

Market: Experience food, crafts, music and more at Seaside Farmers Market

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But it's hard for Wildt to pick a favorite.

"Some days I'm the mood for fudge, some days I'm in the mood for gelato. One of my favorite things is to get fresh produce at the market," said Wildt.

Wildt's experience with the local farmers markets circuit comes as a vendor for the Nehalem Bay Winery where she worked for several years. But she attributed her love of markets to the first time she went to an outdoor market when she was stationed overseas in Spain. It sparked a lifelong love affair with outdoor vending.

Wildt, who was hired by Sunset Park and Recreation District three years ago, is particularly excited about the live music performances, including Robby Mayer who will be playing on July 31. Musicians play for most of the market. A calendar of performers can be found at



A crowd enjoys lunch while listening to live music in the food court

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www.seasidemarket.org. The music series is supported from sponsorships from Knife River, Quack-

enbush Builders and the U Street Pub and Eatery. This is the eighth year of the Seaside Farmers Mar-

ket, which started with fewer than 15 vendors and grew to what it is today. Wildt doesn't plan on grow-



Shaun Cubie from SeMe Family Foods serves samples of the various sweet and savory breads.

ing the size of the market substantially. "If we go too much more than that we won't have

enough parking," said Wildt. The market runs from 2 to 6 p.m. every Wednesday until Sept. 25.

Pool: Sunset Pool closes for health code upgrades

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During a bathing load, water overflows the gutter system and can spill over to the drains for the main pool. If the drains were to clog, the potential for cross contamination of the two bodies of water is increased.

Project work is estimated at about \$90,000, Archibald said.

The district expects to use funds from the repair and maintenance or the operating lines of the aquatics budget. It also is possible that the district will need to look at a supplemental budget sometime during the fiscal year, which, he said, "is not uncommon."

To maximize the shut-down time, the contractor, who is yet to be selected, will replaster the learner pool for the first time since its construction 18 years ago.

Included will be an underwater lighting upgrade to LED lights. Drainage in the spa will also be improved and brought up to full compliance with the Oregon Health Code.

Sunset Pool users will be offered reciprocal use of pools in municipal Nehalem or Astoria. "We'll pay for their membership while they're there, or we'll extend their membership if they choose not to go to those places," Archibald said. "We'll pay for their membership while they're there, or we'll extend their membership if they choose not to go to those places."



John Chapman takes the oath of office for the Sunset Empire Park and Recreation District's board of directors, administered by Skyler Archibald, on Tuesday, July 16.



Skyler Archibald congratulates Lindsey Morrison after she takes the oath of office for the Sunset Empire Park and Recreation District's board of directors on Tuesday, July 16.

Board members sworn in at Sunset Park and Rec District

By R.J. MARX
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"Our first point of business on the agenda is the swearing in of board members," said Sunset Empire Park and Recreation District's board member Jeremy Mills.

Lindsey Morrison and John Chapman stepped up by taking the oath of office before Executive Director Skyler Archibald.

Chapman received 332 votes in a tight four-person race for Position 4. Less than 2 percentage points separated all four candidates.

In the Position 5 Recreation District board race, Lindsey Morrison won with 41.75% of the vote in a three-person race.

The board then selected a board president, vice president and secretary.

The president is trusted to run the monthly board meetings and taking responsibility for initiatives of the board, Archibald said.

Board members unanimously nominated and selected Jeremy Mills as board president and board member Michael Hinton vice president and secretary.

In 2017, the pool closed for two months for maintenance repairs, including plaster of the main lap pool,

replacing the metal-halide lighting with energy-efficient fixtures and reconfiguration of the men's locker

room. A filter system was installed in the main pool, building leaks repaired and a new boiler added.

Planning: Vacation rental regs still on menu

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the application process before a conditional-use permit is approved — outlines responsibilities, such as picking up trash, resolving noise and parking violations, and maintaining a complaint log to be made available to the city upon request. The local contact also must be a permanent resident who resides within Clatsop County or an employee of a property management company with a physical office in the county, although Cupples said the commission could make the provision more restrictive if they want.

Planning Commission members commended the proposed document and what it could accomplish in terms of preventing conflict by ensuring neighbors and friends who take on the role of local contact realize and acknowledge their responsibilities.

"We've had troubles and this is a resolution to maybe make things work better," Commissioner Teri Carpenter said.

The second document Cupples presented is another form to be signed by the VRD local contact acknowledging that violations could "result in the commission's review of the (conditional-use permit) and ultimately result in the loss of a VRD permit."

Distributing the new standards

Commission member David Posalski asked that the commission could do to retroactively enforce the new standards on existing VRD owners and local contacts.

"Not very much," Cupples said, adding whenever the city grants a conditional-use permit for any purpose, it's difficult to go back and change conditions for approval that were already set.

"It's like taking away something you already made a decision on," he said.

After discussion, the commission members agreed they could potentially contact property owners and request voluntary compliance in having their local contacts sign the documents in the interest of preventing problems that could lead to their conditional-use permit being reviewed. Doing so could also make them aware of the current standards.

If complaints about a specific property are made, however, that could be "the catalyst" to make compliance mandatory, Carpenter said.

Cuples planned to refine the proposed documents and incorporate suggestions from planning commission members ahead of their joint work session with the Seaside City Council at 6 p.m. Monday, July 29.



Eve Marx

Justin Dunlap introducing his daughter Isla to the joys of trail cleanup.



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Kathy Pattison and Elaine Mullen didn't let a little rain deter them from participating in the trail grooming.

Cleanup: Volunteers perform light trail maintenance

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Elaine Mullen has only lived in Gearhart about five months, but she was enthusiastic.

Possibly the most excited volunteer of the day was a dog named Star, who belongs to Janet Elliott.

"This part of the Ridge Path is our regular evening walk," Elliott said. "Sometimes when we walk, I bring my pruning shears and do a little trimming while we're out and about."

Justin Dunlap lives in the Shamrock Pines neighborhood. He brought his young daughter Isla along for the cleanup.

"We love the Ridge Path," Dunlap said. "It's amazing to have this lush, tucked-away natural area so close by."

The Gearhart Ridge Path is a maintained walking trail in the city of Gearhart. It's perfect for families or anyone who wants a little taste of nature off the beaten path. The path is a right of

way that ambles past cottage backyards and crosses dead-end streets. It's never

crowded; you can't get lost; if you're lucky, you may even see elk or deer.

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