

Grant Park Neighborhood Association

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Spring 2014

GPNA Neighborhood Clean-Up Save the Date!

When: Saturday May 17th, 2014 • 9 am to 1 pm

Where: the Grant Park Church parking lot • at NE 34th & Knott



Spring cleaning? Time to declutter? The Grant Park Neighborhood Association is here to help with our annual fund-raiser event – the household cleanup. We will have: a reuse area to swap household items; recycling for scrap metal and construction materials, Styrofoam, CFL light bulbs, electronics, tires, batteries, wood waste, and dumpsters for mixed waste.

Once again, we are asking only \$10 per car load and \$20 per truck or van. Money raised at this event supports the Grant Park Neighborhood Association activities. Please remember that the total number of drop boxes is limited. When they are full the clean-up will close, and refuse will not be accepted after that time.

Volunteers are urgently needed on the day of the clean up to help make the event a success. Two hours of volunteer time entitles you to bring one free car or truck load! For information, to volunteer, or to make suggestions, contact us at: Grantpark@necoalition.org.

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NEXT GPNA MEETING
Tuesday, April 8, 2014
7:00 pm - Board
Grant Park Church
2728 NE 34th Ave
(at Knott)

Grant Park Neighborhood Association is open to ALL persons living or working within its boundaries. If something prevents you from participating, please contact a Board member and we'll make accommodations.

AGENDA

To see the agenda for our next meeting, or to suggest an agenda topic, please go to our web site at: grantpark-na.org/thehood/meetings.html

FUTURE MEETINGS

Second Tuesday of the month.

Apr 8, 2014 - Annual Meeting
Jun 10, 2014 - Board Meeting
Aug 12, 2014 - Board Meeting

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Grant Park Improvements Update

by Ken Peterson, GPNA Land Use and Traffic Chair

In our last issue, we asked neighborhood residents to submit suggestions for possible improvements to Grant Park. Similar requests were made on our GPNA website, as well as on the GPNA Facebook page. In addition, I conducted informal surveys at Grant Park itself by speaking to park users at various locations over several weeks.

Creating a permanently fenced, single location, off-leash dog area (OLDA) was by far the most popular topic of responses received. Owners of small dogs also requested a separate fenced area for their diminutive canines to play without risk of trampling by some of the larger and more exuberant breeds that frequent the current off leash area.

I met at the park with Mike Grosso, Maintenance Supervisor, and Bryan Tierney, Dog Off Leash Administrator for Portland Parks and Recreation (PPR), as well as residents who were using the existing unfenced winter area. Following that meeting, I was asked to complete a Project Proposal for a fenced OLDA. With the approval of the GPNA Board, I submitted such a proposal behalf of GPNA, which is currently under review. If it moves to the next step, there will likely be a public meeting to share information and solicit neighborhood input.

In addition to the OLDA request, a Parks subcommittee at the Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods (NECN), is developing a list of parks improvement priorities for all the parks in the NECN area, and plans to host a public parks forum soon. Check the NECN website (necolition.org) or the GPNA website for up to date information. Your ideas and suggestions are always welcome.

We also referenced an \$8 million fund derived from new construction Systems Development Charges (SDCs), as possible funding for our parks projects.

Parks Commissioner Amanda Fritz has earmarked most of those funds to create two new parks in outer northeast Portland, where many residents have no parks at all, or have only open fields without any amenities. It remains to be seen whether SDC funds will be available to Grant Park, or whether some alternative funding sources will be necessary.

Garden Honors Area Student

Ella Westervelt was a much loved Beverly Cleary student. Her wit and tenacity were known to many in the school community and beyond. Ella fought cancer for several years and died in 2013.



This Spring a garden is being built at the Beverly Cleary Fernwood Campus in honor of Ella and her colorful, fun loving personality. The garden space will be near the little league field and play structure and compliment the existing learning vegetable garden along the north edge of campus.

