

Pedestrian Summit II

by Linda Ginenthal, *Transportation Options*

Join Mayor Tom Potter and your neighbors at the

Pedestrian Summit II

Saturday, September 10

8:30 am to 1 pm

Multnomah Center
7688 SW Capitol Hwy

(with an optional walk after lunch)

Deadline for registration: September 3

See below to register!



The "Thursday morning group" enjoys a walk on Leif Erikson Drive

More and more Portland neighbors are discovering walking as the best way to get around, get some exercise, and meet their neighbors. Sometimes a walking experience can be enhanced with a simple path connection or just letting more people know where to find those great walkable streets and trails. With shrinking budgets, city and regional governments rely on area residents to take matters into their own hands and organize for and implement real improvements for pedestrians.

The Portland Office of Transportation (PDOT) and Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. (SWNI) - SWTrails Group, will present interactive and practical workshops designed to get you and your neighborhoods on a path to getting things done for pedestrians. Topics include:

- * Developing a shared community vision
- * How to get started and how to build paths and trails with your neighbors
- * Recruiting volunteers and getting them to come back
- * Creative solutions to knotty pedestrian problems
- * Walking groups - joining in or start your own.

Registration: PortlandTransportation.org/Pedestrians/Summit2.htm or contact the Southwest Neighborhoods office at 503-823-4592, swni123@spiritone.com.

Our community partners, Willamette Pedestrian Coalition, Rose City Roamers and other groups invite you to attend and will have informational display tables at our summit.

Get ready to walk and bike to school

by Dakota InyoSwan, *Portland Office of Transportation*



Over 250 Bridlemile students, parents, teachers and community members participated in the Bridlemile Walk to School Day event last year organized by Lillie Fitzpatrick

In 2004, more than 3 million children, parents, and community leaders from 36 countries around the world joined together in celebration of International Walk to School Day. This year's International Walk to School Week will be held October 3-7, 2005. The focal point of the week is **International Walk to School Day on Wednesday, October 5, 2005**. Oregon joins the celebration with Oregon Walk + Bike to School Day.

The event will also be a major element of Portland's new Safe Routes to School (SR2S) pilot program - a new citywide, comprehensive program to get as many kids as possible safely walking and biking to school. Managed by the Portland Office of Transportation, the program is based on the highly successful national SR2S model developed in Marin County, California, where they realized an 82% increase in the number of kids walking and biking to school and a 29% decrease in vehicle trips to school - all in the first year!

Our own Bridlemile Elementary School is one of the eight pilot elementary schools receiving SR2S services for the 2005-06 school year. The other pilot schools are Abernethy, Boise-Eliot, Buckman, Gilbert Park, Lewis, Prescott, and Vestal.

Why we care about traffic safety

Portland Community and School Traffic Safety Partnership

Ask the people of Portland what concern is central in their minds about their city, and you will likely open up a potent transportation topic, one that cuts across all political, social, economic, and philosophical boundaries. Results of the annual citizen survey "Service Efforts and Accomplishments" indicate that neighborhood traffic speed and the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists are three of their top four concerns.

The largest number of calls to the Portland Office of Transportation is from residents expressing concern about the speeds and volumes of cars on their street. A 1992 public opinion survey of licensed Portland drivers revealed that 37% believe the single most serious traffic safety problem is "people driving too fast in neighborhoods."

Speeding in turn can lead to problems such as death and injury from traffic collisions and difficulties for pedestrians and bicyclists. High traffic speeds on neighborhood streets makes people feel unsafe and reduces their quality of life.

The following dangers are apparent:

- Relatively small increases in speed dramatically increase stopping distances.

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New SW walking/bike map almost here

Portland's Office of Transportation plans to have the new SW Walking Map ready for distribution in time for the Pedestrian Summit on September 10. It's free. On one side it will have an updated and corrected map of walking routes, and on the other side will have a map of bike routes. Pick up a map at the Summit or the SWNI office, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. Call 503-823-4592 to confirm the map is available.

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A history of South Portland

by Stephen Leflar

Stephen Leflar is a long-time resident of the Corbett-Terwilliger Lair Hill area and is active in the neighborhood association. We are printing excerpts from Stephan's history. Last month, we focused on two giants in Portland history--Sam Zidell and Sam Schnitzer. This month, we continue by learning about the Italian presence

The Italian presence

In 1860, Giuseppe Garibaldi, the Italian nationalist, freed the south of Italy from the rule of the French Bourbon kings. Rome was restored as the capital of Italy, but peace was short lived. Within only a few weeks, peasants (financed by the deposed Bourbon king Francesco II who was in alliance with the Vatican), began a series of fierce rebellions which took five years to crush. Soon, there followed further revolts in Sicily. During the next decade emigration out of Italy accelerated mostly because of economic hardships, unfair laws and a tax system favoring the north at the expense of the south. While Italians in the north first departed to America, conditions in the south were harsher leading in the 1880s to massive emigration to the US. By 1930 four and one half million Italians (80% from the south) had entered the United States. Many found their way to Portland. And while differences existed among them because of Italy's many diverse regions, religion was a common thread- for over 95% of them were Catholic.

Oregon had 1,014 foreign born Italians in 1900, most of them residing in Portland. Ten years later, they numbered 5,538. Mostly uneducated, they became farmers, laborers, peddlers, tailors and cobblers. In 1902, of the 22 bootblacks then in Portland, nineteen were Italian. In Portland, there were several locations of Italian colonies:

One group settled on the edge of the Portland city dump in Marquam Gulch, which is now Duniway Park, south of SW Sheridan and west of SW Fourth and extending to the area between SW Clay and the west end of the Ross Island Bridge. A second and third group grew up in the Parkrose and Milwaukie farming districts. A sizable colony was established on the east side in and around Ladd's Addition where some jerry-built rentals, occupied mostly by Italians, were erected. These were later demolished and replaced by the present substantial homes.

The west side locations were not exclusively Italian for the Eastern European Jews were arriving about the same time and the two groups inhabited the same neighborhood. While differing in their religions, both Italian and Jewish immigrants had many similarities that made their relationships compatible. The two groups came from the European peasantry and were recent immigrants to the United States; both shared strong family values; both spoke a foreign language, and both were an abused and downtrodden minority. Their common adversities led to a bonding and fostered a harmonious relationship. Gauda Jermouske Hahn, a Jewish lady who lived at SW Second and Arthur, noted in an interview in 1980: "... in our immediate neighborhood there was an Italian family and they were very good friends. Somehow I guess we all had our differences, but there was a feeling of extended family closeness."

John Granato remembers his boyhood in the 1930's, when his Jewish friends would bring him to their services, and he would bring them to his own at St. Michael's. John lived at SW First and Hall, across from Congregation Shaarie Torah, a synagogue. Jewish tradition prohibited their doing work on the Sabbath. But it was still necessary to

heat the synagogue and perform other simple tasks. Rabbi Fain for several years employed John as the shabbas goy, a gentile hired to do these small jobs. This was fine with St. Michael's pastor. Rev. Michael Balestra, S.J., but after the closure of St. Michael's school in 1934, when John transferred to St. Lawrence school, the pastor, Rev. John R. Laidlaw, coming from a tradition different from that of Father Balestra, strongly suggested that John discontinue his duties at the synagogue. He continued anyway, but didn't tell Father Laidlaw. (Fred Granata, The Biography of a Parish)

For both Italian and Jew, South Portland was amenable to virtually all their needs, allowing their cultural traditions to flourish. It was somewhat of a world unto itself where life remained focused upon family, neighbors and community and was less involved in city-wide issues. An important focal point other than church for the Italians was the Helen-Kelly-Manley Community Center. It was built in 1912 and operated primarily as a focal point for Italian activities until

1928. It was known as the "poor man's Neighborhood House," in part because the latter charged a membership fee while the Manley House was free.

Dario Raschio recalled in 2005 when he was 91 years old: "We were all immigrants, I guess you could call it a kind of a ghetto; we all felt together." He was born in South Portland on Water Street near Mill. Box cars were unloaded across Water. Rudy Boyd of Boyd's Coffee built across from their house. Their second house was around the corner; his family moved several times, but always within South Portland: "We always rented; we never owned. Even when I was five, I couldn't speak English. You know in South Portland we had our own accent. All of the kids had nicknames: one boy was called 'Buttonhead'. He wasn't all there. The girls would chase him and he just loved it. Another boy was called 'Monk' for monkey. My friends called me by my nickname: Dadio. I was ashamed of Dadio so I went by my middle name, Michael. My wife is Mary; I call her 'Maria mia'."

"We spent quite a bit of time walking downtown; we called it 'downtown'. The groceries [stores] in the neighborhood were real small, so if we wanted good groceries, we'd walk down to the farmer's markets. Calisiano had a grocery store at Third between Jefferson and Madison; and there was Garberino's Grocery on First between Madison and Jefferson. On the corner of Front and Hall was a Chinese laundry. They would iron clothes on the street corner with old heavy flat irons dressed in traditional Chinese outfits. Across the street on the corner was a house of prostitution. Women would sit in the window and men would knock on the door. On my way to school, these women would have me go get cigarettes and they would give me fifty cents. There was another prostitution house, a blacksmith's shop, taxidermist, a grocery, an apartment house with another house of prostitution. I guess I was living in a red light district as a kid but never thought about it. The Lincoln Powerhouse [on the river under the Marquam Bridge] burned sawdust for electricity; once it caught fire and we could feel the heat at our house."



1880's Italian boarding house



Visitors to Southwest Portland

by Glenn Bridger, Southwest Neighborhoods Chair

Happiness is smiling visitors admiring your newly painted house, or your new baby. For a community, foreign visitors coming to learn from the success of your community involvement activities bring the same happiness.

In July, Portland State University brought a class of visiting Japanese city administrators to the Hillsdale Farmers Market to showcase an example of an active community. The visitors helped assemble and move equipment. They saw how volunteers worked together to welcome the residents to a market that was still a dream 4 years ago.

Building community was the primary goal of the Hillsdale Vision Group of the early 1990's. The folks who met, normally weekly, came from at least 5 SWNI neighborhood areas. The planning, and desired physical improvements, were a step seen as a tool to help build a stage for people to come together. Concepts and experiences from other communi-

ties helped fuel the energy with the group, and the door was always open to new people to join in.

Now take a look at Barbur Boulevard. Along Barbur we find the largest retail store in our community, along with some of the least desirable storefront businesses. We have a major highway from the 1950's that 50 years later still has the characteristics of a major highway long after the through traffic was rerouted onto Interstate 5. Multifamily housing is filling the lots just a block or two back from the street. What is the vision of the businesses, residents, and property owners in this corridor? What is the vision of the people who use this corridor? What is the vision of the public agencies for this corridor?

The SWNI Board has requested a land use and transportation study of this corridor. You may see planning as a series of boring meetings. I will not argue. But our actions today create the future. In 10 to 15 years, we want to see visitors and community members looking at the success of the New Barbur. Are you working for our community's future?

Bicycle Transportation Alliance announces plan to respond to cyclist deaths

by Evan Manvel, Executive Director, Bicycle Transportation Alliance (BTA)

In reaction to the Portland-area bicyclist fatalities this summer, the BTA has called for a comprehensive community response, and announced its own five-part plan of action.

The BTA's plan:

(1) Identification of, and advocacy for, site-specific engineering safety improvements. The BTA's crash team will review crash sites in the Portland Metro area and make recommendations to transportation departments on how to improve bike safety with engineering changes.

(2) Advocacy for appropriate enforcement actions. The BTA's crash team will work with police departments and district attorneys' offices and call for proper citations and charges in response to crashes.

(3) Expanded driver and cyclist education efforts. The BTA is working to expand its existing share the road education effort (see www.easytoshare.com). It is also working to improve the Department of Motor Vehicles' education efforts, including expanded information in the Oregon Drivers' Manual.

(4) Improved identification of dangerous areas. The BTA is asking the City of Portland to create a web-based crash reporting system to identify dangerous areas, drawing on the experience of the ghostcycle.org database.

(5) Advocacy for a fair share of safety funding for bike and pedestrian projects. The BTA is calling for bike and pedestrian facilities in Oregon to receive Federal highway safety improvement money in proportion to the number of bikes and pedestrians that are killed. In the most recent data reviewed (2001-

02), 14% of the fatalities in Oregon were pedestrians and bicycles, yet none of the Federal money earmarked for highway safety projects was spent on bike-pedestrian focused improvements. The BTA will advocate for a law requiring a fair share in the 2007 Legislature, and will lobby for individual projects until then.

