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Milwaukie's Local Leaders

## Maintaining her balance

Milwaukie High School Senior Lisa Moore says she's just trying "to find a balance"

But reaching this equilibrium is no small feat. Lisa's balancing act is more like a high-wire circus routine.

Consider this. The 18-year-old Lewelling resident just completed 50 hours of training and will soon be taking calls at Clackamas County's Domestic Violence crisis hot line. She'll juggle those responsibilities with her duties as a Youth and Family mediator where she teaches divorcing couples how to help their children cope with their parents' separation.

And then there's her school activities, where she's the head of the Multi-Cultural Diversity Task Force, the founding member of Milwaukie High's Key Club, a member of Students Against Drunk Driving, Drug Awareness Resistance Education and is a peer mediator. Lisa says there's more to mention, but that these are the big ones.

Volunteering and playing a role in her community is something her mother taught her when she was still going to Lewelling Elementary. Lisa says she has early memories of working soup kitchens and participating in adopt-a-family programs during the



Lisa Moore is a senior at Milwaukie High holidays.

As Lisa explains it, being socially active carries personal rewards, especially for people her age.

"Being involved with your community can help you feel a connection with your community, and can help you feel less lost," Lisa said. "Which is important, because High School can be a very confusing time."

If Lisa is suffering from any confusion, she doesn't show it. And by the looks of things, it seems she's "finding a balance" just fine. □

# Transportation Study examines south corridor

The South Corridor Study has the charge of developing, evaluating and prioritizing non-light rail transportation options that will move people through our region in a more efficient and expedient way.

After three months of public involvement six options have been developed, and through an ongoing series of Open Houses and Scoping meetings, Metro hopes citizens will continue to help refine the final options that will be presented to the Federal Transit Administration for federal funding. This funding is projected to become available in 2003 or 2004.

Here are the present options under review by three different citizen working groups.

Commuter Rail: Typically uses existing railroad infrastructure and has longer trip lengths and greater spacing between stations than light rail.

**River Transit**: Would consist of regularly scheduled point-to-point passenger-only boats operating over defined routes up and down the Willamette.

High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes (HOV): HOVs carry two or more persons, including the driver. It could be a Please see Study on page 4

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## Get ready for Down to Earth Day

For the past 15 years Down to Earth Day has proven to be one of Milwaukie's most popular events.

And for good reason. Down to Earth Day gives residents a chance to unload junk that's been multiplying in their garages, attics and basements and wherever else at a really cheap cost and at really convenient locations.

This year's Down to Earth Day will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2000 and like years past, there will be collection sites at Linwood Elementary, Rowe Junior High School and at Seth Lewelling Elementary.

The sites will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The types of materials that will be accepted are discarded furniture, unmounted tires, scrap metal, yard debris and general trash. The types of materials that won't be accepted are things like kitchen garbage, motor oil, large

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## Revitalization Plan examines funding options

FROM YOUR COUNCIL At February's Downtown and Riverfront Town Hall, George Crandall, the project's lead consultant, illus-

trated the evolution of the latest design and explained how the plan has been refined in response to environmental considerations, citizen input and furthering project analysis.

George presented the latest drawings, and discussed the latest wave of public opinion that had been gathered from the surveys that were sent to ev-



A model of the blocks between Monroe and Jefferson that connect Downtown with the River.

ery business and residence in Milwaukie.

George went through each of the survey's 17 design elements, and explained the significance of each.

George noted early on, that for each of the 17 elements more people approved the idea than disapproved. More than 1,000 people responded to the mail-in survey. But the survey data also illustrates that a greater consensus needs to be secured if some of the ideas are to become a reality. The most important of which, in George's opinion, is increased housing in the downtown area.

"An intrinsic element of a thriving downtown, even in small downtowns, is housing," George said.

While approval of the housing elements lags, other projects might be ready for construction by summer. The City is currently working on design guidelines for downtown and riverfront improvements like creating better crosswalks and sidewalks in the downtown and grooming a greater greenspace next to the riverfront.

One aspect of the plan receiving extra attention is the Milwaukie Junior

High Site. Lifted from the original plan to become the object of a separate study and public involvement process, preserving the Junior High has been identified as an essential part of the City's future.

And that's why the City is examining a host of financial options to purchase the site, and protect the building and grounds for community use.

