

SUNNYSIDE

Neighborhood News

October 2016

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By Tony Jordan, SNA President

On August 19th, 15 year old Fallon Smart was hit and killed while crossing Hawthorne Blvd; on June 3rd, 15 year old Amiracle Hernandez was hit and seriously injured while in a crosswalk on SE 82nd and SE Mill; on August 30th, 15 year old Bradley Fortner was hit and seriously injured on his way to school, crossing N. Columbia Blvd. These are only a handful of the incidents of traffic violence in our neighborhoods that are reported - many incidents don't make it onto the news or into the newspaper. Should we continue to accept routine injuries and deaths as a consequence of our transportation preferences? What should we do to make our streets safe for everyone, regardless of their mode of transportation?

These were the questions asked at our "Safety Solutions for Hawthorne Blvd" meeting on September 6th. Your SNA Land Use and Transportation Committee plans to keep the focus on this topic at upcoming meetings. This is an issue that we can all do more to resolve on our own. I encourage you to look into an initiative called "Vision Zero" and to support local and state initiatives to make our streets safer.

Thank you to the Belmont Area Business Association and the volunteers who helped make the Belmont Street Fair a success and a special thanks to the Sunnyside Prepared! committee for their great work in our neighborhood.

Peacock Lane Seeking Historic District Designation

By Lorraine Henriques

Peacock Lane is currently battling infill with a tall "modern box" to be built on the lane's smallest lot, and there is nothing that can be done to stop the process. The only protection from future damage to Peacock Lane's charming English cottage character is having the lane listed on the National Register of Historic Districts. Getting the national recognition is a time-consuming and expensive process and the lane is making every effort to succeed with the designation.

With the assistance of the Architectural Heritage Center, Peacock Lane has started a Go-Fund-Me campaign to help fund the designation process, gofundme.com/29wwae78.

Donations made through the AHC on behalf of Peacock Lane are tax deductible.

Additionally, the locally owned Portland Nursery is allowing Peacock Lane to participate in the nursery's annual Apple Cider Tasting event to help raise funds to pay for the designation process. The lane will have a display at the event to raffle off great items.

Come enjoy the apples and help support Peacock Lane at Portland Nursery, 5050 SE Stark, Saturday & Sunday, October 8-9 and 15-16, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS | OCTOBER

- 1st – Felted Soap, 2-3:30 p.m.
@ Belmont Library
- 5th – Native Plants Workshop, 6-8:30 p.m.
@ Sunnyside Community House
- 8th – Rain Gardens Workshop, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
@ Sunnyside Community House
- 15th - Eastside Village Information Session
10 a.m.-12 p.m. @ Hotlips Pizza,
2211 SE Hawthorne Blvd*
- 15th - Beyond Fight or Flight: Coping with
Conflict, 3-5 p.m. @ Belmont Library*
- 22nd – Free "shred event" 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
@ 4735 E. Burnside St*
- 24th – SES Shared Use Park Space
@ Sunnyside Community House,
3520 SE Yamhill*
- 31st – Halloween Trinkets and Treats,
4-7p.m. on Belmont Street*

* See articles for details

MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings at Southeast Uplift unless noted

General and Board Meeting

Thursday, October 13, 7-9 p.m.

Land Use & Transportation Committee

Tuesday, October 4, 7-8 p.m.

Sunnyside Prepared

Tuesday, October 18, 7-8:30 p.m.

Graffiti Clean-Up

2nd & 4th Saturdays, weather permitting.
Call 503-235-5047

SUNNYSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

www.SunnysideNeighborhood.com



Update from Sunnyside Community House

By Pat Schwiebert

It has been one year since the Sunnyside-Centenary United Methodist Church stopped meeting as a congregation, but there is still life in those walls that the congregation left behind. Painting, new carpeting, cleaning and repairing have been a major focus of the past year. Now the team that acts as caretakers for the building is planning to repair the

north tower and make the building more accessible.

The Children's Club, Hard Times Supper, Campfire, basketball and futzal teams continue to use the building. New groups that will soon be sharing the space are: "The Alexander Technique," Sowelu Theater and Th'Under Grounds

Café and Commons (formerly Sound Grounds located at 37th and Belmont). If you are looking for a space to hold a workshop or have suggestions about other possible programs that might work at the Community House contact Pat Schwiebert at (503) 706-6583.

