



# Town Crier

*Life's Just Better Here*

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

November/December 2020



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**CALENDAR Items**

City Offices will be closed:  
**Veterans Day**  
 Wednesday, November 11

**Thanksgiving Day**  
 Thursday, November 26

**ELECTION INFORMATION**

General Election Day is Tuesday, November 3 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at your local election precinct. If you are not registered to vote or need to update your voter registration information, or if you are unsure of your Election Precinct, please contact the Broward County Supervisor of Elections at 954-357-7050 or visit their website at: [www.browardsoe.org](http://www.browardsoe.org).

**VIRTUAL City Meetings on the ZOOM platform**

All city meetings are currently being held “virtually” on the ZOOM platform. All meeting agendas are available at [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com), and each agenda contains the information needed to join the meeting online on ZOOM. If you would like to join a meeting and unsure how to use ZOOM please call the City Clerk’s Office at (954) 390-2128.

**Wilton Manors City Officials**

Acting Mayor Tom Green  
 Commissioner Julie A. Carson • Commissioner Gary Resnick  
 Commissioner Paul Rolli • City Manager Leigh Ann Henderson  
 City Attorney Kerry Ezrol

**City Commission and Board Meeting Dates**

Due to COVID-19, City Commission meetings will be held virtually and board meetings have been postponed. The public is welcome to attend virtually. Please visit [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) for the most up-to-date meeting information.

CAAB 7p.m.	Historical Society 7p.m.	Pension 5:30p.m.	P&Z 7p.m.	Rec. Adv. 6:30p.m.	WDID 6:30p.m.
Wed Nov 4	No Public	Tues Dec 1	Mon Nov 9	Thurs Dec 17	Wed Nov 11
Wed Dec 2	Meetings Until	Meets Quarterly	Mon Dec 7	Meets Every 2 Months	Wed Dec 9
Wed Jan 6	Publicly Noticed		Mon Jan 11		Wed Jan 13

The City Commission typically meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Check the city’s website for details on all city meetings including information for virtual access.

**UPDATE: Parking on Wilton Drive**

On December 1st, a soft reopening of the City’s paid parking program will resume, with warnings issued to remind residents and guests to pay for parking in the future. Citations will begin being issued on January 1, 2021. Please contact the Finance Department at 954.390.2143 with any parking program related questions.

***CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP***



The City of Wilton Manors will be offering free curb-side pick-up of Christmas trees on your bulk pick-up day during the month of January (please refer to the 2021 Collection Schedule). Please remove all lights, ornaments, and tree stands before placing trees at the curb. The trees will be taken to the Waste-to-Energy Plant and burned to create energy!

**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\*..... 954-764-4357  
 (\*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, November 19      Thursday, December 17      Recycling Day: Thursday**

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

**Tuesday, November 17      Tuesday, December 15      Recycling Day: Friday**

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

**Wednesday, November 18      Wednesday, December 16      Recycling Day: Wednesday**

**Condominium bulk pickup (quarterly): Saturday, December 26**



**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.**

### *TRASH & RECYCLING PICKUP DURING THE HOLIDAYS*

Garbage and recycling are collected year-round, *with the exception of Christmas Day*, so:



On **Thanksgiving Day** (Thursday, November 26, 2020):  
There **WILL BE** regular trash & recycling collection

On **Christmas Day** (Friday, December 25, 2020):  
There **WILL NOT BE** any trash or recycling collection

On **New Year's Day** (Friday, January 1, 2021):  
There **WILL BE** regular trash & recycling collection

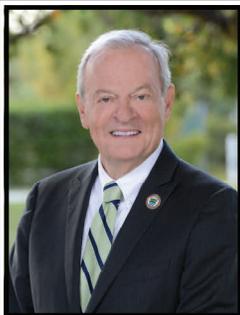
### WATERING SCHEDULE

Residents and businesses are limited to a two-day-per-week landscape irrigation schedule with two “watering windows.” NO lawn watering is allowed between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. 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>12:00 a.m.-7:00 a.m. and/or 7:00 p.m.-11:59 p.m.</b>
<b>EVEN street addresses:</b>	<b>Thursdays &amp; Sundays</b>	<b>12:00 a.m.-7:00 a.m. and/or 7:00 p.m.-11:59 p.m.</b>

For additional information on irrigation restrictions or water conservation, call the South Florida Water Management District's toll-free **Water Conservation Hotline** at 866-433-6312 or visit [www.sfwmd.gov](http://www.sfwmd.gov).

## Acting Mayor Tom Green—Farewell, Part II



In the last issue of the Town Crier, I offered a look back at progress achieved during my tenure on the City Commission.

For my final article, I will share my wish list for the City's future:

**The completion of the Wilton Drive landscaping and irrigation project and a beautiful leafy and shady Wilton Drive should be a high priority.** It took several years for us to find construction money and now the funds for landscaping are available.

**We need redevelopment of our major transportation corridors.** This can be done with good designs that protect our single-family neighborhoods. Sections of Wilton Drive, Andrews Avenue and Dixie Hwy can be transformed into mixed-use and residential projects to provide the housing units we so badly need. The lack of redevelopment and the presence of over 300 vacation rental homes have made it difficult to find housing here. Potential residents have to look to other cities for housing.

**The city should increase its emphasis on sustainability.** We need to continue planning and mitigation for the rising seas. Our river seawalls are not of sufficient height and our bridges are too low. More solar projects and ordinances are needed to help reduce our carbon footprint. Our discussions with Oakland Park on this matter should be increased. Solar use should be encouraged at our parks, at city hall, and residential units.

**There should be efforts to make Wilton Manors more walkable with less reliance on automobiles.** Sidewalk furniture should be added to the Drive and other types of transportation such as a city tram should be added. Perhaps such a tram could be coordinated with Oakland Park. More bike use should be encouraged.

**The redevelopment and identity of Andrews Avenue should be highest priority for the new Economic Development Director recently hired by the City.** It does not need to be a duplicate of Wilton Drive. Mixed-use development with a heavy emphasis on residential should be encouraged by the City.

**Residents and visitors should have more access to the river.** Many people don't even know the north and south forks of the New River are part of our outdoor space. We count the rivers as part of our "open recreation area" but public access is extremely limited. Our ordinances should require that property on the river should have a requirement that the river be a required design element in any proposal for redevelopment.

**Make efforts to include all communities into city government.** There are large areas of Wilton Manors that have little input in how we run our city. There are people of color that do not regularly attend commission meetings, contact individual commissioners, or serve on city advisory boards. More diversity in these matters would allow us to say we are truly inclusive. We even need to work on gender inclusion and do all we can to include more female residents in City governance.

Finally, I would like to offer many thanks to the city staff. I have learned what a dedicated and hardworking group of individuals we have helping to make "life just better here". Leigh Ann Henderson, Faith Lombardo, and Paul O'Connell are amazing public servants of our city. The residents of Wilton Manors are lucky to have them. Patrick Cann, Director of Leisure Services, and his staff are always ready to do what is necessary to make any event happen. I must give special thanks to Pamela Landi, John Goodnight, and Patricia Staples. They were always there to help and I benefited from their patience and knowledge. Pamela Landi, Assistant City Manager, seems to know every elected official and most staff people in Broward County. She is great writer and communicator. These three people made me look good and helped me accomplish my work.

Many thanks to the members of our city advisory boards. They work long hours in these volunteer positions and quietly make city government function more efficiently and with greater empathy. I attended many of their meetings and I am thankful for their service.

Thanks to all the hard work done by my fellow commissioners. While we sometimes had different priorities, everyone on the commission works hard for the residents of Wilton Manors. Julie Carson and I worked together on many projects throughout my time on the commission. She is especially concerned about our schools and the rights of the LGBTQ+ community. She was always our main champion for the rights of women and for gender equality. I also served fondly with Scott Newton for most of the time I was a member of the city commission. He is a dedicated and honorable man. And I must include a comment about our former mayor, Justin Flippen. His death was a tragic loss for us, and for the many, many people he could have served in the future.

