Neighborhood General Meeting

Wednesday, March 25 at 7 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Corner of Milwaukie & Center

Topics for Discussion:
Candidates for State Representative
Rob Nosse & Paige Kreisman
have both accepted invitations to speak.

Updates on Diesel Pollution Exposure
Land Use & Transportation
Check out the Brooklyn Website
www.brooklyn-neighborhood.org
for an updated calendar of events and to
contact the BAC, email
board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org

Check out the Business Ads

Once a year, we redo the Brooklyn Business Ads and extend a big thanks to all the Brooklyn businesses that support this newsletter.

The BAC appreciates them and urges our neighbors to support our Brooklyn businesses.

Please take the time to check out the new and revised business ads attached to this newsletter and when possible, show your support.

Input from Neighbors at January Meeting

At the General Neighborhood meeting in January, residents were asked what their concerns, long term goals and hopes are for the Brooklyn neighborhood.

After the discussion, a vote was taken on what 3 items each attendee wanted to support in 2020. The first priority was given 3 points, the second priority was 2 points and the third was a single point. Attendees could spread their three votes out or apply their votes to one or two items they supported.

The following items were brought up, discussed and prioritized:

Top Priority Items:
1. Increase staffing at fire station (18 points)
2. Southreach/River Access (10 points)
3. Lighting/ Better Physical access to Max lines (10 points)
4. Outreach to involve more people in the BAC (9 points)
5. Community Communication Kiosk (6 points)
6. Diesel Pollution Reduction (4 points)
7. New Logo/Branding for BAC/Brooklyn (3 Points)
8. Paving Milwaukie Ave (3 points)
9. Increased Social Events Volunteerism (2 points)
10. Community Surveys (1 point)
11. Signage/Wayfinding Signs (1 point)
12. Music in the Park (1 point)

For all those who took the time and came to the meeting to give their input, THANKS!
Calendar of Events

**BAC Board Meeting**
Wednesday, March 11, 7 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall
Milwaukie & Center

**Health Care of Small Businesses**
Wednesday, March 18, 6 - 7 pm
Aladdin Theatre

**Brooklyn Art Showcase**
Saturday, March 21, 6-9 pm
Rose City Coffee House

**Neighborhood General Meeting**
Wednesday, March 25, 7 pm
Sacred Heart Villa Hall

**Easter Egg Hunt**
Saturday, April 11, 11 am
Brooklyn Neighborhood Park

**Looking ahead**
**Brooklyn Clean Up Day**
Saturday, May 2, 9 am - 2 pm

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**Brooklyn Easter Egg Hunt**
Saturday, April 11, 2020
11 am SHARP at Brooklyn Park

The Easter Egg Hunt has become a cherished tradition with the children from the neighborhood. So once again, volunteers are planning year #7!

Please mark your calendars.
For more information, or if you would like to volunteer, please email
Matthew.mccomas@gmail.com.

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**Brooklyn Neighborhood Clean Up**
Saturday, May 2nd
9 am - 2 pm
Brooklyn School Park
16th & Center

Volunteers are needed! Usually 2 hour shifts.
Contact the Helpline 971-222-9454
or email
brooknews@brooklyn-neighborhood.org

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**Brooklyn Art Showcase**
Saturday, March 21st, 6 - 9pm
Free Admission
Rose City Coffee House
3370 SE Milwaukie Ave.

This showcase will feature the works of Josh Daily, Dawn Furstenberg, Lindsey Konopka, Helena Dupre Thompson and Matthew Walter.
Meet the artists and see their newest works for Spring!
Light refreshments and drinks will be served.

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The Health(care) of Small Business

A smart, interactive conversation about how healthcare policy impacts local business

Small businesses are the forgotten voices in healthcare policy, despite paying more for healthcare benefits and receiving less. The small businesses of Portland are invited to the Aladdin Theater for an evening of lively panel discussions and edgy debates. Dr. Adam Gaffney, veteran of a Fox News interview, will entertain as he tries to gracefully fend off tough audience questions about a single-payer healthcare system while a talented moderator will keep the discussion on-track and focused.

Then the discussion will open to the audience to share their views with good humor and to fire tough questions at Dr. Gaffney, President of Physicians for a National Health Program.

We might not come up with a solution on how to solve healthcare for small businesses, but we will certainly leave better equipped to fight for what we need.

