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Planning for Real Workshop
Tuesday, May 3, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Multnomah Arts Center Auditorium
7688 SW Capitol Hwy

As part of the planning for new mixed-use zones, the Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) is conducting a public workshop. The purpose of this event is to present the proposed draft and gather feedback from the community. The workshop will include presentations, Q&A sessions, and opportunities for participants to provide input.

Acceptable Items
• Yard Debris
• Wood from personal projects, flower beds, decking, etc.
• Bulky Items (furniture, mattresses, toys, kitty condos, etc.)
• Scrap Metal (washers, dryers, ladders, bicycles, etc.)
• Reusable household items for Community Warehouse (communitywarehouse.org)

Prohibited Items
• Electronics
• Hazardous Materials
• Commercial construction waste
• Drywall, Sheetrock
• Composition Roofing
• Kitchen Garbage
• Curbside Recycling
• Stumps, Rocks
• Animal Waste

Are you a senior or disabled citizen and can’t get items to us?
You may schedule a pickup. One pickup load per address and all items must be placed in the driveway.

Deadline for reserving senior or disabled cleanup pickup:
Wednesday, May 4th, 5 pm
Call 503-823-4592

Volunteers Needed!
Call Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc.
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Mixed Use Zones Project
Proposed Draft - Information Session

Learn about the proposed changes to Commercial Mixed Use Zones for your neighborhood

May 2, 2016, 7:00 – 8:30 pm
Multnomah Arts Center, Auditorium
7688 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland, OR 97219

View Mixed Use Zones website and the proposed draft at:
http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/mixeduse

E-mail: mixedusezones@portlandoregon.gov
The Bureau of Planning and Sustainability is committed to providing equal access in information and hearings. If you need special accommodation, please call 503-823-7700, the City’s TTY at 503-823-6868, or the Oregon Relay Service at 1-800-735-2900.
As I sit here staring at the computer, the birds are chirping outside my window, and I am forced to look out on the world around me. Leaves are coming out on the white oak, buds appear overnight on the raspberries, and the flowering currant is all about. I know you all have ideas of what your neighborhood needs to improve upon for livability and you just need to find the time to make that happen. I ask that you take that time and attend one board meeting at least in your neighborhood to find out what a neighborhood association can do for you!

Join in and help out where you can. The rewards for this effort on your part can be seen in the eyes of a child running in the neighborhood park, the events happening in the neighborhood, and the NET team practices that are held throughout the year. I will let you in on a little secret that I have found. Volunteering is both fun and rewarding. Just like the bee that pollinates flowers, what you give to the community comes back in many ways. See you at the next event.

In Our Neighborhood

SW Corridor Plan
Nelle Dobson, Metro, 503-797-1745,nelle.dobson@oregonmetro.gov

Feedback from April 6th SW Corridor forum
Approximately 70 people attended and contributed to good discussion and dialogue at the April 6th Southwest Corridor Steering Committee meeting and community forum at the Southwest Community Center. As participants arrived we asked them to write down specific questions on sticky notes that they would like addressed at small table groups later in the forum. Due to preferences from attendees we decided to not have small table group discussions but instead focused on an open house format where attendees could interact with staff and decision makers.

We collected all of the questions submitted by attendees so that we could be sure to respond. You can read the staff responses to those questions and the "dot voting" results from the interactive posters around the room on our website: www.oregonmetro.gov/public-projects/southwest-corridor-plan.

Technical modification: Tigard alignments
Staff released a new technical modification report that presents an additional high-capacity transit alignment in the Tigard area that could be studied in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), and to confirm the HCT preferred alternative that will enter in DEIS scoping in the late summer.

Rieke Field - Parks Replacement Bond Update
Maija Spencer, Portland Parks & Recreation

Thanks to the Parks Replacement Bond, Rieke Field will receive a replacement synthetic turf field for soccer, lacrosse, and rec play by Rieke Elementary School students. The project also includes improving subsurface drainage conditions, a new sub-base to correct uneven settling, new sports furnishings, and pathway access improvements. At the first open house held at Rieke Park, Parks & Recreation shared information about the scope of the project, turf infill material options, and the project schedule. A second open house is being planned for mid-May – find details about the date, time, and location at www.parkreplacementbond.org. For more information about the Rieke Field project, please contact Maija Spencer, Parks Bond Community Engagement, at (503) 823-5593 or maija.spencer@portlandoregon.gov.
Arnold Creek

Next board Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 6:00-8:45 pm
Next General Meeting: Wednesday, May 11, 7:00 pm
Stephenson Elementary School, 2627 SW Stephenson St.
Gretthe Larson and Debbie Griffin, President, arnoldcreek.org
www.ArnoldCreek.org

Our April general meeting was well attended with a jam-packed agenda. We were pleased to welcome many new people and hope they will return for our next meeting in May. The main topics of discussion included the Stephenson swales project and the Boones Ferry culvert replacement/bridge project.

Stephenson Swales: Jennifer Devlin from BES and Alexis Gabriel from PBOT were our guests. Jennifer gave some background information on the swales project. The project is a pilot project that experienced changing requirements during the design process. The project is nearing completion. Community concerns raised included the ongoing maintenance of the swales, the safety of the 4-foot walkable shoulders and speed issues, the gaps in the project [areas without walkable shoulders] and design concerns regarding the gravel under the thin paved shoulder. Alexis suggested that if the neighborhood wants the city to lower the speed on Stephenson Street now, in a good time to raise that issue. The presentation was excellent and both Jennifer and Alexis were responsive to our questions and concerns.

Boones Ferry Culvert Replacement/ Bridge Project: John Mullen, Park Manager from Tyron Creek State Park, and Jennifer Devlin from BES discussed this project which is part of the product effort involving the City of Portland, Tyron Creek Watershed Council, Metro and Tyron Creek State Park to upgrade an undersized and aging culvert under Boones Ferry Road. The upgrade will allow better water flow, improve fish passage and create pedestrian and wildlife connections. The project is anticipated to start in the summer of 2017. More information on this project will be posted on our website with links to maps and design. Another excellent presentation!

ACNA hopes to invite Jennifer, Alexis and John to return in the fall to give us updates on the swales project and the BF culvert replacement. Meanwhile BES is holding a SW Watersheds open house on April 27 from 5:30-7:30 at Multnomah Center, Room 29, and all are welcome to attend. This event will provide additional information on the swales project and other neighborhood projects.

Other Items: Also on the agenda were reports from Officer Caspar and our various committees and teams and a discussion concerning participation in community rewards programs at Kroeger/Fred Meyer and Amazon. A steady stream of presentations is working on signage for our neighborhood including street sign caps and monthly meeting sign-in sheets. There will be more information on this project at our May meeting. We are looking into adopting a neighborhood logo and considering some ‘branding’ for our NA. We are looking for National Night Out volunteers for the August 2nd NNO. A motion was made to take an advisory, nonbinding vote on reducing the speed limit on Stephenson Street from 35 to 25 MPH. The motion passed 14-5. We will have further discussion of this issue at our next meeting.

The next general meeting will be May 10th at 7 pm. In addition to matters raised above there will be a Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) presentation regarding a search and rescue mapping project done by Jim Hensel and Liz Marantz and a discussion of everyday items that would be useful in the case of an emergency led by Sue Randall and Liz. This meeting will be preceded by a board meeting at 6 pm. Agendas for both meetings along with drafts of prior meeting minutes will be posted on the ACNA site: www.ArnoldCreek.org

All are welcome to join us. If the main door at Stephenson Elementary is locked, please call or text the number on the posted door sign and someone will come and let you in. Or go around to the side entrance on the west side of the school and knock loudly.

