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Join Us!

Roseway General Meetings are held three times a year on the second Tuesday of April, July, and October.

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

Hope to see you there!

Come one, come all! by Denise Gorrell Roseway Neighborhood General Meeting on July 8th

Please join us for the Summer Roseway General Meeting. In addition, to sharing with our fellow neighbors all the exciting events and activities going on in and around our neighborhood we have three dynamic speakers and Free Ice Cream for all comers.

Our first speaker is **David Tooze from the City of Portland Office of Sustainable Development (OSD)**. Founded in 2000, OSD brings together community partners to promote a healthy and prosperous future for Portland. OSD advances improvements and innovation in reducing global warming emissions, energy efficiency and renewable energy, biofuels, waste reduction and recycling, sustainable economic development, sustainable food systems and green building practices. **David will be speaking with us about sustainability programs, energy efficiency and renewable energy, including solar energy**.

Mural artists, Angelina Marino and Gary Herd, will also speak with us about the upcoming mural project. (Please see page 4 for more details). Rounding out the evening will be tasty, complimentary ice cream treats provided by the Ice Cream Pedlar and the Roseway Neighborhood Association. The Ice Cream Pedlar, aka Dave Mansfield, is a popular figure in the Roseway and Madison South neighborhoods as he has supplied ice cream out of his "ice cream bicycle" at various neighborhood events at the Gregory Heights Library and most recently at Madison South's Base to Butte Walk. We hope to see you all there!

Community Calendar

Roseway General Meeting

Tuesday, July 8th, 7 p.m. Grace Lutheran Church 7610 NE Fremont

CNN Meeting

Wednesday, July 9th, 7 p.m. CNN Community Room 4415 NE 87th Avenue

International Day Festival

Saturday, July 12th 72nd Avenue Park Blocks 12 p.m.-6 p.m.

PDXID Meeting

Monday, July 28th, 7 p.m. Nazarene Church (across from Safeway on Sandy Blvd.)

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 5th Roseway Neighborhood Details TBA

Roseway General Meeting

Tuesday, October 7th, 7 p.m. Grace Lutheran Church 7610 NE Fremont

Portland Parks & Recreation and Roseway Neighborhood Association NE 72nd Avenue Park Blocks Pruning Workshops

Meet your neighbors, have fun and help prune the trees along NE 72nd Avenue Park Blocks. Portland Parks & Recreation and the Roseway Neighborhood Association will offer three hands on pruning workshops to prune 80 young trees along NE 72nd Avenue this summer. Planted in 2003, the trees are now fully established and need to be pruned for safety, low branches and structure.

No pruning experience is necessary. Portland Parks & Recreation arborists will teach pruning classes and help supervise pruning. To register for this class contact **Karl Dawson with Portland Parks & Recreation** at **503-823-1650** or **www.portlandparks.org**. Join us for the whole time of as long as you can.

Monday May 19 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Failing street Monday June 16 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Mason street Monday July 21 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Skidmore street



If you have any questions about your street trees, please call Portland Parks & Recreation City Nature for a street tree inspection at 503-823-4489. City tree inspectors are available to assess your street trees, and issue pruning, planting or tree removal permits.

Your Summer Assignment, should you choose to accept it ... by Peggy Sullivan

So, suddenly it's July, and your hard spring work is paying off: all the vegetable plants are growing up nicely, flowering perennials are dazzling everyone who strolls past or into your yard, the fruit trees are showing weight gain, dahlias & roses are blooming, the lawn (if you still have it) is probably starting to turn buff-colored as it goes into summer dormancy, weeds are either under control or baked by the hot sun (Hopefully we'll experience some heat in July). The kids' wading pool is set up and filled, and you've come to terms with the dog, which dug a comfy spot under one of your favorite shrubs ... and so it goes. And now you're wondering what else you should be doing in pursuit of your own personal paradise?

