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### **Community Policing Appreciation Night** Thursday Oct 25th, 6:30pm

When residents and police work together, safer and more livable communities are the result. On Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 6:30-8:00 PM, a Community Policing Appreciation Night will be held to give residents an opportunity to meet with police in an informal and casual setting. The event, sponsored by SW Neighborhoods, Inc.'s (SWNI)

Public Safety Committee will take place in the auditorium of the Multnomah Arts Center (7688 SW Capitol Highway, Portland, OR 97219).

Families, individuals and police are all welcome at the free event as we encourage residents to get to know



police working in their community. Pizza and salad will be served; door prizes and live music will complete the relaxed atmosphere. Additionally, please support our officers by bringing

hats, gloves, socks and/or scarves, which they will later distribute during their shifts.

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### Southwest Corridor Project Update

Portland City Council hearing regarding route, Oct 10, 2 pm Crossroads Community Meeting, Oct 29, 6 pm

Upcoming hearings about the preferred alignment recommendation

Portland City Council will consider endorsement of the Southwest Corridor Steering Committee's preferred alternation route on Wednesday, October 10, 2018; at 2:00 pm. The proposed light rail route is 12-miles and would connect with the existing MAX system, WES Commuter Rail and many bus lines, serving southwest Portland, Tigard and Bridgeport Village in Tualatin

(see map on page 3). Construction won't begin until 2023 but major decisions are being made which will impact neighborhoods. The SWNI coalition submitted comments to the Steering Committee regarding the proposed route (see page 3). Residents and business owners are encouraged to give public testimony on October 10th. Written testimony on agenda items may be sent to the Council Clerk at: cctestimony@portlandoregon.gov. Portland City Council meetings are held in Council

Chambers at City Hall, 1221 SW 4th Avenue. All Council meetings are broadcast live at: portlandoregon. gov/article/230361

View upcoming City Council agenda items at: portlandoregon.gov/auditor/article/378315

Design and detailed analysis continues – upcoming opportunities to participate

With the preferred route identified for Southwest Corridor light rail, the project now moves into the final

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### **SW Corridor Affordable Housing free information session** Saturday, Oct 13, 3pm-5pm

Presentations, a panel of current residents and a resource fair will help us learn about:

- What types of affordable housing may be available to me (both rental and potential homeownership)?
- How do I find out about available housing and waiting lists?
- What types of subsidies may be available to help with the cost of monthly rent?

The SW Corridor is the planning area for the region's next light rail MAX line. To learn more about this larger effort, check out: oregonmetro.gov/public-projects/southwest-corridor-plan/equitable-development-strategy.



For more information about these events: please contact Ayna or Iman at Muslim Educational Trust: (503) 579-6621.

Free information session is Saturday, October 13, 3:00pm to 5:00pm at Markham Elementary School Cafeteria in SW Portland, 10531 SW Capitol Highway.







# Please help at the Cleanup!

We need more help than ever since additional items are now being collected. Volunteers with trucks needed for pickups at seniors' homes; volunteers also needed to unload cars and for traffic management. Call (503) 823-4592 or email: sara@swni.org



Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. swni.org/cleanups

SW Community Recycling community-recycling.org

### 2018 Fall Cleanup

Saturday, November 3rd, 9AM - 1PM Portland Christian Center parking lot - 5700 SW Dosch Road

Items Accepted - \$5 per trip



**BLOCK** STYROFOAM AND FOOD CONTAINERS Clean, NO peanuts



LIGHT BULBS CFL's only! No fluorescent tubes or incandescents



Corks All types and sizes



**PRINTER CARTRIDGES** All types and sizes

**SMALL** 

**AND LARGE** 

**BATTERIES** 

Separate by battery



**FOOD** CONTAINER **POUCHES** Clean please!



**WRAPPERS** Clean, silver-lined snack bar wrappers



**TOOTHBRUSHES** AND PLASTIC **DENTAL FLOSS CONTAINERS** 









Senior and disabled residents: Call (503) 823-4592 by 5 pm Oct. 31st to schedule your pickup!

Items Accepted - \$20 per trip



**BULKY WASTE** 

Large items that won't fit in your garbage can. Broken/dirty furniture, mattresses, toys, kitty condos, hoses, buckets, scrap wood, flower beds, rotting decking, pressure treated wood, etc.



SCRAP METAL

Washers, dryers, ladders, bicycles, pipes, screens, etc.



SMALL ELECTRONICS

Working and non-working TVs, computers, monitors, printers, photocopiers, VCRs, etc.



#### **Not Accepted**

Yard debris, construction, demolition or remodeling debris (drywall/ Sheetrock). Hazardous or chemical wastes. Motor oil, paint, fertilizers. Kitchen garbage. Curbside recycling. Commercial waste. Stumps and rocks. Items for donation will not be accepted at this Cleanup. Questions? Call Metro at (503) 234-3000.

Volunteers Needed! Please call: (503) 823-4592 The more help we have, the easier it is for everyone.

### **Metro Partnership Brings Small Business Resources to Southwest Rail Corridor**

While the completion of the new MAX line from Portland to the Bridgeport Village area is nearly a decade away, Metro is taking a proactive approach to planning impacts along the corridor by investing in equitable development projects in the area.

Through its Southwest Corridor **Equitable Development Strategy** (SWEDS) Project, Oregon Metro is partnering with microenterprise and small business development organization Mercy Corps Northwest and others to ensure that the area along the MAX light rail expansion allows for a vibrant and diverse small business environment. Up to 25 entrepreneurs in the area will receive small business grants of \$3,000 through this partnership over the next nine months.

With Metro's support, Mercy Corps NW will conduct small business education, offer grants (called IDAs) to small businesses, and provide microloans to new and existing small business owners within the Southwest Corridor project boundary. Mercy Corps NW is also working with business and civic organizations as well as with other stakeholders in the project area to convene and facilitate a small-business alliance group that will support small businesses in the SW Corridor.

The matched savings grant program (IDA) will be available to 25 entrepreneurs who live or operate businesses in the SW corridor. The grants are offered to individuals living below 80% of the area's median income, and have a net worth below \$20,000 (excluding their home and car). Before receiving the grant, participants complete 18 hours of business fundamentals



education which will be funded in whole by scholarships from Metro. The curriculum includes: financial analysis, competition/ market assessment, focus group feedback, concept pitch coaching, and marketing planning. While completing the course, participants will submit a business plan and save \$600 over a 6-month period. After completing these program requirements, participants then

receive a 5:1 matching grant (\$3,000) to be used to open or expand their business.

In addition to grant and education programs, Mercy Corps NW offers loans to small businesses, ranging from \$500 - \$50,000, with competitive terms and interest rates. A special incubator loan is being

offered to SW Corridor IDA participants, allowing all those who successfully complete their education requirement to be preapproved for a \$1,000 - \$2,500 loan to help get their business started, while also improving their credit standing.

To learn more about and apply for small business grants, loans, and training opportunities for entrepreneurs in the Southwest corridor, visit mercycorpsnw.org/

business/ida-2/swcorridorida/. Applications for the IDA grant program should be submitted soon - the application period will remain open until 25 small business owners have been approved for the program. For more information about Mercy Corps NW's support for small businesses and entrepreneurs in the SW corridor, email info@ mercycorpsnw.org.

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# **President's corner**Neighborhood Coalition Votes on the SW Corridor Route

On July 25th, after a lengthy meeting, the Southwest Neighborhood coalition voted on the Southwest Corridor route issues. This is a \$1.2 to \$1.6 billion dollar transportation project. The coalition voted first to encourage the city to include the Ross Island **Bridgehead Improvements** Project in the funding as part of the Metro's 2020 regional funding measure. The neighborhoods asked that the bridge improvement should be constructed parallel with the construction of the SW Corridor LRT Project and should not be part of the LRT application for federal funding.

Secondly, the neighborhood coalition voted to support the Refinement 1 Alternative, which includes two new light rail bridges over the Vermont and Newbury gullies including bicycle and pedestrian facilities connecting the urban trails west and north as well as adding 2 vehicle lanes. Detailed suggestions on this were sent in a letter to the city.

SWNI does not support Refinement 2 alternative alignment because of the following concerns:

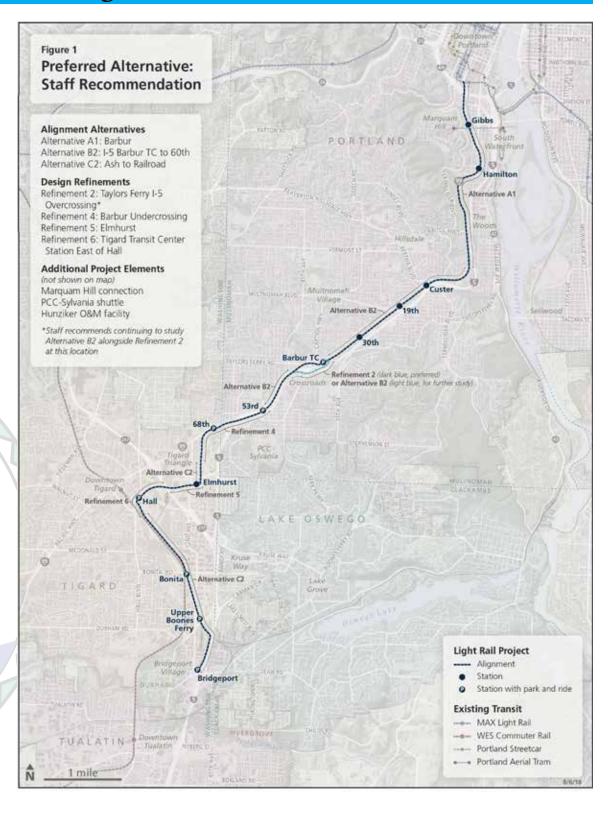
Refinement 2 adversely impacts the environmental zone, stormwater needs to be mitigated. This option would adversely affect Woods Creek and Woods Park. The traffic impacts have not been adequately studied and pedestrian and bicycle access have not been adequately

studied or addressed. The SWNI Board strongly believes that this choice will cause unacceptable environmental impacts. A letter detailing the adverse impacts was sent to the city council.

SWNI supports Refinement 4 with the condition that the bicycle and pedestrian facilities are added to access the station. The Board's position was part of the letter described above. See the letter on the SWNI website under the heading Board dated August 3, 2018.

Subsequent to the SWNI meeting in August, the SW Corridor Steering committee met and agreed to put the light rail route on Barbur Boulevard instead of Naito parkway. They selected Refinement 2 as their first choice but kept other options open. They agreed to support the Ross Island bridgehead and to replace the east-running subsidiary for the Newbury and Vermont structures The city staff is planning a series of meetings with neighbors starting in October to share the city's analysis for determining the best alignment. Please note that the city and Metro will only guide the project for another month or so before it is released to Metro. See the dates on page 1 for city council hearings. Neighbors and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

SWNI President Leslie Hammond



### SW Corridor Crossroads Community Meeting

environmental impact analysis and design phase. In the coming years, project partners will work with property owners, businesses, residents and community groups to refine the design of the route, stations, sidewalks, bike lanes and roadway improvements. These efforts will focus on minimizing potential impacts while maximizing the benefits of this new transportation investment.

### Taylor's Ferry design refinement work begins

The first place where refinement will be focused is the area around the Barbur Transit Center. The Steering Committee recommendation indicated a preference for Refinement 2 (a route just north of the Taylor's Ferry and Capitol Highway intersection), but kept other options open for consideration.

