

Brooklyn NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

July/August, 2017



Brooklyn Neighborhood General Meeting

Wednesday, July 26, 2017

7pm

Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Corner of Milwaukie and Center

Sheriff Michael Reese

Community Policing and Safety Issues

Saving Our Summer Park Program

Updates on Sewer Repair

For the latest happenings in the neighborhood
and this newsletter in full color, check out
www.brooklyn-neighborhood.org

National Night Out Tuesday, Aug. 1st

Plan your own block party

National Night Out has been celebrated across North America on the first Tuesday of August since 1983. It's a day when neighbors hold parties to strengthen community cohesiveness and crime resistance, and get to know their neighbors and their local public safety officials. When neighbors get to know each other, they create a connected and safer community. Every year, more than 20,000 people in Portland participate. The Office of Neighborhood Involvement's Crime Prevention Program has responsibility for coordinating National Night Out in Portland.

Check out the city website:

www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/nno

For more information about sponsoring your own block party, closing your street or reserving space at a park, call Teri Poppino at 503-823-0540 or email:

teri.poppino@portlandoregon.gov

The Brooklyn Action Corps Board for 2017-18



Board members elected at the May General
Neighborhood Meeting and board positions (left to right)

Mark Romanaggi (SEUL Rep),

Don Stephens (Treasurer),

Joanna Jenkins (Vice-Chair),

Melaney Dittler (Land Use Rep),

Mike O'Connor, Eric Wieland, Matt McComas,

Mike Erwin (Secretary),

Insert: Benjamin Tarne (Chair)

There are still 2 positions that remain open. If interested in getting involved in your neighborhood, attend at least 2 board meetings and check it out.

Important Information

Report criminal activity occurring right now - 911

Non-emergency, criminal or suspicious activity - 503-823-3333

Central Precinct: open 24 hours - 503-823-0097

Teri Poppino: Crime Prevention Coordinator - 503-823-0540

Neighborhood Response Team: Officer Sahli - 503-823-0076

Calendar of Events

BAC Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 12, 2017,
7 - 8:30 pm

Neighborhood General Meeting

Wednesday, July 26, 2017, 7 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

BAC Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 9, 2017
7 - 8:30 pm

Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

Looking Ahead

Ice Cream Social in the Park
Sunday, September 10, 2017
1 - 4 pm

PLANT THIEVES IN BROOKLYN

Several neighbors have reported on Nextdoor Brooklyn that their newly planted bushes, flowers, shrubs, etc. have been stolen, some even in the daytime. One neighbor reported taking a video of a female plant thief in broad daylight.

Let's keep a watchful eye out for this totally disheartening and sickening kind of vandalism.

BROOKLYN HELPLINE

971-222-9454

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



SAVE THIS DATE!

Sunday, September 10, 2017

The Brooklyn Action Corps Sponsors the 16th Annual
"ICE CREAM SOCIAL IN THE PARK" 1-4 pm
Many activities are planned so mark your calendar!

Be a part of the Annual Brooklyn Ice Cream Social! We are seeking neighborhood groups, artisans, businesses and residents to set up information and/or sales booths at the Social. Booth space is free, but you will need to bring your own table. Also, if any Brooklyn business would like to offer gift certificates for the raffle, please email: board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org.

Help is needed for setup and take down. Any volunteers?
Call the HelpLine 971-222-9454

SAVING BROOKLYN SUMMER PARK PROGRAM

by Ben Tame

As you all may know, the city has decided not to fund the "Summer Free for All" program at Brooklyn Park. Is it wrong? YES, but we need to move on to funding the program ourselves.

That being said, we have repeatedly asked Portland Parks & Recreation (PPR) for more information so we can establish our own "Friends of Brooklyn Park" non-profit. They have not been forthcoming with any information let alone communicative. However, the city and PPR have expressed support for us to fund our own program.

LATEST UPDATE: Good news!! We had a meeting with PPR last week. We went over the permit process, insurance, and general requirements. PPR is waiving the permit fees, and granting us access to the shack and all of its goodies. Now we just need to fill out the permit and get insurance and we can start the program. The tricky part is that it needs to be a non-profit or foundation or under an umbrella of a non-profit/foundation. Our fellow Brooklynites are working on setting up the proper organization at this time.

