

Riverwood Homeowners Association

Newsletter

JUNE, 2025

Board & Committee News



Cercis canadensis,
Redbud tree, DW 70

Landscape Committee: Crystal Greens (RW's landscape company) has finished repairing one main-line break in DW 30 and feeder breaks in DWs 10 & 20. Our irrigation system is up and running. We are lucky, because most of our greenery is established and can withstand heat, but **PLEASE** be on the watch for new plantings or plants that look stressed and give them a drink! We are discussing browning out some green spaces to save funds. Our water bill is outta control, thank you Portland!

As the season progresses, the landscape crew is going to start trimming. If you have a plant you **DO NOT want trimmed** (and you are taking care of it yourself) **PLEASE! tie a neon ribbon on the plant and the crew will bypass it.** If you need ribbon, please contact Kris Clarke or Jann Gilbert; we would be happy to share. Note: Please understand that this may be the wrong season for some plants to be trimmed and they

will be addressed in the fall. Thank you for your help and understanding as we work through irrigation and trimming issues.

THE GREAT EAST BED MULCHING PROJECT:

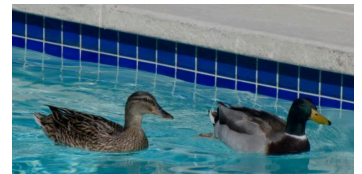
On May 31st, we managed to move 1.5 units of medium dark fir from DW 70 to the flower beds East of the Rec Room in just 1.5 hours– thanks to our volunteers!! The Landscape Committee wants to thank each one of you that helped in any way!!! When we work as a team, nothing is impossible! WE

♥ YOU!!! Lynn Young, Cindy Zinn, Elise Morgan, Jason Hoover, Laurel McAfee, Lisa & Larry Dashiell & Pax, their grandson, Al (Dodi's son), Jaye Hill & her daughter Annavey, Kris Clarke, Stressla Beavers and Jann Gilbert (who organized us all). Carol Hardy made us coffee, several people brought morning goodies, Jim Eveland and Mace Lopez both loaned tools, Alan Blanchard loaned his wheelbarrow and the East Portland Tool Library checked out a wheelbarrow and shovel for our use! Stressla even followed up by guarding our drain grate with new bricks and more rocks. (If we missed your name, apologies!!) Thank you all so much!



We had Oregon Tree Co. out to remove a dead limb that extended over the pool seating area, making it safe and secure for all. The charge was 550.00! You're welcome, Your Landscape Committee

Pool Committee: The pool is up and running and is a great place to connect with your neighbors during the summer. Our resident mallard duck couple who resides at the pool in the winter has continued to make early morning visits to the pool. Keep your eyes open for the dragonflies that are often around the pool in the evenings.



➤ Many thanks to the Pool Committee members and chemical testing volunteers who keep our pool up and running. If you or your family use the pool, please consider volunteering. There are a variety of simple tasks where you can assist. Interested? Reach out to rwh.pool@gmail.com. ➤ Thanks to those who have donated items or financial gifts to the pool. Here are items that have been donated: new chairs, basketball hoop, noodles, pool toys. ➤ There are now a number of toddlers and preschoolers in our community. Want to connect? Plan to meet at the pool with your littles Monday, 06/23, and Wednesday, 06/25 at 10:30AM. From there you can exchange contact numbers and arrange further meetups.



Recreation Committee: Riverwood's Recreation Committee invites you to our monthly social: **a Pizza Potluck!!** We will provide PIZZA for the community at 2:00 pm on Sunday, June 29th, in the Community Room. Hope you will join us for laughter and conversation. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Also, bring your own plates, utensils and beverages. We have indoor and outdoor games, for those who like to play. Meet your neighbors, catch up on RW news, play cards or "10,000" and spend a social Sunday afternoon! See you there!

Welcome Committee: **Welcome to our new residents!!** Marco (Mark) Ramos, Mark Allen, and Carolyn Ramos - Driveway 10. Makayla Agnew - Driveway 10. Craig and Mary Ann Zimmerman - Driveway 20. Rian and Christina Bocci-Piel - Driveway 30E. **Glad to have you!!!**



Attached to this newsletter you will find the current Riverwood Rosters. Please review them, making sure your information is correct. If corrections are needed, email corrections to rwh.welcome@gmail.com. A limited number of paper copies are available by texting Lisa Dashiell, 503-293-6861, or emailing rwh.welcome@gmail.com.