Local metal artist Alan Root is donating a wonderful entry gate for the garden that captures Ella's interests and activities. He has also created a kid friendly art piece to sit on and play around. A poetry post, bench, native plantings, and an accessible pathway are also planned.

The garden is an entirely volunteer effort and donations are very welcome! Send to: Beverly Cleary PTA with "Ella's Friendship Garden" on the check, mail to the school at 1915 NE 33rd Ave., 97212.

Work days are being planned around Earth Day (mid-April). Watch for a plant donation event at Garden Fever near Earth Day.

For the latest plans and pictures of the garden and artwork like "Ella's Friendship Garden" on Facebook where dates and times of work events will be posted.

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NE/SE 20's Bikeway Update

Progress continues in planning for the new NE/SE 20's Bikeway. As the name suggests, it will run north and south for nine miles from NE Lombard St at the north end of the City to connect to the Springwater Corridor at SE 45th Ave at the south end of the City.

After several meetings hosted by Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) planners among representatives of neighborhood associations, businesses, and bicycle groups, PBOT held three neighborhood open houses to facilitate public comment before finalizing the project elements. Most Grant Park residents received mailed invitations to attend the meetings.

In Grant Park, the final route will likely utilize either NE 26th or 28th Avenues, or possibly a combination of both. Changes will probably primarily involve addition of "sharrows" (the familiar painted bicycle with arrows) in our neighborhood, with possible stop sign changes or traffic calming additions. For more: portlandoregon.gov/transportation/20sbikeway

City Climate Change Strategy

The City of Portland and Multnomah County seek input on a new draft plan to build resilience into local policies, operations, services and infrastructure.

The new draft Climate Change Preparation Strategy and Risk & Vulnerabilities Assessment have been released for comment and can be found at: portlandoregon.gov/bps/article/482066. Interested parties are encouraged to provide feedback on the documents before council members consider adopting them later this year.

Portland's climate future is expected to have warmer, wetter winters and hotter, drier summers. The strategy names five distinct risks: Increased day and night temperatures, and frequency of high-heat days; Increased drought; Increased wildfire frequency and intensity; Increased incidence and magnitude of damaging floods; Increased incidence of landslides.

Through April 11, 2014, comments may be submitted online, by e-mail to bps@portlandoregon.gov or by mail to City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability, Attn: Michele Crim.

Broadway Planning Charrette

Saturday, April 26, 2014, 1:30 to 4:30 pm
Grace Memorial Church, 1535 NE 17th Ave

Sullivan's Gulch Neighborhood Association (SGNA) plans to have a "charrette" that will focus on transportation options and future enhancements for the busy Broadway business corridor. A charrette is an intensive planning session where citizens, designers and others collaborate on a vision for future development.

The guest speakers will include Dr. Scott Burns, PSU, discussing the geological make up of the Sullivan's Gulch north slope area; Steve Dotterrer, recently retired Director of Planning for the City, who will discuss the history of planning and development in Portland; Carl Larson, Bicycle Transportation Alliance, discussing bikes as a transit option; Alan Lehto, TriMet, discussing bus routes on Broadway; and, Rick Gustafson, Portland Street Car Company, discussing streetcar planning. Final confirmation of these speakers is ongoing at this time.

GPNA will be represented at the charrette, and seeks input from interested neighbors. Those who attended last year's meeting found it to be an enjoyable and efficient way to share ideas and gather information about the future of our primary commercial street.



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Neighborhood Emergency Team

In the aftermath of disasters such as earthquakes, more than 90 percent of persons rescued are not rescued by police officers, EMTs or firefighters. They are rescued by their neighbors.

The Portland Bureau of Emergency Management (PBEM) is committed to developing and sustaining the city's mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery capabilities. Since 1994 the Portland Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) program has trained Portlanders to safely protect their communities in the wake of a major disaster. Trainees learn essential post-disaster skills, including search and rescue, triage medicine, how to shut off utilities, small fire suppression, and more.

