ONI has become the Office of Community & Civic Life

On Wednesday, July 18, 2018 City Council approved renaming the Office of Neighborhood Involvement to the Office of Community & Civic Life. The Office of Neighborhood Involvement, originally the Office of Neighborhood Associations, was created in 1974 to serve as the formal link between neighborhood associations and the city. The bureau and counsel felt the new name will better reflect the overall mission of the bureau, more accurately represent the full scope of programming and services, and acknowledge the many ways current and prospective Portlanders participate in the city’s civic culture. The Resolution further states that the Office of Community & Civic Life shall convene a “Code Change Committee” that will recommend changes to Chapter 3.96 that reflect: a unified set of culturally-responsive practices for engaging a diverse range of community partners; an updated description of the Bureau’s responsibilities; and a set of voluntary guidelines that represent best practices for civic engagement. These recommendations shall be presented to Council by July 2019.

Bureau Director Suk Rhee, Commissioner Eudaly and Mayor Wheeler all at different times during the council hearing assured community members that neighborhood associations have and will continue to be an integral part of community building and civic life in Portland. As all our communities change and evolve, your neighborhood coalition office is excited to work with neighborhood associations alongside other community groups to explore ways to engage all Portlanders through our partnership with the City of Portland Office of Community & Civic Life.

Free Community Summer Concerts and Movies

Concerts and entertainment begin at 6:30PM, including live performances and free popcorn.

**Movies begin after dusk.**

**Thursday, August 16**
Elizabeth Caruthers Park, 3508 SW Moody Ave
- Jellyroll Society—Blues, early jazz, and ragtime
- Close Encounters of the Third Kind (1977) PG

**Saturday, August 25**
Hamilton Park, SW 45th and Hamilton St
- Red Yarn—High-energy folksongs and puppetry for families
- The Lego Batman Movie (2017) PG

**Friday, September 7**
Jackson Middle School, 10625 SW 35th Ave
- Supadupa Marimba Bros—Funky, hip, melodic, percussion ensemble

Celebrate National Night Out (NNO) with your neighbors. Neighborhood associations host NNO parties to strengthen community cohesiveness and crime resistance. It’s an opportunity for neighbors to get to know each other and their local public safety officials in the spirit of creating a connected and safer community.

Find your neighborhood association’s National Night Out party in the Neighborhood Association Reports section of this newspaper, pages 3-9. Find additional block parties near you at portlandoregon.gov/oni/nno

National Night Out Parties

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News from Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc.
www.swni.org
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August 18 & 19
Saturday-Street Fair Events 8am-4pm
Sunday-Vine and Dine
PARADE STARTS AT 10AM
Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast ★ Community Activities
Arts & Crafts Sale ★ Vendors ★ Kid Zone
Food Court ★ Wine and Beer Garden ★ Live Music
★ Multnomah Village Vine and Dine-Sunday ★

Schedule of Events
August 18, 2018
8:30am Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast
10am Parade
11:30am-12pm The Beat Goes On
12pm-2pm Aaron Nigel Smith
2pm-4pm Gerle Haggard
4pm-7pm DJ Bad Wizard
7pm-10pm Rae Gordon Band
Wine and Beer Garden til 10pm

For more details visit multnomahvillage.org/events
Or grab a flyer at any Village business

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President’s corner

This month, as I was walking my dog in the early morning, I saw a young man dressed in blue who was picking up garbage. Then he got down on his knees and started picking up something under a tree. He gave it to me, without being asked, to help all of us and our fellow creatures. Our neighborhoods do so much to make the Southwest a better neighborhood’s spirit of generosity. I thanked him. We were near a skateboard park in Alpenrose. I hope to see you at one of the celebrations. Leslie Hammond

Back packs, school supplies and clothing free to eligible students

This will be the 17th year that the Grauer Project will provide SW Neighborhood students who are eligible for free or reduced school lunch programs with brand new clothing and backpacks filled with school supplies. This is a collaboration of several non-profit groups and local church organizations, and was started by the Grauer family of St. Luke Lutheran Church.

This year, the event will again be held at St. Luke Lutheran Church on Saturday, August 11, from 8:00am to 11:00am. The church is located at 4595 SW California Street, Portland 97219.

This event is open to all eligible children in grades K through 12 currently enrolled in schools whose students will attend Wilson High School when they graduate from their elementary school.

Registration will be held on Friday, August 10th, at St. Luke Lutheran Church from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm. At registration, children (who must be accompanied by a parent or guardian) will be asked to show proof that they live in the district (a utility bill would do), and proof of the school they attend such as a report card or student card. This information will not be recorded, and will not be passed on to anyone else. It is to determine eligibility of the student to attend distribution day. The procedure is that the child with an adult will get in line and draw a numbered wristband. One family at a time will be served. The wristband number is for all members of the family. As they get their wristbands, they will be notified of the time range to come back on Saturday. Registration can also be done at the event on Saturday.

This has become a very welcome event in Southwest Portland. Volunteers are also needed. If you wish to volunteer, or know someone else who would like to volunteer please send an email to grauervol@gmail.com.

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Neighborhood Association Reports

Ashcreek

Our 4th Annual Ashcreek Summer Picnic was a great success! The drizzle almost held out and may have dampened some from attending, but those who came out shared great food and fun! Special thanks to all of our association volunteers who helped put this on again this year. More thanks also goes out to Bale’s Market Place for donating all the hot dogs and buns as well as Green Goddess for another large donation to help with all other costs. It was great to have back our State Rep Margaret Doherty. Lee Comet our local musician, and this new year Kirsten Mackey, a neighbor who stepped up last minute to face paint! Very valuable were the staff from Trimet and Metro to answer questions. Attendees had regarding the proposal of light rail down a portion of Taylors Ferry. Thank you Jennifer and Matt. Ah to make the hit with the kids was the undercover police vehicle and officer Jacobson! It was great to be able to meet our heroes! An organized piñata turned chaotic but fun, a spin wheel with prizes, a flossing dance contest and we gave away a flower basket to the resident who had lived in our beloved neighborhood the longest. Hope to see you at our next meeting, every second Monday in the Multnomah Arts Center, Room 3d. 7pm.