Most of all, I thank the residents of Wilton Manors for being here and being members of our community. Thank you for making Wilton Manors a symbol of hope and inclusion. In my travels across the country, I have heard nothing but praise for our city. It has been an honor to have served as your Commissioner, Vice-Mayor, and finally as Acting Mayor.

## Commissioner Julie Carson—With Gratitude



Many of you know that my family lost my beloved brother Jon to pancreatic cancer in October. While his death was not unexpected, the loss is sharp and painful. Perhaps like me, you have learned through experience that grief is also the price of love. I continue to be deeply comforted by your kind words, cards, calls, and prayers. This experience reminds me that I am grateful to be part of a community that truly cares.

This will be my last article as your City Commissioner. As I think about the last decade of my public service, I never imagined when I was first elected how much pleasure I would derive from serving with my colleagues on the Commission or how profoundly thankful I would feel for the role that I have played in making our community a better place to live, work and play. My whole life, I have tried to ensure that people who might not otherwise have a seat at the table - whether it is those in the transgender community, the elderly, or renters - are fully invested in municipal life. I hope that this effort at inclusion will be one of my legacies.

Of course, City progress and achievements are always a team effort, and it has been a truly wonderful experience to establish strong relationships with my colleagues on the Commission as well as our wonderful city staff, residents, volunteers and business owners. I thank you for the opportunity.

While our City has taken some serious hits this year with the loss of Justin and the pandemic, I am filled with hope for our future. We are positioned for thoughtful but much needed residential growth and redevelopment on our transit-oriented corridors. The Residences at Equality Park will soon provide almost 50 new affordable homes for seniors and the disabled, and we provided two new residents with financial assistance to purchase their first homes. We are an AARP Certified Livable Community. Our millage rate has remained static, and despite this year's short-falls, our government is financially sound. I am so proud that our City has become a leader in equality and non-discrimination policies and practices, and that LGBTQ+ people around the world know that they can come to Wilton Manors and be themselves and be safe.

I look forward to continuing to work in service to our community. Contact me at 954-288-8174 or at [JCarson@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:JCarson@wiltonmanors.com) to share your thoughts and concerns.

## COVID-19 UPDATES

For the latest information Reopening, Testing, and Available Resources, see the city's website at:

<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/AlertCenter.aspx?AID=State-Community-Resources-25>.

For links to specific guidelines for restaurants, gyms, retail establishments, and other businesses and amenities, please visit <http://www.wiltonmanors.com/729/Coronavirus-Updates>.

And to view Broward County Emergency Orders, please visit the County's website at:

<https://www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Pages/EmergencyOrders.aspx>

## Commissioner Gary Resnick-Elections and Holidays - Make Us Nervous



By the time you read this, our country and our City will be concluding what feels like eternal elections.

For many years, there has been relative stability among our City Commission. One of the rewards of working alongside the same Commissioners for years is that we become more than colleagues. This month, my friend and fellow Commissioner, Tom Green, is retiring from a long career in public service. Tom joined the Wilton Manors City Commission in 2008. I got to spend a lot of time with Tom during National League of City conferences over the years.

Locally, Tom emphasized what was important to many of us; protecting the environment and improving transportation. During his tenure, Tom made advancements in both areas and his legacy will impact our City for many years. This year, Tom was Vice Mayor at the time of the death of Justin Flippen and thus, stepped into the difficult role of Acting Mayor, spending many hours on City business.

Tom was famous for often saying many City issues made him “nervous.” Many of us our now “nervous” because this election will add new members to the City Commission. There’s been more shenanigans than usual among local candidates, and vast differences from those who want tall micro rental buildings, to others who want to protect single family neighborhoods. My hope is that whoever is elected will care about our community and support our residents. Running for public office requires personal and professional sacrifice. Notwithstanding some of the untoward tactics, we should thank all who put themselves out there to campaign, learn the issues, reach out to residents and businesses, and subject themselves to public inspection and criticism. Having run and won office here 9 times, I know it’s never easy, but we are fortunate to have so many in our community participate and care about our City.

Finally, the holidays will certainly be different this year and also make us “nervous.” As you know by now, traditional Halloween festivities did not occur, but our Leisure Services came up with a safe way to still enjoy the evening. There are reports that COVID rates are expected to surge because of large holiday gatherings and colder weather limiting outdoor dining and activities. Many Thanksgiving and holiday events will be postponed to a safer time. At least in Florida, we shouldn’t have to worry about cold weather limiting outdoor activities. But we all have to make our own decisions if we do see family or friends, whether it’s safe to hug and whether to wear masks inside others’ homes. With a new perspective this year, my partner Eric and I will certainly spend time reflecting on all that we are thankful for, which includes good health, solid friendships, loving family, and living in the best City, Wilton Manors! Stay Safe and enjoy the holidays!

## Holiday Hints for Waste Disposal

While preparing, celebrating, and cleaning up during the holiday season, we find ourselves with a lot of extra items to dispose of. Please consider all your options and dispose of items responsibly.

**Trash** - Everyday items, including your holiday celebration waste items, can be placed in your **BLUE** trash bin for a twice-weekly pick-up. Plastic and paper items with food residue should always be placed in these bins to be thrown away, along with plastic bags and wraps. If you have any gently used items, consider donating them instead of disposing them, to cut down on trash volume.

**Recycle** - Recycle right during the holidays. Only items such as paper/cardboard, glass jars, approved plastic drinking bottles (only items where the neck is narrower than the body), and aluminum/tin cans should be placed in your **GREEN** recycling bin for your once-a-week pick up. These items should be rinsed and free of food residue. Items with food stains, toys, and electrical items should never be placed in your recycle bin. “When In Doubt, Throw It Out”. And remember...no plastic bags!

**Bulk and Household Hazardous Waste** - Plan ahead...please refer to your collection schedules and disposal requirements for bulk and hazardous waste, which are once-a-month pick-ups. Visit [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) for more details and the Collection Schedule <https://www.wiltonmanors.com/DocumentCenter/View/102/2020-Bulk-Schedule?bidId=>.

## Commissioner Paul Rolli—“A New Government, A New Day”



The winds of change never really stop blowing, do they? All around us, nationally and locally, important trends are taking place which will alter the political, societal, and technological conditions that are going to impact every one of us, here in Wilton Manors and beyond.

It would be understating things to say that the tragic loss this year of our mayor, Justin Flippen, sent a shock through our community. As we started to pick up the pieces, we were immediately hit with COVID and some days it seems that will never end.

Around the time you read this, the city will be about to elect, or will have elected, a new mayor and two new commissioners. Our new commission must take responsibility to provide leadership and vision for our community and our neighbors. I thank past officials for all their service and welcome all the newly elected ones.

For any community, a new commission represents a significant turning point, like an ocean liner taking on a new captain and senior officers in the middle of a voyage at sea during a storm.

But a turning point doesn't mean turning things upside down. Like many other cities, Wilton Manors can benefit from the energy, enthusiasm, and drive of new leaders, and from the wisdom and experience of those whose existing service is a matter of record. This turning point must be used as a major opportunity for Wilton Manors to deliberately move forward.

For our city to benefit most from its elected leaders, the commission must focus on strategic policies that provide clear direction towards an improved and sustainable future for all. There is a lot to do in the upcoming years including the health and safety of our residents as well as organizational efficiency, fiscal sustainability, environmental issues and economic growth. These words are used a lot in political speeches and public rhetoric. Words must be put into action by the leadership team through the creation of policies.

Now is the time for strong city leadership to pursue the best interests of our town.

As a lifelong public servant, I'm really looking forward to working with our new team in a unified and collaborative manner. Only by working together, can we find a balance that works for everyone.

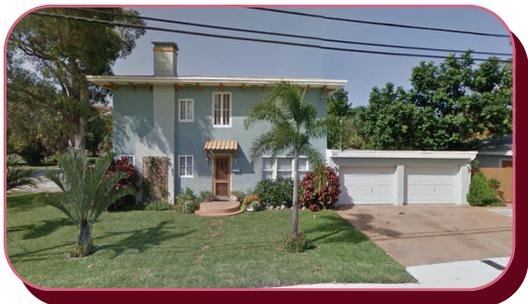
I want to thank all the residents, businesses, city staff, and our First Responders for helping one another come together peacefully in these difficult times.

