

Sunnyside Neighborhood Association

Next Neighborhood Meeting: September 9, 2015, 7 p.m.

Where: Barberton Grange Hall, 9400 NE 72nd Ave. Vancouver

SPECIAL GUEST FOR Sept. 9 Meeting!

Let's fill the hall and give a big welcome to FBI Agent Michael Rollins at our next neighborhood association meeting. He will discuss Identity Theft. He will cover how identity theft occurs, what the indicators of being victimized are, and steps that can be taken to prevent it. He will also present information on current Internet scams and how to avoid them.

We need your help! Please give input on meeting speakers. Who or what topics would you like to hear in the coming year? Please review the below suggestions and email Judy at sunnysidenava@yahoo.com. or call 699-2050 with your preferences and new suggestions.

1. Sheriff Chuck Atkins
2. County Mediation procedure
3. Safe Streets Task Force-regional law enforcement addressing juvenile crime, including gangs
4. Habitat for Humanity
5. Food Bank
6. Community Home Health & Hospice
7. C-Tran: does it serve your needs?
8. Surviving the Big Earthquake
9. Your suggestions

Dates for the next 3 meetings:

Sept. 9, Nov. 18, Jan. 13

We will now meet every other month. Mark your calendar!

Our neighborhood association has adopted the Orchards Highland Park! Volunteers have now cleaned the park five times. We are always looking for more of our members to join in. Watch for emails sent to everyone giving details for the next cleanup! Thank you, Karen Underhill, who is in charge of this activity.

The county Parks Volunteer coordinator told us at our last meeting that the park looked great. Approximately 35 hours have been logged by volunteers picking up debris and clearing ivy growing on trees.

The Neighbors On Watch (NOW) program is currently accepting applications. The next training academy will be held in October. NOW volunteers work with the Clark County Sheriff's Office by going on patrols with fellow volunteers. If you are interested, contact Kasey Frasier at Kasey.Frasier@clark.wa.gov. If you have questions about the program, email Dan at danlesfc@comcast.net. He is a volunteer and easy to reach. Interested? You would be joining 18 men and women who patrol 2 days a month and also help at community functions. Each is in charge of his or her own schedule. If during a patrol the volunteers see something unlawful or suspicious, they contact the Sheriff's department by cell phone. The patrollers keep a log of where they have been and any suspicious activities. They are supplied with suggestions of trouble spots to check on. Typically, the volunteers check out schools, parks, church parking lots, in addition to businesses.

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Members are all residents, property owners, businesses and a representative of non-profit organizations within the neighborhood boundaries. There are no membership dues. Clark County will print and mail 3 newsletters a year. But we need to communicate more often. To get on our email list, email chairman Judy at sunnysidenava@yahoo.com. She will send periodic bulletins as well as announcements from Clark County personnel. If you do not have email, check with a neighbor who does, and encourage that person to get on the email list.

Association Boundaries: North: 119th St. / West: NE 50th Ave. to I-205 to Andresen Rd. / South: NE 78th St. from Andresen Rd. to I-205, NE 76th St. East of I-205/East: 117th Ave. (SR503)

Advantages of having an NA: The county government will notify NA's of activities that may affect the neighborhood, such as development, new cell towers, and street improvements. The Neighborhood Outreach office provides a Weekly Update page for news releases, upcoming events and meetings affecting neighborhoods, and other county information..

Neighborhood associations are informational and provide an organization for those who wish to work toward the betterment of the neighborhood. They are not an enforcement body.

For more info about NA's and to read the Weekly Update page, go to www.clark.wa.gov. Select A-Z index to find Neighborhood Associations. The Neighborhood Outreach Program page has a link to the Weekly Update.

Get on our mailing list!

Email Judy at

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HAVE YOU READ THE MESSENGER?

A publication I find interesting and informative is The Messenger, a free newspaper and website for those over 50 years old. If you are new to Clark County or have never heard of it, you might want to take a look online at VanMessenger.org. To receive the newspaper version, you may email circulation@seniormessenger.org with your name, address, and zip code, or call 360-487-8701. If you have a friend or relative over 50 years old, spread the word!

