

Brooklyn NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

July/August, 2012



Brooklyn Neighborhood General Meeting

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Corner of Milwaukie and Center
7pm

Winterhaven School Issue Update

Max Line in Brooklyn

Community Garden Update

For the latest happenings in the neighborhood,
check out our extensive website at
www.brooklyn-neighborhood.org



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neighbors and stay up to date on neighborhood
news <http://www.facebook.com/bacpdx>

Winterhaven School Issue

Brooklyn neighbors were invited to another meeting of SACET (Superintendent's Advisory Committee on Enrollment and Transfer) on June 19th for an update on our school issue, including the feasibility of neighborhood children being given preference at Winterhaven.

Because the meeting was after the deadline for newsletter submissions, we were unable to include a report of the meeting in this issue. However, updates will be available at BrooklynElementary.org as well as on Facebook under Brooklyn Neighborhood School. Please visit either site for current information as well as to ask questions or give feedback.

Brooklyn Community Garden "Kick-Off" a Success

On Saturday, June 2nd, more than 40 people showed up and worked hard on clearing brush, pruning and cleaning the site of the new community garden at Franklin and McLoughlin Blvd. Many truck loads of brush and garbage were hauled away thanks to everyone's hard work.



*With downtown Portland in the background,
volunteers pose before getting to work.*

Good news Garden Supporters! The Brooklyn Community Garden has been awarded a substantial development grant of almost \$28,000 from the East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District. These funds will pay for major expenses like leveling the field, getting the irrigation system installed and operating and buying materials for building a shed and a stairway. Although the grant will pay for the basic infrastructure, volunteers will be essential for getting the garden up and running. The first garden plots are expected to be ready for planting in September.

For more information, contact
Lee Kamrass at leek1516@gmail.com

Calendar of Events

BAC Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 11, 2012
6:30 - 9 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

Neighborhood General Meeting
Wednesday, July 25, 2012
7 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

Movie in the Park
Saturday, August 4th, 2012
Movie starts at Dusk
Brooklyn Park on Milwaukie

National Night Out
Tuesday, August 7, 2012

BAC Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 8, 2012
6:30 - 9 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

Ice Cream Social in the Park
Sunday, September 9, 2012

SAVE THIS DATE!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2012

The Brooklyn Action Corps Sponsors the 10th Annual
“ICE CREAM SOCIAL IN THE PARK”

1 – 4 pm

Many activities are planned so mark your calendar!

A contest will be held for this year's Brooklyn neighborhood t-shirt design! There is no particular theme, but the shirt design has to represent the neighborhood and must include “Brooklyn” on the shirt. Please submit designs to board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org or bring drawing to the Ice Cream Social. There will be a drop box at the BAC table (if e-mailing, graphic must be 200dpi).

Be a part of the 10th Annual Brooklyn Ice Cream Social! We are seeking neighborhood groups, artisans, businesses and resident volunteers to set up an information and/or sales booth at the Social. Booth space is free, but you will need to bring your own table. If interested, please e-mail board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org; we do have limited space, so acceptance will be offered at the discretion of the BAC.

**Help is needed for setup and take down. Any volunteers?
Call the Help Line 503/241-4540**

National Night Out Tuesday, August 7th Plan your own block party

Anyone can register a party, get ideas for party activities, download forms for closing your street or reserving space at a park, and much more. For more information about sponsoring your own block party, call Jen at 503/823-4064 or go to www.portlandonline.com/oni/nno

**Movie in the Park is back
featuring**

“FOOTLOOSE”
(2011 version)

**Saturday, August 4
Brooklyn Park on Milwaukie
Movie starts at Dusk**



The Helpline is always available for the Brooklyn neighborhood to voice their concerns or pass on information to the Brooklyn Action Corps. Please remember to leave a name and phone number with your message so that someone can call you back.



**BROOKLYN HELP LINE
503/241-4540**

Brooklyn Neighborhood News

is published bi-monthly by the BAC. To contact the Brooklyn News, call the helpline or email the newsletter at brooknews@brooklyn-neighborhood.org

Community announcements, local events and press releases are accepted on a space available basis. Closing date for the newsletter is on the 15th of even-numbered months. This newsletter is edited and designed by Marie Phillippi.

BROOKLYN ACTION CORPS BOARD ELECTIONS

At the May 23rd General Meeting, 6 volunteers were elected to serve on the Board of Directors for the Brooklyn Neighborhood. Mike O'Connor, Wendy Miller, Don Stephens, Stacy Johnson, Steve Schmunk and Mark Romanaggi volunteered to serve.

There are presently 5 openings, so the BAC is looking for people who feel passionate about our neighborhood and are willing to spend just a couple hours a month to make a difference in the future of Brooklyn. If you are interested, consider attending a couple of board meetings (the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm.)

For more information, contact the Brooklyn HelpLine 503/241-4540.

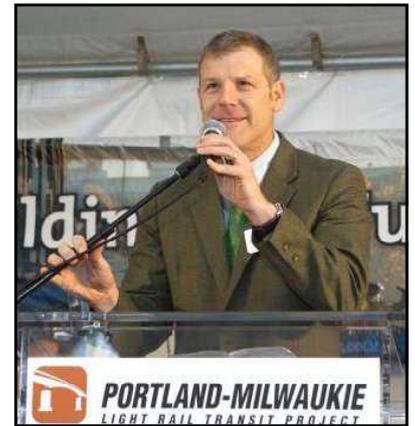
Congratulations, Doris!