Kelsey Rundorff running the prize wheel

Kirsten Mackey, an Ashcreek neighbor; offering face painting and doing a fantastic job!

Officer Jacobsen, one of our many local heroes, entertaining the kids

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In Our Neighborhood
Liz Marantz and Hans Steuch led about 35 neighbors on Tuesday, July 12. For our annual Arnold Creek Walk this year called “Walk on the Wet Side,” beginning at Stephenson Elementary and heading down 27th to Palatine and then on to 16th and Coronado and ending with a neighborhood gathering at a private residence. We looked at ponds, streams, ducks, native plants, invasive plants, small scale farming, infrastructure improvements, majestic trees and Arnold Creek including four of its small unnamed tributaries. ACNA thanks the generous families who opened their properties allowing us to experience the biodiversity and natural areas not easily viewed and thank you Liz and Hans for the informative talk along the way, and for the refreshing refreshments at the end of our journey.

The ACNA Board met on Monday, July 9 to consider the PBOT revised proposal for pedestrian safety and traffic calming on SW Stephenson Street. This proposal can be viewed here: portlandoregon.gov/transportation/article/687730.

The open meeting was well attended. After introductions, a motion approving the PBOT proposal was made and subsequent comments, both for and against the motion, were heard. The Board approved the PBOT proposal and will prepare a letter to PBOT outlining ACNA’s expectations for this project.

If you would like to provide input to Metro on the Southwest Corridor Project – Light Rail, please review the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) located here, oregonmetro.gov/public-projects/southwest-corridor-plan.

A calendar of Public Meetings is contained on the website. Printed copies of the DEIS can be found at the SWNI offices in the Multnomah Arts Center. Deadline for comments is July 30.

Mark your calendar for our Big Summer Event!!

When?? Tuesday, August 7th 6-8 PM

What?? National Night Out with ICE CREAM, music, food, face painting, local businesses’ booths and MORE.
Where?? Stephenson Elementary School playground

Why?? Celebrate summer life with your neighbors. Make new friends.

We need you to add your voice, your skills and your time. Please consider donating time and effort to meet our ambitious goals for 2018. Anyone can volunteer to participate on any of our Standing Committees: Land Use, Transportation, Communications, Programming and National Night Out. Please send an email to president@acna.org to express your interest.

To receive notifications of future ACNA meetings, please go to our website (swni.org/arnold_creek - “Join Our List”) to register your email address. Draft meeting minutes are posted on our website which provide detail of the presentation and discussion held on June 12th.

Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution for future Arnold Creek projects and National Night Out. We enjoyed the steel drum musician at last year’s and have hired him again for this year’s event. Details on how to contribute and information on our neighborhood association can be found at swni.org/arnold_creek.

Bridlemile NA was awarded a Portland In the Streets Community Grant earlier this year to make improvements to the Bridlemile Walkway. With this funding, the trail between SW Julia Court and SW Shattuck Road, will be updated to serve as an all-season route with a wider trail, improved and raised tread surface and a reduced slope for bridge access. SWTrails will be advising on design and leading work parties with construction. Please stay tuned for a community notice regarding the timeline for the project. If you have any additional questions and/or comments, please send to Jenn Barnett at jennabarnett@hotmail.com.

For more information email: bridlemilenaboard@swni.org

Far Southwest

Far Southwest Neighborhood Night Out Party!

Sunday, August 5th, 3:30pm-8pm

60th and Haines

Get to know your neighbors

Swimming from 4-6 (no lifeguard on duty)

Bounce House, Potluck - bring an easy to eat appetizer

Southwest Corridor

The refinements that will affect folks in Far Southwest is the work led by Metro, to submit a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to the Federal Government for funding to build a light-rail MAX line from downtown Portland, through Southwest, along Barbur Boulevard, and on to Tigard and the edge of Tualatin at Bridgeport Shopping Center. The DEIS will include the preferred route proposed by Metro. The DEIS includes: 1.-new walk and bike connections between Barbur Blvd. and the hospital complex at OHSSU. 2.-a shared transit way on the northernmost two miles of Barbur to allow buses to bypass traffic congestion in south Portland. 3.-Stations along Barbur Blvd from Burlingame to the Barbur Transit Center, but maintaining two auto lanes in each direction. 4.-A shuttle system to connect PCC-Sylvania with the MAX line. 5.-new park and rides, with 2,000 to 3,500 parking spaces, near freeway ramps to connect to light rail and relieve daily congestion on I-5 and Barbur.

Deadline for comments is July 30. Contact Metro staff at Metro, SW Corridor, 600 NE Grand Avenue, Portland, OR 97232; online at swcridorplan.org; call 503-797-1888 or email: SWCorridorDEIS@oregonmetro.gov. There will be a SW Corridor Plan Steering Committee meeting at Metro Regional Center, on NE Grand Avenue, at 9 am, Monday, August 13, where the committee will make their formal recommendations on the plan.

The refinements that will affect areas close to FSW are: 1. A plan to use Taylor’s Ferry for an overcrossing of I-5. The MAX would travel north of Barbur, behind Walgreens, and cross over I-5 on a new overpass west of the present Transit Center. 2. A plan to move the station at the city line closer to 99W at 68th, and then to proceed south, traversing undeveloped 70th Avenue. This would remove the need to have a station and parking area at Baylor. The next station south would be at Elmhurst and 70th.

