

## *New Program Makes Computer Connections Between Teens and Seniors*

### Teens Teach Seniors To Be Computer Savvy

Bridging the “digital divide” has taken on a whole new meaning for Woodinville teens and seniors. In a pilot program launched last October, teens from Woodinville High School have volunteered to teach seniors basic computer skills.



*Angelo Girone takes instruction from Sovannary “Sophie” Pen, Woodinville High School volunteer.*

Angelo Girone, 77, a retired regional financial sales manager, registered

for the first session after reading about the program in the paper and after receiving a computer from his neighbor.

“I decided to get into the 21st Century,” notes Girone who now emails his daughters and friends and searches the Internet for information about target shooting, one of his hobbies.

*See “Computer Savvy” on page 3*

## *Set Your Dial for Woodinville TV*

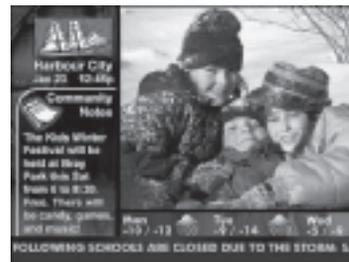
### Council Meetings Broadcast on Website and Cable TV

The City’s communications program will expand its “basic service” by launching a government access channel and webcasting City Council meetings in early Fall 2006.

Comcast cable television subscribers residing within city limits can turn to Channel 21 to view what will be launched as “Woodinville Community TV.” Subscribers will view looping screens, similar to a PowerPoint slide show, that contain city and community information.

Cameras will be installed in the Council Chambers to capture City Council meetings that will be broadcast from the City’s website (webcasting) and also from Channel 21 (cablecasting).

“Enhancing communication with its citizens has been a long standing goal of the Council,” notes City Manager Pete Rose. “Operationally we are now able to plan and implement the pro-



*A sample character generation screen for cablecasting.*

*See “Woodinville TV” on page 2*

# Around AT Town

Wilmot Gateway Park is a popular spot for “Mommy & Me” play dates, a great place to (literally) “take a walk in the park,” and home to some friendly wildlife.



## Woodinville TV

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gram this year and within allocated funding.”

As part of its deliberation of the proposed program, the Council discussed current and future funding. With a one-time grant from Comcast as a result of a 2002 Franchise Agreement, the City received approximately \$79,000 from then AT&T (now Comcast) for “capital contributions.” As part of the franchise negotiations, the City required Comcast to provide facilities and equipment for use with PEG channels. (See the inset to the right on “What is PEG?”)

Capital contributions include equipment to record, film, produce, edit and broadcast meetings and events that support a government access television.

Additionally, the City receives annual franchise fees that could support future equipment purchases and/or operations staff. Funding for a camera operator and editing support is allocated in the adopted 2005-06 budget.

The next steps include the purchase and installation of the equipment, training, drafting a policy and procedures manual and content development for “bulletin board” cablecasting. For more information, contact Marie Stake, Communications Coordinator at 425-877-2267 or [MarieS@ci.woodinville.wa.us](mailto:MarieS@ci.woodinville.wa.us).

## FRANCHISE FAQs

What is the franchise agreement between the City and Comcast?

The City currently has a non-exclusive franchise agreement with Comcast (formerly AT&T and TCI) to offer cable communications to citizens who subscribe to cable TV. The franchise agreement enables Comcast to use city street and public rights-of-way for operating and maintaining a cable communications system. The City annually receives approximately \$80,000 from franchise fees to support general city services.

What is PEG?

The Telecommunications Act of 1996 requires that all cable television operators must set aside channel space to provide “Public, Education and Government” (PEG) non-commercial programming to local governments. PEG channels are not mandated by federal law, rather they are a right given to the franchising authority which may exercise its right. Level of programming is determined by the franchising authority.

Public (P) access channels\* are available for use by the general public. They are generally administered by either the cable operator or by a third party designated by the franchising authority. The Seattle Community Access Network (SCAN) is the region’s public access station.

Educational (E) access channels\* are used by educational institutions for educational programming. Time on these channels is typically allocated by either the franchising authority or the cable operator among local schools, colleges and universities. An example of educational television is the University of Washington television (UWTV).

