

Riverwood Homeowners Association

Newsletter

October, 2023



What's Happening @ Riverwood

Board Of Directors: The **Annual Board Meeting was held on October 3rd**, the first Tuesday in October. Minutes will be coming out, so contact the Board Secretary to arrange to receive a copy.

Landscape Committee News: To all our new Residents (and a reminder to our longtime Residents), the leaves are on their way! Our Landscapers, Crystal Greens, will take care of any leaves in our public spaces and driveways. **It is your responsibility to take care of leaves and clippings from your Patio area.** You can feed them into your garbage or use the large craft paper bags and set them out with your garbage. If your neighbors have room in their garbage can, ask if they will share.



We have had Oregon Tree Company walk our property and they have given us a detailed work list by Driveway. We have three dead trees to remove and have applied to the City of Portland for three separate permits to remove them. We will proceed with the removal and our general work as soon as we have the go ahead.

Recreation Committee: **COME JOIN US SUNDAY, October 29th at 2PM** in the Recreation Room for a **Halloween Celebration Potluck!!** Costumes are welcome. Bring your dish to share; we will provide coffee and tea. We will also have games for Adults and Children! Please join your neighbors for another fun and delightful afternoon with lots of sharing and laughter, the last Sunday in October!! (As always, don't forget your own silverware and plates.)



Also, please bring your RINSED, returnable cans & plastic bottles to the Potluck for the Landscape Fund!!

Website Committee: Join your neighbors on our website at RiverwoodPDX.org. For "Residents Only" access, contact the Riverwood Web Guy via email: Web@RiverwoodPDX.org. Thanks!



Welcome Committee & Rosters: Welcome to Riverwood's newest owners: Melvin Broadous, Jaye Hill, Michael and Deborah Lee and William and Renee Nussman



Attached to this newsletter you will find two updated rosters: a Board of Directors/Committees/Driveways roster and an Alphabetical Residents roster.

For those of you who do not have printers and are wanting a paper copy of the roster, please reach out to Lisa Dashiell, 503-293-6861, to request a paper copy. Call or text is fine.

Riverwood is a self governed community. That means community volunteers are needed to keep Riverwood running smoothly. A full complement of volunteers lightens the load on all the committees. Getting volunteer needs met helps to keep our HOA fee lower as **we do not have to hire an outside property management company**. There are 9 volunteers needed to fill our committee needs. These are noted on the BOD/Committees/Driveway roster. If you have yet to volunteer, please take a look at our needs and contact the committee chair to convey your willingness to help.

The next Board Meeting is Thursday, November 9th at 6:30 PM in the Rec Room!!

From the Residents

Send your feedback, ideas, recipes, pet photos, etc. to rwh.news@gmail.com.

Looking for Something?

Outdoor Plants Wanted: When you divide your bulbs or dig up a bush you no longer want, please consider whether this plant could grace the common area flower beds of Riverwood! If you have a plant to donate, you can contact your Landscape Committee Driveway Representative (see the roster) to check if Riverwood can use your plant!! Thanks for your help in beautifying Riverwood!

Resources

October is Scam Awareness Month!

From OnPoint Community Credit Union: The risk of identity theft has grown, in part due to our increasing connection to a digital world where our sensitive information is valuable to bad actors.

Millions of Americans are the victims of identity theft and fraud each year, and those numbers are rising. Nationally, U.S. consumers reported losing \$8.8 billion related to fraud complaints last year, compared to \$6.1 billion in 2021. Oregon ranked third in identity theft



complaints in 2022. With massive data breaches frequently making headlines, even the most careful consumers are open to attack.

Fortunately, you can protect your personal information with a proactive approach to cybersecurity. Visit onpointcu.com/security for the latest tips, best practices and to download our free Cybersecurity Guide.

From Bank of America - Some scams to watch out for:

