West Hazel Dell Neighborhood Association

February 27, 2019 Meeting Reminder

WINTER WHDNA MEETING Wednesday, February 27

in the Fireplace Room at Clearwater Springs Assisted Living Center, 201 NW 78th Street **Starts at 6:30, goes until 8:00 p.m.**



ACCESSIBLE HOUSING: NOW & TOMORROW

In 2016, the Commission on Aging focused on housing, especially for people 50 and older. Their research revealed that 87 percent of people prefer to **retire in place** and will need **accessible**, **affordable housing**. Whether housing is a multi- or singlefamily dwelling or in an urban, suburban or

rural area, most homes will need to be retrofitted or remodeled for people's changing needs. For some people, building a new home tailored to their evolving needs is an option.

In 2016 the year-long focus culminated with a **housing summit** that brought community leaders together to discuss how we can help better shape the housing market to meet the needs of all consumers. Since that time the Commission on Aging has also been exploring the transportation needs of our aging population as well to help provide a more encompassing picture. New information and resources have been gathered since that time.

https://www.clark.wa.gov/community-planning/commission-aging

Marian Anderson, past vice-chair of the Clark County Commission on Aging, will be presenting an informative and enlightening review of what is currently available in accessible housing in our area. She has been an active part of the Commission on Aging and will be able to provide answers to your questions and directions to resources you or your family members may need now or soon.

CLARK COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 6 CALENDAR NOTE

This year's Fire District 6 Open House is scheduled for **Saturday**, **June 1st from 12:00-4:00 pm** at Station 1, 8800 NE Hazel Dell Avenue. This is such a fun, family-oriented event.

Get it on your calendars now and gather your group together for fun, food and firefighters!



If you live within the West Hazel Dell Neighborhood Association (WHDNA) boundaries, you are a "member" of our neighborhood association.

We begin at the Vancouver city limits, on the north we go to NE 104th Street, on the east we stop at NE Hazel Dell Avenue, and on the west our boundary is Vancouver Lake.

To make the association work for everyone, we need input – about good, bad, strange, or new things.

E-mail me at whdna@comcast.net and we'll add your e-mail address to our list to send meeting reminders and info on community events.

Leave a phone message for me at (360) 573-7376.

I'll get back to you as soon as I can.

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Pledge to Reduce your Waste (and win prizes) with WasteBusters!

It's that time of year again... <u>WasteBusters</u> is right around the corner! This annual online waste-reduction challenge allows you to choose a pledge to cut back on your garbage. Signing up means you reduce waste and learn new habits for the better.



This year, you can choose from three pledges:

- 1. Eliminate single use cups by bringing your own mug
- 2. Use no single-use grocery bags
- 3. Plan your daily meals

Pick your pledge, sign up on the <u>WasteBusters page</u>, and let the challenge begin. It's just that easy! And of course, there will be prizes! By earning over 500 points, you'll be entered in the chance

to win a **grand prize**. Many other prizes, including <u>Chico Bags</u>, a <u>Hydroflask</u> coffee mug, and a <u>Rocketbook</u> reusable notepad, will be awarded to other over 500 point-earners.

But how do you earn points? When you post updates, photos, or other signs that you are fulfilling your pledge to the WasteBusters page, you automatically receive points. There will also be bonus challenges or polls where you can earn even more.

One way to earn plenty of points is by attending the WasteBusters Launch Party on March 1! This free event will feature food, giveaways, and a special guest speaker. Join us on **March 1** at 5pm in the Columbia Bank community room (101 East 6th St., Downtown Vancouver) for this special waste-busting event.

The challenge will end this year on March 20 at the <u>Green Awards</u>. Earn 100 points just for attending, meet other WasteBusters participants, and enjoy this annual event meant to highlight some of our community's best environmental champions. Hosted by improve group <u>Curious Comedy</u>, it's sure to be a fun night!

WasteBusters signups will open on February 1, and you have until March 15 to sign up. Do your part to reduce waste, and <u>pledge for change!</u>



Friday, March 1st FREE ADMISSION

Columbia Bank Community Room 101 East 6th St., Downtown Vancouver

Doors open 5pm | Speaker 5:30pm

Enter the raffle to win fun prizes!

