

# West Hazel Dell Neighborhood Association 2022 MAY NEWSLETTER



**Welcome to the world of Zoom meetings.** We are arranging with Clark County Outreach office for a May Zoom neighborhood association (“NA”) meeting to be held at 6:30 pm on Thursday, May 12, 2022. The link to that meeting is:

<https://bit.ly/WestHazelDell-MayMeeting>

Later in the summer we will have access to hybrid meetings; meaning either in-person or via Zoom, whichever you are more comfortable with. The hybrid in-person meetings will all be scheduled at the 78th Street Public Works facility (just off NE St. Johns Road).

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Our **Clark County Fire District 6** (“CCFD6”) Chief **Kristan Mauer** has been invited to speak at our May neighborhood association meeting. Chief Mauer, our very own perfect example of the progress of a firefighting female, has been at the helm of CCFD6 for two years. Busy years, through an excess of extraordinary changes and challenges.

From CCFD6 website: “It’s no mystery that Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians have been very busy the last two years. We were the first fire agency to treat COVID-19 patients in Clark County, and that’s a small percentage of overall medical calls to which we respond. Out of the 8,353 calls that we responded to in 2021, a whopping **87% were emergency medical calls.**”



“The growth rate for Clark County has increased about 19% since 2010. To provide some perspective of that growth, in 2017 we responded to 7114 emergency calls, versus 8,353 last year. We expect that number to grow in 2022 and beyond.”

**CCFD6 open house is Saturday, June 4, noon to 4 pm.**

If you live within the West Hazel Dell Neighborhood Association (WHDNA) boundaries, you are a “member” of our neighborhood association. No form, no fee, just sort of a captive audience.

WHDNA begins at the southern Vancouver city limits; on the north we go to NE 104<sup>th</sup> Street, NE 11th Avenue and NE 99th Street; on the east we stop at NE Hazel Dell Avenue, and on the west our boundary is the City of Vancouver border. To make the association work for everyone, we need input – about good, bad, strange, or new things.

Check this out: [www.bikeclarkcounty.org](http://www.bikeclarkcounty.org)

**Parade of Bands** is on Saturday, May 21 from 10:30-1:30

It’s a great family fun time and only happens once a year!

## HAZEL DELL PARADE OF BANDS—MAY 21st

On the third Saturday of May our country celebrates **Armed Forces Day**. Hazel Dell celebrates with the **HAZEL DELL PARADE OF BANDS** - this year on **Saturday, May 21st**. 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**; it runs until 10:00. The Parade of Bands starts at 10:30 from the fire station, 8800 NE Hazel Dell Avenue.



The commentators and CTVV filming will be done from the **People's Community Federal Credit Union** (7403 NE Hazel Dell Avenue) in case you'd like to see yourself in the parade coverage later when it rebroadcasts. This is the location for prior years (pre-Covid) and works well. As always we aim for fewer gaps in the process by filming early. The 2022 parade theme is "**We're Back in the Saddle Again.**" We are honoring our long-time board member, community volunteer and creator of **Clark County Live!**, **Mitch Canton** as **Parade Grand Marshal**. Bring your blankets, lawn chairs, friends and family and come out and celebrate the 150 years of county fair fun with us. It's a great family and community event! **MAKE A DAY OF IT!**



The annual Parade of Bands is organized by the **Hazel Dell/Salmon Creek Business Association** and is paid for by that organization and a number of generous sponsoring member businesses and individuals in our community. This year's primary sponsor is **RV inn Style Resorts.com**. We thank them for their sponsorship helping us provide the first in-person parade since Covid hit. Volunteers from several county and local agencies donate their time to help make this parade memorable every year. You can expect at least 28 band entries

Residents will have limited access across Hazel Dell Avenue and no access to the 78<sup>th</sup> Street off-ramps to the I-5 freeway after 10:00. The route is from 8800 Hazel Dell Avenue, south to 63<sup>rd</sup> Street - Minnehaha Street, east across the freeway to NE Highway 99, and north to 78<sup>th</sup> Street where marchers will turn east to disband into the parking area. Clark PUD will furnish water there. From **10:00 to 2:00 is the estimated impact period** on parade day. If you have an access issue, **PLEASE let me know EARLY**; not on Parade Day, but before so I can get with the CCSO officer to work out a route and a time to safely cross the parade route. The map of the parade route (from the fire station on NE Hazel Dell Avenue south to NE 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, where it turns east across the I-5 freeway overpass onto NE Highway 99 and continues to NE 78<sup>th</sup> Street where it turns east (again) into the parking lot along NE 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue) is available on the HDSCBA.ORG website and in the parade packet

Kindred Homestead Supply hosts **The Downtown Alley Flea Market** this summer March through October on the second Saturday each month, 9 am—4 pm at 606 Main Street, (360) 719-2745. With over 20 vendors, support your local community of collectors, makers, movers, and shakers. If you are interested in participating in the flea market as a vendor, please visit the application form using this link: <https://forms.gle/7DSTG6m6wXfZLoR97>. Dates: 5/14; 6/11; 7/9; 8/13; 9/10; 10/8.