Date: Wednesday March 18th, 6-7 pm, doors open at 5 pm
Place: Aladdin Theater, 3017 SE Milwaukie Ave, Portland.

The Aladdin will offer light fare, beverages, beer, & wine throughout the event

Questions or more information, contact Samuel Metz MD, Oregon Physicians for a National Health Program, 503-754-1329 or s@samuelmetz.com

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St. Patrick’s Day Annual Member Shindig

Friday, March 13 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Classic Pianos, 3003 SE Milwaukie

All GBBA Members are invited to attend the annual event celebrating membership. Come enjoy some networking with fellow business owners/managers and sample food and beverage makers in the area.

Live music and only 21 and over. GBBA Members are welcome to set up a table and share their products with the group. Please reserve your table space ahead of time by emailing greaterbrooklynba@gmail.com.

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Thanks to Young & Joung Kim
at Bob’s Handy Pantry

Every other month, Young and his wife Joung, allow the BAC to bring in 3 big boxes of newly printed Brooklyn Neighborhood News and set them right inside the door so the volunteer deliverers can pick them up whenever it fits their schedule. They have been doing this for years and the Brooklyn Neighborhood is extremely grateful.

If you happen to go into the Bob’s Handy Pantry (right across the street from Brooklyn Park) please thank them for their generosity.

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Brooklyn Historic Plaques

If you have admired the Brooklyn historical plaques on homes and businesses throughout the neighborhood, have you thought of adding one to your home or business? The Brooklyn Historical Society will provide the plaques for $30 each. The plaques are identical in design and color to those already in existence, except for the date, a custom script if desired, and a new coating.

If interested, email Don Stephens at don@brooklyn-neighborhood.org or call 503-235-2174 and leave a message.
Friends of Brooklyn Park Gala, Preparing for Summer, 2020
by Ben Tarne

Friends of Brooklyn Park held its 2nd Annual Winter Gala at the new Sacred Heart Fellowship Hall on Saturday, February 22nd. The event packed the hall and was filled with live music; fine foods; local beer, wine, and spirits; desserts; and a silent auction. The event was well attended by over 125 Brooklyn neighbors, summer program alumni, and local business owners.

The Gala was kicked off by the neighborhood Martingale Band as guests entered. Many Brooklyn and other SE eateries provided a great spread: Pizza Doughnais, Pok Pok Wing and Spin Catering. Brooklyn based Rose City Coffee, Ruse Brewing, Stone Barn Brandyworks, as well as White Claw provided beverages.

One of the biggest hits of the night was the dessert auction. People seated together at tables pooled their money and bid on the dessert options on display. The desserts ranged from cakes made by some of the top shops of Portland to good ol’ chain store items. The table with the highest bid got to pick first, then 2nd highest bid, etc.

Over 30 fabulous items from local artists, businesses, and patrons were donated for the silent auction. Winning guests walked away with a Fender guitar set, a historic walking tour, glass art, fitness classes, martial art lessons, and more. The event raised over $7,000 for the summer youth program.

The program operates on an annual budget of $25k. Friends of Brooklyn Park are all volunteers. 501(c) and 3.89% of every dollar goes directly to the program. This covers permit, insurance, and 3 employees (Program Director and 2 assistants). The rest goes to state and federal required licenses, fees and costs to support our fundraising efforts.

Many thanks to our community for coming out and supporting our program and event. There are too many to name here, but our kids and families are lucky to have such a wonderful community to support our neighborhood and make Brooklyn special.

Hope to see everyone this summer and next February. All of our 2020 events will be announced on our newly redesigned website launching on March 8th, www.friendsofbrooklynpark.org.

Portland students tackle traffic-snarling train crossing

By Eder Campuzano / The Oregonian

The train crossing at Southeast 11th Avenue near Division is the bane of many a Portlander’s timely commute. And a group of eighth graders from Winterhaven K-8 might just save us all.

They’re part of a team that calls itself The Amazing Walri and they recently won an innovation award from Intel for a LEGO project that demonstrated how their smartphone app can alert drivers and cyclists to impediments wrought by painfully slow cargo crossings, according to a news release from Portland Public Schools.

Their project is called “Crossing Conundrum.”

Eli Bates, Calvin Beall, Hunter Boyer, Jenna McComas, Frances Springgate and Korbin Towne make up the team with support from volunteer coaches Erinn Bates, J.J. Heldman and Robert Towne.
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