Abundance of beauty in our neighborhood!

Camas field, photo by Liz Marantz.

Crestwood

Next: Wednesday, May 11, 7:00 pm
West Portland United Methodist Church library, 4729 SW Taylors Ferry Road
CrestwoodNABoard@gmail.com, 503-246-7366
http://crestwood.swni.org

Crestwood did not have a meeting in April (we meet every other month, on odd numbered months) but still had our May meeting. We will be addressing:
• Election of officers
• Committee Reports (Transportation, Land Use, Parks, Crime Prevention)
• Strategic Direction and Action Plan for 2016
• Boundary Change Proposal
• Neighborhood needs
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• Applications for a secretary / treasurer. Even if you are not able to become a board member, your input is important to the decisions we make.

We hope to see everyone at our next meeting, May 11th.

Ashcreek

Next Board Meeting and election board: Monday, May 9, 7:00 pm
Multnomah Arts Center, 2003 SW Multnomah Blvd., Portland
Dean Smith, smith1111@comcast.net, 503-351-0521
http://ashcreek.swni.org

Three elected to ANA Board posts
Ashcreek neighbors elected three members in April. The officer positions Dave Manville and Brian Hill were re-elected to two-year terms, and former ANA President Jason Mullen was elected to a two-year term. We appreciate their willingness to serve.

Summer picnic set for July 11
ANA set the day of its annual summer picnic – Monday evening, July 11. Mark your calendars for this opportunity to gather with your neighbors for free hot dogs and other picnic fare. Community-wide gathering for over 100 neighbors who enjoyed a beautiful evening, lots of things for the family to enjoy and good neighborly getting to know each other.

GHR/Multonmaham intersection plan supported
Informational representatives will be meeting with our counterparts in Washington County’s Citizen Participation Organization (CPO) on May 19 to discuss the prioritization of intersection improvements at the Multnomah High School and SW Multnomah Boulevard.

This problem intersection is within Washington County but responsibility for the roadway has been the city of Portland’s for a number of years. The long-desired improvements, which could include signalization, have been on the funding list for years but this is the first time the project seems within reach.

Portland has already pledged $1 million toward the estimated $2 million cost. City officials and the Ashcreek neighborhood are asking Washington County to pitch in the other half of the required funding. Some county officials, however, believe Portland should bear the entire cost.

Ashcreek will be the first to comment period to the Washington County transportation department will be open in May. County officials are asking for public recommendations later. Nearly 20 letters from Ashcreek neighbors and others supporting the project already have been received.

Smith School reopening is still a possibility
The Portland School Board continued to evaluate a redistricting plan that identifies Ashcreek’s Smith School for potential reopening as a neighborhood school in about 2019. A school board vote on Superintendent John Klinker’s proposal was expected on April 19.

Residents have noticed renewed school district activity at Smith School, SW 52nd and Marigold, in recent weeks – particularly associated with a condition of the school to prepare budget estimates for refurbishing the school. Information presentations by BES officials have expressed that it could cost around $2 million to return the school to operating condition.

Smith School was closed in 2005 to the consternation of the neighborhood. It was briefly reopened for use by Riverdale School before its school was being rebuilt, then closed again.

Superintendent Smith’s scenario would have Smith reopening as a traditional K-5 neighborhood school, assuming the current pattern of population growth continues supporting in social studies.

ANA representatives Dean Smith and Michael Kisor have testified in favor of the scenario, noting the value of a traditional neighborhood school for the Ashcreek community.

Bridlemile

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 4, 7:00 pm
Next General Meeting: Wednesday, May 11, 7:00 pm
All meetings at Bridlemile School faculty lounge, 4300 SW 47th Dr.
Steve Mullinax, BridlemileNAParks@swni.org
http://bridlemile.swni.org

FUND FOOD! FUN! Friends! Bridlemile’s summer events are a great time for celebration, family entertainment, and meeting neighbors! Help us plan and prepare for National Night Out, August 2, and Movie Night in Hamilton Park, Friday, August 26. (The movie is Pirates of the Caribbean – Curse of the Black Pearl, 2003, PG-13). Our April 13 meeting focused on these events. We are looking for local businesses to sponsor movie night and volunteers to help organize. Please contact BridlemileNABoard@swni.org for more information.

NOTE CHANGE IN MEETING TIMES.
The BNA board and BNA general meeting times have changed for May and June, 2016. All meeting times have been changed to 7pm. Location is unchanged – Faculty Lounge, Bridlemile Elementary School. The board meeting is the first Wednesday of each month, the general meeting is the third Wednesday. No regular meetings in July or August.

Bridlemile NA ELECTIONS coming at our May 11 annual meeting. The BNA board will fill six board positions at that time. We welcome interest from all, including new residents, younger people, minorities, renters and business owners. There is no difference on the board or as a regular member if there is something you are passionate about improving. Please send email to BridlemileNABoard@swni.org to let us know if you are interested. All residents, property owners and individuals who hold a business license within the neighborhood association boundaries are eligible for membership. All members may vote, and, if elected, serve on the board. An eligible person becomes a member of BNA two weeks after providing written consent, which may be done at any general membership meeting. If you are eligible and have attended a BNA meeting in the year prior to May 10, you are a member.

PARKS & TRAILS: JUNE FOCUS. Our June 8 meeting will work on planning improvements to our parks and on local trails. We are arranging guest speakers who have experience with park trails in our neighborhoods. Be part of this discussion! Where would you like to see better facilities in Bridlemile?
Neighborhood Reports

Collins View

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 4, 7:00 pm
Riverdale High School, 9727 SW Terwilliger Blvd.
Jim Diamond, jimd@lindenfield.edu
www.collinsview.org and collinsview.nextdoor.com

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Hayhurst School is planning its 2nd Annual Auction, “Oh the Places You’ll Go!” The event will begin at 6:00 pm on Saturday, May 14. There will be food, music, and other entertainment. Community members wishing to attend and tickets are $35. Also, SW Iowa Street near the school will be closed most of the day for the event. To learn more, visit https://hayhurst.ejoinme.org/tickets or email jnelson@emailfrom.net

At the April General Meeting, there was much discussion around housing development in the neighborhood. Guest speaker Joan Frederickson, West District Liaison, presented very insightful information about the City of Portland Comprehensive Plan, time lines for comments, and more specific about re-zoning requests and amendments that are pending. Neighbors in attendance were interested in the properties and the process. Virginia Bowers, Maplewood Neighborhood Association Land Use Chair, helped develop a summary of links to projects, descriptions of the process and time lines. Options for the public to comment on the proposed zoning changes and amendments were also collected and summarized. An email blast and Facebook posting was sent out to the neighborhood members with all of this helpful information recently.

Transportation: Lewis presented exciting updates on improved time lines for stretches of sidewalks and bike lanes along SW Vermont and SW 45th. While it will still be a number of years before we see completion of these projects, there have been significant improvements more recently. Time lines for all of these changes are well past the June 7 neighborhood association officer elections. There will be several new positions and vacancies open, including two new at large board positions. Any person interested in becoming a Homestead Neighborhood Association officer should contact Ed Fischer who is heading up the candidate nominating committee at homesteadna.org. Note also the membership requirements.