Sunnyside Environmental School Playground Dinner

By Josh Palmer

This coming month in October there will be a dinner at the Sunnyside Community House (3520 SE Yamhill) to discuss current issues surrounding the SES shared use park space. The exact date of the event is TENTATIVELY set for October 24th but is subject to change due to being accommodating to various SNA, Parks, and PPS staff/student schedules. Once the finalized date and time is set we will do our best to get that information out to the public. Please watch for the social media listings, which will have the most current information. There also will be a flier posted outside the Community House.

The intent of the meeting is to listen to and discuss peoples' various viewpoints on the state of the park over a shared meal. As most of the neighborhood knows it's a passionate subject, however it doesn't have to polarize us, so please come and participate, find out why your neighbor thinks differently about it than you do and respect them for it. Hopefully a relaxed atmosphere, small discussion groups and then a larger closing discussion will bring forth a positive outcome.

A meal will be served by Pat and students from the school. A free will donation will be taken to cover costs. Please contact Pat Schwiebert 503.706.6583 for event details.

Valuables Left in Recycling Roll Carts

By Bonita Davis

Notice more noise, litter, and loss of privacy as curbside recycling carts are being rifled through for valuable contents? Two things attract attention: personal identification/financial information and nickel deposits.

It can be helpful to put roll carts out at curbside as late as possible on collection days. Better is going paperless with your sensitive documents or investing in a shredder. If shredding, please put small shreds in a paper bag to contain the paper. Consider taking your documents to a service such as UPS on 41st and Hawthorne where to-be-shredded documents are accepted at 0.89 per lb.

A free "shred event" is coming up Saturday, October 22nd, 10am-2pm, at 4735 E. Burnside St. Also being collected are unwanted prescription medications and samples, over the counter medications, vitamins, pet medications, medicated ointments, and liquid medication in leak proof containers. For more information on prescriptions or shredding, contact, mary.tompkins@portlandoregon.gov.

Nickel deposits will become even more valuable in 2017 when the deposit goes to 10¢. The program expands in 2018 to include all beverage containers except distilled liquor, wine, dairy or plant-based milk and infant formula. If it has been tempting to just toss the 5¢ into recycling, please reconsider. The more left out at curbside, the more scavenging is invited. Now is a good time to create a system for collecting and redeeming containers. Go to www.bottledropcenters.com to learn about drop off services per bag, and ways to create fundraising accounts so deposits can be used for community efforts. Currently, the nearest BottleDrop Redemption Center is at 12403 NE Glisan. Ph. 877 912 2019.

Eastside Village

By Mary Bedar

We're celebrating our one year anniversary in October! With over 50 members now, Eastside Village is growing in SE Portland, including the Sunnyside neighborhood.

Eastside Village is a membership organization created to help people stay in the home they love. Staffed by volunteers, the Village offers community, social activities, and services. Members may request help with a wide range of services such as gardening, light home maintenance, grocery shopping and transportation, our most requested service. Vetted volunteers also help with visits, friendly phone calls, pet care and other non-medical tasks.

Membership is open to any resident of SE Portland over 18 years old. Our boundaries are the Willamette River, I-84 & NE Halsey, 122nd Ave and the southern City Limit line. Eastside Village is a program of Villages NW, a 501c3 organization.

We hold Village information sessions on the third Saturday of each month from 10-12 a.m., alternating between Hot Lips Pizza on SE Hawthorne and Woodstock Wine and Deli on SE Woodstock. The next Information Session will be Saturday, October 15, at Hotlips Pizza, 2211 SE Hawthorne Blvd. Check out our website: www.eastsidevillage.org or call our office for further details, 503-866-0571.

We welcome new members as well as new volunteers—especially drivers. You may apply to be a member or a service provider online or over the telephone. If you'd like to help your neighbors stay in their homes and continue to be a vital part of the neighborhood, we'd love to hear from you.



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Update from Sunnyside Prepared! Committee

By Jan Molinaro

The Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) booth at the Belmont Street Fair was well-supported with Sunnyside NET members, as well as NETs from other neighborhoods and other local folks. Thanks again to all our volunteers.

Thanks to a collaboration between Megan McDaniel, a librarian at Belmont Public Library, and Jan Molinaro, a National Preparedness Month display was set up at the Belmont Library. Hopefully you got to see it there.

Thanks again to Pat Schwiebert at Sunnyside Community House for the use of the Labyrinth Room for our Neighborhood Watch 'Train the Trainers' event on Tuesday, September 20th.