Governmental (G) access channels\* are used for programming by local government. In most jurisdictions, the franchising authority directly controls these channels. The programming described in the “Woodinville TV” article enacts the “G” in PEG for the City.

\*Source: Federal Communications Commission.

# Call For Projects: What's In the City's Capital Future?

## Public Process Begins for 2007-2012 Capital Improvement Plan

One of the benchmarks of a City that has recently incorporated is catching up on a backlog of infrastructure needs. Since the City's 1993 incorporation, over \$48 million has been invested in transportation, parks, water quality and public facilities capital projects. These capital investments were part of an annual public process that creates the City's Six Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Public comment is now being accepted on proposed projects to be considered as part of the 2007-2012 CIP.



*The Winchester Hills neighborhood was recently awarded SNAP funding to install a traffic calming device. SNAP applications for proposed public works and parks projects are accepted through October 31, 2006. For information, go to [www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/government/projects.asp](http://www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/government/projects.asp)*

"The CIP is the City's planning tool to identify citizen's needs for projects that will enhance their quality of life whether they work, live or play here," notes Deputy Mayor Hank Stecker.

Over the years the City Council has fine-tuned the CIP process by establishing project evaluation criteria, creating a land banking strategy to aggressively pursue opportunities to set aside future parkland, implementing

a neighborhood program (Small Neighborhood Action Projects), and just recently incorporating the Council's Finance, Public Works and Public Safety committees to participate in the evaluation process.

The majority of projects are part of the City's long-range planning documents such as the Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PRO) Plan. Other projects are generated by community members.

To learn about or comment on proposed projects or to submit a project idea, contact Deborah Knight, CIP Coordinator at 425-489-2700 or [DeborahK@ci.woodinville.wa.us](mailto:DeborahK@ci.woodinville.wa.us).

### The CIP at a Glance

- ✓ The CIP is a mandate of the Growth Management Act
- ✓ Cities plan public improvements to accommodate anticipated growth, public needs and to implement policy decisions.
- ✓ The CIP process establishes a systematic means to annually identify the capital improvements and financing for a six-year period.
- ✓ Public comment is accepted throughout the CIP process and includes proposed projects submitted by citizens and businesses, the City Council and its advisory commissions and City departments.
- ✓ A Preliminary CIP is developed after public comment and presented to City advisory commissions.
- ✓ The Planning Commission recommends the Preliminary CIP to the Council.
- ✓ The CIP is primarily funded from dedicated revenues and grants. Property taxes are not generally dedicated to CIP projects without a vote of the people. General (operating) funds of the City have frequently been used to supplement the CIP after the budget year has been closed and added funds are available.
- ✓ The CIP is developed each year and adopted by the City Council by Ordinance.

## Computer Savvy

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Sovannary "Sophie" Pen, a Woodinville High School sophomore appreciates the opportunity to teach others.

"This is my way of helping the community," notes Pen who has participated in the three sessions offered so far. "And it's fun."

In a partnership between the City's recreation division and the Woodinville Senior Center, six-week sessions are being offered on Wednesdays, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Woodinville Community Center. Instruction covers Microsoft XP basics, the Internet and email. The next session begins April 19 and is limited to 4 seniors.

Seniors interested in registering for this free program, should contact the Woodinville Senior Center at 425-488-4289.

Teens interested in volunteering, should contact Cole Caplan, Recreation Coordinator at 425-398-9327 or [ColeC@ci.woodinville.wa.us](mailto:ColeC@ci.woodinville.wa.us).

# Community Center Renamed In Honor of Carol Edwards

## City Council Approves “Friends” Proposal for Renaming and Walking Loop

A private campaign to recognize the “founding mother” of Woodinville recently resulted in Council action to create a new outdoor park project and rename Woodinville’s Community Center. “Friends of Carol Edwards” presented a proposal to dedicate a walking loop around the ballfields on the Civic Campus. The City Council went one better and decided to rename the Woodinville Community Center as the “Carol Edwards Center.” In addition, the Council approved a special

project to encircle the City Sports Fields with a lighted walkway that will feature a sculpture of a basset hound and encourage fitness and health.