As the state's leading bicycle advocacy organization, many of the BTA's programs promote bike safety. The BTA has lobbied for new laws, pushed for high-quality bike facilities, taught over 25,000 kids how to bike safely, provided resources to new adult bike commuters, worked with police departments, and run a variety of public education efforts, including a bimonthly legal clinic for cyclists.

While the recent deaths have received significant community attention, leading some to worry about safety, bicycling is becoming safer as more people bike. The rate of bicycle crashes has decreased significantly since 1990, as the number of bikeway miles has doubled and the number of cyclists has more than tripled, while the number of crashes has remained relatively constant.

The Bicycle Transportation Alliance is a non-profit grassroots organization creating healthy, sustainable communities by making bicycling safer, more convenient and more accessible. They work to protect and promote the rights of cyclists on the grassroots and legislative levels, and educate kids and adults about safe and legal bicycling. For information about the BTA, visit www.bta4bikes.org.

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Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc., (SWNI) is a nonprofit coalition that provides services to promote citizen participation and crime prevention in 16 Southwest Portland neighborhood associations and three business associations.

Our mission statement reads: "SWNI empowers citizen action to improve and maintain the livability of Southwest neighborhoods." Partial funding is from the City of Portland through an annual contract.

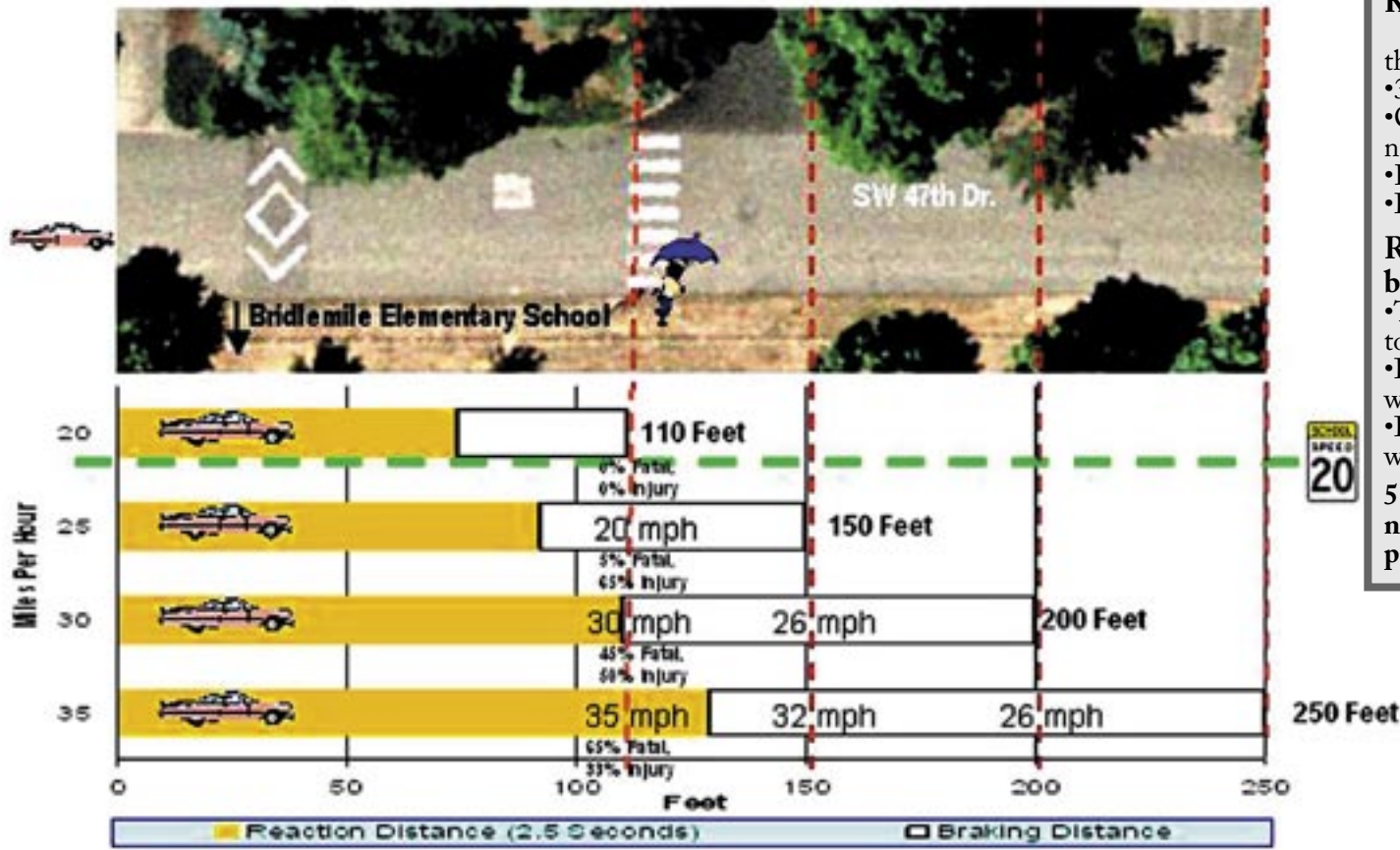
Our office is located in the Multnomah Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. We are open 8:30 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday. To reach us call 503-823-4592, email swni123@spiritone.com.

SWNI staff: Sylvia Bogert, Executive Director; Leonard Gard, Land Use Specialist; Ginny Stromer, Administrative Assistant.

The 2004-2005 SW Neighborhoods, Inc., Board Officers are Glenn Bridger, President; Jayne Cronlund, 1st Vice-President; Ester McGinnis, 2nd Vice President; John Gould, Secretary; and Patty Lee, Treasurer.

Slow down and drive safely...kids are going back to school

EFFECTS OF SPEED ON STOPPING DISTANCE



School zones are posted 20 MPH to save lives and protect children!

Kids will be kids

- Many children have one or more of the following limitations:
- 30% smaller peripheral vision.
 - Can't see differences in speed or recognize direction of sound
 - Eye-contact mistakes
 - Dart-outs common

Reduction in children walking and biking to schools

- Too many children are not walking due to traffic safety concerns
- In 1970 more than 6 out of 10 children walked or biked to school
- In 2000 fewer than 1 out of 10 children walked or biked to school

5 out of 10 children who are hit by cars near schools are hit by cars driven by parents of other students.

Why we care...

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- Traveling at 40 mph, the average driver who sights a pedestrian 100 feet ahead will be traveling 38 mph on impact. At 25 mph, the driver will stop before reaching the pedestrian.

- Relatively small increases in speed dramatically reduce the survival rate for pedestrians struck by an automobile. The survival rate for a pedestrian struck at 20, 30, and 40 mph declines from 95%, to 60%, to 10%.

- From 1985-2000, traffic fatalities in Portland totaled 669--an average of 44 per year. Of those, 255 were pedestrian fatalities. That means that pedestrian fatalities averaged 38% of all traffic fatalities in Portland.

- Traffic safety concerns reduce the number of children who walk or bicycle to school, thereby increasing their inactivity and decreasing their health and fitness. Thirty years ago, 66% of children walked or bicycled to school. Today, only 10% walk or bicycle to school. Today, 78% of children fall short of the recommended 30 minutes of exercise per day.

In 2003, the City of Portland launched the Community and School Traffic Safety Partnership in response to strong public demand for services that protect neighborhoods from the negative impacts of traffic and provide a safe environment for all modes of travel.

A Transportation Safety Livability Hot Line has been created to respond to the following safety issues: intersection safety, pedestrian safety, school safety, speeding, visibility, bicycle safety, parking and capital project requests. Call 503-823-SAFE or send an email to safe@pdxtrans.org.

Walk and bike to school

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If you are interested in the possibility of walking or biking to school, but are unsure how to start, Oregon's Walk + Bike to School Day is an opportunity to explore. The goal of the event varies from community to community. Some walks rally for safer and improved streets, some to promote healthier habits, and some to conserve the environment. Whatever the reason, Oregon Walk + Bike to School events encourage a more walkable community.

Oregon's Walk + Bike to School Day is more than just walking to school

one day or week a year, however. This is certainly important, but the event's greater aim is to bring about permanent change in communities across the state. Goals include the following:

- **To enhance the health of kids.** About 25% of Oregon youth are overweight or obese. Walking and biking to school are excellent ways to get extra physical activity.
- **To improve the health of the community.** Walking and biking to school reduces traffic pollution, congestion, and speed near schools. It can also encourage parents to walk and bike to school with their kids.
- **To create permanent, safe walking and biking routes.** Special events like Oregon Walk + Bike to School Day raise awareness of how walkable a community is and where improvements can be made. Well-maintained routes designed for walking and biking calms traffic and reduces collisions. Walking and biking

to school helps create driver awareness in school zones.

- **To improve neighborhood livability.** Studies show that more people walking and biking in a neighborhood makes people feel better about their neighborhood. More people walking and biking helps people take back their neighborhood, helps make public streets lively and friendly, encourages community interaction and easy exploration of the neighborhood, and attracts people to commercial and recreational areas.

Parents who allow their children to ride bikes to school should be aware that in Oregon, children up to 16 years of age must wear an approved safety helmet. When allowing your child to ride a bike to school, also think about the effect that a bulky backpack may have on your child's balance while he or she is riding.

Oregon Walk + Bike to School is designed to raise awareness, promote active, healthy lifestyles for children, and make streets safer and friendlier for students walking and biking to school. The program is part of the Bicycle Transportation Alliance (BTA) and Willamette Pedestrian Coalition (WPC) Safe Routes to School Program. Parents, teachers and volunteers from schools can find training materials and other information on the Internet at www.walknbike.org or call Robert Ping of the BTA/ WPC at 503-226-0676 ext. 18.

For more information about Portland's SR2S program, contact Dakota InyoSwan at 503-823-5552 or email Dakota.InyoSwan@pdxtrans.org.

Neighbors work to reroute TriMet #39

The Collins View Neighborhood Association #39 committee has been meeting with TriMet and numerous neighborhood and business associations to develop a proposal for strengthening the #39 bus route by extending it to include Hillsdale and Multnomah Village, as well as other possible destinations. The committee has talked to several people from TriMet, the SWNI transportation committee, the Hillsdale, South Burlingame, and Multnomah Neighborhoods, and the Hillsdale Business Association and Multnomah Village Business Association. All these groups were supportive and offered other perspectives on the proposed route. With so many other groups supporting the idea, we are making headway in developing a workable proposal that would encourage TriMet to consider a route change that would bring a new form of transit benefit to neighbors

all along the route -- community connections.

Would you like to have public transit access to Wilson High from the south along Terwilliger? Would you like to take the bus to the Hillsdale Farmers Market? Or to the SW Community Center? Or to restaurants in Hillsdale and Multnomah Village? Or the US Post Office in Multnomah? Or from those areas to Lewis & Clark College? The goal is to craft a route that is attractive to a wide variety of people and trips, so that ridership grows to become economical for TriMet and a link helping tie together our SW community. The next opportunity for a trial period for a new route may be next spring. We'll continue to think through details. If you have a strong interest in the #39 and would like to attend planning meetings contact Collins View NA Chair Charlie Weiss, charliew@launchbx.com.

Citywide Parks Team group

discusses funding, importance and PP&R 2020 Vision Plan

by Amanda Fritz, Interim Chair, Citywide Portland Parks Team

On Thursday September 15, 7 pm, in the Rose Room, at City Hall, the Citywide Parks Team group will discuss Community Centers - their funding, importance, and our city policy towards them in relation to the PP&R 2020 Vision Plan. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Note, the September meeting and subsequent ones will be in the Rose Room on the third floor.

For more information on the Citywide Parks Team, visit our web site at <http://explorepx.org/pc-wpt.html> (thank you, Phil Pennington!). To be added to the Team4PortlandParks e-mail listserve discussion group, e-mail Paula Casner at paularcasner@msn.com.

Citywide Landlord Forum

Thursday, September 29th, 6:30, East Precinct Community Room 737 SE 106th Avenue

Topic - Portland's Property Maintenance Code: Join your fellow landlords and property managers for a networking opportunity and an informative presentation from City of Portland Housing Inspector Victor Unkow. We will also have time on the agenda for brain-storming, problem-solving and information sharing.

Questions? Contact Rosanne Lee, Crime Prevention Coordinator at (503) 823-0540 or email at rosanne.lee@ci.portland.or.us.