Lastly, for now, let me take a moment to wish each of you, your families, and friends a safe and healthy holiday season. I especially want to say “Thank You” to all the veterans who serve and served.

In the meantime, I look forward to seeing you around town. If you have any questions or concerns, always feel free to contact me at [prolli@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:prolli@wiltonmanors.com) or 954-595-8865. I am always available to talk.

## WILTON MANORS HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRIVIA

There are a number of stories about how Wilton Manors got its name. Most probably, it is a concatenation of Willingham and Felton. Our founder Ned Willingham's wife's maiden name was Felton. “Manors” means “landed estates,” befitting of the upscale community our founder had planned.



Probably the first house of Willingham's Wilton Manors was built in 1926 and belonged to Carl A. Hiaasen, a partner in the prominent law firm of McCune, Casey, Hiaasen and Fleming, which represented Willingham's company. The two-story house, at Choctaw and Ludowici (601 NE 21st Court), is still standing. There were a number of others, which have not survived. Carl A. Hiaasen was the grandfather of famed Florida author Carl Hiaasen.

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

## Become an Advisory Board Member!



*Pictured: Members of the Community Affairs Advisory Board*

The City of Wilton Manors is always recruiting residents, local business owners, and commercial property owners for volunteer positions on city Boards and Committees. WE WANT YOU to help maintain a membership that is reflective of our diverse community on the:

Budget Review Committee (no vacancies)-meets during budgeting period (March through August)

Civil Service Board-meetings held monthly if needed.

**Currently 1 vacancy open until filled.**

Community Affairs Advisory Board—two-year terms. Meets the 1st Wednesday of each month; **3 vacancies were filled in July.**

Library Advisory Board—three-year terms. Meets quarterly; **3 vacancies will filled in November.**

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board—two--year terms. Meets bi-monthly; **3 vacancies were filled in June.**

Pension Board of Trustees—two-year terms. Meets quarterly; **5 vacancies were filled in October.**

Planning & Zoning Board—two-year terms. Meets second Monday each month; **5 vacancies were filled in June.**

P&Z positions are category qualified.

Wilton Drive Improvement District—three-year terms. Meets the second Wednesday each month; **3 vacancies were filled in October.** WDID positions are category qualified (7 members: 3 individuals who own property on Wilton Drive within the District, 3 individuals who own businesses in the District, and 1 resident).

Visit the City website at: <http://www.wiltonmanors.com/221/Boards-Committees> to learn more about the various city Boards and Committees or call the City Clerk's Office at 954-390-2123.

## WILTON MANORS HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRIVIA



We're in the movies! By 1919, movie makers arrived. Many sequences of "The Firing Line," starring the famous dancer and actress Irene Castle, were shot in the pine woods near Colohatchee. In 1995, Carl Hiassen's novel "Striptease" was partially filmed at the Middle River Trailer Park in Wilton Manors (which is now the Metropolitan Apartments) . It starred Burt Reynolds, Demi Moore, and our Mayor King Wilkinson (in a walk-on role).

Up until about 1925, there wasn't much going on in our area. There was a center of "town," a couple houses, a convenience store, and a stop on the FEC Railroad, located at the intersection of North East 24<sup>th</sup> Street (Mahannah Road) and Dixie Highway. As we look forward to passenger rail service through Wilton Manors, remember that there was once a stop on the FEC at NE 24th Street for shipping produce from the surrounding area north in the first couple decades of the 20th century.

Ned Willingham, Wilton Manors founder, initially planned for a hotel in Wilton Manors, and in 2020, there continues to be a push for a hotel in the city!



## Message from Central Area Neighborhood Association (CANA)

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

While COVID-19 health precautions closed City Hall doors to the public, the wheels of government remained steadfast at work. WiltonManors.com website, social media posts, and urgent phone notifications provide key information from the city to residents. With communications media technology (CMT) ZOOM on your computer and/or phone, we have an “on-line” seat for every city meeting.

In the near future we’re encouraged to stay alert to proposed revisions of Wilton Manors Municipal Code concerning density and development in our main transportation corridors (Oakland Park Blvd., Andrews Ave., Dixie Hwy., NE 26<sup>th</sup> St., and Wilton Drive). Enacting new municipal code is key to Wilton Manors’ future. Resident input is sought through public comments to the Planning & Zoning Board and before the City Commission. Our neighborhood Association received an initial briefing, now your comments and opinions are desired.

CANA urges you to remain engaged with our community: volunteer for a city board or committee, assist a local charitable organization, attend government meetings and offer your opinions. Reach out to your neighbors in need and help when possible. You are the diverse Wilton Manors Central Area Neighborhood, our safe and caring home.

**CANA invites you to join our membership** – CANA is a forum for residents of the Central Area of Wilton Manors to meet, discuss, and solve issues affecting the well-being of the neighbors by serving as a communication channel for information between residents and the City Commission. You can contact any board member for information or to provide input. Your attendance at our meetings is invited, and your input is desired. Yearly membership is \$25 per individual/household. Please join through our website, or at our quarterly meetings.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND BEST WISHES FOR 2021!**

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

Ray Carrier, President · Bill Desautels, Vice-President · Fred Caplan, Treasurer · Matthew Gill, Secretary · Brent White & Daniel Rahm, Directors



## WILTON MANORS EAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

This has been a very trying year for all neighborhood associations. However, this does not mean that ENA has been dormant. We met a couple of times with the Police Department and City Administration to help ensure our neighborhoods stay safe, and collaborated with the Central and West Neighborhood Associations to put on a successful City Commission Candidate Forum in September. Also Michael Pierce and I, through ENA, donated a home grown 15’ Royal Poinciana tree and Frangipani tree to the City. They were planted by the south side of NE 16 Avenue next to the bridge going into Oakland Park. This should help beautify one of the entrances into our neighborhood.

Due to Covid, the East Neighborhood Association has not been able to have a meeting since last March. Unfortunately, will not have another meeting in 2020. This also means no annual Holiday Party. We anticipate meeting next year, hopefully in February or March. Until then we will continue to send out important neighborhood and city information to our members. The ENA Board of Directors wishes everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving, and Holiday Season! If you have any questions about the East Neighborhood Association, please call me.

-John R. Fiore, President

East Neighborhood Association of Wilton Manors, Inc.

954-564-3821

The ENA Board of Directors consists of John Fiore, Michael Pierce, David Walker, John Weibalck and Randy Comer.

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

## WESTSIDE ASSOCIATION OF WILTON MANORS—(WAWM)



While COVID has hindered in-person meetings, WAWM has continued to move forward with planning and projects. Some complete and ongoing activities include the Tri-Neighborhood Candidates Forum via Zoom, working with the police to mitigate crime in our area, and participating with Community Development in the finalization of the Transit Oriented Corridor West (TOC-W). We were also fortunate that our President, Sal Torre, received two Proclamations from the City in recognition of his outstanding community volunteerism. We would also like to thank Acting Mayor

Tom Green for his twelve years served on the City Commission. Looking to get more involved in the New Year, the Westside Association is looking for a few good volunteers to serve on our Board of Directors and as Area Representatives.

Contact Vice President Jon O’Connor at [wawm.org@gmail.com](mailto:wawm.org@gmail.com) for additional information.

*New to the Westside?* 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 and code enforcement and local government.

\*Bring neighbors within the community together to support cultural, economic, educational, and recreational activities.

For more information on WAWM please contact WAWM Secretary Jon O’Connor at [wawm.org@gmail.com](mailto:wawm.org@gmail.com) or check out our website at [www.wawm.org](http://www.wawm.org).

## Recycling With Mack The Manatee

As our residents continue to participate in recycling efforts to create a greener community, it's very important to understand the Do's and Don't's of recycling. Please visit with Mack the Manatee online for the best tips and updates on how and what to recycle. Mack is hosted on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1By5VDISu2M&t=0s> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yphwGcWTdso>.



Please visit our [Recycling Items and Schedules](http://www.wiltonmanors.com/187/Recyclable-Items) webpage (<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/187/Recyclable-Items>) for additional details.

