City of Wood Village March 2011

The Village News

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Welcome New Mayor Patricia Smith

Every two years the City Council appoints a Mayor, and on January 18, 2011, the Wood Village City Council appointed Patricia Smith as Mayor of Wood Village. Smith, who has been on the Council since 2005 was the former Council President, and serves as the Council liaison to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Smith, who currently lives in Treehill Condominiums with her Basset hound Otis, was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, and moved to Oregon in 1985. Smith, who had worked for a Gresham area heating and cooling company for 18 years, was laid off last February, and now attends Portland Community College where she is obtaining a certificate in emergency communications. Smith enjoys hiking, the Donald L. Robertson Park, gardening in the community garden, and spending time with her four children: Samantha, Charlie Anne, Cain, and Lucas, and six grandchildren: David, Lauren, Jaden, Sean, Rachel, and Isaac. Mayor Smith said that she is proud to be the Mayor of Wood Village, and she will do her best to promote the City and our events.

Mayor Smith

Thank You Former Mayor David Fuller

We would like to thank former Mayor David Fuller for his ten years of service as Mayor of Wood Village. Fuller worked hard to promote the City, and to give the City a voice in the Metro region. Fuller dedicated himself to the betterment of the City, and provided leadership and guidance to help make the City what it is today. Thank you David Fuller.

Welcome New City Administrator Bill Peterson

The City Council adopted a contract with the new City Administrator Bill Peterson during their City Council meeting on January 25, 2011. Bill replaces Sheila Ritz who recently retired after over 23 years of service to the City. Bill comes to Wood Village from Grants Pass where he was most recently the Chief Financial Officer for a construction company.

Prior to private construction experience, Bill managed cities in Grants Pass (14 years), Hermiston (4 years) and Riverton Wyoming (12 years). Bill brings 30 years of management experience in the public sector with a private contracting background including management of over $120 million in public infrastructure capital construction projects on the private side of the economy.

Bill is married to Lari Ann and they have three adult children, and four grandchildren. Bill and Lari are both delighted to live closer to their grandchildren and to embrace Wood Village as their new home. As soon as the market allows Bill and Lari will sell their house in Grants Pass. When sold, Bill and his wife will be acquiring a home in Wood Village. In the interim, they are living in an apartment in Fairview.

Bill stated for this article, "I have been welcomed warmly by the elected officials and by the dozens of Wood Village citizens I have had the opportunity to meet to date. I am excited about this opportunity, and look forward to helping Wood Village continue to improve the things they do well, and find ways to correct those things they don't do as well. I do hope that all residents feel free to contact me with any concerns, or with those things they observe the City is doing well."

Bill can be contacted at the Wood Village City Hall throughout the day, and is very willing to respond at any time to resident's concerns or observations. If you wish to contact Bill at any time other than business hours, drop by the City Hall, meet Bill, and have him provide you with a business card that includes his cell number. Bill really is serious about being available to any resident at any time. Bill believes that communities working together make great home towns, and that together, we can make Wood Village great.

Planning Commissioner Wanted

Do you want to help shape and plan your local community? If you answered yes, the Planning Commission might just be the place for you. Members of the Planning Commission meet "as needed" to discuss land use, zoning, and design review projects and standards for the City. This volunteer commission consists of seven citizen members appointed by the City Council. Each member serves a four-year term. There is one position open, and if you would like to serve on the Planning Commission, submit a volunteer application form found at City Hall, or our website. The position is open until filled.

Community Garden Coming Back to Wood Village

Spring is in the air which means the Community Garden will be open for planting soon. This year the garden will be bigger and better with 25 plots! Registration begins on April 1st and the garden officially opens for planting on May 1st. All plots are $20.00 for the entire growing season. Please go to our website or stop by City Hall for more information and to pick up a registration packet. Let's get growing!

Wood Village Community Garden

Upcoming East Metro Mediation Workshops

Learn to Mediate:
East Metro Mediation will teach its 35-hour Basic Mediation Course in April, and the deadline for applications is March 2. The course is designed for people who will be

23rd Annual Wood Village

Walmart EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 23rd

Rain or Shine the Easter Bunny will arrive by helicopter at 9:30am!

