

Riverwood Homeowners Association

Newsletter

January, 2026

Board & Committee News

Landscape Committee: > Oregon Tree Service did our tree trimming from Thursday the 8th through the 10th. We will also be removing two trees that have rot damage to their trunks. > We are working with a homeowner who removed a Japanese Maple without approval. The tree will be replaced and a fee paid. > Reminder to all Homeowners: permission is required to remove any plant or tree in the public space. That covers every area but your patio. We will be more than willing to work with you if you have a problem or a suggestion. > Huge thank you to Jann for taking over the Landscape Chair duties the month of December while my family was in town. Her help has been beyond valuable. **THANK YOU!**



Gardening Notes: Timely advice on garden chores, fertilizing, pest control, and more from OSU Extension: > In January, monitor houseplants for correct water and fertilizer; guard against insect infestations; clean dust from leaves. > Western Oregon: Water landscape plants underneath wide eaves and in other sites shielded from rain.

Outreach Committee: The (new!) Outreach Committee is meeting in the Rec Room on **Friday, January 16 at 1pm** to start talking about a Phone/Text Tree. Lots to discuss and decide about how we can notify residents quickly for moments of emergency. We will need a representative from each driveway, so the more that know about this process the better it can be. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Recreation Committee: Salad Potluck Social! Hot, cold, vegetable, fruit: bring the salad of your choice at **2 PM on Sunday, January 25th at the RW Recreation Room**. Join us for fun and fellowship! Please bring salad, bread/crackers, a dessert or a side dish of your choice. You will also need utensils, a plate or bowl and a beverage of your choice. Hope you can join us!!

Crafternoon!!! Hello crafters & makers! Please join us on **Saturday, January 24 from 11am until 1pm in the Rec Room** for another opportunity to meet others in our community. Bring a project and visit or just come and visit! Maybe you would like to learn how to do something? Maybe you could teach us something. We would love to have you join us!



Welcome Committee: Welcome to our newest Riverwood residents in Driveway 30W: **Tyler Ripley and June Garvin!!**

With so many recent changes to the rosters, it has been decided to do an **extra update**. The updated rosters are attached to this month's Newsletter email. Please review your information for accuracy. Should corrections need to be made, please text Lisa at 503-293-6861 or email rwh.welcome@gmail.com. If you need a printed copy, there are a limited number available.

Our next scheduled, open Board Meeting is Thursday, February 12th at 6:30 pm.

From the Residents

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



From Lisa D: If you are available to help deliver food from Shaver Elementary's food pantry to those who are unable to pick food up for their family, please consider serving our Argay/Parkrose neighborhood on Friday afternoons. If you sign up, let Lisa Dashiell know via text (503-293-6861) and she can confirm with the organizers that you are part of our Riverwood community.

From Carol H: Riverwood Potlucks have been well attended & the community has enjoyed board games afterwards.. Please invite your neighbors!



From Jann G (a Villa Garden Club Member!): Come to our **Annual Valentines Tea Party! A Fundraiser for the Portland District Garden Clubs!!** Join us to celebrate this festive occasion when couples, friends, and families express love and affection! You will experience an English tea—including finger sandwiches, scones and cakes, served with various teas: a tiered experience of delicate foods and etiquette! Along with the tea there will be music and a raffle, as well as baskets of flowers for sale! This event is a fundraiser for Portland District Garden Clubs, supporting their charitable work around the area, such as wheelchairs for the mobility challenged at the Oregon Coast, the Gold Star Marker Program and the Oregon State University Botany and Agricultural Science Scholarship Fund. Hosted by Tuesday Morning Garden Club, Multnomah Garden Club, Oregon Cactus & Succulents Club and Villa Garden Club. (**Flyer attached**)

- ♥ The Valentines Tea Party Fundraiser will begin at 1 PM, Saturday, January 31st, at Savage Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1740 SE 139th Avenue, Portland, in their Fellowship Hall.
- ♥ COST TO ATTEND IS \$30/PERSON. SPACES MUST BE PURCHASED before January 24th!! Hurry!! Spaces are limited!
- ♥ To reserve your space(s), send your check made out to "Portland District Garden Clubs" to: Pat Allabastro, 12633 NE Morris Street, Portland OR 97230-1635. We can't wait to see you at the Portland District Garden Clubs' **Annual Valentine's Tea Party Fundraiser!**

Advertisements

From Bob Christman: Classic 4" x 6" 200 page photo album with 4 picture slots per page. 503-724-8524. Driveway 30. \$5.



