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Celebrate Earth Day

The City of Milwaukie will host Milwaukie's first Earth Day Event on Sat., April 20th. More than 10 organizations from the Milwaukie community are sponsoring volunteers, goods and services to beautify Milwaukie.

8:45 a.m. - Convene & Register at Milwaukie Presbyterian (2416 SE Lake Rd.) *Coffee provided by Starbucks & pastries by Willamette View Retirement Living.*

Project Work Starts at 9 a.m.

- Downtown - *Clean-up & weed-ing along 21st and Main Street*
- Riverfront Park - *Ivy pull & trash collection*
- Kellogg Creek behind the Milwaukie Presbyterian Church - *Ivy pull*

Noon - Reconvene at Milwaukie Presbyterian for a celebration lunch! *Food and drinks provided by Cha Cha Cha Milwaukie and Pietro's Pizza.*

Please pre-register by contacting Beth Ragel at (503) 786-7568 or at ragelb@ci.milwaukie.or.us or by visiting www.cityofmilwaukie.org/volunteer.



MILWAUKIE'S LOCAL LEADERS

The 'Green Team'

"Every little thing we do, or don't do, has an effect," Willamette View resident, and Green Team chair Winnie Thomas explains.

That, in essence, is what drives the group's efforts to employ more sustainable practices within their community of more than 400 residents, and involvement in community-wide events like Milwaukie's inaugural Earth Day event on April 20th.

Through the Green Team's efforts in 2012 alone the Continuing Care Retirement Community just south of Milwaukie recycled 11,154 pop cans, 260 tons of paper and cardboard, 14.2 tons of glass, and about 300 pounds-worth of plastic shopping bags.

Now the Green Team is expanding its efforts beyond their recycling education efforts and programs to include things like energy conservation education and working with the administration to buy cleaning products that are safe for the environment and appliances, light bulbs, and shower and faucet fixtures that are energy efficient.

The Green Team has put together a full schedule of events for the month of April that will raise awareness around sustainability issues and encourage greener practices. The Team expects to turn out about 20 residents for the City's Kellogg Restoration Project on April 20th.

Series snags Dark Horse Comics Prez

The third discussion of The Ledding Cultural Forum features Milwaukie's own Mike Richardson, the founder and president of Dark Horse Comics on April 4th, at 7 p.m. at the Pond House, located at 2215 SE Harrison St.



Richardson founded the award-winning international publishing house in 1986. In addition to producing films such as *Hellboy II: The Golden Army*, *My Name Is Bruce*, and *The Mystery Men*, he has also produced films based on several of his own creations, including *The Mask* and *Timecop*.

The Ledding Cultural Forum is a free series that celebrates the literary arts with public talks by local and regional writers the first Thursday of the month.

Collection event set

This year's Down To Earth Day event will be held on Sat., June 1st from 8 a.m. to noon at the Crosswhite Industrial Park (6641 SE Johnson Creek Blvd.)

The City's garbage haulers will be on-site to accept appliances, scrap metal, yard debris and other bulky items, free of charge. The event is open to City of Milwaukie and Overland Park area residents. Curbside collection for elderly and disabled is available on a limited basis by calling Sherri Dow at 503-742-4463.

Look for the Coupons for City residents in your May water bill!



Spring brings great change

This month's Councilor Column is written by Councilor Scott Churchill. To contact Scott, call (503) 786-7511 or send him an e-mail at churchills@ci.milwaukie.or.us.



As Milwaukie steps into Spring with the blossoming of flowers, one cannot help but think of the seasonal rebirth of our Willamette Valley landscape and the change it brings us each year. As we watch nature bring this change, one cannot help but see and hear another change to our City. Light

Rail Construction is everywhere. The rumble of dump trucks, the pounding of pile drivers, the spinning of concrete mixers, the clearing of trees and the removal of hillsides to make way for a new form of public transportation for the citizens of our City and our county. Light Rail. It will change the Milwaukie landscape as we currently know it forever.

As we watch and observe the contractors, subcontractors, utility workers and traffic control flaggers, I am reminded of the richness of our existing Neighborhoods and the citizens who live here. They are all part of our City and as residents and neighbors, they strive to respect each other as they go about their busy lives. Everyone from Firefighters and Police Officers, young families and retirees, homeowners and renters, City employees and small business owners all work hard to be respectful of one another and to make certain that their work dovetails seamlessly into the rich fabric of our community.