One option, among several others, is to issue a bond to raise the necessary funds. And in order to get the bond in this election cycle, Council would need to make a decision to file by June.

The push to get a bond in this election cycle is two fold: to be able to purchase the site when it becomes available before any other interest gets an opportunity, and to avoid the need to satisfy the double majority required in next year's election cycle.

#### **April's Poll Question:**

Would you support a bond measure for the purchase and preservation of the Milwaukie Junior High and its surrounding grounds?

Call 786-7503 to leave your response.

## City Manager explains the budgetary process

Written by Dan Bartlett, City Manager



Milwaukie's City Charter calls for the City Manager to act as the City's budget officer.

This is not unique to Milwaukie, in fact, Or-

egon legislation mandates City Managers of local governments to fulfill this role.

Personally, I have been the budget officer of a city or county every year since 1976. So, you could say that I'm pretty familiar with the responsibilities and intricacies of the budget process.

Over the years, citizens have asked me what being the budget officer really means. And I tell them that it means that I'm the one that's responsible for developing a proposal for spending that's consistent with the City's Vision and the City Council's goals. I pull together spending requests from all of the City's departments.

I work with the Finance Director to project future revenue estimates, and

then I develop a balanced budget proposal for the Budget Committee to consider.

The Budget Committee, by Oregon law, is a group made up of the elected officials of the organization and an equal number of citizens. Milwaukie's Budget Committee includes the five City Councilors and five citizens.

The Budget Committee sets the amount of property taxes for the City, and they set the spending levels for each City department. Their meetings are open to the public. Advance notice of the meetings is published in the Pilot, on the City video bulletin board (Channel 30), and soon on the City Web Site. Notices are also given to the local media and agendas are sent to Neighborhood leaders.

At each Budget Committee meeting time is allotted for public comment. On April 3, 2000 the Budget Committee will hear my recommendations for the 2000-2001 Budget. Please join us at the Pub-

lic Safety Building, Community Meeting Room at 6 p.m. I will be making suggestions for funding the Milwaukie Middle School purchase, street improvements, police department funding and improvements to the Riverfront.

If you are interested in the budget process please contact Jan Gehlen, Finance Director, at 786-7521 or me at 786-7501.

For a copy of the Oregon Department of Revenue booklet "Local Budgeting in Oregon, 1999" please call Information Specialist Grady Wheeler at 786-7503.

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## Venture award for Tech Cadre

Competing with the likes of Multnomah County and Willamette Industries, the Milwaukie Tech Cadre became the first student-run business to ever win the Oregon Quality Award.

The Oregon Quality Award recognizes organizations and businesses that have proven their excellence after undergoing a meticulous and time-consuming evaluation.

Milwaukie High School's Tech Cadre is a student-run organization that provides a full range of technological services to members of the local community. In fact, the City of Milwaukie has been working hand in hand with the Tech Cadre over the last several months to develop the City Web Site.

Jeff Linman, the teacher that supervises the Tech Cadre, said the honor was "wonderful recognition" and the fact that Milwaukie High students won the award among some of Oregon's biggest businesses only sweetened the prize.

"We could have entered as a school, but we decided to pursue (the award) as a business and organization, because that's what we profess ourselves to be," Jeff said. "It was kind of fun to play with the big boys."

## **Police Patrols** find their mark

Eleven police officers from five different regional law enforcement agencies blanketed Milwaukie's roadways on March 10, 2000 to conduct the City's fourth saturation patrol.

This time out officers wrote 82 tickets, 25 warnings, towed three vehicles and made two arrests. Most of the tickets were handed out to speeders racing along McLoughlin Boulevard.

The idea behind the saturation patrol is to pack a traffic-trouble area with a bunch of officers so that the next time motorists travel through the areas they'll remember all of the officers they saw on the day of the saturation patrol.

"I think the patrols give us more recognition in those locations," Traffic Sergeant Terry Marthaller said.

## Sergeant celebrates 25 years

With the City recently recognizing Sergeant Terry Marthaller for his 25 years of outstanding service and dedication to Milwaukie's Police Force, the Pilot thought it would be the perfect time to get to know him a little better.

Terry grew up in North Portland, and moved to Milwaukie in 1965. Working in the computer field for the first 10 years after serving in the Army, Terry didn't get involved in Police work until 1972.

