

Brooklyn NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

January/February, 2015



**Brooklyn Neighborhood
General Meeting**
Wednesday, January 28, 7 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall,
Corner of SE Milwaukie Ave. & Center St.

BAC SEEKS NEIGHBORHOOD INPUT

“The BAC Board will hold a focusing session annually in order to garner general recommendations to pursue for the following year.” BAC Bylaws

The Neighborhood Board would like to hear your ideas, concerns and vision for the neighborhood.

Other Topics

- ◆ Adopt a Brooklyn Block Project
- ◆ Starting a Neighborhood Emergency Response Team

Speaker: Jeremy Van Keuren from the city

- ◆ Neighborhood Watch

If you are not already included in the Neighborhood “Brooklyn Happenings” email, contact us at

board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org

<http://www.facebook.com/bacpdx>

www.brooklyn-neighborhood.org for the latest updates and this newsletter in full color.

TIME TO GIVE THANKS

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for printing our newsletter
these many years.**

BAC Supports SE Uplift and United Neighborhoods for Reform

The BAC voted unanimously during the December board meeting to support Southeast Uplift’s efforts to increase Public and Neighborhood Involvement and Information gathering in relation to the proposed Street Fee.

The board also voted to support the coalition that has gathered endorsements from 34 neighborhood associations in support of (1) stemming the loss of affordable, unique, well-built housing in our neighborhoods and (2) when development happens, encouraging new construction that better benefits everyone.

Calendar of Events

BAC Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 14, 2015
6:30 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

Neighborhood General Meeting
Wednesday, January 28, 2015
7 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
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BAC Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 11, 2015
6:30 - 8:30 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

NEW PROJECT IN BROOKLYN: CREATE A PRIDE OF PLACE

Brooklyn residents can now develop a way to create a sense of stewardship in the neighborhood by adopting certain blocks within our neighborhood. Similar to the 'adopt a road' concept, if you adopt a Brooklyn block, you will maintain it as a welcoming, attractive place.

Initially this would involve routine litter pickup, removing branches from the sidewalk and contacting city agencies if hazards are present. It would be great if folks could 'adopt a block' along Milwaukie Avenue as well, in order to create an attractive main street for Brooklyn. Come learn more about adopting a block at the next BAC meeting January 28th.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Orton, 503/236-5037 or kt_orton@hotmail.com

Portland Neighborhood Emergency Team Program

Would you like to be more prepared in an emergency situation?

If the answer is yes, come to our January general meeting to learn more about Portland's NET program. This program trains volunteers from the neighborhood in emergency disaster assistance.

We have had an active team in the past but need to get a team up and running again. Jeremy Van Keuren, from the city's Office of Emergency Management, and Ryan Dangaran, from Sellwood's NET, will be here on January 28th to talk about the program and answer any questions you may have.

Brooklyn Foot Patrol Volunteers Needed

BAC board member, Katie Light, will be revamping our Brooklyn Foot Patrol in the upcoming months. With the Light Rail and other changes coming to Brooklyn, preserving the safety of our neighborhood is of utmost importance. The city requires a minimum of 12 people to conduct the training class in January and currently we need 6 more of you to volunteer.

The time commitment is minimal, and it will get you out walking and meeting your neighbors. It's all about community!

Call Katie Light at 503/841-0315 or katie@katielighthomes.com for more information.

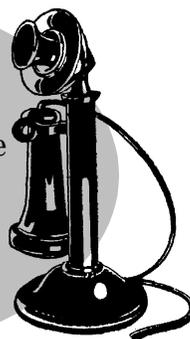


New Crime Prevention Coordinator for SE Portland

Teri Poppino from the Office of Neighborhood Involvement (ONI) will be replacing long time advocate for Brooklyn, Jacob Brostoff. Her contact information is 503/823-0540 or email: teri.poppino@portlandoregon.gov

BROOKLYN HELP LINE 503/241-4540

The Helpline is always available for the Brooklyn neighborhood to voice their concerns or pass on information to the Brooklyn Action Corps.



