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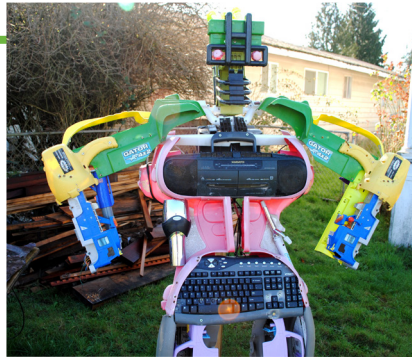
July/August 2013

Celebrate Hillsboro: More Than Meets the Eye

July 20 Festival Features Sustainability Focus

Live music, local food and a block party that brings thousands of people together in downtown Hillsboro on Saturday, July 20, from 9 am - 4 pm – it seems unnecessary to search for more reasons to Celebrate Hillsboro, and yet, the list is long.

Nearly 10,000 people took to the streets of downtown last summer for Celebrate Hillsboro presented by Tuality Healthcare. Now nine years strong, the festival is expanding its commitment to sustainable living with new, eco-friendly activities.



The Trashformers, featured at Celebrate Hillsboro, use recycled materials, including a boom box and a computer keyboard.

Celebrate Hillsboro's Sustainability Village—on the

Celebrate Hillsboro 2013
Presented by Tuality Healthcare

July 20, 9 am - 4 pm

See insert for details.

Tom Hughes Civic Center Plaza—will feature Radio Disney's Team Green Interactive Zone, where kids and adults will discover what makes recycling, reusing, preserving and conserving easy and fun.

Can you imagine what amazing things your neighbors throw away? Many are things that can be reused, repurposed or donated to a good cause. See for yourself at the Trash to Treasure tent, where reusable items found at the Hillsboro landfill will be on display. Nearby, the non-profit organization



The Celebrate Hillsboro crowd in 2012 packs the Civic Center Plaza.

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Mayor's Corner



Mayor Jerry Willey

Bringing Baseball Back: Hillsboro's Home-Field Advantage

Summer in Hillsboro always has been marked by blue skies, green grass and the sunshine that makes for perfect barbecue weather. It makes Hillsboro the kind of place your out-of-town friends and relatives want to visit. Well, now we've got a new sign of summer, and a new reason your extended family will hope you invite them over: professional baseball at Hillsboro Ballpark.

Last year, we landed the Hillsboro Hops when the City of Hillsboro decided to build the new Hillsboro Ballpark. I've got to tell you, we hit a monster home run with this new



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Mayor's Corner

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Ballpark Statistics

4,500 Capacity park

3,534 Seats

250 Days of construction

\$7 General admission ticket

410 Feet to the deepest part of the ballpark

325 Feet to the right field wall

38 Hops home games

2,000 Parking spaces

155 MLB wins by Hops pitching coach Doug Drabek

1,500 Ben Petrick bobbleheads to be given away at August 15 home game

131,180 Square feet of Matrix Turf



facility. The state-of-the-art scoreboard, the family-friendly left-field berm, and up to 4,500 fans giving the Hops the home-field advantage – all of it means Hillsboro Ballpark offers the best baseball experience and value around.

The metro area loves baseball and the Hops are bringing fans to Hillsboro from Portland, Beaverton, Vancouver, Lake Oswego and beyond to experience America's pastime up close. That means we can expect a few new faces checking out the fresh produce at our farmers' markets. It means a few extra customers at Hillsboro's great restaurants. It means a few more homebuyers will look Hillsboro's way when it comes time to relocate.

When summer ends, Hillsboro Ballpark's all-weather sports turf will allow local athletes to continue to use the City's facility for everything from high school baseball to football, soccer and lacrosse. We expect Hillsboro Ballpark to be used more than 300 days per year.

But don't wait until school's back in session to check out the ballpark. Summer is here. Baseball is here. As fans of this great game, we need to support our new ballplayers and the team. Let's show them why wearing Hillsboro on their uniform is special. Let's go Hops! 📺

Contact Mayor Jerry Willey at jerry.willey@hillsboro-oregon.gov, 503-681-6219.