Welcome Committee Volunteer Needed: Do you have basic computer skills? Interested in connecting with new Riverwood residents? Detail oriented? We are looking for you! The Welcome Committee is looking for a volunteer to join ilá and Lisa in monitoring Riverwood homes that are for sale on Zillow, contacting owners, reaching out to the owners and realtors, emailing the move-out checklist, connecting with new Riverwood residents, etc. Interested? Contact Lisa Dashiell by text, 503-293-6861, or email at rwh.welcome@gmail.com.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: 2nd THURSDAY, July 10th @ 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 Jim E: Saturday Night at the Races!! Do you love the roar of racing engines and the screech of ripping tires? Do the scents of burning rubber, overheated transmissions and burgers cooking outdoors wake up your senses? Do you enjoy an outdoor atmosphere of friendly enthusiastic people with a background of thrilling competition and smashing steel? Well, that's what you'll find at our local 1/4 mile dirt-track auto racing venue, Sunset Speedway in Banks, about a 40-minute drive from here. This Saturday night, 21 June, will be the best racing of the year, the culmination of the season's IMCA Wild West Shootout! Racing starts at 6:30, you'll want to be there about 6 to see the end of qualifying, snag good seats in the bleachers and grab a burger & beer or chili or hot dog. If interested, call Jim Eveland 858 213 3855, j.eveland@comcast.net.



Ads

Tile Cutting Needed: Anyone have a tile cutter and be willing to cut 20 2" x 2" pool tiles down to 1.5" x 2"? Please contact the Pool Committee at rwh.pool@gmail.com.

Resources



From Lisa D: City of Portland, Parks & Recreation: Thanks to funding from System Development Charges, **Parklane Park has been expanded** from 5 acres to 25 acres. Construction of the full park started in April 2023 and was completed in May 2025. The park is now open to the public. Amenities include: accessible picnic tables and picnic shelters, accessible community gathering pavilion, accessible Portland Loo restrooms (2 Loos) and restroom building (2 stalls), accessible splash pad, accessible tennis courts, basketball courts, skatepark, fitness equipment along loop path, accessible community garden raised beds and shed and accessible benches, drinking fountains, litter receptacles, bike racks, porta potty enclosures. To learn about the history of this park, check this [link](#).

Summer Free For All: Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) is bringing back an amazing series of Summer Free For All events for 2025. This wildly popular annual program, made possible by the 2020 voter-approved Parks Local Option Levy (Parks Levy), begins with [Free Lunch + Play](#) on Monday, June 23 at 22 parks and at East Portland apartment complexes. Summer Free For All: This year's program starts July 2, citywide and features more than 40 events for all ages, including multicultural festivals, free outdoor movies, concerts, and more ways to experience community across the city. For schedules and information, visit the [Summer Free For All webpage](#). Schedules are currently available in English and Spanish, with more languages coming soon, including Ukrainian, Tongan, Russian, Somali, Chinese, and Vietnamese. (for further info, see the attached article.)

Camp AQ: 2025 Camp AQ with Neighbors for Clean Air: August 4-7th, 2025. Camp AQ is a free 4-day summer camp for young activists interested in environmental justice and public health. Campers ages 13-17 will: join together in a fun community with peers and community leaders to learn about air quality and environmental justice, take action through art, education and activism, make connections between linked issues of air quality, physical and mental health, racial justice, and the environment. For more information, contact Oscar at oscar@neighborsforcleanair.org or fill out a form at [Camp AQ](#).

Need help with Medicare costs? Part B Assistance helps with covering premium costs. Call Oregon Medicare Savings Connect: 855-447-0155 for information. To qualify:

- Single: Less than \$1781 monthly gross income (no resource limits)
- Couple: Less than \$2400 monthly gross income (no resource limits)

Part D Assistance helps with lowering prescription costs. To qualify:

- Single: Less than \$1976 monthly gross income (savings and other resources are less than \$17,6000)
- Couple: Less than \$2664 monthly gross income (savings and other resources are less than 35,130)



The Cooling Portland program, funded by the Portland Clean Energy Community Benefits Fund (PCEF) and administered by Earth Advantage, has achieved its target of installing 15,000 portable cooling units 18 months ahead of schedule. This milestone reflects the program's commitment to providing free, energy-efficient cooling solutions to low-income Portlanders most vulnerable to extreme heat. Portlanders interested in receiving a cooling unit can call 3-1-1 or visit PCEF's website to determine eligibility: [Cooling Portland](#).

From Jann G: [Taking Ownership PDX](#) is a community and reparations-based organization in Portland, Oregon founded with the intention to activate and utilize community members and their resources for

equitable change. Together we renovate and revive Black-owned homes and small businesses that have requested our help, with an emphasis on enabling Black homeowners to age in place, generate wealth and simultaneously deter predatory investors and real estate professionals to deflect the gentrification process. [Listen](#) as nonprofit founder Randal Wyatt sits with Board President Charles Slaughter to recount the origins of the organization, how their model works, and why community-driven initiatives are necessary.



