



Association Newsletter Summer 2024

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: NEXT GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2024 AT 7 PM

LOCATION: ELKS CLUB - 11605 SE MCGILLIVRAY BLVD, VANCOUVER

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- Attend the General Meeting and enter to win a \$100 gift card to one of our local businesses
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YARD SALE SMASH HIT

The neighborhood-wide Riveridge Yard Sale in early June was a great success. Hundreds of shoppers, both locals and visitors, thronged the neighborhood seeking good used clothing, sports gear, appliances, bargains, and treasures. Our neighborhood association provided publicity, signage, and maps, resulting in good attendance and a smooth flow of customers. Kudos to the Sales Committee, Laurie Bryson, Jennifer Wood and Louise Strong. We raised several hundred dollars for the association, added nine new members, and showed off Riveridge in all its flower-decked glory on a fine summer day.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL COMING SOON

Mark your calendars for the 3rd Annual Riveridge Ice Cream Social on Sunday July 21st. We'll meet at the south side of Biddlewood Park from 1-4. We'll have a bounce house, cornhole toss, soap bubbles, hopscotch, etc. And lots of good conversation. Free ice cream! Come out and meet your neighbors.

HOMELESS ISSUES PRESENTATION

Many residents have asked what Vancouver is doing about homeless persons wandering our neighborhood. We think it is a complex question that calls for more information. Come learn about homelessness at the meeting (July 9th) from Laura Ellsworth, a representative of the Council for the Homeless.

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CLEANUP DAY AROUND THE CORNER

Yard debris, bulky items, leftovers from the Annual Yard Sale – all will be received at the joint neighborhood Cleanup Day event being held at Riverview Elementary on September 11th. Mark your calendars, and join residents from Riveridge, Bella Vista, Lewis&Clark, and Wildwood to dispose of trash and yard debris, collect scrap metal and exchange items ‘too-good-to-toss’. The more volunteers from Riveridge that participate, the more our association benefits.

GRANT PROPOSALS

Riveridge has responded to the new City program to provide grants supporting local events and projects. We have submitted and had approved grant requests for the Ice Cream Social and for new signage at the entrance to our neighborhood. Do you have an idea for ways to improve the neighborhood? Bring your suggestions to the General Meeting on July 9th – and let’s KEEP Riveridge moving!

VANCOUVER ARTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL, AUG. 2-4, 2024

Free and open to all ages, the Vancouver Arts & Music Festival features award winning musicians, visual artists from across the region and talented local performers. Explore stages, pop-up galleries, art demonstrations, family activities and local food vendors in Esther Short Park and downtown Vancouver.

BENCH IN BIDDLEWOOD PARK

We are working with City officials to have an additional bench placed in Biddlewood. Currently, we have only a couple of benches in our 16-acre park, and none in the shade. The Parks Department is open to the proposal, but first needs community input. Where should we place it? How will it enhance park activities? How will RNA fund it – since the current costs for footing, bench, and labor run to \$6000? Come share your ideas at the General Meeting 7/9/24,

WILDFLOWER PALOOZA

We encourage all residents to check out the now mature plants in the Native Plant Island at the west end of 13th Street. Monkey flowers, pearly everlasting, poppies, and more. See what beauties spring up when you plant native.

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RIVERIDGE ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Sunday July 21st, 2023 1--4 p.m.

Riveridge Neighborhood Association presents

3RD ANNUAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT BIDDLEWOOD PARK

All residents are invited. We'll meet in the shade at the lower part of Biddlewood. We'll have a soap bubble stand, bocce ball, a bouncy house, sidewalk chalk, corn-hole toss, frisbees and more – or bring your own games. Bring your **chair(s)**. Ice cream treats and bottled water will be served. Sign in to join the community. Enjoy FREE ice cream! Meet your neighbors!

Bring the kids!