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North Salmon Creek Neighborhood News

You don't have to move to live in a better neighborhood!"

IMPORTANT REMINDER: The next general meeting of the North Salmon Creek Neighborhood Association will be held at 7PM on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at Riverview Community Bank, 800 NE Tenney Rd. (next to Fred Meyer). See you there!

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Welcome...

Major Construction to hit Salmon Creek starting this Spring...

The NSCNA welcomes Clark County Public Works officials, including

10th Avenue Bridge **Project Manager Troy Pierce**, to our January, 2017 meeting.

On the Agenda will be the discussion surrounding major construction for the 10th Avenue Bridge project, as well as winter weather road



maintenance issues, including use of salt on the roadways.

Don't miss the conversation around these important neighborhood topics.

Join us at the January, 2017 NSCNA General meeting, Tuesday, January 24, 2017, at Riverview Community Bank (next to Fred Meyer).

Visit <u>nscna.SalmonCreekLive.com</u> to keep up with what's happening in your neighborhood!

Major Changes to Association Newsletter Delivery

The NSCNA creates, publishes and distributes five newsletters per year. Of these, three are mailed, and two are hand-delivered. Due to the challenges of coordinating hand-delivery to more than 4,000 households in our Neighborhood, we are forced to discontinue the hand delivery of the two issues each year (these have traditionally been the May and September issues).

We do expect to continue publishing five issues per year. We will still have three issues that will be mailed. Additionally, we will have all five issues available both on the website - www.SalmonCreekLive.com/nscna - as well as available for email directly to your inbox.

To make sure you receive the timely, informative, and important content related to your Neighborhood Association, please sign up for the FREE Neighborhood newsletter.

Get the Newsletter via Digital Delivery!

It's fast - and it's free. Signup at: http://SalmonCreekLive.com/newsletter

Clark County Public Works Expects to Begin Work this year on a Major Infrastructure

The project will extend, widen and improve Northeast 10th Avenue, including building a new bridge.

The current schedule, which is subsequent to change, calls for the county to open construction bids from private contractors in late February or early March and award a contract two weeks later. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin May 1 and wrap up by fall 2018.

Clark County had considered building roundabouts at Northeast 10th Avenue... READ MORE at http://salmonCreekLive.com/10th-avenue-bridge/

Public Works Addresses Salt on Roads

Last month's snow and ice invariably raises questions about how local and state officials maintain roads during winter weather.

For years, Clark County Public Works has judiciously used salt to improve public safety and transportation mobility during winter travel.

The county mixes salt with water to create salt brine, which is 23.3 percent salt. This solution is sprayed on roads as an anti-icer... **READ MORE at**

http://SalmonCreekLive.com/salt-roads/

Sign up for the NSCNA newsletter and be entered into a drawing to win FREE Burgerville Gift Cards.



Thanks to <u>Live! Local Media</u> and the Burgerville restaurants in Salmon Creek and Hazel Dell for sponsoring this program.

Our December winner was... Nick Nalley!

NSCNA Survey Responses Collected

Thank you to all those who participated in our survey, we value and appreciate your feedback. Watch for more information about the survey results in upcoming newsletters and meetings.

The winners of our Burgerville Gift Cards drawing for taking part in the 2016 NSCNA Survey were recently announced...

Rebecca Fritzler Scott Sloan

congratulations Rebecca and Scott!

Email us if you have news, notes or information you'd like to share with the neighborhood:

newsletter@SalmonCreekLive.com

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A Note from **Your** Neighborhood Association Board of Directors

Your opinions matter! All politics are local! Volunteer!

We're sure you've heard these phrases, requests, and pleas many times. Each of us on the Board of your neighborhood association are familiar with them and, with us as well as you, they have frequently fallen on deaf ears.

But your Board has a message for you... the words in these phrases ring true and, for each of us having learned through experience, these words have gained in strength and validity.

The decisions that are made that impact you the most are decisions made by your locally-elected officials: taxes, water, what your neighbors are allowed to do and what they're not, air quality, roads, animal control, how rural land is used and how it isn't, or local parks and how they are managed, where they are placed. Although guidelines come from various State and Federal agencies, the implementation and modifications to them are typically made at a local regional, city or county levels.

Making wise choices involves doing your homework – and staying involved in the conversations. Our NSCNA works at staying in the conversation in order to bring back to our neighborhoods – the grass-roots – decisions that are being made that impact each of your neighborhoods.

In return, it is essential to our local democratic processes that we take every opportunity to learn from you, the residents, and share your opinions with those people who are making impactful decisions. Too often, we hear how impacted citizens "didn't know anything about" the implementation of a decision that is affecting their neighborhoods, their roads, their schools.

You will hear your NSCNA board joining in the chorus of Your Opinions Matter! And Volunteer! We can assure you that doing some homework, stating your opinions publicly and volunteering doesn't take as much time as anyone thinks (unless one chooses to put in more time), but your participation on a regular basis is invaluable. **But even a few minutes here and there can make a difference in a decision which affects negatively or positively.**

This year, Volunteer! Your Opinions Matter! Participate in your local Neighborhood Association.



Friends of Trees (a community tree planting non-profit) is planting street trees at homes in our North Salmon Creek neighborhood (for the 1st time!)

For more information on how you can get a tree for your yard, please visit the website:

http://SalmonCreekLive.com/friends-trees-plant-2017

THANK YOU! To our neighborhood partners at **Wayside Market** and **Starbucks** (next to Fred Meyer) for providing the refreshments for our Neighborhood Association meetings.



We appreciate their generosity and we hope you support them in the neighborhood.

Here We Grow Again...

Join us in welcoming Dale Gaskill as a nominee to the NSCNA Board. Here is a brief bio Dale provided us:

"We are new to the Vancouver area; moving into our house this past July. We have lived in many neighborhoods in the states of Georgia, Ohio, Maryland, Texas, and Iowa. I am retired from corporate life. My husband Jack and I have one grown daughter who lives in California. Living in Vancouver has given us great joy and we see ourselves living here for a very long time. I look forward to meeting each of you at future meetings and functions."

Our 2017 Board of Directors is now open for nominations. Elections take place at the January meeting. Come and be part of the good things happening in your Neighborhood Association. Find out how you can play a role, have fun, and make a difference!

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MEETING REMINDER:

Next NSCNA General Meeting:

Tuesday, January 24, 7:00PM
Riverview Community Bank
800 NE Tenney Rd.
(Fred Meyer Shopping Center)

On the Agenda:

Important Information that affects our neighborhood:

- Major Construction Issue Ahead ...
- Elections ...
- Newsletter Delivery Changes ...

Find out more information inside!

For more information about the North Salmon Creek Neighborhood Association and all the happenings in your neighborhood, please visit us at nscna.SalmonCreekLive.com

