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Forest Park Neighborhood Association (FPNA) Annual Election 2/19/08

An election of Members of the Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, February 19, 2008. Balloting will be continuous from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Willis Community Bldg. at 360 NW Greenleaf Rd. (Greenleaf is a tiny road that crosses Skyline about halfway between Cornell and Burnside. The building is behind the Water Bureau tank on the west side of Skyline and near the giant antenna farm.) **Nominees for four expiring terms on the Board of Directors are: Wayne Luscombe (Incumbent), Scott Rosenlund (Incumbent), Karen Smith (Incumbent director and secretary),**

Pat Jordan (Candidate): Provided by candidate: "We have lived in the neighborhood since 1990. Among other things I have chaired the City's Design Review Commission, a major United Way allocation committee and served on the Multnomah Club's House and Property Committees. And, I have established and operated homeowners' associations. Semi-retired, my work experience encompasses almost exactly 40 years in the Portland area financial and real estate markets."

Kimberly Lane (Candidate): Provided by candidate: "Environmental Consultant. I have an interest in local projects near our home on Skyline Blvd and would enjoy working with the neighborhood in an effort to enhance our community."

Portland Downtown Neighborhood (PDNA) Joins Neighbors West-Northwest



On January 21st the PDNA membership voted to join the NWNW Coalition. The Coalition board previously voted, unanimously, to invite them to join. As NWNW President Frank Bird said "I see only upside potentials from this." Bird added that both organizations will be made stronger through this alliance. PDNA benefits from increased organizational and staff support and the Coalition benefits from the potential for a closer working relationship between the PDNA and other Coalition neighborhoods with common interests. Jeff Boly, NWNW Vice President agreed "It's a win-win" he said.

Portland Harbor Citizens Action Group

The Portland Harbor Citizens Action Group meets at Linnton Community Center February 13, 2008, 6:00PM in the upper room. They will discuss the Arkema superfund site, the most polluted of all sites and just on the other side of the St. Johns Bridge from Linnton, by the railroad bridge. Meetings are open.

Hillside Community Center's Director Retires

Cheryl Martin, beloved Director of the Hillside Community Center (HCC), quietly left her post on January 23, 2008. Under her direction since 2004, the Center has enjoyed increased class participation, growing revenues, and creative new programming. We will most miss her positive attitude and relentless dedication to the Center.

Join us as we bid her a fond farewell on Saturday, February 2, from 5:30 to 8 PM at the HCC. All are welcome to wish her well and enjoy food, music, and fun.



Neighborhood Carpooling

Tired of driving to work? Share the driving, make friends and save gas by carpooling.

Find a carpool or passenger(s) online from the Northwest District Association website at <http://northwestdistrictassociation.org/Default.aspx?tabid=31> to connect with CarpoolMatchNW.com, an electronic bulletin board for arranging carpooling.

Please, let us know how it goes! Send your success stories, humorous anecdotes or helpful suggestions to juliet@easystreet.net.

Neighborhood Clean-Up Clinic!

6:00 PM

Wednesday, February 27, 2008

Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital
Wistar Morris Conference Room
1015 NW 22nd Ave

It's Neighborhood Clean-Up Season and it's time for your booster. Have you forgotten what your neighborhood could look like? Is the trash piling up, the ivy getting out of control? Come learn about ways to clean up without being overwhelmed.

Get energized about planning or leading a neighborhood event that will spruce up your neighborhood and make you feel good. This collaborative learning event will provide a supportive environment for you to express your concerns and new ideas. Special guest clean-up "doctors" from Portland's Office of Sustainable Development and Metro Solid Waste and Recycling will provide tips and resources to care for the health of your neighborhood. Neighborhood field experts will talk about lessons they've learned and offer helpful advice.

Leading a clean-up doesn't have to be stressful and this Clinic will show you the variety of ways you can make a difference. Help is here; there is no better time to get involved! Please RSVP or ask questions at 503-823-4265 or alison@nwnw.org.



Neighbors West- NW Annual Benefit: May 8th

Save the Date!

Thursday, May 8, 2008

Join us for an evening at the CoHo Theatre for a preview performance of Heather Raffo's *9 Parts of Desire* benefiting Neighbors West-Northwest.

The play is a portrait of the lives of a cross section of Iraqi women: a painter, a radical Communist, doctors, exiles, wives and lovers. The work delves into the many conflicting aspects of what it means to be a woman in the war zone that is Iraq.