O. Why the wait before you became an officer?

A. I think it's something I always wanted to do. Milwaukie began a reserve program and I started in April of '72, and in October of '74, they offered me a regular position and I said "Yeah!", so it worked out pretty good.

O. Twenty-five years is a long time, you must enjoy it quite a bit. What do you like most?

A. Every day is different. You meet such a variety of people, between the complainants and the suspects, you



Sergeant Terry Marthaller

really get the whole gambit. And in Milwaukie, officers handle everything from the initial investigation to following it through all the way to court. The officers here get the opportunity to do things they wouldn't be able to do until 20 years down the road at other agencies.

O. You were just recognized for 25 years of service, how does that make vou feel?

A. Old. (laughs) It's nice that the City does recognize people's service. I think the City goes out of its way to make their employees feel like they're a part of the team.

## Some dates to keep in mind

Spring and summer are just around the corner ... we hope! So here are some dates we hope you keep in mind as you map out your upcoming months.

On April 8 the City will celebrate Arbor Day with residents and elected officials by having a tree planting ceremony at noon in Ardenwald Park.

And then on April 15 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. there will be a City Surplus Sale at the old Safeway site.

On May 6 the City will celebrate **Down to Earth Day**. (See page 1)

Finally, on June 24 the City will conduct a Household Hazardous Waste **Collection Event** at Rowe Junior High, in which residents will be able to get rid of such dangerous materials as turpentine, pesticides and paint.

For more information, call Program Services Coordinator JoAnn Herrigel at 786-7508.

#### to support music Swing and shop

Come Swing the night away and help support Milwaukie High School's music program at the same time.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Swing Night will be staged in Milwaukie High's Commons and the Art Abrams Swing Machine will once again be providing the big band

More than 200 local merchants have donated items for the silent auction, and a professional dance instructor will provide free Swing lessons beginning

Last year's event raised more than

\$3,000 for the music program, and this year proceeds will fund music scholarships for deserving students.

Tickets are \$7 a person, or \$10 a couple, and are available in the High School's office.

Laurie Hove at 654-4505.



## AROUND TOWN Courses teach life saving skills

The Clackamas County Fire District is offering classes that teach skills that safety, how to identify and serve neighcould save the lives of your neigh-

bors and your loved ones.

prolonged power outages.

The program is called C.E.R.T., which stands for the Community Emergency Response Team, and these classes teach life preserving strategies and techniques that would be employed in the event of any number of natural disasters that range from earthquakes to major flooding to C.E.R.T. teaches readiness, rescuer bors that would be in the greatest

> need of assistance and how to organize volunteer efforts.

Registration costs \$25, and the program's training is conducted at the

Fire District's facility on 130th Avenue, just south of Highway 212.

The next round of training is scheduled for June.

Call Fred Charlton at 655-8542, ext. 300 for more details.

**NEXT MEETING'S INFO:** 

Island Station Chair

When: April 7, 6:30 p.m. Where: Milwaukie Grange

At Island Station's March 3, 2000 meeting the attending residents decided to dedicate \$1,500 in Neighborhood Grant Money to the Friends of the Milwaukie Pool. Chair Rick Farasy said the Association values the Pool as a community asset, and wants to see it operate another summer.

ISLAND STATION

Written with the help of Rick Farasy,

Island Station residents also discussed organizing a spring clean-up effort that would coincide with the City's Down to Earth Day event scheduled for May 6. As Rick put it, their event would focus on helping the neighbors that may not be able to help themselves clean up their

Rick said they would like to make clean up projects a quarterly event in the Island Station Neighborhood. He said the focus of their efforts would be on Elk Rock Island. Those interested in the May 6 event, or in participating in the Elk Rock clean ups, are asked to call Island Station Vice Chair Eric Hayes at 659-5327.

Finally, Darlene Maddux of the Oregon Department of Transportation made a presentation about the improvements slated for the intersection of River Road and McLoughlin Boulevard. Darlene reported that work should be completed by the end of September.

## Team studies youth involvement

Sometimes going straight to the source produces the best solutions. That's what the idea was when the City asked the students of Milwaukie High School's Quality Team to develop strategies that might encourage youth to become more involved with the City and its programs.