With that Milwaukie model of respect for one another being set by its citizens, I know that the General Contractor for TriMet, Stacy and Witbeck see how essential it is for them to respect the Milwaukie Citizens as they leave for work, drop children at school, walk to the bus transit station or ride their bicycles to downtown. After all, as contractors working on the Light Rail project, they are all guests in the community doing work with our tax dollars and our city general fund contributions. As a guest in our town, I know that they are aware of how important Safety, Security and Courtesy is for our pedestrians, drivers and bicycle riders as they make their way along Harrison, Monroe, Washington and Lake Road.

So when you see them next, give them a wave or call them at 503 962-2222 to let them know how they are doing. They will much appreciate the feedback.

Help 'refresh' Downtown

"What do you want out of your Downtown Milwaukie?" was the central question posed to those who attended an Open House and Workshop on April 1st, at 5:30 p.m. in North Main Village, 10558 SE Main Street.

The meeting kicked off the **Fresh Look Milwaukie: Downtown Road Map** project – a major initiative to bring the various adopted plans that map Downtown Milwaukie's future growth in closer alignment with the community's vision. The kickoff meeting was the first step in this process, and will be followed by a three month-long community engagement process that will include community conversations with identified stakeholders.

Those interested in engaging in the conversation are encouraged to visit the **Fresh Look Milwaukie** project page on the City's website to learn how to participate.



BE PREPARED

If you need a little extra help to live independently, remember these tips: "Buddy up" with family/friends to help each other.

Buy or make a medical alert tag or bracelet with important info; make up a medical list that includes the names of your doctor, medicines/dosages, copies of insurance cards/important documents.

Be sure to keep at least one week's supply of important medication always available.

Check with fas.org/reallyready/disabilities/index for more info.

Get your garden plot

The plots of the Milwaukie Community Gardens at the Campbell Community Garden and the Open Grounds Garden at St. Paul's United Methodist Church are going fast!



Milwaukie Community Gardens

Only six plots are left and all were snagged last season, so act now to secure your plot. For more information call 503-342-6330.



Luelling or Lewelling?

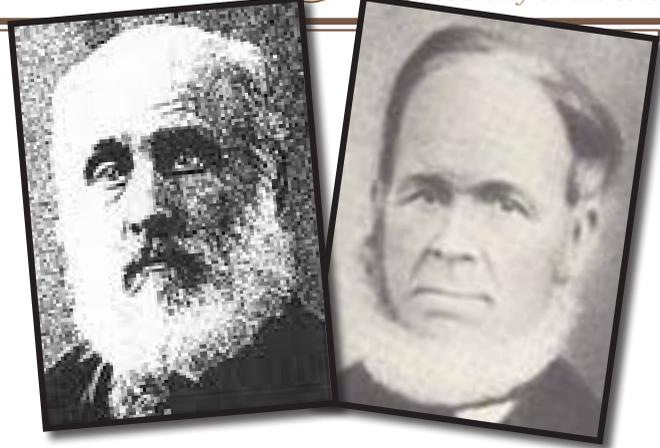
Written by Greg/Frank Hemer

Our neighbors in the North East end of town technically can spell their NDA as Luelling or Lewelling. Just depends on choosing between Henderson or Seth... the Luelling or Lewelling Brothers. Yes, brothers.

In the summer of 1847, Mr. Henderson Luelling left Iowa, bringing across the plains several hundred yearling grafted sprouts of apple, pear, cherry, plum, prune, peach, grape, and berries, and settled in Milwaukie.

Seth Lewelling came west in 1850 and joined his brother Henderson at his nursery in 1853.

So why the different spellings? The family, originally, came from Wales, and in the latter part of the eighteenth century settled in North Carolina. Soon after arriving the head of the family decided to change the name from the usual Welsh style



of writing of Llewellyn to Luelling, for simplicity.

During his whole life Henderson followed the spelling adopted by his father; and so did Seth until as late as 1875 when Lewelling was used in nursery catalogues. Seth adopted "Lewelling" as his spelling of the family name, but "Luelling" was retained by the remainder of the family.

Citizens invited to help update Transportation Plan

The Transportation System Plan (TSP) is the City's guiding document for making improvements related to transportation in Milwaukie. The TSP identifies needs for the following systems: Pedestrian, Bicycle, Public Transit, Freight, Street Network, Neighborhood Traffic Management, Downtown Parking.

The City is required to update a number of the TSP's elements before the end

of 2013, and while making these updates City Council is asking the community to reassess the TSP's project lists to make sure they still reflect the community's priorities. To accomplish this Planning Department Staff is asking interested residents to review the Master Plans for various modes (i.e., pedestrian, bicycle, public transit, etc.) on the City's website, located on the Planning Department

page, and identify whether any projects should be re-prioritized, or recommend any new projects that would address important needs.