For more information email: bridlemilenaboard@swni.org

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Arnold Creek

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, September 11, 6:30 pm
Multnomah Arts Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy, Rm 30
Grethe Larson and Kathryn Daly, president@arnoldcreek.org
ArnoldCreek.org

Far Southeast

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 23, 7:00 pm
Comfort Suites, 11340 SW 60th Ave at Barbur
Teddy Okonokhua, FSrna Chair, teddy@farswpdx.org

Far Southwest

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 23, 7:00 pm
Comfort Suites, 11340 SW 60th Ave at Barbur
Teddy Okonokhua, FSrna Chair, teddy@farswpdx.org

Movies in the Park

Saturday, August 25
Hamlin Park Soccer Field
Entertainment will begin at 6:45 pm. Lego Batman Movie (2017) PG

Far Southwest

Next General Meeting: Wednesday, September 12, 7:00 pm
All meetings at Bridlemile Elementary School 4300 SW 47th Drive
Steve Mullinax, bridlemilenaboard@swni.org
bridlemile.swni.org

Bridlemile

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 5, 7:00 pm
Next General Meeting: Wednesday, September 12, 7:00 pm
All meetings at Bridlemile Elementary School 4300 SW 47th Drive
Steve Mullinax, bridlemilenaboard@swni.org
bridlemile.swni.org
**Collins View**

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 5, 7:00 PM
Riverdale High School, 9727 SW Terwilliger Blvd.
Elise DeLisser, chair@collinsview.org • board@collinsview.org

All Collins View residents are invited to the National Night Out Ice Cream Social to be held on Sunday August 5th from 3pm to 6pm. If you feel like sitting down as you enjoy your ice cream cone then remember to bring a chair. It will be held in St Mark Church parking lot. The church is on SW Terwilliger Blvd, right across from Riverdale High School.

**A Collins View Fact**

Talking of Terwilliger Boulevard, did you know that the posted speed on Terwilliger in Collins View is higher than any other section of the entire boulevard until south of the Lewis Clark Law School? In comparison, Barbur Boulevard is a street also posted at 35 mph and has 4 lanes and a center turn lane in many areas.

Still on the subject of roads, no doubt many of you felt the effect of the storm which blew through the neighborhood on Sunday June 17th. If you belong to the Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) you would have also received a call or text asking you to deploy to help guard the downed power lines on Boones Ferry Road and on View Point Terrace. Both roads were impassable and as dusk fell it was increasingly difficult to see the yellow tape across the road. The NETs, not just from Collins View, worked in shifts until 11pm to assure that everyone was safe. Several neighbors braved the very hungry mosquitoes to have a chat with the NETs as they kept watch with their flash lights, reflective vests and hard hats. Special thanks to Bob Fischer for coordinating the whole operation.

No rest for the NET team in June: on the 27th, Brendan McGillicuddy was able to arrange an afternoon of fire extinguisher practice in Bob Fischer’s driveway, with take home gifts of extinguishers for everyone who attended.

Here’s wishing a safe summer to everyone! If you can’t make the August Ice Cream Social, mark your calendars for the next Collins View Neighborhood Association meeting on September 5th at 7pm at Riverdale High School.

Remember, your voice counts! Submitted by Angela Myatt

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**Crestwood**

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 12, 7:00 PM
West Portland United Methodist Church library, 4729 SW Taylors Ferry Road
Chair Tony Hansen, Vice-Chair Marianne Fitzgerald
CrestwoodNABoard@gmail.com, 503-705-9902
crestwood.swni.org

Right off the bat, I’d like to thank all of you who took the time to learn about and comment on the route proposal for the SW Corridor Plan either online or in-person at one of Metro’s open houses or community meetings. Your opinion really does matter to your city planners and many voices can make a big difference in the choices that will be made, even if it might not always seem so. Many attended our last bimonthly meeting in July and shared their thoughts with us, which we truly appreciate. As your neighborhood board representatives, it is valuable to hear your individual perspectives on the issues so that we can use them to guide our position on this and the other issues affecting our region.

While the current comment period is closed, the design of the SW Corridor is far from finalized. I urge you to keep this momentum going with your involvement in the projects that will affect you and your local community.

If you haven’t yet signed up for our mailing list online or at one of our meetings, you may do so at swni.org/crestwood. We only send out one or two emails a month and it’s the best way to stay up to date on neighborhood events, hear about the local projects that may affect our area, and to be notified of involvement opportunities.

On a lighter note, I’m getting very excited for our annual National Night Out Picnic on August 7th, and I hope you are too! This is my favorite neighborhood event of the year because I get to spend a relaxed evening chatting with many of my favorite neighbors as well as getting to know some new ones. Want to meet your local Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) and find out what they’ve been up to? They’ll be there. If that wasn’t enough, one of my very favorite local blues bands, Mojo Holler, will be there too!

Bring your own food, something cold to drink, and a picnic blanket or chair. Come and enjoy the evening in a beautiful outdoor setting; our very own Dickinson Park. Did I mention the free ice cream? FREE ICE CREAM! Oh, and don’t forget the kids if they get extra lucky, they might just get a chance to sit in a fire truck, meet a police dog, or hop on a real police motorcycle!

Our NNO Picnic is August 7th at 7pm in Dickinson Park—see you there!

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**Crestwood Neighborhood Picnic**

& National Night Out Tuesday, August 7, 6:30-8pm

at Dickinson Park
(SW 55th Ave, south of Taylors Ferry Road)

Join your neighbors and enjoy the view and a picnic in Dickinson Park.

Check out info about crime prevention and learn more about your neighborhood!

Bring a picnic for your family, an appetizer to share if you like, dessert provided by the Crestwood Neighborhood Board. Don’t forget your blanket, chairs and personal utensils.
National Night Out Event – Tuesday, August 7, 2018
Alpenrose Dairy has once again generously offered to host our upcoming National Night Out event, which will be from 6:00 – 8:00 pm on Tuesday, August 7. There will be children’s activities, entertainment and free ice cream for everyone! We’ll have visits from the Portland Police Bureau and Fire Bureau staff. Information booths and participation from a number of neighborhood groups will be featured.

