

Riverwood Homeowners Association

Newsletter

July, 2024

Committee News

From the Treasurer: Monique will be out of town August 7-August 28. **Please drop off your HOA fee by August 1st!!!**. Leo Zinn will be making deposits in her absence.

Landscape Committee: **We need your help checking on the Irrigation!** If you see geysers in the night, or excess water in the morning, please: 1) take a picture (if you can), 2) list the address and driveway and send it to your Landscape Driveway Representative (see the RW Roster). We are trying to lock down the total irrigation repairs. Crystal Greens Landscape Co. has just finished a review, but we need to confirm nothing has been missed! Thank you, Kris.



- **If you have plants that look stressed, please give them a drink!** When the weather is so hot, our bushes and shrubs need a little extra water. This can save us having to replace them. Thank you, Riverwooders!!
- **Notice:** It's that time of the year when everything is overgrown and ready to be trimmed back. Look at your patio: *if any plant or tree is touching your home, fence, gutter or your neighbor's property...it needs to be trimmed ASAP.*
- **Fund:** **A BIG "THANK YOU"** to everyone who is helping us grow our Landscape Bottle Fund. **Please continue to bring your RINSED, returnable cans & plastic bottles to Board Meetings and Social Events.** Or contact someone on the Landscape Committee to arrange drop-off or pickup.
- **Please send your ideas for garden areas with dead bushes or needing attention** to your Landscape Driveway Representative (see Roster for names). Photos of the area will help, along with your suggestions.



Recreation Committee: This month's social will be a **Picnic Potluck**, with chicken provided by the Recreation Committee. Please bring a dish to accompany the meal. Also, don't forget your table setting and a beverage. Hope to see a good turn out on **July 28 at 2pm at the RecRoom** for social time and games. We have lawn games for the young'uns! **HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!!!!!**

Good News! The Rec. Room received a like-new refrigerator at a very good price from Cindy Zinn's daughter. Our thanks to Megan and Warren! (The old one was sounding like it would give up any time.)

Riverwood Rosters were attached to the June Newsletter email. Please review your information and if there are changes needed or if you need a printed copy, contact Lisa Dashiell at 503-293-6861 (text or voice mail) or rwh.welcome@gmail.com.

The next Board Meeting is Thursday, August 8th at 6:30 PM in the RecRoom!!

Volunteer at Riverwood-It's Good For Everyone!

From the Residents

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

Carol H: Free Scrap Removal!!! Jsimon@comcast.com



From Lisa D: There is a new flower in the neighborhood!! And a new game in town!!
Rules of the game: 1) When you find the flower, re-hide it in a different driveway or the Rec Room or pool area. 2) Hide the flower so it can be seen when walking by it. 3) Notify Lisa Dashiell, 503-293-6861, when you find it and in which driveway it has been re-hidden. The new driveway will be posted on the information board outside the community room. All finder's names will be put in a hat during August's potluck. Whoever's name is drawn gets to keep the flower!

From Laurel M: If you order from Amazon or other retailers that deliver, you will understand that packages left at your door are up for grabs. Setting up some delivery instructions might help align deliveries when you're home and by time. If you are lucky enough to get a driver that reads your profile, you may even hear your door bell. For Amazon, go to "Your Account," select "Your Address" and select "Add Delivery Instructions." If you are expecting a delivery, keep your phone or your Amazon app open for the instant confirmation of your delivery with a picture of the package. Happy Shopping!

Looking for Something?

This is a space where you can advertise things for sale, freebies, services, requests, etc.

Rebecca J: **Needing a used walker and wheelchair.** Please contact me if you have any not being used....and let me know what you would want for them. Thank you!

Jann: **Bird of Paradise for sale.** This plant no longer fits my home. It has an anthurium in the same pot. I rescued it from the side of the road with just one leaf and now it needs a home with a little more room. Asking \$70 (cost of pot, fertilizer, anthurium and care!). Please call or text 503-880-1364.

Looking for a house cleaner...someone who does a thorough job and charges a reasonable fee. Please call or text 503-880-1364.

Looking for a black wrought iron table for my patio. Either a dining table with hole for an umbrella or an accent table for morning coffee! Call or text 503-880-1364.



Resources

Payment by gift card? Asking to be paid by gift card is always a scam. Always say "no." Get more tips on how to avoid scams from the AARP Fraud Watch Network: aarp.org/fraudwatchnetwork.

Styrofoam Recycling: [Green Century](https://www.greencentury.org) is now offering styrofoam and plastic recycling to residents through our public drop-off and businesses. The styrofoam, EPS and expanded polystyrene are ground up and densified into blocks, which are then manufactured into plastic products such as picture frames, TV and computer cases, office equipment and other products. All this is done right here in the Pacific Northwest. Drop-off is located at 2950 NW 29th Ave, Portland. The fee is \$10 per 45-gallon bag. We ask that you sort your plastics by type. We cannot accept dirty styrofoam. Please, no after-hours dumping. Thank you. Green Century.