Your assignment, should you choose to accept it, is to study up on quality hammocks, buy one and then suspend it in a shady spot so you can loll comfortably during hot afternoons. Seriously. I suggest you buy only natural fabrics, because nylon-strung hammocks are just not comfortable for protracted lazing. Of course, while you're lazing in the hammock, you can view your yard (between catnaps) and contemplate your fall chores and changes. If you happen across containerized trees or shrubs at prices too good to pass up during July

and August, promise me that you'll keep them well-watered, maybe shaded if it gets icky hot, and that you'll plant them in the fall, like late September/ October. If you plant anything during the dog days of summer, you'll just cause more work for yourself, and therefore have less hammock-lazing time, which is the whole point, isn't it?

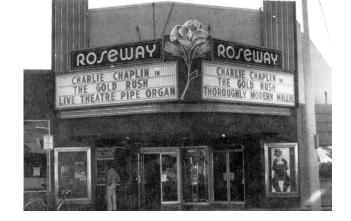
Your other assignment, and you ought to accept it, is to hike yourself down to the 72nd Avenue Parkblocks on Monday evening, July 21st, for the last scheduled tree-pruning party. Remember those 80 trees we all planted three years ago? They need a bit of shaping, and Karl Dawson of Portland Parks Urban Forestry will be there with advice, training, snacks, and SHARP SAWS AND HAND PRUNERS(!), which is reason enough to show up between 6:30 and 8:30—so you can have the experience of using sharp tools, and maybe learn how to sharpen your own. Make your life easier, help keep our trees healthy, and meet some of your neighbors. Make your hammock time even more enjoyable, feeling content that you did your community-help thing.

Meanwhile, stay cool and hydrated, set an example for your over-achieving neighbors as you hang out; next year they will get a hammock, too.

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Summers in Roseway by Bonnie LaDoe

As the long hot days of summer approach, it seems a good time to reflect on past summers in Roseway. Days when 25 cents would gain access to the Roseway on a Saturday afternoon to watch the ongoing serial and the second run of a musical or western. (First runs were always at downtown



theatres, the Broadway, Fox, or Paramount, and much too costly for a neighborhood kid).

After the show, the little restaurant next to the theatre (before it was an attorney's office) was a good place to get a cherry coke or a lime river. Or if there was enough money left in the allowance, a hot fudge sundae or banana-split at Fairley's could sure hit the spot. Roseway was fresh with new homes built right after WW II. It was a "blue collar" neighborhood; we didn't aspire to be a Laurelhurst or Alameda. That's where the rich people lived. The folks in Roseway were in the trades, earning a decent living and raising their families. The "Upper Sandy Merchants Association" was organized by local business owners who were instrumental in bringing many improvements to Roseway that we still enjoy today: The 72nd Avenue Parkway, US Bank, Harvey Scott and Madison Schools, the Library, and a Fred Meyer Shopping Center (now Safeway).

In the very early days of the 72nd Avenue Parkway, there was a bandstand near Sandy Blvd. Can't you just imagine those summer concerts? And as we celebrate Roseway today with the International District Festival at the same location, let's take time to honor those who

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worked and lived here before us.

So, enjoy your summer in Roseway. And why not start with the ice cream social at the Roseway Neighborhood Association General Meeting on July 8? See you there!

About Bonnie LaDoe:

Bonnie has lived in Roseway for about 54 years; ten years with her parents from 1947 to 1957 and at her present address since 1964. She attended Gregory Heights grade school and Grant High. (Madison wasn't built when she started High School in 1951). During her 38-year banking career, she spent five years in the 1980s as Operations Officer at Sandy Blvd. Branch of US Bank. She's been involved with the Roseway Neighborhood Association since her retirement from the bank in 1994 and is currently serving as their historian.





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ART FOR ART'S SAKE—and our own sake, too! by Peggy Sullivan

The first Roseway Neighborhood mural project is gathering steam and input, evolving as art tends to do: The Wall that we'll be painting is the west face of the **Service Center building** (which recently became home to **The Missing Link Bicycle Shop**, as well). It's on the NE corner of the Fremont/Sandy/72nd intersection. As part of the Mural Committee, I've had the pleasure of working with artist Angelina Marino, who has great style and community-made-mural experience (and who will be attending the

Roseway Neighborhood Association General Meeting/Ice Cream Social on July 8th – you'll all be there, right?), we've been joined by a few other interested Roseway residents and we've set some dates for gathering more input from you, about what this community wants to see in our first mural!

