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RNA General Meetings are held three times a year on the second Tuesday of April, July, and October. Board meetings are held every month, with the exception of August and December.

All meetings are open to the public.

The meetings are held at Grace Lutheran Church, 7610 NE Fremont, 7 p.m.

Hope to see you there!

Roseway Cleanup a Success! by Jessica Ediger

Let us begin by passing along a gargantuan THANK YOU!!! to our 57 volunteers who worked at the Roseway Cleanup event on June 1st in Glenhaven Park – 57 volunteers signed up and all 57 showed up!!! All of your time, stamina and talents cleared our neighborhood of 10 tons of waste, 6 tons of wood, 2 tons of yard debris, 1 ton of metal, many, many tires and a huge trailer load of electronics. We filled 8 huge dumpsters in 1 day! Additionally, our “You-Price-It” zone was quite a success thanks to dedicated individuals. Pat yourselves on the back because none of this could have happened without neighbors working and achieving together.



RNA Board member and cleanup volunteer Del Lewis happily demonstrates efficient packing of wood debris bound for recycling.

ROSEWAY IS GRATEFUL TO OUR PARTNERS AND SPONSORS:

Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability, City of Portland, Metro, Recology, CNN, Junk Jugglers, Rebuilding Center and Teen Challenge. Tasty refreshments were purchased at local businesses, including Annie’s Donuts and Brickhouse Pizza. Good to see all of you and we anticipate spending time with you next year as well.



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Free Concerts in Glenhaven Park by Angela Carpenter

Coming Thursdays in July: three free concerts in Glenhaven Park as part of the Portland Parks & Recreation summer series. All shows start at 6:30 p.m. and will include food vendors, sponsor tables and art activities for kids (art activities begin at 6:15). You can also bring picnic dinners, beer/wine and well-mannered dogs on leashes.

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Join us for a great summer, and don't forget your dancing shoes!

THIS YEAR'S LINEUP:

July 11

Melao de Cuba (salsa)



July 18:

7th Seal (reggae)



July 25:

Geno Michaels & Soul City (soul)



Bacchi's Italian Delicatessen will be on hand selling homemade gelato and cannoli; Whole Foods Market will offer custom salads and burritos.

Thanks to our sponsors, who helped us reach our three-concert goal this year: Albina Community Bank, Creative Minds Learning Center, Daddies Board Shop, Healthy Smiles Dental, Hookset Automotive, Kristan Knapp Fund, Laurelwood Public House & Brewery, Law Office of Nancy L. Mensch, Maid Brigade, Meticulous Plumbing, Multnomah County Cultural Coalition, Multnomah University, New Seasons Market, OnPoint Community Credit Union, Oregon Cultural Trust, Pacific Power, Portland Family Dentistry, Realty Trust (Sue Coon & James Coon), Rose City Liquor, Roseway Neighborhood Association, Roseway Roots Daycare, Umpqua Bank and U.S. Bank.

Is Your Home Ready to Sell? by Patrick Gourley

The available inventory of homes for sale in the Roseway and Rose City neighborhoods is at a four-year low. Sale prices have been steadily increasing over the last twelve months. As the Portland real estate market heats up, you may be considering taking advantage of this positive market trend. Before you list, ask this question: Is my home ready to sell?

Everyone knows when selling your home, the quicker the better. Here are a few simple things you can do

to ensure a positive first impression when potential buyers come looking. These tasks should not take much time or money, but they will give your home a more welcoming appeal.

Drive or walk by your home: How does your house look from the street? Start by putting away all the extra stuff in the yard (lawn equipment, toys, etc.). Make sure the lawn is mowed, gutters are clean, and

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put out a few containers of plants to welcome guests into your home. Pay attention to little things like a rusty mailbox, interior clutter that can be seen from the street, or grass growing over the edge of the sidewalk. These are not expensive items to fix, but it can make a huge difference! If the exterior is unappealing, buyers will not take the time to explore the interior.

The entryway and porch: First impressions are very important. Your entry or porch will be the first thing a buyer sees. If your front closet is crowded, clean it out and pack unused items. Buyers want to see that there is room for their stuff. We all leave items we use regularly in the entry: dog leashes, shoes, the mail, etc. Make sure these items find an "out-of-sight" place to be stored. The entry should invite someone in, not look like you just left in a hurry.

Make the house bright: Are you using compact fluorescent bulbs? We know they are eco-friendly, but you may want to return to the incandescent bulbs for a short period. This is the time to show how light your home can be. Be sure to clean the light fixtures and switch plates. It is also best to remove heavy draperies and make sure windows are not covered by furniture or large interior or exterior plants.

De-clutter your home: If you are serious about moving, start packing. Go through the home room by room and pack everything you could live without for at least six weeks. Remove personal items; this will make it easier for a buyer to imagine themselves living there. Store the boxes in an orderly manner out of sight. Remove or reposition furniture to show a more open feel to the home. Ask your realtor for advice

on staging. Make sure passages are clear from room to room without obstacles. Be sure to pay special attention to stairs and hallways.