Join us to hear from a special guest, meet local groups, and learn more about your pledge. And of course, enjoy tasty snacks, win prizes and enter a raffle!

All are welcome at this free event; you can sign up for a WasteBusters pledge before or at the event.

www.wastebusters.green



Clark Communities Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee meets regularly at the Center for Community Health, 1601 E. Fourth Plain Blvd., Conference Room 210C. For more information and meeting schedule for the BPAC, go to: https://www.clark.wa.gov/community-planning/

WSDOT, Clark County & BNSF Railway schedule meeting on landslides

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is teaming up with Clark County, BNSF Railway, and other state agencies to share information about landslides with residents in your area. The session will offer interactive presentations on topics that include the causes, warning signs, prevention strategies, and available resources related to landslides in the greater Vancouver area. Round-table discussions will allow residents to ask questions of experts and share their own experiences. Those <u>living near bluffs and/or hilly terrain</u> should be particularly interested in attending.

We wanted to get this session on your calendars as early as possible and we plan to reach out to residents in mid-February with the invitations. Let us know how to make sure that we reach those in your area. Here are the details:

Landslide Community Education Session

March 12, 2019 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm
Jefferson Middle School, 3000 NW 119th Street, Vancouver, WA
CONTACT for questions: **Janet Matkin**, Communications Manager
WSDOT Rail, Freight and Ports Division; 360.705.7966; MatkinJ@wsdot.wa.gov



I recently participated in the **William D**. **Ruckelshaus Center's** work session on their "**Road Map to Washington's Future.**" This project was allocated in 2016 by Washington

legislators to articulate a vision of Washington's desired future and identify additions, revisions, or clarifications to the state's growth management framework of laws, institutions, and policies needed to reach that future. That report will be out by the end of June and I will provide a summary as well as contact information.

My thanks to our NA treasurer, <u>Laurel Whitehurst</u>, and <u>Marian Anderson</u> for handling this meeting in my absence. I have a lengthy family obligation in Canada until March 1st. *Thanks!*

We are <u>not</u> a non-profit 50l(c)(3) organization; any <u>direct</u> contributions to WHDNA are not tax-deductible. However, our neighborhood association works with Three Creeks Community Partners ("TCCP") along with several other NAs in our area with a focus on youth, elderly, and the Heritage Farm at 78th Street. TCCP <u>is</u> a non-profits and donations to WHDNA requiring a tax receipt should be made out to "TCCP", noting "WHDNA" in the memo area. A tax receipt will be mailed to you along with our appreciation. As a winter event TCCP, in conjunction with NE Hazel Dell NA, Sherwood Hills NA, and West Hazel Dell NA sponsored another very successful holiday event at Sarah J. Anderson Elementary School, complete with presents, Santa, free bikes to drawing winners, and food baskets for low income families. Any donations made to the WHDNA directly are appreciated and help defray expenses. Presently all our expenses are covered by the board and resident donations. *Thanks!*

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https://www.clark.wa.gov/county-manager/west-hazel-dell

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Clearwater Springs Assisted Living Center, 201 NW 78th Street
We'll be discussing **Accessible Housing—Now & Tomorrow**.



HEADS UP—CALENDAR REMINDER FOR THIS YEAR'S PARADE OF BANDS

This year's annual **HAZEL DELL PARADE OF BANDS** is scheduled for <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May</u> <u>18</u>, <u>Armed Forces Day</u>. Our theme is "Follow Your Dream" and our Grand Marshal is the former Miss Clark County. The activities begin at the station house at Fire District 6, 8800 NE Hazel Dell Avenue at 7:00 with the Lions Club annual breakfast (\$6.50 for adults, \$5.50 for seniors and kids); the breakfast runs until 10:00.

The general parade starts at 10:30 from the fire station.

Residents will have limited access across Hazel Dell Avenue and no access to the 78th Street off-ramps to the I-5 freeway after 10:00. The route is from 8800 Hazel Dell Avenue, south to 63rd Street - Minnehaha Street, east across the freeway overpass to NE Highway 99, and north to 78th Street where marchers will turn east and disband into the parking area. Clark PUD will furnish water there. (Let me know if you need help in exiting your property during the parade -10:30–1:30 is the estimated period.)