

Brooklyn NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

November/December 2020



Brooklyn Neighborhood General Meeting

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Virtual Meeting at 7 pm

(go to the Brooklyn Neighborhood
website for a link to the meeting)

MAIN TOPICS

- ◆ Neighborhood Survey
- ◆ Community Message Board
- ◆ Improving BAC Board Diversity
- ◆ Updating BAC Logo
- ◆ Other Neighborhood Issues

Check out the Brooklyn website
brooklyn-neighborhood.org

for the link to the meeting and this newsletter
in full color as well as the latest updates.

If you are not already included in the
Neighborhood "Brooklyn Happenings" email, con-
tact us at board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org

Neighborhood Notice: Tell Us What You Really Think

The Brooklyn Action Corps will be under-
taking a Survey of Residents. The survey is
designed to help the BAC strengthen our
neighborhood's sense of community.
Ultimately, the goal is to increase involve-
ment and participation in the BAC and help
improve neighborhood livability.

The survey will be available online, as
well as via the next Brooklyn Neighborhood
News.

This is your chance to give the board
feedback on how you feel about the neigh-
borhood, and activities the neighborhood
association sponsors annually. The results
will be available at the board meeting follow-
ing the close of the survey and will be posted
on the BAC website as well as a summary in
this newsletter.

Friends of Brooklyn Park Update

By Ben Tarne

Friends of Brooklyn Park just received the permit paperwork from Portland Park & Rec for Summer 2021. We are hopeful that we can have the program in some form next summer. With the Gala from last February and the amazing BottleDrop Give, we are 50% funded for next summer.



As you know our BottleDrop Give fundraiser has been a big success thanks to you, now over \$4400 raised in 19 months. **There is a matching donation "Holiday Give" happening Nov 15th through Dec 1st. BottleDrop Oregon will match up to 20% for each bag donated during that time.** Get your blue bags from Brooklyn Pharmacy, Rose City Coffee, or email us (see below).

We had a blast at our 1st annual "Cans for Candy" on Saturday, Oct. 31st. Thanks to all that participated.

As part of our focus on building a better connection with our community we have just launched our new redesigned website, www.friendsofbrooklynpark.org. Now it is easier to find information about our events, organization, and connect with us. We are still looking to fill the following board positions: Event Coordinator, Fundraising, and Communications. If you are interested, please contact us at fobrooklynpark@gmail.com.

Calendar of Events

BAC Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 11, 2020
Virtual Meeting, 7 pm

Neighborhood General Meeting
Wednesday, November 18, 2020
Virtual Meeting, 7 pm

BAC Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 9, 2020
Virtual Meeting, 7 pm

Out and About in Brooklyn

Corbett Episcopal Chapel (1912)

This is the third of a series of regular features spotlighting the history and architecture of the Brooklyn neighborhood by architectural historian and Brooklyn resident, Eric Wheeler.

The first two installments of 'Out and About in Brooklyn' spotlighted two well-known architectural landmarks; the Poulsen House and the Aladdin Theater. This time we'll have a look at a small, partially hidden, wood-frame building with some interesting history and architecture.



Corbett Chapel under construction, 1912

In 1912, noted Portland architect, Folger Johnson, designed a modest chapel for the Episcopal diocese in Portland. Located in South Portland on SW Corbett Ave, this building shows aspects of the Craftsman style that was very popular in the early 20th century. Note the exposed rafter tails, wide fascia boards, multi-paned windows and wood shingle siding. Simplicity, utility and beauty are the fundamental precepts of the Craftsman aesthetic. This little chapel has all three. Also, the Gothic Revival influence can be seen in the pointed arch motifs in the decorative cut-outs in the gable-end and in the entry door.



In April 2005, the Unis family purchased the former Corbett Episcopal Chapel and moved it to its current location at 3038 SE 10th Ave just south of the Original Hotcake House on SE Powell Blvd. It is now adaptively reused as a residence and part of the Classic Piano's collection of repurposed buildings that house the well-known piano company's sales and service departments.

Plaudits to Classical Piano for saving, moving and reusing a small, but significant part of Portland's church history!

Adopt a Block in Brooklyn

How Everyone Can Help the Block Adopters

Everyone - Pick up litter in front of your home or business

Smokers - Get a can to fill with butts, don't throw them on the sidewalk

Dog Walkers - Yes, your dog loves all the extra walks, BUT please, pick up after your pet.

Adopters - Use your walk time to check on neighbors; pick up litter using gloves and at your own discretion.

THANK YOU to everyone for keeping Brooklyn a clean, caring community!

Questions? Call Kathy Orton 503-236-5037 or email kt_orton@hotmail.com



*Barbara Campbell & Capi Reed
picking up litter*



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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 designed and edited by Marie Phillippi.

BROOKLYN HELP LINE

971/222-9454

Letter to City about Pollution in Brooklyn

The Portland metro region is within the 95th percentile nationally for diesel pollution exposure. The Brooklyn and Albina neighborhoods are sited near major railyards which contribute significantly to this, both from diesel locomotives and the associated heavy truck traffic. Albina, the historical center of Portland's Black community, has endured decades of environmental and social disparities; Brooklyn has some of the worst concentrations of air pollutants in Portland.



