

### From the Director:

Dear Friends and Patrons,

As your Parks and Recreation Director, it is a privilege to serve our community as a member of the Wilsonville Family. The Parks and Recreation Department, City Council and our dedicated City employees, work hard together as a team to enhance the quality of life for all who live, work, visit, and play in our amazing community.

This past year Wilsonville celebrated the City's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and had the opportunity to share this historic day with delegates from our Sister City - Kitakata, Japan. With the New Year comes new Recreational opportunities which can be found in The Parks and Recreation Activity Guide.

This year will feature the opening of our new dog run in Memorial Park as well as activities, programs, and Special Events for all ages to enjoy. The always popular Daddy - Daughter Dance will take place on February 22, the Community Egg Hunt on April 20, and W.E.R.K. Day on April 27.

Numerous Adult Recreation opportunities are offered including Yoga, Line and Ballroom Dancing and Tai Chi. For the 55 and better community; crafts, walk and fit as well as support groups and clinics are available.

The Parks and Recreation Department is committed to ensuring Wilsonville provides safe, enjoyable facilities and programs and we will continue our tradition of providing excellent, high level customer service to our residents, businesses and visitors.



### Board Updates:

**Parks and Recreation Board:** The Parks and Recreation board has two open positions which will be filled by City Council appointment in January.

The board will meet on Thursday, December 13.

**WCSI:** The Wilsonville Community Seniors Inc. is working with staff to create a survey to gather information on nutrition program menu preferences.

### Upcoming Events:

Dog Run Public Input Meeting- February 12  
Daddy Daughter Dance- February 22  
Community Egg Hunt- April 20





## Recreation Updates:

December brought a wealth of joy to the Parks and Recreation department. The department hosted the annual Wilsonville Toy Drive and collected an astonishing 650 toys from businesses and generous members of the community. The donations were loaded up and brought to Clackamas County Compassion in Action, an organization that collects donations from all over Clackamas County and then distributes them to families in need during the holiday season.

December also brought the completion of the 2018 Mini Hoopers season. In total, 132 kids participated in the basketball program, which was held at Boones Ferry Primary School. The program relies heavily on parent volunteers to coach the teams, and we could not have done it without them!

The new Winter/Spring activity guide has been sent to Wilsonville mailboxes. New programs include several yoga and meditation workshops, couples ballroom dancing, several Spring Break camps for youth including, "Moving with Science", "Survival and Bushcraft Camp", and "Brixology LEGO Engineering".



## Community Center Updates:



A total of 53 individuals attended the Community Center's Holiday meal this month with many staying after to take part in the first annual Senior Holiday Fest. The afternoon included cookie decorating, holiday crafts and festive holiday treats.



This holiday season the Parks and Recreation Department partnered with the Clackamas County Energy Assistance Program to provide application assistance to those in need. Eligible seniors received a credit towards their PGE bill. The Community Center also provided 20 filled stockings to Home Delivered Meal Clients with gifts donated by Fill a Stocking, Fill a Heart as well as Fred Meyer gift cards to seniors in need of groceries.



## Parks Maintenance Updates:

- Incident response and Pager Call(s)
- Continued to monitor Japanese Knotweed at Tivoli Park
- Continued to monitor (overseed, roll, mow) athletic fields
- Cleaned up storm damage



- Continued Tetherball improvements at Palermo Park
- Continued Community Garden Dog Run parking lot construction
- Completed “Leafageddon” 2018
- Began winter pruning



- Attended Pest Management Annual Conference (Reeder, Burdick, Moeller, Spence, Skipper, Morse, Blankenship)

## Parks Maintenance Updates:

- Inspected Cable Trees



- Installed accessible path at River Daydream



- Improved landing to embankment slide
- Planted pollinator sites with Friends of Trees and volunteers

