Brooklyn NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

November/December 2023

Brooklyn Neighborhood General Meeting

Wednesday, November 15, 2023 7 pm Sacred Heart Villa, also virtual Corner of Milwaukie Ave and Center St.

Agenda: Lottery Issue at Winterhaven School Updates concerning our Brooklyn Neighborhood

Check out the Brooklyn website: <u>brooklyn-neighborhood.org</u> for this newsletter in full color.

For the weekly online news update, go to the website or scan this QR code.





BROOKLYN IS LOSING TWO LONG TIME SUPPORTING BUSINESSESS!

First of all, **Lowell's Print Inn** has been supporting this newsletter for over 40 years! The BAC is SO grateful to the family for making this printed newsletter possible. We shall surely miss them!

Secondly, Joe of **Joe's Signs** is leaving Portland for the east coast where family resides. Joe has been making our signs, FREE OF CHARGE, for the General Meetings, Clean Ups, Ice Cream Socials and Congratulating our Graduates! THANK YOU TO THE LOWELL FAMILY AND JOE!

2023 Ice Cream Social in the Park

A BIG thank you to all the neighborhood volunteers that made the "Ice Cream Social in the Park" possible this year. Thanks to all the Brooklyn businesses and friends that donated gifts and raffle prizes. The BAC could not have put this event on without the generosity of all our businesses and friends. Check out the

pictures on page 4 of this newsletter.

Our special thanks goes to **Fred Meyer Stores** for supporting the Ice Cream Social with a gift card for the past 20 years. The BAC could not continue its mission of bringing neighbors together without their support.

We also thank **Rose City Coffee** for financial support of the band and **Sacred Heart Church** for loaning the tables and chairs for the event.

The BAC is also grateful to all the businesses listed below, that donated gift cards, prizes and certificates for the raffle at the Ice Cream Social. We couldn't have put on this community building event without you!

The Aladdin Theater Array Bottle Shop Artichoke Music Biscuits Co Brooklyn Pharmacy

Center Street Digital The Chomp Hip Chicks Do Wine Maker Mayhem PDX Melaney Dittler, Realtor Meta Pizza Portland Leather Goods Rose City Coffee Stone Barn Brandyworks TomCat Bikes

Thanks to our Brooklyn Businesses! Your support makes our events possible! BAC Board Meeting Wednesday, November 8th Sacred Heart Villa, 7 pm

GBBA-Happy Hour Meetup Wednesday, Nov. 1st Hip Chicks Do Wine, 4:30

Food Drive Saturday, Nov. 11th Brooklyn Park, 11-1pm

Community Connections Mondays, Nov. 13th & Dec. 11th Rose City Coffee, 6 pm

Calendar of Events

Brooklyn General Meeting

Wednesday, November 15th Sacred Heart Villa, 7 pm

Climate Action Team Nov. 2nd, 16th, 30th & Dec. 14th The Chomp, 7 pm

Quiet Joy Scripture, Stories & Song Friday, Dec. 8th Sacred Heart Church, 7:30

Please check the Brooklyn website to confirm locations

BAC Board Meeting

Wednesday, December 13th Sacred Heart Villa, 7 pm

GBBA-Coffee Chat Meetup Friday, Dec. 1st

Bridge City Properties, 9 am Land Use Committee

Wednesday, Dec. 6th, 7 pm

Holiday Singa-Long Friday, Dec. 15th Rose City Coffee, 6:30

ADOPT A BLOCK Clears Marathon Route and More by Kathy Orton

On September 30th, adopters, neighbors and friends cleared litter from the Marathon Route and then some! Twenty people from as far as Canby and King City joined Brooklyn neighbors and cleared litter from 17th, Holgate, McLoughlin, Powell, 6th, 7th, Parks and Post Office area. We noticed less large litter items but as both Jane Schue and David Dicks noted: "there were thousands of cigarette butts!"

Thank you to: Cheryl Mabin, Jane Schue, Jim Harlow, Stephen Bachhuber, Yuko & Guy Robertson, Rebecca Garza, Robert Christian, Vanessa Amspacher, Aaron Kemper, Rae Knopp, Debra Kyle, Debbie & David Dicks, Wesley Ward, Marie Phillippi, Maureen Leonard, Dasha & Alexandria Foerster and Lee Orton.

A big THANK YOU to Heiberg Garbage who provided bin delivery and pickup, free of charge!

Neighborhood Wins \$500 from the Portland Marathon!

Thank you to EVERYONE that came out and cheered the runners on! Because of you, Brooklyn came in 2nd in the city for the most CHEER!





Wesley Ward

Jane Schue



Dasha & Alexandria Foerster

Lee Orton, Marie Phillippi, David Dicks & Kathy Orton

The First Annual BROOKLYN BLOCK PARTY By Victoria Villa-Lobos

"We wanted to offer something for everyone to be a part of – I think it was a huge success!" says organizer Nolina Bergman, who with co-hosts, Laura Jenson and Chantel Gooch, planned and produced the activities Sunday, Sept. 3rd, 2023 on SE Boise between SE 9th & 10th Ave.