At an Open House on April 17, 2013, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church (2036 SE Jefferson St.) attendees will learn about the TSP and have a chance to evaluate the Master Plans for the various modes.

The City Code Corner

Written by Tim Salyers, Code Compliance Coordinator

This month is all about the do's and don'ts of yard maintenance.

DO'S

- Trim your grass and blackberries lower than 8"
- Trim your trees and shrubs at a clearance height of 8' over sidewalk and 12' over the street
- Take your trimmings to a yard debris deposit center or your yard debris can
- Trim your trees so signs can be seen

DON'T'S

- Cut a tree down or work in the right-of-way (that area between the sidewalk and the curb)
- Cut a tree down in wetland areas
- Plant a tree in the right-of-way without a permit

If you have any questions, please give me a call at 503-786-7409.

The Chief's Corner

Written by Bob Jordan, Chief of Police

In Oregon, an estimated 1,004,200 prescriptions go unused every year - 663,000 from residents and another 341,000 from long-term care facilities. Some of these drugs reach Oregon's environment. Others reach those they were not prescribed to.

In partnership with the pharmacy team from Providence Milwaukie Hospital, the Milwaukie Police Department will host a prescription drug turn-in day Sat., April 27th, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Milwaukie Public Safety Building, located at 3200 SE Harrison Street. Designed to raise awareness of the abuse of prescription drugs, and to keep potentially dangerous drugs out of landfills and waterways, the event will allow citizens to anonymously drop off unneeded or expired prescription drugs for safe disposal.

Each Neighborhood Association has a Land Use Chair monitoring applications the City receives. To help track the process, these are upcoming Land Use/Development Review hearings. Dates are subject to

change. Check the City's website for current information.

- **April 9** - Planning Commission Work Plan, Stormwater Master Plan, CCEP overview
- **April 23** - Tacoma Station Area Plan

→ ARDENWALD/JOHNSON CREEK ←

NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:

TUES., APRIL 9TH, ARDEN. ELEM., 6:30 P.M.

WRITTEN BY LISA GUNION-RINKER, MEMBER-AT-LARGE

Spring is on the way with peonies, trilliums, and daffodils making their way forth. This means it is time for the Ardenwald-Johnson Creek Neighborhood Plant Sale!

When: Sunday, April 28th from Noon to 5 p.m.

Where: 3012 S.E. Balfour Street (Near our future neighborhood park)

Please join the Ardenwald-Johnson Creek Neighborhood for their plant sale. Bring your plant list, and plant enthusiasm, and come buy some choice plants to take home. Plants have been donated from some of our accomplished neighborhood master gardeners, and some of our wonderful neighborhood gardeners. This plant sale is a fundraiser for development of a park master plan and will be located near the future new park. (Please bring cash or check only, as there will not be a debit/credit machine available at the checkout).

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa at: 503-754-1655. For more information, also check out our website: www.ardenwald.org.

Also, come join The Friends of Tideman-Johnson Park for our next work party scheduled for April 6th from 9 a.m. to noon. We will be mulching and pulling invasive plants in April! Meet at the bottom of the 37th Street entrance - gloves, tools and refreshments will be provided. More information is always available at: www.ardenwald.org.

We look forward to seeing you at the next neighborhood meeting, and keep in mind that board elections will be coming up this May!



LAKE ROAD



NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:

WED., APRIL 10TH, ROWE JR. HIGH, 6:30 P.M.

WRITTEN BY DEBBY PATTEN, CHAIR

Thank you to all who helped on March 24th with the clean-up, weeding, and planting at Century Park, our traffic circle on SE 34th, and the area around our sign on SE Washington.

We were lucky to have unusually good weather for March! When the daffodils are gone, we will still have some lovely colors in those areas!

As you may or may not know, April 22nd is Earth Day, which is another great opportunity for you to get out with family, friends, and neighbors and make our world a little bit nicer. SOLVE has lots of different dates, times, and places for you to get out there and make a difference. Please check out their website at www.solve.org. I have signed up for the Milwaukie Downtown and Riverfront Cleanup on Sat., April 20th. If that doesn't make you want to go ...!

Don't forget in May you have an opportunity to make a difference closer to home at our NDA. We are holding our annual Officer Elections. I have learned so much working with the NDA and met so many wonderful people in our Neighborhood and the City. I highly recommend it!



HISTORIC MILWAUKIE



NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:

MON., APRIL 8, POND HOUSE, 6:30 P.M.

WRITTEN BY JEAN BAKER, CHAIR

Our Neighborhood has undertaken some very big projects that will be a #10 in the Big Deal Scale in the near and far future. We are asking you to please be a part of them. We are a small group and can not take upon ourselves the decisions that if you knew about, would want to make for yourselves.

