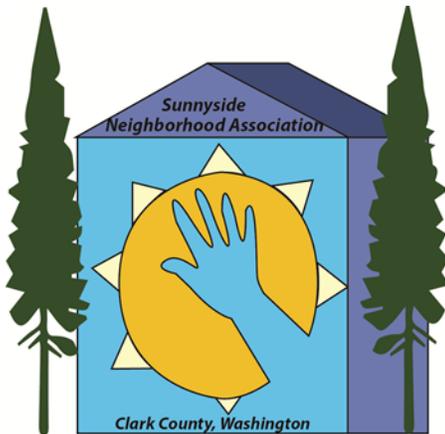


Sunnyside Neighborhood Association



COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON TO ADDRESS GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT AT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING WED. FEB. 21

Have you noticed all the new apartments and homes being built? Have you wondered if our schools and other infrastructure will be able to handle all the people who will occupy them? Will our already congested roads get more crowded? Clark County Council member Julie Olson will attend our February 21 meeting to discuss these issues and how the County is working to address them. She has asked for staff from Community Development and Public Works to join her to help answer your questions. So bring your thoughts and questions to our meeting **Wednesday, February 21, 7 pm** at the **Barberton Grange, 9400 NE 72nd Ave, Vancouver.** Hope to see you there!!! By Mary Laski

Soon you will be seeing the County Sheriff's department Speed Reader. On 94th Ave., excessive speed above the 35 mph limit makes it difficult for residents to enter 94th from 86th St. On 107th Ave, children who walk to school are at risk by speeding cars. Neighbors have also complained of excessive noise on the street in evenings.

PLEASE VOTE IN SCHOOL BOND SPECIAL ELECTION

Evergreen School District is placing a capital facilities bond resolution before its residents in a special election Feb. 13. The purpose is to replace some of the district's oldest schools.

It also includes replacing aging security and communications systems, replacing roofs, heating and cooling systems. Upgrading mechanical systems, replacing sound systems, installing energy efficient lighting, and getting rid of portable classroom are also on the list. Heritage High School will have a new addition to replace its 39 portables. Opponents of the bond resolution are obviously worried that their property taxes will go up. But that is not necessarily the case. The district last passed a capital facilities bond in 2002, and those bonds are nearly paid off. You can find more information from Evergreen School district on their website at:

<http://evergreenps.org/Envision>

DID YOU KNOW? Sunnyside NA is NOT an HOA! Neighborhood residents have formed our neighborhood association and Clark County's Neighborhood Relations Coordinator works with us as a liaison for information to be shared with citizens. HOA's are established by a developer and pertains to a specific subdivision or project. Everyone in Clark County is in a neighborhood association, though many are inactive because no volunteers have stepped forward to operate them. Volunteers regularly receive information from Clark County so their members can be better informed on issues such as annexation plans, new housing or business development, etc.

To get on our mailing list, email:

sunnysidenava@yahoo.com.

We will resume our Orchards Highland Park cleanups when the rain slows down!
We meet once a month to pick up garbage and/or remove ivy that has overgrown the park. Kudos to those who live near the park and help keep it clean.

THANK
YOU!

CAN YOU SAVE THESE COUPONS TO HELP VANCOUVER SCHOOLS?

Every year schools across the country receive thousands of dollars because citizens save and turn in the coupons (shown BELOW). You will find them on cereal boxes, some bread and muffin bags, Ziploc container boxes and MANY more items.

If you clip and save the coupons, you will receive a warm welcome if you stop by to deliver them to any elementary school office. You can also bring them to our meetings or stick them in an envelope and mail them to Sunnyside Neighborhood Association, 7808 NE 108th Ave 98662. We will deliver them to Silver Star Elementary school and THANK YOU!!



A full list of participating products can be found at the Box Tops for Education website:

<https://tinyurl.com/ycnk3wzb>

CAN YOU HELP HOMELESS, LOW INCOME STUDENTS???

Basic hygiene and cleaning products are currently the most needed items by the Silver Star Family and Community Resource Center according to Michelle Tribe, Outreach Coordinator. Ms Tribe spoke at our October meeting and explained that the Resource Center serves homeless and low income students. Currently they are low on bottles of laundry soap, toilet paper, shampoo, paper towels, children's body wash or shampoo and basic cleaners such as 409, Windex and toilet cleaner. At the meeting she also said that they can always use healthy protein bars, peanut butter and cups of cereal, noodles and soups that require hot water to make a meal. Apparently stores such as 7-11's allow

homeless families to come in and get hot water to make their cups of soup, etc.

If you would like to help, bring these items to the meeting or drop them off during the day at the Silver Star school office.

The Silver Star PTA is also seeking donations of new items or themed baskets to be used for a raffle and Bingo night fundraiser. Funds raised are used for school and classroom enhancements and family events. Donations are being collected through March 16.

