TRUMAN NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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Thursday, May 23, 2019, 6:30-8:00 pm TRUMAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING

at the American Legion Hall, Smith Reynolds Post #14, 4607 NE St. James Road.

(Enter parking lot from St. James Rd., if St. Johns Rd. entrance is closed)

MAY MEETING AGENDA

- Welcome
- Treasurer Report
- Introductions of your new TNA Council members/officers
- Guest Speakers:
 - * Shawn Henessee, County Manager
 - * Mitch Nickolds, Director/Community Development
- Update on projects/events
- ♦ Social Time

2019 UPCOMING EVENTS

May 23: Truman Neighborhood Association General Meeting

July 19-20: Annual Truman Neighborhood Yard Sale

August 6: National Night Out Against Crime

October 24: Truman Neighborhood Association General Meeting

Begin collecting donations for Helping Hands Project

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Whether you own or rent, all neighbors within our boundaries are welcome.

Please see the Boundary Map on page 6.

TNA Council Election Results



At the Truman Neighborhood Association meeting on March 28th elections were held for this year's Council members. On April 9th, the new Council met to elect the new officers from our ranks:

Chair: Cherryl Burkey Vice-Chair: **Barry Tweed** Treasurer: Margaret Snitzler Secretary: Teresa Tweed Council At-Large Members: Kenneth Rose

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We would like to say a special thank you to David Benedictus who served as the TNA Chair for 2 years. And a huge thanks to long time members who have stepped down this year: Donna Benedictus and Sally Rose.

We also have a new Newsletter Editor, Fay Bosman. We placed an ad in our last newsletter and were rewarded with several neighbors volunteering for the position. It is heartwarming to see neighbors wanting to be involved in keeping our Truman neighborhood connected and strong. Thank you to those who answered our call for help.



EVENT CANCELLATIONS:

* TNA Annual Bike Safety & Fun Fair

Due to the construction of the new Truman Elementary School and liability issues, this event, which is usually held the first part of June, has been cancelled.

Once all the dust settles, we will be excited to let you know when the event will be held again.



* TNA Annual BBQ & Potluck

This favorite September event is also cancelled this year, due to the new Truman Elementary school construction and liability issues. We anticipate that we will be able to schedule this at the new school next year.

BIKE CLARK COUNTY has been a big supporter of the TNA Bike Safety & Fun Fair and has worked with us over the years and we would like to share the kids and youth in Clark County involved in bike edfollowing information with you:

Saving Bikes from Landfills.

What happens to bikes that are donated at our shop? We do our best to make the most of everything that comes in. Whenever possible we refurbish them, and offer them for sale on our shop floor, or for donation through one of our programs. If bikes are too far gone to be fixed up, a local metal scrapper picks them up once a week for recycling. So even though we can't save all of them, our efforts ensure the best possible fate for our beloved metal friends.

https://bikeclarkcounty.org

Please support **BCC!**

Your cash or bicycle donation means getting more ucation and robust bicycle advocacy for all.





6th Annual Truman
Neighborhood Yard Sale
Friday & Saturday
July 19th & 20th , 2019
9am – 4pm

Can't seem to get your car into the garage, or find space in your closet or under the beds to store anything else?

We have a solution for you! Participate in our neighborhood yard sale. Large sale events like this attract a lot of people from other areas.

To participate and be included on our map, sign up, by July 14th, by emailing us at <u>trumanneighborhood@gmail.com</u>.

* Please include: Your name, Address, Email, Phone number, and which days you will participate (Friday, Saturday or both days). Note: Contact information other than your address is for the organizers' use only, in case we need to contact you for any reason.

We place yard sale signs around the neighborhood at the major intersections and streets, directing people to your sale. We try to get enough directional signs out on the side streets, but you are responsible for any additional signs needed to make sure people find you.

A map of all participating yard sellers will be emailed to you, showing the location of other sellers. Please post this map at your yard sale. This will assist buyers in getting around our neighborhood. If possible, please make copies of the map to give to people. We've found that this really helps everyone.

We list our Neighborhood Yard Sale on Nextdoor, Facebook and Craigslist, along with a map of our neighborhood showing where the yard sales are located.

Vancouver Parks & Recreation

Looking for something to keep our kids busy this summer or during school holiday breaks? Check out the Vancouver Parks & Recreation website.

See the great recreation options for adults too!

www.cityofvancouver/parksrec



Recycling & Trash: Tips for Shredded Paper

During the past year or so, there has been a sharp reduction in recycling exports markets because of the low quality of the materials. Much of what was being sent was contaminated with food waste, broken glass, or other materials that could not be readily recycled.



So, please: *Recycle right from the start!* (www.cityofvancouver.us/recycleright)

We know that there will be a need to shred paper as long as there are bills and credit card offers in the mail. However, shredded paper is NOT accepted in curbside recycling carts.

Here are some options for shredded paper:

Drop your pre-shredded paper off at a transfer station for secure recycling at no cost. Shredded paper from a truck or service provider gets baled and does not have to be sorted before it heads to a paper mill.

Add shredded paper to a worm bin or compost bin at home.

Or check the RecycleRight app to get the names of private services that will take your paper for shredding for a fee.

