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Safety will take center stage at the LNA general membership meeting

May marks a return to in-person LNA meetings at the Laurelhurst Club.

By TJ Browning, At-Large Representative

What the **#\$&;%** is going on?!?!?

Last month the LNA Safety Committee sent a survey to neighbors who have been reporting livability and safety problems. Over 80 people ranked 10 frequently reported neighborhood issues by their order of importance and many added comments. Addressing some high priorities issues are the subject of this month's LNA membership meeting.

"I sat on hold over two hours for a non-emergency operator!"

City-wide reports of long waiting time on both 911 and the non-emergency reporting lines are common. Come with your concerns and questions. Learn how to correctly use all city reporting numbers and relieve some of the overload from inappropriate calls.

"Why won't the Fire Bureau respond to open fires?" Portland Fire Bureau has refused to respond to reports of open fires. Many have reported a 911 three question screening process. Why is this happening? Can we get fire trucks to respond?

"No License plates and sitting for days, why won't the city tow this car?"

Why are so many unlicensed vehicles in our neighborhood parked for days? This is illegal. Can't the city tow or at least ticket?

Representatives from BOEC (911), the Fire Bureau and Parking enforcement have accepted our invitation to speak with us and answer questions.

STEVE MAWDSLEY, CPE, Asst. Operations Manager Bureau of Emergency Communications (BOEC)

LT. LAURENT PICARD, Public Education Officer/Assistant Public Information Officer Portland Fire and Rescue **MIKE KREBS**, Parking Division manager for Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT)

Due to the high rankings of multiple safety concerns, LNA's first Safety Summit is scheduled the following week, May 17th, to address more of the high-ranking issues (Safety Summit info on page 3).

LNA Board Elections May 10th

Neighbors can cast ballots in person at the annual general membership meeting at the Laurelhurst Club.

Beginning May 10th, neighbors have three options to cast their votes for the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association Board of Directors:

- In person at the annual general membership meeting at the Laurelhurst Club, 6:30 PM, Tuesday, May 10th
- In person at the Laurelhurst Club, **Wednesday**, **May**11th from 9 AM to 11 AM
- Cast a digital ballot available on the LNA website (<u>laurelhurstpdx.org</u>) beginning at 7 PM Tuesday, May 10th. Digital ballots are available for 24 hours.

Election results will be announced by Friday, May 13th. You can read statements from neighbors who've declared their candidacy by this printing deadline on pages 5-7. Candidate statements can also be reviewed on the LNA website. Neighbors can self-nominate from now until the annual general membership meeting. With the new bylaws that were recently approved, directors will each serve a two-year term, with half the positions being voted on each year. However, to get started with this overlapping terms arrangement, this year half of the positions will be elected to a one-year term and the other half to a regular two-year term.

For two-year term: President, Secretary, NE Quadrant Representative, NW Quadrant Representative, and General Neighborhood Representative. This election, for one-year term: Vice President, Treasurer, SE Quadrant Representative, SW Quadrant Representative, and Neighborhood Coalition Representative.

Have questions about the election? Email **LNABoard@googlegroups.com**.

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May 17 LNA Safety Summit 7:00 PM at The Laurelhurst Club, 3721 Se Ankeny St

Laurelhurst Diversity Equity and Inclusion Group 6:30 PM, Email dei.laurelhurst@gmail.com for details

LNA Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 pm at The Laurelhurst Club, 3721 Se Ankeny St

June 18 Laurelhurst Neighborhood Garage Sale 3600 SE Ankeny Street on the north side of the park

Laurelhurst Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Group 6:30 PM, Email <u>dei.laurelhurst@gmail.com</u> for details

July 12 LNA Board of Directors Meeting
6:30 pm at The Laurelhurst Club, 3721 Se Ankeny St

Have an upcoming event you'd like to share in the newsletter? Send an email with details to laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com.

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Editor's Note

By Sydney Bubsy, LNA Newsletter Editor

This month, neighbors will cast ballots for the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association Board of Directors. (May 10th–mark your calendars!)

