

ARNADA NEIGHBORHOOD

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NEXT MEETING

February 9th at 7pm

Vancouver Housing Authority
2500 Main Street

AGENDA:

- Community Garden
- Street Mural Paint / Kiosk Maintenance
- Median Maintenance on McLoughlin Blvd.
- Traffic Calming on 22nd Street
- Traffic Safety Concern at intersection of E Street and 4th Plain
- By-Laws Review
- Neighbors On Watch program*
- Downtown Fire Department*

* Tentative

Those Dedicated Carriers

Written By Jim Girard

As we move into our 2nd month of our new year, I just realized how many long-term newsletter carriers, those volunteers, we neighbors rely on to receive a hard copy. Some folks more than a dozen, several a half-dozen, and a couple still in the first year. Usually I receive the pages late Thursday, sort them, deliver the bundles Friday noon, and hope the newsletters can be delivered by the end of the weekend so neighbors can plan. That's the plan, and it works more often than not. So I say, we give these dedicated neighbors a hearty **SHOUT OUT** of appreciation. They are Ticia Larose, Michelle Fronk, Abby Spielman, Ralph Welch, Lind & John Wallum, Cecilia Kessel, Sara & Dave Douglas, Kathy & Ken Loveall, Dan Carney, Dan & Jenny Graves, Ian O'Neil, Me, and Don Rutheford. Also, those many others whom have served to numerous to name, but we remember you.

Thank You,

Jim Girard

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Where We Live

Are you a history geek? I am and I love that our neighborhood, our town and our state come with so much of it. I've only been in the neighborhood for going-on 6 years, and I like to learn about how things have come to be, and what things are gone for good. I came across an aerial shot of our neighborhood from 1955 and immediately tried to locate my house at 24th & F St. The park is right behind our house and makes our house easily identifiable. In the shot, the "park" is huge and has a large building in the north east corner, right on about Fourth Plain and H. What is that building? It's no longer there!

A few of you folks long to the neighborhood and Vancouver are nodding or shaking your heads, I can feel it. That building in the picture was Arnada Elementary School. Arnada Elementary School was opened in 1910. According to an on-line article by Jeanette Walsh on the Arnada School, it remained in use until it was abandoned, condemned and eventually demolished in 1966.

The name Arnada was, according to the Columbian, pulled from the letters of three names of women close to real estate developer John Elwell in 1906. "AR" from Margaret Ranns, "NA" from Anna Eastman, and "DA" from John's wife Ida Elwell. I've spent a little time trying to figure out who Margaret and Anna are, but haven't quite got it yet...perhaps one of you knows? If you're as geeky as me you'll be heading down to the Clark County Historical Society soon to do a little explorin'! Perhaps you'll see me there...till then fellow neighborhood history geeks, adieu. -Sara Douglas, 24th & F

Advertise in the ANA Newsletter

Arnada neighborhood is now offering an advertising opportunity in our monthly Neighborhood Newsletter. Net proceeds from the advertising revenue will be dedicated to events and projects aimed at the betterment of the Arnada Neighborhood.

We are beginning with a rate of \$25.00 for an approximate 2 x 4 (business card size) space with bigger spaces based on that core price (2 x 8 or 4 x 4 = \$50.00, 4 x 8 = \$100.00, etc). The initial offering is on a month to month basis.

The Arnada Newsletter is distributed to approximately 450-500 households and businesses within the Arnada Neighborhood as well as electronically through the Arnada electronic distribution lists. Publication both electronically and hand distribution usually occurs the weekend prior to the 2nd Thursday of each month.

To be included submit either a pdf or jpg file that we can use, or type up what you would like (in an MS Word document), and we will size it according to your wishes. You may also submit a logo that will work in B/W.

Submissions to:

arnadaneighborhood@gmail.com

Subject: Arnada Advertising

Advertising is printed by the neighborhood association and attached to the city-printed newsletter before distribution.

To receive your newsletter electronically,
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January ANA Meeting Minutes

Arnada Neighborhood Meeting

7pm, Thursday, January 12th, 2012
Vancouver Housing Authority
2500 Main Street

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 by Co-Chair Suze Marshall.

In attendance were eight neighborhood residents plus city liaison, Annette Griffy.

Brian Kenyon gave treasurer's reports for past two months. Balance in all accounts for the end of December is \$1,944.15. The total expense of the well attended and enjoyed Christmas party was \$224.88. Our balance as of January 12th is \$1959.69. We earned \$40 on Christmas tree disposal which was collection of 5 trees, cost of the disposal was covered personally by Bryan. Abbie Speilman moved, CarolLee Cotter seconded a motion to accept the treasurer's report; it was unanimously approved.

Suze called for a motion to approve the minutes as published in the January newsletter; Dan Birnseth so moved, Annette Griffy seconded, and the motion was approved.

