# DUBOIS PARK

### Neighborhood Association Newsletter

#### **NEXT MEETING**

October 23, 2024

6:30-7:30 pm

Vancouver Heights United Methodist Church, 5701 MacArthur Blvd

#### **OFFICERS**

President, Jennifer Lang

Vice President, Open Position

Secretary, Janice Ritter

Treasurer, Barbara Paulsen

City Liaison, Steve Kaspan, steve.kaspan@cityofvancouver.us

Neighborhood Police Officer, Jeremy Vanroyce, 360-487-7448, jeremy.vanroyce@cityofvancou

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#### 2024 Activity

Donations: \$911

Deductions: \$1,350.70

Balance: \$2,301.52

#### July 4th BBQ

Our annual July 4th parade and BBQ wouldn't happen without YOU.

We want to thank Janice Ritter and Eileen Chaimov for all their many hours of coordination and organization to make sure everything ran as smoothly as possible.

Here are a few of the neighbors who lended a hand: Jennifer McDonald, Jerry Lang, Rohan Benda, Don and Julie Clarkson, Barb Bersani, John Lippi and Scott Werner, Rick and Sandy Gales, Amy Boal, and Pat & Rick Freeman.

Did you notice the parade route was changed because of the construction? We had a lot of positive feedback on the shorter route, so we will do that again in 2025.

If we missed thanking someone, our apologies! Thank you to everyone who helped make the day special.

If you would like to volunteer with us next year or have suggestions for the BBQ, please email us at <a href="mailto:duboispark@gmail.com">duboispark@gmail.com</a>

#### How to Reach Us

Email: duboispark@gmail.com

Facebook: DuBois Park Neighborhood Association

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1688383734552024

### **Neighborhood Clean Up**

The neighborhood clean up in June 29, 2024 was a wonderful success. We made over \$200 in donations for our neighborhood and counted 273 loads come through. Waste Connections employees said it was one of the best events they have had all year. Thank you to our volunteers: Nancy, Ellen, Jennifer, Jerry, Janice, Scott and John for all their help.

Also, a warm thank you to the leaders of our surrounding neighborhoods for their coordination: Glenn of Northcrest and Dix of Evergreen Highlands.

The new location over at MAC Middle School worked very well and we hope to be able to hold it again there next year.

# Auto Theft Prevention Tips

Take your keys. One of five vehicles stolen had the keys in them.

Lock Your Car. Almost half of all vehicles stolen are left unlocked.

Don't 'Hide' A Second Set of Keys In Your Car. Most auto thieves where to look for 'hidden' keys and don't keep a spare set inside your car.

Don't Leave Your Car Running Unattended. Don't make it easy for a thief!

Don't Leave Valuables In Your Car. Auto prowl can often lead to auto theft.

Use A Theft Deterrent. Steering wheel locking devices and alarms provide deterrents against thefts. There are affordable ways to make your car harder to steal.

For additional auto theft prevention tips from the Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority visit WATPA at: www.waautotheftpreventionauthority.org.

# **Donations**

In the past your donations have helped cover the cost of our July 4th Picnic, offering a small "Welcome" gift to new neighbors, thank you gift cards to volunteers, meeting insurance and room rental fees for our meetings.

If you would like to donate to the neighborhood fund, please make checks payable to: <u>DuBois Park</u> <u>Neighborhood Association</u> and either drop or mail your check to:

Barbara Paulsen, 5004 Eureka Way, Vancouver WA 98661

Thank you to all who have made a donation in the past for your generosity!

# Bulky Item Pickup

https://www.cityofvancouver.us/services/garbage-recycling/

Did you miss the Neighborhood Clean up Day? No need to worry, you can still use the free Bulky Item Pickup Program and dispose of five (5) items too large or bulky to fit in a garbage cart. Customers are eligible for one (1) FREE curbside pickup each calendar year of up to five items. At the link above you will find signup instructions, commonly accepted items and items that are not accepted.

# New To The Neighborhood?

Welcome to all our new neighbors! Just a quick note to let you know have several ways to keep updated on what is happening which include emails from the Board, our Facebook group (search for DuBois Park Neighborhood Association), and this bi-annual newsletter. Our email address is: <a href="mailto:duboispark@gmail.com">duboispark@gmail.com</a>. Send us a note and we will add you to our group email blasts that are sent out occasionally (we try not to bombard your inbox). We also hold two in-person meetings a year. The next one is on October 23rd, so see the first page for all the details.

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# Fall Leaf Coupons & Tips to Help You Recycle Right

# Free classes offer something for everyone!

#### **RecycleU Classes**

Registration required: cityofvancouver.us/recycleu

#### Recycling Done Right: Recycling 101

Monday, Sept. 23, 5 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 30, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Whether you live in an apartment or house, own or rent, everyone is invited to join this informative class. Learn the basics and get all the latest tips about our regional garbage and recycling system.

#### Recycling 201: Beyond the Curb

Tuesday, Oct. 10, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Take the next step, and go beyond the basics of curbside recycling. Learn to identify and safely dispose of household hazardous waste. Discover a wide variety of recycling and reuse options available locally for plastic bags, appliances,

#### **Bonus: Organics 101**

bulky items and more.