Make sure everything is clean: I can't stress this enough. Your home must be clean above all. Even a home that needs updating will show well if it is spotless and looks well cared for. Make sure windows and mirrors sparkle and walls are smudge-free. Repaint if you have to, but use neutral colors when doing so. If you have carpets, make sure they have been cleaned. Pay special attention to the kitchen, with counters and sinks clean and free of dishes. A kitchen will sell a home. While your home is being marketed, avoid cooking foods with strong odors that linger. Remember, buyers do look inside cabinets; they must also be ready for inspection. Cleanliness is of the utmost importance in personal spaces. Bedrooms and bathrooms are definitely open to scrutiny by buyers. Items like shower curtains, towels, bedding and rugs should be laundered and fresh looking.

These are simple tasks, but they may make the difference between receiving a quick offer and having your home sit on the market while other homes in the neighborhood sell. If you are unsure where to get started, contact a licensed real estate professional who is familiar with your neighborhood and the local real estate market. They will be able to advise you on how best to make your home appealing to the widest cross section of buyers. Be sure to review the improvements you have planned to make with your broker before you start. They will let you know if what you have planned will increase the market value so you don't spend unnecessary time and money on items and tasks that are not going to benefit the sale of your home.



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Improvements Coming to Sacajawea Park by Angela Carpenter

The votes are in, and **Cully's Sacajawea Park** is the winner of the third annual Banfield Pet Hospital/Portland Trail Blazers Dog Park Makeover.

With more than 11,000 votes cast, Sacajawea took 71 percent of the votes. Brentwood and Gabriel parks were also in the running.

To weigh in on improvements for the park, email Tania. Curiel@PortlandOregon.gov, call 503-823-DOGS (503-823-3647) or visit facebook.com/PortlandDogParks.

Then join Trail Blazers personalities, the Blazer Dancers, Blaze the Trail Cat and others for a community celebration and ribbon cutting at the improved park from 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 7, at Sacajawea Dog Park, NE 76th and Alberta.

Flower to the People by Jason Walker

Editor's Note: Oregon passed its Medical Marijuana Act in 1998, which removed criminal penalties for the use of medical marijuana, allowing those with debilitating medical conditions to use the plant with a doctor's prescription. Medical marijuana users are permitted to grow small amounts of marijuana on their own, or can reimburse others for the cost of growing the plant through dispensaries or clubs. Marijuana remains a federally prohibited drug in the United States.

My name is Jason Walker and I am an Oregon Medical Marijuana Program (OMMP) patient/caregiver. I lost my left leg below the knee in a snowboarding accident in December '03. I spent a month in the hospital followed by a year of recovery time. I have a lot of pain associated with the injury, and marijuana helps me tremendously. I was on morphine for over a year though I no longer use this painkiller, thanks in part to cannabis and a strong will. I've been on the OMMP since 2004. Over this time I've seen the medical cannabis industry blossom and grow, and not necessarily for the better or the worse.

I've gone to many clubs for years and have vended many products to these clubs. I take great joy and pride in growing a plant that helps people in so many ways. My wife and I make a lot of products that are infused with the marijuana plant, and with the help of our business partner Zach Baguio we started Flower to the People. Our goal was to help patients connect with people who are patients as well as farmers who want to help. But ultimately, we wanted to provide a safe access point for these people to connect.

I have seen many patients who have or have had cancer, some who need help to sleep due to insomnia, or who suffer pain from multiple sclerosis, fibromyalgia, and so much more. The bottom line is we want to help. You must have the appropriate paperwork and ID to enter our club. We are very serious about this. We check cards every time a patient enters. How could I expect my community to take medical marijuana seriously if I didn't? It was never my intention to bring drugs into the neighborhood, rather to help patients in the community in need in a safe and respectful way.

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About a Tree — or Two by Peggy Sullivan

In the course of looking for some old tax returns (which I found in the very last place of course), I came across some 10- and 20-year-old photos of my evolving gardens. Of course I didn't write the dates on the back of the photos (note to self), but I'm pretty sure the weeping white pine was planted in 2001; to see the photos of its growth was like watching a child grow up, through cute and tiny to gangly and awkward into the tall, well-proportioned lush presence that now graces my backyard.

There are several 20+-year-old trees in these gardens, and I remember how painfully tiny they seemed back then — like wee babes, only without all the crying and wet diapers. There was some early feeding and care, of course; like raising humans, attention during those early years make for good strong growth. Way easier than humans are the adolescent years of trees: regular deep watering, a bit of strategic pruning with an eye to its adult shape. Certainly much less expensive to raise, too: given the initial cost of a tree in a pot (one was \$1.25, the weeping pine was hmm, \$40, maybe) plus water, why, it's considerably less financial investment

than needing to update a laptop, or replacing outgrown shoes every three months. There is also the absence of backtalk — instead, a companionable silence with the occasional whisper on a passing breeze.