Suze called for old business. Jeff Hamm was not available to discuss community gardens so that report was tabled. Bryan reported on ad sales last month of \$126.54 net after printing costs. That is the amount invoiced to advertisers but not all is yet collected. We have a couple new requests for February ads. Bryan was asked if he is willing to remain in charge of the advertising to which he agreed. He brought up that ads are being sold but not paid for. Receivables currently are \$375. The past dues for Nov and Dec are \$175. Suze brought up that it is customary for this type of advertising that payment is due on submission of final copy to advertiser. Suze suggests that we have a firm plan in place to handle this matter and indicated that this will be discussed further at the board meeting to be held on January 16.

Sara Douglas, our representative to the Neighborhood Transportation Safety Alliance (NTSA) reported. At the November Arnada meeting she asked for feedback on a proposal to have a Transportation Benefit District (TBD) which could add \$21 to each vehicle registration fee. \$21 could be added by City Council without a vote of citizens. At that time it was discussed and it appeared our association was not totally opposed but more information was wanted as well as a citizen vote. At the subsequent meeting of the NTSA, instead of a discussion, a vote was being taken on a resolution to support the TBD and funding for same. Sara abstained as she did not feel she had clear direction from ANA. After the NTSA meeting, an email went out asking NTSA members to check with their neighborhood association charters to see if the neighborhood reps have authority from the charter to vote for the voice of the association. Abbie stated that her understanding is that, according to our charter, there is a procedure for neighbors to vote on an issue, procedure which varies depending on time constraints. Suze then read the resolution aloud. The resolution as provided will be included in ANA records. No action was taken at this time. This issue will be further discussed at the next Arnada board meeting.

Jim Girard reported on minor route adjustments being made on newsletter deliveries. He also reported that we need to increase the number of ad pages we get printed from 650 to 700. He is in need for one to two more delivery people, mostly for routes in the southern end of the neighborhood. Suze brought up that our newsletter content is being further and further reduced. We are in need of a newsletter editor. We are in need of more people to write articles, even if only a paragraph. Newsletter deadline for February submission is January 20th. Deadline for March newsletter is February 17th. These are the dates by which content must arrive to Dan for layout. Time must be allowed prior to these dates for the article to be approved for submission by the board. Suze suggested we put biographies of the new officers in the Feb newsletter.

Jim Girard mentioned that Elsie of the recycling group communicated about the neighborhood clean up day. Earliest he was able to get for 2011 was the middle of June which worked out well. Suze commented that it was traditionally a spring

cleanup and that she preferred it be in April. Jim will check available dates for 2012 and report next month. He will bring dates to the board which will make a decision on dates.

New Business:

New officer elections: Suze asked for anyone interested in running for vice-chair to which there was no response. Suze established that seven people present were eligible to vote. Eligibility requires a minimum of attendance at 2 meetings in the past year. Vote results were as follows: For co-chairs, Suze Marshall and Jeff Hamm the vote was 7-0; for secretary CarolLee Cotter, 6 yeas, -1 nays (negative vote submitted by the candidate); Jim Girard, treasurer 7-0. Bryan Kenyon is willing to continue in his non board position of selling newsletter ads. Dan Birnseth is willing to continue as newsletter layout editor. Suze asked for anyone willing to be newsletter editor to which there was no response.

Annette brought up that Drue Russell, our Neighborhood Police Officer, sent an email soliciting volunteers for the Neighbors On Watch group. Deadline to apply for the group this time is January 26th. Contact information is www.Vanpolice.org or call 360 487-7467. Suze suggested we have N.O.W. offer a presentation at one of our meetings. Suze will extend the invitation.

Question asked by Karen Read regarding policy on our kiosk in terms of keeping it from being messy. Policy is that postings are removed after 30 days. Suze mentioned it needs some new cork. Suze will put kiosk discussion on agenda for next month. Board will discuss policy statement for kiosk. Karen is willing to informally monitor the tidiness of the kiosk.

Abbie brought up that a huge organized run went directly past her house a few months ago (probably the full marathon) and the homeowners got no notice. Annette says there is a city permit required. Annette will check to see if there's any requirement to notify the neighborhood association.

CarolLee suggested we spend two-three minutes brainstorming ideas for the neighborhood newsletter. We worked on an idea for including neighborhood kids' art. We morphed this idea into soliciting kids' articles about how they see the neighborhood, what do they like about the restau-

**ARTICLE NEEDED
HERE**

Do you have something you would contribute to our newsletter?

Do you enjoy gardening, astronomy, history, drawing, or anything else you could share with the neighborhood? Do you have a favorite Arnada story from the past?

We'd love to hear from you!

Please contact
arnadaneighborhood@gmail.com
for more information

**ARTWORK OR A
GAME NEEDED
HERE**

"History, despite its wrenching pain, cannot be unlived, but if faced with courage, need not be lived again."

-Maya Angelou

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rants, park, etc. Suze will ask Ice Cream Renaissance if they would like to partner with ANA to encourage kids to contribute to the newsletter. Sara will do NTSA update. We'd like to have someone write articles about gardening and other subjects they think that would be appropriate.