Land Use Committee Training on Residential Infill Project – August 13, 2018
The Hayhurst Neighborhood Association’s Land Use Committee will conduct a workshop from 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Monday, August 13, 2018, at Vermont Hills United Methodist Church, 6053 SW 55th Dr. Everyone is welcome! If you are interested in learning more about how the Residential Infill Project will impact you, plan to attend. The recommendations from the Planning and Sustainability Commission on the RIP will be discussed as they relate to increased density allowances within the Hayhurst boundaries. Information will be offered on preparing and delivering testimony for those who wish to become more involved.

Free Outdoor Movie on Saturday, August 25, 2018
Come and join Vermont Hills United Methodist Church for a free outdoor movie on Saturday, August 25th at 7:00 pm. Vermont Hills UMC is inviting neighbors to a showing of Pixar’s “Finding Dory.” Everyone can plan on enjoying popcorn and a movie in the twilight. Vermont Hills UMC is located at the corner of SW 55th & Iowa Street – just beyond the west side of Penderlot Park. See you there!

Pedestrian & Bike Safety Vigil – Monday, August 27, 2018
Portland Public Schools is starting the new school year on Monday, August 27th. Hayhurst NA is planning a Safety Vigil on that day at the corner of SW 45th & Vermont Street. We plan on conducting the vigil from 7:30 – 9:00 am. Our goal is to remind drivers that pedestrians and bicyclists are using SW Vermont at all times. All are welcome to participate. We will provide safety vests and signs.

Hayhurst NA General Meeting – September 10, 2018
Our September 2018 Hayhurst Neighborhood Association meeting agenda will include the following items:
- SWNI Board Report
- Safety Committee Report
- Equity & Inclusion Committee Report
- Parks Committee Report
- Transportation Committee Report
- Sign Topper Project
- Debrief National Night Out event.

Hayhurst NA’s Land Use Committee has been very involved with SWNI’s work to offer comments and input to the city’s Bureau of Planning & Sustainability’s new Residential Infill Plan (RIP). Throughout the spring, LU Committee Co-Chairs, Susan King & Leslie Hammond, have organized neighbor-to-neighbor contacts, conducted an informational workshop, and provided testimony at the city’s Planning & Sustainability Commission hearings in May 2018. They are also meeting with representatives of neighborhoods in other areas of the city to discuss the implications and consequences of the Residential Infill Proposal (RIP).

Hayhurst’s Vermont Hills Community Garden in full bloom
Happenings in the Homestead Neighborhood

Southwest Corridor Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Proposed Light Rail Project)

At the July 3 meeting it was agreed that Homestead would prepare a response that would include the following elements. 1. Support the initial route for a Barbur alignment 2. Oppose at-grade crossings of Terwilliger and support below-grade crossings as a product of the Marquam Hill Connector. Specifically, at-grade crossings with stop signs for lights would divert traffic into our neighborhood. 3. Oppose the ‘East Side Running’ Light Rail option at Barbur Woods as it would negatively impact the traffic flow when light rail crosses traffic lanes.

Veteran’s Hospital Seismic Retrofit Project

Margeaux Macchiaverna, VA Sr. Planner and John Dodier, VA Facilities Mgmt. attended to update Homestead regarding a proposal to retrofit the main hospital (bldg.100), the admin bldg. (101), underground parking (bldg. 102) and skybridge that connects bldgs. 101-104 and possibly the skybridge between OHSU and the VA.

In order to continue operations during this project, a new building will be constructed as a swing space. The project also plans adding 600 new parking spaces and the demolition of old bldg. (T51) and a trailer. The project will not effectively increase clinical services.

The design phase may begin June 2019, construction of new building completed 2022-26 with the entire project completed by 2027-31. Margaux handed out a project timeline and will connect again with Homestead when the VA has selected the site of the new building. A link to the project timeline can be found on the Homestead website homesteadna.org.

Homestead stated it would most likely be opposed to adding 600 new parking spaces, especially when no added patient services are being added.
The A Overlay is one step closer to becoming a reality and solving the massive congestion at the Ross Island Bridge bottleneck has become a regional priority. The SPNA adopted the recommended position of the Ad Hoc Committee: the Ross Island Bridge fix should be part of the 2020 ballot measure; and that if it is included in the ballot measure, then we will elect to support the Barbur Boulevard option of the Southwest Corridor Light Rail.

Cristine Treadwell presented on Ross Island Bridge Traffic. Cristine lives in the Lair Hill Neighborhood, and she has a proposal to mitigate the daily commute congestion in the Lair Hill Neighborhood by implementing three minor changes to traffic flow. The three changes are (1) SW Kelly Ave between SW Whittaker Street and SW Curry Street becomes a permanent one-way street in southbound direction; (2) SW Whittaker Street behaves in favor of SW Kelly Avenue and SW Corbett Avenue becomes a permanent one-way street in westbound direction; and (3) No right turn from SW Gibbs Street onto SW Naito Parkway, with a semi-diverter placed at intersection of SW Gibbs and Naito Parkway. She has been collecting signatures around the neighborhood in support of this proposal. The SPNA voted in favor of endorsing the Lair Hill Traffic Alleviation Proposal that originated in the Lair Hill Neighborhood and forwarded requests that the Portland Bureau of Transportation (“PBOT”) be contacted to implement this proposal.


PRESENTATIONS

The meeting began with the President’s Comments from Len Michon. Len advised that several people went to the Zidell presentation in early July. The city and Zidell have basically closed off the development agreement because of the lack of funding that the city is willing to provide, and as a result, the footprint of the Zidell Plan has decreased. President Michon also reported on the demonstration at the ICE Facility on July 11. Protestors blocked access to the facility on Bancroft and Macadam. SPNA and neighborhood attendees discussed how the neighborhood should be involved and if the SPNA should take a position. Further discussion on ICE is tabled until the August 2018 meeting. President Michon re-announced that the SOLVE South Waterfront cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, July 28, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Meet at 3715 SW River Parkway for the cleanup.

