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Portland Downtown Annual Meeting & Elections

Monday, June 23, 2008, 7:00 PM
First Congregational Church,
Fellowship Hall, 1126 SW Park Ave

PDNA is actively recruiting representation from different segments of the downtown population. Students, workers, property owners, and residents within our boundaries are welcome to join and run for the board.

In addition to elections, the annual meeting will focus on transportation issues facing the community including special presentation by TriMet staff about the Max line extending from our neighborhood into Milwaukie.

Nominations for board positions are still being accepted and can be made from the floor. For more information or to submit a nomination, contact current President Steve Trujillo, stevetru@gmail.com, 503 762-0826 or Angela at Neighbors West-Northwest, angela@nwnw.org, 503 823-4211.

More information is also available on our website at:
www.dnaportland.org.

NWDA Street Clean-up

When: Sat. June 28th
Time: 9:30am
Where: Lucky Lab
1945 NW Quimby

Join us to help clean up our neighborhood and make it more beautiful.

Sign-in starts at 9:15am. At 9:30 we'll hand out trash bags, form teams, and hit the streets. We have some trash grabbers and gloves, but bring yours if you have them. We'll finish by noon.

Bagels & coffee served before; lunch & refreshments after. We'll also hold a free raffle with gift certificates from great local shops and restaurants.

Spread the word. Bring a friend, a neighbor, your family. With more help, we'll cover more of the neighborhood. We hope to see you on the 28th!

Please pre-register by calling Matt Krueger at 503 221-4012

Hillside Happenings

4th of July Parade & Picnic

Come one, come all! Decorate bikes, trikes or wagons and join in the parade or meet us at the Hillside Community Center for food, fun and festivities. The parade starts at 11 AM at the corner of NW Powhatan and NW Cumberland.

The picnic begins shortly thereafter at the Hillside Community Center. The Hillside Neighborhood Association provides hot dogs, chips, soda, and utensils. Many neighbors choose to participate in a potluck. Last names beginning with A-L please bring a salad; M-Z, a dessert.

Traffic Update

Over 50 neighbors attended the last Hillside Neighborhood Association meeting to discuss the increasing traffic on NW Westover and NW Cornell with a PDOT representative. Three options were identified for curtailing traffic:

1) Shift traffic from Westover to Cornell: use turn restrictions during peak hours or cement barriers that allow exit only from Westover and Summit.

2) Meter traffic into the neighborhood: all-way stop at Cornell/Thompson or Cornell/53rd or traffic signal on Cornell near Audubon.

3) Improve traffic flow at NW Lovejoy/25th Ave.: traffic signal, turn lanes, or a mini-roundabout.

An informal poll was taken at the meeting with a majority favoring metering traffic into the neighborhood. PDOT is continuing to study this issue and will come back with its conclusions within the next few months. This dicussion will continue at the next Hillside Neighborhood Association meeting, June 10, 2008, 7:30 PM at the Hillside Community Center.

Grant Opportunity
NW Portland Nonprofit Organizations

The Oregon Community Foundation — **Request for Proposals**

The Northwest Neighborhoods Parks and Recreation Fund of The Oregon Community Foundation invites proposals from qualified nonprofit and public organizations for grants to support the construction and renovation of parks and recreation facilities in Northwest Portland. Applications are due Friday, November 7, 2008 by 5:00 p.m. For information on grant application guidelines, please contact Neighbors West-Northwest, 2257 NW Raleigh Street, Portland, OR 97210, 503 823-4212, or The Oregon Community Foundation, 1221 SW Yamhill Street, Suite 100, Portland OR 97205, 503 227-6846.

Environmental Movie Nights

Linnton

Movies every Fri., 7:30PM at Linnton Community Center 107th & St Helens

- June 6 *Power of Community*
  Documentary of how Cuba deals with its peak oil crisis and creates sustainability
- June 13 *11th Hour*
  Leonardo DiCaprio narrates this newly released documentary about global climate change
- June 20 *A Convenient Truth*
  The Brazilian city of Curitiba successfully creates a sustainable environment
- June 27 *End of Suburbia*
  Peak oil crisis

NWDA Health & Environment

Please join us for documentary screenings about air quality on First Thursday in July.

- *Living Diesal*
  by Savannah Teller Brown
  About diesel particulate pollution
- *What's In Our Air?*
  by Sharon Genasci

Thursday, July 3rd, 6:15 PM
The Screening Room, 925 NW 19th
503 936-0676

Esco's permit is up in August. We will discuss this issue at the next meeting scheduled on June 9th, 7:00 p.m., at 2217 NW Johnson St.

Forest Park Neighborhood Meeting

Please join us at the upcoming Forest Park Board Meeting, June 17, 7PM, Willis Building, 360 NW Greenleaf. We will discuss:

1. *Improving Trailheads & Trails,* 1 hour
   How can we improve the park experience as a shared resource? Parks Bureau & non-profit groups will attend. Your input is welcome.
2. *Development Review,* 10 minutes
   FPNA Board action if required
3. *Committee Structure,* 20 minutes
4. *Summer Meeting Schedule,* 10 minutes

For more information, please contact Jim Emerson, FPNA President, 503 283-4096.

The Pearl Talks: Watching the Pearl Grow Up

by David August, Past President & PDNA Board Member

I arrived on the scene in 1997, the early days of our neighborhood association. Already, a small, energetic group of neighborhood activists, both residents and business people, met regularly in a dilapidated office in an abandoned railroad shed.

Those were exciting times. Collectively and collaboratively with the major developers, we were shaping our future as a neighborhood.

Today, we still have regular meetings and a core group of people are very committed to fulfilling our vision for the Pearl District. However, even with the number of residents and businesses multiplying, there are not many more people involved.