I was chatting with one of my neighbors about the elections. He's an active volunteer at Laurelhurst School and his background and experience would make him a great asset to the LNA. When I asked if he'd consider running for a position on the board he said he couldn't because his wife serves on the PTA and they meet at the same time as the LNA.

This got me thinking about the barriers in place that keep people from serving on the board or volunteering for committees. Ultimately, the LNA wants to foster community in our neighborhood and if that means taking a different approach so more neighbors can get involved it's worth a conversation. If we know the barriers that keep people from raising their hands, we can work to remove them. Offering child care during meetings or identifying volunteer roles that can be performed from home could be simple solutions.

What stops you from volunteering? Is it the time commitment? Are meetings at an inconvenient time? Or is your plate full? I want to hear from you. If we understand the barriers we can do something about them. Feel free to email

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Sydney Bubsy



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President's Letter

A message from the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association President David Tunley

Hello Neighbors,

After more than two years of virtual meetings, the LNA Meetings and events are finally back in person!

We are very excited to host in-person neighborhood events and meet face to face again. I want to remind you all that the LNA boarding elections will be on May 10th at the Laurelhurst Club. I encourage neighbors to get out and vote for board members. The board is the official acting body of our neighborhood association and works hard to improve the livability of our community. We are always looking for new volunteers who want to get involved and help with neighborhood projects and initiatives.

This is my last statement as LNA President. It has been a pleasure working with all the outstanding board members and serving this neighborhood. I wish you all the very best in the future. Keep up the good work, everyone!

Take care, David Tunley

Letters to the Editor.

Got something on your mind? We want to hear from you. Send an email to laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com to share your thoughts.

You can also submit an article for consideration for the LNA newsletter. Preference is given to submissions with local interest to the neighborhood and the editor reserves the right to decline submissions that don't meet editorial standards.

Local businesses are invited to place ads. Email ads.laurelhurst@gmail.com for pricing.

LNA to hold Safety Summit May 17th

By TJ Tunley, LNA Safety Chair

The recent LNA Safety Survey revealed anger, frustration and fear regarding the perceived decline in safety and livability of Laurelhurst. We hear you. The LNA Safety Committee has found city representatives who can answer your concerns and provide knowledge and tips to enhance your safety. Due to the volume and complexity of these issues, one meeting is not sufficient. Topics covered at the LNA meeting, May 10th include problems with 911, Fire Bureau response and parking enforcement.

The Safety Summit, May 17th will focus on police response, encounters with people suffering mental health crisis and crime prevention. Our guest speakers will be Matt Jacobsen, Neighborhood Response Team Sargent, Police Officer Chase Bryson with the Behavioral Health Unit and crime prevention specialists. We encourage all to gather with neighbors both nights and learn what we can do to reduce crime and fear in our beloved neighborhood. The Safety Summit is Tuesday, May 17th at 7 PM at the Laurelhurst Club, 3721 SE Ankeny Street.

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Diversity and Inclusion in Laurelhurst

By Karly Hand, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Coordinator

IDEA Laurelhurst is the LNA's committee committed to advocating for inclusion, diversity, equity, access, and social justice within our community. In our monthly Zoom meetings, we seek opportunities to educate ourselves, elevate voices of under-served communities, and build pathways to equity and access within our neighborhood for all. We are currently planning our Summer and Fall programming and would love your input! To be added to our meeting, please email <code>DEILaurelhurst@gmail.com</code>.



Garage Sale 2019 from Rhett Acelar, youtube video

Laurelhurst Yard Sale back by popular demand

By Shar Ainsworth, Laurelhurst Yard Sale Chair

Start sorting your pandemic purchases and decluttering your closets, attics, basements, and garages, after a brief hiatus, the Annual Laurelhurst Yard Sale is back on Saturday, June 18. Minimalize your life while supporting the Laurelhurst Arches Maintenance and Repair Fund.

Registration is \$25 for a single-family registration and \$35 for a multifamily registration. Registration includes inclusion in the exclusive listing of sale locations and inventory, rental of an attractive lawn sign and that good feeling you get when you support your neighborhood.

Also, a great opportunity to volunteer to help distribute signs on June 17, 2022 and pass out sale location maps on June 18, 2022.