For more information, or to purchase tickets contact Mary-Rain O'Meara, NWNW Development Coordinator, at 503.823.4288, mary-rain@nwnw.org.

Call for Volunteers Neighbors West-Northwest



We are currently seeking volunteers to assist with our annual coalition benefit at the CoHo Theatre this spring. No experience is necessary, just a love for West and Northwest Portland. Tasks vary depending on your interest. There is a flexible time commitment and you can start anytime. If interested, contact Mary-Rain at the NWNW office: 503.823.5308 mary-rain@nwnw.org

Need language, childcare, transportation or accessibility assistance to participate in your Neighborhood Association? Contact Neighbors West-Northwest to find out about available resources: coalition@nwnw.org, 503.823.4288.

Part-time Job Opening at Coalition. More info at www.nwnw.org



Family Living in The Pearl

by Timothy Bradlee, PDNA Board member



Can a family with small children live in the Pearl? Sure. Skeptical?

I live in the Pearl District with my wife and 2 young children. We recently looked at a house in the suburbs. When the realtor asked, "where do you currently live?" I knew the negative reaction I'd get. But families ARE choosing the Pearl, and this trend will continue to grow.

It all starts with that neighborhood "feel". True, the Pearl is an urban setting, so you can't expect cul-de-sacs with kids riding bikes and shooting hoops. But, you can expect a cohesive neighborhood where residents care about its future, its past and each other. There are wonderful parks and mass transit is easy. If you want to get downtown to the library or even out to a suburb for a playdate, you don't have to drive. At home we enjoy shops, restaurants and play areas. In the future we'll have a Community Center

and possibly even an elementary school.

So, how does a typical family-Pearl-day go? Could you envision yourself living like this? It's 8 a.m. on a Wednesday morning. My wife, son (3 months) and 2-year-old daughter go down to Sip 'N Kranz (located right in our building) for bagels, hot chocolate and coffee. My older one likes to hang-out in the enclosed play area behind a glass wall, Mom keeps an eye on her while relaxing nearby with the baby. Next, off to a playdate at Tanner Springs Park where Pearl kids run in the grass, play by the water and generally be 2-year-olds. Then Moms and kids meander across the street to Via Delizia for some gelato and up to one of the Mom's condos where the fun continues. Afterwards, home and nap are just across the street. When naptimes over, they pick up the dry-cleaning 2 blocks away, deposit a check at the Umpqua Bank

across the street and do a little browsing at "Posh", a near-by kids boutique.

My wife loves to cook so she loads the kids into the stroller on warmer days or into the streetcar on colder days and they're at WholeFoods grocery shopping for dinner ten minutes later. There also will be a new Safeway going in at 12th & Lovejoy. This is a typical day.

Notice, not once did I mention the car, or driving anywhere. So, while some things are more expensive in the city, your heating, cooling, gas and landscaping costs might be lower.

Things I didn't mention - Jamison Park in the Spring/Summer with the water that goes on and off while we get pizza from HotLips across the street or sushi from Sinju or Hiroshi and sit on the grass. Or, first Thursdays when 13th Ave becomes an eclectic carnival of street vendors, when art and wine are

showcased and most Pearl businesses stay open till late. Or, walking across the Broadway Bridge to a Blazers game or a concert at the Rose Garden or Memorial Collusium. Or, free concerts in the park during the summer months.

Our guests say, "What a bright and vibrant community!" - or- "You guys are so lucky to live here." This cultural diversity and the first class Montessori school within walking distance are a few of the reasons we chose to stay after we started having kids.

The choice has worked for our family. Our lifestyle is efficient, and enlivened by travel, art and appreciation for a wide array of people's differences. In our case it has also led to less focus on material things.

Come visit the Pearl -- and bring your kids. It's a great place and now you know you can live here with your family too!

Arlington Heights Neighborhood Association

Join the Arlington Yahoo Group.
Just send a blank email to:
AHNAdiscussion-subscribe@
yahoogroups.com. Thank you!

BOARD MEETING

Monday, February 11th
5:30 p.m., call for location
Questions? Call: 503 823-4211



Forest Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Jim Emerson
503-283-4096

Annual Election (see pg 1)

Tuesday, February 19th
6:00 p.m.
Willis Community Center
360 NW Greenleaf

Neighbors are
invited attend!