Staff is planning a series of meetings with neighbors and interested people starting in October to share information about the analysis underway in that area to determine the best alignment for the light rail.

Crossroads Community Meeting October 29, 2018 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Multnomah Arts Center, Room 30 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. Portland, OR 97219

### **Voters Education Forums**

### Tuesday, October 2, 7pm - City Council Candidates Tuesday, October 9, 7pm - Metro Ballot Measures

Want to know what is going to be on your ballot? Check out VOTE411.ORG. Shortly after Oct. 1, 2018, VOTE411.org will go live with nonpartisan information on candidate and ballot measures that will appear on your ballot. Want a paper Voter's Guide with all Oregon and Multnomah County nonpartisan voter information? They will be in English and Spanish in early October at LWV Election Forums, at all branches of the Multnomah County Library, **Multnomah County Elections** Office, New Seasons, college/ university and community college campuses, Gresham City Hall and other locations.

Want to hear directly from candidates and about ballot measures? Attend the nonpartisan Election Forums at Multnomah County Board Rm, 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd. Videos will be available on lwvpdx.org a few days later that you can watch from your home.

Tuesday, October 2, 7:00-7:40 pm, Portland Commissioner, Position 3, JoAnn Hardesty and Loretta Smith; 7:50-8:20 pm, Oregon Ballot Measure 103, Prohibits tax/fees for groceries; 8:30-9:00 pm, Local Ballot Measure 26-201, Portland's

retailer surcharge for clean energy projects.

Tuesday, October 9, 7:00-7:30 pm, in Partnership with City Club of Portland, Multnomah County Auditor, Scott Learn and Jennifer McGuirk; 7:40-8:20 pm, Metro Ballot Measure 26-199, Metro affordable housing bonds, and Oregon Ballot Measure 102, allows local bonds for affordable housing with nongovernmental entities; 8:30-9:00pm, Oregon Ballot Measure 105, Repeals law limiting state/local enforcement of federal immigration laws.

Watch Interviews with
Multnomah Co. State Legislative
Candidates. In early October
watch Video Voters' Guide
Recordings of interviews with
state legislative candidates
running for election in Multnomah
County at lwvpdx.org

**Speakers on Ballot Measures.** To arrange a speaker for your organization in October, contact the League office at

503-228-1675 and leave a message or **speakers@lwvpdx. org**.

Other Election Information
– oregonvotes.org and lwvpdx.
org. October 16 is the last day to
register to vote. October 17 ballots

are mailed to voters. Change of address on existing Oregon Voter Registration can be corrected up to election day.

Sponsors for one or more LWV of Portland Voter Service listed above are: Carol & Velma Saling Foundation, The Wyss Foundation, Rose E. Tucker Charitable Trust, Multnomah Bar Foundation, MetroEast Community Media, Vernier Software and Technology, Neil Kelly Company, Paloma Clothing, the Sara Frewing Fund, and LWV of Portland Education Fund.



### **Ashcreek**

Next Meeting: Monday, October 8, 7:00 PM Multnomah Arts Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy., Room 30 Jerry Rundorff, president@ashcreekna.org

ashcreekna.org

At our past couple of meetings we have been in the preliminary stages of getting a bench placed near the playground equipment at Smith School while also working on upkeep and maintenance of the playground equipment.

Stay tuned in by submitting your email to me (jerry@rundorff.com) so that you may get on our email list.

Upcoming meetings we hope to have: TriMet to discuss the finding they have on "The Smith Proposal" routing Light Rail between Walgreens and the freeway instead of behind it; Multnomah and Garden Home Intersection at Old Market Pub, a roundabout or traffic lights?

### **Bridlemile**

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 3, 7:00 PM Next General Meeting: Wednesday, October 10, 7:00 PM All meetings at Bridlemile Elementary School, Portable Building, 4300 SW 47th Drive Steve Mullinax, bridlemilenaboard@swni.org bridlemile.swni.org

Volunteer opportunities! The trail between SW Julia Court and SW Shattuck Road will be updated to serve as an all-season route with a wider trail, improved and raised tread surface and a reduced slope for bridge access. Many of you regularly use this path, and your help is needed to make the improvements happen. SWTrails will be advising on design and leading work parties for construction. This project will be constructed by volunteer labor. Project begins September 29, 2018 with vegetation clean-out and construction continues over the next two Saturdays; October 6 and 13. To volunteer, SIGN UP AT THIS LINK: signup.com/go/HmCuyUA. Even if you cannot engage in manual labor, please come by to cheer us on with words and snacks! Send any additional questions and/or comments, to Jenna Barnett at jennabarnett@hotmail.com

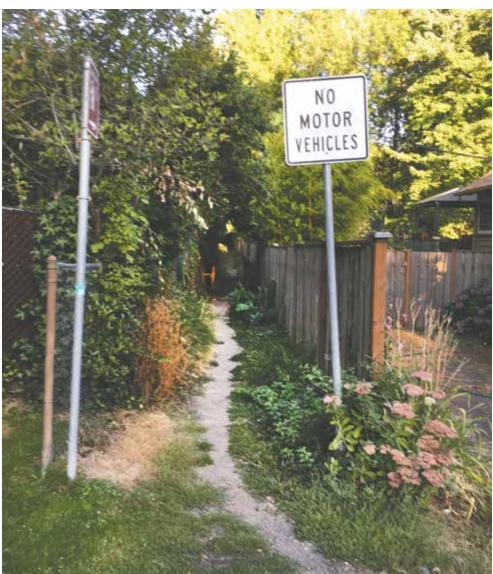
Save the date: Saturday, November 3, 2018, 9am - noon. Neighborhood work party in Hamilton Park with Bridlemile Creek Stewards & Portland Parks & Rec to help remove invasive species and make other

improvements to Hamilton Park. Rain or shine.

Thanks to BNA Transportation representative Ryan Bass for tracking the Southwest in Motion (SWIM) projects. One much-needed planned improvement will complete gaps in the sidewalk along Shattuck between SW 53rd and SW Boundary (north and south of Beaverton-Hillsdale).

A draft proposal from SWIM would make Hamilton Street from Dosch to almost Scholls Ferry ONE lane only yet would permit traffic to go two ways in the one lane. This would create an advisory shoulder. An advisory shoulder creates usable space for pedestrians and bicyclists on a roadway that is otherwise too narrow to accommodate separate facilities. There would not be a center line marked on the roadway. Short sections may be marked with a center line to separate opposing traffic flows at specific locations.

The BNA will invite someone from SWIM to an upcoming monthly meeting to discuss this draft proposal. Stay tuned for the date so you can give your input.



Trail between SW Julia Court and SW Shattuck Road

### **Arnold Creek**

Next General Meeting: Tuesday, October 9, 7:00 PM Stephenson Elementary School 2627 SW Stephenson St. Grethe Larson and Kathryn Daly, president@arnoldcreek.org ArnoldCreek.org

We had special guest speaker, Professor Gabe Sheoships, who spoke on The Natural World as an Indicator of Global Health. Gabe is a Fisheries Biologist, PSU Professor and Education Director of the Friends of Tryon Creek State Park. We learned about the restoration of Tryon Creek and the ecology of our own watershed. Pacific Lamprey (Entosphenus tridentatus) is a species where the juvenile lamprey live approximately seven years filter feed in the silt and gravel of stream beds like Tryon Creek. This behavior makes them particularly susceptible to pollutants and contaminants that settle out of the water. Arnold Creek is a part of the Tryon Creek Watershed and keeping our streams clear of pollutants (insecticides, herbicides and automobile pollutants) will assist in statewide efforts to keep this important species in the Willamette River. To learn more about the efforts to improve Tryon Creek habitat and water quality, please view Portland's Bureau of Environmental Services link - portlandoregon.gov/bes/ article/502014.



Special guest speaker, **Professor Gabe Sheoships** 

Upcoming Events - October 9th @ 7:00 PM at Stephenson Elementary School - The War on Weeds - How to deal with Invasive Species. This will be a panel discussion led by Sharon Keast and Liz Marantz with assistance on identification, handouts,

and ideas for control and removal.

**Transportation News** - PBOT has many major projects in southwest Portland. Keep yourself informed by viewing this link portlandoregon.gov/ transportation/74195 Of proximity to us is the Capitol Highway project between SW Huber and Kerr Parkway, which is slated for construction Spring 2019.

Light Rail - Input has been provided to Metro on the Southwest Corridor Project - Light Rail, please review the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) located at oregonmetro.gov/public-projects/ southwest-corridor-plan. A calendar of future deadlines and Public Meetings are contained on the website. Printed copies of the DEIS can be found at the SWNI offices in the Multnomah Arts Center. Still under review is the manner in which the Light Rail intersection at SW Barbur, SW Capitol Highway and SW Taylors Ferry Road will be designed. Please provide your input.

**Board Issues** – Responding to a grievance filed September 4, 2018, the Arnold Creek NA Board held a Special Board meeting on Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the Multnomah Arts Center.

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

To receive notifications of future ACNA meetings, please go to our website (swni.org/arnold\_creek -"Join Our List") to register your email address.

### **Collins View**

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 3, 7:00 PM Riverdale High School, 9727 SW Terwilliger Blvd. Elise deLisser, chair@collinsview.org Collinsview.org

The Collins View Neighborhood Association met on Sept. 5 at Riverdale High School. Sylvia Bogert, Executive Director of SWNI, was the guest speaker. Sylvia addressed several issues of concern for the neighborhood and clarified many points.

Two particularly important topics were reliable channels of communication between SWNI

and CVNA and the effective and regularly monitored ways for the public to communicate with the board. The public can view upcoming CVNA meeting agendas one week prior to scheduled meetings on the Collinsview.org website.

The next meeting of the CVNA will be at 7 pm on Wednesday, Oct. 3, at Riverdale High School.

### **Free Street** Trees!

City of Portland's Environmental Services Tree Program is offering free street trees (including free maintenance!) to commercial, industrial, and multifamily residential properties! Interested property owners should sign up by November 1, 2018.

You can learn more about the program at portlandoregon.gov/bes/treeprojects or by calling 503-823-2255.



### **Crestwood**

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 14, 7:00pm
West Portland United Methodist Church library, 4729 SW Taylors Ferry Road
Chair Tony Hansen, Vice-Chair Marianne Fitzgerald, CrestwoodNABoard@gmail.com
crestwood.swni.org

When it rains it pours, and I'm not just talking about the weather! There are so many transportation projects currently in the works in SW Portland that it's hard to keep them all straight. If you're anything like me, I thought you might appreciate a recap of what's been going on and information on how you can help shape how it will look. While these changes might seem like they're a long way off, things are happening faster than you think, and crucial decisions are being made now. Don't miss the boat!

The **SW Capitol Highway Project** is slated to begin construction this spring to finally bring sidewalks and bicycle paths between Multnomah and West Portland. You can learn more and provide feedback at various office hours at the Multnomah Arts Center: Tues 10/9 5:30-7:30, Sat 10/13 10:30-12:30, Thurs 10/18 5:30-7:30.

#### Website is portlandoregon.gov/ transportation/71661.

There's an even bigger project in the works: the SW Corridor Plan, a new light rail line that will run between downtown Portland and Bridgeport Village. Construction won't begin until 2023 at the earliest, but major design decisions are being made now, which will have a significant-perhaps shocking-impact on our neighborhood. The initial route has already been recommended, and will be going before the **Portland** City Council at 2pm on October **10th** at Portland City Hall! The Council will be accepting spoken or written testimony, which we very much encourage you to do. Maps of the proposed route, and more information (e.g., how to provide testimony) can be found at swcorridorplan.org.