Contact Shar Ainsworth at **sharflores@yahoo.com** to register and for any questions.

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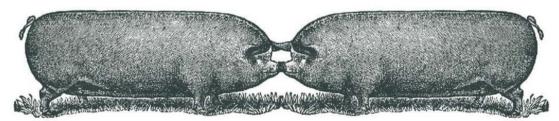
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Candidate Statements

Candidates for LNA Board of Directors share their positions on issues facing the neighborhood



Board elections will be held in person at the annual LNA general membership meeting May 10th

Candidate for LNA President: Kayleen Kursterer

My name is Kayleen Kusterer and I have had the honor and privilege to serve as the LNA Vice President for the past year. I am seeking the office of LNA President to continue the important work started on neighborhood issues. My husband and I have lived in the SE Quadrant for 30 years and I am committed to help preserving Laurelhurst as one of the best places to live in Portland.

Among the highlights of my work as your vice president is committee chair of The Laurelhurst Club. The newly reopened Laurelhurst Club hosted several community events and has been a rental success. As committee chair, it is my responsibility to ensure the club is operational, report to the board, and ensure financial budgets are created, approved, and monitored. With the help of a dedicated committee, the Laurelhurst Club is a true treasure in our neighborhood.

I have also been an active member of the Laurelhurst Safety Committee for the past two years. This commitment has involved multiple meetings with city officials and agencies tasked with public safety. I have provided written and verbal testimony to city hall on issues that affect our neighborhood.

On April 21 st the LNA hosted a candidate forum for City Commission Position No. 3. As the LNA vice president, I organized this event to meet and hear the candidates' platforms and vision for Portland's future.

I had a 30-year career at a Fortune 500 company as senior director of a large, complex, profitable, and dynamic business. I am results driven, believe in collaboration, transparency, open communication, and data informed decision making. Currently, I am a business consultant and executive coach.

Strong neighborhood associations are a crucial part of creating and maintaining a thriving, livable, and safe Portland. My professional experience, community service work, love for the neighborhood, and experience serving on the LNA board make me well qualified. I look forward to the opportunity to be the next LNA President.

Candidate for LNA Vice President: TJ Browning

Over the 30 years living in Laurelhurst, it has been my pleasure to serve the neighborhood association in many capacities; newsletter editor, quad rep, newsletter delivery, worked to gain historic designation,

Candidate for LNA Vice President (continued)

transportation rep, LNA picnic coordinator, Bylaw Committee and currently as At-Large LNA Board member. Motivated by a great love of this neighborhood, a tenacious work ethic and a natural tendency to step in where needed, I am now running for Vice President of the LNA. It is the responsibility of the VP to run a LNA meeting if the president is unable to attend. I am very experienced at running meetings and know Robert's Rule of Order quite well. More importantly, the VP only having one primary responsibility will allow me to continue the work as LNA Safety Chair. Additionally, my election as VP will enable timely Safety Committee updates and easy coordination with the LNA Board.

The LNA Safety Chair require many hours of work battling for improved livability and safety for all of Laurelhurst. I spend countless hours listening to neighbors' concerns, relaying those concerns to the appropriate agency or elected official, meeting with city hall and agencies, doing media, reaching out to other neighborhoods, testifying before city council and researching policy and programs. I value organization and work hard alongside my dedicated committee members. We have won some battles along the way but will continue to seek solutions for a safer Laurelhurst.

Decades of neighborhood involvement and a seven-year record as an ardent safety advocate are why I deserve vour vote for LNA Vice President.

I will continue to work hard on behalf of our community. It is a labor of love. Please vote for TJ Browning for Vice President.

Candidate for Secretary: Jim Edelson

I have been honored to be on the Neighborhood Association Board for over a decade and to have served as Secretary for the past five years. There have been many accomplishments and challenges over this time, but I want to continue to make the LNA as effective as possible in serving the needs of our neighbors. LNA has been granted new opportunities with the gracious donation of the Laurelhurst Club which I think will enhance livability in Laurelhurst. I have professional experience with public meetings that I have brought to the job of Secretary, and look this year to provide more accessibility to LNA's documents on the web. Continued on the next page



Candidate for Secretary (continued)

I am also an alternate LNA representative to the Providence Medical Center Good Neighbor Advisory Committee, and participate on their Transportation Working Group on behalf of LNA. I also want to help increase LNA's effort towards making the neighborhood association as open and welcoming as possible to all existing residents, and to those who have recently moved into the neighborhood.