To become a Member of the Homestead Neighborhood Association: City rules require persons to officially request membership in the neighborhood association. But becoming a member is easy. There are no dues or fees for membership. We will not use your name or any other personal information with any other group. Membership allows you to express your opinion and cast your vote on issues that are important to you and our neighborhood. Eligibility information is provided on our website. After 21 days, we will ask you to refresh your request. Go to www.homesteadna.org for information.

Annual Picnic: Our annual picnic will be held the first Tuesday in August. Preparations begin now! Please contact Susan Egnor at homesteadna.org or phone (503) 244-7703 for information.

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April Hill Park Annual OSU Alumni Work Party
This is a community project and all are welcome
Saturday, May 21, 9am - 12pm
AprilHillPark@SWN.org

Spring Forward
This weekend is the time to prepare to stop that annoying “fall back” action of the previous year. Set your clocks ahead one hour to compensate for the Earth hour that takes place this Saturday. Denbigh and Shriner medical facilities on Marquam Hill from a National Arborist Certified arborist have yet to begin.

Michael Harrison reported that OHSU has hired a nanotechnologist to lead the early detection project at the Knight Institute. This will be followed by hiring 300 new employees as a part of this effort. OHSU rocks!

We welcomed Darrell Ness and his new project to build a new park on NE 43rd St in the 3460 SW U.S. Veterans Hospital Road.

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At the April meeting, guest speaker Robert McCullough, president of the SE Uplift Coalition of neighborhoods, president of the Eastmoreland Neighborhood Association, and leader of the Giant Sequoia street campaign, urged us to persist in our efforts to influence the City regarding the 2035 Comprehensive Plan. McCullough pointed out that the State must approve the Plan and suggested we consider legal challenges in cases where the City’s process has been “loopy”; he noted this won’t be hard, as his NA has obtained through the Plan process.

For almost two years, the MNA has submitted amendments to the 2035 Plan update. One of the most important amendments was to change the designation of the Village from a “Neighborhood Center” to a “Corridor.” This position was supported by hundreds of letters and emails. However, the planners have not respected the character of our neighborhood. They are insisting on designating a “Village Neighborhood Center” – all the while they repeatedly offered assurances that the different designations would not affect the surrounding zoning.

Now a “sneaker” Comp Plan amendment, #P45, produced in the last minute reveals the assurances were untrue. #P45 would encourage “middle density housing” (primarily townhomes) within a 4-mile radius of Neighborhood Centers! If passed, it would allow most single-family properties in Multnomah to be developed as row-houses, small apartments, “cluster houses” or multifamilies. The MNA voted to oppose #P45. You must act now if you wish to protect single-family zoning on your street from being dismantled. Phone City Council to voice your opposition to #P45 (503) 823-7270.

The Comp Plan implementation is guided by several ongoing projects. One of particular importance is the Mixed Use Zone (MUZ) Project. Please attend the MUZ hearings and advocate for limiting commercial development in the Village to 3-stories, measured from the lowest elevation on the site: May 10, 2016, 12:30-3:30 PM, 1900 SW 4th Ave, 2500A.

South Burlingame

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 12, 7:00 pm
Capitol Hill School, 8401 SW 17th Ave, Room 111
Sam Pearson, stpjrl@gmail.com
http://burlingame.swni.org

SBNF has not heard anything from the city on the MacEwen Ridge project. We have really nothing to report. The rumor mill has said that the Golden Touch is going to remain open for the time being as various actions are going through review of the city.

The SWCP staff recommendations for transit mode and PCCSyria tunnel have come out. With light rail recommended as the right mode of transportation, and that no tunnel is done to the PCC campus. On May 9th the steering committee will consider the recommendations and complete the process.

Jim Gorter the Southwest neighborhoods representative on the Residential Infill Project Stakeholders Advisory Committee told us about what has been going on since our last meeting. Questions came up about character, lot size, and many other issues. SBNF gave him items to look after and suggestions.

Lastly we have had several breaks in the neighborhood. Lock your cars and homes and watch out for suspicious vehicles and people in the neighborhood.

Neighborhood Reports

Markham

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 7:00 pm
Jackson Middle School, 10625 SW 35th Avenue
Donna Herron, (503) 452-0000
Markham.President@gmail.com
http://markham.swni.org

Inaugural Jan Weston
Bicycle Safety Fair &
“Kung Fu Panda II” movie
Thursday, July 14th, 5:00 PM, movie starts @ Dusk
Jackson Middle School Sports Field, 10625 SW 35th Avenue

Land use continues to be a source of controversy for many of our neighborhoods. At our last meeting, Jon DeLance updated our group on Lewis & Clark’s efforts to designate 5 properties owned by Lewis & Clark as campus institutional properties. These properties are located at SW Maplecrest, SW Lower Boones Ferry and SW Terwilliger and were originally excluded from the college’s 2009 master plan. Marshall Park, along with other neighborhood Bicycle Safety and Security groups are stating our objections. A copy of the letter can be found on the Marshall Park website.

We also had an update from our Public Safety representative, Kathleen Sullivan. There will be a public meeting and workshop, May 3rd, regarding Portland’s Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. See front page “Planning for Real” for visitation statement. There is also an emergency preparedness fair in the works for June 25th. A bike safety event, that we had with Jan Weston has been scheduled for July 14th. See Markham neighborhood report above.

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Jim Gorter the Southwest neighborhoods representative on the Residential Infill Project Stakeholders Advisory Committee told us about what has been going on since our last meeting. Questions came up about character, lot size, and many other issues. SBNF gave him items to look after and suggestions.

Lastly we have had several breaks in the neighborhood. Lock your cars and homes and watch out for suspicious vehicles and people in the neighborhood.

Multnomah

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 7:00 pm
Room 50
Multnomah Arts Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy.
Carol McCarthy, mnachair@gmail.com
http://multnomah.swni.org

Tree sitter is committed to protecting the Giant Cedar at 7613 SW 33rd.
Photo Credit: Betsy Langton
Thank you, South Portland!

This will be my last article as the chair of the South Portland Neighborhood Association. I want you to know that, thanks to many South Portlanders, it has been a great ten years. So much has happened in our neighborhood and it is great to have been a part of it. South Portland ROCKS!

Summer Concerts and Fair

We have been working hard again this year to make your summer super fun. We have arranged to book some super bands. We are still searching for funds as one of our major sponsors was unable to fulfill their commitment.

We are also excited to partner with other nearby neighborhood associations including Arnold Creek, Northeast Hills and Vail. We want to find out the best ideas, and please give me a call. If you or your business can help us out, give us a call.

Here is your summer schedule. Please come prepared for fun!

Willamette Park

SW Macadam & Nebraska
Wednesday, July 6, 6:30 pm
Freak Mountain Ramblers – Home
Bistro Mission Fare & Kell
Wednesday, July 13, 6:30 pm
Malea & The Tourists – PDX’s Dynamic Swing, Pop, Variety Band
Queen Tiasha Bauck surveying her realm, including loyal servant Din Bauck.

South Portland Neighborhood Association Committee Meetings - Everyone welcome!