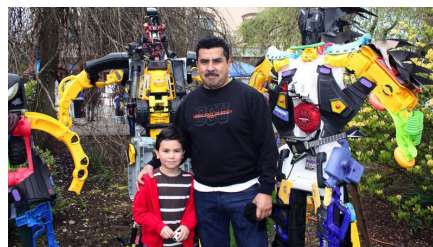
Celebrate Hillsboro

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Scrap will showcase a craft project made from similar reusable items.

But the most eye-catching display of reusability might be Jorge Reyes' repurposed "robots" – the Trashformers. Using his professional cabinet-making skills, Reyes fulfilled his six-year-old son's desire to see his dad build a human-sized robot out of common scrap material. Reyes picked up spare parts around the house, at Goodwill and at garage sales to create his Trashformers collection.

From a computer keyboard to recycled paint cans to a boombox – they've all found second life in helping Reyes assemble his Trashformers. You can see the Trashformers in all their glory at this year's Celebrate Hillsboro. 📺



Jorge Reyes, his son and their Trashformers

KNOW YOUR COUNCIL

"What is your favorite Hillsboro park?"

Mayor
Jerry Willey:
53rd Avenue
Community Park



Council
President
Aron Carleson:
Gordon Faber
Recreation
Complex



Councilor
Olga Acuna:
Noble Woods
Park



Councilor
Megan Braze:
Orchard Park

Councilor
Steve Callaway:
Hillsboro Ballpark



Councilor
Darell Lumaco:
53rd Avenue
Community Park

Councilor
Fred Nachtigal:
Shute Park



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City Manager's Report

Where Hillsboro Gathers: Our Public Spaces



City Manager
Michael Brown

The City of Hillsboro has created a variety of wonderful places in our community for citizens and visitors to come together and experience

social, cultural, recreational and educational activities.


The creation of public gathering spaces is one of the core functions of cities. Community gathering spaces in urban environments have been around for thousands of years with names such as forums, squares,

civic centers, city squares, market squares, public plazas, and town greens. Historically, these places are where people have gathered for commercial, political, judicial, and religious purposes, as well as community celebrations.

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civic center, athletic fields and sports complexes. Our libraries in particular have expanded essentially into community centers, with a variety of programs and services offered to our community. The plaza in front of our Civic Center downtown serves as a great venue for all kinds of celebrations and community interaction.

As we grow, it is essential that the City continue to develop and support public spaces for our community to come to together, share ideas, celebrate and experience each other. Building a strong sense of community is a key focus of our efforts as a city. 

VOLUNTEER HEROES

City Leaders Say Thank You:



Volunteers gather at Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve to be recognized for their efforts.

If you were to spend the next five years of your life doing nothing but volunteering for the City of Hillsboro – without taking time off to eat or sleep, or even read this article – you would still be several months shy of equaling the tens of thousands of hours that Hillsboro's dedicated volunteers contributed to the City last year.

In recognizing their tremendous commitment to our community, the City of Hillsboro held the inaugural citywide volunteer recognition event in June at Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve. More than 150 volunteers attended, representing the Hillsboro Library, Hillsboro Police Department, Hillsboro Fire & Rescue, Hillsboro Parks & Recreation, and Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve.

Volunteers took part in bird walk tours and nature walks, and enjoyed cake and hors d'oeuvres. But the highlight of the day was the consistent message delivered by Councilor Steve

Callaway and others—a simple message: "Thank you."

Thank you to the thousands of volunteers who support the City of Hillsboro and help so many in our community enjoy what a special place this is to live, work and play.

To volunteer, visit www.hillsboro-oregon.gov and click on "Residents," where you'll find a link to "Volunteer Opportunities."





100 Years of Hillsboro Water

A Century of Service: Hillsboro Water Celebrates 100 Years of Quality



Hillsboro's wooden water pipe delivered to residents in 1913.

The year was 1913, and a wooden pipe feeding water from the Tualatin Watershed constituted the City of Hillsboro's first public water delivery. A mere 63 years later, as the City celebrated its incorporation from a century earlier, the headline in the 1976 Hillsboro Centennial Edition of the *Argus* recognized the important development, "Officials Display Foresight in Water System."