Emergency Response:

We are looking for people to work with each other, with pooled effort in search & rescue, equipment, first aid, shelter creation and operation, food resources, child care, and organization. In essence, how to form little communities to work together for mutual benefit during wide spread emergencies.

Review and Revise the City Transportation Plan:

We need volunteers to work with our neighborhood board on the City plan's required update. This is a 25-year-plan that covers streets, sidewalks, bikeways, which streets will be altered to restrict or increase traffic, where we need bus service, park and rides, parking for downtown, all with limited funding sources. We need your help in evaluating the plan from a neighborhood perspective.



ISLAND STATION



NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:

MONDAY, APRIL 8TH, 6:30 P.M., THE GRANGE

WRITTEN BY JOANNE BIRD, CHAIR

The City is doing a Transportation System Plan update, and has decided to include the Neighborhoods in the process. As such, we will be looking for anyone who is interested in taking some time to familiarize themselves with the TSP and report back to the NDA on what they think will impact Island Station. The Land Use committee and the Public Safety Advisory Committee Member (me) will also be involved. Do you think we need more pedestrian access? How about traffic calming? If you have opinions on these matters, or anything else, please come to the meeting and share your wisdom.

We are still looking for someone to set up and maintain a web page or blog site for Island Station. A volunteer with expertise would be greatly appreciated.

We will be discussing Spring Park at our next meeting. Tonia Burns of North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District, which looks after the park, will be there to tell us what's going on with the park and the funding she is seeking to make improvements.

We will also be talking about our grant funds and how we want to spend them both inside and outside of Island Station.

Elections are looming in May. Anyone interested in serving in any capacity is **STRONGLY** encouraged to attend the meeting and letting us know you're interested.



LEWELLING



NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:

WEDS., APRIL 10TH, 7 P.M., LEWELLING ELEMENTARY

WRITTEN BY PEPI ANDERSON, CHAIR

Our fair City is about people and in the case of the NDA it is about being neighbors and looking out for each other. I have a neighbor who sneaks over and trims my small hedge when I'm not looking. It's about relationships!

The NDA associations and City might involve politics such as zoning, code compliance, water bills, light rail, but it is also about supporting the purchase of a new police canine; raising money so we can make sure our children are nourished while at school; giving bikes to school kids; making our high school kids safe by providing a safe graduation party and many others not mentioned. Now there you see a large number of volunteers doing the right thing, helping out!

The request would be to check the schedule; come once in a while if that's all you can do; and foremost, let your NDA leaders know what you want to talk about at a meeting.

There are a lot of plans for the summer going on in most NDAs, Music in the Park; Movies in the Park; Neighborhood Cleanups; Plant Sales. Where can you put in your two cents worth? Call or email your NDA chair and get involved.

HECTOR CAMPBELL

NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:

MON., APRIL 8, 7 P.M., PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

LINDA HEDGES

March was Earthquake Preparedness month in Oregon, and the State has just released the Oregon Resiliency Plan, which outlines the state of preparedness of our buildings, bridges, roads and government to respond to and survive a large-scale earthquake disaster. The short version is that we're not prepared.

It will take months or years for utilities and infrastructure to return to normal following an earthquake or for a tsunami of the scale as the one northeastern Japan suffered two years ago. So it begs the question – how are you and your family prepared to take care of yourselves in a disaster, and for how long? Yes, you should have a 72 hour kit, but many professional emergency responders believe it could be weeks or months until a food and water supply is available.

Information on how you can plan ahead, train, and be ready to survive such a disaster is available at: www.ci.milwaukie.or.us/generalpage/emergency-preparedness; www.redcross.org; www.ready.gov; or www.fema.gov.

Please remember if a severe disaster strikes, there is no magic back-up plan for those who are unprepared. Talk with your family and neighbors. Decide on a comprehensive, affordable emergency plan that will work for you and those you are responsible for - and start putting it in place right away.



LINWOOD



NEXT MEETING INFORMATION:

THURSDAY, APRIL 11TH, 7 P.M., LINWOOD ELEMENTARY

WRITTEN BY LYNN KELLAND, COCHAIR

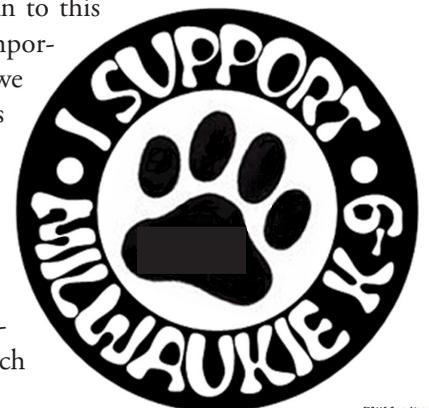
As many of you know the Milwaukie Police Department lost their K-9 Officer last December.