## Code Compliance: Bulk Waste

Property owners in the Island City take a lot of pride when it comes to maintaining their property. As you go through the city, you will observe manicured lawns and new construction of homes, as well as a fair share of remodeling. Unfortunately, bulk waste left in front of multi-family properties, single-family residences, and some commercial establishments can negatively impact the appearance of and the way we enjoy our community. The city has monthly bulk waste collections to help with the retrieval that may accumulate on properties. Bulk trash is allowed to be placed the weekend before the scheduled pick-up date to receive this service. Whether it is because of illegal dumping, or because someone was not aware of the city's collection schedule, many items are being inappropriately discarded throughout the city. A usual misconception that results in waste being placed out inappropriately is that bulk pick up lands on a specific week of every month. That is not the case, and one must follow the specific dates on the bulk waste calendar in order to ensure compliance.

The city's Code defines bulk waste to include, but not be limited to, discarded appliances or parts thereof, furniture, metals, building materials, machinery or parts thereof, and other similar items. Items that are left in front of properties outside of the collection window will be issued a notice by our Code Compliance Unit, and if the items are not picked up within three working days, the city will pick up the bulk and charge the property owner by placing the costs on the water bill. Properties may also receive citations or be scheduled to a Code Compliance Special Magistrate Hearing, where fines and liens may be assessed against the property.

By following the city's collection schedule, reporting illegal dumping, and reporting hard junk that is left outside when it is not supposed to be, we can help clean up these issues and continue to make progress. The bulk collection schedule may be found behind every water bill, in every Town Crier, or on the city website. A magnetic calendar showing all collection schedules may be mailed to you by calling 954-390-2190. In order to report illegal dumping, please contact our Police non-emergency number at 954-764-4357(HELP). To report bulk waste, please contact Code Compliance at 954-390-2151. Thank you for helping us make life better here.

*Please remember! Bulk trash pick-up for residences is only once a month and condominium bulk trash pick-up is once per quarter. Please do not put any bulk trash out earlier than the weekend before your scheduled pick-up. Placing your bulk curbside early will result in it being picked up and charged against your water bill. You may see the complete schedule here:*

<https://www.wiltonmanors.com/184/Bulk-Trash-Collection>

## AT YOUR DOOR-HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PICK-UP



Residents in single family homes can contact Waste Management's AtYourDoor<sup>SM</sup> service by phone at: 1-800-449-7587 or by e-mail: [atyourdoor@wm.com](mailto:atyourdoor@wm.com) to schedule a pickup of household hazardous waste.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (954)390-2180

### On-Line Permitting NOW AVAILABLE!



In an effort to continue to provide building permitting services during the COVID-19 pandemic, the city now offers online building permitting.

Access to online building permitting can be found on the [Online Services page](#) of the City's website ([www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com)) at:

<http://www.wiltonmanors.com/248/Online-Services>. Simply click on the "Building Permits" link. If you have any questions or need assistance with online building

permitting, please call (954) 390-2180 to leave a voicemail or email at [CDSinfo@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:CDSinfo@wiltonmanors.com).

Community Development Services staff will be available on Monday through Thursday, between 9–11 a.m. and 2–4 p.m. for contractors and homeowners to pick up ready to be issued building permits through a no contact process.

Email Community Development Services staff ([lbritt@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:lbritt@wiltonmanors.com); [ktaylor@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:ktaylor@wiltonmanors.com); and [ctaylor@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:ctaylor@wiltonmanors.com)) to notify them that you will be picking up your permit.

During this COVID-19 pandemic, all exterior inspection requests are being scheduled and interior inspection requests are scheduled on a case by case basis.

### Group Homes Study

The City of Wilton Manors contracted with Daniel Lauber, AICP to prepare a study to provide principles to guide the City in developing zoning regulations related to recovery communities and community residences for people with disabilities.

A community residence is a residential use usually located in a single family house or townhome, that provides a family like living arrangement for people with disabilities to enable them to live as "normal" a life as possible by emulating a biological family.

A recovery community is a congregation of a larger group of people in recovery, generally in multifamily structures, that do not emulate a biological family. They are more like institutional uses than family-like residential uses, and warrant zoning treatment different than community residences. And unlike community residences, they house only people in recovery from addiction.

On August 25, 2020, the City Commission accepted Mr. Lauber's study and directed staff to develop zoning regulations for community residences and recovery communities.

The proposed regulations will apply to community residences for people with disabilities, including sober homes as well as the larger recovery communities. The proposed regulations would protect people with disabilities, including people in recovery, from exploitation, mistreatment, and abuse. By protecting people with disabilities, these amendments also protect Wilton Manors' neighborhoods from the impacts of unscrupulous and incompetent operators. Additionally, the study suggests policies to prevent the formation of clusters and concentrations of community residences and/or recovery communities. The study proposes a zoning framework for all community residences for people with disabilities, based on guidelines issued by the American Planning Association, American Bar Association, settlements of housing discrimination complaints brought by the U.S. Department of Justice, and court decisions.

If you have any questions or wish a copy of the study, you may contact Roberta Moore, Director of Community Development Services at (954)390-2180 or at [rmoore@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:rmoore@wiltonmanors.com).

## Sign Code Changes



On September 22, 2020, the Wilton Manors' City Commission approved signage-related amendments to Article 030, 045, 050, 145, and 150 of the city's Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDRs) to be consistent with federal case law and Florida Statutes. City Staff was directed by the City Commission to review regulations pertaining to signage as a result of recent Federal case law, including but not limited to Reed v. Town of Gilbert as well as changes to the Florida Statutes, specifically as it relates to gas station signage and requirements pertaining to dogs in public food service restaurants.

Amendments to the city's signage regulations include but are not limited to, the following:

- Changes to be consistent with the United States Supreme Court's decision in Reed v. Town of Gilbert. This decision allows cities to regulate the number, size, and location of signage, but limits the ability for communities to regulate the content of signage.
- Changes to temporary signage regulations that include the elimination of the requirement to obtain a permit, limitation of the number, height, and area of temporary signs that may be placed on a property by zoning district, removal of signage when hurricane watches are issued, elimination of descriptive words for signage, such as real estate signs and construction signs, duration temporary signs may be erected, and liability language.
- Add landscaping requirement in conjunction with monument signs.
- Add prohibition of home occupation signs.
- Amend Article 145 commercial signage dimensional requirements to be consistent with Article 030's commercial wall signage regulations.
- Amend the time frame in which signage must be removed once a business closes.
- Amend regulations that illuminated signage may remain lit from dusk to dawn, in addition to normal business hours.
- Several housekeeping items were amended, including correcting staff who reviews or approves sign permits and correcting Department Director name and their designee.
- Changes were also made to be consistent with Florida Statutes with regards to gas station signage.

For a copy of the new signage ordinance (Ordinance No. 2020-003), you may contact Faith Lombardo in the City Clerk's Office, at (954) 390-2123 or at [CityClerk@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:CityClerk@wiltonmanors.com). If you have any questions about the new regulations, you may contact Community Development Services Director, Roberta Moore at (954)390-2180 or at [rmoore@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:rmoore@wiltonmanors.com).

## WILTON MANORS HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRIVIA



Wilton Manors founder, Ned Willingham, hired well-known architect Francis Abreu to build monumental towers at the entrance to Wilton Boulevard at Five Points. The prevailing architectural style on the Gold Coast has been described as "Bastard-Spanish-Moorish-Romanesque-Gothic-Renaissance-Bull-Market-Damn-the-Expense style." The Towers at Five Points, or "The Gates," as they were first called, were located on Wilton Boulevard at Five Points. The larger pair of towers was located on the southeastern side of Wilton Boulevard. The second, smaller pair of towers was built on the northwest side. The rock used in their construction came from the quarry at Lazy Lake, at a cost of \$12,000. A model replica of the towers is located upstairs in City Hall.



Please join the City of Wilton Manors in welcoming these new businesses that opened June through September 2020.