Despite robust public opposition,

Design Refinement 2 (DR2) has been included in the route. This sends MAX off Barbur Blvd at the Barbur Transit Center, up the north side of Taylors Ferry, through the Taylors Ferry and Capitol Highway interchange, and over the I-5 off-ramp, before crossing over and following I-5 down to the proposed SW 53rd station. We have heard from many of you and know there are strong feelings about this decision. Still feel strongly? Want to make your voice heard? Attend the **Crossroads Community Meeting at** 6:00-7:30pm on October 29, 2018 in Room 30 of the Multnomah Arts Center. While DR2 is currently Metro's preferred option, they have stated that they are willing to consider alternatives including the original proposal to go over SW Capitol Highway on the south side of I-5. Do attend this very important meeting to share your thoughts on this and the future design of the Southwest Crossroads intersection.

PBOT's **Southwest in Motion** (**SWIM**) **Project** will also have an openhouse in November. SWIM isn't so much a single project as it is a collection of small but muchneeded safety improvements bundled together under one title. PBOT is currently prioritizing a long list of pedestrian safety enhancements for funding. Website is **portlandoregon**. **gov/transportation/72017**.

For more information, head over to the Crestwood Neighborhood website at swni.org/crestwood. While you're there, consider signing up for our mailing list to find out what else is happening and get notifications of upcoming meetings.

See you at the next Crestwood meeting on November 14th at 7pm in the West Portland United Methodist Church at 4729 SW Taylors Ferry!

### **Far Southwest**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 23, 7:00 PM Comfort Suites, 11340 SW 60th Ave at Barbur Teddy Okonokhua, FSWNA Chair, teddy@farswpdx.org George Vranas, george@farswpdx.org, 503-724-4011 farswpdx.org

Following a very popular and successful National Night Out event in August, Far Southwest residents enjoyed a few remaining summer gatherings at home, at the coast, or the mountains. Residents continued to reminisce about the big Night Out Sunday gathering at SW 60th and SW Haines Street, hosted by Mary Ventura and her team that brought out over 100 people, including many youngsters, for an afternoon of visiting, playing, and swimming. By the end of August, for many families, thoughts turned to the new school year, which began on August 27th.

On September 13th, the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) held an evening open house at the Markham School to introduce their plans for improving 1 mile of SW Capitol Highway and SW 49th Avenue, from SW Huber Street to Kerr Parkway, at the main entrance of PCC-Sylvania. Much of the area is in West Portland Park, although the southern end divides Far Southwest and West Portland Park.

This stretch of Capitol Highway is surrounded by schools, businesses, a mosque, homes, and a library, but is also one of Portland's highcrash network routes, including high numbers of bike crashes. From 2012 through 2016, this stretch of road, which serves an average of 18,000 vehicles per day, has recorded 55 crashes, including 5 rear-end accidents when cars stopped for pedestrians. Enhanced pedestrian crossings are more than 5 blocks apart, and are lacking at major bus stops. PBOT's goals are to slow down traffic (30 mph maximum),

make crossing the street on foot easier, improve bicycle lanes, and to convert the 4-lane roadway to 3 lanes with the center lane used for turning. Experience elsewhere indicates these changes will result in significant reductions in all crashes, and particularly in bicycle and pedestrian crashes. Nevertheless, these changes will only increase northbound travel by 13 seconds and southbound travel by 30 seconds. Also, PBOT plans to optimize traffic signal timing at Pomona to minimize traffic queues. Work on this project is scheduled to begin in 2019. More details on this project can be found at portlandoregon.gov/transportation/ article/697874.

The other major project that will affect residents of Far Southwest is the SW Corridor Light Rail Project. Now that the preferred route for the light rail project has been identified, the project moves into the final environmental impact analysis and design phase. In the coming year, project partners will work with stakeholders to refine the design of the route, stations, sidewalks, bike lanes and roadway improvements with the goals of minimizing negative impacts while maximizing the benefits of this new transportation investment. Two meetings of importance to Far Southwest residents coming up in October include: the Taylor's Ferry design refinement, adjacent to the Crossroads, on October 29th, 6:00 pm, at the Multnomah Arts Center; and a meeting of the Tigard City Council on October 9th that will discuss the preferred alignment in Tigard and the Tigard Triangle.

### Sign up for Capitol Hwy Office Hours

The Capitol Highway: Multnomah Village to West Portland project will provide new walkways and bikeways, stormwater management facilities and water system upgrades along SW Capitol Highway between the SW Garden Home and SW Taylors Ferry roads. Construction is scheduled to begin in summer of 2019.

The project team has reached the 60% design milestone.

Transportation improvements still consist of a sidewalk and protected bike lane on the east side of the road, a multi-use path on the west side of the road and improved pedestrian crossings to access TriMet's #44 bus. 60% design files can be downloaded from the Capitol Highway project website starting in late August: portlandoregon.gov/transportation/CapitolHwy.

Meet with PBOT, BES, and Water bureaus if you have a questions about the road improvements, stormwater facilities, or water upgrades. If you would like to learn more about what is happening near your property. Please join us for "office hours" this October. Members of the project team will be available for in-depth consultation on the

dates listed below. We encourage you to sign up for a specific time in advance, but you can also feel free to drop in.

Office Hours #1
Tuesday October 9, 5:30-7:30
Multnomah Arts Center, Room 7

Office Hours #2 Saturday, October 13, 10:30-12:30 Multnomah Arts Center, Room 30

Office Hours #3
Thursday, October 18,
5:30-7:30
Multnomah Arts Center, Room 7

Please contact Aaron Abrams at **Aaron.Abrams@portlandoregon. gov** or 503-823-2827 if you would like to schedule a specific time to meet.

### SWNI 2019 Community & Civic Engagement Small Grants Program

### Interested in applying for a small grant? Join our Grant Workshop

Receive feedback on project ideas, ask questions about the application process, learn more about what funds can be used for, and learn from workshop participants.

### Learn about:

Grant program guidelines
Grant funding opportunities
Tips for a successful grant proposal

Monday, October 29, 2:00 pm, Multnomah Arts Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy







To RSVP or for more information contact John Tappero john@swni.org or 503.823.4592

Please review the 2019 grant application and the Community & Civic Engagement Small Grants Program at *SWNI.org/grants* and come prepared with any questions.



The Community & Civic Engagement Small Grants Program has been made possible through funding by the City of Portland, Office of Community & Civic Life.

### **Hayhurst**

Next Meeting: Monday, November 19, 7:00 PM Hayhurst School, 5037 SW Iowa St Janet Hawkins, janetchawkins@msn.com, 503-244-7703 hayhurst.swni.org

We had a good turnout for our Hayhurst NA General Meeting on Monday, September 10 and had an excellent discussion about conducting more neighborhood outreach.

#### **Parks Committee**

We elected Sandy Marron to be our new Hayhurst NA representative to SWNI's Parks Committee.

### **Hayhurst NA Executive Committee**

The Hayhurst NA Executive
Committee meets during the months when we do not have our General
Meetings. Our Executive Committee consists of the Hayhurst NA Board officers and chairs of our standing and ad hoc subcommittees – Land Use, SWNI Liaison, Parks, Equity/Inclusion, Transportation, Safety, and Communications. Our next Hayhurst NA Executive Committee will take place at 7:00 – 8:30 pm, Monday, October 8, 2018 at Vermont Hills United Methodist Church. (See address below.)

#### **Sign Topper Project**

We now have 46 Sign Toppers up throughout the neighborhood. We're just staring to implement Phase Two of the project. It costs approximately \$105 to produce and place the signs. If you're interested in learning more or contributing, visit the SWNI website:

#### swni.org/hayhurst

### **Parks Committee**

We elected Sandy Marron to be our new Hayhurst NA representative to SWNI's Parks Committee.

### Safety Committee Report

Jim Anderson, who is our liaison to SWNI's Safety Committee, has let us know that the city's Office of Community & Civic Life is reorganizing its Crime Prevention Services (CPS) Office to make more training services available to neighborhood associations, business groups, and community organizations. Jim is working with the city staff to organize a Crime Prevention training for our

Hayhurst NA General Meeting on Monday, November 19. We'll be asking the CPS training team to focus on preventing car prowls and burglary for their presentation. We haven't confirmed the training, yet, but we will provide an update in SWNI November newsletter.

#### Hayhurst NA General Meeting – November 19, 2018

Our November 2018 Hayhurst Neighborhood Association meeting agenda will include the following items:

- Crime Prevention Training TBD
- SWNI Board Report
- Safety Committee Report
- Equity & Inclusion Committee Report
- Parks Committee Report
- Transportation Committee Report
- Sign Topper Project
- Officer Elections for January 2019

Hayhurst NA's Neighborhood Association's general meeting take place on an every-other-month basis. Our next Hayhurst Neighborhood Association Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Monday, November 19, 2018. Our meeting will take place at Vermont Hills United Methodist Church. Vermont Hills UMC is located at 6055 SW 55th Drive, Portland OR 97221.

Contact Hayhurst NA's Chair, Janet Hawkins, at **janetchawkins@msn**. com or (503) 244-7703, with any questions.

### **Homestead**

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 2, 7:00 PM
OHSU Child Development and Rehabilitation Center, 707 SW Gaines
(SW 6th Ave Dr. & Gaines St.), 3rd floor
Ed Fischer, homestead@swni.org
HomesteadNA.org

### Let's face it - Portland is Growing and with that growth comes change.

That change is coming fast and sometimes it feels like we have no control; we have no say; we are not being heard.

The reality is the City of Portland has a long history of relying on stakeholders to inform their decisions. Neighborhood Associations have long served the city as a conduit to provide that informed voice. But neighborhood residents have become disengaged and we have forgotten our role in building a strong livable community. We have forgotten that it doesn't come without a lot of effort and work on our part. In short, we have forgotten that **WE ARE THE STAKEHOLDERS** of our city's future.

There are other stakeholders to be sure. And many of them are heard because they have the ability to bargain, providing ways in which both they and the city can achieve each of their goals. In some cases, this might be a good thing such as affordable housing development. But we are the keepers of our neighborhoods and must be part of that conversation to ensure that neighborhood goals are maintained and our communities remain livable and a place of pride.

With the increasing number of projects requiring our input and the speed at which these projects are developing, the city needs now more than ever our informed and meaningful feedback to inform their decisions! The city needs Neighborhood Associations to be strong, informed and involved!

More Voices - Louder Voices - Informed Voices - Our Voices

"Power exists in numbers and collective action. A single voice might not persuade a government body or organization to take action on an issue but six voices might. The first step in participatory democracy is to show up."

From the Community & Civic Life website (Involvement in Action)

Join your local Neighborhood Association – Show Up!

Homestead Neighborhood Association meets Tuesday, October 2 - 7:00 pm at the OHSU Child Development and Rehabilitation Center, 707 SW Gaines, 3rd floor. Visit homesteadna.org to become a member or view the agenda.