Transportation/Parking Permit Committee: Tuesday, May 3, 6:00 pm (usually meets the day before the board meeting)
Ross Island Grocery, 3502 SW Corbett, Contact: Bill Danneman (503) 228-9868

Land Use Committee: Tuesday, May 17, 6:00 pm (meets the third Tuesday of the month)
Land use meetings are no longer at the Ross Island Grocery. For location each month, Contact: Jim Gardner (503) 227-2096, landuse@southportlandna.org

Communications/Equity/Parks Committees: Thursday, May 12, 6:30 pm
Ross Island Grocery, 3502 SW Corbett, Contact: Lee Buhler (503) 227-0160

South Portland Business Association

The SPBA coordinated a welcome packet for the new Bouthouse residents with approx 50% of the business members participating. Studio One will offer some terrific Mother’s Day promotions that include: Champagne Manicure and shampoo & style, Spring Your Skin into Shape facial, or All 3: manicure, style & facial. Stop in to Studio One in the River Forum 1 Building, at 4380 SW Macadam Avenue or call for more information at (503) 227-2241. www.studioonepdx.com

The Back Alley String Band – Bluegrass, Americana and Original Acoustic Music.

Wednesday, July 6, 6:00 pm

Willamette Park

Wednesday, July 20, 6:30 pm

The Back Alley String Band – Bluegrass, Americana and Original Acoustic Music.

Wednesday, July 27, 6:30 pm

Reggie Houston’s Box of Chocolates – Specialty with Twitchin’

Wednesday, August 3, 5:30-8:00 pm

South Portland Health and Safety Fair

Saturday, August 27

Native American Beading Class

Beading class attendance is limited. Please call Laura Campos (503) 241-4913 for more details.

New SPNA Board members

We had a great turn out at our annual elections and we are pleased that more people have joined the organization. Our new board members are: Caryanne Conner, Marilyn Considine, Louis Darron, James Paulson and Brian Riddler. They have been organizing their efforts for funds and “retirement” of the editor. Please support them and their work.

Spring Cleanup:

The SWNI cleanup is set for Saturday, May 7. Please bring in your junk. If you are a senior or disabled, we may be able to pick it up at your house. See www.southportlandna.org for more information or call (503) 823-4592

IMPORTANT: Please sign up for email or sign up on www.southportlandna.org.

Also, to keep up with SPNA events and neighborhood news, follow us on Facebook: facebook.com/SouthPortlandNeighbors

Ken Love
President, South Portland Neighborhood Association

We want more in West Portland Park! Particularly, more of our amazing neighbors – to join meetings for the neighborhood association (WPPNA) and more opportunities to engage with each other. Which is why you’ll soon see a survey in your inboxes and on Nextdoor. We’ll also include more changes (potentially the pesky Capitol Highway, Barbur, I-5 interchange) so be sure to notice these as we have a voice. A very important voice. Brita Herwig is continuing to keep us informed and will help us shape our voice to the city.

There’s also more to come with neighborhood resilience: WPPNA is continuing a project (Street Neighborhood Assessment Project) partner with Portland’s NET (Neighborhood Emergency Team). We are excited to partner with other nearby neighborhood associations that have been organizing their efforts in disaster preparedness. These neighborhoods include: Arnold Creek, Collins View and Marshall Park.

Our next meeting will be on April 3 at Multnomah Arts Center from 1:00 – 2:30 pm and is a SNAP workshop and a joint meeting with plans for next year, depending on funds. And please, if you have neighborhood and/or website concerns, come help us!

Next Annual Use Permits for SWHRL

File #: EA-16-139926: Proposed for 900 SW Broadway Drive: 50-unit multi-family dwelling residential project with parking garage, on SW Broadway and SW 19th Ave.

Please comment on SWHRL’s online donation is in place yet with SWNI: https://swni.org/donate.

Strohecker’s Update

We had a great turn out at our annual elections for the SWHRL board. Please leave your email for the board! We want representation from all corners of the neighborhood to make the most accurate feedback to the city on issues that concern us all, the board meets once a month on Wednesdays except when we hold our general membership meetings in January, May and October. We will fulfill our mission to maintain and improve the livability of our neighborhood!

We also need volunteers for Land Use and Transportation Committees (especially those with an interest in bike, pedestrian and transit issues); Outreach & Communications (website, newsletter and membership list maintenance), officer positions. Contact us at swhrl.org or call Nancy Seton at 503-227-2240

Important Notice on SWHRL Viewpoints Newsletter

After the May 2016 issue of Viewpoints, we will need to discontinue the printed version of the SWHRL Viewpoints newsletter, due to lack of funds, and “retirement” of the editor. We will of course continue publication of our E-newsletter, sent at no charge via Constant Contact. However, if you would like to receive our new version of Viewpoints, please contact us, including your email. To sign up go to www.southportlandna.org

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The purpose of SNAP is to help organize sub-neighborhood units into “sector” units that can be coordinated with the larger neighborhood (WPPNA) and emergency rescue personnel in Portland. WPPNA will use the same terminology as the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management. Hence, 11 “sectors” were established within WPPNA (1060+ residents) in order to fully help our neighbors during an emergency (e.g., power loss, drowned children, etc.).

The IMPORTANT next meeting will be on May 12 at 7:00 pm in the Jackson Middle School Library. Please plan on attending and bringing your neighbors to help create a resourceful emergency response.

Finally, there’s more sun on the way! Thank the rain for the blooms and blossoms, but break out the shades and sunscreen for a beautiful summer in West Portland Park!
SWNI Annual Spring Cleanup

Portland Christian Center parking lot, 5700 SW Dosch Road

Volunteers Needed!
- At yard debris and bulky waste drop boxes
- For SWNI/SOLV litter patrol
- Direct traffic
- Help unload debris
- Pick up debris from seniors/disabled
  (Especially helpful if you have a truck.)

Call Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc.
503-823-4592

Acceptable Items

Yard debris

Wood items
(from personal projects, flower beds, decking, etc.)

Bulky items
(furniture, mattresses, toys, kitty condos, etc.)

Scrap metal
(washers, dryers, ladders, bicycles, etc.)

Items for reuse
(see Community Warehouse list)

Prohibited Items:

- Electronics, drywall/Sheetrock, commercial waste, compost, garbage, stumps and rocks, animal waste, paint, hazardous construction, remodeling or demolition due to risk of asbestos.

Examples of high risk materials suspected of containing asbestos:
- Flooring - vinyl tiles, vinyl sheet, mastic
- Walls - plaster, decorative plaster
- Siding - cement siding shingles “Transite”
- Ceilings - acoustical tiles, “popcorn” and spray-on textures
- Insulation - spray-applied, blown-in, vermiculite, pipe, HVAC and lagging
- Electrical - wire insulation, panel partitions
- Other - fire doors, fire brick, fire proofing

Commercial trucks will NOT be permitted.
SW Dosch Road

Saturday, May 7th, 9am-1pm

Portland Christian Center parking lot, 5700 SW Dosch Road

Are you a senior or disabled resident and can’t get items to us?
You may schedule a curbside pickup. One pickup load per address and all items must be placed in the driveway.

DEADLINE TO CALL FOR PICKUP:
Wednesday, May 4th, 5 pm
Call 503-823-4592

Suggested fees:
$10 per trip
$20 with yard debris

The suggested donation helps us run this event by recovering disposal fees and organizational costs. This is one of the few cleanups accepting yard debris.

