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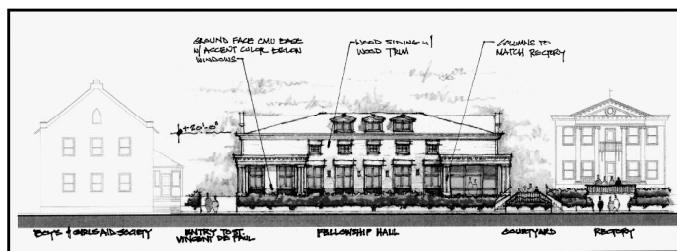
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Elevation Proposal for Sacred Heart Parish Hall

Below is an architect drawing that will be discussed at the neighborhood meeting in January.



Old Convent Proposed Hall Church Rectory

Green Street and Sewer Project in Brooklyn

Lower Powell Green Street and Sewer Project will begin construction in January/February 2016.

Meet the construction team and learn about what to expect at the January 27th general meeting. View a project map, sign up for email updates, and learn more about the project at www.portlandoregon.gov/bes/lowerpowell.

Brooklyn Neighborhood General Meeting

Wednesday, January 27, 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

Families for a Safer Powell
Lower Powell Sewer Repair Project
Emergency Preparedness Project

If you are not already included in the neighborhood "Brooklyn Happenings" email, contact us at

board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org

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

Calendar of Events

BAC Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 13, 2016
6:30 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

Neighborhood General Meeting
Wednesday, January 27, 2016
7 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

BAC Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 10, 2016
6:30
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

Scam Alert

The Portland Police Bureau has received a report from a Portland resident who received a phone call from a person claiming to be a police officer and threatening to arrest the victim for missing court if they don't pay a fine over the phone. The victim in this report lost \$500 before realizing it was a scam.

Tips to help avoid becoming a victim to this and any scam include:

- Never give personal or financial information to an unsolicited caller or email.
- Be suspicious of callers who demand immediate payment for any reason.
- Utility companies and government agencies will never contact you for payment by GreenDot, MoneyPak or Vanilla Reload.
- Never wire money, provide debit or credit card numbers to a stranger.
- If a caller claims that you owe money to a company and you are concerned that you do, hang up and contact the company directly using a phone number that you've looked up yourself.

Besides reporting to the police, the Attorney General's Consumer Hotline is a helpful resource at 503-229-5576 or 1-877-877-9392.



Dealing With Illegally Parked Cars

Information provided by Teri Poppino, SE Crime Prevention Coordinator

With the arrival of the MAX Orange Line, Brooklyn residents are inundated with park and ride vehicles. If anyone observes cars illegally parked, there is help available.

Go to www.portlandoregon.gov/transportation and click on "Report illegally parked cars." There is a form that comes up and you may attach pictures as well as the information needed for Parking Enforcement to respond to your report. However, please be aware that these reports are only seen from 8 am to 5 pm M-F. Any reports after hours and on weekends are dismissed due to the high probability that the vehicle is no longer there.

The best reporting system to use is the automated line at 503-823-5195 ext. 2. That report goes straight to Dispatch M-F, 7 am to 5 pm and on Saturdays 9 am to 5 pm. Instructions are then provided to report to the non-emergency line and the swing shift can then respond after hours.

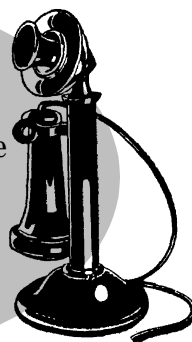
It's important to note that they don't respond to illegally parked cars on Sundays or Saturday evenings after 5 pm. Using the phone might be the best way to go if you don't want to send along photos.

Crime Prevention Coordinator for SE Portland

Teri Poppino, from the Office of Neighborhood Involvement (ONI) is our neighborhood representative. 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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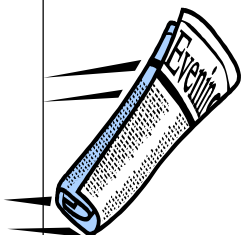
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Pride of Place: Brooklyn 'Adopt a Block' Updates

Thank you to all adopters for continuing in spite of wind, rain and cold! A lot of branches have been cleared by adopters with all our blustery weather.

Thinking of adopting your block? Come to the BAC Meeting, Wednesday, January 27th at 7 pm to get details and select a block. Basically, adopters are the 'eyes on their street' and at least once a month pick up litter and debris on their block. What a great NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION!

Current Adopters: MARK YOUR CALENDAR: January 23rd 2 pm, Pride of Place Open House: 3363 SE 14th
Let's meet and share food and fun with other adopters! Questions: Contact Kathy Orton 503-236-5037

Brooklyn Emergency Preparation Sessions Coming in 2016

In the event of a major disaster such as an earthquake, neighbors helping neighbors will be the way we survive until help comes from the outside. Recent media reports have documented how, after a major earthquake, this could take up to two weeks, so we should all be planning how to keep ourselves and our families safe.