Please support further research of relocating the Albina and Brooklyn railyards. We believe that additional study can determine effective, equitable, and healthier locations for these operations

that won't just punt the problem into someone else's backyard. In addition to decreasing air pollution, railyard relocations have yielded enormous benefits, including: alleviating traffic congestion, improvement in railroad's operational efficiency, increase for new economic development, safer routes for hazardous materials movement, and elimination of obstruction to emergency vehicles.

Sincerely,

Brooklyn Action Corps Neighborhood Association,
with support from Mo Badreddine of the Albina Rail Relocation Project.

This letter was sent to Mayor Wheeler, Commissioner Eudaly, Commissioner Hardesty, Metro Council President Lynn Peterson, and the Oregon Legislature's "Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital Construction."

Large Scale Development Proposed at US Bank Site

by Jessamyn Griffin, Architect
Works Progress Architecture

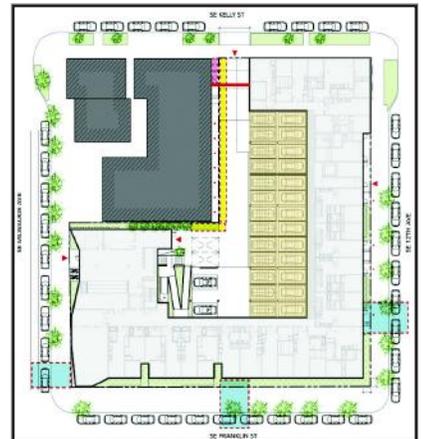
1. As presented to the BAC, this project strives to provide high quality, multi-family housing to the neighborhood.

2. Ground floor engagement is provided via the main lobby entry off of SE Milwaukie Ave, along with residential entries off SE Franklin and SE 12th Ave. Additionally, the main lobby offers flex lounge space, along with open work area.

3. Access to approximately 76 on-site, tuck under parking spaces are provided off of SE Kelly St. Additional street parking is also expanded with curb cut infills on all frontages.

4. 194 long term bike parking spaces are provided throughout the building via a large bike room at the lower lobby floor and individual storage in larger units.

5. 129 Units are offered, with a selection of studios, one, two and three bedrooms, including 5 affordable three-bedroom units.



6. At the roof top, an amenity deck and portion of area is dedicated to green roof.

Our next steps involve us submitting for a Land Use review to request modifications based on the proposed driveway gate location and exclusion of select landscape buffers to allow continued access to the neighboring building/residences.

Gideon Overcrossing Update

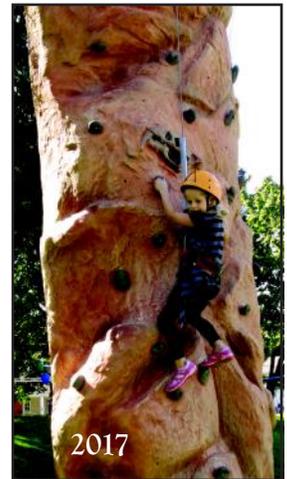
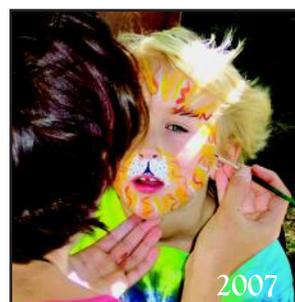
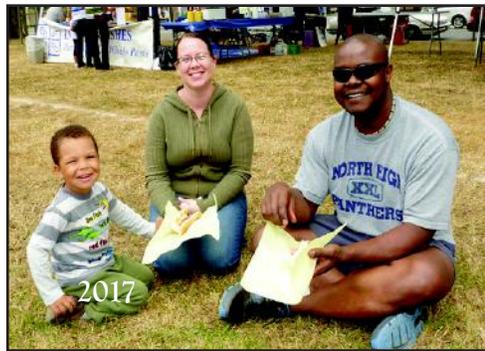
The Gideon Overcrossing is on track to open to the public approximately mid-November. PBOT plans to do a press release announcing the official opening of the bridge to the public. There is not a formally planned in-person event, in light of current circumstances and the pandemic.

TriMet recently released an update on the construction progress, which includes a video and some drone footage. <https://news.trimet.org/2020/10/safety-and-convenience-come-together-as-trimet-nears-completion-on-portlands-newest-bike-and-pedestrian-bridge/>

Check this out because it is a direct connection between Brooklyn and Hosford/Abernathy neighborhoods. Also, another safe crossing of the tracks for bicyclists and pedestrians.

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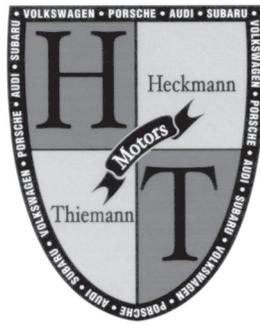


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