**Address**

1100 W Oakland Park BLVD 6  
 2630 N Dixie HWY  
 1600 NE 26 ST D  
 2312 Wilton DR 18  
 2245 Wilton Drive  
 1749 NE 26 ST E  
 120 East Oakland Park BLVD 206  
 2416 Wilton Drive  
 2724 N Dixie HWY  
 1881 NE 26 Street 90  
 12 East Oakland Park Boulevard  
 1650 NE 26 ST 201  
 519 NE 25 ST  
 1585 NE 26 ST

**Business Name**

Autobuy Appraisal Center  
 Dixie Auto Repair  
 Conceptual Communications LLC  
 Anderson Counsel Works Inc.  
 Club Xtra  
 Broward Integrative Medical  
 Lambda Mens Brotherhood Inc.  
 Indelible Art & Tattoo  
 Blu Egg Interiors LLC  
 Yanna Machi Inc.  
 2 Lips Floral Design LLC  
 Jamie Morris Counseling & Consulting  
 Persistence PR LLC  
 Trident Orthopedics Inc.

## WILTON MANORS HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRIVIA



Wilton Manors is located on a westward bulge in the “Eastern Coastal Ridge.” This makes us significantly higher than Pompano Beach, Oakland Park, and Fort Lauderdale. For the most part, we do not flood. The rainy season in 1947 had Davie as an inland sea for months. We did not flood, as Wilton Manors is on what passes in Florida for “high land.” The rainy season came early in 1947. The wet spring was followed by an even wetter summer. In the fall, within 25 days, two hurricanes and a tropical disturbance dropped so much rain on the area, that much of southeastern Florida lay under water for weeks. Fort Lauderdale and Pompano Beach were flooded, and Davie was covered with an inland sea for months. Most of Wilton Manors remained convincingly above water. The rains gave early real estate developers in Wilton Manors another powerful marketing tool, adding “high and dry” to “convenient location” and the ever-enticing “no city taxes.” Because Wilton Manors is located on the higher “Eastern Coastal Ridge,” the soil is not as good for growing as areas reclaimed from the Everglades. Pompano Beach had a huge farming industry into the 20th century. Farms in Wilton Manors were smaller and family-owned. There was a big farm, just south of the South Fork of the Middle River, growing sisal hemp in the 1890’s which failed, but primarily because of lack of adequate labor.



## From Chief O'Connell-COVID-19: What Lies Ahead?

Here is a “semi-deep dive” into a **COVID – 19** article written by Dr. Sanjay Gupta and Andrea Kane (CNN, August, 2020) (this is a nutshell version; please refer to the entire article for a more complete understanding).

**One big mystery:** Why do some people get very sick and even die from their illness, while other similar people show no symptoms and may not realize they've been infected at all? We know some of the big factors that put people at higher risk of having a severe, even fatal, course of disease: being 60+ YOA, kidney or lung disease, and cancer.

Then there is **Immunology**; the human immune system, which is tasked with keeping you healthy in the face of bacterial, viral, fungal, parasitic, and other invaders. This system has two main components: the *innate immune system* and the *adaptive immune system*.

The **Innate Immune System** is the very first line of defense. Parts of it include physical barriers like your skin and mucosal membranes, which physically stop invaders from getting in.

The **Adaptive Immune System** is targeted against a specific and previously recognized invader. This takes a bit longer to “kick into gear.” This system includes a type of white blood cell (B cell), which patrols the body looking for bad guys. B cells each have a unique antibody that sits on its surface and can bind to a unique antigen and stop it from entering a host cell. When it finds and binds to a bad guy, the B cell gets activated: it copies itself and churns out antibodies, eventually creating a mega-army of neutralizers for that particular invader. That is where antibodies created by the immune systems of people who've had COVID – 19 come from. Unfortunately, a few recent studies have found that antibodies to this particular coronavirus can fade away quickly. This development is worrisome, since we are relying on vaccines to trigger an antibody response to help protect us, and we want that protection to last a long time. That will be one of many challenges we will face in the development of a vaccine. As Dr. Casadevall (Johns Hopkins' University) stated:

*“The biggest problem is that everyone wants a simple answer. What nobody wants to hear is that it is unpredictable, because so many variables play together in ways that you cannot put together: a person's history, nutrition, how they got infected, underlying or pre-existing conditions or how much of the virus they got. All of these variables combine in ways that are unpredictable.”*

**Bottom line for all of us to consider: the wait for an effective vaccine may be longer than we think.**

**The Holiday Season: NEW RULES** are in place! As you travel to the malls for shopping, to restaurants for dining, or to family for celebration; please do so with a focus on personal safety; wearing a mask, and adhering to social distancing. Also, remember there are many folks out there who wish to do us harm, so you must have your guard up as you travel. Be aware of your surroundings; better yet, travel with friends as there is strength and comfort in numbers! In the meantime, we, at **WMPD**, wish you a safe and prosperous holiday season!

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.



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at <https://www.facebook.com/wiltonmanorspd>

@wiltonmanorspd

## IMPAIRED DRIVING HAS NO PLACE IN OUR CITY THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



The 2020 holiday season is upon us, as are the many special events and parties we will all be attending. The Wilton Manors Police Department wants to provide everyone with safe roadways to travel upon this winter season, and we hope you want the same. We encourage everyone who will be attending their holiday events and at the same time consuming alcohol, to do so responsibly. These days, there are many options to safely and legally travel to and from your events if you are going to be drinking, and we want each of you to seek these options out. There is no shortage of ride sharing options, cab companies, towing companies, or other transportation services that will get you home safely. Our agency has teamed up with our towing service provider, Westway Towing, to offer free or reduced towing services to get you and your vehicle home safely if you have had too much to drink. It is incumbent upon each and every one of us to make our roadways safer, and we ask for your commitment to fulfilling this obligation.

The Wilton Manors Police Department wants to make it clear, we have zero tolerance for impaired driving in our City, or anywhere for that matter. Our officers will be out this holiday season seeking out anyone who exhibits a lack of respect for other motorists, cyclists, and pedestrian by driving impaired. Those found will be arrested.

Our agency wishes everyone a safe and happy holiday season. We look forward to seeing everyone at our many events, and we certainly look forward to meeting, greeting, and booking into jail those who choose to drive impaired.

## VEHICLE BURGLARIES REDUCED BY 22% FOLLOWING AN INCREASE IN THESE CRIMES #9PMROUTINE

The WMPD wants you to know about a crime trend each and every one of us can stop in its tracks, and through our collective efforts we can show these criminals crime has no place in the Island City. Did you know, three out of every four cars burglarized during the first six months of 2020 occurred through an unlocked door? Did you also know, incidents of car burglaries rose 78% in the first half of 2020? Overnight car burglaries are traditionally committed by individuals walking our neighborhoods checking car door handles, and if they find a locked vehicle, 75% of the time they move on to the next, trying to find that unlocked car. This figure is supported by our data showing one in four car burglaries are committed via forced entry. Identifying this trend, our agency employed an action plan that caused for the distribution of over 2,050 fliers in the affected neighborhoods in our effort to educate our friends about the need to “Lock It or Lose It.” Our officers conducted over 65 hours of walking patrols through these neighborhoods, some of these done overnight while you slept. Bike patrols were applied to the areas where these crimes were occurring, to the tune of over 47 hours, with a goal of deterring, detecting, and apprehending this criminal activity. Third, high visibility patrols were conducted by our officers, and hopefully you have seen our presence. Lastly, we took to social media, where we promoted our #9pmroutine. #9pmroutine is a nationwide public safety education campaign to promote the need for our community friends to remove their valuables, keys fobs, and other items from their vehicles, and then lock their cars at 9 p.m. So far, the second half of 2020 has been better, as we have seen a 22% reduction in these crimes, and we are confident our presence in your neighborhood has assisted in this decrease. Because we believe we can always do better, our agency wants you to refuse to become a victim by securing your car every night at 9 p.m., so the criminals have to leave empty handed. For more information about how to prevent these crimes, go to our website at [wiltonmanors.com](http://wiltonmanors.com) and search “Lock It or Lose It”. The Wilton Manors Police Department thanks you for your continued partnership, and we wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!

Emergency/In-Progress Incidents: 9-1-1  
 Non-Emergency Dispatch: (954) 764-4357 (HELP)  
 Website: [wmpd.org](http://wmpd.org)

## PROTECTING YOURSELF FROM COVID-19 SCAMS



Wilton Manors Police Department wants you to be aware of a few COVID-19 scams to protect yourself and others from becoming a victim. The only thing that can make a pandemic worse is letting cyber-criminals and scammers take advantage of you.