Southwest Development Review

by Leonard Gard, Land Use Specialist
Compiled from development review and other notices

Pre-application conferences:

PC 05-142448. Type III review for 10-lot subdivision. Location: 5920 SW 18th Dr. **Neighborhood: Hillsdale.**

PC 05-143285. Type II design review for exterior improvements to existing building. Location: 6602 SW Capitol Hwy. **Neighborhood: Hillsdale.**

Proposals:

LU 05-143559 AD. Applicant proposes a new residences and seeks an adjustment to increase allowable building height on a sloped lot from 30 to 40 feet. Location: vacant lot at SW Corbett Ave. and Idaho St. **Neighborhood: CTLH.**

LU 05-142463 EN. Applicant proposes 12 townhouse units in two buildings. Environmental review is required. Location: SW Slavin Road near Condor Ave. **Neighborhood: CTLH.**

LU 05-136160 LDP. Applicant proposes to divide a 14,453 SF site into two lots. Location: 5823 SW 53rd Ave. **Neighborhood: Hayhurst.**

LU 05-106486 LDP. Applicant proposes to divide a site into two lots. Location: 10701 SW 30th Ave. **Neighborhood: Arnold Creek.**

LU 05-146236 AD. Applicant seeks an adjustment to increase maximum size of lot to 17,300 SF. The request is in conjunction with a future property line adjustment. Location: 4060 SW Flower St. **Neighborhood: Hayhurst.**

LU 05-144206 AD. Applicant seeks side setback adjustment for deck encroaching from adjacent property. Location: 3628 and 3629 SW Hillside Dr. **Neighborhood: Bridlemile.**

Decisions:

LU 05-113461 EN. Environmental review approval for single family house. Location: 1056 SW Arnold. **Neighborhood: Arnold Creek.**

LU 05-130908 LDP. Approval of preliminary plan for 2-lot partition. Location: 5605 SW Taylors Ferry Rd. **Neighborhood: Ashcreek.**

LU 05-129430 CU. Conditional use approval for additional antennas at an existing telecommunication facility. Location: 1737 SW Canby St. **Neighborhood: Hillsdale.**

LU 05-136517 EN. Environmental review approval for construction of a pedestrian trail at the Robison Jewish Home. Location: 6140 SW Boundary St. **Neighborhood: Hayhurst.**

LU 05-132671 DZ. Design review approval for ground level wall to screen generator. Location: 4550-4600 SW Macadam Ave. **Neighborhood: CTLH.**

LU 05-142529 EN. Environmental review approval for construction of house and related development. Location: SW Boones Ferry Rd near Coronado. **Neighborhood: Arnold Creek.**

LU 05-132369 AD. Denial of setback adjustments for detached garage/studio. Location: 9038 SW 40th Ave. **Neighborhood: Multnomah.**

LU 05-118657 DZ. Design review approval for self-storage facility. Location: 10299 SW Barbur Blvd. **Neighborhood: West Portland Park.**

LU 05120255 LDS PD. Approval of preliminary plan for two-lot partition. Location: 3808 SW Martins Lane. **Neighborhood: Hillsdale.**

LU 05-125893 LDP. Approval of preliminary plan for two-lot partition. Location: 4542 SW Brugger St. **Neighborhood: Crestwood.**

Public hearings: LU 05-110305 LDS. Appeal to City Council of decision approving division of a 2.83-acre site into ten lots. Location: 3105 SW Arnold. Hearing was scheduled for August 18. **Neighborhood: Arnold Creek.**

LU 05-128857 LDS EN M. Applicant proposes to divide a 48,817 SF site into four lots. Location: 3609 and 3617 SW Cullen Blvd. Hearing was scheduled for August 22. **Neighborhood: Hayhurst.**

LU 05-138775 DZM. Applicant seeks design review approval for a 23-story condominium tower in the South Waterfront District. Location: Block 34 bounded by SW River Parkway, Penoyer, and Gaines. Hearing was scheduled for August 25. **Neighborhood: CTLH.**

LU 05-127029 LDS. Applicant proposes to divide a 2.3-acre site into eight lots. Location: 11850 SW Boones Ferry Rd. **Hearing on September 22 at 10 am, 1900 SW 4th Ave.**

Final plats:

5014 SW Pasadena St, 5245 SW Florida St, 8616 SW 35th Ave, 3510 SW Bond Ave,

Design advice:

Notices of intent to demolish: 9221 SW 43rd Ave, 15 SW Seymour St, 1435 SW Westwood Ct.

2005 Watershed Management Plan identifies opportunities and actions that complement the diverse needs of a growing urban area

by Jim Gladson, Bureau of Environmental Services

More than 500,000 people live here use roads, buildings and parking lots every day. When it rains, stormwater can flow off these hard surfaces and carry pollutants to our streams or cause the combined sewer system to overflow into the Willamette River.

Portland is the largest city in the state and must meet the same stormwater management requirements as less developed areas. State and federal laws require stormwater be effectively managed to protect human health, public safety, water quality, threatened fish species and other wildlife.

The watershed management plan now being developed doesn't propose to restore the natural environment that existed before the city was built, but identifies opportunities and actions that complement the diverse needs of a growing urban area.

That work is already underway and will be incorporated into the plan. Current projects include: incorporating innovative stormwater management techniques or stream restoration options into routine sewer pipe reconstruction and road improvement work; working with developers and urban renewal managers to build water quality protection into new construction designs; and

build small-scale projects such as curb extension planters on neighborhood streets and landscaped swales to help solve multiple problems, and reduce stormwater flows to the sewer system.

The plan will implement the "Clean and Healthy River" strategies of the city's River Renaissance effort and reflect and build upon extensive action planning and projects already initiated by city bureaus and citizens within the Johnson Creek, Columbia Slough, Fanno Creek and Tryon Creek watersheds.

It will focus on leveraging work, or money spent, on one project for the benefit of others to achieve regulatory compliance more effectively and efficiently and allow more comprehensive and lasting solutions that address water quality and watershed health problems. It will contain sections that: assess current watershed problems and opportunities throughout the city; establish citywide objectives to meet watershed health goals; propose strategies and actions to be implemented in the next 2-5 years; and outline how to implement projects, track effectiveness and incorporate new information as work progresses.

For info contact Jim Gladson, 503-823-4759, jamesg@bes.ci.portland.or.us or visit www.portlandonline.com/bes.

Committee Reports..

Public Safety Committee

Nancy Hand, chair, 503-452-9183

Our speaker for the July meeting was our own Stephanie Reynolds. We are so lucky to have such a knowledgeable person as our crime prevention specialist. She told us very simple tips on how to make our homes and area around our homes safer. She had some great hand-outs.

As promised here is a list of the next few months of guest speakers:

August 23: Charlie Fender on proposed changes to the Portland Police Bureau pursuit policy.

September 27th: Gary Cobb of the Recovery Association Project will discuss recovery from drug addiction and the local resources available.

October 25th: Washington County Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Specialist Julie McCloud will present her short film about meth addiction, "Crystal Misery," which features teens from Washington County.

November 22: Nancy Weber of the Oregon State Construction Contractors Board will discuss how to hire a contractor without being victimized by construction fraud.

December: no meeting

Thanks again for all who came last month. We hope to see lots of new faces at next month's meeting.

Next meeting: Tues., Sept. 27, 7 pm
Multnomah Center
7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

Transportation Committee

Lillie Fitzpatrick, chair,
503-892-9921

The committee recently has been working on a plan to identify street segments that should have a high priority for sidewalk installation. Committee members plan to soon go on a field trip to look at street segments that might meet our criteria for high priority.

Police officer Scott Westerman was a guest at our August meeting. Flyers are still posted at truck stops. They warn of the new effort to enforce noise regulations against jake brakes.

Eileen Argentina, the liaison to SWNI from the Office of Transportation (PDOT) recently met with Lillie Fitzpatrick and SWNI President Glenn Bridger and Executive Director Sylvia Bogert. Changes are in the wind with a new commissioner-in-charge-Sam Adams-and a change in leadership at PDOT.

PDOT on August 18 conducted a bicycle safety leadership workshop at the Multnomah Center, which included a short bike ride along SW 35th, Vermont, and then Capitol hwy in a loop from an back to the Center. We hope to follow up with more bicycle advocacy in SW Portland.

Next meeting: Sept. 19, 7 pm
Multnomah Center
7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

SW Trails

Don Baack, chair, 503-246-2088

Janet Bebb of Parks & Recreation was the guest at the Trails Group's July meeting. She gave an update on the feasibility study for a bicycle and pedestrian route roughly along the old Red Electric right-of-way. A draft report should be out soon.

The Trails Group is working hard to prepare for the September 10 SW Pedestrian Summit. Don't miss it.

Next Meeting: Thurs., Sept. 22, 7 pm
St. Luke's Lutheran
SW 46th & California

SWNI Board

Glenn Bridger, president
503-245-0729

In August, Patty and Prentiss Lee hosted the annual Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc., Board Picnic. Members of the SWNI board and all of our neighborhood chairs were invited to spend a relaxing evening getting to know each other, while enjoying good food and conversation.

City Commissioner Randy Leonard attended the event. He appreciated the opportunity to talk informally with community leaders about Southwest issues in a relaxed setting and we are grateful for his participation.

SWNI has not been able to find an individual willing to chair its Land Use Standing Committee. This is an important committee that meets monthly to address citywide land use issues and assist designated land use contact people from our sixteen member neighborhood associations with specific land use applications. If you have a passion for land use and would like to offer your leadership skills to this committee, please contact me at 503-245-0729.

Next Meeting: Wed., Sept. 28, 7 pm
Multnomah Center
7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

Land Use Committee

In August, John Gibbon gave an update on the Infill Design project at the Bureau of Planning. The project is developing design guidelines for multi-dwelling (apartment) development.

Advocates of tree preservation, led by Bridlemile resident Greg Schifsky, have formed an ad hoc committee to look at changes that could be made to save more trees.

Trees are lost when land is subdivided and buildings are built. Trees are also lost before and after development when owners for various reasons-sometimes good reasons-decide to cut. Portland has tree cutting regulations in several places in its city code. It's complex and owners are often unsure whether they need permission to cut.

So the ad hoc committee is looking at a mix of possible solutions: a revival of the tree liaison program to help individual owners, more public education, and changes in regulations.

Next Meeting: Tues., Sept. 20, 7 pm
Multnomah Center
7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

Parks Committee

Kirky Doble, 503-246-7970

In August the committee met on a beautiful night in Hillsdale Park. Here are some of the issues we discussed.

• Wilson pool has been a popular spot this summer. SWNI wrote a letter to Parks & Recreation calling for longer public hours on the weekends.

• We are pleased that Commissioner Dan Saltzman, who oversees Parks & Recreation, will go on a tour with committee members on August 25. We'll visit several parks and community centers.

• Good news: The new Holly Farm Park received a large state grant for park development.

• In September, committee members will meet in Gabriel Park. That will be the last of our summer meetings in parks for this year. The agenda is not yet set.

Next Meeting: Thurs. Sept. 1, 6 pm
Gabriel Park

Neighborhood Reports

Arnold Creek

Tues., September 13, 7 pm
Jackson Baptist Church
10558 SW 35th
Nancy Hand, 503-452-9483
enchand@hotmail.com

Our next meeting will be September 13 at 7 pm at Jackson Baptist Church on the corner of 35th and Maricara. We meet downstairs.



Our neighborhood National Night Out potluck was a huge success. Thanks to Laurie we set it up in the shade this year. What a difference that made. We had around 60 neighbors attend this year. Each year, it gets bigger and better. Can't wait till next year.

We filed an appeal on the Arnold and Comus development. As of this writing, it looks like we have succeeded in getting a Good Neighbor Agreement for three out of the four issues we were concerned about.

There was a decision made to approve the environmental review on Boones Ferry at Coronado. We had concerns but didn't feel we had enough knowledge to take a formal stand.

We are going to be writing a letter regarding the partition on Caraway. We still have several developments that are still in the works, so please come to the next meeting to see what you need to do to support our efforts.

Far Southwest

Tuesday, September 13, 7 pm
Comfort Suites Motel
SW 60th & Barbur

Andy Rucker, 503-452-3145,
rockerport@msn.com

It's official! The speed limit on old Capitol Highway between SW 49th and Lesser Road has been reduced to 30 mph. Thanks to all who helped make this happen, including Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc., and the Portland Department of Transportation (PDOT). For our meeting on September 13th, we have invited a representative from PDOT to attend and answer questions about traffic calming.



