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April News from the Village



Forest Grove Neighborhood Concert

Portland Chamber Music comes to Forest Grove. Join Villagers and Neighbors for a relaxing evening of great Music. The cost is free with donations accepted.

When: Saturday, April 27, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Where: Forest Grove United Methodist Church
1726 Cedar Street, Forest Grove, Oregon 97116

More Spring Concerts—at Pacific University!

These concerts are held at **McCready Hall, Taylor Meade Performing Arts Center, Pacific University, Forest Grove**. General admission, \$7; seniors, \$5. Tickets are available online two weeks before the event at [pacificu.edu/MusicTickets](https://www.pacificu.edu/MusicTickets), by contacting the Box Office at 2019 21st Street, or by calling 503-352-2918. Pick up tickets at the box office Will Call, day of the event. (Tickets are also available for purchase at the door the day of the event.)

Choral Concert, Friday, April 19, 7:30 PM

The chamber singers will perform some selections appropriate to Good Friday: motets from Renaissance masters and works by Irish Desmond Earley.

Symphonic Band Concert, Saturday, April 20, 7:30 PM

The program will include both tried and true works and newer compositions by today's most accomplished composers.

Jazz Nite, Friday, April 26, 7:30 PM

Always a great performance!

For more details, go to: <https://www.pacificu.edu/music-department/concerts>.

To see more community events, download our calendar by clicking the button below.

April Calendar



Our Village is Powered by Volunteers!

At the heart of Village Without Walls are our volunteers who provide services to our members as well as organizing activities and handling all the tasks needed to support our community. We would like to recognize all the volunteers who make it possible to run the Village.

Thank you!

April is National Volunteer Month which is dedicated to honoring all the volunteers in our communities as well as encouraging volunteerism. Thank a volunteer. Volunteer yourself! Many volunteers will tell you it is a rewarding experience. You don't have to have a lot of time. Do you have a special talent or skill that may benefit a charity or organization? Offer your services or ask how you can be of help.

Volunteer Opportunity #1:

Village without Walls is looking for a few special people to join our Village transportation program. Transportation to medical appointments, shopping, or social events is the most requested member service. You just need a good driving record, valid driver's license, and current auto insurance in order to help our friendly members get around town. The Village will provide driver training, background check, and supplemental insurance. And...you can choose the days and times that you want to drive. Contact us at wwwvolunteers@gmail.com or 503-207-8729 for more details.

Volunteer Opportunity #2:

Do you enjoy chatting on the phone, making new friends, learning about people. The Village is looking for someone to occasionally help our schedulers match volunteers with members they can assist. To learn more about how you can help, call 503.207.8729 and leave a message. One of our friendly volunteers will contact you with more information.

Aging: Building Community and Connection

Multnomah County's Older Adult Behavioral Health Initiative is sponsoring this event in partnership with OHSU, Villages NW, Metro Homeshare, and Volunteers of America.

This inspiring, FREE, half-day event for professionals and volunteers working with older adults in health care and/or social services settings features a presentation by Dr. Elizabeth Eckstrom on "Learning from the Blue Zones: Lifestyle, Planning, and Engaging to Optimize Independent Aging." The event will highlight the work of three community organizations who are championing different age-friendly approaches to building community and connectedness.

When: Thursday, April 25, 7:30—11:30 AM

Where: The Oregon Convention Center

Click [here](#) for more information.

Meet Suzanne Smith

Suzanne Smith is a Volunteer with a Vision! She serves on the

Village Council with a goal of broadening the outreach of VWW while working to streamline all areas of the Village. She hopes to address volunteer recruitment and coordination, as well as transportation and activities.



Suzanne is currently serving as Interim Volunteer Chair and hosted the March 30th “Volunteer Appreciation Meeting.”

Suzanne was part of the original Village Without Walls planning group, but stepped away in 2015 to move into and remodel her retirement home. She returned to the Village Council in 2018 to help with community and business outreach.

Suzanne is a former real estate agent and substitute teacher who has lived in Hillsboro for many years after moving here with her husband Frank from Wisconsin. She and Frank have two grown daughters and three grandchildren. They are excited about attending the christening of a new great-granddaughter in Ohio this month!



Suzanne enjoys gardening in her expansive backyard and hopes to become an Oregon Long-Term Care Ombudsman when she completes a 4-day training. She also enjoys paying attention to her beautiful, large snowy white Great Pyrenees, Echo, who loves people and is a full-fledged member of the family.



Villagers Last Month

Last month Villagers met at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Hillsboro for an early St. Patrick's Day potluck. As potluck magic generally works, there was plenty of food in all varieties.

We shared stories, caught up with old and new friends and enjoyed all the goodies. Look for more potlucks to happen in the future.

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