Starting in spring of 2016, Brooklyn Action Corps will be offering a set of three one-hour sessions on preparing for earthquakes and other disasters. We are looking for volunteers to organize/host "Block Parties" for neighbors on both sides of the street for your block, and perhaps the people who live around the corner. BAC will provide trained presenters.

The first session will help you think about all the "What ifs" and plan with your family for any emergency. The second session covers gathering supplies needed to "Go" or "Stay" where you are, in the event of a disaster. In the last session, you and your neighbors will learn how to plan to help each other effectively after a disaster, and to keep maintaining and improving your block's preparedness. In the end you will have a plan and be ready for anything!

To sign up to host your block or to get trained as a presenter, or for more info, contact liz@brooklyn-neighborhood.org

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Officer Jason Graf is our Neighborhood Response Officer: 503/823-0076. However, for non-emergencies, please call the Central Precinct 503/823-0097. If you need immediate help, or to report a crime in process, call 911.

Changes at the Warehouse

There has been a recent transition from a sole proprietor ownership to a worker and member owned cooperative. They still support all local, organic and ethically sourced goods.

An addition is that every weekday, Monday through Friday, the Warehouse hosts performances focused on children, ages toddler+ at 10 am. These events include music, instrument play along, singing, story time, balloons, puppets and theatrics!



Tallulah's Daddy entertaining

The kiddo schedule starts at 10 am everyday and is as follows:

Monday: Pointed Man Band (singing)

Tuesday: Story time and Balloons with Olive and Dingo (singing, stories, balloons)

Wednesday: Music Quest (singing)

Thursday: Tangled Threads (singing, stories, theatrics)

Friday: Tallulah's Daddy (singing, sing along, instrument play along)

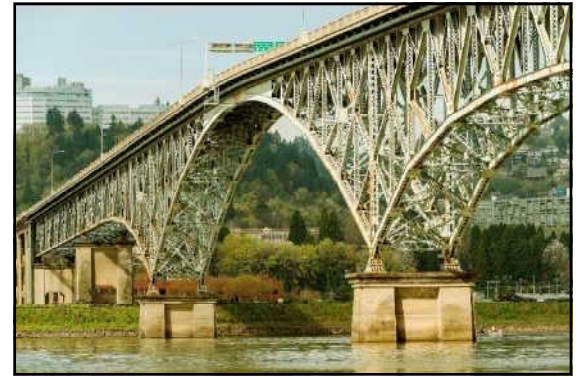
Donations of \$5 per child are suggested for performances.

In the months ahead, they will also be starting other more adult focused events, including educational films, classes (how to make bone broth, how to make fire cider, etc), art gallery openings and an adult focused open mic night. "Happy Hour" is planned between 3-5 pm and 3 varieties of beer on tap, cider, bottled wine, beverages and a full cafe food menu will be available. Questions? Contact Hannah, Warehouse Cafe Manager at 503-267-4640 or cafe@knowthyfood.com.

Ross Island Bridge Rehabilitation Project

Paint restoration work getting underway

ODOT contractors have begun preparing the work site to repaint the Ross Island Bridge to its historic deep blue-green color. Crews are setting up a containment system and work platforms on the west end of the bridge to prepare for the paint restoration work. Sandblasting, repainting and additional rivet replacement on the bridge will start this winter. Work will continue in sections, from west to east, over three seasons.



The Ross Island Bridge was last painted in the 1960's. Since then, the paint has cracked and bubbled and the steel structure has developed rust. ODOT is working to preserve structural integrity and lengthen the lifespan of this key link in the regional transportation system.

What to expect

Minimal disruptions to traffic: There will be no weekday traffic impacts from this project. Some night or weekend lane closures will be necessary to move equipment and debris.

Temporary nighttime delays on the bridge sidewalk: Sidewalk delays are expected while contractors access the work zone beneath the bridge deck. Flaggers will direct sidewalk users and may close the sidewalk, located on the north side, for up to 20 minutes at a time at night, Monday through Saturday.

Work areas under the bridge: A work platform and containment system to catch old paint and debris will be visible under the bridge deck.

Noise from sandblasting, rivet removal and replacement: Noise will occur during daytime hours only.

Density at What Price?

The infill development at 16th and Pershing is well on its way and neighbors nearby will be dealing with one lot subdivided into four narrow lots in an area where the homes were built around 1915. 'Neighborhood compatibility' was totally ignored in this case, even though Amanda Fritz, Commissioner, was quoted last February as saying "I don't support the philosophy of cramming in density at all costs." The BAC appealed the decision to build, but the developer won the battle.





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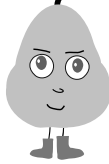
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