

Community Involvement Creates Change

April 2012 Edition



### April vote on neighborhood split

By **Cynthia Powers**, secretary & treasurer of Harney Heights Neighborhood Association & **Robin Steely** 

Please attend the April 4<sup>th</sup> Harney Heights Neighborhood Association meeting at 7 PM in the Library at King Elementary. This meeting is especially important as a vote will be held to decide whether we divide the neighborhood and form a new neighborhood from approximately 15<sup>th</sup> street north to Fourth Plain Boulevard.

The main advantage in dividing is that each association may focus on the problems and assets unique to each half. The neighborhood as it stands is very large with a small core group trying to look out for over 5,000 households.

It is a tremendous chore to even try to get the newsletter out to that many households much less focus meetings on an area that is this diverse.

In dividing the neighborhood it will bring the numbers closer to 2500 in each neighborhood. It seems that would be advantageous to both neighborhoods in that it will allow focus to be placed on a smaller area and therefore solutions can be more concentrated and fitting with what the neighbors in each area are asking their neighborhoods to be.

There will be a core group willing to share their experience with the newly forming neighborhood in order to get it off to a good start.

> Our Next Harney Heights Neighborhood Meeting

> > Wednesday
> >
> > April 4th

7 pm at King Elementary 4801 Idaho Street

~April Meeting Guest Speaker~

Port of Portland airport noise management, **Jerry Gerspach** 



## Come to the next meeting and get involved!

#### Dates to Remember

May 2: Nominations for officers



**July 11**(changed to 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday this month only):

Election of Officers, Neighborhood meeting and picnic outdoors at St. Helens Park. Bring your own dinner & meet your

neighbors. Harney Heights Neighborhood Association will provide drinks & dessert.

**July 14**(Saturday): **Neighborhood cleanup day**. Yard debris & Chipper 8am-2pm, Garbage, scrap metal recycling & donated items will be 8a-2p at King Elementary School.

#### **Receive Email updates**

To receive important neighborhood communications via email, send your email address to **harneyheightsna@gmail.com** and we'll put you on our list.

Noteworthy uses of the email alert could be an urgent crime or safety issue that quickly gets emailed to you.

## Kindergarten Registration and Readiness

Is your 4 year old child registered for kindergarten?

Now is the time!



- All children who will be five by August 31 may register
- Meet our kindergarten teachers & make activities to take home
- Food, fun, and prizes for all!

3:30 - 5 pm, Thursday, April 19th, 2012 King Elementary School

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