Candidate for Treasurer: Fred Cooper

Why Do I Want to Serve Another Term: I am fully committed to the values of the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association and am willing to do my part to enhance its financial stability and enable broader resources to its residents.

My Qualifications: I have served as LNA's Treasurer for the last two years and am actively involved in all of the activities the organization has been able to offer during the Pandemic. Prior to being on the Board, I was part of the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Emergency Team (LNET) for twenty years. Since taking on the Treasurer position, I have worked to formalize LNA's financial recordkeeping using computerized software; served on the ad hoc committee to acquire the Laurelhurst Club; obtained a bank letter of credit for operating the Laurelhurst Club; was successful in obtaining a partial property tax exemption for the organization; participated in Laurelhurst Park cleanup activities; served as the representative for Laurelhurst on Multnomah County's Citizen Task Force for the Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge Replacement Project (a very challenging and important project to eastside residents); and performed other duties for which the Treasurer is responsible.

With regard to LNA's financial matters, I think I have demonstrated that I am a responsible treasurer. I also have ten years of experience on the finance committee and two years as president for a major international water non-profit, and I am a retired professional service business owner. So, I have considerable knowledge of accounting practices, financial reporting, and state & amp; federal filings for nonprofits.

What are the Most Important LNA Issues: The LNA Treasurer interacts and coordinates with all LNA committees and activities. I consider our proactive work on safety and pedestrian and bicycle crossings of major streets to be very important. There are still issues and potential conflicts with city and state historic district programs as well as urban infill.

Candidate for Treasurer (continued)

Homelessness is a chronic problem in Portland and our park and certain neighborhood streets have incurred problems that need to be resolved.

What Do I Like Most About Living In Laurelhurst? Laurelhurst is a very special place to live, to spend time outdoors, to enjoy knowing and chatting with neighbors, and to simply walk.

Candidates for At-Large Representative: Ru Budhi

My name is Ru Budhi, and I am running for the At-Large (General Neighborhood) Representative position since I would like to help preserve Laurelhurst's historic charm for the next century. As an active multifamily investment advisor, I bring relevant business and political connections to serve our community. My family moved into Laurelhurst in October 2020 because we love the area's large deciduous trees and unique old homes. During our first couple of weeks here, our new neighbors brought us baked goods, homemade caramels, and Oregon wine-- which surprised us since we thought that kind of generosity only happened in a bygone era. It was then when I realized that the best parts of the past are still alive in this neighborhood, so I want to be involved in protecting its turn-of-the century culture.

I oppose all infill projects, especially those with uninspired architecture since they are incongruous with the more interesting single-family homes. A modern boxy duplex next to a 1930s bungalow, to me, does not have the harmonious effect of futuristic glass pyramids standing by the Louvre. Vote for me, and I will help keep Laurelhurst intact for future generations, as well as address the park's immediate safety concerns.

Candidates for At-Large Representative: Tom Johnson

My name is Tom Johnson and I'm a candidate for the At-Large board position. I am a retired architect and I've lived in Laurelhurst for 20 plus years. I have been a board member previously and I'm currently on the Laurelhurst Club and Arches committees. I served earlier on the Historic District Committee and was previously the chairman of a historic district commission in another city.

We are privileged to live in a beautiful and historic neighborhood and the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association has contributed to the preservation and enhancement of our neighborhood since its inception.



Candidate Statements Continued



Candidates for At-Large Representative: Tom Johnson (continued)

With the acquisition of the Laurelhurst Club we now have a grand opportunity to continue that work on a larger scale while providing our neighbors with a venue for other varied endeavors. It is also important to continue our vigilance concerning historic district and safety issues that affect the neighborhood.

I am excited about continuing my work in the neighborhood and hope you will give me your vote. Thank you.