Grant Park has NET trained residents, but does not currently have a NET. The basic NET course is free.

For information and to sign up for the training, visit: portlandoregon.gov/pbem/net If you are interested in forming a Grant Park team, contact Jeremy Van Keuren, NET Program Specialist, PBEM jeremy.vankeuren@portlandoregon.gov

Portland Food Project

The Food Project is a revolutionary way to collect food: It's a donor drive, not a food drive. Instead of asking for one-time contributions of food, our volunteers (Neighborhood Coordinators) enlist their neighbors to become long-term Food Donors. The Food Project was started in Ashland in 2009 by a group of residents who wanted to make it easy for people to donate food to the Ashland Emergency Food Bank. They created a simple door-to-door food collection system to enable people to pitch in.

Here's how:

1. Each week you buy just one extra non-perishable food item when you go shopping
2. Store it in the Portland Food Project green bag
3. The second Saturday of every other month a neighbor picks up your bag and takes it to a local food bank and replaces it with an empty one.

To become a Neighborhood Coordinator, join the program, or find out more call 503-775-2110 or go to: portlandfoodproject.org

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U.S. Grant Memorial

On a crisp October 1879 morning in Portland, a large crowd of dignitaries and the public waited anxiously on the banks of the Willamette to welcome back a one-time resident of the Oregon Territory, a two-term President, and a world acclaimed Civil War hero, the man who saved the Union, Ulysses S. Grant.

In a real sense, Grant was an Oregon personality. That autumn day, in his speech from the hastily erected platform, Grant mentioned that after he was transferred from Ft. Vancouver in Sept 1853, he had come back to visit Portland and Oregon nine times.

His enduring fame and popularity is the reason why one of Portland's most prominent neighborhood parks was named for him, and why the Oregon Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission is asking their fellow Portlanders to join together to honor our one-time Oregonian with an enhancement to the park named after this Civil War hero.

Three-fold plan:

1. Revive the forgotten history about U. S. Grant and his residence in Oregon Territory with the addition of an enhanced heritage marker/plaque.
2. Use the Civil War 150th Anniversary (2011-2015) to emphasize the heritage and educational aspect of Grant Park, and to make it a tourist destination.
3. Use the installation and dedication of the plaque/ marker as a springboard for education on our real Civil War connections and how frontier duty in Oregon's wilderness helped to prepare future Civil War generals for battle.

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GPNA Elections Coming Up

Always wanted to help shape your neighborhood and what goes on here? This is your chance. If you are getting this newsletter, you are a member with all the privileges and responsibilities of the Grant Park Neighborhood Association (GPNA). Our purpose is to enhance the livability of Grant Park; to act as liaison; and to provide an open line of communication for our neighborhood with various government entities, groups, businesses, and other neighborhoods. You can be a part of that.

The Board of Directors makes all that possible by managing the affairs of the Association in between General Meetings. The GPNA Board helps formulate direction, implement policy, and develop an agenda for meetings. The Board is also responsible for maintaining and updating the bylaws; ensuring the fiscal well being of the association; developing transparent, open and objective processes; and acting for the Association on time sensitive issues.

We will be electing our 2014-2015 GPNA Officers at the April 8th Annual Meeting. As in the past, the Board will recommend a slate of officers, and nominations will be taken from the floor. Any member of the neighborhood can also nominate themselves.

There are five elected positions on the board:

President - The Chief Executive Officer of the GPNA corporation, who presides at all meetings of the membership and the board.

Vice President (one or two) - In the absence of the President, the Vice President provides his/her duties as designated.

Treasurer - Responsible for the corporation funds.

Secretary - Keeps the correspondence and the minutes of meetings. Maintains the attendee lists.

Communications - Manages the newsletter and maintains the website.

Aside from these Officer positions, there can be up to 10 "At Large" Board members. The Board can also appoint a "Chair" to cover specific topic or designate a GPNA representative to another group.