By Mary Laski

C-TRAN HOP FASTPASS NOW AVAILABLE!

Hop Fastpass is a smart card for public transit fare payment in the Vancouver and Portland metropolitan area. It allow for seamless trips and transfers across C-TRAN, the VINE, Tri-Met, MAX, and Portland Streetcar. The advantage of using this smart card are:

- 1) It features fare capping. Users will not be charged more than the cost of a day pass during one day, nor will they pay more in a calendar month than what a monthly pass costs.
- 2) It allows auto loading of funds to the card. The consumer, when registering the card, can select the amount of money to add to the card from their credit card whenever the balance on Hop card falls below \$5. This ensures you always have money on your card to ride the transit systems.
- 3) Registering the card provides lost card protection.
- 4) Speeds up the boarding time on buses.

Purchase a Hop card (\$3 fee for the card) from a store that sells Hop Fastpass: Fred Meyer, Safeway, New Seasons, Plaid Pantry and many other convenience stores.

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IMPORTANT RECYCLING INFO UPDATE

Much of the United States' plastic and mixed paper is exported to China for recycling. Recently, China banned several types of imported recyclables and demanded higher quality bales of recyclables (containing less garbage).

The biggest change is for residents who are in the habit of collecting plastic clamshells (hinged plastic containers that commonly contain bakery and deli items). Plastic clamshells are not allowed in our curbside recycling program (the big blue cart), but there were some recycling depots accepting them around town. Unfortunately, local recycling depots for plastic clamshells are no longer available due to the ban. Plastic clamshells should go in the garbage. Or, look for foods packaged in plastic tubs or cardboard instead.

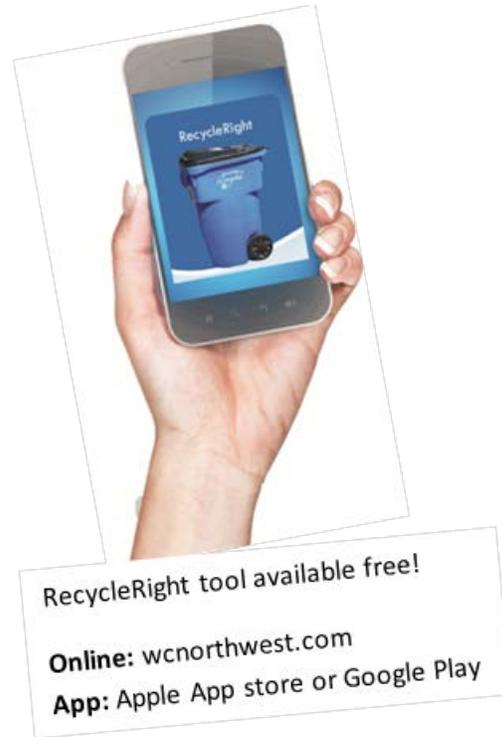
Plastic bags are still accepted at many local grocery stores for recycling (they go to a domestic company called TREX to be made in to composite lumber), but plastic bags are never allowed in the blue recycling cart.

As of now, there are no changes to your curbside recycling program. Plastic bottles, plastic jugs, and plastic tubs (yogurt, margarine) are still allowed. You can still recycle these items in your cart as normal.

(If you like the nitty-gritty rules, you can recycle caps if you screw them back on to the bottles. Flat lids, like margarine tub lids, are not allowed in the recycling. If you don't like nitty-gritty rules, just throw away all of your plastic lids and caps).

In Clark County, our recycling facility has responded to the China Ban (National Sword 2017) by slowing the pace of the sort line to allow workers more

time to pick out garbage and mistakenly recycled items in order to meet the higher standards required by China of imported bales of recycling. Additionally, the recycling facility is seeking new markets locally and abroad for recycling bales.



By Melissa Johnston

HOP Pass (continued from p. 2)

Load money on your card at time of purchase or use the Hop website, app or phone hotline.

Tap on at convenient located card readers at stations and on street cars every time you ride.

Each person, including small children, must have his own card, but it never expires. The \$3 fee for each card is only charged once when one first signs up for the service. For more info and directions on how to use, go to

<https://myhopcard.com/home/#/>

By Jim Foley

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- Member of Neighborhood Associations Council of Clark County (NACCC)
- Supporting Clark County Sheriff Auxiliary

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OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21 AT 7 PM AT THE
BARBERTON GRANGE, 9400 NE 72ND AVE,
VANCOUVER.**

CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER JULIE OLSON WILL BE PRESENT ALONG WITH COUNTY STAFF TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT ISSUES IN OUR COMMUNITY.

PLEASE READ THIS NEWSLETTER FOR DETAILS.

**SUNNYSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION IS
NOW ON FACEBOOK! CHECK US OUT!**