On May 20, long time resident, Doris Doefler, exhibited her lifetime of photos at the Sacred Heart Villa. Doris, who turns 90 this year, has a long history in the Brooklyn neighborhood as well as serving as president of the Portland Photographic Society.

On May 22, Brooklyn hosted the “Portland-Milwaukie Light Rail Full Funding Agreement Kickoff Celebration.” The signing of the agreement, which took place under a crowded tent on a very rainy day, meant that \$745.2 million dollars for the Light Rail will come from the Federal Government. This amounts to 50 percent of the project.

Mike O'Connor opened the celebration with a speech that covered the history of Brooklyn and its connection with the railroad. He also regretted the loss of a few of “our beloved businesses” and dealing with a lot of construction for the next few years that in the end, will change the face of 17th Ave.



Visit trimet.org/pm or call 503/962-2150 for more information.

Neighborhood Sustainability Survey

Zac Hathaway is a Masters of Urban Studies student at Portland State University. He will be conducting a survey in the Brooklyn and Sunnyside neighborhoods for his thesis. The purpose of the survey is to better understand how neighborhood identity affects residential sustainability. **This short 10 minute survey** will gather data to be used in his thesis and a forthcoming journal article. The information gathered will benefit the community of Brooklyn by providing residents and neighborhood organizations with important information. Zac hopes that you will take the time to fill out the survey, and is very interested in hearing everyone’s experiences in the Brooklyn neighborhood, both positive and negative. **Please visit this website by August 15th to complete the survey:** www.NeighborhoodSurvey.org

All participants will be entered into a drawing to receive a **\$100 Visa gift card**. Participants must live in the Brooklyn neighborhood and be 18 years of age or older. This survey is voluntary and anonymous. Please feel free to email Zac if you have questions about this research: zhathawa@pdx.edu Your participation is very much appreciated! Thank you.

EMERGENCY AND PROBLEM SOLVING NUMBERS

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Brooklyn Neighborhood CleanUp - A Success Story

This year, 8.3 tons of mixed waste and 2.24 tons of yard debris were collected. With great help from volunteers and participation of neighbors, this clean up was the most rewarding in at least 4 years. Even though there was a shower or two, people still showed up to make the day a great success. Thanks to all who contributed time, trash and money.



Mark Romanaggi & Wendy Miller



Paige Schlupp & Dan Howell



Julio Enciso



Sean Miller & Mike O'Connor

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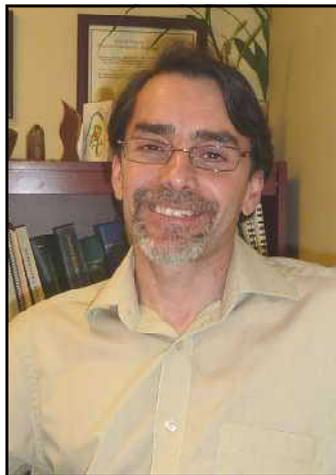
Brooklyn Natural Health Clinic
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When Dr. Keivan Jinnah, a naturopathic doctor and certified acupuncturist moved to the Brooklyn neighborhood 10 years ago, his was the only natural medicine practice along SE Milwaukie Ave. Now he's joined by several other offices, offering services such as massage therapy and body work.

"It's a wonderful community," Dr. Jinnah said. "There are great businesses along SE Milwaukie. It's a great part of town—and convenient, especially from a bus perspective. I see patients from all over town, so the location is very helpful."

Dr. Jinnah isn't certain why Brooklyn has seen a growing number of natural medicine providers, but suggested, "Part of it is that it's a good location. There's also the natural environment and the community around it." For him, those qualities are consistent with his approach to medicine.

"My approach is aimed at treating the whole person,



the underlying cause and not just the symptoms. When the oil light comes on in your car, you don't just cover it. You get under the hood and fix the problem. My philosophy of health is that it's a balance in the body. The symptoms experienced are the body's language—it's way of saying what's out of balance. The best way to bring about balance is to use natural medicine, along with a healthy lifestyle and diet choices."

Dr. Jinnah uses a combination of western natural medicine, Chinese medicine, herbal remedies, nutrition, homeopathy, and lifestyle counseling.

"It's really for everyone. I can optimize anyone's health. The tools in this type of medicine have been used for hundreds of years. They're time-tested."

To learn more, or to set up an appointment, Dr. Jinnah can be reached at (503) 239-7341 or email his website: bnhealth.net.

Interview conducted by Jeff Kleen

Continued Break-ins in Brooklyn

To repeat last month's advice from Officer Weber: Neighbors should be aware of suspicious activity or vehicles. Dog walkers could be the best witnesses and don't feel bad about being a nosy neighbor if something or someone is not right.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Officer Eric Weber is our district officer. His work schedule is Sunday through Thursday, 4pm - 2am email: eric.weber@portlandoregon.gov If you need immediate help or to report a crime in progress, call 911.

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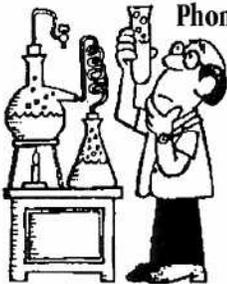
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