Argay Terrace Neighborhood Association News

Neighborhood Garage Sales, Aug 2nd-4th: Our annual garage sale event is back for the first weekend in August. Email Katie to be featured on the garage sale map at argayevents@gmail.com and please write "Garage Sale 2024" in the subject line.



Argay Terrace Neighborhood's GARAGE SALE

AUGUST 2ND-4TH

MORE INFO: ARGAYTERRACE.ORG

ATNA'S ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD-WIDE GARAGE SALE WEEKEND IS APPROACHING! AUG 2ND, 3RD & 4TH!

NEIGHBORHOOD SALE HOURS ARE FROM 9AM TO 4PM EACH DAY, BUT NEIGHBORS GARAGE SALES CAN BE OPEN ANY HOURS AND DAYS THEY CHOOSE.

THIS IS A FREE EVENT AND THE ASSOCIATION IS ARRANGING ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION AS A SERVICE TO ARGAY TERRACE RESIDENTS.

-ARGAY RESIDENTS- SIGN UP:

SEND AN EMAIL WITH YOUR NAME, ADDRESS & PHONE # ARGAYEVENTS@GMAIL.COM

IN THE SUBJECT LINE, PLEASE WRITE "GARAGE SALE 2024"

YOU WILL RECEIVE A REPLY LATER W/ CONFIRMATION & MORE INFO

Slow Down on NE Rose Parkway. Neighbors on NE Rose Parkway are fed up with both the increased amount of traffic and the inconsiderate drivers who speed down their street to avoid the speed bumps on NE Fremont. They have filed a formal request with PBOT to add speed bumps to NE Rose Parkway as well. If we wish to avoid having speed bumps on every road in Argay, let's make a collective effort to slow down on roads where kids are playing, dogs are being walked, and neighbors are out getting exercise.

Additionally, please consider that the speed bumps on NE Fremont are designed to be driven over at 20mph and you don't need to slow down to 5 mph, or less, to get over them. Finding a balance between speeding up a bit on NE Fremont and slowing down on NE Rose Parkway can make traveling through our neighborhood a more pleasant experience for everyone.

Curbside Battery Recycling: Getting rid of old batteries just got a lot easier! The Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) has launched a new service to collect and recycle batteries. Residents living in houses, duplexes, triplexes, or fourplexes can now recycle their batteries by **placing them in a one-quart bag and setting it out with their glass recycling.**

This new service addresses the rising problem of battery-caused fires at recycling and waste facilities. Portland Fire Marshal Kari Schimel emphasized the importance of safely disposing of lithium-ion batteries, which are a growing fire-safety concern nationwide. These batteries, often found in e-scooters, e-bikes, and portable electronics, can start and spread fires quickly, emitting large amounts of toxic smoke. It is critical that Portlanders do not throw these batteries,



and devices containing them, in the trash. **For more information, visit the Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability website [here](#).**

Prologis Construction: Construction continues and a lawsuit with the Land Use Board of Appeals is underway. [CRAG Lawyers](#), representing [1000 Friends of Oregon](#), [Neighbors for Clean Air](#), and [Northwest Environmental Defense Center](#), have filed their brief. The city and Prologis have 21 days to file theirs (late July). The Land Use Board of Appeals will consider and rule sometime in August. Meanwhile, CRAG lawyers are proposing a settlement with the City and Prologis to improve pedestrian safety around the site and lessen the impacts of future operations.

Giusto Farm Reopening: If you enjoy farm-fresh vegetables, [Giusto Farm stand](#) at 162nd opens in July. [Spada U-pick and stand](#) is open at 158th, and [Tanager Farms' CSA](#) delivers to Level Beer every Thursday. Sign-up is required.



Oregon Farm Bureau 2024 Farm Dog of the Year:
[Congratulations to Holly](#), the Rossi farm dog (center), who won the title for all of Oregon! Holly is seen above with Gabrielle Rossi.

Save the Date:

Through August 23rd - Free [Lunch and Play](#) for those 18 and below.

August: [Elevate Oregon summer camps](#) - Basketball camp - grades 1-8 - Parkrose HS - **August 5th**

August 2nd-4th: Argay Neighborhood Garage Sales.

August 23rd - Luuwit View Park - 7:30pm - Movies in the Park. Our film this year will be "Independence Day" starring Will Smith. Check <https://www.portland.gov/parks/arts-culture/summer-free-all/cultural-events> for all scheduled movies and cultural events.

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

A Giant "Thank You!" to those who contributed to this month's newsletter: Kris Clarke, Lisa Dashiell, Carol Hardy, Rebecca Jones, Monique Mascarinas, Laurel McAfee, Shirley Piel, Argay Terrace Neighborhood Association, AARP, Green Century Recycling.