Now in the summer of 2013, Hillsboro continues to credit those whose vision and labor led to the industrious development of a water system capable of serving the community's water needs into the 21st century. Over the past 100 years, the City has expanded and upgraded its water system multiple times, always looking to the future to provide customers and businesses with the water needed to thrive.




A wooden water tower stored the City's water in the 1890s.

Hillsboro Water served just 2,000 customers in 1913, when original projections called for the water system to service a population of up to 50,000 residents. The additions of the man-made Scoggins and Barney Reservoirs in the early 1970s, as well as the construction of the Joint Water Commission Treatment Plant in 1976, increased the system's

service capacity to over 400,000

customers throughout Hillsboro and other Washington County communities.

Reflecting on the high value that the Hillsboro community has always placed on its water service, it is important to note that like the City itself, Hillsboro Water continues to pursue its ultimate potential. But meeting the needs and challenges of the next generation requires planning and preparation. With your continued support, the Hillsboro Water Department you count on today will continue to provide the high-quality service you expect for the next 100 years. 

History of Hillsboro's Source Water

- Pre 1913:** City of Hillsboro on Well Water
- 1913:** Public Water Service begins with Sain Creek connection to Hillsboro via Wooden Pipe
- 1940:** Hillsboro purchases Water System and forms Utilities Commission
- 1948:** Hillsboro begins serving customers from Haines Falls
- 1971:** Barney Reservoir put into service
- 1974:** Scoggins Reservoir put into service
- 1977:** Treatment Plant & Tualatin River intake completed at Fern Hill
- 2000:** Barney Reservoir Expansion put into service
- 2013:** Mid-Willamette River Designated Hillsboro's preferred additional source



April 1912, Hillsboro Mayor and City Council at Sain Creek.

Historic photos courtesy of Washington County Museum.

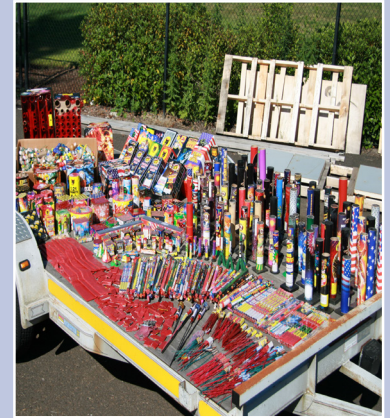
PUBLIC SAFETY

You Might Need That Finger: Keep it Safe While Using Fireworks

Americans love celebrating the Fourth of July with fireworks, and Hillsboro Fire & Rescue wants you to celebrate safely by purchasing only legal fireworks from approved Oregon fireworks stands.

Here are more ways to keep it safe this summer:

- Have a water hose or fire extinguisher nearby.
- Place pets indoors.
- Know your street address in case help is needed.
- Use fireworks outdoors, away from anything that can burn.
- Have an adult light fireworks and supervise children.
- Light one at a time, move away quickly and keep a safe distance.
- When finished, soak used fireworks thoroughly, dispose of properly and clean up all debris.



Hillsboro authorities confiscate illegal fireworks like these every year.

Hillsboro Main Library Bigger, Faster, Better


You may have seen the newly-designed second floor of the Hillsboro Main Library, but did you know that your returned books, CDs and DVDs are going back into circulation faster? The Main Library staff is using a new, automated materials handling system to speed up the process. The traditional chute drop outside the library has been replaced by an ATM-like drop spot that checks in your materials immediately and offers you the option of a printed receipt.



Patrons flock to the Main Library's new second floor to enjoy the new space and features.



From the windows near the library entrance, you can watch your returned items move through the system. Inside the check-in room, a machine with conveyor belts sorts your returned items among 17 bins. From there, library employees load shelving trucks, quickly making books, CDs, DVDs and magazines available for check-out.

Automating the return process is not only faster, it allowed the Main Library's second-floor expansion to take place without hiring additional staff. 

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What's Happening In This Photo?



Students from Tobias Elementary School take turns pushing a ground-penetration radar device over farmland located next to Northwest 253rd Avenue. As part of a plan to widen the road, the City of Hillsboro's Public Works Department is conducting a cultural-resource survey to determine if a portion of the area is the historic burial ground for descendents of Joseph and Virginia Meek, early Oregon settlers.