Candidate for District Coalition Representative: Jan McManus

My name is Jan McManus. I am running for re-election as the LNA Neighborhood Coalition representative. I have lived in Laurelhurst for more than 3 decades. I am a retired social worker. I believe strongly in the importance of engaging as many neighbors as possible in continuously striving to make our City work better for all Portlanders.

In the past 12 months, I have served on the Laurelhurst Club Committee. Despite the limitations imposed by the pandemic, the Laurelhurst Club Committee--and our wonderful club managers Cindy and Tyler Thompson-have stabilized the Club's finances so that it is not only paying its own way but is generating funds to pay back initial loans that were taken out on its behalf by the LNA. I am also proud to be part of a small group of neighbors who have formed the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access (IDEA) Committee of the LNA. This Committee is in the process of planning its goals and objectives for the coming year. If re-elected, I plan to continue serving on these two LNA Committees, as well as continue participating in the Southeast Uplift Board meetings and Houselessness Action Committee as your neighborhood representative.

Candidate for NW Quad Representative: Michelle Druce

Greetings Laurelhurst neighbors, my name is Michelle Druce and I am seeking your support to serve as your NW Quad Rep. My husband (Tracy Nichols) and I have lived in Laurelhurst since 1990. I previously served as the LNA Treasurer from 1996 – 1999 and LNA Transportation Chair from 1996 –- 2001. Our community is facing many important and difficult challenges and I'd like to serve our neighborhood and the LNA Board in addressing solutions. As a neighborhood community, we need to make our voices heard and ensure that elected representatives work for us. I will contribute my experience as an organized leader that gets things done and as a proactive problem-solver.

Candidate for NW Quad Representative: Michelle Druce (continued)

In my professional life, I am a financial services compliance attorney. I am also passionate about consumer justice issues and serve as Treasurer on the Oregon Consumer League Board and as a consumer representative on the Division of Financial Regulation Insurance Advisory Committee. I am ready to step up again to serve the LNA.

Candidate for SE Quad Representative: Abigail Smock

I moved to Portland with my young family Summer 2020 from New York City. We bought our first home in Laurelhurst; putting our life savings into buying our "dream house" and excited about the opportunity to raise our children in a safe, beautiful and inclusive community.

Within the first few weeks, we felt the warm welcome of our neighbors. I look to carry on the values of strong community building that our long time residents have shown us, while providing a new perspective to the board.

Professionally, I've been working for a children's humanitarian organization for the last 8+ years in philanthropy and communications and look forward to applying my knowledge and skill set to the issues addressing our neighborhood and city at large.

Candidate for SW Quad Representative: Steve Rebischke

My name is Steve Rebischke, I live in the SW Quad. Laurelhurst is a great place to live, a family friendly neighborhood. We know all our neighbors and we look out for each other. When one needs help, I do not mind giving some time and effort. I think this is what will keep Laurelhurst special.

Throughout the many years of living in the Laurelhurst I have volunteered for multiple Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association's projects. It began when the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association picnic needed help. My wife and kids loved the annual picnic, I was glad to help. I have helped clean up the park after the city clears a homeless camp. I became a part of the LNA efforts to rehab and maintain the Laurelhurst Club building. Finally, last year I joined the Laurelhurst Club Committee. This was my first time on an official LNA committee and I enjoy it.

You get to know many great people and help build community. Now I am ready to join the LNA board as Southwest Quad Rep. Please vote for me as SW Quad Rep.

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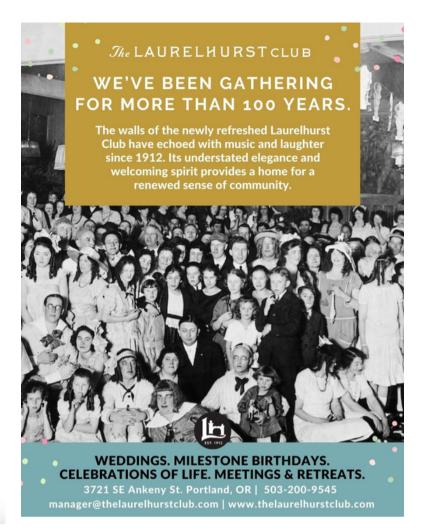
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WeShine thanks Laurelhurst neighbors

By Janet McManus, WeShine Executive Director Many thanks to the over 30 Laurelhurst neighbors who have reached out and shared their time, talents and/or charitable donations with WeShine. These neighbors support WeShine's mission to build and operate a coordinated network of neighborhood-based microvillages with wraparound services to provide shelter to some of the most underserved elements of the Portland area's unhoused population.