Submitted by Jackie Phillips

### Hillsdale

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 3, Meet & Greet 6:45 PM, Meeting at 7:00 PM
Greater Portland Bible Church, 2374 SW Vermont
MATT DEROSA – HNA President ,Will Reece, Secretary
hna-pdx.com

The General meeting of the HNA, on September 5th, was wonderful. Some highlights include the election of our newest board member, Joan Hamilton, a discussion and renewed commitment to human-powered transit and safer streets, as well as a riveting discussion about chickens... you read that correctly. For more information, please look at the minutes posted on the HNA website.

Halfway through the meeting, we welcomed Marc Jolin, the Director of the Joint Office of Homeless Services at Multnomah County. Marc gave a presentation about an area-driven plan called A House For Everyone. A lot was said, but in short he said that the solutions to houselessness will rely on local support; he encouraged people to support any organization which is associated with this holistic plan.

Later in the month, the HNA had a second meeting led by new Vice-President José Gamero; José is also leading the newly formed Bylaws Committee tasked with reviewing our current bylaws and suggesting revisions to the board. At the Strategic Planning Meeting, on September 26th, the community came together to discuss the goals and action items of the HNA. Topics discussed were affordable housing, transportation priorities, equity and inclusion, and multiple ways to engage with more members of our community.

The HNA wants to ensure we are growing with the city and its new Office of Community and Civic Life (OCCL). Like the OCCL, the HNA wants to promote "civic engagement by connecting and supporting all" members of the community in order "to build [a more] inclusive, safe and livable" neighborhood and community.

The future of the HNA belongs to everyone. The Board is committed to openness. Please join us at our next meeting on October 3rd, Greater Bigle Church, 2374 SW Vermont. If you are not on our mailing list, make sure to be on the lookout for the agendas posted on Nextdoor as well.

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### **Maplewood**

Next General Meeting: Tuesday, October 2, 7PM (Doors open at 6:45PM) Meetings at Maplewood Coffee and Tea, 5206 SW Custer St. Ron Burian, maplewood@swni.org

maplewood.swni.org

Maplewood residents have been excited about some transportation improvement projects that have started in the neighborhood! First and foremost is the Vermont Street project, which brought lots of big street construction equipment to our area and the promise of many months of temporary interruptions to normal transit. Please remember to continue giving businesses on Vermont street some of your business! In addition to the much-anticipated start of the Vermont street project, we also see sidewalks are going in across from the school on two newly constructed houses. Soon, we may no longer lay claim to the title of Portland neighborhood with the lowest density of sidewalks.

School is back in session and the Maplewood School overcrowding situation has no end in sight, with yet another increase in enrollment. The total school population is now 395 students in 15 classes. The school is

out of space to for classrooms, which greatly constrains any options to relieve overcrowding. For the 2018-2019 school year, there are four hefty classes each with 32 or 33 kids (all 2nd and 4th grade sections). Although Kindergarten, 1st, and 3rd grades have more moderate class sizes, all of those grades have three sections per grade, in what has historically been a two-section-per-grade school.

With overcrowding brings significant traffic congestion. The bell schedule for Maplewood is 7:50 am in the morning and 2:15 pm in the afternoon. Savvy neighborhood drivers are avoiding 52nd Ave and other streets surrounding the school at that time. Please be mindful of kids walking to and from school. With the sidewalk construction on 52nd and excavator equipment present on 53rd as well, Maplewood school streets are seeing significant congestion.

### Multnomah

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 2, 6:00 PM Next General Meeting: Tuesday, October 9, 7:00 PM Multnomah Arts Center, Room 30, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. Martie Sucec, martie.sucec@gmail.com multnomah.swni.org

#### **SW Corridor Light Rail Project**

The Metro Steering Committee adopted the Taylor's Ferry route for the SW light rail. It traverses Woods Memorial Natural park and Woods Creek-exactly what the SWNI coalition board opposed.

The MNA not only opposed it, but strongly endorsed the route down the center of Barbur and asked the City to improve the dreadful conditions of the "Crossroads" at Capitol Hwy, Barbur, and Taylor's Ferry.

The project update said the Committee kept other options open for consideration, and that Portland's City Council will consider endorsing the route on October 10, 2:00pm, at City Hall. Make your views known to the Council, now or at the hearing.

### **Residential Infill Project**

The Planning Commission has tentatively approved new infill policies that would eliminate virtually all Portland' single-family residential zones by extending the A Overlay city wide (see map). The planning bureau staff is now writing code and rules for the policies for a final Commission

Multnomah has opposed the A Overlay as the tool for random broad-scale infill because it is a blunt instrument that threatens to turn Portland's distinctive neighborhoods into a "monoculture" of mishmash development-"spot-zoning" on steroids. Portland deserves better approaches to promoting infill that isn't one-size-fits-all neighborhoods.

Watch for information here about how and when you to give input to City Council.

### **Reactions to MNA's Appeal**

In late August, we filed a petition with the Oregon Appeals Court to appeal the LCD Commission's rejection of our objections to several issues around the 2035 Comp Plan, most notably the Middle Housing Policy.

As I've reported on our progress and also appealed many times for donations, I've had numerous responses of support and appreciation; two very thoughtful messages of opposition (both not fully informed of our position); and recently one offensive message suggesting our efforts are perpetuating the early machinations of Oregon's Ku Klux Klan. He wrote:

"The only thing the MNA wants to do is ensure our neighborhood is an exclusive, old, wealthy, white, single-family haven...I hope you fail miserably in your quest for a continuation of Portland's exclusionary zoning, founded upon segregationist ideals. [signed] "A YIMBY Multnomah Resident."

In general, two camps have emerged in this policy debate: YIMBYs (yes-in-my backyard), most notably Portland for Everyone who call neighborhood activists NIMBYs (notin-my-backyard).

These epithets represent simplistic thinking and name-calling as a tactic to avoid serious debate. The consequent polarization indicates how deeply flawed the Middle Housing policy and the highjacked RIP to implement it are.

Please support our appeal! Donate on our website swni.org/multnomah or by check to SWNI MNA Land Use Fund, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy, 97219. And thank you!

### **MNA Elections**

We'll be holding elections at our October meeting!

See map on page 3: "A Overlay Proposed by the Planning Commission"

### Markham

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 9, 7:00 PM Jackson Middle School, 10625 SW 35th Ave Kim Herron, President@MarkhamNeighborhood.com, (503) 452-0000 markhamneighborhood.com

The following individuals were elected at the annual Markham Neighborhood Association Election of Officers:

President: Kim Herron Secretary: Donna Herron

**Public Safety Committee Chair:** Mike Rueter

**Transportation Committee Chair:** John Gibbon

**Land Use Committee Chair:** 

Jeff Monahan

**Equity and Inclusion Committee** Chair:

Zetta Burton

We are grateful for these volunteers stepping forward to take on a leadership role.

The Movie in the Park event hosted by Markham Neighborhood Association had approximately 450 people who enjoyed Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 and music by the Supadupa Marimba Bros. A good time was had by all.



# NO IVY DAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018 -



9:00AM to 12:00PM

Join ivy removal work parties throughout Portland's natural areas.

12:00PM to 1:30PM

Celebration to follow the event to commend our ivy removal efforts. Enjoy refreshments and a chance to connect with other community members!

### Visit NolvyLeague.com to:

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For more information, contact Mary Verrilli at 503-823-9423 or mary.verrilli@portlandoregon.gov

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Commissioner Nick Fish | Interim Director Kia Selley



### Marshall Park

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 11, 6:00 PM Capitol Hill Elementary School, Room 113, 8402 SW 17th Ave. Mike Charles, marshallparkna@yahoo.com, 503-244-6099

marshallpark.swni.org

Russ Albertson chaired the September meeting in Mike Charles' absence (our fearless leader was missed). We had presentations on Land Use with a discussion about the recommended route of the light rail down Barbur Blvd. In addition, we announced the results of the survey regarding the sign cap designs, which were voted on during the National Night Out picnic. The winning design includes an wl with a colored font on the sign. Southwest Neighborhoods Inc (SWNI) is our fiscal agent. STREET SIGN CAP DONATIONS: If you'd like to donate towards the new Marshall Park sign caps, the easiest way is by check made out to SWNI and (this is IMPORTANT) in the memo/ notes

section of the check, write: "MPNA Sign Caps." Checks should be mailed or dropped off at SWNI, Multnomah Arts Center, Room 5, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy, 97219. SWNI will provide you with a letter stating your donation is tax-deductible. Sign Cap donations will be used for Sign Caps only. At the October meeting we will brainstorm on additional ways to generate funds to cover the cost of the signs.

Our Parks Rep, also let us know that there will be a No Ivy pull event at Marshall Park on **Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 9:00 am to noon**. People are encouraged to turn out and pull ivy to their hearts' content.

### South Burlingame

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, October 11, 7:00 PM
Capitol Hill Elementary School, Room 114, 8402 SW 17th Ave
Robert Lennox, sbna-president@swni.org
burlingame.swni.org

On September 13th South Burlingame Neighborhood Association (SBNA) held our monthly board meeting. This was the first meeting after the summer break. With school starting and other fall activities, the turnout was light.

Transportation gave a report about the Southwest Corridor Plan (Light Rail) Draft Environment Impact Statement being completed with the full Environmental Impact Statement being planed for submittal in early 2019. The preferred alternative has been recommended. Please take some time to review the plan at oregonmetro.gov/public-projects/southwest-corridor-plan or just perform a web search for "southwest corridor plan."

Macadam Ridge Subdivision update: SBNA has not heard from the Oregon State Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) on the appeal of the subdivision application for Macadam Ridge. We have not received any notice of a pending hearing, and the City sees no reason to make inquiries about the delay in the hearing date. We have not heard from any of the city agencies about any effort to resubmit a new application.

For those who did not get a chance to attend, the National Night Out was a success despite the only measurable rain for over a month and forest fire smoke causing bad air conditions. We did raise some money to offset the cost for the portable bathroom and the free face painting. Thank you to Jim and everyone who helped with this event.

Our next meeting is on Thursday, October 11th, Capitol Hill Elementary School, 8401 SW 17th Ave, at 7pm. This will be a Board Meeting. We will have a guest from BES to give us an update on sanitary sewer repair projects in our area that are currently under design.

### **West Portland Park**

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 11, 7:00 PM
Jackson Middle School Library, 10625 SW 35th Ave.
Ryan Blum, wppna-president@swni.org
wpp.swni.org

Hiya, Neighbors!

We hope everyone had a great back-to-school! As many of you know, our September WPPNA meeting was cancelled due to open houses from PBOT and Jackson Middle School occurring that same night. Not to worry, though; our October meeting will be held as scheduled on October 11th and packed with good stuff.

#### WPPNA October Meeting Info ELECTIONS!

We will be holding elections for both WPPNA officers and several available board positions. The executive officer positions are open each year and

include the roles of:

President

Vice President

Secretary/Treasurer

Communications Officer

If you are interested in an officer or board position, please email wppnapresident@swni.org

We have results on the LUBA appeal concerning the Johnson property on 42nd and Galeburn.

There will be a presentation by PBOT on their Safer Shoulders program regarding SW Stephenson.

And more!



West Portland Park Neighbors invite you to the monthly meeting!