Jim Gardner presented on behalf of the Southwest Corridor Ad Hoc Committee. The SPNA established an ad hoc committee to look at the issues regarding the Southwest Corridor Light Rail. The Ad Hoc Committee has met twice, and at the second meeting the Committee heard a strong sense that reconstruction...
Join your neighbors
Sunday, August 5th from 4-6 p.m.
Portland Heights Park(@Strohecker) for our annual neighborhood picnic!

Bring a side dish or dessert to share and join in the fun!
We'll have family games, kids' market, visits from our local community firefighters and police, and music!

Hope to see you there!
Information contact Tricia Quinteros, tricia.quinteros@gmail.com

National Night Out in Marshall Park
Tuesday, August 7, 2018
6:00-8:00pm
Round Table Pizza, 10070 SW Barbur Blvd
Ryan Blum, wppna-president@swni.org
wpp.swni.org

We here at the WPPNA are grateful to have such supportive and engaged residents and hope that you, too, were able to take part in our annual July pizza party. But our summer activities are not over yet; West Portland Park is holding a National Night Out event on Tuesday, August 7th at the Capitol Hill Library. This will be a potluck, so bring some food or beverages to share with your fellow residents. As you can see from our flyer, all of our neighbors are welcome and we are expecting visits from some of the city’s first responders. Please enjoy some late summer cheer with us from 5:30 until 7:30 as we close out our summer activities. The WPPNA will return to its normal public meetings in September when the school has reopened, but until then please enjoy these long hours of daylight.

Southwest Hills Residential League
Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 19, 7:00 pm
Ascension Chapel, 1823 SW Spring St.
Nancy Seton, president@swhrl.org or contact@swhrl.org
503-224-3840 swhrl.org

SWHRL annual Picnic in the Park - Sunday, August 5, 2018, 4-6pm
Portland Heights Park (adjacent to Strohecker’s)
Kid’s Market, potluck, family games, visit from public safety officers...
Bring a side dish to share and spend the afternoon getting to know your neighbors!

Next SWHRL Board Meeting:
Wednesday, 19 Sept 2018, 7:00-8:30pm
Ascension Episcopal Parish, 1823 SW Spring St.
Meetings are open to the public. Let us know if there are any items you’d like on the agenda.

Strohecker’s Update: A hearing was held on May 30 to consider the property owner’s request to remove the conditions of the 1984 Ordinance which require, among other things, a grocery-only in its current form, in order to allow the underlying commercial CM1 zoning to regulate the property. The SWHRL Board argued that if existing conditions are lifted, a new condition should be added to require a meaningful amount of food-oriented retail as part of any future development. This could be, for instance, a 4,000 sq ft neighborhood market, plus a couple of other small shops, such as a coffee shop or café. Providore Fine Foods on NE Sandy Blvd could be a good model, with a collection of vendors. providorefinefoods.com/

In the Hearings Officer’s findings and recommendation to City Council, he supported removal of the conditions, but noted that “City Council could impose conditions requiring some form or commercial development on the site, either exclusively commercial or as part of a mixed-use development. In addition, the Council could require some form of food related use – a small market or restaurant – as part of any commercial development.” portlandoregon.gov/bds/article/688952

The City Council public hearing will be Wednesday, August 8, 2pm at City Hall. After hearing testimony, City Council will make the final decision on the application. The more neighbors at the hearing, the better. Testimony is most effective if coordinated to avoid repetition. You’re welcome to contact SWHRL if you’d like to collaborate: president@swhrl.org.

SWHRL and another neighbor group posted a survey to get neighbors’ preferences for future development at Stros: Strohecker’s Site Survey.

Other Land Use: At the July 11 hearing, the SWHRL Board contributed testimony in support of the St. Thomas More Catholic Church’s 10-Year Master Plan for improvements to their facility. While their renovations will not create additional impact on traffic in the area, they are still adding some sidewalks which will improve pedestrian safety. The city is also requiring they follow an established drop-off and pick-up procedure. See the SWHRL website for more information – case file # LU 17-162196 CUMS. Here is the Staff Report & Recommendations: portlandoregon.gov/bds/article/689792

Transportation: While reviewing the St. Thomas More application, it became clear that there are traffic congestion and ped/bike safety issues in the vicinity that need to be addressed by the city. Our best chance is for neighbors, the church, and SWHRL to work together on our priorities and to lobby heavily for their funding. Please let SWHRL know if you want to join this conversation. This will be a topic at future SWHRL meetings.

Marshall Park
Next Meeting: Thursday, September 13, 6:00 pm
Capitol Hill Elementary School, 8402 SW 17th Ave.
Mike Charles, marshallparkna@yahoo.com, 503-244-6099
marshallpark.swni.org

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National Night Out in Marshall Park
Tuesday, August 7, 2018
6:00-8:00pm
Round Table Pizza, 10070 SW Barbur Blvd
Ryan Blum, wppna-president@swni.org
wpp.swni.org

We here at the WPPNA are grateful to have such supportive and engaged residents and hope that you, too, were able to take part in our annual July pizza party. But our summer activities are not over yet; West Portland Park is holding a National Night Out event on Tuesday, August 7th at the Capitol Hill Library. This will be a potluck, so bring some food or beverages to share with your fellow residents. As you can see from our flyer, all of our neighbors are welcome and we are expecting visits from some of the city’s first responders. Please enjoy some late summer cheer with us from 5:30 until 7:30 as we close out our summer activities. The WPPNA will return to its normal public meetings in September when the school has reopened, but until then please enjoy these long hours of daylight.