How to Ruin Your Cookout

Propane Gas Grill Injuries

Summer is here and the outdoor cookout season is in full swing. Here are a few helpful hints from Hillsboro Fire & Rescue to ensure you enjoy your barbecue:

- Before each use, check your propane gas grill hoses for signs of wear and tear. Make sure that the connection to the tank is tight.
- Remove excess grease buildup from the unit to prevent flare ups.
- An orange flame is an indication that there is an obstruction in the gas tubes that lead to the burners. The flame should be blue.
- When igniting the grill, make sure the lid or cover is open.
- Never leave the unit unattended while cooking, and keep children at a safe distance.



- If the unit catches fire, do not attempt to extinguish it, especially if propane is burning freely. CALL 9-1-1.
- Proper location and placement of the unit is very important. Keep the unit at least three feet away from anything that's combustible.

For more fire and safety information, contact Hillsboro Fire & Rescue at 503-681-6178 or www.ci.hillsboro.or.us/fire.

PARKS AND ARTS

Fish Out of Water: SHARC Offers More Than Swimming



Patrons get fit in SHARC's Cardio Room.

When you walk through the doors of the Shute Park Aquatic & Recreation Center (SHARC) the two indoor pools, spa and outdoor pool may tempt you to take a dip in the water, but SHARC is much more than just an aquatic center.

At SHARC you'll find cardio and strength training equipment and a dynamic group exercise program that includes classes such as yoga, Indoor Cycling, Boot Camp, Turbo Kick®, Pilates, and Tai Chi Fusion. These classes are included with the purchase of your membership pass or single visit fee.

SHARC's recreation staff takes pride in warmly greeting, expertly training, and enthusiastically teaching you. The entire team at SHARC is dedicated to making your fitness experience an exceptional one.

Recreation Program Supervisor Brooke Ives is an example of that dedication.

With a Master's Degree in Sports and Exercise Science, along with a variety of fitness-related certifications, Brooke oversees the fitness, wellness, water exercise and senior programs at SHARC. Brooke believes that it's never too late to begin a healthy and active lifestyle. For Brooke, it's all about making healthy living a priority and having fun. So stop by, check out all that SHARC has to offer, and say hello to Brooke the next time you are in the area.



SUSTAINABILITY **Powerful Savings: Hillsboro Continues to Cut Energy Costs**

Save a little here, a little there, and it all adds up. And when it comes to reducing energy consumption, the City of Hillsboro is meeting the challenge head on – the Better Buildings Challenge, to be specific.

Last month, the US Department of Energy (DOE) recognized Hillsboro for its impressive results in streamlining energy consumption at City facilities. And it's not just the DOE that's noticing Hillsboro. Mayor Jerry Willey received a letter on White House stationery from President Obama, praising the City of Hillsboro's efforts to reduce energy consumption.

As one of only 25 local governments nationwide to take the DOE Better Buildings Challenge, the City of Hillsboro has committed to a 20 percent reduction in energy consumption at City buildings by 2020.

The challenge of reducing energy usage and costs fits right in with Hillsboro's ongoing energy-saving efforts,

such as lighting retrofits, building HVAC and boiler upgrades, and upgrades to energy-control systems. Since 2009, Hillsboro has cut the energy bill at City facilities by more than \$100,000 each year; a total reduction and savings of more than \$420,000.

While Hillsboro's total building square footage increased by 5 percent with the opening of the Cherry Lane and Jones Farm fire stations, the City saw a 9 percent improvement in its energy intensity, a measurement of efficient energy use.

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Continuing in this pursuit, Hillsboro will focus on the Shute Park Library for additional energy savings. Currently under renovation, the Shute Park Library will likely reduce energy consumption by more than 20 percent when it reopens in spring 2014.

Get more information on the Better Buildings Challenge at www.betterbuildings.energy.gov.

Showtime at Shute

Presented by Synopsys
Thursdays, July 11 – August 22
6:30-8:30 pm, Shute Park

Enjoy Thursday evenings this summer with great music, dancing and fun.