After examining the problem the Team suggested several approaches that might spur youth involvement.

One strategy called for creating a Youth Advisory Committee that would meet with City Council to offer program suggestions and to represent a voice for the City's younger populations. Another idea was to create a Shadow Council program, in which students follow a Councilor around to get an idea of what public service is like.



Quality Team members (from left) Lindsey Ficken, Jason Brost and Stacie Wong.

The Team also suggested selling the Safeway site and purchasing the Junior High as a community center.

The students of the Quality Team presented their findings in a Council presentation on March 7, 2000.

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appliances and industrial waste.

Down to Earth Day also provides curbside service for disabled and elderly residents. If an appointment is scheduled, crews will go to the resident's home and grab their garbage. Call Program Services Coordinator JoAnn Herrigel at 786-7508 to make the arrangements.

The three sites are run primarily by volunteers, and JoAnn is hoping to find a few more people to lend a hand. Those interested are asked to give her a call at the number listed above.

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transit bus, vanpool or any other vehicle meeting the requirements. HOV lanes could be added to Highway 224 and McLoughlin Boulevard.

Peak Period Pricing: Applying basic market-pricing principles to discourage peak time traveling by levying tolls or surcharges during rush hours.

Bus Rapid Transit: Might include things like exclusive bus lanes and simplified fare payment methods.

**Intelligent Transportation Systems:** Describes a range of technology-based transportation improvement strategies.

The next scoping meeting assessing these options will be held on April 4, 2000 at the Pioneer Community Center at 5 p.m. The presentation will begin at 6 p.m. Open Houses will also be held in Gladstone on April 26 at Gladstone High School, and at Milwaukie's Public Safety Building on April 27. The start time for the Open Houses is 5 p.m.

If you have any questions, contact Metro's Susan Finch, at 797-1872.Or call Metro's Transportation Hot Line at 797-1900.

### AROUND TOWN

#### LEWELLING

## NEXT MEETING'S INFO: When: April 6, 7 p.m.

Where: Lewelling Elementary Library

On March 1 and 15 public meetings examining the options available for the recently purchased park land at Stanley and Willow Streets were held.

More than 30 residents turned out for the first meeting and told Mike Faha and Janette Prichard of Green Space Landscaping Architectural Firm what they would like to see incorporated in their Neighborhood park. Mike and Janette have volunteered their services, which has been instrumental in expediting the park's progress.

#### WINDSOR COURT WETLANDS

At our March 2, 2000 Neighborhood Association meeting Mart Hughes, a Milwaukie resident and Wetlands Conservancy member, shared photos and plans of the rehabilitation efforts taking place at the property near Windsor Court.

For at least three years there has been work done to restore and preserve the land for the wildlife and surrounding

residents. Those interested in volunteering are asked to contact Mart at 659-8509.

#### MILWAUKIE JR. HIGH

Neighborhood Services Manager Michelle Gregory also visited our meeting and solicited our opinions and ideas concerning the Milwaukie Junior High Site. Michelle handed out information and responded to residents' questions and concerns.

#### **OUTDOOR CLASSROOM**

April 29, 2000 is the date that's been set for the Neighborhood's second annual clean up for the land behind Lewelling Elementary. Last year more than 40 volunteers helped clear away blackberries and restored the existing path and outdoor classroom. On April 29, there will be more work done, and all are invited.

Among the supporting businesses are Wichita Hardware, Milwaukie Lumber and Clackamas Welding.

Interested volunteers are asked to call the Neighborhood's cochairs. Art Ball's number is 786-4016, and Jean Michel's number is 654-8379.



The Windsor Court Wetlands are owned by the Wetlands Conservancy.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

Steve Campbell, the City's Code Compliance officer will be on hand to address any concerns, complaints and comments. The meeting will take place on April 6, at 7 p.m. in the Lewelling Elementary School Library.

#### ARDENWALD/JOHNSON CREEK

Written by Sherri Campbell, Ardenwald and Johnson Creek Secretary

#### NEXT MEETING'S INFO: When: April 11, 6:30 p.m. Where: Ardenwald Elementary Child Care Available

Here's an important date we hope you will mark on your calendar.

On Saturday, April 8, 2000, the Ardenwald and Johnson Creek Neighborhood will hold its second annual Earth Day Clean Up. The event will begin at 8 a.m. and will run until noon, or until the dumpsters are full.