Goose Hollow Foothills League

Contact: NWNW 503 823-4211
All meetings:
First United Methodist Church,
1835 SW Jefferson

To receive electronic notices
of meetings, events, minutes &
agendas contact Angela
Southwick: angela@nwnw.org

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Thursday, February 21st
7:00 p.m.

Planning and Zoning Committee

Thursday, February 14th
7:00 p.m.



Hillside Neighborhood Association

Contact: NWNW 503 823-4212

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 12th
7:30 p.m.
Hillside Community Center,
653 NW Culpepper Drive



Linnton Neighborhood Association

Contact: Ross Folberg
http://www.linnton.com

Meetings held 1st Wednesdays of
odd-numbered months

Linnton Neighborhood, Continued...

NEXT TOWN MEETING

Wednesday, March
5th, 7:00 p.m.
Potluck at 6:30 p.m.
Everyone welcome!
Linnton Community
Center
10614 NW St. Helen's Rd.



Northwest District Association

Contact: Juliet Hyams
503 823-4212

www.northwestdistrictassociation.org

BOARD MEETING:

Monday, February 25th
6:00 p.m.

Chapman Auditorium,
1445 NW 26th Avenue

Executive Committee

call to confirm date & time
NWNW Office,
2257 NW Raleigh

Health & Environment Committee

Monday, February 11th
7:00 p.m.
2217 NW Johnson

If you would like to file a
complaint about an odor
event or air pollution prob-
lem please visit our website
at www.portlandair.org

Planning Committee

Thursdays, February 7th,
14th, 21st, & 28th
8:00 a.m.
Call to Confirm 503 823-4212

Transportation Committee

Wednesday, February 6th
6:00 p.m., NW Library,
2300 NW Thurman



Northwest Heights Neighborhood Association

Contact: Charlie Clark 503 459-3610
NWNW at 503 823-4212

Bring your interests and pas-
sions to contribute to this fledg-
ling organization. Board mem-
ber & volunteer positions open!

BOARD MEETING

Please contact us for meet-
ing time and place. Look
forward to seeing you there!



Northwest Industrial Neighborhood Association

Contact: NWNW at 503 823-4212
www.ninapdx.org

BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 12th
7:30 a.m.

La Quinta Inn & Suites
4319 NW Yeon.



Pearl District Neighborhood Association

Contact: Joan Pendergast
503 226-0612

BOARD MEETING:

Thursday, February 14th
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Pacific Northwest College of
Art, 1241 NW Johnson

Communications Committee

Tuesday, February 26th
6:00 p.m.

Umpqua Bank, NW 12th &
Lovejoy Street

Planning Committee

Tuesdays, February 5th &
19th, 6:00 p.m.*
Pacific NW College of Art

Livability Committee

Thursday, February 21st
6:00 p.m.

Umpqua Bank,
1139 NW Lovejoy

Transportation Committee

Thursday, February 14th
4:00 p.m.

Ecotrust, 721 NW Ninth Ave,
3rd Floor Conference Room



Portland Downtown Neighborhood Association

Contact: Steve Trujillo
971 230-0030

BOARD & GENERAL COMMUNITY MEETING:

Monday, February 25th
5:45 - 6:50 p.m.

Followed by General meeting
at 7:00 p.m.

First Congregational Church
1126 SW Park Ave.

Land Use/Transportation Committee

Monday, February 11th
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

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Elliot Tower Meeting Room
1121 SW 10th Ave.

Public Safety Committee

Thursday, February 21st,
Noon - 1:00 p.m.
Harland Building
Main floor meeting room
400 SW 6th



Sylvan-Highlands Neighborhood Association

For transportation related is-
sues, contact: Dave Malcolm
malcolmdave@comcast.net
503 805-9587

Regular Membership Meeting

Tuesday, March 11th
7:00 p.m.
Fire Station 16
1713 SW Skyline Blvd.



Neighbors West- Northwest Coalition

BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, February 13th
5:30 p.m.
NW Library
2300 NW Thurman St.

Neighborhood Clean-Up Clinic

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Nob Hill Business Association

Contact: Peggy Anderson
503 706-6532
peggyander@yahoo.com

GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, February 20th
8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Holiday Inn Express
2333 NW Vaughn