For additional information please contact any current Board member (listed on page 1) through our general e-mail: Grantpark@necoalition.org

Neighborhood School Schedules

Grant High School | 2245 NE 36th

8 am - 3 pm | Lunch 11:37 am - 12:19 pm

Beverly Cleary Schools:

Fernwood Site | 1915 NE 33rd

8:30 am - 3 pm | Lunch (closed campus)

Hollyrood Site | 3560 NE Hollyrood Ct.

8:30 am - 2:45 pm | Lunch (closed campus)

Lee Owens Pre-school | 2728 NE 34th Ave

8:45 am - 12 noon | Lunch (closed campus)

School of Experiential Ed. | 2728 NE 34th Ave

6:30 am - 6 pm | Lunch (closed campus)

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GPNA Bylaws Revision Nears Completion

The last revision of the GPNA bylaws occurred nearly a decade ago. Prompted by insurance changes and resulting directives by the Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods (NECN), the umbrella organization for GPNA, a major bylaws revision will be submitted for final approval at the GPNA Annual Meeting on April 8th.

Put simply, reading bylaws is not much fun unless you suffer from insomnia. However, there are major, significant changes that will be implemented if the new bylaws are approved, and all GPNA “members”

(a new term among the changes) should read them carefully.

Limited newsletter space makes including our full bylaws in this article impractical. However, anyone wishing to compare the newly proposed bylaws with the current ones should consult the GPNA website at: grantpark-na.org. Click on the link “Bylaws,” which will bring up the current version. To read the proposed new bylaws in their entirety, go to: grantpark-na.org/meetings/20140211/GPNABylaws2014.pdf

Here is a brief summary of the major changes:

- Except for election of officers, removal of officers, or bylaws amendments, “On all other issues that may come before the GPNA, the board has the responsibility to act in the best interest of the neighborhood and is not specifically bound to vote according to the desire of the majority of members attending a particular meeting.” This is the most significant change, and occurs because the insurer for Portland’s neighborhood organizations will no longer cover policy actions taken as a result of a vote of the membership at large (meaning whoever happens to show up at a meeting). According to NECN, failure to adopt this provision could lead to personal liability for board members, as well as for those voting on an issue at a meeting.
- As a corollary to the change from a “general member” to a “board” system of governance, there is now a conflict of interest provision that requires board members to disclose any conflicts and to abstain from voting on an issue that could benefit them personally.
- There are now four types of meetings: annual, regular, special, and emergency. Read the bylaws for definitions.
- The number of officers present to validly conduct business has been redefined. “A quorum for any annual, regular, special, emergency, or board meeting shall be attendance by board members equal to 50% or greater of the number of principal officers then holding office.” While this may seem like a low threshold, it reflects the attendance reality at many GPNA meetings, despite best efforts to encourage attendance through the newsletter, website, Google Groups, and Facebook pages, as well as posting reminder signs in prominent locations before meetings.
- The number of board members will be a minimum of 5 to a maximum of 15. The board may fill positions not filled at a general membership meeting set for election of board members.
- Schools, churches, and non-profit organizations will be able to designate a single representative to speak on their behalf at GPNA meetings and those representatives shall be considered “members.”
- The boundaries of the GPNA will increase to include a small commercial area over which there will be joint jurisdiction with the Sullivan’s Gulch Neighborhood Association.
- There will be a grievance procedure to resolve disputes that may arise over official actions taken by the board.
- GPNA will formally be required to comply with the Office of Neighborhood Involvement Standards for Neighborhood Associations concerning public meetings and public records.