National Night Out at the Capitol Hill Library
Tuesday, August 7, 5:30-7:30
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Talada, Agosto 7, 8:30-7:30
Marshall-at: West Portland Park Neighborhood Association (in Maktabada Capitol Hill

All Neighbors Welcome

Potluck
Bring a side dish or dessert (enough for 4-6 people).
Your host will provide the entrée.

All ages are welcome to this 8-9:30 potluck.
Local child will serve you "Little Dutchmen."

Visit INFO Tables:
Earthquake preparedness Neighborhood Emergency Teams Freights & Gardens Neighborhood House Head Start

Musical Entertainment

Hope to see you there!
Committees

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Sidewalk meetings highly recommended - Good things really do happen when members of the Schools Committee meet on a sidewalk near the library. When we consider our Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOTs) it is clear that watching, listening and being approachable are the most important elements we need to consider. When we show up at Reach Outs, we initiate and improve our relationships with students and families. When we engage with students and assess ways we can provide support in SW Portland, we all succeed.

We will rally on August 7 with two of our SWNI Schools partners, West Portland Park NA and the Capitol Hill Library, at NNO. One of the things we will do at this Reach Out is create student-made puzzles, and another is math (speed and accuracy drills). We will set up on tables and on the sidewalk to show how this works.

On August 15, we’ll host our summer conversation. At this gathering, we’ll engage those who can attend and pull in information from prior Reach Outs (Markham Elem. Science Night, April 19 Education Equity, June 2 SCC – summer things to do with students, June 4 SWNI Successes, June 29 SCC cardboard box building, and several Weekly Summer Math Support Sessions (WSMSS)).

Along with these meetings, we will also be creating the Speak Up session for the Fall to implement our Hillsdale Community Foundation Proposal. Watch for other “special surprise activities” where we will have a table to build awareness in SW before students head back to classes.

Summer news from the Portland Public Schools website includes this info: Students who need access to food and activities during the summer can get them through Summer Free For All, a partnership between Portland Public Schools and Portland Parks & Recreation. The program will offer free lunches, music from around the world, family-friendly movies, art, sports and games at Portland parks all summer. Free swimming will be available, with no registration, in city pools during set days and hours. A booklet with a complete list of events, locations, dates and times is available online.

Safe Routes to School news, see Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) info here: portlandoregon.gov/transportation/article/625882

For info on August math support at Capitol Hill Library – contact schools@swni.org. If you want to help with one of these casual sessions, please feel free to join us and see how we enjoy the pattern play and fearless approach to elementary and middle school math. We plan to be at library tables with math worksheets at noon on these dates: Wed., Aug. 1 and Fri. Aug. 16 & 17. At our September Schools Committee meeting, we will review the math sessions and develop a volunteer recruitment plan for a series of school year sessions. Want to help?

Also, take a look at this info for keeping young brains working. Bake your favorite cookies – either reduce the recipe or increase it and do the math to think about relations in pans and patterns and to create more or less of the goodies and to learn from the changes you make in ingredients. Do a few problems together each morning. See math exercises for all levels: math-alds.com/

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 20th, 7 pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 4
7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

At our upcoming Parks Committee meeting we will begin addressing topics within our recently adopted Parks Committee 2018-19 Action Plan, (AP)including:

• AP #2 Advocate for the development of Parks within areas of SW Portland that PBOR have identified as lacking equitable access to parks. Exercise identifying parks within each of the neighborhoods in order to identify areas that are park deficient/within a quarter mile walk.

• AP #3 Develop relationships with SW Portland Friends of Parks Groups. Exercise leveraging SW NI Friends of Parks groups connections and how we can better work with them

In a discussion on a new idea brought to us by a committee member of developing “Park Talk” that would bring community members together in local parks to build community through conversations that are needed to break down barriers and address stigmas and assumptions regarding communities outside of the ones we personally identify with.

We encourage anyone who is interested in discussing any of these topics to attend our upcoming August meeting.

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 2nd, 7pm
Spring Garden Park
3332 SW Spring Garden St
Portland, OR 97219

On our Watershed Committee we will learn more about stormwater issues and environmental impacts on our watersheds. Please bring your questions, information and knowledge to our next meeting!

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 16th, 7pm
Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 30
7688 SW Capitol Hwy

you’re a homeowner, renter, or live in an apartment. Join us to share how stormwater affects you, your streets, your neighborhoods and watershed. Learn what recourses are in place to implement better management.

Everything we do affects our watersheds. This statement “You are what you do” came about after seeing an exhibit at the Hawai’i State Art Museum where an unusual weaving by artist Mary Babcock hung. It was made of discarded gill nets from the Columbia River entwined with fishing ropes and nets found in Hawaii. This piece’s statement shows how everything flows downstream from our largest watershed to the Pacific. Something to think about!

This past year, the committee has learned more about stormwater issues and environmental impacts on our watersheds. Please bring your questions, information and knowledge to our next meeting!

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May Babcock (1962, New York)
Kalama 3
Mixed media, 2010

May Babcock collects nets and ropes from O’ahu shorelines and discarded gill nets where the Columbia River empties into the Pacific Ocean. This non-traditional tapestry explores the oceanic concept of water as a means of connection, not as a barrier or a resource for consumption. It trusts in the possibility of reclamation by re-embracing old technologies through systems considered useless and obsolete.

You’ve heard “You are what you eat...” let’s extend that to “You are what you do.” This is true for how we care for our watersheds. The SWNI Watershed Committee meets the third Thursday of each month. It is open to all Southwest residents, whether...
The PSC is considering public testimony in a series of work sessions. At our upcoming meeting we will not hear testimony in a series of work sessions. Commissioners will not hear testimony at these work sessions, so you can follow along. Upcoming PSC work sessions as they prepare their staff-prepared work session materials.