Neighbors are encouraged to bring their yard debris, clutter and small household items (smaller than a rhino, please, and no hazardous waste) to the dumpsters that will be stationed in front of Ardenwald School.

Metro, SouthEast Uplift and the City of Milwaukie all contributed funding to make this event possible. Our Neighborhood Association would like to extend thanks to each.

Organizers of the event ask vehicles dumping material to line up on 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue by entering on Wake Street. Vehicles will be asked to contribute a \$2 donation which will be passed on to the

Ardenwald Elementary Student Council to help fund some of their programs.

If you have any questions about the event, please call Neighborhood Chair Darlene Walsh in the evening at 687-2076, or Neighborhood Services Manager Michelle Gregory at 786-7539.

And in conjunction with our Earth Day celebration, we will be celebrating Arbor Day with fellow neighbors, City staff and elected officials.

A Tree Planting Ceremony will take place in

Ardenwald Park, which is just across the street from the school. The tree planting will begin at noon.

Please come on out and enjoy both of these events!

## Celebrate Earth Day & Arbor Day!

In celebration of Earth Day, residents will be able to unload all sorts of trash at the dumpsters set up at Ardenwald Elementary on April 8. Collections will be taken from 8 a.m. to noon.

Immediately following the Earth Day event, residents are invited to team with City staff and elected officials to plant trees in Ardenwald Park in celebration of Arbor Day. The ceremony will begin at noon.

Please call Chair Darlene Walsh at 786-2076 for more information (call in the evenings.)



### AROUND TOWN

#### HISTORIC MILWAUKIE

Written by Ed Zumwalt, Historic Milwaukie Chair

NEXT MEETING'S INFO: When: April 13, 7 p.m. Where: Milwaukie Elementary

Our March 9, 2000 meeting featured a presentation by Oregon Dental Service (ODS), an Oregon-based health plan corporation, outlining their plans for the Pendleton Woolen Mill Site if a transaction can be successfully completed between the two parties.

The Pendleton Building on the north end of Milwaukie on S.E. 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue has been vacant for years, and is of prime interest to City leaders who would like to see it utilized by a progressive company that would provide an infusion of jobs for the City.

ODS, represented at the meeting by President and CEO Robert Gootee, Projects Manager Andrew Franklin, and several members of their consulting firm,

OTEK, propose extensive remodeling of the facility, gradually expanding from an initial 100 employees to over 250 in five years, and then even more in 10 years.

They would consider the site their Urban Milwaukie Campus, a permanent fixture in our City.

Michelle Gregory, our fearless Neighborhood Leader, was present to garner ideas and possible participating stakeholders in the Milwaukie Middle School in case it is purchased by the City.

The City is attempting to find parties who are interested in leasing space and then determining how much they are willing to pay in order to project future usage and revenue.

For more information contact Michelle at 786-7539.

An amazing thing happened the other day: A prominent member of the City Staff actually agreed with me in a discussion regarding the Milwaukie Middle School. I was thunderstruck — for one moment, no matter how fleeting, I was on the same mental plane as this brilliant person. He, on the other hand, was devastated, fearing that if this were to become public knowledge, his credibility would be ruined forever.

I don't think he should worry, because any chance this might reoccur is so remote as to be completely out of the realm of mathematical possibility.

Please join us at our next meeting that's to be held on April 13, 2000, at 7 p.m. in Milwaukie Elementary.



LAKE ROAD

NEXT MEETING'S INFO: When: May 18, 7 p.m. Where: Rowe Middle School

Earlier this year the Lake Road Neighborhood Association voted to appeal a Planning Commission decision to allow Clackamas Education Service District (ESD) to move into the old Seventh Day Adventist Church site on 40<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Lake Road.

Written by Teresa Bresaw, Lake Road Co-Chair

At the March 7 Council Meeting Council voted to uphold our appeal and overturned the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve ESD's relocation. Since Lake Road is without needed sidewalks and turn lanes, we felt the office's additional traffic would increase the hazards for pedestrians and bicyclists, as well as cars.

The site is already centered in a traffic-heavy area. Two blocks to the west is Rowe Middle School, which is due for an expansion, and two blocks to the east is Freeman Way, which is the intersect-

ing road that carries traffic off the expressway.