Meeting Addresses Flasher

On Monday, February 24th the Alameda Neighborhood Association hosted representatives from the Portland Police Bureau and the Office of Neighborhood Involvement's Crime Prevention team. They spoke to residents on a serial flasher who has afflicted NE Portland neighborhoods including Alameda, Beaumont-Wilshire and Grant Park. Victims include both joggers and children, with incidents generally occurring in early morning between 6 am and 8:45 am and in late afternoon between 3 pm and 5 pm. Police indicated they had changed patrols as a result of the incidents, but that the way the flasher would be caught was with the eyes of residents. They advised:

- If you encounter the flasher, leave and call 911. Yell, "Flasher" to alert those nearby. Look for distinguishing or identifying characteristics and, if it can be done safely, note details about where he goes, or the make and model of a car. Police would also welcome photos or video.
- Have children walk in groups or use a buddy system. That provides greater safety and lets kids better process the incident should one occur.
- A resident requested that people try to ensure their porch lights are on. This is a comfort to early morning joggers as it indicates a place to go should they need help.
- Don't attempt to hold the perpetrator or otherwise start a physical confrontation. Police warned that resulting assault charges might be more severe than those incurred by the flasher.
- Residents are welcome to engage in foot patrols. Again, do not confront the perpetrator
- Whether out for a walk or at home, be aware of the neighborhood and report unusual activity or behavior to the police.

Ride Connection 2013 Report

2013 Highlights: 241 people trained to ride public transit; 46,941 volunteer hours logged; 401,792 rides provided; new Fare Relief Program set up.

To read the full 2013 report or past years visit: rideconnection.org/ride/AboutUs/PoliciesReports.

Graduate Student Survey

Todd Milbourn, a UO graduate student is doing a research project on how digital technology can be used to improve urban neighborhoods and is asking for your input.

The survey is just 13 questions long. It focuses on how citizens report quality-of-life issues to municipal authorities, and whether there might be ways to harness digital technology to improve that process.

You can take the Survey at: <http://ow.ly/ujm1K>
If you're interested in learning more about this research, e-mail Todd at Milbourn@uoregon.edu.



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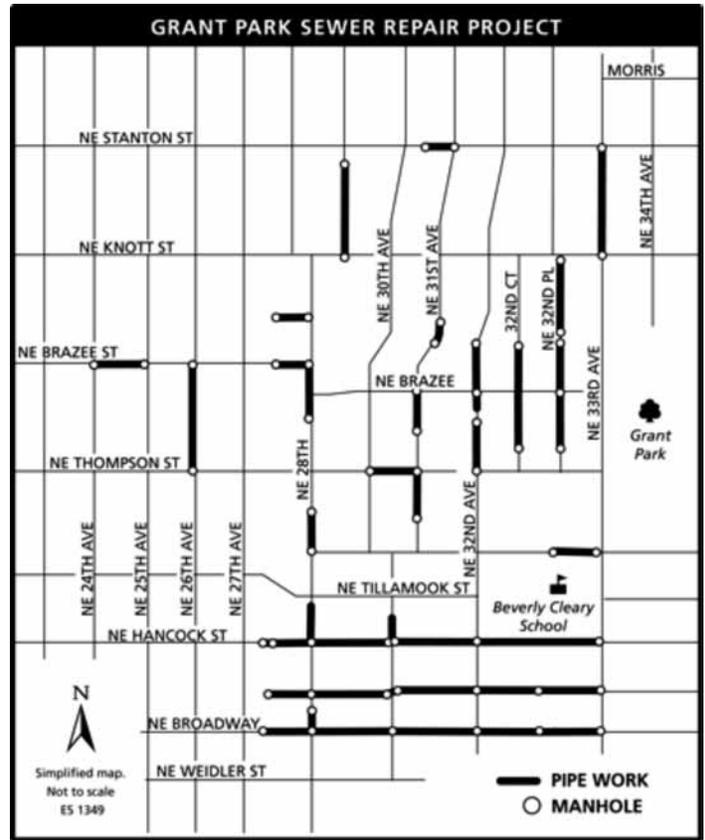
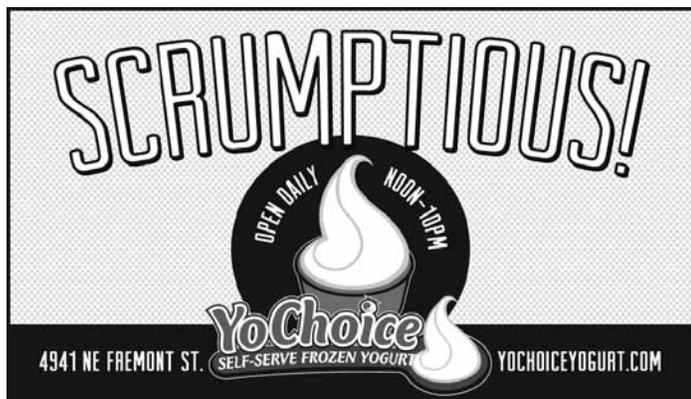
In June, Environmental Services will begin replacing approximately 12,000 feet of old, deteriorating sewer pipes on the west side of the Grant Park Neighborhood, including Broadway.