The Carol Edwards Center is the one story brick school building north of City Hall on 133rd Avenue NE that serves the community with City recreation classes, programs, and events for seniors, teens, families, and adults. The Center also provides specialized recreation for disabled children and adults as well as summer camps and sports programs.

The naming will honor the publisher of the Woodinville Weekly, originator of the All Fools Day Parade and Basset Bash, and instigator of many civic programs and projects. Edwards has been battling ALS or Lou Gehrig’s Disease for over 2 years.

“I am thrilled that the Council was able to honor the family’s request to name the portion of the Civic Center that serve people of all ages and interests,” notes Mayor Cathy VonWald. “The Center and walking loop will be a lasting monument to a great lady.”

Future renovation or expansion of the Community Center will retain the Carol Edwards name.

The Carol Edwards Loop will be partially funded with private donations and will be coordinated with planned renovation of the ballfields using City and grant funds.

For more information, contact Lane Youngblood, Director,

Woodinville Parks & Recreation at 425-489-2700, e. 2286 or [LaneY@ci.woodinville.wa.us](mailto:LaneY@ci.woodinville.wa.us) 📧



Carol Edwards, publisher of *The Woodinville Weekly* (photo by Ian Gleadle)

Donate Now

### HOW TO DONATE

To contribute to the Carol Edwards Loop to be constructed around the City Sports Fields, go to the Northwest Parks Foundation at <http://www.nwparks.org/Programs/ParksSafetyNet.htm>. Click the “Donate Now” button and select “Woodinville-Carol Edwards Community Center & Loop.”



Are you City Savvy?

What is the sales tax rate in the City? (for non-restaurant sales)

See page 6 for answer

### CORRECTIONS from last issue

Thank you readers for calling to our attention the following items that were printed in error. Below are the corrections:

“Woodinville @ Work: City Organization”

The City has six core departments comprised of 56 full and part-time employees. Over the years, the City has improved service delivery and controlled costs by decreasing its independence on contracted services.

“Woodinville @ Play: Parks, Recreation & Open Space”

Stonehill Meadows Neighborhood Park is located on 134th Place NE.



## Major Projects in the Pipeline.....

The Permit Center is feeling the construction season wind up. Several private commercial and residential projects are making their way through the permitting process. Below are some highlights:

**NOVELTY HILL WINERY:** A 23,000+ square foot commercial building will be constructed for wine production, tasting room, meeting spaces, retail sales area and demonstration kitchen.

Pipeline Status: A site development permit application to clear and grade and construct on- and off-site improvements is under review. A building permit has been submitted and is currently under review.

**WOODINVILLE VILLAGE:** This project is an 18+ acre mixed-use development that includes production wineries, wine-tasting rooms, boutique retail, restaurants, a grocery store, office space, and residential living spaces. The project is located in the City's Tourist District with egress on State Route 202/148th Avenue and State Route 202/145th Street. The City Council held a public hearing on March 20 and approved amendments to the Development Agreement adding two properties (Pisani and Redwood Apartments) to the scope of the project. *(The outcome of the hearing was not known at time of publication.)*

Pipeline Status: A site development permit application to clear and grade and construct the spine-roads and permit applications for two mixed-use buildings are under review. Work is scheduled to begin in Spring, 2006.

**SIRKIN PROPERTY:** This project is a multi-family residential (apartments) project located on a 22-acre site on 140th Avenue NE.

Pipeline Status: A site development permit application is currently in plan review for the construction of four buildings (proposed 500 units), a clubhouse and pool. Construction of 2 buildings is expected to begin in 2006 with 2 more in 2007.

**SILVER LAKE WINERY - NORTHWEST CULINARY VILLAGE:** Located in the City's Tourist District on Woodinville-Redmond Road (SR202), this project includes a retail and hospitality complex featuring local wine businesses on a 5.4 acre site.

Pipeline Status: Project is being reviewed by the City's Technical Review Committee for the construction of 4 buildings and the use of one existing building. Construction expected to begin Summer/Fall, 2006.

**GEORGIAN HEIGHTS:** This is a residential (single-family residences) development project located on NE 205th (Phase IV) and 136th Ave NE (Phase V) with 70 houses to be constructed.

