *Friends Of The Wilton Manors Library*



### WHAT ELSE HAVE THE FRIENDS BEEN UP TO?

Televisions in public places have become ubiquitous -- the bank, restaurants, your doctor's office, et cetera. The Friend of the Wilton Manors Library has purchased a television to mount on the wall behind the circulation desk, to announce upcoming programs, important City events, and the Wisdom Du Jour of the Library staff. Yes, there are all sorts of brochures on the desk, but they are easy to miss.

The Friends would like to thank Michelle Parks, the Director of the Parks and Recreation Division in Leisure Services for her assistance with this project.



## Historical Society Updates Website

By: Benjamin B. Little – Wilton Manors Historical Society

### *Life's Just Better Here*

The Wilton Manors Historical Society is focused on not only assisting the City with putting things in a historical perspective, but also sharing our very interesting history with those who are interested. We have looked at other historical society websites for inspiration on how to do this. We find that we have a lot more actual history documented on our website than most others.

We have recently added audio and video interviews with long time residents, as well as little biographies of most of our 80 folks who have been named City Pioneers and honored by the Broward County Historical Commission. To make all this more accessible, we have restructured the History/Articles page. Many of the folks we have documented grew up in Wilton Manors in the 1940's and 1950's.

We have video interviews of Scott Newton and his mother Phyllis, the son of Dave Turner, George Richardson, Jr., Ed and Mary Kalis, Jean French, Ron and Ann Lunsford, and others. We will be adding a summary of Grace Newton's interview as well as a listing of all the locations the Historical Society has designated as historically important in Wilton Manors.

We could not have done this without the spectacular, friendly expertise of Audio Duplicating Service, 2613 North Andrews Avenue ([www.audiodups.com](http://www.audiodups.com)). Ann and Joe Beard, the owners, are very long time residents of Wilton Manors, and their son, Scott, worked miracles.

ABC Web Services (the original designer of our website) made the changes to accommodate our additions. It is very tempting to make your website "trendy," but ABC continues to make our website easy to use and nice to look at.

### Articles

**Activities** – Projects undertaken by the Historical Society

**City** – Important facts about the City

**Reminiscences** – Reminiscences of long time residents, most in their own words

**History** – Histories of specific events or places

**People** – Luminaries of interest

**Pioneers** – People nominated by the Historical Society and presented by the City Commission for the annual Broward County Pioneer Day

### Audios

Audio interviews conducted by the Historical Society of notable people

### Videos

Interviews of long time residents recorded as part of an unfinished video about Wilton Manors by the Historical Society

Check it out. It beats binge watching something on Netflix.

The Society is a 501 (c) 3 charitable organization. Visit [www.WiltonManorsHistoricalSociety.org](http://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](http://www.wiltonmanorshistoricalsociety.org)

**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.



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

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



### **2018-2019 Schedule of Exhibits**

**Join us the first Saturday of each exhibition to meet the artists!**

WE ARE AN ART EXPO GALLERY | OPEN SATURDAYS FROM 7 TO 9 PM  
Located in the former Woman's Club of Wilton Manors at 600 NE 21 Court.  
Wilton Manors, FL 33305  
GALLERY 954-661-4740 | RENTALS 954-390-2130

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE**

*Art Gallery 21 is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization working in partnership with Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department.*

**[www.artgallery21.org](http://www.artgallery21.org)**

Sept. 29-Oct. 20, 2018  
7th Annual  
Island City Juried Art Exhibition

Oct. 27-Nov. 24, 2018  
Post-Painterly Art of Sameness

Dec. 1-29, 2018  
The Winner's Show

Jan. 5-26, 2019  
Drawing Without An Eraser

Feb. 2-Mar. 2, 2019  
The Finest Art of All:  
Celia Diaz & Robert Gross

Mar. 9-Apr. 6, 2019  
**THE ART OF BARBIE:  
Homage to a Global Icon**  
FREE TO THE PUBLIC | OPEN TH-FR-SAT 12 Noon-8 PM  
(Partial funding provided by Broward Cultural Division)

Apr. 20-May 25, 2019  
**Art in Nature Photo  
& Recycled Art Contest**  
(Sponsored by the Environmental & Sustainability  
Volunteer Group of Wilton Manors)

June 1-29, 2019  
From the Swamp to the Village



## MEET THE MEMBERS OF OUR DETECTIVE BUREAU

The Detective Bureau is responsible for conducting in-depth follow-up investigations of crimes and incidents that occur in the City of Wilton Manors. The members of our detective bureau can be reached at 954-390-2150 or by e-mail.