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Bridlemile

Board meeting: Wed., September 14, 6:30; General meeting: 7 - 8:30 pm
Library at Bridlemile Elementary School, 4300 SW 47th Drive
Parking: In school parking by front entrance, off 47th Street, and along 47th Street
Contact: Victor von Salza, victor@vonsalza.com, 503-246-2146
http://www.vonsalza.com/bridlemile

Wednesday, September 14th - Neighborhood Projects 2005-2006: Come hear about what your standing committees will be working on this coming year, learn how you can help, and/or bring your own ideas and proposals for neighborhood projects.

Jim Thayer of SWHRL will be speaking at our September meeting about SWHRL's relationship with Hillsdale, Homestead and Bridlemile and about our overlap agreement.

Ongoing Neighborhood Projects:

Volunteer to help with any of the projects listed below, become a committee co-chair, or bring your own proposal to one of our meetings, but please note that in order to give your proposal adequate time on the agenda AND include it SWNI newsletter, we need to know of it no later than previous month's BNA meeting. Your contribution of time and knowledge, large or small, helps keep and make Bridlemile the wonderful neighborhood that we all enjoy. Together we can do anything, and your volunteer time makes the difference. For more information about all the topics listed here and much more, please visit the BNA web site at: <http://www.vonsalza.com/bridlemile> or Google "Bridlemile Neighborhood."

BUSINESS LIAISON - Have a question or concern regarding a BNA business, please contact Dave Buchner, dave.buchner.b7o6@statefarm.com, our business liaison.

CREEKS - Bridlemile Creek Steward's monthly meeting Tuesday, September 13th; details at BCS web site <http://home.comcast.net/~steve.mullinax/bridlemile/BCS.htm>. Sat., September 17th, and Friday, September 23rd, invasive re-

moval events at Albert Kelly Park, see <http://www.vonsalza.com/akcr> for details. Contact: Steve Mullinax, steve.mullinax@alum.mit.edu, at 503-768-9065 or Greg Schifsky, gregsch@hevanet.com, 503-246-2714.

HISTORY OF BRIDLEMILE - Long-time Bridlemile residents call Melinda McCrossen, Bridlemile School media specialist, to be interviewed for our oral history project. This year, the fourth and fifth graders will talk with residents about the history of our neighborhood. The interviews will become part of our historical record. For details, call Melinda at 503-916-6292 or email her at mmccrossen@pps.k12.or.us. School's starting, it's time to recollect the old times! Ginger Danzer, ggdanz@wans.net, 503-292-9460.

LAND USE - All the development in our neighborhood during the past few years has had a great impact on its trees; even when regulations are followed, trees left behind often die because of soil compaction and other factors. See <http://www.vonsalza.com/bridlemile/trees> for additional details and/or contact Greg Schifsky, gregsch@hevanet.com, 503-246-2714. If you have questions regarding or comments regarding any of the different projects and proposals (e.g., land use reviews) that affect our neighborhood, please contact Rich Adelman, 503-223-0992, richard.adelman@gbjarch.com.

PARKS - See next section below and Creeks above. Questions or comments regarding Bridlemile's parks please contact Victor von Salza, victor@vonsalza.com, 503-246-2146.

PUBLIC SAFETY & CRIME - The Hamilton Park foot patrol is expanding.

Join your neighbors for an evening walk and enjoy good company as we discourage the use of our park as a party site. Your contribution on as little as just one night this fall is all it takes to help keep the foot patrol effective. If interested, please contact Ellen Underhill, ellenunderhill@comcast.net and see the Hamilton Park Footpatrol <http://www.vonsalza.com/bridlemile/footpatrol> web page for more information. Concerned about other safety or crime issues in Bridlemile? Contact Tom Doberstein, t.doberstein@comcast.net, 503-319-5884.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH - Kathy Bambeck is looking for ways to involve neighbors in active social projects such as picnics, potlucks and parties which can be combined with other neighborhood projects such as with the Creek Stewards, litter patrol, etc. If you would like to help with the former or have any concerns that you would like brought to the SWNI board, please contact Kathy at 503-245-2634, kathyb2@teleport.com.

TRANSPORTATION / Sidewalks / Trails / Safe Routes to Schools - Bridlemile Elementary School has been selected as a pilot safe routes to schools school and PDOT has sent a flyer about the pilot project. They are looking for school team members to help guide Safe Routes to School at Bridlemile Elementary. Call their toll-free number, 866-452-8300, and leave your name, number and the school name. If you are interested in helping track and promote BNA transportation issues and projects, come to a BNA meeting and or contact one or all of the board members listed above. We are seeking a chair (and co-chair) for the transportation committee.

Ashcreek

Mon., September 12, 7 pm
Multnomah Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy
Jack Klinker, 503-246-7872, jklinker@ease.com

August 25th, 10 am - noon, City Commissioner Dan Saltzman will be visiting SW parks with the SWNI Parks Committee. He will stop by Smith School to see Ashcreek's only "park." This will give the NA and other interested neighbors a chance to discuss with him why we value Smith School. And what resources Smith brings to our neighborhood. The neighborhood is very concerned with possible uses that the PPS may lease it for, and looming in the background is the very real possibility of a sale and high density re-development. Ashcreek does not actually have a park within our borders. The Smith School playing field is our only park and playground.

More re-development continues along Taylors Ferry Rd. The most recent property

that is to be divided up is at the SE corner of 55th Ave. and Taylors Fy. The proposal is for 4 new houses to go in. We will be discussing with BDS and PDOT the Taylors Ferry plan with respect to this land division. Washington County seems to be moving ahead with connecting through the west end of Taylors with Oleson Rd. We have initiated discussion with PDOT for the stop sign at 62nd Ave. and the crosswalk at 55th Ave that was called for in the plan. We are very concerned about the increase in traffic that the Oleson connection will bring.

A Multnomah County District Court judge is scheduled to come to our September meeting. This is part of their Judicial Outreach Program. This will give us a chance to discuss judicial issues concerning SW Portland.



Neighborhood BBQ and Picnic

hosted by Tryon Life
Community Farm
August 28th, 4-7 pm
11640 SW Boones Ferry Rd

Neighbors from all over SW are invited to spend a late summer's eve enjoying each other's company and exploring the farm. Bring the whole family and something for the bbq or potluck! Parking is limited, so check www.tryonfarm.org for shuttle details.

Crestwood

Next Mtg: Wed., Sept. 14., 7 pm
West Portland United
Methodist Church, library
4729 SW Taylors Ferry Rd

Wes McMullen
503-244-2659

wes@ecosolvents.com
<http://www.easystreet.com/~jere/cna.html>
Dickinson Park group:
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dickinsonpark/>



Henry and Anna Jamesgard find a shady spot to cool-off at our NNO picnic at Dickinson Park

Adams visit highlights Crestwood NNO event

A visit by Portland City Commissioner Sam Adams was the highlight of last month's National Night Out event. Approximately 50 Crestwood residents joined in supper, raffles, refreshments and information-sharing at the August event held in Dickinson Park the evening of August 2.

Several Crestwooders heard the commissioner suggest that Alfred Street -- which he traveled down to get to the event -- was in great need of repair! Several of us also heard him remark about the beautiful setting of Dickinson Park and that it was in need of improvements as well! Commissioner Adams is heading up an unimproved city streets improvement project. He was also instrumental in getting the city to buy Dickinson Park 55th street field property from Portland School District.

Greatest interest in neighborhood issues and problems at this year's NNO event seemed to center around future plans for Taylors Ferry Road.

Friends of Dickinson Park Auction coming up

There may be no better way to bring about improvement in Dickinson Park, as Commissioner Adams suggested, than by attending the Friends of Dickinson Park auction set for October 22. The event is held to raise funds for a playground structure planned for Dickinson's open field area on 55th. To date, two previous auctions and other fundraising events have netted \$15,000 toward the estimated \$125,000 needed for play equipment and construction of the playground structure site.

At our September 14 general membership meeting, talk will center around Friends of Dickinson Park auction; the future of Smith School; Barbur Boulevard rezoning; urban trail building; Crestwood parks work parties, and personal CNA board member visits to their Crestwood neighbors.

In addition, there are important and interesting committee posts to be filled, including those of Transportation, Crime Prevention and Public Safety, Land Use, Trails and Parks. To learn more about how you can help yourself, your family, Crestwood and your city by serving on one of these important groups, plan to attend September's CNA meeting.

Corbett/Terwilliger/Lair Hill

Wed., September 7, 7 pm, Tabernacle Seventh Day Adventist Church, 0206 SW Condor Ave.

Ken Love, 503-245-7795

TLC11@mindspring.com, www.ctlh.org

CTLH Picnic

Thank you, everybody, for making the 2005 CTLH National Night Out picnic such a huge success. The event brought out over 200 residents, and the book sale raised a great deal of money. In fact, people donated and bought enough books to finance CTLH NA for over a year \$272. Thank you, everybody, for all your hard work and thanks to everybody who came to the picnic. This event demonstrates what a strong neighborhood we live in. The event was sponsored by the Portland Police Bureau and the following CTLH corporate sponsors: Contemporary Crafts and Gallery, CR Ogilby & Co., The Great Northwest Bookstore, Koolkist Ice, Mazatlan Restaurant, Ross Island Grocery, Spaghetti Factory, Swan Mart, Who-song & Larry's Restaurant, YMCA and Zupan's Market. As a special treat, we had live music this year and we would like to thank all the great musicians for making the event so pleasing. We are very grateful to Commissioner Adams for somehow herding our unruly group into a rare group picture. (See www.ctlh.org)

What will your neighborhood look like in the future?

Would you like to have input on what goes on in your neighborhood? Your ideas could make a difference for years to come. We are working hard to update our neighborhood plan and would like your input. We want to know what is important to you and what you think we should include in the plan. We have developed a questionnaire about livability in the neighborhood and we would like to get as many people as possible to fill it out. The planning discussion meetings are held every third Thursday (September 15) of the month, 7 pm, at Ross Island Grocery (corner of Whitaker and Corbett).

Collins View

Wed., September 7, 7 pm, Riverdale High School 9727 SW Terwilliger, Room 201

Charlie Weiss, 503-799-4848 charliew@launchbx.com
www.collinsview.org

Roundabout: In September we will have a focused discussion on the roundabout idea for the intersection of Terwilliger/Boones Ferry/Maplecrest/2nd. The meeting will begin with invited engineering and transportation experts giving us some information on what a roundabout might be able to do for the intersection and what it could look like. Then we will open up for neighbor comments. Do you think a roundabout is a great idea? Terrible idea? Why? We want to hear all concerns and answer as many questions as possible. When the discussion is over, we'll form a roundabout committee to follow through with the ideas raised. This is an issue that could significantly affect the way the neighborhood looks and feels, so we hope you will join us and bring your neighbor! Email comments are

Parks

We have been working on a plan to restore the river bank along Miles Place. We have been working with Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides to keep Lair Hill Park pesticide-free, and we are continuing to work on Butterfly Park. The August park cleanup was in Lair Hill and the Sept. clean up will be back at Butterfly Park on **Sat., Sept. 24, 9 am to noon.** If you need directions or more details, contact Ken Love, 503-245-7795.

Commissioner Sam Adams

Commissioner Sam Adams has been spending a lot of time in CTLH. He came to our picnic and then the very next night, he came to our board meeting to speak and answer questions. The discussion centered on creative ideas for progress in the neighborhood and city. We are grateful to Commissioner Adams for his ideas and attention to our neighborhood.

Commissioner Dan Saltzman

Commissioner Dan Saltzman is scheduled to speak at our September board meeting. See above for time and place.

CTLH's web site is www.ctlh.org.

Committee meetings

Transportation/Parking Permit Committee: Tues, Sept. 6, 6 pm, Running Outfitters, 2337 SW 6th. Contact Bill Danneman, 503-228-9868 for more info.

Land Use Committee: Mon., Sept 19, 7:15 pm, Lair Hill Market, 2823 SW 1st. Contact Jim Davis, 503-248-9820.

Parks and Greenway Committee: Wed., Sept. 21, 7 pm, Trinity Presbyterian Church, 6437 SW Virginia St. Contact Ken Love, 503-245-7795.

