

SUNNYSIDE

Neighborhood News

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Tony Jordan, SNA President

First things first, the Belmont Street Fair is finally upon us! Join your neighbors on September 12 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. along SE Belmont Street, which will be closed to car traffic between SE 33rd and SE Cesar Chavez. This is the twentieth Belmont Street Fair and I'm sure it will be a great one!

Hats off to the neighbors and businesses at the Hawthorne Boulevard Business Association who worked hard to put on this year's Hawthorne Street Fair. It was wonderful to see so many people walking and having fun in the middle of the boulevard.

We have been seeing new faces at every SNA meeting in the past several months and it's great to get to know more of the people in the community. I realize that meetings aren't everyone's idea of a fun time, so I'd like to experiment with offering some less formal opportunities to ask questions of, request advocacy from, and give input to the SNA board. I'll start by putting myself on the spot. On September 22 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. I'll hang out in the deli section at the Fred Meyer on Hawthorne. Stop by and visit for a bit. If there's interest in this type of event, I think I can convince other board members to do the same, providing you with more flexible ways to connect with your neighborhood association.

Community Warehouse Holds Open House and Appraisal Fair

By Rena Satre Meloy

Community Warehouse is this region's only nonprofit furniture bank that collects and redistributes donated furniture and household goods to neighbors in need. The idea of Community Warehouse is a simple, yet incredibly powerful one: household goods you no longer need could help create a home for someone else in your community. In addition to serving over 8,000 people in need annually,

the organization diverts more than 550 tons of usable goods from landfills into local homes. For information about the program and how to donate, visit www.communitywarehouse.org.

Community Warehouse is holding an Open House and Appraisal Fair on Saturday, September 12, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 3969 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. You can get your treasures appraised for \$5 apiece, or just watch the fun and enjoy refreshments. RSVP at www.communitywarehouse.org/roadshow.

UPCOMING EVENTS | SEPTEMBER

- 2nd - Computer Basics @ Belmont Library*
- 6th - Resume Help @ Belmont Library
- 12th - Belmont Street Fair
- 12th - Paint Your Own Van Gogh @ Belmont Library*
- 12th - Community Warehouse Open House*
- 19th - Words and Pictures: Improve Your Writing Using Graphics @ Belmont Library*
- 23rd - PBS POV Screening: Beats of the Antonov @ Belmont Library*
- 24th - Travel & Technology: Get Connected Abroad @ Belmont Library*
- 26th - Vellamo: Folk Duo from Finland @ Belmont Library*

* See articles for details.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings at Southeast Uplift unless noted

General and Board Meeting

Thursday, September 10, 7:30-9 p.m.

Land Use & Transportation Committee

Thursday, September 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Emergency Preparedness Committee

@ Hawthorne Hostel Mt. Tabor Room

Tuesday, September 15, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Sunnyside Street Tree Team (S2T2)

Street Tree Team TBA

e-mail S2T2@googlegroups.com for information about meeting time/place.

"Office Hours" with SNA Board President @ Hawthorne Fred Meyer Deli Area

Tuesday, September 22, 6:00 p.m.

Graffiti Clean-up

2nd & 4th Saturdays, weather permitting.
Call 503-235-5047

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www.SunnysideNeighborhood.com



or at the Sunnyside Listserv: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SunnysideNeighborhood/>



Sunnyside's First Heritage Tree

Gregg S. Everhart, Urban Forestry Commission and Sunnyside Street Tree Team

The European beech (*Fagus sylvatica*) in the back yard of 4343 SE Madison was added to the Portland Heritage Tree List in 1998. Its 19.4-foot circumference supports a canopy 90 feet wide and 70 feet high, giving it a greater width than other heritage beech trees listed. Heritage trees are considered of "special importance to the city" because of their "age, size, type, historical association, or horticultural value."

How old do you think this tree might be? It is in the backyard of a home built in 1910 but the neighboring home to the west was constructed in 1896. Other adjacent homes date from 1907 to 1912. Since it is not native, it was likely planted over 100 years ago. European beeches live 150-200 years, sometimes 300 years, so this tree should continue to grace its neighborhood for many more years. If you visit, the best views are from SE 44th Avenue.

SNA Emergency Preparedness NET Committee Update

Jan Molinaro, SNA EP NET Committee

Our first meeting at the Hawthorne Hostel on Tuesday, August 18, was a great success. Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) members, neighbors who want to expand the community conversations about being prepared, and Katy Asher from Southeast Uplift all attended. Glenn C. Devitt, our committee chair, ran the meeting. Our agendas and notes from our meetings can be found on the Sunnyside Neighborhood wordpress site at <https://sunnysideneighborhood.wordpress.com/emergency-preparedness/>.

Join us at our next meeting and let's keep the conversation going.

Underlying...what?

Michael Molinaro, SNA Land Use Committee

By now I think we all generally understand the idea of lot splitting. We can see it in a few instances in Sunnyside under construction right now. It's fairly easy to figure this out in our R2.5 zoning, which is the majority of the residential areas in Sunnyside—a 5,000-square-foot lot gets split into two lots.