Remember that if you have doubts as to whether something can be properly recycled, please put it in the trash. So, if these options for shredded paper don't work for you, it's OK to put it in the garbage cart. No guilt.

How to "Green Clean"

Want to help the environment and your wallet?

Follow these simple recipes to make your own cleaners:

ALL PURPOSE CLEANER

3 cups warm water

1 teaspoon washing soda

2 tablespoons white vinegar

2 tablespoons vegetable oil soap

1 spray bottle

optional / a few drops essential oil Mix everything but soap in spray bottle and shake. Add soap last. Mix gently. Apply and wipe clean.

Good for countertops, floors, walls, woodwork, appliances, etc.

WINDOW CLEANER

2 cups warm water

1/4 cup white vinegar

½ cup rubbing alcohol

1 tablespoon cornstarch

1 spray bottle

Mix ingredients in spray bottle.

Use as you would any glass cleaner.

SAFER SCRUBBER

½ cup water

2 tablespoons vinegar

½ cup vegetable oil soap

1 cup baking soda

1 quart size jar with lid

optional / a few drops essential oil

Add water first, then vinegar and soap. Stir in baking soda.

Good for sinks, tubs, showers, etc.

(From the March 2019 Green Newsletter. www.ClarkCountyComposts.org)



I read that 4,153,237 people got married last year. Not to cause any trouble, but shouldn't that be an even number?

Relationships are a lot like algebra. Have you ever looked at your X and wondered Y?

I find it ironic that the colors red, white, and blue stand for freedom, until they are flashing behind you.

Money talks. but all mine ever says is, 'Good-bye'.

Money can't buy happiness, but it keeps the kids in touch!

10 Things You Can Do to Avoid Fraud

Crooks use clever schemes to defraud millions of people every year. They often combine new technology with old tricks to get people to send money or give out personal information. Here are some practical tips to help you stay a step ahead.

Spot imposters. Scammers often pretend to be someone you trust, like a government official, a family member, a charity, or a company you do business with. Don't send money or give out personal information in response to an unexpected request whether it comes as a text, a phone call, or an email.

Do online searches. Type a company or product words like "review," "complaint" or "scam." Or tion, like "IRS call." You can even search for reported them as scams.

Don't believe your caller ID. Technology makes mation, so the name and number you see aren't or personal information, hang up. If you think to a number you know is genuine.

Don't pay upfront for a promise. Someone debt relief, credit and loan offers, mortgage aswon a prize, but first you have to pay taxes or money and disappear.

Consider how you pay. Credit cards have signifiment methods don't. Wiring money through risky because it's nearly impossible to get your cards (like MoneyPak or Reloadit) and gift cards offices and honest companies won't require

Talk to someone. Before you give up your someone you trust. Con artists want you to threaten you. Slow down, check out the story, just tell a friend.

name into your favorite search engine with search for a phrase that describes your situaphone numbers to see if other people have the caller might be telling the truth, call back things you can do to

it easy for scammers to fake caller ID inforalways real. If someone calls asking for money

might ask you to pay in advance for things like sistance, or a job. They might even say you've fees. If you do, they will probably take the

cant fraud protection built in, but some payservices like Western Union or MoneyGram is money back. That's also true for reloadable (like iTunes or Google Play). Government you to use these payment methods.

money or personal information, talk to

make decisions in a hurry. They might even do an online search, consult an expert — or

1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357

Hang up on robocalls. If you answer the phone and hear a recorded sales pitch, hang up and report it to the FTC. These calls are illegal, and often the products are bogus. Don't press 1 to speak to a person or to be taken off the list. That could lead to more

Be skeptical about free trial offers. Some companies use free trials to sign you up for products and bill you every month until you cancel. Before you agree to a free trial, research the company and read the cancellation policy. And always review your monthly statements for charges you don't recognize.

Don't deposit a check and wire money back. By law, banks must make funds from deposited checks available within days, but uncovering a fake check can take weeks. If a check you deposit turns out to be a fake, you're responsible for repaying the bank.

Sign up for free scam alerts from the FTC at ftc.gov/scams. Get the latest tips and advice about scams sent right to your inbox.

If you spot a scam, report it at ftc.gov/complaint. Your reports help the FTC and other law enforcement investigate scams and bring crooks to justice.

(From: https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0060-10-things-you-can-do -avoid-fraud)



TRUMAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BOUNDARIES



North: NE 52nd St through to NE 51st St, ending at NE 56th Av

East: NE 54th Av (between SR-500 & NE 47th St), NE 47th St (between NE 54th Av & NE 56th Av), NE 56th Av north

to NE 51st St South: SR-500

West: St. Johns Rd (following Vancouver city boundary)

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD . . . YOUR IDEAS

Perhaps you would like to start a Truman book club or quilting club; maybe you like being outdoors and want to get a group together to help our older neighbors with light yard work . . . We can help by getting the word out in our newsletter or maybe with information on who to contact to implement a project you would like to start. Your TNA Council would like to hear about your ideas and any suggestions you have. We look forward to hearing from you.

Contact us at trumanneighborhood@gmail.com or call 360-696-8562.