Hunt Times:

10:00 2 Year Old & Under

10:20 3 & 4 Year Old

10:40 5 & 6 Year Old

11:00 7, 8 & 9 Year Old

Special Hunt Area for Kids with Special Needs!

Donald L. Robertson City Park
24300 NE Halsey Street

Walmart

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volunteering with East Metro Mediation, and others who want to learn the skills are also invited. The course dates are all day Saturdays and Sundays, April 2-3 and 9-10, and Thursday evening, 6:00-9:00 p.m. More information and the application are on the website www.GreshamOregon.gov/Mediation, or by email Mediate@GreshamOregon.gov, or by phone 503-618-3247.

Drawing Out Conflict: a Workshop for Exploring Conflict:

This workshop for adults is a fun exploration using crayons to gain insights about conflicts that we all get stuck in. Instructor Anndy Wiselogle is director of East Metro Mediation which helps people of Wood Village and the area to resolve disputes. The workshop will be held 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday March 9, at Gresham City Hall's Springwater Trail Room. Register by March 7 at Mediate@GreshamOregon.gov, or by phone 503-618-3247. For more information see www.GreshamOregon.gov/Mediation.

23rd Annual Wood Village Easter Egg Hunt

Grab your basket and come on down to the 23rd Annual Wood Village Easter Egg Hunt! This year's event will take place on the morning of April 23rd at the Donald L. Robertson Park, and will be bigger than ever with an estimated 10,000 Easter Eggs filled with candy and prize tickets. As always, the Easter Bunny will arrive by helicopter to greet all the children. The schedule for the event is as follows:

- 9:20am Welcome by Mayor Smith
- 9:30am Easter Bunny Arrives
- 10:00am 2 year old and younger hunt
- 10:20am 3-4 year old hunt
- 10:40am 5-6 year old hunt
- 11:00am 7-9 year old hunt

Please visit our website, or follow us on Facebook for more updates on this event. Please visit and thank our event sponsors for helping support this wonderful event. Please contact Greg Dirks at City Hall if you are interested in volunteering or becoming an event sponsor.

Donations Needed

The City operates a community based donation fund to help residents pay their water and sewer bill. We have received so many requests lately that the fund is empty. Please help your fellow resident by contributing to this fund. Come to City Hall during business hours to make a donation. Every bit helps and we are very grateful for your generosity.

Annual City Cleanup Day

May 14th

Check the May Newsletter, or our website for additional information

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City Council

Patricia Smith, Mayor
Mark S. Clark, President
David M. Fuller
Stanley Dirks
Timothy Clark

City Councilors are volunteers who do not keep regular office hours but messages can be left at City Hall at 503-667-6211.

Regular Council meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission
Design Review Board

Planning Commission/Design Review Board meetings are normally held the last Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

All meeting agendas are available at City Hall and on the City's website.

City Services

Water & Sewer: Wood Village City Hall: 503-667-6211

Building Permits: Wood Village City Hall: 503-667-6211

Trash & Recycling:
Waste Management: 503-249-8078

Phone: Frontier – 1-800-483-4000

Electric: PGE – 503-228-6322
503-464-7777 (power outages)
503-570-4422 (streetlight outages)

Gas: NW Natural: 503-226-4212

Abandoned Vehicles
503-823-3333 (non-emergency number for Sheriff's Office)

DEQ Burning Information:
503-618-3083

Multnomah County Sheriff:
503-823-3333 (non-emergency)
9-1-1 (emergencies)

Gresham Fire Department:
503-618-2355 (general information)
9-1-1 (emergencies)

Multnomah County Animal Control:
503-248-3066

Reynolds School District:
503-661-7200

East Metro Mediation:
503-618-3247

Multnomah County Commissioners:
Jeff Cogan, County Chair
(503) 988-3308

Diane McKeel, District 4
(503) 988-5213