### **South Portland**

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 3, 7:00 PM
PBS Conference Center, 4343 SW Corbett Ave.
Len Michon, SPNA1617@comcast.net, 571-334-0836
southportlandna.org

### **PRESENTATION**

Diesel Pollution has significant impact on the health of Oregonians, and Portland residents in particular, according to recent research by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Greg Bourget, a spokesperson for Portland Clean Air, discussed diesel emissions. Portland Clean Air is a registered Oregon Political Committee working to address industrial pollution in Multnomah and Washington counties. It receives funding through Cascadia Action, a registered 501(c)3 established for education and outreach regarding air quality issues in the Cascadia bioregion. Various neighborhoods within Portland are in the worst 2% of precincts in the nation for airborne diesel particulate concentrations. The World Health Organization, the states of Washington and Calilfornia, and the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission have named diesel particulate as a carcinogen.

Diesel pollution in Portland derives

from several sources—(1)industrial factories; (2)railroad locomotives; (3)unfiltered delivery trucks. Guy Berliner is an active member of a coalition of neighborhoods working to address pollution derived from these sources. A townhall discussion was held September 26, after publication of this article, to address next steps for political action regarding city and state regulations.

### **President's Comments**

Len Michon reported that the SW Whittaker street pedestrian crossing at Naito Avenue has been delayed until 2019. This is a safety issue because of the number of people that cross Naito. Portland Bureau of Transporation (PBOT) has not completed its design work which then must be submitted to ODOT for final approval. The Transportation Committee met on September 11 at which time it was agreed that Len would followup with PBOT prior to the SPNA Board meeting on October 3.

### **Committee Reports:**

Pasquale Pascuzzi, Public Safety Committee Chair, reported on his contacts with Oregon Department of Transporation ("ODOT") regarding camping on ODOT property at the west end of the Ross Island Bridge. The issue has to do with whether ODOT has posted "No Trespassing" signs. If no signs have been posted ODOT has to give 10-day notice to the campers to vacate; if signs are posted, campers are given a 24- hour notice to vacate. The large encampment was reported and removed in August, but has reestablished itself again in September.

Jim Gardner, Land Use Committee Chair, stated that at the September 18 meeting a planner from Bureau of Planning & Development will talk about a project to develop design guidelines for the half of the Lair Hill Historic district that doesn't have guidelines a portion on the east side of Naito.

Michael Harrison, OHSU Representative, invited the public to an Open House for the Knight Cancer Research Building on Saturday, September 8. Len Michon attended the official ribbon-cutting ceremony on September 7 and toured the building, which is already partially occupied by researchers and scientists. The open-floor concept allows scientific researchers to easily collaborate among themselves and with data researchers.

The Lair Hill transportation subcommittee chair, Michael Kaplan, gave an update of the Lair Hill traffic issue. Christine Treadwell's proposal to make one-way streets was presented to PBOT. Mr. Batson, PBOT, now believes we have 100% support from the Neighborhood, so this project will move forward. Michael made initial contact with Commissioner Eudaly's Office, which is now responsible for PBOT. Mark Eves, South Portland Business Association transportation chair, attended the SPNA Transportation committee and made a presentation of their concerns. One issue discussed was the Lair Hill traffic and how the current SPNA proposal is in conflict with the SPBA position. This issue will be discussed prior to the next SPNA Board meeting.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 17, 7:00 PM Ainsworth Elementary School, 2425 SW Vista Ave. Nancy Seton, president@swhrl.org or contact@swhrl.org 503-224-3840 swhrl.org

#### Strohecker's Update:

At the August 8th hearing, City Council directed the neighborhood and the landowner to negotiate toward an acceptable set of replacement conditions for the property and submit them to Council by September 4th. The parties were instructed to try to find a mutually acceptable amount of retail space, but in the event that was not possible, each party should submit a "best and

final" offer. City Council will deliberate on the proposals and make a final decision on September 20th.

We did meet with the owner/ applicant on two occasions but were not able to reach agreement on several conditions we felt were critical to the neighborhood including preserving fresh food retail and having input on future development. SWHRL and PDX Heights worked together to submit a final proposal to

City Council for three new conditions. Thank you to everyone whose input, voice, expertise and hard work over the past two years led to this proposal. You can read the proposal on our website: www.swhrl.org

Council will decide on September 20th. Stay tuned!

**Next SWHRL Membership Meeting:** 

Wednesday, October 17 2018, 6:30-8:30pm

**Ainsworth Elementary -Auditorium** 

Our next neighborhood meeting is coming up and open to all. Let us know if there are any items you'd like

on the agenda. Our usual agenda includes updates on Land Use, Public Safety, and Parks. We should have a decision from City Council on Strohecker's by then.

#### **Bus Service:**

Many residents continue to express desire for additional and expanded bus service on the 51 route. Unfortunately, increased service for route 51 was not included in the House Bill 2017 funded plan. However, there is still the opportunity to comment and advocate for better route 51 service.

You can do so here at trimet.org/ betterbus/ptip.htm.

### **Gabriel Park Nature Patch**

Portland Parks & Recreation is creating a pollinator garden at Gabriel Park. The project will complement south Gabriel Park's orchard and community garden providing community access and creating habitat for pollinators.

This "nature patch" is a part of Parks' **Ecologically Sustainable Landscapes** program, designed to fold natural landscapes into neighborhood parks. Nature patches, like the one at Gabriel Park, add natural habitat to developed parks to create more diverse landscapes that support native pollinators, increase park health, and provide educational and stewardship opportunities.



Portland Parks' rendering of Gabriel Park Nature Patch

The nature patch at Gabriel Park will be in the southern portion of the park, east of the orchard, and will overlook the newly established pollinator meadow to the north that has over thirty varieties of native forbs, grasses, and wildflowers. Designed in partnership with the Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation, the Gabriel Park Nature Patch will feature flowering shrub beds, split-rail fencing, a system of paths with niches to gather, natural seating and habitat features, as well as a covered community area.

Landscaping to create the garden beds and paths will begin this fall, with planting to begin soon-after and extend through the winter.

To learn more about nature patches (including volunteer opportunities) visit portlandoregon.gov/parks/eco or contact Eric Rosewall at eric.rosewall@ portlandoregon.gov or 503-341-0855.







### Be a Stormwater STAR!

### **Stormwater Stars Open House and Yard Tour**

Saturday, November 3, 10am-Noon Jackson Middle School, 10625 SW 35th Ave

\*Open House from 10am-11am, optional stormwater management work party from 11am-Noon

Stormwater Stars workshops demonstrate stormwater practices that can benefit you, your home and urban wildlife. If your property, business, school, or place of worship has water erosion, excessive runoff, or too much grass, then these workshops are for you!

Bring the family to our FREE Stormwater Stars Open House and Yard Tour to learn how we can best use the gift of rain. Check out some best practices, how they can be put into action, and sign up to get some hands-on experience.

### Snacks and refreshments provided

Children are welcome and translation services are available upon request. More info at: swni.org/stormwater

### Please RSVP

To sign up, or for questions, contact Erik Horngren watershed@swni.org, (503) 823-2862

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### **South Portland Business Association**

What's Happening in the "SPBA" southportlandba.com

Welcome New SPBA Business Member: The Gunter Group

Please join Jola Café' located at 5915 SW Corbett Ave. on Friday Oct 26th from 5:30 - 7:30 pm for the 10th Annual Purr-fect-ly Howl- A-Ween Event, a Benefit for the CAT Adoption Team and Oregon Humane Society. Raffle drawings throughout the evening, Live Music Entertainment by Malea & The Tourists. Donation boxes for "CAT"

and "OHS" will be available for any donations of cash or checks payable to "CAT" or/and "OHS" with tax deductible receipts.

Interested in joining the SPBA? We're always looking for new members. Email info@ southportlandba.com for details

Welcome, Fall!

~ Malea

SPBA Board Member/ Event Chair/ Secretary



L to R SPBA Board Members: Kevin Countryman, Brad Nase, Mark Eves at event hosted by RIZKLAW



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Portland Parks and Rec staff are "giddy" and "gleeful" to report that the "last two playground pieces known to have Lead-Based Paint on them (even encapsulated) are soon to be removed from our system." This is funded under the Parks Replacement Bond, passed by voters in 2014.

These include swings and teeter totters to be removed from Albert Kelly Park. The other set of swings and the whirl will remain in place. Contractors will also be installing erosion control and tree protection. In September, contractors will be doing limited site grading and installing a new composite play structure that offers climbing options and a slide. During the site preparation and installation work, most of the play area will be closed off for everyone's safety. The whirl may be still useable. The work is expected to be completed by the end of September.

In addition, the swings were removed earlier this year from the small playground at Washington Park, in the eastern edge of the park near Sacajawea Circle and Park Place entrance. Work begins in late September to install new swings at this site. PP&R's plan is to have them open for use in mid-October. In early October, the swings will be installed, and new wood chips will be brought in for safety surfacing before they open for your family's enjoyment.

Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. has a representative to the Parks and Recreation Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) which holds its meetings beginning in September. The BAC is a committee made up of volunteers and representatives from the Portland community, the committee assists the bureau with decisions about shaping the budget for the coming fiscal year (FY 19-20) such as reviewing add and cut packages that will go before council.

#### **Next Meeting:**

Thursday, October 4th, 7pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 30 7688 SW Capitol Hwy

Equity and Inclusion Chair Laura Campos equity-group@swni.org swni.org/equity

The E&I Committee's Oregon Humanities application to host quarterly Oregon Conversation topics has been approved! A special thankyou to the subcommittee members appointed to review the array of topics and presenters and provide a recommendation. We are excited to continue our work to bring awareness of historic issues faced by some communities in our neighborhoods.

Oregon Humanities Facilitators are trained to connect their topic to the local community and to challenge participants to think in new ways in a safe and respectful environment. With the goal of integrating diverse perspectives, tackling challenging questions, builds stronger communities.

The four topics approved are:

### 1. The Space Between Us: Immigrants, Refugees, and Oregon

- Facilitator Manuel Padilla. Global displacement is on the rise, thanks to intractable conflicts, economics, and climate change. Oregonians have and will continue to see the results of international migration in our neighborhoods.

**Tuesday, December 4, 7pm,**Multnomah Arts Center, 7688 SW
Capitol Hwy, Rm 8

- 2. What's in a Label Facilitator Ann Su - February 2019
- 3. Listening to Young People Facilitator Emily Squires- March 2019
- 4. What's it Mean to Be Good -Facilitator Brittany Wake- April 2019

The goal is to connect people to ideas and to each other, not to push an agenda or arrive at consensus. See the link to the catalogue web site: oregonhumanities.org/programs/conversation-project/catalog/.

If the above Oregon Humanities Converstaion topic are of interest, a training within a similar vein is being offered by **Friendly House**.

Beyond Invitation: How do we create inclusive communities?

Thursday, October 18, at 6:00 pm 1737 NW 26th Ave

Organizations and communities are working to invite broader groups of people to engage in their work as employees, patrons, board members, and donors. Having a statement at the end of a job announcement to encourage communities of color, LGBTQ people, and women to apply can be a start, but how do policies, environment, and culture support this invitation? How do they fail to support it? How do you know if a space is inclusive and accessible for all, and is such a goal even possible? What do you do about the tension between people who have different needs to feel included? Join Rachel Bernstein to explore what it takes to make the shift from invitation to inclusion.