Resources

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](#)

Rid-Patrol: 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

Food resources in Argay Terrace

Great news! Shaver Elementary SUN/IRCO food pantry will remain open until at least June 2026! It was previously set to close December 12th due to Oregon Food Bank Budget cuts. Find it in the same place - Shaver Elementary basketball courts on **Fridays from 2:30-4pm**.

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.

Argay Terrace Neighborhood Association News:

Our 2026 calendar will include:

- An all-neighbors-welcome **General Meeting** in April
- Another **themed event in Argay Park** in June (funding dependent)
- Our annual **neighborhood clean-up/dumpster day** (month TBD)
- **Neighborhood garage sales** likely in August
- **Movies in the Park** at Luuwit View (month TBD)
- And possibly some other fun events that may pop up along the way!



Support Local Parkrose and Argay Terrace Businesses! You may have seen news that [Grocery Outlet could close](#) due to rampant theft. They will remain open at least through March, hopefully longer. **Gills Tire** still hosted our food drive, even after being robbed overnight on Thanksgiving. In response to thefts across the metro area, the County DA has formed a multi-jurisdictional task force to address retail theft.

The Portland Environmental Management Office (PEMO) will provide regular graffiti removal and sidewalk cleaning in Parkrose this coming year. You can support local businesses by shopping and dining locally—and by reporting concerns. If something looks suspicious, such as cars being dismantled near Argay Park, call 311 to file an abandoned auto report or the police non-emergency line at 503-823-3333. You can also contact your District 1 Councilors and the Mayor to express that you want Parkrose and Argay businesses to thrive like any other Portland neighborhood.

Portland Street Response: If you encounter someone who appears to be experiencing a mental health crisis, a drug reaction, or who is lying on a sidewalk and may need assistance, you can contact Portland Street Response at 503-823-7773 and request a welfare check. If you notice tents or RVs located in the street or creating safety concerns, please call 311 to make a houselessness report.

Mayor Wilson has launched the **See, Care, Connect** campaign to help address these situations. The City of Portland currently has approximately 1,900 vacant affordable housing units and 1,500 overnight shelter beds. According to reporting by *The Oregonian*, Multnomah County has 3,000 24/7 shelter beds and plans to add more this year. In the 2024–2025 budget, Multnomah County allocated \$501 million to homeless services. The City of Portland has also set aside \$25 million for shelters and day shelters, with an additional \$21 million under negotiation for rent assistance. Read more [here](#).

New Businesses at Sandy Plaza - NE 141st/Sandy: New tenants have moved into the plaza to round out offerings right on our doorstep. In addition to [Best of India](#) who have just surpassed a year in the plaza, a new Honduran restaurant called [Sabor Catracho 2](#) has opened. [Adot Market](#) now has a restaurant serving Ethiopian specialties and [Fatsos Cheketos](#) just opened at 138th and Sandy. [Honey Jar PDX](#) is under new ownership (check out their coupon on their website), and finally [Venture Inn Tavern](#) is under new ownership where neighbors report a calmer atmosphere. Elsewhere in Argay, [The Wooden Chicken](#) is under new ownership and [Uncle Vinny's](#) is next door. That's a lot of owners placing their business bets in Argay. Consider supporting them the next time you don't feel like cooking.

Other new businesses in the area:

- Fiery Crab has taken over the former Sharie's location in the WinCo shopping plaza on NE 122nd.
- We mentioned the opening of [Jawfish Restaurant](#) last month in the old Shiloh Hotel on NE Airport Way and Glenn Widing. Turns out that site is set to become a [Mindaro boutique hotel and a Hyatt House](#) extended-stay hotel. Completion is expected this year.
- There are a couple of new businesses in the area that [liquidate returned items](#) from places like Amazon and Costco. They are [Buy Wander](#) where you shop online and pick up at NE 136th and Airport Way, and [Smart Bins](#) located at 5063 NE 122nd.

Argay Terrace Events:

January 16 - Friday: Coffee with a Cop at Councilor Smith's office at the Nick Fish Building.

January 28 - 6:30pm: ATNA Board Meeting. All are welcome. NW Engineering Building at Argay Plaza on NE 122nd.

Our next scheduled, open board meeting is Thursday, February 12th at 6:30 pm.

REMEMBER:

Newsletter articles, ads, etc. are due by Noon on the Tuesday following the Board Meeting!!!
Send to rwh.news@gmail.com. Next newsletter: February 17, 2026!

A gigantic "Thank You!" to those who contributed to this month's newsletter:
Bob Christman, Carol Hardy, Welcome Committee, Karen Hansen-Laird, Kris Clarke,
Lynn Young, Argay View (ATNA newsletter)
