

neighborhood activist

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Neighbors West-Northwest
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FOREST PARK	LINNTON	NORTHWEST DISTRICT	PORTLAND DOWNTOWN
GOOSE HOLLOW	NINA	OLD TOWN CHINATOWN	SYLVAIN-HIGHLANDS

To submit an article, please email Angela Southwick at angela@nwnw.org.

Elk or Executive Homes What future do we want for the West Hills?

by Jim Emerson on behalf of FPNA Planning Committee

Did you know that there are up to 50 elk in the West Hills, only 15 minutes from downtown?

In the same area, next to the Urban Growth Boundary, organic farmer Greg Malinowski grows vegetables and beef for local stores. He leases land to MercyCorps so immigrants can grow food for farmer's markets. When a nearby school started a Community Supported Agriculture farm, Greg plowed their field for free.

Multnomah County has an opportunity to put farms, natural resources, and areas important to our "sense of place" into Rural Reserves, protecting them from urban development for 40 years.

But County Commissioners don't propose to protect the elk or Greg's farm.

The County's Citizen Advisory Committee recommended protecting all of the West Hills within Rural

Reserves. The Planning Commission, four neighborhoods, and Forest Park Conservancy agree.

But the County Commission apparently supports a lobbyist proposal to develop subdivisions on 500 acres of elk habitat and farms (including Greg's) and to build more executive homes off Skyline Blvd. Fees intended to build local parks in the subdivisions would instead be used to create a park around the new executive homes.

There's a county hearing at 10:30 a.m. on December 10. Share your opinion.

Multnomah County
Board of Commissioners
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, Ste 600
Portland, Oregon 97214

If you cannot attend the hearing, email Commissioner Deborah Kafoury at district1@co.multnomah.or.us.

For more information, visit <http://www.nwnw.org/ForestPark.html>.

*The NWNW office will be closed for the holidays
beginning Thursday, December 24, 2009
returning Monday, January 4, 2010.*

Annual Meetings & Elections

NW Neighborhood Cultural Center

Date: Thursday, February 11, 2010

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: 1819 NW Everett Street
(Enter on 17th Ave., lower level)

Agenda: Update on new lease arrangement with the NW Children's Theatre, election of board members, and bylaws changes.

Date of record for voting members is January 11, 2010. Check membership status or request application 1) **By email:** nwneighborhoodcc@gmail.com; 2) **In person** at Neighbors West-Northwest (503 823-4288), 2257 NW Raleigh, Portland, OR 97210; or 3) **By mail:** NW Neighborhood Cultural Center, Attn: membership application, PO Box 10327, Portland, OR 97296.

Goose Hollow Foothills League

The Goose Hollow Foothills League will hold board elections on Thursday, December 17, 2009, 7:00 p.m. at the MAC, 1849 SW Salmon.

To vote, register by noon, Thursday, December 10, 2009 with application and proof of qualification. Membership applications are available on the League's website: www.goosehollow.org.

Email application & verification

Hillside Neighborhood Association



The Hillside Annual Membership Meeting and Election is scheduled for Tuesday, December 8th from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the Hillside Community Center (653 NW Culpepper). Current board members up for re-election include: Elizabeth Aaby, Gary Berger, Jim Edwards, Michele Mass, Barbara Schwartz, Jack Schwartz, Keith Taft, and Randy Weisberg. Ginger Burke has been nominated to fill one position. Sitting board members not currently up for re-election are Carol Fortino, Mark Lerner, Peter Stark, and Tatiana Terdal. Nominations can also be accepted from the floor; if you're interested, speak up!

directly to angela@nwnw.org or deliver/mail it to:

Goose Hollow Foothills League
2257 NW Raleigh St
Portland, OR 97210

Email board nominations to dhill167@comcast.net. A slate of candidates will be prepared and distributed prior to the election. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.



Forest Park Holiday Potluck

Our December meeting will be a potluck meal and discussion. The Board will also hear short updates from our representatives on committees dealing with Cornell Road Sustainability, Bicycling in Forest Park & Urban/Rural Reserves.

Date: Tuesday, December 15, 2009

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Claire Stock and Burt Lazar's
14025 NW Germantown Rd

Carpool if possible, parking is somewhat limited.

Nominees for positions on the Board are being sought among all residents of Forest Park Neighborhood. Please think about serving your neighborhood in this way. Names must be submitted to Neighbors West-Northwest by January 18, 2010. Call Mark Sieber at 503-823-4212.