The project will take about one year to complete. The most noticeable construction area is likely to be the pipe replacement on NE Broadway between NE 27th and NE 33rd Avenues. A trench will be excavated along the south side of NE Broadway and lateral connections to properties on both the south and north side of the street will need to be made. The work on NE Broadway is now anticipated to occur between June and September.

Plans are for about 8 nights of work at the busy intersection of NE 33rd and NE Broadway. The work on NE Broadway will then move west from that intersection. Construction hours are typically Monday through Friday from 7:00 am To 6:00 pm. Once the contractor has been selected, they will develop a schedule based on all the work they need to accomplish. They may work the same hours on Saturday if needed

The work will cause traffic delays on NE Broadway, but there will be one lane in each direction at all times and two lanes in each direction by the afternoon commute. The city is requiring that the Broadway work be complete before school begins in September. The summer schedule for Broadway also coordinates with the Grant Park Village work. The Grant Park Village project is installing a traffic signal at NE 32nd Avenue and Environmental Services does not want to do sewer repair after improvements have been made at the intersection.

Side streets that access NE Broadway will also



experience temporary closures, and Environmental Services will work directly with businesses to reduce the impact as much as possible.

There will be additional sewer repair work occurring on many neighborhood streets (see map). A few locations on Hancock on Schuyler near the school will also need to be complete by September. Timing for all the other locations will be dependent on the contractor's approach. Neighbors can expect some travel delays, parking restrictions, dust, and noise. Sewer service will be maintained at all times.

Improving the neighborhood's aging and failing pipes will help protect the public and the environment by reducing the possibility of costly breaks, leaks, blockages and sewage releases to homes, businesses and streets.

For more information, or to be added to an e-mail list to receive construction updates, please contact Kristen Kibler-JLA Public Involvement on behalf of City of Portland Environmental Services 503-235-5881x106 or e-mail kristen@jla.us.com or visit portlandoregon.gov/bes/grantpark.

Street Light Change

Traffic signal and pedestrian crossing improvements on NE 24th Avenue & Broadway will be under construction through May 2nd. Construction largely will be limited to the hours between 9 am and 3 pm to minimize disruptions to travelers. Some weekend work may occur.

This project will provide more direct pedestrian crossings by removing a pedestrian island and installing curb extensions on 24th Avenue. The traffic signal, one of the oldest in the city, is being rebuilt to improve its reliability.

The City of Portland Bureau of Transportation is advising that these street improvements will require intermittent lane closures on NE Broadway at NE 24th Avenue in the coming months as the existing traffic signal is rebuilt and pedestrian improvements are constructed.

Pedestrian crossings will be maintained throughout the work schedule as contractors and city crews complete the traffic signal reconstruction.

At least one traffic lane in each direction will remain open at all times and local access to residences and businesses will be provided. Travelers are asked to observe instructions by flaggers and signage. The public is advised to expect some delays while the project is under construction

This work is weather-dependent and the schedule may change.