### **Next Meeting:**

Monday, October 22nd,7pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 4 7688 SW Capitol Hwy



SWNI Schools Committee is using these hashtag markers this season: #Coding@JMSSUN #SpeakUp@HillsdaleLibrary #SWNISchoolsmeets@MAC #studentslikesupport

Embracing diversity and inclusion as we implement our projects is the cornerstone our committee's mission. Building awareness through regular Reach Outs and directing community involvement to implement our projects are the key elements for our ongoing success. Working with families and students is the heart and soul of our work. We are always ready to consider and explore your ideas and suggestions and we welcome opportunities to make connections for you with our SW school contacts and partners. We share these tenets to provide the

We know that when you know what we are doing, you may choose to tell an important other (in your network) what we are up to. Right now, we are highlighting two projects because we believe they offer students and families good tools for collaboration and success.

impetus for you to contact us to share

#### Our main projects are:

your free time with us.

Code Squad: Begins the first week of October at Jackson Middle School (JMS) SUN (Schools Uniting Neighborhoods). This program goes through the first week of December with funding from the City of Portland Office of Community & Civic Life (C&CL). Students sign up through the SUN Program at JMS.

Speak Up: Experiential Exercises for Education Equity - A follow-up to our Spring Education Equity Session with funding from the Hillsdale Community Foundation (HCF). At the Hillsdale Library on Wednesday evening, October 17 from 6:15 to 7:45 p.m.

Reach Outs: Periodic gatherings at schools, community centers or in our libraries. These are engagements with some type of activity where we work with our partners and share info about schools or support organizations that may be useful for

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families with students in SW Portland private and public schools. Examples include school science night, Neighborhood Association National Night Out and math tutoring at the library.

We value the time you take reading our updates here and on social media.

Now, consider working alongside committee volunteers. Provide your expertise and skills for a few days

a month or email us to meet for coffee with committee member(s) to learn more.
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You may choose to come to a meeting for your personal info or so you can report back to your PTA. Or, help us with Code Squad (support doesn't require years of practice, just interest – we'll coach and train you) or inform us for our Speak Up project. If you prefer working behind the scenes or making new connections for us, let us know today.

We send out our agendas via electronic distribution. You can also find this information on our website. Our meeting minutes are also on our website: **swni.org/schools** 

Announcements: A special shoutout for Saturday Academy. We support enrichment for students and will help you complete an application for classes and camps that are offered by this valuable resource. saturdayacademy.org/#Classes--Camps

Note: Our next regular meeting will be held on November 29 rather than the third Thursday of November due to the early Thanksgiving holiday this year.

### **Next Meeting:**

Thursday, November 29th, 7 PM Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 4 7688 SW Capitol Hwy

Watershed Committee
Chair Jill Gaddis
watershed-committee@swni.org
swni.org/watershed\_committee

The Watershed Committee welcomes all Southwest neighbors to join in discussions concerning watershed concerns and stormwater issues. Please share your knowledge and/or concerns at our meetings. If you are interested in learning about watersheds join us.

For more information contact the Watershed Committee Chair at: watershed-chair@swni.org Or visit our website at: swni.org/watershed

**Next Meeting:** 

Thursday, October 18th, 7pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 30 7688 SW Capitol Hwy



Our upcoming meeting in October will continue to focus on the Residential Infill Project (RIP) as the ongoing reviews and proposed changes to the current project design by the Portland Planning & Sustainability Commission (PSC) should be wrapped up and a summary document available in mid-late September. See the updated PSC Meeting Schedule below. As noted last month, the LUC will also strive to stay current with the status of the SWC Project as very detailed information is now available on line, with various design elements being disseminated and discussed in the local newspapers. NA Issues & concerns on SWC Project, brought to the attention of the LUC Members, will be forwarded to the SWNI Transportation Committee. Several other sub teams are being formed to address four other focus areas of the LUC.

#### Residential Infill Project (RIP)

The PSC is in the process of considering new rules that would shape our residential neighborhoods. These proposals would allow more housing units to be built in residential neighborhoods but only if they follow new limits on size and scale.

The PSC is considering previously submitted public testimony in a series of work sessions as they prepare recommendations to the City Council. At these work sessions, Commissioners will not hear additional public testimony. Staff prepared work session materials will be posted on the project website to follow along.

On Tuesday, September 11, PSC gave staff direction to begin preparing revised code and maps to reflect the Commission's initial amendments to the Proposed Draft of the Residential Infill Project (portlandoregon.gov/ bps/76588). The PSC is tentatively

### **Bureau of Planning and** Sustainability (BPS) Update

A monthly snapshot of all the planning work going on in your neighborhoods.

Better Housing by Design (BHD)

Proposed Draft Zoning Code Amendments to be considered by the **Design Overlay Zone Amendments** PSC starting in September

The Better Housing by Design (BHD) project proposes new rules to improve the design and livability of new development and expand housing options in Portland's multidwelling zones. The proposals address topics such as housing diversity and affordability, outdoor spaces, and building and site design. View eight-page summary: portlandoregon.gov/bps/75905

The PSC held a public hearing on the BHD Proposed Draft on June 12; written public testimony was accepted through June 25.

The PSC will consider testimony as they deliberate on their recommendations during a series of work sessions. The tentative BHD work session schedule are:

Tuesday, Oct 9, 12:30 p.m. Topic: East Portland development standards and street connections

Tuesday, Nov 13, 12:30 p.m.Topic:

**Chair Gary Runde** land-use-chair@swni.org swni.org/land\_use

scheduled to have their final vote on the revised RIP code and maps later this fall. The public will be able to weigh in on the PSC's recommended map and code after they are forwarded to City Council.

Materials for the September 11 meeting are posted on the project website under Planning and Sustainability Commission Materials (portlandoregon.gov/bps/76961).

All PSC hearings and meetings are streamed live on the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability youtube channel youtube.com/c/portlandbps

#### **Past PSC Work Sessions with** video timecode references:

- Tuesday, May 22, 5 p.m. (RIP starts at 2:15:00) Schedule and Topics for Upcoming PCS's Work Sessions • Thursday, June 7, 2 p.m. (RIP starts at beginning) Topic: Scale of Houses
- Tuesday, June 26, 5 p.m. (RIP starts at 1:00:00) Topic: Housing Options - Part One
- Tuesday, August 14 Meeting starts at 12:30 p.m. (tentative RIP time on agenda 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.) Topic: Narrow Lots
- Tuesday, September 11 (RIP starts at 1:09:00)

Staff will bring back revised code and maps that implement the PSC's direction. The Commissioners will consider these changes and vote on their recommendations to City Council.

You may view past PSC work sessions at: youtube.com/ user/ bpswebteam/videos. Visit: portlandoregon.gov/bps/infill

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

### **Next Meeting:**

Tuesday October 16th, 7 pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 29 7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

Building design and visitability

Tuesday, Dec 11, 12:30 p.m. PSC recommendations

Visit: portlandoregon.gov/bps/ betterhousing

Contact: Bill Cunningham, 503-823-4203, betterhousing@ portlandoregon.gov

### Project (DOZA)

DOZA to move forward as one package

BPS and the Bureau of Development Services (BDS) are working on a Design Overlay Zone Amendments (DOZA) package of proposals to update and improve both the process and the tools used for design review. Initially envisioned as separate projects, Process and Tools, DOZA will now move forward as a single package, with a unified Discussion Draft expected early next year.

Visit: portlandoregon.gov/bps/

**Contact: Kathryn Hartinger,** 503-823-9714, Kathryn. Hartinger@portlandoregon.gov

#### **Environmental Overlay Zone Map Correction Project**

Correcting the location of environmental overlay zones to



#### **Southwest Corridor Light Rail Project- Metro Update**

Design and detailed analysis continues with the preferred route identified for Southwest Corridor light rail, the project now moves into the final environmental impact analysis and design phase. In the coming years, project partners will work with property owners, businesses, residents and community groups to refine the design of the route, stations, sidewalks, bike lanes and roadway improvements. These efforts will focus on minimizing potential impacts while maximizing the benefits of this new transportation investment.

The Southwest Corridor Steering Committee recommendation is available for review at the project's website swcorridorplan.org/lightrail.

Taylor's Ferry design refinement work begins. The first place where refinement will be focused is the area around the Barbur Transit Center. The Steering Committee recommendation indicated a preference for Refinement 2 (a route just north of the Taylor's Ferry and Capitol Highway intersection), but kept other options open for consideration.

Staff is planning a series of meetings with neighbors and interested people starting in October to share information about the analysis underway in that area to determine the best alignment for the light rail.

**Crossroads Community Meeting,** Oct 29, 2018 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. **Multnomah Arts Center room 30** 7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

#### South West In Motion (SWIM)-**PBOT Update**

SWIM is a short-term refinement, prioritization and implementation

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strategy for planned active transportation investments in Southwest Portland. With the goal of providing basic walking and bicycling connectivity as well as access to transit improvements, where they are needed most.

"the project now moves into the final environmental impact analysis and design phase"

SWIM working group has completed its First Pass Prioritization, a process weeding out projects through project criteria that do not need immediate attention or have been identified as being low on community priorities. Project selection criteria includes Usage levels, safety, vulnerable populations and network completion.

A open house is tentatively scheduled for mid November, providing a opportunity for the public to provide comments on the project at large.

### **Next Meeting:**

Monday, October 15th, 7pm Multnomah Arts Center, Rm 30 7688 SW Capitol Hwy

better align with streams, wetlands, floodplains, steep slopes and wildlife

Environmental overlay zones (c, p and v) protect Portland's natural resources, including streams, wetlands and wildlife habitat. They also minimize risk of damage to homes from natural hazards, including landslide, flooding and wildfire. The protections also mitigate the effects of climate change, such as reducing air temperature, which helps maintain Portland's livability and access to nature in the city.

As part of compliance with the new 2035 Comprehensive Plan, the City needs to correct the location of the environmental overlay zones to cover the natural resources they were intended to protect.

Staff will use the existing plans, such as the Southwest Hills Resources Protection Plan (1992) and Johnson Creek Basin Protection Plan (1991), to identify which natural resources should be protected. The decisions of those plans will be applied to the updated maps of natural resources. Staff will not be introducing any new policies or regulations as part of this project. To see a draft of update environmental overlay zones in Johnson Creek and Outer East, view the E-zone Update Project map (portlandmaps.com/

bps/ezones/#/map/). Columbia Slough and Columbia River plans will come out in winter 2018-19, followed by Northwest Hills in summer 2019 and Southwest Hills in spring 2020. Public hearings with the PSC are anticipated in fall 2020.

Visit: portlandoregon.gov/bps/ezone

Contact: ezone@portlandoregon. gov or 503-823-4225

### **Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC) Agenda**

View the tentative upcoming PSC agendas and meeting schedule here: portlandoregon.gov/bps/ article/312882

All PSC meetings are held at the 1900 SW 4th Building, 2nd floor, unless otherwise noticed. PSC meetings are streamed live on the BPS YouTube channel at youtube. com/c/portlandbps and tape delayed on Channel 30.