These factors coupled with the numerous driveways and side streets abutting Lake Road lead one to the conclusion that Lake Road is not designed to handle additional traffic.

City planners had recommended that ESD be permitted to move in, with the stipulation that they continue the traffic study for a year, and make needed traffic improvements at the site driveway. There was no specific idea of what those improvements might be. Doing something at the site driveway would not solve the problems of more cars along Lake Road.

After a meeting with ESD's traffic consultant where we discussed various traffic patterns, we could come up with no solution that would protect the pedestrians without improving all of Lake Road.

There are other commercial sites available for ESD. The downtown Milwaukie Junior High is another option that should be considered since the school

district will soon be selling the site. Another option that should be considered is moving into the new classrooms Clackamas Community College may be building should its 47 million bond measure pass. It seems these various tax supported government entities should be able to communicate and work out solutions that are in the tax payers interests.

If you have questions or opinions call your City Council or show up at a budget meeting. It's your money that's being spent.



### AROUND TOWN

#### HECTOR CAMPBELL

Written by Chris Ortolano, Chair

NEXT MEETING'S INFO: When: April 10, 8 p.m.

Where: Hector Campbell Elementary

Thanks to all who contributed to a very important discussion that unfortunately left us with many unanswered questions.

What if a bond measure didn't pass because we couldn't reach consensus on how to use the Junior High site? What is the process towards reaching consensus, and who is responsible for its coordination? Who are the key players in the decision-making process, and what are their underlying objectives? How can these objectives be woven together to create a multidimensional community center that generates some self supporting revenue? How can the Middle School site be integrated with our need for efficient public transit? What if the new transit center were lo-

cated someplace other than the old Safeway building? Why do so many questions remain unanswered just three months before we need to decide whether or not to put a bond measure on the ballot? Why are the special interest groups segregated? Why are concerned citizens who are willing to invest hundreds of hours of their time so frustrated? Why is there so much distrust between these citizens and some elected officials? Why is it so difficult to create a task force that truly reflects the diverse interests of the community? Why are citizens being asked to pay for

something the City may be able to afford by rearranging its spending priorities? Why does this process have to be so difficult?

Finally, why can't we build community and have fun while we're doing it?

On Feb. 29 the Planning Commission approved the School District's proposal for a new gym at Hector Campbell Elementary. Here's the plan for the gym's location.



#### NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

#### ARDENWALD AND JOHNSON CREEK

Meetings held on second Tuesdays 6:30 p.m., Ardenwald School Chair, Darlene Walsh, 786-2076

#### **HECTOR CAMPBELL**

Meetings held on second Mondays 8 p.m., Hector Campbell School Chair, Chris Ortolano, 353-3000

#### HISTORIC MILWAUKIE

Meetings held on second Thursdays 7 p.m., Milwaukie Elementary Chair, Ed Zumwalt, 654-2493

#### ISLAND STATION

Meetings held on first Fridays 6:30 p.m., Grange Hall Chair, Rick Farasy, 283-4003

#### LAKE ROAD

Meetings held bi-monthly on third Thursdays 7 p.m., Rowe Middle School Co-Chair, Patty Wisner, 654-7468 Co-Chair, Teresa Bresaw, 786-4690

#### **LEWELLING**

Meetings held on first Thursdays 7 p.m., Lewelling Elementary Acting Chair, Jean Michel, 654-8379 Acting Chair, Art Ball, 786-4016

#### LINWOOD

Meetings held on fourth Thursdays 7 p.m., Linwood Elementary Acting Chair, Tracy Cook, 654-2946

#### HNWOOD

Written by Tracy Cook, Linwood Chair

#### **NEXT MEETING'S INFO:**

When: April 27, 7 p.m. Where: Linwood Elementary

Hey neighbors, spring is almost here. The weather is getting better and better and daylight is hanging on longer and longer. These are just a few harbingers of spring. Another indicator is that now it's light out as you faithfully come to the Linwood Neighborhood Association meetings month in and month out.

It's also time to start thinking about the next annual Linwood Neighborhood Barbecue. As I remember all those that attended last year had a pretty nice time. We hope to make it an even better time this year. But we need your help. If you are interested in participating in the background work please let us know. As usual we can use all the help we can get.