- July 11** Stone In Love tribute to Journey
- July 18** Cloverdayle modern country
- July 25** Bobby Torres Ensemble Salsa
- Aug 1** Patrick Lamb R&B and soul
- Aug 8** Design 50s to today
- Aug 15** Norman Sylvester rockin' blues
- Aug 22** Edna Vasquez mariachi

Music lineup subject to change

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Cornell Estates
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Showtime
At Shute

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Parks & Recreation

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Hillsboro 2020
hillsboro2020.org

Hillsboro: Growing Together

Hillsboro 2020 Vision Town Hall

Wednesday August 14 • 4:00pm-7:00pm
Hillsboro Farmer's Market | Tanasbourne Whole Foods Market

Family Activities • Prizes • Fun • and a Fire Engine!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July

- 2 1:30 pm Mo Phillips, Rock'n'Roll Kindy, all ages, Shute Park Amphitheatre, free, 📖
- 11 6:30 pm Amanda Coplin Reading, adults, Main Library, free, 📖
- 13 10:00 am Family Watercolor Picnic, all ages, Cultural Arts Center, \$5/person at door, 🎵
- 17 10:00 am Water Ops Day, 123 W Main Street, Meet a Meter, Fix-a-Leak, hot dogs & activities, free
- 18 2:30 pm Fruit & Vegetable Carving for Beginners, adult, register, Senior Center, \$8, 🌳
- 20 9:00 am Celebrate Hillsboro, free family festival, Civic Center Plaza, 🌳
- 20 3:30 pm Bajo Salario Concert, Main Library, free, 📖
- 25-28 2013 Washington County Fair, Washington County Fair Complex, 503-648-1416
- 26-28 2013 Oregon International Air Show, Hillsboro Airport, 503-629-0706

August

- 6 Evening National Night Out, plan a block party, HPD can visit your gathering, 503-615-6756
- 10 2:30 pm Reptile Man! Ages 5-12, Main Library, free, 📖
- 14 4:00 pm Hillsboro 2020 Vision Town Hall, Tanasbourne Market, free, 503-681-6219
- 15 2:30 pm Thrill of the Grill, adults, register, Senior Center, \$10, 503-681-6120
- 17 9:00 am All Comers Family 5K, \$5/adult, kids 17 & under free, Shadywood Park, 🌳
- 17 10:00 am Family Watercolor Picnic, all ages, Cultural Arts Center, \$5/person at door, 🎵

August (cont.)

- 23 6:30 pm West Meets East Concert, adults, Main Library, free, 📖

Recurring Events

- Mon - Fri 10:30 am The Outpost, free lunch and activities, ages 0-18, Shute Park (through 8/16)
- 2nd Mon 6:30 pm Historic Landmarks Advisory Committee
- 1st/3rd Tue 7:00 pm City Council
- 1st Tues 6:00 pm First Tuesday Gallery Opening, Arts Center, free, 🎵
- 2nd/4th Tues 7:00 am Parks and Recreation Commission Meetings
- 1st/3rd Wed 6:30 pm Planning and Zoning Hearings Board
- 2nd/4th Wed 6:30 pm Planning Commission
- 2nd Tue 5:30 pm Finance Committee
- 2nd Tue 7:00 pm Open Poetry Night, Arts Center, free, 🎵
- 3rd Tue 7:00 pm Spoken Word Series, Arts Center, free
- 4th Tue 6:00 pm Transportation Committee
- Thurs 6:30 pm Thursday Family Art Night, Arts Center, \$5/person at the door, 7/11-8/29, 🎵
- Thurs 6:30 pm Showtime at Shute, schedule page 7, Shute Park, 503-615-3410

Hillsboro Farmers' Markets

- Tues 5:00 pm Hillsboro Tuesday Marketplace 6/11 - 8/27
15th Anniversary event July 30
- Wed 4:00 pm Tanasbourne 6/5 - 8/28
- Thurs 11:00 am Tuality 7/11 - 8/22
- Sat 8:00 am Downtown Hillsboro 5/4 - 10/26
- Sun 10:00 am Orenco Station 5/5 - 10/27