### **Government-issued online coronavirus tests**

As more and more people test positive for COVID-19, it is obvious the likelihood of being exposed increases. Subsequently, Coronavirus tests are in shorter supply and many health conscious people are eager to find one. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recently approved the first at-home test, which is a nasal swab that has been found to be safe and accurate. However, this FDA-authorized test kit only allows you to collect samples from home with approval from your health care provider. The samples still need to be sent to a specific lab for analysis. Remember, currently there are no tests that allow you to complete the entire test and receive test results at home.

### **Blood and saliva from 'COVID survivors'**

There are websites selling blood and saliva samples from "coronavirus survivors." Criminals are willing to exploit any vulnerability, and if you are desperate for immunity and searching for a cure, you will inevitably locate one of these sites. There are no FDA-approved products to prevent Coronavirus, and if there were, we can assure you these products would not be contaminated blood and/or saliva that could contain COVID-19 or any other virus or disease. The FDA is working with medical product developers to rapidly advance the development and availability of vaccines and treatments for COVID-19. Although there are investigational Coronavirus vaccines and treatments being studied in clinical trials, these products are in the early stages of development and they have not been fully tested for safety or effectiveness.

### **Fake coronavirus miracle cures**

There are websites and stores selling products that claim to prevent, treat, or cure COVID-19, and a wide range of diseases. Again, there are no FDA-approved products to prevent COVID-19. An example the FDA lists on their website is people trying to prevent COVID-19 by taking a product called "chloroquine phosphate." Chloroquine Phosphate is sold to treat parasites in aquarium fish, and it is only sold for veterinary use. Do not take any form of chloroquine unless it has been prescribed for you by your health care provider and obtained from legitimate sources, because it may have adverse effects, including serious illness and death. Additionally, do not take any products marketed for veterinary use, or "for research use only," or otherwise not for human consumption, which have not been evaluated for safety. Always be suspicious of products that claim to treat a wide range of diseases, and do not substitute scientific evidence for personal testimonials. If it seems too good to be true, it probably is, because diseases cannot be treated quickly with "miracle cures" and "quick fixes."

### **Donation scams**

Perhaps the most subtle crime right now is the donation scam. Unfortunately, there are fake charitable organizations in times of crisis, and this pandemic is no different. Crowdsourcing platforms are life-saving when they are hosted by actual charities, but savvy criminals can dupe a lot of well-meaning people into handing their money to criminals. Check the credibility of all charitable organizations on the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services website (fdacs.gov) before you donate any money.

### **Phony small business loan sites**

Small business owners are struggling, and scammers know the Payroll Protection Program and the Economic Injury Disaster Loan processes can be difficult to navigate. The only place where you should apply for government assistance for your small business is with the U.S. Small Business Administration at SBA.gov. You should never give a person or company a "deposit" or "down payment" to assist with a government loan.

The Federal Trade Commission indicates coronavirus-related scams have cost Americans over thirteen million dollars this year. Every day, Google blocks more than one hundred million phishing emails, as criminals try to steal money and personal information. According to Google, approximately eighteen million of these emails are coronavirus-related. Additionally, there are over forty thousand domain names with the word "coronavirus." The scam websites pose as the real thing, collecting personal data and credit card numbers. Scam calls are getting more convincing too as scammers come up with new tricks. Stay alert, do your research, and don't become a victim.

## LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

### Message from Leisure Services Director, Patrick Cann



As the City progresses toward effectively balancing priorities of public health and safety with reopening the most essential leisure services needs, it is critical to emphasize caution as we reopen programs, amenities, and services that add value to our community.

The city's talented and licensed childcare team, led by Adeesha Davis, successfully facilitated a safe childcare program during and after school hours to fill a major need within our community. Helping the children with their studies (during and after school hours) enabled parents to continue their employment while the schools did not permit in-person school programming.

New Emergency Orders continue to ease certain restrictions for cities to safely offer recreational opportunities, allowing us to provide more creative leisure experiences. Pickle Ball is the newest craze and is starting to peak interest with our residents. I hope you will give it a try and experience the fun. The city will offer virtual special events for Veterans Day and the Holiday Lighting Ceremony. Please check our website for details.

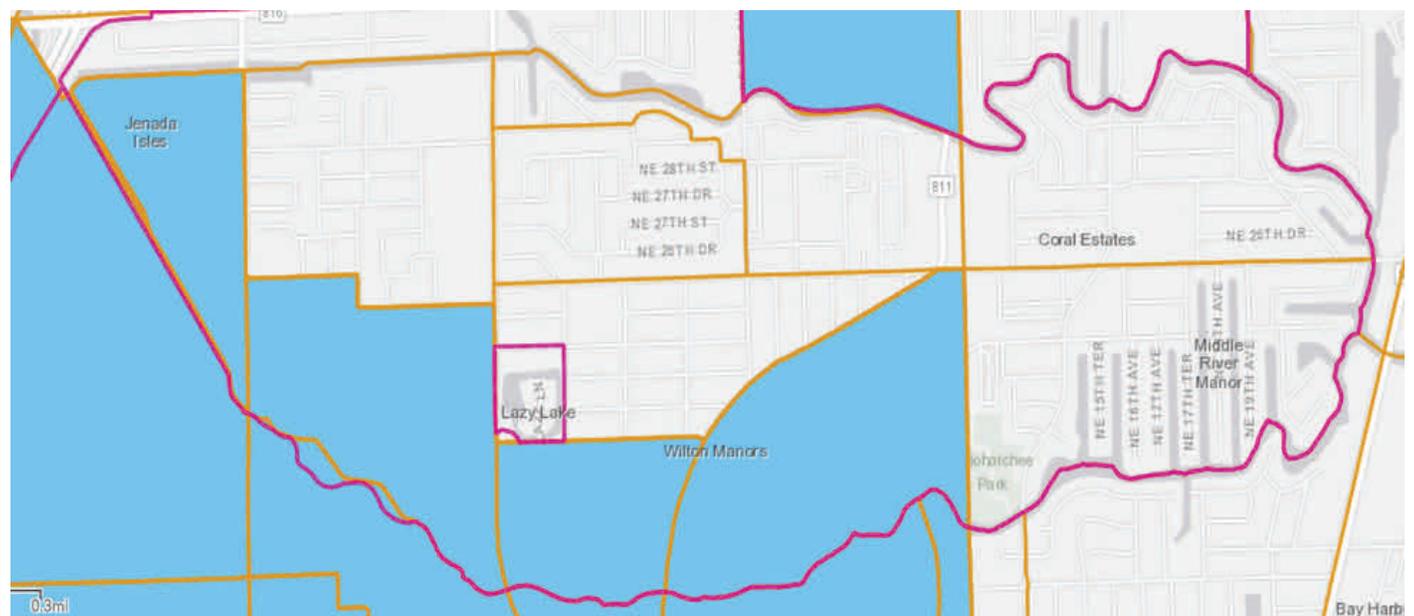
Wishing everyone happy holidays during November and December! Please be on the lookout for upcoming events in November and December.

To discover more about your park and library opportunities, please visit us online at [www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com) for more details. Also, please feel free to contact one of our Guest Services Leaders at 954-390-2130. Thank you!

## CAPITAL PROJECTS & GRANTS

### *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 during an upcoming Commission meeting to solicit ideas. Comments and ideas may be presented then. However, project ideas are welcome at any time. The eligible areas of the City are depicted below in blue. Ideas for capital projects (large purchases or construction projects costing under \$100,000) in these areas may be sent to [tdejesus@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:tdejesus@wiltonmanors.com). This is an ongoing program and staff welcomes input all year round.



## LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

### The Fitness Center @ Hagen Park is NOW OPEN!

Operating Hours are Monday Through Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. by reservation. The Fitness Center is limited to four people per one hour blocks; between each block the Fitness Center is thoroughly sanitized.