Electronics, drywall/Sheetrock, commercial waste, composition roofing, kitchen garbage, stumps and rocks, animal waste, paint, hazardous waste, materials from construction, remodeling or demolition due to risk of asbestos.

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Land Use

John Gibbon, 503-768-6708, jgibbymn@aol.com

On April 6th, the SW Corridor Plan Steering Committee met and notified the community that they will consider a line to PCC Sylvania, one option is a shuttle service could hurt the important bus service along the Barbur corridor, and 2) their recommendation that a tunnel and barbur corridor, and 2) their recommendation that a tunnel should not be built because the high capacity transit to SSPC Sylvania.

The Steering Committee will make decisions for the community at their May 9 meeting. In lieu of a tunnel to SSPC Sylvania, one option is a shuttle service could hurt the important bus line along the Barbur corridor, and 2) their recommendation that a tunnel should not be built because the high capacity transit to SSPC Sylvania.

Committee members then turned to the comprehensive plan update. As this project is moving to conclusion, there has been a flood of proposed amendments, many being requests for land use designations that will allow zoning favored by property owners. The Bureau of Planning & Sustainability (BPS) standing firm against some of the proposed amendments.

Community members addressed the topic of “middle density” housing. Middle density refers to duplexes, triplexes, small apartment buildings, rowhouses, and cottages that are built on a scale that is neither single-family nor high-rise. Middle density is a controversial subject. The City Club recently had a split on the issue, with the majority board being opposed to that report that favors middle housing. In conclusion, our concern was about the need for housing rather than a conducive corridor and centers. After discussion, the committee did vote to oppose one of the proposed amendment that establishes a policy on middle housing. In conclusion, our concern was about the need for housing rather than a conducive corridor and centers. After discussion, the committee did vote to oppose one of the proposed amendment that establishes a policy on middle housing.

Committee members addressed a mix of issues: demolitions, a proposed 18-month plan for improvements in Arnold Creek, and short-term rentals.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 17, 7:00 pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 4 7688 SW Capitol Hwy

Transportation

Roger Averbeck, 503-677-1447, transportation@swlni.org

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The committee met on April 7 in the Multnomah Arts Center. Guest Astrid Dragoy reported that Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) just hired Astrid Dragoy to oversee planning of the land stewardship manager. Astrid then discussed parks in the neighborhood of the park. Workers removed invasive plants at Council Crest, Albert Kelly, April 5.

The Friends of River View met with PP&R to discuss formation of a PP&R sanctioned River View partner/friends group. And Powers Marine Park will be restored. The park is in need of an extension during construction of the new Willamette river bridge. One of the good access points for fishing will be lost. Other activities: Astrid also gave updates on environmental education. PP&R has a new eco-class for children and adults that meets at the Marquam Hill, Laura Nilson is now the head of the community gardens.

Committee member Dave Marville reported that on SW Trail 93 at Iowa St. Dave and other volunteers replaced more than 100 new steps. Then a discussion took place on the change in treatment of part-time PP&R workers.

As reported last month, the current chair has been doing it for 10 years, so it’s time for a change. No new names as of yet, but a new chair will be ap-pointed by the board at the May meet-ing, to take office in July. Interested in filling the position, please chair talk to Sam Pearson or Will Fuller. Tech Equity 2016 Continues

We conducted more listening sessions with families and are planning summer school activities based on them, in collaboration with the SUN coordinators at our schools. There will be additional activities in the fall as well.

Next Meeting: Last meeting of the school year Thursday, May 19, 7 pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 4 7688 SW Capitol Hwy, at 31st St.
Rivershed Groups  

Contact and events 
Dickinson Park Stewards 
Troy Hansen, 503-317-3914 or tony@projectconjunction.com. 

Friends of April Hill Park 
Jill Gaddis, aprilhillpark@gmail.com or http://swni.org/aprillihpark 

Friends of Fallcreek 
Sally Willson, sallyhappygardens@yahoo.com. 

Friends of Marshall & Maricara Parks 
John DeLance, FriendsOM2P@gmail.com. 

Friends of Marquam Park 
Robin Jensen, fmnp@comcast.net, 503-799-6355. 

Friends of River View Natural Area 
Fran Lais, Friends of Willamette Valley Home. 

Friends of Terwilliger 
Rob Vaney, jack-rob@spiritone.com or 503-293-1069. 

Portland Parks & Recreation Events 

Contact Mary Ferrill, PPGR, 503-823-9423, mary.ferrill@portlandoregon.gov including English ivy, Himalayan blackberry, and clematis. Sign up at handsoneportland.org. Meet at the restrooms on SW Terwilliger & Hamilton. 

April Hill Park 
(S/21), 9:00am-noon. Meet at kiosk, near Miles Street entrance. 

Woods Park 
4th Saturday work party (S/29), 9:00am-noon. Meet along SW Woods Park by the Zig Zag trail. 

Urban Watershed Mentors Training 
Registration Now Open! 

Join a new network of watershed mentors, learn, have fun and make a difference in your community. 

After a series of webinars, classes and field trainings in May and June, 2016, you’ll implement a restoration plan of your own and join other volunteer leaders to complete more projects. 

Cost is $40—register, click on Events at www.wmswcd.org and scroll down to Urban Watershed Mentors Training. 

For information contact West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District Urban Conservationist, Mary Logabio, at mary@wmswcd.org. 

Tryon Creek Watershed Council 

Contact: Adra Lobdell, 503-467-5592 or tryoncreek.org. 

State of the Watershed June 16, 6:00-8:00 pm, Save the date. 

Tryon Creek Kayak Tour July 16, Save the date. 

Contact: Adra Lobdell, 503-467-5592 or tryoncreek.org. 

April Hill Park Update 
by Jill Gaddis, Friends of April Hill Park 

Sarah Swanson and Max Smith, chairs of Must-see Birds of the Pacific Northwest, led the April Hill Park’s Spring Bird Walk, on April 16. We were met with perfect weather for watching birds, and we saw many. Nesting and migration season, which is just now beginning, is at its height for watching birds singing and moving about. 

On Saturday, May 21, the annual OSU Alumni Community Day of Service event will be held, from 9am to 12pm. Please come and join in the work party. Last year the volunteers spread mulch and finished building the split-rail fence around the newest expansion of the natural area. We all had a good time working together. 

Friends of April Hill Park are planning a groundbreaking event in early June for boardwalk as part of the April Hill Park wetland projects protection. 

April 16th bird walk in April Hill Park. 

New Meadowscaping Handbook! 
Carolyn Myers Lindberg, West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District 

The construction of soft trails, boardwalks, and bridges will be going on throughout this 2016 summer, and into the fall. Neighbors will see equipment and material coming into the park starting about late June or July. All of the work is weather-dependent. Updates will be best seen on our website. SWNI.org/AprilHillPark 

This project is funded by the Metro Natural Areas & Bands, Natural Resources in the Neighborhood Capital grants program, Portland Parks & Recreation, and a lot of our neighbors. 

Contact us for more information at AprilHillPark@comcast.net or visit our website at SWNI.org/AprilHillPark.
An apartment was broken into recently in downtown Portland. The suspect knew the victim. Most likely the burglar was alerted that the victim was on vacation. Watching the news last month, a report mentioned that her colleague was out of town. It's important that we keep our vacation plans under wrap and that our friends and loved ones do too. Burglars typically don't target an occupied home. Therefore making it appear that someone is at home can help prevent a burglary.