City Council Agenda

View upcoming City Council agenda items here: portlandoregon.gov/ auditor/article/378315

All City Council meetings will be held in Council Chambers at City Hall, 1221 SW 4th Avenue. All Council meetings are broadcast live at: portlandoregon.gov/article/230361

### **Warning: Portland Street Scam**

Have you been a victim of a "street scam"? A "street scam" tends to place a high level of emotional stress on the victim with claims of a sick or injured family member who needs immediate help. The scammer will often request a ride and/or money to get a cab. Please beware that a similar scam has been happening in Southwest Portland. All the scams have a similar story:



I turned onto SW Broadway and a man stood in front of the apartment complex diagonal across from SW Hoffman waving to me as I drove toward downtown. He told me, "My daughter had a car accident after getting off work. She is at Marine Drive right now. I need to go help her but I need to go to 6th and Burnside to pick up my sister's car. But I locked my key in the house (pointing to the complex behind him). Can you give me a ride to 6th and Burnside?" I did. He got a call in the car, told me his sister's car is not at 6th and Burnside, but at 9th and Belmont. He then asked if I can give him some money so he can get a taxi to Marine drive to help his daughter and asked me to let him

off on NW Broadway Blvd. I gave him \$[Money] despite my suspicions of

The scam has been reported of a man down near Broadway Drive, receiving rides and/or money back and forth across the bridge to get to a family member who is injured, in the hospital, or in immediate danger and in need of help. For those of you who may have already encountered this scam, or may in the future, we have some quick safety tips:

- **1)** If there is a life-threatening emergency, or they claim there is one, call 9-1-1. Do not let the person into your vehicle.
- 2) If you are suspicious of someone performing a "street scam" or conducting illegal activity call non-emergency and report to the Portland Police Bureau (503.823.3333) Do not let the person into your vehicle.
- 3) Trust your intuition, and act on it. When you sense that a situation could be bad, resist the temptation to hope for the best, or to wait for some proof. Our intuition is our internal alarm system, and it alerts us to dangers that are not obvious but are nevertheless real.
- **4)** Protect your personal space. In general, perpetrators want easy access to their potential victims. In our homes, security hardware provides a barrier to this access. On the street, our attitude provides a barrier. Displaying a confident and decisive attitude can communicate that our personal space will not be violated easily.

For more safety and prevention tips on "Street Safety" go to: portlandoregon.gov/police/ **article/61863** 

### **Crime Prevention's New** Team Model Outreach

The City of Portland's Office of Community & Civic Life, Crime Prevention Program is introducing a team-based model to better serve the needs of community and evolve the program into a more efficient way of providing services, resources and trainings.

In October 2018, City of Portland Crime Prevention Program will be transitioning from the current model in which one Crime Prevention Coordinator is assigned to serve a number of neighborhoods. The new team model will be made up of 3 teams of 3-4 coordinators per team (North, Central, and East). The neighborhoods served by each team will correspond to the current Portland Police Bureau Boundary Lines (North Precinct, Central Precinct, and East Precinct).

\* To find your Crime Prevention geographic location, go to portlandmaps.com, type in your address in the search bar, scroll to Public Safety and find the corresponding police precinct (North, Central, or East.)

#### What does this mean for the community?

- · Access to an entire team of public safety professionals who will provide Crime Prevention trainings, education and resources.
- Expansion of the Neighborhood, Business and Park Watch Programs.
- Efficient workload distribution and equitable allocation of projects and partner collaborations.

#### When do the new Team Models take place?

The new teams will be working in their assigned areas as of October 1st, 2018.

#### Who are the new teams?

#### **North Team**

North.pdxteam@portlandoregon.gov 503.823.4064 Marianna Lomanto Jenni Pullen

### **Central Team**

Jacob Brostoff

Central.pdxteam@portlandoregon. gov 503.823.4064 Mark Wells Sofia Chavier Sarah Berkemeier

### **East Team**

East.pdxteam@portlandoregon.gov 503.823.4064 Teri Poppino Mary Tompkins Stacey Vu Yolanda Sanchez



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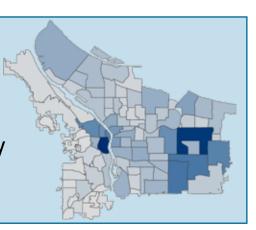


### City of Portland Police Bureau Crime Statistics available online at

portlandoregon.gov/police/71978

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

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



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# **Community Policing Appreciation Night**

"We asked local officers what we can do to support them," said Sylvia Bogert, Executive

"Everyone is welcome and invited to attend this free event"

Director of SWNI, "and they responded that they'd love to be able to hand out warm winter items to people in need that they encounter on the streets." Ms. Bogert continued, "At last year's Community Policing Appreciation Night, we collected an SUV full of warm hats, gloves and scarves. Imagine all the people officers can

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help if we collect even more this year!"

**Everyone is invited!** 

Community Policing
Appreciation Night. October
25, 2018 from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.
Multnomah Arts Center auditorium,
7688 SW Capitol Highway,
Portland, OR 97219

Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc.'s Public Safety Committee, who is hosting this event, focuses on crime and safety-related issues in Southwest Portland neighborhoods. For additional

information about this event, contact Sylvia Bogert at (503) 823-4592. SWNI is a coalition of seventeen neighborhood associations that empowers citizens to improve and maintain the livability of Southwest neighborhoods. swni. org. Everyone is welcome and invited to attend this free event.

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# SWNI Public Safety Committee Chair Carol Porto Public Safety@swni.org swni.org/public\_safety

Commander Mike Krantz of Central Precinct will attend the Public Safety Committee meeting on Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 7 pm. He will give a brief explanation of efforts of the Bureau and field any questions that residents raise. Our committee meetings are open to the public and we encourage your participation. If you have a safety or crime related issue in your neighborhood, we want to hear about it.

Please see the invitation on this page to our annual Community Policing Reception scheduled for **Thursday, October 25, at 6:30 pm.** When residents and police work together, safer and more livable communities are the result.

Families, individuals and police are all welcome at the free event as we encourage residents to get to know police in the community. Pizza and salad will be served; door prizes and live music will complete the relaxed atmosphere.

Additionally, please support our officers by bringing hats, gloves, socks and scarves, which they will later distribute during their shifts.

Everyone is welcome and invited to attend this free event.

**Next Meeting:** 

Thursday, October 4, 2018
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Room 30
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### **SW Watershed Resource Center**

Erik Horngren, Manager

503-823-2862 or watershed@swni.org

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the SW Watershed News.

Visit us at:

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The Southwest Watershed Resource Center inspires awareness and action on behalf of watershed health in SW Portland.

We work through a partnership between Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc., and the City of Portland Bureau of Environmental Services.



### Annual Meeting & Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 10, 2018
Portland Brewing Company – Highland Room
2730 NW 31st Ave, Portland, OR 97210
Doors open 5:30 pm, meeting at 6:00 pm

Please join us to celebrate a year of successful conservation work and the announcement of our community conservation award winners!

> Buffet dinner provided & RSVP required. Please RSVP to renee@wmswcd.org by October 2nd with any dietary restrictions.



# Terwilliger Parkway Natural Areas to be Impacted by SW Lightrail

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TriMet and Metro have proposed a "Marquam Hill Connection" along the planned SW Corridor Light Rail line. A planned light rail station at SW Gibbs St. (below the aerial tram) is intended to serve OHSU and other Marquam Hill institutions that are located several hundred feet up a steep hillside, with Terwilliger Parkway lying in between. Three of the connection proposals involve a combination of above-ground elevator towers, bridges and ramps, most of which would be located within Terwilliger Parkway and necessitate the removal of many trees and significant alterations

to the park. A fourth proposal is to build a pedestrian tunnel under the hillside with an underground elevator to bring people up to OHSU, which would still require extensive tree removal.

Friends of Terwilliger
(FOT) is very much in favor
of improved transit connections to
OHSU, the VA Hospital, and other
Marquam Hill institutions in order
to reduce the number of commuter
vehicles that drive on Terwilliger and
other neighborhood streets. During
the planning process, FOT lobbied,
testified, and provided written
comments on the need for a direct
transit connection to Marquam Hill
rather than bypassing it on Barbur.

Metro's analysis shows that Marquam Hill will be the biggest destination on the entire SW Corridor Light Rail line. TriMet and Metro intend to acquire land from Portland Parks and Recreation for the proposed connection between Barbur and OHSU. The scenic canyon where the connection would be constructed has many majestic Oregon White Oaks, as well as Douglas Firs and Big Leaf Maples, with framed views out over the city.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement released this summer described the Marquam Hill Connection project thusly: "The impacts to Terwilliger Parkway from vegetation removal and ground disturbance will be long lasting and will result in a severe visual change

to this park. These impacts cannot be mitigated down to de minimis, and the Marquam Hill connection is therefore assumed to be a permanent use regardless of the option selected." Essentially, there is no way to mitigate the impacts of the project or make them less noticeable.

Friends of Terwilliger hopes that Trimet and Metro can find other options to connect light rail to Marquam Hill that will not have as much impact on Terwilliger and will not require taking any park lands. More information on the project can be found on SW Corridor Plan website: swcorridorplan. org. You can also contact Friends of Terwilliger President Anton Vetterlein at antonvett@comcast. net or 503-866-1667.

This article is courtesy of Friends of Terwilliger President Anton Vetterlein

# Fish Monitoring in Tryon Creek Watershed

Natural areas in urban settings, such as Tryon Creek State Park, provide habitat and help preserve native species and wildlife within an area that would otherwise imperil them. As a place for people to see, experience and appreciate nature often, urban natural areas can help to develop an understanding for the importance of conservation - particularly for water systems such as the Tryon Creek watershed, which runs both through a high habitat quality natural area as well as urbanized neighborhoods.

The main stem of Tryon Creek attracts fish, a majority of which are native species. During the summer, Tryon Creek has cooler water temperatures than the Willamette River, serving as a cool water refuge for fish and wildlife. In summer 2018, monthly fish surveys (using netting and electrofishing to tag fish) gathered data on fish growth and travel. A majority of the fish surveyed were Coho salmon (86). Others included Chinook salmon (40) and Coastal Cutthroat trout (9). These sensitive fish species are an important part of the ecosystem whose presence contributes to stream health. As fish move through and unsettle sediment, the organic matter in the sediment circulates. Also, their intake and the exchange of nutrients in the creek balances the water's chemistry, protecting its quality. These fish are mostly present in the stretch of Tryon Creek between Highway 43 and the Willamette. What affects the creek system's ability to provide fish habitat?

City of Portland's Bureau of Environmental Services' 2015

Watershed report card for Tryon Creek indicates the abundance of fish and wildlife in Tryon Creek should be higher. A principal reason for the lack of fish throughout the stream system is the presence of culverts acting as fish passage barriers, particularly under Highway 43. Culverts are structures built to allow water to flow under a road or trail which can change the stream's flow and placement of sediments and soil. For fish to be able to pass through culverts, the culvert must be at an angle close to the natural angle of the stream and at a height that fish can jump to access. These barriers prevent fish from traveling throughout the watershed to find high quality habitat and spawning.

In 2008, the Highway 43 culvert was retrofitted to be more fish-accessible. Fish surveys help us see the progress -including passage-of resident and anadromous (sea-migrating) fish. Tryon Creek Watershed Council has been working steadily to replace the entire culvert, which will be a large project! Continued monitoring and fish passage projects, driven by the enthusiasm of people moving these projects forward, will help the Tryon Creek watershed to be able to better provide habitat for fish and wildlife!

If you want to get involved or have questions, reach out to Terri Preeg Riggsby at **terri@tryoncreek.org** and visit our website at **tryoncreek.org!** 

This article is courtesy of Andrea Russell, SummerWorks PDX intern; Patrick Blanchard, Oswego Lake Watershed Council Coordinator; edited by Alexis Barton, TCWC Program Coordinator



Cutthroat Trout, Photo by Tryon Creek Watershed Council

### **SW Watershed Events**

### Friends of Terwilliger

10/27, 9am-12pm. (Meet at the restrooms on SW Terwilliger & Hamilton) Will be removing ivy as part of citywide No Ivy Day. Go to **terwilligerfriends.org** for more information.