1. **You are contacted unexpectedly:** Watch out for a phone call, email, text, direct message or pop-up with a request for personal information or money. Scammers will contact you out of the blue and claim there's an issue that needs immediate attention. They will ask for a favor, personal details, remote access to your devices or money. They may try to confirm your identity with a verification code they send you - even though they called you! And they may insist you download apps or click links to "fix" issues or confirm information. Make sure you have verified the person who has contacted you before acting on any request. Never click a link or download an attachment from someone you don't know.
2. **The communication plays with your emotions and pressures you to act immediately.** Watch out for an alarming phone call, email or text. Someone is indicating there's a problem with your account, an issue with a delivery, an emergency with a loved one or product scarcity. Scammers will pretend to be a loved one who needs help, or pose as an employee from a familiar organization and say there's a problem that needs immediate attention. They will disguise themselves as a friend or love interest, even though they've never met you. They may claim to need money for emergencies, account problems, bills or travel and insist you keep quiet about the situation. And they will tell you not to trust your bank, so you will not contact that bank for confirmation of the situation. Do not act unless you have verified the person who has contacted you and the organization they say they represent.
3. **You are asked to pay in an unusual way.** Watch out for a request for money. You may be directed to the nearest post office or a wire transfer service. Or, asked for bank transfers, pre-loaded debit cards, gift cards or virtual currency such as Bitcoin. They may send you a check and ask you to deposit it and use the funds to make other transactions. Remember, many of these forms of payment are like cash and nearly impossible to trace or get back. Be wary when someone says you have to pay in unusual ways. Always verify who you are sending money to before you send it.



Coming Neighborhood Events

October 22 - Sunnyside Symphony Orchestra Free Live Concert – Pre-Concert Talk at 3:15 p.m. Concert begins at 4:00 p.m. at Sunnyside Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 10501 SE Market Street. Musical selections include works by Bizet and Dvorak's "NEW WORLD SYMPHONY". To see their website and a link to their live stream of the concert, [Sunnyside Symphony](https://www.sunnysidesymphony.org).

October 22 & 29 - Montavilla Farmers Market– 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Open on Sundays, providing fresh vegetables, fruits, flowers and plant starts. There's also baked goods, sustainably-raised meats and eggs, and

specialty foods. Located on the gravel lot in the 7700 block of SE Stark Street – across the street from Mr. Plywood. For more information, visit: <https://www.montavillamarket.org/>

October 22 & 29 - Lents International Farmers Market– 9 am - 2 pm, Sundays through November 19. E 92nd Avenue, a block north of SE Foster Road at SE Reedway Street – across from Fire Station 11. Local farmers and food artisans, including two new vendors bringing locally distilled spirits and herbal tinctures will be there. Market Scouts will be providing fun activities for kids ages 3 to 12. In addition to cash and credit, this market accepts checks, SNAP, WIC and other currencies. For more info: <https://www.portlandfarmersmarket.org/our-markets/lentsinternational/>

Neighborhood News from A.T.N.A.

ATNA Board Meeting: The ATNA Board meets regularly on fourth Wednesdays, 6:30 -8:00 pm. Our next meeting, October 25, is a General Meeting for all Argay Terrace residents. Please mark your calendars and plan to come to the Fire Training Center, 4800 NE 122nd Ave. to discuss important neighborhood issues. Every year, the Neighborhood Associations are required to hold a General meeting open to all residents of each neighborhood. General in-person meetings were suspended during the Pandemic, but now we're looking forward to seeing our neighbors in person again! Please come to the Fire Training Center to meet your neighbors, hear from Argay-relevant guest speakers and ask questions. Light snacks & coffee will be served.



To get an e-version of the Argay Terrace View newsletter, email jessyargay@gmail.com. Please include your name and (optionally) phone number and physical address.

Kmart/Prologis Update: The City of Portland granted ProLogis an emergency permit to demolish the Kmart building following the fire in July. Demolition began on September 5 and is expected to take about 6 weeks. At this time, the demolition permit for the rest of the building has not been purchased by Prologis. ATNA contacted Prologis, and presently they do not have a timeline for future plans. Prologis did clarify that a driveway is still planned for NE 122nd, but will be for passenger cars only. Parkrose Argay Opportunity Coalition, Parkrose School District and Argay Terrace NA continue to advocate for a better use for the site. If you haven't already, please see: <https://www.parkrose-argay.org/> for more information on this issue.

And related air quality...In the September Argay Terrace View, we noted that Argos Scientific is monitoring air quality data at numerous sites in our area, including Shaver Elementary and Parkrose Middle and High Schools. You can see the air quality readings in real time at this website: <https://parkrose.argos-sci.info>.

REMEMBER:

Newsletter articles, ads, etc. are due by Noon, on the 20th. Send to: rwh.news@gmail.com

Thanks to those who contributed to this month's newsletter: Kris Clarke, Shirley Piel, Lynn Young, Bill Neville, Lisa Dashiell, Jessy (ATNA View newsletter)!

And a big thank you to our faithful delivery people: Stressla Beavers, Sue Beede, Nancy Stoll and (Welcome!) Diane Fisker!