Riverwood Homeowners Association Newsletter

MAY, 2025

Board & Committee News

Board of Directors: For the last few years we have been searching to find a Maintenance Chairperson **so that Jim Eveland may actually retire!** We –the Board– are now working on advertising this position outside of Riverwood. Below is the listing we will be publishing outside of Riverwood, in the hopes that we can fill this position with the right person before our September 1st deadline.

If there is anyone in Riverwood interested in volunteering, we of course welcome that! [Please note: <u>For Riverwood residents, this is an unpaid volunteer position</u>, as all of our positions are, per our governing documents]. If you know anyone outside Riverwood who you think might be interested, the Board wants to hear from them!



Property Maintenance Supervisor / Riverwood Homeowners Association:

- This 92-townhome community in NE Portland is looking for a responsible person to schedule and track repairs and upgrades, to track and budget the associated costs, to decide priorities among multiple tasks and to report status monthly. They will supervise one or more skilled workers and report to a Committee Chair and/or the Board of Directors.
- This is a very part-time position, averaging 5-10 hours/week for \$15-\$25/hour. Scheduling can be flexible, except in cases of emergency repair needs.
- Basic homeowner maintenance experience is required. Helpful skills: carpentry, plumbing, electrical, construction or maintenance company experience. Your most valuable skill will be a sense of responsibility to Riverwood.
- There will be resources & technical knowledge & experience available.
- This is a salaried position, paid a set amount monthly regardless of hours.
- No medical or other benefits.
- Interested? Submit the following: 1) phone number and email, 2) a list of your relevant skills & experience, 3) your current employment. A resume is also acceptable.

Email to Elise Morgan (elhale@gmail.com) or another Board Member with the subject line "Maintenance Supervisor".



From Kris C: Patio Pic

Landscape Committee: It's Spring! We have been blessed with the most beautiful weather and everything is growing by leaps and bounds. We are watching over our new native plantings, keeping them watered to give them a good start. By the way, we have a few more bags of free potting soil ready to use in DW 60. Please stop by and take advantage of a great deal.

We will be receiving an updated report from Crystal Greens on our irrigation start up soon. Fingers crossed we have minimal start up costs. If you happen to see a plant that needs a drink, please take the time to give it some water, it would be greatly appreciated. Take a walk and enjoy all our beautiful blooming Rhododendrons, we are so lucky

The Landscape Committee is looking for volunteers for Driveways 30E, 50 and 70. Please join us and help make/keep Riverwood beautiful. Also, we are still seeking refundable plastic bottles and cans to build our Landscape Fund. Keep sending us your returnables for this good cause!

<u>Pool Committee</u>: <u>The goal is to open the pool Memorial Day Weekend</u>. Especially if you and your family use the pool area, <u>please consider how you can help</u>. Text <u>Lisa Dashiell at 503-293-6861 or email her at rwh.pool@gmail.com</u> with which tasks you can do and for the current pool door and gate key code.



Recreation Committee: Join your Riverwood neighbors at this month's Social: **Karaoke & Hispanic Potluck!** Please bring a favorite entree, salad, vegetable or dessert to share, along with your own plates, bowls, utensils and beverages. There will be fun, games, karaoke and socializing! Also, we have some very good cooks around Riverwood! **Should be yummy!**

<u>Welcome Committee</u>: <u>Please notify the Welcome Committee if</u>: a) You are an owner putting your Riverwood home up for sale, b) You are an owner and have tenants moving out and new tenants moving in or c) You are a tenant and are moving out of Riverwood. This will help in keeping our community rosters up to date and <u>aid in communication during transitions.</u>

NEXT BOARD MEETING: 2nd THURSDAY, June 12th @ 6:30 PM in the Community Room!

From the Residents

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









From Carol H: Easter Egg Hunt-Pam Brown!















From Carol H: Riverwood's April Social! Special Guest: Shirley Piel - recently moved to Vancouver (Left)

From ilá: Needless to say, I've been in the hospital for 17 days, had two surgeries and have returned home. And I have a huge amount of recovery to continue to heal. The one thing I noticed is if you break a bone or replace a knee or replace a hip, that can all mend and you're stronger than before. In the case when you have issues in your gut, that is a challenge. When it is your gut, it is delicate and quite difficult, plus has many issues. It doesn't mend beautifully. If you're having any issues with your gut, I strongly recommend you have them checked out.