Where it gets tricky is in the areas that are zoned R5. This generally means that a lot needs to be 5,000 square feet. But in the zoning ordinance there is a concept called "underlying lot lines," which allows the division of a property based on lot lines that were established when Sunnyside or any neighborhood was first platted out. Sunnyside was originally platted with 2,500-square-foot lots. Many houses were initially constructed on multiple lots. Often these houses were placed in the middle of a large lot. These properties are very desirable now, to remove the existing house and develop multiple houses.

So even in zoning areas that are R5 we might find underlying lot lines on lots that could be divided into more parcels. You can log on to the Portland Chronicle and click the tab for underlying lot lines map to see how your property might be divided.

Sunnyside EP NET Committee on the Web!

By Glenn Devitt

The Sunnyside Neighborhood Association Emergency Preparedness Neighborhood Emergency Team (EP NET) Committee now has a website, part of the SNA website: www.sunnysideprepared.com. Check it out!

September at the Belmont Library

By Cyndi Rosene, Belmont Library Assistant

Belmont Library welcomes you back from your summer carousing...or your heat-induced wilting. We're now totally revved for a crammed and exciting roster of adult programs for September. Complete descriptions are available on <https://multcolib.org/> events, from posters displayed in our lobby, or on the monthly printed program flyer you can grab the next time you're here.

Wednesday, September 2, 10:00 a.m. to noon, Computer Basics

Learn the basics of using a Windows-based computer, no experience necessary. Registration required. Register online, in the library, or by calling 503-988-5234.

Sunday, August 6, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Resume Help

Come meet with an experienced volunteer for one-on-one help. If you have a paper copy of your resume, please bring it along. First-come, first-served.

Saturday, September 12, 3 to 5 p.m., Paint Your Own Van Gogh

In this guided workshop, learn acrylic painting skills and create your own version of a Van Gogh landscape. Registration required. Register online, in the library, or by calling 503-988-5234.

Saturday, September 19, 2 to 4 p.m., Words and Pictures: Improve Your Writing Using Graphics

An overview of comics and graphic novels. No drawing experience necessary. First-come, first-served.

Wednesday, September 23, 6:30 to 7:45 p.m., PBS POV Screening: Beats of the Antonov

Join us for a screening and discussion. First-come, first-served.

Thursday, September 24, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Travel & Technology: Get Connected Abroad

Registration begins September 3. Register online, in the library, or by calling 503-988-5234.

Saturday, September 26, 4 to 4:45 p.m., Vellamo: Folk Duo from Finland

The rich tradition of Finnish folksong combines with a "retro" sensibility, creating a magical acoustic experience.

For more programs and information please drop in and see us at Belmont Regional Library at 1038 SE Cesar Chavez, give us a call at 503-988-5382, or visit us online at www.multcolib.org. Multnomah County Library programs are always free of charge.

Recycling Tip of the Month: Let's Talk Lunch!

Bonita Davis, Certified Master Recycler

Fall is an excellent time to apply "reduce, reuse, and recycle" to our back-to-school and work lunch routines. The trick is to avoid one-time throwaway packaging. Cellophane, plastic wrap, plastic utensils, freezer-boxed meals, mixed plastic containers, containers too small to be recycled curbside, and contaminated paper products create trash destined for the landfill. Reducing or eliminating their use will make a huge difference over time. Worldcentric.org estimates 40 billion plastic utensils are used every year in the United States. Most are thrown out after just one use and can take up to 1,000 years to degrade in a landfill!

New reusable products can make taking your lunch easy while keeping food hot, cold, or both. For starters, carry your own water bottle, coffee mug, a portable Spork, and a bandana or cotton cloth napkin and make a big difference in reducing one-time-use waste.

Local grocery stores carry portable lunch packs and bags, sacks, boxes, snack and sandwich wraps, and reusable containers. Find one that works for your situation—thermal, separating portions, plastic free, highly portable, or compact. Mirador Community Store at SE 21st and Division (1.5 miles from Sunnyside) has an entire wall display of earth-friendly products, including natural wax paper, bamboo, and cotton, as well as stainless steel bento containers, stackables, and Mason jar accessories. Visit www.reuseit.com for ideas on packing a waste-free lunch. Of course, a brown paper bag or a tote purchased resale works just fine and you don't have to worry if it gets lost!

If you enjoy the downtown Portland food carts, please check out www.gobox.pdx.com. Go Box is a reusable container system for food from the carts. Bowls and utensils are picked up by bike each day, washed, and returned the next day to participating carts. GoBox is part of the solution to some 60,000 disposable food containers used by Portland's food carts each month.

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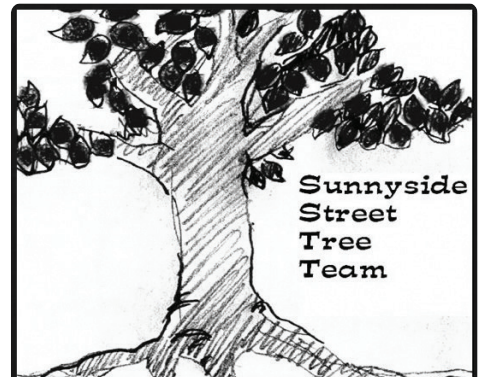
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