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Check out the Brooklyn Neighborhood Website
www.brooklyn-neighborhood.org

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

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Traffic Issues in Brooklyn

Neighbors have reported safety issues on SE Reynolds which has become a speeding on-ramp to McLoughlin Blvd. According to the city, the number to call is 503/823-SAFE to report any concerns. Traffic has definitely gotten worse in Brooklyn and has affected other areas, especially around Winterhaven School. The more people that report a problem, the more likely it will be addressed.

Discussion group starting in Brooklyn, centered on PSU lectures series: "Great Decisions"

Each year, the Great Decisions program brings citizens together for lectures to share ideas and opinions on the issues affecting our global future.

At Portland State University, lectures will be taking place January through March. Several Brooklyn residents would like to start a discussion group after each presentation. They would take place on the following Mondays from noon until 1:30 in a Brooklyn neighborhood home, January 26 - March 9, (8 weeks).

Lectures are held at:

Portland State University - School of Business Administration (Room 190) 631 SW Harrison St.

Fridays: January 16 - March 6 at 12 Noon. Lectures are free and open to the public.

Co-sponsored by World Affairs Council & Portland State University's International Studies Department

Topics:

January 16: Russia and the Near Abroad

January 23: Privacy in the Digital Age

January 30: Sectarianism in the Middle East

February 6: India Changes Course

February 13: Human Trafficking in the 21st Century

February 20: U.S. Policy Toward Africa

February 27: Syria's Refugee Crisis

March 6: Brazil's Metamorphosis

If interested in joining us or for more information, please contact
Jennifer Hellman at jenhellman99@gmail.com or Carol Dennis at willa58@havanet.com

Focus on Brooklyn Businesses

Cascadia Collective Hood & Duct

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Left to right: Adam Kohut, Dennise Mofidi, and Daisy Montague. Adam and Daisy are the proud parents of two children, the youngest just 1 month old.

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Brooklyn Philly’s

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Brooklyn Philly’s is the new and only food cart in Brooklyn. Gino, the chef, comes originally from New York, raised in California but has been in Portland off and on for about 10 years. He loves to cook and started when he was 14, cooking for his family.

Gino lives in the house right next door to the cart with his son. Asked why he chose here instead of some of the other options in Portland, he said “I love the people, the neighborhood and I have a lot of repeat customers. My meatball sandwiches are made from scratch everyday and veggies are also fresh every day.” Some of the main options are Philly Cheese Steak Sandwich, Meatball Sandwich and Coney Hot Dogs.

Philly’s is open Monday through Saturday from 11 am to 11 pm, no matter rain, shine or snow. Time to check him out, Brooklynites.



Gino, Brooklyn Philly’s Chef

Used Banner Finds a Home

As you might have noticed, Brooklyn is now sporting beautiful new banners on the poles along Milwaukie Ave. There were several old ones that were in still very good condition, some better than others, but neighbors jumped at the chance to own one of the used banners. All sold except 2 which were in pretty bad shape.

The BAC decided to give one of the banners to Sacred Heart Villa to hang in their hall which is also the Brooklyn meeting place. The BAC would like to extend their thanks to all the people that purchased a banner and even made extra donations. This helps to defray some of the \$4000 that it took to replace the old ones.



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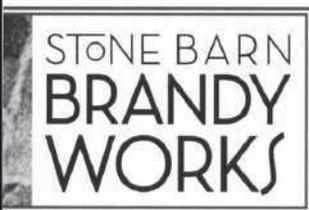
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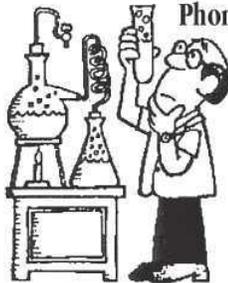
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