Free Wood Chips

Chip Drop is a way to connect people who want free woodchips, with arborists who are trying to get rid of them. There are a few rules for using the service, but overall it's pretty easy.

If you're a homeowner, you'll find that Chip Drop will help you increase your chances of getting a free load of woodchips delivered to your house. You'll also appreciate that you don't have to worry about getting more loads than you want.

Find out more at: chipdrop.in

Every Drop Counts Simple Steps Help Save Water and Money

Many of us have ignored the small, slow drips from a bathroom faucet or kitchen sink. After all, how much water do they really waste?

According to the EPA, an estimated 10 percent of American homes drip away nearly 90 gallons of water a day. In the greater Portland metro area, that can mean about \$100 in water charges literally going down the drain each year.

Many of these leaks occur in old fixtures. Fix these drips and you'll be amazed at how much water and money you can save. In many cases it is a DIY job and replacement parts don't require a major investment! For example, Replacing a faulty washer takes less than five minutes, costs less than \$1 and is an easy way to recoup water and money savings.

Toilet leaks, are often caused by faulty toilet flappers. Replacing a toilet flapper is relatively easy and costs less than \$5. Remember to bring your old one to the hardware store to get the right replacement part.

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Get Fresh Food + Learn to Garden

Grow Portland is nonprofit organization founded in 2010 to create more opportunities for urban gardening and agriculture. They offer education, supplies, access to land, and directly market locally grown food. Produce sales, participant fees, donations and grants support this work.

At Grow Portland you can be part of:

- Seed Club - Affordable organic seeds are available to schools, non-profits and home gardeners.
- Plant Sale on May 11th
- Community Garden - Garden plots are available.
- Community Farm - A way to learn about gardening while growing organic food to take home.
- Garden School - Dedicated to connecting people to the information and resources they need.

Find out more at: growportland.org

Beverly Cleary Students Rock Contest

C-Span announced on March 5th that Beverly Cleary - Fernwood students, led by teacher Tom Streckert, won a 2nd and 3rd place and two honorable mentions in the 2014 StudentCam documentary competition, building last year's honorable mention

Tom Streckert, who teaches social studies, language arts and literature, recognized the StudentCam contest as a confluence of all three, and engaged his students in the contest which solicits student documentary videos on current issues.

Last year, 8th graders N'niko Carre-Smith, Keaton Holt and Jordan Tom were among 75 teams out of 1,800 nationwide to be recognized for their thought-provoking documentary on capital punishment.

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Cleanup Materials Accepted

There will be separate areas at the cleanup for a variety of materials. You can help both us and yourself by loading your refuse so that it can be unloaded into these categories:

Household Goods

We will have a swap area where you can drop off household items for neighbors to reuse. Any items in this area free to take. Items left over will be donated to Finders Keepers/Veterans Charities.

Electronics and small appliances

Electronics, including TVs, computers, peripherals, cell phones, and most items with a cord will be collected by Total Reclaim. Please note this does not include anything containing liquids (e.g. refrigerants) or biohazards.

Compact Florescent Lightbulbs (CFLs)

Total Reclaim will accept CFL bulbs, not tubes. Broken bulbs are considered trash.

Batteries

Batteries will be accepted for recycling.

Styrofoam

Total Reclaim will be on-site to collect Styrofoam materials. (No food containers)

Building Materials

Building materials should be sound and free of major defects. Lumber should be at least four feet long without nails. Our volunteers will help you sort usable materials if you are unsure but you can also go to rebuildingcenter.org/donations/ for more about what is and is not acceptable.

Scrap Metal

Scrap metal will be collected by LJs Metal Hauling Service. If people have things that are too heavy or too bulky to bring to the clean-up, he can arrange a pick up.

Wood Waste

Scrap wood will be accepted for recycling. Wood must be free of metal and un-coated (no paint or varnish).