Finance/Communications Committee: Wed., Sept. 28, 7 pm, Trinity Presbyterian Church, 6437 SW Virginia St. Contact Lee Buhler, 503-227-0160, LEB@pacifier.com.

also welcome.

Committee Reports

Transportation: When Terwilliger Curves are clogged, cars get off and come through our neighborhood. It's reached a point where we really need to address it so CVNA will join with other SW neighborhoods to talk about the impact.

The new speed bumps in front of L&C are doing the trick. An article on this neighborhood success appeared in the Oregonian on Aug 9th.

Crime: Crime alert: car prowls in unlocked cars are occurring down by I-5. We've also had a report of a homeless person camping in Greenwood Hills Cemetery. Contact Gene Lynard for further details, gplynard@bpa.gov.

See page 3 for TriMet #39 update, Tryon Life Farm picnic info. page 5, and Measure 37 claim in CVNA on page 12.

Hillsdale

Wed., Sept. 7, 7 pm
St Barnabas Church
201 SW Vermont

Don Baack, 503-246-2088
baack@pacifier.com

September meeting agenda:

- A. Review agenda
- B. Reports
 1. Final draft of Red Electric Trail
 2. Hillsdale Park charrette
- C. Land Use
 1. Land Division - one acre off SW 18th behind Hillsdale Shopping Center
 2. Flag lot(s) - off SW Sunset
- D. Neighborhood agreements
 1. Church neighborhood agreement
- E. Services & Businesses
 1. Kenny Wolford, child & family therapist (Multnomah Village area)
- F. Committee Reports

We would like to give new services and businesses an opportunity to introduce themselves and explain their services to the community, therefore, we will give them a couple minutes to explain their services.

Hillsdale Neighborhood Association invites neighbors to let your voice be heard at focus groups

by Meghan MacKenzie

In January 2005, Hillsdale Neighborhood Association (HNA) approached Portland State University's Center for Public Participation (CPP) for assistance to identify community needs in an effort to increase participation in neighborhood activities. HNA wants to fill the gap between current community conditions and the resident's needs. We would like to offer a chance for residents to voice their opinions and concerns regarding neighborhood livability. Meghan MacKenzie, an intern at CPP, will be conducting four focus groups to generate public support toward improving Hillsdale's livability. We would like to encourage participation from residents who are currently not civically active in the neighborhood. We have already held two of the four focus groups. We have two more events scheduled for **October 1st and 22nd, 2005.** We will discuss the quality of Hillsdale schools at one event and transportation at the other. We will meet at Turning Point in the Community Room. Food, transportation, translation services and child care will be provided for those interested in attending. Participants will also receive a twenty five dollar certificate to their choice of the following: OMSI, the Oregon Zoo, Southwest Community Center, the Hillsdale Farmers' Market or any business located within the Hillsdale Town Center. If you would like to participate or would like further information, please contact Meghan MacKenzie at hillsdalesvoice@yahoo.com.

Hayhurst

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 6, 7 - 8:30 pm,
Vermont Hills United Methodist Church
6053 SW 55th Drive

Lillie Fitzpatrick, lf@pdx.edu
www.neighborhoodlink.com/portland/hayhurst

Southwest Neighborhoods Inc, our parent organization, has four standing committees which help the neighborhoods maintain a voice with city bureaus and form partnerships. These committees are Land Use, Transportation, Crime Prevention/Public Safety and Parks/Community Centers. There is a proposal to create a fifth committee - Schools. I would like your comments and suggestions about a new Schools Committee - how you think it may help our Southwest schools, what agenda items to be addressed.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 6, 2005 from 7 to 8:30 pm at Vermont Hills United Methodist Church, 6053 SW 55th.

Our meetings are informal and open to all residents and business owners in the Hayhurst Neighborhood. We encourage anyone who is interested in neighborhood issues to attend. If you would like to be placed on the agenda, please email or call the chair, Lillie Fitzpatrick: nunnation@earthlink.net or 503-892-9921.

Homestead

Next Mtg: Tues., September 6, 7 pm
OHSU CDRC, 707 SW Gaines, 3rd floor
Chair: Anton Vetterlein, 503-790-0719

Summer is not over yet, but it is winding down. Not much happens on the neighborhood front in the month of August, but hopefully we can re-group and come together again to move forward with important neighborhood business in the month of September and beyond.

The one thing that did happen last month was our annual summer picnic, which was attended by approximately 60 people. Thanks to everyone who helped out, and to the many people who walked to the event. Special thanks to Slice of Heaven Pizza, Coopers Coffee, and Fred Meyer's for donating food.

The new board of SWHRL is interested in starting discussions to resolve the boundary dispute that has distracted both our neighborhoods from more con-

structive work. There will likely be some preliminary meetings to report on by the time of the Sept. 6th, Homestead NA meeting.

The Planning Bureau is beginning work on the next phase of planning for the South Waterfront area that will hopefully lead to further protection of various view corridors through that district. Again, we hope to have more to report on that at the next meeting.

The neighborhood Traffic Calming plan has been stalled by bureaucratic overload and summer distractions, but we expect to have a confirmed schedule of planning meetings to report on by Sept. 6th.

We are obviously still under the influence of the summer doldrums as of this writing, but by September we should be moving forward. Hope to see you.

Markham

Tuesday, September 13, 7 pm
Jackson Baptist Church, 10558 SW 35th
Tim Cushing, 503-244-0759 tcushing@cfpwood.com,
http://www.wescorhvac.com/Markham.htm

Our National Night Out picnic was small but cozy. Next year, we should really have it at a different time of year because in August, everyone is gone!! Anyway, it was a great day and thanks to the efforts of some neighbors, it was well worth the food.

The meeting in September will be full of stuff, i.e., the be-

ginning of the planning process for Taylors Ferry Road improvements, results of the Pedestrian Summit II to be held on Sat., Sept. 10th (register on the web at www.portlandtransportation.org or call 503-823-5051), and other pertinent info. **If you live on Taylors Ferry Road, I encourage you to attend!**

Marshall Park

Thursday, September 8, 7 pm
in Marshall Park
at the picnic tables

Jen Seamans and Neil Blatner, 503-246-2434



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Maplewood

Wed., September 14, 7 pm
West Hills Friends Church,
7425 SW 52nd
Brad Baugher, 503-244-7025
baugherb@oes.edu

Maplewood neighbors...join us! Be part of the solution.

Attend our September meeting to discuss your concerns at the neighborhood level. We welcome your ideas and suggestions regarding a variety of topics.

- Tree preservation
- Traffic safety
- Green spaces
- Crime prevention
- Parks & recreation
- Infill
- Watershed protection

We meet every other month on the second Wednesday at West Hills Friends Church, across from Maplewood School.

Multnomah

Tuesday, Sept. 13, 7 pm,
Multnomah Center,
7688 SW Capitol Hwy.
Zachary Horowitz,
503-293-5967

zacharyhorowitz@hotmail.com
http://www.multnomahna.org

We had a short meeting in August, but still covered a lot. As presented and announced at previous meetings, the Multnomah Neighborhood Association (MNA) voted on and approved a Good Neighbor Agreement (GNA) with the PDC and associated parties involved with construction and management of the Headwaters site. The MNA is indebted to Hannah Davidson for her hard work in helping negotiate, draft and finalize the GNA, and for her emails that updated the rest of us on the progress and asked for input.

The neighborhood passed a resolution in support of a neighbor who was dismayed about the building of a large garage on a property adjacent to hers. The resolution also included language asking the city to support permit enforcement in general. Kevin Duff has worked diligently to get the MNA website up and running. You can view it at: <http://www.multnomahna.org>. Feedback is welcome.

We have a couple of vacancies on our board now and are looking for people who are interested in getting involved with the neighborhood. We need two volunteers: one to chair the Parks Committee and one to chair the Public Safety Committee. If you are interested in either of these positions, contact Zach, 503-293-5967.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 13. I've seen a few new faces at the last couple of meetings and have enjoyed meeting these neighbors. I know that a lot of folks have recently moved into our neighborhood — the MNA is a great place to meet your neighbors and become involved in your community — come on down and see us in September!

South Burlingame

Monday, September 12, 7:30 pm
Burlingame Baptist Church, 125 SW Miles St.
located at Miles & Barbur

Chair, Marti Long, 503-452-1450, sethandmarti@comcast.

Our National Night Out parties were a huge success! Several parties were held throughout the South Burlingame area. Thanks to everyone who helped plan the parties and to Stephanie Reynolds who spoke on crime issues and prevention. It was such fun to get to know each other better.

Burlingame Park is getting a new swing set! It isn't in place yet, but it should be soon. It is being replaced due to its containing lead paint. Perhaps this is time that we take action to otherwise improve the park. Please come to the September meeting so we can discuss your ideas.

Our neighborhood is experiencing a rat problem. Please do not place food outside for your animals. Pet food and debris in your yard contribute to the rat infestation in your neighbors' yards and in Burlingame Park.

It also contributes to the raccoon population living in our midst.

During the September meeting, we will talk about our goals for the coming year and any new issues that concern the neighborhood. Some issues that might be discussed are the proliferation of ivy along I-5; lighting and upkeep in Burlingame Park; noise from illegal braking on I-5; and traffic enforcement in the neighborhood. It has also been suggested that we try to improve the intersection at Spring Garden/Taylor's Ferry/11th Avenue. If there is an issue that you would like added to the agenda, please contact Marti Long at the number or e-mail above. We can also discuss the structure of the meetings, i.e., the time and the place, to see if changes would result in better attendance.

See you in September!

West Portland Park

Next Mtg: Thurs., September 8, 7 pm
Hospitality Inn Conference Room
10151 SW Capitol Hwy

David Gens, 503-244-8043
www.neighborhoodlink.com/wppna

Park Funding Granted

Good news! The \$431,000 state parks grant has been awarded to Portland Park Foundation for the Holly Farm Park development. Work will go forward. A meeting has taken place to choose playground equipment. The equipment chosen will be friendly to both younger and older kids with interlocking modules. The next step is to get plans approved, and then construction should begin in the spring. Many thanks to Amanda Fritz and all the others who worked so hard to get this grant secured.

National Night Out Picnic

Thirty-five WPP neighbors gathered for an afternoon neighborhood picnic on Sunday, July 31. In addition to observing National Night Out we celebrated the tenth anniversary of West Portland Park, the undeveloped forested area bordering upstream Arnold Creek. Amanda Fritz announced that we would like the park to be named for Ernest Loll, who was killed in the line of duty while protecting this same forested area from poachers. There is a monument honoring him at SW 35th & Arnold. Representative Greg McPherson and Senator Richard Devlin stopped by and updated those gathered on the happenings at the Oregon legislative session. There were many questions from the crowd on specific issues. Thanks to all who organized the picnic and helped.

Late-breaking news: there will be a meeting to review the planting plan for the new park at the Holly Farm during the week of September 19, and another meeting to begin planning art-

work at the new park one evening of the week of September 26th. Please call the SWNI office at 503-823-4592 for details of time and place.

Transportation News

Adam Grimshaw reports that a priority method has been developed to prioritize sidewalk projects. There is a limit to funds available, so how can projects be chosen? Priority factors identified so far include: pedestrian volume; comparative danger; cost/foot; proximity to schools, bus stops and community centers; traffic volume; speed limit; ditches; roadway (including right-of-way) width; and pavement or gravel. Possible sidewalk projects in West Portland Park include: Pomona (between Capitol Hwy and SW 35th), Huber Street; and 35th (between Stephenson and Arnold). The city is looking for community input on how funds will be spent. One opportunity to do so will be the Pedestrian Summit II, September 10, at the Multnomah Center (see page 1).

New Mural

For those of you who walk to the Barbur Transit Center, you probably have noticed a colorful mural on the wall facing I-5. You may also have noticed that it is in bad shape with paint peeling. There are plans to replace this mural. Keep your eyes on that spot for the new mural.

Crime Prevention Notices

Communications Chair Betty McArdle occasionally gets safety notices from Crime Prevention Specialist Stephanie Reynolds. If you would like to receive these notices via email, please let Betty know, mbbm@brownbroadcast.com.

Naturescaping for Clean Rivers

by Betty McArdle, Workshop Trainer Naturescaping for Clean Rivers

Learn how to protect the Tualatin River — in your own backyard!

If it's September, can fall be far behind? I know it's still warm and wonderful in the Portland metro area, but check your calendar — fall starts September 21. Fall is the perfect time to learn Naturescaping principles and techniques and put them into practice in your yard.

