



North Salmon Creek Neighborhood News

"You don't have to move to live in a better neighborhood!"

IMPORTANT REMINDER: The next general meeting of the North Salmon Creek Neighborhood Association will be held at 7PM on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at Riverview Community Bank, 800 NE Tenney Rd. (next to Fred Meyer). See you there!

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Happy New Year! And with the New Year comes your new NSCNA Executive Board.

Please join us in welcoming **Jennifer Hickel** as our new NSCNA Board President. Joining Jennifer on the 2015 Executive Board is former co-President **Ann Foster** as Vice President, former co-President **Jennifer Konopasek** as Secretary, and returning for another term is Treasurer, **David Farrell**. The entire 2015 Board looks forward to the opportunity to represent and serve you in 2015.

Are you prepared for an Emergency?

Do you know what and what not to do? Do you understand your role in an Emergency? And what is CRESA, anyhow? Get a behind the scenes look at CRESA from **Eric Frank** of CRESA, talking about the realities of emergencies, and how you can help. From understanding CRESA's roles and what they do, to when to call 9-1-1, understanding Emergency Response and basic preparedness in how you can be better prepared. We will touch on it and share valuable and creative ways that you can assure your family is better prepared for an emergency or disaster in your neighborhood.



Join us this month's meeting, January 27th at 7pm.

Visit nscna.salmoncreeklive.com to keep up with what's happening in your neighborhood!

We periodically email out meeting reminders. If you'd like to make sure you get these, please join the neighborhood network at www.SalmonCreekLive.com/contact-us

Good to Know: Emergency Alert System

Our November general meeting brought up an issue that the NSCNA board investigated with successful results. The question is: If there is an incident at a school, or an emergency of any kind that impacts the community, the current communication involves the "reverse 911" call which alerts people to the emergency and sends instructions. How does CRESA (Clark Regional Emergency Services) contact those of us with cell phones and in particular those who use cell phones and have no landlines?

Jeff Mize, Public Information Outreach Manager for Clark County Public Works, answers as follows: "CRESA allows you to sign up to receive emergency alerts by cell phone or email. I have signed up with my cell phone since I no longer have a landline at home. Even though this is a CRESA program, I encourage everyone to use this service."

More information is available at: <http://cresa911.org/alerts-by-phone/>

Quick update on 139th Street Development

The Project Manager from Maj Development Corporation reports that, as of January 5, official store open dates have not been determined yet for the Salmon Creek retail center on NE 139th St. and NE Tenney Rd.

The most current estimates are: Fred Meyer anticipates an opening of mid-January, Starbucks will open mid-February and Sherwin-Williams is on track for end of February.

Neighborhood Association tidbits:

Congratulations to **Lynn Helsel** who was recently elected President of the Indian Springs Village HOA.

Congratulations to **Leigh Potter** who was elected to represent District 2 on the North Salmon Creek NA Board.

Do you have news of note? Maybe a neighborhood or HOA related bit of info? Share it with the community. Let us know...

Email us if you have news, notes or information you'd like to share with the neighborhood:
newsletter@SalmonCreekLive.com

The Road to Salmon Creek and Beyond - a quick glimpse into some neighborhood history

The Chinook and Klikitat Nations shared the bounties of our region with the Hudson's Bay Company in Vancouver in the early and mid-19th century. In 1844, "Clarke" County, the first county in the State of Washington, and was appropriately named after discoverers Lewis and Clark, who had opened the region to development forty years earlier.

We know that on March 5, 1851, Silas B. Curtis was the first settler in Salmon Creek. Others followed very soon thereafter including the Goddard, Dietderick, and Tenney families, all of whom created local homesteads. The local waterway, Salmon Creek, was declared a "public highway" by the "Clarke" County Commissioners in 1856.

In order to reach any city north of Vancouver, a traveler was required to pass through the Salmon Creek area and in 1913, the state's first connected highway was the Pacific Highway (that's NE 20th Avenue now) between Vancouver and Blaine, Washington. The Pacific Highway from Salmon Creek to La Center was financed in 1915 at an estimated cost of \$87,000 for paving. On March 3, 1930, the old Pacific Highway to Salmon Creek was changed to Hazel Dell Avenue. During 1938, plans were made to reroute the Pacific Highway between Salmon Creek and Woodland making it a more direct route, and eliminating curves.