Their website was launched and volunteers rallied as word spread. Local businesses, Meta Pizza and Array Bottle Shop, contributed provisions while neighbors brought potluck dishes to complete the day. Chiropractor, Joe Haugh, who has a clinic on SE 13th Ave. was invited to give complimentary sessions using his Trauma-Free Treatments. Music from 2 different bands entertained all afternoon.

Nearby resident Vanda Williams remarked, "It was nice reconnecting with people that you met walking the neighborhood prior to Covid."

The event went from noon - dusk with many hands pitching in. The hosts aim to make their block party an annual occurrence and encourage those interested to check the website for next year's event: <u>www.brooklynblockparty.com</u>

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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.

Fire Station 23 is Now Open! by John Karabaic

On Saturday, September 2, 2023, the Portland Fire Fighters' Association (IAFF Local 43), the crew of Portland Fire Station 23, and neighbors from Hosford-Abernethy & Brooklyn, celebrated the full staffing of the engine company at PFS 23 with tours, a barbeque, and presentations by local officials.

The event started with local president Isaac MacLennan saying that it had been a long, hard fight to get the federal grants to restaff the station. Our neighborhoods are under-resourced by the city, and the city of Portland should make the budgeting decision permanent, as a matter of equity.

Inner SE is one of the most densely populated areas in Portland. With developments like the newly opened BrookLAND Apartments and the apartments going up on the former site of the US Bank, Brooklyn will increase in population. A fully-staffed PFS 23 is needed to keep us all safe.

Lottery Issue at Winterhaven by Daniel Carr

PPS School Board Member, Michelle DePass, will be presenting this issue at the November 15th BAC general meeting. Anyone with young children might be interested in talking to Ms. DePass about changing Winterhaven admission policies so their kids would have a better chance of attending our local neighborhood school. Right now, admission is by city wide lottery with no preference for neighborhood residents.

Brooklyn Climate Action Team Continues To Grow by Jeff Kleen

The Brooklyn Climate Action Team (BCAT) recently set a goal of recruiting 100 Brooklyn neighbors to join the "BCAT100" - a group that takes impactful actions to support climate justice through a monthly email update. These actions typically require about 15 minutes, up to a maximum of two hours. The BCAT100 already has almost 60 members. To join, send an email to: <u>climate@brooklyn-neighborhood.org.</u>

This month our action is to support the Clean Air for Kids campaign-an effort to urge Multnomah County to ban natural gas infrastructure in new residential buildings. This campaign would protect the health and well-being of children and help to prevent global warming.

Visit **bit.ly/cleanairpdx** to learn more about the campaign and find the resources you need to contact the Multnomah County commissioners. If whatever you love is dependent on a livable planet, you'll feel good that you are doing something to fight for it.

Brooklyn General Meeting

At the Meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 27, Multnomah County Auditor Jennifer McGuirk, presented the report on Homeless Services.

Second on the Agenda was Urban Alchemy Director, Ron Ahart and Mayor's Office Rep. Hank Smith, who discussed the Clinton Triangle and answered several questions by neighbors.

Ongoing meetings of the Clinton Triangle Oversight Committee are being scheduled.





Have you ever found yourself getting close to dinner time and wondering, "what are we going to have for dinner?" Do you know that we have a restaurant right here in "downtown Brooklyn" that could solve your dilemma in about 45 minutes? Check out their Takeout

Menu by using this QR code or order online at www.thechomponline.com

FREE DELIVERY on \$20 minimum order within 2 miles.



Adopt A Block Update

Welcome to our new Adopt a Block volunteers: Victoria Villa-Lobos, Barbara Ulman, Dasha Foerster, Debbie & David Dicks, Rebekkah Duhen, Stephanie Jones & daughters Edith & Delilah, Jerry Andrus Fernanda Novich & Andy Sonwell and Stephen Yates. At the Ice Cream Social on September 10th, several more people joined. Welcome to Heidi Hill, Chris Patridge, Tiffany St John and Timothy Novak.

Can you devote one day a month to pick up litter and be the 'eyes' on your block? If so, join us!

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CELEBRATING OUR ICE CREAM SOCIAL

























Photos of park and FOBP taken by Rita Leonard.

"Step" tember Walks

The walks planned during September in Brooklyn included PDX Scenes, Street Car Tour and Catio Tour.

All the walks were well attended and gave neighbors a chance to learn more about Brooklyn and meet each other.

Thanks go to Cheryl Crowe, for organizing all this and to all those that came!

Sock-tober Month

Donations were taken at the following businesses:

Array Bottle Shop, Rose City Coffee, Brooklyn Pharmacy, Coco Donuts, The Chomp, 503 Lounge, Heckmann & Thieman Motors and Hip Chicks Do Wine.



Thanks to all those that donated and the businesses that made it possible!



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