

Pleasant Highlands Neighborhood Association Newsletter

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from James Olson, current President of PHNA:

I've been considering resigning from PHNA for awhile now due to time constraints. Apart from my pursuit of growing two new career paths I have major long term and ongoing commitments to Oregon Food Bank, Clark County Food Bank, Stop Hunger Warehouse and the Walk and Knock Food Drive as well as a number of local CSA's and farmer's markets. Too many things on the plate to be effective at all of them. That means something has to go

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In the case of PHNA it has been very quiet until early this year; not much to 'react' to. That being said, I haven't had the open dedicated time on my calendar to maintain the organization I think we could/should have to fully and proactively serve and promote the interests of our area. In that light I am resigning from PHNA immediately ... I'm certain there are others in our community that have the time, energy and will to represent our interests far better than I can at this time ... good luck to whoever!

Best Regards,
James Olson

EMAIL

We have been distributing a lot of information via email. Our goal is to get as many email addresses of those within the boundaries of Pleasant Highlands Neighborhood Association as possible. If you have not been receiving email notices from the Association and would like to, please send us your email address to Pat Price at ronpat11@comcast.net.

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ANNUAL MEETING

2010 ANNUAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, June 16, 2010

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Where: Fire Station 7 – NE 72nd Av./126th St.

1. Election of Officers. The officer positions, President, Vice President and Secretary are vacant.
2. Our Sheriff's liaison will talk about any issues in the association area and be available for some questions.
3. BPA Power Line I5 Corridor Project.

PHNA Needs Your Help

Our President James Olson has resigned his post effective immediately. This leaves our association without any leadership as there is no Vice President and the Secretary informed me she has moved out of the area. Although this last year has been quiet, the association needs people to serve to ensure there is no information breakdown from the County to our residents on potential issues that may influence our area and livability.

There are a couple of issues that have developed in the recent months that will have an impact to our area. They are as follows:

The proposed BPA tower path going through our association. A group from the Highlands Homeowners Association has stepped up, formed a committee and has been hoping to influence the proposed route of the power lines.

The recent sale of the 5 acre Philbrook parcel on the southeast corner of NE 50th Av. and 139th St. This property is zoned C-2 - neighborhood commercial which can include but not limited to existing dwellings without any increase in density, markets under 25,000 square feet, mixed use, and self service laundries (Clark County Code 40.230.010 Commercial Districts (CR-1, CR-2, C-2, C-3, CL, GC).

Our community can have a voice in the decisions on both of these issues via our Neighborhood Association but our Association cannot continue without officers. Please consider serving on the Pleasant Highlands Neighborhood Association board to keep our neighborhoods the best that they can be and to support the tower group in their endeavor.

Homeowners Association OR Neighborhood Association

What is the difference between a Homeowners' Association and a Neighborhood Association???

A **homeowners' association** is a group of homeowners who live in a particular housing development. It often has the responsibility of enforcing CCRs within that development, it can collect dues, and its responsibility is to ensure that the development is a pleasant place in which to live. **It is regulatory.**

A **neighborhood association** is usually a blending of more than one homeowners' association, and can include houses that are not part of a homeowners' association. Its purpose is to be a contact between residents of that association and Clark County, and it cannot collect dues. The County is required to notify a neighborhood association of pending actions within or near its boundaries. These notifications can include sexual offenders moving into the neighborhood, pending housing developments, and other actions that could impact the quality of living within the neighborhood association. A neighborhood association **is advisory, not regulatory.**

More information on Neighborhood Associations in Clark County and the Clark County Neighborhood Outreach Program is available online at

<http://www.clark.wa.gov/neighborhoods/associations.html#program>.

Your assistance in helping us keep neighborhood residents informed is very much appreciated!



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