Residential Infill Project (RIP)

Upcoming PSC Work Sessions

The PSC is considering public testimony in a series of work sessions as they prepare their recommendations to the City Council. At these work sessions, Commissioners will not hear additional public testimony. However, staff-prepared work session materials will be posted on the project website so you can follow along. Upcoming PSC work sessions:

- **Tuesday, August 14 – Meeting starts at 12:30 p.m. (tentative RIP starts at 2:15:00)** Schedule and Topics for Upcoming PCS’s Work Sessions
  - Wednesday, June 7, 2 p.m. (RIP starts at beginning) Topic: Scale of Houses
  - Tuesday, June 26, 5 p.m. (RIP starts at 1:00:00) Topic: Housing Options – Part One

Visit: portlandoregon.gov/bps/infill

Contact: Julia Gisler, 503-823-7624, Julia.Gisler@portlandoregon.gov

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Tuesday August 21st, 7 pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 7 7688 SW Capitol Hwy.**

I’m not sure how to write about this. My neighbor down the street got shot by PSU campus security. It happened on Friday, June 29th about 1:30pm in front of the Cheerful Tortoise at 1039 SW Sixth Ave, a bar just off campus frequented by college students. As reported in the Oregonian, witnesses say Jason E. Washington was attempting to break up a fight that had erupted in the bar and had spilled out unto the street around closing time. According to a witness, the fight had started because of racial slurs. I didn’t know him; but had heard that he had married into an Italian family that had lived in the neighborhood for many years. The Oregonian stated that he was a 45-year old African American male who had served in the navy and worked as a barber. We are in death (media vita morte sumus). This is the first line of a Gregorian chant known as “Antiphona pro Peccatis or ‘de Morte’”. The Equity Committee hopes to create opportunities to meet our neighbors and increase awareness.

Next Meeting: Monday, August 27th. 7:00 pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 4 7688 SW Capitol Hwy.
Fire Safety And Reporting

(Information resources provided by Portland Fire & Rescue)

Many people worry about fires during the summer time, however fire safety and prevention should be done year-round. Many a times wild fires start from man-made items (improperly disposed coals, fireworks, stove fires, brush clearing, etc.)

Fire can spread quickly through a home, leaving little time to escape safely once the alarm sounds. The ability to get out can depend on advance warning from smoke alarms and advanced planning – a home fire escape plan that everyone in the family is familiar with and has practiced. Here are some ways to be prepared, not just during the fire season, but year-round:

- Draw a home escape plan and discuss it with everyone in your home.
- Practice the plan at night and during the day with everyone in your home, twice a year.
- Know at least two ways out of every room, if possible. Make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily.

- Have an outside meeting place away from the home where everyone should meet.
- Practice using different ways out.
- Teach children how to escape on their own in case you can’t help them.
- If the smoke alarm sounds, get out and stay out. Do not go back inside.
- If you must escape through smoke, get low close to the floor and go under the smoke to your way out.
- Feel the knob and door before opening a door.
- Close doors behind you as you leave.
- Call the 9-1-1 from outside your home.
- Community members can contact Portland Fire & Rescue’s Public Education Office for assistance in planning a home fire escape plan at (503) 823-3700.

Part of preventing fires is also knowing when and where to report them. The City of Portland and Oregon State have laws and policies (portlandoregon.gov/citycode/28195) in which are made to help prevent crimes and incidents involving fire. If you see someone lighting an illegal fire, lighting off fireworks near a fire hazard area, or a fire has started in your home call the Bureau of Emergency Communications at 9-1-1 or non-emergency at 503.823.3333.

Other resources and information:
portlandoregon.gov/bds/article/156583
portlandoregon.gov/FIRE/article/531507

City of Portland Police Bureau Crime Statistics available online at portlandoregon.gov/police/71978

Monthly Neighborhood Offense Statistics Provided by Strategic Services Division, Portland Police Bureau

Online report is updated the first business day after the 15th of the month.

Public safety and livability resources

Emergency (immediate threats to life or property)................................. 9-1-1
Police Non-Emergency (suspicious activity, crime that already occurred) ...... 503-823-3333

Online Crime Reporting ................................................................. portlandoregon.gov/police/cor
If you, a family or friend is in crisis and/or needs support:

Mental Health Crisis Line (24 hrs)................................................... 503-988-4888
Call to Safety Crisis Line (24 hrs help for survivors of violence)503-235-5333
Drug & Alcohol Helpline (24 hrs).................................................... 800-923-HELP

Domestic violence services ............................................................. multco.us/dv
PDX Reporter online reporting tool ............................................... pdxreporter.org
(Report graffiti, street light outages, debris in the roadway, park maintenance issues, plugged storm drains, potholes, complaints about campsites, etc.)

Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Watch.................................. 503-823-4064
Graffiti Abatement (City’s reporting and abatement line).................... 503-823-4TAG
Housing and nuisance code violations portlandoregon.gov/bds........... 503-823-CODE

Park Rangers (report problems in parks, parkscanpdx.org).............. 503-823-1637

One Point of Contact Campsite online reporting ....................... portlandoregon.gov/campsite

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The SWNI Public Safety Committee will not meet in August. Instead we will be celebrating many community and neighborhood association sponsored events planned throughout the week of August 3rd – August 12th. National Night Out is celebrated across North America as a time for people to hold block parties and community celebrations in order to strengthen community cohesiveness and crime resistance, and get to know their neighbors and their local public safety officials. Please see all the colorful ads in this paper promoting National Night Out events by our member neighborhood associations. Please join in the fun and meet your neighbors!