The real intrigue for me (in the hospital) is the first thing I always notice is: how is the operation of the group. I was so impressed with how they

developed their operation. They do not go top down to make the decisions to set up the structure. They develop from the center including staff so you then have coming out. I found it fascinating. What I noticed was how the staff worked in the environment. They work as a team. They can offset and problem solve anything, they can improvise and are often very cooperative. I found them stunning, beautiful, and awesome.

My challenges were great. The staff consistently affirmed, validated and confirmed me. And I deeply appreciated them and affirmed in return. In the hospital it is a stressful pressured environment and they minimize, confirm and problem solved rather impressively. Ahhhhh, yes, they are an awesome operation.

P.S. I am sending an image from Lavaun. And the quote is: "This is the miracle that happens every time to those who really love.... The more they give, the more they possess." ~ Rainer Maria Rilke (Austrian poet and novelist.)

<u>From Laurel</u>: If any Resident is experiencing dog droppings within the HOA grounds, specifically around their own address, please let Laurel know location/address and frequency, by email. The issue is prevalent outside of the property fence along 125th and we want to know if it is happening elsewhere. <u>Irmcafee@comcast.net</u>

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From Lisa D: Learn. Share. Do. Fair: from Community Services Network: Join us on Saturday, May 31, from 10 AM to 2 PM at Floyd Light Middle School, located at 10800 SE Washington St, Portland, OR 97216 [map] for a fun and family-friendly event packed with activities, resources, and inspiration! Bring the whole family and enjoy a variety of hands-on activities, pick up free giveaways (while supplies last), and explore exhibitor tables offering practical tips on topics like:

- Preparing for extreme heat and emergencies
- Saving energy and lowering utility bills
- Caring for trees, plants, and gardens
- Exploring transportation options and much more!

This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with others, learn valuable skills, and take home tools to help your household thrive. We're excited to see you there! This event will be giving away free bike helmets and giving bike riding lessons also. Click here for the Flyer.

From Jann G: Women's Initiative for Stable Housing (WISH) is an initiative by HomeShare Oregon. "We see homesharing as an immediate solution to our affordable housing crisis. Connecting home providers who have spare space to share with renters seeking out affordable housing is a common sense and immediately available response to prevent housing instability. As a nonprofit, HomeShare Oregon has three priority goals:

1) To culturally normalize homesharing, 2) to increase direct services to seniors and 3) to incentivize homesharing. By providing education, tools, resources, and support to interested homesharers, we effectively create another affordable housing option." Go to HomeShare Oregon for more information.

<u>Food resources in Argay Terrace</u>: SUN/IRCO Oregon Food Bank open at Shaver Elementary School basketball courts on Wednesdays 2:30pm-4pm. Feed'um Freedom Black Community Food Center at 4450 NE 131st Place - Wednesday 2:30pm-4pm / Thursday 3pm-6pm / Friday 2pm-4:30pm. If you have an interest in agriculture, here's information about their programs.

Community Contacts:

Police: 911 or Police Non-emergency: 503-823-3333

Park Rangers: 503-823-1637 or General Parks: 503-823-7529

PDX Stolen Cars Facebook Group

PBOT Abandoned Auto: 503-823-7309 or Report Abandoned Autos Online

Speeding: 503-823-7233

Graffiti: 503-823-4000 or 311 (say you wish to request graffiti cleanup) or Report Graffiti Online

Houseless: 311 (say you wish to file a houseless report) or Report Campsite Online Illegal Campsite-related garbage: 503-234-3000 or Report Dumped Garbage Online

Portland Street Response is available city wide. They can be reached by dialing 911 or Online

PDXReporter: Smart phone app or online to reach all the above (except the police):

Air Quality: 888-997-7888

Excessive Noise: 10pm to 7am: contact the Noise Officer at 503-823-7350

Neighborhood News

Argay Terrace Neighborhood Association News:

Spring Cleaning Event! Our annual Neighborhood Cleanup at Shaver Elementary School is set for May 17th from 9:00am to 11:30am. Volunteers will be on hand but please be prepared to unload your own vehicle. Donations greatly appreciated. No mattresses will be accepted or common household trash. A recycler will be on hand to take refrigerators and ACs - each refrigerator costs \$10 to recycle. A document shredder will also be on hand. For more info, click this link.