### **SW Trails PDX**

10/4, 9am-12pm. Check SW Trails' website for information on October workparties and hikes: **swtrails.org** 

### **Friends of April Hill Park**

Interested in helping out at April Hill Park? Contact Jill Gaddis, aprilhillpark@swni.org

### **Friends of Marshall Park**

10/27, 9am-Noon. Part of City-wide No Ivy Day. Contact Mary Verrilli for more information: mary.verrilli@portlandoregon.gov

### **Friends of Woods Memorial Park**

10/27, 9am-12pm. (Stairway trail located off SW Woods Parkway) Will be doing ivy removal as part of citywide No Ivy Day. Questions? Contact Jesse Johnston,

jesse@teamjohnston.net

### **Friends of Marquam Nature Park**

10/10, 9am-12pm. Meet at the Towhee trailhead off of SW Marquam Hill Rd for a restoration work party. More info can be found at fmnp.org/events, or by contacting fmnp@comcast.net or 971-599-FMNP.

To learn more about how you can participate in keeping Portland's natural area parks healthy, beautiful, and safe for people and wildlife, visit the **Stewardship Calendar**: portlandoregon.gov/parks/61049

### **Library Events in September**

Capitol Hill Library 10723 SW Capitol Hwy. (503) 988-5385

#### Silly Scarecrow's Farm Harvest

Silly Scully the Scarecrow is excited to welcome the fall harvest to his farm. Join the talking fruits and vegetables as they celebrate the season. Appi the Apple will rap about her nutritious delights. The Corn Sisters pop in for some fun and there is sure to be a chase scene when Stinky the Skunk tries to join the merriment. Enjoy joking, singing, dancing and fall harvest fun with Penny's Puppet Productions. Seating is available on a first-come, firstserved basis.

**Tuesday, October 23, 4-4:45 pm** 

#### **Learning to Crochet**

This is a class for beginners to learn about yarn, hooks, patterns and basic stitches. All materials furnished to complete a project

> Hillsdale Library 1525 SW Sunset Blvd. (503) 988-5388

#### **Journey of the Andes**

Grupo Latitudes performs Latin folk music and music from the Andes. Be prepared to travel with the mystic music of their ancestors. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Saturday, October 20, 2-3 pm

#### **An Old-Fashioned Halloween**

Enjoy stories and songs of trick or treats, jack-o'-lanterns and more Halloween high-jinks with storytelling duo Anne & Norm. Come in costume and join the fun! Free tickets available 30 minutes in advance.

**Sunday, October 28, 3-3:45 pm** 

### **Slabtown's Ghosts and Murders**

Do you like reading books about the paranormal? Tanya Lyn March, ghost historian, has gathered several ghost narratives and crime stories from homeowners, alienists, ephemera collectors and ancient newspapers. Prepare for a kaleidoscopic view of Slabtown in search of the unusual murders and the unexplainable encounters with the other side. Learn where the residents of the Pest House were interred. Speculate about the sevenday wonder Ernest Harp and his poltergeist playmate. Made possible by The National Endowment for the Humanities Fund of The Library Foundation. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Hillsdale Library, Sunday, October 21, 2-3 pm Capitol Hill Library, Tuesday, October 30, 6:45-7:45 pm

during class. Take home written materials that support what you learned. Registration required; register online, in the library or by calling 503.988.5123.

Wednesday, October 10, 4-6 pm

#### **Healthier Living for Your Brain** and Body

For centuries, we've known that the health of the brain and the body are connected. But now, science is able to provide insights into how to optimize our physical and cognitive health as we age. Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement and how to use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging. Registration required; register online, in the library or by calling 503.988.5123.

Saturday, October 13, 11 am-12 pm

### **Tech Help**

Do you have technology questions? Meet one-on-one for 30 minutes with a friendly, knowledgeable Tech Helper who will help you find answers to questions about mobile devices, websites, downloading, e-readers, getting started with tech, and more. If you need help with a smartphone, iPad or tablet, please bring it with you, along with your username and password, or we may not be able to help. Registration required; register online, in the library or by calling 503.988.5123.

Tuesday, Oct 2, 5:30-7:30 pm Tuesday, Oct 9, 5:30-7:30 pm Tuesday, Oct 16, 5:30-7:30 pm



**Senior Center** 

**September Trips:** Please call (503) 244-5204 for more information. REGISTRATION BEGINS Monday, October 1, 2018 at 9:30 am.

#### Wednesday, Oct. 17 **Portland Nursery Apple Tasting: Elder Day**

Leaves: 12:30 p.m. Returns: 4 p.m.

Suggested Donation: \$9 **Admission:** Free

About the time the leaves begin to change color, it's time to celebrate the abundance of apples and pears. A large variety of each is available to taste and purchase by the pound, up to 60 different varieties. There also will be fresh-pressed cider demonstration and tasting. A portion of the sales of apples and pears will go to help support Elders in Action.

The Mike Danner Trio will provide musical entertainment.

Monday, Oct. 29 **Sauvie Island Pumpkin Patch** 

Leaves: 11 a.m. Returns: 3:45 p.m.

**Suggested Donation: \$6** \$ for lunch at the Patio Cafe

Corn Maize (optional): \$6 seniors 60+, \$8 general

The leaves are changing color, and Fall is in the air. Time to pick your perfect pumpkin, stroll a corn or hay maze, and enjoy some hot apple cider.

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October Shopping Schedule: 9:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

**10/2** Raleigh Hills Fred Meyer\* or New Seasons

10/3 No shopping trip

10/9 Costco or WinCo

**10/10** Beaverton Fred Meyer or Trader Joe's

**10/16** Raleigh Hills Fred Meyer or **New Seasons** 

**10/17** No shopping trip

10/23 No shopping trip

**10/24** Raleigh Hills Fred Meyer or New Seasons\*

**10/30** No shopping trip

**10/31** Walmart or WinCo

\*Senior discount days

### **Neighborhood House RIDERS' CLUB TRIPS**

Tuesday, Oct. 16

**Portland Art Museum.** Lecture by Portland-based artist Avantika Bawa, who will discuss her current exhibition on view in the APEX galleries.

8:35 Meet at Senior Center (enter from back entrance)

8:57 Board #45 TriMet bus in Multnomah Village/Capitol Highway and 35th

9:30 Coffee, tea & conversation in Mark Building

10:10 Museum opens. Meet in Whitsell Auditorium.

10:15 Lecture

11:15 Exhibits

11:55 Meet at main lobby

12:10 Board #45 TriMet bus at SW **Columbia at Park** 

12:30 Get off at Key Bank in **Multnomah Village** 

### Work hard, play hard: Giving back as a family with Neighborhood House's **Family Volunteer Nights**

With the lazy days of summer behind us and the school year in full swing, Neighborhood House's popular family volunteer nights are back on the schedule as well. These family-friendly evenings are designed to teach children the importance of volunteering from a young age, so that they grow into empathetic adults, grateful for their circumstances and engaged with their communities. Typically held on the first Tuesday of the month, from October through June, family volunteer nights encourage parents to make volunteering a regular part of their family's routine. Activities may include repackaging bulk foods, making crafts for fundraising events, or helping with special projects.

This year, Neighborhood House's new food pantry assistant, Vickie Huston, will be running family volunteer nights. Vickie, a licensed massage therapist, received her Bachelor of Science in public health promotion and previously worked at the PSU Food Pantry. In order to keep all participating family members informed and entertained, she'll be screening a short film about Neighborhood House's work and impact before each volunteer night and keeping the little ones energized and inspired by providing an array of healthy snacks!

Over the past year, Neighborhood House's Food Pantry has served a record-breaking 3,600 individuals with over 18,000 healthy food boxes. Reflecting on her work with the Food Pantry, which relies on over 60 volunteers each month to keep things up and running, Vickie says, "One of my favorite parts of the day is when volunteers come in and get to know each other. I think that's

one of the reasons family volunteer night is so important--not only for community members to get together and socialize, but because of the importance and value in modeling community service for our children."

To reserve your family's place at a future volunteer night, email Marc Czornij at MCzornij@nhpdx.org or call 503-246-1663, extension 2117.



The whole family can lend a hand to Portlanders in need at Neighborhood House's monthly family volunteer night.

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### SW Urban Trails Walk Saturday, Oct 13, 9 am



The October walk will be led by

Rick Kappler. We will meet at Wilson High School and car pool to the side of Council Crest Park, on SW Talbot Rd. just west of Greenway Ave. 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. We may do this route in reverse.

The walk is about 6 miles long and climbs about 800 feet. There are at least four 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).

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### Southwest Neighborhoods October 2018 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	= 6:30 PM SWNI Friends of Spring Garden Park	6:00 PM Multnomah     Board Meeting     7:00 PM Maplewood     General Meeting     7:00 PM LWV Voter Education Forum     7:00 PM Homestead     General Meeting	7:00 PM Collins View General Meeting 7:00 PM Bridlemile Board Meeting 7:00 PM Hillsdale General Meeting 7:00 PM South Portland General Meeting	9:00 AM SWTrails PDX 2:00 PM City Council Hearing SW Corridor Equitable Housing Strategy 7:00 PM SWNI Public Safety Committee 7:00 PM SWNI Parks and Community Centers	5	6
7	Indigenous Peoples' Day Columbus Day  6:00 PM Tryon Creek Watershed Council 7:00 PM Ashcreek NA Meeting	9 4:30 PM SPNA Trans- portation 5:30 PM SW Capitol Hwy Project Drop-In Office 7:00 PM Multnomah General Meeting 7:00 PM LWV Education Forum 7:00 PM Markham Gen- 7:00 PM Arnold Creek	9:00 AM Friends of Marquam Nature Park 2:00 PM Council Hearing SW Corridor Route 6:00 PM WMSWCD Annual Meeting 7:00 PM Bridlemile General Meeting	11  6:00 PM Marshall Park NA General Meeting 7:00 PM South Burlingame Board Meet- ing 7:00 PM West Portland Park	12	9:00 AM SW Trails Walk     10:30 AM SW Capitol     Hwy Project Drop-In Office Hours     3:00 PM SW Corridor Affordable Housing Information Session
14	7:00 PM SWNI Trans- portation Committee	16 6:00 PM SPNA Land Use Committee 7:00 PM SWNI Land Use Committee	17  4:00 PM SWNI Finance Committee 5:00 PM SWNI Executive Committee 6:00 PM SWNI Schools Speak Up Event 6:30 PM SWHRL General Meeting	18 5:30 PM SW Capitol Hwy Project Drop-In Office Hours 7:00 PM SWNI Watershed Committee	19	20
21	7:00 PM SWNI Equity & Inclusion	7:00 PM Far Southwest General Meeting	7:00 PM SWNI Board	25  8:30 AM Multnomah Village Business Association meeting  6:30 PM Community Policing Reception	26	9:00 AM Friends of Woods Memorial Park     9:00 AM No Ivy Day     9:00 AM Friends of Marshal Park     9:00 AM Friends of Terwilliger
28	29  2:00 PM SWNI Small Grants Workshop 6:00 PM Crossroads Community Meeting	30	31 Halloween  3:30 PM Multnomah Village Trick or Treat	7:00 PM SWNI Public Safety Committee 7:00 PM SWNI Parks and Community Centers 7:00 PM West Portland Park	2	= 9:00 AM SWNI Fall Cleanup = 10:00 AM Stormwater Stars Open House