Suggestions have been made for a mural theme, having to do with the historic uses of Sandy Blvd and the movement of people and things (horse & buggy, Model T, milk wagons, bicycles, pogo sticks, muleback, dog-carts, go-karts, cartwheels ... did I miss anything?). \$2500 in seed-money has been proffered by your very own RNA board as the first step towards raising enough to qualify for up to \$7500 in match funding that's available from the



Portland Regional Arts and Culture Council (RACC), and so the excitement mounts. It would be MOST EXCELLENT if you would offer your own suggestions, be they written down or drawn up, and while you can contribute them at any time (peggysathome@comcast.net or drop them by my house, 3415 NE 72nd Avenue), we've scheduled some Community Input Gatherings (a CIG, if you will):

JULY 12, noon - 6 p.m., PDXID International Festival, where we'll have an RNA table set up at The Wall, with pads of drawing paper & pencils. All ideas are welcome!

JULY 23, 7:30 p.m. to 9-ish at The Wall (NE corner of Fremont/Sandy/72nd intersection), meet some of the mural artists, share your ideas/visions/cold beers with your community, for art's sake! It can only be fun! **CONTINUED ON PAGE 5**

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Neighborhood artists are especially welcome to join the project, as is anyone interested in helping out! Of course volunteers will be needed to gather/supply materials, mix colors, prepare the wall, paint the mural, dance around on the sidewalk, seal the wall mural, or just offer encouragement. Think what color that mural will add to a dull winter day!

Why neighbors are better than TV by Dorothea Van Duyn

My family moved to Portland just over 2 years ago, when our daughter, Aidan, was 3 months old. The first time I met our neighbor, Kathy, I was bringing in the garbage and recycling bins. She was coming home from the store. As we told each other our names, I said, "I would shake your hand but I've just touched the garbage bins." Kathy responded, "Why shake hands when a hug will do?" I felt truly welcomed. Kathy had seen Alex run up to the house the day we arrived, hug the outside wall and kiss it: she felt at that point she had some great new neighbors as well.

Not long after our arrival we received the March newsletter from the Roseway Neighborhood Association. Being a new mother in a new town, I thought it would be a great way to meet people in the 'hood. I was right. Attending the general meeting in April was a new experience for me. At this meeting the proposed big box was on the agenda and the turnout was high. I was heartened that so many people viewed the potential for a big box store as short-sighted development. At my second meeting, where attendance much lighter, I volunteered to join the Land Use Ad Hoc committee, formed specifically to resist the big box.

Before I knew it I had met over a dozen interesting, diverse, and active neighbors. Some

have lived in Roseway for decades, others were new to the area like us. What I wasn't quite prepared for was to be voted in as a Board Member in October 2006. Yet it's a commitment I feel is natural: this is now my home, and I love being involved, helping out where I can, receiving comfort when necessary. The inclusion and care that my neighbors show toward creating a great place to raise children, spend time with friends, grow vegetables and flowers and trees has changed my expectations of what a neighborhood should be.

When the big box proposal was defeated in the face of coordinated neighborhood resistance to the improper fit of a massive shopping center in our neck of the woods, I felt empowered. It is true that if you want to change the world you need to start close to home and work with your neighbors. It was an honor to be involved in this effort with so many other people.

In the era of "solitary and distant connection" provided by the internet and 5000 channels on t.v., I have discovered the pleasure of opening my door and talking with my neighbor over the back fence, or taking my daughter for a walk to the park, having a chat with other neighbors along the way, or saying hello to passers-by as I try my hand in the garden. I look forward to saying hello to you as well.

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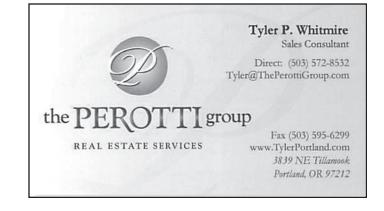
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The Responsibility of Homeowners

Everyone knows that home ownership comes with some responsibilities. But who owns that space between the sidewalk and the street? City laws determine who cares for the sidewalks and the green space between the sidewalks and street called the parking strip. The parking strip is owned by the city but is maintained by the homeowner. This means the foliage is to be cared for the same as one's own yard. The homeowner can plant it as they like but cannot remove any tree without first getting permission from the city. If someone wants to plant two trees on the parking strip, Friends of Trees is a great source for economy and planting help.