Laurelhurst neighbors who have volunteered their time and talents (aka elbow grease!) include – among others – a former architect, city planner, charitable funds developer, psychiatrist, social worker, wood craftsman, engineer and a current social sciences academic researcher.

WeShine has neither asked for nor received any support or endorsement from the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association. However, WeShine's founders live in the Laurelhurst, Kerns and Sullivan's Gulch neighborhoods and all seek to engage as many neighbors as possible in WeShine's mission.

Neighbors have given freely to WeShine. To date, WeShine has received approximately \$60,000 in charitable contributions. Further, with the generous help of ZRZ Realty and approximately 15 volunteers, WeShine purchased the materials to build and paint the sleeping pods for its first village inside the Zidell Bargehouse at South Waterfront.

The Multnomah County Joint Office of Homeless Services has approved funding for WeShine's establishment of its first micro-village, Parkrose Community Village, in Spring 2022. Contract negotiations for this first WeShine site are currently underway.

The Joint Office has also approved funding for a second village whose construction will likely begin in Summer 2022. WeShine is closing in on a site in an inner southeast Portland neighborhood. The second site's location will be announced following finalization of the agreement. For further information regarding WeShine see: weshinepdx.org or contact Jan McManus at Jan@weshinepdx.org or 503.970.2984.

If you want to learn more, donate, or volunteer your services, please visit the website or call Executive Director Jan McManus at 503-970-2984 or email her at janettmcmanus@gmail.com.



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Building a village for local families

By Cindy Pineo, Laurelhurst neighbor

Laurelhurst resident Tara Sawyer is on a mission to provide safe, authentic environments for parents and their children. She is the parent coach of Pea Pod Playschool, a family co-op for toddlers, and the director of Shazaam, an organization that runs camps and classes for kids ages 5 to 14. These programs create opportunities for parents and kids to be understood and valued within a group. As we slowly emerge from the Covid-19 pandemic, these opportunities to cultivate community are more crucial than ever.

Tara has always been interested in community. She grew up in a big family in rural Pennsylvania where she had lots of space to run and roam, cousins to play with, and houses where she could find respite and a meal. This balance between safety and freedom gave Tara a strong sense of belonging and allowed for personal growth. After moving 3,000 miles away and starting her own family, she felt the loss of the family village. Others, she discovered, felt the same way. In 2015, Tara and some friends started Pea Pod Playschool to address the loneliness and uncertainty that goes along with having young children.

Pea Pod's co-op brings parents/caregivers together to run a playschool that meets two or three mornings a week. Some days parents work shifts in the school; other days they drop off their child and get a break. At the heart of the program is creating community: giving families a chance to build their own village while empowering them with knowledge and support. In monthly meetings, parents take turns talking openly about their children. The group also reads books together about child development and parenting techniques. Tara works in the classroom each day alongside parents to provide consistency and to model respectful conflict resolution. While the time commitment can be challenging for working families, the program is highly rewarding for those who can fit it into their lives. Pea Pod is housed within the Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, a historic building that is home to Taborspace community center. Taborspace has offered a variety of family-friendly classes and events over the years, including Music Together, concerts by Red Yarn and Mr. Ben, and Tiny Talkers. After closing for COVID in March 2020, Taborspace will re-open its coffee shop this spring, operated by Case Study Coffee Roasters. Taborspace is also home to Shazaam, which is offering camps in summer 2022 and dance classes in the fall.

Taborspace is located at NE 54th Street and Belmont Avenue. Visit www.taborspace.org, Pea Pod Playschool is a 501(c)3 non-profit. Learn more at www.peapodpdx.org. For information on Shazaam, visit www.shazaampdx.com. Cindy Pineo is a board member of the Pea Pod Family Resource Center and a parent at Laurelhurst School.