Argay and Luuwit View Park Help: You can report graffiti, broken park equipment or other concerns by calling 311. Say you want to report a park issue. Thank you for your help in keeping our parks beautiful!

Get to the Gorge: Did you know the Columbia Gorge Express stop is at Gateway (99th and Pacific). A \$40 annual pass will get you unlimited rides out to the gorge for hiking, biking and beer hopping in Hood River. It can even get you clear out to The Dalles.

Used Medical Device Drive: Waste-Free Advocates is hosting a Used Medical Device Drive on May 18th to benefit seniors in need through Caring Closet. They're accepting walkers, wheelchairs (including those needing new batteries), hospital beds, opened containers of adult diapers, and more—donations in any condition are welcome. Repair and recycling experts will be on site to make the most of every item. Help spread the word by sharing their Facebook event. Your support will help provide essential equipment to local seniors in our community.

SPACC TIF: Update: SPACC TIF stands for Sumner Parkrose Argay Columbia Corridor Tax Increment Financing District. TIF is the new way to say URA - Urban Renewal Area. Roughly, from Fremont North to Whitaker, and 82nd East to 148th, will be a City of Portland Urban Renewal Area for the next 30 years. The district will be managed by the city's economic development wing, Prosper Portland - you may remember them as the Portland Development Commission. The new change to these districts is that there will be a 13 member Community Leadership Committee (CLC) that makes recommendations for future projects. If you would like to be part of the CLC, applications are open.

The most recent TIF overview presentation can be found here. For more information about TIF please contact Joel Devalcourt, Project Manager for SPACC. Joel will also host office hours at Chik & Chuck's Coffee, May

8th, 15th, and 22nd from 12pm-2pm for those who would like to speak with him in person. Chik & Chuck's is located across the street from Parkrose Hardware at 10634 NE Sandy Blvd.

Neighborhood Events:

May 13th - Tuesday - 5:30pm - 7pm: Parkrose Middle School Cafeteria 11800 NE Shaver St - Wilkes Headwaters Park community gathering. Come tell us what park features and activities are important to you in the new park. • Kids are welcome! • Free snacks • Interpretation in Spanish and Vietnamese.

May 17th – Saturday – 9:30am - 11:30am: ATNA Spring Clean-Up Day at Shaver School. Please be prepared to unload your own vehicle.

May 18th – Sunday – 10am: Slavic Community Paddle with Columbia Slough Watershed Council. All are welcome. Start point: Pump station at 16650 NE Airport Way. Приєднуйтесь до Слов'янського громадського центру та Ради з вовідділу Колумбія Слау (CSWC), щоб покататися на веслах!

May 20th – Tuesday – 10am: Walk with District 1 City Councilors. Starts at Prescott School and loops through Maywood Park and back. Want to raise a concern? Think you have a great idea for our neighborhood? Join this walk. Sponsored by Oregon Walks. RSVP here.

May 20th – Tuesday: Special election. Mt Hood Community College bond is on the ballot. Please remember to vote!!

May 22nd - Tuesday - 9-11am: Luuwit View Community Garden volunteers meet.

May 24th - Saturday: Rocky Butte Farmers Market reopens. Follow along on Instagram at @rockybuttefarmersmarket.

May 30th - Friday: Shaver Elementary School <u>Carnival</u>. Help make it a fun day. Contact Shaver Elementary Community Organization on how to volunteer.

May 31st – Saturday – 10am to 2pm: Learn. Share. Do. Fair at Floyd Light Middle School, See write-up above.

June - Save The Date!

Save the Date! Sunday - June 22nd - Argay Park Party: The date is set for our annual kick off to Summer - a party at Argay Park. Last year our Aloha Argay party was a huge success and we hope to make this year even better. More details to come.



REMEMBER: Newsletter articles, ads, etc. are due by Noon on Tuesday following the Board Meeting!!!
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