The organization name will be 'Friends of Brooklyn Park.' We will be starting a Facebook page soon with more details. We will have a summer youth program in 2017. However it will have a delayed start while we get our ducks in-a-row.

Thanks everyone, for your support and patience.



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.



Rain Did Not Deter Another Successful Brooklyn Haul Away

A big thanks to the organizer of the whole event, **Eric Wieland**, and to all the volunteers that made it happen: Matt McComas, Don Stephens, Mike Irwin, Dee & John Dudek, Mark Romanaggi, Josh Hetrick, Ben Tarne, John and Matt Weibke, Mike O'Connor, Spencer Fisher, Matt & Annie Smeraglio, Sean Miller, Carol Dennis and Daryl & Marie Phillippi.

We collected over 9 tons of waste (4 dumpsters) and raised over \$1400 for the day. **Thanks to everyone that helped and brought their stuff!**

Left to right: Don Stephens, Mike O'Connor, Ben Tarne, Eric Wieland & Jack, Mike Erwin and Spencer Fisher



Annie Smeraglio and Daryl Phillippi



John & Dee Dudek and Carol Dennis



Matt Smeraglio & Mark Romanaggi

Brooklyn Block Adopters Keep Brooklyn's Pride of Place

You might have seen them...the folks picking up litter. You might have said “hello” or “good morning” to a friendly face. These are the Block Adopters of Brooklyn: Folks who at least once a month walk their area picking up garbage, calling on large object dumping and keeping a watchful eye on their block. Currently we have 34 adopters with 39 blocks currently covered . . . BUT, there are 65 that do not have any coverage, so we could use more volunteers.

Thank you to the following folks for participating: Sean Miller, Eric Wieland, Michael O'Connor, Marie Phillippi, Mark Romanaggi, Rainbow Painting, AM/PM Arco, Vincents Dry Cleaning, Kathy Orton, Capi Reed, Rachel Murfitt, Toni & Gerry McGarvey, Don Stephens, Marc Zim, Dee & John Dudack, Shannon O'Leary, Jim & Lise Harlan, Brittany Avalon, Ruth Phinney, Carolyn Noblet, Shelby Holmes, Julie & Stephen Yates, Eric Werner, Tim Bottman, Ben Tarne, Norman Ray, Michelle Fortner, Nancy Evers, Kathryn Heath, Margot Ouimette, Jerry Wagner & Andi Moore, Zach Heath, John Wiebke and Stephen Bachhuber.

Want to join? Pick up a flyer at Bob's Handy Pantry or call Kathy Orton 503-236-5037, kt_orton@hotmail.com.

Billboards Now in Brooklyn



These 2 billboards were funded and sponsored by the owners of Classic Pianos, Maurice and Cathy Unis. The BAC felt that the billboards are great statements reflecting the Brooklyn Neighborhood. One can see them easily, going west on Powell just past Milwaukie Ave. positioned above Artisan Piano Services.

BROOKLYN BUSINESS FAIR



Neighbors gathering



Vinnie Cifelli (Coco Donuts)
Becca Seitz (Thrive Accupuncture)



Katie Light (Premier Property Group)
Jane Schue (Brooklyn Center Suites) and
Maggie McKenzie (Awakenings)



Jane & David Schue
(Brooklyn Center Suites)



Laurie Lewis
(Hip Chicks Do Wine)



Carston Haney
(Ross Island Brewing)



Jody McComas
(Plexus Worldwide)



Janet Bartholomew (Bullseye Glass)
Matt McComas (Center Street Digital)
and Isaac



Ashley Hoffman
(Artist & Craftsman Supply)



Melaney Dittler
(Windermere Real Estate)



Oswaldo Bibim (Upside Down)

Photos courtesy of Rita Leonard and Marie Phillippi

Thank You

to the Brooklyn Businesses, that came to the General Meeting May 24th, to introduce themselves and their products to residents as well as meet other businesses. It was a great turnout and truly an upbeat time building community. The following businesses participated:

Artist & Craftsman Supply
Awakenings
Bullseye Glass
Brooklyn Center Suites

Center Street Digital
Coco Donuts
Edward Jones, Financial
Hip Chicks Do Wine

Plexus Worldwide
Premier Property Group
Ray-Burts Rug Specialist
Ross Island Brewing

Thrive Acupuncture
True Brew/Rose City Coffee
Upside Down
Windermere Real Estate