

# Brooklyn NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

May/June, 2022



## Neighborhood Cleanup

SATURDAY, May 14, 2022

9 am - 2 pm



### Trash or Treasure? It's Time to Clean House!

Getting to the nearest donation drop-off site or better yet, the dump, is something that few of us find time to do.

Bulky items like old vacuum cleaners, furniture and scrap wood take up valuable space in our garages and in our homes.

Not only will you feel great about clearing out unwanted stuff, you will feel good about the contribution you make to your Brooklyn neighborhood!

**Where?** 16th & SE Center

Each vehicle will be quoted a price before unloading.

**Mixed Waste:** \$20 for small loads

\$30 and up for large loads

**Accepted:** Tires: \$5 without rims, \$8 with rims

**No Yard Debris will be accepted this year**

### Recyclable Materials Accepted and Charged:

**Electronics:** Gently used electronics for donation at FreeGeek.

(These will be accepted as per the volunteers interpretation of FreeGeeks rules.)

**Styrofoam:** Must be #6 packing styrofoam (clean and dry)

Or styrofoam food trays (clean and dry)

**Clothes:** Clean, wearable clothes will be donated to the Transition Project (Willamette Shelter in Sellwood) or Portland Public Schools Clothes Closet.

Clothes with tears or holes will be taken to a fabric recycler.

**Scrap Metal:** Clean and metal only

(will be taken at volunteer's discretion)

**Paint:** Accepting household paint in original labeled, solid containers but no rusted cans. 1 gallon size or smaller.

**Prohibited Materials:** Hazardous waste, remodeling or demolition materials; kitchen garbage and curbside recyclables

**Examples of high risk construction materials suspected of containing asbestos: NOT ACCEPTED:**

- Flooring: vinyl tiles, vinyl sheet, mastic
- Walls: plaster, decorative plaster, Siding: cement siding shingles
- Ceilings: acoustical tiles, "popcorn" and spray-on texture
- Insulation: spray-applied, blown-in, vermiculite, pipe and HVAC
- Electrical: wire insulation, panel partitions
- Other: fire doors, fire brick, fire-proofing

Please save saleable items for the FOBP Rummage Sale: June 17-18 (See Page 2)

## Brooklyn Neighborhood General Meeting

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

Sacred Heart Fellowship Hall  
(Meeting is Virtual as well)

7pm

## IT'S NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD ELECTION TIME!

There is a common link for all of us in the Brooklyn Neighborhood: **WE LIVE HERE!** A great neighborhood like ours can only stay that way if people get involved. The only prerequisite for a board member is attendance at two board meetings prior to acceptance and a willingness to work together for the good of Brooklyn.

Time commitments are about 2-3 hours per month. All 11 board seats are up for election every year. We will also have a set of proposed bylaws updates to vote on.

Check our website for more details.

## Agenda

BAC Board Elections

By-Laws Update

**Volunteers are needed for Cleanup Day!  
Please help!**

**Do you need help getting your stuff there?**

**Please contact the BAC at**

**[board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org](mailto:board@brooklyn-neighborhood.org)**

## Calendar of Events

**BAC Board Meeting**  
Wednesday, May 11, 2022  
Meeting at 7 pm  
Sacred Heart Fellowship Hall

**Clean Up Day**  
Saturday, May 14, 2022  
16th & Center St.  
9 am - 2 pm

**Neighborhood General Meeting**  
Wednesday, May 25, 2022  
Meeting at 7 pm  
Sacred Heart Fellowship Hall

**BAC Board Meeting**  
Wednesday, June 8, 2022  
Meeting at 7 pm  
Sacred Heart Fellowship Hall

All Meetings are Virtual as well

## Climate Solutions Event

Aladdin Theatre - May 31st, 7 pm

**WHAT:** FREE screening of Project Drawdown's "Climate Solutions 101" and "Drawdown's Neighborhood" (30-45 mins), followed by discussion

**WHERE:** Aladdin Theater (Thank you Aladdin Theater, for supporting us!)

**WHY:** The unfolding climate crisis can seem overwhelming, especially when we feel isolated and powerless. When we work together, we can support each other and be most effective and impactful.