Come to a FREE 4-hour workshop to learn how to naturescape your yard. Naturescaping features beautiful native plants, natural landscapes and environmentally friendly gardening practices. The result is less water use, fewer chemicals and less maintenance — direct benefits to you, your garden and the environment. Plus, it attracts interesting and beneficial wildlife. The workshop includes before-and-after Naturescaping examples, advice on landscape design and native gardening, networking with neighbors, identifying native plants, and a short outdoor field trip to a nearby home or community project to see naturescaping in action. Get ideas for your gar-

den, a guide book and a native plant to get you started. Open to all.

The FREE Basic workshops will be:

- Oct 1, Basic, Saturday, 9am-1pm in Sherwood, hosted by Raindrops to Refuge

- Oct 8, Basic, Saturday, 9am-1pm in SE Portland, hosted by Johnson Creek Watershed Council

- Oct 15, Basic, Saturday, 9am-1pm in Mt. Tabor, hosted by Mt. Tabor Neighbors

More workshops are being scheduled and will be listed in the next SWNI News. To register for a workshop, either phone 503-797-1842 or email naturescaping@yahoo.com.

The Naturescaping for Clean Rivers Program is a partnership of the East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District; Environmental Services, City of Portland; Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc; METRO; and the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality.

Native Plant of the Month

Black twinberry, *Lonicera involucrata*



Twinberry flowers and bracts.
(inset) close-up of berries in bracts.

Black twinberry has a multiple personality. Without a bit of trimming, it can become a rather wild-limbed big shrub. But, if you prune back those wild branches during the winter, you

will be treated with months of well-behaved color and glory. The color starts with twin, yellow, tubular flowers. The Twinberry is related to honeysuckle so you will recognize the shape. Soon the bracts the flowers sit in begin to change color, becoming a gorgeous deep maroonish red. After several weeks, the first flowers develop into black berries nestled in the red bracts. This process is repeated over and over along the branches so that you have flowers, bracts and berries at the same time.

Without pruning, the shrub can grow to about ten feet tall. I like to keep it more like six feet. The plant likes moist to wet places.

The berries are beautiful but not thought of as very palatable. The native peoples gave them names like: "raven's food," "crow berry," and "monster's food." There were some taboos against eating them. For example, the Kwakwaka'wakw believed that eating the berries would cause one to become unable to speak.

The bark and twigs were used in a variety of medicinal preparations, ranging from treatments for digestive tract problems to contraceptives. Some people used the berries as a black pigment and others rubbed the berries on the scalp to prevent hair from turning grey.

Information source: *Plants of the Pacific Northwest Coast* by Pojar and McKinnon.

Former Portland mayor to speak at SSI orientation

On Friday, September 9, from 9:30 until 11:30 am, the Senior Studies Institute (SSI) will hold its annual orientation at the Beaverton Elks Lodge, 3500 SW 104th Ave. (located one block north on 104th from Canyon Road near the Thrifty Truck Rental).

Former Portland Mayor Bud Clark will be the featured speaker, always witty and always unpredictable, but always with an interesting message.

Coffee and pastries will be available all morning in a casual atmosphere with cabaret-style seating.

The agenda will include an introduction of SSI board members and a description of the fall-term classes.

An additional special feature will be presented by the play reading class that promises to be both "informative and exciting."

Contact Jim Collins for further information at 503-246-6080.

Southwest celebrates National Night Out in style Neighbors hold thirty parties in Southwest Portland

by Stephanie Reynolds, SW Crime Prevention Program Coordinator

National Night Out, the annual celebration of neighbors joining together with each other and with public safety employees to combat crime and drugs in neighborhoods, was observed in Portland during the two-week period surrounding August 2nd. During that time, thirty parties were thrown in Southwest Portland alone, and 160 in all of Portland. At parties big and small, community members shared food, games, and conversation. Here are some photo highlights of the events in Southwest. If you missed the parties this year, we hope to see you at a party next year! Every year, NNO falls on the first Tuesday of August.



Left: Officer Hughes at a party in Hillsdale

Right: Officer Westerman chats with a toddler in Hillsdale

Below: Homestead partygoers barbeque at Dunirway Park

Below right: Kids play on a sculpture at Pendleton Park in Hayhurst



Above: CTLH partygoers in Willamette Park pose for photos with City Commissioner Sam Adams.

Below: Arnold Creek neighbors discuss NET



Above: A Boston terrier gets in on the action at Willamette Park

Below: A neighbor brought his Model T, complete with his child's car seat, to a party in South Burlingame.



Right: A young Arnold Creek resident sits on an ATV for the first time.

Below: Neighbors find much to discuss at a party at SW 11th & Falcon.



Above right: Delicious food at SW 10th & Hume

Below right: Sylvia Bogert (L), Executive Director of SWNI, and Stephanie Reynolds (R), Crime Prevention Program Coordinator for SW Portland



Left: Officer Westerman hands a yo-yo to Nancy Hand, chair of the Arnold Creek Neighborhood Association and of the SWNI Crime Prevention Committee

Right: Neighbors gather on a patio in Hillsdale



Crime Statistics per Neighborhood Association reported for June 2005															
Neighborhood	Murder	Rape	Molest	Robry	Agr Aslt	Res Burg	N/Res Burg	Arson	Theft fr. Auto	Bike Theft	Other Larc	Auto Theft	Vandl	Total	YTD rate/ 1000 pop.
Arnold Creek	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	5	7.2
Ashcreek	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	3	2	1	10	16.9
Bridlemile	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	6	13.6
Collins View	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	0	2	9	54.0
CTLH	0	0	0	1	0	1	5	0	9	0	6	3	2	27	39.6
Crestwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	18.4
Far Southwest	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	4	0	1	10	55.1
Hayhurst	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	6	1	4	0	3	16	17.2
Healy Heights	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.6
Hillsdale	0	1	1	0	0	0	4	0	5	0	1	2	4	18	19.9
Homestead	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	8	0	7	0	0	19	49.7
Maplewood	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	9.0
Markham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	3	1	2	12	12.9
Marshall Park	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	8.4
Multnomah	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	0	11	0	6	3	4	29	24.2
S Burlingame	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	14.1
SW Hills	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	3	1	1	0	1	9	18.0
W Ptld Park	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	8	0	1	0	1	12	16.4
Total SW	0	2	2	2	2	9	17	2	72	5	43	12	24	192	22.1

To sign up for the Southwest Public Safety List Serve (email group), send a blank email to:
swpublicsafety-subscribe@yahoo.com
 Questions? Email Stephanie at sreynolds@ci.portland.or.us

Protecting yourself from identity theft

Office of Neighborhood Involvement Crime Prevention Program

Identity theft is when someone uses your personal information, such as your name, Social Security number, or your personal financial information, to commit fraud or other crimes. It can be very difficult and time-consuming to regain your good name and credit rating after being the victim of identity theft. Prevention is much easier.

How Identity Theft Occurs

How identity thieves get your personal information

- They get information from business or other institutions by stealing records or information while they're on the job, bribing an employee who has access to these records, hacking these records, or conning information out of employees.
- They may steal your mail, including bank statements, credit card offers, and new unused checks.
- They may steal your wallet or personal information from your home.

Skimming, phishing, pretexting, and dumpster diving

ID thieves may steal your credit or debit card numbers by capturing the information in a data storage device attached to an ATM in a practice known as "skimming." They may steal personal information from you through email ("phishing") or phone ("pretexting") by posing as legitimate companies and claiming that you have a problem with your account. ID thieves will rummage through your trash in a practice known as "dumpster diving."

How to Prevent Identity Theft

Account security

- Place passwords on your credit card, bank, and phone accounts. Avoid using easily available information like your mother's maiden name, your birth date, the last four digits of your SSN or your phone number, or a series of consecutive numbers.
- Secure personal information in your home, especially if you have roommates, employ outside help, or are having work done in your home.
- Ask about information security procedures in your workplace or at businesses, doctor's offices, or other institutions that collect your personally identifying information. Find out how your information will be shared with anyone else.
- Don't give out personal information on the phone, through the mail, or on the Internet unless you've initiated the contact or are sure you know with whom you're dealing. Before

you share any personal information, confirm that you are dealing with a legitimate organization.

- Deposit outgoing mail in post office collection boxes or at your local post office, rather than in an unsecured mailbox.
- Tear or shred your charge receipts, copies of credit applications, insurance forms, physician statements, checks and bank statements, expired charge cards that you're discarding, and credit offers you get in the mail. To opt out of receiving credit offers in the mail, call 1-888-5-OPTOUT.
- Don't carry your Social Security card; leave it in a secure place.
- Give your Social Security number (SSN) only when absolutely necessary. If someone asks for your SSN, ask: Why do you need it? How will it be used? How do you protect it from being stolen? What will happen if I don't give you my SSN?
- When ordering new checks, pick them up at the bank instead of receiving them in the mail.

Computer security

- Virus protection software should be updated regularly, and patches for your operating system and other software programs should be installed to protect against intrusions and infections that can lead to the compromise of your computer files and passwords.
- Do not open files sent to you by strangers, or click on hyperlinks or download programs from people you don't know.
- Use "strong" passwords- combinations of letters (upper & lower case) and numbers.
- Use a firewall program if you use a high-speed Internet connection that leaves your computer connected to the Internet 24 hours a day to stop uninvited access to your computer.
- Do not conduct financial transactions of any kind over the Internet unless you are using a secure browser to encrypt or scramble sensitive information. Look for "https" instead of "http" in the location bar, and a padlock icon near the bottom of the browser window.
- Look for website privacy policies to answer questions about maintaining accuracy, access, security, and control of personal information collected by the site, how the information will be used, and whether it will be provided to third parties.

The full version of this handout is available on the Office of Neighborhood Involvement website:

www.portlandonline.com/oni

Follow the links for Crime Prevention.

Helpful numbers

- Emergency police, fire, or medical help 911
- Non-emergency police assistance 503-823-3333
- Portland Police information & referral 503-823-4636
- City of Portland/Multnomah County information and referral 503-823-4000 503-823-6868 TDD
- SW Crime Prevention Coordinator Stephanie Reynolds 503-823-3131
- Neighborhood Response Team Officers Steve Andrusko & Scott Westerman 503-823-0234 & 503-823-0235
- Mental Health Crisis Line 503-988-4888
- Traffic Safety & Livability Hotline 503-823-SAFE
- Nuisance, housing code violations 503-823-7306
- Abandoned auto hotline 503-823-7309
- Noise control office 503-823-7350
- Graffiti abatement hotline 503-823-4TAG
- Liquor license issues 503-823-3092
- Independent Police Review 503-823-0146

- Office of Neighborhood Involvement 503-823-4519
- Neighborhood Mediation Center 503-823-3152
- Mayor's Comment Line 503-823-4127
- City Ombudsman 503-823-0144

Elected Officials

- Mayor Tom Potter 503-823-4120 mayorpotter@ci.portland.or.us
- Commissioner Sam Adams 503-823-3008 samadams@ci.portland.or.us
- Commissioner Randy Leonard 503-823-4682 randy@ci.portland.or.us
- Commissioner Dan Saltzman 503-823-4151 dsaltzman@ci.portland.or.us
- Commissioner Erik Sten 503-823-3589 erik@ci.portland.or.us
- City Auditor Gary Blackmer assessments & liens, audits, city elections, recorder, independent police review, ombudsman 503-823-4078 gblackmer@ci.portland.or.us

Helpful websites

- Office of Neighborhood Involvement website www.portlandonline.com/oni
 - Neighborhood demographics
 - Neighborhood association contact info
 - Maps of neighborhood boundaries
 - Crime prevention educational materials
- Portland Police Bureau website www.portlandonline.com/police
 - CrimeMapper- see crime levels for 8 different crimes in your immediate area for the past 12 months. Just type in your address.
 - "Guide to home & vehicle security"- an excellent booklet detailing measures you can take to improve your home's resistance to burglary, vandalism, and other crimes.
 - Guide to robbery prevention & response- great tips for businesses to both reduce the chance of being robbed and know what to do if it happens.
 - "Problem-solving resource guide"- the same list of referral numbers the police officers carry around. Very helpful.
 - Public information office- sign up to receive emailed notices of CrimeStoppers alerts and other news related to crime prevention and law enforcement. This is the list that local TV stations and newspapers use to find out about breaking stories.
 - Suspected drug house complaint form- the Drugs and Vice Division wants to hear from you if you know about a possible drug house.
- Sites for federal statistics on crime
 - www.ncjrs.org
 - www.ncvc.org
 - www.ojp.usdoj.gov
 - www.fedstats.gov
 - www.albany.edu/sourcebook/
- Information on domestic violence www.co.multnomah.or.us/dchs/dv/ Good basic information and many local resources. It also includes an excellent web-based training for businesses and other groups. Highly recommended.
- Information on identity theft www.consumer.gov/idtheft/ Includes detailed materials on preventing and recovering from identity theft. A site run by the Federal Trade Commission.
- Information on hate crimes www.tolerance.org A website of the Southern Poverty Law Center, one of the nation's leading authorities on violence based on racism, homophobia, religious bigotry, etc.
- Information on sex offender registration. www.co.multnomah.or.us/dcj/acjs/offender-sup.html Info on how sex offender registration & notification works in Oregon
- Resources for youth www.girlsinitiativenetwork.org A local community-based coalition of girls, young women, and their supporters involved in advocacy, education, and activism.
- www.yar.org Provides grants to young people to design and carry out service projects.
- www.girlsinc.org National non-profit youth organization dedicated to inspiring all girls to be strong, smart, and bold.
- www.mcgruff.org A site run by the National Crime Prevention Council. Includes many games and activities to teach children about crime prevention.