Just some of the items you can read about include volunteer opportunities, upcoming events throughout the county, financial advice, Meals on Wheels menus for the month. My favorite is the Vancouver Parks and Recreation page for 50 and older residents. It tells about trips one can sign up for, and clubs and clinics one can join, including a free half hour consultation with a volunteer attorney.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX OPEN HOUSE—ALL WELCOME

The annual Clark County Public Safety Complex Open House is scheduled for Sep 19, 2015 at 505 NW 179th Street (located at the back entrance to the Clark County Fairgrounds). This Complex houses the Clark County Sheriff's Office West Precinct, the Clark County Fire Marshal's Office and a volunteer fire station shared by Fire Districts 6, 11, & 12. This event is open from noon until 4 p.m.

There will be lots of activities for kids of all ages, including K-9 Unit demonstration, Life Flight arrival, auto extrication, fire extinguisher demonstration. Free hot dogs, chips, and pop for all!

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Sunnyside Neighborhood Association Leadership Team member Jim Foley attended a Waste Connection recycling class that includes a tour of recycling facilities and transfer stations. The website to learn more about these facilities is RecyclingDoneRight.com. The following is some of the info provided at the class:

Recyclable – but not at the Curb: Many materials are recyclable that are not a part of our curbside recycling program. Some are too large, like old BBQ's. Others, like propane tanks, could pose a hazard to the collector. Some materials like rigid plastic have a limited market and the processors that do accept them are very particular about what they will take. Following is a list of some of the materials that can be recycled at various drop off sites.

Grocery Bags – Many grocery stores have a collection bin for plastic bags in the entrance area or at the front of the store. When bags are included with curbside recycling, they tangle around moving parts and quickly clog the machinery that is used to sort recyclables, halting production. While recycling grocery bags is good, an even better solution is to take a reusable bag when you shop. Packing peanuts can often be taken to mailing or shipping services for reuse. They will take both the Styrofoam™ and the cornstarch packing peanuts and the two types can be mixed.

Shredded Paper can be placed in your curbside recycling cart. Please place it in a paper bag and staple it closed. Shredding services are now available for a fee at West Van Materials. Call 737-1727 for current pricing.

Empty propane tanks can be taken to the self-haul recycling drop off at the transfer stations. If the tank contains propane, it should be delivered to the household hazardous waste area on the HHW days (listed below).

Large pieces of metal, like the old BBQ and most major appliances (including water heaters) can be recycled at the transfer stations and other metal recyclers. There is a charge for dropping off major appliances at the transfer stations. Pacific Coast Shredding pays for some materials, but they are only open during the week, and they can only take refrigerators and freezers if you have a certificate stating that the coolant has been properly removed. City residents who subscribe to garbage service are eligible for a free pick up of one major appliance per calendar year. Call 892-5370 to schedule a curbside collection. Clark Public Utilities has an incentive program where they will pick up your old

refrigerator or freezer and recycle it plus give you a \$30 credit on your electric bill. There is a limit of two appliances per household. Call 992-3000 to schedule a curbside pickup. Fluorescent tubes, compact fluorescent tubes and high intensity discharge lights can be recycled for free at over 200 sites throughout Washington. Both individuals and businesses can drop off lights for recycling, although there is a limit of 10 lights per day. Visit www.lightrecyclewa.org to find a collection site near you. Household Hazardous Waste, like paint, household cleaners and automotive chemicals can be taken to the transfer stations during the HHW hours and days listed. There is no charge during these times. Computers, monitors, laptops and TV's can be recycled for free through the E-Cycle Washington program. For recycling locations, please call 1-800-Recycle or visit www.ecyclewashington.org. Empower Up accepts used computers, computer parts and other consumer electronics from the public at no charge. They are located at 3206 NE 52nd St.. Donation hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday. See www.empowerup.org for a list of materials accepted and to learn about volunteer opportunities. Lumber, tile, plumbing fixtures and other building supplies can be donated at the Clark County Habitat for Humanity Store. They recently moved to 10811 SE Mill Plain (the old Curt Warner building). Store hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday; donations until 4:30 p.m. <http://pdxrestore.org/> For more recycling and reuse information, see www.RecyclingA-Z.com. Our closest recycling facility: Central Transfer and Recycling, 11034 NE 117th Avenue Vancouver, WA 98662 256-84826 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Household Hazardous Waste hours – 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

ROADWORK ON 94TH AVENUE TO START BY THE END OF AUGUST

This construction will continue throughout the year and will be completed around the summer of 2016. Acceleration and deceleration lanes will be added to the 94th and Padden intersection.

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