What's Happening At The Belmont Library?

By Cyndi Rosene

Do you ever wonder if you're sharing your house with ghosts of former residents? Go to <https://multcolib.org/house-history> and you'll discover many ways to learn more about the fascinating historical details of your quirky old home in Sunnyside.

Here are some of our programs for October:

Thursday October 13, 10 a.m.-Noon, Email Basics

Learn how to create an email account, send and reply to email, attach a document or photo, and stay safe. If possible, please bring a mobile phone to class to confirm your new account. Registration required; register online, in the library, or by calling 503-988-5234.

Saturday October 15, 3-5 p.m., Beyond Fight or Flight: Coping with Conflict

When conflict comes up—with neighbors, family members, community or co-workers—what do you do? This workshop will introduce a couple of key skills you can apply right away to engage with conflict in ways that often work better for everyone involved. Presented by Resolutions Northwest. Registration required; register online, in the library, or by calling 503-988-5234.

Our committee can only do its work when we work with others. This time Mark Wells, from ONI Crime Prevention, Pat from Sunnyside Community House, Lorraine Henriques from the SNA board and our Sunnyside Prepared! Committee, and support from the SNA board made this important training possible.

For more info about the important work we have done and continue to do, please visit our website:

<https://sunnysideneighborhood.wordpress.com/committees/emergency-preparedness/>

Saturday October 22, 3-5 p.m., Film Screening: A River Between Us

Documents the largest river restoration project in American history. The communities of the Klamath River have been feuding over its water for generations, and bad blood has polluted the river and its relationships. A post-film discussion will be led by a staff member.

Thursday October 27, 6-7 p.m., Poetry Reading: Carlos Reyes

A reading and conversation with Carlos Reyes, a noted poet and translator.

Saturday October 29, 3-5 p.m., PDX Death Café

Be part of a growing international movement of people who come together in a relaxed and safe setting to discuss death and drink tea. Registration opens Oct.8; register online, in the library, or by calling 503-988-5234.

For more programs and information, drop in and see us at Belmont Regional Library, 1038 SE Cesar Chavez; give us a call at 503-988-5382; or find us online at www.multcolib.org. Multnomah County Library programs are always free of charge.

Halloween Trinkets and Treats around Belmont

By Karen Hery

Rain or shine, the Sunnyside neighborhood is especially magical on Halloween. Our old Victorians look spooky in the dark, and at the same time festive and welcoming with porches lit up on Halloween night.

Halloween is on a Monday this year and this is the third year that trick-or-treating families can get an early start on Halloween night fun with Trinkets and Treats, a special event of the Belmont Business Association. Businesses up and down Belmont and near Belmont will be sharing candy and alternatives to candy from 4-7 p.m.

Silk and Stone Salon in the 3700 block will have a small gift with candy for every child. Noun, like last year, will give every trick-or-treater a one-of-a-kind button.

You can see a list of places to go and the special treats and trinkets shared at each neighborhood store at www.belmontdistrict.org. This list will be updated right up to Halloween as stores add their offerings. Every participating store will have a Trinkets and Treats sign posted in the window and hand maps to pick up the week of and day of the event that show all the locations.

Hawthorne Gardens Senior Living Center at 2828 Taylor is a great last stop on the Trinkets and Treats trick-or-treating route. Seniors will be handing out candy from 4-6 p.m. and then the staff will be running a haunted house and games from 6-8 p.m. with free chili, cornbread, donut holes, and cider for all.

If you are inspired by this article to give out special trinkets or treats that you would like other families and neighborhood businesses to know about, we'll be updating the on line list of Treats and Trinkets locations at www.belmontdistrict.org and the Belmont District PDX Facebook page right up until Halloween.

Send any treats and trinkets information to Karen Hery at info@belmontdistrict.org.

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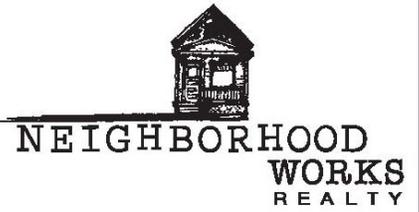
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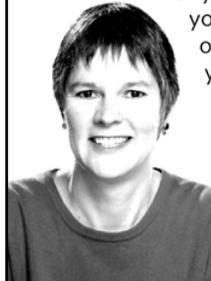
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