- Jim Emerson, FPNA President

City Considers N. Reach Plan

by Brian Hoop, Linnton President

Please support the Linnton neighborhood Wednesday, December 16, 6 PM, by joining us at City Hall, 1221 SW 4th Ave., as City Council considers the North Reach Plan (NRP). The plan includes several proposals relating to the waterfront. The Linnton Neighborhood Association supports including access to the river and habitat improvements. Unfortunately, the NRP fails to address many other neighborhood concerns. Questions? Ed Jones, linntonlanduse@gmail.com.



NINA Food Drive

Please join the Northwest Industrial Neighborhood Association and make a big difference in our community! NINA invites you to join us November 20th through December 11th in making a donation of food to the Oregon Food Bank.

Visit www.ninapdx.org to download our Food Drive flyer that lists the many businesses hosting food barrels in the neighborhood. If you haven't had a chance to make a donation, bring some canned or dried food along to:

NINA Holiday Meet & Greet

Date: Tuesday, December 8th

Time: 7:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Place: Guilds Lake Inn
3271 NW 29th Avenue.

For more information, email barbara@starindustrial.com.

Local Events!



Downtown Dessert Social

Date: Mon., December 7th, 2009

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Loaves and Fishes Dining
Hall, 1032 SW Main St.

Our neighborhood is a rich tapestry of diversity and cultural richness. Join us at this social for great coffee and desserts as well as a wonderful time of connecting with neighbors and finding out what we all care about in our neighborhood. Residents, business owners, workers, and students of Portland Downtown are invited to join the fun.



Sylvan Highlands Zoolights & Cookie Exchange

Date: Wed., December 9th, 2009

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Oregon Zoo, Education Rooms
3 & 4

Cost: Free Parking & Entrance to
Sylvan-Highlands Neighbor-
hood residents!

Visit the main office desk to the right of the ticket booths to get your hand stamped if you are a Sylvan-Highlands resident. Then come down to the Education Rooms #3 and #4 for cookies and mixing with your neighbors! Afterwards, enjoy the Zoo Lights! For more information, contact: Sally Kneuen, 503 226-4850.



NWDA Urban Renewal Happy Hour

Date: Thursday, December 10, 2009

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Place: Lucky Lab Brew Pub
1945 NW Quimby

The NWDA knows you have good ideas about the future of our central city.

As part of the update to Portland's Comprehensive Plan, the Portland Development Commission (PDC) is considering a new urban renewal area in the central city, part of which could be in our neighborhood.

The Northwest District Association, Nob Hill Business Association, Con-way and others have studied this issue since May on a committee led by Mayor Sam Adams.

Please chat with us and the PDC about urban renewal to help represent your perspective. Refreshments will be provided including half priced beer.

neighborhood **activist** Community Calendar

December 2009

Arlington Heights Neighborhood Association

Join the Arlington Yahoo Group.
Send blank email: AHNAdiscussion-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

NEXT BOARD MEETING
Monday, January 11th
5:30 p.m. Sylvan Fire Station
1713 SW Skyline



Forest Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Jim Emerson
503-283-4096

Holiday Potluck
Tuesday, December 15th
6:30 p.m.
Stock/Lazar House
14025 NW Germantown



Goose Hollow Foothills League

For electronic notices, email
angela@nwnw.org

Contact: NWNW 503 823-4211

ANNUAL MEETING/ELECTIONS

Thursday, December 17th
7:00 p.m.
Multnomah Athletic Club
1849 SW Salmon

Planning Committee
Thursday, December 10th
7:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
1838 SW Jefferson

Community Clean Up
Sunday, December 6th
Potluck 12:00 p.m.
Clean Up 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Lincoln HS Patio
1600 SW Salmon



Hillside Neighborhood Association

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

ANNUAL MEETING/ELECTIONS

Tuesday, December 8th
7:30 p.m.
Hillside Community Center
653 NW Culpepper



Linnton Neighborhood Association

www.linnton.com

NEXT TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, January 6th
7:00 p.m.

Potluck at 6:30 p.m.
Linnton Community Center
10614 NW St Helens

North Reach Hearing
Wednesday,
December 16th
6:30-8:00 p.m.
City Hall
1221 SW 4th Ave



Northwest Heights Neighborhood Association

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

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



Northwest District Association

northwestdistrictassociation.org
NWDA Hotline 503 823-4288 x7.