Pipeline Status: Housing permits are currently being issued for Phase IV (51 houses) and construction has begun.

To view current planning applications, go to <http://www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/government/dept-plan.asp>.

To obtain status on current construction permits, contact the Permit Center at 425-489-2754.



## BNRP Project Gets "A Leg Up"

### Construction Begins on North Leg Improvements

Now that construction of the north wall on State Route 202 is complete, travelers will feel relief once a new northbound lane and a second southbound left turn lane are constructed. Both improvements will be located on SR202 between SR522 eastbound off ramp and Little Bear Creek (LBC) Parkway (NE 177th Place). In addition,

a dedicated right turn lane from the west leg of the SR202/LBC Parkway intersection will be constructed. This will allow free right turns from McLendon's Hardware and adjacent businesses.

The north leg improvements are the second phase of the Bottleneck Relief Project (BNRP). Construction is expected to begin this Spring. Advertisement for bids is underway.

Project construction is estimated at \$700,000. The City received a 66% matching grant fund from the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board.

In 2005, the north wall and the Sound Transit flyer stop projects were completed as Phase I.

For project information, contact Bill Henry, 425-489-2700, ext. 2296. ☎

# Police Corner: New Officers Join City Department

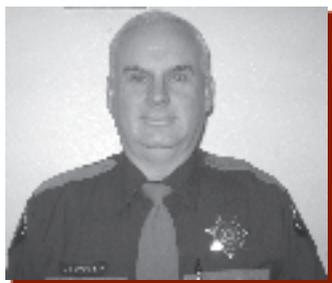


## Two vacancies filled by veteran law enforcement officers

Woodinville Police Department's new dedicated officers each bring 28 years of law enforcement to their new assignment. Dick Cooper and Kevin Joyce were recently selected to fill the vacancies left by Officer Christy Marsalisi and Officer Joe Winters. Marsalisi accepted a transfer to the City of Maple Valley (contract city) with the added benefit of a shorter commute. Winters was promoted to Master Patrol Officer and now patrols areas in unincorporated King County and is dispatched from the North Precinct.

"The caliber and dedication of the City's officers has never ceased to amaze me," says Chief of Police Kent Baxter. "Although we're losing two extremely talented and loyal officers, we are gaining two more."

The majority of Cooper's law enforcement career was with the Washington State Patrol and



Officer Dick Cooper

he served as a narcotics detective, field training officer (FTO), vehicle theft investigator, hostage negotiator and crime scene response team member.

Cooper says he had his eye on the Sheriff's Office for quite some time and joined the force last year. He has often patrolled the Woodinville area.

"I am extremely pleased to be a part of the Woodinville department," says Cooper.

Joyce had come to know the Woodinville officers and was impressed with their responsiveness and loyalty to the city.

"I applied for the opening the day it was posted," says Joyce.

Joyce spent most of his county law enforcement career in Florida and joined



Officer Kevin Joyce

King County in June, 2004. He brings his SWAT, FTO, hostage negotiation and undercover skills and experience to the City.

Both officers are assigned to the graveyard shift (10 p.m. to 6 a.m.).

The City contracts with the King County Sheriff's Office for police services. The current staff levels for the City include one chief of police services, one administrative sergeant and six patrol officers.

Over the past few months the City Council has received information on the terms of the contract, "the day in the life" of the department and crime trends for the purposes of discussing levels of police services.

To view background information, go to the City's website at [www.ci.woodinville.wa.us](http://www.ci.woodinville.wa.us) and select City Council Agendas. Check the meetings of November 7, 2005 and February 13 and March 20, 2006.

## What You Should Know About Graffiti

- ☞ Graffiti is against the law.
- ☞ It diminishes the beauty of the City.
- ☞ Private property owners are responsible for removing graffiti.
- ☞ Report graffiti on public property (trestles, utility boxes) and private property (fences, walls) immediately to the City's Code Enforcement Officer (425-877-2285 or [JasonB@ci.woodinville.wa.us](mailto:JasonB@ci.woodinville.wa.us))



### Yes, You Are City Savvy!

The sales tax in the City of Woodinville is 8.8% for non-restaurant sales.

The sales tax for restaurant sales is 9.3%.