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Families play together at Pea Pod Playschool

Oregon Primary is May 17

LNA planning a candidate forum

On Tuesday, May 17, Oregon voters will decide who they'd like to see on the ballot later this fall. In addition to a host of state and county offices, Laurelhurst voters will cast votes to narrow the list of candidates for three important positions in the City of Portland.

At the time of this printing, Commissioner #2 Dan Ryan, had one certified challenger for his seat: AJ McCreary. Commissioner #3 JoAnn Hardesty has been formally challenged by two candidates, Vadim Mozyrsky and Renee Gonzalez. Currently, Simone Rede is the only candidate to certify for City Auditor.

For more information on the Primary check out the Multnomah County website (multco.us/elections/may-17-2022-primary-election) and the City of Portland website (portland.gov/smalldonorelections/all-about-2022-candidates).

Multnomah County Elections happen on specific dates each year:

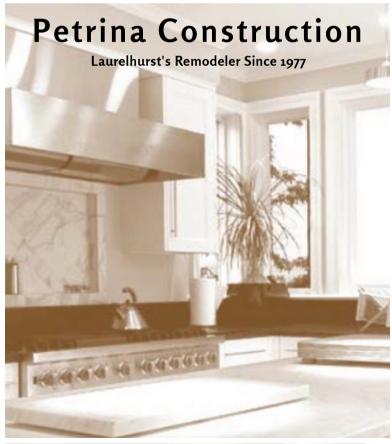
- the 2nd Tuesday in March
- the 3rd Tuesday in May
- · the 4th Tuesday in August
- the 1st Tuesday after the first Monday in November

During odd years, the May special election is the only election with candidate positions scheduled. During even years, the May Primary and November General elections are the only elections with candidate positions scheduled.

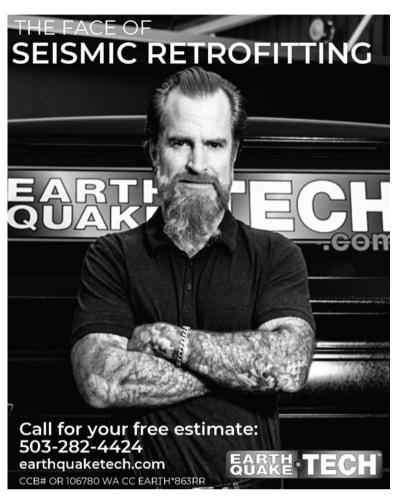
Measures can be placed on any of the four election dates. A recall election date occurs based on when the recall petition was filed.







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Make a difference in your neighborhood!

Call for Volunteers



The Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association needs your help! Several committees need coordinators and volunteers.

Communications

Communication Committee Members

Interested in websites, journalism or social media? The Communication Committee manages the use of LNA's communications channels.

Environment

Trees Committee Coordinator

The Laurelhurst Tree Team seeks to improve the health of our neighborhood trees as part of a larger effort to build community so we all thrive in our urban forest.

History & Preservation

Arches Committee Coordinator

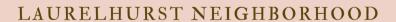
The Arches Committee works to maintain and preserve the Laurelhurst Arches.

Homeless Outreach

BottleDrop Committee Members

In 2021, the LNA Board authorized donating the neighborhood's BottleDrop funds to a nonprofit focused on homeless outreach. Committee members are needed to vet qualifying nonprofits and designate the recipient of the BottleDrop funds donation.

Interested in volunteering? Send an email to lnaboard@googlegroups.com to learn more.



GARAGE SALE

June 18

Bring out your pre-loved items and pandemic purchases. Minimalize your life while supporting the Laurelhurst Arches Maintenance and Repair Fund.

Volunteer to help distribute signs on June 17 and pass out sale location maps on June 18. Contact Shar Ainsworth at sharflores@yahoo.com to register and for any questions.









