

Fircrest Neighborhood Newsletter

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- Fircrest NHA monthly meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2010
- Know what's going on in YOUR neighborhood! Last 90 days of criminal activity. Map dots indicate criminal incidents. The pie chart indicates property crimes per 1000 population. Go online: www.vanpolice.org and click on Fircrest or contact Vancouver Police Analyst John Laws at 487-7539.
- The newsletter is now available on Fircrest's very own website! Check out <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Fircrest/home> for great community communication tools—upload YOUR profile today!

Chipper/Clean-up Date Set; New E-waste Rules

The 2010 Fircrest Chipper Day has been scheduled for April 17. Watch here for more info coming soon. The Clean-Up Day is scheduled for May 29th and we'll be calling for truck driving volunteers to come help us with pickups. New this year will be a release form that residents will be required to sign before any items can be picked up. This service is for senior citizens and residents with disabilities. Absolutely no items will be picked up without a resident present at the home. No exceptions will be made. Sorry we cannot be as flexible on this as we have been in the past.

New e-waste guidelines to keep in mind as you collect debris for the day: We will not be able to accept computers, TVs, monitors or laptops as garbage. Oregon passed legislation prohibiting disposal of these items in a landfill, and since our trash goes to a landfill in Oregon, we must comply with the rules. These four items can be recycled for free through the state-wide E-cycle Washington program. Goodwill Stores are one of the places that these electronics can be taken for recycling through the state program. For more information about the program and to see a full list of participating drop off sites, visit www.ecyclewashington.org.

Yard debris will be collected on Chipper Day. Bulky items can be brought to Clean-Up Day. Both events will be held in the Fircrest Elementary School parking lot on 9th St. We will not accept household garbage, concrete, roofing, household hazardous waste, e-waste/TVs or liquids.

More information will be posted in future newsletters.

Upcoming events:

Mar 2: FNA Meeting at Firstenberg Community Center 7PM @ 700 NE 136th Ave. Come at 6:30PM to socialize!

Mar 6: Lu'au at Esther Short Park

Mar 7: Health Fair organized by The Latino Community Resource Center 2-5PM
St. John's Evangelist Catholic Church, 8701 NE 119th St. All are welcome.

March 10: Coffee & Conversation with Evergreen Public Schools Board of Directors 6-7PM Mt. View High School.

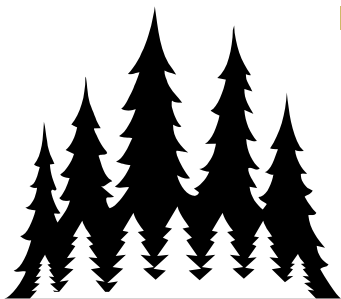
March 20: Fircrest Tree Planting. Call 619-1108 for info.

April 17: Chipper Day at Fircrest Elementary

April 17: First day of planting at Leroy Haagen Community Food Garden.

May 29: Fircrest Annual Clean-Up at Fircrest Elementary School.

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Thank youS

Thank you to Vancouver-Clark Parks & Recreation Department for putting the new community food garden up at Leroy Haagen Park. What a beautiful addition to our park and community! Planting begins April 17th.

Thank you to the Fircrest's Neighborhood Police Officer, Cpl. Charlie Ford. We appreciate and support him as he works to keep our neighborhood safe and livable.

Thank you to Lynna H. for volunteering to coordinate the delivery of our newsletters.

Date Set to Increase Canopy in Fircrest! Hurry to Get a Tree!

The last day to register for trees through the Friends of Trees tree planting is February 28, 2010. Thanks to financial support provided by the City, Friends of Trees is offering trees for your yard or parking strip for \$46.99, an incredible value for a 6-14 foot tall nursery stock tree! The cost includes a site inspection by Vancouver Urban Forestry, hole digging, planting assistance on planting day, mulch, stakes, ties, and labels. All participants are asked to help out planting day. There are many ways to get involved including as a tree planter, crew leader, pick-up truck driver, registration helper and more! **Our neighborhood tree planting will take place on March 20, 2010.** Log onto www.friendsoftrees.org click on Order Street and Yard Trees and follow the prompts. Questions? Call Jesse Batty at 360-619-1127 or email address at jesse.batty@ci.vancouver.wa.us.

March Agenda

We will have a speaker for the Community Housing Resource Center (CHRC) of Vancouver to offer insight into foreclosures. See www.homecen.org for more info.

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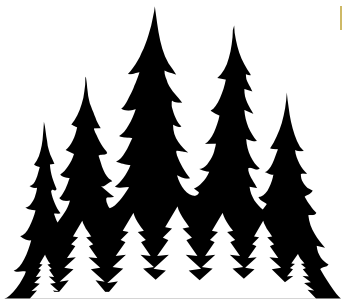
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Hawaiian Cultural Lu'au – March 6, 2010

You're invited!!

Winter weather got you dreaming of a Hawaiian vacation but you can't get away?

You're in luck because the South Pacific is coming to you! On Saturday, March 6, 2010 the Ke Kukui Foundation and Kaleinani o ke Kukui of Vancouver, WA, will host their annual Hawaiian Cultural Lu'au, complete with traditional Hawaiian food and live entertainment. This year's event will offer a choice of lunch or dinner seating. After a meal of authentic Hawaiian foods our guests will sit back and relax as the musicians and dancers of all ages entertain them with songs and dances from the islands of Hawai'i and Polynesia. There will be a silent auction, several raffles, and the Hawaiian Store, and of course refreshing shave ice, a favorite of young and old alike! Ticket prices are \$30.00 to \$40.00. Thomas Jefferson Middle School, 3000 N.W. 119th Street, Vancouver, WA. Exit #5 off I-5.

Visit kekukuifoundation.com for information and tickets, or call Karen at 360-901-8860 or Hilina'i at 360-921-8816.

Proceeds support the Ho'ike and Hawaiian Festival in July at Esther Short Park which is free to the public, and sponsored by the Ke Kukui Foundation.

For additional information, contact:

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County Seeks Technical Advisers for 78th Street/WSU Property

Clark County is seeking people interested in serving on a technical advisory team to help guide operation of its 78th Street/WSU property.

Members' perspectives and opinions will help managers make decisions based on the best available science, goals of partners, and prospects for a sound operation.

Applicants should have expertise in one or more of the following topics: agriculture, sustainability, history and/or archaeology, habitat and wetlands, Washington State [University](#) interests, residential neighbors, and commercial neighbors.

Terms are for two years. Members will meet at least once per quarter. Additional meetings could be called as needed.

Applications are available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in General Services, sixth floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin St., Vancouver, or online at <http://www.clark.wa.gov/78wsu/documents/TechTeamApp.pdf>. The deadline to apply is Friday, March 12. The Board of Clark County Commissioners will select the members.