Food resources in Argay Terrace:

- **SUN/IRCO Oregon Food Bank** is 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. www.feedumfreedom.org.

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

Argay Terrace Neighborhood Association News:



Read Away The Summer: Midland and Gregory Heights libraries are a short distance from Argay Terrace and library [Summer reading programs](#) get underway June 16th. If you have a child aged 5 or under you can get a free book delivered to your home each month from none other than national treasure [Dolly Parton](#). Really. Click that link.

Business News: ➤ Sandy Plaza (NE 141st and Sandy): [Los Tacos Juan and Antojitos III](#) is open. ➤ [ADOT Ethiopian Market](#) is planning a restaurant - until then, they have fresh injera. ➤ [Carlos Birrieria](#) has opened their newest location at NE Sandy and 131st as of a couple weeks ago, off to the side of the gas station. ➤ [Parkrose Coffee Shop](#) on 105th is now open 7am-3pm. ➤ [El Pollo Chano](#) is offering incredibly good chicken, and other high quality Mexican fare, in the parking lot of Chill Zone at NE 111th and Sandy.

Field Fresh: Spada Farm stand at [3849 NE 158th Ave, Portland, OR 97230](#) is open and their U-pick starts in June - Hood strawberries and other varieties, then raspberries, eggplants and peppers. Looking for a day trip? Mosier, just East of Hood River, has several U-pick cherry orchards starting in mid-June. You'll even find Montmorency / sour cherries - the taste of summer in a pie!



Green Treasure in our Backyard: To the North of Argay is [a system of waterways and human engineering](#) that are hidden from view but are thriving ecosystems. Next time you are at Costco - look across the street.

That green space is Bureau of Environmental Services land. 30 years ago the temperature of the slough was too hot so City of Portland ecologists, with BES, planted hundreds of trees to cool the area. Further at NE 166th is the Portland Water Bureau boat launch accessing the Columbia Slough. A big shout out to neighbor Mike Beymer for his tireless work over the last year rehabilitating this area. There is a gazebo and benches at this site for those needing to take a break.

Neighborhood Events:

June 17 & 18: [Shaver Shareable Events for Students](#): including Regal Cinemas \$1 kids movie matinees, June 18th!! (click on the link for more events!!)



June 16-20: Bike Camp: Cycle Oregon is hosting a kids [Bike Camp](#) for ages 8-12. Learn bike skills that last a lifetime. June 16-20th and August dates. Scholarships available.

June 18 - Wednesday: Parkrose Summer Nights, 5pm to 9pm – Join the Parkrose neighborhood for Summer Nights featuring an evening night market, live music, dancing, and family-friendly activities, hosted by Historic Parkrose. Admission is free of charge and open to all. Also: **Wednesday, July 16.**

June 19 - Thursday: [Free admission](#) at **Leach Botanical Gardens** in honor of Juneteenth.

June 22, Noon to 3PM: “Howdy Argay!” Summer Party in Argay Park! Our annual party in Argay Park is scheduled for Sunday, June 22nd from noon to 3pm. Expect food, music, and activities for the whole family. This event is hosted by Argay Terrace Neighborhood Association and sponsored by the Bureau of Environmental Services and a grant from City of Portland’s Community and Civic Life. We would also like to thank District 1 East Coalition office (D1EC) for their help with this event. Last year our Aloha Argay party was a huge success and we hope to make this year even better!

June 23: Luuwit View Park: Those 18 years or younger can enjoy play time and a **free lunch** in the park. Starting Monday June 23rd to August 22nd. 10am -2pm - meal served at 12:15pm - 1pm.

June 26 - Thursday - Luuwit View Community Garden, 9am to 11am: volunteers meet.

June 29 - Sunday - [Sunday Parkways](#), 11am to 4pm: – Northeast Cully neighborhood celebration. Tex “Cully” to 888-520-0526 for event updates!



August - Save The Dates: We're taking a month off from neighborhood specific events in July but will be back strong in August. The month will begin with the **Argay Neighborhood Garage Sale scheduled for August 1st, 2nd, and 3rd,** and ends with Indiana Jones at Movies In The Park on August 23rd at Luuwit View. Hope to see you there.

REMEMBER: Newsletter articles, ads, etc. are due by Noon on Tuesday following the Board Meeting!!! rwh.news@gmail.com

A gigantic **"Thank You!"** to those who contributed to this month's newsletter!!

Welcome Committee, Pool Committee, Jim Eveland, Kris Clarke, Lynn Young, Argay View (ATNA newsletter)