Sidewalks need to be wheelchair accessible 24-7, which means cars should not block the sidewalk. It is the homeowner's responsibility to keep the

sidewalk clear of ice, snow, debris, weed growth and mud year-round. If the sidewalk is in disrepair the homeowner is responsible to repair it.

Overhanging trees, limbs and plants covering the sidewalk must be cleared to a height so that a person could walk easily under the tree without being struck or needing to stoop over.

The condition of the yard is the responsibility of the homeowner. The city of Portland has a residential inspection department where neighbors can report dilapidated or dangerous building conditions, tall grass, trash and debris in yards. Taking care of your yard sets a positive community relationship, increases property value and creates amiable relationships between neighbors.

You're invited to attend the General Meeting: Tuesday, July 8th at 7 p.m.

- Ice Cream Social
- David Tooze from the City of Portland Office of Sustainable Development (OSD)
- Mural artists, Angelina Marino and Gary Herd, will also speak with us about the upcoming mural project

Meet at Grace Lutheran Church, 7610 NE Fremont, at 7 p.m.

Roseway Neighborhood Cleanup Another Success! by Jane Rosenstein

The 2008 Roseway spring cleanup was, as usual, a whirlwind of activity. In six short hours, we collected:

13 tons of mixed waste (everything including the kitchen sink!)

9.9 tons of yard debris and wood

3 tons of scrap metal

700 pounds of cardboard and paper

Hundreds of pounds of recyclable plastics, picked up by Agri-Plas Recycling

Hundreds of pounds of reusable building supplies, picked up by The ReBuilding Center

Approximately 1 ton of electronic waste, delivered to Total Reclaim

We also collected a van-load of food, clothing and household goods to benefit the **Northeast Emergency Food Program**, which is located inside of Luther Memorial Church at 4800 NE 72nd St. And as usual, neighbors were able to find great reusable items in the "Trade-It" area.

A huge thanks goes out to all of the volunteers who helped out (and got really tired and dirty!) at the event. We certainly couldn't do it without you!

Many thanks also to our sponsors—Metro
Regional Government, the Portland Office
of Sustainable Development, and Schnitzer
Steel—and to the businesses that donated
refreshments for our volunteers—Annie's
Donuts, Rose City Safeway, and Seven Virtues
Coffeehouse.

It's never too early to start planning for next year! If you are interested in helping, contact Jane at rosensteinj@gmail.com.

Missing Link in Roseway! by Catherine Wilson

Joe Rettke, the owner of The Missing Link Bicycle Shop, has bicycle on the brain.

A certified bike mechanic, he has been riding, playing on, building and tearing apart bicycles for as long as he can remember.

Formerly located on NE 57th and Fremont, The Missing Link recently relocated to the corner of NE 72nd Avenue and Sandy Blvd. He now shares a space with the Service Center, in the very building which will someday soon sport an incredible mural. (see article on page 4 regarding he mural project.) The newly remodeled space is twice as big, has more and better presence and is the hub of the neighborhood (in more ways than one!)

The Missing Link has all kinds of bikes and over 13,000 parts for those bikes: kid bikes, cruisers BMXs, racers—you name it. The Missing Link is also a full-service bike shop providing sales, service

Please stop by and welcome Joe to the Roseway Neighborhood. Or, stop by on a Wednesday evening at 7pm for a cruiser ride—which tends to end in heavy bike talk at a local coffee shop or brew pub.

The Missing Link hours of operation are:

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Saturday: II am-5pm

and repair.

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"Parenting in Multicultural Families" workshop. Learn up-to-date techniques for integrating multiple cultures while parenting children. Bring the children for a free supervised magic show in the adjacent room at the Rose City Nazarene Church on NE 70th and Sandy.

Additionally, Portland International District presents a local live production entitled, "This is Home." This play will be presented at locations/dates below and at the Festival.

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THURSDAY, JULY 3 6:30 pm

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This year's festival is in memory of Mildred Loving of the landmark Loving Decision civil rights case.

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