Some may remember that under President Dwight D. Eisenhower the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956 was implemented and the construction of interstate highways began. Highway 99 was removed from the system and the last portion of Interstate 5 opened on November 14, 1969. Once Salmon Creek was on the way to someplace else, but today we are thriving destination.

(submitted by Lynn Helsel and Ann Foster, next issue... the stories of our founding settlers)

Neighborhood Associations are volunteer groups and not agents of Clark County government. Newsletter information and views are solely those of the neighborhood association and not of Clark County. Clark County Information and Public Outreach Office supports these volunteers by printing and distributing these newsletters.

Follow up on the Code Enforcement Presentation

A recent NSCNA general meeting featured a presentation on Clark County Code Enforcement with a focus on the public nuisance ordinance. Donna Goddard, Coordinator with Code Enforcement, was well equipped and engaging in presenting relevant and useful information for all of us. The NSCNA board felt that it was worthwhile to recap some of the highlights of the presentation.



There are multiple varieties of enforcement code, such as building, fire, zoning, as well as nuisance. Violations are complaint-based; there is a process for filing a complaint both on-line, by phone and in-person. County nuisance code is driven by public comment and complaints.

Investigation of a complaint includes sending an inspector, taking photos, sending notices with a due date, daily fines which increase over time. Severe cases of nuisance code violation can be extensive, and involve multiple county agencies.

Some helpful take-aways:

- By law the owner of property is responsible for complying with enforcement if the property is rented to a tenant;
- Home businesses are exempt if not visible from the street;
- Home-based auto repair businesses are the most frequently noted by neighbors and reported. Cars on property don't require tags or plates, but must be operable.
- Help is available for those who are unable to clean-up property themselves.

There are several more helpful take-aways, as well as more details on the process and links to various forms all included in the full article... posted at www.salmoncreeklive.com/salmon-creek-na-code-enforcement-presentation/



On Friday, Jan. 23, Vancouver Public Schools Superintendent Steve Webb will host a free patron tour for the community. The tour will provide an in-depth look at the dynamic learning opportunities at Vancouver iTech Preparatory, a sixth-through 12th-grade school focused on science, technology, engineering and math, or STEM.

The tour offers a chance to see how iTech Prep combines STEM and the liberal arts by integrating art and design principles into students' research and learning. Visitors also will discover the technology-rich environment in which iTech Prep's project-, problem- and practice-based learning takes place. Finally, they'll hear how partnerships with businesses and opportunities to earn college credit enhance iTech Prep students' preparedness for higher education and employment.

The tour starts at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 1 p.m. Afterwards, guests have the option of enjoying a student musical performance and a delicious lunch prepared by culinary arts students. Lunch is available for \$4 per person.

Everyone is welcome, but space is limited. Visit www.vansd.org/PatronTours or contact Sue Knable at 360-313-4720 to sign up.

Neighbors on Watch

The NOW program continues to expand throughout neighborhoods in Clark County - including here in Salmon Creek. Find out more at: www.clark.wa.gov/sheriff/community/NOW.html

The advertisement for Salmon Creek Live! features a photograph of a park with trees and a building. The text "Salmon Creek Live!" is prominently displayed in large, bold letters. Below the photo, the website "www.SalmonCreekLive.com" is listed, along with the tagline "Your one-stop resource for everything Salmon Creek". A list of services is provided: "Information on: Neighborhood Association, Local Businesses, Schools, Organizations, Activities and Events and more...". The logo for the North Salmon Creek Neighborhood Assn. is also included, along with the text "and Homepage for the North Salmon Creek Neighborhood Assn.".

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Tuesday, January 27, 7PM
Riverview Community Bank
800 NE Tenney Rd.
(Fred Meyer Shopping Center)

On the Agenda:

Important Information that affects our neighborhood:

- “Who you gonna call?” ... it’s not GhostBusters. Hear from CRESA about what to do in an Emergency situation;
- More details about the Nuisance Ordinance and how to get action!

Find out more information inside!

For more information about the North Salmon Creek Neighborhood Association and all the happenings in your neighborhood, please visit us at nscna.SalmonCreekLive.com