The checklist below will help you prepare your home before you leave for vacation.

- Hold your mail during your vacation at holdmail.usps.com/holdmail. If you have an unlocked mailbox, ask your neighbor to check your box periodically in case the request wasn't processed.
- Stop newspaper delivery.
- Make sure that no packages are sent to your home while you’re out. If you must have one delivered while you’re on vacation, send it to someone who can sign for it.
- Don’t announce your vacation on social media before or during your vacation. Post your pictures and trip information after you return.
- Place travel alerts on your credit cards. Consider only taking the cards you need with you on vacation.
- Place televisions and radios on automatic timers as well. Make sure that no packages are sent to your home while you’re away.
- Notify your trusted immediate neighbors that you will be on vacation. Ask them to watch your home and call the police if someone is loitering around your home or behaving suspiciously.
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- If you are traveling abroad, check out our “Vacation Checklist: Traveling Abroad” at portlandoregon.gov/oni/cpadvice.
- If there will be visitors at your place during your vacation, inform your neighbors and Neighborhood Watch members.
- Consider hiring a housesitter during your leave.
- Make sure that no packages are sent to your home while you’re out. If you must have one delivered while you’re on vacation, send it to someone who can sign for it.
- Place indoor lights on automatic timers. The benefit of lights and other devices on timers is that the activity creates an appearance that someone is home. You want the lights that are visible from outside to switch on and off at various times throughout the day. If you can activate them remotely, this is another option.
- Place televisions and radios on automatic timers as well. Make sure that sound is just audible from the porch or other areas around your home, but the source can’t be determined. Radio is a good option because it’s more likely to sound like a conversation.
- If you have dusk-to-dawn exterior lighting and/or motion detector lighting, you will not have to worry about placing timers on exterior lighting. Otherwise use timers. When outside lights are left on for the entire vacation, it becomes obvious that no one is around.
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- Fire, chemical spills, police activity, and other emergencies often happen with little to no warning. If you need to take action to stay safe, the City of Portland and Multnomah County use a system called PublicAlerts to help get the word out. Safety messages may include evacuating, staying inside, or boiling water.
- PublicAlerts is able to send messages to landline phones, mobile phones, and email addresses. Most landline numbers are already in the system, but you must register to get voice or text alerts on your mobile phone or to receive emails. Visit www.PublicAlerts.org today to sign up. The system is free, and alerts are only issued if there is a danger in your area.
- PublicAlerts first launched in 2011 and was recently improved to send messages in 10 languages other than English, including Spanish, Russian, Chinese, Vietnamese, Japanese, Latvian, Arabic, Romanian, Somali and Ukrainian. You must select one of these languages when you sign up to receive non-English messages.
- When signing up, you are also able to indicate additional needs in an emergency – such as a mobility issue, or hearing or visual impairment – or difficulty communicating with public safety responders.
- In addition to sending out safety messages, PublicAlerts.org provides online access to weather, traffic, transit, utility, public health, and public safety alerts and disruptions. Agencies from Portland and throughout the region regularly post information to the site, including the Portland Police Bureau, Portland Fire & Rescue, Portland Bureau of Transportation, Portland Water Bureau, TriMet, National Weather Service and Oregon Department of Transportation. Information about school closures and delays is also available. For more information and to sign up, visit www.PublicAlerts.org.

**Independent Police Review Division announces recruitment for volunteers**

Constantin Severe, Director of the City Auditor’s Independent Police Review (IPR) Division, announces the opening of recruitment for volunteers to serve three-year terms on the Citizen Review Committee (CRC) – an advisory body to IPR and the Portland Police Bureau (Police Bureau). There are two volunteer positions commencing in August 2016. "Service on this committee requires a substantial time commitment," said Severe. "Service on this committee requires evidence-based decision making, objectivity, fairness and impartiality in regards to law enforcement. We are looking for community members that have a strong commitment to public service and who are willing to make a substantial time commitment," said Severe.

IPR is the city agency responsible for the civilian oversight of the Police Bureau. CRC members hear community and Police Bureau member appeals of police misconduct investigations, listen to public concerns regarding police conduct, engage in training and other activities to learn about policing, review Police Bureau policies and procedures, and advise IPR.

This volunteer position will include service on the Police Review Board to make fact-based recommendations for discipline in use of force incidents to the Chief of Police and Police Commissioner. Applications are available at the IPR office in City Hall as well as on IPR’s website http://www.portlandoregon.gov/ipr. Candidates must be Portland, Oregon residents or business owners. Applications must be received at the IPR office in City Hall by 5:00 PM on Thursday, June 2, 2016. Delivery can be by mail or in person at 1221 SW 4th Avenue, Room 140, Portland OR, 97204, or through email at ipr@portlandoregon.gov or fax at 503-823-4571. If you have any questions, please call IPR’s main line at 503-823-0146.

"It is our goal to have a membership reflective of the rich diversity in Portland," Severe said.
Do you know your neighbors? When neighbors know and look out for each other, their neighborhoods are safer.

National Night Out (NNO) is an annual celebration on the 1st Tuesday in August where the community gathers at small block parties or neighborhood events to strengthen their relationships with one another in the spirit of creating safer neighborhoods. Plan your own party or attend a neighborhood event.

Plan a Party ✦ Attend a party:
- Date of NNO: Tuesday, August 2nd
- Register your Portland party at portlandoregon.gov/oni/
- Why register? You can request police or fire fighters at your event, noise variances, and more. There are no guarantees, but police and fire will try to attend registered parties. Toward the end of July, find an event near you at portlandoregon.gov/oni/nno.

Want to learn more about National Night Out? Visit www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/nno

Do you live in the City of Portland? City of Portland Crime Prevention Coordinators:
- Work on problem solving ongoing crime issues in Portland neighborhoods.
- Organize residents to get involved in improving the safety of their neighborhoods.
- Educate residents about crime prevention.
- Visit us at www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/cp

Crime Prevention and Public Safety

Protect against skimmer fraud by the City of Portland Crime Prevention Program

In recent months, Portland Police Detective Brian Sitton has been working with credit unions to find the source of several cases of debit/credit card fraud. Based on patterns of victims’ bank activity, it is suspected that skimmers may have been placed on ATMs located in 7-11 stores. There have been at least two different time periods since November that skimmers have been placed on ATMs causing over 100 accounts to be compromised.

Skimmers are devices that capture credit card information from the card’s magnetic stripe. The devices may be designed to fit over card readers and blend with the machine, installed inside the terminal or plugged into the machine’s network cables. Skimmers may be installed on a machine for a brief period before they are removed and in many cases the data can be accessed remotely. To intercept pin numbers, offenders will also attach pinhole and other cameras to observe customers inputting their codes. They may also use a keyboard overlay to capture the data inputted. With the information, thieves create counterfeit cards.

Per Sitton, some of the riskier places for card readers will be those machines with minimal security or monitoring such as those at gas stations (ones outside of Oregon where there are no attendants), exterior ATMs and restaurants.

Advises Sitton, “Pay attention to the machine and what’s around the area. If something doesn’t look right, don’t use the machine.” Tips for ATMs and payment terminals:
- Use cash when possible or when you are unsure of the equipment used to conduct the transaction.
- If the card reader appears askew, jiggle it to see if it comes off.