This year's sponsors include:

The Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods (NECN); METRO (waivers on the dumping fees); and the City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (hauling fees and related expenses). We would also like to thank the Grant Park Church, who let us to stage this event in their parking lot, and our reuse and recycling partners: LJs Hauling, Total Reclaim, The Rebuilding Centre, and Veterans Charities.

Grant Park Neighborhood Association Drive-thru Spring Clean-up

Saturday, May 17, 2014

9 am to 1 pm

(materials will not be accepted before the event opens
or after the event closes and cannot be left on-site)

Where

NE 34th Ave. & Knott

(the parking lot of Grant Park Church)

\$10 donation per car load, \$20 per truck load

Drop-off Materials Accepted:

- Scrap metal
- Building materials
- Reusable household goods
- Electronic waste and small appliances
- Styrofoam (not food containers)
- CFL bulbs (no tubes)
- Wood waste
- Batteries
- Non-hazardous garbage

Materials NOT Accepted

- **NO** Hazardous materials -- to find out what is hazardous, visit:
oregonmetro.gov
- **NO** Large appliances (refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners)
- **NO** Fluorescent tubes
- **NO** Motor oil
- **NO** Yard debris (use weekly curbside pick up)
- **NO** Plastics (for recycling)

Volunteers Needed!

Come for an hour or half a day. We provide food and beverages, you provide muscles and brains.
Show up at the event or even better if you contact us in advance at grantpark@necoalition.org

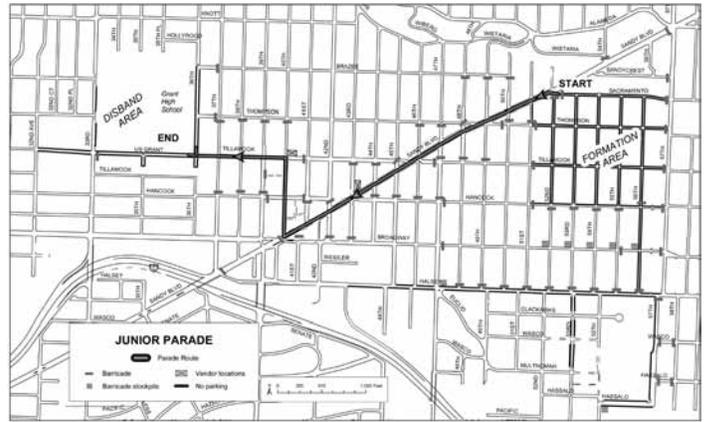
Junior Parade Celebrates Children

From the very beginning, the Portland Rose Festival has celebrated our community's children. The first Rose Festival in 1907 included a children's parade of 2000 children representing 23 schools! An official Rose Festival event since 1936, the Junior Parade is the nation's oldest and largest children's parade.

This year the Fred Meyer Junior Parade will take place on June 4, 2014, at 1:00 pm. The Portland Rose Festival is very proud to produce the Junior Parade, the oldest and largest children's parade in the nation, and we have always had an enthusiastic reception from the surrounding community.

Normandale Park at NE 57th & Halsey will be used as a formation area for bands and dance teams. The parade will disband at Grant Bowl on NE 33rd & US Grant PL. Participants will begin gathering in the formation area shortly after 11:00 am and the parade will conclude at 3:30 pm.

The route map also indicates where barricades will be placed to close the parade route to traffic. The streets around the formation area on Sandy Blvd between NE 56th & 52nd (shown on route map) will



close at 9:00 am and the parade route along Sandy Blvd will close at 11:30 am. All streets will reopen promptly after the parade concludes.

From the moment Fred Bear cuts the ribbon to kick off the Fred Meyer Junior Parade, fun reigns. Children come from all parts of the city dressing in costume, transforming wagons into floats, decorating their bikes with colorful flowers, or just parading with their pets (and parents!). School marching bands fill the Hollywood District with music, and dance teams add swirls of color to the celebration.

For more information go to: rosefestival.org.



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