This is the part where I explain about growing up. We are always looking up to see where the next tallest building will be. But, I am referring to growing up in a different context.

We have been a neighborhood for fifteen years—just teenagers. If you remember your or your children's teenage years, you may recall that frequently teens are somewhat lethargic and difficult to motivate.

I have been a little slow to realize that it is a lot easier to get people excited and involved when things are just starting to happen. Not unlike teenagers, it is a lot harder to get people excited and involved when it appears as if everything is just about finished. But our neighborhood is far from finished.

Why sit back and just watch the Pearl grow up? There is still time to get in on the action and help shape our future. Join the rest of us who are still working very hard to ensure we grow up with maturity and grace. Find out what you can do to help by going to our web site, www.pearldistrict.org.

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June 2008 Community Calendar

Arlington Heights Neighborhood Association

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

NEXT BOARD MEETING
Monday, July 14th
5:30 p.m.
Sylvan Fire Station
1713 SW Skyline Blvd
Questions? Call: 503 823-4211

Forest Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Jim Emerson
503-283-4096

Neighborhood Meeting
Tuesday, June 17th
7:00 p.m.
Willis Community Center,
360 NW Greenleaf

Neighbors are invited to attend!

Goose Hollow Foothills League

Contact: NWNW 503 823-4211
For electronic notices of meetings, events, minutes & agendas, email angela@nwnw.org

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING:
Special Board Worksession, Neighborhood Plan Visioning
Thursday, June 12th
6:00 p.m.
Multnomah Athletic Club
1849 SW Salmon Street

Hillside Neighborhood Association

Contact: NWNW 503 823-4212
www.hillsidena.org

BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, June 10th
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

NEXT TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, July 2nd
7:00 p.m.
Potluck at 6:30 p.m.
Linnton Community Center
10614 NW St. Helen's Road

Northwest District Association

Contact: Juliet Hyams
503 823-4212
www.northwestdistrictassociation.org

BOARD MEETING:
Monday, June 16th, 6:00 p.m.
Legacy Good Samaritan
Wistar Morris Room
1015 NW 22nd

Monthly Litter Patrol
Saturday, June 14th
9:00 - 10:30 a.m.
Meet at Food Front Coop
2375 NW Thurman

Street Clean Up
Saturday, June 28th
9:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Meet at Lucky Lab
1945 NW Quimby

Executive Committee
call to confirm date & time
NWNW Office
2257 NW Raleigh

Planning Committee
Thursdays, June 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th 8:00 a.m.
Call to Confirm 503 823-4212

Transportation Committee
Wednesday, June 4th
6:00 p.m.
NW Library
2300 NW Thurman

Health & Environment Committee
Monday, June 9th, 7:00 p.m.
2217 NW Johnson

Public Safety & Livability Committee
Thursday, June 12th
10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
World Cup Coffee
1740 NW Glisan

NWDA

Northwest Heights Neighborhood Association

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

BOARD MEETING
To be announced

Contact us for more information about your neighborhood or for volunteer opportunities!

forest heights • cedar ridge • blue pointe • cedar ridge • skyline summit • ridgeview
northwest heights neighborhood association

Northwest Industrial Neighborhood Association

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

BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, June 10th
7:30 a.m.
La Quinta Inn & Suites
4319 NW Yeon.

NINA

Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association

www.oldtownchinatown.net

GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, June 3rd
4:30 p.m.
University of Oregon
70 NW Couch

Land Use Committee
Tuesday, June 17th
3:30 p.m.
Central City Concern
232 NW 6th

Public Safety Committee
Wednesday, June 18th
11:30 a.m.
Central City Concern
232 NW 6th

Arts, Culture and History Committee
Wednesday, June 18th
11:30 a.m.
Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center
121 NW 2nd Avenue

Communications Committee
Monday, June 23rd
5:30 p.m.
Voleur Restaurant & Kitchen
111 SW Ash

Business Association
Thursday, June 19th
11:30 a.m.
Central City Concern
232 NW 6th

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Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association

Pearl District Neighborhood Association

Contact: Joan Pendergast
503 226-0612

BOARD MEETING
Thursday, June 12th
6:00 p.m.
Pacific NW College of Art
1241 NW Johnson

Communications Committee
Tuesday, June 24th
6:00 p.m.
Umpqua Bank
1139 NW Lovejoy

Planning Committee
Tuesdays, June 3rd & 17th
6:00 p.m.
Pacific NW College of Art

Livability Committee
Thursday, June 19th
6:00 p.m.
Umpqua Bank
1139 NW Lovejoy

Transportation Committee
Thursday, June 12th
4:00 p.m.
Ecotrust, 721 NW Ninth Ave,
3rd Floor Conference Room

Keeping An Eye Out

Portland Downtown Neighborhood Association

Contact: Steve Trujillo
971 230-0030

ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTIONS
Monday, June 23rd
7:00 p.m.
First Congregational Church
Fellowship Hall
1126 SW Park Avenue

Land Use & Transportation Committee
Monday, June 9th
5:30 p.m.
Elliot Tower Meeting Room
1221 SW 10th Ave.

Public Safety Committee
Thursday, June 19th
12:00 p.m.
Harland Building,
Main Floor Meeting Room
400 SW 6th Avenue

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Sylvan-Highlands Neighborhood Association

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

NEXT BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, July 8th
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Sylvan Firehouse
1713 SW Skyline

Neighbors West-Northwest Coalition

BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, June 11th
5:30 p.m.
CoHo Theater
2257 NW Raleigh St

Nob Hill Business Association

Contact: Kay Wolfe
503 227-0898 X1
Kay.Wolfe@HomeStreet.com

GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday, June 18th
8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Holiday Inn Express
2333 NW Vaughn

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NobHill
Business Association
Northwest Portland