New Covered Structure at Laurelhurst K-8 School

By Sydney Bubsy

Construction is complete on the Laurelhurst School covered playground structure. A ribbon-cutting celebration recognized volunteers and donors for their contributions to the success of the project three years in the making. The effort was spearheaded by the Laurelhurst School PTA Playground Improvement Committee led by Carlin Williamson, Pete Kramer and Dave Brokaw. Countlesss school and community volunteers supported the project with their time, talents and donations. Community donors included The Mattress Lot, the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association (LNA) and Martha McMurry & Greg Thomas of The Nathan McMurry Thomas Fund, Inc.

Interested in other ways to support Laurelhurst School? Check out the Laurelhurst PTA (https://laurelhurstschoolptaorg.wordpress.com/) and the Laurelhurst School Foundation (https://www.laurelhurstschoolfoundation.org/).











Treasurer's Report

A statement of financial position, accrual basis, as of December 31, 2021

ASSETS

Current Assets Checking/Savings	
1010 · Key Bank Checking	6,683.28
1030 · Key Bank Svgs-Homeless Support	
1020 · First Interstate Event Checking	20,364.25
1040 · On Point Checking - Arches	12,922.16
1110 · On Point Savings	5.14
Total Checks Other Current Assets	ing/Savings 44,796.40
1220 · Other Receivables	2,150.71
12000 · Undeposited Funds	3,297.00
1300 · Bottle Drop	1,984.58
1420 · Prepaid Insurance	
1430 · Prepaid Property Tax	204.10
1599 · Deposits	411.74

Total Other Current Assets 8,997.94 Total Current Assets 53,794,34

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1,852,900.00
165,353.00
23,560.00
3,133.80
2,038,679.20

Total Fixed Assets 2,038,679.20

TOTAL ASSETS 2,092,473.54

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Lia	bili	ties

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

2000 · Accounts Payable	4,730.67
Total Accounts Payable	4,730.67

Other Current Liabilities

2100 ·	Refundable	Deposits
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2100 · Refundable Deposits	
2110 · Initial Deposit	18,535.00
2120 · Final Payment	2,144.00
2100 · Refundable Deposits - Other	11,136.00
Total 2100 · Refundable Deposits	31,815.00
2300 · Line of Credit - First Interst	25,000.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	56 815 00

Total Current Liabilities 61,545.67 Total Liabilities 61,545.67

Equity

3100 · Net Assets

3110 · Unrestricted Net Assets	2,022,693.24
3120 · TR Net Assets	3,024.65
Total 3100 · Net Assets	2,025,717.89
Net Income	5,209.98

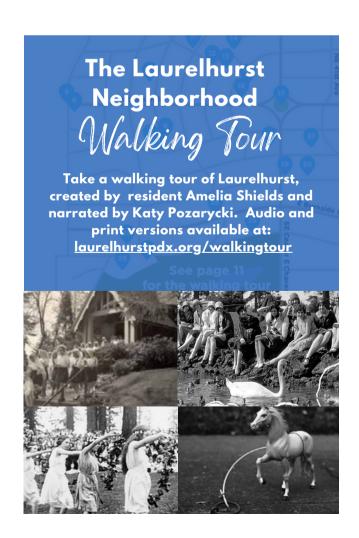
Total Equity 2,030,927.87

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 2,092,473.54

Secretary's Report

Key items from the March 8, 2022 LNA Board of Directors meeting.

- 1. Review/Approval of February 8, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes
- 2. Treasurer's Report Fred
- 3. Laurelhurst Club Update Kayleen reports on solid rate of bookings and upcoming events including Candidate's Forum. Motion to Authorize Laurelhurst Club Expenditures on Candidate's Forum Not to Exceed \$250
- 4. Land Use and Transportation Committee Dan reports on housing project at Hollywood Transit Center. Motion to Approve Dan Turner as Chair of the Land Use and Transportation Committee
- 5. SEUL Update Jan reports on changes in SEUL bylaws and leadership that may benefit LNA, and on new Hey Neighbor monthly newsletter.
- 6. LNA Newsletter Guidelines -TJ discusses need for newsletter guidelines as required by Bylaws. Board discusses issues that guidelines should address. Sydney will discuss with Communications Committee and bring back to Board.
- 7. Discussions on Garage Sale and Conflict of Interest Policy no action taken



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