## Brooklyn NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS March/April, 2024

### Brooklyn Neighborhood General Meeting

Wednesday, March 27, 2024 Meeting at 7 pm Sacred Heart Villa (Corner of SE Milwaukie & Center)

- 1. Presentation by a possible new developer in Brooklyn: "Away Days"
- 2. Cleveland Highschool Modernization A brief presentation on current planning efforts.

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





#### Check out the New and Revised Business Ads in this Newsletter

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 all the business ads included in this newsletter and, when possible, show your support.

THANK YOU to Jane of Brooklyn Center Suites and and Christie of Rose City Coffee who did all the work contacting the businesses this year!

#### Input from Neighbors at the January General Meeting

"The BAC Board will hold an annual focusing session to garner recommendations to pursue for the following year." BAC Bylaws

Again this year, the meeting was held at Sacred Heart Villa and residents were asked for their concerns, long term goals and hopes for the Brooklyn neighborhood. About 25 neighbors were present.

If you were unable to attend the meeting, PLEASE give the board your ideas and/or feedback! Please fill out the survey that can be found at this link:

https://bit.ly/brooklyn2024vision or click on the QR code. For all those who took the time and joined the meeting,



Below are some ideas presented at the meeting.

- 1. Repave Milwaukie Ave.
- 2. Safety Walks
- 3. Moving Mural from Lowells
- 4. Thriving Grocery Store
- 5. Increase Tree Canopy & Identify
- 6. Brooklyn Banners
- 7. Volunteer Help Program
- 8. Small Business Day Event
- 9. Pedestrian Safety
- 10. Beautification of Brooklyn

THANKS!

BAC Board Meeting Wednesday, March 13, 2024 Sacred Heart Villa, 7 pm

GBBA Happy Hour Meet UP Wednesday, March 6th, 2024 503 Distilling, 4784 SE 17th 4:30 - 6:30 pm

Celebrate Earth Day Saturday, April 20, 2024 Brooklyn Park, 10 am - 2 pm (See more details below)

Land Use & Transportation Meeting Wednesday, March 6th, 7 - 8:30 (Check the website for location)

**Community Connections Meeting** Tuesday, March 12th Rose City Coffee

Neighborhood Cleanup Day May 11th, 9 am - 2 pm Corner of 16th and Center St.

#### Calendar of Events

Neighborhood General Meeting Wednesday, March 27, 2024 Sacred Heart Villa, 7 pm

Brooklyn Movie Night Friday, March 15, 2024 Movie: Napoleon Dynamite. (See more details on Page 3)

Volunteer Appreciation Event Saturday, April 27th 503 Distilling

**Eggstravaganza Egg Hunt** Saturday, March 30th Brooklyn Park

GBBA Meeting Friday, April 5th Security Signs 9 - 10 am (Check website for locations)

#### Looking Ahead

GBBA Annual Member Meeting

Wednesday, May 1st, 6 - 8 pm Heckmann Thiemann Motors BAC Board Meeting Wednesday, April 10, 2024 Sacred Heart Villa, 7 pm

> **Climate Action Team presenting "Tomorrow"** Monday, April 22, 6 pm Aladdin Theater

Spring Concert Sunday, April 28, 3 pm Sacred Heart Fellowship Hall

Climate Action Team Meetings

Thursdays, March 7th at The Chomp March 21st at Rose City Coffee 7 - 8:30 pm

> Music at Know Thy Food 1st & 3rd Mondays 3:30 - 5 pm

2nd Annual Pub Crawl Saturday, June 10th (Save the date!)

#### Spring Concert

On Sunday, April 28, at 3 pm, local musicians will present a concert at the Fellowship hall of Sacred Heart Church. Music by Handel, Mozart, Schubert, and many more will be performed on various combinations of piano, voice, recorder, and violin. No charge for admission; Free will donations requested to benefit Know Thy Food.

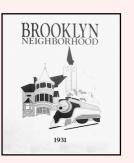
#### Come Celebrate Earth Day by Kathy Orton

WHEN: Saturday, April 20th TIME: 10 am - 2 pm WHERE: Brooklyn Park Table at the Top of the Hill WHAT'S HAPPENING: Litter Cleanup; Plant Swap/Sale; Climate Actions; Adopt A Block WHAT TO BRING: YOU and a pair of gloves! See You There!

#### Brooklyn Historic Plaques

Have you admired the Brooklyn historical plaques on homes and businesses throughout the neighborhood and would like one of your own? Now you can!

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. Plaques are \$32 each. Ordering details are online at <u>brooklyn-neighborhood.org/historic-plaques.</u> Questions? Contact treasurer@brooklyn-neighborhood.org





Young Kim

#### Thanks to Young and 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 Brookyn 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.

#### Brooklyn Movie Night 2024: Napoleon Dynamite Aladdin Theatre

Friday, March 15 @ 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm

This is a PG movie, so we're marking it family-friendly. Doors open at 6. Movie at 7 pm.

The Lamp is open earlier for your dining pleasure.

Costumes encouraged!