BOARD MEETING
Monday, December 21st
6:00 p.m.
Chapman Elementary
1445 NW 26th Ave

Executive Committee
Wednesday, December 9th
8:15 a.m.
NWNW, 2257 NW Raleigh St.

Planning Committee
Thursdays, December 3rd, 10th
and 17th 8:00 a.m.
Call to Confirm 503 823-4212

Health & Environment
Monday, January 11th
7:00 p.m.
2217 NW Johnson

Slabtown Planning Committee
Thursdays, December 3rd and
17th, 5:30 p.m.
Legacy Good Sam, Northrup
Building, 1st Floor Conf. Room
2282 NW Northrup

Monthly Litter Patrol
Saturday, December 12th
9:00 a.m.
Food Front Coop
2375 NW Thurman

Urban Renewal Happy Hour
Thursday, December 10th
6:00 p.m.
Lucky Lab Brew Pub
1945 NW Quimby



Northwest Industrial Neighborhood Association

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

NINA HOLIDAY MEET & GREET
Tuesday, December 8th
7:30 a.m.
Guilts Lake Inn
3271 NW 29th Ave

Food Drive Conclusion
Friday, December 11th
For more information, visit
www.ninapdx.org



Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association

www.oldtownchinatown.net

GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday, December 1st
4:30 p.m.
Mercy Corps NW
43 SW Naito Parkway

Old Town Chinatown Continued

Arts, Culture and History Committee
Tuesday, December 15th
11:30 a.m.
Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center
121 NW 2nd Ave

Land Use Committee
Tuesday, December 15th
3:00 p.m.
Central City Concern

Communications Committee
Monday, January 25th
Location TBA
vicechair@oldtownchinatown.com

Public Safety Committee
Thursday, January 28th
12:00 p.m.
University of Oregon, Room 150
70 NW Couch

PHLUSH
Monday,
December 21st
5:30 p.m.
Orchid Salon
203 NW 2nd Ave



Pearl District Neighborhood Association

www.pearldistrict.org
Contact: Joan Pendergast
503 226-0612

BOARD MEETING
Thursday, December 10th
6:00 p.m.
Dynagraphics
300 NW 14th Ave

Livability Committee
Mondays, December 7th and 21st
6:00 p.m.
Bank of America
1245 NW Lovejoy (Enter on 13th)

Planning & Transportation Committee
Tuesday, December 1st & 15th
6:00 p.m.
Shiels Oblatz Johnsen, Inc
1140 SW 11th Ave, Suite 500

Communications Committee
Friday, December 18th
12:00 p.m.
Urban Grind
911 NW 14th Ave



Portland Downtown Neighborhood Association

Contact: Steve Trujillo
971 230-0030

BOARD MEETING
Monday, December 7th
6:00 p.m.
Loaves & Fishes
1032 SW Main St.

Holiday Dessert Social
Monday, December 7th
7:00 p.m.

Loaves and Fishes
General Membership Meeting
Monday, January 18th
7:00 p.m.

Loaves and Fishes
Sustainability Committee
Location and Time TBA
Call 503-823-4265 for more info.

Portland Downtown Continued

Land Use & Transportation Committee
Monday, January 11th
5:30 p.m.
1221 SW 10th Ave, 3rd Floor

Public Safety Committee
Thursday, December 17th
12:00 p.m.
Harland Building, 400 SW 6th
Main Floor Meeting Room



Sylvan-Highlands Neighborhood Association

For transportation issues, contact:
Dave Malcolm
dmpdx101@comcast.net
503 805-9587

BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, December 8th
7:00 p.m.
Sylvan Fire Station
1713 SW Skyline

Zoolights
Wednesday, December 9th
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Oregon Zoo
Education Rooms 3 & 4

Public Safety Committee
Location and Time TBA

Sustainability Committee
Tuesday, January 26th
6:30 p.m.
Sylvan Fire Station



Cornell Road Sustainability Coalition

Contact: Peter Stark
pstark@gmail.com

Thursday, December 10th
6:00 p.m.
Hillside Community Center
632 NW Culpepper
Multi-Purpose Room

Neighbors West-Northwest Coalition

BOARD RETREAT
Wednesday, January 13th
4:30 p.m.
Location TBA

Small Grants Committee
Thursday, December 10th
6:00 p.m.
Neighbors West-Northwest
2257 NW Raleigh

Nob Hill Business Association

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

HOLIDAY PARTY
Wednesday,
December 16th
5:30 p.m.
Holiday Village Local
635 NW 23rd Ave



Find calendar updates at: www.nwnw.org/Calendar.html