For More Information please visit: [Island City Fitness Center - Covid Operations \(http://www.wiltonmanors.com/DocumentCenter/View/5808/2020-Hagen-Fitness-Center-COVID-19-Operations-Summary\)](http://www.wiltonmanors.com/DocumentCenter/View/5808/2020-Hagen-Fitness-Center-COVID-19-Operations-Summary) or call 954-390-2130.

### Pickleball

Pickleball is here! Pickleball is a fun and exciting new sport that combines tennis, badminton, and ping pong. Games are played using paddles volleying a plastic ball with holes similar to a wiffle ball. It all takes place on a badminton sized court with a modified tennis net. GREAT FUN for all ages! Easy to learn and great exercise!

Location: Hagen Park Multi-Purpose Courts

Cost: FREE!

Hours: 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday. First Come, First Serve.

Please bring own equipment. Balls available for sale.

For more information please visit: <https://www.wiltonmanors.com/159/Hagen-Park> or Call 954-390-2130.



### Before Care Program

The City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department will be offering daily Before School Care from 7a.m. to 8a.m. at Wilton Manors Elementary School for Wilton Manors Elementary School students ONLY.

For more information and to register, call 954-390-2130

Location: Wilton Manors Elementary School

Days: Monday – Friday

Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Fees: \$25 per week

### After School Program

The Wilton Manors Before and After School Program, B.A.S.H. (Best After School Hours) is held at Wilton Manors Elementary School on days school is in regular session and early release days. Our Before & After School Program is licensed through the Broward County School Board, License #45455.

Our trained and certified year-round staff provides after school care from 2:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. During early release days, after school care is provided from 12:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The After School Program offers student assistance with homework, as well as cultural programs, special events, indoor/outdoor games, arts & crafts, and more. Snacks are also provided during after school care.

To register, please come by Hagen Park Community Center at 2020 Wilton Drive Wilton Manors.

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

## LEISURE SERVICES 954-390-2130

### Winter Camp 2020

Our 2020 Winter Camp will be held at Island City Park Preserve, 823 NE 28th Street

Monday—Friday, 7:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Camp Dates: December 21-24, 2020

December 28—January 1, 2021

Registration Dates:

October 26—December 4, 2020

Winter Camp Pricing (Full 8 Days):

Resident: \$160

2nd Child: \$136

Daily Fee: \$25

Non-Resident: \$200

2nd Child: \$160

Daily Fee: \$30



### School Days-Out Program

The School Days-Out Program is open on teachers' workdays and closed on legal holidays. On non-school weekdays when the City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department is open, the program hours are 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The cost of the program ranges from \$15.00 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 28th Street. For more information please call the Leisure Services Department.

Upcoming dates are:

November 3rd

November 23rd

November 24th

Register at Hagen Park Community Center, or [wiltonmanors.com](http://wiltonmanors.com). For more information, please call (954) 390-2130.

### KAYAK, CANOE OR STAND UP PADDLEBOARD STORAGE

Looking for a place to store your kayak, canoe, or stand up paddleboard? The City of Wilton Manors Leisure Services Department is now renting outdoor storage space to city residents for non-motorized boats at Donn Eisele Park.

\$250/space per year.

Limited to two spaces per City of Wilton Manors household.

Permit holders will be required to provide their own lock and cable to secure their watercraft.

To register, please come by Hagen Park Community Center at 2020 Wilton Drive Wilton Manors.

For more information please call (954)390-2130





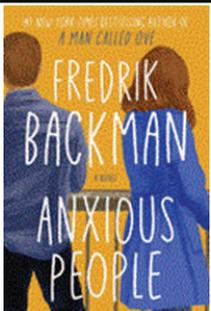
# THE LIBRARY CORNER

## Curbside Pick-up

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the Library remains closed. However, you can still check-out books, videos, and audiobooks. Go to the Library catalog and reserve the items you want, or call us to request the items you are looking for. Tell us when you will be at the Library and we will have your items ready and we will bring them out to you. The catalog's web address is: <https://rspl.agverso.com/> and our telephone number is 954-390-2195.

The pick-up site is behind the Library, located at 500 NE 26<sup>th</sup> St., in the parking lot between the Library and the church.

## New Books @ your Library



Fredrik Backman's *Anxious People* is "a deeply funny and warm examination of how individual experiences can bring a random group of people together. Backman reveals each character's many imperfections with tremendous empathy, reminding us that people are always more than the sum of their flaws." – *BookPage*

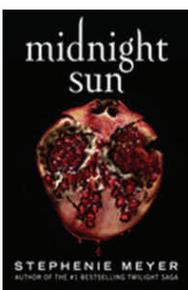
Bob Woodward's accounting of the Trump presidency, *Rage*, goes behind the scenes like never before, with new details about early national security decisions and operations and Trump's moves as he faces a global pandemic, economic disaster, and racial unrest. At key decision points, *Rage* shows how Trump's responses to the crises of 2020 were rooted in the instincts, habits, and style he developed during his first three years as president. The book draws from hundreds of hours of interviews with firsthand witnesses - including 17 on-the-record conversations with Trump himself -- as well as participants' notes, emails, diaries, calendars, and confidential documents.

In the new novel in J.D. Robb's #1 *New York Times*-bestselling series, *Shadows in Death*, Lt. Eve Dallas is about to walk into the shadows of her husband's dangerous past. While Eve examines a fresh body in Washington Square Park, her husband, Roarke, spots a man among the onlookers he's known since his younger days on the streets of Dublin, Lorcan Cobbe. A man who claims to be his half brother. A man who kills for a living -- and who burns with hatred for him. Eve is desperate to protect Roarke. Roarke is desperate to protect Eve. And together, they're determined to find Cobbe before he finds them -- even if it takes them across the Atlantic, far outside Eve's usual jurisdiction.

Ruth Ware, the author of *The Turn of the Key* and *In a Dark Dark Wood*, returns with another suspenseful thriller set on a snow-covered mountain, *One by One*. Getting snowed in at a luxurious, rustic ski chalet high in the French Alps doesn't sound like the worst problem in the world. Especially when there's a breathtaking vista, a full-service chef and housekeeper, a cozy fire to keep you warm, and others to keep you company. Unless that company happens to be eight coworkers ... each with something to gain, something to lose, and something to hide. When the cofounder of Snoop, a trendy London-based tech startup, organizes a weeklong trip for the team in the French Alps, it starts out as a corporate retreat like any other: PowerPoint presentations and strategy sessions broken up by mandatory bonding on the slopes. But as soon as one shareholder upends the agenda by pushing a lucrative but contentious buyout offer, tensions simmer, and loyalties are tested. The storm brewing inside the chalet is no match for the one outside, however, and a devastating avalanche leaves the group cut off from all access to the outside world. Even worse, one Snooper hadn't made it back from the slopes when the avalanche hit. As each hour passes without any sign of rescue, panic mounts, the chalet grows colder, and the group dwindles further ... one by one.



Brit Bennett's "second [book], *The Vanishing Half*, more than lives up to her early promise ... more expansive yet also deeper, a multi-generational family saga that tackles prickly issues of racial identity and bigotry and conveys the corrosive effects of secrets and dissembling. It's also a great read that will transport you out of your current circumstances, whatever they are.... Like *The Mothers*, this novel keeps you turning pages not just to find out what happens." -- NPR



It's here! #1 bestselling author Stephenie Meyer makes a triumphant return to the world of *Twilight* with this highly anticipated companion: the iconic love story of Bella and Edward told from the vampire's point of view. When Edward Cullen and Bella Swan met in *Twilight*, an iconic love story was born. But until now, fans have heard only Bella's side of the story. At last, readers can experience Edward's version in the long-awaited companion novel, *Midnight Sun*. This unforgettable tale as told through Edward's eyes takes on a new and decidedly dark twist. Meeting Bella is both the most unnerving and intriguing event he has experienced in all his years as a vampire. As we learn more fascinating details about Edward's past and the complexity of his inner thoughts, we understand why this is the defining struggle of his life. How can he justify following his heart if it means leading Bella into danger? In *Midnight Sun*, Meyer transports us back to a world that has captivated millions of readers and brings us an epic novel about the profound pleasures and devastating consequences of immortal love.



