

Association Newsletter Fall 2023

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR: NEXT GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023 AT 7 PM LOCATION: ELKS CLUB - 11605 SE MCGILLIVRAY BLVD, VANCOUVER

If man asks for many laws, it is only because he is sure that his neighbor needs them; privately he is an unphilosophical anarchist, and thinks laws in his own case superfluous. --Will Durant

Fall brings brisk weather, spider webs on the garden wall, spice lattes and the distant roar of a football crowd. It's a time to get out and about, to pick some apples, wax the car, meet friends for coffee and get things moving again. The neighborhood too is bustling. Don't miss the general meeting in October and the Halloween Parade. See you out and about.

 Attend the General Meeting and enter to win a \$100 gift card to our local Neighborhood ACE Hardware store
Learn More about McGillivary Corridor traffic improvement

#### **CLEANUP DAY CLEANS UP**

Scores of neighbors turned out for the Joint Neighborhood Cleanup Day. Residents from Riveridge, Bella Vista, Lewis&Clark, Wildwood and SE Cascade thronged Riverview Elementary to dispose of trash and yard debris, collect scrap metal and exchange items 'too-good-to-toss'. Riveridge residents, led by Jeanna Rathmanner, provided dozens of volunteers to load City garbage trucks, haul away wood chips and direct traffic. The neighborhood had a cordial and productive morning, and we collected about \$400 from the scrap metal drive.

#### ICE CREAM SOCIAL SWEET SUCCESS

Our 2nd Annual Ice Cream Social was a crowd pleaser. Some 120 friends and neighbors gathered at Biddlewood Park to toss frisbees, blow soap bubbles, cavort in the bounce house and meet new neighbors. We had visits from Mayor McEnery-Ogle, our neighborhood police officer and a crew from the Vancouver Fire

#### **RIVERIDGE CONTACTS**

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Department. Pictures now on our own web site: https://riveridgewa.wixsite.com



#### HALLOWEEN PARADE SPOOKALICIOUS

Meet up Sunday October 29<sup>th</sup> 3 p.m. at the corner of 15th St. and 119th Avenue for the annual freaky fun Halloween Parade. Prizes for best and worst costume. Come out and see your neighbors dressed as pirates, zombies, astronauts, and more! Be all you can be and then some.

#### **ENTRANCE SIGNS**

Our Signage Committee has made great progress revamping the signage at the entrance of Cascade Park. The design has been finalized and a budget prepared. All RNA members are urged to attend the *General Meeting* at the Elks Club Tuesday 10/10/23 at 7 p.m. to review and vote on the community welcome signs.

#### MCGILLIVRAY CORRIDOR PROGRESS

Three finalist designs have been published for traffic improvement on McGillivray Blvd. All three designs reduce automobile traffic to two lanes – with various solutions for handling pedestrian and bicycle lanes, resident parking and emergency vehicles. Vancouver Traffic officials will be on hand to review the designs and discuss pros and cons at the upcoming General Meeting on Tuesday October 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### VANCOUVER WEBSITE REVAMPED

The City of Vancouver has launched a new website with enhanced tools, like a Parks and Trails Finder, an Open Data Hub and Public Meetings Calendar. Residents are encouraged to check it out: <a href="https://www.cityofvancouver.us/welcome-to-your-new-website/">https://www.cityofvancouver.us/welcome-to-your-new-website/</a>



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# Sunday, October 29 3 pm Corner of 15<sup>th</sup> St and 119<sup>th</sup> Ave

## Rain or shine

Everyone is invited to dress up (or not - your choice) and join the parade! If you'd rather just watch, that's fine too.

Candy for everyone (especially the kids) and a chance to see some amazing costumes and your amazing neighbors. Bring friends. It'll be a hoot.