Offered after most RecycleU classes. Learn what's accepted in the curbside organics service and the benefit of keeping food scraps out of the garbage.

Come grow your knowledge and sharpen your recycling skills!

Free classes offered through a partnership with Vancouver Solid Waste, Clark County Green Neighbors and Waste Connections. Contact: solidwaste@cityofvancouver.us

### **Composter Recycler Workshops**

Registration required: clarkcountycomposts.org

#### **Composting Field Training**

Saturday, Sept. 21, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 19, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

#### **Backyard Composting**

Wednesday, Oct. 9, 7 to 8 p.m.



#### **Red Worm Composting**

Wednesday, Oct. 16, 7 to 8 p.m.

#### **Lasagna Garden Composting**

Wednesday, Oct. 23, 7 to 8 p.m.

#### **Bokashi and Other Indoor Composting**

Wednesday, Oct. 30, 7 to 8 p.m.

#### **Green Cleaning**

Wednesday, Nov. 6, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

#### **Prevent Food Waste - Scrappy Cooking**

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Free, virtual workshops hosted by the Composter Recycler Program. Email for more details: info@clarkcountycomposts.org

# Free Leaf Disposal Coupon

Prevent street flooding – **never** blow or place leaves in the street.



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# **Vancouver and Clark County Residents Only**

Present this coupon at a participating drop-off location for up to 5 cubic yards of **leaves only**. No bags, trimmings, yard debris or mixed loads accepted.

### **Complete the following information:**

name:	
Street Address:	Zip:

City of Vancouver residents: Funding for this program is provided through your garbage rates. Clark County residents: Funding for this program is provided through Clark County Public Works.

# Valid October 1 – December 31, 2024

### **Drop-off locations:**

Call ahead to verify operating hours. Loads must be covered and secured.

#### **H&H Wood Recyclers**

8401 NE 117<sup>th</sup> Ave., Vancouver, WA 360-892-2805

#### West Van Materials Recovery Center

6601 NW Old Lower River Road, Vancouver, WA | 360-737-1727

#### **McFarlane's Bark**

8806 NE 117<sup>th</sup> Ave., Vancouver, WA 360-892-6125

#### **Triangle Resources**

612 SE Union Street, Camas, WA 360-834-7253



# Keep food scraps out of the garbage cityofvancouver.us/organics

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle works for food, too! Reducing food waste and keeping it out of the garbage has many benefits. Plan and shop smart for meals. Store and use leftovers. Compost food scraps with your curbside Organics service and/or backyard compost system.



# Convenient curbside pickup for bulky items cityofvancouver.us/bulkyitempickup

All Waste Connections customers are eligible for free pickups each year. One free pickup of an appliance, such as freezer or refrigerator. And one free pickup of up to five bulky items, such as mattresses or broken furniture.

Additional curbside pickups are available any time of of year for a fee. When items are in good condition, consider finding a donation option at recyclinga-z.com.

# Anti-freeze, batteries and motor oil: Curbside collection and drop-off locations recyclinga-z.com

Your garbage and recycling service includes collection of used anti-freeze, batteries and motor oil. Follow the guidelines below for correct preparation for setting out at your curb.

#### Anti-freeze and motor oil:

- 1. Pour into an empty one-gallon plastic jug with a screw-top lid.
- 2. Use separate containers for oil and antifreeze; do not mix.
- 3. Place jug(s) next to your recycling cart. Use a location where jugs won't be hit by vehicles.



#### **Batteries:**

- 1. Tape the ends.
- 2. Place in a sealed, clear plastic bag.
- 3. Place on top of your recycle cart lid.

Household sizes include alkaline and rechargeable AA, AAA, C, D, button cell, 9 volt and other similar sized batteries. Lithiumion, vehicle or other lead acid batteries are not accepted.

Look up convenient and safe disposal at recyclinga-z.com.

#### **Central Transfer and Recycling**

11034 NE 117<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vancouver | 360-256-8482 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday | **Household Hazardous Waste Hours:** 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday

West Van Materials Recovery Center 6601 NW Old Lower River Road, Vancouver 360-737-1727 | 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Closed Sunday Household Hazardous Waste Hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday

#### **Washougal Transfer Station**

4020 S Grant Street, Washougal | 360-835-2500 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Closed Sunday | **Household Hazardous Waste Hours:** 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. first and third Saturday of each month

## There are many options for disposing of leaves and other yard debris.

Consider taking advantage of these local resources:

## **Curbside Yard Debris or Organics**

Depending on where you live, subscribe to have leaves and more collected at the curb, wcnorthwest.com/yard-debris or wcnorthwest.com/organics

### **Organics 101 Classes**

Sign up for a free RecycleU class, cityofvancouver.us/recycleu

### **Backyard Composting**

Join Clark County's free Composter Recycler workshops, **clarkcountycomposts.org** 

#### **Leave the Leaves**

Leaving your leaves creates a natural mulch to suppress weeds and support various pollinators with winter cover.



Learn more: cityofvancouver.us/leafcoupon

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