Many Thanks to Kim Kosmas, SR Public Education Officer of Portland Fire & Rescue for discussing summer fire safety tips with our committee in July. A lively discussion was had and those in attendance received some very cool giveaways. Thanks! See the Portland Fire & Rescue - Preventing Urban Wildfires video posted on the Public Safety Committee’s website at: swni.org/public_safety

Our next committee meeting will be held on Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 7 pm. We will be discussing plans for our annual Community Policing Reception. Please mark your calendars for Thursday, October 25, at 6:30 p! If you have had a positive interaction or been given special assistance by a Portland Police officer, the Public Safety Committee would like to hear from you. Please visit our website at: swni.org/public_safety and share your story or comment.

Our committee meetings are open to the public. If you have a safety or crime related issue in your neighborhood, we want to hear about it. If there is a relevant topic that you would like to have information on or hear a presentation on a certain issue, let us know. Contact Public Safety Committee Chair Carol Porto at public-safety-chair@swni.org.

Next Meeting:
Thursday, September 6, 7pm
Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 30
7688 SW Capitol Hwy

The SWNI Public Safety Committee
Chair Carol Porto
Public Safety@swni.org
swni.org/public_safety

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Saturday, Aug. 18 • 9:30am-1pm
(at Multnomah Days event)
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Parks Tree Inventory Update! Pics!
Forty two neighbors and tree lovers gathered at Gabriel Park on June 23rd. Sue Van Loon organized the Gabriel Park Tree Inventory, and it was a great success. Six hundred and seventeen trees were identified and placed on Urban Forestry's map. Amongst the unique species found in Gabriel Park was the Golden Larch (Pseudolarix amabilis). The tallest tree in the park is a Douglas Fir at 110’. The tree with the largest diameter is a Western Red Cedar at 76.4”.

There are still opportunities available to be involved in the 2018 Parks Tree Inventory Project. Downtown parks will be inventoried on August 18th, and Lair Hill Park is going to be inventoried on August 22nd. Find out more and sign up at portlandoregon.gov/parks/53181

Images below are from: flickr.com/photos/urbanforestry/albums/72157697914186814
Get Ahead Early with Neighborhood House’s Head Start Program
By Dana Guterman, Neighborhood House

On June 13, over 60 children graduated from Neighborhood House’s Head Start preschool program, all wearing handcrafted paper hats—half crowns, half sparkly mortarboards. The day was a celebration of academic success, community and diversity. Across Neighborhood House’s Head Start classrooms, students’ families speak 23 home languages, while staff speak six. By merging the group’s rich cultural tapestry with individualized attention and parental engagement, children from low-income families, as well as those with disabilities or special needs, receive a supportive early education at no cost. When the program began in 1994, it served just 80 children. Today, Neighborhood House Head Start provides quality early childhood education to 158 families across Multnomah County on its west side. Additionally, the Early Head Start (EHS) home-based program serves 30 families, and an EHS program serving Native American children in Southeast Portland serves twelve. At Head Start and Early Head Start, small classes ensure individualized attention for each student, while teacher and parent collaboration promotes a culture of continued learning and development once the bell rings. “Our programs believe individuals are unique and learn at different paces and through different opportunities and styles,” explains Lindsay Wills, Early Head Start, Head Start, and Preschool Promise program manager. “We believe in meeting the needs of our participants and families and enhancing the learning experiences for everyone by embracing diversity and incorporating culturally and linguistically diverse curricula and other educational materials into our classrooms, home visits and parent-education components.”

Head Start is a state-funded program that helps children ages 3–5 prepare for kindergarten and beyond by building critical competence and developing school-readiness skills. The program aims to improve social competence in children, regardless of race, economic circumstances, language or geographic location, by providing a comprehensive development experience within the context of each child’s family and community. Across Neighborhood House’s Head Start classrooms, students’ families speak 23 home languages, while staff speak six. By merging the group’s rich cultural tapestry with individualized attention and parental engagement, children from low-income families, as well as those with disabilities or special needs, receive a supportive early education at no cost. When the program began in 1994, it served just 80 children. Today, Neighborhood House Head Start provides quality early childhood education to 158 families across Multnomah County on its west side. Additionally, the Early Head Start (EHS) home-based program serves 30 families, and an EHS program serving Native American children in Southeast Portland serves twelve. At Head Start and Early Head Start, small classes ensure individualized attention for each student, while teacher and parent collaboration promotes a culture of continued learning and development once the bell rings. “Our programs believe individuals are unique and learn at different paces and through different opportunities and styles,” explains Lindsay Wills, Early Head Start, Head Start, and Preschool Promise program manager. “We believe in meeting the needs of our participants and families and enhancing the learning experiences for everyone by embracing diversity and incorporating culturally and linguistically diverse curricula and other educational materials into our classrooms, home visits and parent-education components.”

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**SW Urban Trails Walk Saturday, August 11, 9 am**

The August walk will be led by Hans and Jette Steuch. We will start our walk by carpooling to Brugger St. near Lewis and Clark College.

Starting at Brugger Street we will head north on View Point Terrace, through Riverview Cemetery to Taylors Ferry Road, Fulton Park Boulevard, Corbett Avenue until we intersect Trail 3 at Carolina Street. We’ll take Trail 3 east and south to Willamette Park and follow trails south along the Willamette River, under the Sellwood Bridge, through Powers Marine Park to a point where we head west, cross Macadam Ave, and return via trails in Riverview Natural Area to Brugger Street.

Distance is 5.5 miles with about 550 feet of elevation gain. The walk is on paved streets and on trails with a few mildly challenging spots.

We will meet behind the bleachers at Wilson High School (SW Sunset Blvd. and SW Capitol Highway) and be ready to carpool at 9:00 am. Well behaved dogs on leash are normally allowed on SW Trails hikes, but Portland Parks allows no dogs in River View Natural Area. For health reasons, there is no smoking on SW Trails walks.

For more information or to lead a future walk in your neighborhood, contact Sharon Fekety (fekety@hevanet.com).

Co-sponsored by SW Trails PDX and Hillsdale Neighborhood Association.