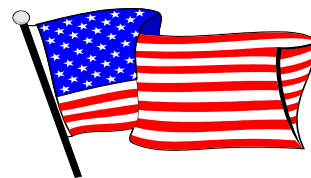


Father Blanchet Park Neighborhood Association



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Neighborhood Meeting

Monday, September 22, 7:00 pm
Trinity Baptist Church
Fellowship Hall
6700 MacArthur Blvd.

Agenda:

- MacArthur Center update
- MacArthur Legal fund discussion
Disposition of funds
- Clean Up/Chipper finalization

Vancouver Police are asking citizens not to keep valuables in their vehicles after a series of car prowls hit commercial parking lots across Vancouver. Over the past month, Vancouver Police have received 28 commercial parking lot auto prowls/theft reports. In many of the incidents, gyms across the city have been hit during early morning and mid afternoon hours, day care centers during drop off/pick up times and restaurants during peak meal times. The thieves are smashing windows of vehicles and taking purses, wallets, cell phones, GPS units and other personal electronic equipment that are inside the vehicle, often within minutes of the vehicle being parked and the driver entering the establishment. If valuables are stored in the trunk, place them inside prior to parking. Police believe the thieves are casing the lots looking for victims they can quickly target. In several of the incidents, the driver has put their valuables inside the trunk while in the parking lot and come out to find their window smashed, trunk open and valuables gone. Vancouver Police are following up on all potential leads, but citizens can assist by practicing these simple crime prevention measures and by reporting crimes immediately. For crimes with no suspect information a report can be done online at www.vanpolice.org or at any of the Vancouver Police Department precincts during office hours. For crimes where there is suspect information, please call 911.

Thanks to those people who helped make our picnic a success this year: Kathy Lamb, Jane Cooney, Nona Smith, Mike Osheroff, and Anne Hogan. Special thanks to Jack Cooney and Welmon Smith for cooking up the delicious burgers. Thanks also to some of our local businesses who donated items for our raffle: Dairy Queen, Starbucks, and the Oxford Club.

Annual Neighborhood Clean Up

Saturday, September 27

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

MacArthur Center parking lot

(MacArthur and Friedel, (SW corner of parking lot)

We still need a few volunteers to help direct traffic. To volunteer for a shift, call Eileen, 695-6392.

Thanks to you who have already signed up to help!

What to Bring: Bulky household items, miscellaneous junk, dry paint cans, yard debris. Wood without metal attached may be disposed of as yard debris.

****You may also dispose of six tires****

What Not to Bring: Household garbage, hazardous waste materials, wet paint, oil, car batteries, refrigerators, roofing tear off, concrete.

Be sure to cut out and bring the attached coupons!

CHIPPER

This year, we will also have a City chipper crew on hand for yard debris. The chipper will be set up at the same location as the clean up. **The chipper will operate from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm.**

Free to us, but not FREE . . .

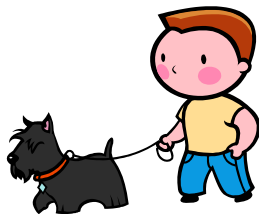
Neighborhood clean ups are one of the perks that are offered to each of the 63 recognized neighborhood associations in the City of Vancouver. The City pays the entire disposal fee for all the clean ups, last year our neighborhood's disposal fees were nearly \$1300. Waste Connections and the city share the cost of the labor for the drivers that staff the clean ups.

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Clean Up Coupons

Please cut out these coupons and bring them with you to the clean up.
Our volunteers will collect the coupons as you use them.
Thank you for keeping our neighborhood clean and livable!

Please, be considerate. When walking your dog, bring along a bag to scoop up after your pet. Not only does this make you a good neighbor, you will also be in compliance with VMC 8.24.140.



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Bert Sewall, Welmon and Nona Smith, Stacey Anliker, John Sullivan, Terry and Cynthia Allen, The Sherrill Family, Shirley Howard, Jack and Jane Cooney, Anne Hogan, Marian Conca, and the Lamey Family

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