City of Portland main website www.portlandonline.com

Multnomah County main website www.co.multnomah.or.us

Metro regional government main website www.metro-region.org

State of Oregon main website www.oregon.gov

Neighborhood House Senior Center

7688 SW Capitol Hwy.,

503-244-5204

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING: Second Thursday, September 8, 10 - 11 am. Free.

QIGONG CLASSES: Thursdays, 1 - 2 pm. Free.

AARP "55 ALIVE" Driving Safety Program: 9 am - noon, Wednesday, September 1, and Thursday, September 2. Fee: \$10; payable to AARP. This course is recommended for everyone over 55 years of age. People 69 and younger should repeat the class every 3 years, and those over 70 should brush up every two years. The course is designed to refine existing skills and develop safe driving techniques. Insurance companies offer a discount to those completing the course. Check with your agent for details. Call 503-244-5204 to reserve your space in the class.

ESTATE PLANNING WORKSHOP: Tuesday, September 6, 1 - 2. Free. An entertaining and informative program concerning wills, living trusts, health care advance directives and other estate planning documents and strategies. Learn how to minimize or eliminate estate taxes, avoid probate, retain complete control over to whom, how and when your estate is distributed and avoid losing your assets to nursing home costs.

DIABETIC THERAPEUTIC FOOTWEAR: Wednesday, September 7, noon - 1 pm.

Free. Informational seminar about the footwear and foot care available for diabetics.

HEALTHCARE PRESENTATION: September 14, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. Free. Held in auditorium. This healthcare presentation is sponsored by Loaves and Fishes at the Multnomah Center during lunch.

CASINO NIGHT
Friday, October 7th. Tickets are \$15, which includes admission, dinner, and playing chips! Ask any senior center staff member how to purchase a ticket! All proceeds benefit the Senior Center and Turning Point.

SENIOR LAW PROJECT: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, September 13 & 27. Appointments begin at 9 am. This service is available to you if either you or your spouse is 60+ years of age, and are residents of Multnomah Co. The initial 30-minute consultation is free, regardless of your income. Further assistance may be available for those meeting income guidelines. Call 503-244-5204 for appointment.

STROKE SUPPORT: Third Tuesday, September 20, 1 - 2 pm.

FOOT CLINIC: Third Wednesday, September 21, 9 - 3:30 pm. Cost: \$27. Appointments are required; call 503-244-5204.

LOW-VISION SUPPORT AND DISCUSSION

GROUP: Third Tuesday, September 20, 11 am - noon. During this meeting a tape, *Research on Macular Degeneration* by Dr. Michael Klein, will be played.

FALUN GONG: Mondays, 1 - 2 pm. Free.

CAREGIVER'S SUPPORT GROUP: Fourth Tuesday, September 27, 1 - 2 pm.

ACUPUNCTURE: Mondays and Thursday afternoons. Appointment and payment in advance required. \$45 for first visit; \$35 for subsequent visits.

STABILITY BALL & YOGA: Tuesdays, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm. or Thursdays, 9:10 - 10:10 am. Fee: \$3. Improve balance and core body strength.

YOGA: Fridays, 10 - 11:30 am. Fee \$3/session.

RHYTHMIC EXERCISE: Tuesdays or Thursdays, 10:15 - 11:15 am. Fee: \$3/session.

CONVERSATION CIRCLE: Thursdays, 1:30 - 2:15 pm. Free. Any woman for whom English is a second language is invited to attend.

NAILS BY MIRA: Mondays, noon - 3 pm. *For women only.* Fee: \$2. Trim and file your nails and cuticles, massage your hands, and apply polish and art work to your nails. Call 503-244-5204 for an appointment.

HAIRCUTS BY YOLANDA: Mondays, 2:15 - 3:30 pm. Fee: \$2 (*for men & women*) Call 503-244-5204 for an appointment.

SEPTEMBER SENIOR CENTER TRIPS

Call 503-244-5204, to register for these trips.

WATERFRONT PARK CONCERT: Thursday, September 1st, 3:30 - 9:30 pm. Free. Hear both the Portland Symphony and the Youth Symphony. If you like, we'll drop you off at home after the show. Bring a picnic supper, a lawn chair and a blanket.

BONNEVILLE DAM AND FISH HATCHERY: Wednesday, September 7th, 9:30 am - 4 pm. Cost: \$9.50. Lunch on your own. Travel up the Columbia to look at the fish hatchery and tour the Bonneville Dam, and a lunch in Cascade Locks at the Char Burger at the foot of the Bridge of the Gods.

MEMORY GARDEN: Thursday, September 9th, 1:30 - 4:30 pm. Free. The Memory Garden is a piece of paradise perfect for an afternoon stroll. Bring a picnic snack and a smile as we enjoy this beautiful garden.

HILLSBORO AIR SHOW - US AIR FORCE THUNDERBIRDS: Saturday, September 10th, 8:30 am - 4 pm. Cost: \$16.50, this includes transportation and your ticket for the show. Lunch on your own. The star attraction this year is the US Air Force Thunderbirds demonstration team, along with dozens of other air show acts. Remember to bring a lawn chair (as there is no provided seating), a sun hat and sun screen.

BOB'S RED MILL: Tuesday, September 13th, 1:30 - 4:30 pm. Free. Bob's Red Mill produces delicious whole-grain baking mixes and bakery items. Bring a few dollars to purchase a mouth-watering treat from their on-site bakery.

PORTLAND FARMERS MARKET: Wednesday, September 14th, 9 am - 12:30 pm. Free. Explore the Portland Farmers Market. Purchase the freshest produce, listen to the sounds of the city, and meet new people!

OKTOBERFEST AT MT. ANGEL: Thursday, September 15th, 9:30 am - 4 pm. Cost: \$8.50, no admission fees. Lunch on your own. A tour of the library at the Mt. Angel Abby has also been arranged. There's always plenty to eat at the Oktoberfest booths in the town, and the opportunity to purchase various food specialties and other gifts to take home. Lunch will be whatever you decide to purchase at the fest.

SENIOR SAFARI: Tuesday, September 20th, 11 am - 3 pm. Free. The zoo is a fun place, with slightly hilly walking areas and a lot of interesting sites. There are several food courts and restaurants on site.

FORT VANCOUVER: Tuesday, September 21st, 10:30 am - 4:30 pm. Cost: \$4.50, Please bring \$3 for admission and money for lunch at the Inn at the Quay. Join us on a tour of Historic Fort Vancouver in Vancouver, Washington!

HOOD RIVER FRUIT TRIP: Thursday, September 29, 9 am - 5 pm. Cost: \$15. Lunch at Hood River Inn on your own and whatever fruit or wine you wish to buy. Travel up the Washington side of the Gorge for a breathtaking view of the Columbia, stop at Rowena Dell east of Hood River for the high desert counterpoint to Crown Point. A visit to the Hood River Winery and Rasmussen's Farm for fresh fruit.

ADVERTISE in Southwest Neighborhood News

- ✓ **Southwest Neighborhood News** is highly targeted. It is mailed and distributed to approximately 10,000 Southwest residents from our exclusive mailing list.
- ✓ Low cost maximizing advertising dollars.
- ✓ As a nonprofit effort, SW Neighborhoods maximizes good will for your business, as your support contributes to a public information effort.

For rates or information, call Ginny at 503-823-4592, or check out our web page at swni.org



SW Community Health Center provides safety-net for local residents

South West Community Health Center (SWCHC), a safety-net clinic located within the Multnomah Center, opened on May 3rd. During our first three months of operation, the clinic has been well received by the community as evidenced by the 278 unduplicated clients who have received care at the clinic and the 1700 hours of service provided by health care and lay volunteers.

As a not-for-profit safety-net clinic, SWCHC was established to provide interim high-quality health services to low-income community members of SW Portland who lack health insurance and adequate resources to access care. The clinic is open two evenings a week, Tuesday and Thursday, from 4-8 pm. Faculty and residents, assisted by medical students from the OHSU Department of Family Medicine, have been providing clinical care. Additional roles, including reception, data entry, lab follow-up and referral coordination have been filled by health and lay volunteers from local churches and the community at large. The steadfast commitment of our volunteers has made a difference in the lives of the men, women and children who have received care at the clinic. Clinic clients have come with a wide array of health issues, ranging from bronchitis and bladder infections to asthma, hypertension and gynecological concerns, including post-natal care.

The core values of SWCHC are equity - the belief that all people deserve access to quality basic health care; respect - each of us, whether receiving or providing care, has dignity and is treated with respect; accountability - the belief that we are stewards of the community's trust, dollars and services; and reciprocity - our belief that a healthy community is a strong community. The services we provide not only address the health needs of our neighbors but enrich those who provide care. Like any not-for-profit organization, we are working hard to sustain our program through volunteerism, grant writing, donations and cost-effective purchasing. We have initiated a Clinic Partners program that you, your business or organization may be interested in supporting. Clinic Partners provide funding for tangible goods and services (i.e., exam table paper for a year, rent for a month), or funding to help purchase needed medication, eye glasses, hearing aids or services. To learn more about SWCHC and our Clinic Partner program, to volunteer or make an appointment, please call 503-977-0733. Clinic services are by appointment and on a sliding-fee scale.

Multnomah Arts Center becomes more affordable for non-residents

Out-of-district fees are being dropped by the Multnomah Arts Center for classes in visual arts, dance, theater, and music beginning this Fall.

By eliminating out-of-district fees, Portland Parks & Recreation will be able to share this tremendous arts resource more fully with the whole region.

The Multnomah Arts Center facility includes classrooms, weaving rooms with over 60 looms, a darkroom, print-making studio with presses, dance studio, music rooms, a ceramics studio with pottery

wheels, slab roller, and kilns, and an applied arts studio with sculpture and jewelry-making equipment. Rentable areas include an auditorium and stage, gymnasium, dance studio, classrooms, kitchen, and kitchenette. Outdoor grounds include a covered basketball court, playground, courtyard, and parking.

Come and take advantage of it and bring a friend. The Multnomah Arts Center is located at 7688 SW Capitol Highway.

For more information or to register for classes online, visit: www.PortlandParks.org



Mary Sue Twohy Live in Concert

"As far as the Goose-Bump meter goes, Mary Sue Twohy is up there with Nanci Griffith, Sarah McLachlan, Iris Dement."
Dave Richards, *The Morning News*, 2000

Friday, September 16, 2005
7:30 pm

Doors open 7:00 pm
Multnomah Arts Center Auditorium
7688 SW Capitol HWY

Tickets at Door
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Emergency preparedness group hears plans for a Safety Safari

by Michael Kisor

Rachel Jacky of the Portland Office of Emergency Management was the guest speaker at our Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness meeting in August. Rachel announced a family safety event being hosted by OMSI and sponsored by the Portland Citizen Council Corps entitled "Safety Safari" scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, September 24-25.

The Safety Safari is the perfect place for kids learn how to brave the jungles of common safety dangers. Explore emergency vehicles, escape from a "smoking" fire-safety house, watch a simulated mountain rescue, talk with officers from the Portland Police, and enjoy activities and demonstrations from more than 35 safety organizations. If you can volunteer 2 hours time to staff the NET information booth, please email Rachel at rjacky@ci.portland.or.us.