I recently participated in a **Recycling 101** class, a joint endeavor with City of Vancouver and Waste Connections, our curb-side refuse handler in Clark County. I've included some reminders; more will appear in the next WHDNA newsletter. I was embarrassed that I learned so much. The Waste Connections website is full of excellent guidelines on what can and can't be handled curb-side. Check out [recyclehelp@wasteconnections.com](mailto:recyclehelp@wasteconnections.com) or call their customer service (360) 892-5370.

Most of the recycling picked up at the curb is handled by human personnel and mechanical means. That is why it is so important that **everything in the Big Blue Bin is CLEAN, DRY AND EMPTY!** It seems obvious, but from the images we saw, it is not quite so. Part of the reason for this is to avoid contamination with other items in the bins and part is basic worker safety.

- **NEVER put PLASTIC BAGS in the Big Blue Bin!** This jams up the machinery and causes costly shutdowns while the equipment is manually pulled out which is a dangerous job. This adds to the cost of the process and THAT costs US all money. Plastic bags are **garbage** and can only be reprocessed in special bins (often at grocery stores).
- **WHAT ABOUT lids?** Here is the rule about keeping lids on bottles, jars, jugs, tubs:
- If they have **screw-on lids**, it's **OK** to include in the Big Blue Bin with lid screwed on.
- If they have **click-on lids**, **DO NOT** include the lids on the bottle in the Big Blue Bin.
- In general, nothing smaller than a postcard (3'X5") or your fist is acceptable. Anything smaller, whether paper, a piece of plastic, or a prescription bottle will fall through the belts and cannot be recycled.
- So those grocery store and restaurant receipts = **garbage**.
- Paper wrappers from straws are another example of, well, **garbage**.
- Shredded non-recyclable paper or personal info, again = **garbage** (put in bag first).
- And then there are "**flats:**" **NO FLAT LIDS** (from cottage cheese, yogurt) just **garbage**.
- Individual yogurt cups are acceptable, but not their peel-off lids.

No Styrofoam at the curb; there's a special site to take it to yourself.

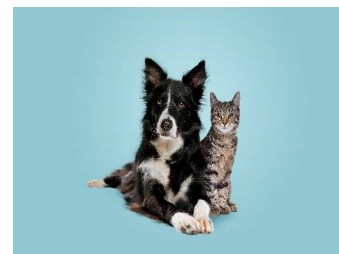
Aerosol cans are acceptable **IF** they will no longer spray (in other words, EMPTY).

And finally, think three-dimensional: **don't crush milk bottles, cartons, or boxes.**

I really had fun getting sorted out on things I had been including (think receipts and crushed milk jugs). Having the three-dimensional image in my head helped a lot. The easier we make their job, the easier it will be on our budgets.

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*Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> the annual **Walk for the Animals** sponsored by the Humane Society for Southwest Washington was held again this year. All the fun started at Esther Short Park, with walkers, runners and their four-legged animal friends. The goal is to garner funding to continue to support their services for the pets in our community. While the **Walk for the Animals** is over for 2022, the fundraising need is ongoing. Please visit their website and consider a donation. <https://www.southwesthumane.org>. Thank you.*



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**SEE INSIDE** for information about our virtual ZOOM meeting on  
Thursday, May 12 at 6:30 PM and the Parade on Saturday, May 21!



### **A message from your president:**

Our neighborhood association (NA) includes over **4,632** homes and more than **11,500** individuals. Providing information to a diverse group that large takes some time, but is also a rewarding enterprise. During Covid it has been quiet as far as neighborhood meetings go. Not so quiet when you consider all the county has been going through. It is difficult to assess exactly what our diverse community finds interesting. That means residents are exposed to what interests me as your president and newsletter editor. I am always open to ideas from residents who have a different variety of interests—please, just let me know what you want to know about and I'll see what I can find out.

It is an unpaid volunteer post, as are the board positions. Currently, we are soliciting board members who could act as conduits for the widespread areas of West Hazel Dell NA boundaries. I would be surprised if this would take an hour or two a month and I will welcome anyone who is genuinely interested in seeing WHDNA continue to thrive. Clark County prints and mails our newsletters and provides a NA listing on its website. Many neighbors are using Nextdoor to connect one another. We have options available to connect. We need people.

I want to ensure the WHDNA continues to have representation at the Neighborhood Association Councils of Clark County (NACCC) monthly meetings. I am the vice-chair of NACCC and recognize its value. [whdna@comcast.net](mailto:whdna@comcast.net) (360) 573-7376 most evenings