Our last month's meeting was about the proposed Urban Forestry Ordinance. We went through the proposal and offered up some suggestions to the City Council. Our discussion focused on that portion of the ordinance that deals with control over private property. Some of the concerns that were addressed are as follows:

There were concerns that the ordinance could be changed in later years to affect more of the City.

There were also concerns about the addition of more bureaucracy.

It was felt that if this ordinance protected the City from developments or redevelopments that were out of character for the City then the Ordinance should be supported.

There was also a question about the need for multiple licensing for operation inside the City of Milwaukie.

Finally, it was felt by the group that an ordinance this far reaching onto private property should be presented for a vote.

Additionally, we talked about the proposed addition to the Linwood School. The group agreed that the addition was necessary but all agreed that traffic was a major concern.

Our next meeting will be April 27, 2000, I hope to see a lot of you there.

The City Council is asking for guidance, let's do our part.

April 2000



City Events Calendar April 2000

| Sunday   | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
|--|---|--|---|--|---|---|
| MCH - Milwaukie City Hall,<br>10722 SE Main Street<br>PSB - Public Safety Building,<br>3200 SE Harrison Street<br>JCB - Public Works Building,<br>6101 SE Johnson Creek BW.<br>MC - Milwaukie Center, 5440 SE<br>Kellogg Creek Drive | <b>⇔⇔</b>   |  |   |  |   | 1   |
|  | 6:00pm Budget<br>Committee Meeting<br>with Council (PSB,<br>Community Room)                     | 6:00pm City Council<br>Regular Session<br>(MCH)  | Milwaukie Middle<br>School Town Hall<br>Milwaukie High<br>School Common | 7:00pm Lewelling NDA<br>(Lewelling Elementary<br>Library)  | 6:30pm Island Station<br>NDA (Grange Hall)          | Ardenwald Earth<br>Day and Arbor Day<br>Celebrations<br>Ardenwald<br>Elementary |
| 2  | 3   | 4  | 6:30 p.m. 5   | 6  | 7   | 8 a.m. to noon 8  |
|  | 6:30pm Riverfront Board<br>(MCH)<br>8:00pm Hector Campbell<br>NDA (Hector<br>Campbell School)   | 6:30pm Planning<br>Commission Regular<br>Session (MCH)<br>6:30pm Ardenwald<br>NDA (Ardenwald | 7:30am MDDA Board   | 7:00pm Historic<br>Milwaukie NDA<br>(Milwaukie Elementary) | 10:00am Center/<br>Community Advisory<br>Board (MC) |   |
| 9  | 10  | Elementary) 11   | 12  | 13   | 14  | 15  |
|  | 6:00pm City Council<br>Discussion Session<br>(MCH)<br>6:30pm City Council<br>Work Session (MCH) | 6:00pm City Council<br>Regular Session<br>(MCH)  |   |  |   |   |
| 16   | 17  | 18   | 19  | 20   | 21  | 22  |
| 23   | 7:00pm Parks &<br>Recreation Board<br>(MCH)<br>6:30pm Library                                   | 6:30pm Planning<br>Commission work<br>session (MCH)  |   | 7:00pm Linwood NDA<br>(Linwood Elementary)                 |   |   |
| 30   | Board (Library)   | 25   | 26  | 27   | 28  | 29  |

## Council Actions from the meeting of March 7

Following the recommendation of the Milwaukie Center/Community Advisory Board's recommendation, City Council appointed Jim Young and Stan Keltz to the Center's Advisory Board.

Adopted an order denying the land use applications submitted by the Clackamas Education Service District for the former Seventh Day Adventist Church located off of Lake Road.

Check out April's polling question in its new location under the Councilor's Column on Page 2.

#### **City Surplus Sale!**

Come to the old Safeway Building on Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and pick up some great bargains on abandoned, found and seized items.

## Meeting Broadcast Information:

City Council Work Sessions:

Tues., Thurs., Sat.: 10 a.m., 2 p.m. 7 p.m., 2 a.m.

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City Council Regular Sessions: Sun., Mon., Wed., Fri.: 6 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m. 12 a.m.

Budget Committee Meetings: Not yet determined, call 783-7503 for details

The City of Milwaukie looks forward to any questions or suggestions you might have. Please drop us a line or give us a call.



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