

Please join your neighbors at the **GENERAL Neighborhood Meeting**

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at 7 pm Elks CLUB - 11605 SE McGillivray Blvd, Vancouver

We have 537 residences in our neighborhood. Can we get 25% of the 537 at our meeting? That's almost 150 people. Let's do it!

THANK YOU GARY ZACNY

Gary has been a dedicated volunteer working for the betterment of the Riveridge Neighborhood Association (RNA) for many years. He is passing the torch to a new group of volunteers, but we can't let him go without a giant THANKS for his service to our neighborhood.

Welcome to new volunteers

Laurie Arndt and Kristie Neshyba have volunteered to take Gary Zacny's place as RNA Chair and Co-Chair. Joe Arndt has volunteered to take a Vice-Chair role. You can contact any of the three at Riveridgechair@gmail.com

Communications

- Did you know the Riveridge Neighborhood Association has a Facebook page?
 - ➤ facebook.com/groups/riveridgena
- Did you know the RNA has an email list for blasting information to YOU just when you need it most?
 - send your address to riveridgesecretary@gmail.com
- Did you know RNA has a website?
 - > riveridgewa.wixsite.com/riveridge-neighbors

Association Newsletter April 2025

Neighborhood Events

Today!

Sign up for email blasts at riveridgesecretary@gmail.com

April

Neighborhood Meeting: April 8, Elks Club

May

Yard Sale May 16-18 Ivy Pull TBD

July

Ice Cream Social TBD (watch a date in an email)

August

Neighbors Night Out (watch for a date in an email)

September 13

Neighborhood Clean- up

October

Halloween Parade

Waste Connections Guest Speaker to Discuss RECYCLING - April 8

Do you get confused about what to put in the green organics bin versus the blue recycling bins? Are you part of Recycle Right? We will get the insider info from Stephanie of Waste Connections on April 8.

A new opportunity: Buy Nothing RNA/Cascade Park

A "Buy Nothing" group has been created by Amber Lathrop (and is replacing a previous group) for Cascade Park and some aligning areas. The service boundaries are I-205 and 164th Ave; from the Columbia River to Mill Plain. Keeping it local, you can offer up items you no longer need or request things you may be looking for.

To join, search for "Buy Nothing Cascade Park, Vancouver, WA" on Facebook and request to join. Spread the word to create a community of giving and sharing.

Biddlewood Park

The city provides and Suzanne Mickelson maintains the Mutts Mitts bag stations. Thanks to Suzanne for supporting a clean park.

Our neighborhood park is in need of ivy and blackberry maintenance. Would you like to be part of the group to cut ivy and trim blackberries? The city will provide gloves and tools or bring your own. Date is TBD. **Watch for signs and/or an email.** Please email Laurie Arndt at <u>Riveridgechair@gmail.com</u> to volunteer an hour or two of your time.

Free tree anyone?

Vancouver Urban Forestry distributes free yard trees through their yard tree giveaway program in the fall. Yard trees are planted on private, residential property in the City of Vancouver. Check this site in June to reserve a tree for fall planting -

https://www.cityofvancouver.us/government/department/public-works/urban-forestry/yard-tree-giveaway-program/

Pop quiz -

How many neighbors on your street can you greet by name? Do you know more dog names than neighbor names?

Reminder - Summer is coming and so are the relatives!

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES and motorhomes, boats/boat trailers, and cars for sale cannot legally park on public streets except temporarily for active loading and unloading purposes. To park a vehicle mentioned on the street a permit is required and is good for seven days. Permits are available at City Hall in the Building Permit Center or online at Recreational Vehicle Permit Form. Return the form to Code Compliance c/o City of Vancouver P.O. Box 1995, Vancouver, WA 98668.

Join the NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE May 16-18

Last year's neighborhood yard sale was *a smashing success* with over 30 homes in the neighborhood participating and an endless flow of customers! In spite of the rain dampening our sales on Sunday, many said they had their most successful sales ever due to the amount of publicity and continuous traffic. Building on last year's success, we will add Friday as an option, and you can pick which day(s) you want to participate.

Here are the details:

WHEN: Friday, May 16th - Sunday, May 18th

TIME: 9 am – 3 pm will be the times promoted, though you can sell whatever hours fit your schedule (which can be noted on the map listing if different)

COST: Suggested Donation of \$10 for participating households. *Free for neighbors who have paid 2025 dues to the association (\$15/year).* Donation includes the signage, maps, individual home listings, and social media marketing.

HOW: email Laurie at <u>riveridgetreasurer@gmail.com</u> She will reply back with further information needed

DEADLINE: Sign up by May 2nd to be included on the map & have signage for your location

QUESTIONS: Email <u>riveridgetreasurer@gmail.com</u>, call or text Laurie at 360-771-9648. Signage will include bright yellow neighborhood signs, bright yellow arrows at the end of each street where sales are being held, # signs for each house, and a map pointing customers to each sale. The map will include your street address (no names), days participating, a category section, and any specific details (such as a fundraiser, alternative sale hours, etc). *We will again provide social media promotion, sale maps, and QR map code.*

Alternatively, if you don't want to host a sale at your home but have *items you are willing to donate* with all proceeds going to the Riveridge Neighborhood Association, please let Laurie know. We will coordinate pick-up or delivery of your items (no junk please) and donate any items remaining after the sale is over.

Please help make this another great event for our neighborhood by either hosting a sale or donating items to the association to sell.

Where would we be without you!

Thank you for investing in the livability of the Riveridge neighborhood. We think it is one of the best neighborhoods in which to live and thrive. As part of your investment, please help to keep us going by paying your annual RNA dues. The ask is \$15.

- You can use the Venmo QR code here or via the website riveridgewa.wixsite.com/riveridge-neighbors
- ❖ You can deliver to Treasurer Laurie Bryson. Make contact via riveridgetreasurer@gmail.com.

A BIG THANK YOU!

April 8 Neighborhood Association Meeting Agenda DRAFT

- ★ New Board Members
- ★ Neighborhood Yard Sale
- **★** Upcoming Events
- ★ Meeting Schedule / Location
- **★** Speaker

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