**WHO:** Brooklyn and neighboring communities

### Goals of the Event:

1. Build community and learn about the climate crisis and some solutions to address it.
2. Identify neighbors and neighborhoods who are interested in forming resiliency groups who will take action for climate justice—locally and beyond.
3. Hear from 2-3 local organizations about the work they do and how neighbors can support their efforts.
4. Leave with clear action steps.

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## Friends of Brooklyn Park Update

### 2nd Annual Community Rummage Sale Returns

A Benefit For Our Summer Program

Place: Brooklyn Center Suites, 3717-3719 SE Milwaukie Ave.

Fri, June 17, Noon – 6 pm and Sat, June 18, 9 am – 3 pm

All proceeds will go to Friends of Brooklyn Park's Summer Youth Program which returns June 20 through August 26: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, from 12-8 pm. We want to thank everyone for your support. It couldn't happen without you!

### Want to Donate Items for the Rummage Sale?

Please review our list of "Wants and Nots" for items that can be donated at our website:

[www.friendsofbrooklynpark.org](http://www.friendsofbrooklynpark.org) or the Brooklyn Action Corps: [brooklyn-neighborhood.org](http://brooklyn-neighborhood.org). If you have a question about an item, please call 971-808-2438.

### Donation Drop-off and/or Pick-up:

Donations can be dropped off at the Summer Youth Program's "Shack" at Brooklyn City Park (SE 10th Ave and SE Haig St) from 4-7 pm on June 13, 14th & 15th. If you can't drop-off your donations or items that are too big for your vehicle, you can arrange a pick-up by contacting us at [info@friendsofbrooklynpark.org](mailto:info@friendsofbrooklynpark.org)

Pick-ups can also be scheduled the week of June 13 through June 16. A receipt will be provided for donated items. Friends of Brooklyn Park is a 501(c3) community non-profit.



## Brooklyn Mutual Aid Gardening presents:

Community Plant Pop Up - Saturday, May 28th, 2022

10 am to 1 pm at Brooklyn Park

Join us for the return of our community plant pop up! We'll have organic produce starts, Brew Dr. Kombuchas, a raffle, guides for growing plants, coloring pages and more! Do you have produce or plant starts you'd like to donate or swap? Let us know or bring them to the park day of!

This a free or by donation event. Stay tuned on our social media for updates - Happy Spring!

Email us: [socialjustice@brooklyn-neighborhood.org](mailto:socialjustice@brooklyn-neighborhood.org)

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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 edited and designed by Marie Phillippi.

# Brooklyn Neighborhood Scavenger Hunt - Saturday, March 26th

by Cheryl Crowe



There was a great turnout of neighbors from ages 7-79, who spent the last Saturday of spring break dashing here and there taking photos of neighborhood features: sublime, silly, and mundane. Items ranged from gnomes to murals to mailboxes.

Fabulous prizes were awarded!



One of the hunted:  
Paul Zavitkovski & his sidekick Rando

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## Virtual Spring Auction at Winterhaven School

by Brea Ariola

The Spring Auction's purpose is to raise money for the school and will run from May 16-20th. The auction is open to all, and since it is virtual, it can be easily accessed. Prizes include lots of local restaurants, Timber's tickets, a HUGE Blazer's package including two club level seats, parking and a ton of Blazer's swag. We also have some really fun items like spa treatments, and fresh eggs donated from a Winterhaven Family.

Winterhaven is a science and art focused school with just under 300 students. Our PTSA has been instrumental in raising funds to secure one-on-one tutoring for math and reading to help kids stay on track during distance learning. We partner with Grout Elementary school in providing money to support Groceries4Grout helping to alleviate food insecurity.

This year we are focusing on replenishing our classroom libraries with new books, funding a very cool K-5 program called mystery science, and bringing in guest art teachers. Raising funds to continue to support our school is crucial and this auction can really help.

For more information, email [winterhavenk8auction@gmail.com](mailto:winterhavenk8auction@gmail.com). or the following link:

<https://winterhavenptsa.schoolauction.net/auction2022/>

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## Free Dental Clinic for Kids - A Success!