The Milwaukie Public Safety Foundation is in the process of gathering donations from the Citizens and Businesses of Milwaukie to obtain another K-9 for the Police Department.

Please donate what you can to this cause. The K-9's fill a very important role in Police work and we would like to fill this void as soon as possible.

For more information please check out www.milwaukiepsf.org.

Members of Linwood NDA are encouraged to attend the May meeting in which elections will be held.



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Celebrate National Library Week with Food For Fines

To celebrate National Library Week the staff of Ledding Library are offering patrons the chance to swap some food for fines.

From April 14th to 20th, every package or can of food brought into the Library will pay down 50¢ of patron's total fines. Maybe you forgot about that DVD last month and racked up a \$2 fine. Pay it all off with four cans of food.

All of the food that is collected will be picked up by the Oregon Food Bank and distributed within the local community.

Unfortunately, lost materials may not be paid for under this program.

First observed in 1958, National Library week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries throughout the United States. National Library Week is a time to celebrate the contributions of libraries and library workers in schools, campuses and communities nationwide.

It's the perfect time to visit the Ledding Library.

CITY EVENTS CALENDAR

APRIL 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MCH - MILWAUKIE CITY HALL, 10722 SE MAIN ST. PSB - PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING, 3200 SE HARRISON ST. JCB - PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING, 6101 SE JOHNSON CREEK BLVD. MC - MILWAUKIE CENTER, 5440 SE KELLOGG CREEK DR. LED - LEDDING LIBRARY, 10660 SE 21ST AVE. PND - LIBRARY POND HOUSE, 2215 SE HARRISON ST.		5PM CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION, (MCH) 7PM CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION, (MCH)	6PM CITIZEN UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD (JCB)	6:15PM PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, (PSB) Ledding Cultural Forum See Page 1	Pond House Book Store 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Library First Saturday Music Series Charlie Mosbrook
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	Island Station NDA, 6:30 p.m., Grange Historic Milwaukie NDA, 6:30 p.m., PND Hector Campbell NDA, 7 p.m., Public Safety Building	6:30PM PLANNING COMMISSION, (MCH) Ardenwald/J.C. NDA, 6:30 p.m., Ardenwald Elem.	Lake Road NDA, 6:30 p.m., Rowe Jr. High Lewelling NDA, 7 p.m., Lewelling Elementary Milwaukie Poetry Series Reading Pond House 7 p.m.	Linwood NDA, 7 p.m., Linwood Elementary	9:30AM MILWAUKIE CENTER ADVISORY BOARD (MC) Pond House Book Store 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Pond House Book Store 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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	5:30PM LIBRARY BOARD, (PND)	6:30PM PLANNING COMMISSION, (MCH)			Pond House Book Store 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Pond House Book Store 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION (NDA) INFORMATION

ARDENWALD-JOHNSON CREEK
 Meetings held on second Tuesdays
 6:30 p.m., Ardenwald Elementary, 8950 SE 36th Ave.
 Co Chairs, Matt Rinker & Jeff Davis
 Neighborhood Website: www.ardenwald.org

HECTOR CAMPBELL
 Meetings held on second Mondays
 7:00 p.m., Public Safety Building, 3200 SE Harrison St.
 Chair, David Aschenbrenner
 Neighborhood Website: www.hectorcampbellnda.org

HISTORIC MILWAUKIE
 Meetings held on second Mondays
 6:30 p.m., Pond House
 CoChairs, Dion Shepard & Jean Baker, 503-659-4070
 email: jeanbaker.milw@gmail.com

ISLAND STATION
 Meetings held on second Mondays
 6:30 p.m., Milwaukie Grange, 12015 SE 22nd Ave.
 Chair, JoAnne Bird, 503-653-0857
 email: evenstar@hevanet.com

LAKE ROAD
 Meetings held on second Wednesdays
 6:30 p.m., Rowe Middle School, 3606 SE Lake Rd.
 CoChairs Debby Patten & Vince Alvarez
 email: lakeroadna@netscape.net

LEWELLING
 Meetings held on second Wednesdays
 7:00 p.m., Lewelling Elementary, 5325 SE Logus St.
 Chair, Pepi Anderson, 503-320-6577
 email: pepi.anderson6@gmail.com

LINWOOD
 Meetings held on second Thursdays
 7:00 p.m., Linwood Elemen., 11909 SE Linwood Ave.
 CoChairs Lynn & Beth Kelland,
 503-652-8589, email: LinwoodNA@msn.com

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