In doubt, don’t use the machine.
- Be careful where you use your debit card. If there is fraud, the funds will be withdrawn immediately from your bank account and you will have to work on getting that money back.
- Whereas with a credit card, you are able to identify the fraud before paying the bill. Understand what the liability exposure is for both credit and debit card fraud based on laws and your bank agreements: https://www.consumerfinance.gov/answers/lost-stolen-credit-atm-and-debit-cards.
- Review your bank and credit card transactions frequently and report unauthorized charges immediately.
- Avoid using your pin code on transactions when possible.
- Use your hand to shield your pin code as you input it into the keypad in case there is a camera.
- If anything appears odd about the keypad that you are using to enter a pin number, don’t go through with the transaction.
- Be suspicious if the gas pump has a broken and/or void security seal over the opening to the transaction terminal. The seal is intended to indicate whether a machine has been tampered with. If you identify that a skimmer is on a machine, talk to the clerk.
- The police should also be contacted at the non-emergency number at 503-823-3333. Be careful not to touch the backside of the skimmer as it may contain DNA evidence or fingerprints.

Crime Statistics January–March 2016 Provided by the Portland Police Bureau Strategic Services Division

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- Identity Theft
- Other
- Simple Assault
- Intimidation

Other Person Offenses
- Disorderly Conduct
- Driving Under the Influence
- Liquor Law Violations

Fraud Offenses
- Identity Theft
- Other
- Simple Assault
- Intimidation

Other offenses
- Arson
- Burglary
- Homicide Offenses
- Motor Vehicle Theft
- Other

On average, 1 out of every 100 cases is solved by the police.

Public Safety Committee

James Nobles, 503-936-3065, james@vacantfuture.com

SNWI Public Safety Events

The SNWI Public Safety Emergency Preparedness Fair will be June 25 at the Multnomah Arts Center from 9am to 1pm. Thanks to Brett Matthews from Hillsdale NET for leading this project.

Presenters: Animals in Disaster (Jo Becker), Personal Security (Wally/ Laura Jones), Pre-K Preparedness (Robert Kaminski), Earthquake Tech (Steve Gremmel)

Tables: Red Cross, NET, ARES, Permaculture, Collinworth NET, SNAP Program, Hillsdale NET, Zombie Bite Moulding (minor first aid treatment), Crime Prevention: Jenni Pullen, PSNW: First Aid - Splinting

Inaugural Jan Weston Bike Safety and Movie Night sponsored by SNWI Public Safety and the Markham NA. The event will be held July 18th at Jackson Middle School with Bike Safety starting at 6 pm and the Movie starting at around 8 pm. The movie will be “Kung Fu Panda 2.” Thanks to Donna Herron, SNWI Public Safety Vice Chair and President of the Markham NA for being the Project Manager.

Partial List of Activities:
- Band starts (Portland Teen Idols and another band on PP&R’s list of choices)
- Doernbecher’s Hospital Bicycle Helmet and bicycle safety activities tent
- Doernbecher’s Hospital Child safety seats
- Center for Missing & Exploited Children
- Portland Police Department – Police cruisers & motorcycles. Also possible SWAT van and mounted horseback
- K-9
- Portland Police Department – Vision Zero (goal to eliminate pedestrian fatalities on public roads)
- Portland Fire Bureau – Fire Engine #18 (children can climb in for photos)
- American Medical Response ambulance
- Vendor food trucks
- Guest Speaker for May: Matt Ferris-Smith and Ciera Yeka from the Portland Bureau of Transportation will give an update on the Vision Zero program and take questions for attendees.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 5, 7 PM Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 33 7688 SW Capitol Hwy
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The Mixed Use Zones Project is part of the city’s Comprehensive Plan update, a guide for development and investments for the next 20 years. The Mixed Use Zones Project is revising Portland’s commercial zones outside of the Central City, where new housing, shops and services will be focused into a network of centers and corridors. The project creates new commercial/mixed use zones that address community feedback about the size, scale and mass of new mixed use development in Portland’s commercial areas.

Staff from the city will attend an informational meeting in southwest Portland on Monday, May 2, 2016, 7 p.m. at the Multnomah Arts Center, to provide information and answer questions about the Mixed Use Zones Project and recently published Mixed Use Zones Project - Proposed Draft.

Comments and testimony on the Mixed Use Zones Project - Proposed Draft should be directed to the Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission at a public hearing on May 10, 2016, 12:30 p.m. Staff will attend the meeting on May 2nd to provide information and answer your questions prior to the Planning and Sustainability Commission public hearing.

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The Music and Life of David Bowie
Sunday, May 15
2:00-3:30 pm
Bryan Smith explores the impact of David Bowie’s music on the world through the examination of his life and musical upbringing. Music, writings and interviews will be included in the lecture. Registration required.

Earthquake Preparedness
Tuesday, May 24
6:30-8:00 pm
In this workshop, you will learn what to do before, during and after an earthquake. Discussions will include how to make a family plan, what items should be included, and the proper way to store it. Registration required.

View Mixed Use Zones website and the proposed draft at: http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/mixeduse

E-mail: mixedusezones@portlandoregon.gov

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Town Center Registration: Annual registration is $20 for an individual and $30 for a couple. Registration includes our monthly newsletter and is required for participation in most activities, classes and trips. Registration is open to all individuals 55 & older, or if the spouse is 55 years of age. Limited scholarships are available.

Buddhist Meditation
Carole Melkonian, R.N., L.Ac.
9:00 - 10:15 AM, Mondays
Qigong
Carole Melkonian, R.N., L.Ac.
10:15 - 11:00 AM, Mondays
Stability Ball & Yoga
Peggy Fritzey ($3)
9:10 - 10:15 AM, Tues. & Thurs.
Yoga
Peggy Fritzey ($3)
10:00 - 11:00 AM, Fridays
Rhythmic Exercise
Betty Gifford ($3)
10:15 - 11:15 AM, Tues. & Thurs.

May Shopping Schedule
9:45 AM:• 5-25 Neighborhood House
• 5-23 Walmart or Winco
• 5-18 Safeway or Joann Fabrics
• 5-10 Value Village or Joann Fabrics
• 5-9 Target
• 5-17 Belzinger Fred Meyer or Barbur World Foods
• 5-12 Whole Foods
• 5-20 Walmart or Winco
• 5-14 Value Village or Joann Fabrics
• 5-11 Ralph Hills Fred Meyer or New Seasons
• 5-16 Grocery Outlet or Tomales
• 5-7 B brunette Fred Meyer or Barbur World Foods

May Trip: Registration begins Monday, May 2, at 9:30 am. Come in person to register for recreational trips. Exact changes for each trip are requested. Current Senior Center Registration required for all recreational trips.

Creo Chocolate Factory Tour
Tuesday, May 10
10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
$4.00 suggested donation
Admission: FREE
$5 - $5 for lunch at Creo Cafe
Creo loves showing guests around the factory! One of the chocolate makers will show us the steps to making chocolate.

Leach Botanical Gardens
Tuesday, May 17
11:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.
$6.00 suggested donation
Admission: FREE
$5 - $5 for lunch at A La Carts Food Pavilions
The Leach Botanical Gardens is a place of respite in the urban landscape. Spend the day exploring the beautiful grounds.

NW Senior Theatre: Silver Season - Spring Gala
Wednesday, May 18
10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
$3.00 suggested donation
Admission: $5.00
Join NW Senior Theatre in celebrating its Silver Anniversary! Hear some old favorites reprised - all by audience vote.