#### The BAC Needs You!

This May, the Brooklyn Action Corps will need 4 more members to fill the gaps of those retiring from the board. If you're interested in helping Brooklyn and your neighbors, the requirements for running for board are easy and are documented in Article 5, Section 3, Paragraph B of our bylaws. Please consider joining AND the BAC also needs volunteers to work on our annual events, like the grown-up movies at the Aladdin, family movies in the park, our annual Neighborhood Cleanup and our Ice Cream Social. Please email the board and they will hook you up!

#### Groceries for Grout

#### by Melaney Dittler

In 2023, G4G served 4,502 households representing 14,523 individuals (21% more than prior year). Sixty-two volunteers gave over 3,000 hours to make this possible. Kudos to those faithful servants who were there week-in and weekout. Drivers made 431 deliveries. While focused on the families of Grout Elementary School, the pantry is available to many others. (G4G is listed on the OFB Food Finder website.)

With the start of the school year, they have alternated between the school on the first Friday of the month and at Kenilworth PC on the other Fridays. G4G received an estimated 131,000 pounds of groceries for distribution.

G4G continues to be financially self-sustaining. The Grout PTA awarded a \$2,500 grant late in the year to offset the expense of renting a cargo van each week. Sadly, our application for TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program) has not yet been reviewed by the Oregon Food Bank.

A commercial refrigerator was installed in the 'cold' room and is a cherished asset!

THANK YOU to everyone who has supported and continues to support this project

#### Lottery Open At Winterhaven School

The Winterhaven Elementary School (grades K-5) Focus Option Lottery window will be opening on February 15, 2024 and closing on March 15, 2024.

Winterhaven will be holding an informational meeting for the Elementary School (grades K-5) Focus Option Lottery Thursday, on Thursday, March 7th, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

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This newsletter is designed and edited by Marie Phillippi.

#### GBBA Update by Melaney Dittler

Since restarting less than 9 months ago, the Greater Brooklyn Business Association has experienced significant growth in membership and engagement. Our primary goals are providing networking opportunities and business education for our members.

We have several exciting events coming up in 2024 that members will not want to miss. Our Annual Membership Meeting on May 1st will feature special guest speakers. We are also hosting the Best of Brooklyn BBQ in Brooklyn Park on July 25th - more details coming soon!

We encourage all members to get involved and help shape the GBBA. Volunteering on a committee or the GBBA Board is a great way to support the community while getting your business more engaged.

With increased membership and participation, we can accomplish even more to support local businesses in the Greater Brooklyn area. Please spread the word to any business owners or managers you know in the neighborhood and direct them to our website: GreaterBrooklynBA.com

#### Clinton Triangle Oversight Committee (CTOC) by Debbie Dicks

The Clinton Triangle Alternative Shelter Site established the CTOC, an advisory group, which is part of the Good Neighbor Agreement (GNA).

The CTOC meets twice a month, on the first and third Monday. One meeting is virtual, and the other is onsite at the Clinton Triangle Alternative Shelter Site (CTASS). The group consists of city officials, Urban Alchemy (the group running the shelter), a PPB representative, our Oregon State Representative and appointed members of the neighborhoods close to the shelter.

The CTOC has met eight times since October 2023. These meetings have been very fruitful; every issue that has been raised has been addressed, even if the issue can't be resolved quickly.

Here are some excerpts from notes taken at the last CTOC meeting on 2/5/2024

- Numbers of guests and plans at site: As of today: 180 guests at site (117 male / 63 female)
- Removed all tent platforms; replaced with pods
- No change in overall guest capacity
- Exploring addition of "grab and go" breakfast option
- General issues & discussion
- UA leader, Jeff D. is supportive of community program to help guests
  - Updated webpage: https://www.portland.gov/wheeler/clinton-triangle
- Neighborhood Comments:

1) HAND: Elevator at TriMet station in operation, Plaid Pantry on 21st & Powell "sketch factor" have increased trash and appearance of elicit activity in the past 6-8 months.

2) BAC: The hotspots remain the same. Seems like every time the City tries to clean up areas like Caruthers, those individuals return, light fires, and trash piles up. Brooklyn neighborhood proper is clean but not outlying areas: Underneath 99E is a catacomb of homeless, digging out the dirt and camping.

From Ross Island to 99: smoke from fires coming up almost daily.

Noted longtime camp at 9th and Cora; Asked about camps under 99E

• CEIC: Question for PF&R: What are the rules about setting fires in Portland?

(open flames in camps or adjacent to businesses)

If you have any issues you want the CTOC to address, please email the CTOC at PDX-CTOC@googlegroups.com

CTOC update on the Shelter: As of 1/26/2024: 350 guests have been served at the site with nearly 100 finding permanent housing. All large tents have been exchanged for pods so that heating and cooling are provided for all guests. A CTOC representative will be creating updates for the BAC newsletter on an ongoing basis.







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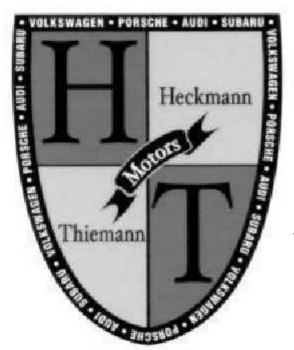
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