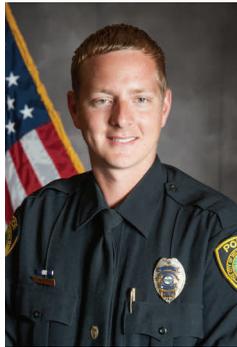
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## 2018 Public Safety Update



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### Contact Information



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9-1-1 Emergency | (954) 764-HELP (4357) Non Emergency  
(954) 390-2150 Administration | Code Compliance (954) 390-2151

2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL | [www.WMPD.org](http://www.WMPD.org)

2017 Uniform Crime Report (from 2016 data)

↓ 2.1%

Reduction in the City's  
Total Crime Index

↓ 3.8%

Reduction in the City's  
Total Crime Rate

Based on a comparison of population and the number of crimes.

**JOIN OUR WMPD TEAM!**

**Now Hiring Qualified Candidates**

The Wilton Manors Police Department maintains the highest level of professional, caring police service throughout our community, which is why the selection of personnel who represent the City of Wilton Manors is so important. Living and working in the City has its Benefits; we offer an annual residency stipend of \$3,000. A few other benefits / incentives we offer to qualified candidates are a \$5,000 Sign-On Bonus for Certified Police Officers, Florida Retirement System Investment Plan &/or Pension Plan and Lateral Transfer.

For more information visit: <http://wiltonmanors.com/148/Job-Opportunities>

**HATE CRIME DATA INITIATIVE**

The Wilton Manors Police Department is committed to letting our community know that hate and bias motivated crimes will not be tolerated and will remain a priority for our agency. By participating in the Police Foundation's Hate Crime Open Data Initiative, we are committed to making data available in an open and transparent way so that our communities and everyone in our agency continues to know that the issue of hate crime is taken seriously and that we are holding ourselves accountable for addressing it. We encourage anyone in our community who has been the victim of a possible hate crime – regardless of the nature or type of incident - to come forward, report the crime or incident, and to work with us to bring the perpetrators to justice. For more information visit:

<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/biascrimes>



**WARNING:** The Florida sun is **HOT!**  
Always check for precious cargo before you go.

Baby/Pet On Board Safety Awareness Campaign brought to you by the Wilton Manors Police Department.  
PLEASE BE ADVISED: Distracted driving is dangerous. Please read only while not operating the vehicle.

*“See Something,  
Say Something”*  
Report suspicious persons, vehicles or activity to dispatch at (954) 764-HELP (4357) or **9-1-1** for Emergencies.

**“SAFETY DOESN'T HAPPEN BY ACCIDENT”**

The Wilton Manors Police Department received a grant from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the University of North Florida which will be utilized to further improve safety along our roadways and other public pathways. These funds will be used to educate our community by providing pedestrian, bicycle, and traffic safety awareness.

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**ALERT TODAY**  
FDOT  
LIVE TOMORROW

[www.AlertTodayFlorida.com](http://www.AlertTodayFlorida.com)

**WHEN DRIVING, WALKING, OR BICYCLING... PAY ATTENTION. READ THE SIGNS. LEARN THE RULES.**

**AVOID DISTRACTIONS.**

- STOP BEFORE TURNING RIGHT ON RED. USE THE SIDEWALK AND CROSSWALKS.
- BICYCLE PREDICTABLY, WITH TRAFFIC.

**ALERT TODAY**  
FDOT  
LIVE TOMORROW

- Obey all traffic laws. If no sidewalks are present, walk against the direction of traffic so you can see oncoming vehicles.
- Avoid distractions while driving. Focus on the road.
- Always wear a helmet. Ride in the same direction of traffic on the street. Obey all traffic signs, signals, and lane markings.
- Always use the crosswalk. Push the button to get the walk signal.
- Pass bicyclists safely. Allow at least three feet between your vehicle and the bicyclist.
- Yield to traffic when appropriate. It's better to yield than "be in the right" and risk injury.
- Be visible. Wear bright, reflective colors on your clothes, shoes, belts and wristbands.
- Slow down! Speed is the cause of 32% of all fatal crashes.
- Be visible. Position yourself in the lane so others can easily see you. Always use a headlight and taillight at night.

[www.AlertTodayFlorida.com](http://www.AlertTodayFlorida.com)