

# FAIRGROUNDS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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Greetings –

The topics we'll cover at our next couple of monthly meetings are very important to the future of our community, and our neighborhood. You will not want to miss either of them!

**OCTOBER: CLARK COUNTY ECONOMY.** Are you as confused as I am? The Columbian's business editor, Julia Anderson, will join us to discuss our community's economic outlook and review 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter results.

**NOVEMBER: TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS.** Every fall we devote a monthly meeting to the topic of road projects. Roundabouts at the 179<sup>th</sup> Street I-5 interchange? An overpass across I-5 at 164<sup>th</sup> Street? Delays or cancellations of other planned projects? In the last year there have been major changes to transportation improvement plans in our neighborhood. Come and hear the latest.

**THREE CREEKS.** There are numerous sub-areas within the Three Creeks special planning area. Two in our neighborhood are the Discovery/Fairgrounds and Salmon Creek/WSU sub-areas. If you are interested in participating in the development of these subarea plans let me know.

**MEMBER SURVEY.** Did you return our FGNA member survey? If not, you have another opportunity. We have reprinted the survey in this newsletter. Let your voice be heard! Complete and return the member survey.

**BIRDFEST & BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL.** Do you remember when the word *tweet* made you think of birds? The Friends of the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge is a non-profit dedicated to help our refuge in the areas of education, awareness and support. Every October they host BirdFest and Bluegrass timed with the return of the Sandhill Cranes. It's this weekend, all day on October 10 & 11. All proceeds go toward the refuge. Events are held in the town of Ridgefield and at 2 refuge locations (eco-shuttle provided). For more information go to [ridgefieldfriends.org](http://ridgefieldfriends.org).

Sincerely,  
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For the Executive Board

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## FALL 2009 MEMBER SURVEY

1) Housing in FGNA is a mix of low density (rural), medium density (single family subdivisions) and high density (apartments, townhouses and condos). What kind of neighborhood do you live in?  
 Rural                       Single family                       Multifamily

2) Should developed unincorporated areas of our neighborhood be part of a city or remain the status quo?  
 become a city                       status quo (unincorporated)                       Don't know

3) If the status quo option is off the table – meaning that you will eventually be living inside city limits whether you like it or not, which city would you prefer? (FYI: Most FGNA members have a Ridgefield mailing address. That's just the post office that delivers our mail. *None us lives inside their city limits.*)  
 new city                       Ridgefield                       Vancouver                       Don't know

4) The Columbia River Crossing project has recommended a locally preferred alternative. It is 2 replacement bridges, each with 3 lanes. 1 to 3 on/off ramp auxiliary lanes in each direction, and light rail. Do you support the locally preferred alternative?  Yes                       No                       Don't know

5) Planners say funding to pay for the I-5 bridge project must include a toll. What do you think?  
 opposed                       up to \$1 per trip                       up to \$2.50 per trip                       up to \$5 per trip

6) Which freeway interchange is your primary access to I-5?  
 134<sup>th</sup> Street                       179<sup>th</sup> Street                       219<sup>th</sup> Street

7) Parks & Recreation is developing a new neighborhood park (NP) in the area historically known as Kozy Kamp on NE 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue at NE 174<sup>th</sup> Street. What should we name it?  
 Blue Sky NP                       Deer Meadow NP                       Green Ridge NP                       Hawk Meadow NP  
 Kozy Kamp NP                       Moose Meadows NP                       NaturePlace NP                       NaturePlay NP  
 NatureSpace NP                       Rabbit Run NP                       Ridgewood NP                       Stanton NP

Tell us what you think: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please return this completed form to: FGNA, P.O. Box 61731, Vancouver, WA 98666 Thanks!

# **FAIRGROUNDS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

### **FGNA October meeting**

#### **Clark County business outlook**

Thursday, October 8, 2009 7:00 PM

Community of Christ meeting room, 400 NE 179<sup>th</sup> ST

Julia Anderson is the business editor for The Columbian. She will provide us an overview of the business outlook in Clark County and a report of third quarter results.

### **FGNA November meeting**

#### **State and County transportation projects in our neighborhood**

Thursday, November 12, 2009 7:00 PM

Community of Christ meeting room, 400 NE 179<sup>th</sup> ST

Washington state Department of Transportation staff will provide us with an overview of road projects in our area. Clark County Public Works will explain the status of transportation improvements in our neighborhood.

### **FGNA December meeting**

#### **COOKIE EXCHANGE / IDEA EXCHANGE**

Thursday, December 10, 2009 7:00 PM

Community of Christ meeting room, 400 NE 179<sup>th</sup> ST

The feedback from our December discussion meetings (you are our guest speakers) is invaluable to your Executive Board. We hope you'll come and share your comments, questions and cookies!

### **FGNA monthly meetings**

Second Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM

Community of Christ meeting room, 400 NE 179<sup>th</sup> ST

Do you have a topic to discuss or a speaker you want us to invite? Lots of folks want to come talk to us – who do you want to hear from? Call Vicki Fitzsimmons at 360.573.6604 or e-mail her at [vicki.fitzsimmons@edwardjones.com](mailto:vicki.fitzsimmons@edwardjones.com) with your suggestions.

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### GENERAL MEETINGS:

WE MEET at 7 PM ON SECOND THURSDAYS AT THE COMMUNITY of CHRIST MEETING ROOM  
400 NE 179<sup>TH</sup> STREET, 1/2 MILE WEST OF I-5

### OUR BOUNDARIES :

**NORTH**, 219<sup>TH</sup> STREET; **WEST**, LAKE RIVER; **EAST**, NE 72<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE;  
**SOUTH – WEST OF I-5**, NW 151<sup>ST</sup> STREET TO NW 41<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE TO NW / NE 164<sup>TH</sup> STREET;  
**EAST OF I-5**, NE KLINELINE RD TO NE 119<sup>TH</sup> ST TO SALMON CREEK TO NE 50<sup>TH</sup> AVE  
TO NE 149<sup>TH</sup> ST TO NE 72<sup>ND</sup> AVE

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