Schreiner’s Iris Gardens and Adelman Peony Gardens
Wednesday, May 25
10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
$8.00 suggested donation
Admission: $5.00
$3 for Meals on Wheels sack lunch, or bring your own.
The flowers are in bloom! Enjoy a day outdoors among the beautiful colors.

L.O.M. Pure Spice
Tuesday, May 31
11:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
$6.00 suggested donation
$3 for lunch
One of Williamsette Week’s 99 favorite restaurants in Portland, Pure Spice uses non-processed ingredients and pure spices to bring out natural flavors. Chefs from different regions of China prepare the original and local Chinese dishes to perfection.

Foot Clinic
2nd Wednesday ($35)
Call for appointment
Acupuncture
Carole Melkonian, R.N., L.Ac.
Mondays ($40/$50)
Call for appointment
AARP 55 Alive Senior Day Program ($15/$20)
Senior Law Project
2nd and 4th Tuesdays Call for appointment
Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA)
12:00 - 3:00 PM, Thursdays
Call for appointment
Volunteers Involved for the Emotional Well-being of Seniors (VIEWS)
Support Group
Thursday, May 19, 11:30 AM
A program of Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare’s Older Adult Services
Call 503-261-6181 to be pre-screened. Spaces are reserved.

For the past four years the Portland Food Project has been coordinating an effort to make sure local food pantries have an adequate year-round supply of non-perishable foods to help our hungry neighbors. Neighborhood Coordinators agree to organize a small group of neighbors, friends and/or co-workers to become food donors. The food pantry project delivers a snazzy green bag, and every two months food donors agree to fill the bag with non-perishable foods and place the bag on their porch to be picked up by their Neighborhood Coordinator. On the second Saturday of every month, coordinators pick up the food, and leave in its place another reusable, reusable green bag and a thank you card with the date of the next pickup. The food is then transported, weighed and distributed to pantries that same day. The Portland Food Project partners with the Neighborhood House Food Pantry in Multnomah Village. More donors in SW Portland directly benefit Neighborhood House. Foods most needed are tuna, nut butters, cooking oil, canned meat, rice, pasta, dried beans, soups and vegetables. Needed non-food items include tooth paste, toothbrushes, toilet paper and personal hygiene products.

Find a complete list online at: portlandfoodproject.org

The FP is an Oregon grown, grass root, 100% volunteer run organization. The enthusiasm and commitment of our volunteers is helping the organization to grow. There are additional volunteer opportunities for people who choose to pick up green bags, or to work at a pantry, or to speak before community groups, or do a tabling event at local street fairs. There are many volunteer opportunities for our ALL VOLUNTEER organization.

The Portland Food Project PO Box 97282 Portland, OR 97282 PortlandFoodProject.org

May 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
The Portland Food Project is a recognized 501c(3).

Neighborhood House: Southwest’s leading non-profit serving low-income children and families, has announced major changes to its programs funded by Multnomah County’s SUN system. These include not only Neighborhood House’s Southwest SUN Schools programs at Markham, Robert Gray and Jackson, but also some of the anti-poverty programs providing energy and rental assistance.

Neighborhood House has provided SUN programs in Southwest since 2001, and in 2007 became the lead agency for its region, operating SUN Schools in North Portland, too.

Over the last two years, Multnomah County has undertaken a major restructuring of the SUN system with the goal of: (1) increasing equity among communities of color by directing more funding to culturally-specific organizations; and (2) directing more resources to the areas with the highest concentrations of poverty—namely East Multnomah County. After making these changes, the county launched an RFP process to engage SUN providers for a new 5-year contract period. Neighborhood House learned last month that it had not been selected to provide SUN programming going forward. When the current term ends on June 30, the agency will retain two North Portland SUN schools through a partnership with Self Enhancement, Inc., the new SUN provider for that area, but will no longer operate SUN schools in North Portland.

Since assuming the lead agency role in 2007, the agency has had an average of 2.500 students across Portland each year in its school-based programs. In 2014, 72% of students participating in the agency’s SUN after-school programs improved their math score on standardized tests; 76% improved their reading scores. The agency is especially proud of its successful efforts at multiple locations to mobilize students and parents from diverse backgrounds to build more engaged and inclusive school communities.

Beth Madison, principal of Robert Gray Middle School, responded to the news by saying: “I have worked with Neighborhood House for many years, initially in my role as principal of George Middle School and now at Robert Gray. Neighborhood House has done an amazing job of supporting our efforts to improve achievement for disadvantaged students. They have been a truly outstanding partner.”

The agency will continue assisting low-income people through several programs unaffected by the SUN changes, including Head Start, youth and senior programming, housing for homeless families, and its food pantry, the largest in Portland’s west side.

Says Executive Director Rick Nitti: “It has been a privilege to provide services through the Multnomah County SUN system for the last 15 years. We support the changes Multnomah County is making to direct more resources to Portland’s poorest neighborhoods and communities of color. We appreciate greatly the support and encouragement we have received from our supporters for this work over the years, and look forward to keeping the community abreast of our plans for new programs, including our affordable housing project for seniors.”

For more information regarding the changes at Neighborhood House, contact Mari Yerger, Development Director, 503-246-1663 x2119, or myerger@nhphdx.org.

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invites you an introductory talk on The Village Movement in SW Portland Saturday, May 14, 2016 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
St. Luke Lutheran Church 4595 SW California St, Portland (The meeting will be held in the lower level off of the Vermont St. entrance)
Free of charge, no RSVP needed. Bring a neighbor!
Live a fully engaged rich life while staying in your own home belonging to a caring community of support-nout real estate development of neighbor helping neighbor-being useful, making friends
River West Village is open to anyone 54+
It is a program of Villages NW, a 501c3 non-profit
For more information contact: info@riverwestvillage.org
## Southwest Neighborhoods May 2016 Calendar

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**Multnomah Arts Center Auditorium**

Join us for our Spring Dance Recital featuring students from our adult ballet classes, all ages tap classes, funk and hip-hop classes, and more! Dance will be choreographed by Judy Tibbles, Rosemary Thornton, Kim Ames, Rachel Brown, and others!

Please bring a non-perishable food donation to support the Neighborhood House Food Box Program.

Multnomah Arts Center  •  7008 SW Capitol Hwy.  •  Portland, Oregon 97219  •  503.823.2787

The May walk will be led by Mark Turner. We will meet at Wilson High School and carpool to the corner of SW Fairmount Blvd. and SW Talbot Road. We will then walk down the west side of Portland Heights on SW Montgomery Drive to SW Prospect and from there continue down to the edge of Goose Hollow. We will then climb to SW Mill and go down SW Mill and along the bike trail that skirts Highway 26 and then eastward through the neighborhood just south of Highway 405 to SW Broadway. We will then go up the hill to SW Davenport on the east side of Portland Heights. We will then wind our way through Portland Heights and go up and over Hillcrest Drive and then back to SW Talbot Road.

The walk is about 5 miles long and climbs about 800 feet. There are at least a hundred stairs to climb on this walk but there are optional alternative routes for those who want to avoid the stairs. Meet behind the bleachers, near the food carts, at Wilson High School, (SW Sunset Blvd. and SW Capitol Highway and be ready to go at 9:00 am. Well behaved dogs are allowed on leash. For health reasons, there is no smoking on SW Trails walks.

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