# Spring Calendar of Events

## CHIPPING EVENT SATURDAY, APRIL 8 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**BlueLinx Property**  
12815 NE 178th Street  
City residents can bring woody debris and tree trimmings free of charge. Check the website or call Public Works at 425-489-2700 (ext. 2240) to learn what materials are acceptable (and what's not!)

## RECYCLING EVENT SATURDAY, JUNE 3 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Woodinville Park & Ride**  
17800 140th Ave. NE  
Woodinville residents can "Spring Clean" by recycling certain household items. Check the website or call Public Works at 425-489-2700 (ext. 2240) to learn what materials are acceptable (and what's not!)

## EARTH DAY-ARBOR DAY SATURDAY, APRIL 22

**Celebrate 3 ways!**  
Arbor Day Celebration, 10 a.m., Woodinville Memorial Mead. Join the City's Tree Board as it receives its Tree City USA recognition and help plant trees around the cemetery.

Sammamish River Restoration, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Woodin Creek Park. Volunteer to beautify your city! Tools and light refreshment provided.

Compost Bin & Rain Barrel Sale, at the Spring Garden Fair, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Woodmoor Elementary School.

FOR EVENT DETAILS go to [www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/events/spevents](http://www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/events/spevents)

## THOSE PESKY POTHOLE!

With Spring showers comes not only Spring flowers but potholes! When the temperature is cold, water in the soil freezes and expands making the ground expand and pushing up the pavement. Warmer weather thaws the ground and the pavement remains "raised," and a gap occurs between the pavement and the ground below it. As cars drive over the gap, the road surface cracks and falls into the empty space causing a pothole.

If you spot one in your neighborhood or around the City, call it in to the Public Works Department at 425-489-2700 or send us a Customer Service Request at [www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/contactus/contactus.asp](http://www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/contactus/contactus.asp).



The Public Arts Advisory Committee (PAAC) held its first community "Photo Contest" for local professional and

amateur photographers to capture imagery that reflects "Enjoying Woodinville." Entries were submitted in youth, adult and professional categories.

Teresa Perdue received top honors (Adult) for her image (pictured left) of children chasing a large bubble at Wilmot Gateway Park. Congratulations to first place winners Sam Little (Youth) and Deby Canfield (Professional).

For more information on the PAAC, contact Brenda Eriksen, Parks & Recreation Department, 425-489-2700 or [BrendaE@ci.woodinville.wa.us](mailto:BrendaE@ci.woodinville.wa.us).



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## *Your Woodinville City Council*



*Pictured left to right: Don Brocha (Pos. No. 7), Gina Leonard (Pos. No. 6), Mike Roskind (Pos. No. 5), Scott Hageman (Position No. 4), Deputy Mayor Hank Stecker (Pos. No. 3), Mayor Cathy VonWald (Pos. No. 2), and Chuck Price (Pos. No. 1)*

### **MONTHLY MEETINGS**

#### **CITY COUNCIL**

1 ST, 2ND, 3RD MONDAYS, 7:00 P.M.

#### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

1 ST & 3RD WEDNESDAY, 7:00 P.M.

#### **PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION**

1 ST THURSDAY, 6:30 P.M.

#### **PUBLIC ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

3RD MONDAY, 5:30 P.M.

#### **TREE BOARD**

2ND WEDNESDAY, 4:30 P.M.

*All meetings are held at City Hall. For ADA accommodations, call 48 hours in advance. 425-489-2700*

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# **WOODINVILLE**

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(Excluding legal holidays)

Executive Department  
Administrative Services Department  
Parks & Recreation Department  
425-489-2700 (Main Reception)  
425-489-2705 (Fax)

Community Development  
425-489-2754  
425-489-2756 (Fax)

Public Works  
425-489-2700  
425-489-2756 (Fax)

Permit Center  
425-489-2754  
425-489-2756 (Fax)

### **COMMUNITY CENTER**

17401 - 133rd Ave. NE  
Woodinville, WA 98072  
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Thr, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
(Excluding legal holidays)

425-398-9327 (Main Reception)  
425-489-2758 (Fax)  
425-984-2345 (Field Update Line)  
425-984-2346 (Special Events Line)

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