<u>Proebstel Neighborhood Association February 2009</u> Newsletter

Notes from 1/20/9 meeting:

Elections were held with 14 members present.

President: Wendy Garrett

Vice president: Mike Cummins & Linda Rectanus

Secretary: Barb Repman

Suggestions were made for upcoming meeting topics, and Pastor Clyde offered to post a sandwich board of upcoming meetings out front of the Proebstel Church. Also a panel group meeting was planned for February 8, Sunday to set up for future meetings.

**Next meeting will be held February 17, 2009 at 7pm at The Proebstel Church.

Presentation on Composting by Linda Rectanus, hope that you can join us.

**For the March 17th meeting we hope to have Holly Gaya, Clark County Community Outreach.

There is a mailed newsletter coming out soon and do you wish to submit an article to be printed?? Please e-mail your article to proebstelnawendy@yahoo.com It could any topic including the resent snow storm, nature sightings, problems that you want others to be aware of, ect.

We love to hear from you and have your article included in the Proebstel NA newsletter.

Medications disposal program for controlled substances adds new location

Vancouver, WA – Clark County's Medications Take Back Program, in partnership with Vancouver Police Department, has added a new collection site for unwanted controlled substances. Controlled substances include prescription medications such as painkillers and tranquilizers.

Residents are now able to safely dispose of unwanted or

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Jim Mansfield, Public Works -Recycling and Solid Waste Phone: (360) 397-6118 ext. 4016 jim.mansfield@clark.wa.gov outdated controlled substances at the Vancouver Police Department's East Precinct. This site joins eight existing law enforcement precincts and stations around the county in collecting unwanted controlled substances.

Controlled substances taken to any law enforcement collection site must be in an original, sealed container and have all patient information either removed or marked out. Qualifying medications are collected Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the following locations:

Battle Ground Police Department 507 S.W. First St., Battle Ground

Camas Police Department 2100 N.E. Third Ave., Camas

Clark County Sheriff West Precinct 505 N.W. 179th St., Ridgefield

Clark County Sheriff Central Precinct 11608 N.E. 149th St., Brush Prairie

Clark County Sheriff Headquarters 707 W. 13th St., Vancouver

La Center Police Department 214 E. Fourth St., La Center

Vancouver Police Department-East Precinct 520 S.E. 155th Ave., Vancouver

Washougal Police Department 1320 "A" St., Washougal

Ridgefield Police Department 116 N. Main, Ridgefield (Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.)

The Medications Take Back Program began in 2003 as a partnership between Clark County and local pharmacies to safely dispose of medications that are unwanted or outdated. Proper drug disposal has emerged as a leading environmental issue.

Non-controlled substances, such as over-the-counter medications, may be disposed of at:

- Your doctor's office. Call first to make sure your doctor will accept unwanted medications for safe disposal.
- A household hazardous waste collection facility or event.
- Participating pharmacies. Medications must be in an original container with the name of the

medicine visible or a container that is not leaking and can be sealed. All patient information must be removed or marked out.

For more collection, recycling and disposal locations and information, visit recyclinga-z.com or contact Clark County Solid Waste at (360) 397-6118 ext. 4352.

Recycle old block foam March 7

Vancouver, WA - Clark County residents have additional opportunities to recycle block foam for free on the following dates:

Saturday, March 7, at the Fisher's Landing Transit Center, 3510 SE 164th Ave. Collection hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The collection at the transit center will accept polystyrene and polypropylene block foam. The foam may be any color,

but it must be clean and bagged/boxed. Plastic wrapped yellow urethane foam or packing peanuts will not be accepted.

A Portland recycling business uses the foam to manufacture pellets that maintain the same quality as new plastic.

The program also allows businesses to bring in small loads, no bigger than what will fit into a passenger or cargo van, at no charge. Larger business loads are directed to Total Reclaim's in Portland during weekday business hours.

Only Washington-licensed cars may participate. All participants must remain on site until staff have examined and accepted the material; unacceptable material will be returned to participants.

If you have questions or would like more information about this program, please contact Clark County Solid Waste at (360) 397-6118 ext. 4352 or Vancouver Solid Waste Services at (360) 619-4122.

Best regards,

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