All of which is not to say you shouldn't be raising fine upright children, but planting a tree or two, when the heirs are still babies, will provide you a shady spot to sit under when you have the first talk about sex, or when they show you how to work your new technology. A well-placed deciduous tree will cool your house in summer and give good tilth and scent to your compost; a fabulous conifer will add shape and substance to your yard, providing some presence in the naked dimness of winter; and both of them will add considerably to the value of your home — which those same young heirs will appreciate someday. The next 20 years will pass regardless — both the kids and the trees will bring you such great pleasure as they mature. Take all summer to decide on what and where to plant it; come the cooler days of autumn, right after the kids go back to school, plant a tree, or two. No regrets.

Dharma Rain Zen Center Groundbreaking by Angela Carpenter

Dharma Rain Zen Center broke ground June 8 for its future campus at Siskiyou Square, across NE 82nd Avenue from Madison High School.

Sen. Jackie Dingfelder, Rep. Michael Dembrow, Madison High principal Petra Callin and Dr. Paul Metzger of Multnomah University were among the speakers who welcomed area residents and Dharma Rain members to the groundbreaking ceremony.

Native elder Rod McAfee blessed the land before guests arrived, and Linda Neale sang a Native American song during the ceremony. Dharma Rain abbots Kyogen and Gyokuko Carlson, along with others, led a Buddhist ceremony and chant. Gyokuko Carlson then took a shovel to the earth for the symbolic first

dig as visitors tossed cupfuls of birdseed into the air. Portland Taiko presented a choreographed drum performance to round out the festivities.

Dharma Rain, currently based in Southeast Portland, will eventually relocate to the Siskiyou Square site, where it will build a temple, school and member housing. The group has already reached out to its new Northeast community in many ways and envisions public paths along its land.

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Update on Recent Airport Noise by Britt Conroy

Construction crews have finished runway repairs at Portland International Airport that since mid-April had caused a change to flight paths and sent an increased number of aircraft over the Roseway neighborhood. Originally planned as a two-phase project that would have seen similar flights over Roseway resume in

the fall, crews finished repairs in early June thanks to "construction efficiencies" and favorable weather, according to the Port of Portland. For more information, contact the Noise Management Hotline at 503-460-4100, or visit the Citizen Noise Advisory Committee website at portofportland.com/Noise_Mgmt_CNAC_Home.aspx.

Roseway Neighborhood Survey

The Roseway Neighborhood Association hopes to gather information from the Roseway community in order to gain an understanding of what the Roseway neighborhood currently provides for its residents, and to understand what people want to see in the future. We plan to use this information to create a cohesive image for the Roseway neighborhood. We want this image to accurately reflect the opinions and observations of everyone who lives, works, and does business in the neighborhood. The perspective of each community member matters to us. Please take 5-10 minutes of your time to complete this survey online, so that we can form a comprehensive picture of the Roseway community. Thank you.

Take the Roseway Survey at: www.surveymonkey.com/s/Roseway

Community Calendar

Roseway General Meeting & Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, July 9th, 7 p.m.

72nd Ave. park blocks b/w NE Beech & NE Failing

Summer Concert: Melao de Cuba

Thursday, July 11th, 6:30 p.m., Glenhaven Park

Summer Concert: 7th Seal

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Roseway Garage Sale

Saturday August 17th, 9:00 a.m.-3 p.m.

Roseway Movies in the Park

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Ready, Set, Prepare! by Dave Drouin

Some of you may have experienced a brief power outage recently in 97213, when a car crashed into a utility pole. Nearly 17,000 Pacific Power customers were without electricity for a couple of hours. While this particular incident had a fairly limited impact, it was a good reminder that disasters can strike at any time.

I recently attended a neighborhood disaster preparedness session put on by James Roddey, Ph.D., of PREP Oregon, and left with some good information and resources. The first step in preparing for the range of possibilities is to get informed about what can happen. According to Roddey, people who have actually thought about what a disaster could be, are more likely to survive than people who haven't, even if they haven't made other preparations.

Disasters come in all sizes, from a brief power outage or isolated home fire, to a large-scale disaster such as an earthquake, which can affect services for weeks, months, or even years. Home fires are the most frequent type of disaster, while earthquakes have a low probability, but a high impact.

Regardless of the type of disaster, being proactive can lessen the impact on you and your family:

- **Get to know your neighbors:** 95% of people helped in a disaster have been helped by neighbors. Exchange contact information and learn about who has power tools, medical training and other skills.
- **Come up with a plan.** The Red Cross has a Family Disaster Plan available on its website, complete with steps and checklists to prepare yourself, pets, home, school and workplace in the event of a disaster. www.redcross.org/prepare/disaster-safety-library
- **Tackle your preparedness over time.** It's unrealistic and impractical to expect to prepare yourself and gather supplies all at once. PREP Oregon has great checklists and emergency supply calendars on its website, so that you can integrate disaster planning into your regular shopping trips and budget: www.preporegon.org/GetPrepared

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ROSEWAY ANNUAL GARAGE SALE AUGUST 17th, 2013

Your \$5 donation will pay for advertising the garage sale in the Hollywood Star Reporter. We will also advertise on Craig's List. In addition, we create maps with each address and list the items you are selling. These maps will be available the week before the event at www.roseway.org. Downloadable signage will also be available on our website.

All money collected stays right here in Roseway neighborhood for community events and projects.

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