Next NET Basic Training:

Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc., has arranged with OHSU to host the next Basic Neighborhood Emergency Training class (tentatively scheduled to

start in October). If you are interested in taking the training, call the Southwest Neighborhood Office at 503-823-4592 to pre-register. We need 40 people to pre-register in order to hold the class.

Wildfire, Earthquake, Storms, Floods, Landslides – oh my!

Have you ever wondered how the City of Portland is planning to decrease the impact of disaster? How it is protecting the assets that your taxes pay for? Ever wondered what emergency management professionals do when they are not responding to a disaster? Find out by logging in to www.portlandonline.com/oem, clicking on Mitigation and taking a look at Portland's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan - 1st Edition title page. Get your answers. Find out how you can be a part of mitigation opportunities.

Next Meeting:

The Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness group will meet on Thursday, September 8, at 7 pm, at the Multnomah Center. Our meetings are open to anyone interested.

Tryon Creek Watershed Council

Our next meeting will be held on **Monday, September 12, 7 - 9 pm at Tryon Creek State Natural Area**. We will have a presentation from the City of Lake Oswego regarding the Foothills development project. We will also discuss and distribute our annual report.

Marshall Park Ivy Pull Workparty: Sat., Sept. 3, 9 am - noon. Meet at the playground, pull some ivy!

Tryon Creek State Park Ivy Pull Workparty: Sat., Sept. 10, 9 am - noon, 11321 SW Terwilliger Blvd.

Hebrew schools learn lesson from martial arts



Philip Weiss practicing his Hebrew

The Hebrew School of Greater Portland is changing the course of Hebrew reading with an innovative, cutting-edge reading system. Based on the martial arts motivational philosophy of color-coded levels and testing, the Aleph Champ Program provides motivation and inspiration.

Easily attainable levels and professional materials make Aleph Champ an incredible success. The Hebrew alphabet as well as the vowels and word formations are divided into 10 colored levels. The students start out as "White Aleph Champs," working their way up the colors of the rainbow to be a "Black Aleph Champ" like their teachers.

Parents and teachers alike have said they are amazed by

the results. Students are motivated and have clear goals defined for them.

The Aleph Champ is only a part of the Hebrew School's curriculum. Studying Hebrew, Jewish history, ethics, rituals and sources of the Jewish holidays, students gain an appreciation for the joys, values and traditions of their heritage as the teachers vividly bring them to life.

The Hebrew School's motto is *Learn it, Love it, Live it!* The Hebrew School welcomes every Jew, regardless of affiliation, religious background or level of observance.

Everyone can feel comfortable with the style and approach.

The Hebrew School meets on Tuesdays from 4:15-5:45 pm, Northwest Campus for Jewish Life in SW Portland. This class is for ages 6-11.

The bar/bat mitzvah program is designed to give children a greater appreciation of a Jewish adult's responsibility. Classes meet Wednesdays at 4:45-6:15 pm. Private tutoring also is available.

The school begins on Sept. 20/21. The first 2 weeks will be available for children to "try out." Call for details.

For registration or information, call Rabbi Chayim or Simi Mishulovin at 503-246-KIDS or visit www.TheHebrewSchool.com.

THREE RIVERS LAND CONSERVANCY WINE AND LAND

BENEFIT

Join Three Rivers Land Conservancy on for our

Wine and Land Benefit

Sunday, September 11th from 3 to 6 pm.

Enjoy fine food and wine. Participate in a silent auction. Buy a raffle ticket.

Your participation will help Three Rivers Land Conservancy protect natural areas in the Portland metropolitan area.

Tickets are \$100 per person and may be purchased online or by calling 503-699-9825.

Participating Wineries:

A to Z Wineworks Argyle Winery Beaux Freres
Cristom Vineyards Elk Cove Vineyards Holloran Vineyard Wines
Ken Wright Cellars Lemelson Vineyards Rex Hill Vineyards
Clear Creek Distillery

Participating Restaurants:

clarklewis, Dundee Bistro Genoa
Gotham Building Tavern, Higgins Restaurant & Bar, Lucy's Table
Mother's Bistro & Bar, Mint Nick's Italian Cafe,
Papa Haydn, Wildwood

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Now enrolling for fall children's gardening classes!



Join the Friends of Portland Community Gardens and Portland Community Gardens for their fall children's gardening classes at Fulton Community Garden, located at SW 3rd and Barbur Blvd. Classes are held weekly on Fridays from 3:30-4:45 pm.

Children will learn about fall gardening, how to care for plants, nutrition, seasons, and a variety of other topics. Arts, crafts, and games are incorporated into the weekly session and a nutritious snack is always provided. In addition, the gardeners will harvest fresh organic produce to donate to local food pantries.

The fall session begins on Friday, September 9th and goes until October 28th. Classes cost \$40 per student and are open to participants ages 6-12 years old.

For more information please contact Sarah Goforth at childgard@ci.portland.or.us or call 503-823-1617.

Portland Dept. of Transportation (PDOT) Traffic & Transportation Training

If you are interested in learning more about traffic and transportation issues and how you can work to make changes in the neighborhood, PSU and PDOT are offering a 10-week training. Full scholarships are available to city residents. For more info, check: <http://www.portlandtransportation.org/CurrentNews/DisplayNews.htm?DisplayNumber=282>

Multnomah Art Center Gallery

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Botero's Southfork Series

The *Southfork Series*, an exhibit of paintings and objects by Kirk Botero will be on view at the Multnomah Art Center Gallery until September 21. The work reflects raw and spontaneous expression of nature and environment inspired by western US landscapes.



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Fall Cleanup, Calendar, etc.

Southwest Neighborhoods' Wood and Yard Debris Cleanup — Plus? Saturday, November 5, 9 am - 1 pm

We have had numerous requests for a larger venue, more like our spring cleanup. The Southwest Neighborhoods Board has decided there is a great need for more than just wood and yard debris to be recycled. We are currently working on other components. Be sure to watch the Southwest Neighborhood News in the next months for further developments.

One of the problems we are encountering is logistics. We have outgrown the Woods Park site if we want to add new things, so we are looking for a new location to hold these events. If you or your organization know of a place (large parking lot, etc.) large enough to host this event with a way to have the traffic flow through one side and out the other, please contact Ginny or Sylvia, 503-823-4592, swni123@spiritone.com.

Throughout the year, Southwest Neighborhoods hosts various cleanups to provide residents an opportunity to recycle or dispose of bulky waste items, debris and recyclable items. These cleanups also help prevent illegal dumping in our parks and open spaces.

Each November, we sponsor a Yard Debris Cleanup to give you an opportunity to recycle your wood and yard debris. This is a valuable service in Southwest Portland with its many beautiful (but leafy) trees and other flora and fauna. Although the city has leaf depots, we do not have the curbside pickup available in other parts of the city. This leaves residents with an overwhelming amount of vegetation to dispose of, and although the leaf depots are an enormous help, they do not accept wood, tree limbs, or the vegetation from getting your flower beds and gardens ready for winter (*see specifics on the right*).

We will be collecting wood and yard debris on November 5th regardless of whatever other things we may or may not be able to add. Plan to "make hay while the sun shines" and get those gardens, flower beds, yards, etc., cleaned up and ready for winter. We will see you on November 5th!

Volunteers needed

We need volunteers to direct traffic; unload yard debris from cars and trucks into dumpsters; volunteers with trucks to pick up debris from seniors and disabled; and collect donations. Please call us at 503-823-4592 if you can lend a helping hand.

Yard Debris or NOT Yard Debris?

Do include: Basically anything that grows in your yard, such as weeds (knock off as much dirt as possible), leaves, vines (including morning glory and berry vines), grass clippings, prunings (no bigger than 12" in diameter and 8' long), fallen fruit from your fruit trees, rotten vegetables from your garden, Halloween pumpkins. It is OK to include diseased plants/leaves.

Do NOT include: Stumps, oversized branches, household garbage, metal, rocks, ashes, or animal waste. **No commercial trucks!**

How much? Suggested fees will be asked to help cover disposal and related organizational costs generated in sponsoring this event. Cars and small pickups \$10 - \$20, large trucks \$25 - \$35.

Senior and disabled assistance: If you are a senior or disabled person and need someone to pick up your yard debris and deliver it to the cleanup site, call the Southwest Neighborhood Office at 503-823-4592, no later than Wednesday, November 3rd. Written confirmation of your request and the amount the volunteers will pick up will be mailed to you. We have a limited number of volunteers who will pick up debris and therefore must limit collections to ONE pickup load per residence. For pickup assistance, yard debris must be in the driveway or at curbside for easy pickup. Debris must not exceed the one small pickup load limit per senior and/or disabled assistance resident.



For further information, contact the Southwest Neighborhoods' office, 503-823-4592, swni123@spiritone.com.

Measure 37 claim filed in Collins View area

A Measure 37 claim has been filed for a property near the intersection of Boones Ferry Rd. and Taylors Ferry Rd. to remove environmental overlays and other regulations claimed to prevent optimum development of the property. Nearby neighbors recently received a notice of the claim. Concerns are that the terrain is steep and unstable, there is a creek running through the property, and most of the property is in the environmental zone. Under current regulations, the owner could build 10-12 row houses on a portion of the property that is not within the environmental zone.

The city is still finalizing how it will deal with M37 claims and federal environmental regulations (for example, Endangered Species Act, related to salmon in the stream), and health and safety regulations can still trump Measure 37.

Immediate neighbors and Collins View NA will be notified when the claim application is complete and will then have an opportunity to comment. Questions can be directed to the city's Development Services Center, 503-823-7526.

Join the Urban Trails Walk Saturday, September 10

Our walk will be in conjunction with the Pedestrian Summit II. Mayor Tom Potter will be the keynote speaker followed by workshops and a walk of approximately three miles in the southwest area. The Summit starts at 8:30 am at the Multnomah Center. (*see page 1*)

To register, phone 503-823-5057 or visit www.portlandtransportation.org/pedestrians/summit2.thm. There is no charge and lunch will be served.

For more information, call Phyllis Towne at 503-223-3723

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6:00 PM SWNI Parks @ Gabriel Park	2 First Friday in Multnomah Village	3 9:00 AM Marshall Park Workparty
4	5 SWNI CLOSED	6 6:00 PM CTLH Trans/Pkng Comm 7:00 PM Hayhurst NA 7:00 PM Homestead NA	7 7:00 PM Collins View 7:00 PM CTLH Board 7:00 PM Hillsdale NA	8 7:00 PM Marshall Park NA 7:00 PM Trees Committee 7:00 PM W Portland Pk NA	9	10 8:30 AM PEDESTRIAN SUMMIT II 9:00 AM Tryon Creek St Park Workparty
11	12 5:30 PM ONE BAC 7:00 PM Ashcreek NA 7:00 PM Tryon Creek WC 7:30 PM S Burlingame	13 11:30 AM SW Bus Assoc 7:00 PM Arnold Creek 7:00 PM Bridlemile Crk Stewards 7:00 PM Mackham NA 7:00 PM Multnomah NA 7:00 PM Far SW NA	14 5:30 PM Fr of Woods Pk 7:00 PM Bridlemile NA 7:00 PM Crestwood NA 7:00 PM Maplewood NA	15 7:00 PM Citywide Parks Team 7:00 PM CTLH Planting Comm	16	17 9:00 AM Albert Kelly Pk Workparty
18	19 7:00 PM SWNI Trans Comm 7:15 PM CTLH Land Use	20 7:00 PM SWNI Land Use	21 8:30 AM Hillsdale B & P 7:00 PM CTLH Parks & Grwy	22 7:00 PM SWNI Trails Committee	23 9:00 AM Albert Kelly Pk Workparty	24 9:00 AM Butterfly Park Work Party
25	26	27 7:00 PM SWNI Crime Prev/Public Safety Mtg	28 7:00 PM SWNI Board 7:00 PM CTLH Finance/Communications*	29 8:00 AM Mult Village Bus 6:30 PM Citywide Landlord Training	30	

People with disabilities who need special assistance to participate at a neighborhood meeting should call Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. (SWNI) at 503-823-4592. Citizens needing a sign language interpreter should call at least 48 hours prior to the need.

Name misspelled on the newsletter label? Receiving multiple copies? Want to add or remove your name? Let us know! Call 503-823-4592 or email swni123@spiritone.com.