Many children, parents and friends showed up at Sacred Heart Church's Fellowship Hall for the free services offered by the Multomah Dental Society and OHSU Dental School. Several tables of information were present as well as fun events like the balloon man, goodie bags, free lunches and gift cards.



## Community Connections Events

### Brooklyn Trivia Night - May 12

Brooklyn Park Pub 6 - 7:30 pm

### Community Plant Pop Up Day May 28

Brooklyn Park 10 am - 1 pm

### Climate Solutions Event May 31

Aladdin Theatre - 7 pm

### Historical Walking Tour - June 9th

6 - 8 pm Meet at Rose City Coffee, and afterwords, drinks at Brooklyn Park Pub.

### FOBP Rummage Sale - June 17 & 18

Friday: noon - 6 pm, Saturday: 9 am - 3 pm  
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### Brooklyn Pub Crawl - June 25th

Meet at 4 pm at Array Bottle Shop, 4270 SE Milwaukie Ave. In 4 hours we will visit about 7 pubs, while making new friends. The crawl will end at a 503 Distilling where dinner will be available through Chaat Wallah.

Special drinks, will be offered at some locations. Brooklyn-based Growlerwerks is providing uKeg Go 64 for the grand prize. Cost is \$10 per person and please RSVP to Community Connections to secure one of the limited spots for the crawl.

Email: [community-connections@brooklyn-neighborhood.org](mailto:community-connections@brooklyn-neighborhood.org) with any questions.

## Summary of Oregon Health Authority Bullseye Meeting

by Jone van Rees

On Tuesday evening, April 5, 2022, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) held the first post-Bullseye heavy metals emissions Zoom meeting. They explained and provided an opportunity for public discussion around the draft findings of the Public Health Assessment (PHA).

The evening's central theme was around the issue of 'What Does Closure Look Like', while noting that closure would not happen that evening nor may ever happen for some.

Two goals for the evening: (1) to explain the Public Health Assessment (PHA) and (2) to conduct a fully responsive Q&A session.

PHA mainly represents a tool. It is based on environmental data from air, soil and water measurements gathered over a year's time. The PHA answers the primary questions regarding health risks and which levels are high enough to constitute a serious health threat.

David Farrer, OHA toxicologist and the main author of the PHA, thanked the community for its valuable input and went on to describe the parameters of data measurements. He discussed the report in-depth. He identified the contaminants of concern and explained the levels of exposure for different community groups, e.g. older people and young children, who each react and suffer differently depending on conditions of contaminant exposure.

John Karabic (BAC Secretary) asked why the monitor near the Brooklyn Garden was missing from the shared map. There was speculation whether that particular monitor was for measuring PM2.5 rather than heavy metals.

DEQ only receives lab data and does not collect it. Current exposure levels measured during the October 2016 to October 2017 indicate that BullsEye had effectively reduced heavy metal pollution, to acceptable levels for city living.

Guy Berliner (BAC Board Member) commented on the 2018 revelations of collusion exposed by the Oregonian, and shared his feelings around the incompetence displayed by DEQ and the City officials.

Chris Eykamp followed, who thought the DEQ at that point in time fell far short from its public duty to protect citizens,

And finally, an important point was made by the mother of a child mysteriously very ill. She commented that the culture at DEQ must support openness and transparency allowing staff to speak out about concerns, and she wants to see a strong whistleblower policy put in place internally. Additionally, this should be highlighted in annual training as a duty of care and responsible maintenance of public trust.

The DEQ staff thanked the public for attending and emphasized that feedback through the public comment period is crucial. Please email them at [ehap.info@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:ehap.info@dhsosha.state.or.us).



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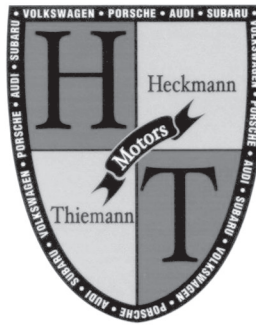
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