Jim brought up having someone from Arnada go to Uptown Village Business Association monthly meetings held at 8:00 a.m. At Pop Culture. He suggested one-two Arnadans attend. Jim also suggested that we pay the \$75 annual membership fee. No decision was made.

Suze called for suggestions on other possibilities of speakers for our meetings. Several options were brought up: fire department, NOW, CRESA (emergency preparedness), Uptown Village Business Association.

Suze brought up we will soon need to discuss repainting our street mural. CarolLee commented that unless paint is on hand, she would like it to be considered to change the white to yellow as it might hold up and look cleaner longer. Suze noted the lengthy planning and design process attributed to our mural in earlier years.

Sara will bring to NTSA again the neighborhood concerns about traffic studies, safety concerns and stop signs for 22nd Street.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM

Minutes submitted by: CarolLee Cotter

Secretary, Arnada Neighborhood Association

These minutes have been included to provide a summary of planning, comment and discussions held during the last meeting. ANA welcomes corrections to the minutes by email to the secretary or presented in person at the following monthly meeting before the minutes are approved.

2012 ANA Volunteers

Elected ANA Board:

Co-Chair: Suze Marshall
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Co-Chair: Jeff Hamm
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Clark County Animal Control
Weekdays 8:30 to 4:30 (360) 397-2488

File an online report at:
<http://www.co.clark.wa.us/development/animals/report.html>

Traffic Complaint Hotline 487-7402
Parking Hotline—619-1284

Please Report Crime! 911

Volunteers needed for the Arnada Neighborhood Newsletter

Delivery - Please contact Jim Girard if you would like to assist in delivering the ANA Newsletter. We are currently in need of a few substitute delivery teams.

Content - Any cartoonists out there willing to contribute their talents to the newsletter? How about a monthly puzzle? If you are interested in submitting material, articles, writing a column or contributing in any way to our newsletter, please contact Suze Marshall or Jeff Hamm.

Did You Know?

As a resident of Arnada you have access to many free neighborhood resources?

- Tool Library, includes ladders, garden tools
- Public forums and information about changes to the neighborhood
- Neighborhood parties & potlucks
- Annual free waste & Leaf disposal days
- Representation at meetings / workshops
- Free Community Garden

To find out more, attend a neighborhood meeting or send questions via email to:

arnadaneighborhood@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

February 2012

February 2nd -

8:30am - Uptown Village Association meets - Pop Culture

5 to 9pm - First Thursday Museum After Hours -

Clark County Historical Museum, Free Admission

<http://www.cchmuseum.org/>

6 to 7:30pm - Recycling Neighborhood -

Cascade Park Library, Community Room

February 3rd -

All Day - VSD Semester Break - No School

5 to 9pm - 1st Friday Art Walk - Downtown

February 4th, 7 to 8:30pm - Lantern Tour of Fort Vancouver

<http://www.nps.gov/fova> or 360-816-6230

February 9th, 7pm - ANA Meeting -

VHA Community Room, 2500 Main Street

February 11th, 1pm to 3pm - Water Resources Center -

Interesting Inventions

February 14th, 7 to 8:30pm - Neighborhood Alliance meeting

2nd Tuesday of each month at West Police Precinct

2800 Stapleton Road

February 17th - Deadline for submissions to the March Newsletter

February 18th, 7 to 8:30pm - Lantern Tour of Fort Vancouver

<http://www.nps.gov/fova> or 360-816-6230

February 20th, President's Day - VSD - No School

March 2012

March 1st -

8:30am - Uptown Village Association meets - Pop Culture

5 to 9pm - First Thursday Museum After Hours -

Clark County Historical Museum, Free Admission

<http://www.cchmuseum.org/>

March 2nd, 5 to 9pm - 1st Friday Art Walk - Downtown

March 4th - 4th Annual Fort Vancouver Run/Walk

Benefit for Fort Vancouver Trust

<http://www.energyevents.com/fortvancouverrun>

March 8th, 7pm - ANA Meeting -

VHA Community Room, 2500 Main Street

March 10th, 1pm to 3pm - Water Resources Center -

World Water Day

March 13th, 7 to 8:30pm - Neighborhood Alliance meeting

2nd Tuesday of each month at West Police Precinct

2800 Stapleton Road

March 16th, 12:30pm - Paddy Hough Parade

Begins at 1900 Daniels and runs down Main Street

March 17th, 9am - Vancouver Farmers Market opens @ 6th and Esther St

Saturdays 9 to 3, Sundays 10 to 3

March 23th - Deadline for submissions to the April Newsletter

** May 5th, 2012 - Neighborhood Clean-Up Day in Arnada

** June 16th, 2012 - Chipper Day in Arnada

** Tentative, Subject to Change

** - For more information, see the City of Vancouver's Website: <http://www.cityofvancouver.us/calendar.asp>

ANA = Arnada Neighborhood Association

VHA = Vancouver Housing Authority (2500 Main St.)

VSD = Vancouver School District

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