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## WILTON MANORS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

### 2125 NE 5<sup>th</sup> Ave

This home was built by John P. Pedersen in 1947. He was a builder from Racine, Wisconsin. He had injured his back in a fall from a roof in the early 1940's. Pedersen's wife Lillian had money she had earned. Pedersen began purchasing tax-delinquent property. He bought these properties on the Fort Lauderdale Court House steps for no more than \$8 or \$10 a lot. He did not



buy waterfront property, as it was too expensive at more than \$15 a lot.

The house was magnificent. The big bay was the dining room. There was a one-way mirror in the master bedroom closet where he could watch what was going on in the living room. There was a secret room between the kitchen and behind the fireplace where he hid his money – a lot of it. His two children did not attend school here, because their parents did not want to pay \$15 to register their car in Florida.



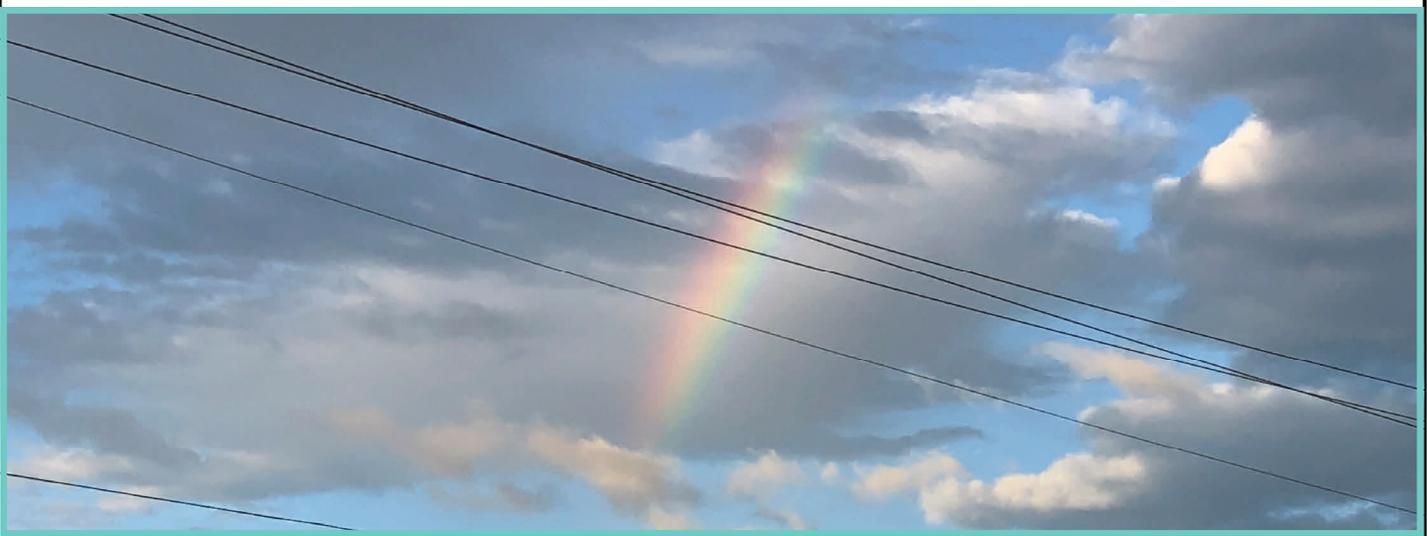
The current owners wanted to make some improvements, but the house had too many code violations, so they have torn it down and will replace it.

*This article was provided by the Wilton Manors Historical Society. The next Town Crier will have more information about Pedersen, the man.*

The Wilton Manors Historical Society's mission is "to collect, preserve and interpret Wilton Manors' history and promote public awareness and appreciation for the rich past of the Island City."

A wealth of historical information is available on the Wilton Manors Historical Society's website at: <http://www.wiltonmanorshistoricalsociety.org/>.

## Wilton Art™ launches upintheair.2020



**Wilton Art™** is a community based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing all lives through public art.

**Wilton Art™** has commissioned bold, storytelling, handcrafted wire sculptures by artist Spenser Little for Wilton Drive. **upintheair.2020 presented by PNC Arts Alive** will culminate with 16 wire sculptures installed and affixed to existing street lights. This permanent exhibit is scheduled for installation in mid-December.

The context of each sculpture changes based on the viewer's stance and the ever changing background palette of nature. Sunny, cloudy, windy, rainy, day, late afternoon, evening will change the viewer's perspective of this installation.

Free, open 24/7, and on display for all to see, **upintheair.2020** pushes boundaries but eliminates barriers to viewing art. This project will include sculpture works based on four key concepts: Nature, Inspiration, Equality (for all) and Humor.

The celebration of art and nature poses one of the most accessible aspects of the project. Art is for all and can challenge our thoughts, perceptions and elicit bold discussions amongst people.

Local residents, Broward County residents, national and international tourists will all enjoy the wit, whimsy, joy and thought provoking messaging these sculptures convey. This permanent art installation reaches all people and places no economic, race, class, gender, or barrier restrictions to enjoy **upintheair.2020**.

Check us out at [Wiltonart.org](http://Wiltonart.org)

## WILTON MANORS HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRIVIA

The Woman's Club of Wilton Manors started in 1948 at an organizational meeting in the Tropical Club on Wilton Drive. It was recognized by the National Federation of Woman's Clubs on April 5, 1949 and grew from 32 members in that year to 85 in 1962. It originally met in the Village Meeting Hall on NE 26th Street. Ground for the permanent clubhouse at 600 NE 21st Court was broken in April 1955 on land donated by Alvar and Virginia Hagen.

For almost 60 years, members of the Woman's Club contributed to the civic, cultural, educational, and social life of the City. They supported innumerable philanthropic causes; and they maintained their clubhouse solely through private means. In July 2007, the City Commission granted historic landmark status to the building.





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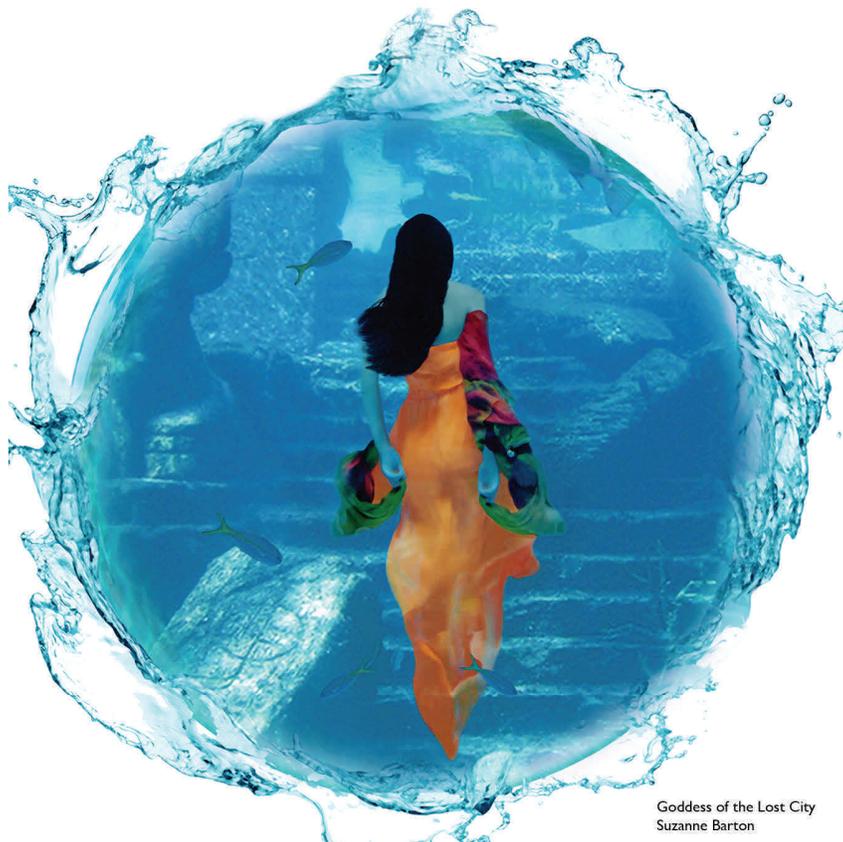
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